

# Stability Analysis for Nonlinear Problems

- Consider a nonsingular  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$
- Then  $Ax = b$  has a unique soln.
- Now let  $f(x)$  be a smooth vector values function,  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

- Want to solve

$$(\star) \quad Ax + \varepsilon f(x) = b$$

- A simple iterative scheme is fixed point iteration  
 $Ax^{(n+1)} + \varepsilon f(x^{(n)}) = b$   $n = 0, 1, \dots$   
 $x^0 = A^{-1}b$

Then Assume  $f(x)$  is uniformly Lipschitz  
 i.e.  $\exists L$  such that for all  $x, y$   
 $|f(x) - f(y)| \leq L|x - y|$

If  $\gamma = \varepsilon \|A^{-1}\| L < 1$  then  $(\star)$

has a unique soln,  $\tilde{x}$  and the iterative scheme converges  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \tilde{x}$

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To show uniqueness, we'll assume two solutions  $x, y$  and show they must be equal

$$Ax + \varepsilon f(x) = b$$

$$Ay + \varepsilon f(y) = b$$

subtract

$$A(x-y) + \varepsilon [f(x) - f(y)] = 0$$

abs both sides

$$x-y = -\varepsilon A^{-1} (f(x) - f(y))$$

$$|x-y| = \varepsilon |A^{-1} [f(x) - f(y)]|$$

$$\leq \varepsilon |A^{-1}| |f(x) - f(y)|$$

$$\leq \varepsilon |A^{-1}| L |x-y|$$

Lipschitz Def

Pot

$$|x-y| \leq \gamma |x-y|$$

$$(1-\gamma) |x-y| \leq 0$$

$$|x-y| \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x=y$$

if  $\gamma < 1$

We can extend the same argument to analyze convergence of the scheme

$$Ax^n + \varepsilon f(x^{n-1}) = b$$

by taking  $(x, y) = (x^{n+1}, x^{n-1})$

$$x^{n+1} - x^n = -\varepsilon A^{-1} (f(x^{n-1}) - f(x^n))$$

$$|x^{n+1} - x^n| \leq \gamma |x^n - x^{n-1}|$$

$$\leq \gamma^2 |x^{n-1} - x^{n-2}|$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\leq \gamma^n |x^1 - x^0|$$

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For  $m > n$

$$|x^m - x^n| = \left| \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} (x^{i+1} - x^i) \right|$$

$$\leq \left( \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} \gamma^i \right) |x^1 - x^0|$$

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$$\leq \frac{\gamma^n}{1-\gamma} |x^1 - x^0|$$

This is an argument referred to as a Cauchy sequence

i.e. for each  $n, m$  between  $n, m-1$  we get a  $\gamma^i$  from ★★

Geometric Series formula

$$\sum_{k=0}^n ar^k = a \left( \frac{1-r^{n+1}}{1-r} \right)$$