

**Lior Silberman's Math 412: Problem set 10, due 5/4/2023**

- P1. Recall that a *projection* is a linear map  $E$  such that  $E^2 = E$ . For each  $n$  construct a projection  $E_n: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  of norm at least  $n$  ( $\mathbb{R}^n$  is equipped with the Euclidean norm unless specified otherwise). Prove for yourself that the norm of an *orthogonal* projection is 1.

**Difference and differential equations**

P2. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Let  $\underline{v}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

- (a) Find  $S$  invertible and  $D$  diagonal such that  $A = S^{-1}DS$ .  
 – Prove for yourself the formula  $A^k = S^{-1}D^kS$ .  
 (b) Find a formula for  $\underline{v}_k = A^k\underline{v}_0$ , and show that  $\frac{\underline{v}_k}{\|\underline{v}_k\|}$  converges for any norm on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

RMK You have found a formula for Fibonacci numbers (why?), and have shown that the real number  $\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n$  is exponentially close to being an integer.

RMK This idea can solve any *difference equation*, and also *differential equations*.

1. We will analyze the differential equation  $u'' = -u$  with initial data  $u(0) = u_0$ ,  $u'(0) = u_1$ .  
 (a) Let  $\underline{v}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} u(t) \\ u'(t) \end{pmatrix}$ . Show that  $u$  is a solution to the equation iff  $\underline{v}$  solves

$$\underline{v}'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \underline{v}(t).$$

- (b) Let  $W = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Find a formula for  $W^n$  and express  $\exp(Wt) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{W^k t^k}{k!}$  as a matrix whose entries are standard power series.  
 (c) Sum the series and show that  $u(t) = u_0 \cos(t) + u_1 \sin(t)$ .  
 (d) Find a matrix  $S$  such that  $W = S \begin{pmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix} S^{-1}$ . Evaluate  $\exp(Wt)$  again, this time using  $\exp(Wt) = S \left( \exp \begin{pmatrix} it & 0 \\ 0 & -it \end{pmatrix} \right) S^{-1}$ .

DEF The *companion matrix* associated to the polynomial  $p(x) = x^n - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i x^i$  is

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ a_0 & a_1 & \dots & a_{n-2} & a_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

2. A sequence  $\{x_k\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$  is said to satisfy a *linear recurrence relation* (or a *difference equation*) if for each  $k$ ,

$$x_{k+n} = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i x_{k+i}.$$

- (a) Define vectors  $\underline{v}^{(k)} = (x_{k-n+1}, x_{k-n+2}, \dots, x_k)$ . Show that  $\underline{v}^{(k+1)} = C\underline{v}^{(k)}$  where  $C$  is the companion matrix above.  
 (b) Find  $x_{100}$  if  $x_0 = 1$ ,  $x_1 = 2$ ,  $x_2 = 3$  and  $x_n = x_{n-1} + x_{n-2} - x_{n-3}$ .

*hint:* Find the Jordan canonical form of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

3. Let  $C$  be the companion matrix associated with the polynomial  $p(x) = x^n - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_k x^k$ .
- (a) Show that  $p(x)$  is the characteristic polynomial of  $C$ .
  - (b) Show that  $p(x)$  is also the minimal polynomial.
  - For parts (c),(d) fix a non-zero root  $\lambda$  of  $p(x)$ .
  - (c) Find (with proof) an eigenvector with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .
  - (\*\*d) Let  $g$  be a polynomial, and let  $\underline{v}$  be the vector with entries  $v_k = \lambda^k g(k)$  for  $0 \leq k \leq n-1$ . Show that, if the degree of  $g$  is small enough (depending on  $p, \lambda$ ), then  $((C - \lambda)\underline{v})_k = \lambda(g(k+1) - g(k))\lambda^k$  and (the hard part) that

$$((C - \lambda)\underline{v})_{n-1} = \lambda(g(n) - g(n-1))\lambda^{n-1}.$$

(\*\*e) Find the Jordan canonical form of  $C$ .

4. Consider now *differential* equation  $\frac{d}{dt}\underline{v} = B\underline{v}$  where  $B$  is as in PS8 problem 1.
- (a) Find matrices  $S, D$  so that  $D$  is in Jordan form, and such that  $B = SDS^{-1}$ .
  - (b) Find  $\exp(tD)$  as in 1(b) by computing a formula for  $D^n$  and summing the series.
  - (c) Find the solution such that  $\underline{v}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^t$ .

### Power series

5. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} z & 1 \\ 0 & z \end{pmatrix}$  with  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .
- (a) Find a simple formula for the entries of  $A^n$ .
  - (b) Use your formula to decide the set of  $z$  for which  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A^n$  converge, and give a formula for the sum.
  - (c) Show that the sum is  $(\text{Id} - A)^{-1}$  when the series converges.
6. For any matrix  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$  show that  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n A^n$  converges for  $|z| < \frac{1}{\rho(A)}$ .  
*Hint:* see PS9 problem 3.

### Supplementary problems

- A. Consider the map  $\text{Tr}: M_n(F) \rightarrow F$ .
- (a) Show that this is a continuous map.
  - (b) Find the norm of this map when  $M_n(F)$  is equipped with the  $L^1 \rightarrow L^1$  operator norm (see PS9 Problem 2(a)).
  - (c) Find the norm of this map when  $M_n(F)$  is equipped with the Hilbert–Schmidt norm (see PS9 Problem A).
  - (\*d) Find the norm of this map when  $M_n(F)$  is equipped with the  $L^p \rightarrow L^p$  operator norm. Find the matrices  $A$  with operator norm 1 and trace maximal in absolute value.
- B. Call  $T \in \text{End}_F(V)$  *bounded below* if there is  $K > 0$  such that  $\|T\underline{v}\| \geq K \|\underline{v}\|$  for all  $\underline{v} \in V$ .
- (a) Let  $T$  be bounded below. Show that  $T$  is invertible, and that  $T^{-1}$  is a bounded operator.
  - (\*b) Suppose that  $V$  is finite-dimensional. Show that every invertible map is bounded below.
- C. (The supremum norm and the Weierstrass  $M$ -test) Let  $V$  be a complete normed space.
- DEF For a set  $X$  call  $f: X \rightarrow V$  *bounded* if there is  $M > 0$  such that  $\|f(x)\|_V \leq M$  for all  $x \in X$  in which case we write  $\|f\|_{\infty} = \sup_{x \in X} \|f(x)\|_V$  (equivalently,  $f$  is bounded if  $x \mapsto \|f(x)\|_V$  is in  $\ell^{\infty}(X)$ ).
- (a) Show that  $\ell^{\infty}(X; V)$  is a vector space (this doesn't use completeness of  $V$ ).
  - (b) Show that  $\ell^{\infty}(X; V)$  is complete.
- DEF Now suppose that  $X$  is a metric space (or, more generally, a topological space). Let  $C(X; V)$  denote the space of *continuous* functions  $X \rightarrow V$  and let  $C_b(X; V) = C(X; V) \cap \ell^{\infty}(X; V)$  be the space of *bounded* continuous functions, the latter equipped with the  $\ell^{\infty}$ -norm.
- (c) Show that  $C_b(X; V)$  is a closed subspace of  $\ell^{\infty}(X; V)$ . Conclude that it is complete.
- COR Deduce Weierstrass's  $M$ -test:  $f_n: X \rightarrow V$  are continuous and satisfy  $\|f_n\|_{\infty} \leq M_n$  with  $\sum_n M_n < \infty$  then  $\sum_n f_n$  converges to a continuous function of norm at most by  $\sum_n M_n$ .