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[Saad-Schulz 86]

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$(\mathcal{K}_k = \operatorname{span}\{b, Ab, A^2b, \dots, A^{k-1}b\})$

$$\begin{aligned} \Leftrightarrow \min_Y \|AQ_k Y - b\|_2 \quad & x = Q_k Y \\ & AQ_k = Q_k H_k \\ = \min_Y \left\| \begin{bmatrix} Q_k^T \\ Q_{k+1}^T \end{bmatrix} AQ_k Y - \begin{bmatrix} Q_k^T \\ Q_{k+1}^T \end{bmatrix} b \right\|_2 \\ = \min_Y \left\| \begin{bmatrix} H_k \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} Y - \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{b}_1 \\ \tilde{b}_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2 \end{aligned}$$

Hess, OCh) gives rot. for QR.


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Algorithm: Given $AQ_k = Q_{k+1}\tilde{H}_k$ and writing $x = Q_k y$, rewrite as

$$\begin{aligned} \min_y \|AQ_k y - b\|_2 &= \min_y \|Q_{k+1}\tilde{H}_k y - b\|_2 \\ &= \min_y \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{H}_k \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} y - \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{Q}_k^T \\ \tilde{Q}_{k,\perp}^T \end{bmatrix} b \right\|_2 \\ &= \min_y \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{H}_k \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} y - \|b\|_2 e_1 \right\|_2, \quad e_1 = [1, 0, \dots, 0]^T \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{aligned}$$


(where $[\tilde{Q}_k, \tilde{Q}_{k,\perp}]$ orthogonal; same trick as in least-squares)

- ▶ Minimised when $\|\tilde{H}_k y - \tilde{Q}_k^T b\| \rightarrow \min$; Hessenberg least-squares problem
- ▶ Solve via QR (k Givens rotations)+triangular solve, $O(k^2)$ in addition to Arnoldi

GMRES convergence: polynomial approximation

Recall that $x \in \mathcal{K}_k(A, b) \Rightarrow x = p_{k-1}(A)b$. Hence GMRES solution is

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathcal{K}_k(A, b)} \|Ax - b\|_2 &= \min_{p_{k-1} \in \mathcal{P}_{k-1}} \|Ap_{k-1}(A)b - b\|_2 \\ &= \min_{\tilde{p} \in \mathcal{P}_k, \tilde{p}(0)=0} \|(\tilde{p}(A) - I)b\|_2 \\ &= \min_{p \in \mathcal{P}_k, p(0)=1} \|p(A)b\|_2 \end{aligned}$$

$\tilde{p}(z) = z \cdot p_{k-1}(z)$
 $\tilde{p}(0) = 0$
 $p(z) = \tilde{p}(z) - 1$
 $p(0) = -1$
 $\Leftrightarrow p(0) = 1$

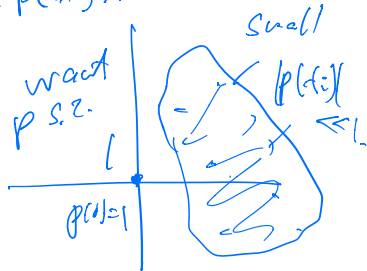
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assump.

If A diagonalizable $A = X\Lambda X^{-1}$,

$$p(A) = \sum_{i=0}^k c_i A^i = \sum_{i=0}^k c_i (X\Lambda X^{-1})^i = X \left(\sum_{i=0}^k c_i \Lambda^i \right) X^{-1} = X p(\Lambda) X^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|p(A)\|_2 &= \|X p(\Lambda) X^{-1}\|_2 \leq \|X\|_2 \|X^{-1}\|_2 \|p(\Lambda)\|_2 \\ &= \kappa_2(X) \max_{z \in \lambda(A)} |p(z)| \end{aligned}$$

Interpretation: find polynomial s.t. $p(0) = 1$ and $|p(\lambda_i)|$ small for all i



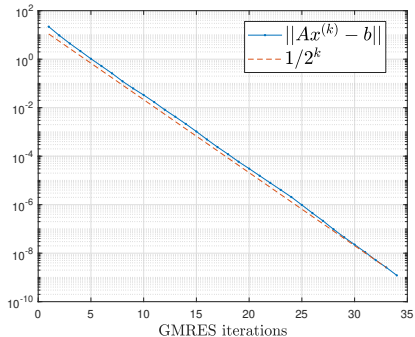
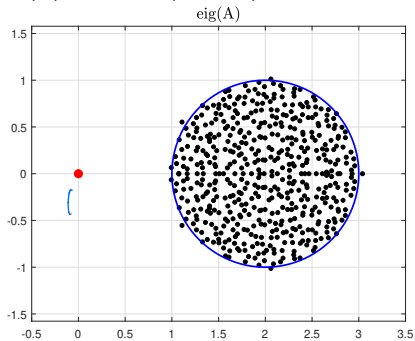
GMRES example

$\in \mathbb{R}^{500 \times 500}$

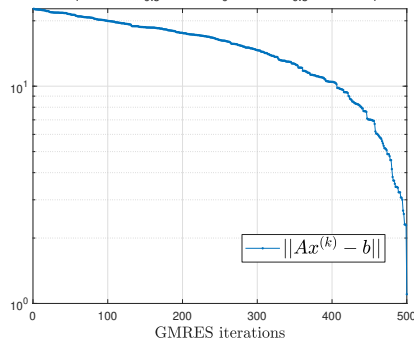
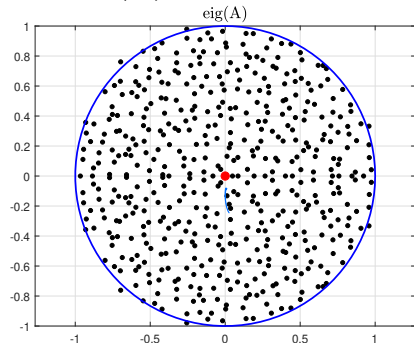
G : Gaussian random matrix ($G_{ij} \sim N(0, 1)$, i.i.d.) G/\sqrt{n} : eigvals in unit disk

$$A = 2I + G/\sqrt{n},$$

$$p(z) = 2^{-k}(z - 2)^k$$



$$A = G/\sqrt{n}$$



Restarted GMRES

For k iterations, GMRES costs k matrix multiplications + $O(nk^2)$ for orthogonalization
→ Arnoldi eventually becomes expensive.

Practical solution: restart by solving 'iterative refinement':

1. Stop GMRES after k_{\max} (prescribed) steps to get approx. solution \hat{x}_1
2. Solve $A\tilde{x} = b - A\hat{x}_1$ via GMRES
3. Obtain solution $\hat{x}_1 + \tilde{x}$

Sometimes multiple restarts needed



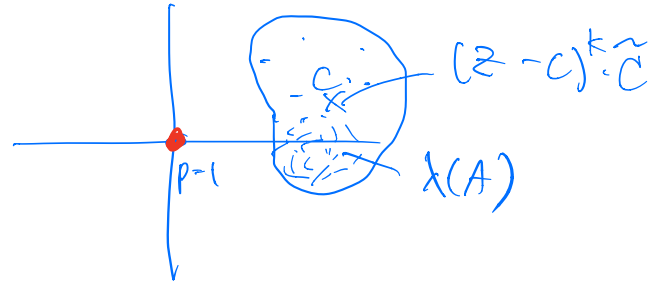
When does GMRES converge fast?

Recall GMRES solution satisfies (assuming A diagonalisable+nonsingular)

$$\min_{x \in \mathcal{K}_k(A,b)} \|Ax - b\|_2 = \min_{p \in \mathcal{P}_k, p(0)=1} \|p(A)b\|_2 \leq \kappa_2(X) \max_{z \in \lambda(A)} |p(z)| \|b\|_2.$$

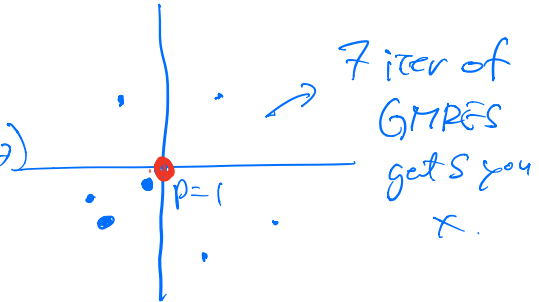
$\max_{z \in \lambda(A)} |p(z)|$ is small when

- ▶ $\lambda(A)$ are clustered away from 0
 - ▶ a good p can be found quite easily
 - ▶ e.g. example 2 slides ago



- ▶ When $\lambda(A)$ takes $k(\ll n)$ distinct values
 - ▶ Then convergence in k GMRES iterations (why?)

$$p(z) = \prod_{i=1}^k (z - \lambda_i) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad p(0) = 1.$$



Preconditioning for GMRES

We've seen that GMRES is great if spectrum clustered away from 0. If not true with

$$Ax = b,$$

then **precondition**: find $M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and solve
non-singular

$$MAx = Mb$$

$[b, Ab, A^2b, \dots]$
 (Ag_k)

Desiderata of M :

► M simple enough s.t. **applying M to vector** is easy (note that each GMRES iteration requires MA -multiplication), and one of

1. MA has clustered eigenvalues away from 0
2. MA has a small number of distinct eigenvalues
3. MA is well-conditioned $\kappa_2(MA) = O(1)$; then solve normal equation

$$(MA)^T MAx = (MA)^T Mb$$

$M = A^{-1}$ "ideal" preconditioner w.r.t. (2,3)

Preconditioners: examples

- ▶ ILU (Incomplete LU) preconditioner: $A \approx LU$, $M = (LU)^{-1} = U^{-1}L^{-1}$, L, U 'as sparse as A ' $\Rightarrow MA \approx I$ (hopefully; 'cluster away from 0')
- ▶ For $\tilde{A} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, ^{saddle-point matrix} set $M = \begin{bmatrix} A^{-1} & \\ & (CA^{-1}B)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$. Then if M nonsingular, $M\tilde{A}$ has eigvals $\in \{1, \frac{1}{2}(1 \pm \sqrt{5})\} \Rightarrow$ 3-step convergence [Murphy-Golub-Wathen 2000]
- ▶ Multigrid-based, operator preconditioning, ...

Finding effective preconditioners is never-ending research topic
Prof. Andy Wathen is our Oxford expert!

Arnoldi for nonsymmetric eigenvalue problems

Arnoldi for eigenvalue problems: **Arnoldi iteration + Rayleigh-Ritz** (just like Lanczos alg)

$$\text{Lanczos sym. eig} = \text{Lanczos iter} + \text{R-R}$$

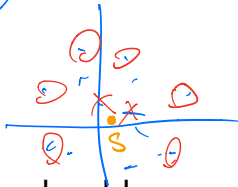
1. Compute $Q^T A Q$
2. Eigenvalue decomposition $Q^T A Q = X \hat{\Lambda} X^{-1}$ (via QR alg + Sylvester eqns) $\nearrow O(k^3)$
3. Approximate eigenvalues $\text{diag}(\hat{\Lambda})$ (Ritz values) and eigenvectors QX (Ritz vectors)
 (not back-stable (non-invertible))

As in Lanczos, $Q = Q_k = \mathcal{K}_k(A, b)$, so simply $Q_k^T A Q_k = H_k$ (Hessenberg eigenproblem, ideal for QRalg)

$$\rightarrow O(k^2) \text{ flops / QR step} \quad \text{span}(b, Ab)$$

Which eigenvalues are found by Arnoldi?

$$\text{span}(b, Ab) = \text{span}(b, (A - sI)b)$$



- ▶ Krylov subspace is invariant under shift: $\mathcal{K}_k(A, b) = \mathcal{K}_k(A - sI, b)$
- ▶ Thus any eigenvector that power method applied to $A - sI$ converges to should be contained in $\mathcal{K}_k(A, b)$
 $\neq \mathcal{K}_k(A, b)$
- ▶ To find other (e.g. interior) eigvals, **shift-invert Arnoldi**: $Q = \mathcal{K}_k((A - sI)^{-1}, b)$