

1. Error Analysis

Definition:

let x is a value, \tilde{x} is a estimated value

(1) absolute error, $E_a = |x - \tilde{x}|$

(2) relation error, $E_r = \left| \frac{x - \tilde{x}}{x} \right|$

(3) percentage error, $E_p = 100 \times \left| \frac{x - \tilde{x}}{x} \right|$

$\exists \epsilon > 0, |x - \tilde{x}| < \epsilon$, Then ϵ is upper limit of the absolute error measures the absolute accuracy.

1.1. Error in Implementation of Numerical Methods.

- (1) Round-off Error
- (2) Overflow & Underflow
- (3) Floating Point Arithmetic and Error Propagation
- (4) Truncation Error
- (5) Machine eps (Epsilon)

(3) Floating Point Arithmetic and Error Propagation.

Let x_1, x_2 are values, E_1, E_2 are error of x_1, x_2 , We want to check the change of error in
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Let $x = x_1 + x_2$, error of x is E

Then $x + E = x_1 + x_2 + E_1 + E_2 \implies E = E_1 + E_2$

by triangle inequality

$$\text{Absolute Error} = |E| \leq |E_1| + |E_2|$$

$$\text{Relative Error} = \frac{|E|}{|x|} \leq \frac{|E_1|}{|x|} + \frac{|E_2|}{|x|}$$

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Let $x = x_1 * x_2$

Then $x + E = (x_1 + E_1)(x_2 + E_2) = x_1x_2 + E_2x_1 + E_1x_2 + E_1E_2$

Absolute Error = $|E| \leq |x_2E_1| + |x_1E_2|$

Relative Error = $\frac{|E_1|}{|x|} \leq \frac{|E_1|}{|x_1|} + \frac{|E_2|}{|x_2|}$

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Let $x = x_1/x_2$

$x + E_x = \frac{x_1 + E_1}{x_2 + E_2} \left(\frac{x_2 - E_2}{x_2 - E_2} \right) = \frac{x_1x_2 + E_1x_2 - x_1E_2}{x_2^2 - E_2^2} + E_1E_2$

Absolute Error = $|E_x| = \left| \frac{E_1x_2 - x_1E_2}{x_2^2} \right| \leq \frac{|E_1|}{|x_2|} + \frac{|x_1E_2|}{x_2^2}$

Relative Error = $\frac{|E_x|}{|x|} \leq \frac{|E_1|}{|x_1|} + \frac{|E_2|}{|x_2|}$

(4) Truncation Error. Cause by approximation infinite with its finite terms.

Use Taylor series ($f(x) \in P(C)$) as example

Let $x = a, f(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x - a) + f''(a)\frac{(x - a)^2}{2!} + \cdots + \frac{(x - a)^n}{n!}f^n(a) + \cdots + R_n$

$R_n = \int_a^x \frac{(x - t)^n}{n!} f^{(n+1)}(t) dt$

Thm 1(First Mean Value Theorem)

If g is continuous on $[a, x]$, then $\exists \xi$ between a and x s.t.

$$\int_a^x g(t) dt = g(\xi)(x - a)$$

Thm 2(Second Mean Value Theorem)

If g, h is differentiable and integrable on $[a, x]$, h does not change sign on $[a, x]$ then $\exists \xi$ that $a \leq \xi \leq x$ s.t.

$$\int_a^x g(t)h(t) dt = g(\xi) \int_a^x h(t) dt$$

since $t \in [a, x], h(t) = (x - t)^n \frac{1}{n!}, f^{(n+1)}(t)$ is continuous

$\exists \xi \in [a, x], R_n = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi)}{(n+1)!} f^{(x+1)}(\xi), \xi \in [a, a + h]$

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since power series convergent, $R_n(x) \rightarrow 0, as_n \rightarrow \infty$

Definition

Given $\{a_n\} \{b_n\}$, $b_n \geq 0$, $\forall n \geq 1$
 $a_n = O(b_n)$ if $\exists M > 0 \rightarrow |a_n| \leq Mb_n \forall n \geq 1$
 $R_n(x) = O(h^{n+1})$

1.2. Condition & Stability.

Condition number is sensitivity of the function

Stability is used to describe the sensitivity of the process

Condition number of the $f(x)$

$$\text{CN} = \frac{\left| \frac{f(x) - f(\tilde{x})}{x - \tilde{x}} \right|}{\left| \frac{x - \tilde{x}}{x} \right|} = \left| \frac{f(x) - f(\tilde{x})}{x - \tilde{x}} \right| \cdot \left| \frac{x}{f(x)} \right| = \left| \frac{x}{f(x)} \cdot f'(x) \right|$$

by Mean Value Theorem,

$$\frac{f(x) - f(\tilde{x})}{x - \tilde{x}} \approx f'(x)$$

when $\text{CN} \leq 1$ is **well condition**, other is **ill condition**

when the function is more sensitive to change, the condition number will be more big.

2. Methods for solutions of the Equation $f(x) = 0$

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