

You are allowed to bring an A4 sheet (double sides) with whatever you think is important.

1. Consider the function  $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given by  $f(x) = x^\top Ax$  where  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ .

- (i) For what values of  $a$  is  $f$  strictly convex?
- (ii) What is the smallest eigenvalue of  $H$ , without further computing, if  $a = 2$ ?

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2. (i) Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be symmetric positive definite. Show that  $B^\top AB > 0$  if and only if the null space  $\mathcal{N}(B) = \{0\}$ , where  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$ .

(ii) Let  $A = xy^\top$  where  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Show that  $\|A\|_2 = \|x\|_2 \|y\|_2$ . What is  $\|A\|_F$ ?

(iii) Let  $A$  be a square symmetric matrix. Show that  $\|A\|_2 = \max\{|\lambda_1|, |\lambda_n|\}$ , where  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_n$ , are the largest and smallest eigenvalues of  $A$ , respectively.

(iv) Let  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be two unit vector (in 2-norm) with angle  $\alpha$ . Compute  $\|uu^\top - vv^\top\|_F^2$ .

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3. Assume  $S$  is an  $n \times n$  symmetric positive definite matrix and  $C$  is an  $n \times n$  invertible matrix. Show that the  $2n \times 2n$  matrix  $H = \begin{pmatrix} S & C \\ C^\top & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is indefinite. How many positive, negative and zero eigenvalues does  $H$  have?

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4. (i) Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be such that the Krylov matrix  $M = (b, Ab, A^2b, \dots, A^{n-1}b)$  is invertible. Show that  $M^{-1}AM = C$ , where

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -p_0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -p_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & -p_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

and the matrix  $C$  depends only on  $A$ .

(ii) Find vectors  $u$  and  $v$  with  $n$ -components such that  $C = C_{e_2} + uv^\top$ , where  $C_{e_2}$  is the circulant shift matrix generated by  $e_2 = (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)^\top$ ,

(iii) Find a QR factorization i.e.,  $C = Q_1 R_1$ .

(iv) Let  $C_1 = R_1 Q_1$ . Repeat the procedure described in the previous two items two more steps. What can be expectedly obtained if we continue this procedure?

(v) Show that if the polynomial  $p(s) = s^n + p_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + p_0$  has  $m$  ( $\leq n$ ) distinct zeros  $\lambda_i$ , then the matrix  $C$  has exactly  $m$  linearly independent left eigenvectors  $v_i = (1, \lambda_i, \lambda_i^2, \dots, \lambda_i^{n-1})$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , associated with the eigenvalue  $\lambda_i$ .

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5. Consider the matrix  $T_n(\rho)$  with real components  $\rho^{|i-j|}$ ,  $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

(i) Is it a Toeplitz matrix? Is its inverse a Toeplitz matrix?

(ii) Discuss for which  $\rho$  the matrix is invertible. Find the inverse in these cases.

(iii) Discuss for which  $\rho$  the matrix is positive (semi)-definite.

(iv) Compute the  $\ell^\infty$ -norm of the inverse  $T_n^{-1}(\rho)$ .

(v) Give an estimate of the spectral radius of  $T_n(\rho)$ .

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