

Power Method

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Overview

- Continuous/Discrete Eigen-problem
- Multiplication Factor, Neutron Generations
- Perron-Frobenius Theorem
- Direct Power Method
- Inverse Power Method, Shifted Inverse
- Normalisation
- A Priori Estimate (Gershgorin Theorem)
- A Posteriori Estimate

One-Speed Diffusion Equations

Homogeneous $\frac{1}{v} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} = \nu \Sigma_f \phi - \Sigma_a \phi + \nabla \cdot D \nabla \phi$

Time dependent $\frac{1}{v} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} = \nu \Sigma_f \phi - \Sigma_a \phi + \nabla \cdot D \nabla \phi + S$

Time independent $0 = \nu \Sigma_f \phi - \Sigma_a \phi + \nabla \cdot D \nabla \phi + S$

Homogeneous stationary $0 = \nu \Sigma_f \phi - \Sigma_a \phi + \nabla \cdot D \nabla \phi$

Eigenvalue $0 = \frac{\nu \Sigma_f}{k} \phi - \Sigma_a \phi + \nabla \cdot D \nabla \phi$

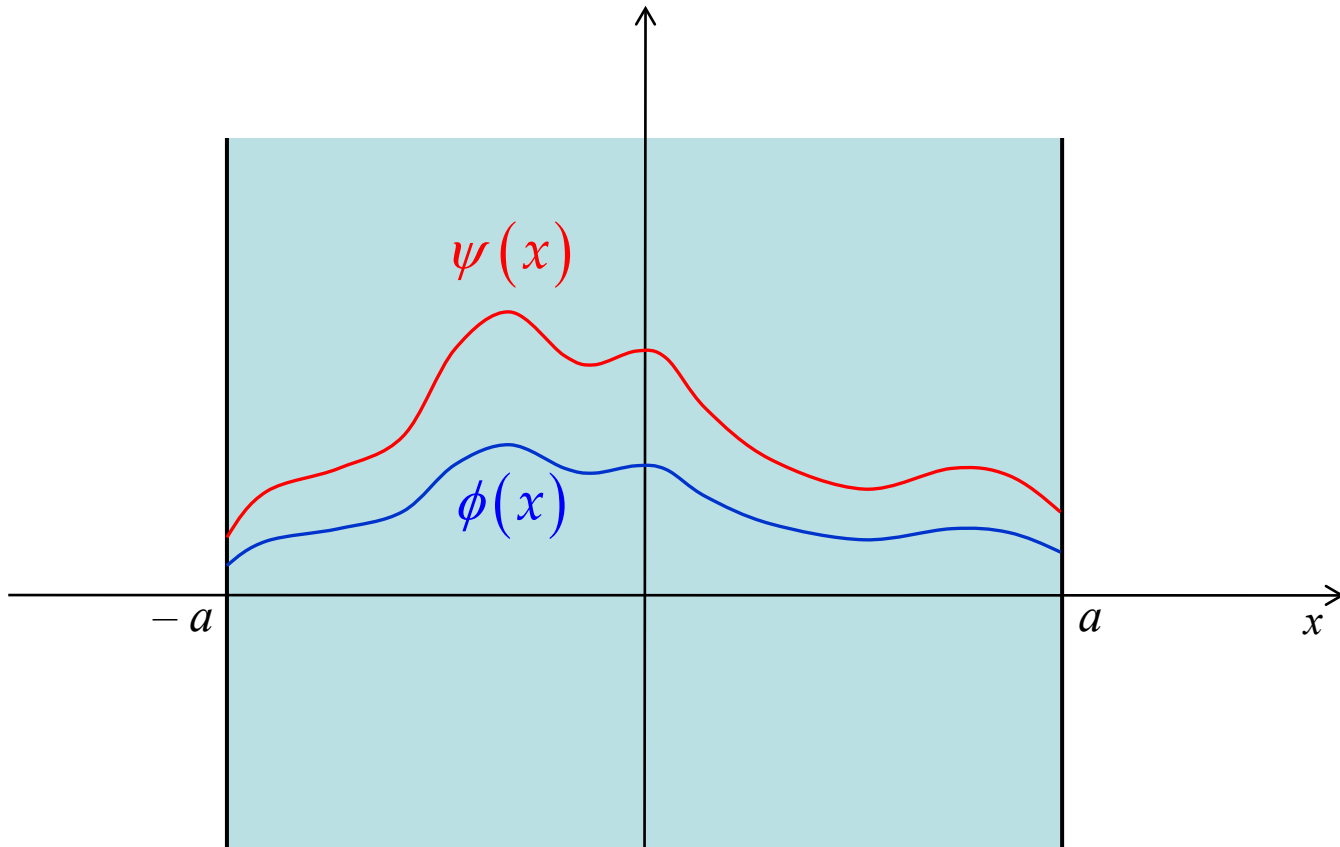
Critical Equation

$$\frac{\nu \Sigma_f(\mathbf{r})}{k} \phi(\mathbf{r}) - \Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) \phi(\mathbf{r}) + \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \phi(\mathbf{r}) = 0$$

Any solution? $\phi(\mathbf{r}) = ?$

$$\psi(\mathbf{r}) \equiv 2 \cdot \phi(\mathbf{r})$$

Neutron Flux Profile

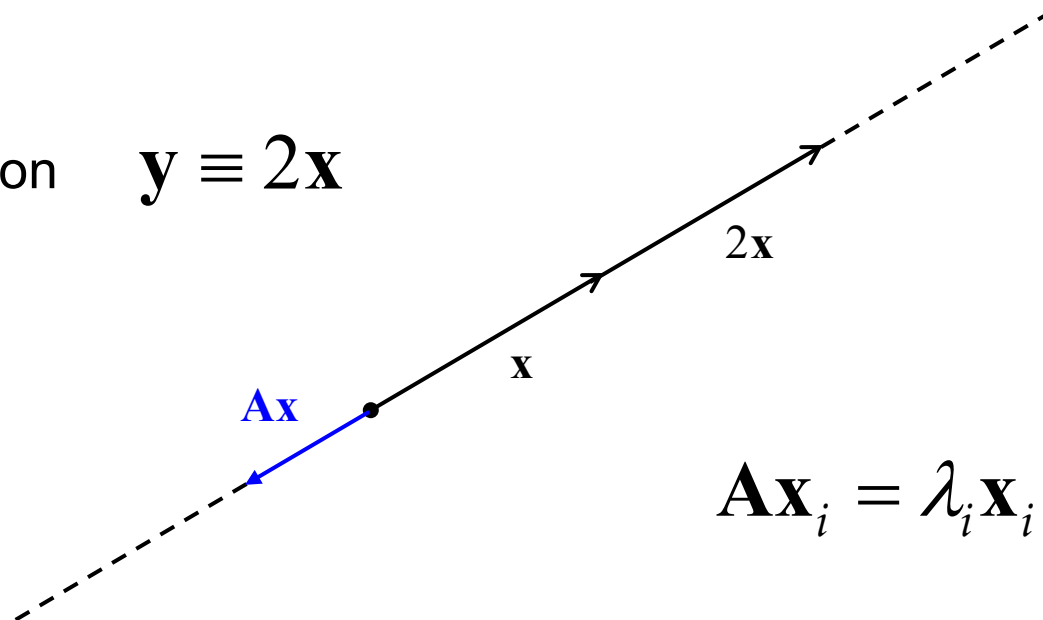


Matrix Eigen-Problem

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$$

Trivial solution $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$

Another solution $\mathbf{y} \equiv 2\mathbf{x}$



Continuous Eigen-Problem

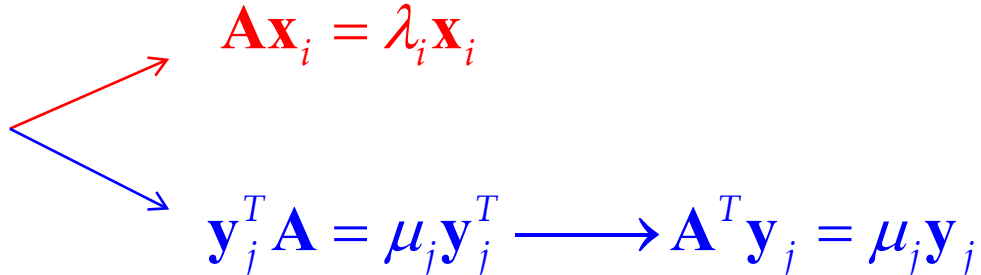
$$\frac{\nu \Sigma_f(\mathbf{r})}{k} \phi(\mathbf{r}) - \Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) \phi(\mathbf{r}) + \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \phi(\mathbf{r}) = 0$$

$$\frac{\nu \Sigma_f(\mathbf{r})}{k} \phi(\mathbf{r}) - [\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla] \phi(\mathbf{r}) = 0$$

$$[\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla]^{-1} \nu \Sigma_f(\mathbf{r}) \phi(\mathbf{r}) = k \phi(\mathbf{r})$$

Transpose of Matrix

\mathbf{A} is a real $n \times n$ matrix:


$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{x}_i$$
$$\mathbf{y}_j^T \mathbf{A} = \mu_j \mathbf{y}_j^T \longrightarrow \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y}_j = \mu_j \mathbf{y}_j$$

Theorem for $\mathbf{A}^T \neq \mathbf{A}$

1) $\mu_i = \lambda_i$

2) $\mathbf{y}_j \neq \mathbf{x}_i \quad \forall \lambda_j \neq \lambda_i$

3) $\mathbf{y}_j^T \cdot \mathbf{x}_i = 0 \quad \forall \lambda_j \neq \lambda_i$

Commute of Matrices

$$(\mathbf{AB})\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x} \leftarrow ? \rightarrow (\mathbf{BA})\mathbf{y} = \mu\mathbf{y}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{B}^T = \mathbf{B}$$

$$\mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T = (\mathbf{AB})^T$$

$$\mu_i = \lambda_i$$

Change of Variables

Expression $\left[\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \right]^{-1} Q(\mathbf{r})$

New dependent variable $\phi(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \left[\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \right]^{-1} Q(\mathbf{r})$

NDE $\left[\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \right] \phi(\mathbf{r}) = Q(\mathbf{r})$

??? $\left[\Sigma_s(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \right] \psi(\mathbf{r}) = Q(\mathbf{r})$

Physical Processes

$$\left[\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \right] \phi(\mathbf{r}) = Q(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r})$$

Absorption

$$D(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{3\Sigma_s(\mathbf{r})}$$

Scattering = Diffusion

Material Composition

$$\left[\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \right] \phi(\mathbf{r}) = Q(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) = \Sigma_{a,M}(\mathbf{r}) + \Sigma_{a,F}(\mathbf{r}) \quad \text{Moderator + Fuel}$$

$$\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) = \Sigma_{a,M}(\mathbf{r}) \quad \text{Moderator}$$

Two Eigen Problems

$$\left[\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \right]^{-1} \nu \Sigma_f(\mathbf{r}) \phi(\mathbf{r}) = k \phi(\mathbf{r})$$

$$f(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \nu \Sigma_f(\mathbf{r}) \phi(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\left[\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \right]^{-1} f(\mathbf{r}) = k \phi(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\nu \Sigma_f(\mathbf{r}) \left[\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \right]^{-1} f(\mathbf{r}) = k f(\mathbf{r})$$

$$k = \frac{N_{j+1}}{N_j}$$

Can we distinguish neutron generations ?



Time-Independent Problem

$$\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r})\phi(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r})\nabla\phi(\mathbf{r}) = S(\mathbf{r}) + \nu\Sigma_f(\mathbf{r})\phi(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) = \Sigma_{a,M}(\mathbf{r}) + \Sigma_{a,F}(\mathbf{r}) \quad D(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{3\Sigma_{tr}(\mathbf{r})}$$

$$\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r})\phi_1(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r})\nabla\phi_1(\mathbf{r}) = S(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r})\phi_2(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r})\nabla\phi_2(\mathbf{r}) = \nu\Sigma_f(\mathbf{r})\phi(\mathbf{r})$$

Flux Generations

$$\left[\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \right]^{-1} \nu \Sigma_f(\mathbf{r}) \phi(\mathbf{r}) = k \phi(\mathbf{r})$$

$$f(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \nu \Sigma_f(\mathbf{r}) \phi(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\left[\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \right]^{-1} f(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \phi_1(\mathbf{r})$$

$$f(\mathbf{r}) = \left[\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \right] \phi_1(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\phi_1(\mathbf{r}) = k \phi(\mathbf{r})$$

Fission Generations

$$\nu\Sigma_f(\mathbf{r}) \underbrace{\left[\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \right]^{-1} f(\mathbf{r})}_{\phi(\mathbf{r})} = kf(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\phi(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \left[\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \right]^{-1} f(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\left[\Sigma_a(\mathbf{r}) - \nabla \cdot D(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \right] \phi(\mathbf{r}) = f(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\rightarrow f_1(\mathbf{r}) = \nu\Sigma_f(\mathbf{r}) \phi(\mathbf{r}) = kf(\mathbf{r})$$

Discrete Eigen-Problem

$$-\frac{d}{dx}\left[D(x)\frac{d}{dx}\phi(x)\right] + \Sigma_a(x)\phi(x) = \frac{v\Sigma_f(x)}{k}\phi(x)$$

$$a \leq x \leq b \longrightarrow a \leq x_i \leq b \quad (i = 1, \dots, N)$$

$$-a_{i-1}\phi_{i-1} + c_i\phi_i - a_i\phi_{i+1} = q_i = \frac{1}{k}v\Sigma_{f,i}\phi_i$$

Matrix Eigen-Problem

$$\frac{1}{k} \nu \Sigma_{f,i} \phi_i = -a_{i-1} \phi_{i-1} + c_i \phi_i - a_i \phi_{i+1}$$

$$\frac{1}{k} \mathbf{F} \boldsymbol{\phi} = \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\phi} \longrightarrow \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{F} \boldsymbol{\phi} = k \boldsymbol{\phi}$$

$$\mathbf{F} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{F} \boldsymbol{\phi} = k \mathbf{F} \boldsymbol{\phi} \longrightarrow \mathbf{F} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{f} = k \mathbf{f}$$

$$\mathbf{f} \equiv \mathbf{F} \boldsymbol{\phi} \quad f_i \equiv \nu \Sigma_{f,i} \phi_i \quad \mathbf{F} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \geq 0$$

Algebraic Eigen-Problem

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$$

$$\sigma(\mathbf{A}) \equiv \left\{ \lambda \mid \lambda \text{ is an eigenvalue} \right\}$$

$$\rho(\mathbf{A}) \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|$$

$$|\lambda| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| \quad \forall \lambda \in \sigma(\mathbf{A})$$

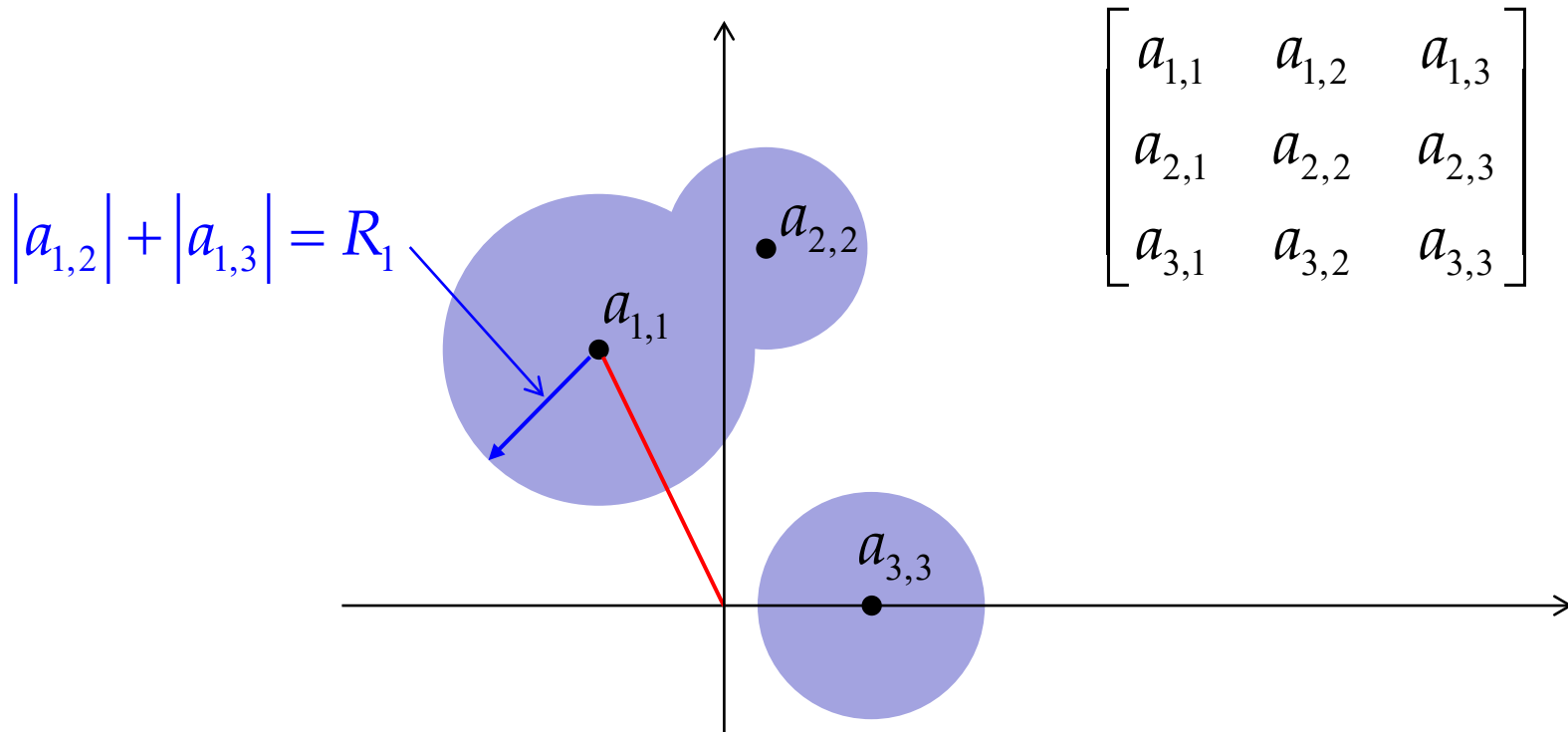
Gershgorin Theorem

$$\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$$

$$G_i \equiv \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - a_{ii}| \leq R_i = \sum_{j \neq i}^n |a_{ij}| \right\}$$

$$\sigma(\mathbf{A}) \subseteq G \equiv \bigcup_{i=1}^n G_i$$

Gershgorin Circles



A Posteriori Estimate

Hermitian: $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} \quad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x} \longrightarrow \mathbf{A}\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \approx \tilde{\lambda}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{r}} = \mathbf{A}\tilde{\mathbf{x}} - \tilde{\lambda}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$$

$$\min_i |\tilde{\lambda} - \lambda_i| \leq \frac{\|\tilde{\mathbf{r}}\|_2}{\|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}\|_2}$$

Power Method Concept

$$\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} \quad \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{x}_i \quad |\lambda_1| > |\lambda_2| \geq \dots$$

$$\forall \mathbf{z}^{(0)} \quad \mathbf{z}^{(k)} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{z}^{(k-1)} = \mathbf{A}^k \mathbf{z}^{(0)}$$

$$\mathbf{z}^{(0)} = c_1 \mathbf{x}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{x}_2 + \dots$$

$$\mathbf{z}^{(k)} = c_1 \lambda_1^k \mathbf{x}_1 + c_2 \lambda_2^k \mathbf{x}_2 + \dots \approx c_1 \lambda_1^k \mathbf{x}_1$$

Sufficient Conditions

$$\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} \quad \text{Diagonalizable}$$

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{x}_i \quad |\lambda_1| > |\lambda_2| \geq \dots \geq |\lambda_n|$$

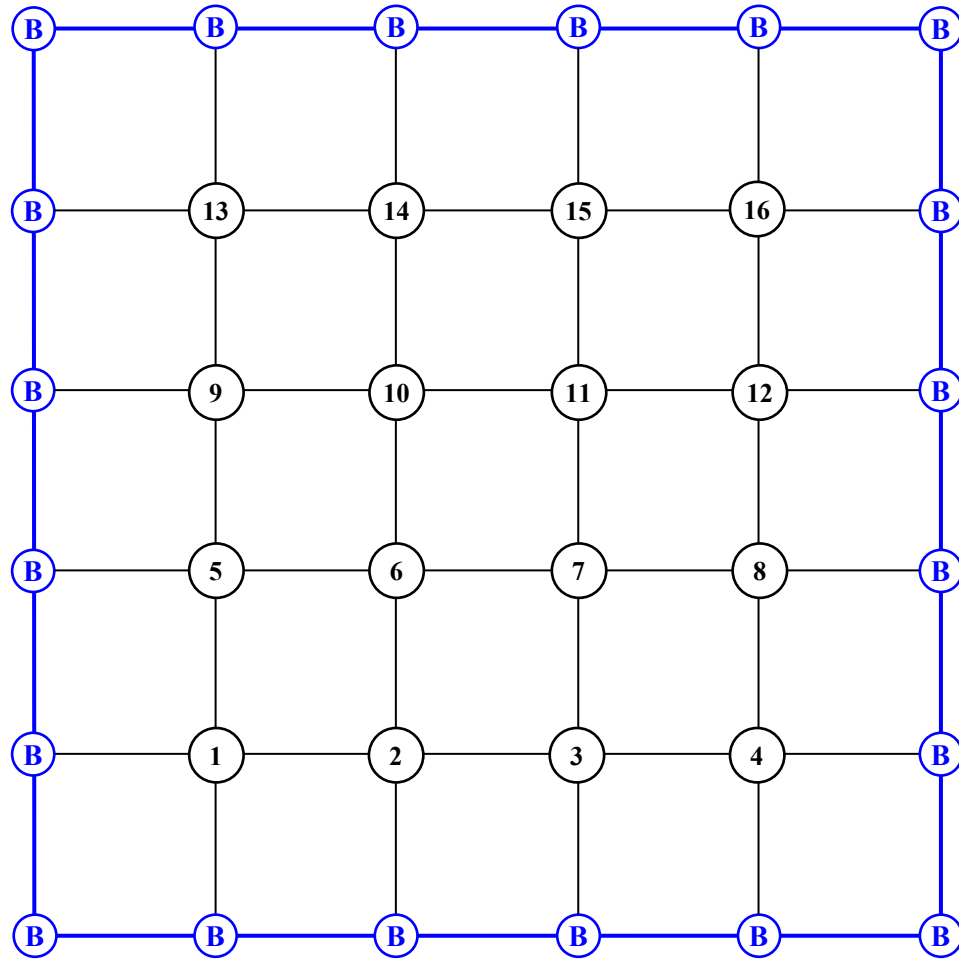
$$m(\lambda_1) = 1 \quad \text{Multiplicity}$$

Irreducible Matrices

Reducible: $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{PAP}^T = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M}_{11} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{M}_{12} & \mathbf{M}_{22} \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M}_{11} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{M}_{12} & \mathbf{M}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 \\ \mathbf{b}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

2D FD Mesh



Perron-Frobenius Theorem

- Let \mathbf{A} be $n \times n$, non-negative and irreducible then

$$\exists \quad \lambda > 0 \quad \text{such that} \quad |\lambda_i| < \lambda$$

$$\exists^1 \quad \mathbf{x} > 0 \quad \text{such that} \quad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$$

$$\text{multiplicity} \quad m(\lambda) = 1$$

Oscar Perron, 1907, (1880 -1975) Georg Frobenius, 1912, (1849 -1917)

Power Method

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \lambda \mathbf{x} \quad \forall \mathbf{q}^{(0)} \in \mathbb{C}^n \quad \|\mathbf{q}^{(0)}\|_2 = 1$$

$$\mathbf{z}^{(k)} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{q}^{(k-1)} \quad \mu^{(0)} = 1$$

$$\mathbf{q}^{(k)} = \mathbf{z}^{(k)} / \|\mathbf{z}^{(k)}\|_2 \quad \mathbf{q}^{(k)} = \mathbf{z}^{(k)} / \mu^{(k-1)}$$

$$\mu^{(k)} = \langle \mathbf{q}^{(k)}, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{q}^{(k)} \rangle \quad \mu^{(k)} = \langle \mathbf{q}^{(k)}, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{q}^{(k)} \rangle / \langle \mathbf{q}^{(k)}, \mathbf{q}^{(k)} \rangle$$

$$\mu^{(k)} \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_1 \quad \frac{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{Ax} \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle} : \text{Rayleigh quotient}$$

Power Method Convergence

$$\mathbf{q}^{(0)} = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \mathbf{x}_i \quad \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{x}_i \quad \mathbf{q}^{(k)} = c_1 \lambda_1^k \mathbf{x}_1 + c_2 \lambda_2^k \mathbf{x}_2 + \dots$$

$$\mathbf{q}^{(k)} = \mathbf{A}^k \mathbf{q}^{(0)} = c_1 \lambda_1^k \left[\mathbf{x}_1 + \sum_{i=2}^n \frac{c_i}{c_1} \left(\frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_1} \right)^k \mathbf{x}_i \right] = c_1 \lambda_1^k [\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{y}^{(k)}]$$

$$\mathbf{q}^{(k)} = \frac{c_1 \lambda_1^k (\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{y}^{(k)})}{\|c_1 \lambda_1^k (\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{y}^{(k)})\|_2} = \pm \frac{(\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{y}^{(k)})}{\|(\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{y}^{(k)})\|_2} \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} \pm \frac{\mathbf{x}_1}{\|\mathbf{x}_1\|_2}$$

Rate of Convergence

$$\mathbf{q}^{(k)} \sim \mathbf{x}_1 + \sum_{i=2}^n \frac{c_i}{c_1} \left(\frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_1} \right)^k \mathbf{x}_i$$

Dominance ratio

$$\left| \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \right|$$

Real and Symmetric

$$\left| \mu^{(k)} - \lambda_1 \right| \leq \left| \lambda_1 - \lambda_n \right| \tan^2(\theta_0) \left| \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \right|^{2k}$$

$$\cos(\theta_0) = \left| \langle \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{q}^{(0)} \rangle \right|$$

$$\left| \lambda_1 - \lambda_n \right| \leq \left| \lambda_1 \right| \approx \left| \mu^{(k)} \right|$$

$$\cos(\theta_0) \approx \left| \langle \mathbf{q}^{(k)}, \mathbf{q}^{(0)} \rangle \right|$$

Stopping Criterion

$$\left| \lambda_1 - \mu^{(k)} \right| \simeq \frac{\left\| \mathbf{r}^{(k)} \right\|_2}{\left| \cos(\theta) \right|} \quad \mathbf{r}^{(k)} \equiv \mathbf{A} \mathbf{q}^{(k)} - \mu^{(k)} \mathbf{q}^{(k)}$$

$$\cos(\theta) \equiv \frac{\langle \mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{x}_1 \rangle}{\left\| \mathbf{y}_1 \right\| \cdot \left\| \mathbf{x}_1 \right\|} \quad \mathbf{y}_1^T \mathbf{A} = \lambda_1 \mathbf{y}_1^T \quad \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}_1 = \lambda_1 \mathbf{x}_1$$

$$\left| \lambda_1 - \mu^{(k)} \right| \leq \left\| \mathbf{r}^{(k)} \right\|_2 \quad \mathbf{A}^H = \mathbf{A}$$

Iterating Inverse Matrix

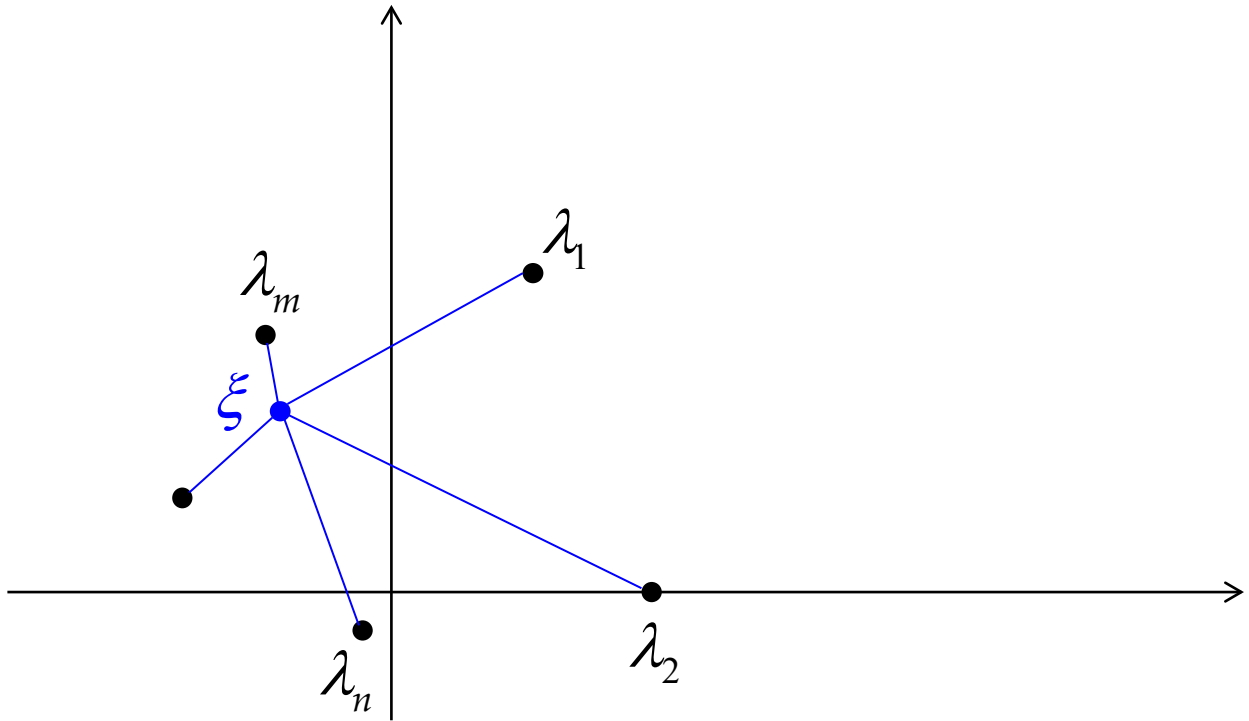
$$\forall \mathbf{z}^{(0)} \quad \mathbf{z}^{(k)} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{z}^{(k-1)} = \mathbf{A}^k \mathbf{z}^{(0)} \longrightarrow (\lambda_1, \mathbf{x}_1)$$

$$\forall \mathbf{z}^{(0)} \quad \mathbf{z}^{(k)} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{z}^{(k-1)} = (\mathbf{A}^{-1})^k \mathbf{z}^{(0)} \longrightarrow ??$$

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{x}_i \longrightarrow \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{x}_i = \lambda_i^{-1} \mathbf{x}_i$$

$$\mathbf{z}^{(k)} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{z}^{(k-1)} \longrightarrow (\lambda_n, \mathbf{x}_n)$$

Other Eigenvalues



$$|\lambda_m - \xi| < |\lambda_i - \xi| \quad \forall i \neq m$$

Shifted Inverse

$$|\lambda_m - \xi| < |\lambda_i - \xi| \quad \forall i \neq m \quad \mathbf{q}^{(0)} \in \mathbb{C}^n$$

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_i = \lambda_i\mathbf{x}_i \longrightarrow (\mathbf{A} - \xi\mathbf{I})\mathbf{x}_i = (\lambda_i - \xi)\mathbf{x}_i$$

$$(\mathbf{A} - \xi\mathbf{I})\mathbf{z}^{(k)} = \mathbf{q}^{(k-1)}$$

$$\mathbf{q}^{(k)} = \mathbf{z}^{(k)} / \|\mathbf{z}^{(k)}\|_2 \xrightarrow{m \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{x}_m$$

$$\mu^{(k)} = \langle \mathbf{q}^{(k)}, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{q}^{(k)} \rangle \xrightarrow{m \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_m$$

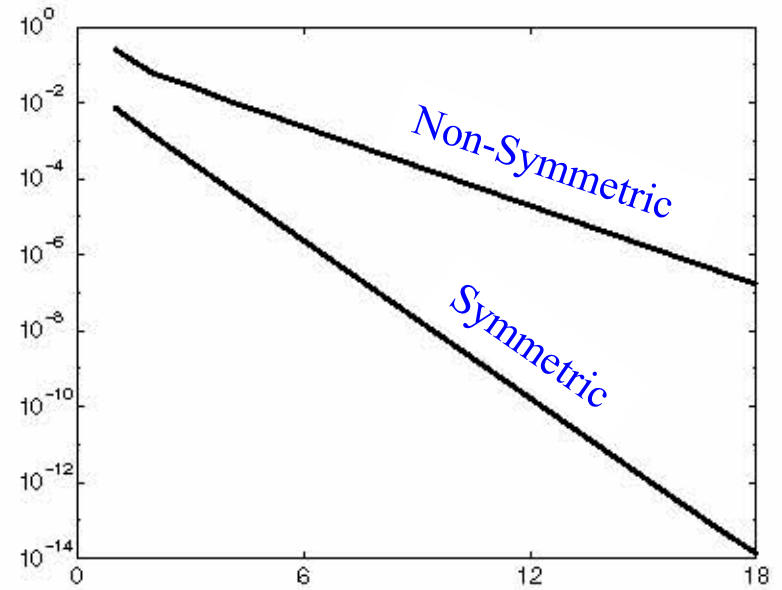
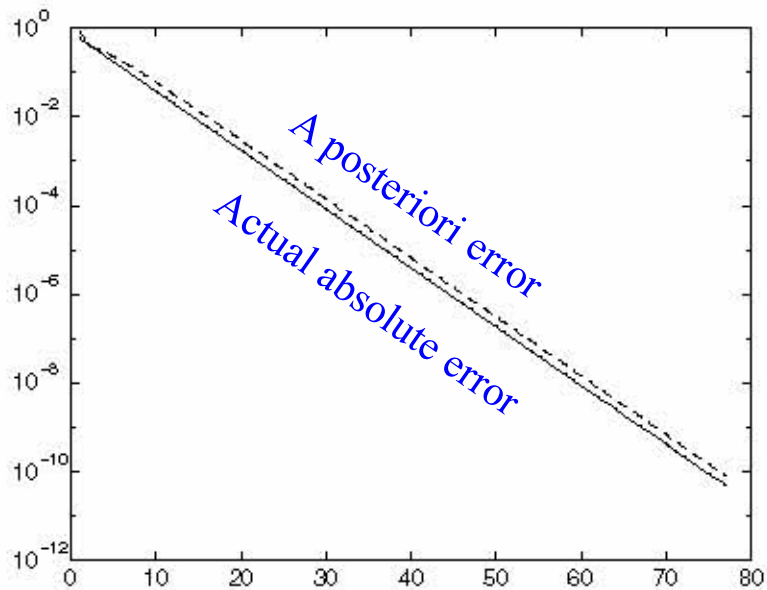
Implementation Issues

$$1) \quad \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 \longrightarrow \mathbf{A}^k \mathbf{q}^{(0)} \simeq \lambda_1^k (c_1 \mathbf{x}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{x}_2)$$

$$2) \quad \lambda_1 = -\lambda_2 \longrightarrow \mathbf{B} \equiv \mathbf{A}^2 \quad \lambda_i(\mathbf{A}^2) = [\lambda_i(\mathbf{A})]^2$$

$$3) \quad \lambda_2 = \bar{\lambda}_1 \longrightarrow \text{Undamped oscillations of } \mathbf{q}^{(k)}$$

Example



Power Method for NDE

$$\mathbf{F}\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{f} = k\mathbf{f}$$

$$k^{(0)} = 1; \quad \mathbf{f}^{(0)} = \mathbf{1}$$

for $n = 0, 1, \dots$

$$\mathbf{f}^{(n+1)} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{f}^{(n)}$$

$$\mathbf{f}^{(n+1)} = \mathbf{f}^{(n+1)} / k^{(n)}$$

$$k^{(n+1)} = k^{(n)} \frac{\langle \mathbf{f}^{(n+1)}, \mathbf{f}^{(n)} \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{f}^{(n)}, \mathbf{f}^{(n)} \rangle}$$

end

$$\mathbf{A}\phi^{(n+1)} = \mathbf{f}^{(n)}$$

$$\mathbf{f}^{(n+1)} = \nu \Sigma_f \phi^{(n+1)}$$

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