

Math 4650 Homework #12 Solutions

1. (6.5, #1a): Solve the following linear system:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solution:** This is in the form  $LUx = b$ , so we solve it by solving  $Ly = b$  and  $Ux = y$ . In other words, we first solve the system

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Back-substitution yields  $y_1 = 2$ ,  $y_2 = -2y_1 - 1 = -5$ , and  $y_3 = y_1 + 1 = 3$ .

Then we solve the system

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Back-substitution yields  $x_3 = 3/3 = 1$ ,  $x_2 = (-x_3 - 5)/(-2) = 3$ , and  $x_1 = (x_3 - 3x_2 + 2)/2 = -3$ .

2. (6.5, #5a): Factor the following matrices into the  $LU$  decomposition using the  $LU$  Factorization Algorithm with  $l_{ii} = 1$  for all  $i$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 9 \\ 3 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solution:** Observe that standard Gaussian elimination will always lead to an  $LU$  decomposition, as long as you remember the multipliers and put them in the  $L$  matrix, and you never have to switch rows. (Which is the case here.)

Here I follow the algorithm in the book exactly. First observe that if  $l_{11} = 1$ , then  $u_{11} = 2$ . (Step 1.)

In Step 2, we go from  $j = 2$  to  $j = 3$ . When  $j = 2$ , we have  $u_{12} = a_{12}/l_{11} = -1$  and  $l_{21} = a_{21}/u_{11} = \frac{3}{2}$ . When  $j = 3$ , we have  $u_{13} = a_{13}/l_{11} = 1$  and  $l_{31} = a_{31}/u_{11} = \frac{3}{2}$ .

Now we do an  $i$  loop, from  $i = 2$  to  $i = 2$  (just one time). (Step 3.) Since  $l_{22} = 1$ , we want (Step 4)

$$u_{22} = a_{22} - \sum_{k=1}^{2-1} l_{2k}u_{k2} = a_{22} - l_{21}u_{12} = 3 - \frac{3}{2}(-1) = \frac{9}{2}.$$

Now in Step 5, we do a  $j$  loop, from  $j = i + 1 = 3$  to  $j = n = 3$  (again just one step). We set

$$u_{23} = \frac{1}{l_{22}} \left[ a_{23} - \sum_{k=1}^{2-1} l_{2k} u_{k3} \right] = [a_{23} - l_{21} u_{13}] = [9 - \frac{3}{2} \cdot 1] = \frac{15}{2},$$

and

$$l_{32} = \frac{1}{u_{22}} \left[ a_{32} - \sum_{k=1}^{2-1} l_{3k} u_{k2} \right] = \frac{1}{u_{22}} [a_{32} - l_{31} u_{12}] = \frac{2}{9} [3 - \frac{3}{2}(-1)] = 1.$$

Finally in Step 6, we set  $l_{33} = 1$  and

$$u_{33} = a_{33} - \sum_{k=1}^{3-1} l_{nk} u_{kn} = a_{33} - l_{31} u_{13} - l_{32} u_{23} = 5 - \frac{3}{2} \cdot 1 - 1 \cdot \frac{15}{2} = -4.$$

The final decomposition is

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{3}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{3}{2} & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{9}{2} & \frac{15}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since we've almost certainly made a mistake, we do an easy check:

$$LU = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 9 \\ 3 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = A.$$

(When computing this originally, I made three mistakes; checking the product  $LU = A$  is an easy way to realize this to fix them.)

3. (6.6, #3a): Use the  $LDL^t$  Factorization Algorithm to find a factorization of the form  $A = LDL^t$  for the following matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solution:** We could do this by just using the standard  $LU$  factorization (in other words, doing Gaussian elimination and remembering the multipliers in  $L$ ). Since the matrix is symmetric,  $U$  will always be in the form  $U = DL^t$  for some diagonal matrix  $D$ . Here I'll do it both ways (using Gaussian elimination and using the book's algorithm).

- (Gaussian). Immediately we see that  $m_{21} = -\frac{1}{2}$  and  $m_{31} = 0$ , since those are the factors we need to clear out the first column. The operations  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - m_{21}R_1$  and  $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - m_{31}R_1$  lead to

$$A^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The last thing to do is clear out the second column, and the required factor is  $m_{32} = \frac{-1}{\frac{3}{2}} = -\frac{2}{3}$ . We finally get

$$U = A^{(3)} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} \end{bmatrix},$$

with

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Again a simple matrix multiplication verifies that  $LU = A$ .

The diagonal matrix  $D$  is formed from the diagonal elements of  $U$ , so that

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Although we already checked  $LU = A$ , if we wanted to, we could have instead checked that  $LDL^t = A$ :

$$LDL^t = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & \frac{3}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & \frac{4}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = A$$

- (Algorithm). Step 1: for  $i$  from 1 to 3.

When  $i = 1$ , we go into Step 2, which says  $j$  should go from 1 to 0. This is impossible, so we don't execute anything. In Step 3, we set  $d_1 = a_{11} - \sum_{j=1}^0 l_{1j}v_j = a_{11} = 2$ . In Step 4, we go from  $j = 2$  to  $j = 3$ . Observe that we again have a sum  $\sum_{k=1}^0$ , which is just zero. So we get

$$l_{21} = a_{21}/d_1 = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad l_{31} = a_{31}/d_1 = 0.$$

Now back to Step 1, when  $i = 2$ . Now in Step 2, we go from  $j = 1$  to  $j = 1$  and get  $v_1 = l_{21}d_1 = -1$ . In Step 3, we set  $d_2 = a_{22} - l_{21}v_1 = 2 - (-\frac{1}{2})(-1) = \frac{3}{2}$ . In Step 4, we go from  $j = 3$  to  $j = 3$  and get

$$l_{32} = (a_{32} - l_{31}v_1)/d_2 = (-1 - (0)(-1))/(3/2) = -\frac{2}{3}.$$

Now one more time to Step 1, when  $i = 3$ . In Step 2, we go from  $j = 1$  to  $j = 2$ , and get  $v_1 = l_{31}d_1 = 0$  and  $v_2 = l_{32}d_2 = -1$ . In Step 3, we set  $d_3 = a_{33} - l_{31}v_1 - l_{32}v_2 = 2 - 0 - (-\frac{2}{3})(-1) = \frac{4}{3}$ . Finally Step 4 is never executed, since  $j$  is going from 4 to 3.

We finally have

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

4. (6.6, #5a): Use the Cholesky Algorithm to find a factorization of the form  $A = LL^t$  for the following matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solution:** Again there are two methods. One is to use Gaussian elimination to get the  $LDL^t$  algorithm as in problem #3. The other is to use the book's algorithm, which works the same way as above (so I'll skip it).

Following the same procedure as above, we obtain  $A = LDL^t$ , where

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then the Cholesky factorization is  $(L')(L')^t$ , where  $L' = L\sqrt{D}$ .

Thus we have

$$L' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{\frac{4}{3}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \\ -\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} & \sqrt{\frac{4}{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$

Finally we can check that  $(L')(L')^t = A$ :

$$(L')(L')^t = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \\ -\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} & \sqrt{\frac{4}{3}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & -\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{\frac{4}{3}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = A$$