Assignment/Problem Set 3

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1 Exercise 2

We need to show that if $||B - A|| < ||A^{-1}||^{-1}$ exists, then B is also invertible.

$$||B-A||<\frac{1}{||A^{-1}||}\leq \frac{1}{||A||^{-1}}=||A||$$

From here on follows that:

$$||B-A|| < ||A||$$
 exists $\rightarrow ||A|| < 1 \rightarrow ||B-A|| < 1 \rightarrow ||B||^{-1}$ exists

We have shown that if A is invertible, B is too.

2 Exercise 3

Assuming that ||A|| < 1, we want to prove that $||I - A||^{-1} \ge \frac{1}{1 + ||A||}$. First it needs to be shown that $||I - A||^{-1}$ is invertible. If it is singular, then a vector exists ||x|| = 1, so that (I - A)x = 0. It follows that:

$$||x|| = 1 = ||Ax|| \le ||A||||x|| = ||A||$$

So it can be seen, that if ||x|| = 1, (I - A) is invertible. Furthermore we use the Neumann series to show that the series converges towards $\frac{1}{1 + ||A||}$.

$$(I-A)\sum_{k=0}^{p}A^{k}=\sum_{k=0}^{p}(A^{k}-A^{k+1})=(I-A^{p+1})\to I$$

It should be noted that in 2, the elements within the sum cancel out, except in the case k=0 and k=p, so that in an limit case, where $p\to\infty$, $A^{p+1}\to 0$. Since $||A^{p+1}||\leq ||A||^{p+1}$, we get:

$$||(I-A)^{-1}|| \le \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ||A^k|| \le \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ||A||^k = \frac{1}{1-||A||}$$

As it can be seen, our assumption was wrong.

3 Exercise 4