# Numerical Linear Algebra Assignment 3

## Exercise 1. (10 points)

- (1) Let **P** be a projector. Given an explicit expression for the inverse of  $\lambda \mathbf{I} \mathbf{P}$ , where  $\lambda \neq 0, 1$ .
- (2) Suppose  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  has a full SVD  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{V}^*$ , where

$$\mathbf{U} = [\mathbf{U}_r \quad \mathbf{U}_c], \quad \mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{V}_r \quad \mathbf{V}_c], \quad r = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A}).$$

What are the orthogonal projections onto  $\text{null}(\mathbf{A})^{\perp}$ ,  $\text{null}(\mathbf{A})$ ,  $\text{range}(\mathbf{A})$  and  $\text{range}(\mathbf{A})^{\perp}$ ?

### Exercise 2. (10 points)

Two subspaces  $S_1, S_2 \subseteq \mathbb{C}^m$  are called *complementary subspaces* if they satisfy

$$S_1 \cap S_2 = \{\mathbf{0}\}, \qquad S_1 + S_2 = \mathbb{C}^m.$$

Let  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  be complementary subspaces. Prove that there exists a projector **P** with

$$range(\mathbf{P}) = \mathcal{S}_1, \quad null(\mathbf{P}) = \mathcal{S}_2.$$

### Exercise 3. (TreBau Exercise 6.1, 10 points)

If **P** is an orthogonal projector, then  $\mathbf{I}-2\mathbf{P}$  is unitary. Prove this algebraically, and give a geometric interpretation.

## Exercise 4. (TreBau Exercise 6.5, 10 points)

Let  $\mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$  be a nonzero projector. Show that  $\|\mathbf{P}\|_2 \geq 1$ , with equality if and only if  $\mathbf{P}$  is an orthogonal projector.

# Exercise 5. (10 points)

Compute a QR factorization of the matrix  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ \sqrt{2} & 1 + \sqrt{2} & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

## Exercise 6. (Programming, TreBau Exercise 8.2, 10 points)

#### Additional Exercise 1.

Let C[-1,1] denote the linear space of real-valued continuous functions on [-1,1] with the inner product

$$\forall f, g \in C[-1, 1], \qquad \langle f, g \rangle_w = \int_{-1}^1 w(x) f(x) g(x) dx,$$

where  $w(x) \ge 0 (\not\equiv 0)$  is a weight function (continuous). For the case  $w(x) = 1 + x^2$ , complete the following:

(i) Write Matlab code to compute the first six orthogonal (with respect to the inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_w$ ) polynomials  $(P_j(x), j = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)$ , which are conventionally normalized so that  $P_j(1) = 1$ ). Hint: you can use Matlab's symbolic toolbox. For your reference, the polynomials are given by:

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(ii) Modify the code we used for discrete Legendre polynomials to plot the discrete polynomials corresponding to those obtained in (i).

#### Additional Exercise 2.

Let  $\Pi_n$  denote the linear operator that maps  $f \in C[a, b]$  to the polynomial  $p_n$  that interpolates f at the distinct points  $x_0, x_1 \cdots, x_n \in [a, b]$ . In other words,

$$\Pi_n f = p_n$$

where  $p_n$  is the unique polynomial of degree n (or less) for which  $f(x_i) = p_n(x_i)$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ . The infinity norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$  induces the operator norm

$$\|\Pi_n\|_{\infty} = \max_{f \in C[a,b], f \neq 0} \frac{\|\Pi_n f\|_{\infty}}{\|f\|_{\infty}} = \max_{\|f\|_{\infty} = 1} \|\Pi_n f\|_{\infty}.$$

(a) Explain why  $\Pi_n$  is a projector: That is, for any  $f \in C[a,b]$ , show that

$$\Pi_n(\Pi_n f) = \Pi_n f.$$

(Hint: What does  $\Pi_n p_n$  equal if  $p_n$  is a polynomial of degree n?)

- (b) Show that if  $x_0 = a$  and  $x_1 = b$ , then  $\|\Pi_0\|_{\infty} = \|\Pi_1\|_{\infty} = 1$ .
- (c) Recall that we can write the polynomial  $p_n = \Pi_n f$  in the Lagrange form

$$\Pi_n f = \sum_{i=0}^n f(x_i) \ell_i(x),$$

where  $\ell_i$  denotes the *i*th Lagrange basis polynomial. Prove that

$$\|\Pi_n\|_{\infty} = \max_{x \in [a,b]} \sum_{i=0}^n |\ell_i(x)|.$$

(d) Let  $p_*$  denote any polynomial of degree n (e.g.,  $p_*$  minimizes  $||f - p||_{\infty}$  over all  $p \in \mathbb{P}_n$ ). Prove that

$$||f - p_n||_{\infty} \le (1 + ||\Pi_n||_{\infty})||f - p_*||_{\infty}.$$

(e) Computationally estimate  $\|\Pi_n\|_{\infty}$  for  $n=1,2,\cdots,20$  with (i) uniformly spaced points  $x_i=-1+2i/n,\ i=0,1,\cdots,n$  and (ii) Chebyshev points  $x_i=\cos(i\pi/n)$  over [-1,1].