

CPSC 303: Today:  $l^p$ -norms and condition numbers

[A&G], Sections 4.2 & 5, 8

CPSC 302: Numerical Lin Alg

1. 303: Interp., Diff. Int., ODE's, PDE's, ...

} Lin Alg is  
behind everything

common to everything:  
relative error, condition numbers

$l^p$ -norms

Most everything we need to know  
will be illustrated in dims  $n=1, 2, 3$ .

(for CPSC 303: interpolation, etc.)

Relative error in solving  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ ,  $A$  is  $n \times n$  system  
 $A$  invertible

$\text{cond}(A)$  = the worst case  
loss of "relative error" from  $\vec{b}$  to  $\vec{x}$

Idea!  $n=1$ :  $731x = b = 7 \pm 1\%$   
 $= 7 \pm 0.07$

Technically:  $b \in [6.93, 7.07]$ , i.e.  $|b-7| \leq 0.07$

$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{731} (7 \pm 0.07)$   $\leftarrow$  determines  $x$   
to within 1%

More generally, if  $b$  is known  $\pm$  within any  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{percent} \\ \text{relative error} \end{array} \right\}$

then so is  $x$  for  $Ax=b$ , and  $n=1$ .

Say  $n=2$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \pm 0.06 \\ 7 \pm 0.07 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \pm 0.06 \\ 7 \pm 0.07 \end{bmatrix} \end{cases}$$

Aside:  $(4 \pm 0.04) + (3 \pm 0.03) = 7 \pm 0.07$

$$(4 \pm 0.04) + (-3 \pm 0.03) = 1 \pm 0.07$$

$0.07 =$  absolute error, the same

relative error:  $\frac{0.07}{7} = 1\%$ ,  $\frac{0.07}{1} = 7\%$

$$(4 \pm 0.04) + (-4 \pm 0.04) = 0 \pm 0.08 \rightarrow \frac{0.08}{0} = \infty$$

$\rightarrow$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \pm 0.06 \\ 7 \pm 0.07 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{1 \cdot 4 - 2 \cdot 3} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \pm 0.06 \\ 7 \pm 0.07 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ - & - \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \pm 0.06 \\ 7 \pm 0.07 \end{bmatrix} = 4(6 \pm 0.06) \\ + (-2)(7 \pm 0.07)$$

$$= 10 \pm 0.38$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \pm 0.06 \\ 7 \pm 0.07 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \pm 0.35 \\ -11 \pm 0.25 \end{bmatrix}$$

-18  
7 )



(10, -11)

In  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :

$$\left\| \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2 = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}$$

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{C}^n \quad \mathbb{R} = \text{reals}, \mathbb{C} = \text{complex}$$

most popular { norms  
lengths  
magnitudes }

sometimes easier to work with  $\rightarrow$

$$\|\vec{v}\|_2 = \sqrt{|v_1|^2 + |v_2|^2 + \dots + |v_n|^2} \quad 2\text{-norm}$$

$$\|\vec{v}\|_1 = |v_1| + |v_2| + \dots + |v_n| \quad 1\text{-norm}$$

easier for cond num  $\rightarrow$

$$\|\vec{v}\|_\infty = \max(|v_1|, \dots, |v_n|) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{max-norm} \\ \infty\text{-norm} \end{array}$$

$$\|\vec{v}\|_p = \left( |v_1|^p + |v_2|^p + \dots + |v_n|^p \right)^{1/p} \quad \begin{array}{l} p \geq 1 \\ (0 < p < 1) \end{array}$$

$$\|\vec{v}\|_p \xrightarrow{p \rightarrow \infty} \quad (p=1, 2, \infty)$$

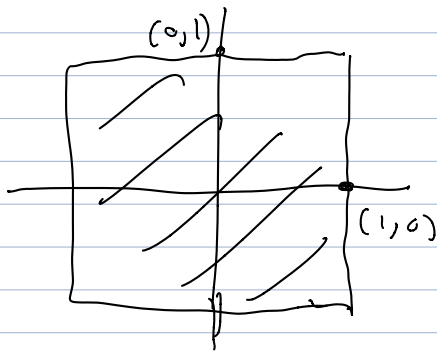
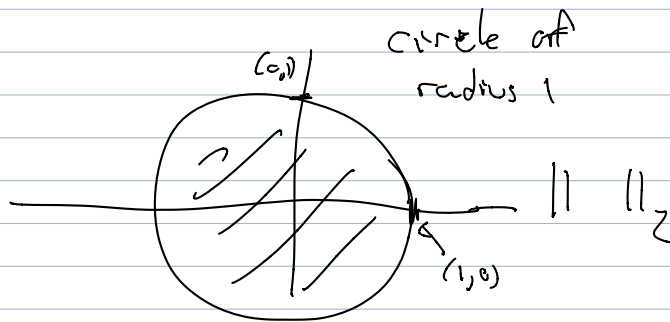
$$\left\| \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_p = \left( 1^p + 2^p + 7^p \right)^{1/p} = \left( 7^p \right)^{1/p} \left( \text{between } 1 \text{ and } 3 \right)^{1/p}$$

$\xrightarrow{p \rightarrow \infty} 7$

$p=1$        $1+2+7$

$p=2$        $\sqrt{1^2+2^2+7^2}$

$p=\infty$        $7$



vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$   
of  $\| \cdot \|_{\infty} \leq 1$

