



Hierarchical Matrices

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Exercise Sheet 7.

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Exercise 1. (Another Kind of Approximation)

Let

$$s_k(x, y) = \kappa(x, [y]_k)^T W_k^{-1} \kappa([x]_k, y)$$

be the k th order approximation of $\kappa(x, y)$ from the lecture.

Prove the representation

$$s_k(x, y) = \sum_{\ell, m=1}^k (-1)^{\ell+m} \kappa(x, y_\ell) \kappa(x_m, y) \frac{\det W_k^{(m, \ell)}}{\det W_k},$$

where $W_k^{(\ell, m)} \in \mathbb{R}^{(k-1) \times (k-1)}$ is W_k without the ℓ th row and the m th column.

Exercise 2. (Rank Reduction)

Let $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$. Prove that for any $1 \leq i \leq m$, $1 \leq j \leq n$ with $A_{ij} \neq 0$,

$$\text{rank}(A - A_{:,j} A_{ij}^{-1} A_{i,:}) \leq \text{rank}(A) - 1.$$