

Numerical Linear Algebra — MATH 751

Midterm Test

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There are 7 questions, with point values noted next to each one. Please show all work.

Problem 1. (10 points) Prove that the inverse of a unit lower triangular matrix is unit lower triangular.

Let $L \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be a unit (i.e. $\det(L) = 1$ and L is nonsingular) lower triangular matrix. Clearly then L^{-1} is also a unit matrix: $\det(LL^{-1}) = \det(L)\det(L^{-1}) = \det(I) = 1$. Now we show that L^{-1} is lower triangular. Let $L^{-1} = [b_1 | b_2 | \dots | b_n]$. Then, if $L = (l_{ij})$ [$l_{ij} = 0$ if $i < j$], we have $L^{-1}L = I$ and the equivalent system of equations

$$\begin{cases} b_1 l_{11} + b_2 l_{21} + \dots + b_n l_{n1} = e_1 \\ \quad b_2 l_{22} + \dots + b_n l_{n2} = e_2 \\ \quad \quad \quad \ddots \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad b_n l_{nn} = e_n \end{cases}$$

where $e_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$ for $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and $(e_i)_j = \delta_{ij}$ where $\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$. This system has a unique solution, which can be determined from backward substitution:

$$\begin{cases} b_n = \frac{e_n}{l_{nn}} \\ b_i = \frac{1}{l_{ii}} \left[e_i - \sum_{k=i+1}^n b_k l_{ki} \right] \end{cases}$$

Observe that $(b_n)_j = \frac{1}{l_{nn}} (e_n)_j = \frac{1}{l_{nn}} \delta_{nj}$, meaning $(b_n)_j = 0$ unless $j=n$ and $n \geq j$ for all j . By induction, supposing $(b_k)_j = 0$ if $k < j$ for

$k = 1, \dots, i-1$, then

$$\begin{aligned}(b_i)_j &= \frac{1}{l_{ii}}(e_i)_j - \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} (b_k)_j \frac{l_{ki}}{l_{ii}} \\ &= \frac{1}{l_{ii}} \delta_{ij} - \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} (b_k)_j \frac{l_{ki}}{l_{ii}} = 0\end{aligned}$$

if $k < j$. Thus, $(L^{-1})_{ij} = 0$ if $i < j$, implying L^{-1} is unit lower triangular if L is unit lower triangular. \square

Problem 2. (10 points) If A is a nonsingular symmetric matrix and has the factorization $A = LDM^T$, where L and M are unit lower triangular matrices and D is a diagonal matrix, show that $L = M$.

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be a nonsingular, symmetric matrix. That is, A^{-1} exists and $A^T = A$. Furthermore, suppose $A = LDM^T$, where L, M are unit lower triangular matrices and D is a diagonal matrix. Notice that this is also an LU factorization of A since M^T is upper triangular and DM^T is upper triangular as well then, where $U = DM^T$. We have proven already that L and U are unique, and hence, M is unique since $M^T = D^{-1}U$ [$D^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} u_{11} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & u_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$]. Observe that $A^T = MDL^T = A$, and since L and M are unique $L = M$. \blacksquare

Problem 3. (10 points) Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, prove that AA^T and $A^T A$ share all non-zero eigenvalues.

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$. Then $AA^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ and $A^T A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$.

We know that every matrix has an SVD decomposition such that $A = U \Sigma V^T$, where $U \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$, $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, and $V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. Furthermore, U and V are orthogonal matrices and $(\Sigma)_{ii} = \sigma_i$, where $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \dots > \sigma_k$ ($k < \min(m, n)$), and $(\Sigma)_{ij} = 0$ if $i \neq j$. Observe that

$$AA^T = (U \Sigma V^T)(V \Sigma^T U^T) = U \Sigma \Sigma^T U^T$$

$$A^T A = (V \Sigma^T U^T)(U \Sigma V^T) = V \Sigma^T \Sigma V^T$$

Notice that $\Sigma \Sigma^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ and $\Sigma^T \Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ are both diagonal,

$U^{-1} = U^T$, and $V^{-1} = V^T$. Thus, these are eigendecompositions for

AA^T and $A^T A$. Both therefore have nonzero eigenvalues

$\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \dots, \sigma_k^2$ since $\Sigma \Sigma^T = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \sigma_k^2 & 0 \\ & & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and

$\Sigma^T \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \sigma_k^2 & 0 \\ & & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, where $\Sigma \Sigma^T$ and $\Sigma^T \Sigma$ have $m-k$ and $n-k$ zeros on their diagonals respectively. \square

Problem 4. (10 points) Consider the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) Determine an SVD for matrix A.

(b) Find A^{-1} using the SVD computed in (a).

$$a) A = U \Sigma V^T \Rightarrow A^T A = V \Sigma \Sigma^T V^T$$

$$A^T A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 8, \lambda_2 = 2 \Rightarrow \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 2\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\Rightarrow V = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\left. \begin{matrix} u_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} \right\} U = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b) A^{-1} = V \Sigma^{-1} U^T = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Problem 5. (10 points) An algorithm is called **backward stable** if $\tilde{f}(x) = f(\tilde{x})$ for some \tilde{x} satisfying

$$\frac{\|x - \tilde{x}\|}{\|x\|} = O(\epsilon)$$

where ϵ is the machine error, i.e. the algorithm gives exactly the right answer to nearly the right problem. Performing $f(x) = x^2$ on a computer, is this algorithm backward stable?

***Remark:** Note $\tilde{f}(x) = fl(x) \otimes fl(x)$ in floating point arithmetic.

Observe that $\tilde{f}(x) = fl(x) \otimes fl(x) = fl(fl^2(x)) = fl^2(x)(1+\epsilon)$
 $= x^2(1+\epsilon)^2 = \tilde{x}^2$ if $\tilde{x} = x(1+\epsilon)$, so $f(x) = x^2$ is
backward stable since $\tilde{f}(x) = f(\tilde{x})$.

Problem 6. (25 points) For linear system

$$Ax = b$$

where A is a band matrix with lower bandwidth b_L and upper bandwidth b_U .

(1) Please write out the pseudo code (or algorithm) to solve the solution.

(2) Calculate the total flops.

1) Algorithm (solve $Ax=b$ for A being a band matrix)

→ input: $n, b_L, b_U, (a_{ij})$

→ output: x

factorization →

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For j = 1:n
    ljj = 1
    For i = j+1: min(j+1+bL, n)
        lij = aij/ajj (error if ajj=0)
    end
    For k = j+1: min(j+1+bL, n)
        For m = j: min(j+bU)
            akm = akm - ajmlkj
        end
    end
end
end
    
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forward substitution {

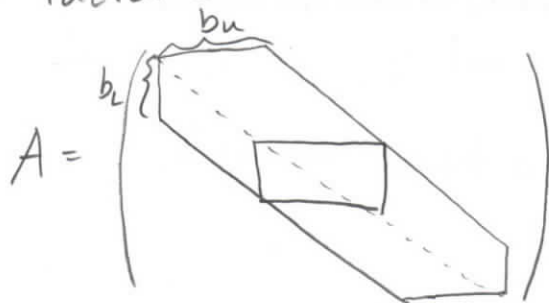
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x1 = b1/l11
For i = 2:n
    xi = (bi - ∑k=max(0, i-bL)i xklik)/lii
end
    
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backward substitution

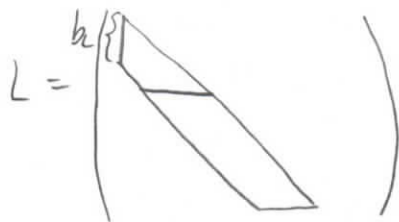
$$\begin{cases} x_n = y_n / a_{nn} \\ \text{For } i = n-1 : 0 \\ \quad x_i = (y_i - \sum_{k=i+1}^{\min(i+b_u, n)} x_k a_{ik}) / a_{ii} \\ \text{end} \end{cases}$$

2) factorization:



at each row: b_u numbers on top row
 \rightarrow operations on b_l rows below
 \rightarrow each row: flops = $2b_u b_l$
 \times one operation for multiplication
 \times one operation for subtraction
 \Rightarrow n rows: flops = $2nb_u b_l$

forward substitution:



at each row: flops = $2b_l$
 \Rightarrow n rows: flops = $2nb_l$

backward substitution:



at each row: flops = $2b_u$
 \Rightarrow n rows: flops = $2nb_u$

total flops: $2nb_u b_l + 2nb_u + 2nb_l$

\rightarrow note: it was assumed b_u, b_l much smaller than n such that the difference from the top and bottom flops compared to the middle rows is not significant.

Problem 7. (25 points) Write a MATLAB program for solving the solution of the linear system

$$Ax = b$$

where $A \in \mathcal{R}^{500 \times 500}$ is tridiagonal matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 & -1 & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

and right hand side vector b can be taken as $b_1 = [1, 1, \dots, 1]$ or $b_2 = [1, 2, 3, \dots, 500]$.

- (1) Without pivoting, use the regular Gaussian-elimination to solve the linear system, i.e. you need to implement LU factorization, and forward/backward substitution.
- (2) Without pivoting, use Gaussian-elimination taking into account the special structure to solve the linear system, i.e. you need to implement the code including LU factorization, and forward/backward substitution, but with smaller loop index.
- (3) Directly use MATLAB command `inv(A)*b` to yield the solution of the linear system.
- (4) For the above calculation, list the CPU time.

***Remark:** In MATLAB, you can calculate your CPU time by command *tic* as follows

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tic
your MATLAB Code
timeElapsed = toc
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$$1) \quad x_1 = [0.366, 0.464, 0.490, 0.497, 0.499, \dots, 0.499, 0.497, \\ 0.490, 0.464, 0.366]$$

$$x_2 = [0.5, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5, \dots, 247.654, \\ 247.209, 244.181, 231.515, 182.879]$$

$$2) \quad x_1 = [0.366, 0.464, 0.490, 0.497, 0.499, \dots, 0.499, 0.497, \\ 0.490, 0.464, 0.366]$$

$$x_2 = [0.5, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5, \dots, 247.654, \\ 247.209, 244.181, 231.515, 182.879]$$

3) LU:

$$x_1 = [0.366, 0.464, 0.490, 0.497, 0.499, \dots, 0.499, 0.497, \\ 0.490, 0.464, 0.366]$$

$$x_2 = [0.5, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5, \dots, 247.654, \\ 247.209, 244.181, 231.515, 182.879]$$

Band:

$$x_1 = [0.366, 0.464, 0.490, 0.497, 0.499, \dots, 0.499, 0.497, \\ 0.490, 0.464, 0.366]$$

$$x_2 = [0.5, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5, \dots, 247.654, \\ 247.209, 244.181, 231.515, 182.879]$$

4) LU:

$$(1) 20.388 \text{ s} \quad (2) 20.559 \text{ s}$$

Band:

$$(1) 0.009 \text{ s} \quad (2) 0.010 \text{ s}$$