

Norm and condition # of an Operator

$$\text{Frobenius Norm } \|A\|_F = \sqrt{\text{tr}(A^* A)} = \left( \sum |A_{ijkl}|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

Def: Operator norm of  $A$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \|A\| &= \max_{\|x\| \leq 1} \|Ax\| = s_1 \leftarrow \text{largest singular value} \\ &= \max_{\|x\|=1} \|Ax\| \geq \max_{\tilde{x} \neq 0} \frac{\|Ax\|}{\|\tilde{x}\|} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{0 \leq \|Ax\| \leq \|A\| \cdot \|x\|}$$

Compare  $\|A\|$  and  $\|A\|_F$

$$\|A\|_F^2 = \text{tr}(A^* A) = \sum \lambda_k^2 = \sum s_k^2 \quad \text{eigenvalues of } A^* A \quad \text{singular values of } A$$

$$\|A\|^2 = s_1^2 \leftarrow \text{max singular value}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|A\| \leq \|A\|_F$$

Image of the Unit Ball  $B = \{\tilde{x} : \|\tilde{x}\| \leq 1\}$

Describe  $A(B)$

$$\text{Simple case } A = \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} s_1 & & \\ & s_2 & 0 \\ & 0 & \ddots & s_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{pmatrix} = A \tilde{x} \quad \text{where } \tilde{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \|\tilde{x}\|^2 \leq 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum |x_k|^2 \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow y_k = s_k x_k \quad x_k = \frac{y_k}{s_k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum |x_k|^2 \leq 1 \Rightarrow \sum \left| \frac{y_k}{s_k} \right|^2 \leq 1$$

$\tilde{y}$  that satisfy

$B^2$  ellipse

$B^3$  ellipsoid

$B^n$   $n$ -dimensional ellipsoid

$s_k \rightarrow$  half axes

Now consider  $A = W \Sigma V^*$

Unitary operators do not change norm simply changes basis rotates. Largest axis is  $w_1$ , next is  $w_2$ , etc. If some  $s_k = 0$  then the dimension of the ellipsoid will be less than the original unit ball

$A(B)$  - ellipsoid in  $\text{Ran } A$

Condition Number of  $A$ :

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 = 2 \\ x_1 + 1.000001x_2 = 2.000001 + \sqrt{\delta} \end{cases}$$

Solution:  $x_1 = 1$   $x_2 = 1$  now add error  $\delta$

now solution:  $x_1 = 1 + \Delta_1$   $x_2 = 1 + \Delta_2$

$$\begin{cases} 1 + \Delta_1 + \Delta_2 = 0 \\ \Delta_1 + 1.000001\Delta_2 = \delta \end{cases}$$

Solution:  $\Delta_2 = 1,000,000\delta$   $\Delta_1 = -1,000,000\delta$

$\Rightarrow$  error has magnified million times

$A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$   $A$  is invert  $\Rightarrow \vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{b}$

$A\vec{y} = \vec{b} + \vec{\delta b}$  small error  $\Rightarrow \vec{y} = A^{-1}(\vec{b} + \vec{\delta b}) = \vec{x} + \vec{\delta x}$

want to compare error:

$\frac{\|\vec{\delta x}\|}{\|\vec{x}\|}$  to  $\frac{\|\vec{\delta b}\|}{\|\vec{b}\|}$  just need relative errors

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$$\tilde{x} = A^{-1} b$$

$$\frac{\|\tilde{x}\|}{\|x\|} = \frac{\|A^{-1} b\|}{\|x\|} \leq \frac{\|A\| \cdot \|\tilde{A}^{-1} b\|}{\|x\|}$$

use  $A\tilde{x} = b$   $\|b\| \geq \|Ax\| \leq \|A\| \cdot \|x\| \Rightarrow \|x\| \geq \frac{\|b\|}{\|A\|}$

$$\frac{\|A\| \cdot \|\tilde{A}^{-1} b\|}{\|x\|} \leq \frac{\|A\| \cdot \|A\| \cdot \|\tilde{A}^{-1} b\|}{\|b\|}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\|\tilde{x}\|}{\|x\|} \leq \|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\| \cdot \frac{\|\tilde{A}^{-1} b\|}{\|b\|}$$

$\boxed{\|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\|}$  → called the condition number of the Matrix A

~~condition number~~

Let singular values of A:  $s_1 \geq s_2 \geq \dots \geq s_n$

$$\|A\| = s_1, \|A^{-1}\| = \frac{1}{s_n}, \|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\| = \frac{s_1}{s_n}$$

when condition #1 is larger "ill condition"  
 " " " " " small "well condition"

Geometric view.

