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(25) 1. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 0 \\ -3 & 11 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Compute the  $A = LU$  factorization of  $A$  (give  $L$  and  $U$ ).

(b) Compute the  $PA = LU$  factorization of  $A$  (give  $L$ ,  $P$ , and  $U$ ).

(c) Explain why pivoting is used in Gaussian elimination and give an example of a nonsingular matrix that does not have an  $LU$  factorization.

(30) 2. On Conditioning and stability

(a) When is a problem illconditioned?

(b) What is a condition number supposed to tell us?

(c) Define (backward) stability.

(d) Using the ideas of stability and conditioning, describe the circumstances for which the result of a computation will be guaranteed to have high accuracy.

(e) Discuss the backward stability results for solving  $Ax = b$  using Gaussian elimination (i) with no pivoting, and (ii) with partial pivoting.

(25) 3. Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be nonsingular. Briefly outline an appropriate method for solving  $Ax = b$  in each of the following situations. Include computational costs (in terms of flops). For example, do *not* give details on how we get  $L$  or  $U$ , but give the cost of computing them, and how we use them to find  $x$ .

(a) Using Gaussian elimination with partial pivoting.

(b) If  $A$  is triangular.

(c) If  $A$  is symmetric.

(d) If  $A$  is symmetric positive definite.

- (10) 4. Given the system  $Ax = b$ , and an approximation  $\hat{x}$  to  $x$ , define the residual  $\hat{r} = b - A\hat{x}$ . Suppose that  $\|\cdot\|$  is submultiplicative. Show that

$$\frac{\|x - \hat{x}\|}{\|x\|} \leq \kappa(A) \frac{\|\hat{r}\|}{\|b\|}$$

- (10) 5. Compute the Cholesky factorization of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -2 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$ .