

Lecture 20 GAUSSIAN ELIMINATION (GE)

Solve $AX=b$ where $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$, nonsingular
 $x \in \mathbb{C}^m$, $b \in \mathbb{C}^m$

GE transforms problem into an upper triangular equivalent problem, which can be solved by back substitution.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \text{shaded} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \text{shaded} \\ \Phi \end{pmatrix}$$

A

$$\underbrace{L_{m-1} \cdots L_2 L_1}_{L^{-1}} A = U$$

$$\therefore A = LU$$

We use the familiar ROW ECHELON operations to find U (and L)

As far as solving $x = A^{-1}b$, we note that

$$LUx = b \Rightarrow \begin{cases} y = Ux \\ Ly = b \end{cases}$$

Algorithm: (w/o pivoting)

$$\begin{array}{c} 4 \times 4 \\ \left(\begin{array}{cccc} | & | & | & | \end{array} \right) \end{array} \xrightarrow{L_1} \begin{array}{c} \left(\begin{array}{cccc} \times & | & | & | \\ 0 & | & | & | \\ 0 & | & | & | \\ 0 & | & | & | \end{array} \right) \end{array} \xrightarrow{L_2} \begin{array}{c} \left(\begin{array}{cccc} \times & \times & | & | \\ 0 & \times & | & | \\ 0 & 0 & | & | \\ 0 & 0 & | & | \end{array} \right) \end{array} \xrightarrow{L_3} \begin{array}{c} \left(\begin{array}{cccc} \times & \times & \times & | \\ 0 & \times & \times & | \\ 0 & 0 & \times & | \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | \end{array} \right) \end{array}$$

Δ $L_1 \Delta$ $L_2 L_1 \Delta$ $L_3 L_2 L_1 \Delta$

$$\xrightarrow{L_4} \begin{array}{c} \left(\begin{array}{cccc} \times & \times & \times & \times \\ & \times & \times & \times \\ & & \times & \times \\ \triangle & & & \times \end{array} \right) \end{array} = U$$

$L_4 L_3 L_2 L_1 \Delta$

Remark:

GS	$A = QR$	triangular orthogonalization
Householder	$A = QR$	orthogonal triangularization
LU	$A = LU$	triangular triangularization

$$\text{ex) } \begin{matrix} E_1 \\ E_2 \\ E_3 \\ E_4 \end{matrix} \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 & -8 \\ 2 & -2 & 3 & -3 & -20 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & 4 & 3 & 4 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{E_2 = E_2 - 2E_1} \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 & -8 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -4 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & 4 & 3 & 4 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{E_3 = E_3 - E_1}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 & -8 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -4 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 1 & -1 & 4 & 3 & 4 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} E_3 \rightarrow E_2 \\ E_2 \rightarrow E_3 \end{matrix}} \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 & -8 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 & 4 & 3 & 4 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{E_4 = E_4 - E_1}$$

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$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 & -8 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} (L_2 L_1 A | L_2 L_1 b) \\ L_2^{-1} \end{matrix}} \text{so } L^{-1}A = U$$

Then we can back substitute from bottom to top:

$$2x_4 = 4 \Rightarrow x_4 = 2$$

$$-x_3 = x_4 - 4 \Rightarrow x_3 = 2$$

$$2x_2 = 6 + x_3 - x_4 \Rightarrow x_2 = 3$$

$$x_1 = x_2 - 2x_3 + x_4 - 8 \Rightarrow x_1 = -7$$

COMPUTATIONAL COMPLEXITY $Ax=b \Rightarrow (A|b)$

Storage 2D array $\mathbb{C}^{m,m+1}$

(since the 'lower' portion of the array, where zeros go, can provide all the storage you need for the factors that compute the L matrix)

Speed (measured in FLOPS) $\propto O(m^3)$

To see this:

GAUSSIAN ELIMINATION ALGORITHM

Solves $Ax=b$ $m \times m$

Input $(A|b) \equiv (a_{ij})$ $1 \leq i \leq m$ $1 \leq j \leq m+1$ AUGMENTED MATRIX
Output x_i $1 \leq i \leq m$, or error message

- (1) For $i=1:m-1$ % elimination process
- (2) Let p be smallest integer with $i \leq p \leq m$ & $a_{pi} \neq 0$
if no integer p can be found: output ('no unique solution'), stop
 - (3) if $p \neq i$ $E_p \leftrightarrow E_i$
 - (4) for $j=i+1:m$
 - (5) $w_{ji} = a_{ji}/a_{ii}$
 - (6) $E_j - w_{ji}E_i \leftrightarrow E_j$
- (7) if $a_{mm} = 0$: output ('no unique solution'), stop
- (8) $x_m = a_{m,m+1}/a_{mm}$ % begin backsubstitute
- (9) for $i=m-1:1$
 $x_i = (a_{i,m+1} - \sum_{j=i+1}^m a_{ij}x_j)/a_{ii}$
- (10) output (x)
end

OPERATION COUNT

In pink are lines of interest.

Look at (5) & (6):

(5) $(m-i)$ divides

(6) multiplies results in $(m-i)(m-i+1)$

then $(m-i)(m-i+1)$ subtracts

So for (5) & (6), for each $i=1, 2, \dots, m-1$

Mult/div $(m-i) + (m-i)(m-i+1) = (m-i)(m-i+2)$

adds/sub $(m-i)(m-i+1)$

$$\therefore \text{Mults/DIV: } \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} (m-i)(m-i+2) = (m^2+2m) \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} 1$$

$$- 2(m+1) \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} i + \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} i^2 = \frac{2m^3+3m^2-5m}{6}$$

$$\text{Sub/Add: } \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} (m-i)(m-i+1) = (m^2+m) \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} 1$$

$$- (2m+1) \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} i + \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} i^2 = \frac{m^3-m}{3}$$

(8) & (9): $1 + (m-i)$ mults, $(m-i+1)$ adds for each summation term, then 1 sub & 1 divide

$$\therefore \frac{m^2+m}{2} \text{ (mults)} + \frac{m^2-m}{2} \text{ (adds)}$$

$$\therefore \underbrace{\frac{m^3}{3} + m^2 - \frac{m}{3}}_{\text{mults/divs}} + \underbrace{\frac{m^3}{3} + \frac{m^2}{2} - \frac{5m}{6}}_{\text{add/sub}} = O(m^3)$$

PIVOTING & SCALING: how to minimize the effect of round off errors in an ill-conditioned matrix problem?

Partial (row) Pivoting: row exchanges

Full (column/row) Pivoting: row & col exchanges

Motivating Example:

$$\text{ex) } \begin{cases} 0.0001x + 1.00y = 1.00 \\ 1.00x + 1.02y = 2.00 \end{cases} \quad (\#)$$

[True solution (to 5 significant digits)
 $x = 1.00010$ $y = 0.99990$
we used exact arithmetic & clipped to 5 sig digits

Solution of (#) to 5-significant digits will be

$$-10000y = -10000 \Rightarrow y = 1.00$$

$$\text{and } x = 0.00 \text{ Pretty bad!}$$

We did Gaussian elimination

We will do partial pivoting: all we do here is switch the rows. Proceed with Gaussian elimination:

$$1.00x + 1.00y = 2.00$$

$$0.0001x + 1.00y = 1.00$$

Perform GE (5 significant digit)

$$x = 1.00$$

$$y = 1.00$$

Great improvement!

ANALYSIS OF PROBLEM W/ ROUNDOFF:

ex) $E_1: 0.003000x_1 + 59.14x_2 = 59.17$

$$E_2: 5.291x_1 - 6.130x_2 = 46.78$$

has exact solution to 4-digit rounding:

$$x_1 = 10.00 \quad x_2 = 1.00$$

$a_{11} = 0.003000$ is pivot & is small

$$m_{21} = \frac{5.291}{a_{11}} = 1763.6\bar{6} \text{ rounds } 1763.$$

$$E_2 - m_{21}E_1 \rightarrow E_2$$

$$0.003000x_1 + 59.14x_2 = 59.17$$

$$- 104300x_2 = -104400$$

instead of the more precise

$$0.003000x_1 + 59.14x_2 = 59.17$$

$$- 104309.37\bar{6}x_2 = -104309.37\bar{6}$$

$\therefore$ disparity in magnitudes $m_{21}b_1$ and b_2 has introduced round off, but error has not propagated, yet.

Backward solution

$$x_2 = 1.001 \text{ close to } x_2 = 1.000$$

but

$$x_1 = \frac{59.17 - (59.14)(1.001)}{0.003000} = -10.00$$

