

# Preconditioned CG

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Lecture 13



CG: minimize  $\frac{1}{2}x_t^T A x_t - b^T x_t = f(x_t)$   
over all  $x_t \in K_z(A, b)$

$$p_0 = b, x_0 = 0$$

for  $t = 1, 2, \dots$

- compute  $A p_{t-1}$
- A-orthogonalize that against earlier  $p_i$  to get  $p_t$ .
- compute  $c_t$  to minimize  $f(c_t p_t)$
- $x_t = x_{t-1} + c_t p_t$
- $r_t = b - A x_t$  "residual" vector.

$\min_{x_t \in K_t(b)} \|x_t - x\|_A \Rightarrow$  gets 0 in exact arithmetic when

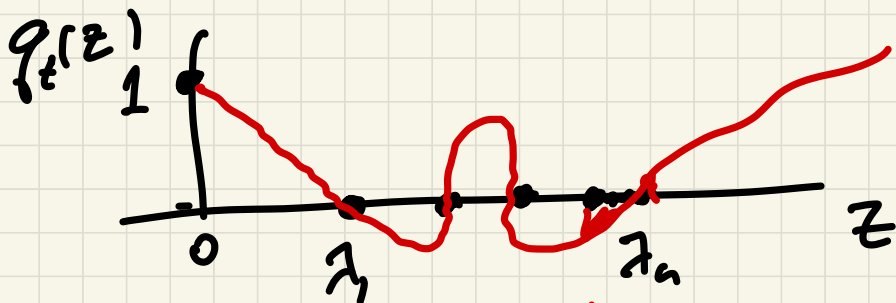
$\exists$  polynomial  $q_t(z)$  with  $q_t(0)=1$  and  $q_t(\lambda)=0$  for every eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $A$ .

TKM  
At each step  $t$ ,

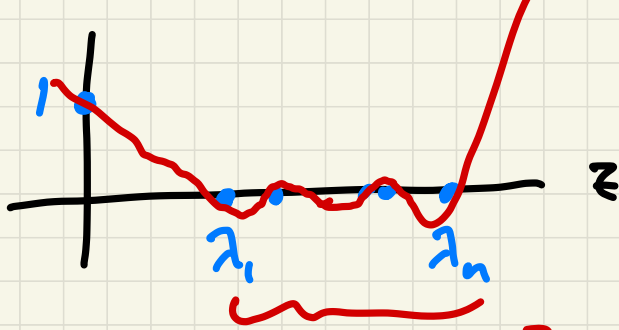
$$\frac{\|x_t - x\|_A}{\|x\|_A} \leq \min_z q_t(z)$$

polynomials of degree  $t$   
with  $q_t(0)=1$

$$\max_{\lambda \leftarrow \text{eigenvalues of } A} |q_t(\lambda)|$$



EVALS close together are good.  
(clusters of evals)



how close to 0  
can a polynomial be  
on this whole interval?

$$K(A) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\lambda_n}{\lambda_1}$$

↑  
condition  
number

(if  $A$  is  
symm +  
pos def)

Answer: Chebyshev polynomials.

Can use Cheb. polys to get convergence bounds  
for CG based on  $K(A)$ , for example:

$$\frac{\|r_t\|}{\|b\|} \leq \underbrace{10^{-6}}_{\varepsilon} \text{ for } t = \mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{K(A)}\right)$$

↑  
proportional  
to  $\log\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right)$