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Numerical Mathematics II

Exercise Problems 05

Attention: The approach for getting a solution has to be clearly presented. All statements have to be proved, auxiliary calculations have to be written down. Statements given in the lectures can be used without proof.

1. Properties of the matrix obtained with the finite difference discretization. Continue Problem 3 from Exercise sheet 01. The matrix that has to be assembled in this problem has the form

$$A = \frac{1}{h^2} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & & \cdots & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-1) \times (n-1)}.$$

- (a) Show with the help of the Definition 2.10 that this matrix is positive definite. **3 points**
- (b) Show that the eigenvalues of this matrix are

$$\lambda_k = \frac{4}{h^2} \sin^2\left(\frac{k\pi}{2n}\right), \quad k = 1, \dots, n-1, \tag{1}$$

and the corresponding eigenvectors are $\underline{v}_k = (v_{k,1}, v_{k,2}, \dots, v_{k,n-1})^T$ with

$$v_{k,j} = \sin\left(\frac{jk\pi}{n}\right), \quad k, j = 1, \dots, n-1.$$

3 points

Richarson iteration. Continue Problem 3 from Exercise sheet 03. Solve the system now with the Richardson iteration. Use the information from Problem 1 and from the lecture notes to find a suitable damping parameter (apply a safety factor of 0.9 to obtain a strictly 'lower than' relation). Perform at most 100 000 iterations. How does the damping parameter and the number of iterations behave if the mesh width varies?

The exercise problems should be solved in groups of four students. The solutions have to be submitted until Monday, Nov. 18, 2024, 10:00 a.m. via the white-board.