

# Solution of Linear Systems

## Iterative Methods

1) Write MATLAB scripts to implement both the Gauss-Seidel and the Jacobi method and use them to solve, with an accuracy of  $\epsilon = 0.000005$  the system  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  where the elements of  $\mathbf{A}$  are

$$\begin{cases} a_{ii} = -4 \\ a_{ij} = 1 \text{ if } |i-j| = 1 \\ a_{ij} = 0 \text{ if } |i-j| \geq 2, \text{ where } i, j = 1, 2, \dots, 10 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\mathbf{b}^T = (2, 3, 4, \dots, 11)$$

What happens if we change the matrix  $A$  by the matrix?

$$\begin{cases} a_{ii} = -4 \\ a_{ij} = 2 \text{ if } |i-j| = 1 \\ a_{ij} = 0 \text{ if } |i-j| \geq 2, \text{ where } i, j = 1, 2, \dots, 10 \end{cases}$$

2) Solve the following linear system using both Jacobi and Gauss-Seidel methods.

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_3 = 1 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 1 \\ 2x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 = 1 \end{cases}$$

Write in each case the respective iteration matrix. Compute the eigenvalues of the iteration matrices with the MATLAB command `eig`. Explain the results.

3) Using the MATLAB `eig` function compute the spectral radius of the iterative matrices of the Jacobi and Gauss-Seidel method for the matrix:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 4 & -10 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

a) Show that the iterative schemes of Jacobi and Gauss-Seidel will converge.

b) Give a plot of the spectral radius of the iterative matrix for the SOR method. Give an estimation of the optimum value of  $\omega$ .

4) Given the linear system

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -a \\ -a & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , it can be solved using the SOR method:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\omega a & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \omega & -\omega a \\ 0 & 1 - \omega \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}^{(k)} + \omega \mathbf{b}$$

1. Which is the range of values of  $a$  for which the method is convergent if  $\omega = 1$ ?

2. Take  $a = 0.5$ . Solve the system by the SOR method for  $\omega \in (0.85, 125)$

3. Show that in this case, the optimum value of  $\omega$  is

$$\omega = \frac{2}{a^2} \left( 1 - \sqrt{1 - a^2} \right).$$

5) Consider the following linear system with  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ , where

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Use the Jacobi, Gauss-Seidel and SOR methods (taking  $\omega = 1.007$ ). Compute the spectral radius in each case and get the solution accurate to 4, 6, and 8 significant digits, with

$$x^{(0)} = (2.5, 5.5, -4.5, -0.5)^T.$$

6) Given the linear system  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  with

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

a) Compute the spectral radius of the Jacobi and Gauss-Seidel Iterative matrices.

b) Use these results to obtain the optimal value to perform an SOR iterative process and show that with this value we have

$$\rho(B_\omega) < \rho(B_{GS}) < \rho(B_J)$$

c) Solve the system using the three methods with a precision of  $\epsilon < 10^{-5}$

7) Ostrowski-Reich theorem. Consider the linear system  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ , with:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Compute the spectral radius of the Jacobi iterative matrix  $\rho(B_J)$ . Explore the values  $\omega \in (0.2, 1.6)$  with steps  $\Delta\omega = 0.05$  and show that the optimum value for the SOR iterative method is:

$$\omega = \frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{1 - [\rho(B_J)]^2}}$$

while the spectral radius is:

$$\rho(B_\omega) = \omega - 1.$$

This is always the case for positive definite tridiagonal matrices.

8) Consider the systems  $Ax = b$  with

a)

$$A = H_n$$

b)

$$\mathbf{T}_n = (t_{ij}) = \begin{cases} 4, & i = j \\ 1, & |i - j| = 1 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Compute the condition numbers of the matrices for  $n = 5 : 15$  and solve the systems with

$$\mathbf{b} = (1, 1, \dots, 1)^T$$

Compute the norm of the residual for each case.

9) Consider the linear system  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ , defined by :

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & \ddots & \vdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & -1 & 0 & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & -1 & \ddots & \ddots & -1 & 4 & -1 & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & -1 & \ddots & \ddots & -1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & -1 & 4 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ 38 \\ 39 \\ 40 \end{pmatrix}$$

Such matrices are very common when using finite difference methods to solve differential equations.

- Compute the condition number of the matrix using the MATLAB command `cond`
- Solve the system using the backslash operator `\` and compute the residual. Use the residual and the condition number to give an estimate of the error in the solution.
- Solve the system using an iterative method and repeat the error analysis.

## Iterative Inverses

1) An approximation for the inverse of  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})$  where  $\mathbf{I}$  is an  $n \times n$  unit matrix and  $\mathbf{A}$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix is given by

$$(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1} = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^2 + \mathbf{A}^3 + \dots$$

This series only converges and the approximation is only valid if the maximum eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}$  is less than 1. Write a MATLAB function `invapprox(A,k)` that obtains an approximation to  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}$  using  $k$  terms of the given series. The function must find all eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$  using the MATLAB function `eig`. If the largest eigenvalue is greater than one, then a message will be output indicating that the method fails. Otherwise, the function will compute an approximation to  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}$  using  $k$  terms of the series expansion given. Taking  $k = 4$ , test the inverse with the matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.2 & 0.3 & 0 \\ 0.3 & 0.2 & 0.3 \\ 0 & 0.3 & 0.2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 & 0.3 & 0 \\ 0.3 & 1.0 & 0.3 \\ 0 & 0.3 & 1.0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Use the *norm* function to compare the accuracy of the inverse of the matrix  $(I - A)$  found using the MATLAB *inv* function and the function *invapprox(A,k)* form  $k = 4, 8, 16$ .

2) It can be proved that the series

$$(I - A)^{-1} = I + A + A^2 + A^3 + \dots$$

where  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix, converges if the eigenvalues  $A$  are all less than unity. The following  $n \times n$  matrix satisfies this condition if  $a + 2b < 1$  and  $a$  and  $b$  are positive.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ b & a & b & \ddots & \vdots & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \vdots & \ddots & b & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & b & a \end{pmatrix}$$

Experiment with this matrix for various values of  $n, a$  and  $b$  to illustrate that the series converges under the condition stated.

3) Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix and suppose that  $X_0$  is an approximation to  $A^{-1}$ . Consider the succession of matrices given by the recurrence

$$E_k = I - AX_k$$

$$X_{k+1} = X_k(I + E_k + E_k^2), \quad (k \geq 0).$$

1. Show that  $E_{k+1} = E_k^3$  and that  $X_k = A^{-1}(I - E_0^{3^k})$ ,  $(k \geq 0)$ .

2. Give necessary and sufficient conditions for the convergence of  $X_k$  to  $A^{-1}$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} X_k = A^{-1}$$

3. If we take  $X_0$  such that

$$E_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.3 \\ 0.2 & 0.3 & 0.1 \\ 0.3 & 0.1 & 0.2 \end{pmatrix}$$

How many iterations do we need to obtain  $\|E_k\|_{\infty} < 10^{-12}$ ?