# L4a Symmetric Eigenvalue Decomposition - Algorithms and Error Analysis

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# 1 Symmetric Eigenvalue Decomposition - Algorithms and Error Analysis

We study only algorithms for real symmetric matrices, which are most commonly used in the applications described in this course.

For more details, see Section [Sla14] and the references therein.

# References

[Sla14] I. Slapničar, Symmetric Matrix Eigenvalue Techniques, in: L. Hogben, ed., 'Handbook of Linear Algebra', pp. 55.1-55.25, CRC Press, Boca Raton, 2014.

#### 1.1 Prerequisites

The reader should be familiar with basic linear algebra concepts and facts on eigenvalue decomposition and perturbation theory

# 1.2 Competences

The reader should be able to apply adequate algorithm to a given problem, and to assess accuracy of the solution.

# 1.3 Backward error and stability

# 1.3.1 Definitions

If the value of a function f(x) is computed with an algorithm alg(x), the **algorithm error** is

$$\|\operatorname{alg}(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x})\|,$$

and the relative algorithm error is

$$\frac{\|\operatorname{alg}(x) - f(x)\|}{\|f(x)\|},$$

in respective norms. Therse errors can be hard or even impossible to estimate directly.

In this case, assume that f(x) computed by alg(x) is equal to exact value of the function for a perturbed argument,

$$alg(x) = f(x + \delta x),$$

for some **backward error**  $\delta x$ .

Algoritam is **stable** is the above equality always holds for small  $\delta x$ .

#### 1.4 Basic methods

#### 1.4.1 Definitions

The eigenvalue decomposition (EVD) of a real symmetric matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]$  is  $A = U\Lambda U^T$ , where U is a  $n \times n$  real orthonormal matrix,  $U^TU = UU^T = I_n$ , and  $\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$  is a real diagonal matrix.

The numbers  $\lambda_i$  are the eigenvalues of A, the vectors  $U_{:i}$ , i = 1, ..., n, are the eigenvectors of A, and  $AU_{:i} = \lambda_i U_{:i}$ , i = 1, ..., n.

If  $|\lambda_1| > |\lambda_2| \ge \cdots \ge |\lambda_n|$ , we say that  $\lambda_1$  is the **dominant eigenvalue**.

**Deflation** is a process of reducing the size of the matrix whose EVD is to be determined, given that one eigenvector is known.

The **shifted matrix** of the matrix *A* is the matrix  $A - \mu I$ , where  $\mu$  is the **shift**.

**Power method** starts from vector  $x_0$  and computes the sequences

$$v_k = x_k^T A x_k, \qquad x_{k+1} = A x_k / ||A x_k||, \qquad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

until convergence. Normalization of  $x_k$  can be performed in any norm and serves the numerical stability of the algorithm (avoiding overflow or underflow).

**Inverse iteration** is the power method applied to the inverse of a shifted matrix:

$$v_k = x_k^T A x_k$$
,  $x_{k+1} = (A - \mu I)^{-1} x_k$ ,  $x_{k+1} = x_{k+1} / ||x_{k+1}||$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ 

**QR** iteration starts from the matrix  $A_0 = A$  and forms the sequence of matrices

$$A_k = Q_k R_k$$
 (QR factorization),  $A_{k+1} = R_k Q_k$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, ...$ 

**Shifted QR iteration** is the QR iteration applied to a shifted matrix:

$$A_k - \mu I = Q_k R_k$$
 (QR factorization),  $A_{k+1} = R_k Q_k + \mu I$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, ...$ 

#### **1.4.2** Facts

- 1. If  $\lambda_1$  is the dominant eigenvalue and if  $x_0$  is not orthogonal to  $U_{:1}$ , then  $v_k \to \lambda_1$  and  $x_k \to U_{:1}$ . In other words, the power method converges to the dominant eigenvalue and its eigenvector.
- 2. The convergence is linear in the sense that

$$|\lambda_1 - \nu_k| \approx \left| \frac{c_2}{c_1} \right| \left| \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \right|^k, \qquad \|U_{:1} - x_k\|_2 = O\left(\left| \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \right|^k\right),$$

where  $c_i$  is the coefficient of the *i*-th eigenvector in the linear combination expressing the starting vector  $x_0$ .

- 3. Since  $\lambda_1$  is not available, the convergence is determined using residuals: if  $||Ax_k \nu_k x_k||_2 \le tol$ , where tol is a user prescribed stopping criterion, then  $|\lambda_1 \nu_k| \le tol$ .
- 4. After computing the dominant eigenpair, we can perform deflation to reduce the given EVD for A to the one of size n-1 for  $A_1$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} U_{:1} & X \end{bmatrix}^T A \begin{bmatrix} U_{:1} & X \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \\ & A_1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} U_{:1} & X \end{bmatrix}$$
 orthonormal,  $A_1 = X^T A X$ .

- 5. The EVD of the shifted matrix  $A \mu I$  is  $U(\Lambda \mu I)U^T$ .
- 6. Inverse iteration requires solving the system of linear equations  $(A \mu I)x_{k+1} = x_k$  for  $x_{k+1}$  in each step. At the beginning, LU factorization of  $A \mu I$  needs to be computed, which requires  $2n^3/3$  operations. In each subsequent step, two triangular systems need to be solved, which requires  $2n^2$  operations.
- 7. If  $\mu$  is close to some eigenvalue of A, the eigenvalues of the shifted matrix satisfy  $|\lambda_1| \gg |\lambda_2| \geq \cdots \geq |\lambda_n|$ , so the convergence of the inverse iteration method is fast.
- 8. If  $\mu$  is very close to some eigenvalue of A, then the matrix  $A \mu I$  is nearly singular, so the solutions of linear systems may have large errors. However, these errors are almost entirely in the direction of the dominant eigenvector so the inverse iteration method is both fast and accurate.
- 9. We can further increase the speed of convergence of inverse iterations by substituting the shift  $\mu$  with the Rayleigh quotient  $\nu_k$  at the cost of computing new LU factorization.
- 10. Matrices  $A_k$  and  $A_{k+1}$  from both QR iterations are orthogonally similar,  $A_{k+1} = Q_k^T A_k Q_k$ .
- 11. The QR iteration method is essentially equivalent to the power method and the shifted QR iteration method is essentially equivalent to the inverse power method on the shifted matrix.
- 12. The straightforward application of the QR iteration requires  $O(n^3)$  operations per step, so better implementation is needed.

# 1.4.3 Examples

In order to keep the programs simple, in the examples below we do not compute full matrix of eigenvectors.

```
In [1]: function myPower(A::Array,x::Vector,tol::Number)
            y=A*x
            \nu = x \cdot y
            steps=1
            while vecnorm(y-\nu*x)>tol
                x=y/vecnorm(y)
                y=A*x
                \nu = \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}
                steps+=1
            \nu, y/vecnorm(y), steps
        end
Out[1]: myPower (generic function with 1 method)
In [2]: n=6
        s=srand(421)
        A=full(Symmetric(rand(-9:9,n,n)))
Out[2]: 6×6 Array{Int64,2}:
         -8
              2
                   1
                       9
                              -7
          2 -7
                   0 -8
                         1 -8
          1
             0 2 -4 -3 -9
          9 -8 -4 -2 0 5
             1 -3 0 3 1
         -7 -8 -9
                     5 1 -5
In [3]: \nu,x,steps=myPower(A,ones(n),1e-10)
Out[3]: (-19.992530161663694, [0.694988, -0.144771, 0.0506903, -0.528094, -0.067475, 0.458288],
In [4]: \lambda=eigvals(A)
Out[4]: 6-element Array{Float64,1}:
         -19.9925
         -17.0168
          -3.42589
           4.31276
           4.43503
          14.6874
In [5]: k=indmax(abs.(\lambda))
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Out[5]: 1
In [6]: [eigvecs(A)[:,k] x]
Out [6]: 6\times2 Array{Float64,2}:
          0.694988
                      0.694988
         -0.144771
                     -0.144771
          0.0506903
                     0.0506903
         -0.528094
                    -0.528094
         -0.067475 -0.067475
          0.458288
                      0.458288
In [7]: x
Out[7]: 6-element Array{Float64,1}:
          0.694988
         -0.144771
          0.0506903
         -0.528094
         -0.067475
          0.458288
In [8]: # Deflation
        function myDeflation(A::Array,x::Vector)
            X,R=qr(x[:,:],thin=false)
            # To make sure the returned matrix symmetric use
            # full(Symmetric(X[:,2:end]'*A*X[:,2:end]))
            X[:,2:end]'*A*X[:,2:end]
        end
Out[8]: myDeflation (generic function with 1 method)
In [9]: A_1=myDeflation(A,x)
Out[9]: 5×5 Array{Float64,2}:
         -6.57087
                      -0.00503334
                                   -6.28904
                                                1.29122
                                                           -9.41558
         -0.00503334
                                    -4.06933
                                               -3.03428
                                                           -8.96407
                       1.95091
         -6.28904
                      -4.06933
                                    4.77224
                                                1.13014
                                                           -0.624586
          1.29122
                      -3.03428
                                    1.13014
                                                3.17824
                                                            0.0515027
         -9.41558
                      -8.96407
                                    -0.624586
                                                0.0515027 - 0.337992
In [10]: eigvals(A_1)
Out[10]: 5-element Array{Float64,1}:
          -17.0168
           14.6874
           -3.42589
            4.31276
            4.43503
```

```
In [11]: myPower(A_1, ones(size(A_1, 1)), 1e-10)
Out[11]: (-17.016810311916032, [-0.690921, -0.331625, -0.278539, 0.0114126, -0.578739], 167)
In [12]: # Put it all together - eigenvectors are ommitted for the sake of simplicity
         function myPowerMethod(A::Array, tol::T) where T
             n=size(A,1)
             \lambda = Array\{T\}(n)
             for i=1:n
                 \lambda[i],x,steps=myPower(A,ones(n-i+1),tol)
                 A=myDeflation(A,x)
             end
             λ
         end
Out[12]: myPowerMethod (generic function with 1 method)
In [13]: myPowerMethod(A,1e-10)
Out[13]: 6-element Array{Float64,1}:
          -19.9925
          -17.0168
           14.6874
            4.43503
            4.31276
           -3.42589
In [14]: # QR iteration
         function myQRIteration(A::Array, tol::Number)
             steps=1
             while norm(tril(A,-1))>tol
                 Q,R=qr(A)
                 A=R*Q
                 steps+=1
             end
             A,steps
         end
Out[14]: myQRIteration (generic function with 1 method)
In [15]: B,steps=myQRIteration(A,1e-5)
         В
Out[15]: 6×6 Array{Float64,2}:
          -19.9925
                            1.19793e-15 -7.85444e-17 ...
                                                                 3.38202e-15
                                                                               8.43448e-16
           -1.01627e-20 -17.0168
                                          -1.16907e-14
                                                              1.32061e-15 -5.19604e-16
```

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3.13535e-37
                5.23823e-17
                             14.6874
                                                1.01036e-15
                                                             8.11493e-16
1.18738e-178
             -1.7416e-159
                             -2.86149e-142
                                               9.77898e-6
                                                            -2.35161e-16
5.13609e-182
                9.90527e-163
                             1.0578e-145
                                               4.31276
                                                            -1.57735e-15
-5.40376e-209 -1.1114e-189
                             -2.65957e-172 ... -3.25655e-27 -3.42589
```

In [16]: diag(B)

Out[16]: 6-element Array{Float64,1}:
-19.9925
-17.0168
14.6874
4.43503
4.31276
-3.42589

# 1.5 Tridiagonalization

The following implementation of QR iteration requires a total of  $O(n^3)$  operations:

- 1. Reduce A to tridiagonal form T by orthogonal similarities,  $X^TAX = T$ .
- 2. Compute the EVD of *T* with QR iterations,  $T = Q\Lambda Q^T$ .
- 3. Multiply U = XQ.

One step of QR iterations on T requires O(n) operations if only  $\Lambda$  is computed, and  $O(n^2)$  operations if Q is accumulated, as well.

#### 1.5.1 Definitions

Given vector *v*, **Householder reflector** is a symmetric orthogonal matrix

$$H = I - 2 \frac{vv^T}{v^T v}.$$

Given  $c = \cos \varphi$ ,  $s = \sin \varphi$ , and indices i < j, **Givens rotation matrix** is an orthogonal matrix G(c, s, i, j) which is equal to the identity matrix except for elements

$$G_{ii}=G_{jj}=c$$
,  $G_{ij}=-G_{ji}=s$ .

#### 1.5.2 Facts

1. Given vector x, choosing  $v = x + \text{sign}(x_1) ||x||_2 e_1$  yields the Householder reflector which performs the QR factorization of x:

$$Hx = -\operatorname{sign}(a_1) \|a\|_2 e_1.$$

2. Given a 2-dimensional vector  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ , choosing  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ ,  $c = \frac{x}{r}$  and  $s = \frac{y}{r}$ , gives the Givens rotatation matrix such that

$$G(c,s,1,2) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The hypotenuse r is computed using the hypot() function in order to avoid underflow or overflow.

- 3. Tridiagonal form is not unique.
- 4. The reduction of A to tridiagonal matrix by Householder reflections is performed as follows. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & a^T \\ a & B \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let  $v = a + \text{sign}(a_1) \|a\|_2 e_1$ , let H be the corresponding Householder reflector and set

$$H_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \\ & H \end{bmatrix}$$
.

Then

$$H_1AH_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & a^TH \\ Ha & HBH \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \nu e_1^T \\ \nu e_1 & A_1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \nu = -\operatorname{sign}(a_1) \|a\|_2.$$

This step annihilates all elements in the first column below the first subdiagonal and all elements in the first row to the right of the first subdiagonal. Applying this procedure recursively yields the tridiagonal matrix  $T = X^T A X$ , where  $X = H_1 H_2 \cdots H_{n-2}$ .

- 5. *H* does not depend on the normalization of v. With the normalization  $v_1 = 1$ ,  $a_{2:n-1}$  can be overwritten by  $v_{2:n-1}$ , so  $v_1$  does not need to be stored.
- 6. H is not formed explicitly given v, B is overwritten with HBH in  $O(n^2)$  operations by using one matrix-vector multiplication and two rank-one updates.
- 7. When symmetry is exploited in performing rank-2 update, tridiagonalization requires  $4n^3/3$  operations. Instead of performing rank-2 update on B, one can accumulate p transformations and perform rank-2p update. This **block algorithm** is rich in matrix--matrix multiplications (roughly one half of the operations is performed using BLAS 3 routines), but it requires extra workspace for U and V.
- 8. If *X* is needed explicitly, it can be computed from the stored Householder vectors *v*. In order to minimize the operation count, the computation starts from the smallest matrix and the size is gradually increased:

$$H_{n-2}$$
,  $H_{n-3}H_{n-2}$ ,...,  $X = H_1 \cdots H_{n-2}$ .

A column-oriented version is possible as well, and the operation count in both cases is  $4n^3/3$ . If the Householder reflectors  $H_i$  are accumulated in the order in which they are generated, the operation count is  $2n^3$ .

9. The backward error bounds for functions myTridiag() and myTridiagX() are as follows: The computed matrix  $\tilde{T}$  is equal to the matrix which would be obtained by exact tridiagonalization of some perturbed matrix  $A + \Delta A$ , where  $\|\Delta A\|_2 \le \psi \varepsilon \|A\|_2$  and  $\psi$  is a slowly increasing function of n. The computed matrix  $\tilde{X}$  satisfies  $\tilde{X} = X + \Delta X$ , where  $\|\Delta X\|_2 \le \phi \varepsilon$  and  $\phi$  is a slowly increasing function of n.

- 10. Tridiagonalization using Givens rotations requires  $\frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{2}$  plane rotations, which amounts to  $4n^3$  operations if symmetry is properly exploited. The operation count is reduced to  $8n^3/3$  if fast rotations are used. Fast rotations are obtained by factoring out absolutely larger of c and s from G.
- 11. Givens rotations in the function myTridiagG() can be performed in different orderings. For example, the elements in the first column and row can be annihilated by rotations in the planes (n-1,n), (n-2,n-1), ..., (2,3). Givens rotations act more selectively than Householder reflectors, and are useful if A has some special structure, for example, if A is a banded matrix.
- 12. Error bounds for function myTridiagG() are the same as above, but with slightly different functions  $\psi$  and  $\phi$ .
- 13. The block version of tridiagonal reduction is implemented in the LAPACK subroutine DSYTRD. The computation of X is implemented in the subroutine DORGTR. The size of the required extra workspace (in elements) is lwork = nb \* n, where nb is the optimal block size (here, nb = 64), and it is determined automatically by the subroutines. The subroutine DSBTRD tridiagonalizes a symmetric band matrix by using Givens rotations. There are no Julia wappers for these routines yet!

#### 1.5.3 Examples

```
In [17]: function myTridiag(A::Array)
              # Normalized Householder vectors are stored in the lower
              # triangular part of A below the first subdiagonal
              n=size(A,1)
              T=Float64
              A=map(T,A)
              v=Array\{T\}(n)
              Trid=SymTridiagonal(zeros(n),zeros(n-1))
              for j = 1 : n-2
                   \mu = sign(A[j+1,j]) * vecnorm(A[j+1:n, j])
                   if u != zero(T)
                       \beta = A[j+1,j] + \mu
                       v[j+2:n] = A[j+2:n,j] / \beta
                   end
                   A[j+1,j]=-\mu
                   A[j,j+1] = -\mu
                  v[j+1] = one(T)
                   \gamma = -2 / (v[j+1:n] \cdot v[j+1:n])
                   w = \gamma * A[j+1:n, j+1:n] * v[j+1:n]
                   q = w + \gamma * v[j+1:n]*(v[j+1:n]\cdot w) / 2
                   A[j+1:n, j+1:n] = A[j+1:n, j+1:n] + v[j+1:n]*q' + q*v[j+1:n]'
                   A[j+2:n, j] = v[j+2:n]
              end
              SymTridiagonal(diag(A),diag(A,1)), tril(A,-2)
          end
```

```
Out[17]: myTridiag (generic function with 1 method)
In [18]: A
Out [18]: 6\times6 Array{Int64,2}:
          -8
               2
                      9
                             -7
           2
             -7
                  0
                     -8
                           1 -8
           1
              0
                  2 -4 -3 -9
             -8 -4 -2
                          0 5
           2
             1 -3
                      0
                           3
                             1
          -7 -8 -9
                      5
                          1 -5
In [19]: T,H=myTridiag(A)
Out[19]: ([-8.0 -11.7898 ... 0.0 0.0; -11.7898 -7.86331 ... 0.0 0.0; ...; 0.0 0.0 ... -15.9075
In [20]: T
Out[20]: 6×6 SymTridiagonal{Float64}:
           -8.0
                   -11.7898
          -11.7898
                   -7.86331
                                3.05866
                     3.05866 -1.59342 -5.10309
                              -5.10309 12.128
                                                    5.23259
                                        5.23259 -15.9075
                                                             1.58
                                                   1.58
                                                            4.23628
In [21]: [eigvals(A) eigvals(T)]
Out[21]: 6×2 Array{Float64,2}:
          -19.9925
                   -19.9925
          -17.0168 -17.0168
           -3.42589
                    -3.42589
           4.31276
                      4.31276
            4.43503
                      4.43503
           14.6874
                      14.6874
In [22]: # Extract X
        function myTridiagX(H::Array)
             n=size(H,1)
             X = eye(n)
             T=Float64
             v=Array\{T\}(n)
             for j = n-2 : -1 : 1
                 v[j+1] = one(T)
                v[j+2:n] = H[j+2:n, j]
                 \gamma = -2 / (v[j+1:n] \cdot v[j+1:n])
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w = \gamma * X[j+1:n, j+1:n] '*v[j+1:n]
                 X[j+1:n, j+1:n] = X[j+1:n, j+1:n] + v[j+1:n]*w'
             end
             X
         end
Out[22]: myTridiagX (generic function with 1 method)
In [23]: X=myTridiagX(H)
Out [23]: 6\times6 Array{Float64,2}:
          1.0 0.0
                            0.0
                                         0.0
                                                    0.0
                                                                0.0
          0.0 -0.169638
                                                    0.811031
                            0.34035
                                        0.345391
                                                                0.279854
          0.0 -0.0848189 -0.855862
                                        0.280828
                                                    0.319165
                                                               -0.282092
          0.0 -0.76337
                            0.0618455 -0.536748
                                                    0.15311
                                                               -0.319219
          0.0 -0.169638
                           -0.380649
                                        -0.318249 -0.0337967
                                                                0.850826
          0.0
                0.593732
                           -0.0542644 -0.642231
                                                    0.464518
                                                               -0.127672
In [24]: # Fact 7: norm(\Delta X) < \phi * eps()
         X^{\scriptscriptstyle |} * X
Out[24]: 6×6 Array{Float64,2}:
          1.0
                0.0
                                             0.0
                                                           0.0
                                                                          0.0
          0.0
                1.0
                              3.46945e-17 -5.55112e-17
                                                           5.55112e-17 -6.93889e-17
          0.0 3.46945e-17
                                            -4.16334e-17 -6.93889e-17
                                                                         5.11743e-17
                             1.0
          0.0 -5.55112e-17 -4.16334e-17
                                           1.0
                                                           0.0
                                                                          4.16334e-17
          0.0 5.55112e-17 -6.93889e-17 0.0
                                                           1.0
                                                                         -8.32667e-17
          0.0 -6.93889e-17 5.11743e-17
                                            4.16334e-17 -8.32667e-17
                                                                          1.0
In [25]: X'*A*X
Out[25]: 6×6 Array{Float64,2}:
           -8.0
                                                              4.44089e-16
                         -11.7898
                                         -1.66533e-16 ...
                                                                             1.11022e-15
          -11.7898
                          -7.86331
                                          3.05866
                                                           -8.88178e-16
                                                                          4.44089e-16
           -1.66533e-16
                           3.05866
                                         -1.59342
                                                           -4.44089e-16 -1.11022e-15
            8.88178e-16
                           4.44089e-16 -5.10309
                                                            5.23259
                                                                          7.77156e-16
            4.44089e-16
                           0.0
                                         -2.22045e-16
                                                          -15.9075
                                                                           1.58
                           5.41234e-16 -1.10502e-15
                                                                             4.23628
            1.11022e-15
                                                      . . .
                                                              1.58
In [26]: # Tridiagonalization using Givens rotations
         function myTridiagG(A::Array)
             n=size(A,1)
             X=eye(n)
             for j = 1 : n-2
                 for i = j+2 : n
                     G,r=givens(A,j+1,i,j)
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A = (G*A)*G'
                    X *= G'
                end
            end
            SymTridiagonal(diag(A), diag(A,1)), X
         end
Out[26]: myTridiagG (generic function with 1 method)
In [27]: # Lat us take a look at the `givens()` functions
        methods(givens)
Out[27]: # 3 methods for generic function "givens":
         givens(A::AbstractArray{T,2} where T, i1::Integer, i2::Integer, j::Integer) in Base.Lin
        givens(x::AbstractArray{T,1} where T, i1::Integer, i2::Integer) in Base.LinAlg at linal
        givens(f::T, g::T, i1::Integer, i2::Integer) where T in Base.LinAlg at linalg/givens.jl
In [28]: Tg,Xg=myTridiagG(map(Float64,A))
Out[28]: ([-8.0 11.7898 ... 0.0 0.0; 11.7898 -7.86331 ... 0.0 0.0; ...; 0.0 0.0 ... -15.9075 1.
In [29]: Tg
Out[29]: 6×6 SymTridiagonal{Float64}:
          -8.0
                  11.7898
          11.7898 -7.86331
                             3.05866
                   3.05866 -1.59342
                                       5.10309
                             5.10309 12.128
                                                 5.23259
                                      5.23259 -15.9075
                                                          1.58
                                                 1.58
                                                          4.23628
In [30]: Xg'*Xg
Out [30]: 6\times6 Array{Float64,2}:
                                           0.0
          1.0
               0.0
                                                         0.0
                                                                      0.0
          0.0
               1.0
                             1.38778e-17 -5.55112e-17
                                                         0.0
                                                                      1.38778e-17
         0.0 1.38778e-17 1.0
                                         -4.16334e-17 -5.20417e-17 7.89299e-17
          0.0 -5.55112e-17 -4.16334e-17 1.0
                                                         5.55112e-17 5.55112e-17
          0.0
                                           5.55112e-17
                            -5.20417e-17
                                                                      2.77556e-17
          0.0
               1.38778e-17 7.89299e-17
                                           5.55112e-17
                                                         2.77556e-17 1.0
In [31]: Xg'*A*Xg
Out[31]: 6×6 Array{Float64,2}:
          -8.0
                                                         -4.44089e-16 -4.44089e-16
                       11.7898
                                      0.0
          11.7898
                       -7.86331
                                      3.05866
                                                                      5.55112e-16
          0.0
                        3.05866
                                                        4.44089e-16 -5.55112e-16
                                     -1.59342
          -8.88178e-16 4.44089e-16 5.10309
                                                        5.23259
                                                                      8.88178e-16
                                                      -15.9075
          -4.44089e-16 -1.77636e-15
                                      9.99201e-16
                                                                      1.58
          -4.44089e-16 1.94289e-16 -3.55618e-16 ...
                                                                        4.23628
                                                        1.58
```

# 1.6 Tridiagonal QR method

Let *T* be a real symmetric tridiagonal matrix of order *n* and  $T = Q\Lambda Q^T$  be its EVD.

Each step of the shifted QR iterations can be elegantly implemented without explicitly computing the shifted matrix  $T - \mu I$ .

#### 1.6.1 Definition

**Wilkinson's shift**  $\mu$  is the eigenvalue of the bottom right 2 × 2 submatrix of T, which is closer to  $T_{n,n}$ .

#### 1.6.2 Facts

1. The stable formula for the Wilkinson's shift is

$$\mu = T_{n,n} - \frac{T_{n,n-1}^2}{\tau + \operatorname{sign}(\tau) \sqrt{\tau^2 + T_{n,n-1}^2}}, \qquad \tau = \frac{T_{n-1,n-1} - T_{n,n}}{2}.$$

- 2. Wilkinson's shift is the most commonly used shift. With Wilkinson's shift, the algorithm always converges in the sense that  $T_{n-1,n} \to 0$ . The convergence is quadratic, that is,  $|[T_{k+1}]_{n-1,n}| \le c |[T_k]_{n-1,n}|^2$  for some constant c, where  $T_k$  is the matrix after the k-th sweep. Even more, the convergence is usually cubic. However, it can also happen that some  $T_{i,i+i}$ ,  $i \ne n-1$ , becomes sufficiently small before  $T_{n-1,n}$ , so the practical program has to check for deflation at each step.
- 3. **Chasing the Bulge.** The plane rotation parameters at the start of the sweep are computed as if the shifted  $T \mu I$  has been formed. Since the rotation is applied to the original T and not to  $T \mu I$ , this creates new nonzero elements at the positions (3,1) and (1,3), the so-called **bulge**. The subsequent rotations simply chase the bulge out of the lower right corner of the matrix. The rotation in the (2,3) plane sets the elements (3,1) and (1,3) back to zero, but it generates two new nonzero elements at positions (4,2) and (2,4); the rotation in the (3,4) plane sets the elements (4,2) and (2,4) back to zero, but it generates two new nonzero elements at positions (5,3) and (3,5), etc.
- 4. The effect of this procedure is the following. At the end of the first sweep, the resulting matrix  $T_1$  is equal to the matrix that would have been obtained by factorizing  $T \mu I = QR$  and computing  $T_1 = RQ + \mu I$ .
- 5. Since the convergence of the function myTridEigQR() is quadratic (or even cubic), an eigenvalue is isolated after just a few steps, which requires O(n) operations. This means that  $O(n^2)$  operations are needed to compute all eigenvalues.
- 6. If the eigenvector matrix Q is desired, the plane rotations need to be accumulated similarly to the accumulation of X in the function myTridiagG(). This accumulation requires  $O(n^3)$  operations. Another, faster, algorithm to first compute only  $\Lambda$  and then compute Q using inverse iterations. Inverse iterations on a tridiagonal matrix are implemented in the LAPACK routine DSTEIN.

7. **Error bounds.** Let  $U\Lambda U^T$  and  $\tilde{U}\tilde{\Lambda}\tilde{U}^T$  be the exact and the computed EVDs of A, respectively, such that the diagonals of  $\Lambda$  and  $\tilde{\Lambda}$  are in the same order. Numerical methods generally compute the EVD with the errors bounded by

$$|\lambda_i - \tilde{\lambda}_i| \le \phi \epsilon ||A||_2, \qquad ||u_i - \tilde{u}_i||_2 \le \psi \epsilon \frac{||A||_2}{\min_{j \ne i} |\lambda_i - \tilde{\lambda}_j|},$$

where  $\epsilon$  is machine precision and  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  are slowly growing polynomial functions of n which depend upon the algorithm used (typically O(n) or  $O(n^2)$ ). Such bounds are obtained by combining perturbation bounds with the floating-point error analysis of the respective algorithms.

- 8. The eigenvalue decomposition  $T = Q\Lambda Q^T$  computed by myTridEigQR() satisfies the error bounds from fact 7. with A replaced by T and T replaced by T and T replaced by T and T replaced by T replaced by
- 9. The EVD computed by function mySymEigQR() satisfies the error bounds given in Fact 7. However, the algorithm tends to perform better on matrices, which are graded downwards, that is, on matrices that exhibit systematic decrease in the size of the matrix elements as we move along the diagonal.
  - For such matrices the tiny eigenvalues can usually be computed with higher relative accuracy (although counterexamples can be easily constructed). If the tiny eigenvalues are of interest, it should be checked whether there exists a symmetric permutation that moves larger elements to the upper left corner, thus converting the given matrix to the one that is graded downwards.
- 10. The function myTridEigQR() is implemented in the LAPACK subroutine DSTEQR. This routine can compute just the eigenvalues, or both eigenvalues and eigenvectors.
- 11. The function mySymEigQR() is Algorithm 5 is implemented in the functions eig(), eigvals() and eigvecs(), and in the LAPACK routine DSYEV. To compute only eigenvalues, DSYEV calls DSYTRD and DSTEQR without the eigenvector option. To compute both eigenvalues and eigenvectors, DSYEV calls DSYTRD, DORGTR, and DSTEQR with the eigenvector option.

#### 1.6.3 Examples

```
In [32]: function myTridEigQR(A1::SymTridiagonal)
A=deepcopy(A1)
n=length(A.dv)
T=Float64
\lambda=Array\{T\}(n)
B=Array\{T\}
if n==1
return map(T,A.dv)
end
if n==2
\tau=(A.dv[end-1]-A.dv[end])/2
\mu=A.dv[end]-A.ev[end]^2/(\tau+sign(\tau)*sqrt(\tau^2+A.ev[end]^2))
```

```
# Only rotation
    B=A[1:2,1:2]
    G,r=givens(B-\mu*I,1,2,1)
    B=(G*B)*G'
    return diag(B)[1:2]
end
steps=1
k=0
while k==0 \&\& steps <= 10
    # Shift
    \tau = (A.dv[end-1]-A.dv[end])/2
    \mu=A.dv[end]-A.ev[end]^2/(\tau+sign(\tau)*sqrt(\tau^2+A.ev[end]^2))
    # First rotation
    B=A[1:3,1:3]
    G,r=givens(B-\mu*I,1,2,1)
    B=(G*B)*G'
    A.dv[1:2]=diag(B)[1:2]
    A.ev[1:2]=diag(B,-1)
    bulge=B[3,1]
    # Bulge chasing
    for i = 2 : n-2
        B=A[i-1:i+2,i-1:i+2]
        B[3,1]=bulge
        B[1,3] = bulge
        G,r=givens(B,2,3,1)
        B=(G*B)*G'
         A.dv[i:i+1]=diag(B)[2:3]
         A.ev[i-1:i+1]=diag(B,-1)
         bulge=B[4,2]
    end
    # Last rotation
    B=A[n-2:n,n-2:n]
    B[3,1] = bulge
    B[1,3]=bulge
    G,r=givens(B,2,3,1)
    B=(G*B)*G'
    A.dv[n-1:n]=diag(B)[2:3]
    A.ev[n-2:n-1]=diag(B,-1)
    steps+=1
    # Deflation criterion
     \texttt{k=findfirst(abs.(A.ev)} \ . < \ \mathsf{sqrt.(abs.(A.dv[1:n-1].*A.dv[2:n]))*eps(T)) } 
end
\lambda[1:k]=myTridEigQR(SymTridiagonal(A.dv[1:k],A.ev[1:k-1]))
\lambda[k+1:n]=myTridEigQR(SymTridiagonal(A.dv[k+1:n],A.ev[k+1:n-1]))
λ
```

end

```
In [33]: \lambda=eigvals(T)
Out[33]: 6-element Array{Float64,1}:
             -19.9925
             -17.0168
              -3.42589
               4.31276
               4.43503
              14.6874
In [34]: \lambda_1=myTridEigQR(T)
Out[34]: 6-element Array{Float64,1}:
             -19.9925
             -17.0168
              14.6874
              -3.42589
               4.43503
               4.31276
In [35]: (\operatorname{sort}(\lambda) - \operatorname{sort}(\lambda_1)) \cdot / \operatorname{sort}(\lambda)
Out[35]: 6-element Array{Float64,1}:
             -5.33106e-16
             -6.2633e-16
             -1.16665e-15
              0.0
              0.0
             -1.20944e-16
```

# 1.6.4 Computing the eigenvectors

Once the eigenvalues are computed, the eigeenvectors can be efficiently computed with inverse iterations. Inverse iterations for tridiagonal matrices are implemented in the LAPACK routine DSTEIN.

```
In [36]: U=LAPACK.stein! (T.dv,T.ev,\lambda)
Out[36]: 6×6 Array{Float64,2}:
          0.694988
                     -0.03569
                                  0.276879
                                             0.353131
                                                        -0.5599
                                                                     0.0294336
          0.706937
                     -0.0272955 -0.107421
                                            -0.368794
                                                         0.590541
                                                                    -0.0566397
         -0.124501
                     -0.0558835
                                  0.911406 -0.106945
                                                         0.216287
                                                                    -0.304136
         -0.0251675 -0.18526
                                  0.262891
                                            -0.0972702
                                                         0.0984485
                                                                     0.936365
          0.0330718 0.977373
                                  0.107407
                                             0.0409805
                                                         0.0661956
                                                                     0.161405
         -0.00215667 -0.0726602 -0.0221482
                                             0.846588
                                                         0.526231
                                                                     0.0244011
```

```
In [37]: # Orthogonality
         vecnorm(U'*U-I)
Out[37]: 5.205466701590827e-16
In [38]: # Residual
         vecnorm(T*U-U*diagm(\lambda))
Out[38]: 1.1258410421055917e-14
In [39]: # Some timings - n=100, 200, 400
         n = 400
         Tbig=SymTridiagonal(rand(n),rand(n-1))
         @time myTridEigQR(Tbig);
         Otime \lambdabig=eigvals(Tbig);
         Otime LAPACK.stein!(Tbig.dv,Tbig.ev,\lambdabig);
  0.327687 seconds (2.29 M allocations: 219.497 MiB, 27.99% gc time)
  0.006061 seconds (12 allocations: 13.234 KiB)
  0.021522 seconds (24 allocations: 1.266 MiB)
In [40]: n=2000
         Tbig=SymTridiagonal(rand(n),rand(n-1))
         Otime \lambdabig=eigvals(Tbig);
         Otime U=LAPACK.stein!(Tbig.dv,Tbig.ev,\lambdabig);
         @time eig(Tbig);
  0.158401 seconds (12 allocations: 63.141 KiB)
  0.587675 seconds (26 allocations: 30.722 MiB, 1.62% gc time)
  0.959685 seconds (72.08 k allocations: 35.003 MiB, 4.57% gc time)
```

Alternatively, the rotations in myTridEigQR() can be accumulated to compute the eigenvctors. This is not optimal, but is instructive. We keep the name of the function, using Julia's multiple dispatch feature.

```
In [41]: function myTridEigQR(A1::SymTridiagonal,U::Array)
    # U is either the identity matrix or the output from myTridiagX()
    A=deepcopy(A1)
    n=length(A.dv)
    T=Float64
    \( \lambda = Array\{T\}(n)\)
    B=Array\{T\}
    if n==1
        return map(T,A.dv), U
```

```
end
if n==2
    \tau = (A.dv[end-1]-A.dv[end])/2
    \mu=A.dv[end]-A.ev[end]^2/(\tau+sign(\tau)*sqrt(\tau^2+A.ev[end]^2))
    # Only rotation
    B=A[1:2,1:2]
    G,r=givens(B-\mu*I,1,2,1)
    B=(G*B)*G'
    U*=G'
    return diag(B)[1:2], U
end
steps=1
k=0
while k==0 && steps <= 10
    # Shift
    \tau=(A.dv[end-1]-A.dv[end])/2
    \mu=A.dv[end]-A.ev[end]^2/(\tau+sign(\tau)*sqrt(\tau^2+A.ev[end]^2))
    # First rotation
    B=A[1:3,1:3]
    G,r=givens(B-\mu*I,1,2,1)
    B=(G*B)*G'
    U[:,1:3]*=G'
    A.dv[1:2]=diag(B)[1:2]
    A.ev[1:2]=diag(B,-1)
    bulge=B[3,1]
    # Bulge chasing
    for i = 2 : n-2
        B=A[i-1:i+2,i-1:i+2]
        B[3,1] = bulge
        B[1,3]=bulge
        G,r=givens(B,2,3,1)
        B=(G*B)*G'
        U[:,i-1:i+2]=U[:,i-1:i+2]*G'
        A.dv[i:i+1]=diag(B)[2:3]
        A.ev[i-1:i+1]=diag(B,-1)
        bulge=B[4,2]
    end
    # Last rotation
    B=A[n-2:n,n-2:n]
    B[3,1] = bulge
    B[1,3]=bulge
    G,r=givens(B,2,3,1)
    B=(G*B)*G'
    U[:,n-2:n]*=G'
    A.dv[n-1:n]=diag(B)[2:3]
    A.ev[n-2:n-1]=diag(B,-1)
    steps+=1
    # Deflation criterion
```

```
k=findfirst(abs.(A.ev) .< sqrt.(abs.(A.dv[1:n-1].*A.dv[2:n]))*eps())
             end
             \lambda[1:k], U[:,1:k]=myTridEigQR(SymTridiagonal(A.dv[1:k],A.ev[1:k-1]),U[:,1:k])
             \lambda[k+1:n], U[:,k+1:n]=myTridEigQR(SymTridiagonal(A.dv[k+1:n],A.ev[k+1:n-1]),U[:,k+1:n])
             \lambda, U
         end
Out[41]: myTridEigQR (generic function with 2 methods)
In [43]: \lambda, U=myTridEigQR(T, eye(T))
Out[43]: 6-element Array{Float64,1}:
          -19.9925
          -17.0168
           14.6874
           -3.42589
            4.43503
            4.31276
In [44]: U
Out[44]: 6×6 Array{Float64,2}:
           0.694988
                        0.03569
                                   -0.0294336 -0.276879
                                                             0.5599
                                                                         0.353131
           0.706937
                        0.0272955 0.0566397 0.107421
                                                            -0.590541
                                                                        -0.368794
          -0.124501
                        0.0558835
                                    0.304136 -0.911406
                                                            -0.216287
                                                                        -0.106945
                                   -0.936365 -0.262891
          -0.0251675
                        0.18526
                                                            -0.0984485
                                                                        -0.0972702
           0.0330718 -0.977373
                                   -0.161405 -0.107407
                                                            -0.0661956
                                                                         0.0409805
          -0.00215667
                        0.0726602 -0.0244011 0.0221482 -0.526231
                                                                         0.846588
In [45]: # Orthogonality
         vecnorm(U'*U-I)
Out [45]: 1.0862687023937815e-15
In [46]: # Residual
         vecnorm(T*U-U*diagm(\lambda))
Out [46]: 1.7658748820255334e-14
```

# 1.7 Symmetric QR method

Combining myTridiag(), myTridiagX() and myTridEigQR(), we get the method for computing symmetric EVD.

```
In [47]: function mySymEigQR(A::Array)
            T,H=myTridiag(A)
            X=myTridiagX(H)
            myTridEigQR(T,X)
        end
Out[47]: mySymEigQR (generic function with 1 method)
In [48]: \lambda, U=mySymEigQR(map(Float64,A))
        λ
Out[48]: 6-element Array{Float64,1}:
         -19.9925
         -17.0168
          14.6874
           -3.42589
           4.43503
           4.31276
In [49]: U
Out[49]: 6×6 Array{Float64,2}:
          0.694988
                      0.03569
                                  -0.0294336 -0.276879
                                                           0.5599
                                                                     0.353131
         -0.144771
                     -0.693969
                                  -0.36724 -0.500131
                                                          -0.208393
                                                                     0.262724
          0.0506903 -0.330558
                                  -0.572692 0.65657
                                                          0.334872 -0.130241
         -0.528094 -0.289658
                                   0.461241 -0.0207771
                                                          0.648115
                                                                     0.0631494
         -0.067475 0.00999187
                                   0.157314 0.434842
                                                          -0.231655
                                                                     0.85314
          0.458288
                     -0.56909
                                   0.546628
                                              0.229353
                                                          -0.239224 -0.239741
In [50]: # Orthogonality
        norm(U'*U-I)
Out [50]: 1.1805055554232733e-15
In [51]: # Residual
        vecnorm(A*U-U*diagm(\lambda))
Out [51]: 2.988517724662741e-14
```

# 1.8 Unsymmetric matrices

The *QR* iterations for unsymmetric matrices are implemented as follows:

- 1. Reduce A to Hessenberg form form H by orthogonal similarities,  $X^TAX = H$ .
- 2. Compute the EVD of *H* with QR iterations,  $H = Q\Lambda Q^*$ .

```
3. Multiply U = XQ.
```

In [57]: B=hessfact(A)

The algorithm requires of  $O(n^3)$  operations. For more details, see Section ?? and the references therein.

```
In [52]: A=rand(-9:9,5,5)
Out[52]: 5×5 Array{Int64,2}:
                  6 -2 -9
          -1
          -7
              6 -8 -5 -5
          -8
              3 0 -7 -9
              7 -9 2
          0
          0 -6 3 -4 4
In [53]: \lambda, X=eig(A)
        λ
Out[53]: 5-element Array{Complex{Float64},1}:
           4.69648+6.89506im
           4.69648-6.89506im
         -0.255854+5.41527im
          -0.255854-5.41527im
           2.11875+0.0im
In [54]: X
Out[54]: 5×5 Array{Complex{Float64},2}:
          0.634239+0.0im 0.634239-0.0im
                                                     \dots -0.75577+0.0im
         -0.175509+0.338943im -0.175509-0.338943im
                                                        0.185923 + 0.0im
         0.0578582+0.166185im 0.0578582-0.166185im
                                                       0.311765+0.0im
          -0.151699+0.371527im -0.151699-0.371527im
                                                        0.194408 + 0.0im
         -0.407157-0.307031im -0.407157+0.307031im
                                                        0.509169 + 0.0im
In [55]: # Residual
        vecnorm(A*X-X*diagm(\lambda))
Out [55]: 1.652354479632358e-14
1.8.1 Hessenberg factorization
In [56]: @which hessfact(A)
Out[56]: hessfact(A::Union{Base.ReshapedArray{T,2,A,MI} where MI<:Tuple{Vararg{Base.Multiplicati</pre>
```

```
Out[57]: Base.LinAlg.Hessenberg{Float64,Array{Float64,2}}([-1.0 -7.14948 ... -5.96295 -4.33787;
In [58]: B[:H]
Out[58]: 5×5 Array{Float64,2}:
          -1.0
                   -7.14948
                               -5.61347 -5.96295
                                                   -4.33787
          10.6301
                    0.123894
                                3.10093
                                          3.0168
                                                   14.9054
          0.0
                    3.96474
                                7.55157
                                          3.79067
                                                   -3.16602
          0.0
                    0.0
                              -10.4986
                                          3.93755
                                                    6.33142
          0.0
                    0.0
                                0.0
                                          2.23559
                                                    0.386986
In [59]: B[:Q]
Out[59]: 5×5 Base.LinAlg.HessenbergQ{Float64,Array{Float64,2}}:
          1.0
               0.0
                           0.0
                                      0.0
                                                  0.0
          0.0 -0.658505
                          0.542575 -0.0127722 -0.521364
          0.0 -0.752577 -0.474754
                                    0.0111756
                                                  0.456194
          0.0
               0.0
                           0.545725 -0.602219
                                                  0.58268
          0.0
               0.0
                          0.427089
                                    0.798151
                                                  0.424912
In [60]: B[:Q]'*A*B[:Q]
Out[60]: 5×5 Array{Float64,2}:
          -1.0
                        -7.14948
                                       -5.61347
                                                     -5.96295 -4.33787
          10.6301
                                        3.10093
                        0.123894
                                                      3.0168
                                                               14.9054
          4.44089e-16
                         3.96474
                                        7.55157
                                                      3.79067 -3.16602
          -1.38778e-17 -1.77636e-15 -10.4986
                                                      3.93755
                                                                6.33142
                         2.77556e-17
          0.0
                                        6.10623e-16
                                                      2.23559
                                                                0.386986
In [61]: eigvals(B[:H])
Out[61]: 5-element Array{Complex{Float64},1}:
            4.69648+6.89506im
            4.69648-6.89506im
          -0.255854+5.41527im
          -0.255854-5.41527im
            2.11875+0.0im
```