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**Q1:** Use LU-factorization with Doolittle's method ( $l_{ii} = 1$ ) to find the value of  $\alpha$  for which the following linear system has infinitely many solutions, and write down this solution.

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 &= 5/9 \\ 3x_1 + \alpha x_2 + 5x_3 &= 0 \\ 7x_2 + 3x_3 &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

**Solution.** Using Simple Gauss-elimination method, we can easily find factorization of  $A$  as

$$A = LU = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & \alpha & 5 \\ 0 & 7 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 7/(\alpha - 3) & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & (\alpha - 3) & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & (3\alpha - 44)/(\alpha - 3) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since

$$|A| = |U| = (\alpha - 3)(3\alpha - 44)/(\alpha - 3) = 3\alpha - 44, \quad \alpha \neq 3.$$

So  $|A| = 0$ , gives,  $\alpha = 44/3$  and for this value of  $\alpha$  we have infinitely many solutions. By solving the lower-triangular system  $L\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$  of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3/5 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5/9 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix},$$

we obtained the solution  $\mathbf{y} = [5/9, -5/3, 0]^T$ . Now solving the upper-triangular system  $U\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$  of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 35/3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5/9 \\ -5/3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

If we choose  $x_3 = t \in R$ ,  $t \neq 0$ , then,  $x_2 = (-1/7 - 3t/7)$  and  $x_1 = (44/9 + 3t/7)$ , the required solutions. •

**Q2:** Rearrange the following linear system of equations

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 + 6x_2 - 3x_3 &= 4 \\2x_1 + 2x_2 + 6x_3 &= 7 \\5x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 &= 6\end{aligned}$$

such that the convergence of Jacobi iterative method is guaranteed. Then, use the initial solution  $\mathbf{x}^{(0)} = [0, 0, 0]^T$ , compute the second approximation  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$ . Also, compute an error bound for the error  $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^{(10)}\|$ .

**Solution.** For the guarantee convergence of iterative methods, the system must be SDD form, so rearrange the given system in the following form

$$\begin{aligned}5x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 &= 6 \\x_1 + 6x_2 - 3x_3 &= 4 \\2x_1 + 2x_2 + 6x_3 &= 7\end{aligned}$$

The Jacobi iterative formula for the given system is

$$\begin{aligned}x_1^{(k+1)} &= 0.2(6 - 2x_2^{(k)} + x_3^{(k)}) \\x_2^{(k+1)} &= 0.1667(4 - x_1^{(k)} + 3x_3^{(k)}) \\x_3^{(k+1)} &= 0.1667(7 - 2x_1^{(k)} - 2x_2^{(k)})\end{aligned}$$

Starting with  $\mathbf{x}^{(0)} = [0, 0, 0]^T$ , we obtain the first and the second approximations as

$$\mathbf{x}^{(1)} = [1.200, 0.667, 1.167]^T \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{x}^{(2)} = [1.167, 1.050, 0.544]^T.$$

Since we know that error bound formula for  $k = 10$  is

$$\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^{(10)}\| \leq \frac{\|T_J\|^{10}}{1 - \|T_J\|} \|\mathbf{x}^{(1)} - \mathbf{x}^{(0)}\|.$$

$$T_J = -D^{-1}(L + U) = - \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2/5 & 1/5 \\ -1/6 & 0 & 3/6 \\ -2/6 & -2/6 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\|T_J\|_\infty = \max \{3/5, 4/6, 4/6\} = 4/6 = 2/3 < 1.$$

$$\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^{(10)}\| \leq \frac{(2/3)^{10}}{1 - 2/3} \left\| \begin{pmatrix} 1.200 \\ 0.667 \\ 1.167 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\| \leq \frac{(2/3)^{10}}{1 - 2/3} (1.2) = 0.0628.$$

**Q3:** If  $\mathbf{x}^* = [-1.99, 2.99]^T$  is an approximate solution of the linear system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ , where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -0.5 \end{bmatrix},$$

then find an upper bound for the relative error.

**Solution.** We can easily find the inverse of the given matrix as

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then the  $l_\infty$ -norm of both matrices  $A$  and  $A^{-1}$  are

$$\|A\|_\infty = 2 \quad \text{and} \quad \|A^{-1}\|_\infty = 4,$$

and so the condition number of the matrix can be computed as follows:

$$K(A) = \|A\|_\infty \|A^{-1}\|_\infty = (2)(4) = 8.$$

The residual vector (by taking  $n = 2$ ) can be calculated as

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{b} - A_2\mathbf{x}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -0.5 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1.99 \\ 2.99 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.000 \\ -0.005 \end{pmatrix},$$

and it gives  $\|\mathbf{r}\|_\infty = 0.005$ . Now using formula, we obtain

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^*\|}{\|\mathbf{x}\|} \leq K(A) \frac{\|\mathbf{r}\|}{\|\mathbf{b}\|} = (8) \frac{0.005}{1} = 0.0400,$$

which is the required upper bound for the relative error. •

**Q4:** Let  $f(x) = \sqrt{x - x^2}$  and  $p_2(x)$  be the quadratic Lagrange interpolating polynomial which interpolates  $f$  at  $x_0 = 0, x_1 = \alpha$  and  $x_2 = 1$ . Find the largest value of  $\alpha$ , in the interval  $(0, 1)$ , for which

$$f(0.5) - p_2(0.5) = -0.25.$$

**Solution.** Consider the quadratic Lagrange interpolating polynomial as follows:

$$f(x) = p_2(x) = L_0(x)f(x_0) + L_1(x)f(x_1) + L_2(x)f(x_2).$$

At the given values of  $x_0 = 0, x_1 = \alpha, x_2 = 1$ , we have,  $f(0) = 0, f(\alpha) = \sqrt{\alpha - \alpha^2}$  and  $f(1) = 0$ , gives

$$p_2(x) = L_0(x)(0) + L_1(x)(\sqrt{\alpha - \alpha^2}) + L_2(x)(0),$$

where

$$L_1(x) = \frac{(x - 0)(x - 1)}{(\alpha - 0)(\alpha - 1)} = \frac{x^2 - x}{\alpha^2 - \alpha}.$$

Thus

$$p_2(x) = \frac{x^2 - x}{\alpha^2 - \alpha} \sqrt{\alpha - \alpha^2} \quad \text{and} \quad p_2(0.5) = \frac{-0.25}{\alpha^2 - \alpha} \sqrt{\alpha - \alpha^2} = \frac{0.25}{\sqrt{\alpha - \alpha^2}}.$$

Given

$$f(0.5) - p_2(0.5) = -0.25, \quad \text{gives} \quad p_2(0.5) = f(0.5) + 0.25 = 0.5 + 0.25 = 0.75,$$

so

$$\frac{0.25}{\sqrt{\alpha - \alpha^2}} = 0.75, \quad \text{or} \quad \sqrt{\alpha - \alpha^2} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

Thus, taking square on both sides, we get

$$\alpha - \alpha^2 = \frac{1}{9}, \quad \text{or} \quad 9\alpha^2 - 9\alpha + 1 = 0.$$

Solving this equation for  $\alpha$ , we get,  $\alpha = 0.127322$  or  $\alpha = 0.872678$ . Thus  $\alpha = 0.872678$ , the required largest value of  $\alpha$  in the given interval  $(0, 1)$ . •

**Q5:** Let  $f(x) = (x + 1) \ln(x + 1)$  be the function defined over the interval  $[1, 2]$ . Compute the error bound for fifth degree Lagrange interpolating polynomial for equally spaced data points for the approximation of  $(2.9 \ln 2.9)$ .

**Solution.** For the fifth degree Lagrange polynomial, we have  $h = \frac{2-1}{5} = 0.2$ , so using the following points:

$$x_0 = 1, x_1 = 1.2, x_2 = 1.4, x_3 = 1.6, x_4 = 1.8, x_5 = 2.$$

and  $x = 1.9$ .

For error bound of fifth degree Lagrange polynomial, we use the formula

$$|E_5| \leq \frac{M}{6!} |(x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2)(x - x_3)(x - x_4)(x - x_5)|,$$

where

$$M = \max_{1 \leq x \leq 2} |f^{(6)}(x)|.$$

The six derivatives of the given function  $f(x) = (x + 1) \ln(x + 1)$  are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 1 + \ln(x + 1), & f''(x) &= \frac{1}{x + 1}, & f'''(x) &= -\frac{1}{(x + 1)^2}, \\ f^{(4)}(x) &= \frac{2}{(x + 1)^3}, & f^{(5)}(x) &= \frac{-6}{(x + 1)^4}, & f^{(6)}(x) &= \frac{24}{(x + 1)^5}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$M = \max_{1 \leq x \leq 2} |f^{(6)}(x)| = \max_{1 \leq x \leq 2} \left| \frac{24}{(x + 1)^5} \right| = \frac{24}{32} = \frac{3}{4}.$$

So

$$|E_5| \leq \frac{(3/4)(9.4500e - 004)}{720} = 9.8437e - 007.$$