

Using norms:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \|b\| = \|Ax\| &\leq \|A\| \|x\| \\ \|x\| = \|A^{-1}b\| &\leq \|A^{-1}\| \|b\| \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \frac{\|b\|}{\|A\|} \leq \|x\| \leq \|A^{-1}\| \|b\| \quad (\oplus)$$

Likewise: $r = b - Ax = Ax - Ax = A(x - \bar{x}) = Ae$

$$\frac{\|r\|}{\|A\|} \leq \|e\| \leq \|A^{-1}\| \|r\| \quad (\oplus\oplus)$$

Combining (\oplus) and $(\oplus\oplus)$

$$\frac{\|r\|}{\|A\|} \leq \|e\| \quad / : \|x\|$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\|A\|} \frac{\|r\|}{\|x\|} &\leq \frac{\|e\|}{\|x\|} \\ \|x\| &\leq \|A^{-1}\| \|b\| \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\|A\| \|A^{-1}\|} \frac{\|r\|}{\|b\|} \leq \frac{\|e\|}{\|x\|}$$

by the same argument

Thus,

$$\frac{1}{\|A\| \|A^{-1}\|} \frac{\|r\|}{\|b\|} \leq \frac{\|e\|}{\|x\|} \leq \|A\| \|A^{-1}\| \frac{\|r\|}{\|b\|}$$

condition number $\cong \|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\| = \infty$

So that

$$\frac{1}{\infty} \frac{\|r\|}{\|b\|} \leq \frac{\|e\|}{\|x\|} \leq \infty \frac{\|r\|}{\|b\|}$$

Thus, this gives a relative "error bar" on the solution in terms of the condition number ∞ and the residual r .

$\|r\| \approx$ machine precision ϵ
 $\|b\| \approx O(1)$

error e can be ~~arbitrarily~~ arbitrarily large if the system matrix A has a large condition number.

ITERATIVE METHODS

Iterative methods start with an initial guess $x^{(0)}$ which is then ~~made~~ repeatedly refined. They are a viable alternative for sparse problems.

Jacobi Method

Split the matrix as follows

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(The first square is empty, the second has 'L' in the bottom-left and '0' in the top-right, the third has '0' in the bottom-left and 'D' in the top-right, and the fourth has '0' in the bottom-left and 'U' in the top-right.)

$$A = L + D + U$$

so that $Ax = (L + D + U)x = b$

Rewrite as

$$Dx^{(n+1)} = -(L+U)x^{(n)} - b$$

$$x^{(n+1)} = -D^{-1}[(L+U)x^{(n)} - b], \quad n=1, \dots, \quad x^{(0)} \text{ - given initial guess}$$

$$x_i^{(n+1)} = -\sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^N \frac{a_{ij}}{a_{ii}} x_j^{(n)} + \frac{b_i}{a_{ii}}, \quad i=1, \dots, N \\ n=1, \dots$$

This is in fact a fixed-point iteration in \mathbb{R}^N with

$$x^{(n+1)} = G(x^{(n)})$$

Contractivity condition
on G necessary
for
convergence

diagonal dominance
of matrix A

$$|a_{ii}| > \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^N |a_{ij}| \quad i=1, \dots, N$$

Gauss-Seidel Method

The Jacobi method can be accelerated by using at a given iteration the elements which have already been updated

$$x_i^{(n+1)} = \frac{1}{a_{ii}} \left(b_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} x_j^{(n+1)} - \sum_{j=i+1}^n a_{ij} x_j^{(n)} \right)$$

In the matrix notation

$$(L+D)x^{(n+1)} = -Ux^{(n)} + b$$

$$x^{(n+1)} = -(L+D)^{-1}Ux^{(n)} + (L+D)^{-1}b$$

This is also a fixed-point approach. The necessary conditions for convergence are similar to the Jacobi method, but the Gauss-Seidel method is faster.
* Computational cost of ~~many~~ iterative methods: $O(mn^2)$
m - # of iterations

MULTIDIMENSIONAL ROOT-FINDING

(Section 8.2 of Grasselli & Pelinovsky)

Essentially, a generalization of the 1D problem but with ~~several~~ important technical modifications.

Problem

Given a continuous function $\bar{F}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, find all the solutions of $\bar{F}(\bar{x}) = 0$ for \bar{x} in the region $[a_1, b_1] \times \dots \times [a_n, b_n]$.

The Bisection Method does not admit a generalization to the multidimensional case...

Generalization of the Fixed-Point method is straight forward:

$\bar{x}_{n+1} = \bar{G}(\bar{x}_n)$, where $G: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is chosen so that $\bar{F}(\bar{x}) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \bar{x} = \bar{G}(\bar{x})$

(This choice of $\bar{G}(\bar{x})$ is still nonunique)

Convergence analysis based on the multidimensional fixed-point theorem:

The contractivity of the mapping \bar{G} :

$$\forall \bar{x}, \bar{y} \in S \quad \|\bar{G}(\bar{x}) - \bar{G}(\bar{y})\| \leq L \|\bar{x} - \bar{y}\|$$

If \bar{G} is differentiable, it is equivalent to the more easily verified condition

$$\rho(DG(\bar{x})) \leq c < 1 \text{ for } \forall \bar{x} \in S \subset \mathbb{R}^n, \text{ where}$$

$DG(\bar{x})$ - the Jacobian (matrix of partial derivatives) of \bar{G} at \bar{x}

$\rho(\cdot)$ - the spectral radius, i.e.,

the absolute value of the largest eigenvalue

$$\rho(A) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq m} (|\lambda_i|), \quad m - \text{number of distinct eigenvalues}$$

Note that when $n=1$ this implies \star Lipschitz continuity with $L < 1$.

\star Newton-Raphson method - generalization of Newton's method to a higher dimension.

Taylor expansion of $\bar{F}(\bar{x}) = 0$ around $\bar{x} = \bar{x}_k$

$$\bar{F}(\bar{x}) \approx \bar{F}(\bar{x}_k) + \cancel{DF(\bar{x}_k)} (\bar{x} - \bar{x}_k) + O(\|\bar{x} - \bar{x}_k\|^2)$$

$DF(\bar{x}_k)$ - Jacobian of $\bar{F}(\bar{x})$ at \bar{x}_k

Setting ~~$\bar{F}(\bar{x}_{k+1}) = 0$~~ $\Rightarrow DF(\bar{x}_k)(\bar{x}_{k+1} - \bar{x}_k) = -\bar{F}(\bar{x}_k)$
 $\bar{F}(\bar{x}_{k+1}) = 0$ "Newton step"

Thus

$$\bar{x}_{k+1} = \bar{x}_k - \left[DF(\bar{x}_k) \right]^{-1} \bar{F}(\bar{x}_k)$$

$\bar{G}(\bar{x}_k)$ (fixed-point iteration)

Remarks

\star Solution of a linear algebraic problem with Jacobian matrix required at every iteration; $DF(\bar{x})$ must be nonsingular

\star For convergence, $\rho(DF(\bar{x})) < 1$ in the neighborhood of the root

\star quadratic convergence