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Condition-based Bounds on the Number of Real Zeros

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PROBLEM

Given a Real polynomial system

$$g_1(x) = \dots = g_q(x) = 0$$

in n variables,

- 1) what can we say about the conditioning of solving?
- 2) what does the condition say about the zero set?

SPOILER

In the Complex world,
conditioning controls only
the separation of the zeros

see (Shub, Smale; 1993)

(Beltrán, Etayo, Marzo, Ortega-Cerdà; 2021) (Etayo; 2021)

In the Real world,
conditioning controls also
the size of the zero set
see this talk

Conditioning

- The condition number depends on the metric
 - how we measure errors —
- The condition number depends on the encoding
 - how we write the problem —

Condition à la Demmel-Renegar

— conic framework

\mathcal{X} input space

$\Sigma \subseteq \mathcal{X}$ ill-posed inputs

$$c(i) := \frac{1}{d(i, \Sigma)}$$

Set Up

$$\mathcal{H}_d := \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{R}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_d.$$

\mathbb{P}^n Real Projective Space

$$\Sigma = \{ f \in \mathcal{H}_d \mid f \text{ has a singular zero} \}$$

Weyl Norm

$$\|g\|_W := \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{|\alpha|=d_i} \left(\frac{d_i}{\alpha} \right)^{-1} |g_{i,\alpha}|^2}$$

where

$$g_i = \sum g_{i,\alpha} x^\alpha \quad (x := x_0^{\alpha_0} \cdots x_n^{\alpha_n})$$

$$\left(\frac{d_i}{\alpha} \right) = \frac{d_i!}{\alpha_0! \cdots \alpha_n!}$$

Weyl Condition Number

(Cucker, Krick, Malajovich, Wschebor)

$$\kappa_w(\gamma) := \frac{\|\gamma\|_w}{\text{dist}_w(\gamma, \Sigma)}$$

$$= \sup_{x \in S^n} \frac{\|\gamma\|_w}{\sqrt{\|\gamma(x)\|^2 + \|D_x \gamma^{-1} \Delta^{1/2}\|^2}}$$

where $\Delta = \text{diag}(d_i)$ & $D_x \gamma: T_x S^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

Main Theorem (Simple Form)

$$\#\mathcal{Z}(g, \mathbb{P}^n)$$

$$\leq D^{n/2} \text{poly}(n, \log D)^n \log^n(2\chi_w(g))$$

where $D = \max d_i$

MAIN THEOREM (COMPLEX FORM)

There is a cover

$\{B(x, 1/c\sqrt{D})\}_{x \in G}$ of size $O(D^{n/2})$

of S^n s.t. for all $x \in G$ & $g \in \mathcal{H}_d$,

there is $\Phi_{x,g} \in \mathbb{R}[X_0, \dots, X_n]^n$ of degree

$$\leq \text{poly}(n, \log D) \log(2K_w(g))$$

s.t. $\#\mathcal{Z}(g, T_x S^n \cap B(x, 1/c\sqrt{D})) \leq \#\mathcal{Z}(\Phi_{x,g}, T_x S^n)$.

Moreover, for all $g \in \mathcal{Z}(g, T_x S^n \cap B(x, 1/c\sqrt{D}))$

there is $z \in \mathcal{Z}(\Phi_{x,g}, T_x S^n)$ converging quadratically under Newton's method.

Corollary 1 of MAIN RESULT

- If $\#\mathcal{Z}(\gamma) \geq D^n$, then
 $\kappa_w(\gamma) \geq 2^{D^{n/2}/\text{poly}(n, \log D)^n}$
- Real systems with many zeros
are badly-conditioned

COROLLARY 2 OF MAIN THEOREM

Let $f \in \mathcal{F}^d$ be random
such that for all $x \in S^n$,
the $f_i(x)$ are independent, subgaussian
and with anti-concentration. Then:

$$\left(\mathbb{E} \#Z(f, P^n)^e \right)^{1/e} \leq D^{n/2} \text{poly}(n, \log D)^n e^n$$

COROLLARY 2 OF MAIN THEOREM

A KSS random polynomial system

$$f \in \mathcal{A}_{(0, \dots, D)}$$

has its number of real zeros
concentrated around

$$D^{n/2} = \mathbb{E} \# Z(f, P^n)$$

COROLLARY 2 OF MAIN THEOREM

Let $f \in \mathcal{J}_d$. Under very general random hypotheses,

$$\#\mathcal{E}(f, P^n)^{1/n}$$

is subexponential with constant
 $D^{1/2} \text{poly}(n, \log D)$

i.e.

$$P(\#\mathcal{E}(f, P^n)^{1/n} \geq t) \leq e^{-\frac{t}{D^{1/2} \text{poly}(n, \log D)}}$$

COMPARISON WITH LERARIO ET.AL.

OUR APPROACH

Taylor Approx.

Many local approx.

Control the moments

Robust

Exploits analyticity!

LERARIO'S APPROACH

S. Harmonic Approx.

A global approx.

Control only probability

Only KSS

(Lerario, Diatta; '22) (Breiding, Keneshlou, Lerario; '22)

COMPARISON WITH ARMENTANO ET AL.

OUR RESULT

THEIR RESULT

Non-Asymptotic

Asymptotic

Sub-Exponential

Gaussian Limit

Robust

Unmixed KSS

(Armentano, Azaïs, Dalmao, León; 2021 & 2022)

Set Up

$$\mathcal{P}_A := \left\{ \delta \in \mathbb{R}[x_0, \dots, x_n] \mid 0 \in \text{supp } \delta \subseteq A \right\}^n$$

$$I^n := [-1, 1]^n$$

$$\Sigma = \left\{ \delta \in \mathcal{P}_A \mid \delta \text{ has a singular zero in } I^n \right\}$$

1-Norm

$$\|g\|_1 := \max_{\alpha \in A} \sum |g_{i,\alpha}|$$

where

$$g_i = \sum g_{i,\alpha} x^\alpha \quad (x := x_1 \cdots x_n)$$

Cubic Condition Number (TC, Tsigaridas)

$$C_1(\varphi) := \sup_{\substack{x \in I^n \\ 1}} \frac{\|\varphi\|}{\max \left\{ \|\varphi(x)\|_\infty, \|D_x \varphi^{-1} \Delta\|_{\infty, \infty}^{-1} \right\}}$$
$$\sim \frac{\|\varphi\|_1}{\text{dist}_1(\varphi, \Sigma)}$$

where $\Delta = \text{diag}(d_i)$ & $D_x \varphi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

Main Theorem (Simple Form)

$$\#\mathcal{Z}(g, I^n) \leq \text{poly}(n)^n \log^{2n}(2D) \log^n(2C_1(g))$$

where $D = \max d_i$

MAIN THEOREM (COMPLEX FORM)

There is a partition into boxes

$\{B\}_{B \in \mathcal{B}}$ of size $O(\log^n(2D))$

of \mathbb{T}^n s.t. for all $B \in \mathcal{B}$ & $g \in \mathcal{H}_d$,

there is $\Phi_{B,g} \in \mathbb{R}[x_1, \dots, x_n]^n$ of degree

$$\leq \text{poly}(n) \log D \log(2C_1(g))$$

s.t. $\#\mathcal{Z}(g, B) \leq \#\mathcal{Z}(\Phi_{B,g})$.

Moreover, for all $g \in \mathcal{Z}(g, B)$, there is $z \in \mathcal{Z}(\Phi_{B,g})$ converging quadratically under Newton's method.

Corollary 1 of MAIN RESULT

If $\#\mathcal{Z}(\gamma, I^n) \geq D^K$, then

$$C_1(\gamma) \geq 2^{D^K / \text{poly}(n, \log D)^n}$$

Real systems with many zeros
are badly-conditioned

COROLLARY 2 OF MAIN THEOREM

Let $f \in \mathcal{P}_A$ be random
such that for all $x \in I^n$,
the $f_i(x)$ are independent, subgaussian
and with anti-concentration. Then:

$$\left(\mathbb{E} \#Z(f, I^n)^\epsilon \right)^{1/\epsilon} \leq \text{poly}(n)^\epsilon \log^{2n} (2D) \epsilon^n$$

COROLLARY 2 OF MAIN THEOREM

Let $f \in \mathcal{P}_A$. Under very general random hypotheses,

$$\#\mathcal{E}(f, I^n)^{1/n}$$

is subexponential with constant
 $\log^2(2D) \text{poly}(n)$

i.e.

$$P(\#\mathcal{E}(f, P^n)^{1/n} \geq t) \leq e^{1 - \frac{t}{\log^2(2D) \text{poly}(n)}}$$

One
Detail

Smale's α -Theory

$$\alpha(g, x) := \beta(g, x) \gamma(g, x)$$

$$\beta(g, x) := \|D_x g^{-1} g(x)\| = \|x - N_g(x)\|$$

$$\gamma(g, x) := \max \left\{ 1, \sup_{K \geq 2} \left\| D_x^{g^{-1}} \frac{1}{K!} D_x^K g \right\|^{\frac{1}{K-1}} \right\}$$

Smale's α -Theorem There is absolute $\alpha_* > 0$, s.t. if $\alpha(g, x) < \alpha_*$, then the Newton method at x converges quadratically.
More concretely, $\text{dist}(N_g^K(x), z(g)) = O(2^{-2^K})$

Truncation Theorem (One version)

Let $g \in \mathbb{R}[x_1, \dots, x_n]^n$, $\delta \in \mathbb{N}$, $x \in \mathbb{B}^n$ &

$$\tau(g, x; \delta) := \sup_{k \geq \delta+1} \left\| D_x^{g^{-1}} \frac{2^k}{k!} D_0^k g \right\|$$

Consider

$$g_{|\delta}(x) := \sum_{k=0}^{\delta} \frac{1}{k!} D_0^k g(x, \dots, x)$$

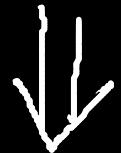
Then for

$$\delta - \log(\delta + 2) \geq \log \tau(g, x; \delta),$$

$$\alpha(g_{|\delta}, x) \leq \frac{2 \alpha(g, x) + 2^{1-\delta} \gamma(g, x) \tau(g, x; \delta)}{(1 - 2^{-\delta} (\delta + 2) \tau(g, x; \delta))^2}$$

I.e.

approximate zero of δ à la Smale

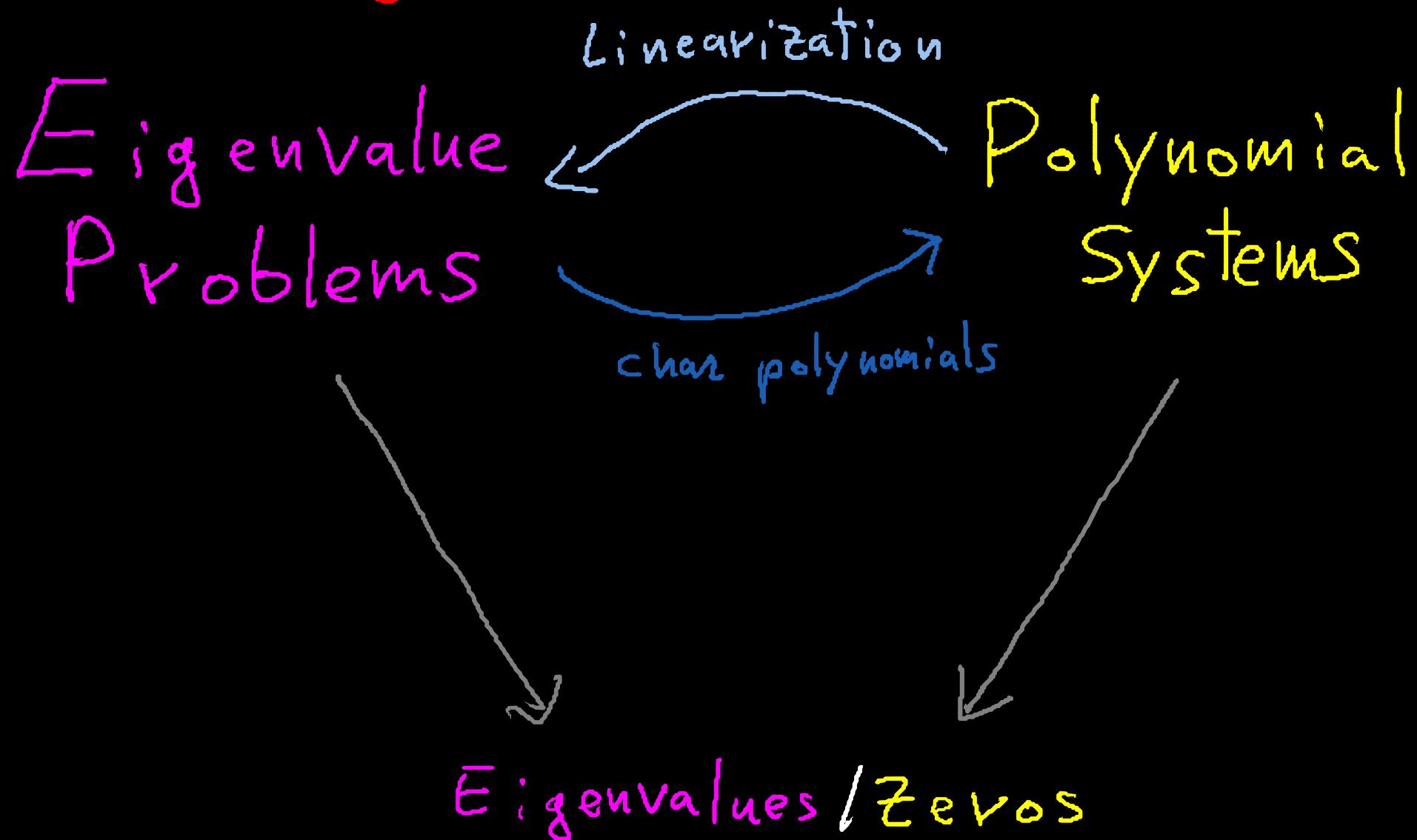


approximate zero of δ_{IS} à la Smale

+ reverse & move ineqs.

A Theorem
about Eigenvalues

Triangle of competition



Numerical Analyst's Rule

NEVER USE
CHARACTERISTIC
POLYNOMIALS
TO COMPUTE
EIGENVALUES

A Formalization For Hermitian Matrices

THM. Let $A \in \text{Herm}_d$. Then

$$\kappa_w(\chi_A) \geq 2^{\sqrt{d}/\text{polylog}(d)}$$

$$\& C_1(\chi_A) \geq 2^{d/\text{polylog}(d)}$$

I.e. characteristic polynomials
of Hermitian matrices are
badly conditioned.

Future
Work

- Can we make all this into fast algorithms?
 - avoid condition estimation—
- Generalize it beyond zero-dim systems
 - volume & Betti numbers—

Muchas
gracias
por su Atencion.

Some
More Details

MOKOZ'S Lemma

W -Lemma: For $g \in R[X_0, X_1]^d$ and $(x_0, x_1) \in \mathbb{S}^1$,

$$\left| \frac{1}{k!} \frac{d^k}{dt^k} \Big|_{t=0} g((x_0, x_1) + t(x_1 - x_0)) \right| \leq \sqrt{\binom{d}{k}} \|g\|_W$$

1 -Lemma: For $g \in R[X]_{\leq d}$, $a \in I$

and $\rho > 0$, if

either $2|a| < 1 - \rho$ or $\rho < 1/2d$

then $\left| \frac{1}{k!} \frac{d^k}{dt^k} \Big|_{t=0} g(a + \rho t) \right| \leq \frac{1}{2^k} \|g\|_1$

Multivariate Moroz's 1-Lemma

Let $g \in R[X_1, \dots, X_n]_{\leq D}^n$, $a \in I^n$ & $\rho \in (0, 1]^n$

Consider

$$g_{a, \rho} := \left(g_i(a + \rho X) / \|g_i\|_1 \right)$$

where $P = \text{diag}(\rho)$.

If for all i ,

either $|a_i| \leq 1 - \rho_i$ or $\rho_i \leq \frac{1}{2D}$

then for all e ,

$$\left\| \frac{2^e}{e!} D_o^e g_{a, \rho} \right\|_{\infty, \infty} \leq \binom{D+n-1}{n-1} \leq \left(1 + \frac{\ln(n-1)}{n-1} D \right)^{n-1}$$