

Partial exam 1, March 9, 2013

No calculators or texts are allowed. Time for the exam is three hours.

1. Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$, and $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times q}$ be given. We want to compute the product \mathbf{ABC} . This can be done either as

$$a) \quad \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{BC}) \quad \text{or} \quad b) \quad (\mathbf{AB})\mathbf{C} .$$

Compute the complexity (real (or floating point) number multiplications) for both cases. For which values of n, p, q the form a) is more favourable?

2. Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $m > n$ and $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{QR}$ its QR-decomposition with $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and $\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. Show that \mathbf{R} is invertible if and only if the columns of \mathbf{A} are linearly independent.

3. Assume matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are similar. Show that they have the same number of linearly independent eigenvectors.

4. Show that $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ is normal if and only if $\|\mathbf{A}\|_F^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n |\lambda_j|^2$, where $\|\mathbf{A}\|_F^2 = \sum_{i,j=1}^n |a_{i,j}|^2$ and λ_j 's are the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} .

Hint: the Schur form.

5. Let $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{I} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2n \times 2n}$, where $\mathbf{I} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$.

- a) Compute the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} . For this consider the equation

$$\mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{bmatrix} = \lambda \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{bmatrix}$$

and you will find only two eigenvalues.

- b) Assume $\mathbf{E} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ satisfies $\|\mathbf{E}\|_2 \leq \frac{1}{2}$. Find the smallest possible set where the eigenvalues of

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{E} & \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{E} \end{bmatrix}$$

are sure to be.