

Graduate Preliminary Examination
Numerical Analysis I
Duration: 3 Hours

1. (a) Suppose $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$ and $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m \in \mathbb{C}$ are eigenvalues of A . Prove that

$$\operatorname{tr}(A) = \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j$$

- (b) Prove that, if A is Hermitian, then there is a unitary matrix U and a diagonal matrix D such that $U^*AU = D$
- (c) Prove that, if A is a real symmetric matrix, then there is an orthogonal matrix O and a diagonal matrix D such that $O^T AO = D$
2. We wish to solve $Ax = b$ iteratively where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Show that for this A the Jacobi method and the Gauss-Seidel method both converge. Explain why for this A one of these methods is better than the other.

3. Suppose $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $\|\cdot\|$ denotes a matrix norm (Not necessarily induced by a vector norm) which also satisfies the compatibility property: for all $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $C \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$,

$$\|BC\| \leq \|B\|\|C\|.$$

Let $\rho(A)$ denote the spectral radius of A .

- (a) Show that for $\rho(A) \leq \|A\|$ and then, that $\rho(A) \leq \|A^k\|^{1/k}$.
- (b) Show that for any given $0 < \epsilon \ll 1$,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|A^k\|}{(\rho(A) + \epsilon)^k} = 0.$$

Thus, conclude that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|A^k\|^{1/k} \leq \rho(A)$.

(Hint: You might use the fact that there exists an operator norm $\|A\|_{\epsilon, A}$ such that $\|A\|_{\epsilon, A} \leq \rho(A) + \epsilon/2$, for all $\epsilon > 0$)

- (c) From parts (a) and (b) what can you say about

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|A^k\|^{1/k}.$$

4. Let A be a real symmetric $n \times n$ matrix having the eigenvalues λ_1 with

$$|\lambda_1| > |\lambda_2| \geq \dots \geq |\lambda_n|$$

and the corresponding eigenvectors x_1, \dots, x_n with $x_i^T x_k = \delta_{ik}$. Starting with an initial vector y_0 for which $x_i^T y_0 \neq 0$, suppose one computes

$$y_{k+1} := \frac{1}{\|Ay_k\|} Ay_k \quad \text{for } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

with an arbitrary vector norm $\|\cdot\|$, and concurrently the quantities

$$q_{ki} := \frac{(Ay_k)_i}{(y_k)_i}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n, \quad \text{in case } (y_k)_i \neq 0,$$

and the Rayleigh quotient

$$r_k := \frac{y_k^T Ay_k}{y_k^T y_k}$$

Prove the following:

- (a) $q_{ki} = \lambda_1 [1 + O((\lambda_2/\lambda_1)^k)]$ for all i with $(x_1)_i \neq 0$.
- (b) $r_k = \lambda_1 [1 + O((\lambda_2/\lambda_1)^{2k})]$.