

Last time

Solving $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$ for $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ nonsingular

using $\begin{cases} \text{Gauss Elimination} \\ \text{LU Factorization.} \end{cases}$

But LU factorization is not the end of the story.

①. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ — pivot is zero!
can't divide by zero.

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.00001 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ — pivot almost zero

②. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4.11 & 5.0 \\ 8.23 & 10.1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\underline{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 8 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$

this matrix is "almost singular"

Q: How do we analyze the condition of $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$

③ Q How do we compare solutions $\underline{x}$ from different algo.

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.780 & 0.563 \\ 0.913 & 0.659 \end{bmatrix}$ $\underline{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.217 \\ 0.254 \end{bmatrix}$

Two solutions:

$\underline{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.341 \\ -0.087 \end{bmatrix}$ $\underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.999 \\ -1.001 \end{bmatrix}$ but $\underline{x}^* = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

Which is better? Maybe look at the residual

$A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$ but $A\underline{x}_1 - \underline{b} =: \underline{r}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.000001 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$A\underline{x}_2 - \underline{b} =: \underline{r}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.001343 \\ 0.001572 \end{bmatrix}$

The norm ("size") of the residual is a poor measure of the closeness of a solution $\|\underline{x}^* - \hat{\underline{x}}\|$.

Besides, linearly scaling A , $\underline{b}$ will affect $\underline{x}$
but not $\|\underline{x}^* - \hat{\underline{x}}\|$

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To talk about all this, we need a way to talk about the "size" of a vector and also a matrix.

Def A vector norm $\|\cdot\|$ is a mapping $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0}$ such that

1). $\forall \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \|\underline{x}\| \geq 0$ with $\|\underline{x}\| = 0$ iff $\underline{x} = \underline{0}$

2). $\forall \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, c \in \mathbb{R} \quad \|c\underline{x}\| = |c| \cdot \|\underline{x}\|$

if and only if

3). $\forall \underline{x}, \underline{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \|\underline{x} + \underline{y}\| \leq \|\underline{x}\| + \|\underline{y}\|$ — triangle inequality.

In this course we will use the p -norm:

$$\|\underline{x}\|_p = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

1-norm: $p=1 \quad \|\underline{x}\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|$

2-norm: $p=2 \quad \|\underline{x}\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2}$ ← Euclidean norm.

∞ -norm: $p=\infty \quad \|\underline{x}\|_\infty = \max_i |x_i|$

Def An induced matrix norm is a matrix norm defined in terms of a vector norm as follows:

$$\|A\| = \max_{\|\underline{x}\|=1} \|A\underline{x}\| = \max_{\underline{x} \neq 0} \frac{\|A\underline{x}\|}{\|\underline{x}\|}$$

↑ matrix norm ↑ vector norm ← vector norms.

matrix norms satisfy:

1). $\|A\| \geq 0 \quad \|A\| = 0$ iff $A = \underline{0}$ ← matrix zero

2). $\|c \cdot A\| = |c| \cdot \|A\| \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$

$$3). \|A + B\| \leq \|A\| + \|B\|.$$

$$4) \|A \cdot B\| \leq \|A\| \cdot \|B\|$$

$$5) \|A \underline{x}\| \leq \|A\| \|\underline{x}\|$$

$$\|I\| = 1.$$

we can show that

$$\|A\|_1 = \max_j \sum_{i=1}^m |a_{ij}| \quad \text{--- max abs column sum}$$

$$\|A\|_\infty = \max_i \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}| \quad \text{--- max abs row sum}$$

Condition Number of a Matrix

$$\text{cond}(A) = \begin{cases} \|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\| & \text{if } A \text{ is nonsingular} \\ \infty & \text{if } A \text{ is singular} \end{cases}$$

we can show that

$$\|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\| = \left(\max_{\|x\|=1} \|Ax\| \right) \left(\min_{\|x\|=1} \|Ax\| \right)^{-1}.$$

$\text{cond}(A)$ describes the ratio of the max stretch to max shrinking of points on the unit sphere.

Properties of $\text{cond}(A)$.

property ④ of matrix norm.

$$1. \quad \text{cond}(A) = \|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\| \geq \|A \cdot A^{-1}\| = \|I\| = 1 \\ \text{cond}(A) \geq 1.$$

$$2. \quad \text{cond}(I) = 1.$$

$$3. \quad \text{cond}(\gamma A) = \|\gamma A\| \cdot \left\| \frac{1}{\gamma} A^{-1} \right\| = \text{cond}(A). \quad \gamma \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \gamma \neq 0.$$

Notation:

$$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\max_i |x_i|$ = the largest possible $|x_i|$ across all possible values of i .

eg// For

$$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\max_i |x_i| = 4.$$

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq 4} |x_i|$$

Notation

$$\max_{\underline{x}} \|A \underline{x}\|$$

~ the largest possible value for $\|A \underline{x}\|$ across all possible values of $\underline{x}$

$$\max_{\|\underline{x}\|=1}$$

condition
on $\underline{x}$

~ the largest possible value for $\|A \underline{x}\|$ across all possible values of $\underline{x}$ where $\|\underline{x}\|=1$.

If $\text{cond}(A)$ is small then $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$ is well-conditioned. ⑤

with the bound.

$$\frac{\|\Delta x\|}{\|x^*\|} \leq \text{cond}(A) \frac{\|\Delta b\|}{\|b\|}.$$

and similarly

$$\frac{\|\Delta x\|}{\|x^*\|} \leq \text{cond}(A) \frac{\|\Delta A\|}{\|A\|}.$$

Deriving the condition number

Recall from lecture 1. that $C.N = \frac{|\Delta y/y|}{|\Delta x/x|}$

$$\underbrace{\left| \frac{\Delta y}{y} \right|}_{\text{relative error of output}} = C.N. \underbrace{\left| \frac{\Delta x}{x} \right|}_{\text{relative error of input}}$$

Consider $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$.

Let $\underline{x}^*$ be the true solution $A\underline{x}^* = \underline{b}$.

$\hat{\underline{x}}$ be the computed solution. $A\hat{\underline{x}} - \underline{b} = \underline{\Delta b}$ Residual

$$\underline{\Delta x} = \hat{\underline{x}} - \underline{x}^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} A\hat{\underline{x}} - \underline{b} &= \underline{\Delta b} \\ - \quad A\underline{x}^* - \underline{b} &= 0 \\ \hline A(\hat{\underline{x}} - \underline{x}^*) &= \underline{\Delta b}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow A \underline{\Delta x} = \underline{\Delta b}.$$

~~$$\begin{aligned} A\underline{x}^* &= \underline{b} \\ A\hat{\underline{x}} - \underline{b} &= \underline{\Delta b} \end{aligned}$$~~

We have: $\underline{\Delta x} = A^{-1} \underline{\Delta b} \Rightarrow \|\underline{\Delta x}\| \leq \|A^{-1}\| \cdot \|\underline{\Delta b}\|$ — (1)

$$A\underline{x}^* = \underline{b} \Rightarrow \|A\| \cdot \|\underline{x}^*\| \geq \|\underline{b}\|. \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Take ①
②

$$\frac{\|\underline{\Delta x}\|}{\|A\| \cdot \|\underline{x}^*\|} \leq \frac{\|A^{-1}\| \cdot \|\underline{\Delta b}\|}{\|\underline{b}\|}$$

Compare to:

$$\left| \frac{\Delta y}{y} \right| = C.N. \cdot \left| \frac{\Delta x}{x} \right|$$

↑
rel. error
output.

↑
rel. error
input

$$\frac{\|\underline{\Delta x}\|}{\|\underline{x}^*\|} \leq \|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\| \cdot \frac{\|\underline{\Delta b}\|}{\|\underline{b}\|}$$

norm relative
error of computed
solution

C.N.
Cond(A)

norm relative
residual of
computed
solution

What this means is that

if Cond(A) is small

property of
problem

and relative residual is small

then: relative error is small.

property of the
computed solution.

Alternatively, if $\underline{\Delta b}$ small but Cond(A) is large
then relative error could be large.

Improving stability of Gauss Elimination

eg // $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

can't divide
by zero

$\begin{bmatrix} 0.000001 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

multiplication by a large number
will increase relative error.

main idea: interchange rows ($R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2$) before
eliminating the ~~row~~ elements below a
diagonal. So ~~that~~ to maximize the abs. value
of the pivot (value in the diagonal)

e.g.// $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 9 \\ 4 & 5 & 1 \\ -5 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

What row ~~should exchange~~ interchange should we make before performing elimination? ⑥

$$R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3.$$

$$A' = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

We will use permutation matrices to express the interchange

e.g.// $R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A' = P \cdot A.$$

Def A permutation matrix. P has exactly one 1 in each row and each column, and ~~zero~~ ⁰ everywhere else.

Facts :

$$* P^{-1} = P^T$$

$$* \text{cond}(P) = 1.$$

* multiplying both sides of $\underline{A}\underline{x} = \underline{b}$ by $\underline{P}$ does not change the solution.

$$\underline{P}\underline{A}\underline{x} = \underline{P}\underline{b}$$

Gauss Elimination with Partial Pivoting.

We permute the matrix before eliminating below a diagonal ~~so that~~ to choose the largest possible pivot.

Instead of performs:

$$m_{n-1} \cdots m_2 m_1 A = U$$

we perform.

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$$m_{n-1} P_{n-1} \cdots m_2 P_2 m_1 P_1 A = U$$

where P_i are either permutations or the identity

It turns out that ⊛ is equivalent to

$$\underbrace{(\hat{m}_{n-1} \hat{m}_{n-2} \cdots \hat{m}_2 \hat{m}_1)}_{\substack{\text{lower triangular.} \\ L^{-1}}} \underbrace{(P_{n-1} \cdots P_1)}_P A = U \quad \Rightarrow PA = LU$$

product of permutation matrices is still a permutation matrix

Summary to solve $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$

① find P, L, U s.t. $PA = LU$.

Gauss Elimination with partial pivoting

$$\textcircled{2} A\underline{x} = \underline{b} \Leftrightarrow PA\underline{x} = P\underline{b}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow LU\underline{x} = P\underline{b}$$

$$\text{solve } Ly = P\underline{b}$$

$$U\underline{x} = \underline{y}$$

Example $\begin{bmatrix} \epsilon & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ with $\epsilon < \epsilon_{\text{mach}}$.

without pivoting, we get.

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1/\epsilon & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon & 1 \\ 0 & 1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon & 1 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Then } L \cdot U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1/\epsilon & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon & 1 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq A$$

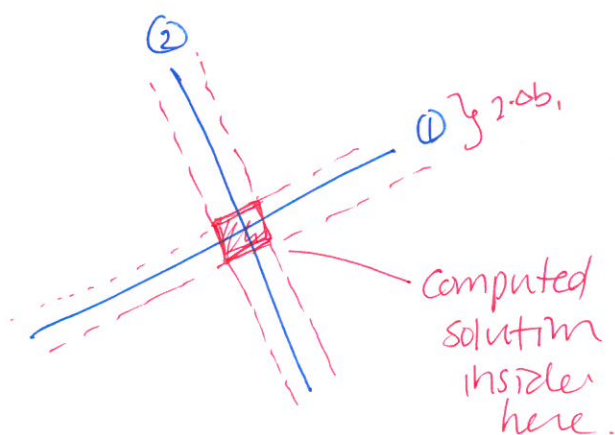
Geometrical Interpretation of conditioning.

in 2D.

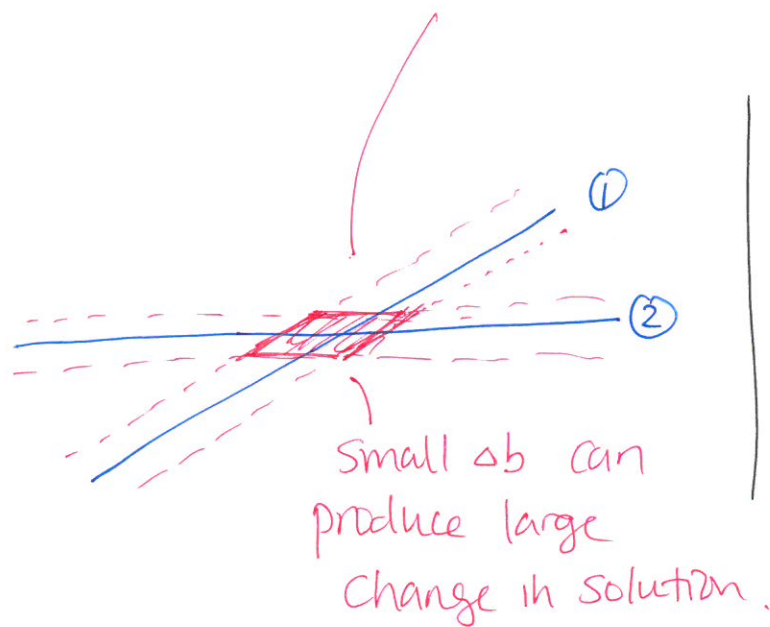
~~Ax = b~~ $Ax = b$ represents finding the intersection of 2 lines.

$$\begin{cases} \textcircled{1} & a_{11} x_1 + a_{12} x_2 = b_1 \\ \textcircled{2} & a_{12} x_1 + a_{22} x_2 = b_2 \end{cases} \text{ lines in 2D.}$$

$$a_{11} x_1 + a_{12} x_2 = \underline{b_1 + \Delta b_1} \quad \text{lines w/ the slope but slightly different intercepts.}$$



well conditioned.



ill conditioned.