Oblig 1 FYS 4150

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The exercises

Project 1a)

$$-\frac{v_{i+1} + v_{i-1} - 2v_i}{h^2} = f_i \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n,$$
(1)

where $f_i = f(x_i)$.

Rewriting the Equation 1 as a linear set of equations of the form

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \tilde{\mathbf{b}}$$
,

where **A** is an $n \times n$ tridiagonal matrix which we rewrite as

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix},$$

and $\tilde{b}_i = h^2 f_i$.

Writing out the equations:

$$\begin{split} i &= 1 : -v_0 + 2v_1 - v_2 = f_1 h^2 \\ i &= 2 : -v_1 + 2v_2 - v_3 = f_2 h^2 \\ & \vdots \\ i &= n : -v_{n-1} + 2v_n - v_{n+1} = f_n h^2 \end{split}$$

where $v_0 = 0$ and $v_{n+1} = 0$.

Adding some zeros to the equations for illustrative purposes:

$$\begin{array}{lll} i=1: & 2v_1-v_2+0+0+0+0+\cdots+0=f_1h^2\\ i=2: & -v_1+2v_2-v_3+0+0+\cdots+0=f_2h^2\\ i=3: & 0-v_2+2v_3-v_4+0+\cdots+0=f_3h^2\\ \vdots & \vdots\\ i=n-1: & 0+\cdots+0-v_{n-2}+2v_{n-1}-v_n=f_{n-1}h^2\\ i=n: & 0+\cdots+0+0+0-v_{n-1}+2v_n=f_nh^2\\ \end{array}$$

We can now recognize the equations as a product between a matrix an a vector that equals another vector.

Defining vectors that fit:

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} \qquad \qquad \tilde{\mathbf{b}} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 h^2 \\ f_2 h^2 \\ \vdots \\ f_n h^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The matrix is the matrix **A**. Then we have:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ \vdots \\ v_{n-1} \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1h^2 \\ f_2h^2 \\ f_3h^2 \\ \vdots \\ f_{n-1}h^2 \\ f_nh^2 \end{bmatrix} \Longrightarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \tilde{\mathbf{b}}$$

Putting the solution into the Poisson equation:

The Poisson equation:

$$-u''(x) = f(x)$$

In this case $f(x) = 100e^{-10x}$.

The solution and derivatives:

$$u(x) = 1 - (1 - e^{-10})x - e^{-10x}$$
$$u'(x) = (1 - e^{-10}) + 10e^{-10x}$$
$$u''(x) = -100e^{-10x}$$

The solution is a solution of the Poisson equation:

$$-u''(x) = -(-100)e^{-10x} = 100e^{-10x} = f(x)$$

Project 1b)

A list of what we are supposed to do from the exercise text:

- Set up the general algorithm (assuming different values for the matrix elements) for solving this set of linear equations.
- Find also the precise number of floating point operations needed to solve the above equations.
- Code the above algorithm and solve the problem for matrices of the size 10×10 , 100×100 and 1000×1000 . That means that you select n = 10, n = 100 and n = 1000 grid points.
- Compare your results (make plots) with the closed-form solution for the different number of grid points in the interval $x \in (0,1)$. The different number of grid points corresponds to different step lengths h.

Project 1c)

A list of what we are supposed to do from the exercise text:

- Use thereafter the fact that the matrix has identical matrix elements along the diagonal and identical (but different) values for the non-diagonal elements. Specialize your algorithm to the special case and find the number of floating point operations for this specific tri-diagonal matrix.
- Compare the CPU time with the general algorithm from the previous point for matrices up to $n = 10^6$ grid points.

Project 1d)

A list of what we are supposed to do from the exercise text:

• Compute the relative error in the data set i = 1, ..., n, by setting up

$$\epsilon_i = log_{10} \left(\left| \frac{v_i - u_i}{u_i} \right| \right),$$

as function of $log_{10}(h)$ for the function values u_i and v_i . For each step length extract the max value of the relative error.

• Increase n to $n = 10^7$ and make a table of the results and comment your results. You can use either the algorithm from b) or c).

Project 1e)

A list of what we are supposed to do from the exercise text:

- Compare your results with those from the LU decomposition codes for the matrix of sizes 10×10 , 100×100 and 1000×1000 (use the library functions provided on the webpage of the course. Alternatively, if you use armadillo as a library, you can use the similar function for LU decomposition. The armadillo function for the LU decomposition is called *LU* while the function for solving linear sets of equations is called *solve*. Use for example the unix function *time* when you run your codes and compare the time usage between LU decomposition and your tridiagonal solver. Alternatively, you can use the functions in C++, Fortran or Python that measure the time used)
- Make a table of the results and comment the differences in execution time.
- How many floating point operations does the LU decomposition use to solve the set of linear equations?
- Answer: Can you run the standard LU decomposition for a matrix of the size $10^5 \times 10^5$?
- Comment your results.

To compute the elapsed time in c++ you can use the following statements (see comment)