Problem Sheet 2

PhD students: solutions are to be handed in by Tuesday 14th of March

- (1) Consider \mathbb{R}^n with the norm $||x||_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|$. Prove that the matrix norm corresponding to it is calculated by the formula $||A||_1 = \max_{j=1..n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |a_{ij}|\right)$.
- (2) Consider the system of linear equations

$$Ax = b$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -7 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is a vector of unknowns.}$$

- (a) Explain why it is valid to apply the Jacobi method to this system of linear equations. Carry out two iterations of the Jacobi method on this system, taking the initial x^0 to be the zero vector.
- (b) Explain why it is valid to apply the Gauss-Seidel method to this system of linear equations. Carry out two iterations of the Gauss-Seidel method on this system, taking the initial x^0 to be the zero vector.
- (3) Given the matrix:

$$B = \left[\begin{array}{cc} 10 & 1 \\ 3 & -12 \end{array} \right],$$

- (a) calculate $||B||_{\infty}$, $||B||_1$ and $||B||_2$.
- (b) Calculate the condition number of the matrix B using the norm $||B||_{\infty} = \max_{i}(|b_{i1}| + |b_{i2}|)$. Is B ill-conditioned?

(4) Let Ax = b be a system of n linear equations with n variables, suppose A is invertible and let x^* be the solution of the system. If x^n is the nth iteration of a certain iterative method applied to the system, $e^n = x^* - x^n$ is the error at step n, k(A) is the condition number of A and $r^n = b - Ax^n$ is the residual vector, show that

$$\frac{1}{k(A)} \frac{\|r^n\|}{\|b\|} \le \frac{\|e^n\|}{\|x^*\|}$$