

## Eigensystem Solutions - Single Eigenvalue

$\underline{A}\underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x}$  ← Eigen vector  $\underline{x}$  is scaled by  $\lambda$   
when premultiplied by  $\underline{A}$

$\underline{A}$  must be square (column & row space must  
be equal)

To solve analytically, find all  $\lambda$ , such that

$$|\underline{A} - \lambda \underline{I}| = 0 \quad \text{Determinant search}$$

Issue: No closed form solutions for polynomials  
of size  $\geq 5$

One could do numerical root finding, but that  
is typically not stable, and one would still need  
the eigenvectors  $\underline{x}$   $\Rightarrow$  Need iterative solvers  
for the eigenproblem

Two classes of solvers:

\* i) Finding largest (or smallest)  $\lambda$

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3) Finding the entire spectrum (or a portion of it)

### Largest Eigenvalue

Restrict to real, symmetric  $\underline{A}$

### Rayleigh Quotient

Let  $\underline{x}$  be an eigenvector of  $\underline{A}$ , then

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

and

$$\underline{x}^T \underline{A} \underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x}^T \underline{x} \quad (\text{scalar equation})$$

$$\therefore \lambda = \frac{\underline{x}^T \underline{A} \underline{x}}{\underline{x}^T \underline{x}} \quad \leftarrow \text{Given } \underline{x} \rightarrow \underline{A}, \text{ find } \lambda$$

### Power Iteration

Let  $\underline{v}_0$  be any vector such that

$$\|\underline{v}_0\| = 1 \text{ and } \underline{v}_0 \text{ is not an eigenvector}$$

Let  $\underline{q}_1, \underline{q}_2, \dots, \underline{q}_n$  be the orthonormal set of eigenvectors,

then

$$\underline{v}_0 = q_1 \underline{q}_1 + q_2 \underline{q}_2 + \dots + q_n \underline{q}_n$$

Consider  $\underline{A} \underline{v}_0$

$$\underline{A} \underline{v}_0 = \underline{A} (q_1 \underline{q}_1 + q_2 \underline{q}_2 + \dots + q_n \underline{q}_n)$$

$$= q_1 \underline{A} \underline{q}_1 + q_2 \underline{A} \underline{q}_2 + \dots + q_n \underline{A} \underline{q}_n$$

$$= q_1 \lambda_1 \underline{q}_1 + q_2 \lambda_2 \underline{q}_2 + \dots + q_n \lambda_n \underline{q}_n$$

$$= \lambda_1 (q_1 \underline{q}_1 + q_2 \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \underline{q}_2 + \dots + q_n \frac{\lambda_n}{\lambda_1} \underline{q}_n)$$

$$\underline{A}^2 \underline{v}_0 = \underline{A} (\underline{A} \underline{v}_0) = \underline{A} \lambda_1 (q_1 \underline{q}_1 + \dots + q_n \frac{\lambda_n}{\lambda_1} \underline{q}_n)$$

$$= \lambda_1 (q_1 \underline{A} \underline{q}_1 + q_2 \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \underline{A} \underline{q}_2 + \dots + q_n \frac{\lambda_n}{\lambda_1} \underline{A} \underline{q}_n)$$

$$= \lambda_1 (q_1 \lambda_1 \underline{q}_1 + q_2 \frac{\lambda_2^2}{\lambda_1} \underline{q}_2 + \dots + q_n \frac{\lambda_n^2}{\lambda_1} \underline{q}_n)$$

$$= \lambda_1^2 (q_1 \underline{q}_1 + q_2 \left(\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}\right)^2 \underline{q}_2 + \dots + q_n \left(\frac{\lambda_n}{\lambda_1}\right)^2 \underline{q}_n)$$

$$\lambda_1^p \underline{v}_0 = q_1^p (q_1 \underline{q}_1 + \dots + q_n \underline{q}_n) \lambda_1^p \rightarrow$$

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Let  $|\lambda_1| > |\lambda_2| \geq \dots \geq |\lambda_n|$  (order eigenvalues)

Then

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{\lambda_j}{\lambda_1} \right)^p = 0 \quad \text{for } j \neq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\underline{A}^p \underline{v}_0}{\lambda_1^p} = q_1 \underline{q}_1 \quad \text{with } q_1 = \underline{q}_1^T \underline{v}_0$$

Combine this result with the Rayleigh Quotient

Algorithm: Power Algorithm

$\underline{v}_0 \Rightarrow$  Some vector with  $\|\underline{v}_0\| = 1$

$$\text{for } k=1, 2, \dots$$

$\underline{A}^k \underline{v}_0 = \underbrace{\underline{A} \underline{A} \dots \underline{A}}_{\underline{v}_1} \underbrace{(\underline{A} \underline{v}_0)}_{\underline{v}_2}$

$$\underline{w} = \underline{A} \underline{v}_{k-1} \quad \underline{v}_k = \underline{w} / \|\underline{w}\| \quad \rightarrow \underline{v}_k^T \underline{v}_k = 1$$

$$\lambda_{(k)} = \underline{v}_k^T \underline{A} \underline{v}_k \quad \rightarrow \text{Rayleigh quotient}$$

end

This converges at a rate of

$$\|\underline{v}_k - (\pm \underline{q}_1)\| = O\left(\left|\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}\right|^k\right)$$

$$|\lambda_{(k)} - \lambda_1| = O\left(\left|\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}\right|^{2k}\right)$$

This causes an issue if  $\lambda_1 \sim \lambda_2$

In this case, try an inverse iteration w/ shift

### Inverse Iteration with Shift

Let  $M \in \mathbb{R}$ , such that  $M$  is not an eigenvalue

of  $\underline{A}$ . Then,  $(\underline{A} - M \underline{I})$  has the same

eigenvectors as  $\underline{A}$  with eigenvalues  $\lambda_j - M = \hat{\lambda}_j$

$$\text{Note: } [(\underline{A} - M \underline{I}) - \hat{\lambda} \underline{I}] \underline{q} = \underline{0} \Rightarrow \lambda = M + \hat{\lambda}$$

Extension: Eigenvectors of  $(\underline{A} - M \underline{I})^{-1}$  are the same as those for  $\underline{A}$ , and the eigenvalues

for  $(\underline{A} - M \underline{I})^{-1}$  are  $(\lambda_j - M)^{-1}$

Let  $M$  be close to  $\lambda_1$ , then  $|\lambda_1 - M|^{-1}$  will be much larger than  $|\lambda_j - M|^{-1}$  for  $j > 1$

Algorithm: Inverse iteration with shift

Let  $\underline{v}_0$  be some vector with  $\|\underline{v}_0\| = 1$ ,

choose  $M > 0$

for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

Solve  $(\underline{A} - M \underline{I}) \underline{w} = \underline{v}_{k-1}$  for  $\underline{w}$

$\underline{v}_k = \underline{w} / \|\underline{w}\|$  Normalize  $\underline{v}_k$

$\lambda_{(k)} = \underline{v}_k^T \underline{A} \underline{v}_k$  Rayleigh Quotient

end

Convergence order of

$$\|\underline{v}_k - (\pm \underline{q}_1)\| = \mathcal{O}\left(\left|\frac{M - \lambda_1}{M - \lambda_2}\right|^k\right)$$

$$|\lambda_{(k)} - \lambda_1| = \mathcal{O}\left(\left|\frac{M - \lambda_1}{M - \lambda_2}\right|^k\right)$$

Now combine above ideas

Algorithm: Rayleigh Quotient Iteration

$\underline{v}_0$  is some vector w/  $\|\underline{v}_0\| = 1$

$\lambda_{(0)} = \underline{v}_0^T \underline{A} \underline{v}_0$   Do not need  
for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$  to select a shift  $M$

Solve  $(\underline{A} - \lambda_{(k-1)} \underline{I}) \underline{w} = \underline{v}_{k-1}$  for  $\underline{w}$

$\underline{v}_k = \underline{w} / \|\underline{w}\|$

$\lambda_{(k)} = \underline{v}_k^T \underline{A} \underline{v}_k$

end

This method has a convergence of

$$\|\underline{v}_{k+1} - (\pm \underline{q}_J)\| = \mathcal{O}(\|\underline{v}_k - (\pm \underline{q}_J)\|^3)$$

$$|\lambda_{(k+1)} - \lambda_J| = \mathcal{O}(|\lambda_{(k)} - \lambda_J|^3)$$

Cubic order convergence of the eigenvector  $\underline{q}_J$   
closest to  $\underline{v}_0$

See Lecture 27 of Trefethen & Bau

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### Spectrum Calculations

Try to find all or a subset of the eigenvalue spectrum

Recall that any square matrix has the Schur Decomposition

$$\underline{A} = \underline{Q} \ \underline{I} \ \underline{Q}^T, \text{ where } \underline{I} \text{ is upper triangular}$$

Eigenvalue computations can try to find this decomposition, in which  $\underline{A} + \underline{I}$  are similar

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Recall, eigenvalues of  $\underline{A}$  appear on the diagonal of  $\underline{T}$

Note: If  $\underline{A}$  is symmetric and real, then

$$\underline{A} = \underline{Q} \underline{\Lambda} \underline{Q}^T = \underline{S} \underline{\Lambda} \underline{S}^{-1}$$

The above looks similar to QR decomposition,

where  $\underline{A} = \underline{Q} \underline{R}$   $\sim$  upper triangular

## Recall Householder reflections

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & x & x \\ x & x & x \\ x & x & x \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{G}_1 \rightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ x & x & x \\ x & x & x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{A} \quad \underline{Q_1^+ A}$$

For the eigenproblem, we need  $Q_1^T A Q_1$

Then

$$\underbrace{\underline{Q}_n^T \underline{Q}_{n-1}^T \dots \underline{Q}_1^T}_{\underline{Q}^T} \underline{A} \underbrace{\underline{Q}_1 \underline{Q}_2 \dots \underline{Q}_n}_{\underline{Q}} = \underline{I}$$

and then  $\underline{A} = \underline{Q} \underline{I} \underline{Q}^T$

Consider  $\underline{Q}_1^T \underline{A} \underline{Q}_1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & x & x \\ 0 & x & x \\ 0 & x & x \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x & x & x \\ x & x & x \\ x & x & x \end{bmatrix}$$

Fill-in of  
the zeros

$$\underline{Q}_1^T \underline{A} \underline{Q}_1$$

$\therefore$  The original Householder approach  
will not work

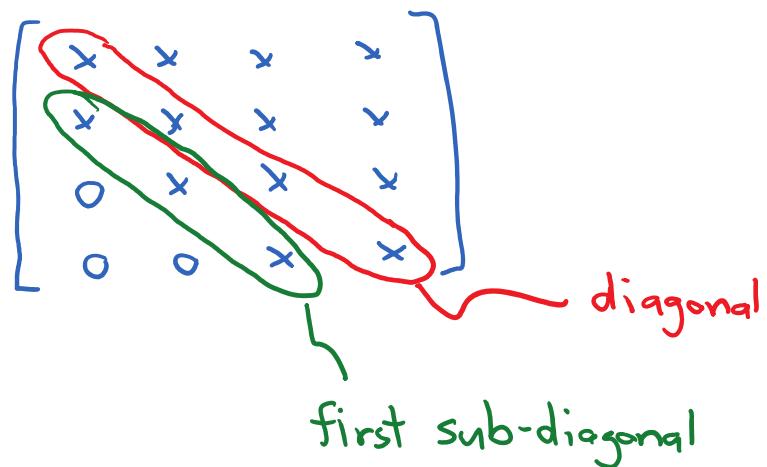
$\Rightarrow$  Not possible to get a Schur Decomposition  
directly

Instead, two steps are needed:

- 1) Reduce to upper Hessenberg form, which is nearly upper triangular
- 2) Iterate until upper triangular is obtained

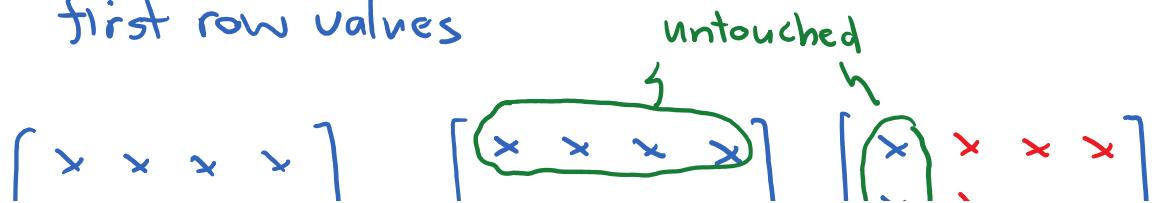
Details of these two steps:

- 1) Upper Hessenberg Matrix: A matrix with zeros below the first sub-diagonal



Let  $\underline{Q}_1^T$  be a unitary matrix ( $\underline{Q}_1^T \underline{Q}_1 = \underline{I}$ )

that zeros out values below the first subdiagonal of the first column, but does not touch the first row values



$$\begin{array}{c}
 \begin{bmatrix} x & x & x & x \\ x & x & x & x \\ x & x & x & x \\ x & x & x & x \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x & x & x & x \\ x & x & x & x \\ 0 & x & x & x \\ 0 & x & x & x \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x & x & x & x \\ 0 & x & x & x \\ 0 & 0 & x & x \\ 0 & 0 & x & x \end{bmatrix} \\
 \underline{A} \quad \underline{Q}^T \underline{A} \quad \underline{Q}^T \underline{A} \underline{Q}
 \end{array}$$

Use a Householder reflector to assure ortho-normality

$$\underline{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} H & 0 \\ 0 & F \end{bmatrix}$$

Algorithm: Householder Reduction to Upper Hessenberg Form

for  $k = 1$  to  $m-2$  with  $\underline{A} \in \underline{M}_{m,m}$

$$\underline{x} = \underline{A}(\underline{k+1:m}, \underline{k})$$

$$\underline{v}_k = \text{sign}(\underline{x}_1) \|\underline{x}\|_2 \underline{e}_1 + \underline{x}$$

$$\underline{A}(\underline{k+1:m}, \underline{k:m}) = \underline{A}(\underline{k+1:m}, \underline{k:m}) \quad \swarrow \underline{Q}^T \underline{A}$$

$$-2 \underline{v}_k^T \underline{A}(k+1:m, k:m)$$

$$\underline{A}(1:m, k+1:m) = \underline{A}(1:m, k+1:m)$$

$$-2 (\underline{A}(1:m, k+1:m) \underline{v}_k) \underline{v}_k^T$$

end

$$\swarrow \underline{Q}^T \underline{A} \underline{Q}$$

$\Rightarrow \underline{A}$  then converts to upper Hessenberg

Note:  $\underline{Q}$  is never formed

$$\text{Cost: } \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{10}{3}m^3\right)$$

If  $\underline{A}$  is symmetric, then the cost reduces to  $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{4}{3}m^3\right)$

and the result is tri-diagonal

$$\begin{bmatrix} & & & 0 \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ 0 & & & \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Why?}$$

2) Iterate to Upper Triangular Form

Focus on real, symmetric matrices

Turn to  $\underline{A} = \underline{Q} \underline{I} \underline{Q}^T$  (Schur decomposition)

$\underline{A}$  could be any matrix or the result of  
part 1) (i.e., upper Hessenberg)

$$\underline{I} = \underline{Q}^T \underline{A} \underline{Q}$$

Make this an iteration

Given  $\underline{A}_k$ , let  $\underline{A}_{k+1} = \underline{Q}_k^T \underline{A}_k \underline{Q}_k$

Now, let  $\underline{A}_k = \underline{Q}_k \underline{R}_k$  be the QR

decomposition of  $\underline{A}_k$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{A}_{k+1} &= \underline{Q}_k^T \underline{A}_k \underline{Q}_k = \underline{Q}_k^T (\underline{Q}_k \underline{R}_k) \underline{Q}_k \\ &= \underline{I} \underline{R}_k \underline{Q}_k = \underline{R}_k \underline{Q}_k\end{aligned}$$

Given  $\underline{A}_k$ , find  $\underline{Q}_k \underline{R}_k$ , then  $\underline{A}_{k+1} = \underline{R}_k \underline{Q}_k$

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$\Rightarrow$  This is the QR Algorithm for eigenproblems

Algorithm: QR for Eigenproblems

Let  $\underline{A}_0 = \underline{A}$

for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\underline{Q}_k \underline{R}_k = \underline{A}_{k-1} \quad (\text{QR of } \underline{A}_{k-1})$$

$$\underline{A}_k = \underline{R}_k \underline{Q}_k \quad \text{Recombination in reverse}$$

end

Converge to some tolerance,

result will be upper triangular matrix  $\underline{I}$

## Eigensystem Solutions - Summary

$$\underline{A} \underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x} \quad \text{for square } \underline{A}$$

$\lambda$ : eigenvalue

$\underline{x}$ : eigenvector

$$(\underline{A} - \lambda \underline{I}) \underline{x} = \underline{0}$$

For nontrivial solutions  $\det(\underline{A} - \lambda \underline{I}) = 0$

Solution approaches:

- Characteristic equation  $\rightarrow$  find roots  $\lambda$
- Iteration methods

Power iteration method (largest  $|\lambda|$ )

Inverse power iteration method (smallest  $|\lambda|$ )

Inverse iteration with shifts

## Rayleigh quotient iteration

- Spectrum calculations

Schur decomposition

$$\underline{A} = \underline{Q} \underline{T} \underline{Q}^T \text{ with } \underline{T} \text{: Upper triangular}$$

$$\underline{Q} \text{: Unitary } (\underline{Q}^T \underline{Q} = \underline{I})$$

$\underline{A}$  &  $\underline{T}$  are similar & consequently have  
same eigenvalues

Diagonals of  $\underline{T}$  are its eigenvalues

Multi-step process to obtain eigenvalues:

- ① Compute upper Hessenberg form (upper triangle plus subdiagonal) by using Householder reflections  $\rightarrow \underline{H} = \underline{Q}_1^T \underline{A} \underline{Q}_1$

$$\underline{H} = \begin{bmatrix} & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \end{bmatrix}$$

upper triangular  
subdiagonal

- ② Iterate from upper Hessenberg form to

$$\text{upper triangular } \underline{T} = \underline{Q}_z^T \underline{H} \underline{Q}_z$$

③ Eigenvalues of  $\underline{A}$  are on diagonal of  $\underline{T}$

Other approaches (beyond current scope)

- Givens rotations replacing Householder reflections (both have unitary  $Q$ )
- Subspace iteration

Lanczos      }  
Arnoldi      } Krylov subspaces