

Math 782 Hw9

due Tuesday 04/10/2018

1. (Optional, you do not need to do this) Let $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$ be nonsingular. Prove that A has an LU factorization if and only if for every k with $1 \leq k \leq m$, the leading principal $k \times k$ submatrix A_k , as shown in the partitioning

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_k & B_k \\ C_k & D_k \end{bmatrix},$$

is nonsingular.

Hint: For the necessity, by induction, assume after k steps we have

$$L_k \cdots L_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} U_k & * & * \\ 0 & a_{k+1,k+1}^{(k)} & * \\ 0 & * & * \end{bmatrix},$$

where U_k is upper triangular and invertible. By comparing the $(k+1) \times (k+1)$ leading principal submatrices on both sides to show $a_{k+1,k+1}^{(k)} \neq 0$ and the Gaussian elimination process then can continue.

For the sufficiency, for each $1 \leq k \leq m$, partition $L = \begin{bmatrix} L_k & 0 \\ & * \end{bmatrix}$ and $U = \begin{bmatrix} U_k & * \\ 0 & * \end{bmatrix}$. Show U_k and L_k are invertible and $A_k = L_k U_k$.

2. Let $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$ be nonsingular. Suppose A satisfies the condition given in previous problem, so it has an LU factorization $A = LU$. Prove the factorization is unique. *Hint: Suppose A has two LU factorization $A = L_1 U_1 = L_2 U_2$. Show that L_2 and U_1 are invertible and $L_2^{-1} L_1 = U_2 U_1^{-1}$. Then try to prove $L_1 = L_2$ and $U_1 = U_2$ by using the triangular structures.*

3. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 4 & -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Obtain the LU factorization of A using the elementary lower triangular matrices and solve the system $Ax = b$.

4. Let A be a symmetric matrix with $a_{11} \neq 0$. Suppose A has been reduced to the form

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|ccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & & & \\ \vdots & & A^{(1)} & \\ 0 & & & \end{array} \right] = L_1 A.$$

Prove that $A^{(1)}$ is symmetric.

Hint: Denote $a_1 = \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ \vdots \\ a_{1n} \end{bmatrix}$ and write L_1 in term of a_1 . Try to write the expression of $A^{(1)}$.