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This problem set consists of 3 pages.

Appendices: None

Permitted aids: None

Please make sure that your copy of the problem set is complete before you attempt to answer anything.

All 8 part questions will be weighted equally.

Problem 1 Householder transformations

1a

Suppose $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with $\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 = \|\mathbf{y}\|_2$ and $\mathbf{v} := \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y} \neq 0$. Show that

$$\mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}, \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{H} := \mathbf{I} - 2\frac{\mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^T}{\mathbf{v}^T\mathbf{v}}.$$

1b

Let $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{4,4}$ be given by

$$\mathbf{B} := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \epsilon & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (1)$$

where $0 < \epsilon < 1$. Compute a Householder transformation \mathbf{H} and a matrix \mathbf{B}_1 such that the first column of $\mathbf{B}_1 := \mathbf{H}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{H}$ has a zero in the last two positions.

Problem 2 Eigenvalue perturbations

Let $\mathbf{A} = [a_{kj}]$, $\mathbf{E} = [e_{kj}]$, and $\mathbf{B} = [b_{kj}]$ be matrices in $\mathbb{R}^{n,n}$ with

$$a_{kj} = \begin{cases} 1, & j = k + 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad e_{kj} = \begin{cases} \epsilon, & k = n, j = 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

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and $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{E}$, where $0 < \epsilon < 1$. Thus for $n = 4$,

$$\mathbf{A} := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{E} := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \epsilon & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \epsilon & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

2a

Find the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} .

2b

Show that $\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 = \|\mathbf{B}\|_2 = 1$ for arbitrary $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

2c

Consider the following theorem (do not prove it!):

Theorem[Elsner's Theorem] Suppose $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{E} \in \mathbb{C}^{n,n}$. To every eigenvalue μ of $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{E}$ there is an eigenvalue λ of \mathbf{A} such that

$$|\mu - \lambda| \leq (\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 + \|\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{E}\|_2)^{1-1/n} \|\mathbf{E}\|_2^{1/n}. \quad (3)$$

Let $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{B}$ be given by (2). What upper bound does (3) give for the eigenvalue $\mu = \epsilon^{1/n}$ of \mathbf{B} ? How sharp is this upper bound?

Problem 3 The one norm

For $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{m,n}$ with $m, n \geq 1$ the one norm is defined by

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_1 := \max_{\|\mathbf{x}\|_1=1} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_1.$$

Show that

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_1 = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sum_{k=1}^m |a_{k,j}|. \quad (4)$$

Problem 4 Hadamard's Inequality

Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{n,n}$ be a general square matrix and let $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n]$ be its column partition. Prove Hadamard's inequality,

$$|\det(\mathbf{A})| \leq \prod_{j=1}^n \|\mathbf{a}_j\|_2.$$

Hint: Use a QR factorization of \mathbf{A} .

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Problem 5 Matlab

Write a Matlab routine to solve the equation $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ for $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, when $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n,n}$ is a non-singular upper triangular matrix and $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Good luck!