

1.

- (a) Implement the bisection method in MATLAB to find the smallest positive root of

$$e^{-x} = \cos x \quad (1)$$

- (b) Solve (1) using the secant method. (Use either a calculator or MATLAB.)

2. Write a MATLAB function `Newton(f, df, x, tol)` to implement Newton's method. You need to supply functions  $f(x)$  and  $df(x)(f'(x))$ . The input  $x$  is the initial guess and  $tol$  is the desired accuracy which should be attained when  $|x_{i+1} - x_i| < tol$ . You should limit the number of iterations and report a failure to converge. Use the **error** function.

- (a) Try your function to solve equation (1). Print out the iterates and the function values.
- (b) Use your function to find the first ten positive solutions of

$$x = \tan x.$$

(Zero is not a positive number.) Note: The careful selection of  $x$  is critical.

- (c) Try the function on the double root
- $x = 2$
- of

$$x^3 - x^2 - 8x + 12 = 0.$$

Use  $x = 3$  and  $tol = 10^{-6}$ . What is the rate of convergence ?

3. Let

$$g(x) = 1 + 0.3 \sin(x).$$

- (a) Show that the equation  $g(x) = x$  has exactly one solution,  $\alpha$ .
- (b) Find an interval  $[a, b]$  such that  $g([a, b]) \subset [a, b]$  and  $|g'(x)| \leq \lambda < 1$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$  so that the contraction mapping theorem applies.
- (c) Find  $\alpha$  using fixed point iterations.

4. Apply the Aitken extrapolation scheme;

$$y = g(x), z = g(y), x = z - \frac{(y - z)^2}{((z - y) - (y - x))}$$

to find the fixed point of  $g(x) = 2e^{-x}$  starting with  $x_0 = 0.8$ . How does the speed of convergence compare with that of fixed point iterations ?

5. Which of the following iterations will converge to the indicated fixed point  $\alpha$  (provided  $x_0$  is sufficiently close to  $\alpha$ )? If it does converge, give the order of convergence; for linear convergence, give the rate of linear convergence.

$$(a) \quad x_{n+1} = -16 + 6x_n + \frac{12}{x_n} \quad \alpha = 2$$

$$(b) \quad x_{n+1} = \frac{2}{3}x_n + \frac{1}{x_n^2} \quad \alpha = 3^{1/3}$$

$$(c) \quad x_{n+1} = \frac{12}{1+x_n} \quad \alpha = 3$$

6. Ex 4.16, p.23 *Numerical Computing with MATLAB*.

7. The study of neutron transport in a rod leads to a transcendental equation that has roots related to the critical length. For a rod of length  $l$  the equation is

$$\cot(lx) = \frac{x^2 - 1}{2x}.$$

Graph the two functions  $\cot(lx)$  and  $(x^2 - 1)/2x$  to get an idea of where they intersect to yield roots. For  $l = 1$ , determine the three smallest positive roots. (Use **fzero** or **fzerotx**.)

8. To solve the nonlinear two-point boundary value problem

$$y'' = e^y - 1, \quad y(0) = 0, y(1) = 3$$

using standard initial value codes it is necessary to find the missing initial condition  $y'(0)$ . Observing that  $y'' = \exp(y) - 1$  can be written in the form

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{(y')^2}{2} - e^y + y \right] = 0$$

we can integrate to obtain

$$\frac{(y')^2}{2} - e^y + y = c, \text{ a constant}$$

Since  $y(0) = 0$ , this says  $y'(0) = \sqrt{2c + 2}$ . Solving for  $y'(x)$  (by separation of variables) yields

$$\sqrt{2}x = \int_0^y \frac{dy}{\sqrt{c + e^y - y}},$$

which, when evaluated at  $x = 1$ , becomes

$$\sqrt{2} = \int_0^3 \frac{dy}{\sqrt{c + e^y - y}}$$

Use **fzero** and **quad** to find  $c$  and then  $y'(0)$

9. Solve the system

$$x^2 + xy^3 = 9 \quad 3x^2y - y^3 = 4$$

using Newton's method for nonlinear systems. Use each of the initial guesses  $(x_0, y_0) = (1.2, 2.5), (-2, 2.5), (-1.2, -2.5), (2, -2.5)$ . Observe which root to which the method converges and the number of iterates required. Write a MATLAB function with the initial guess as input. Be sure to take advantage of the fact that MATLAB works with vectors.

10. Consider the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $\mathbf{b} = (-2, 4, 6, 12)'$ . Solve the system using

- (a) The Cholesky factorization of  $A$  (MATLAB: CHOL)
- (b) Jacobi iteration.
- (c) Gauss-Seidel iteration. (The MATLAB command TRIL might be useful.)