

Question 1 (matrix  $\times$  vector approx. derivative)

a) Find  $\frac{d^2}{dx^2} u(x)$  for:

i)  $u(x) = 1$

ii)  $u(x) = x$

iii)  $u(x) = x^2$

iv)  $u(x) = x^3$

b)  $K = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Find  $Ku$  for:

i)  $u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

ii)  $u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$

iii)  $u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 9 \\ 16 \\ 25 \end{bmatrix}$

iv)  $u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 8 \\ 27 \\ 64 \\ 125 \end{bmatrix}$

Question 2 (symmetric matrices have nice eigenvectors)

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find:

- i) the eigenvalues  $\lambda_1$  &  $\lambda_2$
- ii)  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$
- iii)  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2$
- iv) trace( $K$ )
- v)  $\det(K)$
- vi) the eigenvectors  $v_1$  &  $v_2$
- vii)  $v_1^T v_2$
- viii) sketch  $v_1$  &  $v_2$  in the plane

Question 3 (rank and the "column x row" method)

$$a_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad a_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

i) Find  $a_1 a_1^T$ .

(hint:  $a_1^T = [1 \ -1]$ )

ii) Find  $a_2 a_2^T$ .

iii) What is the rank of  $a_1 a_1^T$ ?

iv)  $A = [a_1 \ a_2]$ .

Find  $AA^T$ .

(hint: try the "column x row" method.)

Question 4 ( General soln = homogeneous + particular )  
 matrix case, effect of changing boundary

Let

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, K = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, b = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 10 \\ -10 \\ -10 \end{bmatrix}$$

- i) Is  $C$  invertible?
- ii) Find all solutions to  $Cx = b$ .  
 What is the homogeneous solution?
- iii) Is  $K$  invertible?
- iv) Find all solutions to  $Kx = b$ .

Question 5 (General sol<sup>r</sup> = homogeneous + particular)  
effect of changing boundary

a) Find all solutions  $u(x)$  to the O.D.E.

$$u'' + k^2 u = f$$

for

i)  $f(x) = 0$

ii)  $f(x) = x$

iii)  $f(x) = \sin(kx)$

b) What is the homogeneous solution?

c) With  $k = 2\pi$  and  $f(x) = x$ , find all  
solutions that satisfy the boundary conditions

$$0 = u(0) = u'(1) .$$

## Question 6 (integration by parts ; transpose)

Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ -1 & 1 & & \\ & -1 & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad u = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ h^2 \\ (2h)^2 \\ \vdots \\ ((N-1)h)^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad w = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \cos(h \frac{\pi}{2}) \\ \cos(2h \frac{\pi}{2}) \\ \vdots \\ \cos((N-1)h \frac{\pi}{2}) \end{bmatrix}$$

- A is an  $N \times N$  matrix with 1 on the diagonal and -1 below
  - $h = 1/N$
  - $u$  is a vector with  $j^{\text{th}}$  component  $(jh)^2$
  - $w$  is a vector with  $j^{\text{th}}$  component  $\cos(jh \frac{\pi}{2})$ .
- a) For  $N=10, 100, 1000$ , find, to 2 decimals,
- $(Au)^T w$
  - $u^T (A^T w)$
- b) Find  $\int_0^1 2x \cos(x \frac{\pi}{2}) dx$
- exactly with integration by parts, and
  - to 3 decimals

### Question 7 (Simple Taylor series)

Let

$$f(x) = 1 - x + \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

$$E(x) = e^{-x} - f(x)$$

- i) Find  $E(x)$  to three significant figures for each  $x$  in the table:

$x$	1	0.1	0.01	0.001	0.0001
$E(x)$					

- ii) Graph the points  $(x, |E(x)|)$  on a loglog plot, and fit a straight line. Estimate the slope of the line to the nearest integer.
- iii) Give a series expansion, in powers of  $x$ , for  $E(x)$ . What is the leading order?

### Question 8 (Euler's formula $e^{i\theta}$ )

$\lambda = -1 + 10i$ . For  $t > 0$ , sketch

i) Real ( $e^{\lambda t}$ )

ii) Imag ( $e^{\lambda t}$ )

iii)  $|e^{\lambda t}|$

## Question 9

(Finite difference approx. to derivative  
and 2<sup>nd</sup> derivative ; 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> order)

Let  $f(x) = e^{\sin x}$

Then  $f'(x) = \cos(x) f(x)$ .

On a uniform grid of  $N$  points,

on the interval  $[0, 2\pi]$ ,

so  $h = \frac{2\pi}{N}$

We represent the continuous functions  $f$  &  $f'$   
by the discrete vectors

$u_N$  with  $j$ th component  $f(hj)$ ,  $j=1\dots N$ .

$v_N$  " " "  $f'(hj)$ , "

For three matrices described next, and for  $N=10, 100, 1000, 10000$ ,  
compute :

$$e_N = A_N u_N - v_N$$

$$E_N = \|e_N\|_\infty$$

The three matrices A to try are  
the

- forward difference
- centered        "
- backward       "

approximations to the derivative:

$$\frac{1}{h} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & & \\ & -1 & 1 & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \frac{1}{2h} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & & \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \frac{1}{h} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ -1 & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

These are sparse  $N \times N$  matrices.

Notice how the magnitude of the first & last components of  $e$  compare to the magnitude of the rest of the components in the "middle" of  $e$ . Throw away the first and last components by computing:

$$d_N = e_N(2 : \text{end}-1)$$

$$D_N = \|d_N\|_\infty$$

- (a) Graph  $(N, D_N)$  on a loglog plot.  
 Estimate the slope, to the nearest integer.  
 For each of the three matrices, hand in your graph  
and estimate of the slope.
- (b) You see good convergence, but not always in the first component of  $e$ . For the centered difference matrix, give a new first row so that the first component is a good approx. to the derivative.  
 (Hint:  $f(x)$  is periodic.)
- (c) Repeat (a) and (b) for second derivatives.  
 For  $N = 10, 100, 1000, 10000$ , compute:  

$$e_N = -\frac{1}{h^2} K_N u_N - w_N$$

$$d_N = e_N(2 : \text{end}-1)$$

$$D_N = \|d_N\|_\infty$$
 where  $w$  is a discretized second derivative,  
 and  $K = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & & \\ -1 & 2 & \ddots & -1 \\ & \ddots & \ddots & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is our favourite matrix.
- Graph  $(N, D_N)$  on a loglog plot.  
 Estimate the slope, to the nearest integer.  
Hand in your graph and slope estimate.  
 Give a new first row of  $K$  so that the first component of  $e$  is a good approximation to the second derivative.