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2.29 NUMERICAL FLUID MECHANICS— SPRING 2007

Problem Set 3

Totally 120 points

Posted 04/03/07, due Thursday 4 p.m. 04/19/07, Focused on Lecture 8 to 17

Problem 3.1 (15 points):

Consider the following system of equations:

$$Ax = b, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 8 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Cholesky factorize A (Note that A is positive definite).
- Find an LU factorization form for A.
- Use LU factorization of A to find x.
- Compute the x by two iterations of successive over-relaxation scheme. Use relaxation parameter $\omega = 1.5$ and initial guess of zero.
- Compute the solution by 4 iterations of conjugate gradient method.

Problem 3.2 (10 points): Polynomial Interpolation

Consider the below (x,y) pairs:

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad y = f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Find the Lagrange polynomial for above points.
- Interpolate that polynomial at $x=-1$.
- Find the ordered polynomial for above points with Newton's formula.

- d) Interpolate the ordered polynomial at $x=-1$.
- e) Find the 3rd order interpolating polynomial with forming a linear system of equations.
- f) Interpolate the above polynomial at $x=-1$.

Problem 3.3 (35 points): Streamlines

For a uniform inviscid flow passing a sphere with radius “R”, the potential field is given by:

$$\phi(r, \theta) = U\left(r + \frac{R^3}{2r^2}\right)\cos(\theta)$$

Here U is the far field velocity and the far field pressure is zero.

- a) Find the velocity field.
- b) Find the tangential and normal acceleration of fluid particles.
- c) Find the analytical form of the streamline that passes through arbitrary point of (r_0, θ_0) . Simplify the relation for the case when $\theta_0 = \frac{\pi}{2}$.
- d) Derive an analytical differential equation for the distance increment $ds = ds(r, \theta)$ traveled by a particle fluid at a given position from its velocity components. Note that “s” is the path length traveled by fluid particle.

Now do the following for $r_0 = 1.01R, 1.1R, 1.5R, 3R$:

- e) Integrate the streamline differential equation as well as the path length differential equation. For the integration use the fixed step size $\Delta\theta = 0.05$ and continue as long as $\theta \leq \pi - \Delta\theta$ and $r \leq 10R$. Assume that $s(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0$.
- f) Plot the analytical form of streamlines as well as the numerical form obtained in previous part.
- g) Plot both “ $r(\theta)$ ” and “ $s(\theta)$ ” for each streamline.
- h) Fit a series of splines to your $s(\theta)$ discrete points computed at part “e”. Then differentiate your fit two times to compute the tangential acceleration and compare it with the analytical value at the same θ .

Problem 3.4 (60 Points): Textbook problems

Solve the below problems from “Chapara and Canale” textbook. Note that you can use MATLAB functions whenever possible.

- 11.18, 11.20
- 13.8, 13.9, 13.11
- EXTRA CREDIT: 13.19 (5 Points)

- 14.8, 14.12
- 17.12, 17.29
- 18.4
- EXTRA CREDIT: 18.9 (5 Points)
- 19.18
- 20.19
- 21.7
- 22.9 only part b, 22.13
- 23.19
- EXTRA CREDIT: 23.26 (5 Points)