

MATH 102 – HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT 7

Due Friday, November 17th, 2017 before the lecture.

Handwritten submissions only.

Exercise 1 (4 points).

We conduct Gaussian elimination and the LU decomposition over the field of complex numbers.

- (1) Bring the following 2×2 system $A \cdot z = b$ of linear equations over the field \mathbb{C} into triangular form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 + \mathbf{i} & 3\mathbf{i} \\ -1 - \mathbf{i} & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \mathbf{i} \\ 1 - \mathbf{i} \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (2) Compute the solution $z = (z_1, z_2) \in \mathbb{C}^2$ of the system above.
 (3) Determine a lower triangular matrix $L' \in \mathbb{C}^{2 \times 2}$ such that $L'A$ is upper triangular.
 (4) Determine a lower triangular matrix $L \in \mathbb{C}^{2 \times 2}$ and an upper triangular matrix $U \in \mathbb{C}^{2 \times 2}$ such that $A = LU$.

Solution 1. (1) We multiply the first row of the system by $(-1 - \mathbf{i})/(2 + \mathbf{i})$ and subtract the resulting row from the second row.

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 2 + \mathbf{i} & 3\mathbf{i} & 1 + \mathbf{i} \\ -1 - \mathbf{i} & 2 & 1 - \mathbf{i} \end{array} \right) \rightsquigarrow \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} -1 - \mathbf{i} & 3\mathbf{i} \frac{-1 - \mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} & (1 + \mathbf{i}) \frac{-1 - \mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} \\ -1 - \mathbf{i} & 2 & 1 - \mathbf{i} \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} -1 - \mathbf{i} & \frac{3 - 3\mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} & \frac{-2\mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} \\ -1 - \mathbf{i} & 2 & 1 - \mathbf{i} \end{array} \right) \\ & \rightsquigarrow \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} -1 - \mathbf{i} & \frac{3 - 3\mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} & \frac{-2\mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} \\ 0 & 2 - \frac{3 - 3\mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} & 1 - \mathbf{i} - \frac{-2\mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} -1 - \mathbf{i} & \frac{3 - 3\mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} & \frac{-2\mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} \\ 0 & \frac{1 + 5\mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} & \frac{2\mathbf{i} + (1 - \mathbf{i})(2 + \mathbf{i})}{2 + \mathbf{i}} \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} -1 - \mathbf{i} & \frac{3 - 3\mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} & \frac{-2\mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} \\ 0 & \frac{1 + 5\mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} & \frac{3 + \mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} \end{array} \right) \end{aligned}$$

- (2) The second component satisfies

$$z_2 = \frac{3 + \mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} \div \frac{1 + 5\mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} = \frac{3 + \mathbf{i}}{1 + 5\mathbf{i}}$$

The first component satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} & (-1 - \mathbf{i})z_1 + \frac{3 - 3\mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}}z_2 = \frac{-2\mathbf{i}}{2 + \mathbf{i}} \\ \iff & (2 + \mathbf{i})(-1 - \mathbf{i})z_1 + (3 - 3\mathbf{i})z_2 = -2\mathbf{i} \\ \iff & (2 + \mathbf{i})(-1 - \mathbf{i})z_1 + (3 - 3\mathbf{i})\frac{3 + \mathbf{i}}{1 + 5\mathbf{i}} = -2\mathbf{i} \\ \iff & (2 + \mathbf{i})(-1 - \mathbf{i})z_1 = \frac{-2\mathbf{i}(1 + 5\mathbf{i}) - (3 - 3\mathbf{i})(3 + \mathbf{i})}{(1 + 5\mathbf{i})} \\ \iff & z_1 = \frac{-2\mathbf{i}(1 + 5\mathbf{i}) - (3 - 3\mathbf{i})(3 + \mathbf{i})}{(2 + \mathbf{i})(-1 - \mathbf{i})(1 + 5\mathbf{i})} = \frac{2\mathbf{i}(1 + 5\mathbf{i}) + (3 - 3\mathbf{i})(3 + \mathbf{i})}{(2 + \mathbf{i})(1 + \mathbf{i})(1 + 5\mathbf{i})} = \frac{2\mathbf{i} - 10 + 12 - 6\mathbf{i}}{(1 + 3\mathbf{i})(1 + 5\mathbf{i})} = \frac{2 - 4\mathbf{i}}{-15 + 8\mathbf{i}} \end{aligned}$$

- (3) Keeping track of the elementary row operations, we identify L' as

$$L' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} (-1 - \mathbf{i})/(2 + \mathbf{i}) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (-1 - \mathbf{i})/(2 + \mathbf{i}) & 0 \\ (1 + \mathbf{i})/(2 + \mathbf{i}) & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (4) The above lower triangular matrix L' satisfies $L'A = U$, where U is the upper triangular form derived initially. Hence $A = LU$, where $L = (L')^{-1}$. Explicitly,

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \begin{pmatrix} (-1 - \mathbf{i})/(2 + \mathbf{i}) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} (2 + \mathbf{i})/(-1 - \mathbf{i}) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (2 + \mathbf{i})/(-1 - \mathbf{i}) & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 2 (4 points).

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be an upper triangular matrix. Show that the determinant of A is the product of the diagonal entries, i.e.,

$$\det(A) = \prod_{i=1}^n a_{ii}.$$

Hint: Use induction.

Solution 2.

The statement is clearly true for $n = 1$. Now assume the statement is true for some number $n \in \mathbb{N}$. If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{(n+1) \times (n+1)}$ is upper triangular, then the Laplace expansion along the first row gives

$$\det(A) = a_{11} \det(M_{11}),$$

where M_{11} is the $n \times n$ matrix obtained from A after deleting the first row and first column. Here we have used that only the first entry in the first row of A is possibly non-zero. Since we assume the statement to be true for the case n , we get that

$$\det(A) = a_{11} \det(M_{11}) = a_{11} \prod_{k=2}^{n+1} a_{kk} = \prod_{k=1}^{n+1} a_{kk}$$

By the principle of induction, the claim follows.

Exercise 3 (4 points).

Let $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and let $\pi \in \Pi(1, n)$ be a permutation. We let $B = (b_{ij}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be the $n \times n$ matrix whose i -th row is the $\pi(i)$ -th row of A . This means that

$$b_{ij} = a_{\pi(i), j}$$

for $1 \leq i, j \leq n$. Show that

$$\det(B) = \operatorname{sgn}(\pi) \cdot \det(A).$$

Hint: use the Leibniz formula.

Solution 3.

Let A , B , and π as the statement of the problem. The Leibniz formula then gives

$$\det(B) = \sum_{\sigma \in \Pi(1, n)} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n b_{i, \sigma(i)}.$$

By the definition of B , this is just

$$\det(B) = \sum_{\sigma \in \Pi(1, n)} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n a_{\pi(i), \sigma(i)}.$$

Since the factors in the product can be reordered, we may reorder the factors by the permutation π^{-1} , which gives

$$\det(B) = \sum_{\sigma \in \Pi(1, n)} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n a_{\pi(\pi^{-1}(i)), \sigma(\pi^{-1}(i))} = \sum_{\sigma \in \Pi(1, n)} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n a_{i, \sigma(\pi^{-1}(i))}.$$

Since $\sigma = \sigma \circ \pi^{-1} \circ \pi$, we also have $\operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) = \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma \circ \pi^{-1}) \cdot \operatorname{sgn}(\pi)$, and hence

$$\det(B) = \sum_{\sigma \in \Pi(1, n)} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma \circ \pi^{-1}) \cdot \operatorname{sgn}(\pi) \prod_{i=1}^n a_{i, \sigma(\pi^{-1}(i))} = \operatorname{sgn}(\pi) \sum_{\sigma \in \Pi(1, n)} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma \circ \pi^{-1}) \prod_{i=1}^n a_{i, \sigma(\pi^{-1}(i))}.$$

Now, in the sum, instead of going over all permutations $\sigma \in \Pi(1, n)$ and composing them with π^{-1} , we just go over all permutations directly:

$$\sum_{\sigma \in \Pi(1, n)} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma \circ \pi^{-1}) \prod_{i=1}^n a_{i, \sigma(\pi^{-1}(i))} = \sum_{\sigma \in \Pi(1, n)} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n a_{i, \sigma(i)}.$$

The reason is that composing all members of $\Pi(1, n)$ gives again all members of $\Pi(1, n)$. The claim now follows.

Exercise 4 (1+1+2 points).

For each $\pi \in \Pi(1, n)$ we define the permutation matrix $P_\pi = (p_{ij}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ by the property

$$p_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \pi(i) = j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (1) Show that for every n -dimensional vector with entries $v_1, \dots, v_n \in \mathbb{R}$ we have

$$P_\pi \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v_{\pi(1)} \\ v_{\pi(2)} \\ \vdots \\ v_{\pi(n)} \end{pmatrix}$$

- (2) Show that $\det(P_\pi) = \operatorname{sgn}(\pi)$.
(3) Show that for $\pi, \rho \in \Pi(1, n)$ we have

$$P_\rho \circ P_\pi = P_{\pi \circ \rho}$$

Solution 4. (1) Let $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\pi \in \Pi(1, n)$. Write

$$w = P_\pi \cdot v.$$

The i -th coordinate of w is

$$w_i = p_{i1}v_1 + \dots + p_{in}v_n = p_{i, \pi(i)}v_{\pi(i)},$$

where we have used the definition of the entries.

- (2) Now, whenever $\pi \in \Pi(1, n)$, we observe that

$$\det(P_\pi) = \sum_{\sigma \in P(1, n)} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n p_{i, \sigma(i)}$$

Let $\sigma \in P(1, n)$ with $\sigma \neq \pi$. Then there is $1 \leq i \leq n$ with $\sigma(i) \neq \pi(i)$. But then $p_{i, \sigma(i)} = 0$. Consequently, the only term that remains in the Leibniz formula is the summand associated to $\sigma = \pi$. Thus

$$\det(P_\pi) = \operatorname{sgn}(\pi) \prod_{i=1}^n p_{i, \pi(i)} = \operatorname{sgn}(\pi).$$

- (3) To prove the last item, let $\pi, \rho \in \Pi(1, n)$. Let c_{ij} be the entry of the matrix–matrix product $P_\rho P_\pi$, and let p_{ij}^ρ and p_{ij}^π denote the entries of the latter two matrices. Using the definition of the matrix–matrix product, the definition of P_ρ , and then the definition of P_π , we find that

$$c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n p_{i,k}^\rho p_{k,j}^\pi = p_{i, \rho(i)}^\rho p_{\rho(i), j}^\pi = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \pi(\rho(i)) = j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

By construction, these are just the entries of the permutation matrix associated to $\pi \circ \rho$.