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$\bigcirc$ Definition:
Subspace Projected Approximate Matrix

- Review: Subspace Methods for Linear Algebra Problems
\& Investigation: Incorporating SPAM in Subspace Methods

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$A$ is a Hermitian $n \times n$ matrix and $A_{0}$ an "approximation" of $A$,

$$
\{0\}=\mathcal{U}_{0} \subset \mathcal{U}_{1} \subset \cdots \subset \mathcal{U}_{n-1} \subset \mathcal{U}_{n}=\mathcal{C}^{n} \quad \text { and } \operatorname{dim}\left(\mathcal{U}_{k}\right)=k
$$

$\Pi_{k}$ is the orthogonal projection on $\mathcal{U}_{k}^{\perp}$. Then the matrix

$$
A_{k}=A+\Pi_{k}\left(A_{0}-A\right) \Pi_{k}
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Properties:
consistent definition for $k=0$; moreover, $A_{n}=A$
$A_{k}^{*}=A_{k}$, and for all $u \in \mathcal{U}_{k}$ we have $A_{k} u=A u$ and $u^{*} A_{k}=u^{*} A$

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Example: let $\mathcal{U}_{k}=\operatorname{span}\left\{e_{1}, \ldots, e_{k}\right\}$ (first $k$ standard basis vectors)
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Notice: let the first $k$ columns of $U$ with $U^{*} U=I \operatorname{span} \mathcal{U}_{k}$. Then $U^{*} A_{k} U$ is a similar combination of $U^{*} A U$ and $U^{*} A_{0} U$.


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Let $u$ be such that $\mathcal{U}_{k}=\mathcal{U}_{k-1} \oplus\langle u\rangle$, with $u \perp \mathcal{U}_{k-1}$ and $\|u\|=1$
Then $A_{k}$ is an indefinite Hermitian rank-2 update of $A_{k-1}$,

$$
A_{k}=A_{k-1}+u v^{*}+v u^{*}=A_{k-1}+(u \mid v)\left(\begin{array}{cc}
0 & 1 \\
1 & 0
\end{array}\right)(u \mid v)^{*}
$$

where

$$
v=\left(\Pi_{k-1}-\frac{1}{2} u u^{*}\right)\left(A-A_{0}\right) u
$$

The computational costs for updating involve one MV with $A$

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Proposition: $U^{*} A_{k} U=M=U^{*} A U$ (" shared Ritz values")
Theorem: If $A-A_{0} \geq 0$ then

$$
\mu_{j} \leq \theta_{j} \leq \lambda_{j}
$$

- $\mu_{j}$ eigenvalue of $M$ (Ritz value);
- $\theta_{j}$ eigenvalue of $A_{k}$;
- $\lambda_{j}$ eigenvalue of $A$.

Proved by the Cauchy Interlace Theorem and Weyl's Theorem

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Recall: Hermitian eigenvalue problem $A x=\lambda x$.
Subspace $\mathcal{U}_{k}$ with orthonormal basis $U$
Rayleigh-Ritz procedure:
Eigenpairs of $M=U^{*} A U$ define so-called Ritz pairs: improvingly good approximations to eigenpairs of $A$

If $\mathcal{U}_{k}$ is a Krylov subspace, we get the Lanczos method.

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Lanczos method
Expand $\mathcal{U}_{k}$ with the current eigenvalue residual $r=A v_{j}-\mu_{j} v_{j}$
SPAM eigenvalue method (Shephard et al. 2001)
Expand $\mathcal{U}_{k}$ with the best eigenvector approximation of $A_{k}$

- this probably leads to faster convergence in $k$
- but requires an inner iteration for $A_{k}$
- if $A_{0}$ is "simple" this iteration is cheap

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Approximation from below: constructing $A_{0}$ with $A-A_{0} \geq 0$

- naturally available in numPDE context with diffusion term

Algebraically: Choose any $H \geq 0$ and set $A_{0}=A-H$
Requirements for $H$ :

- $A_{0}=A-H$ should be sparser than $A$ and/or of lower rank
- $H$ should be poor approximation of $A$
- of course these requirements are mutually contradictory

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Option: $H=E E^{*} A E E^{*}$ where $E$ is a selection of columns of $I$




If $A \geq 0$ then also $H \geq 0$; depicted is $A_{0}=A-H$

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Which selection?

- randomly: Ritz-Galerkin projection is not very good
- based on smallest diagonal elements

We will illustrate the latter selection strategy on a reactiondiffusion problem discretized by the finite difference method.

## Illustration: Lanczos for 1d-reaction diffusion FD



Illustration: SPAM with rank-2 approximation $A_{0}$


Illustration: SPAM with rank-4 approximation $A_{0}$


Illustration: SPAM with rank-5 approximation $A_{0}$


Illustration: SPAM with rank-6 approximation $A_{0}$


Illustration: SPAM with rank-7 approximation $A_{0}$


Illustration: SPAM with rank-8 approximation $A_{0}$


Illustration: SPAM with rank-9 approximation $A_{0}$


Illustration: SPAM with rank-10 approximation $A_{0}$


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Question: SPAM seems to converge more quickly than Lanczos

Lanczos is, however, started with a random vector

SPAM "starts" with an eigenvector of $A_{0}$

It would be more fair to start Lanczos with the same vector

Illustration: Lanczos and SPAM with same startvector


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SPAM without outer iteration

In SPAM, the outer iteration ensures the interlace property and the monotonicity of the eigenvalue approximations

But, it is not strictly necessary

In the following experiments we compare the maximum eigenvalue of $A_{k}$ with the maximum eigenvalue of SPAM

## Illustration: SPAM without louter iteration



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Other approximations $A_{0}$ (not necessarily with $A-A_{0} \geq 0$ )

In the original paper by Shephard et. al:

- $A_{0}$ is chosen $k$-diagonal with lower bandwidth then $A$
- tensor product aproximations

Their only goal is to have a cheaper MV, they do not care much about the approximation properties or the rank of $A_{k}$

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## The inner iteration

In the inner iteration we need to find an eigenvector of $A_{k}$

- a good start vector is available (eigenvector of $A_{k-1}$ )
- in fact, a good initial search space $\mathcal{U}_{k}$ is available

Shephard et al. propose to use SPAM recursively
This requires a range of approximations $A_{0}, \widehat{A_{0}}, \hat{\hat{A}_{0}}, \ldots$

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Jacobi-Davidson
JD converges quadratically if the start vector is close enough to the eigenvector

Often, Lanczos is used to get close enough to this eigenvector.
SPAM seems a good alternative:

- the rank of $A_{k}$ is low for small $k$
- moreover, $A_{k}$ can be used in JD's inner iteration

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Preconditioned classical methods for $A x=b$
Initial guess $x_{0}$, residual $r_{0}=b-A x_{0}$
repeat until $\left\|r_{j}\right\|$ small enough:

- solve $A_{0} u_{j+1}=r_{j}$ and set $c_{j+1}=A u_{j+1}$
- $x_{j+1}=x_{j}+u_{j+1}$ with residual $r_{j+1}=r_{j}-c_{j+1}$ end loop

Here $A_{0}$ is a fixed preconditioner, for example, $A$ 's diagonal

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$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { repeat until }\left\|r_{j}\right\| \text { small enough: } \\
& \text { - solve } A_{j} u_{j+1}=r_{j} \text { and set } c_{j+1}=A u_{j+1} \\
& \text { - } x_{j+1}=x_{j}+u_{j+1} \text { with residual } r_{j+1}=r_{j}-c_{j+1} \\
& \text { - } A_{j+1}=A_{j}+u v^{*}+v u^{*} \\
& \text { end loop }
\end{aligned}
$$

Logical choice is $u=u_{j+1}$, orthonormalized to all previous $u_{j}$, because the action of $A$ on $u_{j+1}$ has already been stored in $c_{j+1}$

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repeat until $\left\|r_{j}\right\|$ small enough:

- solve $A_{j} u_{j+1}=r_{j}$ and set $c_{j+1}=A u_{j+1}$
- $x_{j+1}=x_{j}+u_{j+1}$ with residual $r_{j+1}=r_{j}-c_{j+1}$
- $\widehat{u}_{j+1}$ is orthonormal to all previous $\widehat{u}_{j}$
- $\widehat{c}_{j+1}=A \widehat{u}_{j+1}$ (without performing the MV!)
- $A_{j+1}=A_{j}+\widehat{u}_{j+1} v^{*}+v \widehat{u}_{j+1}^{*}$
end loop

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Solving $A_{j} u_{j+1}=r_{j}$ is cheap using the Woodbury formula:

- $A_{j}$ is a rank $2 j$ update of $A_{0}$;
- $A_{j}$ is a rank-2 update of $A_{j-1}$

These updates are of the form $u v^{*}+v u^{*}$ and thus involve the solution of $A_{0} w=u$ and $A_{0} z=v$ only.

This would lead to a two-term recursion for the approximations.

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## Conclusions:

The SPAM matrices contain eigenvalue approximations better than the Rayleigh-Ritz approximations.

It is unclear if the additional computational effort to compute them is worthwhile; in some cases it is, in other cases it is not.

In the linear system context the SPAM matrix is a preconditioner that for some generic choices leads to standard Krylov methods ("updating the preconditioner")

