Numerical Analysis Preliminary Examination Fall 2023

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Problem 1.

Let $T \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ be given and let $\rho(T)$ denote the spectral radius of T.

- (a) Show that for any induced norm $\|\cdot\|$ on $\mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$, $\|T\| \ge \rho(T)$.
- (b) Given $\varepsilon > 0$, show there exists an induced norm $\|\cdot\|$ on $\mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ for which $\|T\| \le \rho(T) + \varepsilon$. *Hint:*
 - Recall that if $\|\cdot\|_*$ is an induced norm on matrices and S is invertible then the matrix function defined by $\|A\| = \|SAS^{-1}\|_*$ is also an induced norm. (You do not need to show this.)
 - First show this the result is true when T is a Jordan block

$$T = J_n(\lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

by considering the norm defined by $||A|| = ||D(n,\varepsilon)AD(n,\varepsilon)^{-1}||_1$ where

$$D(n,\varepsilon) = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\varepsilon & 0 & \dots & 0\\ 0 & 1/\varepsilon^2 & \dots & 0\\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots\\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1/\varepsilon^n \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Then show it is true for general $T \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$.

(c) Show that for any induced norm $\|\cdot\|$ on $\mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$,

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \|T^k\|^{1/k} = \rho(T).$$

Problem 2.

Consider the following Ax = b Least Squares Problem (LSP).

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 15 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

For each of the following questions, set up the equations needed to solve the problem, evaluate the matrices and vectors involved and work a few calculations to illustrate that you know the steps required to solve the problem. It is not necessary to perform all the calculations.

- (a) Solve the LSP above using the Normal equations.
- (b) Use the Gram-Schmidt method to find a full QR factorization of A and use this factorization to solve the LSP.
- (c) Use Householder reflectors to find a full QR factorization of A. Hint: a Householder reflector H is a matrix of the form $H = I 2vv^T/v^Tv$ where $v \neq 0$. Are the factorizations found in parts (b) and (c) necessarily equal? Explain.

Problem 3.

Let $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ and consider the following system of matrix equations in the unknown matrix $X \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$:

$$AXA = A$$

$$XAX = X$$

$$(AX)^* = AX$$

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(1)

where * denotes conjugate transpose.

- (a) Show that if the system (1) has a solution, $X = A^+ \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$, then it is unique.
- (b) Use the singular value decomposition of A to show that in fact there exists a (unique) solution $A^+ \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$ to the system (1).
- (c) Show that if $b \in \mathbb{C}^m$ and rank(A) = n, then $x = A^+b$ is the least squares solution to the system Ax = b.
- (d) Show that if the system Ax = b has at least one solution, then $x = A^+b$ is the solution of minimum Euclidean norm.