

COMPUTER SCIENCE 349A, SPRING 2017
ASSIGNMENT #3 - 20 MARKS

DUE THURSDAY FEBRUARY 9, 2017 (11:30 p.m. PST)

This is a really large class and the logistics of grading assignments are challenging. Me and the markers require your help in making this process go smoothly. Please ensure that your assignments conform to the following requirements - any violation will result in getting a zero for the particular assignment.

- All assignments should be submitted electronically through the ConneX course website and should be **SINGLE PDF FILES**. No other formats will be accepted.. Handwritten answers are ok but they will need to be scanned and merged into a single pdf file together with any code examples and associated plots.
- The assignment number, student name and student number should be clearly visible on the top of every page of your assignment submission.
- **PLEASE DO NOT COPY THE ASSIGNMENT DESCRIPTION IN YOUR SUBMISSION**
- The answers to the questions should be in the same order as in the assignment specification.
- Some of the questions of the assignments are recycled from previous years but typically with small changes in either the description or the numbers. Any submission that contains numbers from previous years in any questions will be immediately graded with zero.
- Any assignment related email questions should have a subject line of the form CSC349A Assignment X, where X is the number of the corresponding assignment.
- The total number of points for this assignment is 20.

Question #1 - 4 marks.

Use the condition number $\frac{\tilde{x}f'(\tilde{x})}{f(\tilde{x})}$ to determine whether $\frac{\sin x}{1 + \cos x}$ is ill-conditioned or well-conditioned when,

(a) $\tilde{x} = 1.0005$ radians.

(b) $\tilde{x} = 1.0005\pi$ radians.

Question #2 - 6 marks.

Let

$$f(x) = \frac{(\sin x - e^x) + 1}{x^2}$$

where $x \neq 0$ is in radians.

- (a) Using $b = 10$, $k = 4$, idealized, floating-point arithmetic with chopping, compute $fl(f(x))$ at $x = 0.123$.
- (b) To 4 significant digits the exact value of $f(0.123)$ is -0.5416 , so the computation in (a) is inaccurate. In order to obtain a better formula for approximating $f(x)$ when x is close to 0, use the Taylor polynomial approximations for e^x and $\sin x$ (both expanded about $a = 0$ with $n = 4$) in order to obtain a quadratic polynomial approximation for $f(x)$.
- (c) Use the polynomial approximation for $f(x)$ from (b) to show that the computation of $fl(f(0.123))$ in (a) is unstable.

Question #3 - 10 Marks

- (a) Write a MATLAB function M-file with header

```
function root = Bisect ( xl , xu , eps , imax , f , enablePlot )
```

corresponding to the pseudocode given in Handout #8 for the Bisection method (in `xl` it is an “ell” not a “one”).

The only differences from that given algorithm are the following:

- print a caption for your computed approximations by inserting the following statement just before the while statement:

```
fprintf ( ' iteration      approximation \n' )
```

- print each successive computed approximation by inserting the following statement after the computation of x_r at the beginning of the while loop:

```
fprintf ( ' %6.0f %18.8f \n', i, xr )
```

- print a message to indicate that the algorithm has failed to converge in `imax` steps by replacing the last statement in the pseudocode by the following:

```
fprintf ( ' failed to converge in %g iterations\n', imax )
```

- The extra argument *enablePlot* is used to select optional plotting of figures showing each iteration of the bisection method when *enablePlot* is set to 1. When *enablePlot* is set to 0 no figures will be generated. The command *figure* with no arguments can be used to create multiple windows for plotting using the *plot* command. For example try the following to understand how this works:

```
x = [0:0.1:1];
figure;
plot(x, exp(x));
figure;
plot(x, log(x));
```

For each iteration you should plot the function between x_l and x_u as well as stars indicating on the graph the values of $f(x_l)$, $f(x_u)$ and $f(x_r)$. The following example MATLAB code (continuation of the previous example) can help you understand the syntax to accomplish this.

```
z = [0.2, 0.4, 0.8];
fz = exp(z);
plot(x, exp(x), z, fz, '*g');
```

Alternatively you can use the hold command to achieve the same effect with multiple plot commands. The formatting string '*g' tells the plot function to use the star symbol and green color.

```
z = [0.2, 0.4, 0.8];
fz = exp(z);
plot(x, exp);
hold;
plot(z, fz, '*g');
```

DO NOT INCLUDE ALL THE PLOTS IN YOUR ANSWER. DO PROVIDE PLOTS FOR ITERATIONS 1, 2, 4, 6.

DELIVARABLES: A copy of your MATLAB M-file.

(b) Water is flowing in a trapezoidal channel at a rate of $Q = 20m^3/s$. The critical depth y for such a channel must satisfy the equation:

$$0 = 1 - \frac{Q^2}{gA_c^3}B$$

where $g = 9.81m/s^2$, A_c = the cross-sectional area (m^2), and B = the width of the channel at the surface (m). For this case, the width and the cross-sectional area can be related to depth y by

$$B = 3 + y \quad \text{and} \quad A_c = 3y + \frac{y^2}{2}$$

Express this problem as a root finding problem for an appropriately defined function of the critical depth y .

DELIVARABLES: Show all your work in deriving your formula.

(c) Use the function M-file Bisection to solve the above problem (b) with initial guesses of $x_l = 0.5$ and $x_u = 2.5$, and iterate until the approximate error falls below 1% or the number of iterations exceeds 10. You will need to write an additional MATLAB function M-file. If

```
function y = your_function(x)
```

corresponds to the function of which you are computing a zero call this with

`Bisect (xl , xu , eps , imax, @your_function, enable_plot)`

with the appropriate parameter values.

DELIVARABLES:

- the additional function M-file.
- a copy of the MATLAB statement(s) you used to call `Bisect`.
- your output from `Bisect` including figures for iterations (1,2,4,6).