

# Grundy Eigenvalue

We want to find bound for the eigenvalues of the following matrix:

$$S_n = \begin{pmatrix} S_{n-1} & \frac{1}{a}\mathbf{1} \\ \frac{1}{a}\mathbf{1}^T & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Where  $S_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $a = 2^{(n-2)/2}$

The Weyl inequalities states that if we have matrices  $A$  and  $B$  and  $\lambda_k^\downarrow(A)$  corresponds to the  $k$ -th largest eigenvalue of  $A$ , then,

$$\lambda_k^\downarrow(A + B) \leq \lambda_i^\downarrow(A) + \lambda_{k-i+1}^\downarrow(B),$$

and therefore,

$$\lambda_{\max}(A + B) \leq \lambda_{\max}(A) + \lambda_{\max}(B),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{\max}(S_n) &\leq \lambda_{\max}\left(\begin{pmatrix} S_{n-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) + \lambda_{\max}\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{a}\mathbf{1} \\ \frac{1}{a}\mathbf{1}^T & 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) \\ &= \lambda_{\max}(S_{n-1}) + \frac{1}{a}\lambda_{\max}\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{1}^T & 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) \\ &= \lambda_{\max}(S_{n-1}) + \frac{\sqrt{n-1}}{a} \end{aligned}$$

Where in the last inequality we consider the largest eigenvalue of the star graph.

Since we found an upper bound for the difference between the greatest eigenvalue of  $S_n$  and  $S_{n-1}$ , we can derive an upper bound for the eigenvalue of  $S_n$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{\max}(S_n) &= \lambda_{\max}(S_2) + \sum_{i=3}^n \lambda_{\max}(S_i) - \lambda_{\max}(S_{i-1}) \\ &\leq 1 + \sum_{i=3}^n \frac{\sqrt{i-1}}{a} \\ &= 1 + \sum_{i=3}^n \sqrt{\frac{i-1}{2^{i-2}}} \\ &< 6.862 \end{aligned}$$

Last inequality checked in wolfram.

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In [1]: def atom_quotient_matrix_coutinho(n):
        A = matrix(SR, n)
        for i in range(2, n+1):
            for j in range(1, i):
                A[i-1, j-1] = A[j-1, i-1] = 1/sqrt(2**(i-2));
        return A

In [2]: A = atom_quotient_matrix_coutinho(6)
        print(A)

[      0      1 1/2*sqrt(2)      1/2 1/4*sqrt(2)      1/4]
[      1      0 1/2*sqrt(2)      1/2 1/4*sqrt(2)      1/4]
[1/2*sqrt(2) 1/2*sqrt(2)      0      1/2 1/4*sqrt(2)      1/4]
[      1/2      1/2      1/2      0 1/4*sqrt(2)      1/4]
[1/4*sqrt(2) 1/4*sqrt(2) 1/4*sqrt(2) 1/4*sqrt(2)      0      1/4]
[      1/4      1/4      1/4      1/4      1/4      0]

In [3]: import numpy as np
        A = atom_quotient_matrix_coutinho(100)
        A = matrix(RR, A)
        max(np.linalg.eig(A)[0])

Out[3]: 2.50306089374004

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Figure 1: Experimental result