

Numerical Analysis  
Preliminary Exam  
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Do any 8 of the following 10 problems.

**Part 1: Numerical Linear Algebra**

1. (a) Prove: If  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathfrak{R}^{n \times n}$  has a set of  $n$  linearly independent eigenvectors, then  $\mathbf{A}$  can be diagonalized.  
(b) Prove: If  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathfrak{R}^{n \times n}$  is symmetric, then  $\mathbf{A}$  has an orthogonal set of eigenvectors.  
(c) Diagonalize the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 66 & 12 \\ 12 & 59 \end{pmatrix}.$$

2. (a) Is the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

diagonalizable? Why?

- (b) Can the above matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  be diagonalized by an orthogonal matrix  $\mathbf{S}$ ?
  - (c) State a theorem or condition that ensures a matrix can be diagonalized by an orthogonal matrix.
3. (a) Give a careful statement of the singular value decomposition.  
(b) Give a careful proof of the singular value decomposition.  
(c) Compute the SVD for the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -6 & 17 \\ 18 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

4. Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) Determine the orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{A}$  onto the column space of  $\mathbf{A}$ .
  - (b) Compute the  $QR$  Factorization of  $\mathbf{A}$ .
5. (a) Define: The operator 2-norm for a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is any matrix in  $\mathfrak{R}^{m \times n}$ .  
(b) Prove: If  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathfrak{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathfrak{R}^{n \times q}$ , then  $\|\mathbf{BA}\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{B}\|_2 \cdot \|\mathbf{A}\|_2$ .  
(c) Prove: If  $\mathbf{A}$  is any matrix in  $\mathfrak{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 < 1$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{A}^n = \mathbf{0}$ .  
(d) Prove: If  $\mathbf{A}$  is a matrix in  $\mathfrak{R}^{n \times n}$ , then define  $e^{\mathbf{A}}$  as a power series expansion. Show this series converges.  
(e) Prove: If  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathfrak{R}^{n \times n}$  is invertible,  $\mathbf{b}$  and  $\Delta \mathbf{b}$  are vectors in  $\mathfrak{R}^n$ ,  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\Delta \mathbf{x}$  are vectors in  $\mathfrak{R}^n$  are solutions to  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{A}\Delta \mathbf{x} = \Delta \mathbf{b}$ , respectively, then

$$\frac{\|\Delta \mathbf{x}\|_2}{\|\mathbf{x}\|_2} \leq \kappa_2(\mathbf{A}) \frac{\|\Delta \mathbf{b}\|_2}{\|\mathbf{b}\|_2}.$$

## Part II: Numerical Analysis

6. (a) State Newton's method (the algorithm) for solving  $f(x) = 0$  where  $f : R \rightarrow R$ .  
(b) Assuming  $f$  is smooth and we have an initial guess sufficiently close to the root, state sufficient condition(s) for the method to converge quadratically.  
(c) Prove: Let  $T(x) : [a, b] \rightarrow [a, b]$  be a function such that  $T'''(x)$  is continuous for all  $x \in [a, b]$ ,  $T(p) = p, T'(p) = T''(p) = 0$ . If  $x_0 \in [a, b]$  is a point with the property that the sequence defined recursively by  $x_{k+1} = T(x_k)$  converges to  $p$ , then the sequence  $\{x_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  converges cubically to  $p$ .
7. (a) Give a careful statement of the minimization property for clamped cubic splines.  
(b) Give a careful statement of the convergence theorem for clamped cubic splines.  
(c) Give a careful statement of the convergence theorem for the second derivatives for clamped cubic splines.  
(d) Outline a proof of the convergence theorem for clamped cubic splines.
8. (a) Given a set of data points  $(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$  in the plane, describe how to find the conic section of the form  $Ax^2 + Bxy + Cy^2 + Dx + Ey + 1 = 0$  which best fits the data in the sense of least squares.  
(b) How do you determine whether or not the conic section is an ellipse, a hyperbola, or a parabola?
9. **Triple Recursion Formula** If  $\{\phi_n(x)\}$  is an orthogonal family of polynomials on  $[a, b]$ , with respect to the weight function  $w(x) \geq 0$ , and  $n \geq 1$ , then show that  $\phi_{n+1}(x) = (a_n x + b_n)\phi_n(x) - c_n\phi_{n-1}(x)$ , for some constants  $a_n, b_n$ , and  $c_n$ . (Hint: Let  $g(x) = \phi_{n+1}(x) - a_n x\phi_n(x)$ , where  $a_n$  is a constant chosen so that  $g(x)$  has degree  $n$ .)
10. (a) Give a careful statement of the contraction mapping theorem.  
(b) Prove the contraction mapping theorem.  
(c) Determine whether or not the function  $T(x) = \frac{1}{4}\sin(3x + 2) + 12$  is a contraction.  
(d) Discuss the convergence rate ensured by the contraction mapping theorem. (ie Is it linear, quadratic, or cubic?)