

QUANTITATIVE METHODS for ECONOMIC APPLICATIONS

TASK 20/4/2020

I M 1) After having determined the complex number z which is the solution of the equation $\frac{z}{1+i} + \frac{z}{1-i} = 2i$, calculate its cubic roots $\sqrt[3]{z}$.

$$\frac{z}{1+i} + \frac{z}{1-i} = z \left(\frac{1}{1+i} + \frac{1}{1-i} \right) = z \left(\frac{1-i+1+i}{(1+i)(1-i)} \right) = z \frac{2}{2} = 2i \Rightarrow z = 2i.$$

Since $2i = 2 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{2} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$ we get :

$$\sqrt[3]{z} = \sqrt[3]{2} \left(\cos \left(\frac{\pi}{6} + k \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) + i \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{6} + k \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) \right), 0 \leq k \leq 2.$$

$$\text{For } k = 0 \text{ we get } z_0 = \sqrt[3]{2} \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right) = \sqrt[3]{2} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + i \frac{1}{2} \right);$$

$$\text{for } k = 1 \text{ we get } z_1 = \sqrt[3]{2} \left(\cos \frac{5\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{5\pi}{6} \right) = \sqrt[3]{2} \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + i \frac{1}{2} \right);$$

$$\text{for } k = 2 \text{ we get } z_2 = \sqrt[3]{2} \left(\cos \frac{3\pi}{2} + i \sin \frac{3\pi}{2} \right) = \sqrt[3]{2} (-i).$$

I M 2) Given the matrix $\mathbb{A} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & k & k-1 \\ 0 & 0 & k^2 \end{vmatrix}$, since $\lambda = -1$ is an eigenvalue of \mathbb{A} , find

the value of the real parameter k , verify that \mathbb{A} is diagonalizable and then find a matrix that diagonalizes \mathbb{A} .

$$\text{From } |\mathbb{A} - \lambda \mathbb{I}| = 0 \text{ we get } \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & k-\lambda & k-1 \\ 0 & 0 & k^2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1-\lambda)(k-\lambda)(k^2-\lambda) = 0$$

$$\text{For } \lambda = -1 \text{ we get } (1+1)(k+1)(k^2+1) = 0 \Rightarrow k+1 = 0 \Rightarrow k = -1.$$

$$\text{So the matrix is } \mathbb{A} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}. \text{ We find all the eigenvalues:}$$

$$P_3(\lambda) = (1-\lambda)(-1-\lambda)(1-\lambda) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 1, \lambda_3 = -1.$$

$$\text{For } k = -1 \text{ and } \lambda = 1 \text{ we study the matrix } \|\mathbb{A} - 1\mathbb{I}\| = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \text{ and since}$$

$$\text{Rank}(\|\mathbb{A} - 1\mathbb{I}\|) = 1 \Rightarrow m_1^g = 3 - 1 = 2 = m_1^2 \text{ and so the matrix is diagonalizable.}$$

Now we go to construct the modal matrix. Firstly we search for two linearly independent eigenvectors corresponding to the eigenvalue $\lambda = 1$. We must solve the system:

$$\|\mathbb{A} - 1\mathbb{I}\| \cdot \mathbb{X} = \mathbb{O} \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{vmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} y+z=0 \\ \forall x \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \forall x \\ z = -y \end{cases}.$$

So eigenvectors corresponding to the eigenvalue $\lambda = 1$ are $\mathbb{V} = (x, y, -y)$.

Two linearly independent eigenvectors may be $\mathbb{V}_1 = (1, 0, 0)$ and $\mathbb{V}_2 = (0, 1, -1)$.

Now we search for an eigenvector corresponding to the eigenvalue $\lambda = -1$ solving the system: $\|\mathbb{A} + 1\mathbb{I}\| \cdot \mathbb{X} = \mathbb{O} \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{vmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2x + y + z = 0 \\ 2z = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} y = -2x \\ z = 0 \end{cases}$. Eigenvectors corresponding to $\lambda = -1$ are $\mathbb{V} = (x, -2x, 0)$ and one of

them may be $\mathbb{V}_3 = (1, -2, 0)$. Finally we construct the modal matrix:

$\mathbb{P} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$. And we can see that $\mathbb{A} \cdot \mathbb{P} = \mathbb{P} \cdot \mathbb{D} \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix}.$$

I M 3) Since the linear system $\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0 \\ mx_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0 \\ x_1 + x_2 + kx_3 = 0 \end{cases}$ has the solution $(1, 0, -1)$, calculate

the values of the real parameters m and k and then find a basis for the space of the solutions of the system.

Substituting we get: $\begin{cases} 1 + 0 - 1 = 0 \\ m + 0 - 1 = 0 \\ 1 + 0 - k = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} m = 1 \\ k = 1 \end{cases}$ and we get the system:

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0 \Rightarrow x_3 = -x_1 - x_2 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

All the solutions of the system are in the form $(x_1, x_2, -x_1 - x_2)$.

A basis for the space of the solutions of the system may be $\{(1, 0, -1); (0, 1, -1)\}$.

I M 4) Determine the vectors parallel to the vector $\mathbb{X} = (1, -1, 2)$ and with modulus equal to $\sqrt{6}$.

A vector parallel to the vector $\mathbb{X} = (1, -1, 2)$ is a vector of the type:

$\mathbb{Y} = k \cdot (1, -1, 2) = (k, -k, 2k)$. And so we get:

$\|\mathbb{Y}\| = \sqrt{k^2 + k^2 + 4k^2} = \sqrt{6k^2} = \sqrt{6} \Rightarrow k^2 = 1 \Rightarrow k = \pm 1$. So we get two vectors corresponding to the request: $\mathbb{Y}_1 = (1, -1, 2)$ and $\mathbb{Y}_2 = (-1, 1, -2)$.

II M 1) Given the equation $f(x, y) = e^{x^2+y^2} - e^{x-y} = 0$ satisfied at the point $(0, 0)$, verify that an implicit function $x \rightarrow y(x)$ can be defined with it, and then calculate the first order derivative of this function.

The function $f(x, y)$ is a differentiable function $\forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. It also turns out:

$\nabla f(x, y) = (2x e^{x^2+y^2} - e^{x-y}; 2y e^{x^2+y^2} + e^{x-y})$ for which $\nabla f(0, 0) = (-1; 1)$.

Since $f'_y(0, 0) = 1 \neq 0$ it is possible to define an implicit function $x \rightarrow y(x)$.

For its derivative we have: $y'(0) = -\frac{-1}{1} = 1$.

II M 2) Solve the problem $\begin{cases} \text{Max/min } f(x, y) = x - 2y + 3z \\ \text{s.v. } x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 14 \end{cases}$.

The objective function of the problem is a continuous function, the constraint defines a feasible region \mathcal{E} which is a compact set since it consists of only boundary points (the surface of a sphere) and therefore surely maximum and minimum values exist.

For a problem with equality constraints we construct the Lagrangian function and apply to it the first and second order conditions. We have:

$$\Lambda(x, y, z, \lambda) = x - 2y + 3z - \lambda (x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 14).$$

Applying the first order conditions we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \Lambda(x, y, z, \lambda) = \mathbb{O} &\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \Lambda'_x = 1 - 2\lambda x = 0 \\ \Lambda'_y = -2 - 2\lambda y = 0 \\ \Lambda'_z = 3 - 2\lambda z = 0 \\ x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 14 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = \frac{1}{2\lambda} \\ y = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \\ z = \frac{3}{2\lambda} \\ \frac{1}{4\lambda^2} + \frac{1}{\lambda^2} + \frac{9}{4\lambda^2} = 14 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = \frac{1}{2\lambda} \\ y = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \\ z = \frac{3}{2\lambda} \\ \frac{14}{4\lambda^2} = 14 \end{cases} &\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = \frac{1}{2\lambda} \\ y = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \\ z = \frac{3}{2\lambda} \\ \lambda^2 = \frac{1}{4} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = 1 \\ y = -2 \\ z = 3 \\ \lambda = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \cup \begin{cases} x = -1 \\ y = 2 \\ z = -3 \\ \lambda = -\frac{1}{2} \end{cases}. \end{aligned}$$

We have only two stationary points: $P_1 = (1, -2, 3)$ and $P_2 = (-1, 2, -3)$.

By Weierstrass' theorem, since $f(1, -2, 3) = 14$ and $f(-1, 2, -3) = -14$ it obviously turns out that P_1 is the maximum point while P_2 is the minimum point.

If we want to apply the second order conditions we have to build the bordered Hessian matrix:

$$\overline{\mathbb{H}}(x, y, z, \lambda) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2x & 2y & 2z \\ 2x & -2\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 2y & 0 & -2\lambda & 0 \\ 2z & 0 & 0 & -2\lambda \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{to calculate then, in the points } P_1 \text{ and } P_2, \text{ the}$$

minors $\overline{\mathbb{H}}_3$ and $\overline{\mathbb{H}}_4$.

$$\text{Since } \overline{\mathbb{H}}(P_1) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 & -4 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 6 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{it is :}$$

$\overline{\mathbb{H}}_3(P_1) = 20 > 0$ and $\overline{\mathbb{H}}_4(P_1) = -56 < 0$ and so P_1 is the maximum point;

$$\text{Since } \overline{\mathbb{H}}(P_2) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -2 & 4 & -6 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -6 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{it is :}$$

$\overline{\mathbb{H}}_3(P_2) = -20 < 0$ and $\overline{\mathbb{H}}_4(P_2) = -56 < 0$ and so P_2 is the minimum point.

II M 3) Given $f(x, y) = xy$ and $g(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$ determine for which values of parameter α it is $\mathcal{D}_v f(1, 1) = \mathcal{D}_v g(1, 1)$, with $v = (\cos \alpha, \sin \alpha)$.

The functions $f(x, y) = xy$ and $g(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$ are polynomials and therefore are differentiable in any order $\forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$.

So $D_v f(1, 1) = \nabla f(1, 1) \cdot v$ and $D_v g(1, 1) = \nabla g(1, 1) \cdot v$. Since:

$\nabla f(x, y) = (y; x) \Rightarrow \nabla f(1, 1) = (1, 1)$ and $\nabla g(x, y) = (2x; 2y) \Rightarrow \nabla g(1, 1) = (2; 2)$, to get $D_v f(1, 1) = D_v g(1, 1)$ it will be:

$(1, 1)(\cos \alpha, \sin \alpha) = (2; 2)(\cos \alpha, \sin \alpha) \Rightarrow \cos \alpha + \sin \alpha = 0 \Rightarrow \cos \alpha = -\sin \alpha$ and so:

$$\alpha = \frac{3}{4}\pi \text{ or } \alpha = \frac{7}{4}\pi.$$

II M 4) Given the function $f(x, y, z) = x^2 y z^3 - \log(y - x) + e^{y-z}$, determine the gradient vector of the function at $P_0 = (1, 2, 2)$.

It is $\nabla f(x, y, z) = \left(2xyz^3 - \frac{-1}{y-x}; x^2 z^3 - \frac{1}{y-x} + e^{y-z}; 3x^2 y z^2 - e^{y-z} \right)$ and so:

$$\nabla f(1, 2, 2) = \left(32 - \frac{-1}{2-1}; 8 - \frac{1}{2-1} + e^{2-2}; 24 - e^{2-2} \right) = (33; 8; 23).$$