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Eigenvalues and eigenvectors

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Program Lecture 12

Extracting eigenpairs

- Extraction
- Ritz values and harmonic Ritz values

Perturbed eigenproblems

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- Accuracy eigenvalues versus eigenvectors
- Perturbed eigenpairs
- Forward error and residual
- Pseudo spectra

$Ax = b$

$Ax = \lambda x$

Subspace methods

Iterate until sufficiently accurate:

- **Expansion.** Expand the search subspace \mathcal{V}_k .
Restart if $\dim(\mathcal{V}_k)$ is too large.
- **Extraction.** Extract an appropriate approximate solution from the search subspace.

Example. Krylov subspace methods as GMRES, CG, Arnoldi, Lanczos: expansion by $\mathbf{t}_k = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_k$

Goal.

Expansion. $\angle(\mathbf{x}, \mathcal{V}_{k+1}) \ll \angle(\mathbf{x}, \mathcal{V}_k)$

Extraction. Find $\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{V}_k$ s.t. $\angle(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) \approx \angle(\mathbf{x}, \mathcal{V}_{k+1})$

Extraction strategies

Let $\mathcal{V} \equiv \text{span}(\mathbf{V})$ be a search subspace.

Find $\mathbf{u} \equiv \mathbf{V}\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{V}$ such that

- **(Ritz-)Galerkin.** $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \vartheta\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{V}$ **Ritz values**
Orthogonal residuals $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{b} \perp \mathbf{V}$ for solving $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$
- **Petrov-Galerkin.** $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \vartheta\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}$ **harmonic Ritz values.**

Minimal residuals for solving $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$:

$$\mathbf{u} = \text{minarg}_{\mathbf{z}} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{b}\|_2 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{b} \perp \mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}$$

- **Refined Ritz.** For a given approximate eigenvalue ϑ ,

$$\mathbf{u} \equiv \text{minarg}_{\tilde{\mathbf{u}} \in \mathcal{V}} \|\mathbf{A}\tilde{\mathbf{u}} - \vartheta\tilde{\mathbf{u}}\|_2$$

Selection

Ritz–Galerkin and Petrov–Galerkin lead to k Ritz pairs $(\vartheta_i, \mathbf{u}_i)$, Petrov pairs, respectively $(i = 1, \dots, k)$.

Select the most ‘promising’ one as approximate eigenpair.

‘Most promising’:

1) Formulate a property that, among all eigenpairs, characterizes the wanted eigenpair

Example. $\lambda = \max(\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_j))$, $\lambda = \min|\lambda_j|$, $\lambda = \min|\lambda_j - \tau|$, \dots

2) Select among all Ritz pairs the one with this property.

Example. $\vartheta = \max(\operatorname{Re}(\vartheta_i))$, $\vartheta = \min|\vartheta_i|$, $\vartheta = \min|\vartheta_i - \tau|$, \dots

Warning. May lead to a ‘wrong’ selection

One wrong selection = one ‘useless’ iteration step.

One wrong selection at restart may spoil convergence.

Ritz values

For ease of discussion,

assume $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X}\Lambda$ with $\mathbf{X}^*\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{I}$,

where $\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n]$, $\Lambda = \operatorname{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$:

- $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{x}_i$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$),
- the eigenvectors \mathbf{x}_i form an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{C}^n .

Terminology. \mathbf{A} has an orthonormal basis \mathbf{X} of eigenvectors.

Note. \mathbf{A} is **normal** iff $\mathbf{A}^*\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^*$.

Hermitian and unitary matrices are normal.

\mathbf{A} is normal \Leftrightarrow

\mathbf{A} has an orthonormal basis of eigenvectors.

Ritz values

Proposition. $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{y}$. Ritz values are Rayleigh quotients:

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \vartheta\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{V} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \vartheta = \rho(\mathbf{u}) \equiv \frac{\mathbf{u}^*\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}}{\mathbf{u}^*\mathbf{u}}.$$

Proposition. For a given approximate eigenvector \mathbf{u} , the Rayleigh quotient is best approximate eigenvalue, i.e., gives the smallest residual:

$$\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \vartheta\mathbf{u}\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \tilde{\vartheta}\mathbf{u}\|_2 \quad (\tilde{\vartheta} \in \mathbb{C}) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \vartheta = \rho(\mathbf{u}).$$

Proof.

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \vartheta\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{V} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \vartheta\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{V}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{u} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \vartheta = \rho(\mathbf{u}).$$

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Ritz values

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\mathbf{u} approximate eigenvector, $\|\mathbf{u}\|_2 = 1$, $\vartheta = \rho(\mathbf{u})$.

$$\mathbf{u} = \sum \beta_i \mathbf{x}_i \quad \text{with} \quad \sum_i |\beta_i|^2 = 1,$$

$$\vartheta = \rho(\mathbf{u}) = \sum_i |\beta_i|^2 \lambda_i.$$

Proposition. If \mathbf{A} is normal, then any Ritz value is a convex mean (i.e., weighted averages) of eigenvalues.

Proposition. Ritz values form

- a safe selection for finding extremal eigenvalues,
- an unsafe selection for interior eigenvalues.

Harmonic Ritz values

For ease of discussion,

assume $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X}\Lambda$ with $\mathbf{X}^*\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{I}$.

Assume • we are interested in eigenvalue λ closest to 0,
 • 0 is in the interior of the spectrum, • $\lambda \neq 0$.

Note that $\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{\lambda}\mathbf{x}$ and $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ extremal in $\{\frac{1}{\lambda_i}\}$

With respect to \mathbf{W} , find $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \equiv \mathbf{W}\mathbf{y}$ st $\mathbf{A}^{-1}\tilde{\mathbf{x}} - \mu\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \perp \mathbf{W}$:

largest μ forms a safe selection ($\Rightarrow \lambda \approx \frac{1}{\mu}$, $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \approx \mathbf{x}$)

Select $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}$. Then, with $\mathbf{u} \equiv \mathbf{V}\mathbf{y}$, we have $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}$

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1}\tilde{\mathbf{x}} - \mu\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \perp \mathbf{W} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{1}{\mu}\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}$$

Proposition. Harmonic Ritz values form a safe selection for finding eigenvalues in the interior (close to 0).

\mathbf{A} given $n \times n$ matrix, $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$

In practice: Only *approximate* eigenpairs (ϑ, \mathbf{u}) can be computed, $\vartheta \in \mathbb{C}$, \mathbf{u} a non-trivial n -vector.

$$\begin{cases} \lambda - \vartheta & \text{forward error in the appr. eigenvalue} \\ \angle(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) & \text{forward error in the appr. eigenvector} \end{cases}$$

with **residual** $\mathbf{r} \equiv \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \vartheta\mathbf{u}$.

A perturbation Δ of \mathbf{A} such that

$$(\mathbf{A} - \Delta)\mathbf{u} = \vartheta\mathbf{u}$$

is called a **backward error** of the appr. eigenpair.

Proposition. With $\|\mathbf{u}\|_2 = 1$ and $\Delta \equiv \mathbf{r}\mathbf{u}^*$, we have

$$(\mathbf{A} - \Delta)\mathbf{u} = \vartheta\mathbf{u} \quad \& \quad \|\Delta\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{r}\|_2$$

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Strategy using harmonic Ritz values

1) Solve $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \vartheta\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}$

2) Select ϑ closest to 0.

Proposition. If \mathbf{A} is normal, then harmonic Ritz values are **harmonic** means of the eigenvalues.

Backward error

(ϑ, \mathbf{u}) with $\vartheta \in \mathbb{C}$, \mathbf{u} a non-trivial n -vector is an approximate eigenpair if the **residual** $\mathbf{r} \equiv \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \vartheta\mathbf{u}$ is small.

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For a given approximate eigenvector \mathbf{u} , we have the smallest residual

$$\vartheta = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mu} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \mu\mathbf{u}\|_2 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \vartheta\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{u} \Leftrightarrow \vartheta = \frac{\mathbf{u}^*\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}}{\mathbf{u}^*\mathbf{u}}$$

$\rho(\mathbf{u}) \equiv \frac{\mathbf{u}^*\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}}{\mathbf{u}^*\mathbf{u}}$ is the **Rayleigh quotient** (of \mathbf{u} wrt \mathbf{A}).

Note. If ϑ is the Rayleigh quotient, then $\mathbf{r} \perp \mathbf{u}$.

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- How do eigenpairs respond to perturbations?
- How to find (approximate) eigenpairs
(with small residuals).

Note. Δ may be structured.

Here, we will pay special attention only to $\Delta = \mathbf{r}\mathbf{u}^*$,
i.e., structure from backward error.

Accuracy eigenvalues versus eigenvectors

The approximate eigenvalue is usually much more accurate than the eigenvector.

If \mathbf{A} is Hermitian, then the error in the eigenvalue is of order square of the error of the eigenvector.

Let \mathbf{A} be Hermitian: $\mathbf{A}^* = \mathbf{A}$.

Theorem. $|\rho(\mathbf{u}) - \lambda| \leq \sin^2 \angle(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) \cdot \max_i |\lambda_i - \lambda|$.

Theorem. If $\lambda = \lambda_1 < \lambda_i$ all $i > 1$, then

$$\sin^2 \angle(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{u}) \leq \frac{\rho(\mathbf{u}) - \lambda_1}{\lambda_2 - \lambda_1}.$$

Proofs. Write $\mathbf{u} = c\mathbf{x} + s\mathbf{z}$, where $\mathbf{z} \perp \mathbf{x}$ and $\|\mathbf{z}\|_2 = 1$.

$$\rho(\mathbf{u}) - \lambda = \mathbf{u}^*(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} = s^2\mathbf{z}^*(\mathbf{A} - \lambda)\mathbf{z}$$

and $\rho(\mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{z}^*\mathbf{A}\mathbf{z}$ is in the convex hull of $\{\lambda_j \mid j \neq j_0\}$.

In case $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_1$ we have that $\rho(\mathbf{z}) \geq \lambda_2$ (Courant–Fischer).

Useful results, $\mathbf{A}^* = \mathbf{A}$

Theorem [Courant–Fischer] If $\lambda_1 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$, then

$$\lambda_i = \min_{\mathcal{W}} \max_{\mathbf{w}} \rho(\mathbf{w}) \quad (i = 1, \dots, n),$$

where the maximum is taken over all non-zero $\mathbf{w} \in \mathcal{W}$ and the minimum over all i -dimensional subspaces \mathcal{W} .

Theorem [Cauchy interlace] The eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} ,

if $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H} & \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{b}^* & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$, and \mathbf{H} **interlace**:

$$\lambda_1(\mathbf{A}) \leq \lambda_1(\mathbf{H}) \leq \lambda_2(\mathbf{A}) \leq \lambda_2(\mathbf{H}) \leq \dots \leq \lambda_{n-1}(\mathbf{H}) \leq \lambda_n(\mathbf{A})$$

Useful result for Hermitian problems using subspace methods, where, per step, the projected matrix is extended with one row and one column.

Examples

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \tau \\ \tau & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \tau & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \tau \\ \tau & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \tau \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} \tau & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \tau \\ \tau & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

If $\lambda = \lambda_i(0)$ is a non-simple eigenvalue of $\mathbf{A}(\tau)$ at $\tau = 0$, then $\lambda_i(\tau)$ can be expressed as a **Puiseux** series

$$\lambda_{i+m}(\tau) = \lambda + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \alpha_j \omega^m \eta^j, \quad (m = 0, 1, \dots, p-1, \tau \approx 0),$$

where $\eta \equiv r^{1/p} e^{i\phi/p}$ if $\tau = r e^{i\phi}$, and $\omega \equiv e^{2\pi i/p}$, $p \leq \text{mult}(\lambda)$.

Smooth perturbations

For $\tau \in \mathbb{C}$, consider $\mathbf{A}(\tau) \equiv \mathbf{A} - \tau \mathbf{E}$.

Then $\mathbf{A}(0) = \mathbf{A}$ and $\tau \rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A}(\tau)$ is smooth.

Theorem.

- There are continuous functions $\tau \rightsquigarrow \lambda_j(\tau)$ such that

$$\lambda_1(\tau), \dots, \lambda_n(\tau) \text{ are the eigenvalues of } \mathbf{A}(\tau)$$

counted according to multiplicity ($\tau \in \mathbb{C}$).

- If $\lambda_j(0)$ is a simple eigenvalue of $\mathbf{A}(0)$, then

$$\tau \rightsquigarrow \lambda_j(\tau) \text{ is analytic for } \tau \approx 0.$$

If, for some vector \mathbf{w} , the associated eigenvector $\mathbf{x}_j(\tau)$ is scaled st $\mathbf{w}^* \mathbf{x}_j(\tau) = 1$, then $\tau \rightsquigarrow \mathbf{x}_j(\tau)$ is also analytic.

- If $\mathbf{A}(\tau)$ is Hermitian ($\tau \in \mathbb{R}$), then there are eigenvalues $\lambda_j(\tau)$ and eigenvectors $\mathbf{x}_j(\tau)$ that depend analytically on τ ($j = 1, \dots, n, \tau \approx 0$).

The conditioning of an eigenvector

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}, \lambda \text{ simple}, \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 = 1$$

With

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}} \equiv (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^*)\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^*)$$

and taking the inverse of $\tilde{\mathbf{A}} - \lambda\mathbf{I}$ on \mathbf{x}^\perp , we have

Theorem. For some (ϑ, \mathbf{u}) with $(\mathbf{A} - \Delta)\mathbf{u} = \vartheta\mathbf{u}$, we have

$$\tan \angle(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) \lesssim \|(\tilde{\mathbf{A}} - \lambda\mathbf{I})^{-1}\|_2 \|\Delta\|_2$$

$$\text{Cond}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{A}) \equiv \|(\tilde{\mathbf{A}} - \lambda\mathbf{I})^{-1}\|_2$$

Interpretation. $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$ orthonormal (i.e., \mathbf{A} normal) \Rightarrow

$$\|(\tilde{\mathbf{A}} - \lambda\mathbf{I})^{-1}\|_2 = \max \left\{ \frac{1}{|\lambda_j - \lambda|} \mid \lambda_j \neq \lambda \right\} = \frac{1}{\gamma}$$

$\gamma \equiv \min_{\lambda_j \neq \lambda} |\lambda_j - \lambda|$ is the **spectral gap** for λ .

Analysis strategy

To avoid technical details, we focuss on **simple** eigenvalues: $\lambda = \lambda(0)$ is an eigenvalue of $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}(0)$ of multiplicity 1. $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}(0)$ is the associated normalised eigenvector.

We will identify convenient non-singular matrices \mathbf{V} (i.e., basis transforms) such that

$$\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & \mathbf{a}^* \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A}_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{E}\mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} \nu & \mathbf{f}^* \\ \tilde{\mathbf{r}} & \mathbf{E}_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Special cases: • $\epsilon \mathbf{E} = \Delta$ and $\epsilon \ll 1$

- $\epsilon \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{r}\mathbf{u}^*$ (rank 1)
- \mathbf{A} normal ($\mathbf{V}^*\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{I}$)
- \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{E} Hermitian ($\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{X}$ and $\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}$ diagonal)
- Combinations

The conditioning of an eigenvalue

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}^*\mathbf{A} = \lambda\mathbf{y}^*, \lambda \text{ simple}, \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 = \|\mathbf{y}\|_2 = 1$$

Theorem. For some (ϑ, \mathbf{u}) with $(\mathbf{A} - \Delta)\mathbf{u} = \vartheta\mathbf{u}$, we have

$$|\vartheta - \lambda| = \frac{|\mathbf{y}^*\Delta\mathbf{x}|}{|\mathbf{y}^*\mathbf{x}|} + \mathcal{O}(\|\Delta\|_2^2) \lesssim \frac{\|\Delta\|_2}{|\mathbf{y}^*\mathbf{x}|}$$

$$\text{Cond}_{\lambda}(\mathbf{A}) \equiv \frac{1}{\cos \angle(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}$$

Theorem [Weyl] If $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^*$ and $\Delta = \Delta^*$, then

$$|\lambda_i(\mathbf{A} + \Delta) - \lambda_i(\mathbf{A})| \leq \|\Delta\|_2.$$

($\mathbf{y}^*\mathbf{x} = 1$, $\mathcal{O}(\tau^2)$ -term is 0.) In this case, we even have

$$\lambda_1(\Delta) \leq \lambda_i(\mathbf{A} + \Delta) - \lambda_i(\mathbf{A}) \leq \lambda_n(\Delta)$$

Proof. Apply Courant–Fischer.

The conditioning of an eigenvalue

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \lambda \mathbf{x}, \quad \mathbf{y}^* \mathbf{A} = \lambda \mathbf{y}^*, \quad \lambda \text{ simple}, \quad \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 = \|\mathbf{y}\|_2 = 1$$

Theorem. For some (ϑ, \mathbf{u}) with $(\mathbf{A} - \Delta) \mathbf{u} = \vartheta \mathbf{u}$, we have

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$$\text{Cond}_\lambda(\mathbf{A}) \equiv \frac{1}{\cos \angle(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}$$

$\Delta = \mathbf{ru}^*$. **Theorem [Bauer-Fike].** If \mathbf{A} is normal, then

$$|\vartheta - \lambda| \leq \|\mathbf{r}\|_2 \quad \text{for some } \lambda \in \Lambda(\mathbf{A}).$$

$\Delta = \mathbf{ru}^*$. **Theorem.** If \mathbf{A} is normal and $\vartheta = \rho(\mathbf{u})$, then

$$\|\mathbf{r}\|_2 \leq \frac{1}{2} \gamma \quad \Rightarrow \quad |\rho(\mathbf{u}) - \lambda| \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{r}\|_2^2}{\gamma - \|\mathbf{r}\|_2}$$

(with γ the spectral gap for λ ; $\mathbf{y}^* \Delta \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{u}^* \mathbf{r} \mathbf{u} = 0$).

Quantifying perturbations

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & \mathbf{a}^* \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A}_1 \end{bmatrix} - \tau \begin{bmatrix} \nu & \mathbf{f}^* \\ \tilde{\mathbf{r}} & \mathbf{E}_1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \mathbf{z}_\tau \end{bmatrix} = \lambda(\tau) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \mathbf{z}_\tau \end{bmatrix}, \quad (*)$$

with $\lambda(0) = \lambda$ and $\mathbf{z}_0 = \mathbf{0}$.

In our application, $\tau = \epsilon$, $\epsilon \mathbf{E} = \Delta$, and we can take

- $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{X}$, the basis of eigenvectors \rightsquigarrow Bauer–Fike,
- $\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n]$ with $(\mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n)$ orthonormal basis \mathbf{x}^\perp .
- $\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n]$ with $(\mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n)$ orthonormal basis \mathbf{y}^\perp .

Here \mathbf{y} is the normalised left eigenvector for λ .

Estimates based on the asymptotic expression from the preceding transparencies have to be multiplied by $\mathcal{C}_2(\mathbf{V})$.

Quantifying perturbations

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with $\lambda(0) = \lambda$ and $\mathbf{z}_0 = \mathbf{0}$.

Note. $\|\mathbf{z}_\tau\|_2$ is the tangent of the angle between the eigenvector $(1, \mathbf{0}^T)^T$ and the perturbed eigenvector $(1, \mathbf{z}_\tau^T)^T$.

$$\begin{cases} \lambda - \tau \nu + \mathbf{a}^* \mathbf{z}_\tau - \tau \mathbf{f}^* \mathbf{z}_\tau = \lambda(\tau) \\ (\mathbf{A}_1 - \tau \mathbf{E}_1 - \lambda(\tau) \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{z}_\tau = \tau \tilde{\mathbf{r}} \end{cases}$$

Hence, for $\tau \rightarrow 0$,

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{z}_\tau = \tau (\mathbf{A}_1 - \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{r}} + \mathcal{O}(\tau^2) \\ \lambda - \lambda(\tau) = \tau [\nu - \mathbf{a}^* (\mathbf{A}_1 - \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}] + \mathcal{O}(\tau^2) \end{cases}$$

If $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$, then

$$\lambda - \lambda(\tau) = \tau \nu + \tau^2 \mathbf{f}^* (\mathbf{A}_1 - \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{r}} + \mathcal{O}(\tau^3)$$

Perturbed eigenvalues and pseudo-spectra

$\mathcal{C}_2(\mathbf{X})$ is an bound for the conditioning of the eigenvalues.

However, • it assumes a basis of eigenvectors,

- it does not discriminate between well conditioned and ill conditioned eigenvalues,
- it usually is not feasible to compute $\mathcal{C}_2(\mathbf{X})$.

The condition number $1/\cos \angle(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x})$ of a simple eigenvalue depends on the angle between its left and right eigenvector. This number can be (accurately) computed for one or for a few eigenvalues.

However, in general it is not feasible to compute these numbers for all eigenvalues (for non-normal \mathbf{A}).

Moreover, for n large, the collection of all these numbers is too large to provide global information on the sensitivity of all eigenvalues to perturbations.

The **pseudo-spectrum** offers a graphical way to access the sensitivity of eigenvalues to perturbations. It gives information on individual eigenvalues, regardless multiplicity.

Perturbed eigenvalues and pseudo-spectra

For $\epsilon \geq 0$, the ϵ -pseudo-spectrum $\Lambda_\epsilon(\mathbf{A})$ is

$$\Lambda_\epsilon(\mathbf{A}) \equiv \bigcup \{ \Lambda(\mathbf{A} + \Delta) \mid \|\Delta\|_2 \leq \epsilon \}$$

Proposition. $\vartheta \in \Lambda_\epsilon(\mathbf{A}) \Leftrightarrow$ smallest singular value $\mathbf{A} - \vartheta\mathbf{I} \leq \epsilon$
 $\Leftrightarrow \|(\mathbf{A} - \vartheta\mathbf{I})^{-1}\|_2^{-1} \leq \epsilon.$

Observations.

- If $\lambda \in \Lambda(\mathbf{A})$ and $|\lambda - \vartheta| \leq \epsilon$, then $\vartheta \in \Lambda_\epsilon(\mathbf{A})$.
- Often the pseudo-spectrum is much bigger than the union of discs with radius ϵ around eigenvalues.
- Often the value of ϵ does not seem to play a significant role (reason: $\epsilon^{\frac{1}{32}} \approx 1$ for any $\epsilon \in [10^{-8}, 10^{+8}]$).
- In floating point arithmetic $\mathbf{c} \equiv \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}$ is exactly $\mathbf{c} = (\mathbf{A} + \Delta)\mathbf{u}$ for some small perturbation Δ .
- If $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \vartheta\mathbf{u} \Rightarrow \vartheta \in \Lambda_\epsilon(\mathbf{A})$ for $\epsilon \geq \|\mathbf{r}\|_2$.