

## CS556 Iterative Methods Fall 2024 Quiz 1.

Due Thursday, Aug. 29, 5 PM.

(Turn in via the Relate Page.)

Answer the following questions. (Use Saad, *Iterative Methods*, 2nd Ed., to look up any unfamiliar terms.)

1. Suppose  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is diagonally dominant matrix with  $a_{ii} > 0$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and let  $D := \text{diag}(A)$  be the diagonal matrix with entries  $d_{ii} = a_{ii}$ .

Using Gershgorin's theorem (Theorem (4.6) in Saad, 2nd. Ed.), describe the region in the complex  $\lambda$ -plane that contains the eigenvalues  $\lambda_k$  of  $D^{-1}A$ .

How does this region change if we only require  $|a_{ii}| > 0$  (i.e., the diagonal entries of  $A$  may be of arbitrary sign)?

2. Use `matlab` or `octave` or `python` to answer the following questions.

Suppose  $A$  is the  $n \times n$  tridiagonal matrix,  $A = \frac{1}{h^2} \text{tridiag}(-1, 2, -1)$ , with  $h = 1/(n+1)$  and  $(L, U)$  represent the lower- and upper-triangular factors such that  $A = LU$ . These matrices are generated in `matlab` by

```
e=ones(n,1);
A=spdiags([-e 2*e -e],-1:1,n,n);
[L,U]=lu(A);
nnzL = nnz(L)
```

The last statement reports the number of nonzeros in  $L$ . Asymptotically, we have  $\text{nnz} \sim Cn^\beta$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . The following asks you to find the constants  $C$  and  $\beta$  for several matrices.

- How does  $\text{nnz}(L)$  scale with  $n$ ?
- How does  $\text{nnz}(L^{-1})$  scale with  $n$ ?
- How does  $\text{nnz}(A)$  scale with  $n$ ?
- How does  $\text{nnz}(A^{-1})$  scale with  $n$ ?

Note that you can visualize the content of sparse matrices via `spy(L)`, etc. Just do not do so for large  $n$ .

3. Consider the following timing loop:

```
n=1;
for k=1:100 n=ceil( 1.35*(n+1) );
    if n>1e6; break end;
    e=ones(n,1);
    A=spdiags([-e 2*e -e],-1:1,n,n);
    [L,U]=lu(A); % Warm start to cache L,U
    nloop = max(ceil(1000/n),1);
    tstart=tic;
    for loop=1:nloop;
        [L,U]=lu(A);
        A(1,1) = A(1,1) + 1e-9; % Prevent loop analysis
    end;
    telapse=toc(tstart)/nloop;
    nk(k)=n; tk(k)=telapse;
end;
model=1.e-6*nk;
loglog(nk,model,'k-',nk,tk,'ro','linewidth',2);
xlabel('Matrix Order', n, 'fontsize',14);
ylabel('Factor Time (sec)', 'fontsize',14);
title('Tridiagonal Matrix Factor Times', 'fontsize',14);
print -dpng lutime.png
```

Run this code in `octave` (the free version of `matlab`) or `matlab`. It will generate a plot in `lutime.png`.

Modify the code to plot the time to instead solve  $Ax = b$  where  $b = \text{rand}(n, 1)$ ; is the `matlab/octave` definition of a random  $n$ -vector. You should replace `[L,U]=lu(A)`; with `x=A\b`. Plot the time for this case.

How do these times compare? Do you have a hypothesis regarding why the times differ as they do?

**NOTE:** In `matlab/octave`, a “;” at end-of-line suppresses printing of the command output.