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Mathematical Preliminaries

1-1) Review of Calculus

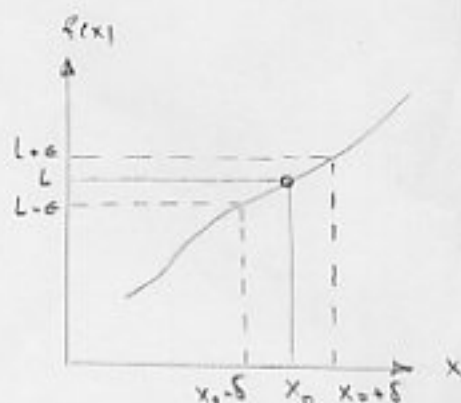
Def. 1.1)

Let f be a func. defined on a set X of real numbers;

Then $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = L$

if $\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists \delta > 0$ such that $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$

whenever $x \in X$ and $0 < |x - x_0| < \delta$



Def. 1.2)

Let f be a func. defined on a set X of real numbers,
and $x_0 \in X$;

f is said to be continuous at x_0 if $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = f(x_0)$

The func. f is said to be continuous on X if it is continuous at each number in X .

Def 1.3)

Let; $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be an infinite sequence of real or complex numbers. The sequence is said to Converge to a number X (called the limit); if $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N(\epsilon)$ (positive integer) such that $n > N(\epsilon)$ implies $|X_n - X| < \epsilon$.

The notation; $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = X$

OR $X_n \rightarrow X$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

means that the sequence $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges to X

Theo. 1.4)

If f is a func. defined on a set X of real numbers and $x_0 \in X$, then the following are equivalent:

a) f is continuous at x_0 ;

b) if $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is any sequence in X converging to x_0 ,

then; $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(X_n) = f(x_0)$

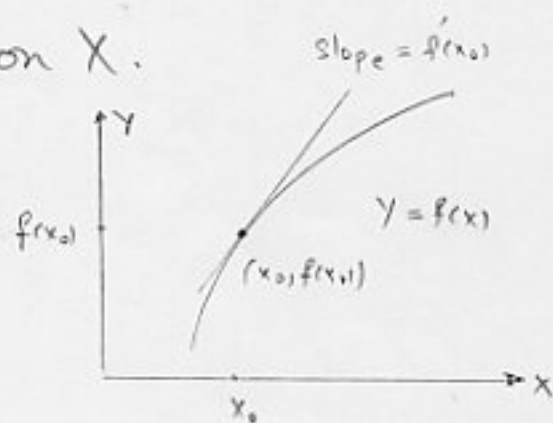
Def. 1.5)

If f is a func. defined in an open interval containing x_0 , f is said to be differentiable at x_0 , if

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} \text{ exists.}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} = f'(x_0)$$

A func. that has a derivative at each number in a set X is said to be differentiable on X .



Theo. 1.6)

If the func. f is differentiable at x_0 , then f is continuous at x_0 .

Remark: $C(X)$ denotes the set of all funcs. continuous on X .

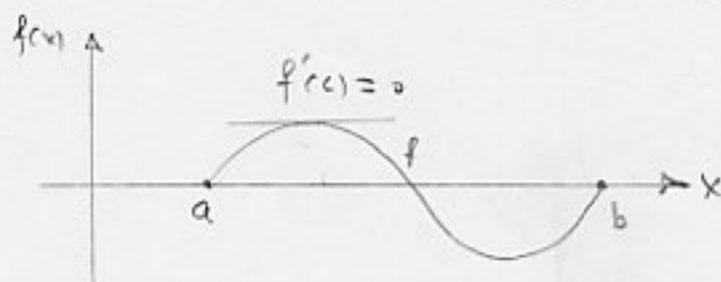
$C^n(X)$ denotes the set of all funcs. that have n continuous derivatives on X

$C^\infty(X)$ denotes the set of all funcs. that have derivatives of all orders on X .

Theo. 1.7) (Rolle's Theorem)

Suppose $f \in C[a,b]$ and f is differentiable on (a,b) .

If $f(a) = f(b) = 0$ $\xrightarrow{\text{then}}$ $\exists c, a < c < b$ with $f'(c) = 0$

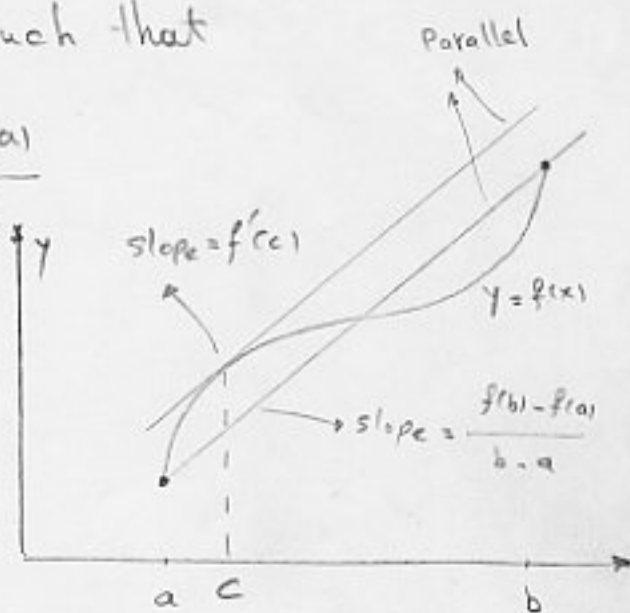


Theo. 1.8) (Mean Value Theorem)

If $f \in C[a,b]$ and f is differentiable on (a,b) ;

$\xrightarrow{\text{then}}$ $\exists c, a < c < b$ such that

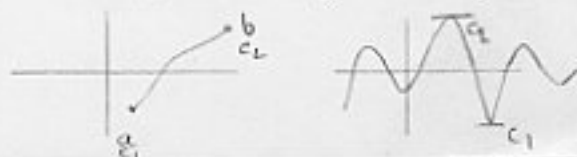
$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$



Theo. 1.9) (Extreme Value Theorem)

If $f \in C[a,b]$ $\xrightarrow{\text{then}}$ $\exists c_1, c_2 \in [a,b]$ with $f(c_1) \leq f(x) \leq f(c_2), \forall x \in [a,b]$.

If, in addition, f is differentiable on (a,b) , $\xrightarrow{\text{then}}$ the numbers c_1 and c_2 occur either at endpoints of $[a,b]$ or where $f' = 0$.



Theo 1.10) (Weighted Mean Value Theorem for Integrals)

If $f \in C[a, b]$, and g is integrable on $[a, b]$ and $g(x)$ does not change sign on $[a, b]$ $\xrightarrow{\text{then}}$

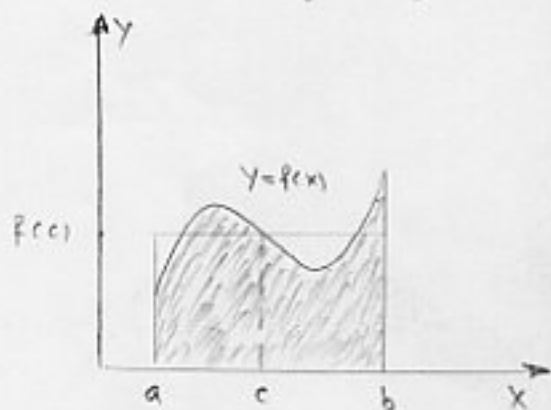
$\exists c, a < c < b$, such that:

$$\int_a^b f(x) g(x) dx = f(c) \int_a^b g(x) dx$$

When $g(x) \equiv 1 \rightarrow f(c) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$ (average value of f over $[a, b]$)

Theo. 1.11) (Generalized Rolle's Theorem)

Let: $f \in C[a, b]$ be n -times differentiable on (a, b) .

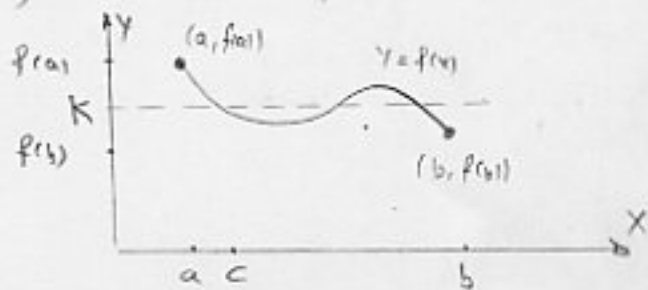


If $f = 0$ at $n+1$ distinct numbers x_0, \dots, x_n in $[a, b]$.

$\xrightarrow{\text{then}} \exists c \in (a, b)$ with $f^{(n)}(c) = 0$

Theo. 1.12) (Intermediate Value Theorem)

If $f \in C[a, b]$ and K is any number between $f(a)$ and $f(b)$, $\xrightarrow{\text{then}} \exists c \in (a, b)$ for which $f(c) = K$



Ex. - Show that $x^5 - 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 1 = 0$ has a sol. in the interval $[0, 1]$

Sol.

$$f(x) = x^5 - 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 1 \quad \text{a polynomial continuous on } [0, 1]$$

$$\text{Since } f(0) = -1 < 0 < +1 = f(1)$$

Intermediate Value Theo. $\rightarrow \exists x$ with $0 < x < 1$

$$\text{for which } x^5 - 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 1 = 0$$

Theo. 1.13) (Taylor's Theorem)

Suppose $f \in C^n[a, b]$ and $f^{(n+1)}$ exists on $[a, b]$.

Let; $x_0 \in [a, b]$.

$\forall x \in [a, b]$, $\exists \xi(x)$ between x_0 and x with

$$f(x) = P_n(x) + R_n(x)$$

where; $P_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f^{(k)}(x_0)}{k!} (x-x_0)^k$ (n-th Taylor polynomial for f about x_0)

and $R_n(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi(x))}{(n+1)!} (x-x_0)^{n+1}$ (remainder term or truncation error)

Remark: $n \rightarrow \infty$ (Taylor series)

$x_0 = 0$ (Maclaurin polynomial or series)

Ex. 2 - Determine a) the second and b) the third Taylor polynomial for $f(x) = \cos x$ about $x_0 = 0$, and use these polynomials to approximate $\cos(0.01)$

Sol.

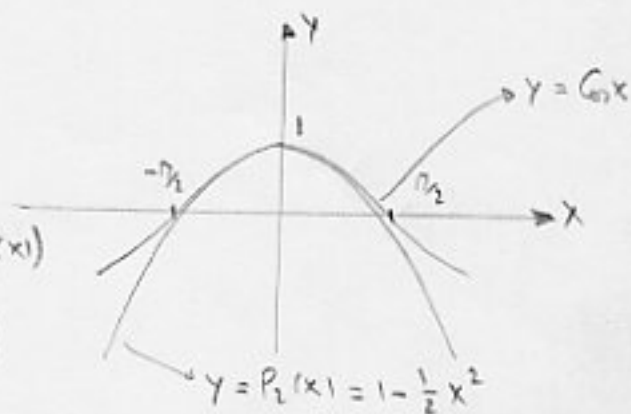
Since $f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$, the previous theorem can be used for any $n > 0$

a) $n=2$ and $x_0=0$; $\cos x = 1 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 \sin \xi(x)$

where $\xi(x)$ is a number between 0 and x .

with $x=0.01$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(0.01) &= 1 - \frac{1}{2}(0.01)^2 + \frac{1}{6}(0.01)^3 \sin(\xi(x)) \\ &= 0.99995 + (0.16\bar{6}) \cdot 10^{-6} \sin(\xi(x)) \end{aligned}$$



where $0 < \xi(x) < 0.01$ (rad.)

Since $|\sin(\xi(x))| < 1 \rightarrow$ we can use 0.99995 as an approximation to $\cos(0.01)$ with assurance of at least six-decimal place accuracy.

Using standard tables $\cos(0.01) = 0.99995000042$

b) For the third Taylor polynomial about $x_0 = \pi$;

$$\cos x = 1 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + 0 + \frac{1}{24}x^4 G_3(\xi(x))$$

where $0 < \xi(x) < 0.01$ and $f'''(\pi) = 0$

the approximation $\rightarrow G_3(0.01) = 0.99995$ as before

the accuracy \rightarrow nine-decimal-place, since

$$\left| \frac{1}{24}x^4 G_3(\xi(x)) \right| \leq \frac{1}{24}(0.01)^4(1) = 4.2 \times 10^{-10}$$

1.2 Round off Errors and Computer Arithmetic

Floating-point forms

$$a = \underbrace{\pm 0.d_1 d_2 \dots d_k}_{\text{mantissa}} \underbrace{\times 10^n}_{\text{characteristic}} \quad \begin{array}{l} 1 \leq d_1 \leq 9, \quad 0 \leq d_i \leq 9 \\ i = 2, \dots, k \\ -78 \leq n \leq 76 \end{array}$$

$$y = 0.d_1 d_2 \dots d_k d_{k+1} d_{k+2} \dots \times 10^n \quad (\text{any positive real number})$$

There are two ways to obtain the floating-point form:

i) Chopping $f_1(y) = 0.d_1 d_2 \dots d_k \times 10^n$

The mantissa is terminated at k decimal digits, just by chopping.

ii) Rounding $f_2(y) = 0.\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots \delta_k \times 10^n$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{if } d_{k+1} \geq 5 : \quad d_k \rightarrow d_k + 1 \text{ and chop off right most digits} \\ \text{if } d_{k+1} < 5 : \quad d_k \rightarrow d_k \quad " \quad " \quad " \quad " \quad " \quad " \end{array} \right.$$

Ex.

$$\pi = 3.14159265 \dots$$

$$\pi = 0.314159265 \dots \times 10^1 \quad \text{normalized decimal form}$$

$$f_1(\pi) = 0.31415 \times 10^1 = 3.1415 \quad (\text{chopping})$$

$$f_2(\pi) = (0.31415 + 0.00001) \times 10^1 = 3.1416 \quad (\text{rounding})$$

Round off error:

$$= |Y - f(Y)| \quad (\text{regardless of whether the rounding or chopping method is used})$$

Def. 1.14) If P^* is an approximation to P ;

$$\text{absolute error} = |P - P^*|$$

$$\text{relative error} = \frac{|P - P^*|}{|P|} \quad P \neq 0$$

Ex.

a) $P = 0.3000 \times 10^1$ $P^* = 0.3100 \times 10^1$

ab. error = 0.1, rel. error = $0.333\bar{3} \times 10^{-1}$

b) $P = 0.3000 \times 10^{-2}$ $P^* = 0.3100 \times 10^{-2}$

ab. error = 0.1×10^{-4} , rel. error = $0.333\bar{3} \times 10^{-1}$

c) $P = 0.3000 \times 10^4$ $P^* = 0.3100 \times 10^4$

ab. error = 0.1×10^3 , rel. error = $0.333\bar{3} \times 10^{-1}$

Relative error in computer: (chopping)

$$= \left| \frac{y - fl(y)}{y} \right|$$

$$y = 0.d_1d_2 \dots d_k d_{k+1} \dots \times 10^n$$

$$\left| \frac{y - fl(y)}{y} \right| = \left| \frac{0.d_1d_2 \dots d_k d_{k+1} \dots \times 10^n - 0.d_1d_2 \dots d_k \times 10^n}{0.d_1d_2 \dots \times 10^n} \right|$$

chopping $n-k$

$$= \left| \frac{0.d_{k+1}d_{k+2} \dots \times 10^0}{0.d_1d_2 \dots \times 10^n} \right| = \left| \frac{0.d_{k+1}d_{k+2} \dots}{0.d_1d_2 \dots} \right| \times 10^{-k}$$

Since $d_1 \neq 0 \rightarrow \text{Min}(\text{denominator}) = 0.1$

and $\text{Max}(\text{numerator}) = 1$

$$\rightarrow \left| \frac{y - fl(y)}{y} \right| \leq \frac{1}{0.1} \times 10^{-k} = 10^{-k+1}$$

In a similar manner, a bound for the relative error when using k -digit rounding arithmetic is:

$$\left| \frac{y - fl(y)}{y} \right|_{\text{rounding}} = \left| \frac{0.d_1d_2 \dots d_k d_{k+1} \dots \times 10^n - 0.\delta_1\delta_2 \dots \delta_k \times 10^n}{0.d_1d_2 \dots \times 10^n} \right|$$

$$\leq 0.5 \times 10^{-k+1}$$

Def. 1.15)

The number p^* is said to approximate p to t significant digits (or figures) if t is the largest nonnegative integer for which

$$\left| \frac{p - p^*}{p} \right| < 5 \times 10^{-t}$$

Other source of error:

In addition to inaccurate representation of numbers (floating point), the arithmetic performed in a computer is not exact.

Assume finite-digit arithmetic given by:

$$x \oplus y = fl(fl(x) + fl(y)) \quad x \otimes y = fl(fl(x) \times fl(y))$$

$$x \ominus y = fl(fl(x) - fl(y)) \quad x \oslash y = fl(fl(x) \div fl(y))$$

Ex.

Suppose: $x = \frac{1}{3}$, $y = \frac{5}{7}$ (use 5-digit chopping)

$$fl(x) = 0.33333 \times 10^0$$

$$fl(y) = 0.71428 \times 10^0$$

| Operation | Result | Actual Value | Abs. error | Relative error |
|---------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| $x \oplus y$ | 0.10476×10^1 | $22/21$ | 0.190×10^{-4} | 0.182×10^{-4} |
| $y \ominus x$ | 0.38095×10^0 | $8/21$ | 0.238×10^{-5} | 0.625×10^{-5} |
| $x \otimes y$ | 0.23809×10^0 | $5/21$ | 0.524×10^{-5} | 0.220×10^{-4} |
| $y \oplus x$ | 0.21428×10^1 | $15/7$ | 0.571×10^{-4} | 0.267×10^{-4} |

$$\text{Max. (Rel. error)} = 0.267 \times 10^{-4} \quad \text{satisfactory}$$

Now consider;

$$u = 0.714251, \quad v = 98765.9, \quad w = 0.111111 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\rightarrow fl(u) = 0.71425 \times 10^0, \quad fl(v) = 0.98765 \times 10^5, \quad fl(w) = 0.11111 \times 10^{-4}$$

| Operation | Result | Actual value | Abs. error | Rel. error |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| $Y \ominus U$ | 0.30000×10^{-4} | 0.34714×10^{-4} | 0.471×10^{-5} | 0.136 |
| $(Y \ominus U) \oplus W$ | 0.27000×10^1 | 0.31243×10^1 | 0.424 | 0.136 |
| $(Y \ominus U) \otimes V$ | 0.29629×10^1 | 0.34285×10^1 | 0.465 | 0.136 |
| $u \oplus v$ | 0.98765×10^5 | 0.98766×10^5 | 0.161×10^1 | 0.163×10^{-4} |

Other most common error sources;

Subtraction of nearly equal numbers;

$$f(x) = 0.d_1 d_2 \dots d_p \alpha_{p+1} \alpha_{p+2} \dots \alpha_k \times 10^n$$

$$f(y) = 0.d_1 d_2 \dots d_p \beta_{p+1} \beta_{p+2} \dots \beta_k \times 10^n$$

$$f(f(x) - f(y)) = \underbrace{0.\alpha_{p+1} \alpha_{p+2} \dots \alpha_k}_{k-p \text{ digits of significance}} \times 10^{n-p}$$

where

$$0.\alpha_{p+1} \alpha_{p+2} \dots \alpha_k = 0.\alpha_{p+1} \alpha_{p+2} \dots \alpha_k - 0.\beta_{p+1} \beta_{p+2} \dots \beta_k$$

However in most calculation devices;

$$f(f(x) - f(y)) = 0.\alpha_{p+1} \alpha_{p+2} \dots \alpha_k \underbrace{00000}_{p \text{ digits}} \times 10^{n-p}$$

Errors in chain;

Suppose;

$$fl(\text{Some arithmetic calculation}) = Z + \delta$$

(having finite digit)

δ : error of arithmetic cal.

Z : actual floating point form of arithmetic cal.

$$\frac{Z}{\epsilon} \approx fl\left[\frac{(Z+\delta)}{fl(\epsilon)}\right] \quad (\epsilon \neq 0)$$

suppose; $\epsilon = 10^{-n}$ $n > 0$

then $\rightarrow \frac{Z}{\epsilon} = Z \times 10^n$

and $fl\left[\frac{(Z+\delta)}{fl(\epsilon)}\right] = (Z+\delta) \times 10^n$

abs. error = $|\delta| \times 10^n$

Thus; if a finite-digit representation or calculation introduces an error, further enlargement of the error occurs when dividing by a number with small magnitude (or equivalently, when multiplying by a number with large magnitude).

Ex. $ax^2 + bx + c = 0 \quad a \neq 0$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

Consider; $x^2 + 62.10x + 1 = 0$

$$x_1 = -0.01610723 \quad x_2 = -62.08390 \quad (\text{approx.})$$

Since $b^2 \gg 4ac \longrightarrow b \approx \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}$

Now suppose 4-digit rounding arithmetic;

$$\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac} = \sqrt{(62.10)^2 - 4.000} = \sqrt{3856. - 4.000} = \sqrt{3852.} = 62.06$$

So;

$$fl(x_1) = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-62.10 + 62.06}{2.000} = \frac{-0.04000}{2.000} = -0.02000$$

is an approximation to $x_1 = -0.01610723$;

$$\text{Rel. error} = \left| \frac{-0.01611 - 0.02000}{-0.01611} \right| \approx 2.4 \times 10^{-1}$$

On the other hand;

$$fl(x_2) = \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-62.10 - 62.06}{2.000} = \frac{-124.2}{2.000} = -62.10$$

is an approximation to $x_2 = -62.08$

$$\text{Rel. error} = \left| \frac{-62.08 + 62.10}{-62.08} \right| \approx 3.2 \times 10^{-4}$$

Remedy;

$$X_1 = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \left(\frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}} \right) = \frac{-2c}{b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}$$

$$\rightarrow f_1(x_1) = \frac{-2,000}{62.10 + 62.06} = \frac{-2,000}{124.2} = -0.01610$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Rel. error} = 6.2 \times 10^{-4}$$

The rationalization technique can also be applied to give the alternate form for x_2 ;

$$x_2 = \frac{-2c}{b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}$$

This would be the form to use if b were a negative number.

But notice;

$$f_1(x_2) = \frac{-2c}{b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}} = \frac{2,000}{62.10 - 62.06} = \frac{-2,000}{0.04000} = -50.00$$

here there are two sources of error;

- 1 - subtraction of nearly equal numbers
- 2 - division by the small number.

Ex.

Evaluate $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 3x - 0.149$ at $x = 4.71$
using three-digit arithmetic.

| | x | x^2 | x^3 | $6x^2$ | $3x$ |
|-----------------------|------|---------|------------|----------|-------|
| Exact | 4.71 | 22.1841 | 104.487111 | 133.1046 | 14.13 |
| Threedigit (chopping) | 4.71 | 22.1 | 104. | 132. | 14.1 |
| " " (rounding) | 4.71 | 22.2 | 105. | 133. | 14.1 |

Exact: $f(4.71) = 104.487111 - 133.1046 + 14.13 - 0.149 = -14.636489$

Three-digit (chopping) $f(4.71) = 104. - 132. + 14.1 - 0.149 = -14.0$

Three-digit (rounding) $f(4.71) = 105. - 133. + 14.1 - 0.149 = -14.0$

$$\text{Rel. error} = \left| \frac{-14.636489 - 14.0}{-14.636489} \right| \approx 0.04$$

(for both methods)

Alternative approach; (nesting method)

$$f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 3x - 0.149 = ((x-6)x + 3)x - 0.149$$

$$\rightarrow f(4.71) = ((4.71-6)4.71 + 3)4.71 - 0.149 = -14.5 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{3-digit} \\ \text{chopping} \end{array}$$
$$f(4.71) = -14.6 \quad \text{3-digit rounding}$$

$$\text{Rel. error} = \left| \frac{-14.636489 + 14.5}{-14.636489} \right| \approx 0.0093, \quad \text{Rel. error} \approx \left| \frac{-14.636489 + 14.6}{-14.636489} \right| \approx 0.0025$$

chopping

1.3 Convergence:

Ex. The Taylor polynomial $P_N(x)$ for $f(x) = \ln x$ expanded about $x_0 = 1$ is

$$P_N(x) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{(-1)^{i+1}}{i} (x-1)^i$$

$\ln 1.5 = 0.40546511$ to the 8-decimal places.

We want to find $\text{Min.}(N) = ?$ for;

$$|\ln 1.5 - P_N(1.5)| < 10^{-5}$$

without using the Taylor polynomial truncation formula.

From calculus we know:

$$\text{If } A_N = \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \text{ and } \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} A_N = A \text{ (with decreasing) terms}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{then}} |A - A_N| \leq |a_{N+1}|$$

Stability:

One criterion we will impose on an algorithm whenever possible is that small changes in the initial data produce correspondingly small changes in the final results.

An algorithm that satisfies this property is called stable; it is unstable when this criterion is not fulfilled.

Rounding Error Growth and its Connection to Algorithm stability:

Suppose: ϵ : an error introduced at some stage in the calculation

ϵ_n : the error after n subsequent operations

Def. 1.6) Suppose that ϵ_n represents the growth of an error after n subsequent operations.

If $|\epsilon_n| \approx C\epsilon$ where $C = \text{const. indep. of } n$

→ the growth of error is said to be linear.

If $|\epsilon_n| \approx k^n \epsilon$ for some $k > 1$

→ the growth of error is called exponential.

Ex. - The sequence $P_n = (\frac{1}{3})^n$, $n > 0$, can be generated recursively by letting $P_0 = 1$ and defining $P_n = (\frac{1}{3}) P_{n-1}$, whenever $n > 1$.

In 5-digit rounding arithmetic:

$$P_0 = 0.10000 \times 10^1 \quad P_1 = 0.33333 \times 10^0 \quad P_2 = 0.11111 \times 10^0$$
$$P_3 = 0.37036 \times 10^{-1} \quad P_4 = 0.12345 \times 10^{-1} \quad \dots$$

Rounding error replacing $\frac{1}{3}$ by 0.33333 produces an error of only $(0.33333)^n \times 10^{-5}$ in the n th term of the sequence.

$$\text{Rel. error} = \left| \frac{\frac{1}{3} - 0.33333}{\frac{1}{3}} \right| = 1 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\text{Abs. error} = \text{Rel. error} \times \text{Data}$$

$$\text{Abs error} = (0.33333) \times 10^{-5} \quad \text{for } n=1$$

Another way to generate the sequence:

$$\text{Define } P_0 = 1, P_1 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P_n = \left(\frac{10}{3}\right) P_{n-1} - P_{n-2} \quad n \geq 2 \quad (1)$$

This method is quite clearly unstable.

Note that formula (1) is satisfied whenever P_n is of the form:

$$P_n = C_1 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n + C_2 3^n$$

Verification:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{10}{3} P_{n-1} - P_{n-2} &= \frac{10}{3} \left[C_1 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1} + C_2 3^{n-1} \right] - \left[C_1 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-2} + C_2 3^{n-2} \right] \\ &= C_1 \left[\frac{10}{3} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1} - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-2} \right] + C_2 \left[\frac{10}{3} 3^{n-1} - 3^{n-2} \right] \\ &= C_1 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n + C_2 3^n = P_n \end{aligned}$$

To have $\begin{cases} P_0 = 1 \\ P_1 = \frac{1}{3} \end{cases}$ in equ (1) $\xrightarrow{\text{must}}$ $\begin{cases} C_1 = 1 \\ C_2 = 0 \end{cases}$

However, in the 5-digit approx. $\begin{cases} P_0 = 0.10000 \times 10^1 \\ P_1 = 0.33333 \times 10^0 \end{cases}$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{the}} \begin{cases} C_1 = 0.10000 \times 10^1 \\ C_2 = -0.12500 \times 10^{-5} \end{cases}$$

This small change C_1 and C_2 results a rounding error;

$$0.10000 \times 10^1 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n + (-0.12500 \times 10^{-5}) \times 3^n$$

\downarrow decreasing with n (exponential) \downarrow increasing with n (exponential)

$$P_n = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n \quad P_0 = 1$$

\downarrow $n \geq 1$

| n | Computed P_n | Correct value P_n |
|-----|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 0 | 0.10000×10^1 | 0.10000×10^1 |
| 1 | 0.33333×10^0 | 0.33333×10^0 |
| 2 | 0.11110×10^0 | 0.11111×10^0 |
| 3 | 0.37000×10^{-1} | 0.37037×10^{-1} |
| 4 | 0.12230×10^{-1} | 0.12346×10^{-1} |
| 5 | 0.37660×10^{-2} | 0.41152×10^{-2} |
| 6 | 0.32300×10^{-3} | 0.13717×10^{-2} |
| 7 | -0.26893×10^{-2} | 0.45725×10^{-3} |
| 8 | -0.92872×10^{-2} | 0.15247×10^{-3} |

Remedy:

- i) Using double- or multi-precision arithmetic.
- ii) Using a more suitable algorithm.

Def. 1.17 -

Suppose $\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a sequence that converges to a number α . We say that $\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges to α with rate of convergence $O(B_n)$, where $\{B_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is another sequence with $B_n \neq 0$ for each n , if

$$\frac{|\alpha_n - \alpha|}{|B_n|} \leq K \quad \text{for sufficiently large } n$$

and $K = \text{const. indep. of } n$. This is indicated by writing

$$\alpha_n = \alpha + O(B_n)$$

OR

$$\alpha_n \rightarrow \alpha \quad \text{with rate of convergence } O(B_n)$$

Ex. -

Suppose that the sequences $\{\alpha_n\}$ and $\{\hat{\alpha}_n\}$ are described by

$$\alpha_n = \frac{n+1}{n^2}$$

$$\hat{\alpha}_n = \frac{n+3}{n^3}$$

$$\forall n \geq 1 \quad n: \text{int.}$$

Although;

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\alpha}_n = 0$$

The sequence $\{\hat{\alpha}_n\}$ converges to this limit much faster than $\{\alpha_n\}$.

If we let $\beta_n = \frac{1}{n}$, $\hat{\beta}_n = \frac{1}{n^2}$

$$\left| \frac{\alpha_n - 0}{\beta_n} \right| = \left| \frac{(n+1)/n^2 - 0}{(1/n)} \right| = \frac{n+1}{n} \leq 2$$

$$\left| \frac{\hat{\alpha}_n - 0}{\hat{\beta}_n} \right| = \left| \frac{(n+3)/n^3 - 0}{(1/n^2)} \right| = \frac{n+3}{n} \leq 4$$

$$\rightarrow \alpha_n = 0 + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \quad \text{while} \quad \hat{\alpha}_n = 0 + O\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right)$$

This implies that;

The rate of convergence of $\{\alpha_n\}$ is similar to the convergence of $\{\frac{1}{n}\}$ to zero
while " " " " " " $\{\hat{\alpha}_n\}$ " " " " " " $\{\frac{1}{n^2}\}$ " " " " " "

This concept generalizes to functions as follows:

Def 1.18 -

$$\text{If } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} F(x) = L,$$

the convergence is said to be $O(G(x))$

if $\exists k > 0$ indep. of x for which

$$\frac{|F(x) - L|}{|G(x)|} \leq k \quad \text{for sufficiently small } |x| > 0$$

This situation is indicated by writing:

$$F(x) = L + O(G(x))$$

OR $F(x) \rightarrow L$ with rate of convergence $O(G(x))$
 $x \rightarrow 0$

Ex. - We found before using a third Taylor polynomial,

$$\cos x = 1 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{24}x^4 \cos \xi(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \cos x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 = 1 + \frac{1}{24}x^4 \cos \xi(x) \quad & 0 \leq \xi(x) \leq x \quad \text{if } x > 0 \\ & 0 > \xi(x) > x \quad \text{if } x < 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \cos x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 = 1 + O(x^4)$$

$$\text{Since } \left| \frac{(\cos x + \frac{1}{2}x^2) - 1}{x^4} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{24} \cos \xi(x) \right| \leq \frac{1}{24}$$

The implication is that $\cos x + \frac{1}{2}x^2$ converges to its limit 1, at approximately the same rate that x^4 converges to zero.

Chapter 11

Boundary-Value Probs. for Ordinary Differential Equs.

11.3 Finite Difference Methods for Linear Probs.

$$Y'' = P(x)Y' + q(x)Y + r(x) \quad a \leq x \leq b, \quad Y(a) = \alpha, \quad Y(b) = \beta$$

First, we select an integer $N > 0$

and divide the interval $[a, b]$ into $(N+1)$ equal subintervals

$$x_i = a + ih \quad (\text{mesh points}) \quad h = \frac{b-a}{N+1} \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, N+1$$

$$x_0 = a, \quad x_{N+1} = b$$

$$Y''(x_i) = P(x_i)Y'(x_i) + q(x_i)Y(x_i) + r(x_i)$$

$i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ interior mesh points

Expanding y in third-deg. Taylor polynomial about x_i evaluated at x_{i+1} and x_{i-1} ;

$$Y(x_{i+1}) = Y(x_i+h) = Y(x_i) + hY'(x_i) + \frac{h^2}{2}Y''(x_i) + \frac{h^3}{6}Y'''(x_i) + \frac{h^4}{24}Y^{(4)}(\xi_i^+) \quad (1)$$

for some ξ_i^+ , $x_i \leq \xi_i^+ \leq x_{i+1}$

$$Y(x_{i-1}) = Y(x_i-h) = Y(x_i) - hY'(x_i) + \frac{h^2}{2}Y''(x_i) - \frac{h^3}{6}Y'''(x_i) + \frac{h^4}{24}Y^{(4)}(\xi_i^-)$$

for some ξ_i^- , $x_{i-1} \leq \xi_i^- \leq x_i$

(2)

assuming $Y \in C^4 [x_{i-1}, x_{i+1}]$

$$(1)(2) \rightarrow Y''(x_i) = \frac{1}{h^2} [Y(x_{i+1}) - 2Y(x_i) + Y(x_{i-1}))] - \frac{h^2}{24} [Y^{(4)}(\xi_i^+) + Y^{(4)}(\xi_i^-)]$$

Using intermediate value Theo.: $\begin{cases} Y^{(4)}(\xi_i^-) \equiv f^{(4)}(a), Y^{(4)}(\xi_i^+) \equiv f^{(4)}(b) \\ \frac{1}{2} [Y^{(4)}(\xi_i^-) + Y^{(4)}(\xi_i^+)] \equiv \kappa \text{ (between } f^{(4)}(a) \text{ and } f^{(4)}(b)) \\ \rightarrow \xi_i \equiv c \end{cases}$

$$Y''(x_i) = \frac{1}{h^2} [Y(x_{i+1}) - 2Y(x_i) + Y(x_{i-1}))] - \frac{h^2}{12} Y^{(4)}(\xi_i)$$

(3)

$$x_{i-1} \leq \xi_i \leq x_{i+1}$$

Equ. (3) is called the centered-difference formula for $Y''(x_i)$

Similarly:

$$Y'(x_i) = \frac{1}{2h} [Y(x_{i+1}) - Y(x_{i-1}))] - \frac{h^2}{6} Y'''(\eta_i) \quad (4)$$

$$x_{i-1} \leq \eta_i \leq x_{i+1}$$

centered-diff. formula for $Y'(x_i)$

The use of (3) and (4) in the main differential eqn yields:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Y(x_{i+1}) - 2Y(x_i) + Y(x_{i-1}))}{h^2} &= P(x_i) \left[\frac{Y(x_{i+1}) - Y(x_{i-1}))}{2h} \right] + Q(x_i) Y(x_i) \\ &+ R(x_i) - \frac{h^2}{12} [2P(x_i) Y'''(\eta_i) - Y^{(4)}(\xi_i)] \end{aligned}$$

A Finite-Difference method with truncation error of order $O(h^2)$ results by using this equ. together with the boundary condns. $y(a) = \alpha$, and $y(b) = \beta$ to define

$$w_0 = \alpha, \quad w_{N+1} = \beta$$

and

$$\left(\frac{2w_i - w_{i+1} - w_{i-1}}{h^2} \right) + P(x_i) \left(\frac{w_{i+1} - w_{i-1}}{2h} \right) + q(x_i) w_i = -r(x_i)$$

$$i = 1, \dots, N$$

OR;

$$-\left(1 + \frac{h}{2} P(x_i)\right) w_{i-1} + (2 + h^2 q(x_i)) w_i - \left(1 - \frac{h}{2} P(x_i)\right) w_{i+1} = -h^2 r(x_i)$$

and the resulting system of eqns. is expressed in the tridiagonal $N \times N$ -matrix form:

$$A w = b$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 + h^2 q(x_1) & -1 + \frac{h}{2} P(x_1) & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -1 - \frac{h}{2} P(x_2) & 2 + h^2 q(x_2) & -1 + \frac{h}{2} P(x_2) & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & -1 + \frac{h}{2} P(x_{N-1}) \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & -1 - \frac{h}{2} P(x_N) & 2 + h^2 q(x_N) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_N \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} -h^2 r(x_1) + (1 + \frac{h}{2} p(x_1)) w_0 \\ -h^2 r(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ -h^2 r(x_{N-1}) \\ -h^2 r(x_N) + (1 - \frac{h}{2} p(x_N)) w_{N+1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Linear Finite-Difference Algorithm 11.3

To approximate the sol. of the boundary-value problem:

$$Y'' = P(x) Y' + q(x) Y + r(x) \quad a \leq x \leq b, \quad Y(a) = \alpha, \quad Y(b) = \beta$$

Input: a, b, α, β, N

Output: approxs. w_i to $Y(x_i)$ for $i = 0, 1, \dots, N+1$

S1

$$h = (b-a)/(N+1)$$

$$x = a + h$$

$$a_1 = 2 + h^2 q(x)$$

$$b_1 = -1 + (hr_2) p(x)$$

$$d_1 = -h^2 r(x) + (1 + (hr_2) p(x)) \alpha$$

S2

Do $i = 2, N-1$

$$x = a + ih$$

$$a_i = 2 + h^2 q(x)$$

$$b_i = -1 + (hr_2) p(x)$$

$$c_i = -1 - (h/2) p(x)$$

$$d_i = -h^2 r(x)$$

Continue

$$S3 \quad x = b - h$$

$$a_N = 2 + h^2 q(x)$$

$$c_N = -1 - (h/2) p(x)$$

$$d_N = -h^2 r(x) + (1 - (h/2) p(x)) \beta$$

To be continued by the algorithm for solving linear system of equs.

Remark: Non-linear differential eqn.:

$$y'' = f(x, y, y') \quad \text{general form}$$

$$\text{Ex.: } y'' = \frac{1}{8} (32 + 2x^3 - yy')$$

$$\underline{\text{Ex.}} \quad y'' + \frac{1}{x} y' - \frac{y}{x^2} = 3, \quad y(1) = 2, \quad y(2) = 3$$

$$\rightarrow a=1, \quad b=2, \quad \alpha=2, \quad \beta=3$$

$$p(x) = -\frac{1}{x}, \quad q(x) = +\frac{1}{x^2}, \quad r(x) = 3$$

$$N=5 \rightarrow h=0.2, \quad x_1=1.2, \quad x_2=1.4, \quad x_3=1.6, \quad x_4=1.8, \quad x_5=2$$

$$-2.0278 Y_1 + 1.0833 Y_2 = 0.12 - 1.8333$$

$$0.9286 Y_1 - 2.0204 Y_2 + 1.0714 Y_3 = 0.12$$

$$0.9375 Y_2 - 2.0156 Y_3 + 1.0625 Y_4 = 0.12$$

$$0.9444 Y_3 - 2.0123 Y_4 = 0.12 - 3.1667$$

| x | analytic sol. | Numerical sol. |
|-----|------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | 2 | 2 |
| 1.2 | 1.9067 | 1.9083 |
| 1.4 | 1.9886 | 1.9904 |
| 1.6 | 2.2100 | 2.2115 |
| 1.8 | 2.5511 | 2.5520 |
| 2 | 3 | 3 |

Approximating Eigenvalues:

Jacobi Method:

If A is symmetric, it can be shown that exists an orthogonal matrix P such that:

$$P^T A P = D$$

where D is diagonal matrix whose diagonal elements are the eigenvalues of A .

Jacobi's method transforms A into diagonal form by annihilating its off-diagonal elements one-by-one.

It makes use of plane rotation matrices $R(p, q)$ which are basically unit matrices except for elements:

$$r_{pp} = \cos \theta \quad r_{qq} = -\sin \theta$$

$$r_{qp} = \sin \theta \quad r_{pq} = \cos \theta$$

$R(p, q)$ orthogonal matrix;

then a tr. of the form $\bar{A} = R^T A R$ preserves the eigenvalues of A .

θ is chosen in such a way that \bar{a}_{pq} is reduced to zero.

$$\bar{A} = R^T A R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & c & \dots & s & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & -s & \dots & c & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1p} & \dots & a_{1q} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{p1} & \dots & a_{pp} & \dots & a_{pq} & \dots & a_{pn} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{q1} & \dots & a_{qp} & \dots & a_{qq} & \dots & a_{qn} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{np} & \dots & a_{nq} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & c & \dots & -s & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & s & \dots & c & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

when $c = C_{\theta}$, $s = S_{\theta}$

$$(R^T A)_{pp} = c a_{pp} + s a_{qp}$$

$$(R^T A)_{pq} = c a_{pq} + s a_{qq}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{a}_{pq} &= (c a_{pp} + s a_{qp})(-s) + (c a_{pq} + s a_{qq})c \\ &= -cs a_{pp} - s^2 a_{qp} + c^2 a_{pq} + cs a_{qq} \end{aligned}$$

Since A is symmetric,

$$\bar{a}_{pq} = (c^2 - s^2) a_{pq} + cs (a_{qq} - a_{pp}) = \frac{1}{2} S_{2\theta} (a_{qq} - a_{pp}) + C_{2\theta} a_{pq}$$

Hence; if

$$\theta = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2a_{pq}}{a_{pp} - a_{qq}} \right) & a_{pp} \neq a_{qq} \\ \pm \frac{\pi}{4} & a_{pp} = a_{qq} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

then the similarity trs. reduces \bar{a}_{pq} to zero.

Unfortunately, as the calculation progresses, subsequent trs. will probably change the values of elements previously reduced to zero.

Thus the method becomes an iterative one in which we construct the sequence of matrices

$$A^{(k+1)} = R^T(p, q) A^{(k)} R(p, q) \quad k=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

with $A^{(0)} = A$.

We take θ as:

$$-\frac{\pi}{4} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{4} \quad (\text{if } a_{pp} \neq a_{qq}) \quad \text{satisfying eqn(1)}$$

$$\theta = (\text{sign of } a_{pq}^{(k)}) \frac{\pi}{4} \quad (\text{if } a_{pp} = a_{qq})$$

For each value of k , we have to decide which off-diagonal element a_{pq} is to be reduced to zero.

It seems reasonable to choose the element of maximum modulus and this gives the standard Jacobi method.

These additional restrictions ensure that the iteration tends to a fixed diagonal matrix.

Because of the symmetry, only the elements above the diagonal need be considered.

$$R = R_1 R_2 R_3 \dots R_n$$

$$\underline{\text{Ex.}} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \equiv A^{(0)}$$

The element of $A^{(0)}$ with max. modulus and above the diagonal is in position $(p, q) = (1, 2)$

$$R(1,2) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta & 0 \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\theta = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2a_{12}}{a_{11} - a_{22}} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \times 3}{10 - 5} \right) = 0.43803$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} \sin\theta = 0.42416 \\ \cos\theta = 0.90559 \end{cases}$$

$$A^{(1)} = R^T A R = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta & 0 \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta & 0 \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 11.40518 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3.59489 & 0.05727 \\ 2.23534 & 0.05727 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Next we rotate in the (1,3) plane using

$$R(1,3) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & 0 & -\sin\theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin\theta & 0 & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\theta = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2a_{13}}{a_{11} - a_{33}} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \times 2.23534}{11.40518 - 0} \right) = 0.18679$$

$$A^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 11.82777 & 0.01064 & 0 \\ 0.01064 & 3.59489 & 0.05627 \\ 0 & 0.05627 & -0.42246 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that the second iteration has destroyed the zero elements in position (1,2) and (2,1).

$$R(2,3) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad \theta = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \times 0.05627}{3.59489 - (-0.42246)} \right) = 0.01401$$

giving;

$$A^{(3)} = \begin{pmatrix} 11.82777 & 0.01064 & 0 \\ 0.01064 & 3.59567 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -0.42325 \end{pmatrix}$$

Finally; $R(1,2)$, with $\theta = 0.00129$

$$A^{(4)} = \begin{pmatrix} 11.82780 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3.59567 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -0.42325 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{tolerance: } 0.0001)$$

$$\lambda_1 = 11.8278 \quad \lambda_2 = 3.5957 \quad \lambda_3 = -0.4233$$

Since $D = R^T A R$ where $R = R_1 R_2 \dots R_n$

$$\rightarrow AR = AD$$

\rightarrow Eigenvectors of A are the columns of R

$$R = R(1,2) R(1,3) R(2,3) R(1,2)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0.88929 & -0.42762 & -0.16222 \\ 0.41795 & 0.90386 & -0.09145 \\ 0.18573 & 0.01226 & 0.98251 \end{pmatrix}$$

The elements of \bar{A} are:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \bar{a}_{ip} &= a_{ip} c + a_{iq} s = \bar{a}_{pi} \\ \bar{a}_{iq} &= a_{ip} (-s) + a_{iq} c = \bar{a}_{qi} \end{aligned} \right\} i \neq p, q$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{a}_{pp} &= (c a_{pp} + s a_{qp}) c + (c a_{pq} + s a_{qq}) s \\ &= c^2 a_{pp} + 2cs a_{pq} + s^2 a_{qq} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{a}_{qq} &= (-s a_{pp} + c a_{qp}) (-s) + (-s a_{pq} + c a_{qq}) c \\ &= s^2 a_{pp} - 2cs a_{pq} + c^2 a_{qq} \end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{a}_{pq} = \bar{a}_{qp} = 0$$

$$\bar{a}_{ij} = a_{ij} \quad i, j \neq p, q$$