




## Math 3607: Exam 4

Due: 11:59PM, Friday, December 10, 2021

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# 1 Optimal Step Size

[25 points]

In lecture, the optimal  $h$  for the second-order centered difference formula was shown to be about  $\epsilon^{1/3}$ . At this optimal  $h$ , the leading error is  $O(\epsilon^{2/3})$ .

- (a)  Determine the optimal  $h$  for the first-order forward difference formula by following a similar argument. Also determine the leading error at this optimal  $h$ .
- (b)  The following program approximates the Jacobian of  $\mathbf{f} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  at  $\mathbf{x}_0$  using the first-order forward difference formula with the optimal step size determined in the previous part.

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function J = jacfd(f, x0)
% JACFD Calculates Jacobian using 1st-order forward difference (FD)
% Input:
%   f      function to be differentiated
%           which takes (n-by-1) column vector as an input
%           and produces (m-by-1) column vector as an output
%   x0     evaluation point (n-by-1)
% Output:
%   J      approximate Jacobian (m-by-n)



h = [BLANK 1];           % optimal step size
y0 = f(x0);              % value of f at x0 (m-by-1)
m = length(y0);          % see specification above
n = length(x0);          % see specification above
J = [BLANK 2];           % pre-allocation
I = eye(n);
for j = 1:n               % iterate over columns of J
    J(:, j) = [BLANK 3]; % FD formula for j-th column of J
end

end
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(c) (Optional; no bonus)

- (i)  Generalize the argument in part (a) to determine the optimal  $h$  for an  $m$ th-order forward difference formula, where  $m$  is any positive integer. Also determine the leading error at this optimal  $h$ .
- (ii)  Suppose one wants to find the points on the ellipsoid  $x^2/25 + y^2/16 + z^2/9 = 1$  that are closest to and farthest from the point  $(5, 4, 3)$ . The method of Lagrange multipliers

implies that any such point satisfies the following nonlinear system

$$\begin{cases} x - 5 = \frac{\lambda x}{25}, \\ y - 4 = \frac{\lambda y}{16}, \\ z - 3 = \frac{\lambda z}{9}, \\ 1 = \frac{1}{25}x^2 + \frac{1}{16}y^2 + \frac{1}{9}z^2 \end{cases}$$

for an unknown value of  $\lambda$ . Solve this system using the multidimensional Newton's method where the Jacobian matrix is *numerically* calculated using `jacfd` from part (b).

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**Hint for part (b).** Recall that

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

The  $j$ th column of  $\mathbf{J}$  consists of all partial derivatives with respect to  $x_j$ :

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{e}_j = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_j} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_j} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_j} \end{bmatrix}$$

This column vector can be approximated by a finite difference formula involving a perturbation only in  $x_j$ :

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{e}_j \approx \frac{\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x} + h\mathbf{e}_j) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})}{h}, \quad j = 1, \dots, n,$$

where  $h$  is optimally chosen according to part (a).

## Airplane Velocity from Radar Readings

[35 points]

The radar stations  $A$  and  $B$ , separated by the distance  $a = 500$  m, track a plane  $C$  by recording the angles  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  at one-second intervals.

Successive readings for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  at integer times  $t = 7, 8, \dots, 14$  are stored in the file `plane.dat`. The columns of the data file are the observation time  $t$ , the angle  $\alpha$  (in degrees), and the angle  $\beta$  (also in degrees), in that order. At each time  $t$ , the Cartesian coordinates of the plane can be calculated from the angles  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  as follows:

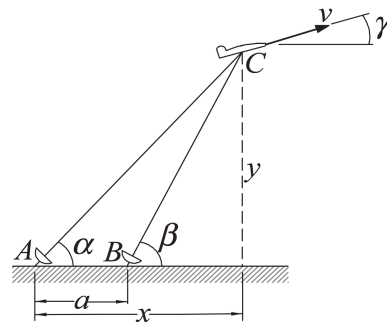


Figure 1: An airplane and two radar stations.

$$x(\alpha, \beta) = a \frac{\tan(\beta)}{\tan(\beta) - \tan(\alpha)} \quad \text{and} \quad y(\alpha, \beta) = a \frac{\tan(\beta) \tan(\alpha)}{\tan(\beta) - \tan(\alpha)}. \quad (1)$$

(**Note.** Be sure to distinguish  $a$  and  $\alpha$  in the above formulae.)


Denote the position vector of the plane at time  $t$  by  $\mathbf{s}(t) = (x(t), y(t))^T$ . Then the speed at time  $t$ , which is the magnitude (or the 2-norm) of the velocity vector, is given by

$$(\text{speed}) = \|\mathbf{s}'(t)\| = \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2}, \quad (2)$$

and the total distance traveled from  $t = a$  to  $t = b$  is obtained by integrating the speed, that is,


$$(\text{distance}) = \int_a^b \|\mathbf{s}'(t)\| dt = \int_a^b \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} dt. \quad (3)$$

Your goal, back at the air traffic control, is to determine the position and the speed of the airplane at finer time steps (0.01-second intervals) and to estimate the total distance traveled.

- (a)  Load the data, convert  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  to radians<sup>1</sup>, and then compute the coordinates  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$  at each given  $t = 7, 8, \dots, 14$  using (1). Store them as `xdp` and `ydp`. (Do NOT print these out.)

**Note.**

- To load the data, type `load plane.dat`. To see how the data file is arranged, type `type plane.dat`.
- For consistency of notation and for later use, store the time data  $t = 7, 8, \dots, 14$  as `tdp`.

- (b)  Let  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{701}$  be evenly-spaced points on  $[7, 14]$ , that is,

$$t_j = 7 + \frac{j-1}{100}, \quad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, 701.$$

Interpolate `xdp` and `ydp` using (not-a-knot) cubic splines to obtain the coordinates  $x(t_j)$  and  $y(t_j)$ , for  $j = 1, \dots, 701$ . Store them as `x` and `y`. (Do NOT print these out.) Then plot

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<sup>1</sup>You may ignore this step and use `tand`.

the trajectory of the airplane using  $x$  and  $y$ , with the positions obtained from radar readings circled in a well-labeled graph; see the figure below. Determine the maximum height and the corresponding time.

**Notes.**

- Note that  $t_j$ 's are spaced out by  $\Delta t = 0.01$  second. Use either `linspace` or the colon operator to construct them and store it as a vector `t`, for consistency of notation.

- For cubic spline interpolation, you may use either `interp1` or `spline`.
- This is a 2-D spline in which  $x = x(t)$  and  $y = y(t)$  are independently interpolated with respect to their common parameter, the time  $t$ . Do NOT use the (pseudo-)arclength parameter as in homework.

- (c)  Approximate  $x'(t_j)$  and  $y'(t_j)$ , for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, 701$ , using **second-order** finite difference methods. In particular, use the second-order forward difference for  $t = t_1$ , the second-order backward difference for  $t = t_{701}$ , and the second-order centered difference for  $t = t_2, \dots, t_{700}$ . Then calculate the speed at each  $t_j$  using (2). Vectorize your code as much as possible. Store the speed as `spd`. (Do NOT print out  $x'(t_j)$ ,  $y'(t_j)$ , nor the speed.) Determine the maximum speed and the corresponding time.
- (d)  Find the total distance traveled by the airplane from  $t = 7$  to  $t = 14$  using (3). Use the composite Simpson's rule to numerically calculate the integral.
- (e)  (Optional; bonus) Verify the equations in (1). Comment on the validity of the formulae as either  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$  tends to  $90^\circ$  (airplane straight above a radar station).

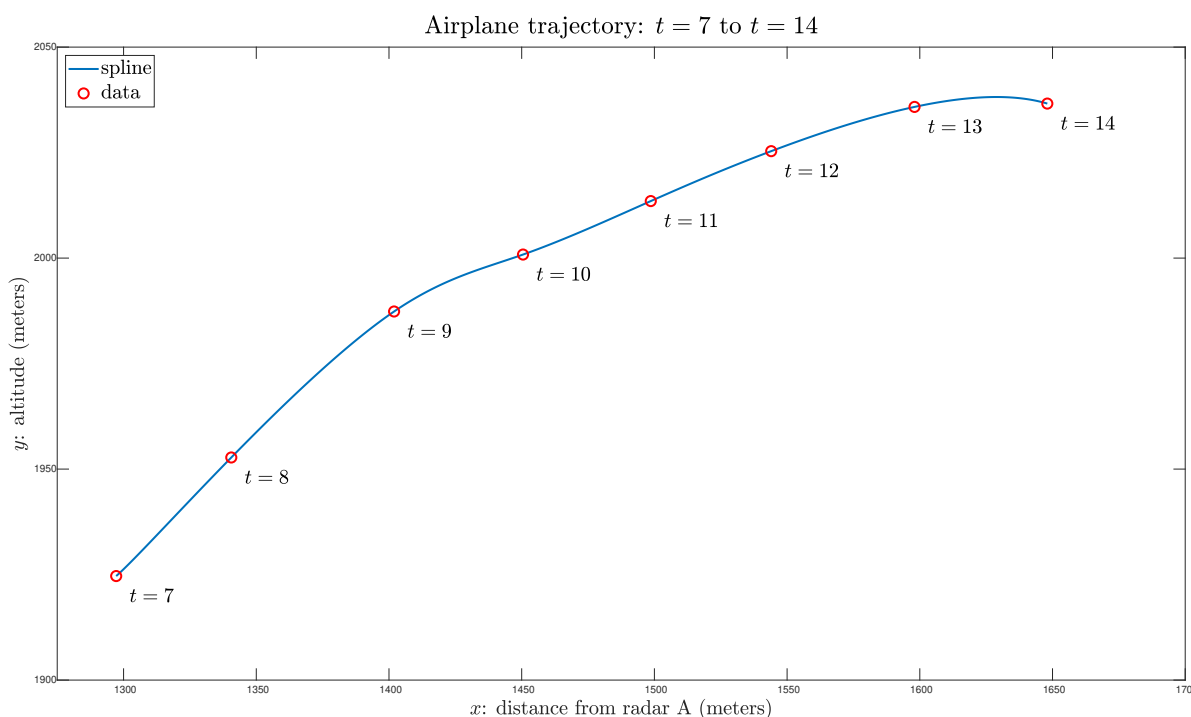


Figure 2: Example output for part (b).

### 3 Go Away, COVID!






[15 points]

Spread of diseases or virus such as seasonal flus or COVID-19 can be modeled by so-called *compartmental models* which partition a given population into different compartments like *susceptible*, *exposed*, *infected*, *recovered*, and the like, and keep track of the transition of population between compartments. One of the simplest such models is the **SIR model** presented by the following ODEs:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dS}{dt} = -\beta SI \\ \frac{dI}{dt} = \beta SI - \gamma I \\ \frac{dR}{dt} = \gamma I \end{cases} \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{cases} S : & \text{proportion of susceptible population} \\ I : & \text{proportion of infected population} \\ R : & \text{proportion of recovered population} \\ \beta : & \text{transmission rate} \\ \gamma : & \text{recovery rate.} \end{cases}$$

The compartmentalization implies that

$$S + I + R = 1. \quad (\dagger)$$

- (a)  Write a MATLAB function (include it at the end of your live script) that solves the SIR model using `ode45` with the following specifications:
- The function takes as inputs the transmission rate  $\beta$ , the recovery rate  $\gamma$ , the time span  $[0, T]$ , and the initial compartmentalization profile  $(S(0), I(0), R(0))^T$ .
  - The function must return (numerical) solutions  $(S(t), I(t), R(t))^T$  at discrete time steps between  $t = 0$  and  $t = T$ .
  - The numerical solution is to be obtained using `ode45` with relative error tolerance of  $10^{-6}$ .
  - The function must check that the initial conditions provided by a user satisfy the equation  $(\dagger)$ . If invalid initial conditions are detected, it must abort the program and send an error message.
- (b)  Using the function written in part (a), solve the SIR system with  $\beta = 0.8$ ,  $\gamma = 0.05$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 100$ , with initial values  $(S(0), I(0), R(0)) = (0.9, 0.09, 0.01)$ .
- (c)  Using the solutions obtained in part (b), predict the time  $\tau \in [0, 100]$  after which the infected population is less than 1% of the total population, that is,  $I(t) \leq 0.01$  for all  $t \geq \tau$ .
- (d)  Plot the solutions obtained in part (b) on a well-labeled graph; see below for an example.
- (e)  (Optional; bonus) Numerically confirm that the solutions obtained in part (b) satisfy  $S(t) + I(t) + R(t) = 1$  (“proportions must add up to 1”) at all time  $t$  using a single MATLAB statement. Your one line of code must output a single number by which one can determine whether or not the property is satisfied at all time. Explain your logic behind the code.

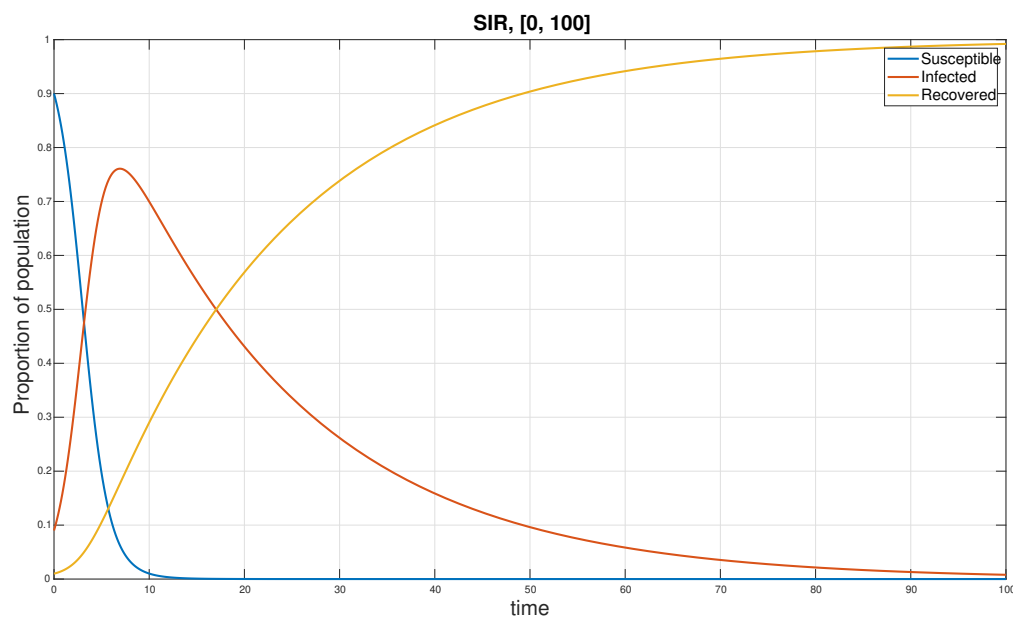


Figure 3: Example output for part (d).