

Lecture 16:

Another condition for the convergence (useful for analyzing SOR)

Let $A = N - P$ (N is invertible)

Iterative scheme: $N\vec{x}^{k+1} = P\vec{x}^k + \vec{b}$

Theorem: (Householder - John) Suppose A and $(N^* + N - A)$ are self-adjoint positive-definite matrices, then the iterative scheme converges.

Example: Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & \beta_1 & & & \\ \beta_1 & \alpha_2 & \beta_2 & & \\ & \beta_2 & & \ddots & \\ & & & & \alpha_{n-1} & \beta_{n-1} \\ & & & & \beta_{n-1} & \alpha_n \end{pmatrix}$ be *real* symmetric tridiagonal matrix. Suppose A is positive-definite. Prove that the Gauss-Seidel method converges.

Solution: For Gauss-Seidel method,

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & & & & \\ \beta_1 & \alpha_2 & & & \\ & \beta_2 & & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & \beta_{n-1} & \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad N^* + N - A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & & & & \\ & \alpha_2 & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & \alpha_{n-1} & \\ & & & & \alpha_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Then, $N^* + N - A$ is symmetric.

Also, $(0, \dots, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ i\text{th}}}{1}, 0, \dots, 0) A \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow i\text{th} = \alpha_i > 0 \quad \therefore N + N^* - A$ is positive definite
 (\because all eigenvalues are positive)

By Householder - John Theorem, Gauss-Seidel method converges.

Example: Suppose A is ^(real) self-adjoint positive-definite. Using Householder - John theorem, prove that SOR method converges if and only if $0 < \omega < 2$.

Solution: Note that $N_{SOR} = L + \frac{1}{\omega} D$. Now, $L = U^*$

$$\therefore N_{SOR} + N_{SOR}^* - A = \left(\frac{2}{\omega} - 1\right) D$$

(A is self-adjoint)

$\therefore N_{SOR} + N_{SOR}^* - A$ is also self-adjoint positive-definite if $0 < \omega < 2$.

\therefore By Householder - John theorem, SOR converges.

Important example:

Consider an $n \times n$ tridiagonal matrix of the form:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & & & \\ -1 & 2 & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & -1 & 2 \\ & & & & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

We want to study the convergence of Jacobi and SOR methods to solve $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$.

In fact, for any $n \times n$ matrix of the form:

$$T_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & -1 & & & \\ -1 & \alpha & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & -1 & \alpha \\ & & & & -1 & \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

its eigenvectors are given by:

$$\vec{q}_j = \begin{pmatrix} \sin(j\theta) \\ \sin(2j\theta) \\ \vdots \\ \sin(nj\theta) \end{pmatrix} \text{ w/ eigenvalue } \lambda_j = \alpha - 2\cos(j\theta)$$

$(j=1, 2, \dots, n-1, \theta = \frac{\pi}{n+1})$

Proof: $T_\alpha \vec{q}_j = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \sin j\theta - \sin(2j\theta) \\ \alpha \sin(2j\theta) - \sin(j\theta) - \sin(3j\theta) \\ \alpha \sin(3j\theta) - \sin(2j\theta) - \sin(4j\theta) \\ \vdots \\ \alpha \sin(nj\theta) - \sin((n-1)j\theta) \end{pmatrix}$

Using trigonometric formula: $\sin(a+b) + \sin(a-b)$

$$\therefore T_\alpha \vec{q}_j = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \sin j\theta - 2 \sin j\theta \cos j\theta \\ \alpha \sin(2j\theta) - 2 \cos j\theta \sin 2j\theta \\ \vdots \\ \alpha \sin(nj\theta) - 2 \cos(j\theta) \sin(nj\theta) \end{pmatrix} \overset{2 \sin a \cos b}{=} \underbrace{(\alpha - 2 \cos(j\theta))}_{\lambda_j} \vec{q}_j$$

Let $A = L + D + U$. Then:

$$\alpha D^{-1}L + \frac{1}{\alpha} D^{-1}U = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{2\alpha} & & & \\ -\frac{\alpha}{2} & 0 & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & -\frac{\alpha}{2} & -\frac{1}{2\alpha} \\ & & & & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ which is tridiagonal.}$$

Hence, it is consistently ordered.

In fact, we can show that for any general matrix B of the form:

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & & & \\ c & a & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & b & \\ & & & & c & a \end{pmatrix}, \text{ the eigenvalues are}$$

given by: $\mu_j = a - 2\sqrt{bc} \cos\left(\frac{j\pi}{n+1}\right)$ (Out of Scope)
for $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$

In our case, $M_j = -\cos\left(\frac{j\pi}{n+1}\right)$ for $j=1, 2, \dots, n$ which are independent of α (Put $a=0$, $b=-\frac{1}{2\alpha}$, $c=-\frac{\alpha}{2}$)

$\therefore \alpha D^{-1}L + \frac{1}{\alpha} D^{-1}U$ is consistently ordered.

$$\text{Now, } \rho(M_j) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{n+1}\right)$$

\therefore the optimal ω is:

$$\omega_{\text{opt}} = \frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{1 - \rho(M_j)^2}} = \frac{2}{1 + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{n+1}\right)} //$$