

Screening Exam in Numerical Analysis, Spring 2007

There are questions on 4 chapters covered in M502a.

I. *Linear systems*

1. Give a definition of a Symmetric Positive Definite (SPD) matrix $A \in R^{n \times n}$.
2. Show that no pivoting is necessary during Gaussian Elimination of a SPD matrix.

3. Show that matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ is SPD .

II. *Iterative solutions.*

Consider solving a system $Ax = b$, where $x, b \in R^n$, $A \in R^{n \times n}$ using semi-direct iterations, i.e. splitting the system into $Mx = (M - A)x + b$ and iterating as $Mx_{k+1} = (M - A)x_k + b$, or $x_{k+1} = Qx_k + c$, where the iteration matrix $Q = I - M^{-1}A$.

1. Define M for the Jacobi, Gauss–Seidel and SOR iterations.
2. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.
 - a. Find Q for the Jacobi, Gauss–Seidel and SOR iterations.
 - b. Find the optimal overrelaxation parameter ω for this Q_{SOR} .
 - c. Compute spectral radius of all three Q matrices and compare their rate of convergence.

III. Eigenvalue problems

1. Prove the *Gerschgorin's theorem*: All the eigenvalues of the matrix $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ lie in the union of the Gerschgorin disks in the complex plane

$$\mathcal{D}_i = \{z : |z - a_{ii}| \leq r_i\}, \quad r_i = \sum_{j \neq i, j=1}^n |a_{ij}|, i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Moreover, if the union \mathcal{M} of k Gerschgorin disks \mathcal{D}_i is disjoint from the remaining disks, then \mathcal{M} contains precisely k eigenvalues of A .

2. Consider the matrix

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

with $1 \leq a \leq 3$. Show that the dominant eigenvalue of B is real.

IV. Least squares

1. Given the matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ with rank n . Show that $A^T A$ is symmetric positive definite.
2. Suppose $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$. Show that $x = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$ minimizes $\|b - Ax\|_2$.
3. If the matrix is given by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find pseudoinverse A^\dagger .