

# Eigenvalues and eigenvectors

Schur decomposition. QR iteration.

# Schur decomposition

Let a complex-valued matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$ .

$\mathbf{A}$  can be reduced to an upper triangular form via a unitary matrix  $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$ ,  $(\mathbf{Q}^H \mathbf{Q} = \hat{\mathbf{1}})$

$\mathbf{Q}^H \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{T}$  is upper triangular

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} t_{11} & \times & \times & \cdots \\ & t_{22} & \times & \cdots \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & t_{mm} \end{bmatrix}$$

Proof: GvL §7.1

# Schur decomposition

- ▶ Note that  $t_{kk}$  are eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{T}$ .
- ▶  $t_{kk}$  are eigenvalues of  $A$  since  $\lambda(\mathbf{A}) = \lambda(\mathbf{Q}^H \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q})$ .

NB:  $\Delta$  form, not diag.

Avoids geometric / algebraic multiplicity of eigenvalues.

Always exists.

Involves complex matrices even if  $\mathbf{A}$  is real-valued.

# Real Schur decomposition

Let  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  is real-valued.

Cannot have a triangular real  $\mathbf{T}$  matrix because eigenvalues can be complex conjugate.

$\Rightarrow$  ***Real Schur factorization***: block-triangular  $\mathbf{T}$ .

# Real Schur decomposition

Let  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ .  $\exists \mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m} \leftarrow$  orthogonal, s.t.

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{11} & R_{12} & \cdots & R_{1m} \\ 0 & R_{22} & \cdots & R_{2m} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & R_{mm} \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $R_{kk}$  is  $\begin{cases} \text{either } [\times] \\ \text{or } 2 \times 2 \text{ w/ complex conjugate eigenvalues.} \end{cases}$

Proof: GvL §7.4

# Schur factorization

## Question:

How to transform  $\mathbf{A}$  into a Schur form?

Need to use a similarity transform.

## Idea 1

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{QR} \quad \text{however} \quad \lambda(A) \neq \lambda(R)$$

## Idea 2

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{QR}$$

$$\text{form } \mathbf{A}_1 = \mathbf{RQ} \equiv \mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}.$$

Then  $\lambda(\mathbf{A}) = \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1)$ .

# Schur decomposition

## Algorithm:

Start with  $\mathbf{A}_0 = \mathbf{A}$ . Then for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{A}_{k-1} = \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{R}_k \\ \mathbf{A}_k = \mathbf{R}_k \mathbf{Q}_k \end{cases} \quad \text{QR factorization}$$

Note that  $\mathbf{Q}_k \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  is  $\perp$  and  $\mathbf{R}_k \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  is  $\Delta$

$\mathbf{A}_k$  "converges" to a  $\Delta$  form i.e. subdiagonal elements of  $\mathbf{A}_k \rightarrow 0$ .

Proof: GvL chap 7.

# Convergence of the QR iteration

There is not a real element-wise convergence (upper  $\Delta$  may vary with  $k$ ).

$$\text{if } |\lambda_1| > |\lambda_2| > \cdots > |\lambda_m|,$$

$$\text{then } |a_{ls}^{(k)}| \underset{l>s \text{ } k\text{-th iteration}}{\leq} \text{const} \times \left( \frac{\lambda_l}{\lambda_s} \right)^k$$



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Practical implementations:

1. Reduce  $A$  to the *upper Hessenberg form*.
2. Iterate.

# Computational complexity: Hessenberg matrices

First, reduce  $\mathbf{A}$  to the *upper Hessenberg form*: the lower triangular part only has a single subleading diagonal.

$$\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \times & \times & \times & \cdots & \times \\ \times & \times & \times & \cdots & \times \\ 0 & \times & \times & \cdots & \times \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & 0 & \times & \times \end{bmatrix}$$

# Reduction to the Hessenberg form

Here  $\mathbf{U}$  is a sequences of Householder reflections:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \times & \times & \cdots & \times \\ \times & \times & \cdots & \times \\ \times & \times & \cdots & \times \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \\ \times & \times & & \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{G_1} \begin{bmatrix} \times & \times & \cdots & \times \\ \times & \times & \cdots & \times \\ 0 & \times & \cdots & \times \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \\ 0 & \times & & \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{G_2} \begin{bmatrix} \times & \times & \cdots & \times \\ \times & \times & \cdots & \times \\ 0 & \times & \cdots & \times \\ \vdots & 0 & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \\ 0 & 0 & & \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \cdots$$

Reduction requires  $O(m^3)$  flops.

## QR step with Hessenberg matrices

Then, annihilating the subleading diagonal is  $m - 1$  Givens rotations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \times & \times & \times & & \\ \times & \times & \times & & \\ & \times & \times & & \\ & & \times & \ddots & \\ & & & \times & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \times & \times & \times & & \\ 0 & \times & \times & & \\ & \times & \times & & \\ & & \times & \ddots & \\ & & & \times & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \dots$$

Then, the  $k$ -th step is  $O(m^2)$  flops.

## Convergence rate: shifts

$$|a_{s,s-1}^{(k)}| \leq \text{const} \left( \frac{\lambda_s}{\lambda_{s-1}} \right)^k, \quad \text{slow if } \lambda_s \approx \lambda_{s-1}$$

Take

$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_k = \mathbf{H}_k - \lambda_* \hat{\mathbf{1}}$$

$$\lambda(\tilde{\mathbf{H}})_k = \lambda(\mathbf{H}_k) - \lambda_*$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{conv. rate of } \tilde{h}_{s,s-1}^{(k)} \text{ is } \left( \frac{\lambda_s - \lambda_*}{\lambda_{s-1} - \lambda_*} \right)^k$$

## Convergence rate: shifts

1. take  $\lambda_*$  close to  $\lambda_s$  (e.g.  $\lambda_* = h_{ss}^k$ )
2. do several iterations
3. shift back

$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_k + \lambda_* \hat{\mathbf{1}}$$