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A Subroutine to Solve M Linear Complex Equations in N Unknowns

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ABSTRACT

This note describes a computer subroutine that solves a system of M linear complex equations in N unknowns. The matrix of coefficients is reduced to upper triangular form by a series of unitary transformations thereby preserving the condition of the matrix in the reduction. After an initial solution is obtained an improved solution is obtained by iteration.

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INTRODUCTION

The present note describes a computer subroutine CMLR that solves a system of M simultaneous linear equations with complex coefficients in N unknowns. The system of equations can be represented by the matrix equation $\frac{1}{2}$

$$Ax = y$$

where A is a matrix of M rows and N columns (M \geq N) containing the coefficients of the unknowns. x is a column vector of N rows containing the unknowns, and y is a column vector of M rows containing the right-hand sides of the equations. It is desired to calculate the components of $x = A^{-1}y$, A^{-1} being the inverse of A. The subroutine is written in Fortran IV for the CDC 6600 computer. The matrix of coefficients of the M simultaneous equations is reduced to upper triangular form by a series of unitary transformations. Since the transformations are unitary, the condition of the matrix is preserved in the reduction. Once the matrix is triangularized the solution for any number of right-hand sides can be obtained by back-solving.

To increase the accuracy of the solution an iteration procedure is used which involves substituting a solution back into the original equations and using the difference between the result and the right-hand side as a new right-hand side to calculate a correction for the previous solution. By this means an accuracy of fifteen significant figures in the largest element of the solution is assured.

In the case of a square matrix, n square roots n divisions and $(n-1)(2n^2+5n+9)/3\approx 2n^3/3$ multiplications are required in the reduction. Inversion of the reduced matrix requires $\binom{n+2}{3}+2n^2$ multiplications and 2n divisions for each iteration. For n=100 the time required is about 13.5 seconds.

ALGORITHM

Let

 $a_k^{}$ = the k^{th} column of the matrix A

$$\alpha_{\mathbf{k}} = \sqrt{\mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^* \cdot \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{k}}}$$

$$v_k = -e_k \cdot a_k e_k / |e_k \cdot a_k|$$

 $e_{k}^{}$ = the k^{th} column of the identity matrix

 a_k^* = the complex transpose of a_k

$$u_{k} = \frac{a_{k} + \alpha_{k} v_{k}}{\sqrt{2\alpha_{k}(\alpha_{k} + v_{k}^{*} \cdot a_{k})}}$$

then

$$a_1 - \frac{(a_1 + \alpha_1 v_1)^* \cdot a_1(a_1 + \alpha_1 v_1)}{\alpha_1(\alpha_1 + v_1^* \cdot a_1)} = -\alpha_1 v_1$$
,

that is, if one subtracts from each column k of the matrix \boldsymbol{A}

$$(a_1 + \alpha_1 v_1)^* \cdot a_k (a_1 + \alpha_1 v_1) / [\alpha_1 (\alpha_1 + v_1^* \cdot a_1)]$$

the result is that the first column of the transformed matrix is zero except for the first element. One continues after suppressing the first column and first row of the transformed matrix and after n-1 steps the matrix A is triangularized. The transformation is unitary because it is formed from the unit vector \boldsymbol{u}_k and the identity matrix I.

USE OF CMLR

The subroutine CMLR is used in conjunction with a main program which calls CMLR using a call statement of the form

CALL CMLR(M,N,ISW)

and a common statement of the form

COMMON /A/A(M,N), B(M,N), X(N), Y(M), R(M), W(N), V(N)

where

M - an integer variable, is the number of rows in the matrix A.

The numerical value of this variable must be assigned by the main program prior to calling CMLR.

- N an integer variable, is the number of columns in the matrix A. The numerical value of this variable must be assigned by the main program prior to calling CMLR. N must be less than or equal to M.
- ISW an integer variable, is the parameter of a COMPUTED GO TO statement in CMLR and may be used in the same manner in the main program. Prior to the first call to CMLR, ISW must be assigned the value 1 by the main program. Upon return from CMLR to the main program, ISW will have been assigned the value 2 if a solution has been obtained and the value 3 if a singular matrix was detected. If ISW has the value 2 upon return from CMLR and a subsequent call is made to CMLR without changing ISW, the matrix reduction process will be skipped. Thus solutions can be obtained for additional right-hand sides without the necessity of reducing the matrix each time.
 - A a complex array, is the matrix to be inverted. The numerical values of this array must be assigned by the main program prior to calling CMLR.
 - B a complex array. On return from CMLR, B contains the unitary transformation for j \leq i and contains the reduced matrix less the diagonal for j > i.
 - ${\tt X}$ a complex array. On return from CMLR, ${\tt X}$ contains the solution to the equations.
- Y a complex array, is the right-hand side of the equations. The numerical values of this array must be assigned by the main program prior to calling CMLR.
- R a complex array. On return from CMLR, R contains the residual vector Y AX.
- W a complex array. On return from CMLR, W contains the diagonal of the reduced matrix.
- V a complex array. On return from CMLR, v_k contains $\alpha_k(\alpha_k + v_k^* \cdot a_k)$.

REFERENCE

A. S. Householder, "Unitary Triangularization of a Non Symmetric Matrix," Journal of the Association for Computing Machinery, Oct. 1958.

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APPENDIX - PROGRAM LISTING
            SUBROUTINE CMLR (M,N,ISW)
            COMMON /A/ A(20,20), B(20,20), X(20), Y(20), R(20), W(20), V(20)
            DOUBLE RDR, RDI
            COMPLEX A, B, X, Y, R, W, V, S, RD
            INTEGER P
           GO TO (1,2), ISW
С
           BEGIN TRIANGULARIZATION
С
           MOVE MATRIX A TO B
       1 DO 10 I = 1.M
           DO 10 J = 1,N
      10
          B(I,J) = A(I,J)
           DO 60 J = 1,N
           Q = 0.
С
           CALCULATE NORM SQUARED OF COLUMN J
           DO 20 K = J,M
      20
           Q = Q + REAL(B(K,J))**2 + AIMAG(B(K,J))**2
           IF (Q. GT. O.) GO TO 21
С
           IF THE NORM IS ZERO THE MATRIX IS SINGULAR
           ISW = 3
           PRINT 9
           FORMAT (23HOTHE MATRIX IS SINGULAR)
           RETURN
С
           CALCULATE THE DIAGONAL ELEMENT OF MATRIX T.
                                                         (W(J))
С
           CALCULATE THE DIAGONAL ELEMENT OF MATRIX U.
                                                         (B(J,J))
С
           CALCULATE THE ELEMENT OF VECTOR V.
      21
          BSQ = REAL(B(J,J))**2 + AIMAG(B(J,J))**2
           IF (BSQ. EQ. 0.)W(J) = SQRT(Q)
           IF(BSQ. GT.O.)W(J) = SQRT(Q/BSQ)*B(J,J)
           B(J,J) = B(J,J) + W(J)
           V(J) = - B(J,J)*CONJG(W(J))
           IF (J. EQ. N) GO TO 60
           IB = J + 1
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P = N + 1 - I

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120
           R(P) = R(P) + B(P,K)*R(K)
      130
           CONTINUE
           DO 140 J = 1,N
      140
           X(J) = X(J) - R(J)
С
           CALCULATE RESIDUAL VECTOR
           DO 160 I = 1,M
           RDR = - REAL(Y(I))
           RDI = - AIMAG(Y(I))
           DO 150 J = 1,N
           RDR = RDR + REAL(A(I,J))*REAL(X(J)) - AIMAG(A(I,J))*AIMAG(X(J))
           RDI = RDI + REAL(A(I,J))*AIMAG(X(J)) + AIMAG(A(I,J))*REAL(X(J))
     150
           R(I) = - CMPLX(RDR, RDI)
     160
С
           CALCULATE NORM SQUARED OF RESIDUAL
           RSQ = 0.
           DO 170 I = 1,M
     170
           RSQ = RSQ + REAL(R(I))**2 + AIMAG(R(I))**2
С
           TEST FOR IMPROVEMENT
           IF (RSQ. GE. TEST) GO TO 4
           TEST = RSQ
           GO TO 3
С
           SET SWITCH TO SKIP THE TRIANGULIZATION STEP
           ISW = 2
           RETURN
           END
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