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# **Linear System Solution**

- Let A be a real N imes N matrix,  $b\in \mathbb{R}^N.$
- Solve Ax = b

#### Direct methods:

- Exact up to machine precision
- Sometimes expensive, sometimes not

#### Iterative methods:

- "Only" approximate
- With good convergence and proper accuracy control, results may be not worse than for direct methods
- Sometimes expensive, sometimes not
- Convergence guarantee is problem dependent and can be tricky

# Matrix & vector norms

### **Vector norms**

let  $x = (x_i) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ 

v = [0.2, 0.3, 1.0]
• v=[0.2, 0.3, 1.0]

 $||x||_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|$ : sum norm,  $l_1$ -norm

norm(v,1)

 $||x||_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}$ : Euclidean norm,  $l_2$ -norm

(1.06301, 1.06301) • norm(v,2),norm(v)

 $||x||_{\infty} = \max_{i=1}^n |x_i|$ : maximum norm,  $l_{\infty}$ -norm

1.0

• norm(v,Inf)

## Matrix norms

Given a matrix  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{R}^n imes \mathbb{R}^n$ 

- A matrix is a representation of a linear operator in the basis defined by the unit vectors:  $\mathcal{A}: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  is defined via  $\mathcal{A}: x \mapsto y = Ax$  with  $y_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j$
- Vector norm  $||\cdot||_p$  induces corresponding matrix norm:

$$egin{aligned} ||A||_p &:= \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, x 
eq 0} rac{||Ax||_p}{||x||_p} \ &= \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, ||x||_p = 1} rac{||Ax||_p}{||x||_p} \end{aligned}$$

```
A0 = 3×3 Matrix{Float64}:

3.0 2.0 3.0

0.1 0.3 0.5

0.6 2.0 3.0

• A0=[3.0 2.0 3.0;

• 0.1 0.3 0.5;

• 0.6 2.0 3.0]
```

 $||A||_1 = \max_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^n |a_{ij}|$ : maximum of column sums of absolute values of entries

#### 6.5

opnorm(A0,1)

 $||A||_2 = \sqrt{\lambda_{max}}$  with  $\lambda_{max}$ : largest eigenvalue of  $A^TA$  .

```
(5.78018, 5.78018, 5.78018)
• opnorm(A0,2), opnorm(A0),sqrt(maximum(eigvals(A0'*A0)))
```

 $||A||_{\infty} = \max_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}| = ||A^T||_1$ : maximum of row sums of absolute values of entries

(8.0, 8.0)

opnorm(A0,Inf),opnorm(A0',1)

## Condition number and error propagation

- Solve Ax = b, where b is inexact
- Let  $\Delta b$  be the error in b and  $\Delta x$  be the resulting error in x such that

$$A(x+\Delta x)=b+\Delta b.$$

• Since Ax = b, we get  $A\Delta x = \Delta b$  and  $\Delta x = A^{-1}\Delta b$ 

$$egin{aligned} Ax &= b \ ||A|| \cdot ||x|| \geq ||b|| \ ||\Delta x|| \leq ||A^{-1}|| \cdot ||\Delta b|| \ &\Rightarrow rac{||\Delta x||}{||x||} \leq \kappa(A) rac{||\Delta b||}{||b||} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\kappa(A) = ||A|| \cdot ||A^{-1}||$  is the condition number of A.

This means that the relative error in the solution is proportional to the relative error of the right hand side. The proportionality factor  $\kappa(A)$  is usually larger (and in many relevant cases significantly larger) than one.

Just remark that this estimates does not assume inexact arithmetics.

Let us have an example. We use alternatively rational or floating point arithmetic:

Rational: 🗹

```
2×2 Matrix{Rational{Int64}}:
    1//2    1//2000000
    -1//2    1//2000000
    inv(A)
```

Assume a solution vector:

```
x = [1, 1]
• x=[1,1]
```

Create corresponding right hand side:

 $\mathbf{b} = [0//1, 2000000//1]$ 

∘ b=A\*x

Define a perturbation of the right hand side:

Δb = [1//100000000, 1//100000000] • Δb=[pert\_b, pert\_b]

Calculate the error with respect to the unperturbed solution:

Relative error of right hand side:

 $\delta b$  = 7.071067811865475e-16

•  $\delta b = norm(\Delta b) / norm(b)$ 

Relative error of solution:

 $\delta x = 5.0000000002499e - 10$ 

•  $\delta x = norm(\Delta x) / norm(x)$ 

Comparison with condition number based estimate:

κ = 1.0e6
 κ=opnorm(A)\*opnorm(inv(A))

(1.0e6, 7.07107e5) • κ,δx/δb

# Complexity: "big O notation"

Let  $f,g:\mathbb{V}\to\mathbb{R}^+$  be some functions, where  $\mathbb{V}=\mathbb{N}$  or  $\mathbb{V}=\mathbb{R}.$ 

Write

$$f(x) = O(g(x)) \quad (x \to \infty)$$

if there exists a constant C>0 and  $x_0\in\mathbb{V}$  such that  $orall x>x_0, \quad |f(x)|\leq C|g(x)|$ 

Often, one skips the part " $(x 
ightarrow \infty)$ "

Examples:

- Addition of two vectors: O(N)
- Straightforward matrix-vector multiplication (for matrix where all entries are assumed to be nonzero):  ${\cal O}(N^2)$

# A Direct method: Cramer's rule

Solve Ax = b by Cramer's rule:

 $x_i = egin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \ldots & a_{1i-1} & b_1 & a_{1i+1} & \ldots & a_{1N} \ a_{21} & & \ldots & b_2 & & \ldots & a_{2N} \ dots & & & dots & & & dots \ a_{N1} & & \ldots & b_N & & \ldots & a_{NN} \ \end{pmatrix} / |A| \quad (i=1\ldots N)$ 

This takes O(N!) operations...

# LU decomposition

## **Gaussian elimination**

So let us have a look at Gaussian elimination to solve Ax = b. The elementary matrix manipulation step in Gaussian elimination ist the multiplication of row k by  $-a_{jk}/a_{kk}$  and its addition to row j such that element  $_{jk}$  in the resulting matrix becomes zero. If this is done at once for all j > k, we can express this operation as the left multiplication of A by a lower triangular Gauss transformation matrix M(A, k).

```
function M(A,k)
n=size(A,1)
m=UnitLowerTriangular(Matrix{eltype(A)}(one(eltype(A))I,n,n))
for j=k+1:n
m[j,k]=-A[j,k]/A[k,k]
end
m
end;
```

Use rational numbers for the following examples: 🗹

```
T_lu = Rational{Int64}
  T_lu= lu_use_rational ? Rational{Int64} : Float64
```

Define a test matrix:

A1 = 4×4 Matrix{Rational{Int64}}: 2//1 1//1 3//1 4//1 5//1 6//1 7//1 8//1 7//1 6//1 8//1 5//1 3//1 4//1 2//1 2//1 A1=T\_lu[2 1 3 4; 5 6 7 8; 7 6 8 5; 3 4 2 2;]

This is the Gauss transform for first column:

```
4x4 UnitLowerTriangular{Rational{Int64}, Matrix{Rational{Int64}}}:
1//1 • • •
-5//2 1//1 • •
-7//2 0//1 1//1 •
-3//2 0//1 0//1 1//1
• M(A1,1)
```

Applying it then sets all elements in the first column to zero besides of the main diagonal element:

U1 = 4×4 Matrix{Rational{Int64}}: 2//1 1//1 3//1 4//1 0//1 7//2 -1//2 -2//1 0//1 5//2 -5//2 -9//1 0//1 5//2 -5//2 -4//1 • U1=M(A1,1)\*A1

We can repeat this with the second column:

```
U2 = 4×4 Matrix{Rational{Int64}}:

2//1 1//1 3//1 4//1

0//1 7//2 -1//2 -2//1

0//1 0//1 -15//7 -53//7

0//1 0//1 -15//7 -18//7

• U2=M(U1,2)*U1
```

And the third column:

```
U3 = 4×4 Matrix{Rational{Int64}}:

2//1 1//1 3//1 4//1

0//1 7//2 -1//2 -2//1

0//1 0//1 -15//7 -53//7

0//1 0//1 0//1 5//1

• U3=M(U2,3)*U2
```

And here, we arrived at a triangular matrix. In the standard Gaussian elimination we would have manipulated the right hand side accordingly.

From here on we would start the backsubstitution which in fact is the solution of a triangular system of equations.

Thus, A1 = LU with

| L = 4×4 UnitLowerTriangular{Rational{Int64}, Matrix{Rational{Int64}}}:<br>1//1 • • •<br>5//2 1//1 • •<br>7//2 5//7 1//1 •<br>3//2 5//7 1//1 1//1  |
|---|
| <pre>L=inv(M(A1,1))*inv(M(U1,2))*inv(M(U2,3))</pre>   |
| <pre>U = 4×4 Matrix{Rational{Int64}}:<br/>2//1 1//1 3//1 4//1<br/>0//1 7//2 -1//2 -2//1<br/>0//1 0//1 -15//7 -53//7<br/>0//1 0//1 0//1 5//1</pre> |
| • U=U3  |
| 0.0   |
| <pre>norm(L*U-A1)</pre>   |
| true  |
| <pre>iszero(L*U-A1)</pre>   |
|   |

## A first LU decomposition

We can put this together into a function:

```
• function my_first_lu_decomposition(A)
     n=size(A,1)
     L=Matrix(one(eltype(A))I,n,n) # L=I
     U=A
     for k=1:n-1
.
        Mtran=M(U,k)
         L=L*inv(Mtran)
        U=Mtran*U
.
     end
     # Check if matrices are triangular
.
     Ltri=UnitLowerTriangular(L)
•
     @assert iszero(Ltri-L)
.
     Utri=UpperTriangular(U)
     @assert iszero(Utri-U)
     Ltri,Utri
. end;
```

Check for correctness:

0.0

```
norm(Lx*Ux-A1)
```

true

iszero(Lx\*Ux-A1)

Solving LUx = b then amounts to solve two triangular systems:

$$Ly = b$$
  
 $Ux = y$ 

```
my_first_lu_solve (generic function with 1 method)
    function my_first_lu_solve(L,U,b)
    y=inv(L)*b
    x=inv(U)*y
    end
b1 = [1, 2, 3, 4]
    b1=[1,2,3,4]
x1 = [182//75, -7//75, -154//75, 3//5]
    x1=my_first_lu_solve(Lx,Ux,b1)
Check...
[0//1, 0//1, 0//1, 0//1]
```

• A1\*x1-b1

... in order to be didactical, in this example, we made a very inefficient implementation by creating matrices in each step. We even cheated by using inv in order to solve a triangular system.

## **Doolittles method**

- Doolittles method (Adapted from wikipedia: LU\_decomposition)
- This allows to perform LU decomposition in-place.

```
doolittle_lu_decomposition! (generic function with 1 method)
```

```
• function doolittle_lu_decomposition!(LU)
     n = size(LU, 1)
      # decomposition of matrix, Doolittle's Method
     for i = 1:n
         for j = 1:(i - 1)
              alpha = LU[i,j];
              for k = 1:(j - 1)
                  alpha = alpha - LU[i,k]*LU[k,j];
              end
              LU[i,j] = alpha/LU[j,j];
          end
          for j = i:n
              alpha = LU[i,j];
              for k = 1:(i - 1)
                  alpha = alpha - LU[i,k]*LU[k,j];
              end
              LU[i,j] = alpha;
          end
     end
end
```

doolittle\_lu\_solve (generic function with 1 method)

```
• function doolittle_lu_solve(LU,b)
     n = length(b);
     x = zeros(eltype(LU),n);
     y = zeros(eltype(LU),n);
     # LU= L+U-I
     # find solution of Ly = b
     for i = 1:n
         alpha = zero(eltype(LU));
         for k = 1:i
              alpha = alpha + LU[i,k]*y[k];
         end
         y[i] = b[i] - alpha;
     end
     # find solution of Ux = y
     for i = n:-1:1
         alpha = zero(eltype(LU));
         for k = (i + 1):n
              alpha = alpha + LU[i,k]*x[k];
         end
         x[i] = (y[i] - alpha)/LU[i, i];
     end
```

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We can then implement a method for linear system solution:

```
doolittle_solve (generic function with 1 method)
  function doolittle_solve(A,b)
  LU=copy(A)
```

```
doolittle_lu_decomposition!(LU)
doolittle_lu_solve(LU,b)
end
```

```
x2 = [182//75, -7//75, -154//75, 3//5]
    x2=doolittle_solve(A1,b1)
```

[0//1, 0//1, 0//1, 0//1] • A1\*x2-b1

## Pivoting

So far, we ignored the possibility that a diagonal element becomes zero during the LU factorization procedure.

Pivoting tries to remedy the problem that during the algorithm, diagonal elements can become zero. Before undertaking the next Gauss transformation step, we can exchange rows such that we always divide by the largest of the remaining diagonal elements. This would then in fact result in a decompositon

PA = LU

where P is a permutation matrix which can be stored in an integer vector. This approach is called "partial pivoting". Full pivoting in addition would perform column permutations. This would result in another permutation matrix Q and the decomposition

PAQ = LU

Almost all practically used LU decomposition implementations use partial pivoting.

## LU Factorization from Julia library

Julia implements a pivoting LU factorization

```
lu1 = LU{Rational{Int64}, Matrix{Rational{Int64}}}
      L factor:
      4×4 Matrix{Rational{Int64}}:
       1//1 0//1
                       0//1
                             0//1
       5//7
              1//1
                       0//1
                             0//1
       3//7
              5//6
                       1//1
                            0//1
       2//7 -5//12
                     -1//2 1//1
      U factor:
      4×4 Matrix{Rational{Int64}}:
       7//1 6//1
0//1 12//7
                             5//1
31//7
              6//1
                      8//1
                      9//7
              0//1
                     -5//2
       0//1
                            -23//6
       0//1
              0//1
                     0//1
                              5//2
```

Like in matlab, the backslash opertor "solves", in this case it solves the LU factorization:

[182//75, -7//75, -154//75, 3//5] • lu1\b1

Of course we can apply  $\$  directly to a matrix. However, behind this always LU decomposition and LU solve are called:

x3 = [182//75, -7//75, -154//75, 3//5] • x3=A1\b1

## LU vs. inv

In principle we could work with the inverse matrix as well:

```
A1inv = 4×4 Matrix{Rational{Int64}}:

68//75 -2//3 2//25 49//75

-43//75 1//3 -2//25 1//75

-46//75 1//3 6//25 -53//75

2//5 0//1 -1//5 1//5

• A1inv=inv(A1)

[182//75, -7//75, -154//75, 3//5]
```

Alinv\*b1

However, inversion is more complex than the LU factorization.

## Some performance tests.

```
rand_Ab (generic function with 1 method)
  rand_Ab(n)=(100.0I(n)+rand(n,n),rand(n))
```

```
    function perftest_lu(n)
    A,b=rand_Ab(n)
    @elapsed A\b
    end;
```

```
perftest_inv (generic function with 1 method)
```

```
    function perftest_inv(n)
    A,b=rand_Ab(n)
    @elapsed inv(A)*b
    end
```

```
perftest_doolittle (generic function with 1 method)
```

```
    function perftest_doolittle(n)
    A,b=rand_Ab(n)
    @elapsed doolittle_solve(A,b)
    end
```

```
test_and_plot (generic function with 1 method)
```

```
• function test_and_plot(powmax)
     N= 2 .^collect(5:powmax)
     t_inv=perftest_inv.(N)
     t_lu=perftest_lu.(N)
     t_doo=perftest_doolittle.(N)
     p=plot(dim=1,resolution=(600,300),
            xscale=:log, yscale=:log,
             title="Experimental complexity of dense linear system solution",
             xlabel="Number of unknowns N",
            ylabel="Execution time t/s",
            legend=:lt)
     plot!(p,N,t_inv,label="inv(A)*b")
     plot!(p,N,t_lu,label="A\\b")
     plot!(p,N,t_doo,label="doolittle")
     plot!(p,N,1.0e-9*N.^3,label="0(N^3)",linestyle=:dot)
     plot!(p,N,1.0e-9*N.^2.75,label="0(N^2.75)",linestyle=:dot)
     р
 end
```

Experimental complexity of dense linear system solution



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#### • test\_and\_plot(12)

- The complexity for the built-in factorization is around  ${\cal O}(N^{2.75})$  which is in the region of some theoretical estimates.
- For standard floating point types, Julia uses highly optimized versions of <u>LINPACK</u> and <u>BLAS</u>
   Same for python/numpy and many other coding environments
- A good implementation is hard to get right, straightforward code performs worse than the system implementation
- Using inversion instead of factorization is significantly slower (log scale in the plot!)