

# MATH3230A - Numerical Analysis

## Exercises on Nonlinear systems of equations

### 1 Newton's method

1. Perform two Newton iteration for the system

$$xy^2 + x^2y + x^4 = 3, \quad x^4y^5 - 2x^5y - x^2 = -2$$

starting with  $(1, 1)$ .

2. Perform two Newton iteration for the system

$$xy = z^2 + 1, \quad xyz + y^2 = x^2 + 2, \quad e^x + z = e^y + 3$$

starting with  $(1, 1, 1)$ .

### 2 Broyden's method

1. Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be an invertible matrix with vectors  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Show that

$$\frac{\left(\frac{A^{-1}u}{1+v \cdot A^{-1}u} - A^{-1}u\right) \otimes A^{-T}v}{v \cdot A^{-1}u} = \frac{A^{-1}(u \otimes v)A^{-1}}{1 + v \cdot A^{-1}u},$$

where  $A^{-T} = (A^{-1})^T = (A^T)^{-1}$ .

2. Given a matrix  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and vectors  $w, z, g \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the matrix  $D \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  satisfying  $Dw = z$  and  $Dy = Cy$  for any  $y \cdot g = 0$  has the form

$$D = C - \frac{(z - Cw) \otimes g}{g \cdot w}.$$

Use the above formula, as well as the conditions

$$A_k(x_k - x_{k-1}) = F(x_k) - F(x_{k-1}), \quad A_k y = A_{k-1} y \text{ for } y \cdot (x_k - x_{k-1}) = 0,$$

show that

$$A_k = A_{k-1} + \frac{(F(x_k) - F(x_{k-1}) - A_{k-1}d_{k-1}) \otimes d_{k-1}}{d_{k-1} \cdot d_{k-1}}, \quad d_{k-1} = x_k - x_{k-1}.$$

Use the above formula to derive an alternative variant of Broyden's method using  $A_k$  instead of  $A_k^{-1}$ .

3. Perform two iterations of the good and bad Broyden method to

$$xy^2 + x^2y + x^4 = 3, \quad x^4y^5 - 2x^5y - x^2 = -2$$

starting with  $(x_0, y_0) = (1, 1)$  and  $A_0 = DF(x_0, y_0)$ .

### 3 Steepest descent

1. Compute the Hessian for the function  $g(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^T Ax - b^T x$  where  $A$  is a symmetric matrix.
2. Let  $A$  be a symmetric matrix with  $Ax = b$ . Let  $y$  be any vector. Show that

$$\frac{1}{2}(x - y)^T A(x - y) = \frac{1}{2}b^T A^{-1}b + g(y).$$

Explain why minimizing  $g(y)$  is equivalent to minimizing  $\frac{1}{2}(x - y)^T A(x - y)$ .

3. For  $x$  such that  $Ax = b$ , compute the gradient of  $g(y) = \frac{1}{2}(x - y)^T A(x - y)$ .
4. Let  $A$  be a positive definite and symmetric matrix. Recall that the steepest descent method for solving  $Ax = b$  is: Select  $x_0$ , for  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  do the following:
  - (i) Compute  $d_k = b - Ax_k$  and  $\alpha_k = \frac{d_k \cdot d_k}{d_k \cdot Ad_k}$ .
  - (ii) Update  $x_{k+1} = x_k - \alpha_k d_k$ .

Suppose at some iteration  $k$ , the error vector  $e_k = x_k - x^*$  is an eigenvector of  $A$ , show that

- (a)  $d_k = -\lambda e_k$  where  $\lambda$  is the corresponding eigenvalue of  $e_k$ ;
- (b)  $e_{k+1} = 0$ .

This shows that the subsequent descent step moves directly to the correct solution to  $Ax = b$ .

5. Perform two iterations of the steepest descent method for the system

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & -10 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -12 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

with starting vector  $(0, 0, 0)$ .

6. Let  $A$  be an SPD matrix with eigenvalues

$$0 < \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n.$$

Consider the sequence  $\{x_k\}$  generated by

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \alpha(b - Ax_k),$$

where  $x^*$  is the solution to  $Ax = b$ . Show that

- (i)  $x_{k+1} - x^* = (I - \alpha A)(x_k - x^*)$ ;
- (ii) The eigenvalues of the matrix  $I - \alpha A$  are  $\{1 - \alpha \lambda_i\}_{i=1}^n$ ;
- (iii) The sequence  $\{x_k\}$  converges to  $x^*$  if  $\alpha < \frac{2}{\lambda_n}$ .