

Chapter 3-2. Systems of linear algebraic equations

4) Iteration method

$$Ax=b$$

$$\det A \neq 0$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{i1} & a_{i2} & a_{i3} & \dots & a_{in} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & a_{n3} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \dots \\ x_i \\ \dots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \dots \\ b_i \\ \dots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Iteration method defines a sequence of approximate solutions $x^{(k)}$ that converge to the exact solution $x^{(k)} \rightarrow x^*$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$

Let us transform $Ax=b$ to the form $x=Cx+d$, then choose some $x^{(1)}$ and organize iterations:

$$x^{(k+1)} = Cx^{(k)} + d, \quad k=1,2,\dots$$

Example:

$$\begin{array}{ll} 1.01 x_1 + 0.2 x_2 = 3 & \Rightarrow (1+0.01) x_1 + 0.2 x_2 = 3 \\ 0.05 x_1 + 1.08 x_2 = 2 & \Rightarrow 0.05 x_1 + (1+0.08) x_2 = 2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= 3 - 0.01 x_1 - 0.2 x_2 \\ x_2 &= 2 - 0.05 x_1 - 0.08 x_2 \end{aligned}$$

choose $x_1^{(1)}=3$, $x_2^{(1)}=2$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1^{(k+1)} &= 3 - 0.01 x_1^{(k)} - 0.2 x_2^{(k)} \\ x_2^{(k+1)} &= 2 - 0.05 x_1^{(k)} - 0.08 x_2^{(k)} \end{aligned}$$

A way of transforming $Ax=b$ to the form $x=Cx+d$ is Jacobi iterative method



Carl Jacobi 1804 - 1851

We illustrate it for the case $n=3$:

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 = b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3 = b_2$$

$$a_{31}x_1 + a_{32}x_2 + a_{33}x_3 = b_3$$

Suppose the diagonal elements a_{ii} are non-zero and divide the first equation by a_{11} , the second by a_{22} and third by a_{33} :

$$x_1 = \frac{1}{a_{11}}(b_1 - a_{12}x_2 - a_{13}x_3)$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1}{a_{22}}(b_2 - a_{21}x_1 - a_{23}x_3)$$

$$x_3 = \frac{1}{a_{33}}(b_3 - a_{31}x_1 - a_{32}x_2)$$

We choose $\mathbf{x}^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^{(1)} \\ x_2^{(1)} \\ x_3^{(1)} \end{bmatrix}$

and define iterations:

$$x_1^{(k+1)} = \frac{1}{a_{11}}(b_1 - a_{12}x_2^{(k)} - a_{13}x_3^{(k)})$$

$$x_2^{(k+1)} = \frac{1}{a_{22}}(b_2 - a_{21}x_1^{(k)} - a_{23}x_3^{(k)})$$

$$x_3^{(k+1)} = \frac{1}{a_{33}}(b_3 - a_{31}x_1^{(k)} - a_{32}x_2^{(k)})$$

$$\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}^{(k)} + \boldsymbol{\beta}, \quad \beta_i = b_i/a_{ii}$$

**diagonal elements of matrix \mathbf{C} are zeros in the
Jacobi method**

$$\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}^{(k)} + \boldsymbol{\beta}$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & c_{13} & \dots & c_{1n} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & c_{23} & \dots & c_{2n} \\ \text{---} & \text{---} & \text{---} & \text{---} & \text{---} \\ c_{i1} & c_{i2} & c_{i3} & \dots & c_{in} \\ \text{---} & \text{---} & \text{---} & \text{---} & \text{---} \\ c_{n1} & c_{n2} & c_{n3} & \dots & c_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Theorem. A sufficient condition for convergence of $\mathbf{x}^{(k)}$ to exact solution $\mathbf{x}^{(k)} \rightarrow \mathbf{x}^*$ is $\|\mathbf{C}\| < 1$, where $\|\mathbf{C}\|$ is a norm of matrix \mathbf{C} .
(Proof is omitted).

The convergence means $x_i^{(k)} \rightarrow x_i^*$ for any i

For the properties of a norm, see textbook by S.Sastry.
There are 3+ types of matrix norms:

1) $\|C\|_1 = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sum_{i=1}^n |c_{ij}|$ "column" norm

2) $\|C\|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \sum_{j=1}^n |c_{ij}|$ "row" norm

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= 0.01 x_1 - 0.2 x_2 + 3 \\x_2 &= -0.05 x_1 + 0.08 x_2 + 2\end{aligned}$$

3) **Euclidean norm:**

$$\|C\|_e = \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^n |c_{ij}|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

Column **vector** norms:

For the vector

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

some useful norms are

$$\|x\|_1 = |x_1| + |x_2| + \cdots + |x_n| = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|$$

$$\|x\|_2 = \sqrt{|x_1|^2 + |x_2|^2 + \cdots + |x_n|^2} = \left[\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2 \right]^{1/2} = \|x\|_e$$

$$\|x\|_\infty = \max_i |x_i|.$$

The norm $\|\cdot\|_2$ is called the *Euclidean* norm since it is just the formula for distance in the Euclidean space.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1.1 & -0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Scilab :

`norm(A,1)`

`norm(A,'inf')`

(Matlab : `norm(A,'inf')`)

Note: condition $\|C\| < 1$ is analogous to
the condition $|\varphi'(x)| < 1$ in the section of Chapter 1
addressing the nonlinear equation $f(x)=0$ $x=\varphi(x)$

Theorem (on the accuracy of successive approximations $\mathbf{x}^{(k)}$) : $\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}^{(k)} + \boldsymbol{\beta}$

1)

$$\|\mathbf{x}^{(k)} - \mathbf{x}^*\| \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{C}\|^k}{1 - \|\mathbf{C}\|} \|\boldsymbol{\beta}\|$$

2)

$$\|\mathbf{x}^{(k)} - \mathbf{x}^*\| \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{C}\|}{1 - \|\mathbf{C}\|} \|\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{x}^{(k)}\|$$



P. Seidel 1821-1896

A modified version of the **Jacobi** iteration method is **Seidel** method:

Seidel suggested to immediately insert the calculated $x_i^{(k+1)}$ into the right-hand sides of next equations. This accelerates the convergence $x^{(k)} \rightarrow x^$*

$$x_1^{(k+1)} = \frac{1}{a_{11}}(b_1 - a_{12}x_2^{(k)} - a_{13}x_3^{(k)})$$

$$x_2^{(k+1)} = \frac{1}{a_{22}}(b_2 - a_{21}x_1^{(k+1)} - a_{23}x_3^{(k)})$$

$$x_3^{(k+1)} = \frac{1}{a_{33}}(b_3 - a_{31}x_1^{(k+1)} - a_{32}x_2^{(k+1)})$$

**The number of arithmetic operations per iteration
is $\approx n^2$**

**Therefore, the effectiveness of iterative methods
essentially depends on the required number of
iterations k**

Ill-conditioned systems of linear equations

Sometimes **small changes** in the coefficients of the system produce **large changes** in the solution. Such systems are called **ill-conditioned**. This can usually be expected when $\det(A)$ is small.

Example:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 2.01x + y = 4 \\ 2x + y = 2 \end{array} \right\}$$

For ill-conditioned systems, the errors of approximate solutions $\mathbf{x}^{(k)}$ are typically large.

Meanwhile the accuracy of approximate solutions $\mathbf{x}^{(k)}$ can be improved using an iterative procedure and substitutions.

Notice:

If **small** changes in the coefficients of the system produce **small** changes in the solution, then the system is called **well**-conditioned.