

# Math 5301 – Numerical Analysis– Spring 2025

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## A-Conjugate Gradient Method

By Theorem 4.1 of *Finite Difference Methods for Ordinary Differential Equations* page 88. We have that ... The vectors generated in the CG Algorithm have properties provided  $r_k \neq 0$  (if  $r_k = 0$  then we have converged).

1.  $p_k$  is  $A$ -conjugate to all previous search directions, i.e.,  $p_k^T A p_j = 0$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, k-1$ .
2. The residual  $r_k$  is orthogonal to all previous residuals  $r_k^T r_j = 0$  for  $j = 0, \dots, k-1$ .
3. The following three subspaces are identical

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{span}(p_0, p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{k-1}), \\ &\text{span}(r_0, Ar_0, A^2r_0, \dots, A^{k-1}r_0). \\ &\text{span}(Ae_0, A^2e_0, \dots, A^ke_0). \end{aligned}$$

Vectors from this/these subspaces take on the linear combination of basis vectors that extrapolates to a polynomial.

$$\mathcal{K}_k = \text{span}(r_0, Ar_0, A^2r_0, \dots, A^{k-1}r_0)$$

and is referred to as the **Krylov Space**. These take the form of a polynomiald

$$\begin{aligned} P_k(A) &= a_0r_0 + a_1Ar_0 + a_2A^2r_0 + \dots + a_{k-1}A^{k-1}r_0 \\ P_k(\lambda_{\max}) &= a_0r_0 + a_1\lambda_{\max}r_0 + a_2\lambda_{\max}^2r_0 + \dots + a_{k-1}\lambda_{\max}^{k-1}r_0 \end{aligned}$$

Where  $\lambda_{\max}$  is the largest eigenvalue of  $A$ .

the CG algorithm converges to at most  $n$  iterations. Keep in mind that  $n$  can be very large ( $>> 1000$ ).