

Homework 2

CS 210

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Matrix algebra

1. (Heath 2.4a) Show that the following matrix is singular.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

2. (Trefethen&Bau 2.6) If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are m -vectors, the matrix $A = I + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^T$ is known as a rank-one perturbation of the identity. Show that if A is nonsingular, then its inverse has the form $A^{-1} = I + \alpha\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^T$ for some scalar α , and give an expression for α . For what \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} is A singular? If it is singular, what is $\text{null}(A)$?
3. (Heath 2.8) Let A and B be any two $n \times n$ matrices.
- Prove that $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$.
 - If A and B are both non-singular, prove that $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$.

Vector and matrix norms

4. Let $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Two vector norms, $\|\mathbf{x}\|_a$ and $\|\mathbf{x}\|_b$, are *equivalent* if $\exists c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$c\|\mathbf{x}\|_b \leq \|\mathbf{x}\|_a \leq d\|\mathbf{x}\|_b.$$

Matrix norm equivalence is defined analogously to vector norm equivalence, i.e., $\|\cdot\|_a$ and $\|\cdot\|_b$ are equivalent if $\exists c, d$ s.t. $c\|A\|_b \leq \|A\|_a \leq d\|A\|_b$.

- (a) Let $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. For each of the following, verify the inequality and give an example of a non-zero vector or matrix for which the bound is achieved (showing that the bound is tight):
- $\|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty \leq \|\mathbf{x}\|_2$
 - $\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \leq \sqrt{n}\|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty$
 - $\|A\|_\infty \leq \sqrt{n}\|A\|_2$
 - $\|A\|_2 \leq \sqrt{n}\|A\|_\infty$
- This shows that $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ and $\|\cdot\|_2$ are equivalent, and that their induced matrix norms are equivalent.
- (b) Prove that the equivalence of two vector norms implies the equivalence of their induced matrix norms.

Sensitivity and conditioning

5. (Heath 2.58) Suppose that the $n \times n$ matrix A is perfectly well-conditioned, i.e., $\text{cond}(A) = 1$. Which of the following matrices would then necessarily share this same property?
- (a) cA , where c is any nonzero scalar
 - (b) DA , where D is a nonsingular diagonal matrix
 - (c) PA , where P is any permutation matrix
 - (d) BA , where B is any nonsingular matrix
 - (e) A^{-1} , the inverse of A
 - (f) A^T , the transpose of A
6. Under what circumstances does a small residual vector $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{b} - A\mathbf{x}$ imply that \mathbf{x} is an accurate solution to the linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$?