

## Errata: Introduction to Scientific Computing, 2nd Ed.

- p. xi URL scrambled
  - p. 5 first display: stray backslashes
  - p. 8 2nd display from foot: `2*pi*` missing inside `sin`
  - p. 33 l. 16 insert “a” between “write” and “second”.
  - p. 41 The formula giving the form of  $\tau$  illustrating relative error is meaningless. Given  $d$ , a  $g$  can always be found for which the condition holds. (Some characterization like `g=ceil(log2(x))` is needed.)
  - p. 42 In script `ExpTaylor` l. -7: `for k=1:nTerms`
  - p. 43 Last display:  $x_2$  should be  $x^2$ .
  - p. 47 First sentence of **P1.4.5** ends with a question mark.
  - p. 53 l. -2 Replace “off” by “of”.
  - p. 60 l. 8 Case error: `C1.long.d`, not `C1.Long.d`
  - p. 61 3rd line in spec for `Convert`: `x is the value of f`.
  - p. 62 2nd line in spec for `Pretty`: extra “is a”.
  - p. 63 Comments in `PadeCoeff`: replace square brackets by parens.
  - p. 64 In **P1.6.2** replace “approximates” by “approximants.”
  - p. 69 Color mnemonics for white, magenta, and black are w, m, and k resp.
  - p. 79 l. 2 of script: Replace `InverpV` by `InterpV`.
  - p. 81 l. 2 Replace `pval` by `pVal`.
  - p. 84 l. -5 Divide equations 2, 3, and 4 by  $(x_2 - x_1)$ ,  $(x_3 - x_1)$ , and  $(x_4 - x_1)$ , respectively.
  - p. 171 Last display:  $c_{i-j}$  should be  $c_{i-j+1}$ .
  - p. 172 End of first paragraph: Each “ $\times$ ” designates a scalar that can be nonzero.
  - p. 173 l. 1 Replace “reference” by “refer.”
  - p. 173 last displayed equation:  $T(4, 5) = -1$ .
  - p. 175 l. 1 should be `A = [1 zeros(1,4); ...`
- The discussion that follows about “extraction of blocks” requires a matrix with at least 6 columns; it is not feasible with the displayed matrix `A`.
- p. 177 l. -4: `Ax` not `Az`.
  - p. 179 `A(5, :)` looks like `[0 0 0 0  $\times \times \times$ ]`.
  - p. 188 The table `F` of function values set up (three ways) on this page has  $x$  running down the rows and  $y$  across the columns. This is contrary to the convention used in MATLAB’s plot commands like `contour`.
  - p. 189 In `SampleF` the comments say that the function being sampled is  $\exp(-(x^2 + 3y^2))$ , but the code and text following say  $\exp(-(x^2 + 2y^2)/4)$ .
  - p. 192 M-file `SampleF2` actually evaluates (instead of the integrand displayed)

$$\frac{1}{((x - .3)^2 + .1)((y - .4)^2 + .1)} + \frac{1}{((x - .7)^2 + .2)((y - .3)^2 + .2)} - 6.$$

- p. 194 l. 22: The required function `[A,b]=Poisson(m,n)` presumably returns the matrix  $A$  and right-side vector  $b$ , not the solution of the system, to judge by the calling sequence. (And since there are no sources or sinks of heat, isn’t this a Laplace equation?) The code for `fnorth` needs a “`*`”.

p. 208 The comments in function files `MatVecR0.m` and `MatVecC0.m` are identical, although they correctly describe only the latter's operation.

p. 209 2nd line of text: replace "are" by "is."

p. 210 l. -5: ... so we can vectorize as follows (assuming that  $x$  is a column vector):

p. 212 Comments in `UTriSol`: the first line should read `x = UTriSol(U,b)`; in the third line replace `X` by `x`.

p. 233 l. -1: `[L,U,P]` not `[P,L,U]`.

p. 235 The proof of Theorem 6 repeatedly uses the fact that  $\|Mx\| \leq \|M\|\|x\|$ . However, this property of norms has not been stated previously.

p. 246 **P7.1.2**: Stray backslashes, and "\$car\$" should be "^".

p. 256 In the second-to-last display (matrix  $T$ ) the entries  $e_{n-1}$  should be  $e_n$ .

p. 258 First comment line in function M-file should read "`[g,h] =`" instead of "`G =`."

p. 274 Function `MakeScalar` is missing from the list.

p. 289 **P8.1.12** l. 3 Replace  $1/(x - x_c)$  by  $1/(x - x_c)$ , and  $R_c(x_c)$  by  $R_c(x_c)$ .

p. 294 l. -4 Replace "less" by "fewer".

p. 304 In **P8.2.2**, write parametric equations for the ellipse in the usual way. Then *any* triangle with vertices  $P(t)$ ,  $P(t + \frac{2}{3}\pi)$  and  $P(t + \frac{4}{3}\pi)$  has maximal area. This can be deduced from the fact that the tangent to the ellipse at any vertex of a maximizing triangle is parallel to the opposite edge.

p. 305 In **P8.2.7**, third display, the vector on the right should be

$$\begin{bmatrix} b x(t)/a \\ a y(t)/b \end{bmatrix}$$

p. 315 In the code for `JSepV` the last line is missing:

```
J = [ Rot1*[beta1*s1;-gamma1*c1] Rot2*[-beta2*s2;gamma2*c2] ];
```

p. 336 l. -2 before §**9.1.4**:  $F(z) = z - h_n f(t_{n+1}, z) - y_n$ .

p. 339, third display from the foot. The middle equation is  $2b\alpha = 1$ . The following sentence should read, " $a = b = 1/2$  and  $\alpha = \beta = 1$ ."

p. 340 The second line following "`elseif k==2`" should read

```
k2 = h*feval(fname,tc+h,yc+k1);
```

as it does in the script `RKStep` supplied with the text, and corresponding to the last display but one on page 339.

p. 344 l. 8: stray `tt`.

p. 363 col. 1 l. -8: `cell`, 60 instead of `cell`, 160.