

Numerical Analysis Exam
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Complete all four problems. Unless otherwise stated, all matrices and vectors are real. Good luck!

1. a. Show that for any nonsingular $n \times n$ matrix S , the $n \times n$ matrices A and SAS^{-1} have the same eigenvalues.
- b. Show that all eigenvalues of the matrix A with elements,

$$a_{ij} = i^2(i-j)^3j^4, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n,$$

have zero real part.

2. Consider the symmetric matrix, M , partitioned into blocks as follows:

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ B^T & C \end{pmatrix},$$

where A and C are square matrices, not necessarily of the same size, and where B is a rectangular matrix with transpose B^T . Show that, if M is positive definite, then the following matrices are positive definite:

- (i.) A
- (ii.) $C - B^T A^{-1} B$.

3. Let M be a positive definite symmetric matrix.
 - a. Show that if Gaussian elimination is applied to M , then only positive pivots are encountered.
 - b. Use the result above to deduce the existence of the Cholesky factorization, that is a lower triangular matrix, L , such that $M = LL^T$.
 - c. Describe an algorithm for computing L which requires about half the work as standard Gaussian elimination.

4. Consider the matrix $H = I - 2uu^T$ where $u^T u = 1$.

- a. Prove that H is an orthogonal matrix.
- b. Let

$$u = \frac{1}{\|a + \sigma e_1\|} (a + \sigma e_1),$$

where $\sigma = \pm \|a\|$, $e_1^T = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$, and $\|\cdot\|$ is the 2-norm. Compute Ha .

- c. Describe an algorithm which uses matrices of the form H to reduce an $n \times n$ matrix A to upper triangular form.