

# Integral Equations and Boundary Value Problems

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Programming Exercises

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**Reminder:** The programming exercises constitute 20% of your final grade!

This tutorial deals with the numerical implementation of the Nyström Method. Your code may be written only in MATLAB. Please send me your entire code per email until **16.01.2019** as one single **.zip** file with the name *FamilyName.zip*

**Please put small comments in your code explaining the function of different code sections. This is an important requirement for all computer code and helps both me and you to read your code.**

Consider the following integral equation:

$$\lambda x(s) - \int_0^1 k(s, t)x(t) dt = f(s), \quad s \in [0, 1].$$

Let us define the quadrature operator  $Q_n$  that approximates the integral of a continuous function,

$$Q_n : C[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$
$$x \mapsto \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j x(t_j).$$

For the purpose of this tutorial, we will use Gaussian quadrature of order 4 on subintervals of  $[0, 1]$ . The Gaussian quadrature of order 4 on the interval  $[0, 1]$  is given by four points  $t_1, \dots, t_4$  and the corresponding weights  $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_4$ ,

$$\begin{array}{ll} t_1 = 0.06943184420297371 & \omega_1 = 0.1739274225687269 \\ t_2 = 0.33000947820757719 & \omega_2 = 0.3260725774312731 \\ t_3 = 1 - t_2 & \omega_3 = \omega_2 \\ t_4 = 1 - t_1 & \omega_4 = \omega_1. \end{array}$$

Let  $I_k := [\frac{k-1}{m}, \frac{k}{m}]$  for  $k = 1, \dots, m$  be  $m$  equidistant subintervals of  $[0, 1]$ . The Gaussian quadrature of order 4 on the interval  $I_k$  is given by four points  $t_j$  and corresponding weights  $\omega_j$  correctly scaled to the interval  $I_k$ . By considering all subintervals  $I_k$ , we obtain  $n = 4m$  points  $t_j$  and corresponding weights  $\omega_j$  that define  $Q_n$ .

1. The interval  $[0, 1]$  is decomposed into  $m$  subintervals  $I_k$ . Gaussian quadrature of order 4 is used on each interval  $I_k$ . Write a function

$$[\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{w}] = \text{gaussDomain}(m),$$

that returns two vectors  $\mathbf{t}$  and  $\mathbf{w}$  of length  $4m$  that correspond to the quadrature points and weights on  $[0, 1]$  for evaluating integrals.

Test your code: e.g.,  $\int_0^1 t^2 dt = 1/3$  should coincide with the numerical approximation  $\text{sum}(\mathbf{w} .* \mathbf{t}.^2)$ .

Quadrature points and weights  $t_j$  and  $\omega_j$  define  $Q_n$ . The discretized integral operator  $K_n$  is given by  $(K_n x)(s) := Q_n(k(s, \cdot)x)$  for any  $s \in [0, 1]$ . By choosing  $s = t_i$ , we obtain the fully discretized problem  $\lambda z - Mz = g$  where the matrix  $M$  and the vector  $g$  are given by

$$M_{ij} := \omega_j k(t_i, t_j), \quad g_i := f(t_i), \quad i, j = \overline{1, n}.$$

2. Write functions

$$\mathbf{M} = \text{assembleM}(\text{kernel}, \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{w}),$$

and

$$\mathbf{g} = \text{assembleg}(\text{func}, \mathbf{t}),$$

that create the matrix  $M$  and the vector  $g$ . Here **kernel** and **func** are functions with two and one argument respectively. Vectors  $\mathbf{t}$  and  $\mathbf{w}$  are generated by **gaussDomain**.

Vector  $z$  is computed by solving the linear system of equations  $\lambda z - Mz = g$ . Values of the solution  $x$  are obtained via  $z$  using the following interpolation:

$$x(s) := \frac{1}{\lambda} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j k(s, t_j) z_j + f(s) \right],$$

at any point  $s \in [0, 1]$ .

3. Write a function

$$\mathbf{x} = \text{interpNystrom}(\text{lambda}, \text{kernel}, \text{func}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{s}),$$

that returns a vector  $\mathbf{x}$  of interpolated values at points defined by the vector  $\mathbf{s}$ . Variables **kernel**, **func**,  $\mathbf{t}$  and  $\mathbf{w}$  are as above;  $\mathbf{z}$  is a vector of length  $n$  and **lambda** is a scalar parameter corresponding to  $\lambda$ .

4. Write a function

$$\mathbf{x} = \text{solveNystrom}(\text{lambda}, \text{kernel}, \text{func}, \text{m}, \mathbf{s}),$$

that solves the integral equation of the second kind numerically using the Nyström Method. Function `solveNystrom` should use all the functions defined above. You may use the MATLAB command  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{A} \backslash \mathbf{b}$  to solve a linear system of equations  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{b}$ .

Variable `lambda` corresponds to  $\lambda$ , `kernel` to  $k(\cdot, \cdot)$ , and `func` to  $f(\cdot)$ ; `m` is the number of subintervals used for discretization and the vector `s` defines the points where the solution vector `x` is to be computed.

5. Test your program. Try some of the equations you already solved:

(a)

$$x(s) - \int_0^1 (20st^2 + 12s^2t)x(t) dt = s, \quad s \in [0, 1],$$

(b)

$$x(s) - \int_0^s x(t) dt = 1, \quad s \in [0, 1],$$

(c)

$$x(s) - \int_0^s (t - s)x(t) dt = s, \quad s \in [0, 1].$$

Define the functions `kernel` and `func`. Set `s = 0 : 0.01 : 1`. Call your function: `x = solveNystrom(lambda, @kernel, @func, m, s)`. Plot the solution: `plot(s, x, s, sol)`, where `sol` is the vector of the function values of the real solution. E.g., `sol = s/4 - s.^2/2` for the first equation (a) above.