

1. (20%) Suppose we are working on a certain floating point system with $A = \begin{bmatrix} \delta & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Here δ is a positive number that is smaller than the unit round-off machine precision ε . (a) Perform standard LU factorization on A without any row or column permutation to obtain the unit lower triangular matrix L_1 and the upper triangular matrix U_1 . (b) Is $A = L_1U_1$? If yes, explain why. If no, explain how you may compute the LU factorization to obtain L_2 and U_2 , so that $A = L_2U_2$.

2. (20%) Perform two steps of Newton's method for solving the nonlinear system

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_2 = 2, \\ x_1^2 + 4x_2^2 = 4. \end{cases} \quad \text{Suppose the initial guess } \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

3. (20%) Let $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with $\|u\|_2 = 1$. The $n \times n$ matrix $P = I - 2uu^T$ is called a Householder transformation. (a) Show that a Householder transformation is symmetric, orthogonal, and satisfies $P^{-1} = P$. (b) Explain how you may use Householder transformation P_1 such that

$$P_1 \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}_1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

4. (20%) Given a function f defined on $[a, b]$ and a set of nodes $a = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n = b$. (a) Define a natural cubic spline interpolant S for f . (b) Write down the resulting linear system for determining the coefficients of the piecewise cubic polynomials and then show that the natural cubic spline interpolant is unique.
5. (20%) (a) Write down the formulas corresponding to the following pseudocode and explain what does the pseudocode do? (b) Suppose $f(t, y) = yt(1-y)$. Count the floating point operations of the pseudocode in terms of n

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input t0, y0, h, n
external f
for k=1 to n do
    t = t0 + k*h
    t2 = t0 + 0.5*h
    v1 = f(t0, y0)
    v2 = f(t2, y0+0.5*h*v1)
    v3 = f(t2, y0+0.5*h*v2)
    v4 = f(t, y0+h*v3)
    y = (h/6)*(v1 + 2*(v2 + v3) + v4)
    y0 = y
    t0 = t
end for
    
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