

# Approximating matrices with multiple symmetries: with an application to quantum chemistry

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# Themes for this talk

- Symmetry
- Low-rank approximation
- Preserving symmetry for low-rank approximation
- Bridging the gap from matrix to tensor

# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Background

- The electron repulsion integral (ERI) tensor is defined by

$$\mathcal{A}(i, j, k, \ell) = \int d\mathbf{x}_1 d\mathbf{x}_2 \chi_i(\mathbf{x}_1)^* \chi_j(\mathbf{x}_1) \frac{1}{r_{12}} \chi_k(\mathbf{x}_2)^* \chi_\ell(\mathbf{x}_2)$$

- $\chi(\mathbf{x})$  is a molecular orbital that describes an electron's motion at coordinate  $\mathbf{x} = (r, \theta, \phi, \omega)$  where  $\omega$  is the spin coordinate
- This tensor describes two-body Coulomb interaction in molecular electronic structure theory
- Source: Szabo and Ostlund's *Modern Quantum Chemistry*

# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Background

- For real orbitals, we have the following symmetries:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}(i, j, k, \ell) &= \mathcal{A}(k, \ell, i, j) = \mathcal{A}(j, i, \ell, k) = \mathcal{A}(\ell, k, j, i) \\ &= \mathcal{A}(j, i, k, \ell) = \mathcal{A}(\ell, k, i, j) = \mathcal{A}(i, j, \ell, k) = \mathcal{A}(k, \ell, j, i)\end{aligned}$$

- For our purposes, we will be primarily concerned with

$$\mathcal{A}(i, j, k, \ell) = \mathcal{A}(j, i, k, \ell) = \mathcal{A}(i, j, \ell, k) = \mathcal{A}(k, \ell, i, j)$$

# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Problem Statement

Compute  $\mu$ , the molecular orbital integral transformation

$$\begin{aligned}\mu &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathcal{A}(i, j, k, \ell) v_i v_j v_k v_\ell \\ &= (v \otimes v)^T A (v \otimes v)\end{aligned}$$

where  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n \times n \times n}$  is the fourth-order ERI tensor and  $A$  is the tensor unfolding.

# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Motivation

- Applications of ERI tensors
  - *Ab initio* protein folding simulation
  - Rational therapeutic drug design
  - Engineering nano-scale devices
- The more electrons, the higher the dimensionality  $d$ 
  - $d$ -body problem at the heart of quantum chemistry

# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Goal

- Goal: a low-rank approximation which preserves the original structure *without* using the SVD, while minimizing ERI evaluations
  - Why low-rank?
    - Data sparsity
  - Why preserve structure?
    - Numerical motivation: good to maintain data sparsity
    - Physical motivation: must not violate the Pauli principle
  - Why not use the SVD?
    - The SVD of an  $n^2 \times n^2$  matrix takes  $O(n^6)$  flops
  - Why minimize ERI evaluations?
    - ERI evaluations are expensive to compute

# Centrosymmetry: A tale of two symmetries

A persymmetric matrix is symmetric about its antidiagonal:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 3 \\ 8 & 9 & 6 & 2 \\ 10 & 8 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$



# Centrosymmetry: A tale of two symmetries

A matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is persymmetric if  $A^T = E_n A E_n$  where  $E_n \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is the  $n$ -by- $n$  exchange permutation, e.g.,

$$E_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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# Centrosymmetry: Block Structure

If  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is blocked as

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad A_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$$

and  $A$  is centrosymmetric, where  $n$  is even, then

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ E_m A_{12} E_m & E_m A_{11} E_m \end{bmatrix}$$

# Centrosymmetry: Block Diagonalization

If we define  $Q_E$  as

$$Q_E = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} I_m & I_m \\ \hline E_m & -E_m \end{array} \right] = [Q_+ | Q_-]$$

then  $Q_E$  is orthogonal and

$$Q_E^T A Q_E = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} A_{11} + A_{12}E_m & 0 \\ 0 & A_{11} - A_{12}E_m \end{array} \right]$$

is the block diagonalization of  $A$ .

# Centrosymmetry: Block Factorizations

- When  $A$  is positive definite, diagonal blocks are too
- Stable  $LDL^T$  factorizations:

$$P_+(A_{11} + A_{12}E_m)P_+^T = L_+D_+L_+^T$$

$$P_-(A_{11} - A_{12}E_m)P_-^T = L_-D_-L_-^T$$

- Obtaining both factorizations takes  $2(\frac{1}{3}(\frac{n}{2})^3) = \frac{1}{4}(\frac{n^3}{3})$  flops
- Centrosymmetric  $A$  lets you solve  $Ax = b$  in  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the work as compared to non-symmetric  $A$

# Centrosymmetry: Low-rank approximation

Let

$$Y_+ = Q_+ P_+^T L_+ = [y_+^{(1)} \mid \cdots \mid y_+^{(m_+)}]$$

and

$$Y_- = Q_- P_-^T L_- = [y_-^{(1)} \mid \cdots \mid y_-^{(m_-)}]$$

# Centrosymmetry: Low-rank approximation

$$\begin{aligned} A &= Q_E \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} + A_{12}E_m & 0 \\ 0 & A_{11} - A_{12}E_m \end{bmatrix} Q_E^T \\ &= Q_+(A_{11} + A_{12}E_m)Q_+^T + Q_-(A_{11} - A_{12}E_m)Q_-^T \\ &= Y_+D_+Y_+^T + Y_-D_-Y_-^T \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{m_+} d_+^{(k)} y_+^{(k)} [y_+^{(k)}]^T + \sum_{k=1}^{m_-} d_-^{(k)} y_-^{(k)} [y_-^{(k)}]^T \end{aligned}$$

- By terminating these sums early, we obtain low rank approximations that are also centrosymmetric.

# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Block Structure

- Unfold  $\mathcal{A}(i, j, k, \ell)$  as  $[A_{k, \ell}]_{i, j}$

$$A = \mathcal{A}_{[1,3] \times [2,4]}$$

- $\mathcal{A}(i, j, k, \ell)$  is the  $(i, j)$  entry of the  $(k, \ell)$  block of  $A$
- Assume  $n = 3$  for the following examples



# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Block Structure

- If  $\mathcal{A}(i, j, k, \ell) = \mathcal{A}(j, i, k, \ell)$ , then  $[A_{k,\ell}]_{i,j} = [A_{k,\ell}]_{j,i}$
- Symmetric blocks: each 3x3 block matrix is symmetric along its diagonal

1	2	3	19	20	21	37	38	39
2	4	5	20	22	23	38	40	41
3	5	6	21	23	24	39	41	42
7	8	9	25	26	27	43	44	45
8	10	11	26	28	29	44	46	47
9	11	12	27	29	30	45	47	48
13	14	15	31	32	33	49	50	51
14	16	17	32	34	35	50	52	53
15	17	18	33	35	36	51	53	54

# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Block Structure

- If  $\mathcal{A}(i, j, k, \ell) = \mathcal{A}(i, j, \ell, k)$ , then  $[A_{k,\ell}]_{i,j} = [A_{\ell,k}]_{i,j}$
- Block symmetry: the 9x9 matrix is symmetric at the 3x3 block matrix level

1	4	7	10	13	16	19	22	25
2	5	8	11	14	17	20	23	26
3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27
10	13	16	28	31	34	37	40	43
11	14	17	29	32	35	38	41	44
12	15	18	30	33	36	39	42	45
19	22	25	37	40	43	46	49	52
20	23	26	38	41	44	47	50	53
21	24	27	39	42	45	48	51	54

# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Block Structure

- If  $\mathcal{A}(i, j, k, \ell) = \mathcal{A}(k, \ell, i, j)$ , then  $[A_{k,\ell}]_{i,j} = [A_{i,j}]_{k,\ell}$
- Perfect shuffle permutation symmetry: entry  $(i, j)$  in the  $(k, \ell)$  block is entry  $(k, \ell)$  in the  $(i, j)$  block

<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	25	28	<b>7</b>	28	40
<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	12	26	29	15	33	41
<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	19	27	30	22	37	42
<b>2</b>	12	15	<b>5</b>	26	33	<b>8</b>	29	41
10	13	16	13	31	34	16	34	43
11	14	17	20	32	35	23	38	44
<b>3</b>	19	22	<b>6</b>	27	37	<b>9</b>	30	42
11	20	23	14	32	38	17	35	44
18	21	24	21	36	39	24	39	45

# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Block Structure

- With all eight symmetries

1	2	3	2	7	8	3	8	12
2	4	5	7	9	10	8	13	14
3	5	6	8	10	11	12	14	15
2	7	8	4	9	13	5	10	14
7	9	10	9	16	17	10	17	19
8	10	11	13	17	18	14	19	20
3	8	12	5	10	14	6	11	15
8	13	14	10	17	19	11	18	20
12	14	15	14	19	20	15	20	21

# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Block Diagonalization

- Define  $Q = [Q_{\text{sym}} | Q_{\text{skew}}]$  such that
  - $Q_{\text{sym}}$  and  $Q_{\text{skew}}$  are sparse orthonormal bases for vectorized symmetric and skew-symmetric matrices respectively
- Then  $Q$  is orthogonal and

$$Q^T A Q = \begin{bmatrix} A_{\text{sym}} & 0 \\ 0 & A_{\text{skew}} \end{bmatrix}$$

is the block diagonalization of  $A$ .

# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Block Diagonalization

When  $n = 3$ ,  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{9 \times 9}$

$$Q_9 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc|ccc} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] = [Q_{\text{sym}} | Q_{\text{skew}}]$$

$$Q_9(:, 4) \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q_9(:, 7) \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Block Factorizations

- When  $A$  is positive semi-definite,  $A_{\text{sym}}$  and  $A_{\text{skew}}$  are too
- Stable symmetric-pivoting  $LDL^T$  factorizations:

$$\begin{aligned}P_{\text{sym}} A_{\text{sym}} P_{\text{sym}}^T &= L_{\text{sym}} D_{\text{sym}} L_{\text{sym}}^T \\P_{\text{skew}} A_{\text{skew}} P_{\text{skew}}^T &= L_{\text{skew}} D_{\text{skew}} L_{\text{skew}}^T\end{aligned}$$

- Compute a lazy-evaluation, symmetric-pivoting, rank-revealing  $LDL^T$  factorization on each block
- Without rank-revealing  $LDL^T$ 
  - $n^6/24$  flops for one factorization
  - $n^6/12$  flops total
- With rank-revealing  $LDL^T$ , where  $r$  is the rank of  $A$ 
  - $r^2(n(n+1)/2) = r^2(n^2/2 + n/2)$  for one factorization
  - $r^2 n^2$  flops total

# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Low-rank approximation

Let

$$Y_{\text{sym}} = Q_{\text{sym}} P_{\text{sym}}^T L_{\text{sym}} = [y_{\text{sym}}^{(1)} \mid \cdots \mid y_{\text{sym}}^{(m_{\text{sym}})}]$$

and

$$Y_{\text{skew}} = Q_{\text{skew}} P_{\text{skew}}^T L_{\text{skew}} = [y_{\text{skew}}^{(1)} \mid \cdots \mid y_{\text{skew}}^{(m_{\text{skew}})}]$$



# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Low-rank approximation

$$\begin{aligned} A &= Q \begin{bmatrix} A_{\text{sym}} & 0 \\ 0 & A_{\text{skew}} \end{bmatrix} Q^T \\ &= Q_{\text{sym}} A_{\text{sym}} Q_{\text{sym}}^T + Q_{\text{skew}} A_{\text{skew}} Q_{\text{skew}}^T \\ &= Y_{\text{sym}} D_{\text{sym}} Y_{\text{sym}}^T + Y_{\text{skew}} D_{\text{skew}} Y_{\text{skew}}^T \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{m_{\text{sym}}} d_{\text{sym}}^{(k)} y_{\text{sym}}^{(k)} [y_{\text{sym}}^{(k)}]^T + \sum_{k=1}^{m_{\text{skew}}} d_{\text{skew}}^{(k)} y_{\text{skew}}^{(k)} [y_{\text{skew}}^{(k)}]^T \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{m_{\text{sym}}} d_{\text{sym}}^{(k)} B_k \otimes B_k + \sum_{k=1}^{m_{\text{skew}}} d_{\text{skew}}^{(k)} C_k \otimes C_k \end{aligned}$$

- $B_k, C_k$  is the  $n \times n$  reshaping of  $y_{\text{sym}}^{(k)}, y_{\text{skew}}^{(k)}$  respectively
- By terminating these sum early, we obtain low-rank approximations with ERI tensor symmetry.

# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Integral transformation

$$\begin{aligned}\mu &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{l=1}^n \mathcal{A}(i, j, k, l) v_i v_j v_k v_l \\&= (v \otimes v)^T A (v \otimes v) \\&= (v \otimes v)^T \left( \sum_{k=1}^{m_{\text{sym}}} d_{\text{sym}}^{(k)} B_k \otimes B_k + \sum_{k=1}^{m_{\text{skew}}} d_{\text{skew}}^{(k)} C_k \otimes C_k \right) (v \otimes v) \\&= \sum_{k=1}^{m_{\text{sym}}} d_{\text{sym}}^{(k)} \cdot (v \otimes v)^T (B_k \otimes B_k) (v \otimes v)^T \\&\quad + \sum_{k=1}^{m_{\text{skew}}} d_{\text{skew}}^{(k)} \cdot (v \otimes v)^T (C_k \otimes C_k) (v \otimes v)^T \\&= \sum_{k=1}^{m_{\text{sym}}} d_{\text{sym}}^{(k)} \cdot (v^T B_k v)^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{m_{\text{skew}}} d_{\text{skew}}^{(k)} \cdot (v^T C_k v)^2\end{aligned}$$

# ERI Tensor Symmetry: Integral transformation

- $A_{\text{skew}}$  factorization isn't necessary
- Let  $C_k$  be the  $n \times n$  reshaping of  $y_{\text{skew}}^{(k)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2}$
- By construction  $C_k = -C_k^T$  is skew-symmetric, so  
$$v^T C_k v = v^T C_k^T v = -v^T C_k v = 0$$
- The second summation is zero

# MATLAB Implementation

- IntegralTransformation
  - Calls StructLDLT on the tensor unfolding
  - Does the integral transformation
- StructLDLT
  - Computes diagonal block  $A_{\text{sym}}$  (and  $A_{\text{skew}}$  optionally)
    - Uses QsymT (next slide)
  - Calls LazyLDLT on  $A_{\text{sym}}$  (and on  $A_{\text{skew}}$  optionally)
  - Returns  $Y_{\text{sym}}$  (and  $Y_{\text{skew}}$  optionally)
    - Uses Qsym
- LazyLDLT
  - Evaluate the diagonal of  $A$  [ $n^2$  ERIs]
  - While  $d(j)$  is greater than the zero threshold [ $r$  loops]
    - Search  $d(j:n)$  for largest diagonal element
    - Swap  $d(k)$  and  $d(j)$
    - Update pivot vector, permute rows of  $L$  and  $A$
    - Evaluate the next subcolumn of  $A$  [ $O(n^2)$  ERIs]
    - Compute  $d(j)$  and column  $j$  of  $L$

# MATLAB Implementation: QsymT

- Goal: find a way to compute  $Q_{\text{sym}}^T v$ ,  $v \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2}$  by utilizing the structure of  $Q_{\text{sym}}^T$ 
  - Sparse matrix-multiply?

# MATLAB Implementation: QsymT

- No matrix-multiplication necessary

$$Q_{sym}^T \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \\ v_5 \\ v_6 \\ v_7 \\ v_8 \\ v_9 \end{bmatrix} = Q_{sym}^T \text{vec} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_4 & v_7 \\ v_2 & v_5 & v_8 \\ v_3 & v_6 & v_9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_5 \\ v_9 \\ (v_2 + v_4)/\sqrt{2} \\ (v_3 + v_7)/\sqrt{2} \\ (v_6 + v_9)/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

# MATLAB Implementation: Qsym

$$Q_{sym} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \\ v_5 \\ v_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_4 \\ v_5 \\ v_4 \\ v_2 \\ v_6 \\ v_5 \\ v_6 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \text{vec} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_4 & v_5 \\ v_4 & v_2 & v_6 \\ v_5 & v_6 & v_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Summary

- Centrosymmetry and ERI tensor symmetry
  - Block structure
  - Block diagonalization
  - Block factorizations
  - Low-rank approximation with original symmetry
- Structure leads to reduced work
  - $O(r^2 n^2)$  algorithm for computing computing a molecular integral transformation



# Future work

- Parallel implementation
  - Exploit block structure
- Sixth order tensor approximation
  - First three indices are super-symmetric, last three indices are super-symmetric
  - Key problem is finding a sparse orthogonal basis to project onto
  - Group theory approach looks promising
- d-order tensor approximation
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