# Stationary Iterative Methods Study Questions Homework 4 Foundations of Computational Math 1 Fall 2021

### Problem 4.1

4.1.a. Textbook page 241, Problem 2

4.1.b. Textbook page 241, Problem 4

4.1.c. Textbook page 241, Problem 5

Material in textbook Sections 1.7 and 5.1 is useful for these problems.

### Problem 4.2

The Gershgorin theorems in Section 5.1 of the text and the idea of irreducibility in Section 5.1 are often valuable in analyzing the convergence of iterative methods. Familiarize yourself with both in order to answer this question.

- **4.2.a.** Use the appropriate Gershgorin-related facts to show that if A is symmetric and strictly diagonally dominant then Jacobi converges for all  $x_0$ .
- **4.2.b.** Use the appropriate Gershgorin-related facts to show that Jacobi converges for all  $x_0$  for the matrix

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

# Problem 4.3

#### **4.3.**a

Consider the two matrices:

$$A_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } A_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{12} \\ -\frac{3}{4} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Suppose you solve systems of linear equations involving  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  using Jacobi's method. For which matrix would you expect faster convergence?

#### **4.3.**b

Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

(i) Will Jacobi's method converge when solving Ax = b?

(ii) Will Gauss-Seidel converge when solving Ax = b?

### Problem 4.4

Consider simple accelerated Richardson's method to solve Ax = b

Given, 
$$x_0$$
  
 $x_{k+1} = x_k + \alpha r_k$   
 $r_k = b - Ax_k$   
 $\alpha > 0$ 

The nonsymmetric matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 2 & 3\\ 2 & 2 & 1\\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

has real positive eigenvalues. Computing the eigenvalues A or the matrix that defines the iteration is too costly in practice. What value would choose for  $\alpha > 0$  so that simple accelerated Richardson's method will converge for any  $x_0$ ? Make sure your method for setting  $\alpha$  is practical.

### Problem 4.5

Determine the necessary and sufficient conditions for  $x = A^{-1}b$  to be a fixed point of

$$x_{i+1} = Gx_i + f$$

### Problem 4.6

#### **4.6.a**

Consider solving Ax = b where the matrix A is nonsingular by a linear stationary iterative method

 $x_{k+1} = Gx_k + f, \ G = (I - P^{-1}A), \ f = P^{-1}b$ 

(i) Give an example of an iterative method for which G is singular. Justify your answer.

(ii) Does G being singular affect the asymptotic rate of the iteration compared to another iteration defined by  $\tilde{G}$ , that differs only in that  $\tilde{G}$  has a nonzero eigenvalue when G has a zero eigenvalue with the rest of the eigenvalues the same for both matrices?

#### 4.6.b

When attempting to solve Ax = b where A is known to be nonsingular via an iterative method, we have seen various theorems that give sufficient conditions on A to guarantee the convergence of various iterative methods. It is not always easy to verify these conditions for a given matrix A. Let P and Q be two permutation matrices. Rather than solving Ax = bwe could solve  $(PAQ)(Q^Tx) = Pb$  using an iterative method. Sometimes it is possible to examine A and choose P and/or Q so that it is easy to apply one of our sufficient condition theorems.

(i) Can you choose P and/or Q so that the permuted system converges for one or both of Gauss-Seidel and Jacobi with

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 & 7\\ 1 & 6 & -1\\ 10 & -2 & 7 \end{pmatrix}?$$

(ii) Can you choose P and/or Q so that the permuted system converges for one or both of Gauss-Seidel and Jacobi with

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 7 & -1 \\ 7 & 4 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}?$$

### Problem 4.7

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a symmetric positive definite matrix and consider solving the linear system Ax = b using a linear stationary method with preconditioner P.

Show that if the symmetric matrix  $P + P^T - A$  is positive definite then Richardson's stationary method of the form

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + P^{-1}r_k$$

converges for all  $x_0$ .

# Problem 4.8

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a symmetric positive definite matrix and consider solving the linear system Ax = b using a linear stationary method with preconditioner P. Also assume that P is symmetric positive definite with a Cholesky factorization  $P = LL^T$ .

Show that Richardson's stationary method of the form

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + P^{-1}r_k$$

converges for all  $x_0$  if the symmetric matrix 2P - A is positive definite.

### Problem 4.9

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a symmetric positive definite matrix and consider solving the linear system Ax = b using the linear stationary method Jacobi overrelaxation (JOR)

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + \omega D^{-1} r_k$$

where D is the diagonal matrix containing the diagonal elements of A. Derive a sufficient condition on  $\omega > 0$  for JOR to converge for all  $x_0$ .

# Problem 4.10

Prove that if  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is symmetric positive definite then (Forward) Gauss-Seidel converges for all  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

# Problem 4.11

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a symmetric positive definite matrix and consider solving the linear system Ax = b.

Recall that for Symmetric Gauss-Seidel we have

$$P_{sgs} = (D - L)D^{-1}(D - U)$$
$$x_{k+1} = x_k + P_{sgs}^{-1}r_k = x_k + (D - U)^{-1}D(D - L)^{-1}r_k$$

Show that the Symmetric Gauss-Seidel iteration converges for any  $x_0$ .

# Problem 4.12

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a symmetric positive definite matrix and consider solving the linear system Ax = b. Show that the SSOR iteration converges for any  $x_0$  when  $0 < \omega < 2$ .

# Problem 4.13

Prove the following:

**Lemma.** If A can be written A = I - P where  $P \ge 0$  and  $\rho(P) < 1$  then A is an M-matrix.

# Problem 4.14

Suppose the system Ax = b, where  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is to be solved using the (Forward) Gauss-Seidel method.

Show that if A is strictly diagonally dominant by rows then the method will converge.