### ECS130

# Eigenvectors – Chapter 6

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#### Power method

▶ Power iteration:

```
Given an initial vector u_0, i=0 repeat t_{i+1} = Au_i u_{i+1} = t_{i+1}/\|t_{i+1}\|_2 (approximate eigenvector) \theta_{i+1} = u_{i+1}^H Au_{i+1} (approximate eigenvalue) i=i+1 until convergence
```

▶ Simple stopping criterion:  $|\theta_{i+1} - \theta_i| \le tol \cdot |\theta_i|$ .

#### Power method

Example: Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -261 & 209 & -49 \\ -530 & 422 & -98 \\ -800 & 631 & -144 \end{bmatrix}.$$

and  $\lambda(A) = \{10, 4, 3\}.$ 

Let  $u_0 = (1, 0, 0)^T$ , then

i	1	2	3	• • •	10
$\overline{ heta_i}$	994.49	13.0606	10.07191	• • •	10.0002

#### Power method

Convergence analysis: Assume that A is diagonalizable, i.e.,

$$A = X\Lambda X^{-1}$$

with  $\Lambda = \operatorname{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$  and  $|\lambda_1| > |\lambda_2| \ge \dots \ge |\lambda_n|$ . Then, we can show that

- ▶  $u_i = \frac{A^i u_0}{\|A^i u_0\|} \to x_1 / \|x_1\|$ , where  $x_1 = X e_1$  as  $i \to \infty$ .
- $\bullet$   $\theta_i \to \lambda_1 \text{ as } i \to \infty.$
- ► The convergence rate depends on  $\frac{|\lambda_2|}{|\lambda_1|}$ .

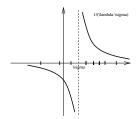
Therefore, if  $\frac{|\lambda_2|}{|\lambda_1|}$  is close to 1, then the power method could be very slow convergent or doesn't converge at all.

#### Purposes:

- Overcome the drawbacks of the power method (slow convergence)
- ▶ find an eigenvalue closest to a particular given number (called shift):  $\sigma$

Observation: if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of A, then

- $\lambda \sigma$  is an eigenvalue of  $A \sigma I$ ,
- $\frac{1}{\lambda \sigma}$  is an eigenvalue of  $(A \sigma I)^{-1}$ .



```
Given an initial vector u_0 and a shift \sigma i=0 repeat solve (A-\sigma I)t_{i+1}=u_i for t_{i+1} u_{i+1}=t_{i+1}/\|t_{i+1}\|_2 (approximate eigenvector) \theta_{i+1}=u_{i+1}^HAu_{i+1} (approximate eigenvalue) i=i+1 until convergence
```

If we change the shift  $\sigma$  in each iteration:

$$\sigma = u_{i+1}^H A u_{i+1},$$

we have a so-called Rayleigh quotient iteration.

Convergence analysis: Assume  $A = X\Lambda X^{-1}$  with  $\Lambda = \operatorname{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$  and  $\lambda_k$  is the eigenvalue cloest to the shift  $\sigma$ . It can be shown that

- ▶  $u_i \to x_k/\|x_k\|$  as  $i \to \infty$ , where  $x_k = Xe_k$
- $\bullet$   $\theta_i$  converges to  $\lambda_k$   $i \to \infty$ .
- ► Convergence rate depends on  $\max_{j\neq k} \frac{|\lambda_k \sigma|}{|\lambda_j \sigma|}$ .

#### 1. Advantages:

- the ability to converge to any desired eigenvalue nearest to the shift  $\sigma$ ;
- typically converges very quickly, and is particularly effective when we have a good approximation to an eigenvalue and want only its corresponding eigenvector.

#### 2. Drawbacks:

- expensive in general: solving linear systems  $(A \sigma I)t_{i+1} = u_i$  for  $u_{i+1}$ , which could be very expensive for large matrices
- Only compute one eigenpair.

## Orthogonal (subspace/simultaneous) iteration

- $\triangleright$  Purpose: compute p eigenvalues (and eigenvectors) at a time.
- Orthogonal iteration

```
Given an initial n \times p orthogonal matrix Z_0 i=0
repeat Y_{i+1} = AZ_iY_{i+1} = Z_{i+1}R_{i+1} \qquad \text{(QR decomposition)}i=i+1until convergence
```

▶ The use of QR decomposition keeps the vectors spanning span $\{A^iZ_0\}$  of full rank.

## Orthogonal (subspace/simultaneous) iteration

Example: Let  $Z_0 = [e_1, e_2, e_3]$  and

```
A =
-0.4326 1.1892 -0.5883 -0.0956 -0.6918 -0.3999
-1.6656 -0.0376 2.1832 -0.8323 0.8580 0.6900
0.1253 0.3273 -0.1364 0.2944 1.2540 0.8156
0.2877 0.1746 0.1139 -1.3362 -1.5937 0.7119
-1.1465 -0.1867 1.0668 0.7143 -1.4410 1.2902
1.1909 0.7258 0.0593 1.6236 0.5711 0.6686

Eigvals of A = -2.1659+-0.5560i, 2.1493, 0.2111+-1.9014i, -0.9548
```

```
Eigenvalues of Z_i^T A Z_i for i = 10, 30, 70:
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```
i=10: Eigvals of Z'_10*A*Z_10: -1.4383+-0.3479i, 2.1500
i=30: Eigvals of Z'_30*A*Z_30: -2.1592+-0.5494i, 2.1118
i=70: Eigvals of Z'_70*A*Z_70: -2.1659+-0.5560i, 2.1493
```

# Orthogonal (subspace/simultaneous) iteration

#### Convergence results:

• under mild conditions,  $Z_i$  converges to a subspace spanned by the first p eigenvectors corresponding to the p dominant eigenvalues, where

$$|\lambda_1| \ge |\lambda_2| \ge \cdots \ge |\lambda_p| > |\lambda_{p+1}| \ge \cdots \ge |\lambda_n|.$$

• If we let  $B_i = Z_i^T A Z_i$ , then

$$||AZ_i - Z_iB_i|| \to 0$$
 as  $i \to \infty$ 

and eigenvalues of  $B_i$  approximate the dominant eigenvalues of A.

▶ Convergence rate depends on  $|\lambda_{p+1}|/|\lambda_p|$ .

- ▶ Goal: reorganize orthogonal iteration to incorporate shifting and inverting as in the inverse iteration. This will make it more efficient and eliminate the assumption that eigenvalues differ in magnitude.
- QR iteration

```
A_0 = A

i = 0

repeat

A_i = Q_i R_i (QR decomposition)

A_{i+1} = R_i Q_i

i = i + 1

until convergence
```

#### Properties:

- ▶ Observe that  $A_{i+1} = R_i Q_i = Q_i^T Q_i R_i Q_i = Q_i^T A_i Q_i$ . Therefore it performs an orthogonal similarity transformation at each iteration.
- ▶  $A_{i+1}$  is orthogonally similar to  $A_0 = A$ :

$$A_{i+1} = (Q_0 Q_1 \cdots Q_{i-1} Q_i)^T A (Q_0 Q_1 \cdots Q_{i-1} Q_i).$$

Therefore  $A_{i+1}$  and A have same eigenvalues. (why? homework)

Example. The same test matrix as before.

#### After 10 iterations:

```
A_{10} =
   -1.6994
              0.2201
                       -0.8787
                                 -1.4292
                                           -0.3847
                                                      0.0112
   -0.0007
              1.1325
                      1.2186
                                  1.2245
                                           -0.0867
                                                      0.0648
   0.2637
             1.9636
                     -0.1598
                                 -2.3959
                                           0.8136
                                                     -0.4311
   0.0364
             -0.2346
                     -0.5527
                                 -0.4393
                                           -1.9263
                                                     1.2496
   0.4290
             1.3482
                      -1.1484
                                  0.6121
                                           -0.5937
                                                    0.2416
    0.0003
             0.0013
                      -0.0003
                                 -0.0011
                                            0.0014
                                                     -0.9554
```

Example. The same test matrix as before.

#### After 30 iterations:

```
A_30 =
            -1.0586
                                         1.1210
  -2.4055
                    1.3420
                               -0.0991
                                                  0.1720
   0.0517
           0.9645
                    1.6519
                               -0.8512
                                        -0.7215
                                                 0.7654
  -0.2248
           1.9947
                    -0.7656
                              -1.1876
                                        -0.2736
                                                 -0.1552
  -0.0029
            -0.0263
                    -0.0682
                               0.1381
                                        -2.3094
                                                 0.6765
  -0.0147
           0.0808
                    -0.0569
                              1.5462
                                        0.3082
                                                 -0.8476
                                                 -0.9548
   0.0000
            0.0000
                     0.0000
                               0.0000
                                         0.0000
```

- ▶ From the last rwo of  $A_{30}$ , we can conclude "-0.9548 is an eigenvalue of A".
- ► The subsequent QR iterations are performed on the leading 4 × 4 submatrices to find the rest of eigenvalues.

- 1. Purpose: accelerate the convergence of QR iteration by using shifts
- 2. QR Iteration with shifts

```
A_0 = A; i = 0
repeat
Choose a shift \sigma_i
A_i - \sigma_i I = Q_i R_i (QR decomposition)
A_{i+1} = R_i Q_i + \sigma_i I
i = i + 1
until convergence
```

#### Property:

- ▶  $A_i$  and  $A_{i+1}$  are orthogonally similar:  $A_{i+1} = Q_i^T A_i Q_i$ .
- ▶ Therefore,  $A_{i+1}$  and A are orthogonally similar, and  $A_{i+1}$  and A have the same eigenvalues.

why? homework!

How to choose the shifts  $\sigma_i$ ?

▶ If  $\sigma_i$  is an exact eigenvalue of A, then it can be shown that

$$A_{i+1} = R_i Q_i + \sigma_i I = \begin{bmatrix} \widehat{A} & a \\ 0 & \sigma_i \end{bmatrix}.$$

This means that the algorithm converges in one iteration. If more eigenvalues are wanted, we can apply the algorithm again to the  $(n-1) \times (n-1)$  matrix  $\widehat{A}$ .

▶ In practice, pick  $\sigma_i = A_i(n, n)$ . Reason: observing that the convergence of the QR iteration (without a shift), the (n, n) entry of  $A_i$  usually converges to an eigenvalue of A first.

Example. The same test matrix as before. The following is the numerical result of QR iteration with a shift.

With the shift  $\sigma_0 = 2.1493$ , an "exact" eigenvalue of A, after one iteration:

```
A_{1} =
                                          -0.1013
   -1.4127
             1.4420
                       1.0845
                                 -0.6866
                                                     -0.2042
   -1.2949
            -0.2334
                       1.4047
                                 -1.3695
                                           1.5274
                                                    -0.7062
            0.1343
                      -0.7991
                                -0.6716
                                                    0.0736
   0.5473
                                          1.1585
            0.0284
                      0.5440
                                          -1.5892
   -0.2630
                                 -1.4616
                                                    0.9205
   -1.6063
            -0.3898
                      0.3410
                                 0.1623
                                          -0.9576
                                                    -0.5795
   0.0000
             0.0000
                      0.0000
                                 0.0000
                                           0.0000
                                                     2.1493
```

We observe that by the QR iteration converged in one-iteration.

With the shifts  $\sigma_i = A_i(n, n)$ , after 7 iteration:

```
A 7 =
              2.0264
                                             0.3210
   -2.4302
                       -0.2799
                                  -0.2384
                                                      -0.0526
   -0.1865
             -1.4295
                       -1.3515
                                  0.0812
                                             0.8577
                                                      -0.0388
   -0.1087
             -0.8991
                       0.4491
                                  0.4890
                                            -1.8463
                                                      -1.2034
   -0.0008
             0.0511
                       -0.5997
                                  -0.7839
                                            -0.8088
                                                      -0.5188
   -0.0916
             -0.8273
                       1.6940
                                  0.0645
                                            -0.6698
                                                      -0.0854
   0.0000
              0.0000
                        0.0000
                                   0.0000
                                             0.0000
                                                       2 1493
```

We observe that by 7th iteration, from the last row, we have found an eigenvalue 2.1493 of A. The subsequent QR iterations with shift are then performed on the leading  $4 \times 4$  submatrices to find the rest of eigenvalues.

- 1. The QR decomposition takes  $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$  flops. Even if the QR iteration took n iterations to converge, the overall cost will be  $\mathcal{O}(n^4)$ . This is too expensive.<sup>1</sup>
- 2. However, if the matrix is initially reduced to upper Hessenberg form, then the QR decomposition of a Hessenberg form costs  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$  flops. As a result, the overall cost of the algorithm is reduced to  $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$ . This is referred to as the **Hessenberg QR algorithm**.
- 3. The **Hessenberg QR algorithm** is the method of choice for dense eigenvalue problem today, and is considered as one of the top 10 algorithms invented in the 20th century.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The complexity of algorithms for all standard matrix computation problems is at  $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$ .