

CS 450 Numerical Analysis (22Fa): Homework 2

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1 Theoretical Problems

1.1

Question-1: Consider a non-singular matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, use the definition of condition number to give a step-by-step proof showing that the matrix condition number is given by the following

$$\kappa(\mathbf{A}) = \|\mathbf{A}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\| \quad (1)$$

where $\|\mathbf{A}\|$ is the matrix norm. Furthermore, show that

$$\|\mathbf{A}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\| = \left(\max_{\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}} \frac{\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2}{\|\mathbf{x}\|_2} \right) \cdot \left(\min_{\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}} \frac{\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2}{\|\mathbf{x}\|_2} \right)^{-1}. \quad (2)$$

In addition, prove that $\kappa(\mathbf{A}) \geq 1$.

Considering $y = Ax$, then we can define the pertubated problem as, $y + \delta y = A(x + \delta x)$. Thus, we can get the condition number of matrix A , $\kappa(A)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa(A) &= \max \frac{\text{relative forward error}}{\text{relative backward error}} = \max \frac{\|\delta y\| / \|y\|}{\|\delta x\| / \|x\|} \\ &= \max \frac{\|A\delta x\| \cdot \|x\|}{\|\delta x\| \cdot \|y\|} = \max \frac{\|A\delta x\|}{\|\delta x\|} \cdot \frac{\|A^{-1}y\|}{\|y\|} \\ &= \max \frac{\|A\| \cdot \|\delta x\|}{\|\delta x\|} \cdot \frac{\|A^{-1}\| \cdot \|y\|}{\|y\|} = \boxed{\|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\|} \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

According to the definition of operator norm, we will get $\|A\| = \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, x \neq 0} \frac{\|Ax\|_2}{\|x\|_2}$, thus:

$$\begin{aligned} \|A^{-1}\| &= \max_{x \neq 0} \frac{\|A^{-1}x\|}{\|x\|} = \max_{x \neq 0} \frac{\|A^{-1}Ax\|}{\|Ax\|} = \max_{x \neq 0} \frac{\|x\|}{\|Ax\|} \\ &= \left(\left(\max_{x \neq 0} \frac{\|x\|}{\|Ax\|} \right)^{-1} \right)^{-1} = \left(\min_{x \neq 0} \frac{\|Ax\|}{\|x\|} \right)^{-1} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$$\kappa(A) = \|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\| = \left(\max_{x \neq 0} \frac{\|Ax\|_2}{\|x\|_2} \right) \cdot \left(\min_{x \neq 0} \frac{\|Ax\|_2}{\|x\|_2} \right)^{-1} \quad (3)$$

Furthermore, based on the inequality of matrix, we can easily get:

$$\kappa(A) = \|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\| \geq \|AA^{-1}\| = \|I\| = \boxed{1} \quad (4)$$

1.2

Question-2: Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be an invertable matrix, and \mathbf{x} , $\mathbf{x} + \Delta \mathbf{x}$ be the solutions to the following systems

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}, \quad (3)$$

$$(\mathbf{A} + \Delta \mathbf{A})(\mathbf{x} + \Delta \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{b}. \quad (4)$$

Consider $\mathbf{b} \neq \mathbf{0}$, show the following:

(a) The following inequality holds

$$\frac{\|\Delta \mathbf{x}\|}{\|\mathbf{x} + \Delta \mathbf{x}\|} \leq \kappa(\mathbf{A}) \frac{\|\Delta \mathbf{A}\|}{\|\mathbf{A}\|}. \quad (5)$$

(b) The following inequality holds

$$\frac{\|\Delta \mathbf{x}\|}{\|\mathbf{x}\|} \leq \kappa(\mathbf{A}) \frac{\|\Delta \mathbf{A}\|}{\|\mathbf{A}\|} \left(\frac{1}{1 - \|\Delta \mathbf{A}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} \right). \quad (6)$$

1.2.1 (a)

Given $Ax = b$ and $(A + \Delta A)(x + \Delta x) = b$, then we have:

$$Ax = (A + \Delta A)(x + \Delta x) = Ax + A\Delta x + \Delta Ax + \Delta A\Delta x \quad (5)$$

Thus, we can get $-A\Delta x = \Delta A(x + \Delta x)$, which is equivalent to, $-A^{-1}A\Delta x = A^{-1}\Delta A(x + \Delta x)$ by multiplying A^{-1} at both sides, then we have:

$$\|\Delta x\| = \|A^{-1}\Delta A(x + \Delta x)\| \leq \|A^{-1}\| \cdot \|\Delta A\| \cdot \|x + \Delta x\| \quad (6)$$

$$\frac{\|\Delta x\|}{\|x + \Delta x\|} \leq \|A^{-1}\| \cdot \|\Delta A\| = \kappa(A) \frac{\|\Delta A\|}{\|A\|} \quad (7)$$

Hence, we can conclude that $\frac{\|\Delta x\|}{\|x + \Delta x\|} \leq \kappa(A) \frac{\|\Delta A\|}{\|A\|}$.

1.2.2 (b)

From (a) above, we have already proven that $\frac{\|\Delta x\|}{\|x+\Delta x\|} \leq \kappa(A) \frac{\|\Delta A\|}{\|A\|}$. Thus in order to prove $\frac{\|\Delta x\|}{\|x\|} \leq \kappa(A) \frac{\|\Delta A\|}{\|A\|} \left(\frac{1}{1-\|\Delta A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\|} \right)$, we only need to show:

$$\frac{\|x + \Delta x\|}{\|x\|} \leq \frac{1}{1 - \|\Delta A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\|} \quad (8)$$

That is to say, we need to prove validity of:

$$\|\Delta x + x\| \leq \|x\| + \|A^{-1}\| \cdot \|\Delta A\| \cdot \|\Delta x + x\| \quad (9)$$

Since we know $\Delta A(x + \Delta x) + A\Delta x = 0$, which implies:

$$\Delta A A^{-1}(x + \Delta x) + \Delta x = 0 \quad (10)$$

Thus, we will get:

$$\|\Delta x + x\| - \|x\| \leq \|\Delta x\| = \|\Delta A A^{-1}(x + \Delta x)\| \leq \|A^{-1}\| \cdot \|\Delta A\| \cdot \|x + \Delta x\| \quad (11)$$

Hence, the inequality above has been proved, $\|\Delta x + x\| \leq \|x\| + \|A^{-1}\| \cdot \|\Delta A\| \cdot \|\Delta x + x\|$ holds. Thus, we can conclude that $\frac{\|\Delta x\|}{\|x\|} \leq \kappa(A) \frac{\|\Delta A\|}{\|A\|} \left(\frac{1}{1-\|\Delta A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\|} \right)$.

1.3

Question-3: Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be a symmetric positive definite matrix. Show that the function

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_{\mathbf{A}} = \sqrt{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}} \quad (7)$$

defines a norm on \mathbb{R}^n (i.e., it satisfies the three defining properties of a norm).

This vector norm is said to be *induced* by \mathbf{A} .

Moreover, what if \mathbf{A} is positive semi-definite, does it still hold?

According to the definition of norm, $\|x\|_A$ can be a norm if and only if it satisfies (1) $\|x\|_A \geq 0$ and $\|x\|_A = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$, (2) $\|\alpha x\|_A = |\alpha| \cdot \|x\|_A$ and (3) $\|x_1 + x_2\|_A \leq \|x_1\|_A + \|x_2\|_A$.

First, since \mathbf{A} is a positive definite matrix, we must have:

$$\|x\|_A = \sqrt{x^T A x} = 0 \Leftrightarrow x^T A x = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0 \quad (12)$$

Second, replacing x with αx , we will get:

$$\|\alpha x\|_A = \sqrt{(\alpha x)^T A (\alpha x)} = \sqrt{\alpha^2 x^T A x} = \alpha \sqrt{x^T A x} = \alpha \|x\|_A \quad (13)$$

Third, replacing x with $x_1 + x_2$, we will get:

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x_1 + x_2\|_A &= \sqrt{(x_1 + x_2)^T A (x_1 + x_2)} = \sqrt{(x_1^T + x_2^T) A (x_1 + x_2)} \\
&= \sqrt{x_1^T A x_1 + 2x_1^T A x_2 + x_2^T A x_2} \leq \sqrt{x_1^T A x_1 + 2\sqrt{x_1^T A x_1 x_2^T A x_2} + x_2^T A x_2} \\
&= \sqrt{(\sqrt{x_1^T A x_1} + \sqrt{x_2^T A x_2})^2} = \|x_1\|_A + \|x_2\|_A
\end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

Considering that $\|x\|_A$ satisfies all three properties above, we can conclude that $\|x\|_A = \sqrt{x^T A x}$ defines a norm. Furthermore, if A is a positive semi-definite, $\|x\|_A$ will no longer be a norm since $\|x\|_A = 0$ doesn't necessarily spring from $x = 0$, thus dissatisfying property (1) mentioned above.

1.4

Question-4: Prove the following Sherman-Morrison formula, in which $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$(A - uv^T)^{-1} = A^{-1} + A^{-1}u(1 - v^T A^{-1}u)^{-1}v^T A^{-1}. \tag{8}$$

Furthermore, prove the following Woodbury formula

$$(A - UV^T)^{-1} = A^{-1} + A^{-1}U(I - V^T A^{-1}U)^{-1}V^T A^{-1}. \tag{9}$$

In order to prove $(A - uv^T)^{-1} = A^{-1} + A^{-1}u(1 - v^T A^{-1}u)^{-1}v^T A^{-1}$ holds, we just need to show that $(A - uv^T)(A^{-1} + A^{-1}u(1 - v^T A^{-1}u)^{-1}v^T A^{-1}) = I$ holds:

$$\begin{aligned}
&(A - uv^T)(A^{-1} + A^{-1}u(1 - v^T A^{-1}u)^{-1}v^T A^{-1}) \\
&= I + u(1 - v^T A^{-1}u)^{-1}v^T A^{-1} - uv^T A^{-1} - uv^T A^{-1}u(1 - v^T A^{-1}u)^{-1}v^T A^{-1} \\
&= I + \frac{uv^T A^{-1} - uv^T A^{-1}u(1 - v^T A^{-1}u)^{-1}v^T A^{-1}}{1 - v^T A^{-1}u} - uv^T A^{-1} = I + (uv^T A^{-1} - uv^T A^{-1}) = I
\end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

Thus, the Sherman-Morrison Formula $(A - uv^T)^{-1} = A^{-1} + A^{-1}u(1 - v^T A^{-1}u)^{-1}v^T A^{-1}$ proved. Then the Woodbury formula would just be the generalization to rank k modification:

$$\begin{aligned}
&(A - UV^T)(A^{-1} + A^{-1}U(I - V^T A^{-1}U)^{-1}V^T A^{-1}) \\
&= I + U(I - V^T A^{-1}U)^{-1}V^T A^{-1} - UV^T A^{-1} - UV^T A^{-1}U(I - V^T A^{-1}U)^{-1}V^T A^{-1} \\
&= I + UV^T A^{-1}(1 - V^T A^{-1}U)^{-1}(I - UV^T A^{-1}) - UV^T A^{-1} = I + UV^T A^{-1}(I - I) = I
\end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

Thus, the Woodbury formula $(A - UV^T)^{-1} = A^{-1} + A^{-1}U(I - V^T A^{-1}U)^{-1}V^T A^{-1}$ proved.

1.5

Question-5: Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 + \epsilon \\ 1 - \epsilon & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (10)$$

- (a) What is the determinant of \mathbf{A} ?
- (b) In floating-point arithmetic, for what range of values of ϵ will the computed value of the determinant be zero?
- (c) What is the LU factorization of \mathbf{A} ?
- (d) In floating-point arithmetic, for what range of value of ϵ will be the computed value of U (in the LU factorization) be singular?

1.5.1 (a)

According to the definition of determinant, we can get:

$$\det(A) = 1 \cdot 1 - (1 + \epsilon)(1 - \epsilon) = \boxed{\epsilon^2} \quad (17)$$

1.5.2 (b)

Suppose the machine epsilon of the floating-point system to be ϵ_{mach} , then the computed value of the determinant will be zero, if it is smaller than the machine epsilon, thus:

$$\boxed{-\sqrt{\epsilon_{mach}} < \epsilon < \sqrt{\epsilon_{mach}}} \quad (18)$$

1.5.3 (c)

Based on the rule of LU factorization, we will get:

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 - \epsilon & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (19)$$

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 + \epsilon \\ 0 & \epsilon^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (20)$$

1.5.4 (d)

If U is singular in floating-point arithmetic, we know that ϵ^2 entry should be zero. Similarly as (b), then the computed value of the ϵ^2 will be zero if it is smaller than the machine epsilon, thus:

$$\boxed{-\sqrt{\epsilon_{mach}} < \epsilon < \sqrt{\epsilon_{mach}}} \quad (21)$$

2 Programming Problems

2.1 (a)

```
[1]: import numpy as np
import numpy.linalg as la
import scipy.linalg as sla
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[2]: # Programming Problem 1
A = np.array([
    [2,4,-2],
    [4,9,-3],
    [-2,-1,7]
])
b = np.array([
    [2],
    [8],
    [10]
])
x1 = sla.solve(A,b)
x1
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[2]: array([[ -7.00000000e+00],
            [ 4.00000000e+00],
            [-3.88578059e-16]])
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Considering the computational mechanism of Python, the answer should be $\begin{bmatrix} -7 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ instead.

2.2 (b)

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[3]: # Programming Problem 2
c = np.array([
    [4],
    [8],
    [-6]
])
(lu,piv) = sla.lu_factor(A)
x2 = sla.lu_solve((lu,piv),c)
x2
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[3]: array([[ -1.],
            [ 1.],
            [-1.]])
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So the answer would be $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ as shown above.