AMATH 585 Assignment 7

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1   Problem 1

Consider the conjugate gradient algorithm

> Given x_0, compute $r_0 = b - Ax_0$, and set $p_0 = r_0$.
> For $k = 1, 2, \ldots,$
>   Compute Ap_{k-1}.
>   Set $x_k = x_{k-1} + a_{k-1}p_{k-1}$, where $a_{k-1} = \frac{\langle r_{k-1}, r_{k-1} \rangle}{\langle p_{k-1}, Ap_{k-1} \rangle}$.
>   Compute $r_k = r_{k-1} - a_{k-1}Ap_{k-1}$.
>   Set $p_k = r_k + b_{k-1}p_{k-1}$, where $b_{k-1} = \frac{\langle r_k, r_k \rangle}{\langle r_{k-1}, r_{k-1} \rangle}$.
> Endfor

where A is symmetric and positive definite. We wish to use induction on k to show that the residual vectors $r_0, \ldots, r_k$ are orthogonal to each other ($\langle r_i, r_j \rangle = 0$ if $i \neq j$) and that the direction vectors $p_0, \ldots, p_k$ are A-orthogonal ($\langle p_i, Ap_j \rangle = 0$ if $i \neq j$).
First, it is important to note that because A is symmetric,

$$\langle v, Av \rangle = v^* Av = v^* A^* v = (Av)^* v = \langle Av, v \rangle$$

for any vector v of appropriate dimension. Now, as a base case, observe that because $r_0 = p_0$,

$$\langle r_1, r_0 \rangle = \langle r_0 - a_0 Ar_0, r_0 \rangle = \langle r_0, r_0 \rangle - a_0 \langle Ar_0, r_0 \rangle = \langle r_0, r_0 \rangle - \frac{\langle r_0, r_0 \rangle}{\langle p_0, Ap_0 \rangle} \langle Ar_0, r_0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle r_0, r_0 \rangle - \frac{\langle r_0, r_0 \rangle}{\langle r_0, Ar_0 \rangle} \langle r_0, Ar_0 \rangle = 0.$$

Additionally, we can solve for Ap_0 using the identity $r_k = r_{k-1} - a_{k-1}Ap_{k-1}$ to get that

$$\langle p_1, Ap_0 \rangle = \langle r_1 + b_0 r_0, (r_0 - r_1)/a_0 \rangle = \frac{1}{a_0}(\langle r_1, r_0 \rangle - \langle r_1, r_1 \rangle + b_0 \langle r_0, r_0 \rangle - b_0 \langle r_0, r_1 \rangle)$$

$$= \frac{1}{a_0}\left(-\langle r_1, r_1 \rangle + \frac{\langle r_1, r_1 \rangle}{\langle r_0, r_0 \rangle} \langle r_0, r_0 \rangle\right) = 0.$$

Having shown that $\langle r_1, r_0 \rangle = \langle p_1, Ap_0 \rangle = 0$, let us use this as our base case and apply induction on k. Namely, we assume that the residual vector r_k is orthogonal to all previous residual vectors ($\langle r_k, r_j \rangle = 0$ for all $j < k$) and that the direction vector p_k is A-orthogonal to all previous direction vectors ($\langle p_k, Ap_j \rangle = 0$ for all $j < k$). We then wish to show that the residual vector r_{k+1} is orthogonal to all previous residual vectors ($\langle r_{k+1}, r_j \rangle = 0$ for all $j < k+1$) and that the direction vector p_{k+1} is A-orthogonal to all previous direction vectors ($\langle p_{k+1}, Ap_j \rangle = 0$ for all $j < k+1$).

To go about doing this, we first establish two identities. First,

$$\langle p_k, Ap_k \rangle = \langle r_k + b_{k-1}p_{k-1}, Ap_k \rangle = \langle r_k, Ap_k \rangle + b_{k-1}\langle p_{k-1}, Ap_k \rangle$$
$$= \langle r_k, Ap_k \rangle + b_{k-1}\langle \cancel{Ap_{k-1}, p_k} \rangle = \langle r_k, Ap_k \rangle.$$

Now, we recursively apply our definitions to find that

$$\langle r_k, p_k \rangle = \langle r_k, r_k + b_{k-1}p_{k-1} \rangle = \langle r_k, r_k \rangle + b_{k-1}\langle r_k, p_{k-1} \rangle$$
$$= \langle r_k, r_k \rangle + b_{k-1}\langle r_k, r_{k-1} + b_{k-2}p_{k-2} \rangle$$
$$= \langle r_k, r_k \rangle + b_{k-1}\langle r_k, r_{k-1} \rangle + b_{k-1}b_{k-2}\langle r_k, r_{k-2} + b_{k-3}p_{k-3} \rangle = \ldots$$
$$= \langle r_k, r_k \rangle + b_{k-1}\langle \cancel{r_k, r_{k-1}} \rangle + \ldots + b_{k-1}\cdots b_1 \langle \cancel{r_k, r_1} \rangle + b_{k-1}\cdots b_0 \langle r_k, p_0 \rangle$$
$$= \langle r_k, r_k \rangle + b_{k-1}\cdots b_0 \langle \cancel{r_k, r_0} \rangle = \langle r_k, r_k \rangle.$$

Using these, we now show the necessary orthogonality properties between the $(k+1)$st and kth vectors.

$$\langle r_{k+1}, r_k \rangle = \langle r_k - a_k Ap_k, r_k \rangle = \langle r_k, r_k \rangle - a_k \langle Ap_k, r_k \rangle$$
$$= \langle r_k, r_k \rangle - \frac{\langle r_k, r_k \rangle}{\langle p_k, Ap_k \rangle} \langle r_k, Ap_k \rangle$$
$$= \langle r_k, r_k \rangle - \frac{\langle r_k, r_k \rangle}{\langle r_k, Ap_k \rangle} \langle r_k, Ap_k \rangle = 0.$$

We also use this and solve for Ap_k using the identity $r_k = r_{k-1} - a_{k-1}Ap_{k-1}$ to get that

$$\langle p_{k+1}, Ap_k \rangle = \langle r_{k+1} + b_k p_k, Ap_k \rangle = \langle r_{k+1}, Ap_k \rangle + b_k \langle p_k, Ap_k \rangle$$
$$= \langle r_{k+1}, (r_k - r_{k+1})/a_k \rangle + b_k \langle r_k, Ap_k \rangle$$
$$= \frac{1}{a_k}(\langle \cancel{r_{k+1}, r_k} \rangle - \langle r_{k+1}, r_{k+1} \rangle) + b_k \langle r_k, (r_k - r_{k+1})/a_k \rangle$$
$$= \frac{1}{a_k}(-\langle r_{k+1}, r_{k+1} \rangle + b_k \langle r_k, r_k \rangle - b_k \langle \cancel{r_k, r_{k+1}} \rangle)$$
$$= \frac{1}{a_k}\left(-\langle r_{k+1}, r_{k+1} \rangle + \frac{\langle r_{k+1}, r_{k+1} \rangle}{\langle r_k, r_k \rangle}\langle r_k, r_k \rangle\right) = 0.$$

Now that we have established these, we consider an arbitrary nonnegative integer $j < k$ and show the necessary orthogonality properties between the $(k+1)$st and jth vectors. Additionally, we solve for r_j using the identity

$p_k = r_k + b_{k-1}p_{k-1}$. However, this only works for $j > 0$, so we make this assumption for the time being and get that

$$\langle r_{k+1}, r_j \rangle = \langle r_k - a_k Ap_k, r_j \rangle = \cancel{\langle r_k, r_j \rangle} - a_k \langle Ap_k, r_j \rangle = -a_k \langle Ap_k, p_j - b_{j-1}p_{j-1} \rangle$$
$$= -a_k(\langle Ap_k, p_j \rangle - b_{j-1} \langle Ap_k, p_{j-1} \rangle) = -a_k(\cancel{\langle p_k, Ap_j \rangle} - b_{j-1}\cancel{\langle p_k, Ap_{j-1} \rangle})$$
$$= 0.$$

Now, if $j = 0$, we have that $r_0 = p_0$, so

$$\langle r_{k+1}, r_0 \rangle = \langle r_k - a_k Ap_k, r_0 \rangle = \cancel{\langle r_k, r_0 \rangle} - a_k \langle Ap_k, r_0 \rangle$$
$$= -a_k \langle Ap_k, p_0 \rangle = -a_k\cancel{\langle p_k, Ap_0 \rangle} = 0.$$

Finally, we now allow j to be zero (or any other positive integer less than k) and use this (as well as solving for Ap_j as before) to find that

$$\langle p_{k+1}, Ap_j \rangle = \langle r_{k+1} + b_k p_k, Ap_j \rangle = \langle r_{k+1}, Ap_j \rangle + b_k\cancel{\langle p_k, Ap_j \rangle} = \langle r_{k+1}, (r_j - r_{j+1})/a_j \rangle$$
$$= \frac{1}{a_j}(\cancel{\langle r_{k+1}, r_j \rangle} - \cancel{\langle r_{k+1}, r_{j+1} \rangle}) = 0,$$

noting that $j + 1 < k + 1$. Thus, we have shown that the residual vector r_{k+1} is orthogonal to all previous residual vectors ($\langle r_{k+1}, r_j \rangle = 0$ for all $j < k + 1$) and that the direction vector p_{k+1} is A-orthogonal to all previous direction vectors ($\langle p_{k+1}, Ap_j \rangle = 0$ for all $j < k + 1$). Therefore, by induction, it must hold that the residual vectors $r_0, \ldots, r_k$ are orthogonal to each other ($\langle r_i, r_j \rangle = 0$ if $i \neq j$) and that the direction vectors $p_0, \ldots, p_k$ are A-orthogonal ($\langle p_i, Ap_j \rangle = 0$ if $i \neq j$).

2   Problem 2

We repeat the experiments on page 103 of the text using Gauss-Seidel and conjugate gradient instead of Jacobi. That is, we build difference equations for the problem

$$u''(x) = f(x), \quad u(0) = 1, \ u(1) = 3,$$

where

$$f(x) = -20 + a\phi''(x)\cos(\phi(x)) - a(\phi'(x))^2\sin(\phi(x)),$$

where $a = 0.5$ and $\phi(x) = 20\pi x^3$ in the standard way as $Au = f$ where

$$A = \frac{1}{h^2}\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & & & \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ & & & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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and

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} f(x_1) - 1/h^2 \\ f(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ f(x_{m-1}) \\ f(x_m) - 3/h^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that the true solution is

$$u(x) = 1 + 12x - 10x^2 + a\sin(\phi(x))$$

and we start with initial guess $u^{(0)}$ with components $1 + 2x_i$, $i = 1, \ldots, m = 255$. To ensure that our matrix is positive definite in order to use CG, we actually solve the system $-Au = -f$ which clearly has the same solution. We do this with the following MATLAB code.

```
phi = @(x) 20*pi*x.^3;
dphi = @(x) 60*pi*x.^2;
ddphi = @(x) 120*pi*x;
a = 1/2;
func = @(x) -20+a*ddphi(x).*cos(phi(x))-a*(dphi(x).^2).*sin(phi(x));
ufunc = @(x) 1+12*x-10*x.^2+a*sin(phi(x));

m = 255; h = 1/(m+1);
x = linspace(0,1,m+2)';
x = x(2:end-1);
e = ones(m,1);
A=-spdiags([e -2*e e],[-1,0,1],m,m)/h^2;
f = func(x);
f(1) = f(1)-1/h^2;
f(end) = f(end)-3/h^2;
f = -f; %need to negate both sides to ensure positive definiteness for cg

utrue = A\f; %true solution to linear system

u0 = 1+2*x;
tol = -1; %ensure tolerance isn't hit so we run all 20 iterations
maxiter = 20;

M = tril(A); %Gauss-Seidel
[~,~,residvec,U_gs] = simpleiter(A,f,M,u0,tol,maxiter);

for iter = 1:maxiter
    U_cg(:,iter) = pcg(A,f,tol,iter,eye(m),eye(m),u0);
end

fprintf(['iterations   G-S L2 error   G-S infinity error   CG L2 error' ...
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         '  CG Infinity Error\n'])
err = u0-utrue;
err2 = sqrt(h)*norm(err);
errinf = norm(err,'inf');
fprintf('    0      %.10e  %.10e %.10e %.10e\n',err2,errinf,err2,errinf)
figure()
plot(x,u0,x,utrue)
xlabel('x'); ylabel('u(x)');
title('Solution at iteration 0 for both methods')
legend('approximate solution','true solution')
saveas(gcf,'initial.eps','epsc')

figure()
plot(x,err)
xlabel('x'); ylabel('u(x)');
title('Error at iteration 0 for both methods')
saveas(gcf,'initialerr.eps','epsc')

for i = [5 10 20]
    u_gs = U_gs(:,i);
    u_cg = U_cg(:,i);
    err_gs = u_gs-utrue;
    err2_gs = sqrt(h)*norm(err_gs);
    errinf_gs = norm(err_gs,'inf');
    err_cg = u_cg-utrue;
    err2_cg = sqrt(h)*norm(err_cg);
    errinf_cg = norm(err_cg,'inf');
    fprintf('    %i      %.10e  %.10e %.10e %.10e\n',i, ...
        err2_gs,errinf_gs,err2_cg,errinf_cg)

    figure()
    plot(x,u_gs,x,utrue)
    xlabel('x'); ylabel('u(x)');
    title(['Solution at iteration ',num2str(i),' for G-S'])
    legend('approximate solution','true solution')
    saveas(gcf,strcat('GS_i=',num2str(i),'.eps'),'epsc')

    figure()
    plot(x,err_gs)
    xlabel('x'); ylabel('u(x)');
    title(['Error at iteration ',num2str(i),' for G-S'])
    saveas(gcf,strcat('GSerr_i=',num2str(i),'.eps'),'epsc')

    figure()
    plot(x,u_cg,x,utrue)
    xlabel('x'); ylabel('Error');
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    title(['Solution at iteration ',num2str(i),' for CG'])
    legend('approximate solution','true solution')
    saveas(gcf,strcat('CG_i=',num2str(i),'.eps'),'epsc')

    figure()
    plot(x,err_cg)
    xlabel('x'); ylabel('Error');
    title(['Error at iteration ',num2str(i),' for CG'])
    saveas(gcf,strcat('CGerr_i=',num2str(i),'.eps'),'epsc')
end
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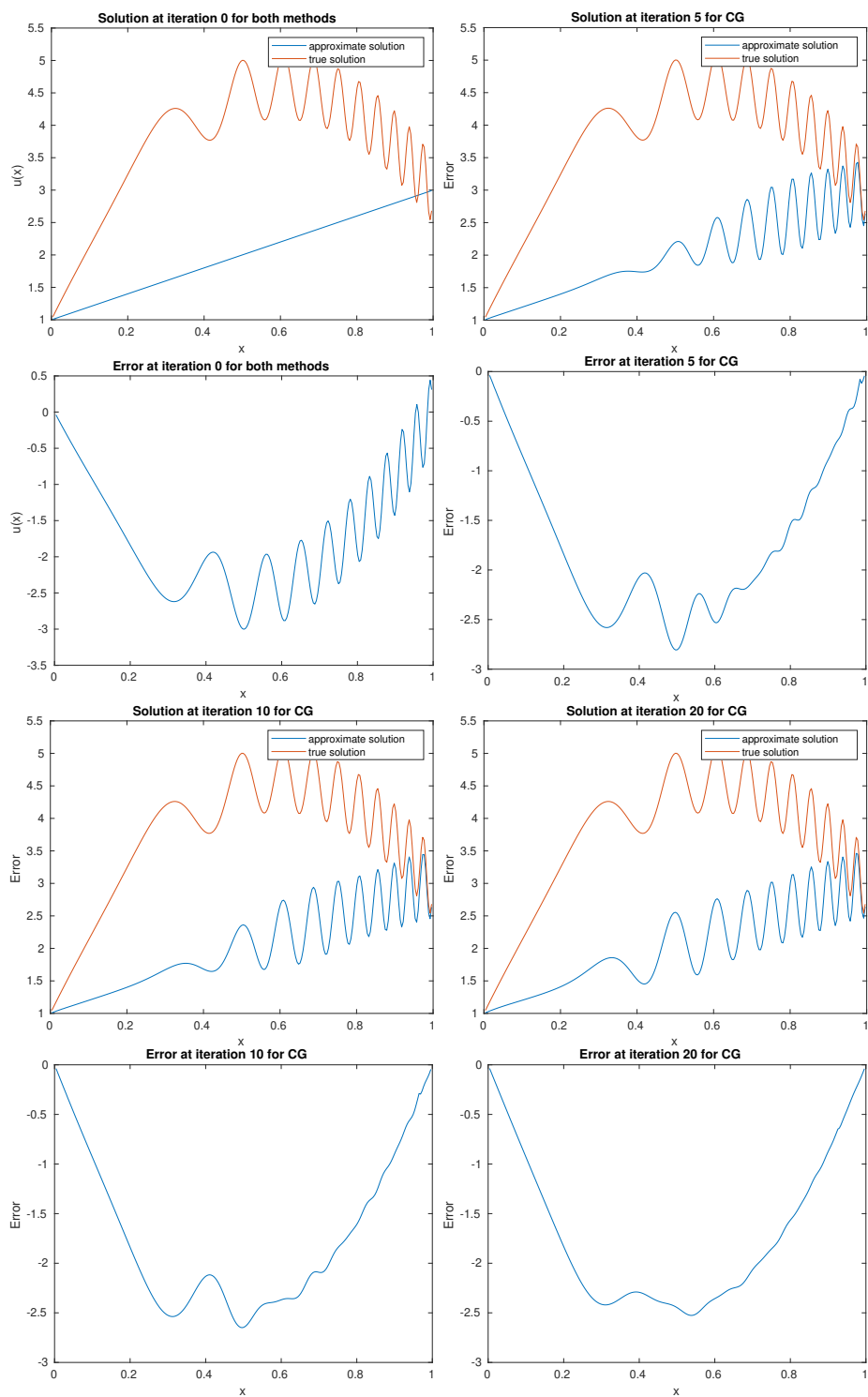
For Gauss-Seidel, we observe the following plots of our approximate solution and error relative to the true solution of the linear system at various iterations.
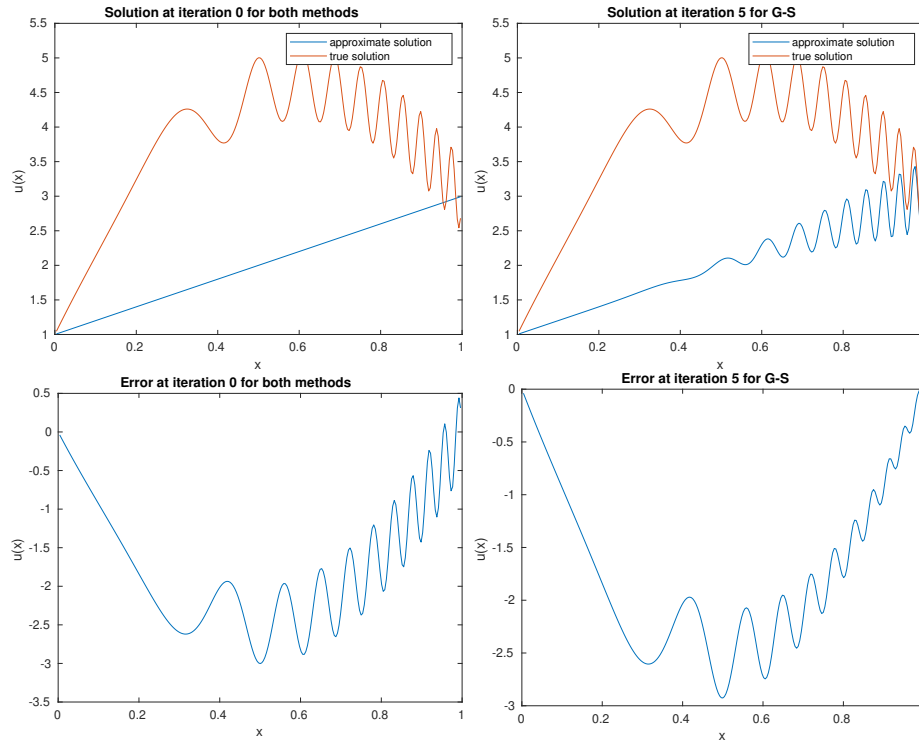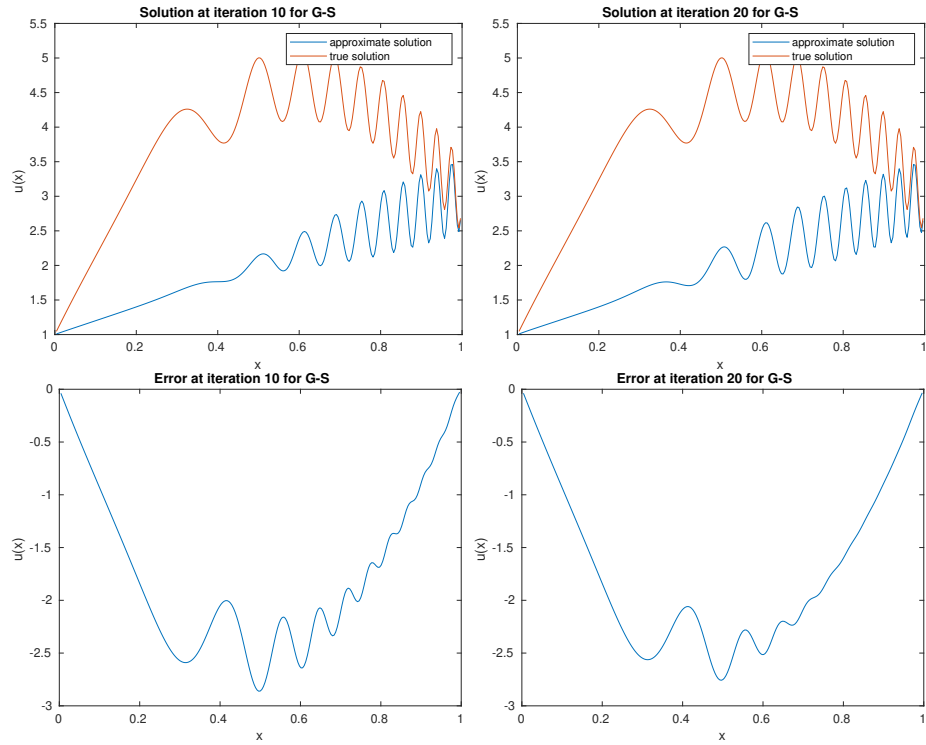
For conjugate gradient, we observe the following plots of our approximate solution and error relative to the true solution of the linear system at various iterations.

The following table gives the error in the infinity norm for each method.

iteration	Conjugate Gradient	Gauss-Seidel
0	3.0015545862	3.0015545862
5	2.8056684895	2.9260272297
10	2.6493059420	2.8612826923
20	2.5260624487	2.7575172522

While both methods do a poor job of solving the linear system, they do appear to do a decent job of capturing the high-frequency portion of the true solution. Thus, they will likely make decent smoothers in spite of their poor performance overall.

3 Problem 3

Using MATLAB, we implement a 2-grid method for solving the 1D model problem with homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$u_{xx} = f(x), \quad u(0) = u(1) = 0.$$

We use linear interpolation to go from the coarse grid with spacing $2h$ to the fine grid with spacing h and the projection matrix I_h^{2h} going from the fine grid to the coarse grid to be $I_h^{2h} = \frac{1}{2}(I_{2h}^h)^T$ and se a multigrid V-cycle with 1 smoothing step on each visit to each grid level where both weighted Jacobi (with $\omega = 2/3$) and Gauss-Seidel are used as the smoothing step in separate trials. For our function f, we use the same

$$f(x) = -20 + a\phi''(x)\cos(\phi(x)) - a(\phi'(x))^2\sin(\phi(x))$$

from problem 2 but note that our boundary conditions now result in true solution

$$u(x) = 1 + 12x - 10x^2 + a\sin(\phi(x)) - (2x + 1).$$

The following MATLAB code serves as our implementation.

```
phi = @(x) 20*pi*x.^3;
dphi = @(x) 60*pi*x.^2;
ddphi = @(x) 120*pi*x;
a = 1/2;
func = @(x) -20+a*ddphi(x).*cos(phi(x))-a*(dphi(x).^2).*sin(phi(x));
ufunc = @(x) 1+12*x-10*x.^2+a*sin(phi(x))-(1+2*x);

tol = 1e-13; maxiter=1000;

for m = [19 49 99 999]
    h = 1/(m+1); %need m odd here
    m_c = (m-1)/2; h_c = 2*h;
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```matlab
    x = linspace(0,1,m+2)';
    x = x(2:end-1);
    x_c = x(2:2:end);
    f = func(x); %randomly generate RHS vector


    % build FD matrix
    e = ones(m,1);
    A=spdiags([e -2*e e],[-1,0,1],m,m)/h^2;
    e_c = ones(m_c,1);
    A_c=spdiags([e_c -2*e_c e_c],[-1,0,1],m_c,m_c)/h_c^2;
    utrue = A\f;

    omega = 2/3; %suggested weight from class
    M = diag(diag(A))/omega; %weighted Jacobi

    u0 = zeros(size(utrue));

    [u,errvec,iter] = vcycle(A,f,A_c,M,u0,tol,maxiter);
    fprintf('Weighted Jacobi converged in %i iterations for h=%.2d.\n',iter,h)

    M=tril(A);
    [u,errvec,iter] = vcycle(A,f,A_c,M,u0,tol,maxiter);
    fprintf('Gauss-Seidel converged in %i iterations for h=%.2d.\n',iter,h)
end

function [u,resvec,iter] = vcycle(A,f,A_c,M,u0,tol,maxiter)
m = length(A);

e = ones(m,1);
Icf=spdiags([e/2 e e/2],[-1,0,1],m,m);
Icf = Icf(:,2:2:end);
Ifc = Icf'/2;

r = f-A*u0;
u = u0; iter=0;
nf = norm(f); %save norm f
resnorm=norm(r)/nf;
while resnorm>tol && iter<maxiter
    %beginning smoothing step
    u = u+M\r;
    r = f-A*u;

    r_c = Ifc*r;
    z_c = A_c\r_c;
    z = Icf*z_c;
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    u = u+z;
    r = f-A*u;

    %ending smoothing step
    u = u+M\r;
    r = f-A*u;
    resnorm = norm(r)/nf;
    iter = iter+1;
    resvec(iter) = resnorm;
end

end
```

We use a tolerance of 10^{-13} (near machine precision) for the relative residual and observe the following number of iterations required to converge to this tolerance for various values of h.

h	weighted Jacobi	Gauss-Seidel
0.05	14	14
0.02	14	15
0.01	14	15
0.001	15	15

Note that this is essentially constant with respect to h, so we achieve convergence to a fixed tolerance in a number of cycles that is independent of the mesh size.

4 Problem 4

4.1 Part a

Consider an iteration of the form

$$x_k = x_{k-1} + M^{-1}(b - Ax_{k-1}),$$

for solving a nonsingular linear system $Ax = b$ and note that the error $e_k := A^{-1}b - x_k$ satisfies

$$e_k = (I - M^{-1}A)e_{k-1} = \ldots = (I - M^{-1}A)^k e_0.$$

If we assume that $\|e_0\|_2 = 1$ and that $\|I - M^{-1}A\|_2 = \frac{1}{2}$, then by the properties of an operator norm,

$$\|e_k\|_2 = \|(I - M^{-1}A)^k e_0\|_2 \le \|(I - M^{-1}A)\|_2^k \|e_0\|_2 = 2^{-k}.$$

Thus, we can guarantee that $\|e_k\|_2 \le 2^{-20}$ by taking $k = 20$ iterations. If we instead have only that the spectral radius $\rho(I - M^{-1}A) = \frac{1}{2}$, we cannot give an

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estimate on the number of iterations required to reduce the 2-norm of the error below 2^{-20}. For a general square matrix B, its 2-norm is given by its largest singular value, but there is no way to bound this quantity by the spectral radius of B. Note that the inequality

$$\sigma_{\min}(B) \leq \min_i |\lambda_i| \leq \max_i |\lambda_i| \leq \sigma_{\max}(B)$$

where the λs denote the eigenvalues and the σs denote the singular values holds, but there is no upper bound on $\sigma_{\max}(B)$, so knowing the value of $\rho(I - M^{-1}A) = \max_i |\lambda_i|$ gives only a lower bound on $\|(I - M^{-1}A)\|_2 = \sigma_{\max}(B)$ which tells us nothing about convergence.

4.2 Part b

Now consider the GMRES algorithm applied to an n by n matrix A with the sparsity pattern pictured below:

$$\begin{bmatrix} * & * & \cdots & * & * \\ * & * & \cdots & * & 0 \\ 0 & * & \cdots & * & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & * & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

where the $*$'s represent nonzero entries. Letting ξ_j denote the jth unit vector, the algorithm makes no progress until step n if the initial residual is $r_0 = \xi_n$. Then, Ar_0 is a scalar multiple of ξ_1 (a linear combination of ξ_1) which in turn means that $A^2 r_0$ is a linear combination of ξ_1 and ξ_2. We can continue this process to find that in general, $A^k r_0$ is a linear combination of $\xi_1, \ldots, \xi_k$. Thus, for $k = 1, \ldots, n-1$, $A^k r_0$ is zero in its nth component, meaning that it must be orthogonal to $r_0 = \xi_n$. This orthogonality poses a major issue. Fundamentally, GMRES seeks to find at each step

$$r_k \in r_0 + \operatorname{span}\{Ar_0, \ldots, A^k r_0\}$$

that minimizes $\|r_k\|^2$. However, we must have that $r_k = r_0$ for $k = 1, \ldots, n-1$. Due to the orthogonality of all other vectors in this span to r_0, we cannot reduce the residual by including them in the linear combination that builds x_k since they only contribute to the components aside from the last which are already zero. Of course, we can do at least as well as r_0 when adding more vectors to our span, so we must have that $r_k = r_0$ which means that $r_0 = r_1 = \ldots = r_{n-1}$. Thus, GMRES makes no progress until step n at which it is guarenteed to solve the system.

One form of a companion matrix is

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} -c_{n-1} & -c_{n-2} & \cdots & -c_1 & -c_0 \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

It is well-known that the eigenvalues of C are precisely the roots of the polynomial

$$f(z) = z^n + \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} c_j z^j,$$

but this is also easily seen by looking at $\lambda I - C$ and computing its determinant via expansion by minors on the first row to get characteristic equation

$$0 = \det(\lambda I - C) = \lambda^n + \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} c_j \lambda^j$$

for the eigenvalues of C. However, we can always construct an nth degree monic polynomial that has n roots $a_1, \ldots, a_n$ by considering $f(z) = (z - a_1) \cdots (z - a_n)$ and determining $c_1, \ldots, c_{n-1}$ by multiplying this product out. Thus, our equivalence means that we can construct a matrix C that has any set of n eigenvalues, meaning that companion matrices can have any eigenvalues. Note that companion matrices of this form have the sparsity pattern pictured above, meaning that matrices with that sparsity pattern can have any eigenvalues. This in conjunction with our earlier proof means that eigenvalue information alone cannot ensure that GMRES converges in less than n iterations.