

Welcome to Ma221! Lecture 25, Fall 24

## Krylov Subspace Methods (KSMs)

for  $Ax=b$  and  $Ax=\lambda x$

Intro: Arnoldi and Lanczos

Many KSMs for  $Ax=b$ , depending on structure of  $A$

1) General  $A$ : GMRES

generalized minimum residual

2) SPD  $A$  (eg Poisson): CG

conjugate gradients

Later: Decision tree to choose KSM  
depending on  $A$  (Fig 6.8 in text)

Unlike Splitting Methods, KSMs only  
need "black box" for  $A \cdot x$ ,

Eg don't need  $\text{diag}(A)$ , as for Jacobi

1) can write algorithms that are very general,  
leave details of  $A \cdot x$  to user

2) can solve problems when  $A$  not  
explicitly available, eg only  $A \cdot x$  from  
doing a complicated simulation, or  
from automatic differentiation of a  
program for  $f(x)$  to multiply  $\nabla f \cdot x$

eg PyTorch

If you have access to  $A$  itself, can use it to avoid communication. Dominant cost of KSM is usually  $A \cdot x$ . Cost of doing  $k$   $A \cdot x$ 's is  $O(k)$  if  $A$  too large to store in fast memory. Can reorganize KSMs to take  $k$  steps and only read  $A$  once from slow memory, assuming  $A$  has a "good" sparsity structure

How to extract info about  $A$  from  $A \cdot x$ :

Given starting vector  $y_1$  (say  $y_1 = b$  if solving  $Ax = b$ )

Compute  $y_2 = Ay_1, y_3 = Ay_2, \dots, y_n = A^{n-1} y_1$

$$K = [y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n]^{n \times n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A \cdot K &= [Ay_1, Ay_2, \dots, Ay_n] \\ &= [y_2, y_3, \dots, y_n, A^n y_1] \end{aligned}$$

If  $K$  nonsingular write  $c = -K^{-1} A^n y_1$

$$A \cdot K = K \underbrace{[e_2, e_3, e_4, \dots, e_n, -c]}_C = K \cdot C$$

$$C = K^{-1}AK = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & & & 0 & -c_1 \\ 1 & 0 & & & \vdots & -c_2 \\ 0 & 1 & & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & & & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & & & 1 & -c_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{upper Hessenberg} \\ \text{companion matrix} \end{array}$$

$$p(x) = \det(xI - C) = x^n + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x^{i-1}$$

= characteristic polynomial of A

Is this useful for solving  $Ax=b$  or  $Ax=\lambda x$ ?

Disadvantages:

- (1)  $K$  likely dense if  $A$  sparse, so solving  $Kx=b$  harder than  $Ax=b$
- (2)  $K$  likely very illconditioned because  $y_i$  converging to  $evec$  for  $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\Rightarrow$  nearly parallel

How KSMs fix these problems

- (1) Instead of  $K$ , compute orthogonal  $Q$ , where leading  $k$  columns of  $Q$  span same space as leading  $k$  columns of  $K$ , via QR of  $K$
- (2) only compute a few leading columns of  $Q$

Def: Krylov subspace:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{span} \{y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_k\} \\ &= \text{span} \{y_1, Ay_1, \dots, A^{k-1}y_1\} \\ &= \mathcal{K}_k(A, y_1) \end{aligned}$$

Relationship between  $K$  and  $Q$ :  $K = QR$

Find "best" solution to  $Ax = b$  or  $Ax = dx$   
inside  $\mathcal{R}_k(A, y_1)$

many definitions of "best"  $\Rightarrow$  many algorithms  
(see decision tree)

How to compute  $Q$  column by column

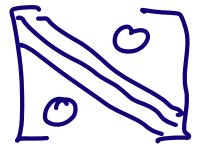
$$K^{-1} A K = C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -c_1 \\ & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \ddots & 1 - c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K = QR \Rightarrow R^{-1} Q^T A Q R = C$$

$$(*) \quad Q^T A Q = \begin{matrix} R & C & R^{-1} \\ \nabla & \nabla & \nabla \end{matrix} = \nabla = H \quad \begin{matrix} \text{upper} \\ \text{Hessenberg} \end{matrix}$$

(Q6.11)

$A = A^T \Rightarrow H = H^T \Rightarrow H$  tridiagonal



$$(*) \quad Q^T A Q = H \Rightarrow A Q = Q H$$

equate  $j^{\text{th}}$  columns:

$$A q_j = \sum_{i=1}^{j+1} q_i H_{ij}$$

$q_j$  orthog to  $q_i \Rightarrow$  multiply both sides by  $q_m^T$

$$q_m^T A q_j = \sum_{i=1}^{j+1} \underbrace{q_m^T q_i}_{\delta_{mi}} H_{ij} = H_{mj} \quad 1 \leq m \leq j$$

$$\underline{H_{j+1,j} \cdot q_{j+1}} = \underline{A q_j - \sum_{i=1}^j q_i H_{ij}}$$

Arnoldi Algorithm for (partial)  
reduction to upper Hessenberg form

$$q_1 = y_1 / \|y_1\|_2$$

for  $j = 1$  to  $k$

$$z = A \cdot q_j$$

for  $i = 1$  to  $j$

$$H_{ij} = q_i^T z$$

$$z = z - H_{ij} \cdot q_i$$

} MGS on  $z$

end for

$$H_{j+1,j} = \|z\|_2$$

$$q_{j+1} = z / H_{j+1,j}$$

end for

$q_j$  are called Arnoldi vectors

cost =  $k$  multiplications by  $A$

+  $O(kn^2)$  flops for MGS

What have we learned about  $A$  after  $k$  steps?

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} Q_k & Q_u \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q_k = [q_1, q_2, \dots, q_k] \quad \text{known}$$

$q_{k+1}$  known too

$$H = Q^T A Q = [Q_k \mid Q_u]^T A [Q_k \mid Q_u]$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} Q_k^T A Q_k & Q_k^T A Q_u \\ \hline Q_u^T A Q_k & Q_u^T A Q_u \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} H_k & H_{ku} \\ \hline H_{ku} & H_u \end{array} \right]$$

$H$  upper Hessenberg  $\Rightarrow H_k$  and  $H_u$   
upper Hessenberg

$$H_{ku} = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \circ \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow H(k+1, k) \\ H_k \text{ and } H_{ku} \text{ known} \\ H_u \text{ and } H_{uk} \text{ unknown} \end{array}$$

if  $A = A^T \Rightarrow H = T = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \alpha_1 & \beta_1 \\ \beta_1 & \alpha_2 & \beta_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \beta_{k-1} & \alpha_k & \beta_k \\ \beta_k & & \alpha_n \end{array} \right]$

Equate column  $j$  of both sides of  $AQ = QT$

$$(***) Aq_j = \beta_{j-1} q_{j-1} + \alpha_j q_j + \beta_j q_{j+1}$$

Multiply both sides by  $q_j^T \Rightarrow$

$$q_j^T A q_j = \alpha_j$$

Lanczos Algorithm for (partial)  
reduction of  $A = A^T$  to tridiagonal form

$$q_1 = y_1 / \|y_1\|_2, \beta_0 = 0, q_0 = 0$$

for  $j = 1$  to  $k$

$$z = Aq_j$$

$$\alpha_j = q_j^T z$$

$$z = z - \alpha_j q_j - \beta_{j-1} q_{j-1} \quad \dots \text{MGS}$$

$$\beta_j = \|z\|_2$$

$$q_{j+1} = z / \beta_j$$

How do we use Arnoldi or Lanczos  
to solve  $Ax=b$  or  $Ax=\lambda x$ ?

Consider  $Ax=\lambda x$ : use evals of  
 $H_k$  or  $T_k$  as approximate evals of  $A$

To estimate error:

$$H_k y = \lambda y$$

$$H \begin{bmatrix} y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} H_k & H_{k+1,k} \\ H_{k+1,k} & H_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} H_k y \\ H_{k+1,k} y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda y \\ H_{k+1,k} y \cdot e_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AQ = QH$$

$$A \begin{pmatrix} Q \begin{bmatrix} y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{pmatrix} = QH \begin{bmatrix} y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda Q \begin{bmatrix} y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{H_{k+1,k} y \cdot e_1}_{\text{error}}$$

$$\|\text{error}\|_2 = |H_{k+1,k} y|$$

so if  $|H_{k+1,k} y|$  small  $\rightarrow$  approx. evec/eval pair

$(Q \begin{bmatrix} y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda)$  has small residual

If  $A=A^T$ , Thm 5.5  $\Rightarrow |H_{k+1,k} y|$

bounds distance from  $\lambda$  to  
nearest eval of  $A$

(see fig 7.2 in text for illustration)

# GMRES and CG for $Ax=b$

Goal: find "best" approximation  $x_k$  to  $A^{-1}b$  in  $\mathcal{X}_k$ ,  $x_k \in \mathcal{X}_k$

(1) Choose  $x_k$  to minimize  $\|x_k - x\|_2$ ,  $x = A^{-1}b$   
but we don't have enough info,  
all we have is  $H_k = Q_k^T A Q_k$ , or  $T_k$  if  $A = A^T$

(2) Choose  $x_k$  to minimize  $\|r_k\|_2$   $r_k = b - Ax_k$

2 Algorithms:

A general: use GMRES

$A = A^T$ , use MINRES

(3) Choose  $x_k$  so  $r_k \perp \mathcal{X}_k$ ,  $r_k^T Q_k = 0$   
"orthogonal residual property"  
or a Galerkin condition

$A = A^T \Rightarrow$  use SYMMLQ

A general  $\Rightarrow$  variant of GMRES

(4) A s.p.d  $\Rightarrow$  define norm  
 $\|r\|_{A^{-1}} = (r^T A^{-1} r)^{1/2}$

"best" solution minimizes

$$\begin{aligned}\|r_k\|_{A^{-1}}^2 &= r_k^T A^{-1} r_k \\ &= (b - Ax_k)^T A^{-1} (b - Ax_k) \\ &= (Ax - Ax_k)^T A^{-1} (Ax - Ax_k) \\ &= (x - x_k)^T A A^{-1} A (x - x_k)\end{aligned}$$



$$= (x - x_k)^T A (x - x_k)$$

$$= \|x - x_k\|_A^2$$

alg: Conjugate Gradients (CG)

Thm:  $A$  s.p.d.  $\Rightarrow$  defs (3) and (4) of "best" are equivalent

CG cost: one step costs  $\uparrow A \cdot x$   
 + few dot products and saxpys,  
 only need to store 3 vectors

GMRES: fewest assumptions on  $A$

CG: (nearly) most " " "

see decision tree in text

or link on webpage to

Templates for the Solution of Linear Systems

GMRES: choose  $x_k$  to minimize

$$\|r_k\|_2 = \|b - Ax_k\|_2$$

$$x_k = \underbrace{Q_k}_{n \times k} y_k \in \mathcal{X}_k$$

$$\|r_k\|_2 = \|b - A Q_k y_k\|_2$$

$$= \|b - \underbrace{A [Q_k, Q_\perp]}_Q \begin{bmatrix} y_k \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\|_2$$

square, orthogonal

$$= \|Q^T ( \cdot )\|_2$$

$$= \| Q^T b - \underbrace{Q^T A Q}_H \begin{bmatrix} y_k \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \|_2$$

$$b = y^1:$$

$$= \| \|b\|_2 e_1 - H \begin{bmatrix} y_k \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \|_2$$

$$= \| \|b\|_2 e_1 - \begin{bmatrix} H_k & | & H_{0k} \\ \hline A_{k0} & | & H_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_k \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \|_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \| \|b\|_2 e_1 - \begin{bmatrix} H_k \\ \vdots \\ 0 \dots 0 H_{k+1,k} \end{bmatrix} y_k \|_2$$

=  $k+1$  by  $k$  least squares problem

cheap to solve using Givens rotations

$$\begin{matrix} & k=4 \\ \begin{matrix} \lceil \\ \lceil \\ \lceil \\ \lceil \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ \\ \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ \\ \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ \\ \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ \\ \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{cost}(QR) = O(k^2)$$

reuse work from step

$k$  to  $k+1 \Rightarrow$

cost =  $O(k)$  per iteration