

HW 3

Due: Monday, Oct 7.

Remember that you may (and should!) talk about the problems amongst yourselves, or discuss them with me, providing attribution for any good ideas you might get – but your final write-up should be your own.

1: Hessenberg LU. A matrix $H \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is *upper Hessenberg* if $H_{i,j} = 0$ for $i > j + 1$. That is, anything below the first subdiagonal must be zero. Without using MATLAB's `lu`, write an $O(n^2)$ function to compute $PH = LU$ using Gaussian elimination with partial pivoting. Note that the Schur complements will always remain upper Hessenberg: why? Your function should have the signature

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function [P,L,U] = hw3lu(H)
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2: Elementary, upon reflection. Complete the following routine:

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function [u] = hw3reflect(v,w)
% Find a reflector H = I-2*u*u' s.t. w and H*v are parallel.
% Assume v and w are nonzero column vectors of equal length.
```

3: Alternate orthogonalization. Recall that any symmetric positive definite matrix M defines an inner product $\langle x, y \rangle_M = y^T M x$ and an associated norm $\|x\|_M^2 = x^T M x$. We can associate with this an alternate notion of the QR decomposition:

1. Write a MATLAB function `[W,R] = hw3wr(A,M)` that computes the factorization

$$A = WR, \quad W^T M W = I.$$

Hint: Use QR factorization of A and Cholesky factorization of M .

2. Write the matrix M such that if $p(x) = \sum_{i=0}^d a_i x^i$ and $q(x) = \sum_{j=0}^d b_j x^j$ are polynomials, then

$$a^T M b = \int_{-1}^1 p(x) q(x) dx$$

where $a = [a_0 \ a_1 \ \dots \ a_d]$ is the coefficient vector for p , and b is the coefficient vector for q . Using the `hw3wr` command in the first part

of the problem to compute the *normalized Legendre polynomials* up to degree 5; these are polynomials q_k such that the degree of P is k and

$$\int_{-1}^1 q_k(x)q_j(x) dx = \begin{cases} 1, & k = j \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

4: Refined tastes. Consider the bordered linear system

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & b \\ b^T & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f \\ g \end{bmatrix}.$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1-h \\ 1-h & 1 \end{bmatrix}, & f &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ b &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, & g &= 0.5, \\ c &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

and $h = 10^{-14}$.

1. Solve the bordered system both by forming the whole 3-by-3 matrix and solving using MATLAB's backslash and by doing 2-by-2 block Gaussian elimination. What are the normwise relative residual errors for the two calculated results?
2. In the block 2-by-2 solve, what is the normwise relative residual for the step involving a solve with A ?
3. What are the condition numbers of A and of the bordered system, respectively? Argue that the relative error in the x computed by block 2-by-2 elimination is consistent with the bounds based on the relative residual and the condition number.
4. For the 2-by-2 block approach, perform one step of iterative refinement on the bordered system. What is the residual residual error for this new solution?

Note: This problem was inspired by the article “Block Elimination with One Refinement Solves Bordered Systems Accurately” (Govaerts and Pryce, BIT, vol 30, pp. 490–507, 1990).