

Some problems on First Class

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I only considered some of the problems. I spent about 25 hours to consider these problems and learn T_EX. I choose to use English because It is real fussy to use Chinese in T_EX.

1 Complex Symmetric Matrix

Define: A is called *Complex Symmetric Matrix* if it satisfies that

$$A = A^T$$

where A is a complex matrix.

None of property did I find in *Complex Symmetric Matrix*, since A isn't a *normal matrix* ($A^*A = AA^*$) in general, so it can't be diaged by a unitary matrix.

Here is a example:

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

We can MATLAB to illustate that A is can't be diaged by a unitary matrix, and their eigenvalues are all complex.

Since no good property found in complex symmetric matrix, we usually consider a Hermite matrix instead of complex symmetric matrix. What's more, The A' in MATLAB donates the conjugate transpose of A instead of transpose of A . Real symmetric matrix which we usually considered, essentially, is a kind of Hermite matrix.

2 A Matrix Factorization

We all know that any complex square matrix A , there are matrix B and C such that

$$A = B + C$$

where B is Herimite matrix, and C is a anti-Hermite matrix. This factorization of A is unique.

Prove: suggest

$$A = B + C$$

holds, then we have

$$A^* = B^* + C^* = B - C$$

so

$$B = \frac{A + A^*}{2}, \quad C = \frac{A - A^*}{2}$$

hence B and C are unique, and we can check that B is Herimite matrix and C is anti-Herimite matrix.

Similarly, we have

$$A = B + iC$$

where

$$B = \frac{A + A^*}{2}, \quad C = \frac{A - A^*}{2i}$$

both B and C are unique Hermite matrix.

Matrix Inequality

$$|Re(\lambda(A))| \leq \rho\left(\frac{A + A^*}{2}\right) \leq \sigma_{max}(A)$$

$$|Im(\lambda(A))| \leq \rho\left(\frac{A - A^*}{2i}\right) \leq \sigma_{max}(A)$$

here $\lambda(A)$ represent any eigenvalue of square matrix A .

In order to prove the inequality briefly, we introduce a matrix norm $w(A)$ defined as follows,

$$w(A) \equiv \max_{\|x\|_2=1} |x^* Ax| = w(A^*)$$

we can easy prove that $w(A)$ is a matrix norm and unitary invariant.

We have following inequality (it's well known and easy to prove)

$$\rho(A) \leq w(A) \leq \sigma_{max}(A)$$

Equation holds for any *normal* matrix A .

Now, I'm going to prove our matrix inequality.
 Let λ_0 be a eigenvalue of A , and x_0 be it's correspond eigenvector, we may wish to set that $\|x_0\|_2 = 1$. Thus we have

$$Ax_0 = \lambda_0 x_0$$

so

$$x_0^* Ax_0 = x_0^* \lambda_0 x_0 = \lambda_0 x_0^* x_0 = \lambda_0$$

hence we have,

$$x_0^* A^* x_0 = \overline{\lambda_0}$$

thus,

$$x_0^* \frac{A^* + A}{2} x_0 = \frac{\lambda_0 + \overline{\lambda_0}}{2} = \text{Re}\lambda_0$$

Note that $\frac{A^* + A}{2}$ is a hermite matrix, hence we have

$$|\text{Re}\lambda_0| = |x_0^* \frac{A^* + A}{2} x_0| \leq w(\frac{A^* + A}{2}) = \rho(\frac{A^* + A}{2})$$

On the other hand,we have

$$\rho(\frac{A^* + A}{2}) = w(\frac{A^* + A}{2}) \leq w(\frac{A^*}{2}) + w(\frac{A}{2}) = w(A) \leq \sigma(A)$$

Similarly,we can prove the second inequation.

The form of the inequation is real beautiful, They say that any eigenvalue of a square matrix A can be bounded by two Hermite matrix B, C where $A = B + iC$, and B, C is unique determined by A .

I explain my inequation in another way

$\forall A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ there is a unique Hermite matrix B and anti-Hermite matrix C such that $A = B + iC$. In addition, the real part of $\lambda(A)$ is bounded by $\rho(B)$ and the image part of $\lambda(A)$ is bounded by $\rho(C)$.

Real Matrix Inequality

Since real symmetric matrix is a kind of Hermite matrix and $\rho(iC) = \rho(C)$, we can get the real form of our inequation as follows,

$$|\text{Re}(\lambda(A))| \leq \rho(\frac{A + A^T}{2}) \leq \sigma_{max}(A)$$

$$|\text{Im}(\lambda(A))| \leq \rho(\frac{A - A^T}{2}) \leq \sigma_{max}(A)$$

In particular, if A is a non-negative matrix. Using theorem of Perron-Frobenius about non-negative matrix, we know that A has a non-negative eigenvalue and equal to $\rho(A)$, so using our inequality we have,

$$\rho(A) \leq \rho\left(\frac{A + A^T}{2}\right) \leq \sigma_{max}(A)$$

holds for any non-negative square matrix.

Thanks to my teacher Mr. Wei who let me consider the relationship between $A = B + C$. I had no thought about this at first, but I soon found these interesting inequation when I choose some rand matrix to do experiment in MATLAB. I don't know whether the result had been found before, anyway, I'm so happy to discover and prove the inequation independently.

3 Minimax Principle

(Minimax principle) If $\phi: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continue in \mathbb{C}^n , then

$$s_k \equiv \max_{\substack{S \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n \\ \dim S = k}} \min_{\substack{x \in S \\ \|x\| = 1}} \phi(x) \leq \min_{\substack{T \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n \\ \dim T = n - k + 1}} \max_{\substack{x \in T \\ \|x\| = 1}} \phi(x) \equiv t_k$$

Prove: There exists a $S_0 \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$ such that

$$s_k = \min_{\substack{x \in S_0 \\ \|x\| = 1}} \phi(x)$$

$\forall T \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n, \dim T = n - k + 1$, we have

$$\dim T \cap S_0 = \dim T + \dim S_0 - \dim T \cup S_0 \geq 1$$

thus we have $x_0 \in T \cap S_0, \|x_0\| = 1$.

$$\max_{\substack{x \in T \\ \|x\| = 1}} \phi(x) \geq \phi(x_0) \geq \min_{\substack{x \in S_0 \\ \|x\| = 1}} \phi(x) = s_k$$

hence

$$\max_{\substack{S \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n \\ \dim S = k}} \min_{\substack{x \in S \\ \|x\| = 1}} \phi(x) \leq \min_{\substack{T \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n \\ \dim T = n - k + 1}} \max_{\substack{x \in T \\ \|x\| = 1}} \phi(x)$$

I try to prove that the opposite side is also true, but fail since the opposite side doesn't hold in general.

if A is Hermitian, then $\phi(x) = x^*Ax \in \mathbb{R}$, we choose $\|\cdot\| = \|\cdot\|_2$. Then we have $s_k = t_k = \lambda_k$. This is called **Courant-Fischer's minimax theorem**.

Since $\forall x \in \mathbb{C}^n, \phi(x) = x^*Ax \in \mathbb{R} \iff A$ is a Hermite matrix.

In order to generalize *Courant-Fischer's minimax theorem*, we choose vector norm to be

$$\|\cdot\| = \|\cdot\|_2$$

and from now on, define $\phi(x)$ and as follows,

$$\phi(x) = |x^*Ax|$$

If we arrange eigenvalues in absolute descending order. I'm going to prove that for any *normal* matrix A

$$t_k \equiv \min_{\substack{T \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n \\ \dim T = n - k + 1}} \max_{\|x\|_2 = 1, x \in T} |x^*Ax| = |\lambda_k|$$

Since A is a *normal* matrix, by Schur's theorem, we know A can be diaged by unitary matrix, that is to say, A have orthogonal eigenvectors x_1, \dots, x_n coincide with it's eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$.

Let $T_0 = \sigma(x_k, \dots, x_n)$, then $\forall x \in T_0$

$$x = \langle x, x_k \rangle x_k + \dots + \langle x, x_n \rangle x_n$$

hence

$$|x^*Ax| = \left| \sum_{i=k}^n |\langle x, x_i \rangle|^2 \lambda_i \right| \leq \sum_{i=k}^n |\langle x, x_i \rangle|^2 |\lambda_i| \leq |\lambda_k| \sum_{i=k}^n |\langle x, x_i \rangle|^2 = |\lambda_k| \|x\|_2^2$$

so

$$t_k \leq \max_{\substack{x \in T_0 \\ \|x\|_2 = 1}} |x^*Ax| \leq |\lambda_k|$$

end my prove.

I'm now give an example shows that $t_k < |\lambda_k|$ maybe true for some k even the matrix is Hermitian.

Example 1.

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

$|\lambda_1| = |\lambda_2| = 1$ but $t_1 = 1, t_2 = 0$, thus $t_2 < |\lambda_2|$

Since A is anti-Hermitian $\iff iA$ is Hermitian. we can get coincide *Courant-Fischers minimax theorem* for anti-Hermite matrix.

$$i\lambda_i(A) = \max_{\substack{S \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n \\ \dim S = k}} \min_{\substack{x \in S \\ \|x\|_2 = 1}} x^* iAx = \min_{\substack{T \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n \\ \dim T = n - k + 1}} \max_{\substack{x \in T \\ \|x\|_2 = 1}} x^* iAx$$

for any anti-Hermite matrix A .

4 Some Prove in Our Books

4.1 Brief prove of some theorem

1. **Courant-Fischer's minimax theorem** can be proved using dimension formula and spectral theory.
2. **Cauchy's interlace theorem** can be proved using **Courant-Fischer's minimax theorem**. so is **Weyl's theory**.

4.2 Shorter prove of some theorem

The prove of following result in our book(Page 5-6)is real fussy.

1. For any matrix A

$$\|A\|_2 = \sigma_{\max}(A)$$

Prove:

$$\|A\|_2 = \max_{\|x\|_2=1} \|Ax\|_2 = \max_{\|x\|_2=1} [x^*(A^*A)x]^{\frac{1}{2}} = [\rho(A^*A)]^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sigma_{\max}(A)$$

2. For any *unitary* matrices Q and Z

$$\|A\|_F = \|QAZ\|_F$$

Prove:

$$\|QAZ\|_F = [tr(Z^*A^*Q^*QAZ)]^{\frac{1}{2}} = [tr(Z^*A^*AZ)]^{\frac{1}{2}} = [tr(ZZ^*A^*A)]^{\frac{1}{2}} = tr(A^*A)]^{\frac{1}{2}} = \|A\|_F$$

5 Condition Number

Let $\|\cdot\|$ be any matrix norm and A be an invertible matrix. The condition number of A is define as follows,

$$\kappa(A) \equiv \|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\|$$

but, what is the condition number for singular matrix ? Actually, we can replace A^{-1} to *Moore-Penrose's generalized inverse* A^+ which satisfied following equations

$$\begin{aligned} AXA &= A \\ XAX &= X \\ (AX)^* &= AX \\ (XA)^* &= XA \end{aligned}$$

we can prove that X exists and unique, we mark it as A^+ .

In fact, if $A = U\Delta V$ is a SVD of A , where $\Delta = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_k, 0, \dots, 0)$ with $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_k > 0$.

Then we have

$$A^+ = V^* \hat{\Delta} U^*$$

where $\hat{\Delta} = \text{diag}(\frac{1}{\sigma_1}, \frac{1}{\sigma_2}, \dots, \frac{1}{\sigma_k}, 0, \dots, 0)$. In addition, if we have a norm for any matrix (not need to be square), then using *Moore-Penrose's generalized inverse* we can define condition number for any matrix as follows,

$$\kappa(A) \equiv \|A\| \cdot \|A^+\|$$

In particular, if A is a square matrix and $\|\cdot\| \equiv \|\cdot\|_2$. then

$$\kappa(A) = \|A\|_2 \cdot \|A^+\|_2 = \frac{\sigma_1(A)}{\sigma_k(A)}$$

here $\sigma_1(A)$ is greatest singular value of A , and $\sigma_k(A)$ is the leastest non-zero singular value of A .

6 I can't find such Norm

$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \|\cdot\|_*$ satisfies that

$$\|A\|_* < \rho(A) + \epsilon$$

hold for all matrix $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$.

If such proposition is true, I choose a $\epsilon_0 > 0$ then $\exists \|\cdot\|_*$ satisfies that

$$\|A\|_* < \rho(A) + \epsilon$$

hold for all matrix $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$.

There must be a matrix A_1 in $\mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ such that

$$\rho(A_1) < \|A_1\|_* < \|A_1\|_* + \epsilon_0$$

so

$$\|A_1\|_* = \rho(A_1) + \epsilon_1$$

where $0 < \epsilon_1 < \epsilon_0$ so

$$\left\| \frac{2\epsilon_0}{\epsilon_1} A_1 \right\|_* = \frac{2\epsilon_0}{\epsilon_1} \|A_1\|_* = \frac{2\epsilon_0}{\epsilon_1} \rho(A_1) + \frac{2\epsilon_0}{\epsilon_1} \epsilon_1 = \rho\left(\frac{2\epsilon_0}{\epsilon_1} A_1\right) + 2\epsilon_0$$

contradict the condition.

The following proposition may be right, but I couldn't prove it. $\forall A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}, \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \|\cdot\|_*$ satisfies that

$$\|A\|_* < \rho(A) + \epsilon$$