

# 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

$$Ax = \lambda x$$

- ▶ For any scalar  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha x$  is also an eigenvector of  $A$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$
  - ▶ Generally, an eigenvalue  $\lambda$  is associated with an eigenspace  $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$  such that each  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .
  - ▶ The dimensionality of an eigenspace is at most the multiplicity of an eigenvalue (when less, matrix is *defective*, otherwise matrix is *diagonalizable*).
- ▶ Each  $n \times n$  matrix has up to  $n$  eigenvalues, which are either real or complex
    - ▶ The conjugate of any complex eigenvalue of a real matrix is also an eigenvalue.
    - ▶ The dimensionalities of all the eigenspaces (multiplicity associated with each eigenvalue) sum up to  $n$  for a diagonalizable matrix.
    - ▶ If the matrix is real, real eigenvalues are associated with real eigenvectors, but complex eigenvalues may not be.

## Eigenvalue Decomposition

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

$$A = XDX^{-1}$$

where  $X$  are the right eigenvectors,  $X^{-1}$  are the left eigenvectors and  $D$  are eigenvalues

$$AX = [Ax_1 \quad \cdots \quad Ax_n] = XD = [d_{11}x_1 \quad \cdots \quad d_{nn}x_n].$$

- ▶ If  $A$  is Hermitian, its right and left singular vectors are the same by symmetry, hence in this case  $X^{-1} = X^H$ .
- ▶ More generally, any *normal* matrix,  $A^H A = A A^H$ , has unitary eigenvectors.
- ▶  $A$  and  $B$  are *similar*, if there exist  $Z$  such that  $A = ZBZ^{-1}$ 
  - ▶ Normal matrices are *unitarily similar* ( $Z^{-1} = Z^H$ ) to diagonal matrices
  - ▶ Symmetric real matrices are *orthogonally similar* ( $Z^{-1} = Z^T$ ) to real diagonal matrices
  - ▶ Hermitian matrices are unitarily similar to real diagonal matrices

## Similarity of Matrices

Invertible similarity transformations  $Y = XAX^{-1}$

<i>matrix (A)</i>	<i>similarity (X)</i>	<i>reduced form (Y)</i>
arbitrary	invertible	bidiagonal
diagonalizable	invertible	diagonal

Unitary similarity transformations  $Y = UAU^H$

<i>matrix (A)</i>	<i>similarity (U)</i>	<i>reduced form (Y)</i>
arbitrary	unitary	triangular
normal	unitary	diagonal
Hermitian	unitary	real diagonal

Orthogonal similarity transformations  $Y = QAQ^T$

<i>matrix (A)</i>	<i>similarity (Q)</i>	<i>reduced form (Y)</i>
real	orthogonal	real Hessenberg
real symmetric	orthogonal	real diagonal
SPD	orthogonal	real positive diagonal

## Canonical Forms

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

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{X} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{J}_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \mathbf{J}_k \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}^{-1}, \quad \forall i, \quad \mathbf{J}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_i & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & 1 \\ & & & \lambda_i \end{bmatrix}$$

the Jordan form is unique modulo ordering of the diagonal *Jordan blocks*.

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

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{T}\mathbf{Q}^H$$

where  $\mathbf{T}$  is upper-triangular, so the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$  is the diagonal of  $\mathbf{T}$ . Columns of  $\mathbf{Q}$  are the *Schur vectors*.

## Eigenvectors from Schur Form

- ▶ Given the eigenvectors of one matrix, we seek those of a similar matrix:  
Suppose that  $A = SBS^{-1}$  and  $B = XDX^{-1}$  where  $D$  is diagonal,
  - ▶ The eigenvalues of  $A$  are  $\{d_{11}, \dots, d_{nn}\}$
  - ▶  $A = SBS^{-1} = SXDX^{-1}S^{-1}$  so  $SX$  are the eigenvectors of  $A$
- ▶ Its easy to obtain eigenvectors of triangular matrix  $T$ :
  - ▶ One eigenvector is simply the first elementary vector.
  - ▶ The eigenvector associated with any diagonal entry (eigenvalue  $\lambda$ ) may be obtained by observing that

$$\mathbf{0} = (T - \lambda I)\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & \mathbf{u} & T_{13} \\ 0 & & \mathbf{v}^T \\ & & U_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -U_{11}^{-1}\mathbf{u} \\ 1 \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix},$$

so it suffices to solve  $U_{11}\mathbf{y} = -\mathbf{u}$  to obtain eigenvector  $\mathbf{x}$ .

# Rayleigh Quotient

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

$$\rho_{\mathbf{A}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mathbf{x}^H \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{x}^H \mathbf{x}}.$$

- ▶ *If  $\mathbf{x}$  is an eigenvector of  $\mathbf{A}$ , then  $\rho_{\mathbf{A}}(\mathbf{x})$  is the associated eigenvalue.*
- ▶ *Moreover, for  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$ , the Rayleigh quotient is the best possible eigenvalue estimate given  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$ , as it is the solution to  $\mathbf{x}\alpha \cong \mathbf{y}$ .*
- ▶ *The normal equations for this scalar-output least squares problem are*

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} \alpha = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha = \frac{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y}}{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}} = \frac{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}}.$$

## Perturbation Analysis of Eigenvalue Problems

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

*Note that the eigenvalues of  $X^{-1}(A + \delta A)X = D + X^{-1}\delta AX$  are also  $D + \delta D$ . So if we have perturbation to the matrix  $\|\delta A\|_F$ , its effect on the eigenvalues corresponds to a (non-diagonal/arbitrary) perturbation  $\delta \hat{A} = X^{-1}\delta AX$  of a diagonal matrix of eigenvalues  $D$ , with norm*

$$\|\delta \hat{A}\|_F \leq \|X^{-1}\|_2 \|\delta A\|_F \|X\|_2 = \kappa(X) \|\delta A\|_F.$$

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

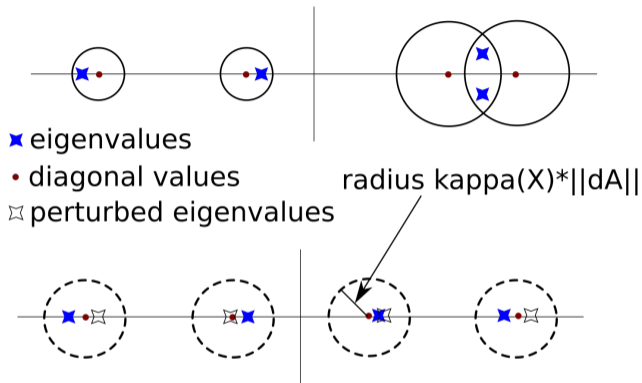
*Given a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , let  $r_i = \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|$ , define the Gershgorin disks as*

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

*The eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  of any matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  are contained in the union of the Gershgorin disks,  $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}, \lambda_i \in \bigcup_{j=1}^n D_j$ .*



# 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  $\lambda$  associated with a right eigenvector  $x$  and a left eigenvector  $y$ ,  $\lambda = y^H Ax / y^H x$

*For a sufficiently small perturbation  $\delta A$ , the eigenvalue  $\lambda$  is perturbed to an eigenvalue  $\hat{\lambda}$  of  $\hat{A} = A + \delta A$ . The eigenvalue perturbation, ignoring error due to the change in eigenvectors, is*

$$|\hat{\lambda} - \lambda| \approx |y^H \delta A x / y^H x| \leq \frac{\|\delta A\|}{|y^H x|}.$$

*This is small if  $x$  is near-parallel to  $y$  and large if they are near-perpendicular.*

- ▶ 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  $\hat{y} = y + \delta y$ ),

$$|\hat{\lambda}_{xAx} - \lambda| \approx |\delta x^H Ax + x^H A \delta x| \leq |\lambda| \|\delta x\| + \left( |\lambda| |y^H x| + |1 - y^H x| \cdot \|A\| \right) \|\delta x\|$$

$$|\hat{\lambda}_{yAx} - \lambda| \approx \left| \frac{\delta y^H Ax + y^H A \delta x}{y^H x} \right| \leq |\lambda| \frac{\|\delta x\| + \|\delta y\|}{|y^H x|}$$

## Google's PageRank

A well-known application of eigenproblems is the problem of ranking  $n$  web-pages

- ▶ *Based on web-data, we compute transition probability from webpage  $i$  to webpage  $j$  at  $a_{ij}$*
- ▶ *We seek a measure of webpage popularity, which we can take to be the probability  $x_i$  of a web-surfer being on webpage  $i$  as opposed to the other  $n - 1$  webpages*
- ▶ *These probability  $x$  must be consistent with the probability of transitions among states, and so are eigenvectors of  $A$  with eigenvalue 1,*

$$Ax = x$$

- ▶  *$A$  is a transition probability (stochastic) matrix and generally has a single eigenvalue of 1 with all remaining eigenvalues being less than 1*

# Power Iteration

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

$$\mathbf{x}^{(i)} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}^{(i-1)} \quad (\text{typically with normalization of } \mathbf{x}^{(i)} \text{ at each step}).$$

For a random  $\mathbf{x}^{(0)}$ , power iteration converges eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}$  with largest modulus,  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \rho_{\mathbf{A}}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) = \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{A})$ . If this eigenvalue has multiplicity one, power iteration converges to *dominant eigenvector*.

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

Assuming  $\mathbf{A}$  is diagonalizable with eigenvectors  $\mathbf{U}$  and  $\mathbf{V}^H = \mathbf{U}^{-1}$ ,

$$\mathbf{x}^{(k)} = \mathbf{A}^k \mathbf{x}^{(0)} = (\mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^H)^k \mathbf{x}^{(0)} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}^k \mathbf{V}^H \mathbf{x}^{(0)} = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{u}_i \underbrace{\lambda_i^k \mathbf{v}_i^H \mathbf{x}^{(0)}}_{\alpha^{(i,k)}}.$$

The coefficient  $\alpha^{(i,k)}$  associated with the maximum  $\lambda_i$  and dominant eigenvector  $\mathbf{u}_i$  grows relatively, since  $|\alpha^{(i,k)} / \alpha^{(j,k)}| = (|\lambda_i| / |\lambda_j|)^k \underbrace{|\alpha^{(i,0)} / \alpha^{(j,0)}|}_{\text{constant}}$ .

# Rates of Convergence

- ▶ If the error at the  $k$ th step with respect to the desired solution is  $e_k$ ,  $r$ th order convergence implies that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|e_k\|/\|e_{k-1}\|^r \leq C$ 
  - ▶ *Power iteration achieves linear convergence with  $C = |\lambda_1|/|\lambda_2|$ .*
  - ▶ *Convergence of order  $r > 1$  (**superlinear**) implies that the number of digits of correctness increases by a factor of  $r$  at each step.*
  - ▶ *For  $r > 1$ , error  $e_k \leq \epsilon$  is achieved after  $O(\log_r(\log(1/\epsilon)))$  steps.*
  - ▶ *Having achieved superlinear convergence ( $r > 1$ ), methods differ only by constant factors in complexity.*

# Inverse and Rayleigh Quotient Iteration

- ▶ *Inverse iteration* uses LU/QR/SVD of  $\mathbf{A}$  to run power iteration on  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ 
  - ▶ For a randomly chosen  $\mathbf{x}^{(0)}$ , solving

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}^{(i)} = \mathbf{x}^{(i-1)} \quad (\text{typically with normalization of } \mathbf{x}^{(i)} \text{ at each step}).$$

converges to  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \rho_{\mathbf{A}}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) = \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{A})$  provided there is a unique eigenvalue with minimum magnitude.

- ▶ Inverse iteration on  $\mathbf{A} - \sigma\mathbf{I}$  converges to the eigenvalue closest to  $\sigma$ , since all eigenvalues are shifted by  $\sigma$ .
- ▶ *Rayleigh quotient iteration* provides rapid convergence to an eigenpair

$$(\mathbf{A} - \rho_{\mathbf{A}}(\mathbf{x}^{(i-1)})\mathbf{I})\mathbf{x}^{(i)} = \mathbf{x}^{(i-1)},$$

since at each step the relative magnitude largest eigenvalue of  $(\mathbf{A} - \rho_{\mathbf{A}}(\mathbf{x}^{(i-1)})\mathbf{I})^{-1}$  grows. Formally, it achieves cubic convergence, but requires matrix refactorization at each step.

## Deflation

- ▶ Power, inverse, and Rayleigh-quotient iteration compute a single eigenpair, to obtain further eigenpairs, can perform *deflation*
  - ▶ Given eigenvalue  $\lambda_1$  and right eigenvector  $x_1$ , seek  $v$  so that  $B = A - \lambda_1 uv^T$  has eigenvalues  $0, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ , where

$$A = X D \underbrace{Y^T}_{X^{-1}} = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i x_i y_i^T.$$

- ▶ Ideal choice would be  $v = y_1^T$ , i.e., the left eigenvector associated with  $\lambda_1$ , as then the  $n - 1$  other eigenvectors of  $B$  would be the same as those of  $A$ .
- ▶ For symmetric matrices  $y_1 = x_1$ , but for nonsymmetric, obtaining  $y_1$  may require more work.
- ▶ Good alternative choice for nonsymmetric is to select  $v = x_1$ , as then the Schur vectors are unmodified, since for  $A = QTQ^T$ , with  $t_{11} = \lambda_1$ ,  $q_1 = x_1$ , we get

$$B = QTQ^T - \lambda_1 q_1 q_1^T = Q(T - \lambda_1 Q^T q_1 q_1^T Q)Q^T = Q(T - \lambda_1 e_1 e_1^T)Q^T.$$

## 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.  $A = QHQ^T$ :

*We can perform successive two-sided application of Householder reflectors*

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \\ \vdots & & \ddots \end{bmatrix} = Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots \\ h_{21} & t_{22} & \cdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix} = Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & \cdots \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & \cdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix} Q_1^T = \dots$$

*subsequent columns can be reduced by induction, so we can always stably reduce to upper-Hessenberg with roughly the same cost as QR.*

- ▶ In the symmetric case, Hessenberg form implies tridiagonal:  
If  $A = A^T$  then  $H = QAQ^T = H^T$ , and a symmetric upper-Hessenberg matrix must be tridiagonal.



# Simultaneous and Orthogonal Iteration

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

- ▶ Initialize  $\mathbf{X}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$  to be random and perform

$$\mathbf{X}_{i+1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}_i.$$

- ▶ Observe that  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \text{span}(\mathbf{X}_i) = \mathbb{S}$  where  $\mathbb{S}$  is the subspace spanned by the  $k$  eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}$  with the largest eigenvalues in magnitude.
- ▶ Orthogonal iteration performs QR at each step to ensure stability

$$\mathbf{Q}_{i+1}\mathbf{R}_{i+1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{Q}_i$$

- ▶  $\mathbf{Q}_i$  has the same span as  $\mathbf{X}_i$  in orthogonal iteration.
- ▶ QR has cost  $O(nk^2)$  while product has cost  $O(n^2k)$  per iteration.
- ▶ Can use this to compute the right singular vectors of matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  by using  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{M}^T \mathbf{M}$  (no need to form  $\mathbf{A}$ , just multiply  $\mathbf{Q}_i$  by  $\mathbf{M}^T$  then  $\mathbf{M}$ ).
- ▶ Small number of iterations suffice to obtain reasonable low-rank approximation of  $\mathbf{M}$ , and ultimately  $\mathbf{Q}$  converges to singular vectors in its truncated SVD.

## QR Iteration

- ▶ QR iteration reformulates orthogonal iteration for  $n = k$  to reduce cost/step,
  - ▶ Orthogonal iteration computes  $\hat{Q}_{i+1}\hat{R}_{i+1} = A\hat{Q}_i$
  - ▶ QR iteration computes  $A_{i+1} = R_iQ_i$  at iteration  $i$
- ▶ Using induction, we assume  $A_i = \hat{Q}_i^T A \hat{Q}_i$  and show that QR iteration obtains  $A_{i+1} = \hat{Q}_{i+1}^T A \hat{Q}_{i+1}$ 
  - ▶ QR iteration performs QR to obtain  $Q_i R_i = A_i$
  - ▶ Orthogonal iteration performs QR

$$\hat{Q}_{i+1}\hat{R}_{i+1} = A\hat{Q}_i \quad \underbrace{=} \quad \hat{Q}_i A_i = \underbrace{\hat{Q}_i Q_i}_{\hat{Q}_{i+1}} \underbrace{R_i}_{\hat{R}_{i+1}}$$

*inductive assumption*

consequently, we can observe that  $R_i = \underbrace{Q_i^T \hat{Q}_i^T}_{\hat{Q}_{i+1}^T} A \hat{Q}_i$

- ▶ QR iteration performs product  $A_{i+1} = R_i Q_i = \hat{Q}_{i+1}^T A \hat{Q}_{i+1}$

## QR Iteration with Shift

- ▶ QR iteration can be accelerated using shifting:

$$\mathbf{Q}_i \mathbf{R}_i = \mathbf{A}_i - \sigma_i \mathbf{I}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_{i+1} = \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{Q}_i + \sigma_i \mathbf{I}$$

*note that  $\mathbf{A}_{i+1}$  is similar to  $\mathbf{A}_i$ , since we can reorganize the above as*

$$\mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{Q}_i = \mathbf{Q}_i^T (\mathbf{A}_i - \sigma_i \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{Q}_i,$$

$$\mathbf{Q}_i (\mathbf{A}_{i+1} - \sigma_i \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{Q}_i^T = \mathbf{Q}_i \mathbf{R}_i,$$

*and observe that  $\mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{Q}_i$  is similar to  $\mathbf{Q}_i \mathbf{R}_i$ .*

- ▶ The shift is typically selected to accelerate convergence with respect to a particular eigenvalue:

*We can select the shift as the bottom right element of  $\mathbf{A}_i$ , which would be the smallest eigenvalue if  $\mathbf{A}_i$  is triangular (we have converged). Such shifting should accelerate convergence of the last column of  $\mathbf{A}_i$ , once finished we should operate only on the first  $n - 1$  columns, and so on.*

## QR Iteration Complexity

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

*Reduction to upper-Hessenberg or tridiagonal in the symmetric case, costs  $O(n^3)$  operations and can be done in a similar style to Householder QR.*

*Given an upper-Hessenberg matrix,  $H_i = A_i$*

- ▶ *reduction to upper-triangular requires  $n - 1$  Givens rotations, if  $G_i$  rotates the  $(i + 1)$ th row into the  $i$ th to eliminate the  $i$ th element on the first subdiagonal,  $R_i = G_1^T \cdots G_{n-1}^T H_i$*

- ▶ *computation of  $H_{i+1} = RQ$  can be done by application of the  $n - 1$  Givens rotations to  $R$  from the right  $H_{i+1} = R_i G_{n-1} \cdots G_1$ .*

*Both cost  $O(n^2)$ , for  $O(n^3)$  overall if QR iteration converges in  $O(n)$  steps.*

*Given a tridiagonal matrix, the same two general steps are required, but now each step costs  $O(n)$ , so overall the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a tridiagonal matrix can be computed with  $O(n^2)$  work.*

## Solving Tridiagonal Symmetric Eigenproblems

A variety of methods exists for the tridiagonal eigenproblem:

- ▶ QR iteration *requires*  $O(1)$  QR factorizations per eigenvalue,  $O(n^2)$  cost to get eigenvalues,  $O(n^3)$  for eigenvectors. The last cost is not optimal.
- ▶ Divide and conquer *reduces* tridiagonal  $T$  by a similarity transformation to a rank-1 perturbation of identity, then computes its eigenvalues using roots of secular equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 T &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{T}_1 & t_{n/2+1,n/2} \mathbf{e}_{n/2} \mathbf{e}_1^T \\ t_{n/2+1,n/2} \mathbf{e}_1 \mathbf{e}_{n/2}^T & \mathbf{T}_2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{T}}_1 & \\ & \hat{\mathbf{T}}_2 \end{bmatrix} + t_{n/2+1,n/2} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_{n/2} \\ \mathbf{e}_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_{n/2}^T & \mathbf{e}_1^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}_1 \mathbf{D}_1 \mathbf{Q}_1^T & \\ & \mathbf{Q}_2 \mathbf{D}_2 \mathbf{Q}_2^T \end{bmatrix} + \dots \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}_1 & \\ & \mathbf{Q}_2 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\left( \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{D}_1 & \\ & \mathbf{D}_2 \end{bmatrix} + t_{n/2+1,n/2} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{e}_{n/2} \\ \mathbf{Q}_2^T \mathbf{e}_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_{n/2}^T \mathbf{Q}_1 & \mathbf{e}_1^T \mathbf{Q}_2 \end{bmatrix} \right)}_{\mathbf{D} + \alpha \mathbf{u} \mathbf{u}^T} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}_1^T & \\ & \mathbf{Q}_2^T \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

## 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

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

- ▶ *The zeros of the characteristic polynomial define the eigenvalues,*

$$f(\lambda) = \det(\mathbf{D} + \alpha \mathbf{u} \mathbf{u}^T - \lambda \mathbf{I}) = 1 + \alpha \mathbf{u}^T (\mathbf{D} - \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{u} = 1 + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{u_i^2}{d_{ii} - \lambda} = 0.$$

- ▶ *This nonlinear equation can be solved efficiently by a variant of Newton's method (covered in the next chapter) that uses hyperbolic rather than linear extrapolations at each step.*
- ▶ *Major alternatives to divide and conquer include spectral bisection and the MRRR algorithm.*

## Introduction to Krylov Subspace Methods

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

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

We seek to best use the information from the matrix vector product results (columns of  $\mathbf{K}_k$ ) to solve eigenvalue problems.

- ▶ Assuming  $\mathbf{K}_n$  is invertible, the matrix  $\mathbf{K}_n^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{K}_n$  is a *companion matrix*  $\mathbf{C}$ :  
Letting  $\mathbf{k}_n^{(i)} = \mathbf{A}^{i-1}\mathbf{x}$ , we observe that

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{K}_n = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}\mathbf{k}_n^{(1)} & \cdots & \mathbf{A}\mathbf{k}_n^{(n-1)} & \mathbf{A}\mathbf{k}_n^{(n)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{k}_n^{(2)} & \cdots & \mathbf{k}_n^{(n)} & \mathbf{A}\mathbf{k}_n^{(n)} \end{bmatrix},$$

therefore premultiplying by  $\mathbf{K}_n^{-1}$  transforms the first  $n - 1$  columns of  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{K}_n$  into the last  $n - 1$  columns of  $\mathbf{I}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{K}_n^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{K}_n &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_n^{-1}\mathbf{k}_n^{(2)} & \cdots & \mathbf{K}_n^{-1}\mathbf{k}_n^{(n)} & \mathbf{K}_n^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{k}_n^{(n)} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{e}_n & \mathbf{K}_n^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{k}_n^{(n)} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

## Krylov Subspaces

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

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

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:
  - ▶ *The approximation obtained from  $k - 1$  steps of power iteration starting from  $\mathbf{x}_0$  is given by the Rayleigh-quotient of  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}^k \mathbf{x}_0$ .*
  - ▶ *This vector is within the Krylov subspace,  $\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{K}_k(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{x}_0)$ .*
  - ▶ *Consequently, Krylov subspace methods will generally obtain strictly better approximations of the dominant eigenpair than power iteration.*



## Krylov Subspace Methods

- ▶ The  $k \times k$  matrix  $\mathbf{H}_k = \mathbf{Q}_k^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}_k$  minimizes  $\|\mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}_k - \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{H}_k\|_2$ :

*We can prove this as follows,*

$$\|\mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}_k - \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{H}_k\|_2 = \|(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{Q}_k^T)(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}_k - \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{H}_k)\|_2 + \|\mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{Q}_k^T(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}_k - \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{H}_k)\|_2$$

*since  $\|\mathbf{M} \mathbf{x}\|_2 = \|(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{Q}_k^T) \mathbf{M} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{Q}_k^T \mathbf{M} \mathbf{x}\|_2$  is the norm of a sum of two orthogonal components of  $\mathbf{M} \mathbf{x}$ . Then it suffices to observe that*

*$(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{Q}_k^T)(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}_k - \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{H}_k) = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{Q}_k^T) \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}_k$ , so the first term is independent of  $\mathbf{H}_k$ . The second term is minimized (zero) with the choice  $\mathbf{H}_k = \mathbf{Q}_k^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}_k$ .*

- ▶  $\mathbf{H}_k$  is Hessenberg, because the companion matrix  $\mathbf{C}_k$  is Hessenberg:

$$\mathbf{H}_k = \mathbf{Q}_k^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}_k = \mathbf{R}_k \mathbf{K}_k^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_k \mathbf{R}_k^{-1} = \mathbf{R}_k \mathbf{C}_k \mathbf{R}_k^{-1}$$

*is a product of three matrices: upper-triangular  $\mathbf{R}_k$ , upper-Hessenberg  $\mathbf{C}_k$ , and upper-triangular  $\mathbf{R}_k^{-1}$ , which results in upper-Hessenberg  $\mathbf{H}_k$ .*

## Rayleigh-Ritz Procedure

- ▶ The eigenvalues/eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{H}_k$  are the *Ritz values/vectors*:

$$\mathbf{H}_k = \mathbf{X} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{X}^{-1}$$

*eigenvalue approximations based on Ritz vectors  $\mathbf{X}$  are given by  $\mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{X}$ .*

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

*Assuming  $\mathbf{A}$  is a symmetric matrix with positive eigenvalues, the largest Ritz value  $\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{H}_k)$  will be the maximum Rayleigh quotient of any vector in  $\mathcal{K}_k = \text{span}(\mathbf{Q}_k)$ ,*

$$\max_{\mathbf{x} \in \text{span}(\mathbf{Q}_k)} \frac{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}} = \max_{\mathbf{y} \neq 0} \frac{\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{Q}_k^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{y}}{\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{y}} = \max_{\mathbf{y} \neq 0} \frac{\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{y}}{\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{y}} = \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{H}_k),$$

*which is the best approximation to  $\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{A}) = \max_{\mathbf{x} \neq 0} \frac{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}}$  available in  $\mathcal{K}_k$ . The quality of the approximation can also be shown to be optimal for other eigenvalues/eigenvectors.*

# Arnoldi Iteration

- ▶ Arnoldi iteration computes  $H_k$  and  $Q_k$  directly using the recurrence

$$Aq_i = Q_n h_i = \sum_{j=1}^{i+1} h_{ji} q_j$$

- ▶ We have that  $AQ_n = Q_n H_n$ , from which the recurrence follows by considering respective columns of the two sides.
- ▶ Thus, the Arnoldi algorithm computes  $q_{i+1}$  from  $q_1, \dots, q_i$  via orthogonalization, first obtaining,

$$h_{ji} q_{i+1} = Aq_i - \sum_{j=1}^i h_{ji} q_j$$

then computing the norm of the vector to obtain  $h_{ji}$ .

- ▶ Further, note that,

$$q_i^T Aq_j = q_i^T (Q_n H_n Q_n^T) q_j = e_i^T H_n e_j = h_{ij}.$$

- ▶ After each matrix-vector product, orthogonalization is done with respect to each previous vector:

Given  $u_j = Aq_j$ , compute  $h_{ij} = q_i^T u_j$  for each  $i \leq j$ , forming a column of the  $H_n$  matrix at a time.

## Lanczos Iteration

- ▶ Lanczos iteration provides a method to reduce a symmetric matrix to a tridiagonal matrix:

*Arnoldi iteration on a symmetric matrix will result in an upper-Hessenberg matrix  $H_n$  as before, except that it must also be symmetric, since*

$$H_n^T = (Q_n^T A Q_n)^T = Q_n^T A^T Q_n = Q_n^T A Q_n = H_n,$$

*which implies that  $H_n$  must be tridiagonal.*

- ▶ After each matrix-vector product, it suffices to orthogonalize with respect to two previous vectors:

*Since  $h_{ij} = 0$  if  $|i - j| > 1$ , given  $\mathbf{u}_j = A\mathbf{q}_j$ , it suffices to compute only  $h_{jj} = \mathbf{q}_j^T \mathbf{u}_j$  and  $h_{j-1,j} = h_{j,j-1} = \mathbf{q}_{j-1}^T \mathbf{u}_j$ .*

## Cost Krylov Subspace Methods

- ▶ The cost of matrix-vector multiplication when the matrix has  $m$  nonzeros is  $m$  multiplications and at most  $m$  additions, so roughly  $2m$  in total.
- ▶ The cost of orthogonalization at the  $k$ th iteration of a Krylov subspace method is
  - ▶  $O(nk)$  for  $k$  inner products in Arnoldi,
  - ▶  $O(n)$  in Lanczos, since only 2 orthogonalizations needed.
  - ▶ For Arnoldi with  $k$ -dimensional subspace, in total, orthogonalization costs  $O(nk^2)$ , matrix-vector products cost  $O(mk)$ , so generally desire  $nk < m$ .

## Restarting Krylov Subspace Methods

- ▶ In finite precision, Lanczos generally loses orthogonality, while orthogonalization in Arnoldi can become prohibitively expensive:
  - ▶ *Arnoldi cost of orthogonalization dominates if  $k > m/n$ .*
  - ▶ *In Lanczos, reorthogonalizing iterate to previous guesses can ensure orthogonality in the presence of round-off error.*
  - ▶ *Selective orthogonalization strategies control when and with respect to what previous columns of  $Q$ , each new iterate  $u_j = Aq_j$  should be orthogonalized.*
- ▶ Consequently, in practice, low-dimensional Krylov subspace methods are constructed repeatedly using carefully selected new starting vectors:

*If we wish to find a particular eigenvector isolate some eigenspaces, restarting is beneficial*

  - ▶ *can orthogonalize to previous eigenvector estimates to perform deflation,*
  - ▶ *can pick starting vector as Ritz vector estimate associated with desired eigenpair,*
  - ▶ *given new starting vector, can discard previous Krylov subspace, which helps make storing the needed parts of  $Q$  possible.*

## Generalized Eigenvalue Problem

- ▶ A generalized eigenvalue problem has the form  $Ax = \lambda Bx$ ,

$$AX = BXD$$
$$B^{-1}A = XDX^{-1}$$

*Generalized eigenvalue problems arise frequently, especially in solving partial differential equations.*

- ▶ 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:

$$AX = LL^T XD$$
$$\underbrace{L^{-1}AL^{-T}}_{\tilde{A}} \underbrace{L^T X}_{\tilde{X}} = \underbrace{L^T X}_{\tilde{X}} D$$

- ▶ Alternative canonical forms and methods exist that are specialized to the generalized eigenproblem.