

CS 450: Numerical Analysis¹

Eigenvalue Problems

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Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

- ▶ A matrix A has eigenvector-eigenvalue pair (eigenpair) (λ, \mathbf{x}) if
- ▶ Each $n \times n$ matrix has up to n eigenvalues, which are either real or complex

Eigenvalue Decomposition

- ▶ If a matrix A is diagonalizable, it has an *eigenvalue decomposition*
- ▶ A and B are *similar*, if there exist Z such that $A = ZBZ^{-1}$

Similarity of Matrices

<i>matrix</i>	<i>similarity</i>	<i>reduced form</i>
SPD		
real symmetric		
Hermitian		
normal		
real		
diagonalizable		
arbitrary		

Canonical Forms

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

Eigenvectors from Schur Form

Activity: Calculating Eigenpairs of a Triangular Matrix

- ▶ Given the eigenvectors of one matrix, we seek those of a similar matrix:
- ▶ Its easy to obtain eigenvectors of triangular matrix T :

Rayleigh Quotient

- ▶ For any vector x , the *Rayleigh quotient* provides an estimate for some eigenvalue of A :

Perturbation Analysis of Eigenvalue Problems

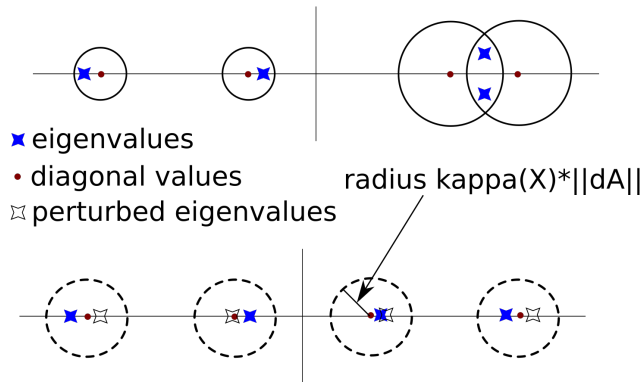
- ▶ Suppose we seek eigenvalues $D = X^{-1}AX$, but find those of a slightly perturbed matrix $D + \delta D = \hat{X}^{-1}(A + \delta A)\hat{X}$:

- ▶ 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.

Conditioning of Particular Eigenpairs

- ▶ Consider the effect of a matrix perturbation on an eigenvalue λ associated with a right eigenvector x and a left eigenvector y , $\lambda = y^H A x / y^H x$
- ▶ 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 $\hat{y} = y + \delta y$),

Power Iteration

- ▶ *Power iteration* can be used to compute the largest eigenvalue of a real symmetric matrix A :
- ▶ The error of power iteration decreases at each step by the ratio of the largest eigenvalues:

Inverse and Rayleigh Quotient Iteration

Activity: *Inverse Iteration with a Shift*

Activity: *Rayleigh Quotient Iteration*

► *Inverse iteration* uses LU/QR/SVD of A to run power iteration on A^{-1}

► *Rayleigh quotient iteration* provides rapid convergence to an eigenpair

Deflation

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

Direct Matrix Reductions

- ▶ We can always compute an orthogonal similarity transformation to reduce a general matrix to *upper-Hessenberg* (upper-triangular plus the first subdiagonal) matrix H , i.e. $A = QHQ^T$:

- ▶ In the symmetric case, Hessenberg form implies tridiagonal:

Simultaneous and Orthogonal Iteration

Demo: *Orthogonal Iteration*

Activity: *Orthogonal Iteration*

- ▶ *Simultaneous iteration* provides the main idea for computing many eigenvectors at once:

- ▶ Orthogonal iteration performs QR at each step to ensure stability

QR Iteration

- ▶ QR iteration reformulates orthogonal iteration for $n = k$ to reduce cost/step,
- ▶ 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 with Shift

- ▶ QR iteration can be accelerated using shifting:
- ▶ The shift is typically selected to accelerate convergence with respect to a particular eigenvalue:

QR Iteration Complexity

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

Solving Tridiagonal Symmetric Eigenproblems

A variety of methods exists for the tridiagonal eigenproblem:

- ▶ QR iteration
- ▶ Divide and conquer

Solving the Secular Equation for Divide and Conquer

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

- ▶ *Krylov subspace methods* work with information contained in the $n \times k$ matrix

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

- ▶ Assuming \mathbf{K}_n is invertible, the matrix $\mathbf{K}_n^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{K}_n$ is a *companion matrix* \mathbf{C} :

Krylov Subspaces

- ▶ Given $Q_k R_k = K_k$, we obtain an orthonormal basis for the Krylov subspace,

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

where p is any polynomial of degree less than k .

- ▶ The Krylov subspace includes the $k - 1$ approximate dominant eigenvectors generated by $k - 1$ steps of power iteration:

Krylov Subspace Methods

- ▶ The $k \times k$ matrix $\mathbf{H}_k = \mathbf{Q}_k^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}_k$ minimizes $\|\mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}_k - \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{H}_k\|_2$:
- ▶ \mathbf{H}_k is Hessenberg, because the companion matrix \mathbf{C}_k is Hessenberg:

Rayleigh-Ritz Procedure

Demo: Arnoldi vs Power Iteration

Activity: Computing the Maximum Ritz Value

- ▶ 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}_k :

Arnoldi Iteration

Demo: Arnoldi Iteration

Demo: Arnoldi Iteration with Complex Eigenvalues

- ▶ Arnoldi iteration computes $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}_n$ directly using the recurrence $\mathbf{q}_i^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{q}_j = h_{ij}$, where \mathbf{q}_l is the l th column of \mathbf{Q}_n :
- ▶ After each matrix-vector product, orthogonalization is done with respect to each previous vector:

Lanczos Iteration

- ▶ Lanczos iteration provides a method to reduce a symmetric matrix to a tridiagonal matrix:
- ▶ After each matrix-vector product, it suffices to orthogonalize with respect to two previous vectors:

Cost Krylov Subspace Methods

- ▶ The cost of matrix-vector multiplication when the matrix has m nonzeros
- ▶ The cost of orthogonalization at the k th iteration of a Krylov subspace method is

Restarting Krylov Subspace Methods

- ▶ In finite precision, Lanczos generally loses orthogonality, while orthogonalization in Arnoldi can become prohibitively expensive:
- ▶ Consequently, in practice, low-dimensional Krylov subspace methods are constructed repeatedly using carefully selected new starting vectors:

Generalized Eigenvalue Problem

- ▶ A generalized eigenvalue problem has the form $Ax = \lambda Bx$,
- ▶ When A and B are symmetric and B is SPD, we can perform Cholesky on B , multiply A by the inverted factors, and diagonalize it:
- ▶ Alternative canonical forms and methods exist that are specialized to the generalized eigenproblem.