CSC336: Assignment 2

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1. Let x be an arbitrary number in \mathbb{R}^n for arbitrary $n \geq 1$, by definition, $||x||_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}$.

By customary we define $\sum_{k=n}^{m}$ with n>m as the empty sum (i.e. 0). Then we have

$$||x||_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| = \sqrt{(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|)^2} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + 2\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n |x_i| |x_j|}.$$

Since $|x_i| \ge 0$ for all $1 \le i \le n$, $|x_i||x_j| \ge 0$ for all $1 \le i \le j \le n$. So, $2\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n |x_i||x_j| \ge 0$ for all $n \ge 1$.

Then we have
$$||x||_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2} \le \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + 2\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n |x_i| |x_j|} = ||x||_1.$$

2. It is possible. Here is an example.

$$x = (48, 55)^T, ||x||_1 = |48| + |55| = 103, ||x||_2 = \sqrt{48^2 + 55^2} = 73;$$

$$y = (13, 84)^T, ||y||_1 = |13| + |84| = 97, ||y||_2 = \sqrt{13^2 + 84^2} = 85;$$

$$||x||_1 = 103 > 97 = ||y||_1$$
 while $||x||_2 = 73 < 85 = ||y||_2$.

3. Since Ax = b and $A\hat{x} = \hat{b}$, we have $A(x - \hat{x}) = b - \hat{b}$.

So
$$||b - \hat{b}|| = ||A(x - \hat{x})|| \le ||A|| \cdot ||x - \hat{x}||.$$

On the other hand, $A^{-1}b = x$, so $||x|| = ||A^{-1}b|| \le ||A^{-1}|| \cdot ||b||$.

Since all norms are equal or greater than zero, we have $||b-\hat{b}|| \cdot ||x|| \le ||A|| \cdot ||A^{-1}|| \cdot ||x-\hat{x}|| \cdot ||b||$, so $\frac{1}{||A|| \cdot ||A^{-1}||} \frac{||b-\hat{b}||}{||b||} \le \frac{||x-\hat{x}||}{||x||}$, i.e. $\frac{1}{cond(A)} \frac{||b-\hat{b}||}{||b||} \le \frac{||x-\hat{x}||}{||x||}$.

- 4. (a) See attachments for code and result.
 - (b) By Af = b, we have $f = A^{-1}b$, so $||f|| \le ||A^{-1}|| \cdot ||b||$.

Since $r = b - A\hat{f}$, we have $||r|| = ||b - A\hat{f}|| = ||Af - A\hat{f}|| = ||A(f - \hat{f})|| \le ||A|| \cdot ||f - \hat{f}||$.

Since all norms are non-negative, we have $||r|| \cdot ||f|| \le ||A|| \cdot ||A^{-1}|| \cdot ||f - \hat{f}|| \cdot ||b||$. So,

$$\frac{1}{\operatorname{cond}(A)} \cdot \frac{||r||}{||b||} \le \frac{||\hat{f} - f||}{||f||}$$

On the other hand, since $r = b - A\hat{f} = Af - A\hat{f}$, we have $f - \hat{f} = A^{-1}r$. Then,

$$||f-\hat{f}|| \leq ||A^{-1}|| \cdot ||r||.$$
 We also have $||b|| \leq ||A|| \cdot ||f||,$ so

$$||f-\hat{f}||\cdot||b||\leq ||A^{-1}||\cdot||A||\cdot||r||\cdot||f||,$$
 and we have

$$\frac{||\hat{f}-f||}{||f||} \le cond(A) \cdot \frac{||r||}{||b||}.$$

In conclusion, we have $\frac{1}{cond(A)} \cdot \frac{||r||}{||b||} \leq \frac{||\hat{f} - f||}{||f||} \leq cond(A) \cdot \frac{||r||}{||b||}$

The calculation results are:

Lower bound of relative error is 1.925969e-17.

Upper bound of relative error is 2.088024e-15.

5. As we can see from the part 1 result, the largest n we can have before the error is 100 percent is 12. Note that since ||x|| = 1, the absolute error and the relative error of \hat{x} are equal.

Examining the result of cond(H) and log(cond(H)) in part 2, we find that there is a linear correlation between log(cond(H)) and n.

By Linear Regression we can write log(cond(H)) = 3.476950n - 3.654113, i.e. $cond(H) = e^{3.476950n - 3.654113} = \frac{(e^{3.476950})^n}{e^{3.654113}}$.

The condition number of H is exponentially growing with respect to n.

We calculate the number of correct digits in the components of the computed solution as $\lfloor \log_{10} ||x|| \rfloor - \lfloor \log_{10} (absolute error) \rfloor = \lfloor \log_{10} ||x|| \rfloor - \lfloor \log_{10} ||x - \hat{x}|| \rfloor$. (i.e. the place of the most significant digit of ||x|| – the place of the most significant digit of absolute error).

We find that, the larger the conditional number is, the smaller the number of correct digits will be.