
Lecture7

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Newton method

- Solve $x^2 - 1 = 0$.
 - Its solution is $x = \pm 1$, of course.
 - First, assume a temporal solution, x_0 .
 - Then, define how far we are from the real solution.
$$r(x_0) = x_0^2 - 1$$
 - For the exact solutions, it becomes zero.
 - We hope that the next solution, $x + \delta x$, becomes the exact solution.
$$(x_0 + \delta x)^2 - 1 = 0$$
 - Simple manipulation yields
$$2x_0\delta x + (\delta x)^2 = -(x_0^2 - 1)$$
 - We can calculate δx with the first-order approximation.

An example

- Start from $x_0 = 2$.
 - Remember that $2x_0\delta x + (\delta x)^2 \approx 2x_0\delta x = -(x_0^2 - 1)$
 - Therefore, $\delta x = -\frac{3}{4}$
 - Then, we set $x_1 = x_0 + \delta x = \frac{5}{4}$, which is already much closer to 1.
 - Once again, $2x_1\delta x = -(x_1^2 - 1)$ and $\delta x = -\frac{9}{40}$
 - Now, we have $x_2 = x_1 + \delta x = \frac{41}{40}$
- Start from $x_0 = -2$. Is your solution approaching to 1?

Coupled nonlinear equations

- Consider a set of coupled nonlinear equations.
 - Three variables, ϕ_1 , ϕ_2 , and ϕ_3 .
 - Three equations read
$$F_1(\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3) = \phi_2 - 2\phi_1 - e^{\phi_1} = 0$$
$$F_2(\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3) = \phi_3 - 2\phi_2 + \phi_1 - e^{\phi_2} = 0$$
$$F_3(\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3) = -2\phi_3 + \phi_2 - e^{\phi_3} + 4 = 0$$
 - How can we find the solution by using a numerical means?

Newton-Raphson method (1)

- What is our goal?

- To find a set of ϕ_1 , ϕ_2 , and ϕ_3 , which satisfies

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_1(\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3) \\ F_2(\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3) \\ F_3(\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Of course, we don't know the solution.
 - We can make a guess, $\phi^0 = [\phi_1^0 \quad \phi_2^0 \quad \phi_3^0]^T$.

$$r = \begin{bmatrix} F_1(\phi_1^0, \phi_2^0, \phi_3^0) \\ F_2(\phi_1^0, \phi_2^0, \phi_3^0) \\ F_3(\phi_1^0, \phi_2^0, \phi_3^0) \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- By correcting our guess, we want to make r small.

Newton-Raphson method (2)

- Update vector, $\delta\phi = [\delta\phi_1 \quad \delta\phi_2 \quad \delta\phi_3]^T$

- We hope that $\phi^0 + \delta\phi$ is the real solution.

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_1(\phi_1^0 + \delta\phi_1, \phi_2^0 + \delta\phi_2, \phi_3^0 + \delta\phi_3) \\ F_2(\phi_1^0 + \delta\phi_1, \phi_2^0 + \delta\phi_2, \phi_3^0 + \delta\phi_3) \\ F_3(\phi_1^0 + \delta\phi_1, \phi_2^0 + \delta\phi_2, \phi_3^0 + \delta\phi_3) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- By using the linearization, we can have the following equation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_1(\phi_1^0, \phi_2^0, \phi_3^0) \\ F_2(\phi_1^0, \phi_2^0, \phi_3^0) \\ F_3(\phi_1^0, \phi_2^0, \phi_3^0) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \partial F_1 / \partial \phi_1 & \partial F_1 / \partial \phi_2 & \partial F_1 / \partial \phi_3 \\ \partial F_2 / \partial \phi_1 & \partial F_2 / \partial \phi_2 & \partial F_2 / \partial \phi_3 \\ \partial F_3 / \partial \phi_1 & \partial F_3 / \partial \phi_2 & \partial F_3 / \partial \phi_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \delta\phi_1 \\ \delta\phi_2 \\ \delta\phi_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Newton-Raphson method (3)

- Introducing Jacobian matrix, J , and residue vector, r
 - In terms of these quantities, the update vector, $\delta\phi$, is written as:
$$J\delta\phi = -r$$
 - Once after $\delta\phi$ is calculated, the improved solution vector, ϕ^1 , is constructed:
$$\phi^1 = \phi^0 + \delta\phi$$
 - In every Newton-Raphson step, r and $\delta\phi$ are monitored. When these vectors approach to the null vector, we have a better solution.

Jacobian matrix

- Key step
 - For the k -th step with a solution vector of ϕ^k , the Jacobian matrix of our example reads

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} -2 - \exp \phi_1^k & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 - \exp \phi_2^k & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 - \exp \phi_3^k \end{bmatrix}$$

MATLAB example (1)

- Step-by-step procedure

- First, set up the solution vector, `phi`.

```
phi = [1; 2; 3];
```

- Using the solution vector, construct the Jacobian matrix, `Jaco`, and the residue vector, `res`.

```
Jaco(1,:) = [-2-exp(phi(1)) 1 0];
```

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Jaco(2,:) = [1 -2-exp(phi(2)) 1];
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```
Jaco(3,:) = [0 1 -2-exp(phi(3))];
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```
res(1,1) = [phi(2)-2*phi(1)-exp(phi(1))];
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res(2,1) = [phi(3)-2*phi(2)+phi(1)-exp(phi(2))];
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```
res(3,1) = [4-2*phi(3)+phi(2)-exp(phi(3))];
```

MATLAB example (2)

- Step-by-step procedure (continued)

- Calculate the update vector, `update`.

- `update = Jaco \ (-res);`

- The solution is now updated.

- `phi = phi + update;`

- You can repeat it!

MATLAB example (3)

- Full code
 - Repeat ten times and plot the solution.

```
phi = [1; 2; 3];  
for newton=1:10  
    Jaco(1,:) = [-2-exp(phi(1)) 1 0];  
    Jaco(2,:) = [1 -2-exp(phi(2)) 1];  
    Jaco(3,:) = [0 1 -2-exp(phi(3))];  
    res(1,1) = [phi(2)-2*phi(1)-exp(phi(1))];  
    res(2,1) = [phi(3)-2*phi(2)+phi(1)-exp(phi(2))];  
    res(3,1) = [4-2*phi(3)+phi(2)-exp(phi(3))];  
    update = Jaco \ (-res);  
    phi = phi + update;  
end  
plot(phi)
```

MATLAB example (4)

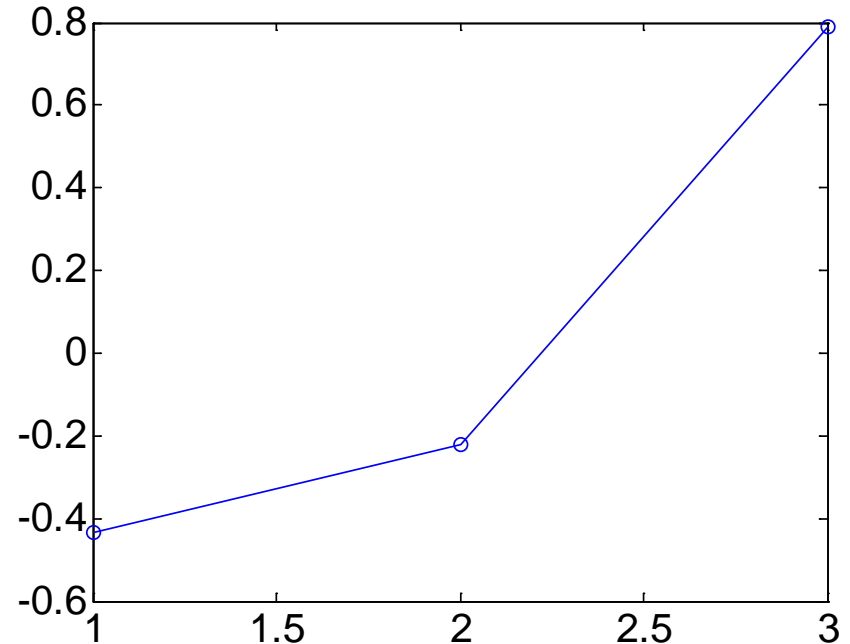
- Solution vector after ten steps

`phi =`

`-0.4352`

`-0.2233`

`0.7884`



Homework#7

- Due: AM08:00, September 28 (Next Monday)
- Problem#1
 - Calculate the electrostatic potential, ϕ , by using the Newton method.

$$N^+ + n_{int}e^{-\frac{\phi}{V_T}} - n_{int}e^{\frac{\phi}{V_T}} = 0$$

Assume the room temperature. The intrinsic carrier density, n_{int} , of silicon at 300 K is 10^{10} cm^{-3} . Test your code for positive/negative values of N^+ . Its absolute value varies from 10^{10} cm^{-3} to 10^{18} cm^{-3} .

- Of course, it has also an analytic solution related to the arcsinh function. Compare your numerical results with the analytic solution.