



## A block factorization format for the inverse of a nonsymmetric matrix

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### Abstract

In this paper, we present an algorithm to compute the block factorization format of the inverse of a nonsymmetric matrix. This algorithm is based on the left-looking version of A-biconjugation process. In this algorithm, the pivot elements will be one by one or two by two blocks.

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## 1 Introduction

Consider a nonsymmetric matrix  $A$  which is also invertible. In 1998, Benzi and Tuma presented the left-looking A-biconjugation algorithm to compute the inverse factorization of  $A$  in the form of

$$A^{-1} = ZD^{-1}W, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $Z$  and  $W$  are unit upper triangular matrices and  $D$  is a diagonal matrix [1].

Suppose that  $A$  has the factorization  $A = LDU$  in which  $L$  and  $U^T$  are unit lower triangular and  $D$  is a diagonal matrix. We can compute this factorization by using different versions of Gaussian Elimination process. In [2], Bollhöfer and Kruschel have presented a block format of the Gaussian Elimination process to obtain  $A = LDU$ . In this block format,  $L$  and  $U^T$  are the same as before while  $D$  is a block diagonal matrix with the pivot blocks of order one or two. They use a criterion to dynamically select one by one or two by two blocks. This criterion considers the rate of diagonal dominance or the rate of block diagonal dominance of the Schur-Complement matrices.

In this paper, we extend the method of Bollhöfer and Kruschel to the left-looking A-biconjugation algorithm.

## 2 Main Results

Algorithm 1, is a block format of left-looking A-biconjugation algorithm. At the end of this algorithm, the factorization (1.1) is obtained. In this factorization,  $D$  will be a block diagonal matrix with the blocks of order one or two.

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**Algorithm 1 (A block format of left-looking  $A$ -biconjugation process)**


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Input: Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is a nonsymmetric and invertible matrix

Output:  $A^{-1} = ZD^{-1}W^T$  where  $Z$  and  $W$  are unit upper triangular and  $D$  is block diagonal with blocks of order  $1 \times 1$  or  $2 \times 2$ .

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1.  $logic\_z = logic\_w = true$ 
2.  $status(i) = 0, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$ 
3.  $Z = [z_1^{(0)}, z_2^{(0)}, \dots, z_n^{(0)}] = I_{n \times n}, W = [w_1^{(0)}, w_2^{(0)}, \dots, w_n^{(0)}] = I_{n \times n}$ 
4.  $i = 1$ 
5. while  $i < n$  do
6.   if  $logic\_z$  then
7.     call  $Column\_Const(Z, A, D, i, status)$ 
8.   else
9.      $logic\_z = true$ 
10.  end if
11.  call  $Column\_Const(Z, A, D, i + 1, status)$ 
12.   $S_{ii}^{(i-1)} = e_i^T A z_i^{(i-1)}$ 
13.  for  $j = i + 1$  to  $n$  do
14.     $S_{ji}^{(i-1)} = e_j^T A z_i^{(i-1)}, \quad S_{j,i+1}^{(i-1)} = e_j^T A z_{i+1}^{(i-1)}$ 
15.  end for
16.  if  $logic\_w$  then
17.    call  $Column\_Const(W, A^T, D^T, i, status)$ 
18.  else
19.     $logic\_w = true$ 
20.  end if
21.  call  $Column\_Const(W, A^T, D^T, i + 1, status)$ 
22.   $S_{ij}^{(i-1)} = (w_i^{(i-1)})^T A e_j, \quad j \geq i + 1$ 
23.   $S_{i+1,j}^{(i-1)} = (w_{i+1}^{(i-1)})^T A e_j, \quad j \geq i + 2$ 
24.   $v_i = \max\{\frac{1}{|S_{ii}^{(i-1)}|} \sum_{j=i+1}^n |S_{ij}^{(i-1)}|, \frac{1}{|S_{ii}^{(i-1)}|} \sum_{j=i+1}^n |S_{ji}^{(i-1)}|\}$ 
25.   $w_i^1 = \sum_{j=i+2}^n \left\| \begin{bmatrix} S_{ii}^{(i-1)} & S_{i,i+1}^{(i-1)} \\ S_{i+1,i}^{(i-1)} & S_{i+1,i+1}^{(i-1)} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} S_{ij}^{(i-1)} \\ S_{i+1,j}^{(i-1)} \end{pmatrix} \right\|_{\infty}$ 
26.   $w_i^2 = \sum_{j=i+2}^n \left\| \begin{pmatrix} S_{ij}^{(i-1)} & S_{j,i+1}^{(i-1)} \\ S_{i+1,i}^{(i-1)} & S_{i+1,i+1}^{(i-1)} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \right\|_{\infty}$ 
27.   $w_i = \max\{w_i^1, w_i^2\}$ 
28.  if  $v_i < w_i$  or  $(|S_{i+1,i}^{(i-1)}| + |S_{i,i+1}^{(i-1)}|) \leq 10^{-2} \min\{|S_{ii}^{(i-1)}|, |S_{i+1,i+1}^{(i-1)}|\}$  then
29.     $D_{ii} = S_{ii}^{(i-1)}$ 
30.     $z_{i+1}^{(i)} = z_{i+1}^{(i-1)} - (\frac{e_i^T A z_{i+1}^{(i-1)}}{D_{ii}}) z_i^{(i-1)}, \quad w_{i+1}^{(i)} = w_{i+1}^{(i-1)} - (\frac{(w_{i+1}^{(i-1)})^T A e_i}{D_{ii}}) w_i^{(i-1)}$ 
31.     $logic\_z = false, \quad logic\_w = false$ 
32.     $status(i) = 1$ 
33.     $i = i + 1$ 
34.  else
35.     $D_{i:i+1, i:i+1} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{ii}^{(i-1)} & S_{i,i+1}^{(i-1)} \\ S_{i+1,i}^{(i-1)} & S_{i+1,i+1}^{(i-1)} \end{bmatrix}$ 
36.     $z_{i+1}^{(i)} = z_{i+1}^{(i-1)}, \quad w_{i+1}^{(i)} = w_{i+1}^{(i-1)}$ 
37.     $status(i) = 2$ 
38.     $i = i + 2$ 
39.  end if
40. end while
41. if  $status(n-1) = 1$  or  $status(n-2) = 2$  then
42.  call  $Column\_Const(Z, A, D, n, status)$ 
43.  call  $Column\_Const(W, A^T, D^T, n, status)$ 
44.   $D_{n,n} = e_n^T A z_n^{(n-1)}$ 
45. end if
46. Return  $Z = [z_1^{(0)}, z_2^{(1)}, \dots, z_n^{(n-1)}], W = [w_1^{(0)}, w_2^{(1)}, \dots, w_n^{(n-1)}]$  and  $D$ 

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Here we explain step  $i$  of this algorithm. In lines 6-11 of the algorithm, we first compute the columns  $z_i^{(i-1)}$  and  $z_{i+1}^{(i-1)}$  of matrix  $Z$ . This is done by calling the function  $Column\_Const$  which you can find it in Algorithm 2. In lines 12-15 of the algorithm, we use these two columns to obtain the first and the second columns of the Schur-Complement matrix, implicitly. This is the Schur-Complement matrix of the block version of Gaussian Elimination process which is presented by Bollhöfer and Kruschel. In lines 16-21, we first generate the columns  $w_i^{(i-1)}$  and  $w_{i+1}^{(i-1)}$  of matrix  $W$  by calling the function  $Column\_Const$  two more

times. Then, in lines 22 and 23, we implicitly get the first and the second rows of the Schur-Complement matrix. In lines 24-39 of the algorithm, we first check whether we should have a one by one or two by two diagonal (pivot) block of matrix  $D$ . The criterion for such a selection considers the rate of the diagonal dominance or the rate of the block diagonal dominance of the Schur-Complement matrix. If the one by one pivot entry is preferable, then  $i$  or the step number is incremented by one and we should also update the  $i$ -th column of matrices  $Z$  and  $W$  one more time. This is done in line 30. If we should switch to the two by two block pivot, then  $i$  will be incremented by two. This is written in line 38 of the algorithm.

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**Algorithm 2 (Column construction of a matrix)**

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*Column\_Const*( $Z, A, D, i, status$ )

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1.  $j = 1$ 
2. while  $j < i - 1$  do
3.    $k = j + status(j) - 1$ 
4.   if  $status(j) = 1$  then
5.      $z_i^{(k)} = z_i^{(j-1)} - z_j^{(j-1)} \times \frac{1}{D_{jj}} \times A_{j,:} \times z_i^{(j-1)}$ 
6.      $j = j + 1$ 
7.   else if  $status(j) = 2$  then
8.      $z_i^{(k)} = z_i^{(j-1)} - [z_j^{(j-1)} \ z_{j+1}^{(j)}] \times [D(j : j + 1, j : j + 1)]^{-1} \times A_{j:j+1,:} \times z_i^{(j-1)}$ 
9.      $j = j + 2$ 
10.  end if
11. end while
12. Return  $Z$ 

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Inside Algorithm 1, we use the array *status*. We first initialize it as the zero array in line 2. Then, as it is stated in line 37 of the algorithm, we should set  $status(i) = 2$  if at step  $i$ , the pivot is the two by two block. If in this step, we should use the one by one element as the pivot entry, then we should set  $status(i) = 1$ . This has been mentioned in line 32 of the algorithm. At the end of *while* loop, if  $status(n - 1) = 1$  or  $status(n - 2) = 2$ , then the  $n$ -th column of matrices  $Z$  and  $W$  should be computed. We have considered this in lines 41-45.

**Example 2.1.** Here we give an example. Consider the nonsymmetric and invertible matrix  $A$  as:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8147 & 0.5469 & 0.8003 & 0.0357 & 0.6555 & 0.8235 & 0.7655 \\ 0.9058 & 0.9575 & 0.1419 & 0.8491 & 0.1712 & 0.6948 & 0.7952 \\ 0.1270 & 0.9649 & 0.4218 & 0.9340 & 0.7060 & 0.3171 & 0.1869 \\ 0.9134 & 0.1576 & 0.9157 & 0.6787 & 0.0318 & 0.9502 & 0.4898 \\ 0.6324 & 0.9706 & 0.7922 & 0.7577 & 0.2769 & 0.0344 & 0.4456 \\ 0.0975 & 0.9572 & 0.9595 & 0.7431 & 0.0462 & 0.4387 & 0.6463 \\ 0.2785 & 0.4854 & 0.6557 & 0.3922 & 0.0971 & 0.3816 & 0.7094 \end{bmatrix}.$$

After running Algorithm 1, the computed  $Z$  and  $W$  are

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} 1.0000 & -0.6713 & -0.9823 & 0.2802 & 0.4796 & -0.6240 & -0.2088 \\ 0 & 1.0000 & 0 & -1.2273 & -0.9337 & -0.0323 & -0.7834 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.0000 & 0.5088 & -0.6895 & -0.3693 & -0.0536 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.0000 & 0.4548 & -0.0545 & 0.5126 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.0000 & 0 & 0.4281 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.0000 & -0.5137 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.0000 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} 1.0000 & -1.1118 & -0.1559 & -1.4108 & -0.4916 & -0.5458 & -0.1291 \\ 0 & 1.0000 & 0 & 0.1990 & -0.0397 & 0.6359 & 0.0341 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.0000 & 0.4388 & -0.6680 & -1.3024 & 0.0349 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.0000 & -0.1216 & -0.0695 & -0.1354 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.0000 & 0 & -0.0715 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.0000 & -0.4078 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.0000 \end{bmatrix},$$

and matrix  $D$  is

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8147 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.3494 & -0.7479 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.8796 & 0.2970 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.2072 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -0.5276 & -0.7254 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1.1244 & -0.0479 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.2825 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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