

**Math 170A, Fall 2023      HOMEWORK #7      due Friday, Dec 8**

Homework problems that will be graded (Q1 - Q5, 30pts in total):

Q1. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Will the Jacobi iterative method converge on  $A$ , regardless of the starting vector  $x^{(0)}$ ?

Q2. Let  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Take 5 steps of Gauss-Seidel to attempt to solve  $Bx = b$ , starting with  $x^{(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ; write down  $x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}, x^{(4)}, x^{(5)}$ . Based on what you see, do you think Gauss-Seidel will converge?

Q3. A matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is called skew-Hermitian if  $A^* = -A$ .

Show that skew-Hermitian matrices have only purely imaginary eigenvalues, i.e., any eigenvalue of a skew-Hermitian matrix has the form  $\lambda = ai$  with  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

*Hint:* Show that  $iA$  is Hermitian, then use what we know about Hermitian matrices.

Q4. Using one of the two methods of computing the SVD using eigendecompositions outlined in class, compute **by hand** the *reduced* SVD of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Q5. (MATLAB problem) Run the `sample_inverse_PM.m` code provided. Below is an explanation of what the code does.

The first line of the code resets the pseudo-random number generator to default.

Lines 2 – 4 construct a random matrix  $A$  with prescribed eigenvalues given in line 2.

Line 5 constructs a matrix  $B$  which shifts the eigenvalues of  $A$  by the same amount, while leaving the eigenvectors unchanged.

Line 6 inverts  $B$  and names the inverse  $C$ .

The remainder of the code applies the power method to the matrix  $C$ , starting from the vector of all ones, and using 8 iterations.

Run the code and examine it closely, then answer the following questions.

- a) What are the eigenvalues of  $B$  and  $C$ ? Start with the eigenvalues of  $A$  and see how they get changed when we transform  $A$  into  $B$  and then  $C$ .

- b) Use **reasoning**, not MATLAB, to answer this question, and show your reasoning. By the end of the code,  $q$  is a very good approximation for an eigenvector of  $A$ . What is the corresponding eigenvalue  $\lambda$ ?
- c) If you replaced 0.25 with  $-0.5$  in line 5 of the script, which eigenvector of  $A$  would  $q$  approximate? What would be the corresponding eigenvalue of  $A$ ? Like in b), use and show your reasoning.
- d) After running the code with 0.25 in the line 5 of the script, show how good an approximation the vector  $q$  is to an eigenvector of  $A$  by typing in MATLAB

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norm((A- $\lambda$ *eye(6))*q) ,
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where  $\lambda$  is the number you obtained in b). This computes the 2-norm of the vector in parentheses; if it is small, the vector  $q$  is a very good approximation to an eigenvector with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .

#### sample\_inverse\_PM.m

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rng('default')
[Q,R]= qr(randn(6));
D = diag([2, -1, -0.25, 0.5, 2, -5]);
A = Q*D*Q';
B = A - 0.25*eye(6);
C = inv(B);

q = ones(6,1); s = 1;
for j=1:12
    q_old = q;
    q_new = C*q_old;
    [~, ind] = max(abs(q_new));
    s = q_new(ind(1));
    q = q_new/s;
end;
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