

Due Monday 12/21, 4:30pm US Eastern time

Problem 1.

Consider the initial-value problem

$$\dot{x}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} x(t) \triangleq Ax(t), \text{ with } x(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

1.1) Transform the matrix A into a Jordan form.

1.2) On the basis of the Jordan form, solve the initial-value problem for all $t \geq 0$.

Problem 2.

Suppose the n Gersgorin discs of an $n \times n$ matrix A are mutually disjoint. Show that every eigenvalue of A is real, if A is real.

Problem 3.

Consider $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1.5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ and show that $\rho(A) < \min \|D^{-1}AD\|_\infty$ over all $D = \begin{pmatrix} p_1 & 0 \\ 0 & p_2 \end{pmatrix}$,

with $p_1 > 0$ and $p_2 > 0$. (Recall that $\|M\|_\infty$ stands for the *maximum row sum matrix norm*

of $M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, i.e. $\|M\|_\infty := \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}|$.)

Notes:

- Provide sufficient details for partial credits.
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