

# Homework 1

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**Question 1** Suppose  $A$  is both unitary and upper-triangular, that is,  $A^*A = AA^* = UU^{-1} = I$ . Therefore,  $a_{ij} = 0$  for  $i > j$ , that is,  $A$  is upper triangular. Then we have that  $A^*$ , the conjugate transpose, is a lower triangular matrix and that  $a_{ij}^* = 0$  for  $j < i$ . Then for the  $i$ th row,  $A^*A_i = \sum_{j=1}^m A_{i,j}A_{i,j}^* = A_{i,i}A_{i,i}^* + 0 + \dots + 0 = AA^*1_i$ . So,  $A_{i,j} = 0$  for  $j \neq i$ , so  $A$  is diagonal.

**Question 2.**

- a. Let  $x$  be such that  $Ax = \lambda x$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} A^{-1}Ax &= A^{-1}(\lambda x) \\ \implies x &= A^{-1}(\lambda x) \\ \implies x &= A^{-1}\lambda x \\ \implies A^{-1}x &= 1/\lambda x \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $1/\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^{-1}$ .

- b. Suppose  $AB = \lambda x$ . Then  $BABx = B\lambda x$ . Since linear maps are associative, we have that  $(BA)Bx = \lambda(Bx)$ , that is, the eigenvalue of  $BA$  is the same as  $AB$  with a different eigenvector. Therefore, the eigenvalues of  $AB$  and  $BA$  are the same.
- c. Since  $A$  is real,  $A^* = A^T$ , therefore  $\det(A - \lambda I) = \det((A - \lambda I)^T)$ . Since the characteristic polynomials are the same, the root (eigenvalues) are the same.

**Question 3.**

- a. We have that  $A = A^*$ , so  $A$  is Hermitian. Then  $Ax = \lambda x$ . Taking the conjugate transpose of this relation, we have that  $x^*A^* = \lambda^*x^*$ . Then,  $x^*A^*x = \lambda^*x^*x \iff x^*\lambda x = \lambda^*x^*x \iff \lambda x^*x = \lambda^*x^*x \implies \lambda = \lambda^* \implies \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- b.

**Question 4.** Proof ( $\implies$ ). Suppose that  $A$  is positive-definite and Hermitian. Let  $v$  be a nonzero vector such that  $Av = \lambda v$  where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $(Av, v) = (\lambda v)^*v = \lambda v^*v = \lambda\sqrt{(v, v)} > 0$  by assumption. Since  $v$  is nonzero, we have that the inner product  $(x, x) > 0$  and hence  $\lambda > 0$ .

Proof (  $\Leftarrow$  ). Suppose  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $\lambda \in \Lambda(A)$ . Then we have that

**Question 5.**

- a. Consider that we have the following two facts:  $Ax = \lambda x$  and  $(Ax)^* = (\lambda x)^* \iff x^* A^* = \lambda^* x^*$ . Then we have that

$$\begin{aligned} x^* A^* Ax &= \lambda^* x^* Ax \\ x^* \underbrace{A^* A}_I x &= \lambda^* \lambda x^* x \\ x^* x &= \lambda^* \lambda x \end{aligned}$$

But if  $\lambda = a + bi$ , then  $\lambda^* \lambda = a^2 - b^2 = |\lambda|^2$ . Therefore, we must have that  $|\lambda|^2 = 1 \implies |\lambda| = 1$  by the equality we derived above.

- b. This is false, since have that  $|A|_F = \sqrt{\text{tr}(A^* A)} = \sqrt{\text{tr}(I)} = n$  where  $n$  is the number of columns or rows in the matrix.

**Question 6.**

- a. We have that

$$\begin{aligned} (Ax)^* x &= (\lambda x)^* x \\ \iff x^* A^* x &= \lambda^* x^* x \\ \iff -x^* Ax &= \lambda^* x^* x \\ \iff -x^* \lambda x &= \lambda^* x^* x \\ \iff -\lambda(x^* x) &= \lambda^*(x^* x) \\ \iff -\lambda &= \lambda^* \end{aligned}$$

Then letting  $\lambda = a + bi \iff -\lambda = -a - bi$ , we have that  $a + bi = -a - bi \iff 2a + bi = -bi$  so  $a = 0$ , and hence  $\lambda$  is purely imaginary.

- b. Suppose  $A$  is singular. Then we have that for some  $x \neq 0$ ,  $(I - A)x = 0$ . But this means that  $Ix - Ax = 0 \iff Ax = x$ , so  $x$  is an eigenvector with eigenvalue 1. This is a contradiction, since the eigenvalues of  $A$  are purely imaginary. Hence,  $I - A$  is nonsingular

**Question 7.** Suppose that  $Av = \lambda v$  for some nonzero vector  $v$  such that  $\|v\| = 1$ . Then we have that  $\|Av\| = \|\lambda v\| = |\lambda| \|v\|$ . Also, since

$$\|A\| = \sup_{\|x\|=1} \|Ax\|$$

We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\|x\|=1} \|Ax\| &\geq \|Av\| \\ &= \|\lambda v\| = |\lambda| \|v\| = |\lambda| \end{aligned}$$

Then choose  $\lambda = \rho(A)$  since this inequality holds for arbitrary eigenvalues. Therefore,  $\|A\| \geq \rho(p)$

**Question 8.**

**Question 9.**

**Question 11.**

- a. Since  $f$  is differentiable, we have that

$$\kappa(f) = \frac{\|J(x)\|}{\|f(x)\|/\|x\|} = \frac{\|x\|\|J(x)\|}{\|f(x)\|}$$

We have that  $J = [1, 1]^T$ , and choosing the  $\infty$  norm we have that

$$\kappa(f) = \frac{\max\{x_1, x_2\}}{|x_1 + x_2|}$$

Therefore, as  $x_1, x_2 \rightarrow 0$ ,  $f$  becomes ill conditioned since  $\kappa(f) \rightarrow \infty$

- b. We have that  $J(f) = [x_2, x_1]^T$ , therefore the  $\infty$  norm on  $J$  is  $\|J\|_\infty = \max\{x_1, x_2\}$ . This gives us that the condition number is

$$\frac{2 \max\{x_1, x_2\}}{|x_2 x_1|}$$

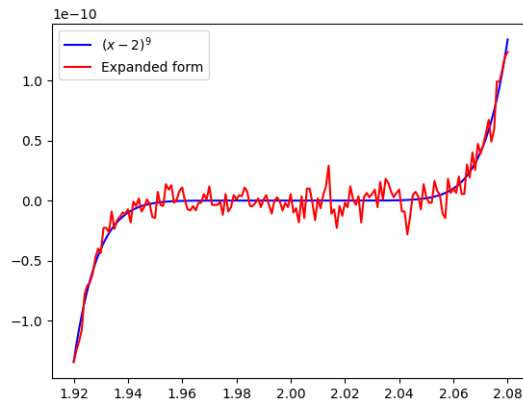
Therefore, as  $x_1 \rightarrow 0$  or  $x_2 \rightarrow 0$ ,  $f$  becomes ill conditioned since  $\kappa \rightarrow \infty$  as the denominator goes to zero.

- c. Here, we have that  $f'(x) = 9(x-2)^8$ , therefore, the condition number is given by

$$\kappa(f) = \frac{9(x-2)^8|x|}{|x-2|^9}$$

So as  $x \rightarrow 2$ ,  $f$  becomes ill conditioned since  $k \rightarrow \infty$

**Question 12.**



a and b See figure

c. Since we are plotting  $f$  around