

# Welcome to Math 221! Lecture 15, Fall 24

## Randomized Low Rank Factorizations

Goal: Beat QRCP (and SVD)

Given  $A^{m \times n}$ ,  $m > n$ , and target rank

$k < n$ , usually don't know

$k$  accurately, so in practice

use  $k+p$ ,  $p = \#$  extra columns

in sampling matrix,

to get good rank  $k$  approx

Given  $A^{m \times n}$ , choose random  $F^{n \times (k+p)}$

(tall skinny), form  $A \cdot F$  to get

$k+p$  randomized linear combinations

of columns of  $A$ ; i.e. sample

column space of  $A$ .

1) choose random  $n \times (k+p)$   $F$

2) form  $Y = A \cdot F$   $m \times (k+p)$

expect  $Y$  to accurately sample

column space of  $A$

3)  $Y = QR$ , columns of  $Q$  also sample

column space of  $A$

4)  $B = Q^T A$

Answer: approximate  $A$  by  $Q \cdot B = Q \cdot Q^T \cdot A$

$Q \cdot Q^T$  = orthogonal projection onto a space approximating column space of  $A$

If we compute SVD of  $B = U \Sigma V^T$

then  $Q \cdot B = \underbrace{(Q \cdot U)}_{\text{orthogonal}} \cdot \Sigma \cdot V^T = \text{approx SVD of } A$

Best possible  $Q$ : first  $k+p$  left singular vectors, for  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_{k+p}$

if  $A = U_A \Sigma_A V_A^T$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} Q Q^T A &= U_A (1:m, 1:k+p) \Sigma_A (1:k+p, 1:k+p) \\ &\quad (V_A (1:n, k+p))^T \\ &= k+p \text{ truncated SVD of } A \end{aligned}$$

$$\|A - Q Q^T A\|_2 = \sigma_{k+p+1}$$

Our goal is just to get error proportional to  $\sigma_{k+1}$

Thm: if  $F(i,j)$  is i.i.d.  $N(0,1)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} E(\|A - Q Q^T A\|_2) \\ \leq \left(1 + \frac{4\sqrt{k+p}}{p-1} \sqrt{\min(m,n)}\right) \sigma_{k+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{prob}(\|A - QQ^T A\|_2 \leq$$

$$(1 + 11 \cdot \sqrt{k+p} \sqrt{\min(m,n)}) \sigma_{k+1})$$

$$\geq 1 - \frac{6}{p^p}$$

$$p=6 \Rightarrow \text{prob} \sim .9999$$

When is Randomized Low Rank Approximation cheaper than QRCP, which costs  $\mathcal{O}(m \cdot n \cdot (k+p))$ ?

If  $A$  sparse, last 3 steps of alg cost:

$$(2) Y = A \cdot F \quad \text{costs } 2 \cdot \text{nnz}(A) \cdot (k+p)$$

$$(3) Y = Q \cdot R \quad \text{costs } 2m(k+p)^2$$

$$(4) B = Q^T A \quad \text{costs } 2 \text{nnz}(A) \cdot (k+p)$$

each of which can be much smaller

than cost of QRCP:  $\mathcal{O}(m \cdot n \cdot (k+p))$

since  $\text{nnz}(A) \ll m \cdot n$ ;

$m(k+p)^2 \ll m \cdot n \cdot (k+p)$  since  $k+p \ll n$

Does (3) dominate, or (2) + (4)?

if  $A$  has at least  $k+p$  nonzeros per row then  $\text{nnz}(A) \geq m \cdot (k+p)$  and (2)+(4) dominates

(Chap 7 has more approximate SVD algs, not randomized, can combine with randomization for more speedups)

What about dense  $A$ ?

If we use explicit dense  $F$

$\text{cost}(A \cdot F) = 2 \cdot m \cdot n \cdot (k+p)$ , comparable to QRCP

Factoring  $Y = QR$  still costs  $O(m(k+p)^2)$  potentially much less than QRCP

But  $B = Q^T A$  still costs  $O(m \cdot n \cdot (k+p))$  comparable to QRCP

## Randomized Low-Rank Factorization via Row Extraction

(1) choose random  $n \times (k+p)$   $F$

(2)  $Y = A \cdot F$   $m \times (k+p)$

(3)  $Y = QR$

(4) Find "most linearly independent"

$k+p$  rows of  $Q$ :

write  $P \cdot Q = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \end{bmatrix}$   $\begin{matrix} k+p \\ m-(k+p) \end{matrix}$ , can use  $Q_1^{-1} P P$  or QRCP on  $Q_1^T$

(5)  $X = P Q \cdot Q_1^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \end{bmatrix} Q_1^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} I \\ Q_2 Q_1^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$

we expect  $\|X\| \sim O(1)$

(6) use  $P$  to select same rows of  $A$

$$PA = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{A}_1 \\ A_2 \end{bmatrix}_{n \times (k+p)}, \text{ final approx of } A$$

$$\text{is } A \approx P^T X \cdot A_1$$

$$= P^T \begin{bmatrix} I \\ Q_2 Q_1^{-1} \end{bmatrix} A_1 = P^T \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ Q_2 Q_1^{-1} A_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Costs for a dense  $A$ :

(2)  $O(m \cdot n \cdot \log n)$  or  $O(m \cdot n \cdot \log(k+p))$   
using SRTT or SRHT

(3)  $Y = QR: 2m(k+p)^2$

(4) GEPP on  $Q$  (or QRCP on  $Q^T$ ):  
 $2m(k+p)^2$

(5)  $Q_2 \cdot Q_1^{-1} = O(m(k+p)^2)$

much better than previous  $O(m \cdot n \cdot (k+p))$   
if  $k+p \ll n$

If GEPP or QRCP in step (4) work well,  
expect  $\|x\| = \|Q_2 \cdot Q_1^{-1}\| = O(1)$

Then  $\|A - P^T \cdot X \cdot A_1\| \leq (1 + \|x\|_2) \|A - QQ^T A\|_2$

Proof: Assume  $P = I$  for simplicity

$$\begin{aligned}
\|A - X \cdot A_1\|_2 &= \|A - QQ^T A + QQ^T A - X A_1\|_2 \\
&\leq \|A - QQ^T A\|_2 + \|QQ^T A - X A_1\|_2 \\
&= \|A - QQ^T A\|_2 + \|X \cdot Q_1 \cdot Q^T A - X A_1\|_2 \\
&= \|A - QQ^T A\|_2 + \|X\|_2 \cdot \|Q_1 \cdot Q^T A - A_1\|_2 \\
&\leq \|A - QQ^T A\|_2 + \|X\|_2 \cdot \left\| \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \end{bmatrix} Q^T A - \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2 \\
&= \|A - QQ^T A\|_2 + \|X\|_2 \cdot \|QQ^T A - A\|_2 \\
&= (1 + \|X\|_2) \|A - QQ^T A\|_2 \quad Q \in \mathbb{R}^n
\end{aligned}$$


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Eigen value Problems:

Goals:

Canonical Forms (recall Jordan form,  
why Schur form better)

Variations on eigen problems  
(not just one square matrix)

Perturbation theory  
(can I trust my answer?)

Algorithms (for a single, nonsymmetric  $A$ ,  
Chap 5 for  $A = A^T$ )

# Webpage: Templates for Solution of Algebraic Eigenvalue Problems

Recall Definitions:

Def:  $p(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I)$ ,  $A^{n \times n}$  is characteristic polynomial  
n roots  $\rightarrow$  eigen values

Def: if  $\lambda$  eigenvalue,  $\exists$  nonzero null vector  $x$  of  $A - \lambda I \Rightarrow$

$$Ax - \lambda Ix = 0 \Rightarrow Ax = \lambda x$$

$x$  right eigenvector (evec for short)

Analogously  $\exists y^H$  s.t.  $y^H(A - \lambda I) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow y^H A = \lambda y^H, y \text{ left evec}$$

Def:  $S$  nonsingular and  $B = SAS^{-1}$

$S$  similarity transform

$A$  and  $B$  are similar

Lemma:  $A$  and  $B$  similar  $\Rightarrow$

have same evals, and evecs related by multiplying by  $S$  or  $S^{-1}$

pf:  $Ax = \lambda x$  iff  $\underbrace{SAS^{-1}}_B Sx = \lambda Sx$

$$\text{iff } B(Sx) = \lambda(Sx)$$

$$y^H A = \lambda y^H \quad \text{iff} \quad y^H \underbrace{S^{-1} S A S^{-1}}_B = \lambda y^H S^{-1}$$

$$\text{iff} \quad (y^H S^{-1}) B = \lambda (y^H S^{-1})$$

Goal: Transform  $A$  to a similar and "simpler"  $B$  whose evals and evecs are "easy" to compute

Simplest:  $B$  diagonal  
 $\Rightarrow$  evals are  $B(i, i)$ , evecs =  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (ith entry)

Lemma: if  $A x_i = \lambda_i x_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$

and  $S = [x_1, \dots, x_n]$  nonsingular

i.e.  $\exists n$  linearly independent evecs

$$\text{then } A = S \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} S^{-1} = S \cdot \Lambda \cdot S^{-1}$$

(conversely if  $A = S \Lambda S^{-1}$ ,  $\Lambda$  diagonal  
 then columns of  $S$  are evecs

$$\text{proof: } A = S \Lambda S^{-1} \quad \text{iff} \quad A S = S \Lambda$$

$$\text{iff } A S[i, i] = S[i, i] \lambda_i \quad \forall i \quad \text{QED}$$

$\uparrow$                      $\uparrow$   
 evec                eval

But can't always diagonalize  $A$  for 2 reasons

(1) may be mathematically impossible  
(recall Jordan form)

(2) may be numerically unstable  
even if it exists (when evals close)

Recall Jordan Form: For any  $A$

$\exists$  similarity  $SA S^{-1} = J = \text{diag}(J_1, \dots, J_k)$

where each  $J_i = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_i & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_i \end{bmatrix}$

Up to permuting order of  $J_i$  this is unique;  
different  $J_i$  can have equal  $\lambda_i$ , eg  $A = I$

Only one right or left evec per block

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{can't diagonalize, need } n \text{ independent evecs}$$

How sensitive is this?  $\epsilon \ll 1$

$$(1) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1+\epsilon \end{bmatrix} : (1, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}), (1+\epsilon, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix})$$

$$(2) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \epsilon \\ \epsilon & 1 \end{bmatrix} : (1+\epsilon, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}), (1-\epsilon, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix})$$

evecs rotated  $45^\circ$

$$(3) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \epsilon \\ 0 & 1+\epsilon^2 \end{bmatrix} : (1, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}), (1+\epsilon^2, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \epsilon \end{bmatrix})$$

evecs nearly parallel

$$(4) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \epsilon \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, (1, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}) \text{ just one evec}$$

$$(5) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, (1, \text{anything}), (1, \text{anything})$$

When evals (nearly) identical,  
Jordan form very ill conditioned

Our goal: backward stability

exact evals, evecs of  $A+E$   $\frac{\|E\|}{\|A\|} = O(\epsilon)$

Backward Stable approach to eigen problem

Recall chap 3: Multiplying by  
multiple orthogonal matrices backward stable

$$\text{fl}(Q_k(\dots(Q_2(Q_1 A)))) = Q(A+E) \quad \frac{\|E\|}{\|A\|} = O(\epsilon)$$

$Q Q^T = I$

Apply twice to get orthogonal similarity

$$\text{fl}(Q_k(\dots(Q_2(Q_1 A Q_1^T) Q_2^T) \dots) Q_k^T) = Q(A+E) Q^T$$

$Q Q^T = I$   $\frac{\|E\|}{\|A\|} = O(\epsilon)$

If we restrict similarity  $S$  to be orthogonal, how close to Jordan form can we get?

Thm (Schur canonical Form)

Given an  $n \times n$   $A$ ,  $\exists$  unitary  $Q$ ,  $Q Q^H = I$   
 s.t.  $Q^H A Q = T =$  upper triangular  
 with evals  $T(\lambda_i)$  which can be complex  
 if  $A$  is real, appear in any order

Computing evecs of  $T$ : just triangular solve

$$\begin{matrix} i-1 \\ 1 \\ n-i \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} & T_{13} \\ 0 & T(\lambda_i) & T_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & T_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = T(\lambda_i) \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} i-1 \\ 1 \\ n-i \end{matrix}$$

$$T_{11} \cdot x_1 + T_{12} x_2 + T_{13} \cdot x_3 = T(\lambda_i) \cdot x_1 \quad (1)$$

$$T(\lambda_i) \cdot x_2 + T_{23} \cdot x_3 = T(\lambda_i) \cdot x_2 \quad (2)$$

$$T_{33} \cdot x_3 = T(\lambda_i) x_3 \quad (3)$$

if  $T(\lambda_i)$  unique (3):  $\underbrace{(T_{33} - T(\lambda_i)I)}_{\text{nonsingular}} x_3 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x_3 = 0$$

$$(2): T(\lambda_i) \cdot x_2 = T(\lambda_i) x_2, \quad x_2 = 1$$

$$(1): T_{11} x_1 + T_{12} = T(\lambda_i) x_1$$

$$\underbrace{(T_{11} - T(i,i)I)}_{\text{triangular, nonsingular}} x_1 = -T_{12} \quad \left. \vphantom{\underbrace{(T_{11} - T(i,i)I)}_{\text{triangular, nonsingular}}}} \right\} \text{triangular solve}$$

What does Matlab do with

$$[V, D] = \text{eig}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) \quad ?$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad V = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2^{-969} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{\text{underflow}}{\varepsilon} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\approx 2 \cdot 10^{-292}$