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1. The Schur decomposition theorem states that every square matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$ has a Schur decomposition, $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{Q}^*$, where \mathbf{Q} is unitary and \mathbf{U} is upper-triangular. Use this theorem to prove that, for an arbitrary norm $\|\cdot\|$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathbf{A}^n\| = 0 \iff \rho(\mathbf{A}) < 1. \quad (4)$$

Proof:

(\Rightarrow) Assume $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathbf{A}^n\|_2 = 0$. Then, for \mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{U} as above,

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{Q}^* \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathbf{A}^n\|_2 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{Q}^*)^n\|_2$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{Q}^*)(\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{Q}^*) \dots (\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{Q}^*)\|_2$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{U}^n\mathbf{Q}^T\|_2 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathbf{U}^n\|_2 = 0.$$

Hence, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, \mathbf{U}^n becomes the $0_{m \times m}$ matrix.

Since the product of an upper-triangular matrix with itself is indeed upper-triangular with its diagonal entries squared, we know that

$$U_{ii} < 1, \quad i=1, \dots, m \quad (\text{otherwise it would not approach the } 0 \text{ matrix!})$$

to begin with. Since the eigenvalues of \mathbf{U} also lie along its diagonal, we have $\rho(\mathbf{U}) < 1$.

Since we decomposed \mathbf{A} via the Schur-decomposition, \mathbf{U} is similar to \mathbf{A} , and hence they share the same spectrum, i.e. $\rho(\mathbf{A}) < 1$.

(\Leftarrow) $\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 + \rho(\mathbf{A}) < 1$. Then by the

(\Leftarrow) Now, assume that $\rho(A) < 1$. Then, by the Schur-decomposition, $\exists U, Q$, (as above) such that

$$A = QUQ^T, \quad \rho(U) = \rho(A) \Rightarrow \rho(U) < 1.$$

Since U is upper-triangular, its eigenvalues lie along its diagonal. Thus, remembering that

$\rho(U) = \max\{|\lambda_1|, |\lambda_2|, \dots, |\lambda_m|\}$, we know that the diagonal entries of U must be < 1 .

Hence, as we repeatedly multiply the upper-triangular U

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U^n = U \cdot U \cdot U \cdots = 0_{m \times m}.$$

Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U^n = 0$, we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|U^n\|_2 = 0$.

Therefore, for the Q given above, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|U^n\|_2 = 0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|QU^nQ^T\|_2 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\|(QUQ^T) \cdot \dots \cdot (QUQ^T)\|_2}_{n \text{ products}}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|A^n\|_2$$

Hence, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|A^n\|_2 = 0$, $\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|A^n\| = 0$ since the

norms are equivalent. 

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2. (a) Let $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$ be tridiagonal and hermitian, with all its sub- and super-diagonal entries nonzero. Prove that the eigenvalues of A are distinct. (Hint: Show that for any $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, $A - \lambda I$ has rank at least $m - 1$.)
- (b) On the other hand, let A be upper-Hessenberg, with all its sub-diagonal entries nonzero. Give an example that shows that the eigenvalues of A are not necessarily distinct.

a) Let A be as above, and λ an eigenvalue of A .

Then, $A - \lambda I =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} - \lambda & b_{12} & & \\ c_{21} & a_{22} - \lambda & b_{23} & \\ & c_{32} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & a_{mm} - \lambda \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since $c_{21}, c_{32}, \dots, c_{m,m-1}$ are nonzero, the submatrix
of the matrix $A - \lambda I$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} - \lambda & b_{12} & & \\ \cancel{c_{21}} & a_{22} - \lambda & \cancel{b_{23}} & \\ & c_{32} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & a_{mm} - \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

is full rank, since it is upper-triangular. Hence, the matrix $A - \lambda I$ has rank at least $m-1$, since it contains a submatrix of rank $m-1$. To see why that is true, if we consider row reducing the entire matrix $A - \lambda I$, the highlighted submatrix would fully reduce to $I_{(m-1) \times (m-1)}$, and we could simply perform row swaps to align it along the diagonal of $A - \lambda I$.

Since we've shown $\text{rank}(A - \lambda I) \geq m-1$, if λ is an eigenvalue of A , then $\text{rank}(A - \lambda I) = m-1$ (or it would fail to be an eigenvalue). Thus, by the rank-nullity theorem, $\dim(\text{null}(A - \lambda I)) = 1$, i.e. λ has geometric multiplicity 1. Because A is Hermitian, A is diagonalizable. Hence, each eigenvalue of A has

geometric mult. = algebraic mult.

Therefore, the algebraic multiplicity of arbitrary λ is 1. Thus, the eigenvalues of A are distinct.

b) Let A be upper-Hessenberg with $A_{i+1,i} \neq 0$

for $i=1, \dots, m$.

Consider the 2×2 matrix

$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = A$, which is vacuously upper Hessenberg.

It has eigenvalue $\lambda=0$ with multiplicity 2,
 since $P_A(\lambda) = (-1-\lambda)(1-\lambda) + 1 = \lambda^2$
 $\Rightarrow P_A(\lambda)=0=\lambda^2 \Rightarrow \lambda=0$.

- 3) Let A be $m \times n$ and B be $n \times m$. Show that the matrices $\begin{bmatrix} AB & 0 \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ B & BA \end{bmatrix}$ have the same eigenvalues.

$$X_1 = \begin{bmatrix} AB & 0 \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ B & BA \end{bmatrix} = X_2$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} m \times m & m \times n \\ n \times m & m \times m \end{bmatrix}}_{m+n}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} m \times n & m \times m \\ n \times m & n \times n \end{bmatrix}^{m+n}$$

$$\rightarrow \det(X_1 - \lambda I) = \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} AB - \lambda I & 0 \\ B - \lambda I & -\lambda I \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

$$= \det(AB - \lambda I) \cdot \det(-\lambda I) \quad (*)$$

$$\rightarrow \det(X_2 - \lambda I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda I & 0 \\ B & BA - \lambda I \end{bmatrix},$$

$$= \det(BA - \lambda I) \cdot \det(-\lambda I). \quad (**)$$

We have proved previously that AB and BA have the same spectrum.

The roots of the expression

$\det(AB - \lambda I)$ are the nonzero eigenvalues of AB , and the roots of the expression $\det(BA - \lambda I)$ are the nonzero eigenvalues of BA .

The extra factor of $\det(-\lambda I)$ in $(*)$, $(**)$ add nothing but zero eigenvalues.

Hence X_1 and X_2 must have the same set of eigenvalues (although multiplicities may vary).

4. Show that the Gershgorin theorem also holds with the bounds r_i which are given by the partial column sums (instead of the partial row sums):

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$$r_i = \sum_{i=1, i \neq j}^m |a_{i,j}|, \quad i = 1, \dots, m. \quad (5)$$

Proof: We simply apply the theorem to A^T .

Let $A = \{a_{ij}\}$ be an $n \times n$ matrix, so

$$A^T = \{a_{ji}\}$$

The Gershgorin theorem states that

every eigenvalue of matrix A^T lies within at least one of the Gershgorin discs $D(a_{ii}, R_i)$, where $R_i = \sum_{j \neq i}^n |a_{ij}|$. \leftarrow row sum of A^T which is the column sum of A .

Recall A and A^T have the same spectrum (HW 1, 2C). Thus, we can immediately conclude the theorem holds for partial column sums as well, since an eigenvalue λ of A must lie in the disc with radius partial row sum of A^T = partial column sum of A .



5. Use the Gershgorin theorem to show that the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.0 & 0.3 & 0.1 & 0.4 \\ 0.0 & 2.0 & 0.0 & 0.1 \\ 0.0 & 0.4 & 3.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.1 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 4.0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

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has exactly one eigenvalue in each of the four circles

$$|z - k| \leq 0.1, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, 4. \quad (7)$$

Every eigenvalue of A will lie in at least

one disc $D(a_{ii}, R_i)$, where $R_i = \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|$ is the radius. Note the Gershgorin circle theorem also holds for the column sums, allowing us to pick a potentially smaller radius.

For a_{11} : $a_{11} = 1.0$, $R_1 = 0.8$ or $\boxed{R_1 = 0.1}$ ← pick this radius because it is smaller.

For a_{22} : $a_{22} = 2.0$, $\boxed{R_2 = 0.1}$ or $R_2 = 0.7$

For a_{33} : $a_{33} = 3.0$, $R_3 = 0.4$ or $\boxed{R_3 = 0.1}$

For a_{44} : $a_{44} = 4.0$, $\boxed{R_4 = 0.1}$ or $R_4 = 0.5$.

Hence, we've shown that centered at each diagonal entry, there is a Gershgorin disc of radius 0.1. Since all disc centers are 1.0 apart, they never intersect. Thus, we know that A has exactly one eigenvalue in each disc.

6. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ be strictly diagonally dominant matrix, namely,

$$|a_{ii}| > \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|, \quad 1 \leq i \leq m. \quad (8)$$

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Show that A is nonsingular. Also, find a lower bound for $\|A^{-1}\|_2$ using the Gershgorin theorem.

Proof: Let A_m be as above.

Since $|a_{ii}| > \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|$, $1 \leq i \leq m$, we know

that $|a_{ii}| \neq 0$ from the strict inequality.

Hence, by the Gershgorin circle theorem, we know that every eigenvalue λ lies within at least one Gershgorin disc of radius $\sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}| = R_i$.

Therefore, since $R_i < |a_{ii}| \neq 0$, every disc centered at a_{ii} , $1 \leq i \leq m$ does not include 0 .

Since all eigenvalues of A lie within at least one disc, and not one disc contains 0 , A cannot have $\lambda=0$ as an eigenvalue, ie. A is full-rank.

Thus A is nonsingular.

From HW1 Problem 6, we know that

$$\|A^{-1}\| \geq \rho(A^{-1}), \text{ where } \rho(A^{-1}) = \lambda_{\max}(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\lambda_{\min}(A)}.$$



7. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ be non-defective (so that there exist eigenvectors v_i corresponding to λ_i that form a basis) and let $\{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^m$ be its eigenvalues. Assume $\lambda_1 = \dots = \lambda_r$ for some $1 < r < m$ and

$$|\lambda_r| > |\lambda_{r+1}| \geq \dots \geq |\lambda_m|. \quad (9)$$

Consider the Power Iteration method given by

$$\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} = A\mathbf{x}^{(k)}, \quad \mathbf{y}^{(k+1)} = \frac{\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)}}{\|\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)}\|}, \quad (10)$$

with any arbitrary norm $\|\cdot\|$. Show that, for almost all possible choices of an initial vector $\mathbf{x}^{(0)}$, $\mathbf{y}^{(k+1)}$ will converge to an eigenvector associated to λ_1 . For which values of $\mathbf{x}^{(0)}$ does the method *not* converge to such an eigenvector?

Proof: Assume A is as above. Then, since $\{v_i\}_{i=1,\dots,m}$ form a basis, we can write

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i v_i, \quad \alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}. \quad \text{Then, we have}$$

$$Ax = \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \alpha_i v_i \Rightarrow A^n x = \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^n \alpha_i v_i.$$

Then, factoring out λ_r^n ,

$$\lambda^n \quad , \quad n \geq 1 / \lambda_i \quad \dots \quad \leftarrow \quad 1 \quad \vdots \quad 1$$

$A^n x = \lambda_r^n \sum_{i=1}^m \left(\frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_r}\right)^n \alpha_i v_i$. Since λ_r is the largest eigenvalue of A , we know $|\frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_r}| < 1$ for $i > r$. **NOT DONE, UNSURE HOW TO PROCEED.**

8. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ be a non-defective matrix with its eigenvalues $\{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^m$ and its singular values $\{\sigma_i\}_{i=1}^m$, satisfying

$$|\lambda_1| \geq |\lambda_2| \geq \cdots \geq |\lambda_m|, \quad (11)$$

$$\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \cdots \geq \sigma_m. \quad (12)$$

Let $\rho(A)$ be the spectral radius of A and $\text{cond}(A) = \|A\|_2 \|A^{-1}\|_2$ be the condition number of A . Show that:

(a) $\sigma_i = |\lambda_i|$, $1 \leq i \leq m$, if A is normal, i.e., $A^T A = A A^T$.

(b) $\|A\|_2 = |\lambda_1| = \rho(A)$.

a) Assume A is normal. Then, the spectral theorem for normal matrices gives us that

$A = P D P^*$, where D is diagonal and $D_{ii} = \lambda_i(A)$ for $i = 1, \dots, m$ and P is orthogonal.

Since the eigenvalues of A aren't necessarily real, we have that

$$A^* A = (P D^* P^*)(P D P^*) = P D^* D P^*.$$

Note then that $(D^* D)_{ii} = |\lambda_i|^2$. Thus,

$$\sigma_i = \sqrt{\lambda_i(PD^*DP^*)}$$

$= \sqrt{\lambda_i(D^*D)}$ since P is orthogonal (or unitary here) and

$$= \sqrt{|\lambda_i|^2} = |\lambda_i| \quad \text{hence invertible.}$$



b) Proof:

We want to show $\|A\|_2 = |\lambda_1| = \rho(A)$.

Assuming A is normal, then from

(a) we know $\sigma_i = |\lambda_i|$, $1 \leq i \leq m$.

By definition,

$\|A\|_2 = \sigma_1$, the largest singular value of A .

Thus by (a),

$$\|A\|_2 = \sigma_1 = |\lambda_1|.$$



9. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ be symmetric and positive definite. Suppose that you have found the following algorithm that is known to produce a sequence of A_i . The algorithm claims that A_i converges to a diagonal matrix $\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m)$, where $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_m > 0$ as $i \rightarrow \infty$. In each iteration, the algorithm uses the Cholesky decomposition to factorize A_i to an upper triangular matrix U_i whose diagonal elements are nonzero. The algorithm proceeds as follows:

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Algorithm:

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 $A_0 = A$ 
for  $i = 1, \dots$ 
 $U_i^T U_i = A_{i-1}$  [Cholesky Decomposition]
 $A_i = U_i U_i^T$ 
endfor

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endfor

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Prove that the iteration is well-defined by showing the following steps:

- (a) Show that \mathbf{A}_i is also symmetric and positive definite to justify the use of Cholesky.
- (b) Show that \mathbf{A}_i is similar to \mathbf{A} (i.e., $\mathbf{A}_i = \mathbf{B}^{-1} \mathbf{AB}$ for some non-singular matrix \mathbf{B}).
- (c) Explain why you can use this iteration method as a valid eigenvalue revealing algorithm for \mathbf{A} .

a) It suffices to show that (a) holds for $i=1$.

Proof: We have $\mathbf{A}_0 = \mathbf{A}$, hence \mathbf{A}_0 is positive definite. Then,

$\mathbf{U}_1^T \mathbf{U}_1 = \mathbf{A}_0 \rightsquigarrow$ Cholesky decompose \mathbf{A}_0 .

and

$\mathbf{A}_1 = \mathbf{U}_1 \mathbf{U}_1^T$. It remains to show that \mathbf{A}_1 is symmetric positive definite.

Clearly, since $\mathbf{A}_1^T = (\mathbf{U}_1^T)^T (\mathbf{U}_1) = \mathbf{U}_1 \mathbf{U}_1^T = \mathbf{A}_1$, we know \mathbf{A}_1 is symmetric. Now, we want to show

$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{x} > 0$ for all $\mathbf{x} \neq 0$.

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{U}_1 \mathbf{U}_1^T \mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{U}_1^T \mathbf{x})^T (\mathbf{U}_1^T \mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{U}_1^T \mathbf{x}\|_2^2$$

Since $\|\mathbf{U}_1^T \mathbf{x}\| > 0$, since \mathbf{U}_1 is full-rank

We know $\|U_i^T x\| > 0$, since U_i is full-rank
 $\downarrow U_{ii} > 0$
(and thus U_i^T is as well), implying $U_i^T x = 0$ iff $x = 0$.
Thus A_1 is symmetric positive definite.

This proves (a), since for $i=2$, we know
 A_1 is sym. pos. def., and hence we can perform
the Cholesky decomposition on it and follow the
same steps as above, producing sym. pos. def.
 A_2 , and so on.



b) Proof:

We have that

$$A_{i-1} = U_i^T U_i$$

$$A_i = U_i U_i^T.$$

From (a), A_k is symmetric positive definite
and hence U_k is full-rank (thus invertible) for all
 $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Hence, A_{i-1} is similar to A_i since we can write

$$\begin{aligned} A_{i-1} &= U_i^T U_i = U_i^{-1} (U_i U_i^T) U_i \\ &= U_i^{-1} A_i U_i \text{ for any } i. \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow A_i$ is similar to A_{i+1} , hence we can conclude $A = A_0$ is similar to any A_i .

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c) Assume that A_i converges to a diagonal matrix. From part (b) we know A and A_i are similar, hence have the same spectrum. Thus, the diagonal entries of A_i must be the eigenvalues of A .