

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

## Eigenvalue Problems

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## Similarity of Matrices

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

<i>matrix (A)</i>	<i>reduced form (Y)</i>
arbitrary	
diagonalizable	

Unitary similarity transformations  $Y = UAU^H$

<i>matrix (A)</i>	<i>reduced form (Y)</i>
arbitrary	
normal	
Hermitian	

Orthogonal similarity transformations  $Y = QAQ^T$

<i>matrix (A)</i>	<i>reduced form (Y)</i>
real	
real symmetric	
SPD	

## 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*:
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- ▶ Real matrices are *orthogonally similar* to a block-triangular real matrix with  $1 \times 1$  or  $2 \times 2$  blocks (real Schur form)

## Eigenvectors from Schur Form

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

## Rayleigh Quotient

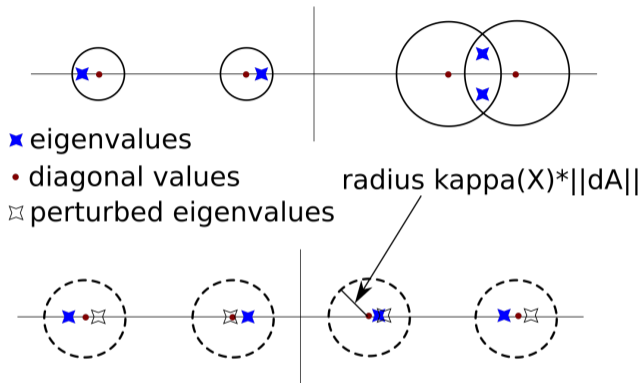
- ▶ For any vector  $x$ , the *Rayleigh quotient* provides an estimate for some eigenvalue of  $A$ :

## Perturbation Analysis of Eigenvalue Problems

- ▶ For non-defective  $A = XDX^{-1}$ , the eigenvalues of  $A + \delta A = \hat{X}(D + \delta D)X^{-1}$  satisfy  $\|\delta D\| \leq \kappa(X)\|\delta A\|$ :
  
- ▶ 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  $\lambda$  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  $\hat{y} = y + \delta y$ ),

## Google's PageRank

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



## 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  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|e_k\| / \|e_{k-1}\|^r \leq C$



## 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:





## Orthogonal Iteration Convergence

- ▶ If  $A$  has distinct eigenvalues and  $R_i$  has positive decreasing diagonal, the  $j$ th column of  $Q_i$  converges to the  $j$ th Schur vector of  $A$  linearly with rate  $\max(|\lambda_{j+1}/\lambda_j|, |\lambda_j/\lambda_{j-1}|)$ .

## QR Iteration

- ▶ QR iteration reformulates orthogonal iteration for  $n = k$  to reduce cost/step,
- ▶ If orthogonal iteration starts with  $\hat{Q}_1 = Q_0$ , then  $\hat{Q}_i = \prod_{j=0}^{i-1} Q_j$ ,
- ▶ QR iteration converges to triangular  $A_i$  if the eigenvalues are distinct in modulus, and in general converges to block-triangular form with a block for each set of eigenvalues of equal modulus.



## 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:

## 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  $\mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{R}_k = \mathbf{K}_k$ , 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:



## 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

- ▶ 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

- ▶ Arnoldi iteration computes the  $i$ th column of  $H_n$ ,  $h_i$  and the  $i$ th column of  $Q_n$  directly using the recurrence  $Aq_i = Q_n h_i = \sum_{j=1}^{i+1} h_{ji} q_j$







## 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:
  
- ▶ Specialized canonical forms and methods exist for the generalized eigenproblem with fewer constraints on  $B$  and better cost/stability.