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Coding Assignment #6

In this project, we implement both the QR algorithm with shifting and the Hessenberg transformation algorithm, which are both used to efficiently compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a matrix A . With the provided matrix in the coding assignment, we first use just the QR algorithm with shifting to compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors. Then, as an alternative simulation, we reduce A to its Hessenberg form H , and find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors for H . As seen below, these produce nearly the same eigenvalues and similar eigenvectors:

QR with shifting	Hessenberg + QR with shifting
QR Shift without Hessenberg form: Q: 0.2935 -0.3357 0.4371 -0.1449 0.4957 -0.5860 0.6132 -0.0045 -0.2708 0.3914 -0.4867 -0.4008 0.2373 -0.4268 0.4842 -0.3391 -0.5333 0.3573 0.4133 -0.2947 -0.6267 -0.4275 0.3047 0.2718 0.1031 -0.4119 0.1022 0.7262 0.3000 0.4381 0.5477 0.6698 0.3128 -0.0277 0.2239 0.3203 L: 29.0434 -0.0000 -0.0000 -0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 -22.4325 -0.0000 -0.0000 -0.0000 -0.0000 0.0000 -0.0000 14.4364 0.0000 -0.0000 -0.0000 -0.0000 0.0000 -0.0000 10.3213 -0.0000 -0.0000 0.0000 -0.0000 0.0000 -0.0000 -9.1617 -0.0000 0.0000 -0.0000 -0.0000 -0.0000 -0.0000 3.7931	QR Shift with Hessenberg form: Q: -0.2935 -0.3357 -0.4371 -0.1449 -0.4957 -0.5860 0.5713 -0.5904 0.3913 0.0868 -0.3983 0.0756 0.6422 0.5836 -0.0817 -0.0774 -0.1296 -0.4663 0.3858 -0.4172 -0.5286 -0.1335 0.6145 -0.0468 -0.1613 -0.1550 0.5788 0.0119 0.4475 -0.6438 -0.0114 0.0062 0.1860 -0.9734 -0.0302 0.1296 L: 29.0434 -0.0000 -0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 -0.0000 0.0000 -22.4325 -0.0000 -0.0000 0.0000 -0.0000 -0.0000 -0.0000 14.4364 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 -0.0000 0.0000 -0.0000 10.3213 0.0000 0.0000 -0.0000 0.0000 -0.0000 0.0000 -9.1617 -0.0000 0.0000 -0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 -0.0000 3.7931
182 iterations	145 iterations

As we can see, both these approaches finish after a different number of iterations (discounting the time taken to convert A to its Hessenberg form). Additionally, we observe the approximate eigenvalues on the diagonals of the L matrix. With an online calculator, these eigenvalues were verified to be the correct values to the ten-thousandths decimal place. So, both approaches produce very good estimates of the eigenvalues of large 6×6 matrices in a trivial amount of time on everyday computing machines.