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QSLIN is used to solve non-linear two-point boundary value problems by the method of quasi-linearization. The linearized problem is solved by the method of superposition with orthonormalization using subroutine ORTNRM. Linear boundary conditions are assumed.

Let x = independent variable

$u(x)$ = vector of n dependent variables

$f(x,u)$ = a given vector of functions of x and u ,
in general non-linear

B = a constant $(n-k) \times n$ matrix

D = a constant $k \times n$ matrix

c_1 = a constant $(n-k)$ -vector

c_2 = a constant k -vector

We want to solve the problem:

$$\frac{d}{dx} u(x) = f(x,u)$$

$$Bu(a) = c_1, \quad Du(f) = c_2$$

The subroutine is entered by the statement:

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CALL QSLIN  
(INITL, NORM, W, OTHER, IT, CVCRIT,  
N,M,K,Y,DER,CG,  
A,NN,H,NP,NT,  
TEST, CX, NX,  
NPOO, NPO1, NPC2, ALT,  
NERR)
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In the following discussion, we break the parameters into 6 groups. We refer throughout to the manual on Sub-routine ORTNRM.

1. Iteration and convergence of linearized problem

INITL, NORM, W, OTHER, IT, CVCRT

In the method of quasi-linearization, we start with an initial guess solution $u^0(x)$, and solve successively the linear two-point boundary value problems

$$\frac{d}{dx} u^i = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{f_j(x, u^{i-1})}{u_j^{i-1}} (u_j^i - u_j^{i-1}) + f(x, u^{i-1}),$$

$$i = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$Bu^i(a) = c_1, \quad Du^i(b) = c_2.$$

After each iteration, we compute

$$E_i = ||u^i - u^{i-1}||_N$$

in some norm N . We consider the process to have converged when

$$E_i < \underline{\text{crit.}}$$

where crit. is a pre-specified constant, and set

$$u = u^i$$

The iteration-and-convergence parameters should be set as follows:

INITL: Name of subroutine for storing the initial guess solution $u^0(x)$. To be called by a statement of the form
CALL INITL (UO) with:

UO: Real array dimensioned (NT,N) (NT=number of solution points. N=number of dependent variables n. See ORTNRM write-up.) Values of $u^0(x)$ at the solution points.

The subroutine should generate the values of $u^0(x)$ for x equal to each of the NT solution points successively. Note that here NT is the first subscript and N is the second.

NORM: Flag to indicate the norm to be used in computing the E_i . There are three built-in norm options available, and also the option of the user's choosing a different one and coding it himself. The components of $(u^i - u^{i-1})$ may be weighted differently if desired, using a weight vector w (see below).

NORM = 1, max norm,

$$E_i = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} (w_j \max_{x \in \{\text{soln.pts}\}} |u_j^i(x) - u_j^{i-1}(x)|)$$

= 2, least squares norm,

$$E_i = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \left(w_j \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{x \in \{\text{soln.pts}\}} [u_j^i(x) - u_j^{i-1}(x)]^2}{NT}} \right)$$

= 3, sum of absolute values,

4.

$$E_i = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \left(w_j \frac{\sum_{x \in \{\text{soln.pts.}\}} |u_j^i(x) - u_j^{i-1}(x)|}{NT} \right)$$

= 4, user-coded norm (See below: OTHER.)

The "NT" in the above expressions is the number of solution points.

The " w_j " in the above expressions are the weights for the individual components $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$. See below: W.

Note that the norm is taken considering the values of u^i and u^{i-1} only at the solution points. Thus we see that the choice of solution points in QSLIN has significance beyond that of simple output of solution. More care must be given to choice of solution points in using QSLIN than was true in using ORTNRM directly.

W: Real array dimensioned (N). Set of weights for use in computing the norm

$$E_i = ||u^i - u^{i-1}||$$

See under NORM above for specific use in formulas. The elements of w should of course all be ≥ 0 .

OTHER: Name of subroutine for computing the norms E_i by a formula other than those supplied. (See above under NORM, options 1-3.) To be called by a statement of the form

CALL OTHER (EI, UIM1, UI, W, N, NT) with:

EI: Real. Value of E_i , to be computed and stored by the subroutine.

UIM1: Real array dimensioned (NT,N). The values of the n-vector $u^{i-1}(x)$ at the NT solution points.

UI: Real array dimensioned (N,NT). The values of the n-vector $u^i(x)$ at the NT solution points. Note the unfortunate inconsistency in the dimensioning of UI and UIM1: UIM1 is (NT,N), while UI is (N,NT).

W: Real array dimensioned (N). The weights w . See above discussion of W.

N: Integer. Number of dependent variables n .

NT: Integer . Number of solution points.

The values of UIM1, UI, W, N, and NT should not be changed by OTHER.

OTHER is used if and only if the flag NORM is set equal to 4. If NORM is not set to 4, a dummy argument may be used for OTHER in the CALL QSLIN statement.

IT: Integer. The max number of iterations, producing successively, u^1, u^2, \dots , to be allowed. If convergence of u^i has not occurred after IT iterations, a note is printed, the error flag is set (see below under NERR), and control is returned from QSLIN to the calling program.

CVCRIT: Real. The convergence criterion for convergence of the u^i . When

$$E_i < CVCRIT$$

convergence is considered to have occurred. Of course CVCRIT should be set > 0 .

None of the parameters NORM, W, IT, or CVCRIT are changed by QSLIN.

II. System of Equations

N, M, K, Y, DER, CO

These parameters are covered by exactly the same rules as the comparable set in ORTNRM. The system of equations considered here is the linearized set of equations.

$$\frac{d}{dx} u^i = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{f(x, u^{i-1})}{u_j^{i-1}} u_j^i - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{f(x, u^{i-1})}{u_j^{i-1}} u_j^{i-1} + f(x, u^{i-1})$$

Here, the values of u^{i-1} are considered as functions of x in the equations. The homogeneous set of equations, to be used in computing base solutions, includes only the first term on the right side. The second and third terms on the right side are used just for computing the particular solution.

In the subroutine DER which evaluates the vector $\frac{d}{dx} u^i$, the user obtains the values of $u^{i-1}(x)$ for any value x by means of the statement

CALL APROX(X, UIM1), with:

X: Real. Independent variable x .

UIM1: Real array dimensioned (N). The vector of values $u^{i-1}(x)$.

The subroutine APROX will supply the values of u^{i-1} at a given x , by interpolating in the table of $u^{i-1}(x)$ at the solution points. Generally, the CALL APROX statement should appear as the first executable statement in DER. The value of x is not changed by APROX.

As in ORTNRM, none of the parameters N , M , K , Y are changed by QSLIN.

III. Interval and Spacing

A , NN , H , NP , NT

The parameters are set exactly as for ORTNRM. Their choice is a little more significant here than in ORTNRM, however, as noted earlier. Proper choice of intervals may improve convergence as well as accuracy, since solution values of u^i are stored, and hence used in the subsequent iteration, at solution points only. The variable-step-size option provided for ORTNRM has its major utility here. Parameters are not changed by QSLIN.

IV. Orthonormalization

TEST, C , NX

These parameters are set exactly as for ORTNRM, for application to the linearized system of equations. They are not changed by QSLIN.

Note that, for purposes of orthonormalization each iteration $i = 1, 2, \dots$ is completely distinct. Thus NX is merely the upper limit on orthonormalizations for any one iteration. It should not be the total number of orthonormalizations for all iterations.

V. Output Options

NPOO, NPO1, NPO2, ALT

The user may or may not want a full print-out of \bar{u}^i for every iteration. He may want to print only the last value of \bar{u}^i , after convergence.

The same options for intermediate solution print-out, alternate solution, etc., that were available for ORTNRM are available here.

NPOO: Integer. Flag for print-out of the solutions u^i , $i = 1, 2, \dots$.

$NPOO \leq 0$, no print-out of any of the u^i . This holds regardless of the value of NPO2 (see below).

$NPOO > 0$, print-out of u^i given every NPOO iterations, (i.e., for the NPOO'th, $2 * NPOO$ 'th,...) and for the last solution generated (whether convergence occurred or the iteration limit IT was exceeded).

With each solution print-out, the error norm E_1 is also printed.

NPO1: Integer. Flag for print-out of intermediate vectors. Options are the same as for ORTNRM. Intermediate vector print-out is given for a particular iteration only when solution print-out for that iteration is flagged via NPOO.

NPO2: Integer. Flag for print-out of solution vectors u^i . Options are the same as for ORTNRM, subject to the following exceptions and remarks:

1) The normalization of u for homogeneous systems, as flagged in ORTNRM by setting NPO2 negative, is not available for QSLIN.

2) If an alternate solution print-out is desired (and flagged by setting $NPO2 = 3$), it is given only with the final solution print-out. I. e., after convergence.

3) A solution u is always generated. $NPO2 = 0$ is considered the same as $NPO2 = 1$.

4) If solution print-out for a particular iteration is indicated as per $NPO0$ but $NPO2$ is set to 0 or 1, no solution print-out is given, but the error norm is printed for that iteration.

ALT: Name of subroutine for computing an alternate solution. Same as for $ORTNRM$. If $NPO2 \neq 3$, a dummy name may be used for ALT in the $CALL\ ORTNRM$ statement.

The parameters $NPO0$, $NPO1$, and $NPO2$ are not changed by $QSLIN$.

VI. Error Flag

NERR

There are two error conditions which may be flagged in $QSLIN$. If there is no error, $NERR$ will have been set to 0 on return from $QSLIN$.

$NERR$: Integer.

Set to 0 if no error was encountered.

Set to 1 if more orthonormalizations than the number specified by NX were required for some iteration.

Set to 2 if convergence of the u^i did not occur after the number of iterations specified by IT .

The user must include the names for INITL, DER, CO, and, if the respective options are used, OTHER and ALT in an EXTERNAL statement.

Storage Space

The user must allocate working storage space for use by QSLIN. As with ORTNRM, this is done via the labeled COMMON block /SCRATCH/. The QSLIN package will use the first LQ locations of /SCRATCH/, where

$$LQ = (NT+6)*N*M + (3*K + K*(K-1)/2 + 1)*NX + K + (NT+1)*(N+1)$$

Note that this is just $(NT+1)*N$ more locations than are needed for ORTNRM. (As for ORTNRM, for homogeneous systems $K*NX$ less locations are necessary; however, it is not likely that QSLIN will be used for a homogeneous system.)

Upon return from QSLIN, the first (NT, N) locations of /SCRATCH/ will contain the solution u at the solution points. For example, suppose that

$$N = 4, M = 3, K = 2, NT = 11, NX = 25.$$

The following COMMON statement might be employed to get at the solution u :

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COMMON /SCRATCH/ U(11,4), S(422)
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Note here the following unfortunate inconsistency between QSLIN and ORTNRM: in ORTNRM, the first (N, NT) , rather than (NT, N) , locations of /SCRATCH/ contained $u(x)$.

Auxilliary COMMON blocks

QSLIN uses, in addition to /SCRATCH/, COMMON blocks named

/KKKK/ and /MMMM/,

just like ORTNRM. Similarly, QSLIN does not use blank COMMON.

Alternate Entry

No alternate entry in QSLIN itself. SOLN is not pertinent to QSLIN, since solution is always generated and flag NPO2=0 is ignored. PRM may be used as with ORTNRM. See the ORTNRM manual under Alternate Entry for a discussion of SOLN and PRM.

Backward Integration

As in QSLIN, solution is generated in the direction of increasing x , regardless of the sign of the step-size H . In this regard, the user must remember to write subroutine INITL so as to store u^0 in the array UO(NT,N) in order of increasing x . I. e.,

$$UO(1,1) = u_1^0(\min(a,b)) \text{ etc.}$$

Deck Set-up

The QSLIN package consists of the following subroutines:

QSLIN
XLIST
APROX
CNORM
PIF4

The ORTNRM package consisting of:

ORTNRM
ORTSUB
RUNKUT
NUGO
ARRAY
RND
FLIP
BLOCK DATA

The package uses COMMON blocks named

/SCRATCH/ (discussed above)
/KKKK/
/MMMM/

The QSLIN-ORTNRM package should be placed after the calling program in the deck to allow proper loading of COMMON blocks.

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APPENDIX

Fortran listing of QSLIN package

	SUBROUTINE QSLIN	QSL00010
C	PARAMETERS GOVERNING ITERATION AND CONVERGENCE	QSL00020
1	(INITL, NORM, W, OTHER, IT, CVCRIT,	QSL00030
C	PARAMETERS SPECIFYING SYSTEM OF EQUATIONS	QSL00040
2	N, M, K, Y, DER, CO,	QSL00050
C	PARAMETERS DEFINING INTERVAL AND SPACING	QSL00060
3	A, NN, H, NP, NT,	QSL00070
C	PARAMETERS SPECIFYING ORTHONORMALIZATION	QSL00080
4	TEST, C, NX,	QSL00090
C	SPECIFICATION OF USERS OUTPUT OPTIONS	QSL00100
5	NPO0, NPO1, NPO2, ALT,	QSL00110
C	ERROR FLAG	QSL00120
6	NERR)	QSL00130
	DIMENSION Y(N,M),W(N),CN(2)	QSL00140
	COMMON /SCRATCH/ S(1) /K/ L,K1,NTK,NK	QSL00150
	LOGICAL PO,PR,DONE,FRNT	QSL00160
	DATA CN /5H NO, 1H /	QSL00170
	EXTERNAL DER,CO,ALT,OTHER	QSL00180
	NTK = NT	QSL00190
	NK = N	QSL00200
	DONE = .FALSE.	QSL00210
	PRNT = NPO0.GT.0	QSL00220
	PO = NPO1.GT.0 .OR. NPO2.GT.1	QSL00230
	N2 = MIN0(MAX0(NPO2,1),2)	QSL00240
	CALL INITL (S)	QSL00250
	L = NT*N + 1	QSL00260
	CALL XLIST (S(L),NT,A,NN,H,NP)	QSL00270
	K2 = L + NT	QSL00280
	K1Q = K2 - 1	QSL00290
	I = 0	QSL00300
10	I = I + 1	QSL00310
	K1 = K1Q	QSL00320
	NP1 = 0	QSL00330
	NP2 = 1	QSL00340
	PR = MOD(I,NPO0).EQ.0 .AND. PRNT	QSL00350
	IF (.NOT.PR) GO TO 30	QSL00360
	NP1 = NPO1	QSL00370
	NP2 = N2	QSL00380
	IF (PO) WRITE (6,20) I	QSL00390
20	FORMAT (6H1QSLIN // 10X 13HITERATION NO. I4 //	QSL00400
1	120X 1H.)	QSL00410
30	CALL ORTNRM (N,M,K,Y,DER,CO,A,NN,H,NP,NT,TEST,C,NX,	QSL00420
1	NP1,NP2,ALT,NERR)	QSL00430
	K1 = 0	QSL00440
	IF (NERR.NE.0) GO TO 100	QSL00450
	CALL CNORM (S,S(K2),W,N,NT,NORM,ENRM,OTHER)	QSL00460
	IF (PR .AND. PO) WRITE (6,40) I,ENRM	QSL00470
40	FORMAT (14H0ITERATION NO. I4 / 13H ERROR NORM = E10.3)	QSL00480
	IF (DONE) GO TO 55	QSL00490
	KV = 1	QSL00500
	IF (ENRM .LT. CVCRIT) KV = 2	QSL00510
	IF (KV.EQ.1 .AND. I.LT.IT) GO TO 10	QSL00520
	NERR = 2 - KV	QSL00530
	IF (.NOT.PRNT) RETURN	QSL00540
	WRITE (6,50) CN(KV),I,ENRM	QSL00550
50	FORMAT (1H1 A6, 17HCONVERGENCE AFTER I4, 11H ITERATIONS //	QSL00560
1	13H ERROR NORM = E10.3 //	QSL00570
1	57H SOLUTION PRINT-OUT FOR ONE ADDITIONAL ITERATION FOLLOWS.)	QSL00580
	NP1 = NPO1	QSL00590
	NP2 = MAX0(NPO2,2)	QSL00600

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I = I + 1
DONE = .TRUE.
PR = .TRUE.
PO = .TRUE.
K1 = K10
GO TO 30
55 IF (KV.EQ.2) RETURN
WRITE (6,60) I
60 FORMAT (52H0QSLIN COMPUTATION TERMINATED. TOO MANY ITERATIONS (
1 I4, 2H). )
NERR = 2
RETURN
100 WRITE (6,110)
110 FORMAT (30H0QSLIN CCMPUTATION TERMINATED.)
RETURN
END

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SUBROUTINE XLIST (XL,NT,X0,NN,H,NP)
DIMENSION XL(NT),NN(1),H(1),NP(1)
XL(1) = X0
NNC = 1
DX = H(1)*FLOAT(NP(1))
NPC = 0
I = 1
10 IF (NPC.LT.NN(NNC)) GO TO 15
NPC = 0
NNC = NNC + 1
DX = H(NNC)*FLOAT(NP(NNC))
15 NPC = NPC + 1
I1 = I + 1
XL(I1) = XL(I) + DX
I = I1
IF (I.LT.NT) GO TO 10
RETURN
END

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SUBROUTINE APROX (X,F)
DIMENSION F(1)
COMMON /SCRATCH/ S(1) /K1/ L,K1,NT,N
DO 20 I = 1,N
M = NT*I - NT + 1
20 F(I) = PIF4(X,S(L),NT,S(M))
RETURN
END

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SUBROUTINE CNORM (Z,Y,W,N,NT,NORMO,ENRM,ORIG)
DIMENSION Z(NT,N),Y(N,NT),W(N)
ENRM = 0.
GO TO (10,20,30,40),NORMO
C MAX NORM
10 DO 15 I = 1,N
B = 0.
DO 13 J = 1,NT
B = AMAX1(B,ABS(Y(I,J)-Z(J,I)))
13 Z(J,I) = Y(I,J)
15 ENRM = AMAX1(ENRM,W(I)*B)
RETURN
C LEAST SQUARES
20 DO 25 I = 1,N
B = 0.

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QSL01090
QSL01100
QSL01110
QSL01120
QSL01130
QSL01140
QSL01150
QSL01160
QSL01170

	DO 23 J = 1,NT	QSL0118C
	B = B + (Y(I,J)-Z(J,I))*2	QSL0119C
	23 Z(J,I) = Y(I,J)	QSL0120C
	25 ENRM = AMAX1(ENRM,W(I)*SQRT(B/FLOAT(NT)))	QSL0121C
	RETURN	QSL0122C
C	SUM OF ABS. VAL.	QSL0123C
	30 DO 35 I = 1,N	QSL0124C
	B = 0.	QSL0125C
	DO 33 J = 1,NT	QSL0126C
	B = B + ABS(Y(I,J)-Z(J,I))	QSL0127C
	33 Z(J,I) = Y(I,J)	QSL0128C
	35 ENRM = AMAX1(ENRM,W(I)*B/FLOAT(NT))	QSL0129C
	RETURN	QSL0130C
C	USER-CODED NORM	QSL0131C
	40 CALL ORIG (ENRM,Z,Y,W,N,NT)	QSL0132C
	DO 45 I = 1,N	QSL0133C
	DO 45 J = 1,NT	QSL0134C
	45 Z(J,I) = Y(I,J)	QSL0135C
	RETURN	QSL0136C
	END	QSL0137C
	FUNCTION PIF4 (X,XLIST,N,FLIST)	QSL0138C
C		QSL0139C
	DIMENSION XLIST(N),FLIST(N)	QSL0140C
	BLI(Q000FL,Q001FL,Q002FL,Q003FL,Q004FL) = ((Q001FL-Q000FL)*(Q003FL-	QSL0141C
	1Q004FL)/(Q002FL-Q001FL)+Q003FL)	QSL0142C
	IF (X-XLIST(N)) 2,1,1	QSL0143C
	1 I = N-1	QSL0144C
	GO TO 5	QSL0145C
	2 IF (X-XLIST(1)) 4,4,6	QSL0146C
	4 I=1	QSL0147C
	5 K=1	QSL0148C
	GO TO 30	QSL0149C
	6 DO 8 I=1,N	QSL0150C
	IF (X-XLIST(I)) 9,9,8	QSL0151C
	8 CONTINUE	QSL0152C
	I=N	QSL0153C
	9 I = I-1	QSL0154C
	K=0	QSL0155C
	30 BLIF1 =BLI(X,XLIST(I),XLIST(I+1),FLIST(I),FLIST(I+1))	QSL0156C
	IF(K-1) 11,10,11	QSL0157C
	10 PIF4 = BLIF1	QSL0158C
	RETURN	QSL0159C
	11 IF((I+2)-N) 12,12,13	QSL0160C
	12 IF((I-1)-1) 14,16,16	QSL0161C
	13 L=I-1	QSL0162C
	GO TO 15	QSL0163C
	14 L=I+2	QSL0164C
	15 K=2	QSL0165C
	GO TO 17	QSL0166C
	16 L=I+2	QSL0167C
	17 BLIF2 =BLI(X,XLIST(I),XLIST(L),FLIST(I),FLIST(L))	QSL0168C
	BLIF3 =BLI(X,XLIST(I+1),XLIST(L),BLIF1,BLIF2)	QSL0169C
	IF(K-2) 19,18,19	QSL0170C
	18 PIF4 = BLIF3	QSL0171C
	RETURN	QSL0172C
	19 BLIF4 =BLI(X,XLIST(I),XLIST(I-1),FLIST(I),FLIST(I-1))	QSL0173C
	BLIF5 =BLI(X,XLIST(I+1),XLIST(I-1),BLIF1,BLIF4)	QSL0174C
	BLIF6 =BLI(X,XLIST(I+2),XLIST(I-1),BLIF3,BLIF5)	QSL0175C
	IF ((I+3)-N) 20,20,23	QSL0176C

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20 IF ((I-2)-1) 22,21,21
21 IF (ABS(X-XLIST(I+3)) - ABS(X-XLIST(I-2))) 22,22,23
22 M=I+3
   GO TO24
23 M=I-2
24 BLIF7 =BLI(X,XLIST(I),XLIST(M),FLIST(I),FLIST(M))
   BLIF8 =BLI(X,XLIST(I+1),XLIST(M),BLIF1,BLIF7)
   BLIF9 =BLI(X,XLIST(I+2),XLIST(M),BLIF3,BLIF8)
   PIF4 = BLI(X,XLIST(I-1),XLIST(M),BLIF6,BLIF9)
   RETURN
   END
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