

# 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>reduced form (Y)</i>
arbitrary	bidiagonal
diagonalizable	diagonal

Unitary similarity transformations  $Y = UAU^H$

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

Orthogonal similarity transformations  $Y = QAQ^T$

<i>matrix (A)</i>	<i>reduced form (Y)</i>
real	Hessenberg
real symmetric	real diagonal
SPD	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*.
- ▶ 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:  
*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

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

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

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

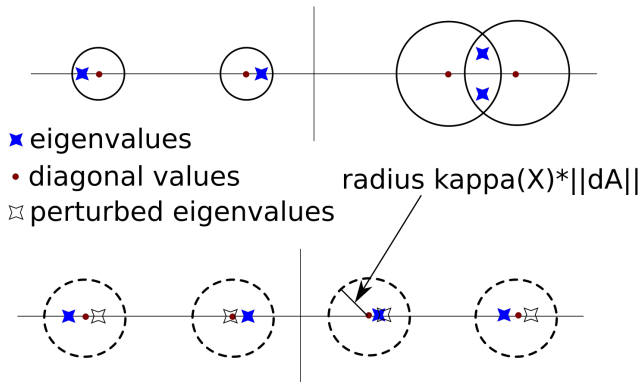
- ▶ Gershgorin's theorem allows us to bound the effect of the perturbation on the eigenvalues of a (diagonal) matrix:  
*Given a matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , let  $r_i = \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|$ , define the Gershgorin disks as*

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

*The eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  of any matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  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  $a_{ij}$ , so  $\sum_j a_{ij} = 1$*
- ▶ *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*
- ▶ *This vector of probabilities,  $x$ , is given by the stationary probability vector, which satisfies*

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$$

- ▶ *For such a transition probability (stochastic) matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , all eigenvalues are at most 1 in absolute value*

# 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 the *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  $C = |\lambda_2|/|\lambda_1|$  assuming decreasing order,  $|\lambda_i| \geq |\lambda_{i+1}|$  and that  $|\lambda_1| > |\lambda_2|$ .*
  - ▶ *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 matrices is to deflate with Schur vectors, which preserves the Schur decomposition, e.g.,

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

## 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*

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

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

## 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  $\max(|\lambda_{j+1}/\lambda_j|, |\lambda_j/\lambda_{j-1}|)$ .
  - ▶ *Convergence of the first column of  $Q_i$  follows by analogy to power iteration*
  - ▶ *Span of first  $j$  columns of  $Q_i$  converges to the span of the first  $j$  Schur vectors with rate  $|\lambda_{j+1}/\lambda_j|$*
  - ▶ *Hence orthogonal iteration converges similarly to  $k$  instances of inverse iteration with shifts chosen near the  $k$  largest magnitude eigenvalues*

## 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  $A_{i+1} = R_iQ_i$  where  $A_i = Q_iR_i$  at iteration  $i$
  - ▶ Hence  $A_{i+1}$  is similar to  $A$ , as  $A_{i+1} = Q_i^T A_i Q_i^T = \left(\prod_{j=0}^{i-1} Q_j\right)^T A \left(\prod_{j=0}^{i-1} Q_j\right)$
- ▶ If orthogonal iteration starts with  $\hat{Q}_1 = Q_0$ , then  $\hat{Q}_i = \prod_{j=0}^{i-1} Q_j$ ,
  - ▶ By induction,  $\hat{Q}_i^T A \hat{Q}_i = A_i = Q_i R_i$
  - ▶ Hence, the QR factorization of  $A\hat{Q}_i = \hat{Q}_i Q_i R_i = \hat{Q}_{i+1} \hat{R}_{i+1}$
- ▶ 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 with Shift

- ▶ QR iteration can be accelerated using shifting:

$$Q_i R_i = A_i - \sigma_i I, \quad A_{i+1} = R_i Q_i + \sigma_i I$$

*note that  $A_{i+1}$  is similar to  $A_i$ , since we can reorganize the above as*

$$R_i Q_i = Q_i^T (A_i - \sigma_i I) Q_i,$$

$$Q_i (A_{i+1} - \sigma_i I) Q_i^T = Q_i R_i,$$

*and observe that  $R_i Q_i$  is similar to  $Q_i R_i$ .*

- ▶ The shift is selected to accelerate convergence to an eigenvalue (pair):
- ▶ *We can select the shift as the bottom right element of  $A_i$  or last diagonal entry adjacent to nonzero subdiagonal entry (Wilkinson shift)*
- ▶ *Wilkinson shift accelerates convergence (follows from analogy of orthogonal iteration to inverse iteration)*
- ▶ *Complex eigenvalues require more sophisticated shifts, "implicit double shift" converges to real Schur form while avoiding complex arithmetic*

## 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*
  - ▶ *partition tridiagonal matrix as*

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{T}_1 & \\ & \hat{T}_2 \end{bmatrix} + t_{n/2+1, n/2} \begin{bmatrix} e_{n/2} \\ e_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e_{n/2}^T & e_1^T \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ *solve two independent eigenvalue problems recursively, recover eigenvalues of  $T$  via solving "secular equation"*
- ▶ *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  $\|\mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}_k - \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{H}_k\|_2$ :  
Let  $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}_k - \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{H}_k$ , then

$$\|\mathbf{M}\|_2 \geq \max(\|(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{Q}_k^T) \mathbf{M}\|_2, \|\mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{Q}_k^T \mathbf{M}\|_2)$$

Since  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{Q}_k^T) \mathbf{M} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{Q}_k^T) \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}_k$ , 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 computes the  $i$ th column of  $\mathbf{H}_n$ ,  $\mathbf{h}_i$  and the  $i$ th column of  $\mathbf{Q}_n$  directly using the recurrence  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{q}_i = \mathbf{Q}_n\mathbf{h}_i = \sum_{j=1}^{i+1} h_{ji}\mathbf{q}_j$

- ▶ Note that

$$\mathbf{q}_i^T \mathbf{A}\mathbf{q}_j = \mathbf{q}_i^T (\mathbf{Q}_n \mathbf{H}_n \mathbf{Q}_n^T) \mathbf{q}_j = \mathbf{e}_i^T \mathbf{H}_n \mathbf{e}_j = h_{ij}.$$

- ▶ The Arnoldi algorithm computes  $\mathbf{q}_{i+1}$  from  $\mathbf{q}_1, \dots, \mathbf{q}_i$  by first computing  $\mathbf{u}_i = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{q}_i$  then orthogonalizing,

$$\mathbf{q}_{i+1} h_{i+1,i} = \mathbf{u}_i - \sum_{j=1}^i \mathbf{q}_j h_{ji}, \quad h_{ji} = \mathbf{q}_j^T \mathbf{u}_i$$

then computing the norm of the vector to obtain  $h_{i+1,i}$ , yielding the  $i$ th column of  $\mathbf{H}_n$ .

## 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  $h_{ji} = 0$  if  $j - i > 1$ , given  $\mathbf{u}_i = A\mathbf{q}_i$ , it suffices to compute only  $h_{ii} = \mathbf{q}_i^T \mathbf{u}_i$  and  $h_{i+1,i} = h_{i,i+1} = \|\mathbf{u}_i - \mathbf{q}_i h_{ii}\|_2$ .*

## 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:

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

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