
Iterative methods for solutions of linear systems of equations

Lets say we have an equation of the form $Ax = b$, we can decompose the matrix A into the following form:

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ a_{21} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{n-1} & \dots & a_{n,n-1} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

...and an upper triangular matrix; that I am not going to write but you get the idea.

Theorem: If A is a diagonally dominant matrix then jacobi iteration converges to the solution of $Ax = b$.

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= D^{-1}(b - (L + U)x_0) \\ x_{k+1} &= D^{-1}(b - (L + U)x_k) \\ x_{k+m} &= D^{-1}(b - (L + U)x_k) = D^{-1}(b - (L + D + U)x_k + Dx_k) \\ &\Rightarrow D^{-1}(b - Ax_k + Dx_k) = D^{-1}r_k + x_k = x_k + D^{-1}r_k \end{aligned}$$

Note: $b - Ax_k$ is the residual vector. Recall the residual is defined as:
 $Ax = b \rightarrow r = b - Ax$

We can use this to create the conditional: if $\|r_k\|_2 \leq \text{tol} \rightarrow \text{STOP}$.

Jacobi Iteration

Inputs: A, x_0

Loop:

$$\begin{aligned} r &= b - Ax \quad \text{for all } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \\ x_{k+1} &= x_k + D^{-1}r_k \\ \text{error} &= \|b - Ax_k\| \\ x_k &= x_{k+1} \end{aligned}$$

Since D is a diagonal matrix, D^{-1} will just be $\frac{1}{D}$, which gives us our x_{k+1} modified matrix.

Lets talk more about some tricks with the residual:

$$\begin{aligned} r_{k+1} &= b - Ax_{k+1} = b - A(x_k + D^{-1}r_k) \\ &\Rightarrow (b - Ax_k) - AD^{-1}r_k \end{aligned}$$

Guass-Seidel

$$\begin{aligned} A &= (L + D + U) \\ Ax &= b \\ (D + U)x &= b - Lx \\ (D + U)x_{k+1} &= (b - Lx) \rightarrow (D + U)x_{k+1} = (b - Lx_k) \\ x &= (D + U)^{-1}(b - Lx) \\ x^{(k+1)} &= (D + U)^{-1}(b - Lx^k) \end{aligned}$$

We can use our Back-substitution routine to find $(D + U)^{-1}$
