

# Applied Numerical Methods for Civil Engineering

CGN 3405 - 0002

## Week 10: Linear Algebraic Equations

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## Solving Linear Systems: Comparison

Solving the linear system with different methods:

$$3x_1 + 2x_2 = 18$$

$$-x_1 + 2x_2 = 2$$

- ① Graphical method

$$x_2 = -\frac{3}{2}x_1 + 9$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1}{2}x_1 + 1$$

- ② Cramer's rule:

$$x_1 = \frac{\det(\mathbf{A}_1)}{\det(\mathbf{A})}, \quad x_2 = \frac{\det(\mathbf{A}_2)}{\det(\mathbf{A})}$$

- ③ Inverse of matrix:  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b} \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b} \Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b}$

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(\mathbf{A})}{\det(\mathbf{A})} \quad (\text{adjoint matrix over determinant})$$

- ④ Gauss elimination (including back substitution)

- ⑤ LU decomposition (including both forward and back substitutions)

## Gauss-Seidel Method

An **iterative approach** to solving  $n$  simultaneous linear equations.

- **Motivation** for iterative methods: Traditional methods like Gauss elimination can become problematic for **very large systems**.
- **Efficiency**: Iterative methods are often faster for **large, sparse systems** where many coefficients are zero.

## Gauss-Seidel Method

### Learning objectives:

- Understand the iterative formulation for solving linear systems
- Derive the update equations for each unknown variable
- Apply the Gauss-Seidel iteration scheme
- Compute absolute relative approximate errors
- Determine convergence criteria

## Linear Systems

- A system of linear equations:

$$\begin{aligned}a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \cdots + a_{1n}x_n &= b_1 \\a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \cdots + a_{2n}x_n &= b_2 \\&\vdots \\a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{nn}x_n &= b_n\end{aligned}$$

- A system of  $n$  linear algebraic equations:

$$\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}x_j = b_i$$

for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . We want to solve for  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ .

- Matrix form  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$

## Linear Systems

If the diagonal entries  $a_{11}, a_{22}, \dots, a_{nn}$  are nonzero, then

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= \frac{b_1 - a_{12}x_2 - a_{13}x_3 - \cdots - a_{1n}x_n}{a_{11}} \\x_2 &= \frac{b_2 - a_{21}x_1 - a_{23}x_3 - \cdots - a_{2n}x_n}{a_{22}} \\&\vdots \\x_n &= \frac{b_n - a_{n1}x_1 - a_{n2}x_2 - \cdots - a_{n,n-1}x_{n-1}}{a_{nn}}\end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$x_1 = \frac{b_1 - \sum_{j \neq 1} a_{1j}x_j}{a_{11}} \quad x_2 = \frac{b_2 - \sum_{j \neq 2} a_{2j}x_j}{a_{22}} \quad \cdots \quad x_n = \frac{b_n - \sum_{j \neq n} a_{nj}x_j}{a_{nn}}$$

For any  $x_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , we have

$$x_i = \frac{1}{a_{ii}} \left( b_i - \sum_{j \neq i} a_{ij}x_j \right) \quad (\text{Solve each equation for one variable})$$

## Gauss-Seidel Iteration

- For a general system with right-hand side  $b_i$ :

$$\begin{aligned} x_i &= \frac{1}{a_{ii}} \left( b_i - \sum_{j \neq i} a_{ij} x_j \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{a_{ii}} \left( b_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} x_j - \sum_{j=i+1}^n a_{ij} x_j \right), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n \end{aligned}$$

Hint:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_{i-1} & \boxed{x_i} & & \text{(for all } j < i \text{)} \\ & & & & & x_{i+1} & x_{i+2} & \cdots & x_n & \text{(for all } j > i \text{)} \end{array}$$

- Key idea:** Start with an initial point, then iteratively update each  $x_i$  using the most recent values of the other variables.
- In Gauss-Seidel iteration, we use the most recent estimates:

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

with iterate  $k$ .

## Convergence Criteria

- At the end of each iteration, compute the **absolute relative approximate error** for each variable:

$$\varepsilon_i = \left| \frac{x_i^{(k+1)} - x_i^{(k)}}{x_i^{(k+1)}} \right|$$

- Stopping condition:

$$\varepsilon_i \leq \epsilon \quad \text{for all } i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

where  $\epsilon$  is the pre-specified tolerance (e.g., 0.01%).

## Simple $2 \times 2$ Matrices

A simple linear system:

$$4x_1 + x_2 = 9$$

$$x_1 + 3x_2 = 8$$

- Gauss-Seidel iteration:

$$x_1 = \frac{1}{4}(9 - x_2) \quad x_2 = \frac{1}{3}(8 - x_1)$$

with initial points:  $x_1^{(0)} = 0$  and  $x_2^{(0)} = 0$ .

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- Iteratively update each variable:

- First iteration:

$$x_1^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4}(9 - x_1^{(0)}) = \frac{9}{4} \quad x_2^{(1)} = \frac{1}{3}(8 - x_1^{(1)}) = \frac{1}{3}(8 - \frac{9}{4}) = \frac{23}{12}$$

- Second iteration:

$$x_1^{(2)} = \frac{1}{4}(9 - \frac{23}{12}) = \frac{85}{48} \approx 1.771 \quad x_2^{(2)} = \frac{1}{3}(8 - \frac{85}{48}) = \frac{299}{144} \approx 2.076$$

- Exact solution:  $x_1 = \frac{19}{11} \approx 1.727$  and  $x_2 = \frac{23}{11} \approx 2.091$

## Algorithm

How to solve  $Ax = b$ ?

- Choose initial points  $x$  and tolerance  $\epsilon$
- Set iteration  $k = 0$
- Repeat until convergence
  - For  $i = 1$  to  $n$ :

- Compute the most recent estimate:

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

- Compute absolute relative approximate error:

$$\varepsilon_i = \left| \frac{x_i^{(k+1)} - x_i^{(k)}}{x_i^{(k+1)}} \right|$$

- Check convergence: If  $\varepsilon_i < \epsilon$ , stop
- Set  $k = k + 1$

## Solving Linear Systems

Problem statement:

$$12x_1 + 3x_2 - 5x_3 = 1$$

$$x_1 + 5x_2 + 3x_3 = 28$$

$$3x_1 + 7x_2 + 13x_3 = 76$$

- Initial points  $x_1 = 1, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 1$
- **Check diagonal dominance:**
  - ✓ First row:  $|a_{11}| = 12 \geq |a_{12}| + |a_{13}| = 8$
  - ✓ Second row:  $|a_{22}| = 5 \geq |a_{21}| + |a_{23}| = 4$
  - ✓ Third row:  $|a_{33}| = 13 \geq |a_{31}| + |a_{32}| = 10$

The inequality is strictly greater for **at least one row** → **Convergence is guaranteed.**

- Does the following linear system ensure the convergence?

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## Solving Linear Systems

- Gauss-Seidel iteration:

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- Update  $x_1$ :

$$x_1^{(1)} = \frac{1}{12}(1 - 3x_2^{(0)} + 5x_3^{(0)}) = \frac{1}{12}(1 - 0 + 5) = 0.5 \quad \varepsilon_1 = 100\%$$

- Update  $x_2$ :

$$x_2^{(1)} = \frac{1}{5}(28 - x_1^{(1)} - 3x_3^{(0)}) = \frac{1}{5}(28 - 0.5 - 3) = 4.9 \quad \varepsilon_2 = 100\%$$

- Update  $x_3$ :

$$x_3^{(1)} = \frac{1}{13}(76 - 3x_1^{(1)} - 7x_2^{(1)}) = \frac{40.2}{13} = 3.0923077 \quad \varepsilon_3 = 67.66\%$$

## Solving Linear Systems

Iteration ( $k$ )	$x_1$	$\varepsilon_1$	$x_2$	$\varepsilon_2$	$x_3$	$\varepsilon_3$
1	0.5	100%	4.9	100%	3.0923	67.662%
2	0.14679	240.61%	3.7153	31.889%	3.8118	18.874%
3	0.74275	80.236%	3.1644	17.408%	3.9708	4.0064%
4	0.94675	21.546%	3.0281	4.4996%	3.9971	0.65772%
5	0.99177	4.5391%	3.0034	0.82499%	4.0001	0.07438%

- Exact solution:  $x_1 = 1$ ,  $x_2 = 3$ , and  $x_3 = 4$

## Python Code

```
1 import numpy as np
2
3 def gauss_seidel(A, b, x_init, tolerance, max_iterations=100):
4     n = len(b)
5     x = x_init.copy().astype(float)
6     for k in range(max_iterations):
7         x_old = x.copy()
8         for i in range(n):
9             # Compute sum for j < i (using updated x values)
10            sum_j_less = np.inner(A[i, :i], x[:i])
11            # Compute sum for j > i (using old x values)
12            sum_j_greater = np.inner(A[i, i+1:], x_old[i+1:])
13            # Update x[i]
14            x[i] = (b[i] - sum_j_less - sum_j_greater) / A[i, i]
15            # Calculate absolute relative approximate error
16            # Avoid division by zero if x[i] is 0
17            error = np.max(np.abs((x - x_old) / np.where(x != 0, x, 1)))
18            if error < tolerance:
19                print(f"Converged in {k+1} iterations.")
20                return x
21        print("Max iterations reached without convergence.")
22    return x
23
24 # Example
25 A = np.array([[8, 2, -2], [10, 2, 4], [12, 2, 2]])
26 b = np.array([-2, 4, 6])
27 x_start = np.zeros(3) # Initial points
28 solution = gauss_seidel(A, b, x_start, tolerance=0.001)
29 print(f"Gauss-Seidel Solution: {solution}")
```

## Advantage & Limitation

### Advantages:

- Simple to implement
- Uses less memory than direct methods
- Good for large sparse systems
- Self-correcting (round-off not amplified)

### Limitations:

- May not converge for all systems
- Requires diagonal dominance or symmetry for convergence
- Slower than direct methods for dense systems
- Convergence can be slow for ill-conditioned systems

## Quick Summary

### Monday's Class:

- How to solve linear systems iteratively?
- Basic idea of Gauss-Seidel method
- Algorithm & convergence criteria
- Diagonal dominance for guaranteed convergence

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- Rewrite the problem:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n}$$

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## Update Equations

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- Essential idea: Conjugate gradient solves linear system iteratively.
- $x$  is updated by

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with initial points  $x_0$

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$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_{k+1} &= \mathbf{x}_k + \alpha_k \mathbf{d}_k \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{Ax}_{k+1} &= \mathbf{Ax}_k + \alpha_k \mathbf{Ad}_k \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{Ax}_{k+1} &= \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{Ax}_k - \alpha_k \mathbf{Ad}_k \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{r}_{k+1} &= \mathbf{r}_k - \alpha_k \mathbf{Ad}_k \end{aligned}$$

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To summarize, we have the following update equations to solve  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$

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△ But how to write down the update equations of  $\alpha_k$  and  $\beta_k$ ?

Residual **orthogonality** + Search direction conjugacy (**A-orthogonality**)

$$\mathbf{r}_{k+1}^\top \mathbf{r}_k = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{d}_{k+1}^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_k = 0$$

for any iterations  $k$  and  $k + 1$ .

Update Equations of  $\alpha_k, \beta_k$ 

Recall that

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- Imposing  $\mathbf{r}_{k+1}^\top \mathbf{r}_k = \mathbf{r}_k^\top \mathbf{r}_{k+1} = 0$  (orthogonality), we have

$$\mathbf{r}_k^\top \underbrace{(\mathbf{r}_k - \alpha_k \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_k)}_{\mathbf{r}_{k+1}} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha_k = \frac{\mathbf{r}_k^\top \mathbf{r}_k}{\mathbf{r}_k^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_k}$$

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Denominator:  $\mathbf{r}_k^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_k = (\mathbf{d}_k - \beta_{k-1} \mathbf{d}_{k-1})^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_k = \mathbf{d}_k^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_k$

- Update equation:

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- Imposing  $\mathbf{d}_{k+1}^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_k = 0$  ( $\mathbf{A}$ -orthogonality), we have

$$\underbrace{(\mathbf{r}_{k+1} + \beta_k \mathbf{d}_k)}_{\mathbf{d}_{k+1}}^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_k = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \beta_k = -\frac{\mathbf{r}_{k+1}^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_k}{\mathbf{d}_k^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_k}$$

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- Considering

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_k = \frac{\mathbf{r}_k - \mathbf{r}_{k+1}}{\alpha_k} \quad \alpha_k = \frac{\mathbf{r}_k^\top \mathbf{r}_k}{\mathbf{d}_k^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_k}$$

- Update equation (with residuals):

$$\beta_k = \frac{\mathbf{r}_{k+1}^\top \mathbf{r}_{k+1}}{\mathbf{r}_k^\top \mathbf{r}_k}$$

## Conjugate Gradient

To summarize, we have the following update equations to solve  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$

$$\alpha_k = \frac{\mathbf{r}_k^\top \mathbf{r}_k}{\mathbf{d}_k^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_k} \quad (\text{step size})$$

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## A Simple Linear System

Problem statement:

$$\begin{aligned} 4x_1 + x_2 &= 1 \\ x_1 + 3x_2 &= 2 \end{aligned} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Suppose we have initial points  $x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0$  (i.e.,  $\mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  for the initialization)

- Initial residual:

$$\mathbf{r}_0 = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Initial search direction:

$$\mathbf{d}_0 = \mathbf{r}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## A Simple Linear System

First iteration:

Given  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{r}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\mathbf{d}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , we have

$$\alpha_0 = \frac{\mathbf{r}_0^\top \mathbf{r}_0}{\mathbf{d}_0^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_0} = \frac{1}{4} \quad (\text{step size})$$

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{x}_0 + \alpha_0 \mathbf{d}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/4 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{variables})$$

$$\mathbf{r}_1 = \mathbf{r}_0 - \alpha_0 \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 1/4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{residuals})$$

$$\beta_0 = \frac{\mathbf{r}_1^\top \mathbf{r}_1}{\mathbf{r}_0^\top \mathbf{r}_0} = 1/16 \quad (\text{step size})$$

$$\mathbf{d}_1 = \mathbf{r}_1 + \beta_0 \mathbf{d}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} -7/16 \\ 3/8 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{search direction})$$

## A Simple Linear System

Second iteration:

Given  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/4 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{r}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 1/4 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\mathbf{d}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -7/16 \\ 3/8 \end{bmatrix}$ , we have

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{\mathbf{r}_1^\top \mathbf{r}_1}{\mathbf{d}_1^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_1} = \frac{4}{11} \quad (\text{step size})$$

$$\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{x}_1 + \alpha_1 \mathbf{d}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/11 \\ 7/11 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{variables})$$

$$\mathbf{r}_2 = \mathbf{r}_1 - \alpha_1 \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{residuals})$$

$$\beta_1 = \frac{\mathbf{r}_2^\top \mathbf{r}_2}{\mathbf{r}_1^\top \mathbf{r}_1} = 0 \quad (\text{step size})$$

$$\mathbf{d}_2 = \mathbf{r}_2 + \beta_1 \mathbf{d}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{search direction})$$

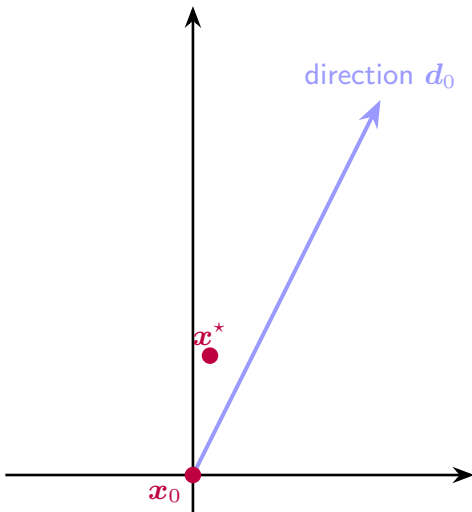
Zero residuals  $\rightarrow$  exact solution.

## Quick Summary

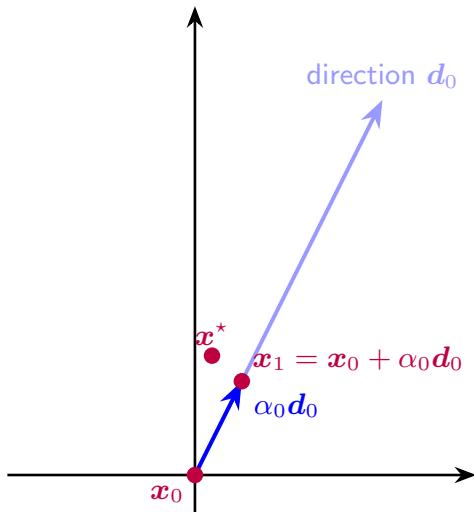
### Wednesday's Class:

- Conjugate gradient: iterative method for solving linear systems
- How to update  $x$ ,  $r$ , and search direction  $d$ ?
- How to write down step sizes  $\alpha_k$  and  $\beta_k$ ?
- A simple linear system for demonstrating conjugate gradient

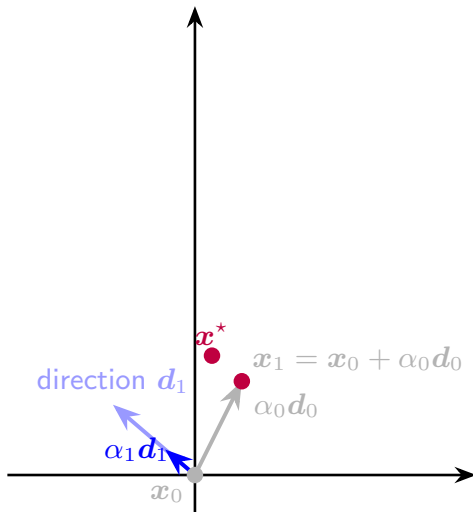
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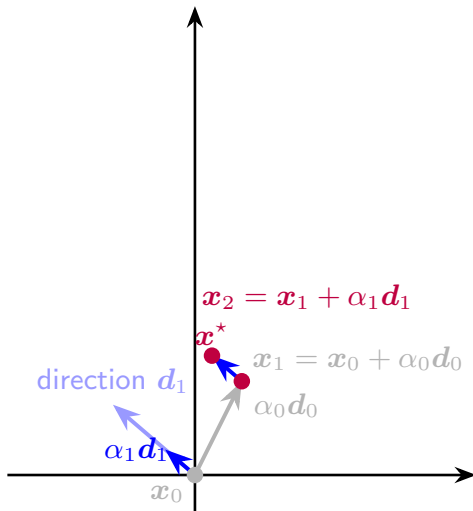


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## Quizzes Now!

- **Today's participation** (ungraded survey): Please check out  
    "Class Participation Quiz 24"  
    Time slot: **2:30PM – 3:00PM**  
on Canvas.

## Conjugate Gradient

To summarize, we have the following update equations to solve  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$

$$\alpha_k = \frac{\mathbf{r}_k^\top \mathbf{r}_k}{\mathbf{d}_k^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_k} \quad (\text{step size})$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \alpha_k \mathbf{d}_k \quad (\text{variables})$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_k - \alpha_k \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}_k \quad (\text{residuals})$$

$$\beta_k = \frac{\mathbf{r}_{k+1}^\top \mathbf{r}_{k+1}}{\mathbf{r}_k^\top \mathbf{r}_k} \quad (\text{step size})$$

$$\mathbf{d}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_{k+1} + \beta_k \mathbf{d}_k \quad (\text{search direction})$$

**Convergence criteria:** If

$$\sqrt{\mathbf{r}_k^\top \mathbf{r}_k} \leq \epsilon$$

then stop the iterative process.

## Conjugate Gradient Algorithm

```
1 import numpy as np
2
3 def conj_grad(A, b, x, tol = 1e-8, max_iter = 100):
4     r = b - A @ x
5     d = r.copy()
6     r_inner = np.inner(r, r)
7     for it in range(max_iter):
8         if np.sqrt(r_inner) <= tol:
9             print(f"Converged in {it} iterations.")
10            break
11
12            Ad = A @ d
13            alpha = r_inner / np.inner(d, Ad)
14
15            x = x + alpha * d
16            r = r - alpha * Ad
17
18            r_inner_new = np.inner(r, r)
19            beta = r_inner_new / r_inner
20            d = r + beta * d
21            r_inner = r_inner_new
22
23     return x
```

### III-Conditioned Systems

- Problem:

$$x_1 + 2x_2 = 10$$

$$1.1x_1 + 2x_2 = 10.4$$

- Exact solution: Solving this system yields  $x_1 = 4$  and  $x_2 = 3$ .
- What happens with a small change in  $\mathbf{b}$ ?
  - Let's change the right-hand side constant  $b_2$  from 10.4 to 10.8:

$$x_1 + 2x_2 = 10$$

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- Subtract the equations:  $0.1x_1 = 0.8 \Rightarrow x_1 = 8$
  - Substitute back:  $8 + 2x_2 = 10 \Rightarrow x_2 = 1$
- **Result:** A small change in the input vector  $\mathbf{b}$  caused the solution to jump from  $(4, 3)$  to  $(8, 1)$ .
- **Small change in  $\mathbf{b} \rightarrow$  remarkable change in  $\mathbf{x}$**

### III-Conditioned Systems

#### Why is this happening?

- For matrix  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1.1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

- Frobenius norm of  $\mathbf{A}$ :

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_F = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 1.1^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{10.21} \approx 3.195$$

- Inverse of  $\mathbf{A}$ :

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(\mathbf{A})}{\det(\mathbf{A})} = \frac{1}{-0.2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -1.1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -10 & 10 \\ 5.5 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Frobenius norm of  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ :

$$\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|_F = \sqrt{(-10)^2 + 10^2 + 5.5^2 + (-5)^2} = \sqrt{255.25} \approx 15.977$$

- Condition number:

$$\kappa(\mathbf{A}) = \|\mathbf{A}\|_F \cdot \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|_F \approx 51.05$$

## III-Conditioned Systems

### Python programming

- Input:

```
1 A = np.array([[1, 2], [1.1, 2]])
2 b = np.array([10, 10.4])
3 x = np.zeros(2)
4 x = conj_grad(A, b, x, tol = 1e-4, max_iter = 55)
5 print(x)
```

- Output:

```
1 Converged in 18 iterations.
2 [3.99917683 3.00043664]
```

$$\begin{array}{l} x_1 + 2x_2 = 10 \\ 1.1x_1 + 2x_2 = 10.4 \end{array} \Rightarrow \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1.1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 10.4 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Sylvester Equation

A **Sylvester equation** is a matrix equation of the form:

$$AX + XB = C$$

- Known:  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , and  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$
- Unknown:  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

How to solve this linear system?

## Vectorization

- Toy example:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{vec}(\mathbf{A}) = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ c \\ b \\ d \end{bmatrix}$$

- For any matrix  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ :

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & & | \\ \mathbf{x}_1 & \mathbf{x}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{x}_n \\ | & | & & | \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{vec}(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{21} \\ \vdots \\ x_{m1} \\ \vdots \\ x_{1n} \\ x_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ x_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{mn}$$

# Kronecker Product $\otimes$

- Mathematical expression:

$$\mathbf{X} \otimes \mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11}\mathbf{Y} & x_{12}\mathbf{Y} & \cdots & x_{1n}\mathbf{Y} \\ x_{21}\mathbf{Y} & x_{22}\mathbf{Y} & \cdots & x_{2n}\mathbf{Y} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{m1}\mathbf{Y} & x_{m2}\mathbf{Y} & \cdots & x_{mn}\mathbf{Y} \end{bmatrix}$$

## Kronecker Product $\otimes$

- Verify that the Kronecker product of

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 8 & 9 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{X} \otimes \mathbf{Y} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \times \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 8 & 9 & 10 \end{bmatrix} & 2 \times \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 8 & 9 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \\ 3 \times \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 8 & 9 & 10 \end{bmatrix} & 4 \times \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 8 & 9 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 & 10 & 12 & 14 \\ 8 & 9 & 10 & 16 & 18 & 20 \\ 15 & 18 & 21 & 20 & 24 & 28 \\ 24 & 27 & 30 & 32 & 36 & 40 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

- Size: 4 rows & 6 columns

## Property of Kronecker Product

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- Thus, we have

$$\underbrace{(I_n \otimes A + B^T \otimes I_m)}_{(mn) \times (mn)} \underbrace{\text{vec}(X)}_{(mn) \times 1} = \text{vec}(C)$$

## Quick Summary

### Friday's Class:

- Geometric interpretation of conjugate gradient
- Convergence criteria
- Python programming
- Ill-conditioned systems
- Matrix equation: Sylvester equation