Approximated PCA Iteration 2

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Computing eigenvalues and eigenvectors

- 1. Take the $n \times n$ target matrix A = S.
- 2. Compute a tridiagonal matrix T: $A = PTP^T$.
- 3. From T compute a diagonal matrix D: $T = QDQ^T$.
- 4. The eigenvalues of A are in the diagonal of D.
- 5. Compute the eigenvectors from D.

Computing a tridiagonal matrix is called **tridiagonalization**. For the diagonal, **diagonalization**. Several algorithms exists for both steps.

Tridiagonalization

The Householder algorithm transform a **symmetric** matrix A into a new pair of matrices P and T such that P is orthogonal, T is tridiagonal, and $A = PTP^T$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{14} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{24} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & a_{34} \\ a_{41} & a_{42} & a_{43} & a_{44} \end{pmatrix} = P \begin{pmatrix} t_{11} & t_{12} \\ t_{21} & t_{22} & t_{23} \\ t_{32} & t_{33} & t_{34} \\ t_{43} & t_{44} \end{pmatrix} P^{T}$$

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Problem: Algorithms had to be rewritten for each operation.

Design of the experiment

First choose a random symmetric matrix, and compute Householder with great precision.

Then compare the results with lower precisions. Repeat the experiment many times to see the error distribution.

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for r=1 to 10000 do

A \leftarrow \text{Random symmetric matrix}.
G \leftarrow \text{Householder of } A \text{ with 500 bits}.
for b=2 to 100 do

T \leftarrow \text{Householder of } A \text{ with } b \text{ bits}.
\epsilon_b \leftarrow \text{Measure error between } T \text{ and } G
end for
end for
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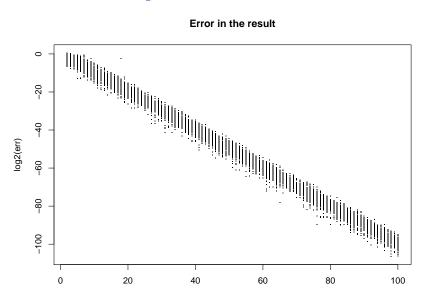
Measuring the error

To measure the difference with the golden result, two methods have been used:

- ► Compute the 2-norm of the difference in the diagonal.
- ▶ Check the error in only one element.

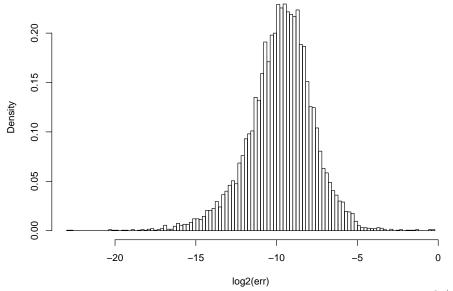
In the plotted results, only the last method is shown. The 2-norm shows smaller errors.

Results of the experiment

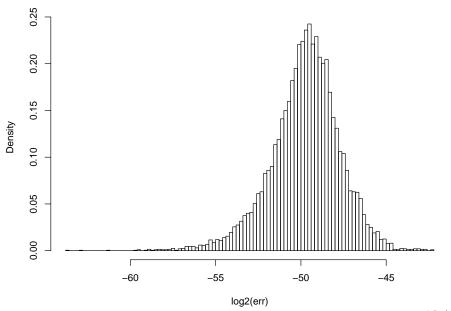


Bit-width

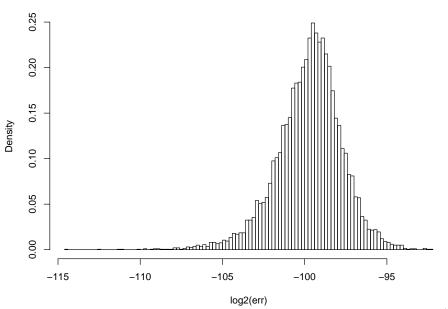
Dispersion of log2(err) for 10 bits



Dispersion of log2(err) for 50 bits



Dispersion of log2(err) for 100 bits



Observations

Let ϵ_b be the error in the result with width b, then the following hypothesis can be proposed:

- ▶ The mean of $\log_2(\epsilon_b) \approx -b$.
- ▶ The standard deviation ≈ 2 .

Skip modifications

- ▶ The modification of the Householder algorithm to add a custom bit-width can be almost avoided using C++.
- ► The MPFR C++ library, uses a wrapper to replace automatically all the operations with the custom bit-width arithmetic.
- ▶ However, the documentation is almost inexistent, and not all capabilities are available.

Future steps

- ► Test the hyphothesis for the current results.
- ▶ Perform experiments in Householder with different precision in the variables.
- ▶ Determine how to use the MPFR wrapper to avoid modifications.

Possible application

PCA can be applied to satellite images:

- ► Satellites have different bands, so different layers of the same region are obtained.
- ► Those layers are correlated, and PCA can extract the main information in only a few uncorrelated layers.
- ▶ Example: from 6 bands, PCA could extract 99.3% of variance in only 3 layers.

Component	1	2	3	4	5	6
Percentage	88.82	17.62	2.94	0.38	0.18	0.05