

# Math 307: Homework 2

## Part 1

1. Calculate the inner products, 1-norms, 2-norms, and infinity-norms for the following vectors:

(a) the real vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

(b) the complex vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 1+i \\ 3-i \\ 2+2i \\ 6-3i \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 2-2i \\ 4+3i \\ 6-i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

2. Plot the location of the complex numbers  $z_k = e^{2\pi i k/5}$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$  in the complex plane. Show that these numbers are fifth roots of unity, that is, they satisfy  $z^5 = 1$ .

(a) What is  $z_0$ ?

(b) Find a polynomial (with real coefficients) whose roots are precisely  $z_0, \dots, z_5$ .

(c) Show that  $z_k^4 + z_k^3 + z_k^2 + z_k + 1 = 0$  for each  $k = 1, 2, 3, 4$ .

(d) Consider the  $N$ th roots of unity, given by  $w_k = e^{2\pi i k/N}$ . Show that  $\cos(2\pi k/N) = \frac{1}{2}(w_{-k} + \overline{w_k})$  for each  $k$ . Find a similar formula for  $\sin(2\pi k/N)$ .

3. Show that any  $2 \times 2$  orthogonal matrix is either a rotation matrix or a reflection matrix.

4. Show that if  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  square matrix and each column sums to  $c$ , then  $c$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ .  
*Hint: if you cannot show this in a few lines, try another approach.*

5. (a) What can you say about the diagonal elements of a Hermitian matrix?

(b) Show that if  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix such that  $\langle \mathbf{v}, A\mathbf{w} \rangle = \langle A\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle$  then  $A$  is Hermitian.

6. Show that if  $A$  is any matrix then  $A^T A$  and  $AA^T$  are Hermitian with non-negative eigenvalues.

7. **[Minimum 2-norm solution of underdetermined systems]** In this problem we will consider overdetermined systems  $Ax = b$  where  $A$  is  $m \times n$  with  $m < n$  with the additional assumption that  $A$  is full-rank, i.e.,  $\text{rank}(A) = m$  (as large as it can be).

(a) Find the set  $\mathcal{S}$  of all solutions of the system  $Ax = b$  if

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) **[Regularization.]** As we observe above, this system has infinitely many solutions. In many applications, we would like to “regularize”, i.e., pick one of these solutions that satisfies some additional constraint. A common regularization method is to go for the solution with the smallest

2-norm or the so-called “minimum 2-norm solution”. That is, find the minimizer of the optimization problem

$$\text{minimize } \|x\|_2 \quad \text{subject to: } x \in \mathcal{S}$$

or equivalently

$$\text{minimize } \|x\|_2 \quad \text{subject to: } Ax = b$$

Now, use your solution from part (a) to come with a function that give the square of the 2-norm of the solutions in  $\mathcal{S}$  as a function of a single parameter. Use elementary calculus to calculate the minimizer of this function and use this solution to determine the minimum 2-norm solution of this system.

- (c) Next, we will develop a more systematic approach to obtain the minimum 2-norm solution of such a system  $Ax = b$  where  $A$  is  $m \times n$  with  $m < n$  and  $\text{rank}(A) = m$  in several steps.
- (i) Let  $y$  be any (fixed) solution of the system, i.e.,  $Ay = b$ . Show that  $z$  is a solution of the system  $Ax = b$  if and only if  $z - y \in \mathcal{N}(A)$  ( $\mathcal{N}(A)$  denotes the nullspace of  $A$ ).
  - (ii) Explain why the previous step implies that for any solution  $z$ ,  $P(z)$ , where  $P$  is the projector onto  $\mathcal{N}(A)^\perp$ , the orthogonal complement of  $\mathcal{N}(A)$  is also a solution.
  - (iii) Suppose  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are both solutions. Then explain why we have  $P(z_1) = P(z_2)$ .
  - (iv) Set  $x^* = P(z)$  where  $P$  is as above and  $z$  is any solution. Show that  $x^*$  is the minimum-2-norm solution.
  - (v) Finally, we recall that  $\mathcal{N}(A)^\perp$  is the row space of  $A$ , i.e., the range of  $A^T$ . Accordingly, there exists  $w$  such that  $x^* = A^T w$ . Substitute this into the equation  $Ax = b$  and obtain an explicit formula for  $x^*$  in terms of  $A$ ,  $A^T$ , and  $b$ .
- (d) Find the minimum-2-norm solution of the system give part (a), this time using the formula you obtained above.
8. The Fibonacci sequence is a well known sequence in mathematics that is obtained following a simple rule: set the first two entries of the sequence to be 0 and 1, and then, inductively, find the next entry by adding two previous entries. This results in the sequence

$$0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, \dots$$

It is natural to ask whether one can find a formula for the  $n$ th Fibonacci number (i.e., the  $n$ th entry of this sequence) without having to compute all previous entries.

Such rules are called recursions and in this problem we will develop a method to analyze recursion relations.

- (a) Set  $F_0=0$ ,  $F_1 = 1$ , and let  $F_n$  denote the  $n$ th Fibonacci number (with the convention that 0 is the 0th Fibonacci number). Then the sequence of Fibonacci numbers can be obtained by running the recursion

$$F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}; \quad F_0 = 0, \quad F_1 = 1.$$

Now, set  $v_n = [F_n, F_{n-1}]^T$ . Identify a matrix  $A$  such that the recursion above can be written, equivalently, as

$$v_{n+1} = Av_n; \quad v_0 = [F_1, F_0]^T$$

- (b) Using the matrix recursion above  $A$ , obtain a (non-recursive) formula for  $v_{n+1}$  in terms of powers of  $A$  and  $v_0$ .
- (c) Let  $\lambda_1 = (1 + \sqrt{5})/2$  and  $\lambda_2 = (1 - \sqrt{5})/2$ . Diagonalize  $A$  and give a formula for each entry of  $A^n$  in terms of  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ .
- (d) Use your answer from the previous part to obtain a formula for  $F_n$  in terms of  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ .
- (e) Show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{n+1}/F_n = \lambda_1$ . (Note that  $\lambda_1$  is the famous “golden ratio”.)

9. [Trigonometric Interpolation and DFT] Suppose that we are given data:  $(x_j, y_j) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$ . We wish to interpolate the data using “trigonometric polynomials”, i.e., functions in

$$\mathcal{T}_N^T := \{f(t) = \sum_{k=-N}^N c_k e^{2\pi i k t / T} : c_k \in \mathbb{C}\}$$

where  $c = [c_{-N}, \dots, c_N]^T$  is the vector of coefficients of  $f$ . Note that all functions in  $\mathcal{T}_N^T$  are  $T$ -periodic. So in an application, we would set  $T$  to be the assumed period of the process (i.e. function) that has generated the data. **In the rest of the problem we will assume  $T = 1$  and  $\mathcal{T}_N$  will denote  $\mathcal{T}_N^1$ . Furthermore, we will assume  $m$  is an odd positive integer.**

- (a) For the given data  $(x_j, y_j) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$ , find  $\tau^*(x) \in \mathcal{T}_N$  that minimizes the  $\ell_2$ -mismatch  $\mathcal{E} = \sum_{j=0}^m |\tau(x_j) - y_j|^2$  over all  $\tau(x) \in \mathcal{T}_N$ . [Hint: (1) This is similar to polynomial interpolation. So, you should obtain a matrix equation that needs to be solved for  $c^*$ , the coefficients of  $\tau^*$ , in some sense (i.e., exactly, least squares, via regularization) to obtain the coefficient vector  $c = [c_{-N}, \dots, c_N]^T$ . (2) For simplicity of notation, you may set  $e_k(t) := e^{2\pi i k t}$ . ]
- (b) In the setting described above, suppose  $m = 2N + 1$  and  $x_j = j/m$ . Find a formula for  $c^*$ , the coefficients of  $\tau^*$ , in terms of the DFT or inverse DFT of the data vector  $y = [y_{-N}, \dots, y_N]^T$ .
- (c) We now reverse the previous question. Suppose you compute the  $m$ -point DFT of a vector  $y = [y_0, \dots, y_{m-1}]^T$  and call the resulting vector  $c$ . State an interpolation problem whose solution can be calculated using this  $c$ . Express the solution in terms of  $c$ . [You may assume that  $m$  is odd.]
- (d) In the interpolation problem of part (a), suppose that  $m = 2M + 1 > 2N + 1$  and set  $x_j = j/m$ ,  $j = 0, \dots, 2M$ .
  - i. State the least squares equation that will lead to  $c^*$ . Explain why this equation has a unique solution.
  - ii. Find a formula for  $c^*$  in terms of the DFT or the inverse DFT of  $y$ .
- (e) Now consider the following “underdetermined” case: Similar to above, in the interpolation problem of part (a), suppose  $m < 2N + 1$  with  $x_j = j/(2N + 1)$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$ . This time the matrix equation that will lead to  $c^*$  is “underdetermined”, i.e., it has infinitely many solutions.
  - i. State this matrix equation, say  $Ac = y$ , and show that  $A$  is a submatrix of the  $(2N + 1) \times (2N + 1)$  DFT matrix after shuffling the positions of some columns.
  - ii. Find the minimum-2-norm solution of the system of equation you obtained above. (Use the formula you obtained in Problem 7.(c) above for the minimum-2-norm solution together with properties of DFT matrices.)