Optimal Krylov Space Approximations to Rational Matrix Functions

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Lanczos and Arnoldi Algorithms

The Lanczos algorithm (for Hermitian matrices A) and the Arnoldi algorithm (for general square matrices A) construct an orthonormal basis for the Krylov space: span $\{b, Ab, \ldots, A^{k-1}b\}$. Let $Q_k := [q_1, \ldots, q_k]$ denote the n by k matrix whose columns are these basis vectors. Then

 $AQ_{k} = Q_{k}H_{k} + h_{k+1,k}q_{k+1}e_{k}^{T} = Q_{k+1}H_{k+1,k},$

where H_k is a k by k symmetric tridiagonal (for Lanczos) or upper Hessenberg (for Arnoldi) matrix, e_k denotes the kth unit vector, and $H_{k+1,k}$ is the k + 1 by k matrix obtained by appending the row $[0, \ldots, 0, h_{k+1,k}]$ to H_k .

We wish to use these basis vectors to approximate

 $R(A)b := D(A)^{-1}N(A)b.$

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Note that if D(A) = A and N(A) = I, this is just GMRES (or MINRES):

$$\min_{y} \|A^{-1}b - Q_{k}y\|_{A^{*}A} = \min_{y} \|Q_{k}e_{1} - AQ_{k}y\|_{2} = \min_{y} \|e_{1} - H_{k+1,k}y\|.$$

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If
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 and $N(z) := \sum_{\ell=0}^{L} n_\ell z^\ell$, then
 $\|N(A)Q_k e_1 - D(A)Q_k y\|_2 =$
 $\left\|\sum_{\ell=0}^{L} n_\ell Q_{k+\ell} H_{k+\ell,k} e_1 - (\sum_{j=0}^{J} d_j Q_{k+j} H_{k+j,k})y\right\|_2.$

Equivalently, if $m = \max\{J, L\}$,

 $\min_{y} \|N(H_{k+m})e_1 - D(H_{k+m})(:,1:k)y\|_2.$

Solve this least squares problem using standard QR factorization of the k + m by k coefficient matrix. It is not upper Hessenberg if deg(D) > 1, but $D(H_{k+m})(:, 1 : k)$ differs from $D(H_{k+m-1})(:, 1 : k - 1)$ only in last row and last column. Apply previous Givens rotations to last column and determine new rotations to eliminate entries $k + 1, \ldots, k + m$ in column k.



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Let $S := D(A)^*D(A)$. Since $Q_k y = P_{k-1}(A)b$ where P_{k-1} is the $(k-1)^{st}$ degree polynomial that minimizes the S-norm of the error, we can write

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However, as for linear systems, any nonincreasing convergence curve can be obtained with a matrix having any given eigenvalues.

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If one prefers to work directly with the S-norm, then

$$\frac{\|R(A)b - Q_k y\|_S}{\|b\|_S} \le (1 + \sqrt{2}) \min_{p_{k-1} \in \mathcal{P}_{k-1}} \max_{z \in W(S^{1/2}AS^{-1/2})} |R(z) - p_{k-1}(z)|.$$

The previous bounds are not useful if R has a pole in W(A) (or in $W(S^{1/2}AS^{-1/2})$). Crouzeix and G. [Spectral Sets: Numerical Range and Beyond] showed that one could remove a disk about such a pole $\xi \in W(A)$ of radius $1/w((\xi I - A)^{-1})$, where w is the numerical radius, and still have a $(3 + 2\sqrt{3})$ -spectral set. Thus

$$\frac{\|R(A)b - Q_k y\|_2}{\|b\|_2} \le \kappa(S)^{1/2} (3 + 2\sqrt{3}) \cdot$$

 $\min_{p_{k-1}\in\mathcal{P}_{k-1}}\max_{z\in W(A)\setminus\mathcal{D}(\xi,1/w((\xi I-A)^{-1}))}|R(z)-p_{k-1}(z)|.$

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$$A = \mathsf{randn}(100) + \mathbf{15I}$$



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Example: Grear Matrix, N = I, D = A

 $A = gallery('grcar',100), \kappa(V) = huge, \kappa(D(A)) = 3.6.$



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- ▶ For highly nonnormal problems, a priori error bounds can be based on how well one can approximate R(z) using a polynomial of degree at most k − 1 on W(A) or other K-spectral sets.