Math 451	Homework 3	Assigned:	Monday, September 30
Fall 2013	"Solving linear systems: Direct Solvers"	Due:	Friday, October 11

## **Directions:**

- Include a cover page.
- For each problem, submit only the final version of your solution. Each problem should be collocated and stapled.
- Always label every plot (title, x-label, y-label, and legend).
- Use the subplot command from MATLAB (or matplotlib) when comparing 2 or more plots to make comparison easier and to save paper.
- 1. Without using pivots, write out, by hand, each step in the LU decomposition for

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

## 2. |SOURCE CODE:|

Write the following functions in MATLAB:

- (a) Warmup:
  - $\mathbf{x} = \text{BackwardSubs}(\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{y})$  backward substitution
  - y = ForwardSubs(L, b) forward substitution
- (b) A first pass:
  - **x** = **GaussElim**(**A**, **b**) Naive Gaussian elimination (no pivoting)
  - [L, U] = LuDecomp(A) LU decomposition (no pivoting)
- (c) The third time's the charm:
  - $\mathbf{x} = \text{GaussElimPP}(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b})$  Gauss elimination with partial pivoting
  - [L, U, P] = LuDecompPP(A) LU decomposition with partial pivoting

Each of these functions should be saved in a single file. For example, place the title

## function $\mathbf{x} = \text{BackwardSubs}(\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{y})$

as the first line in a file called **BackwardSubs.m**.

As always, your scripts will be graded for correctness as well as completeness of documentation and cleanliness of code. These codes are to be submitted as part of your assignment, by email. Use the subject line: "MTH 451 HW3 Scripts" in your email.

- 3. Test the two naive solvers written in 2(b) on the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ , where  $\mathbf{b} = (10, 5, 3, 4)^T$ , and A is the matrix given in problem 1. Use your code from 2(a) to perform the forward and backward substitutions.
- 4. Test the two solvers written in 2(c) on the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ , where  $\mathbf{b} = (-53, 18, -7, 0, -103)^T$ and

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 13 & 39 & 2 & 57 & 28 \\ -4 & -12 & 0 & -19 & -9 \\ 3 & 0 & -9 & 2 & 1 \\ 6 & 17 & 9 & 5 & 7 \\ 19 & 42 & -17 & 107 & 44 \end{pmatrix}$$

Do your solvers from 2(b) work on this problem? Why or why not?

## 5. **APPLICATION:**

The *inverse power method* is an iterative numerical method to find the smallest eigenvalue of a matrix. It is given by the following updates:

$$\mathbf{x}^{(m+1)} = (A - \lambda_0 I)^{-1} \mathbf{x}^{(m)},$$
  

$$\lambda_m = x_{p_{m-1}}^{(m)},$$
  

$$\mathbf{x}^{(m)} = \mathbf{x}^{(m)} / x_{p_m}^{(m)}.$$

The quantity  $\lambda_0 + (1/\lambda_m)$  converges to the eigenvalue of A that is closest to  $\lambda_0$ , and  $\mathbf{x}^{(m)}$  converges to the corresponding eigenvector. The integer  $p_m$  is chosen so that  $|x_{p_m}^{(m)}| = ||\mathbf{x}^{(m)}||_{\infty}$ . For the remainder of this exercise, let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -2 & 4 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) Select  $\lambda_0 = 6$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(0)} = (1, 1, 1)^T$ . How does  $\lambda_0 + 1/\lambda_5$  compare with the exact eigenvalue,  $\lambda \approx 5.124885419764584?$
- (b) Select  $\lambda_0 = -1$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(0)} = (1, 1, 1)^T$ . How does  $\lambda_0 + 1/\lambda_5$  compare with the exact eigenvalue,  $\lambda \approx 0.238442818168109$ ?

In place of inverting the system at each step, as a pre-processing step, construct a single LU decomposition on the matrix  $T = (A - \lambda_0 I)$ . Recall that the decomposition will give you PT = LU, so you'll have to reorder the right hand side vector at each step:

$$T\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \implies PT\mathbf{x} = LU\mathbf{x} = P\mathbf{b}.$$

As part of your assignment, include a single, self-contained script, **run\_inverse\_power\_method.m** that calls your functions written in problem 2.