

# MS-E1651 - Numerical Matrix Computations

## Exercise 2

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1. (P29)

**Solution:**

(a) We are given  $A = LL^T$ . We want to prove that  $A$  is symmetric, i.e.,  $A = A^T$ .

Let's compute the transpose of  $A^T$ :

$$(A^T)^T = A$$

Now, let's compute the transpose of  $LL^T$ :

$$(LL^T)^T = (L^T)^T L^T = LL^T$$

Since  $(LL^T)^T$  is equal to  $LL^T$  and  $(A^T)^T$  is equal to  $A$ , we can conclude that  $A$  is symmetric. Using the definition of (1.27), show that if a matrix  $A$  has a decomposition  $A = LL^T$ , it must be positive definite.

To show this, let's use the definition of positive definiteness:

A matrix  $A$  is positive definite if for any nonzero vector  $x$ , the expression  $x^T Ax$  is greater than zero. Given  $A = LL^T$ , we want to show that  $x^T Ax > 0$  for all nonzero  $x$ . Let  $x$  be a nonzero vector, then:

$$x^T Ax = x^T LL^T x = (L^T x)^T (L^T x) = \|L^T x\|^2 \geq 0$$

Since the squared norm of any vector is non-negative ( $\|v\|^2 \geq 0$  for any vector  $v$ ), we have shown that  $x^T Ax \geq 0$  for all nonzero  $x$ .

Therefore, matrix  $A$  is positive definite.

(b) To find the Cholesky decomposition of a matrix  $A$  using the recursive definition:

For  $n = 1$ ,  $rchol(A) = \sqrt{A}$ .

For  $n > 1$ , we split  $A$  as follows:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \mathbf{a}_{21}^T \\ \mathbf{a}_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

Let  $L_2 = rchol\left(A_{22} - \frac{\mathbf{a}_{21}\mathbf{a}_{21}^T}{a_{11}}\right)$ .

By equation (1.31), we have:

$$rchol(A) = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{a_{11}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{a_{11}}}\mathbf{a}_{21} & L_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Compute the Cholesky decomposition of the matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 8 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

We start by splitting  $A$  into the specified form:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}^T \\ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 4 & 15 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

Next, we compute  $L_2$  for the bottom-right submatrix using the recursive definition:

$$L_2 = rchol \left( \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 4 & 15 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}{1} \right)$$

Now, compute the subtraction and  $L_2$ :

$$L_2 = rchol \left( \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 4 & 15 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

so we have

$$L_2 = rchol \left( \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 11 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Now, recursively compute the Cholesky decomposition of this  $2 \times 2$  matrix. We start by splitting  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$  into the specified form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & \begin{bmatrix} 0 \end{bmatrix}^T \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 11 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

so we have:

$$L_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

So, the final result for  $rchol(A)$  can be constructed using the recursive formula:

$$rchol(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & \sqrt{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) Let  $F$  be the matrix:

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

And let  $A$  be the matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 8 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

We want to compute  $F^T A F$ :

1. Calculate  $F^T$ , which is the transpose of matrix  $F$ :

$$F^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Now, compute  $F^T A F$  by performing the matrix multiplications:

$$F^T A F = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 8 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 15 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Calculate the product  $F^T A F$  by performing the multiplications:

$$F^T A F = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 8 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 15 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 15 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

So, with the updated matrix  $F$ , the result of  $F^T A F$  is the same as the given matrix  $A$ :

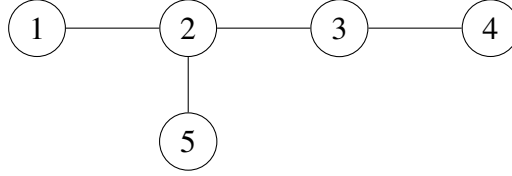
$$F^T A F = \begin{bmatrix} 15 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

The matrix  $F$  has a trivial null space because it is a permutation matrix. On the other hand, we found Cholesky decomposition for matrix  $A$  and based on the part (a), matrix  $A$  is positive definite. According to Lemma 1.3,  $F^T A F$  is also positive definite.

2. (P30)

**Solution:**

(a) The graph  $G(A)$  can be visualized as follows:



So, this is the graph  $G(A)$  corresponding to the matrix  $A$ . It consists of five vertices and the edges connecting them as described above.

(b) For each vertex  $i \in V(A)$ , we will compute the set  $\text{reach}(i, \{1, \dots, i-1\})$ , which represents the set of vertices that can be reached from vertex  $i$  by following set along the edges of the graph  $G(A)$ . Let's compute these sets:

1. For vertex 1:  $\text{reach}(1, \emptyset) = \{2\}$
2. For vertex 2:  $\text{reach}(2, \{1\}) = \{3, 5\}$
3. For vertex 3:  $\text{reach}(3, \{1, 2\}) = \{4, 5\}$
4. For vertex 4:  $\text{reach}(4, \{1, 2, 3\}) = \{5\}$
5. For vertex 5:  $\text{reach}(5, \{1, 2, 3, 4\}) = \emptyset$

(c)

- off-diagonal non-zeros on column 1 are  $\text{reach}(1, \emptyset) = \{2\}$ .
- off-diagonal non-zeros on column 2 are  $\text{reach}(2, \{1\}) = \{3, 5\}$ .
- off-diagonal non-zeros on column 3 are  $\text{reach}(3, \{1, 2\}) = \{4, 5\}$ .
- off-diagonal non-zeros on column 4 are  $\text{reach}(4, \{1, 2, 3\}) = \{5\}$
- off-diagonal non-zeros on column 5 are  $\text{reach}(5, \{1, 2, 3, 4\}) = \emptyset$ .

The non-zeros of the computed factor are

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ x & x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x & x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x & x & 0 \\ 0 & x & x & x & x \end{bmatrix}$$

(d) The code is in p35d.m