

Math/Phys/Engr 428, Math 529/Phys 528  
Numerical Methods - Fall 2020

Homework 3

Due: Monday, October 12, 2020

REVIEW sections 3.1-3.7, READ sections 3.8, 3.10.

1. (Vector and Matrix Norms)

Show that the  $l_1$  vector norm satisfies the three properties

- (a)  $\|x\|_1 \geq 0$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\|x\|_1 = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$
- (b)  $\|\lambda x\|_1 = |\lambda| \|x\|_1$  for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- (c)  $\|x + y\|_1 \leq \|x\|_1 + \|y\|_1$  for  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$

2. (Pivoting)

- (a) Prove that the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

does not have an  $LU$  decomposition. Hint: assume that such decomposition exists and then show that this brings a contradiction.

- (b) Does the system

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

have a unique solution for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ ? (Why?)

- (c) How can you modify the system in part (b) so that  $LU$  decomposition applies?

3. (Partial Pivoting)

Consider the linear system,  $Ax = b$ , where  $A$  is the following matrix,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) Using **partial pivoting technique**, determine the  $P, L, U$  decomposition of the matrix  $A$ , such that  $PA = LU$ . (Show **EACH STEP** in the decomposition.)

- (b) Use the  $P, L, U$  decomposition found in (a) to find the solution to

$$Ax = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ (Show **ALL** relevant steps).}$$

(c) Use the  $P, L, U$  decomposition found in (a) to find the solution to

$$Ax = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \text{ (Show ALL relevant steps).}$$

#### 4. (Partial Pivoting: MATLAB program)

Write a program to find the  $LU$  decomposition of a given  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  using **partial pivoting**. The program should return the updated matrix  $A$  and the pivot vector  $p$ . In MATLAB, name your file `mylu.m`, the first few lines of which should be as follows:

```
function [a,p]=mylu(a)
%
[n n]=size(a); p=(1:n)'; (your code here!)
```

The code above sets  $n$  equal to the dimension of the matrix and initializes the pivot vector  $p$ . Make sure to store the multipliers  $m_{ij}$  in the proper matrix entries. For more help on function m-files see pages 9–13 of the MATLAB Primer by Kermit Sigmon available from the course webpage. You should experiment with a few small matrices to make sure your code is correct. Check if matrices resulting in  $LU$  decomposition satisfy  $PA = LU$ . As a test of your code, in MATLAB execute the statements

```
>>diary mylu.txt
>>format short e
>>type mylu.m
>>a=[2 2 -3;3 1 -2;6 8 1];
>>[a,p]=mylu(a)
>>diary off
```

**Print and hand-in the text file containing your program.**

5. (a) Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 1 \\ -4 & 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Compute  $\|A\|_\infty$  and find a vector  $x$  such that  $\|A\|_\infty = \|Ax\|_\infty / \|x\|_\infty$ .

(b) Find an example of a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A$  such that  $\|A\|_\infty = 1$  but  $\rho(A) = 0$ . This shows that the spectral radius  $\rho(A) = \{\max |\lambda| : \lambda \text{ is an eigenvalue of } A\}$  **does not** define a matrix norm.

6. Consider the matrix, right side vector, and two approximate solutions

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1.2969 & 0.8648 \\ 0.2161 & 0.1441 \end{pmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 0.8642 \\ 0.1440 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.9911 \\ -0.4870 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) Show that  $x = (2, -2)^T$  is the exact solution of  $Ax = b$ .
- (b) Compute the error and residual vectors for  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ .
- (c) Find  $\|A\|_\infty$ ,  $\|A^{-1}\|_\infty$  and  $\text{cond}_\infty(A)$  (you may use MATLAB for this calculation).
- (d) In class we proved a theorem relating the condition number of  $A$ , the relative error, and the relative residual. Check this result for the two approximate solutions  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ .

## 7. (LU factorization)

- (a) Write a program that takes the output  $A$  and  $p$  from problem # 4, along with a righthand side  $b$ , and computes the solution of  $Ax = b$  by performing the forward and backward substitution steps. If you are using MATLAB, name your m-file `lusolve.m`. The first line of your code `lusolve.m` should be as follows:

```
function x=lusolve(a,p,b)
(your code here!)
```

**Turn in a copy of your code.**

- (b) The famous Hilbert matrices are given by  $H_{ij} = 1/(i + j - 1)$ . The  $n \times n$  Hilbert matrix  $H_n$  is easily produced in MATLAB using `hilb(n)`. Assume the true solution of  $H_n x = b$  for a given  $n$  is  $x = [1, \dots, 1]^T$ . Hence the righthand side  $b$  is simply the row sums of  $H_n$ , and  $b$  is easily computed in MATLAB using `b=sum(hilb(n)')`. Use your codes `mylu.m` and `lusolve.m` to solve the system  $H_n x = b$  for  $n = 5, 10, 15, 20$ . For each  $n$ , using the  $\infty$ -norm, compute the relative error and the relative residual. Discuss what is happening here. You may find it useful to look at the `cond` command in MATLAB.

## 8. (Iterative Methods: Analysis).

Recall that an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is said to be *strictly diagonally dominant* if

$$\sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n |a_{ij}| < |a_{ii}| \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n.$$

Note that the strict inequality implies that each diagonal entry  $a_{ii}$  is non-zero. Suppose that  $A$  is strictly diagonally dominant.

- (a) Show that the Jacobi iteration matrix satisfies  $\|B_J\|_\infty < 1$  and, therefore, Jacobi iteration converges in this case.
- (b) For a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A$ , show that the Gauss-Seidel iteration matrix also satisfies  $\|B_{GS}\|_\infty < 1$  and, hence, Gauss-Seidel iteration converges as well.

9. (from Mathews–Fink 2004)

The Rockmore Corp. is considering the purchase of a new computer and will choose either the DoGood 174 or the MightDo 11. They test both computers' ability to solve the linear system

$$34x + 55y - 21 = 0$$

$$55x + 89y - 34 = 0$$

The DoGood 174 computer gives  $x = -0.11$  and  $y = 0.45$ , and its check for accuracy is found by substitution:

$$34(-0.11) + 55(0.45) - 21 = 0.01$$

$$55(-0.11) + 89(0.45) - 34 = 0.00$$

The MightDo 11 computer gives  $x = -0.99$  and  $y = 1.01$ , and its check for accuracy is found by substitution:

$$34(-0.99) + 55(1.01) - 21 = 0.89$$

$$55(-0.99) + 89(1.01) - 34 = 1.44$$

Which computer gave the better answer? Why?

**Suggested / Additional problems for Math 529 / Phys 528 students:**

10. (Special Matrices)

Consider the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} b & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) For what values of  $b$  will this matrix be positive definite? (Hint: theorem on page 215 on leading principal submatrices may be useful.)
- (b) For what values of  $b$  will this matrix be strictly diagonally dominant? (Recall that an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is said to be *strictly diagonally dominant* if

$$\sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n |a_{ij}| < |a_{ii}| \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n.$$

Note that the strict inequality implies that each diagonal entry  $a_{ii}$  is non-zero.)

11. Consider a linear system with matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Write down the iteration matrices  $B_J$  and  $B_{GS}$  for Jacobi's Method and Gauss-Seidel.
- (b) Find the  $l_\infty$  norm and spectral radius of the iteration matrix for Jacobi and Gauss-Seidel. (Recall that the spectral radius of a matrix can be calculated by finding the roots of its characteristic polynomial.)
- (c) Which of the two iterative methods will converge for an arbitrary starting point  $x^{(0)}$ ? Why?
- (d) Write a program to calculate and plot the spectral radius of  $B_{\text{sor}}(\omega)$  for parameter  $\omega$  in the range  $(0, 2)$  in increments of 0.01. Provide the code and the plot. Based on inspection of the graph, what value of  $\omega$  will lead to the fastest convergence?
- (e) Use the theorem on page 234 of Bradie to calculate analytically the optimal relaxation parameter  $\omega$  for SOR. Does it match the value predicted in Part (d)?

## 12. Matrix Norms

- (a) Prove that if  $\|A\| < 1$ , then

$$\|(I - A)^{-1}\| \geq \frac{1}{1 + \|A\|} .$$

- (b) Suppose that  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is invertible,  $B$  is an estimate of  $A^{-1}$ , and  $AB = I + E$ . Show that the relative error in  $B$  is bounded by  $\|E\|$  (using an arbitrary matrix norm).

## 13. (Cholesky decomposition) (Cholesky decomposition can be used for symmetric positive definite matrices (see pages 215-217 of the textbook).))

- (a) Compute the Cholesky decomposition for matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 16 & -28 & 0 \\ -28 & 53 & 10 \\ 0 & 10 & 29 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (b) Construct an algorithm to perform forward and backward substitution on the system  $Ax = b$ , given a Cholesky decomposition  $A = LL^T$  for the coefficient matrix. How many arithmetic operations are required by the algorithm?
- (c) Solve the system  $Ax = b$  with  $b = (8 \ -2 \ 38)^T$  and the above matrix  $A$  by using the Cholesky decomposition and then performing forward and backward substitution.