

$\|A\|$   
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$$\|Ax\| \leq \|A\| \|x\|$$

## Properties of Matrix Norms

Matrix norms inherit the vector norm properties:

1.  $\|A\| > 0 \Leftrightarrow A \neq \mathbf{0}$ . ✓
  2.  $\|\gamma A\| = |\gamma| \|A\|$  for all scalars  $\gamma$ . ✓
  3. Obeys triangle inequality  $\|A + B\| \leq \|A\| + \|B\|$  ✓
- But also some more properties that stem from our definition:

$$\|A x\| \leq \|A\| \|x\|$$

$$\|A B\| \leq \|A\| \|B\|$$

# Conditioning

- Now, let's study conditioning of solving a linear system

$$\otimes \|Ax\| \leq \|A\| \|x\|$$

$$Ax = \overset{\text{in}}{b} \quad \rightarrow \quad A(x + \Delta x) = (b + \Delta b) \quad \rightarrow$$

cond( $Ax=b$ )

rel. err. in output  
rel. err. in input

$$= \frac{\|\Delta x\| / \|x\|}{\|\Delta b\| / \|b\|} = \frac{\|\Delta x\| \|b\|}{\|\Delta b\| \|x\|}$$

$$A\Delta x = \Delta b$$

$$\Delta x = A^{-1}\Delta b$$

$$= \frac{\|A^{-1}\Delta b\| \|Ax\|}{\|\Delta b\| \|x\|} \leq \|A^{-1}\| \cdot \|A\| \cdot \frac{\|\Delta b\| \|x\|}{\|\Delta b\| \|x\|}$$

$$\text{cond}(A) = \|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\|$$

rel. to a specific norm  
 $\text{cond}_2(A) = \|A\|_2 \|A^{-1}\|_2$

$$\|A^{-1}\Delta b\| \leq \|A^{-1}\| \|\Delta b\|$$

for non-invertible A:  
 $\text{cond}(A) = \infty$

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**Demo:** Condition number visualized

**In-class activity:** Conditioning

**Demo:** Conditioning of  $2 \times 2$  Matrices

$$1 = \|I\| = \|A A^{-1}\| \leq \|A\| \|A^{-1}\| = \text{cond}(A)$$

$$1 \leq \text{cond}(A)$$

$\text{cond}(A)$

$$\text{cond}(A^{-1}) = \|(A^{-1})^{-1}\| \|A^{-1}\| = \|A\| \|A^{-1}\|$$

$$Ax = b$$

$$A^{-1}b = x$$

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$$1 = |1| = \|AA^{-1}\| \leq \|A\| \|A^{-1}\|$$

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$$\|A\| = \left\| \begin{pmatrix} 100 & & \\ & 13 & \\ & & 0.5 \end{pmatrix} \right\|_2 = 100 \quad \|A^{-1}\| = \left\| \begin{pmatrix} 0.01 & & \\ & 1/13 & \\ & & 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\| = 2$$

$$A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 100x \\ 13y \\ 0.5z \end{pmatrix}$$

## Residual and Error

- What is the **residual vector** of solving the linear system

$$\mathbf{b} = A\mathbf{x}?$$

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{b} - A\hat{\mathbf{x}}$$

- How do the (norms of the) residual vector  $\mathbf{r}$  and the error  $\Delta\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}$  relate to one another?

$$\begin{aligned}\|\Delta\mathbf{x}\| &= \|\mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}\| \\ &= \|A^{-1}(\mathbf{b} - A\hat{\mathbf{x}})\| \\ &= \|A^{-1}\mathbf{r}\|\end{aligned}$$

div. by  $\|\hat{\mathbf{x}}\|$  ↙

$$\frac{\|\Delta\mathbf{x}\|}{\|\hat{\mathbf{x}}\|} = \frac{\|A^{-1}\mathbf{r}\|}{\|\hat{\mathbf{x}}\|} \leq \frac{\|A^{-1}\| \|\mathbf{r}\|}{\|\hat{\mathbf{x}}\|} = \frac{\|A\|}{\|A\|} \|A^{-1}\| \frac{\|\mathbf{r}\|}{\|\hat{\mathbf{x}}\|}$$

cond(A)

## Changing the Matrix

- So far, all our discussion was based on changing the right-hand side, i.e.

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \quad \rightarrow \quad A\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{b}}.$$

The matrix consists of FP numbers, too—it, too, is approximate. I.e.

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \quad \rightarrow \quad \hat{A}\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{b}.$$

What can we say about the error now?

## Changing Condition Numbers

- Once we have a matrix  $A$  in a linear system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ , are we stuck with its condition number? Or could we improve it?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- What is this called as a general concept?