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Inverse Problems

Example sheet 2

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**Exercise 1 (Generalised inverse)**

a) Let  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $m \geq n \geq 2$ . Compute the Moore-Penrose inverses of the following matrices:

- i.  $K = (1, 1, \dots, 1) \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times n}$
- ii.  $K = \text{diag}(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  with  $a_j \in \mathbb{R}$  for  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$
- iii.  $K \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  with  $K^T K = I_n$

b) Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$ . Compute the Moore-Penrose inverses of the following operators:

- i.  $K : L^2([a, b]) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $Ku = \int_a^b u(x) dx$
- ii.  $K : L^2([a, b]) \rightarrow L^2([a, b])$  with  $(Ku)(y) = u(y)g(y)$  for  $0 \neq g \in C([a, b])$ .

**Exercise 2 (One-sided differential quotient operator)**

We want to consider the problem of differentiation again, formulated as the inverse problem of finding  $u$  from  $Ku = f$  with the integral operator  $K : L^2([0, 1]) \rightarrow L^2([0, 1])$  defined as

$$(Ku)(y) := \int_0^y u(x) dx.$$

As an approximation to  $K^\dagger$  we are interested in the study of the one-sided differential quotient operator  $D_h : L^2([0, 1]) \rightarrow L^2([0, 1])$  with

$$(D_h f)(x) := \frac{1}{h} \begin{cases} (f(x+h) - f(x)) & x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}[ \\ (f(x) - f(x-h)) & x \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1] \end{cases},$$

for  $h \in ]0, 1/2[$ . Further, let  $H^2([0, 1])$  denote the Hilbert space

$$H^2([0, 1]) = \{f \in L^2([0, 1]) \mid f'', f' \in L^2([0, 1])\}.$$

We consider the case of a noisy measurement, i.e. we observe  $f^\delta \in L^2([0, 1])$  for which

$$\|f - f^\delta\|_{L^2([0, 1])} \leq \delta$$

holds true, for the exact data  $f \in \mathcal{D}(K^\dagger)$ .

Please turn over!

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- a) Assume that  $f \in H^2([0, 1])$  and  $\|f''\|_{L^2([0,1])} \leq c$ . Verify the following estimate for the overall  $L^2$ -error between  $u^\dagger$  and  $D_h f^\delta$ :

$$\|K^\dagger f - D_h f^\delta\|_{L^2([0,1])} \leq \frac{\sqrt{5}\delta}{h} + \frac{ch}{\sqrt{2}} \quad (1)$$

- b) Compute  $h(\delta)$  such that the right-hand-side of (1) gets minimal.
- c) Discretise  $D_h$  by evaluating  $D_h$  at  $n$  discrete points  $x_k := (k-1)h$ ,  $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , for  $h = \frac{1}{n-1}$ . This way we obtain a mapping  $\tilde{D}_h : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ . Implement a MATLAB-function `diffquot` that takes a vector  $\tilde{f} = (f(x_1), f(x_2), \dots, f(x_n))^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$  as an input argument and returns the output  $\tilde{D}_h \tilde{f}$ .
- d) Test your function for  $h = 2^{-k}$ ,  $k \in \{2, 3, \dots, 8\}$  and

i.  $f(x) = \cos(\pi x)$  for  $x \in [0, 1]$ ;

ii.  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \in [0, \frac{1}{3}[ \\ x - \frac{1}{3} & x \in [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}[ \\ \frac{1}{3} & x \in [\frac{2}{3}, 1] \end{cases}$

and plot the maximum error  $\|\tilde{D}_h \tilde{f} - (f'(x_1), f'(x_2), \dots, f'(x_n))^T\|_\infty$  dependent on  $h$ .

### Exercise 3 (Singular value decomposition)

Prove Theorem 2.5 (the existence of a singular value decomposition of compact, linear operators) as stated in the lecture notes.

**Hint:** Consider the compact operator  $K^*K$  at first, and make use of  $\overline{\mathcal{R}(K^*K)} = \overline{\mathcal{R}(K^*)}$  later on.

### Exercise 4 (The Radon transform)

- a) The MATLAB command `f = radon(u, phi)`; computes a discretised two-dimensional radon transform of a discrete image  $u$  for a vector of angles  $\text{phi}$ . Use this command to set up a matrix  $R$  that maps the column-vector representation of  $u$  into the column-vector representation of the sinogram  $f$  for an arbitrary image  $u \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{64 \times 64}$  and angles  $\text{phi}$  with  $\text{phi}(j) = j$  for  $j \in \{0, 2, \dots, 178\}$ .
- b) Create a noisy sinogram by applying  $R$  to a down-sampled version of the Shepp-Logan phantom (built-in in MATLAB; use the command `phantom`) and subsequently adding non-negative, random numbers (for example normally distributed via `randn`) to the sinogram. Create multiple versions with different noise levels. In order to down-sample you can use the command `imresize`.
- c) Compute a singular value decomposition of  $R$  via the MATLAB-command `svd` and plot selected singular vectors of your choice.
- d) Create a 'pseudo'-inverse of  $R$  by constructing an appropriate matrix with inverted singular values and apply this matrix to the column-vector representations of your noisy sinograms. What do you observe if you truncate some of the small singular values?