

Midterm solution for MAE 185

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1 UNIX COMMANDS

less work this command displays the content of the file to standard output. Here the file is called 'work'. It allows backward and forward movement. The less command does not have to read the whole file to memory before starting to display its content, which can be useful for large files as it can be faster.

more work this command displays the content of the file to standard output. The display is made one page at a time. the command more does not have the advantages that the command less has mentioned above.

pwd print the name of the current working directory.

wc -l the command 'wc' with the argument '-l' counts and prints the number of new lines in its input.

!p This command reissues the first occurrence in the commands history file the command that starts with the letter 'p'. It has the same effect as if one typed the same command again. It saves one from having to retype that command fully again.

2 LINEAR SYSTEMS

Given

$$\begin{aligned} -12x + y - z &= -20 \\ -2x - 4y + 2z &= 10 \\ x + 2y + 2z &= 25 \end{aligned}$$

(1) write the system of equations in matrix form (3pt)

Answer:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -12 & 1 & -1 \\ -2 & -4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -20 \\ 10 \\ 25 \end{pmatrix}$$

(2) Solve the system $Ax = b$ using cramer Rule. Show all steps. (5pt)

Answer:

In cramer rule we write

$$x_i = \frac{|A_i|}{|A|}$$

Where A_i is the matrix A with the i^{th} column replaced by the b column.

Start by finding $|A|$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -12 & 1 & -1 \\ -2 & -4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$|A| = -12(-8 - 4) - (-4 - 2) - (-4 + 4)$$
$$= 150$$

Now find A_1, A_2, A_3

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -20 & 1 & -1 \\ 10 & -4 & 2 \\ 25 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$|A_1| = 150$$

Similarly

$$A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -12 & -20 & -1 \\ -2 & 10 & 2 \\ 1 & 25 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$|A_2| = 300$$

And finally

$$A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -12 & 1 & -20 \\ -2 & -4 & 10 \\ 1 & 2 & 25 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$|A_3| = 1500$$

Hence

$$x = \frac{150}{150} = 1$$
$$y = \frac{300}{150} = 2$$
$$z = \frac{1500}{150} = 10$$

(3) Solve the system $Ax = b$ using Gaussian elimination method using partial pivoting. Show all steps. (5 pts).

Partial pivoting means the interchanging of rows only. Full pivoting is where we interchange both rows and columns. Here we are asked to use partial pivoting, which is the common method we learned.

Start by writing down the augmented matrix $M = A|b$

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} -12 & 1 & -1 & -20 \\ -2 & -4 & 2 & 10 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 25 \end{pmatrix}$$

The goal is to convert the above matrix to this form

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & b_1 \\ 0 & a_{22} & a_{23} & b_2 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33} & b_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then we perform back substitutions to solve for x, y, z

Now we start the process.

From the augmented matrix, make the first row the row with the smallest first element. This is called the pivot row and the first element in that row is the pivot element. So switch third row with the first row we obtain

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 25 \\ -2 & -4 & 2 & 10 \\ -12 & 1 & -1 & -20 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now add $2 \times$ first row to the second row and add $12 \times$ first row to the 3rd row we obtain

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 25 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 & 60 \\ 0 & 25 & 23 & 280 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now we are done with the first row, we want the second row to be the pivot row with the element $a_{2,2}$ the pivot element. Again we want the pivot element to be the smallest element. But not zero as the case is now. so we need to switch row 2 with row 3 to obtain

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 25 \\ 0 & 25 & 23 & 280 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 & 60 \end{pmatrix}$$

This completes the forward elimination process. So now rewrite the system of equations, we obtain

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 25 & 23 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 25 \\ 280 \\ 60 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now do the Back substitution process. From the last row we solve for z

$$z = \frac{60}{6} = 10$$

Hence from second row we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 25y + 23z &= 280 \\ 25y &= 280 - 23(10) \\ 25y &= 280 - 230 \\ y &= \frac{50}{25} \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

Now, from the first row

$$\begin{aligned} x + 2y + 2z &= 25 \\ x &= 25 - 2(2) - 2(10) \\ &= 25 - 4 - 20 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

So final answer is

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 1 \\ y &= 2 \\ z &= 10 \end{aligned}$$

which agrees with cramer rule method as expected.

3 Taylor Series

Provide the first 3 terms in Taylor series for the following (3pts)

Taylor expansion is

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + \frac{h^2}{2!}f''(x) + \frac{h^3}{3!}f'''(x) + \dots$$

Apply the above using the first 3 terms only, we obtain for

$f(x+\delta x)$:

$$f(x+\delta x) = f(x) + \delta x f'(x) + \frac{(\delta x)^2}{2!}f''(x)$$

$f(x-\delta x)$:

Let $\delta h = -\delta x$ hence we need to expand $f(x+\delta h)$, and from above it is

$$f(x+\delta h) = f(x) + \delta h f'(x) + \frac{(\delta h)^2}{2!}f''(x)$$

Now replace δh back by $-\delta x$ the above becomes

$$f(x-\delta x) = f(x) - \delta x f'(x) + \frac{(-\delta x)^2}{2!}f''(x)$$

Hence

$$f(x-\delta x) = f(x) - \delta x f'(x) + \frac{(\delta x)^2}{2!}f''(x)$$

$f'(x+\delta x)$:

Let $f'(x)$ be a function called $g(x)$ and apply Taylor expansion on $g(x+\delta x)$ we obtain from above

$$g(x+\delta x) = g(x) + \delta x g'(x) + \frac{(\delta x)^2}{2!}g''(x)$$

Now replace g back by f' we obtain

$$f'(x+\delta x) = f'(x) + \delta x f''(x) + \frac{(\delta x)^2}{2!}f'''(x)$$

$\sin(x)$

Here we expand $\sin(x)$ around the point $a = 0$ hence since another way to write Taylor series is

$$f(x) = f(a) + (x-a)f'(a) + \frac{(x-a)^2}{2!}f''(a)$$

Where in the above we expand $f(x)$ around $x = a$

Then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(x) &= \sin(0) + (x-0)\sin'(0) + \frac{(x-0)^2}{2}\sin''(0) \\ &= 0 + x\cos(0) + \frac{x^2}{2}(-\sin(0)) \\ &= x\end{aligned}$$

The above is expanding using 3 terms in the Taylor series of $\sin(x)$ around zero.

To obtain 3 terms in the final series, we need to take more terms in the Taylor expansion to obtain

$$\sin(x) = x - \frac{1}{3!}x^3 + \frac{1}{5!}x^5$$

4 Non-Linear system

Determine the lowest positive root of $f(x) = 7\sin(x)e^{-x} - 1$

using **Newton-Raphson** method (3 iterations, $x_i = 0.3$) (9pts)

First note that

$$f'(x) = 7(-\sin x e^{-x} + \cos x e^{-x}) = 7e^{-x}(\cos x - \sin x)$$

In NR method, the iteration step is

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

Hence starting with $i = 1$ and $x_1 = 0.3$ we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}x_2 &= x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)} = 0.3 - \left(\frac{7\sin(x)e^{-x} - 1}{7e^{-x}(\cos x - \sin x)} \right)_{x=0.3} \\ &= 0.3 - \frac{0.532487}{3.42163} = 0.14438\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x_3 &= x_2 - \frac{f(x_2)}{f'(x_2)} = 0.14438 - \left(\frac{7\sin(x)e^{-x} - 1}{7e^{-x}(\cos x - \sin x)} \right)_{x=0.14438} \\ &= 0.14438 - \frac{-0.12825}{5.12412} = 0.16941\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x_4 &= x_3 - \frac{f(x_3)}{f'(x_3)} = 0.16941 - \left(\frac{7\sin(x)e^{-x} - 1}{7e^{-x}(\cos x - \sin x)} \right)_{x=0.16941} \\ &= 0.16941 - \frac{-0.00371428}{4.2826} = 0.17028\end{aligned}$$

Hence using 3 iterations the smallest root found starting from $x = 0.3$ is 0.17028

Using the **secant method** with $x_{n-1} = 0.5$ and $x_n = 0.4$ (9pts)

In secant method, the iteration process is

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{(x_n - x_{n-1})f(x_n)}{f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})}$$

Hence with $x_1 = .4$ and $x_0 = .5$ we start the process with $n = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 &= x_1 - \frac{(x_1 - x_0) f(x_1)}{f(x_1) - f(x_0)} \\ &= 0.4 - \frac{(0.4 - 0.5) (7 \sin(x) e^{-x} - 1)_{x=0.4}}{(7 \sin(x) e^{-x} - 1)_{x=0.4} - (7 \sin(x) e^{-x} - 1)_{x=0.5}} \\ &= 0.4 - \frac{(-0.1) 0.827244}{0.827244 - 1.0355} = 0.0027754 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_3 &= x_2 - \frac{(x_2 - x_1) f(x_2)}{f(x_2) - f(x_1)} \\ &= 0.0027754 - \frac{(0.0027754 - 0.4) (7 \sin(x) e^{-x} - 1)_{x=0.0027754}}{(7 \sin(x) e^{-x} - 1)_{x=0.0027754} - (7 \sin(x) e^{-x} - 1)_{x=0.4}} \\ &= 0.0027754 - \frac{(-0.39722) (-0.980626)}{-0.980626 - 0.827244} = 0.21824 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_4 &= x_3 - \frac{(x_3 - x_2) f(x_3)}{f(x_3) - f(x_2)} \\ &= 0.21824 - \frac{(0.21824 - 0.0027754) (7 \sin(x) e^{-x} - 1)_{x=0.21824}}{(7 \sin(x) e^{-x} - 1)_{x=0.21824} - (7 \sin(x) e^{-x} - 1)_{x=0.0027754}} \\ &= 0.21824 - \frac{(0.21546) (0.218426)}{0.218426 - (-0.980626)} = 0.17899 \end{aligned}$$

Hence using 3 iterations the smallest root found using secant method is 0.17899 compare to Netwon's method 0.17028

5 Algorithm implementation

Implement Euler method to solve a first order ODE in FORTRAN (7pts)

Given an ODE such as $\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x, t)$ with some initial conditions such as $x(0) = k$

The Euler method algorithm solves for $x(t)$ as follows

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + \Delta t \left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right)_{x_n}$$

where for $n = 0$ we use the initial condition. Hence $x_0 = k$