

## MATH 8610 (SPRING 2024) HOMEWORK 9

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1. [Q1] (10 pts) (a) For a generic Krylov subspace method that takes the initial approximation  $x_0$ , gets the initial residual  $r_0 = b - Ax_0$ , develops the sequence of Krylov subspaces  $\mathcal{K}_k(A, r_0)$  and constructs the approximate solution  $x_k = x_0 + z_k$  where  $z_k \in \mathcal{K}_k(A, r_0)$ , the residual  $r_k = b - Ax_k$  can be written as  $r_k = p_k(A)r_0$ , where  $p_k$  is a polynomial of degree no greater than  $k$  with  $p_k(0) = 1$ .  
 (b) Let  $A$  be SPD, and  $x_0$  and  $r_0 = b - Ax_0$  be the initial approximation and residual, respectively. Consider the Lanczos relation  $AU_k = U_kT_k + \beta_k u_{k+1}e_k^T$  (Arnoldi's method applied to a symmetric  $A$ ), where  $u_1 = \frac{r_0}{\|r_0\|_2}$ . Show that the  $k$ -th iterate of CG can be written as  $x_k = x_0 + U_ky_k$ , where  $y_k$  satisfies  $T_ky_k = \|r_0\|_2 e_1$ .  
 (Hint: use the fact that  $r_k = b - Ax_k = r_0 - AU_ky_k \perp \mathcal{K}_k(A, r_0) = \text{col}(U_k)$ )  
 (c) Show that the  $k$ -th residual of GMRES  $r_k = b - Ax_k$  satisfies  $r_k \in \mathcal{K}_{k+1}(A, r_0)$ ,  $r_k \perp A\mathcal{K}_k(A, r_0)$ ,  $(r_k, r_k) = (r_j, r_k)$  for all  $0 \leq j \leq k-1$ , and therefore  $\|r_k\|_2 \leq \|r_j\|_2$ .
2. [Q2] (10 pts for (a); 5 pts for (b); 5 pts for (c)) (a) Trefethen's book, Prob. 35.2.  
 (b) Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be nonsymmetric and diagonalizable. Assume that all eigenvalues of  $A$  lie in the disk centered at  $c \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  with radius  $r < |c|$ . Consider using GMRES to solve the linear system  $Ax = b$  iteratively. Show that the  $k$ -th relative residual satisfies  $\frac{\|r_k\|_2}{\|r_0\|_2} \leq C \left(\frac{r}{|c|}\right)^k$  for some constant  $C$  independent of  $k$ . What if  $A$  has a small number, say,  $m \ll n$  eigenvalues outside such a disk?  
 (c) If  $A$  is an SPD matrix with the smallest eigenvalue  $\lambda_1$  and the largest eigenvalue  $\lambda_n$ , what is the convergence factor obtained in part (b)? Compare this factor with that of CG we learned in class. Which one is better?
3. [Q3] (10 pts) Let  $x^*$  be the true solution of  $Ax = b$  with SPD  $A$ ,  $x_k$  be the  $k$ -th iterate of CG, and  $\varphi(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^T Ax - b^T x$  for CG minimization.  
 (a) Note that  $r_k \perp r_j$  for  $0 \leq j \leq k-1$ , and hence  $r_k \perp U_k = \text{span}\{p_0, p_1, \dots, p_{k-1}\}$ . Also note that  $r_k = -\nabla\varphi(x_k)$ , and any vector  $x \in W_k = x_0 + U_k$ . Explain from the optimization point of view, why  $x_k = \operatorname{argmin}_{x \in W_k} \varphi(x)$ .  
 Hint: one possible (and easier) solution is to show that  $W_k$  is a convex set, and  $\varphi(x)$  is a convex function defined on  $W_k$ ; then local minimizer of  $\varphi(x)$  is necessarily a global minimizer. Please do a little search on convex set/functions yourselves. The condition  $r_k \perp U_k$  is crucial to show the optimality here.  
 (b) Show directly that  $x_k = \operatorname{argmin}_{x \in W_k} \|x - x^*\|_A$ , without referring to the connection between  $\varphi(x)$  and  $\|e_k\|_A$ . (Hint: consider a different  $\tilde{x}_k \in W_k$ , with  $d_k = \tilde{x}_k - x_k \neq 0$ . Show that  $\|\tilde{x}_k - x^*\|_A = \|d_k + x_k - x^*\|_A \geq \|x_k - x^*\|_A$ )
4. [Q4] (10 pts for (a)+(b); 10 extra pts for (c)) (a) A common misconception is that Krylov subspace methods solving  $Ax = b$  converge rapidly if the condition number, say,  $\kappa_2(A)$  is small. This is largely true if  $A$  is SPD, but in general not true otherwise. To explore this point, construct three matrices as follows

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rng('default'); n = 1024; A = randn(n,n); [A,R] = qr(A);
Ahat = A+1.2*eye(n); E = randn(n,n); E = E+E';
B = (A+A')/2; B = B+1e-4*E; Bhat = B+1.01*eye(n);

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Check that  $A$  and  $\hat{A}$  are unsymmetric,  $B$  is symmetric and indefinite, and  $\hat{B}$  is SPD, and find  $\kappa_2(A)$ ,  $\kappa_2(\hat{A})$ ,  $\kappa_2(B)$  and  $\kappa_2(\hat{B})$ . Are these condition numbers really large at all? Use `eig` to compute all eigenvalues of  $A$ ,  $\hat{A}$ ,  $B$  and  $\hat{B}$ , and plot them on the complex plane. How are these eigenvalues distributed around the origin?

Let us try GMRES, MINRES and CG, unpreconditioned, to solve  $Ax = f$ ,  $\hat{A}x = f$ ,  $Bx = f$  and  $\hat{B}x = f$ , respectively, where  $f = [1, 1, \dots, 1]^T$ , as follows.

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f = ones(n,1); m = n-1; restart = 1; tol = 1e-12;
[x1,flag1,relres1,iter1,resvec1] = gmres(A,f,m,tol,1);
semilogy(resvec1/norm(f), 'ro'); hold on;
[x2,flag2,relres2,iter2,resvec2] = gmres(Ahat,f,m,tol,1);
semilogy(resvec2/norm(f), 'go'); hold on;
[x3,flag3,relres3,iter3,resvec3] = minres(B,f,tol,m);
semilogy(resvec3/norm(f), 'bo'); hold on;
[x4,flag4,relres4,iter4,resvec4] = pcg(Bhat,f,tol,m);
semilogy(resvec4/norm(f), 'ko'); hold on;
legend('A by gmres', 'Ahat by gmres', 'B by minres', 'Bhat by cg');

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Do you see any obvious relation between  $\frac{\|r_k\|_2}{\|r_0\|_2}$  (convergence rate) and the condition number of the coefficient matrix? What about the eigenvalue distribution?

(b) Run the code `HW10_linsolvecomp.m` (need a machine with 32GB memory for the LU factorization of the nonsymmetric matrix  $B$ ), read the output and make comments on the performance of iterative solvers using incomplete factorization preconditioners, compared to direct solvers based on sparse exact factorizations, for this problem.

(c\*) Choose two methods from preconditioned CG, MINRES and GMRES( $m$ ) and implement them using the pseudocode below. Replace MATLAB's `pcg`, `minres`, and `gmres` in `HW10_linsolvecomp.m` with your codes. Check if they work.

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**Algorithm 1** Preconditioned conjugate gradient (PCG) for SPD linear system  $Ax = b$ 


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**Input:** Symmetric and positive definite  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , right-hand side  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , initial approximation  $x_0$  (typically zero), a tolerance  $\delta > 0$ , and a **SPD preconditioner  $M$**   
**Output:** An approximate solution  $x_k$  to  $Ax = b$

- 1: Compute  $r_0 = b - Ax_0$ ; solve  $Mz_0 = r_0$  for  $z_0$  (action of preconditioning); set  $p_0 = z_0$ ;
- 2: **for**  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  **do**
- 3:    $\alpha_k = \frac{(z_k, r_k)}{(Ap_k, p_k)}$ ;
- 4:    $x_{k+1} = x_k + \alpha_k p_k$ ;
- 5:    $r_{k+1} = r_k - \alpha_k Ap_k$ ;
- 6:   **if**  $\frac{\|r_{k+1}\|_2}{\|b\|_2} \leq \delta$  **then**
- 7:     exit;
- 8:   **end if**
- 9:   Solve  $Mz_{k+1} = r_{k+1}$  for  $z_{k+1}$ ; (action of preconditioning)
- 10:    $\beta_k = \frac{(z_{k+1}, r_{k+1})}{(z_k, r_k)}$ ;
- 11:    $p_{k+1} = z_{k+1} + \beta_k p_k$ ;
- 12: **end for**

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**Algorithm 2** Preconditioned MINRES for symmetric linear system  $Ax = b$ 


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**Input:** Symmetric and possibly indefinite  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , right-hand side  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , initial approximation  $x_0$  (typically zero), a tolerance  $\delta > 0$ , and an **SPD preconditioner  $M$**   
**Output:** An approximate solution  $x_k$  to  $Ax = b$

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1:  $v_0 = \mathbf{0}, w_0 = \mathbf{0}, w_1 = \mathbf{0};$ 
2: Compute  $v_1 = r_0 = b - Ax_0$ ; solve  $Mz_1 = v_1$  for  $z_1$  (action of preconditioning);
3: Set  $\eta_0 = \sqrt{b^T M^{-1} b}, \gamma_0 = 1, \gamma_1 = \sqrt{(z_1, v_1)}, \eta = \gamma_1, s_0 = s_1 = 0, c_0 = c_1 = 1;$ 
4: for  $j = 1, 2, \dots$  do
5:    $z_j = z_j / \gamma_j;$ 
6:    $\delta_j = (Az_j, z_j);$ 
7:    $v_{j+1} = Az_j - \frac{\delta_j}{\gamma_j} v_j - \frac{\gamma_j}{\gamma_{j-1}} v_{j-1};$ 
8:   Solve  $Mz_{j+1} = v_{j+1}$  for  $z_{j+1}$  (action of preconditioning)
9:    $\gamma_{j+1} = \sqrt{(z_{j+1}, v_{j+1})};$ 
10:   $\alpha_0 = c_j \delta_j - c_{j-1} s_j \gamma_j, \alpha_1 = \sqrt{\alpha_0^2 + \gamma_{j+1}^2}; \alpha_2 = s_j \delta_j + c_{j-1} c_j \gamma_j; \alpha_3 = s_{j-1} \gamma_j;$ 
11:   $c_{j+1} = \frac{\alpha_0}{\alpha_1}, s_{j+1} = \frac{\gamma_{j+1}}{\alpha_1};$ 
12:   $w_{j+1} = (z_j - \alpha_3 w_{j-1} - \alpha_2 w_j) / \alpha_1;$ 
13:   $x_j = x_{j-1} + \eta c_{j+1} w_{j+1}; \eta = -s_{j+1} \eta;$ 
14:  if  $\frac{|\eta|}{\eta_0} \leq \delta$  then
15:    exit;
16:  end if
17: end for

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**Algorithm 3** Right-preconditioned GMRES( $m$ ) for nonsymmetric linear system  $Ax = b$ 


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**Input:** Nonsymmetric  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , right-hand side  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , maximum dimension  $m$ , initial approximation  $x_0$  (typically zero), a tolerance  $\delta > 0$ , and a preconditioner  $M$   
**Output:** An approximate solution  $x_k$  to  $Ax = b$

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1: Compute  $r_0 = b - Ax_0, \beta_0 = \|r_0\|_2, u_1 = r_0 / \beta_0;$ 
2: for  $\ell = 1, 2, \dots$  do
3:   for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, m$  do
4:     Solve  $Mz_k = u_k$  for  $z_k$  (action of preconditioning); update  $z_k = Az_k$ ;
5:     for  $j = 1, \dots, k$  do
6:        $h_{jk} = u_j^T z_k;$ 
7:        $z_k = z_k - h_{jk} u_j;$ 
8:     end for
9:     for  $j = 1, \dots, k$  do
10:       $\Delta h = u_j^T z_k;$ 
11:       $z_k = z_k - \Delta h u_j;$ 
12:       $h_{jk} = h_{jk} + \Delta h;$ 
13:    end for
14:     $h_{k+1,k} = \|z_k\|_2; u_{k+1} = z_k / h_{k+1,k};$ 
15:    Compute  $y_k$  s.t.  $\beta_k = \|\beta_0 e_1 - H_k y_k\|_2$  is minimized, where  $H_k = [h_{ij}]_{1 \leq i \leq k+1, 1 \leq j \leq k}$ 
16:    if  $\beta_k / \|b\|_2 \leq \delta$  then
17:      Solve  $Mz_k = U_k y_k$  for  $z_k$  (action of preconditioning); compute  $x_k = x_0 + z_k$ ; exit;
18:    end if
19:  end for
20:  Solve  $Mz_k = U_k y_k$  for  $z_k$  (action of preconditioning); compute  $x_k = x_0 + z_k$ ;
21:   $x_0 = x_k; r_0 = b - Ax_0; \beta_0 = \|r_0\|_2; u_1 = r_0 / \beta_0;$ 
22: end for

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Matrix $A$	Solver	Preconditioner	Comment
SPD	CG	SPD	symmetric split preconditioning
Symmetric indefinite	MINRES	SPD	symmetric split preconditioning
	SQMR	Symmetric	more flexible preconditioning
Unsymmetric	GMRES( $m$ )	Any	restart needed
	BICGSTAB( $\ell$ )	Any	no restart needed
	IDR( $s$ )	Any	no restart needed

TABLE 0.1

Structure of  $A$ , solvers and preconditioners (**right preconditioning recommended for unsymmetric  $A$** )

