

Introduction to Numerical Methods for Computer Simulation

Exercises No. 7

E 19: Ordinary Gradient Method.

Consider the linear system Ax = b with

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and $b = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

The global minimum of the function

$$f(x) := \frac{1}{2}x^T A x - x^T b$$

is just $x^* = A^{-1}b$, since $\operatorname{grad} f(x) = Ax - b$ holds. An approximation of the minimum point can be determined iteratively using the ordinary gradient method:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} k = 0, 1, 2, \dots & & \\ r^k & = & b - Ax^k \\ \sigma^k & = & \frac{r^{k^T}r^k}{r^k^TAr^k} \\ x^{k+1} & = & x^k + \sigma^kr^k \end{array}$$

- a) Perform two steps of the ordinary gradient method using $x^0 = (1,1)^T$.
- b) Prove that the directions r^0 and r^1 are orthogonal.
- c) How many matrix-vector-multiplications, scalar products, scalar-vector-multiplications and vector-vector-additions/subtractions are required to execute l steps?
- d) Sketch the iteration steps in a coordinate system including the contour lines of the function f(x), which run through the points x^0, x^1, x^2 .

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E 20: Conjugate Gradient Method.

Consider the linear system Ax = b with

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and $b = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

The conjugate gradient (CG) method to solve the linear system iteratively reads:

$$p^{0} = r^{0} = b - Ax^{0}$$

$$k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\alpha^{k} = \frac{r^{k^{T}} r^{k}}{p^{k^{T}} A p^{k}}$$

$$x^{k+1} = x^{k} + \alpha^{k} p^{k}$$

$$r^{k+1} = r^{k} - \alpha^{k} A p^{k}$$

$$\beta^{k} = \frac{r^{k+1^{T}} r^{k+1}}{r^{k^{T}} r^{k}}$$

$$p^{k+1} = r^{k+1} + \beta^{k} p^{k}$$

- a) Perform two steps of the conjugate gradient method using $x^0 = (1,1)^T$.
- b) Prove that the directions p^0 and p^1 are A-orthogonal.
- c) How many matrix-vector-multiplications, scalar products, scalar-vector-multiplications and vector-vector-additions/subtractions are required to execute *l* steps?
- d) Sketch the iteration steps in a coordinate system including the contour lines of the function $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^T A x x^T b$, which run through the points x^0, x^1, x^2 .

E 21: Krylov Spaces.

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be a regular matrix (det $A \neq 0$). Given an arbitrary $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the corresponding jth Krylov space is defined by

$$\mathcal{K}^{j}(y,A) := \text{span}\{y, Ay, A^{2}y, \dots, A^{j-1}y\} \text{ for } j = 1, 2, \dots$$

According to the linear system Ax = b with $x, b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and an arbitrary $x^0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, let $r^0 := b - Ax^0$ be the residual.

Prove that

$$\mathcal{K}_j(r^0, A) = \mathcal{K}_{j+1}(r^0, A)$$

implies $x^* := A^{-1}b \in x^0 + \mathcal{K}_i$, i.e. $x^* = x^0 + v$ with $v \in \mathcal{K}_i$ holds.