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Appendices: None.

Permitted aids: None

Please make sure that your copy of the problem set is complete before you attempt to answer anything.

Problem 1 Matrix multiplication

Let \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} be $n \times n$ real matrices. The operation count (additions/multiplications) required to compute the product \mathbf{AB} is $2n^3$. You do not have to show this.

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Consider the $2n \times 2n$ block matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{W} & \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Z} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{C} & \mathbf{D} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{E} & \mathbf{F} \\ \mathbf{G} & \mathbf{H} \end{bmatrix},$$

where all matrices $\mathbf{A}, \dots, \mathbf{Z}$ are in $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. How many operations does it take to compute \mathbf{W} , \mathbf{X} , \mathbf{Y} and \mathbf{Z} by the obvious algorithm?

Possible solution: We have that

$$\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{AE} + \mathbf{BG}.$$

So it takes $4n^3 + n^2$ operations to compute this. We must compute 4 such matrices, hence the total operation cost is $16n^3 + 4n^2$.

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1b

An alternative method to compute \mathbf{W} , \mathbf{X} , \mathbf{Y} and \mathbf{Z} is to use Strassen's formulas:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}_1 &= (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{D})(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{H}), & \mathbf{P}_5 &= (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})\mathbf{H}, \\ \mathbf{P}_2 &= (\mathbf{C} + \mathbf{D})\mathbf{E}, & \mathbf{P}_6 &= (\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A})(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{F}), \\ \mathbf{P}_3 &= \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{F} - \mathbf{H}), & \mathbf{P}_7 &= (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{D})(\mathbf{G} + \mathbf{H}), \\ \mathbf{P}_4 &= \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{G} - \mathbf{E}) \\ \mathbf{W} &= \mathbf{P}_1 + \mathbf{P}_4 - \mathbf{P}_5 + \mathbf{P}_7, & \mathbf{Y} &= \mathbf{P}_2 + \mathbf{P}_4, \\ \mathbf{X} &= \mathbf{P}_3 + \mathbf{P}_5, & \mathbf{Z} &= \mathbf{P}_1 + \mathbf{P}_3 - \mathbf{P}_2 + \mathbf{P}_6. \end{aligned}$$

You do not have to verify these formulas. What is the operation count for this method?

Possible solution: \mathbf{P}_1 , \mathbf{P}_6 and \mathbf{P}_7 each need $2n^2 + 2n^3$ operations. \mathbf{P}_2 , \mathbf{P}_3 , \mathbf{P}_4 and \mathbf{P}_5 each need $n^2 + 2n^3$ operations. Hence forming the \mathbf{P} 's needs $3(2n^2 + 2n^3) + 4(n^2 + 2n^3) = 10n^2 + 14n^3$ operations. To find the final result demands $8n^2$ operations. Thus the total cost is $14n^3 + 18n^2$.

1c

Describe a recursive algorithm, based on Strassen's formulas, which given two matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} of size $m \times m$, with $m = 2^k$ for some $k \geq 0$, calculates the product \mathbf{AB} .

Possible solution: Here is a program that seems to work:

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function Z=strassen(A,B)
[m,~]=size(A);
if m==1
    Z=A*B; return;
end
one=1:m/2; two=m/2+1:m;
P1=strassen(A(one,one)+A(two,two),B(one,one)+B(two,two));
P2=strassen(A(two,one)+A(two,two),B(one,one));
P3=strassen(A(one,one),B(one,two)-B(two,two));
P4=strassen(A(two,two),B(two,one)-B(one,one));
P5=strassen(A(one,one)+A(one,two),B(two,two));
P6=strassen(A(two,one)-A(one,one),B(one,one)+B(one,two));
P7=strassen(A(one,two)-A(two,two),B(two,one)+B(two,two));
Z=[P1+P4-P5+P7,P3+P5; P2+P4,P1+P3-P2+P6];
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1d

Show that the operation count of the recursive algorithm is $\mathcal{O}(m^{\log_2(7)})$. Note that $\log_2(7) \approx 2.8 < 3$, so this is less costly than straightforward matrix multiplication.

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Possible solution: Let s_k be the cost of Strassen multiplication of two matrices of size 2^k . Then, up to leading order $s_{k+1} = 7s_k$. This means that $s_k = \gamma 7^k$ for some constant γ . We have $m = 2^k$ and $7 = 2^{\log_2(7)}$, so $s_k = 2^{k \log_2(7)} = m^{\log_2(7)}$.

Problem 2 SVD

Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$, with $m \geq n$, be a matrix on the form

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{C} \end{bmatrix}$$

where \mathbf{B} is a non-singular $n \times n$ matrix and \mathbf{C} is in $\mathbb{C}^{(m-n) \times n}$. Let \mathbf{A}^\dagger denote the pseudoinverse of \mathbf{A} . Show that $\|\mathbf{A}^\dagger\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{B}^{-1}\|_2$. (**Hint:** use the singular value factorization of \mathbf{A} , i.e., $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^*$ with \mathbf{U} and \mathbf{V} unitary.)

Possible solution: Observe first that $\mathbf{A}^* \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}^* \mathbf{C}$, so that the smallest singular value of \mathbf{A} ; λ_A , is larger or equal to the smallest singular value of \mathbf{B} ; λ_B . We have that $\|\mathbf{B}^{-1}\| = 1/\lambda_B$.

We have that $\mathbf{A}^\dagger = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}\mathbf{U}^*$, where \mathbf{V} and \mathbf{U} are unitary. $\mathbf{\Sigma}$ is diagonal with the singular values of \mathbf{A} on the diagonal. For $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C}^m$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{A}^\dagger \mathbf{x}\|_2 &= \|\mathbf{V}\mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}\mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{x}\|_2 \\ &= \|\mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}\mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{x}\|_2 && (\mathbf{V} \text{ is unitary}) \\ &\leq \|\mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}\|_2 \|\mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{x}\|_2 && (\|\cdot\|_2 \text{ subordinate to vector norm}) \\ &= \|\mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}\|_2 \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 && (\mathbf{U}^* \text{ unitary}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\lambda_A} \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\lambda_B} \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \\ &= \|\mathbf{B}^{-1}\|_2 \|\mathbf{x}\|_2. \end{aligned}$$

Problem 3 An iterative method

Assume that $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ is non-singular and nondefective (the eigenvectors of \mathbf{A} form a basis for \mathbb{C}^n). We wish to solve $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$. Assume that we have a list of the eigenvalues, in no particular order, $\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m\}$. We have that $m \leq n$, since some of the eigenvalues may have multiplicity larger than one. Given $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbb{C}^n$, and $k \geq 0$, we define the sequence $\{\mathbf{x}_k\}_{k=0}^{m-1}$ by

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \frac{1}{\lambda_{k+1}} \mathbf{r}_k, \text{ where } \mathbf{r}_k = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_k.$$

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Let the coefficients c_{ik} be defined by

$$\mathbf{r}_k = \sum_{i=1}^n c_{ik} \mathbf{u}_i,$$

where $\{(\sigma_i, \mathbf{u}_i)\}_{i=1}^n$ are the eigenpairs of \mathbf{A} . Show that

$$c_{i,k+1} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \sigma_i = \lambda_{k+1}, \\ c_{i,k} \left(1 - \frac{\sigma_i}{\lambda_{k+1}}\right) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Possible solution: Observe that $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_j = \sigma_j \mathbf{u}_j$, where $\sigma_j \in \{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m\}$. We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{r}_{k+1} &= \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A} \left(\mathbf{x}_k + \frac{1}{\lambda_{k+1}} \mathbf{r}_k \right) \\ &= \mathbf{r}_k - \frac{1}{\lambda_{k+1}} \mathbf{A}\mathbf{r}_k \\ &= \sum_i c_{ik} \left(1 - \frac{\sigma_i}{\lambda_{k+1}} \right) \mathbf{u}_i. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$c_{i,k+1} = c_{i,k} \left(1 - \frac{\sigma_i}{\lambda_{k+1}} \right).$$

3b

Show that for some $l \leq m$, we have that $\mathbf{x}_l = \mathbf{x}_{l+1} = \dots = \mathbf{x}_m = \mathbf{x}$, where $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$.

Possible solution: After at most m iterations we will have $c_{i,k} = 0$ for all i , and thus $\mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{x}$.

3c

Consider this iteration for the $n \times n$ matrix $\mathbf{T} = \text{tridiag}(c, d, c)$, where d and c are positive real numbers and $d > 2c$. The eigenvalues of \mathbf{T} are

$$\lambda_j = d + 2c \cos \left(\frac{j\pi}{n+1} \right), \quad j = 1, \dots, n.$$

What is the operation count for solving $\mathbf{T}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ using the iterative algorithm above?

Possible solution: Each iterative step consists in finding $\mathbf{x} + (\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{T}\mathbf{x})/\lambda$. The matrix multiplication $\mathbf{T}\mathbf{x}$ requires $3n$ flops, we have to add \mathbf{b} (n flops), divide by λ (n flops), and add \mathbf{x} (n flops). Altogether $3n + n + n + n = 6n$ flops. The iteration reaches a fixpoint in at most n steps, so the total count is $6n^2$.

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Let now \mathbf{B} be an $n \times n$ matrix which is zero on the “tridiagonal”, i.e., $b_{ij} = 0$ if $|i - j| \leq 1$. Set $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{T} + \mathbf{B}$, where \mathbf{T} is the tridiagonal matrix above. We wish to solve $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ by the iterative scheme

$$\mathbf{T}\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{B}\mathbf{x}_k.$$

Show that this iteration will converge if

$$\min \left\{ \max_i \sum_{j=1}^n |b_{ij}|, \max_j \sum_{i=1}^n |b_{ij}| \right\} < d - 2c.$$

(**Hint:** use Gershgorin’s circle theorem for the eigenvalues of \mathbf{B}).

Possible solution: The iterative scheme can be written

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = -\mathbf{T}^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{T}^{-1}\mathbf{b} =: \mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{c}.$$

The iteration will converge if $\rho(\mathbf{G}) < 1$. We have that $\rho(\mathbf{G}) \leq \rho(\mathbf{T}^{-1})\rho(\mathbf{B})$. The eigenvalues of \mathbf{T} satisfy

$$\lambda_j \geq d - 2c, \quad \frac{1}{\lambda_j} \leq \frac{1}{d - 2c}.$$

Hence $\rho(\mathbf{T}^{-1}) \leq 1/(d - 2c) < \infty$. Regarding the eigenvalues of \mathbf{B} , by Gershgorin’s theorem,

$$|\mu_j| \leq \min \left\{ \max_i \sum_{\substack{j \\ |i-j|>1}} |b_{ij}|, \max_j \sum_{\substack{i \\ |i-j|>1}} |b_{ij}| \right\} =: C_{\mathbf{B}}.$$

The algorithm will converge if

$$C_{\mathbf{B}} < d - 2c.$$

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