

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

Residual and Error

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

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

- 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?

$$\frac{\|\Delta\mathbf{x}\|}{\|\mathbf{x}\|} \leq \text{cond}(A) \cdot \frac{\|\mathbf{r}\|}{\|A\| \|\mathbf{x}\|}$$

Changing the Matrix

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

$$Ax = b \rightarrow A\hat{x} = \hat{b}.$$

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

$$Ax = b \rightarrow \hat{A}\hat{x} = b. \quad \hat{A} = A + \Delta A$$

What can we say about the error now?

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

$\hat{A} - A = \Delta A$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\|\Delta x\|}{\|\hat{x}\|} &\leq \frac{\|A^{-1}\| \|\Delta A\|}{\|A\|} \|\Delta A\| \\ &= \text{cond}(A) \cdot \frac{\|\Delta A\|}{\|A\|} \end{aligned}$$

Changing Condition Numbers

- Once we have a matrix A in a linear system $Ax = b$, are we stuck with its condition number? Or could we improve it?

With M invertible: $Ax = b \quad | \quad M \cdot \quad | \quad x = My$

$$MAx = Mb \quad | \quad \underbrace{AM}_x y = b$$

- What is this called as a general concept?

Preconditioning

"Left"

"Right"

If $M = D$ is diagonal, this is called diagonal preconditioning.

In-class activity: Matrix Conditioning II

2.2 Methods to Solve Systems

Solving Systems

- Want methods/algorithms to solve linear systems. Starting small, a kind of system that's easy to solve has a ... matrix.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & & & \\ & \circ & & \\ & & a_{nn} & \\ & & & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

↑
triangular

$$\rightarrow a_{nn}x_n + \underbrace{a_{n-1,n}x_{n-1}}_j + \dots + b_n \leftarrow$$
$$\rightarrow a_{nn}x_n = b_n$$

Triangular matrices

- Solve

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{14} \\ & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{24} \\ & & a_{33} & a_{34} \\ & & & a_{44} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ b_4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Demo: Coding back-substitution

More General Matrices

- What about non-triangular matrices?

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Gaussian Elimination

Demo: Vanilla Gaussian Elimination

- What do we get by doing Gaussian Elimination?

REF



- How is that different from being upper triangular?

REF could have zeros on the diag.

- What if we do not just eliminate downward but also upward?



computationally inefficient

~~Gauss-Jordan elimination~~

Elimination Matrices

- What does this matrix do?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & 1 & & & \\ & & -\frac{1}{2} & & \\ & & & 1 & \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} * & * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * & * \end{pmatrix}$$