

Reading course on  
Numerical Solution of Eigenvalue Problems

Lecture 5

The Jacobi-Davidson method

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# 1 Some basics

We have the following standard eigenvalue problem:

$$Ax = \lambda x.$$

We use a so called **Galerkin approach** to solve it:

- Suppose we have a subspace  $\mathcal{S}$  which generates an orthogonal basis  $q_1, \dots, q_k$
- With  $Q_k := [q_1, \dots, q_k] \in \mathbb{R}^{n,k}$ , a matrix with orthogonal columns: Galerkin condition: find  $s$  and  $\theta$  such that

$$r := A \underbrace{Q_k s}_y - \theta \underbrace{Q_k s}_y \perp \{q_1, \dots, q_k\} = \mathcal{S}, y \in \mathcal{S}$$

or

$$Q_k^H A Q_k s = \theta s,$$

$H_k$  is the orthogonal projection of  $A$  onto  $\mathcal{S}$

**Definition 1.1.**  $(\theta, Q_k s) = (\theta, y)$  is called a Ritz pair associated with the subspace (search space)  $\mathcal{S} = \text{span}\{q_1, \dots, q_k\}$ .  $(\theta, y)$  with Ritz residual  $r$  approximates the eigenpair  $(\lambda, x)$  of  $A$ .

In practice we want  $k \ll n$ !

- Generate an orthonormal system  $q_1, \dots, q_k$  and we wish to add  $q_{k+1}$
- find an expansion vector  $v$  for the subspace  $Q_k$
- expand the subspace by orthogonalisation of  $v$  against  $q_1, \dots, q_k$  (modified Gram-Schmidt)
- solve the slightly bigger projected problem

$$Q_{k+1}^H A Q_{k+1} s = \theta s,$$

**Remark 1.1.** *Modified Gram-Schmidt and repeated Gram-Schmidt (for reorthogonalisation) are used in practice.*

There are different choices for the expansion vector  $v$ , assuming we have the initial subspace  $\text{span}\{q_1\}$ .

- *Arnoldi's method:*  $v = Aq_k$ , then  $H := Q_k^H A Q_k$  is upper Hessenberg

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**Algorithm 1** Subspace iteration

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choose initial subspace  $Q_1$ 
for  $j = 1, 2$  do
   $W_j \rightarrow AQ_j, H_j \rightarrow Q_j^H W_j$ 
  Compute desired eigenpair  $(\theta, s)$  of  $H_j$ , with  $\|s\| = 1$ 
   $y \rightarrow Q_j s$ 
   $r \rightarrow Ay - \theta y$ 
  Stop if satisfied
  Compute an expansion vector  $v$ 
  Expand subspace  $Q_{j+1} \rightarrow \text{ModGS}[Q_j, v]$ 
end for
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- *Lanczos' method*: (for  $A = A^H$ )  $v = Aq_k$ , then  $H := Q_k^H A Q_k$  is tridiagonal
- for both these methods the search space  $\text{span}\{Q_k\} = \text{span}\{q_1, Aq_1, \dots, A^{k-1}q_1\}$  is a so-called *Krylov subspace*
- Arnoldi and Lanczos favour extremal eigenvalues:
- Shift-and-Invert Arnoldi:  $v = (A - \tau I)^{-1}q_k$ : approach favours eigenvalues close to  $\tau$
- for large problems  $(A - \tau I)v = q_k$  is expensive and has to be done accurately!!

## 2 Davidson's method

- expand the search space  $\text{span}\{q_1, \dots, q_k\}$  in the direction

$$v = (D_A - \theta I)^{-1}r$$

where  $D_A$  is the diagonal of  $A$ .

- $q_{k+1}$  is obtained by orthogonalisation of  $v$  w.r.t.  $\text{span}\{Q_k\}$ .
- used for strongly diagonal dominant matrices
- problem: for diagonal matrices

$$v = (D_A - \theta I)^{-1}r = y \in \text{span}\{Q_j\}$$

does not lead to the expansion of the search space  $\text{span}\{Q_j\}$ .

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**Algorithm 2** Davidson's method

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choose  $q_1$  with  $\|q_1\| = 1$ ,  $Q_1 = [q_1]$ 
for  $j = 1, 2$  do
     $w_j = Aq_j$ 
    for  $k = 1$  to  $j - 1$  do
         $b_{kj} = q_k^H w_j$ 
         $b_{jk} = q_j^H w_k$ 
    end for
     $b_{jj} = q_j^H w_j$ 
    Compute largest eigenpair  $(\theta, s)$  of  $B$ , with  $\|s\| = 1$ 
     $y = Q_j s$ 
     $r = Ay - \theta y$ 
     $v = (D_A - \theta I)^{-1} r$ 
     $v = v - Q_j Q_j^H v$ 
     $q_{j+1} = \frac{v}{\|v\|}$ 
     $Q_{j+1} = [Q_j, q_{j+1}]$ 
end for
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### 3 Jacobi's method

- Let  $A$  be diagonal dominant and  $\alpha = a_{11}$  the largest diagonal element. The  $\alpha$  is an approximation of the largest eigenvalue  $\lambda$  and  $e_1$  is an approximation for the corresponding eigenvector  $q$ .
- Hence the problem

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & c^T \\ b & F \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

- interested in eigenvalue that is close to  $\alpha$  and in corresponding eigenvector  $q = [1, z^T]^T$  with  $z$  the component of  $q$  orthogonal to  $e_1$
- equivalent is

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda &= \alpha + c^T z \\ (F - \lambda I)z &= -b \end{aligned}$$

- apply Jacobi iteration with  $z_1 = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_k &= \alpha + c^T z_k \\ (D - \theta_k I)z_{k+1} &= (D - F)z_k - b \end{aligned}$$

where  $D$  is the diagonal entry of  $F$ .

- at all stages we look for the orthogonal complement to the initial approximation  $q_1 = e_1$ , not taking into account that better approximations  $q_k = [1, z_k^T]^T$  become available at each state (it may be more efficient to calculate  $q - (q^T q_k)q_k$ ).

## 4 The Jacobi-Davidson method

We try to find an *optimal expansion* of the subspace!

- Jacobi and Davidson attempt to find corrections to some initially given eigenvector approximation, they both use fixed operators
- Jacobi-Davidson: find the orthogonal complement for current approximation  $y_k$  with respect to the desired eigenvector  $A$
- let  $y_k$  be an approximation to the eigenvector of  $A$  and  $\theta_k$  the corresponding Ritz value, i.e.  $y_k \in \mathcal{S}$ , where  $\mathcal{S}$  is a low  $k$ -dimensional subspace (the search space)
- interested in seeing what happens in the subspace  $y_k^\perp$
- orthogonal projection of  $A$  onto that subspace is given by (with  $\|y_k\| = 1$ )

$$B = (I - y_k y_k^H) A (I - y_k y_k^H).$$

$B$  is the restriction of  $A$  to the subspace orthogonal to  $y_k$ . (Note that for  $y_k = e_1$  we have that  $F$  is the restriction of  $B$  with respect to  $e_1^\perp$ ).

- with  $\theta_k = y_k^H A y_k$  it follows that

$$A = B + A y_k y_k^H + y_k y_k^H A - \theta_k y_k y_k^H$$

- Look for an eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $A$  close to  $\theta_k$ , we want to have the correction  $v \perp y_k$  (orthogonal correction) such that

$$A(y_k + v) = \lambda(y_k + v),$$

or with  $B y_k = 0$

$$(B - \lambda I)v = -r + (\lambda - \theta_k - y_k^H A v)y_k$$

- Since LHS and  $r$  are orthogonal to  $y_k$  the last term must be zero and hence the correction satisfies

$$(B - \lambda I)v = -r$$

or

$$(I - y_k y_k^H)(A - \lambda I)(I - y_k y_k^H)v = -r.$$

- replace unknown  $\lambda$  by known  $\theta_k$  if approximate eigenvalue is already good enough or by some target  $\tau$
- *JD Correction equation:*

$$\underbrace{(I - y_k y_k^H)(A - \theta_k I)(I - y_k y_k^H)}_{B - \theta_k I} v = -r. \quad (1)$$

i.e.  $A - \theta_k I$  is restricted to the orthogonal complement of  $y_k$

- expand the subspace by  $v$  (using GS or modification) and compute new Ritz pair in expanded subspace
- Combination of the Jacobi approach of looking for the orthogonal complement of a given eigenvector approximation and Davidson's algorithm for expanding the subspace in which the eigenvector approximations are constructed

**Remark 4.1.** *Modified Gram-Schmidt and repeated Gram-Schmidt (for reorthogonalisation) are used in practice.*

## 5 Jacobi-Davidson as Newton-method/Rayleigh quotient iteration

If we solve the correction equation (1) *exactly*, then, since  $v \perp y_k$  we have  $(I - y_k y_k^H)v = v$  and

$$(A - \theta_k I)v = -r + \alpha y_k \quad (2)$$

where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  s.t.  $v \perp y_k$ . Then

$$v = -(A - \theta_k I)^{-1}r + \alpha(A - \theta_k I)^{-1}y_k = -y_k + \alpha(A - \theta_k I)^{-1}y_k.$$

The solution  $v$  is used to expand the search space.

- $y_k$  is already in the search space the expansion vector is effectively  $(A - \theta_k I)^{-1}y_k$ , which is the same as for *inverse iteration* for fixed  $\theta_k$  and the same as for *RQI* for  $\theta_k = y_k^H A y_k$  (from Ritz residual  $r = A y_k - \theta_k y_k$ ).

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**Algorithm 3** Jacobi-Davidson method

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choose  $q_1$  with  $\|q_1\| = 1$ ,  $Q_1 = [q_1]$   
**for**  $j = 1, 2$  **do**  
     $w_j = Aq_j$   
    **for**  $k = 1$  to  $j - 1$  **do**  
         $b_{kj} = q_k^H w_j$   
         $b_{jk} = q_j^H w_k$   
    **end for**  
     $b_{jj} = q_j^H w_j$   
    Compute largest eigenpair  $(\theta, s)$  of  $B$ , with  $\|s\| = 1$   
     $y = Q_j s$   
     $r = Ay - \theta y$   
    **if**  $\|r\| \leq \text{tol}$  **then**  
         $\lambda = \theta$ ,  $x = y$ , STOP  
    **end if**  
    Solve (approximately)

$$(I - yy^H)(A - \theta I)(I - yy^H)v = -r.$$

$v = v - Q_j Q_j^H v$   
 $q_{j+1} = \frac{v}{\|v\|}$   
 $Q_{j+1} = [Q_j, q_{j+1}]$   
**end for**

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- JD where we solve correction equation exactly is a *subspace accelerated* inverse iteration or RQI
- subspace acceleration:  $(A - \theta_k I)^{-1} y_k$  does not directly give the next approximate eigenvector, a hopefully even better approximation is sought in the subspace formed by  $\mathcal{S}$  expanded by this new vector.
- convergence of RQI: quadratic or cubic for Hermitian matrices
- JD can also be viewed as a Newton's method: equation (2):

$$(A - \theta_k I)v = -r + \alpha y_k, \quad v \perp y_k$$

can be written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} A - \theta_k I & y_k \\ y_k^H & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v \\ -\alpha \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -r \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- generally quadratic convergence (for Hermitian problems even cubic)

Now, the key idea of JD is to solve the correction equation (1) only *inexactly* by an iterative method.

- JD combined with an iterative solver: accelerated *inexact* Newton's method or accelerated *inexact* Inverse Iteration/RQI (quadr. convergence..)
- numerical observation: even for approximate solution of the correction equation (1) we get quite fast convergence

## 6 Solution of the correction equation

Iterative solvers are used to solve the large linear system:

- CG (Hermitian positive definit), MINRES (Hermitian), GMRES
- use preconditioner  $K$  for  $A - \theta_k I$ , i.e.  $K^{-1}(A - \theta_k I) \approx I$ , but usually fixed
- have to restrict  $K$  to the same subspace

$$\tilde{K} = (I - y_k y_k^H) K (I - y_k y_k^H)$$

- for a Krylov solver, in each step we have to find a vector  $z = \tilde{K}^{-1} \tilde{A} w$ , with

$$\tilde{A} = (I - y_k y_k^H) (A - \theta_k I) (I - y_k y_k^H)$$



- First

$$\tilde{A}w = (I - y_k y_k^H)(A - \theta_k I)(I - y_k y_k^H)w = (I - y_k y_k^H)g$$

with  $g = (A - \theta_k I)w$ , since  $y_k^H w = 0$ .

- Then solve

$$\tilde{K}z = (I - y_k y_k^H)g,$$

and since  $z \perp y_k$  we have

$$Kz = g - \beta y_k, \quad z = K^{-1}g - \beta K^{-1}y_k$$

and with  $z \perp y_k$  we get

$$\beta = \frac{y_k^H K^{-1}g}{y_k^H K^{-1}y_k},$$

so in each step of the Krylov solver the system  $K\tilde{g} = g$  has to be solved plus  $K\tilde{y} = y_k$  at the beginning.

## 7 Interior eigenvalues - Harmonic Ritz values

**Definition 7.1** (Harmonic Ritz value). *Let  $\tau$  be a complex (target) value that is not an eigenvalue of  $A$ . Then  $\mu$  is a Harmonic Ritz value of  $A$  with target  $\tau$  w.r.t. the space  $\mathcal{S}$  if  $(\mu - \tau)^{-1}$  is an ordinary Ritz value of  $(A - \tau I)^{-1}$ .*

- Revising the theory for Ritz values  $\mu$  satisfies this property if and only if  $(\mu - \tau)^{-1}$  is an eigenvalue of  $Q^H(A - \tau I)^{-1}Q$ , where  $\text{span}\{Q\}$  is a basis of  $\mathcal{S}$
- difficult to evaluate if  $A$  is large, because it involves solving a system
- obtain harmonic Ritz value w.r.t. another subspace  $\mathcal{U} = (A - \tau I)\mathcal{S}$
- $\mu$  is a harmonic Ritz value of  $A$  with target  $\tau$  with respect to the space  $\mathcal{U}$  if and only if there is a  $u \in \mathcal{U}$  s.t.

$$(A - \tau I)^{-1}u - (\mu - \tau)^{-1}u \perp \mathcal{U}$$

- with  $u = (A - \tau I)Qs$ , where  $s$  is uniquely determined we get

$$(A - \mu I)Qs \perp \mathcal{U}$$

- Let  $v = Qs$ . Then  $v$  is called the *harmonic Ritz vector* associated with the Ritz value  $\mu$

- finally, with  $Y = (A - \tau I)Q \in \mathbb{C}^{n,k}$  we get

$$Y^H Y s = (\mu - \tau) Y^H Q s$$

which is a small  $(k \times k)$  generalized eigenproblem, which has to be solved

- get  $\mu$ , the harmonic Ritz value and  $v = Qs$  the harmonic Ritz vector

## 8 Remarks

- **Restarts:** dispose the less promising vectors to reduce amount of storage, suppose we have  $m = k + j$  orthonormal vectors, the columns of the matrix  $Q \in \mathbb{C}^{n,m}$  and we want to discard  $j$  columns and keep  $k$ -dimensional subspace, let  $H = Q^H A Q$  and compute Schur decomposition  $B = U T U^H$ ,  $U$  unitary,  $T$  upper triangular with Ritz values on the diagonal, order them in a way s.t.

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ 0 & T_{22} \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $T_{11}$  contains the  $k$  most promising Ritz values, let  $\hat{Q} = Q U$  and partition  $\hat{Q} = [\hat{Q}_1, \hat{Q}_2]$ , where  $\hat{Q}_1 \in \mathbb{C}^{n,k}$  is the vector we keep (*purging*)

- **Deflation:** used if an eigenpair  $(\lambda, x)$  is detected and we would like to find other pairs, use only subspaces that are spanned by the remaining vector, orthogonal deflation replaces  $A$  by  $(1 - x x^H) A (1 - x x^H)$  after finding  $x$ , project out the converged subspaces, natural in the Jacobi-Davidson context, more general: replace  $A$  by  $(1 - Z Z^H) A (1 - Z Z^H)$ , where  $A Z = Z S$  is a partial Schur decomposition of  $A$  with  $Z \in \mathbb{C}^{n,k}$  orthonormal Schur vectors and  $S \in \mathbb{C}^{k,k}$  upper triangular with eigenvalues of  $A$  on diagonal
- **Deflated Preconditioning:** is not much harder than calculating just one extremal eigenvalue, let  $(\theta, y)$  be the current Ritz pair, then with  $\tilde{U} = [Z, y]$  we have

$$\tilde{A} = (I - \tilde{U} \tilde{U}^H) (A - \theta I) (I - \tilde{U} \tilde{U}^H)$$

and for the preconditioner

$$\tilde{K} = (I - \tilde{U} \tilde{U}^H) K (I - \tilde{U} \tilde{U}^H)$$