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*SOME REMARKS ON SOLVING SYSTEMS OF LINEAR
 EQUATIONS BY A RELAXATION METHOD COMBINED
 WITH A GENERALIZED HOTELLING METHOD FOR
 INVERTING MATRICES*

Let A, B, C, D_n , and H_n be square matrices of degree r , let I denotes the unit matrix, and $|A|$ the determinant of a matrix A . Let P, Q, X_k , and Y be column vectors of degree r . Let $\|A\|$ and $\|P\|$ denote a metric for the matrix A and for the vector P respectively, such that: for any real number a we have $\|Aa\| = |a| \cdot \|A\|$; $\|P\| > 0$ for $P \neq 0$; $\|I\| = 1$; and for any A, B, C and P, Q the inequalities

$$\|AB+C\| \leq \|A\| \cdot \|B\| + \|C\|$$

and

$$\|AP+Q\| \leq \|A\| \cdot \|P\| + \|Q\|$$

are fulfilled.

A generalized Hotelling method for inverting matrices ([1], [3]) allows for fixed $m = 2, 3, 4, \dots$; for any matrix A satisfying the condition

$$(1) \quad |A| \neq 0;$$

and for any given D_0 , the determination of

$$(2) \quad D_n = (I - H_0^{m^n}) A^{-1}$$

using the algorithm

$$D_{n+1} = \left(I + \sum_{s=1}^{m-1} H_n^s \right) D_n, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

where

$$H_n = I - D_n A.$$

Moreover, if

$$(3) \quad \|H_0\| \leq \theta < 1,$$

then the following inequality holds:

$$(4) \quad \|D_n - A^{-1}\| \leq \frac{\theta^{m^n} \|D_0\|}{1 - \theta}.$$

For $m = 2$ the procedure (2) reduces to the well-known Hotelling method [2].

If μ_r is the time necessary to perform the multiplication of two square matrices of degree r , and σ the addition or subtraction time of two elements, then the necessary time for the calculation of D_n is equal to

$$(5) \quad \tau(m, n) = nm(\mu_r + r\sigma).$$

Having given the required precision of the result, which according to (4) means a fixed m^n , the time (5) reaches its minimum for $m = 3$. For this value of m the generalized Hotelling method is faster than the original one. But its disadvantage lies in the necessity (for $m > 2$) of storing one matrix more in the course of calculation.

Consider now a system of linear equations

$$(6) \quad AX = Y.$$

This system may be solved by a combination of the generalized Hotelling method with the relaxation method

$$(7) \quad X_k = DY + (I - DA)X_{k-1}, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

The following theorem gives an estimate for the precision of the proposed combination of methods:

THEOREM 1. *If, for fixed $m \geq 2$, the relations (1) and (3) are fulfilled, and if $D = D_n$ is given by (2), then the procedure (7) leads to an approximate solution of (6) and*

$$(8) \quad \|X_k - X\| \leq \theta^{km^n} \|X_0 - X\|,$$

where X_0 is the initial solution.

Proof. Putting (6) into (7) we have

$$X_k - X = (I - DA)(X_{k-1} - X).$$

Expressing $X_{k-1} - X$ by $X_{k-2} - X$ and so on, in k steps we come to

$$X_k - X = (I - DA)^k (X_0 - X).$$

For $D = D_n$ we have from (2)

$$X_k - X = H_0^{km^n} (X_0 - X).$$

Inequality (3) allows then the formulation of the theorem.

Optimal proportions for the combination of the two methods are stated in the following

THEOREM 2. *If the assumptions of theorem 1 are fulfilled, then for a given sufficiently large exponent $\rho > mr + 1$ in the estimate*

$$(9) \quad \frac{\|X_k - X\|}{\|X_0 - X\|} \leq \theta^{km^n} \leq \theta^\rho$$

the minimum calculation time of X_k is reached approximately for

$$(10) \quad k \approx \frac{mr(\mu_r + r\sigma)}{\mu_r + r^2\sigma}$$

and

$$(11) \quad n \approx \ln(\varrho/k)/\ln m,$$

where μ_r and σ have the same meaning as in (5).

Proof. According to (5) and (7) the necessary time for the calculation of X_k is given by

$$(12) \quad \tau(m, n, k) = nm(\mu_r + r\sigma) + k(\mu_r + r^2\sigma) + \mu_r \left(1 + \frac{1}{\mu_r}\right) + r\sigma.$$

Using (3) and (9) we have for $\varrho > k$

$$(13) \quad n \geq (\ln \varrho - \ln k)/\ln m.$$

If n was a real variable, the minimum calculation time would be obtained for the equality sign holding in (13). For integral n we get only the approximate equation (11). Let us put (11) into (12). Differentiation with regard to k (treated also as a real variable) gives

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial k} \tau(m, n, k) = -\frac{1}{k} m(\mu_r + r\sigma) + \frac{\mu_r}{r} + r\sigma.$$

This derivative is positive for

$$k > \gamma = \frac{mr(\mu_r + r\sigma)}{\mu_r + r^2\sigma},$$

and negative for $k < \gamma$; we have thus (10).

REMARK. The time $\tau(m, n)$ of calculating D_n reaches its minimum for $m = 3$, but for $m = 2$ it is only about 5% greater. Thus searching for an optimal set of integers (m, n, k) , the exponent ϱ given, it is necessary to consider at least two cases $m = 2$ and $m = 3$.

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**UWAGI O ROZWIĄZYWANIU RÓWNAŃ LINIOWYCH ZA POMOCĄ
ZŁOŻENIA METODY RELAKSACJI I UOGÓLnionej METODY
HOTELLINGA ODWRACANIA MACIERZY**

STRESZCZENIE

Rozważa się rozwiązywanie równania (5) za pomocą metody relaksacji (6), gdzie $D = D_n$ oblicza się według uogólnionej metody Hotellinga (2). Wzór (7) w tezie twierdzenia 1 podaje oszacowanie dokładności złożonej metody. Wzory (9) i (10) w tezie twierdzenia 2 podają przybliżone wartości parametrów k i n , które minimizują czas osiągnięcia rozwiązania X_k z daną dokładnością (8). We wzorze (9) μ_r oznacza czas mnożenia macierzy kwadratowych stopnia r , a σ czas dodawania dwu elementów macierzy.

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**ЗАМЕЧАНИЯ О РЕШЕНИИ ЛИНЕЙНЫХ УРАВНЕНИЙ С ПОМОЩЬЮ
КОМБИНИРОВАНИЯ РЕЛАКСАЦИОННОГО МЕТОДА И ОБОБЩЁННОГО
МЕТОДА ХОТЕЛЛИНГА ОБРАЩЕНИЯ МАТРИЦ**

РЕЗЮМЕ

Рассматривается решение уравнения (5) методом релаксации (6), где $D = D_n$ вычисляется обобщённым методом Хотеллинга (2). Формула (7) в заключении теоремы 1 даёт оценку точности комбинированного метода. Формулы (9) и (10) в заключении теоремы 2 дают приближённые значения параметров k и n , которые минимизируют время получения решения X_k с данной точностью. В формуле (9) μ_r обозначает время умножения квадратных матриц r -го порядка, а σ — время сложения двух элементов матрицы.
