

**1: Prove that for every  $A \in \mathcal{M}(n \times n)$  we have  $\|A\| = \sqrt{\rho(A'A)}$ . Hint: Use the Lagrange method for constrained optimization.**

*Proof.* Recall that we can normalize the norm of  $x$  such that  $\|x\| = 1$ . Then by Lagrangian,

$$L(x, \lambda) = \|Ax\| - \lambda(\|x\| - 1)$$

FOC:

$$2A'Ax^* - 2\lambda x^* = 0$$

Notice that  $\lambda$  is a eigenvalue of matrix  $A'A$  by definition of eigenvalue. Therefore

$$\|Ax^*\| = \langle Ax^*, Ax^* \rangle = x'^* \lambda x^* = \sqrt{\lambda} \|x^*\|$$

Notice that here  $x^*$  is the solution of  $\max \|Ax\|$  s.t.  $\|x\| = 1$

$$\|Ax^*\| = \|A\| \|x^*\|$$

So  $\sqrt{\lambda} = \|A\|$ .  $\sqrt{\rho(A'A)} = \sqrt{\max|\lambda|} = \|A\|$

□

**2: Show that if  $\rho(A) < 1$ , then  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|A^k\| < \infty$ . In particular, show that under the stated condition there exists an  $r < 1$  and a  $C \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\|A^k\| \leq r^k C$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$**

*Proof.* By Gelfand's formula, we have

$$\|A^k\|^{1/k} \rightarrow \rho(A), \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty$$

Given any  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $\epsilon < 1 - \rho(A)$ , there exists  $M_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that if  $k \geq M_1$ , then

$$\left| \|A^k\|^{1/k} - \rho(A) \right| < \epsilon/2 \Rightarrow \|A^k\|^{1/k} < \rho(A) + \epsilon/2$$

Let  $r = \epsilon/2 + \rho(A)$ . Then  $\|A^k\| < r^k, \forall k \geq M_1$ . Let  $C' = \max\{\|A^1\|/r^{M_1}, \|A^2\|^{1/2}/r^{M_1}, \dots, \|A^{M_1}\|/r^{M_1}, 1\}$ . And  $C = \max\{C', C'^2, \dots, C'^{M_1}, 1\}$ . Apparently,  $\|A^k\| \leq r^k C$ , where  $r < 1$ .

By the convergence of geometric series  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} r^k$ , we can conclude that  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|A^k\| < \infty$

□

**3: Show that if  $\rho(A) < 1$ , then  $\|A^k\| \rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  without using Gelfand's formula. Assume that  $A$  is diagonalizable.**

*Proof.* Since  $A$  is diagonalizable, then there exists a matrix  $P$  such that  $A = PVP^{-1}$ . The diagonal values of matrix  $V$  are eigenvalues of  $A$ .

Thus  $\|A^k\| = \|(PVP^{-1})^k\| = \|P V^k P^{-1}\| \leq \|P\| \|V^k\| \|P^{-1}\|$ .

Since the maximum eigenvalue  $\rho(A) < 1$ , then each diagonal element in matrix  $V^k \rightarrow 0$ . So  $V^k \rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$

Therefore  $\|A^k\| \rightarrow 0$  □

**4: Show that the set of nonnegative definite matrices is a closed subset of  $\mathcal{M}(n \times n, \|\cdot\|)$**

*Proof.* There exists a matrix  $B \in \mathcal{M}(n \times n, \|\cdot\|)$  such that a sequence of nonnegative definite matrix  $(A_m)_{m \geq 1} \in \mathcal{M}$  converges to  $B$ .

Given  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $M \in \mathbb{N}$  such that if  $m \geq M$ , then  $\|A_m - B\| < \epsilon$

Suppose that  $B$  is not nonnegative definite. Then there exists  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $x'Bx < 0$

Let  $f(\text{matrix}) = x' \text{matrix} x$ . Clearly, this is a continuous function on  $\mathcal{M}$ . By property of continuity, there exists  $\delta > 0$ , for some  $A_m \in N_\delta(B)$ , we have  $x'A_mx < 0$ . It contradicts to  $A_m, \forall m$  are nonnegative. □

**5: Let  $M, A$  be in  $\mathcal{M}(n \times n)$  with  $\rho(A) < 1$ . Let  $X^*$  be the unique solution to the Lyapunov equation.**

$$X = AXA' + M$$

Show that

1.  $M$  symmetric  $\Rightarrow X^*$  symmetric
2.  $M$  nonnegative definite  $\Rightarrow X^*$  nonnegative definite
3.  $M$  positive definite  $\Rightarrow X^*$  positive definite.

Part 1

*Proof.*  $X'^* = (AXA' + M)' = AX'^*A' + M' = AX'^*A + M$ , since  $M = M'$ .

Apparently,  $X^* = X'^*$ , since they maintain the same formula, and  $X^*$  is the unique solution. □

Part 2

*Proof.* We have proved in Exercise 4 that the space of nonnegative definite matrices is closed. Let  $L$  be Lyapunov operator.  $X^*$  is the unique solution, so we can apply contraction mapping theorem, then  $X^*$  should be in the space of nonnegative definite matrices. Therefore the proof is complete. □

Part 3

*Proof.* By part 2,  $LX$  is at least nonnegative definite, since  $M$  is positive definite. Therefore  $a'AX^*A'a + a'Ma \geq 0, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ . Since  $a'Ma > 0$ , we have  $a'(LX^*)a > 0$ . Therefore  $X^*$  is positive definite.  $\square$