

MATH 8600 Scientific Computing  
HW #1 (Due on Sep. 12)

1. (5pts.) Consider the normalized system  $\mathcal{F}(\beta, p, L, U)$  with  $\beta = 10$ .
  - a. what are the smallest values of  $p$  and  $U$ , and the largest values of  $L$ , such that both 365.27 and 0.000512 can be represented exactly in a normalized floating-point system?
  - b. How would your answer change if the system is not normalized?
2. (5pts.) Let  $x$  be a given nonzero floating-point number in a normalized system  $\mathcal{F}(\beta, p, L, U)$ , and let  $y$  be an adjacent floating-point number, also nonzero.
  - a. What is the minimum possible spacing between  $x$  and  $y$ ?
  - b. What is the maximum possible spacing between  $x$  and  $y$ ?
3. (6pts.) Prove that the induced norm

$$\|A\|_\alpha = \max_{x \neq 0} \frac{\|Ax\|_\alpha}{\|x\|_\alpha}, \quad \alpha = 1, 2, \infty$$

is a matrix norm.

4. (5pts.) For  $A_{m \times n}$  prove that

$$\|A\|_1 = \max_{x \neq 0} \frac{\|Ax\|_1}{\|x\|_1} = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sum_{i=1}^m |a_{ij}|$$

5. (6pts.) Show that for all  $x \in R^n$

$$\|x\|_\infty \leq \|x\|_2 \leq \|x\|_1 \leq \sqrt{n} \|x\|_2 \leq n \|x\|_\infty.$$

6. (6pts.) Make use of the inequalities from problem 5 to prove that for all nonsingular  $A \in R^{n \times n}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\text{cond}_2(A)}{n} &\leq \text{cond}_1(A) \leq n \text{cond}_2(A), \\ \frac{\text{cond}_\infty(A)}{n} &\leq \text{cond}_2(A) \leq n \text{cond}_\infty(A), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\frac{\text{cond}_1(A)}{n^2} \leq \text{cond}_\infty(A) \leq n^2 \text{cond}_1(A).$$

7. (8pts.) Prove the following properties of the condition number for  $\alpha = 1, 2, \infty$ .

- a.  $\text{cond}_\alpha(I) = 1$
- b.  $\text{cond}_\alpha(A) \geq 1$  for any  $A \in R^{n \times n}$ .
- c.  $\text{cond}_\alpha(P) = 1$  for any permutation matrix  $P$ .
- d.  $\text{cond}_\alpha(D) = \frac{\max_i |d_i|}{\min_i |d_i|}$ , where  $D = (d_i)$  is a diagonal matrix.