

Math 6390 (Numerical Linear Algebra) Midterm Exam
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Instructions: You may not use notes or books on this exam. Don't spend too much time on any one problem. Show your work!

[16 pts] (1a) Prove that if the matrix A has the decomposition $A = M^t M$ with M nonsingular, then A is positive definite.

① Show $A = M^t M$ is symmetric:

Proof: $A^t = (M^t M)^t = M^t M^{tt} = M^t M = A$ ✓

② Show that $x^t A x > 0$ if $x \neq 0$

Proof: $x^t A x = x^t (M^t M) x$. Let $y = Mx$. Then

$$x^t A x = y^t y = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \geq 0$$

$\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 = 0$ iff $\vec{y} = \vec{0}$. But $y = Mx \neq 0$ because

$x \neq 0$ and M is nonsingular,

$\Rightarrow A$ is spd. \square

(b) Find the Cholesky factor M in the decomposition $A = M^t M$ for

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$A = M^t M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & \sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & \sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix}$$

[24 pts] (2) Consider the system $Ax = b$ where $\epsilon \ll 1$,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) Assuming your computer uses rounding to store floating point numbers, determine the computed solution gotten from applying naive Gaussian elimination to $Ax = b$. (Hint: do not round until the end.)

naive GE \Rightarrow no pivoting!

$$M_{21} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \text{ so } LU = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\epsilon} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon & 1 \\ 0 & 1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \end{bmatrix} \quad Ux = c: \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon & 1 \\ 0 & 1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{2 - \frac{1}{\epsilon}}{1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon}} \approx \frac{-\frac{1}{\epsilon}}{-\frac{1}{\epsilon}} = 1 \quad \text{for } \epsilon \ll 1 \quad \boxed{x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}$$

and $\epsilon x_1 + x_2 = 1 \Rightarrow \epsilon x_1 + 1 = 1 \Rightarrow x_1 = 0$

(b) What is the true solution to the problem $Ax = b$? (Hint: don't apply Gaussian Elimination. Just solve the system simultaneously.)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \epsilon & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \epsilon x_1 + x_2 = 1 \\ x_1 + x_2 = 2 \end{cases}$$

1st eqn:
 $(\epsilon - 1)x_1 = -1$

$$x_1 \approx 1$$

2nd eqn:

$$x_1 + x_2 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + x_2 = 2 \Rightarrow x_2 = 1$$

$$\text{for } \epsilon \ll 1, \quad \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (c) Explain why your solution in part (a) differs from your solution in part (b). Is this error due to the matrix A or the algorithm you used?

Error is due to algorithm.
Matrix is fine, but you need to use pivoting to get well-scaled multiplier and stable algorithm.

- (d) Approximately how many steps will elimination take to solve 10 systems with the same 50×50 coefficient matrix A ?

For forward elimination cost to reduce
 $A = LU$ is $\mathcal{O}(n^3) \approx (50^3) = 125,000$ flops
Back substitution is $\mathcal{O}(50^2) \approx 10(50^2)$
 $\approx 25,000$

So total cost to solve 10 systems

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{is} \\ 125,000 \\ + 25,000 \\ \hline \approx 150,000 \text{ flops.} \end{array}$$

[20 pts](3) Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1000 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Calculate A^{-1} and the condition number $k_{\infty}(A)$.

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1000 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\|A\|_{\infty} = \max \text{ row sum } (A)$$

$$\text{so } \|A\|_{\infty} = 1001$$

$$\|A^{-1}\|_{\infty} = 1001$$

$$K_{\infty}(A) = (1001)^2 = 1,002,001$$

$$\text{so } K_{\infty}(A) \approx 1 \times 10^6$$

(b) Find the solution to the system $Ax = b$ for the two right hand sides:

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} 1000 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$b + \delta b = \begin{bmatrix} 1000 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1000 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1000 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x + \delta x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1000 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1000 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1000 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) Calculate $\|\delta b\|_\infty/\|b\|_\infty$ and $\|\delta x\|_\infty/\|x\|_\infty$ for the two right hand sides in Part (b) above. Carefully explain Part (b) in light of Part (a).

$$\|f b\|_\infty = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_\infty = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\|f b\|_\infty}{\|b\|_\infty} = \frac{1}{1000}$$

$$\|b\|_\infty = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} 1000 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_\infty = 1000$$

$$\|f x\|_\infty = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} 1000 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_\infty = 1000 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\|f x\|_\infty}{\|x\|_\infty} = 1000$$

$$\|x\|_\infty = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_\infty = 1$$

so

$$\frac{\|f x\|_\infty}{\|x\|_\infty} \leq K(A) \frac{\|f b\|_\infty}{\|b\|_\infty}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1000 \leq 10^6 (10^{-3}) = 10^3 \quad \checkmark$$

(d) If we solve the system $Ax = b$ using Gaussian Elimination with partial pivoting on a machine with 8 digits of accuracy, what does the condition number in Part (a) tell us about the number of digits we can trust in the solution x ?

$s = 8$ digits accuracy

$$K(A) = 10^6 \Rightarrow 6 = t$$

$s - t$ accurate digits

\Rightarrow we can trust 2 digits in soln

[14 pts](4) Prove that the back substitution algorithm is backwards stable for matrices of size 2×2 .

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} \\ 0 & r_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{In real arithmetic:}$$

$$r_{22} x_2 = b_2$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = \frac{b_2}{r_{22}}$$

Floating pt arithmetic: $x_2 = b_2 \stackrel{(\div)}{\div} r_{22} = \frac{b_2}{r_{22}} (1 + \epsilon_1) \quad (*)$

Want data perturbations to occur where $|\epsilon_1| \leq \epsilon_{\text{mach}}$ on matrix entries of R .

$$\text{Let } \epsilon_1' = \frac{-\epsilon_1}{1 + \epsilon_1} \quad \text{y' } \tilde{x} = \frac{b_2}{r_{22}(1 + \epsilon_1')} = \frac{b_2}{r_{22}(1 - \frac{\epsilon_1}{1 + \epsilon_1})} = \frac{b_2}{r_{22}(\frac{1}{1 + \epsilon_1})}$$

$$= \frac{b_2(1 + \epsilon_1)}{r_{22}} \quad (\text{what we had in } (*))$$

Taylor's Thm gives $\epsilon_1' = -\epsilon_1 + O(\epsilon_1^2)$ so $x_2 = \frac{b_2}{r_{22}(1 + \epsilon_1')}$

$$r_{11} x_1 + r_{12} x_2 = b_1 \Rightarrow r_{11} x_1 = b_1 - r_{12} \tilde{x}_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{x}_1 = (b_1 \ominus (r_{12} \otimes \tilde{x}_2)) \stackrel{(\div)}{\div} r_{11}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{x}_1 = (b_1 \ominus \underbrace{\tilde{x}_2 r_{12}}_{\substack{\text{from} \\ \text{mult}}} (1 + \epsilon_2)) \stackrel{(\div)}{\div} r_{11} \quad \text{where } |\epsilon_2| \leq \epsilon_{\text{mach}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{x}_1 = \underbrace{(b_1 - \tilde{x}_2 r_{12} (1 + \epsilon_2))}_{\text{For subtraction}} (1 + \epsilon_3) \stackrel{(\div)}{\div} r_{11}$$

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or

$$\tilde{x} = \frac{(b_1 - \tilde{x}_2 r_{12} (1 + \epsilon_2))}{r_{11} (1 + \epsilon_3') (1 + \epsilon_4')} \approx \frac{b_1 - \tilde{x}_2 r_{12} (1 + \epsilon_2)}{r_{11} (1 + \epsilon_5)}$$

with $|\epsilon_5| \leq \epsilon_{\text{mach}} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon_{\text{mach}}^2)$

so $(R + \delta R) \tilde{x} = b$ where

$$\delta R = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{|\delta r_{11}|}{|r_{11}|} & \frac{|\delta r_{12}|}{|r_{12}|} \\ 0 & \frac{|\delta r_{22}|}{|r_{22}|} \end{bmatrix} \leq \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \epsilon_m + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon_{\text{mach}}^2)$$

so 2×2 case of back substitution is backwards stable.

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 [16 pts] (6a) Using Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization write the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

as the product of an orthogonal matrix Q and an upper triangular matrix R .

By Gram-Schmidt $a = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ so $g_1 = \frac{a}{\|a\|}$

$$\|a\|_2 = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{14} \quad \text{so } g_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad b' = b - (g_1^T b) g_1 \quad g_1^T b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}} [3 \ 2 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}} [6 + 6 + 2] = \sqrt{14}$$

$$\text{so } b' = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{\sqrt{14}}{\sqrt{14}} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \|b'\| = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{so } g_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{14}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} g_1^T a & g_1^T b \\ 0 & g_2^T b \end{bmatrix} \quad g_1^T a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}} [3 \ 2 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \sqrt{14}$$

$$g_2^T b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} [-1 \ 1 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} [-2 + 3 + 2] = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{so } R = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{14} & \sqrt{14} \\ 0 & \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = QR$$

(b) Now use your QR decomposition of A to find the least squares solution for the system

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Least Squares: $Rx = Q^T b$

$$Q^T b = \begin{bmatrix} 3/\sqrt{14} & 2/\sqrt{14} & 1/\sqrt{14} \\ -1/\sqrt{3} & 1/\sqrt{3} & 1/\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10/\sqrt{14} \\ -2/\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Rx = Q^T b : \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{14} & \sqrt{14} \\ 0 & \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10/\sqrt{14} \\ -2/\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = \frac{-2/\sqrt{3}}{1/\sqrt{3}} = \boxed{-2/3} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \sqrt{14} x_1 - \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{14} = \frac{10}{\sqrt{14}} \\ \Rightarrow x_1 - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{10}{14} \end{array} \right\}$$

Please sign the following honor statement: *On my honor, I pledge that I have neither given nor received any aid on this exam.* \Rightarrow

$$\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 29/21 \\ -2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{29}{21}$$

(6)[EXTRA CREDIT, 8 pts] Prove that

$$\|A\|_1 = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sum_{i=1}^n |a_{ij}|$$

Proof:

$$A = [a_1 | a_2 | \dots | a_n]$$

where each a_j is a column vector of length n .

Unit ball for one norm is set $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \sum_{j=1}^n |x_j| \leq 1\}$

Any vector Ax in image of this set

$$\begin{aligned} \text{satisfies } \|Ax\|_1 &= \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n x_j a_j \right\|_1 \leq \sum_{j=1}^n |x_j| \|a_j\|_1 \\ &\nearrow \text{linear combination} \quad \nearrow \text{scalar} \quad \nearrow \text{vector} \\ &\text{of columns of } A. \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \|a_j\|_1 \sum_{j=1}^n |x_j| \leq \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \|a_j\|_1$$

If $x = e_j$ where j maximizes $\|a_j\|_1$, then

$$\text{bound is attained and } \|A\|_1 = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \|a_j\|_1$$

