



Scientific Computing 1

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Sheet 9

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Exercise 1. (block matrix)

Consider the block matrix

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B^\top & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m+n) \times (m+n)}$$

with $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ and $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$. Assume that $\text{rank}(B) = n$ and that A is positive definite on $\ker(B^\top)$. Show that C is invertible.

(4 points)

Exercise 2. (Neumann problem)

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open, bounded and convex domain with smooth boundary $\partial\Omega$ and normal unit vector $n: \partial\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$. Consider the free Neumann Problem

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta u &= f & \text{in } \Omega, \\ \partial_n u &= g & \text{on } \partial\Omega. \end{aligned}$$

a) Assume that a strong solution exists. Show that

$$\int_{\Omega} f \, dx + \int_{\partial\Omega} g \, dS = 0.$$

b) If u is a weak solution, then u plus a constant is also a weak solution, therefore we may enforce the additional constraint

$$\int_{\Omega} u \, dx = 0.$$

Show that the bilinear form $a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \nabla v \, dx$ on $H^1(\Omega)$ is elliptic (w.r.t the $H^1(\Omega)$ -norm) on the set of functions $v \in H^1(\Omega)$ that satisfy the constraint.

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