

# Numerical Analysis Prelim

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TIME: (150 MINUTES)

January 14, 2003, 10:30 - 1:00 a.m.

You must complete 4 of the following 6 problems. On the scoring table below, put an X through the problems you do not want to be graded. Only 4 problems will be graded, so do not forget to mark two out. No aids except calculators permitted

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1. Multiple roots of pose a number of difficulties for many root finding methods. One way to find multiple roots of  $f(x) = 0$  is to define a new function  $u(x)$  as:

$$u(x) = \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)}.$$

- (a) Develop an alternative form of Newton's method in terms of  $f^{(n)}(x)$  for points of multiple roots.  
(b) Show that Newton converges quadratically to a multiple root using  $u(x)$ .  
(c) Show that  $f(x)$  goes to zero faster than  $f'(x)$  at a multiple root.
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### Solution

- (a)

$$x_{i+1} = x_i - \frac{u(x_i)}{u'(x_i)}$$

since,

$$u'(x) = \frac{(f'(x))^2 - f(x)f''(x)}{(f'(x))^2}$$

then,

$$x_{i+1} = x_i - \frac{f(x_i)f'(x_i)}{(f'(x_i))^2 - f(x_i)f''(x_i)}$$

- (b) We need to show that  $u(x)$  has a simple root. This can be accomplished by assuming that  $f(x) = (x - c)^p h(x)$ , where  $h(c) \neq 0$ . Then it is easy to see that

$$u(x) = (x - c) \frac{h(x)}{ph(x) + (x - c)h'(x)}$$

so that  $u(x)$  has a simple root at  $c$ . Standard theorem for newton says the convergence is quadratic.

- (c) We need to show that:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)} = 0$$

where  $c$  is the root. Let the root have multiplicity  $m$ , then for  $j < m$ ,  $f^{(j)}(c) = 0$  and  $f^{(m)}(c) \neq 0$ . Therefore, using L'Hopital's rule  $m - 1$  times, it can be shown that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)} = 0.$$

2. The cumulative normal distribution is defined as:

$$N(y) = \int_{-\infty}^y \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{2}\right) dx$$

Find  $N(1)$  by using an appropriate transformation of variables to write the above integral as an integral over a finite interval and use two intervals of Simpson's (1/3) rule to evaluate it.

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**Solution** We must do a change a variables to change the improper integral to a proper one, but the variable change,  $t = 1/x$ , is not defined at  $x = 0$ . Therefore, we must break up the integral into:

$$N(1) = \int_{-\infty}^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{2}\right) dx + \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{2}\right) dx$$

(although the choice of -1 is arbitrary) now, defining  $t = 1/x$  and  $dt = \frac{-1}{x^2} dx = -t^2 dx$  gives:

$$N(1) = \int_{-1}^0 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi t^2}} \exp\left(\frac{-1}{2t^2}\right) dt + \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{2}\right) dx$$

N.B. the first integrand is not defined at the upper bound.

To save writing, let  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{2}\right)$  and  $g(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi t^2}} \exp\left(\frac{-1}{2t^2}\right)$ . Evaluating the first integral using Simpson's rule gives:

$$I1 = \frac{0.5}{3}(g(-1) + 4g(0.5) + g(0)?)$$

Need to calculate  $g(0)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} g(t) &= \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \frac{s}{\sqrt{2\pi} \exp(\frac{s}{2})} \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi} \exp(\frac{s}{2})} \quad (\text{Using L'Hopital}) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$I1 = \frac{0.5}{3}(g(-1) + 4g(0.5) + 0)$$

and, trivially,

$$I2 = \frac{1}{3}(f(-1) + 4f(0) + f(1))$$

Finally,  $N(1) \simeq I1 + I2$ .

3. **Gauss Elimination** Let  $A$  be a  $n \times n$  matrix.

- (a) If  $A$  is strictly row-wise diagonally dominant, what condition does it satisfy?
  - (b) Prove that if  $A$  is strictly diagonally dominant, it is nonsingular. (Hint: Envoke a familiar Theorem for the placement of the eigenvalues of  $A$ .)
  - (c) Prove that if  $A$  is strictly diagonally dominant, then Gauss Elimination can be performed on  $A$  without pivoting.
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**Solution:**

- (a)  $A$  is said to be strictly row-wise diagonally dominant if

$$|a_{i,i}| > \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{i,j}|.$$

- (b) If  $A$  is strictly row-wise diagonally dominant then no Gershgorin circle contains the origin. Thus, 0 cannot be an eigenvalue of  $A$
- (c) See Atkinson, page...for details. Roughly, after elimination of one column of  $A$ , we show that the  $(n - 1) \times (n - 1)$  principle submatrix is also strictly diagonally dominant. By induction, Gauss elimination can be carried out on this submatrix without pivoting.

4. **Matrix Theory** Let  $A$  be a nonsingular  $n \times n$  matrix.

- (a) Find the perturbation matrix  $E$  with smallest Frobenius norm such that  $A - E$  is singular. (Hint: Recall that the Frobenius norm of  $E$  is given by

$$\|E\|_F^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n |e_{i,j}|^2$$

and consider the singular value decomposition of  $A$ .)

- (b) What is the Frobenius norm of  $E$ ?
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**Solution:** The singular value decomposition of  $A$  is

$$A = U\Sigma V^t,$$

where  $U$  and  $V$  are unitary matrices and

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & & \\ & \sigma_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \sigma_n \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_n \geq 0$  are the singular values of  $A$ . Since  $A$  is nonsingular, we know that  $\sigma_n > 0$ . Let

$$E = U \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & \\ & 0 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \sigma_n \end{bmatrix} V^t = \mathbf{u}_n \sigma_n \mathbf{v}_n^t,$$

where  $\mathbf{u}_n$  and  $\mathbf{v}_n$  are the last columns of  $U$  and  $V$ , respectively. Now  $A - E$  looks like  $A$  except that the last singular value is now 0.

Since  $U$  and  $V$  are unitary, their columns have length 1. Thus,

$$\|E\|_F^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n e_{i,j}^2 = \sigma_n^2 \sum_{i=1}^n |u_{i,n}|^2 \sum_{j=1}^n |v_{j,n}|^2 = \sigma_n^2.$$

Thus  $\|E\|_F = \sigma_n$ .

5. **ODEs** The stability domain for a  $p$ -stage explicit Runge Kutta (ERK) method with  $p \leq 4$  is given by

$$r(\xi) = 1 + \frac{\xi}{1!} + \frac{\xi^2}{2!} + \cdots + \frac{\xi^p}{p!}. \quad (1)$$

The Butcher diagram for any 3-stage, third order, ERK method is given by

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} \alpha_1 = 0 & & & \\ \alpha_2 = a & a & & \\ \alpha_3 = b + c & b & c & \\ \hline & \gamma_1 & \gamma_2 & \gamma_3 \end{array}$$

where the unknown variables can be determined from four order conditions. Armed with this information answer the following questions.

- For  $p = 3$ , find the range of the imaginary axis covered by the stability domain.
- Using the above diagram write down the algorithm for the explicit RK3 scheme.
- Given that one of the order conditions is  $\alpha_2^2\gamma_2 + \alpha_3^2\gamma_3 = 1/3$ , determine the remaining three order conditions using (1).

**Solution:**

- Find the points where the boundary of stability intersects the imaginary axis, namely

$$|r| = 1, \quad \xi = i\eta, \quad \eta \in \mathcal{R}$$

Hence

$$r(\xi) = \left(1 - \frac{\eta^2}{2}\right) + i\eta \left(1 - \frac{\eta^2}{6}\right)$$

and

$$|r| = 1 \Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{\eta^2}{2}\right)^2 + \eta^2 \left(1 - \frac{\eta^2}{6}\right)^2 = 1$$

This simplifies to

$$\eta^4 \left(\frac{\eta^2}{36} - \frac{1}{12}\right) = 0 \Rightarrow \eta = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

Therefore the stability domain covers the imaginary axis between  $\pm\sqrt{3}i$ .

- The interpretation of the Butchers diagram is as follows

$$\begin{aligned} d^{(1)} &= hf(x_n, y_n) \\ d^{(2)} &= hf(x_n + \alpha_2 h, y_n + ad^{(1)}) \\ d^{(3)} &= hf(x_n + \alpha_3 h, y_n + bd^{(1)} + cd^{(2)}) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \gamma_1 d^{(1)} + \gamma_2 d^{(2)} + \gamma_3 d^{(3)}$$

(c) Find recurrence relation for ERK3 and match with

$$r(\xi) = 1 + \xi + \frac{\xi^2}{2} + \frac{\xi^3}{6}, \quad \xi = h\lambda$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} y' &:= f(y) \equiv hy \\ d^{(1)} &= \xi y_n \\ d^{(2)} &= \xi(y_n + ad^{(1)}) = \xi(1 + a\xi)y_n \\ d^{(3)} &= \xi(y_n + bd^{(1)} + cd^{(2)}) = \xi(1 + b\xi + c\xi(1 + a\xi))y_n \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$y_{n+1} = (1 + \gamma_1\xi + \gamma_2\xi(1 + a\xi) + \gamma_3\xi(1 + b\xi + c\xi(1 + a\xi)))$$

Let  $y_n = r^n$  such that

$$r = 1 + (\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 + \gamma_3)\xi + (a\gamma_2 + (b + c)\gamma_3)\xi^2 + ac\gamma_3\xi^3$$

where  $\alpha_2 = a$  and  $\alpha_3 = b + c$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} (\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 + \gamma_3) &= 1 \\ (a\gamma_2 + (b + c)\gamma_3) &= \frac{1}{2} \\ ac\gamma_3 &= \frac{1}{6} \end{aligned}$$

These are the order conditions together with  $\alpha_2^2\gamma_2 + \alpha_3^2\gamma_3 = 1/3$ . The first conditions is true for all ERK3 schemes, since we must be able to solve  $y' = 1, y(0) = 0$ .

(d) From the Butchers diagram we see  $a = \alpha_2 = 2/3$  and  $c = 2/3$ . Hence

$$(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 + \gamma_3) = 1 \tag{2}$$

$$\left(\frac{2}{3}\gamma_2 + (b + c)\gamma_3\right) = \frac{1}{2} \tag{3}$$

$$\frac{4}{9}\gamma_3 = \frac{1}{6} \tag{4}$$

$$\frac{4}{9}\gamma_2 + \alpha_3^2\gamma_3 = \frac{1}{3} \tag{5}$$

This implies  $\gamma_3 = 3/8$ . From (3) and (5)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{3}\gamma_2 + \frac{3}{8}\alpha_3 &= \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{4}{9}\gamma_2 + \frac{3}{8}\alpha_3^2 &= \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \alpha_3(\alpha_3 - \frac{2}{3}) = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha_3 = 0, \frac{2}{3}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_3 = 0, \gamma_2 = \frac{3}{4} &\Rightarrow b = -\frac{2}{3} \\ \alpha_3 = \frac{2}{3}, \gamma_2 = \frac{3}{8} &\Rightarrow b = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Using  $\gamma_1 = 1 - \gamma_2 - \gamma_3$  gives the final result

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \\ \gamma_1 \\ \gamma_2 \\ \gamma_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2/3 \\ 0 \\ -1/8 \\ 3/4 \\ 3/8 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 1/4 \\ 3/8 \\ 3/8 \end{pmatrix}$$

## 6. PDEs

Consider the following finite difference scheme that solves the heat equation  $u_t = \sigma u_{xx}$ :

$$u(x, t + k) - u(x, t - k) = \nu [u(x + h, t) - u(x, t + k) - u(x, t - k) + u(x - h, t)]$$

with timestep  $k$ , gridspace  $h$  and where  $\nu = 2\sigma k/h^2$ ,  $\sigma > 0$ .

- Determine the accuracy of the scheme and conditions under which it is consistent.
- Show that the scheme is unconditionally stable.

Hint: You may use the results that the roots to the quadratic equation  $z^2 + bz + c = 0$  with  $b, c$  real, lie within the unit circle, if and only if,  $|c| \leq 1$  and  $|b| \leq 1 + c$ .

### Solution:

- Taylor Expand all terms about  $u(x, t)$

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t + k) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{k^n}{n!} \frac{\partial^n}{\partial t^n} u(x, t) \\ u(x, t - k) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{k^n}{n!} \frac{\partial^n}{\partial t^n} u(x, t) \\ u(x + h, t) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{h^n}{n!} \frac{\partial^n}{\partial x^n} u(x, t) \\ u(x - h, t) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{h^n}{n!} \frac{\partial^n}{\partial x^n} u(x, t) \end{aligned}$$

Then LHS gives

$$2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{k^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \frac{\partial^{2n+1}}{\partial t^{2n+1}} u(x, t)$$

and RHS gives

$$2\nu \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{k^{2n}}{(2n)!} \frac{\partial^{2n}}{\partial x^{2n}} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{k^{2n}}{(2n)!} \frac{\partial^{2n}}{\partial t^{2n}} \right] u(x, t)$$

with  $\nu = 2\sigma k/h^2$  this gives

$$u_t - \sigma u_{xx} = -\frac{k^2}{3!} u_{ttt} + 2\sigma \frac{h^2}{4!} u_{xxxx} - \sigma \frac{k^2}{h^2} u_{tt} + \dots$$

hence

$$u_t - \sigma u_{xx} = \mathcal{O}(k^2) + \mathcal{O}(h^2) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{k^2}{h^2}\right)$$

So the local truncation error is  $e(k, h) = \mathcal{O}(k^2) + \mathcal{O}(h^2) + \mathcal{O}(k^2/h^2)$  and the scheme is consistent iff  $e(k, h) \rightarrow 0$  as  $k, h \rightarrow 0$ . Thus  $k = o(h)$ , or  $k = ch^p$ ,  $p > 1$ . With this consistency condition the scheme solve the diffusion equation.

- The accuracy of the scheme is  $\mathcal{O}(k^2/h^2)$ .

(c) To determine stability use the Von-Neumann analysis.

$$\begin{aligned}u(x, t) &= \xi^{\frac{t}{k}} e^{i\omega x} \\u(x, t+k) &= \xi^{\frac{t}{k}+1} e^{i\omega x} \\u(x, t+k) &= \xi^{\frac{t}{k}+1} e^{i\omega x} \\u(x+h, t) &= \xi^{\frac{t}{k}} e^{i\omega(x+h)} \\u(x-h, t) &= \xi^{\frac{t}{k}} e^{i\omega(x-h)}\end{aligned}$$

substitute into scheme

$$(\xi - \xi^{-1}) = \nu (e^{i\omega h} + e^{-i\omega h} - \xi - \xi^{-1})$$

or

$$(1 + \nu)\xi^2 - (2\nu \cos \omega h)\xi + (\nu - 1) = 0$$

$$\xi^2 - \frac{(2\nu \cos \omega h)}{(1 + \nu)}\xi + \frac{(\nu - 1)}{(1 + \nu)} = 0$$

Using the hint

$$b = -\frac{(2\nu \cos \omega h)}{(1 + \nu)}, \quad c = \frac{(\nu - 1)}{(1 + \nu)}$$

Therefore it follows

$$|c| \leq 1 \Rightarrow \nu \geq 0.$$

and

$$|b| \leq 1 + c \Rightarrow |\cos \omega h| \leq 1.$$

These statements are always true. The scheme is therefore unconditionally stable.