

# CS 450: Numerical Analysis<sup>1</sup>

## Eigenvalue Problems

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## Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

- ▶ A matrix  $A$  has eigenvector-eigenvalue pair (eigenpair)  $(\lambda, x)$  if

eigs  $A^k$  if  $D$  are eigs of  $A$ ?  $D^k$

$$A = XDX^{-1}, \quad A^2 = X \underbrace{DX^{-1}X}_{I} DX^{-1} = XD^2X^{-1}$$

- ▶ Each  $n \times n$  matrix has up to  $n$  eigenvalues, which are either real or complex

if  $A$  is real, then if  $a+bi$  is an eig. of  $A$ , then  $a-bi$  is also

# Eigenvalue Decomposition

- ▶ If a matrix  $A$  is diagonalizable, it has an *eigenvalue decomposition*

$$A = XDX^{-1} \quad X = [x_1 \dots x_n]$$

$$Ax_i = XDX^{-1}x_i = XDe_i = X\lambda_i e_i = \lambda_i x_i$$

- ▶  $A$  and  $B$  are *similar*, if there exist  $Z$  such that  $A = ZBZ^{-1}$

invertible, s.  $Z^{-1}$  exists

unitary  
 $Z^H = Z^{-1}$

orthogonal  
 $Z^T = Z^{-1}$

# Similarity of Matrices

<i>matrix</i>	<i>similarity</i>	<i>reduced form</i>
real SPD	orthogonal	real positive diagonal
real symmetric	orthogonal	tridiagonal } real diagonal }
$A = A^H$ Hermitian	unitary	real diagonal
$AA^H = A^H A$ normal	unitary	diagonal
real	orthogonally	Hessenberg (real) 
diagonalizable	invertible	diagonal
arbitrary	unitarily	triangular (Schur)
	invertible	block diagonal (Jordan)

# Canonical Forms

- ▶ Any matrix is *similar* to a bidiagonal matrix, giving its *Jordan form*:

$$A = Z \begin{bmatrix} J_1 & & \\ & J_2 & \\ & & \ddots \\ & & & J_k \end{bmatrix} Z^{-1}, \text{ each } J_i = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_i & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_i \end{bmatrix}$$

unique modulo permutation of  $J_i$ 's

- ▶ Any diagonalizable matrix is *unitarily similar* to a triangular matrix, giving its *Schur form*:

$$A = Q \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \triangle & \\ & & \ddots \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} Q^H \quad \left| \det(T - \lambda_{ii} I) = 0 \right. \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{eigenvalue of } T \\ \text{columns of } \\ Q \text{ - Schur} \\ \text{vectors} \end{array} \right.$$

$\lambda_{ii} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{ii} & \\ & \triangle \end{bmatrix}$

# Computing Eigenvectors of Matrices in Schur Form

- ▶ Given the eigenvectors of one matrix, we seek those of a similar matrix:

$$A \text{ is similar to } B \Rightarrow A = Z B Z^{-1}$$

$$B = X D X^{-1}, \quad A = \boxed{Z X} D \boxed{X^{-1} Z^{-1}} = Y D Y^{-1}$$

- ▶ Its easy to obtain eigenvectors of triangular matrix  $T$ :

$T e_i = \lambda_i e_i$ 
  
 $\underbrace{\quad}_{t_{ii}}$

$\leftarrow$  is an eigenvector  $\downarrow Y$

$Y^{-1}$

$(T - \lambda_i I) x = 0$

$\leftarrow t_{ii}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} & \dots & u_{1n} \\ & \lambda_i & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_i \\ & & & & u_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

need to solve

$$u_{11} v = -u \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} v \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -u_{11}^{-1} u \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Rayleigh Quotient

- ▶ For any vector  $x$ , the *Rayleigh quotient* provides an estimate (lower-bound) on some eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $A$ :

$$\rho_A(x) = \frac{x^H A x}{x^H x}, \quad \text{sol'n to } x \alpha \approx A x$$

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## Perturbation Analysis of Eigenvalue Problems

- Suppose we seek eigenvalues  $D = X^{-1}AX$ , but find those of a slightly perturbed matrix  $D + \delta D = \hat{X}^{-1}(A + \delta A)\hat{X}$ :

$$B = X^{-1}(A + \delta A)X = D + \underbrace{X^{-1}\delta AX}_{\delta B}$$

$$\|\delta B\| \leq \|X^{-1}\| \|\delta A\| \|X\| = \kappa(X) \|\delta A\|$$

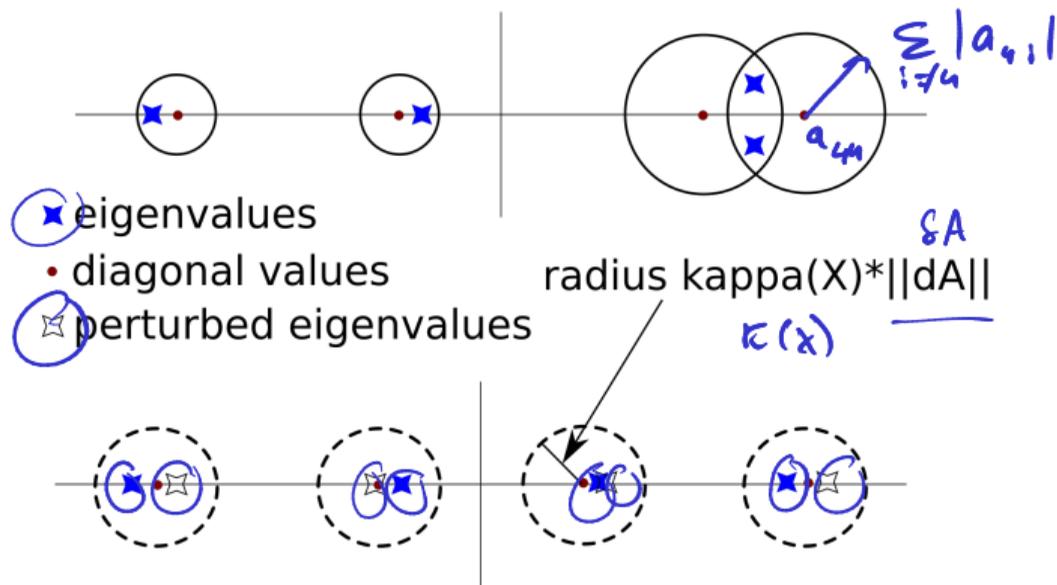
$$B = \begin{bmatrix} \circ & & \\ & \diagdown & \\ & & \ddots \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \delta B & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \delta B \end{bmatrix}$$

- Gershgorin's theorem allows us to bound the effect of the perturbation on the eigenvalues of a (diagonal) matrix:

Given a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , let  $r_i = \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|$ , define the Gershgorin disks as

$$D_i = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - a_{ii}| \leq r_i\}.$$

# Gershgorin Theorem Perturbation Visualization



- ▶ Top corresponds to Gershgorin disks on complex plane of 4-by-4 real matrix.
- ▶ Bottom part corresponds to bounds on Gershgorin disks of  $X^{-1}(A + \delta A)X$ , which contain the eigenvalues  $D$  of  $A$  and the perturbed eigenvalues  $D + \delta D$  of  $A + \delta A$  provided that  $\|\delta A\|$  is sufficiently small.

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## Conditioning of Particular Eigenpairs

- Consider the effect of a matrix perturbation on an eigenvalue  $\lambda$  associated with a right eigenvector  $x$  and a left eigenvector  $y^H$ ,  $\lambda = y^H A x / y^H x$

$$\frac{y^H A x}{y^H x} \quad y^H (A x) = y^H \lambda x \quad \left| \frac{y^H (A + \delta A) x}{y^H x} - \lambda \right| = \frac{|y^H \delta A x|}{|y^H x|} \leq \frac{\|\delta A\|}{|y^H x|}$$

$$(y^H A) x = y^H \lambda x$$

- A more accurate eigenvalue approximation than Rayleigh quotient for a normalized perturbed eigenvector (e.g. iterative guess)  $\hat{x} = x + \delta x$ , can be obtained with an estimate of both eigenvectors (also  $\hat{y} = y + \delta y$ ),

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ \dots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}}_x \quad \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \lambda \\ \dots \\ \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}}_{\lambda} \quad \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y^H \\ \dots \\ y_n^H \end{bmatrix}}_{y^H} \quad \left| \frac{(y + \delta y)^H A (x + \delta x)}{y^H x} - \lambda \right| = |\lambda| \frac{\|\delta y\| + \|\delta x\|}{|y^H x|}$$

# Power Iteration

- ▶ *Power iteration* can be used to compute the largest eigenvalue of a real symmetric matrix  $A$ :

$$x^{(i+1)} = A x^{(i)}$$

$$x^{(i+1)} = x^{(i+1)} / \|x^{(i+1)}\|$$

- ▶ The error of power iteration decreases at each step by the ratio of the largest eigenvalues:

$$x^{(k)} = A^k x^{(0)} = U D^k V^H x^{(0)} = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \lambda_i^k \underbrace{v_i^H x^{(0)}}_{\alpha^{(i,k)}} \Bigg| \frac{\alpha^{(i,k)}}{\alpha^{(j,k)}} = \frac{\lambda_i^k}{\lambda_j^k} = \left( \frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_j} \right)^k \cdot c$$



# Deflation

$(\lambda_1, x_1)$

- Power, inverse, and Rayleigh-quotient iteration compute a single eigenpair, to obtain further eigenpairs, can perform *deflation*

$$B = A - \lambda_1 x_1 x_1^H = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i x_i y_i^H \right) - \lambda_1 x_1 x_1^H$$

for symmetric, p. 26  $v^H = x_1^H$ , preserves eigenvalues  
for nonsymmetric,  $v^H = x_1^H$ , preserve

Schur decomp.  $\exists A = Q T Q^H = A - \lambda_1 x x^H = Q (T - \underbrace{\lambda_1 x x^H}_{\text{diagonal}}) Q^H$

$[ \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_n ]$





## QR Iteration

- ▶ QR iteration reformulates orthogonal iteration to reduce cost/step to  $O(nk^2)$
  
- ▶ Using induction, we assume  $\mathbf{A}_i = \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_i^T \mathbf{A} \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_i$  and show that QR iteration obtains  $\mathbf{A}_{i+1} = \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{i+1}^T \mathbf{A} \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{i+1}$



## QR Iteration Complexity

- ▶ QR iteration is accelerated by first reducing to upper-Hessenberg or tridiagonal form:

# Solving Tridiagonal Symmetric Eigenproblems

A rich variety of methods exists for the tridiagonal eigenproblem:

- ▶ QR iteration

- ▶ Divide and conquer

## Solving the Secular Equation

To solve the eigenproblem at each step, the divide and conquer method needs to diagonalize a rank-1 perturbation of a diagonal matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{D} + \alpha \mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T$$



# Introduction to Krylov Subspace Methods

- ▶ Define  $k$ -dimensional Krylov subspace matrix

$$\mathbf{K}_k = [\mathbf{x}_0 \quad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_0 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{A}^{k-1}\mathbf{x}_0]$$

- ▶ Show that  $\mathbf{K}_n^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{K}_n$  is a companion matrix  $\mathbf{C}$ :

## Krylov Subspaces

- ▶ Given  $QR = \mathcal{K}_k$ , we obtain an orthonormal basis for the Krylov subspace,

$$\mathcal{K}_k(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{x}_0) = \text{span}(\mathbf{Q}) = \{\rho_{\mathbf{A}}(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{x}_0 : \text{deg}(\rho_{\mathbf{A}}) < k\}$$

- ▶ Consider whether  $k - 1$  steps of power iteration starting from  $\mathbf{x}_0$  lead to an approximation in the Krylov subspace, also consider QR (subspace) iteration:

## Krylov Subspace Methods

- ▶ Given  $QR = K_k$ , we obtain an orthonormal basis for the Krylov subspace and  $H_k = Q^T A Q$  which minimizes  $\|AQ - QH\|_2$ :
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- ▶  $H_k$  is Hessenberg, because the companion matrix  $C_k$  is Hessenberg:

## Rayleigh-Ritz Procedure

- ▶ The eigenvalues/eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{H}_k$  are the *Ritz values/vectors*:
- ▶ The Ritz vectors and values are the *ideal approximations* of the actual eigenvalues and eigenvectors based on only  $\mathbf{H}_k$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$ :









## Convergence of Lanczos Iteration

- ▶ Cauchy interlacing theorem: eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{H}_k$ ,  $\tilde{\lambda}_1 \geq \dots \geq \tilde{\lambda}_n$  with respect to eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n$  satisfy

$$\lambda_i \leq \tilde{\lambda}_i \leq \lambda_{n-k+i}$$

- ▶ Convergence to extremal eigenvalues is generally fastest

## Applications of Eigenvalue Problems: Matrix Functions

▶ Given  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{X}^{-1}$  how can we compute  $\mathbf{A}^k$ ?

▶ What about  $e^{\mathbf{A}}$ ?  $\log(\mathbf{A})$ ? generally  $f(\mathbf{A})$ ?

## Applications of Eigenvalue Problems: Differential Equations

- ▶ Consider solutions to an ordinary differential equation of the form  $\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{f}(t)$  with  $\mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0$ :

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = e^{t\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{x}_0 + \int_0^t e^{(t-\tau)\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{f}(\tau)d\tau$$

- ▶ Using  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{X}^{-1}$  permits us to compute the solution explicitly (Jordan form also suffices if  $\mathbf{A}$  is defective):

## Differential Equations using the Generalized Eigenvalue Problem

- ▶ Consider a more general linear differential equation of the form  $B \frac{dx}{dt}(t) = Ax(t) + f(t)$  with  $x(0) = x_0$ , which we can reduce to the usual form by premultiplying with  $B^{-1}$ :
  
- ▶ If we can find  $X$  such that  $A = XD_A X^{-1}$  and  $B = XD_B X^{-1}$  we could solve this equation while preserving symmetry of  $A$  and  $B$ :

## Generalized Eigenvalue Problem

- ▶ A generalized eigenvalue problem has the form  $Ax = \lambda Bx$ ,
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- ▶ When  $A$  and  $B$  are symmetric, if one is SPD, we can perform Cholesky on  $B$ , multiply  $A$  by the inverted factors, and diagonalize it:

## Canonical Forms Generalized Eigenvalue Problem

- ▶ For nonsingular  $U, V$ ,  $A - \lambda B = U(J - \lambda I)V^T$  where  $J$  is in Jordan form
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- ▶ For some unitary  $P, Q$ ,  $A = PT_AQ^H$  and  $B = PT_BQ^H$  where  $T_A$  and  $T_B$  are triangular

## Nonlinear Eigenvalue Problem

- ▶ In a polynomial eigenvalue problem, we seek solutions  $\lambda, \mathbf{x}$  to

$$\sum_{i=0}^d \lambda^i \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$$

- ▶ Assuming for simplicity that  $\mathbf{A}_d = \mathbf{I}$ , solutions are given by solving the matrix eigenvalue problem with the block-companion matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\mathbf{A}_{d-1} & \cdots & -\mathbf{A}_0 \\ \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots \\ & \ddots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$