

Lanczos Method for Eigensystems

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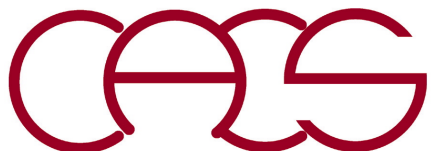
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- 1. $O(N)$ (vs. conventional $O(N^3)$) eigensolver**
- 2. Krylov subspace**



B. N. Parlett
The Symmetric Eigenvalue Problem
(Prentice-Hall, '80) Secs. 11-13



Rayleigh Quotient

Theorem

Let A be an $n \times n$ real symmetric matrix, $\lambda_1[A] \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n[A]$ its eigenvalues in ascending order, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, & the Rayleigh quotient

$$\rho(\mathbf{x}; A) = \frac{\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}} \quad \text{then} \quad \begin{cases} \lambda_1[A] = \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \rho(\mathbf{x}; A) \\ \lambda_n[A] = \max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \rho(\mathbf{x}; A) \end{cases}$$

Proof

Let $\mathbf{q}^{(k)}$ be the k -th orthonormalized eigenvector of A , $A\mathbf{q}_k = \lambda_k \mathbf{q}_k$, & orthogonal transformation matrix, $Q = [\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2, \dots, \mathbf{q}_n]$, then

$$Q^T A Q = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Let $\mathbf{x} = Q\mathbf{z}$ (note $Q^T Q = I$), then

$$\rho(\mathbf{x}; A) = \frac{\mathbf{z}^T Q^T A Q \mathbf{z}}{\mathbf{z}^T Q^T Q \mathbf{z}} = \frac{z_1^2 \lambda_1 + \dots + z_n^2 \lambda_n}{z_1^2 + \dots + z_n^2}$$

which is a weighted average of $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$, & the minimum is when $\mathbf{z}^T = (1, 0, \dots, 0) = \mathbf{e}_1$ & $\mathbf{x} = Q\mathbf{e}_1 = \mathbf{q}_1$.

Rayleigh-Ritz Procedure

Theorem

Let $\{\mathbf{q}_1, \dots, \mathbf{q}_m\}$ ($\mathbf{q}_j \in \mathbb{R}^n; j = 1, \dots, m; m < n$) be an orthonormal set, so that any vector $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ in the range is expressed as a linear combination of $\mathbf{q}_1, \dots, \mathbf{q}_m$:

$$\mathbf{x} = z_1 \mathbf{q}_1 + \dots + z_m \mathbf{q}_m \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{matrix} 1 & & m & & 1 \\ n & \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} & = & n & \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1 & \dots & \mathbf{q}_m \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ z_m \end{bmatrix} & m \\ & & & & & & \end{matrix} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{z}$$

then the best approximations for $\lambda_1[\mathbf{A}]$ & $\lambda_n[\mathbf{A}]$ are obtained by diagonalizing

$$\begin{matrix} m \times m & m \times n & n \times n & n \times m \\ \mathbf{H} & = & \mathbf{Q}^T & \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{Q} \end{matrix}$$

as $\lambda_1[\mathbf{H}]$ & $\lambda_m[\mathbf{H}]$.

Proof

Note $(\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{Q})_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n Q_{ki} Q_{kj} = \mathbf{q}_i \cdot \mathbf{q}_j = \delta_{ij}$

then
$$\rho(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{A}) = \frac{\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{z}}{\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{z}} = \frac{\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{z}}{\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{z}} = \frac{z_1^2 \lambda_1(\mathbf{H}) + \dots + z_m^2 \lambda_m(\mathbf{H})}{z_1^2 + \dots + z_m^2}$$

the minimum of which is $\lambda_1[\mathbf{H}]$ (cf. proof in the previous page).

Orthogonalization by QR Decomposition

- **Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization:** The orthonormal set Q required for the Rayleigh-Ritz procedure is obtained starting from an arbitrary set of m vectors, $S = [s_1 \dots s_m]$ ($s_j \in \mathbb{R}^n$) as (see [supplementary note](#)):

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mathbf{q}_1 = \mathbf{s}_1 / \|\mathbf{s}_1\| \\
 & \text{for } i = 2 \text{ to } m \\
 & \quad \mathbf{q}'_i = \mathbf{s}_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \mathbf{q}_j (\mathbf{q}_j \cdot \mathbf{s}_i) \quad \text{Projection!} \\
 & \quad \mathbf{q}_i = \mathbf{q}'_i / \|\mathbf{q}'_i\| \\
 & \text{endfor}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{P} \quad |s_i\rangle$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \tilde{|q_j\rangle} \langle q_j|$$

- The Gram-Schmidt procedure amounts to QR decomposition, $S = QR$, where R is an $m \times m$ right-triangle matrix:

$$\begin{matrix} n & & m & & m & & m \\ & \left[\begin{array}{cccc} \mathbf{s}_1 & \mathbf{s}_2 & \mathbf{s}_3 & \mathbf{s}_4 \end{array} \right] & = & n & \left[\begin{array}{cccc} \mathbf{q}_1 & \mathbf{q}_2 & \mathbf{q}_3 & \mathbf{q}_4 \end{array} \right] & \left[\begin{array}{cccc} \|\mathbf{q}'_1\| & \mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{s}_2 & \mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{s}_3 & \mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{s}_4 \\ 0 & \|\mathbf{q}'_2\| & \mathbf{q}_2 \cdot \mathbf{s}_3 & \mathbf{q}_2 \cdot \mathbf{s}_4 \\ 0 & 0 & \|\mathbf{q}'_3\| & \mathbf{q}_3 \cdot \mathbf{s}_4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \|\mathbf{q}'_4\| \end{array} \right] & m \end{matrix}$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{s}_i = \|\mathbf{q}'_i\| \mathbf{q}_i + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \mathbf{q}_j (\mathbf{q}_j \cdot \mathbf{s}_i)$$

Rayleigh-Ritz Algorithm

1. Start from $\mathbf{S} = [\mathbf{s}_1 \dots \mathbf{s}_m]$ ($\mathbf{s}_j \in \mathbf{R}^n$) & do Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization, $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{R}$, to obtain an orthonormal set $\mathbf{Q} = [\mathbf{q}_1 \dots \mathbf{q}_m]$
2. Form $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}$
3. Diagonalize \mathbf{H} to get $\lambda_1[\mathbf{H}], \dots, \lambda_m[\mathbf{H}]$: $\mathbf{H} \mathbf{g}_k = \lambda_k[\mathbf{H}] \mathbf{g}_k$ ($k = 1, \dots, m$)
4. Approximations of $\lambda_1[\mathbf{A}]$ & $\lambda_n[\mathbf{A}]$ are given by $\lambda_1[\mathbf{H}]$ & $\lambda_m[\mathbf{H}]$ with the corresponding eigenvectors, $\mathbf{y}_k = \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{g}_k$ ($k = 1$ & m).

$$\begin{array}{c} \underbrace{\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}}_{\mathbf{H}} \mathbf{g}_k = \lambda_k(\mathbf{H}) \mathbf{g}_k \\ \quad \quad \quad * \quad \downarrow \quad \mathbf{Q} \times \\ \therefore \mathbf{A} \underbrace{\mathbf{Q} \mathbf{g}_k}_{\mathbf{y}_k} = \lambda_k(\mathbf{H}) \underbrace{\mathbf{Q} \mathbf{g}_k}_{\mathbf{y}_k} \end{array}$$

* $\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^T \neq \mathbf{I}^{N \times N}$ but spans a subspace of the N -dimensional space

Krylov Subspace

- Krylov subspace S_m is spanned by a Krylov matrix, $K^m(f) = [f \ Af \ \dots \ A^{m-1}f]$ ($f \in \mathbb{R}^n$)

Theorem

Let Q_m be the orthonormal basis obtained by QR factorization, $K_m(f) = Q_m R$, then $T_m = Q_m^T A Q_m$ is a tridiagonal matrix

Proof (see [supplementary note](#))

For $i > j+1$, $q_i^T(Aq_j) = 0$, since $Aq_j \in S_{j+1}$ by construction & $q_i \perp S_{j+1}$ by Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization for $i > j+1$. By the symmetry of A , $q_i^T(Aq_j) = q_j^T(A^T q_i) = q_j^T(Aq_i) = 0$ for $j > i+1$ or $i < j-1$.

$$T_m = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & \beta_1 & & & \\ \beta_1 & \alpha_2 & \beta_2 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & \beta_{m-2} & \alpha_{m-1} & \beta_{m-1} \\ & & & \beta_{m-1} & \alpha_m \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{cases} \alpha_j = \mathbf{q}_j^T A \mathbf{q}_j & j = 1, \dots, m \\ \beta_j = \mathbf{q}_{j+1}^T A \mathbf{q}_j & j = 1, \dots, m-1 \end{cases}$$

- Tridiagonal matrix can be diagonalized in $O(N)$ time
cf. tqli() in Numerical Recipes

Alexei Krylov with daughter Anna, later Anna Kapitsa, wife of Pyotr Kapitsa (1904)



Recursion Formula

- Due to the tridiagonality, $A\mathbf{q}_i$ is a linear combination of \mathbf{q}_{i-1} , \mathbf{q}_i & \mathbf{q}_{i+1} :

$$A\mathbf{q}_i = \beta_{i-1}\mathbf{q}_{i-1} + \alpha_i\mathbf{q}_i + \beta_i\mathbf{q}_{i+1} \quad 2 \leq i \leq m-1$$

If we define $\mathbf{q}_0 = \mathbf{0}$, the above equation is valid for $i = 1$ as well. Let $\mathbf{r}_i \equiv \beta_i\mathbf{q}_{i+1}$ (\mathbf{r}_i is a component of $A\mathbf{q}_i$ orthogonal to \mathbf{q}_j for $j \leq i$), then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{r}_i &= A\mathbf{q}_i - \beta_{i-1}\mathbf{q}_{i-1} - \alpha_i\mathbf{q}_i & 1 \leq i \leq m-1 \\ A\mathbf{q}_i &= \beta_{i-1}\mathbf{q}_{i-1} + \alpha_i\mathbf{q}_i + \beta_i\mathbf{q}_{i+1} & 2 \leq i \leq m-1 \end{aligned}$$

- **Lanczos algorithm:**

Given $\mathbf{r}_0, \beta_0 = \|\mathbf{r}_0\|$ ($\mathbf{q}_0 = \mathbf{0}$)

for $i = 1, \dots, m$

$$\mathbf{q}_i \leftarrow \mathbf{r}_{i-1} / \beta_{i-1}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_i \leftarrow A\mathbf{q}_i - \beta_{i-1}\mathbf{q}_{i-1}$$

$$\alpha_i \leftarrow \mathbf{q}_i^T \mathbf{r}_i \quad \because \mathbf{q}_i^T (A\mathbf{q}_i - \beta_{i-1}\mathbf{q}_{i-1}) = \mathbf{q}_i^T A\mathbf{q}_i = \alpha_i \text{ (orthogonality)}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_i \leftarrow \mathbf{r}_i - \alpha_i\mathbf{q}_i$$

$$\beta_i = \|\mathbf{r}_i\| \text{ (only when } i \leq m-1)$$

endfor

Keep increasing m until $\lambda_1[\mathbf{T}_m]$ converges

Application of Rayleigh-Ritz/Lanczos

- Search for transition states (with a negative eigenvalue of the Hessian matrix, $\partial^2 E / \partial r_i \partial r_j$, by following the eigenvector with the smallest eigenvalue)
 - **Rayleigh-Ritz:** Kumeda, Wales & Munro, *Chem. Phys. Lett.* **341**, 185 ('01)
 - **Lanczos:** Mousseau *et al.*, *J. Mol. Graph. Model.* **19**, 78 ('01)

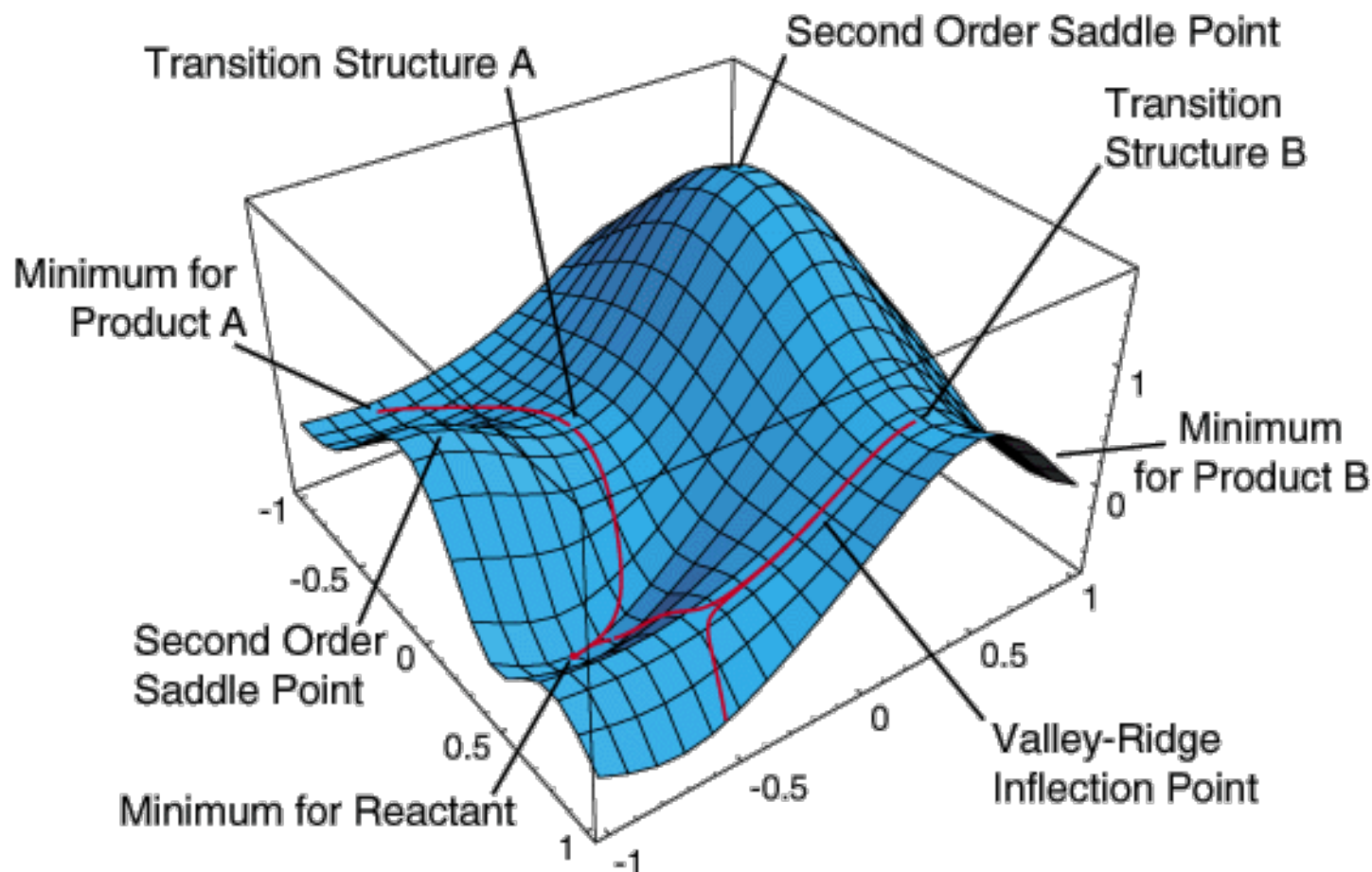


Figure from Prof. H. B. Schlegel; <http://chem.wayne.edu/schlegel>

Lanczos Algorithm for Hessian Calculation

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Algorithm Lanczos

Input:

$\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{3N}$: a state

logical *initialize*: TRUE for the first call in each event generation; FALSE otherwise

Output:

λ_1 : the minimum eigenvalue of the Hessian matrix, $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{R}) = \partial^2 V / \partial \mathbf{R}^2$

$\mathbf{V}^1 \in \mathbb{R}^{3N}$: the Hessian eigenvector corresponding to λ_1

Steps:

if *initialize*

randomize $\Delta \in \mathbb{R}^{3N}$, such that it contains no translational motion

$s \leftarrow 0$

$\beta^s \leftarrow \|\Delta\|$

$\mathbf{Q}^s (\in \mathbb{R}^{3N}) \leftarrow 0$

do

$s \leftarrow s + 1$

$\mathbf{Q}^s \leftarrow \Delta / \beta^{s-1}$

$c_{fd} \leftarrow \max_{i\alpha} \{|q_{i\alpha}^s| \mid i = 1, \dots, N; \alpha = x, y, z\} / \delta_{fd}$

$\Delta \leftarrow c_{fd} [-\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{Q}^s / c_{fd}) + \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{R})] - \beta^{s-1} \mathbf{Q}^{s-1}$

$\alpha^s \leftarrow \mathbf{Q}^{sT} \Delta$

$\Delta \leftarrow \Delta - \alpha^s \mathbf{Q}^s$

$\beta^s \leftarrow \|\Delta\|$

diagonalize $\mathbf{T}_s = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & \beta_1 & & & \\ \beta_1 & \alpha_2 & \beta_2 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & \beta_{s-2} & \alpha_{s-1} & \beta_{s-1} \\ & & & \beta_{s-1} & \alpha_s \end{bmatrix}$, so that $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}_s^T \mathbf{T}_s \tilde{\mathbf{Q}}_s = \text{diag}(\tilde{\lambda}_1^s, \dots, \tilde{\lambda}_s^s)^*$

tqli() — $O(N)$

while $|(\tilde{\lambda}_1^s - \tilde{\lambda}_1^{s-1}) / \tilde{\lambda}_1^{s-1}| > \Delta_{\text{eigen}}$

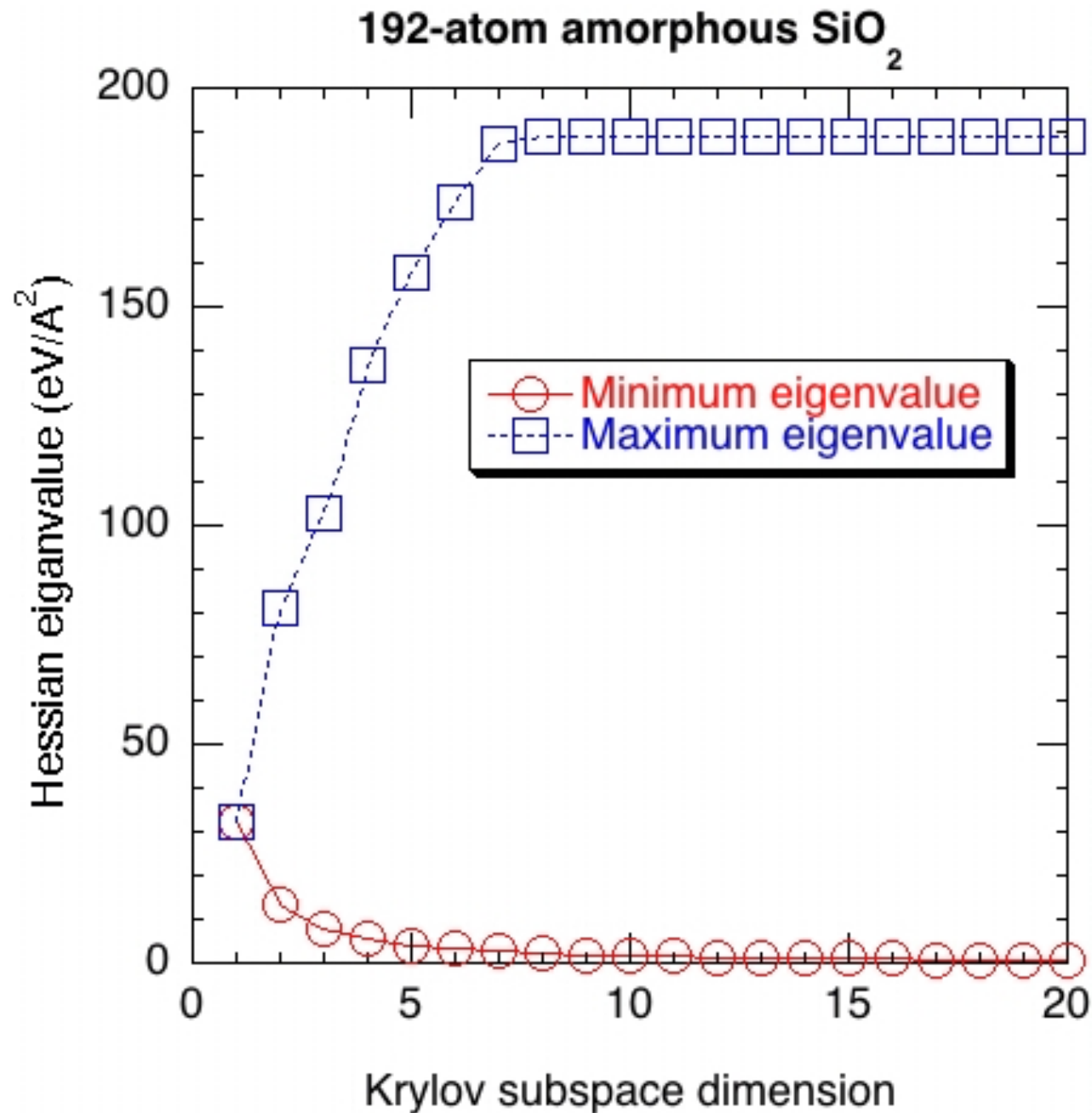
$\lambda_1 \leftarrow \tilde{\lambda}_1^s$

$\mathbf{V}^1 \leftarrow \sum_{k=1}^s \mathbf{Q}^k \tilde{q}_k^1$

$\mathbf{V}^1 \leftarrow \mathbf{V}^1 / \|\mathbf{V}^1\|$

* $\text{diag}(\tilde{\lambda}_1^s, \dots, \tilde{\lambda}_s^s)$ is an s by s diagonal matrix, with its diagonal elements given by $\tilde{\lambda}_1^s, \dots, \tilde{\lambda}_s^s$. $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^s = [\tilde{\mathbf{q}}^1, \dots, \tilde{\mathbf{q}}^s]$ is an s by s orthogonal matrix, with $\tilde{\mathbf{q}}^m \in \mathbb{R}^s$ is the m th eigenvector of \mathbf{T}_s .

Sample Run of Lanczos Program



Electronic Energy Bands of GaAs

• 8-band $k \cdot p$ model

$$H_k = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 & V^* & 0 & \sqrt{3}V & -\sqrt{2}U & -U & \sqrt{2}V^* \\ 0 & A & -\sqrt{2}U & -\sqrt{3}V^* & 0 & -V & \sqrt{2}V & U \\ V & -\sqrt{2}U & -P+Q & -S^* & R & 0 & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}S & -\sqrt{2}Q \\ 0 & -\sqrt{3}V & -S & -P-Q & 0 & R & -\sqrt{2}R & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}S \\ \sqrt{3}V^* & 0 & R^* & 0 & -P-Q & S^* & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}S^* & \sqrt{2}R^* \\ -\sqrt{2}U & -V^* & 0 & R^* & S & -P+Q & \sqrt{2}Q & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}S^* \\ -U & \sqrt{2}V^* & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}S^* & -\sqrt{2}R^* & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}S & \sqrt{2}Q & -P-\Delta & 0 \\ \sqrt{2}V & U & -\sqrt{2}Q & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}S^* & \sqrt{2}R & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}S & 0 & -P-\Delta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = E_c - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_0}(\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2 + \partial_z^2),$$

$$P = -E_v - \gamma_1 \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_0}(\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2 + \partial_z^2),$$

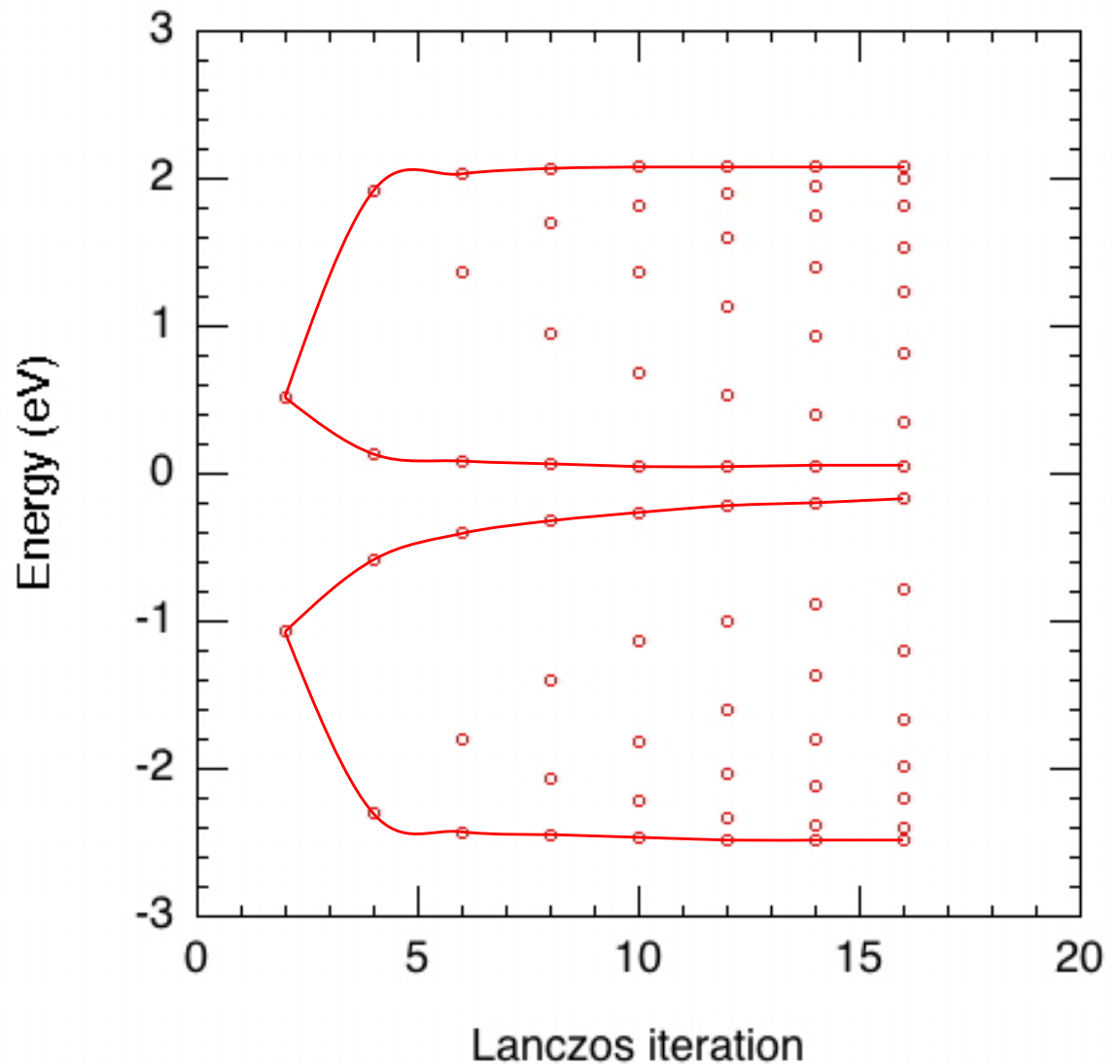
$$Q = -\gamma_2 \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_0}(\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2 - 2\partial_z^2),$$

$$R = \sqrt{3} \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_0}[\gamma_2(\partial_x^2 - \partial_y^2) - 2i\gamma_3\partial_x\partial_y],$$

$$S = -\sqrt{3}\gamma_3 \frac{\hbar^2}{m_0} \partial_z(\partial_x - i\partial_y),$$

$$U = \frac{-i}{\sqrt{3}} P_0 \partial_z,$$

$$V = \frac{-i}{\sqrt{6}} P_0(\partial_x - i\partial_y).$$



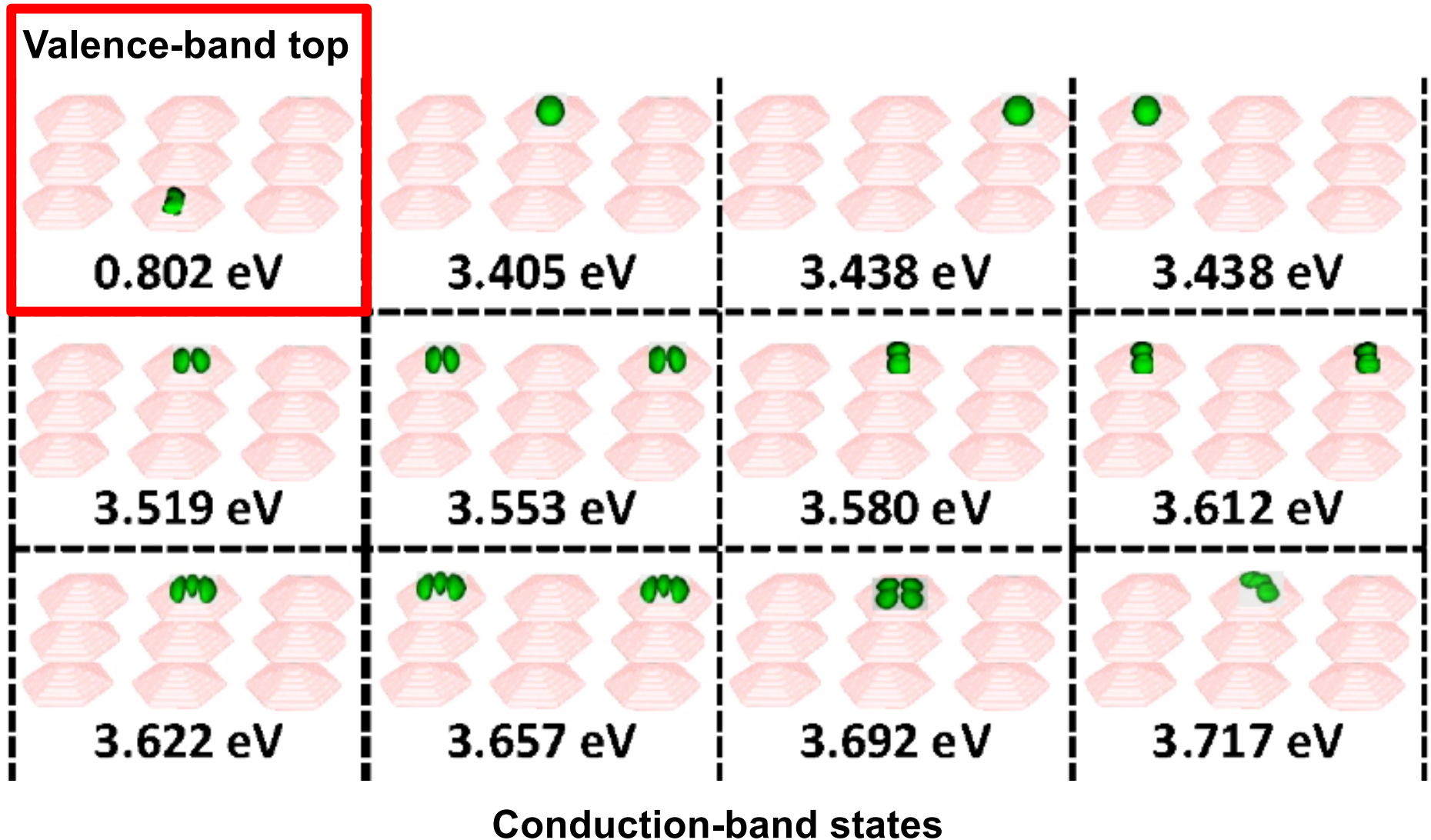
Lanczos Program in Fortran

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do s = 1,NWF
  q(:, :, :, s) = v/bet(s-1)
  call hamiltonian_op(q(:, :, :, s), hv) ! Operates Hamiltonian H on Q(S)
  v = hv-bet(s-1)*q(:, :, :, s-1)
  alp(s) = inner_product(q(:, :, :, s), v)
  v = v-alp(s)*q(:, :, :, s)
  bet(s) = sqrt(inner_product(v, v))
  call tridiag(eval, s) ! Diagonalize the S by S tridiagonal matrix
end do ! Lanczos iteration over s
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Given $\mathbf{r}_0, \beta_0 = \|\mathbf{r}_0\|$ ($\mathbf{q}_0 = 0$)
for $i = 1, \dots, m$
 $\mathbf{q}_i \leftarrow \mathbf{r}_{i-1} / \beta_{i-1}$
 $\mathbf{r}_i \leftarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{q}_i - \beta_{i-1}\mathbf{q}_{i-1}$
 $\alpha_i \leftarrow \mathbf{q}_i^T \mathbf{r}_i$
 $\mathbf{r}_i \leftarrow \mathbf{r}_i - \alpha_i \mathbf{q}_i$
 $\beta_i = \|\mathbf{r}_i\|$ (only when $i \leq m - 1$)
endfor

Band-edge Wave Functions

- Band-edge states in an array of GaN quantum dots in AlN matrix



S. Sburlan, Ph.D. dissertation, USC ('13)