

# Linear Algebra

## Lecture # 13

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Numerical methods for solving systems  
of linear algebraic equations - SLAE

# SLAE

- ⦿ Solve the system of  $n$  equations with  $n$  unknowns:

$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \cdots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \cdots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \cdots \\ a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{nn}x_n = b_n \end{cases}$$

- ⦿ In matrix form:  $Ax = b$ ,  $A$  square matrix ( $n \times n$ )
- ⦿ The solution:  $x_* = A^{-1}b$  exists and is unique  
If  $\det A \neq 0$

# Iterative and Variational Methods

- Iterative methods (methods of successive approximations). Allows to calculate a sequence of vectors  $x^{(k)}$  which converges to the exact solution:  $x_* = A^{-1}b$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .
- In practice, the number  $k$  is defined by the required accuracy.
- Variational Methods use the connection between the variational problem and the problem of solving SLAE:  $Ax = b$

# Diagonal dominance

$$|a_{ii}| \geq \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|, \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$$

If this requirement is satisfied, then there is **no problems** with finding the solution to the SLAE by **any** of the known **methods**!

# Simple iteration method

- ⦿ Solving SLAE:

$$Ax = b$$

- ⦿ Let's make several equivalent transformations :

$$\tau Ax + x = \tau b + x$$

- ⦿ The equation system can now be written in the equivalent form convenient for iterations:

$$x = (I - \tau A)x + \tau b$$

# Simple iteration method

- Construct the approximation sequence to the solution of the system. Choose an arbitrary vector  $x_0$  as the initial approximation. Usually taken  $x_0 = 0$ .
- The system solution is found as the limit of the approximation sequence with terms in the form:
$$x_{k+1} = (I - \tau A)x_k + \tau b$$
- If the limit of the sequence exists, then speak of the iterative process **convergence** to the solution

# Simple iteration method

- The iterative process **converges** to the solution at the geometric rate when the **condition** is satisfied:

$$||I - \tau A|| < 1$$

- Let  $x_*$  be the exact solution of the SLAE:  $Ax_* = b$ . Subtracting it from the iteration sequence we obtain the **error** at each of the **iterations** :

$$x_{k+1} - x_* = (I - \tau A)x_k + \tau Ax_* - x_*$$

$$r_{k+1} = x_{k+1} - x_* = (I - \tau A)(x_k - x_*)$$

$$||r_{k+1}|| = ||(I - \tau A)r_k|| \leq ||(I - \tau A)|| \cdot ||r_k||$$

# Simple iteration method

- ⦿ We denote the error  $r_k = x_k - x_*$  then

$$\|r_k\| \leq \|(I - \tau A)\|^k \cdot \|r_0\|$$

- ⦿ Hence it follows that for  $q = \|(I - \tau A)\| < 1$

- ⦿ The iterative process **converges**:

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = x_* \iff \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|r_k\| = 0$$

- ⦿ It is also possible to estimate the iteration number required to achieve accuracy  $\varepsilon$ :

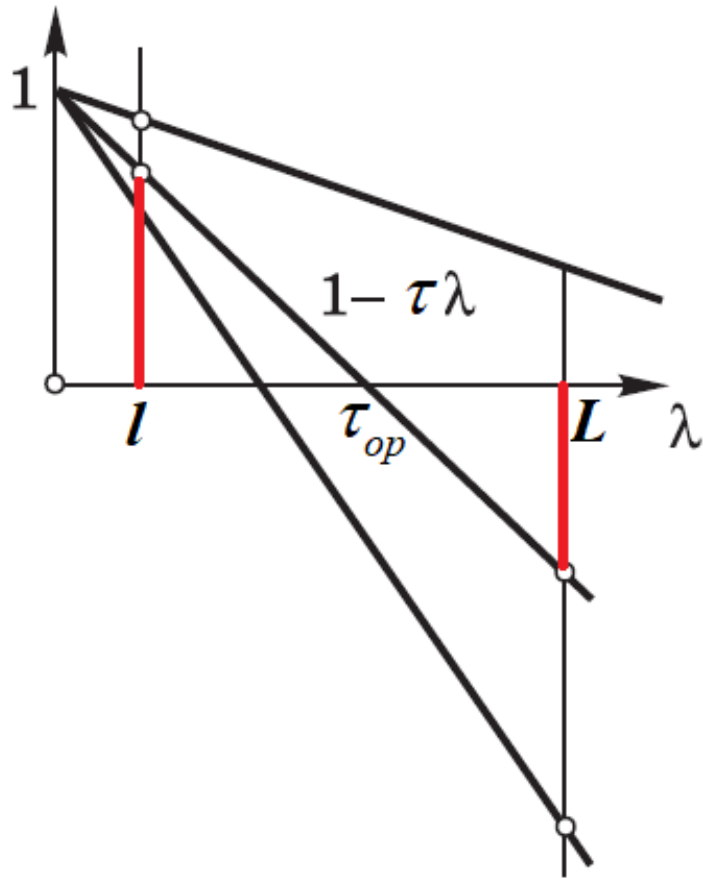
$$\varepsilon \leq q^k \|r_0\| \implies k \geq \ln \frac{\varepsilon}{\|r_0\|} / \ln q$$



# Simple iteration method

- ⦿ The condition for the iterative process convergence  $\|I - \tau A\| < 1$  is equivalent that all eigenvalues of the matrix  $I - \tau A$  are **less** than 1 in absolute value.
- ⦿ Gauss method requires  $\sim n^3$  operations.  
Simple iteration method  $\sim kn^2$  where  $k$  is the iteration number required to achieve given accuracy  $\varepsilon$ .
- ⦿ In real tasks, mainly  $k \ll n$ .

# Optimal parameter $\tau$



- The convergence rate of the iterative process can be characterized by the following value:

$$\max_{\lambda_{\min} \leq \lambda(A) \leq \lambda_{\max}} |1 - \tau \lambda|$$

- If  $A$  – Positive Definite Matrix when all  $\lambda(A) > 0$ . It is quite typical when the estimate is known for all  $\lambda(A)$  of the form:  
 $0 < l \leq \lambda(A) \leq L < \infty$ .

- For some  $\tau = \tau_{op}$  exists the moment when

$$1 - \tau_{op} l = -(1 - \tau_{op} L)$$

# Optimal parameter $\tau$

- From condition:  $1 - \tau_{op}l = -(1 - \tau_{op}L)$
- We can find optimal parameter:

$$\tau_{op} = 2/(L + l)$$

- In this case the **convergence** condition is:

$$q_{op} = 1 - \lambda_{min}\tau_{op} = \frac{L - l}{L + l}$$

- Obviously, the closer  $l = \lambda_{min}$  to  $L = \lambda_{max}$  the closer to zero  $q_{op}$  and the faster the **convergence**.  
With the removal of  $\lambda_{min}$  from  $\lambda_{max}$  the number  $q_{op} \rightarrow 1$  and the **convergence** slows **down**.

# Jacobi and Seidel methods

- ⦿ We represent the matrix of  $Ax = b$  in the form:

$$A = L + D + U$$

- ⦿ where  $L$  and  $U$  are lower and upper triangular matrices with zero entries on the diagonal,  $D$  is the diagonal matrix. Then  $Ax = b$  can be rewritten in the following form:

$$(L + D + U)x = b$$

- ⦿ Let's construct two iterative processes :

$$Dx_{k+1} + (L + U)x_k = b \Rightarrow x_{k+1} = -D^{-1}(L + U)x_k + D^{-1}b$$

$$(L + D)x_{k+1} + Ux_k = b \Rightarrow x_{k+1} = -(L + D)^{-1}Ux_k + (L + D)^{-1}b$$

- ⦿ These iterative processes are called **Jacobi** and **Seidel** methods.

# Jacobi and Seidel methods

- Write down these processes in the component notation. **Jacobi** method will be:

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- Seidel method will be:

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# Variational methods

- Let us construct the connection between the variational problem and the problem of solving SLAE  $Ax = b$ . Let the vector  $y \in R^n$  where  $R^n$  is  $n$  –dimensional Euclidean space. Consider the quadratic functional of  $y$  called the **Energy Functional**:

$$P(y) = y^T Au - 2y^T b + c$$

- We will also assume that matrix  $A$  is positive definite, those  $\forall y \neq 0: y^T Au > 0$ .
- Then the only vector  $x$  giving the minimum value to the functional  $P(y)$  will be the solution of the SLAE:  $Ax = b$ .

# Variational methods

⦿  $\forall y \in R^n$  we can write the difference:

$$\begin{aligned} P(y) - P(x) &= y^T A y - 2y^T b - x^T A x + 2x^T b = (Ax = b) = \\ &= y^T A y - 2y^T A x + x^T A x = y^T A y - y^T A x - y^T A x + x^T A x = \\ &= (y^T A x = x^T A y) = y^T A y - x^T A y - y^T A x + x^T A x = \\ &= (y - x)^T A y - (y - x)^T A x = (y - x)^T A (y - x) > 0, \quad \forall y \neq x \end{aligned}$$

⦿ Those for  $Ax = b$  and  $\forall y$  is true:

$$x = \min_{y \in R^n} P(y)$$

# Variational methods

- ⦿ All variational methods compose in finding the next approximation by shifting towards the gradient of the functional  $\nabla P(x)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla P(x) &= \nabla_x P(x) = \nabla_x \left( x^T A x - 2x^T b + c \right) = \\ &= \nabla x^T A x + x^T A \nabla x - 2 \nabla x^T b = 2 \nabla x^T A x - 2 \nabla x^T b = \\ &= 2 \nabla x^T (A x - b) = 0 \Rightarrow A x - b = 0 \Rightarrow x = x_*\end{aligned}$$

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \tau_k \nabla P(u) = x_k - \tau_k (A x_k - b)$$

- ⦿ Steepest descent method: the iterative parameter  $\tau_k$  is determined from the condition of the minimum of the functional  $P(x_{k+1}, \tau_k)$  by  $\tau_k$ :  $\frac{\partial P(\tau_k, x_{k+1})}{\partial \tau_k} = 0$



# Steepest descent method

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial P(\tau_k, x_{k+1})}{\partial \tau_k} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau_k} \left( x_{k+1}^T A x_{k+1} - 2 x_{k+1}^T b + c \right) = \frac{\partial x_{k+1}^T}{\partial \tau_k} A x_{k+1} + x_{k+1}^T A \frac{\partial x_{k+1}}{\partial \tau_k} - \\ &- 2 \frac{\partial x_{k+1}^T}{\partial \tau_k} b = 2 \frac{\partial x_{k+1}^T}{\partial \tau_k} A x_{k+1} - 2 \frac{\partial x_{k+1}^T}{\partial \tau_k} b = 2 \frac{\partial x_{k+1}^T}{\partial \tau_k} \left( A x_{k+1} - b \right) = \\ &= 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau_k} \left( x_k - \tau_k \left( A x_k - b \right) \right)^T \left( A \left( x_k - \tau_k \left( A x_k - b \right) \right) - b \right) = \\ &= -2 \left( A x_k - b \right)^T \left( \left( A x_k - b \right) - \tau_k A \left( A x_k - b \right) \right) = -2 R_k^T \left( R_k - \tau_k A R_k \right) = \\ &= -2 \left( R_k^T R_k - \tau_k R_k^T A R_k \right) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{\tau_k = \frac{R_k^T R_k}{R_k^T A R_k}}\end{aligned}$$

Where  $R_k = (A x_k - b) = A r_k$  is the Residual

# Minimal residual method

- The method of minimal residuals consists in finding the next approximation to minimize the Euclidean norm of the residual  $R_k$ :

$$R_k = (Ax_k - b) \Rightarrow x_{k+1} = x_k - \tau_k (Ax_k - b) = x_k - \tau_k R_k \Rightarrow$$

$$R_{k+1} = Ax_{k+1} - b = Ax_k - \tau_k AR_k - b \Leftrightarrow R_{k+1} = R_k - \tau_k AR_k$$

- We minimize the squared norm of the residual  $R_k$  with respect to  $\tau_k$ :  $R_{k+1}^T R_{k+1} = R_k^T R_k - 2\tau_k R_k^T AR_k + \tau_k^2 R_k^T A^2 R_k \Rightarrow$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau_k} (R_{k+1}^T R_{k+1}) = -2R_k^T AR_k + 2\tau_k R_k^T A^2 R_k = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\tau_k = \frac{R_k^T AR_k}{R_k^T A^2 R_k}}$$

# Conjugate gradient method

- The conjugate gradient method consists in finding the next approximation by simultaneously orthogonalizing and minimizing the residual vectors  $R_k$  and  $R_{k+1}$ :

$$R_{k+1} = R_k - \tau_k A R_k \Rightarrow R_k^T R_{k+1} = R_k^T R_k - 2\tau_k R_k^T A R_k = 0$$

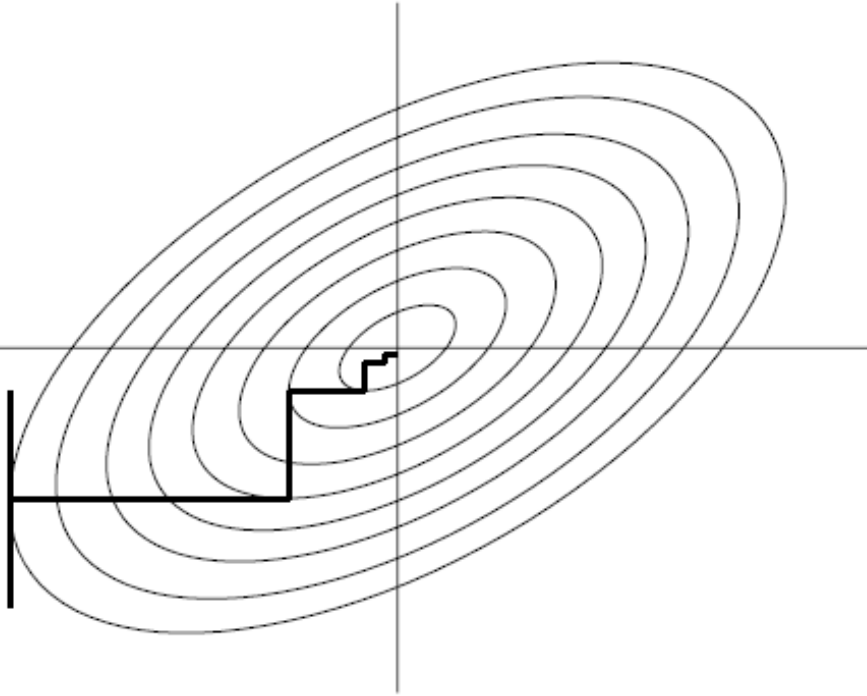
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\tau_k = \frac{R_k^T R_k}{R_k^T A R_k}}$$

$$x_1 = (I - \tau_0 A)x_0 + \tau_0 b, \quad R_k = Ax_k - b$$

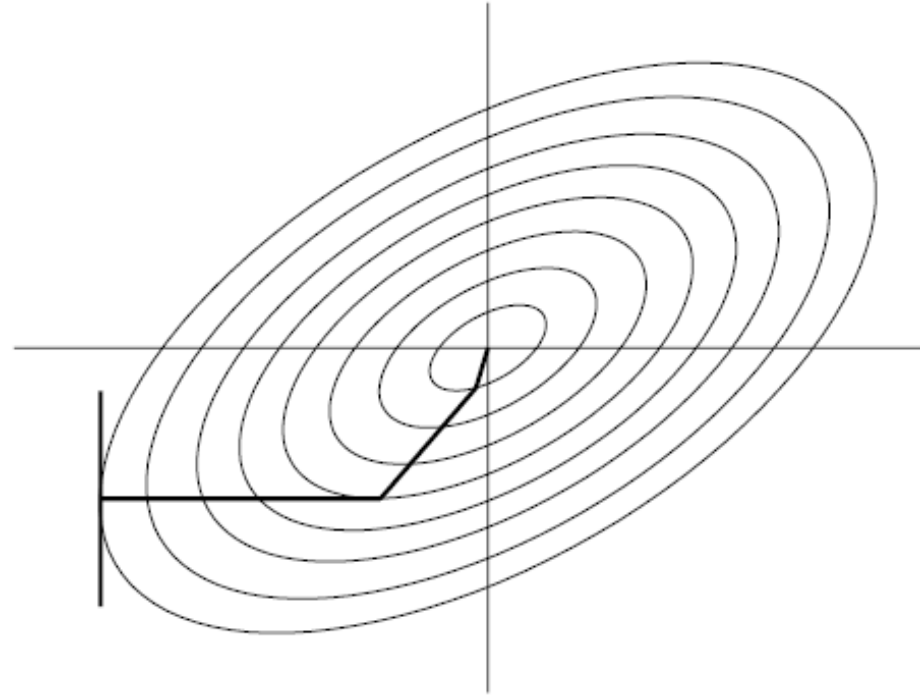
$$x_{k+1} = \alpha_{k+1}((I - \tau_k A)x_k + \tau_k b) + (1 - \alpha_{k+1})x_{k-1}$$

$$\alpha_1 = 1, \quad \alpha_{k+1} = \left( 1 - \frac{\tau_k}{\alpha_k \tau_{k-1}} \frac{R_k^T R_k}{R_{k-1}^T R_{k-1}} \right)^{-1}$$

# Conjugate gradient method



Steepest descent



Conjugate gradients

When you have orthogonality, projection and minimizations can be computed one direction at a time

# Summary of results by solution methods of SLAE with matrix $A(n \times n)$ and $k$ iterations

Method	Gauss	Simple Iterations	Jacobi	Seidel	Conjugate gradients	Fast Fourier
Knowing the matrix spectrum	no	yes	no	no	no	no
Number of operations	$n^3$	$kn^2$	$kn^2$	$\frac{kn^2}{2}$	$kn$	$n\log_2 n$