

# Trilogy on Computing Maximal Eigenpair

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# 0 Introduction

Theorem (O. Perron, 1907; G.Frobenius 1912)

For  $A \geq 0$ , irreducible, “Trace ( $A$ )  $> 0$ ”,  
 $\exists!$  **maximal eigenvalue**  $\rho(A) > 0$  with  
unique left-eigenvector  $u > 0$  and  
**right-eigenvector**  $g > 0$ , up to constant.

$$uA = \lambda u, \quad Ag = \lambda g, \quad \lambda = \rho(A)$$

## Example (L.K. Hua, 1984)

$$A = \frac{1}{100} \begin{pmatrix} 25 & 14 \\ 40 & 12 \end{pmatrix},$$
$$\rho(A) = (37 + \sqrt{2409})/200.$$

$$u = (5(13 + \sqrt{2409})/7, 20),$$
$$\approx 44.34397483$$

$$g = ((13 + \sqrt{2409})/4, 20)^*$$

Let  $A \geq 0$  be irreducible and invertible.

**Input-output method:**

$$x_n = x_0 A^{-n}, \quad n \geq 1.$$

$x_n = (x_n^{(0)}, \dots, x_n^{(d)})$ : products in  $n$ th year

**Theorem (Hua's Fundamental Theorem, 1984)**

- The optimal choice is  $x_0 = u$ , it has the **fastest grow**:  $x_n = x_0 \rho(A)^{-n}$ .
- Unless  $A^{-1} \geq 0$ , if  $x_0 \neq u$ , then **collapse**:  $\exists n, j$  such that  $x_n^{(j)} \leq 0$ .

# Importance of $u \approx (44.34397483, 20)$

Table Input and collapse time

$\mathbf{x}_0$ [decimals]	Collapse time $n$
(44, 20)	3
<b>(44.344, 20)</b>	<b>8</b>
(44.34397483, 20)	13

Importance of  $(\rho(A), u)$ :  
Need high precision, large system

# Remarks

1) Need study right-eigenvector only:

$$uA = \lambda u \iff A^*u^* = \lambda u^*,$$

2) Diagonals are free:

$$(A + mI)g = \lambda g \iff Ag = (\lambda - m)g$$

The eigenvector is kept, eigenvalues are shifted

# I Tridiagonal case. Example $Q =$

$$\begin{pmatrix}
 -1 & 1^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 1^2 & -5 & 2^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 2^2 & -13 & 3^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 3^2 & -25 & 4^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 4^2 & -41 & 5^2 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5^2 & -61 & 6^2 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 6^2 & -85 & 7^2 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 7^2 & -113
 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rho(Q) \approx -0.525268, \quad \rho(\text{Infinite } Q) = -1/4$$

# Power iteration/method, 1929

Given  $\mathbf{v}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_0 \not\perp \mathbf{g}$  with  $\|\mathbf{v}_0\| = 1$ ,  
define

$$\mathbf{v}_k = \frac{A\mathbf{v}_{k-1}}{\|A\mathbf{v}_{k-1}\|}, \quad z_k = \|A\mathbf{v}_k\|, \quad k \geq 1,$$

Then  $\mathbf{v}_k \rightarrow \mathbf{g}$  and  $z_k \rightarrow \rho(A)$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$\mathbf{v}_k = \frac{A^k \mathbf{v}_0}{\|A^k \mathbf{v}_0\|} \quad \text{“Power”}$$



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$$\mathbf{v}_0 = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_0}{\|\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_0\|}, \quad \|\mathbf{v}\| = \sum_k |\mathbf{v}_k|, \quad \ell^1\text{-norm}$$

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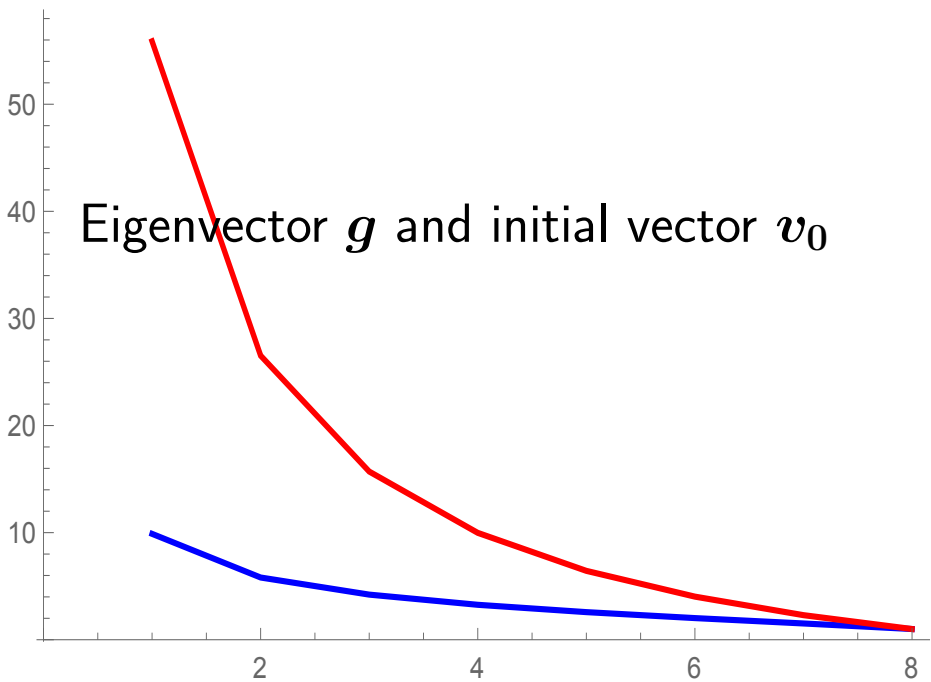
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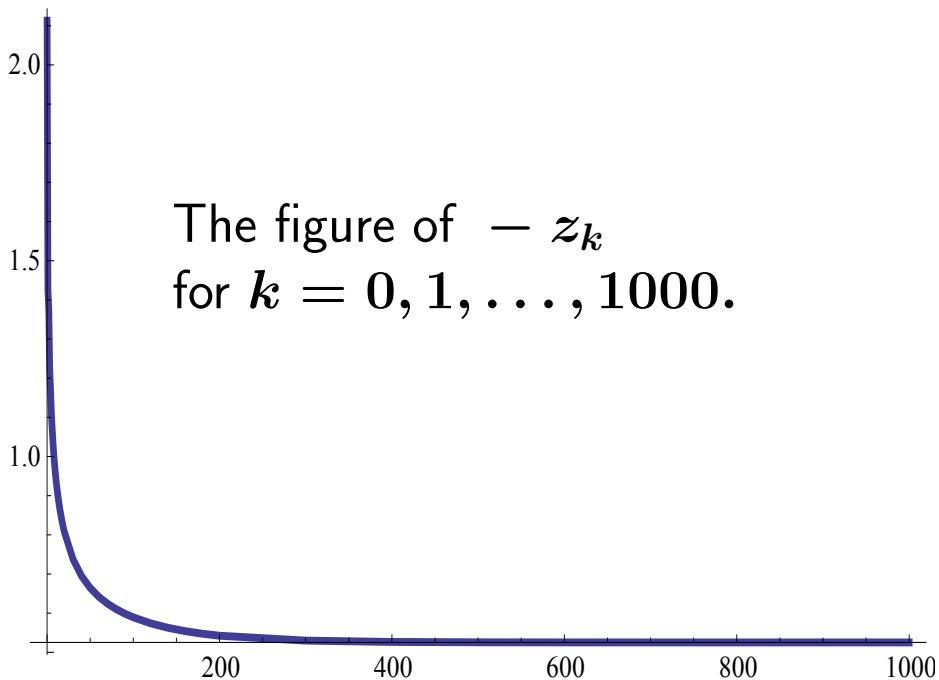
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# Eigenvector $g$ and initial vector $v_0$



The figure of  $-z_k$   
for  $k = 0, 1, \dots, 1000$ .



# Convergence speed of Power Md

$(\lambda_j, g_j)$ . Write  $v_0 = \sum_{j=0}^N c_j g_j$ ,  $c_0 \neq 0$

$$A^k v_0 = \sum_{j=0}^N c_j \lambda_j^k g_j$$

$$= c_0 \lambda_0^k \left[ g_0 + \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{c_j}{c_0} \left( \frac{\lambda_j}{\lambda_0} \right)^k g_j \right]$$

$$\frac{A^k v_0}{\|A^k v_0\|} = \frac{c_0}{|c_0|} g_0 + O\left(\left| \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_0} \right|^k\right)$$

where  $|\lambda_1| := \max\{|\lambda_j| : j > 0\}$ .

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$\iff$  Double integral approx (C. 2001)

$$\text{Shift: } v_k = \frac{(zI - A)^{-k}v_0}{\|(zI - A)^{-k}v_0\|}, \quad k \geq 1$$

# Rayleigh quotient iteration, 1944

Choose  $(z_0, v_0) \approx (\rho(A), g)$  with  $v_0^* v_0 = \mathbf{1}$ , where  $v^*$  = transpose of  $v$ .  $L^2$ -norm. Particular,  $z_0 = v_0^* A v_0$  for given  $v_0$ . At the  $k$ th step ( $k \geq 1$ ), def

$$v_k = \frac{(z_{k-1} I - A)^{-1} v_{k-1}}{\| (z_{k-1} I - A)^{-1} v_{k-1} \|},$$
$$z_k = v_k^* A v_k \left[ = \frac{v_k^* A v_k}{v_k^* v_k} \leftarrow \text{RQ} \right]$$



# Rayleigh quotient iteration, 1944

where  $I = \text{identity}$ . Then

$$v_k \rightarrow g, \quad z_k \rightarrow \rho(A) \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty$$

provided  $(z_0, v_0)$  is closed enough to  $(\rho(A), g)$ .

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## Example

The same matrix  $Q$  and  $\tilde{v}_0$ , need 2 steps only:

$$z_1 \approx -0.528215, \quad z_2 \approx -0.525268.$$

$\tilde{v}_0$  efficient!

“Too Good” is dangerous. Pitfall

$$\lambda_j := \lambda_j(-Q). \quad \lambda_0 = -\rho(Q) > 0.$$

### Example

Let  $Q$  be the same as above. Choose

$$v_0 = (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)^* / \sqrt{8}.$$

Then

$$\lambda_2 \approx 5.91867$$

$$(z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4) \approx$$

$$(4.78557, 5.67061, 5.91766, 5.91867)$$

# Google's PageRank 1998

Langville, A.N., Meyer, C. D. (2006).  
Google's PageRank and Beyond:  
The Science of Search Engine Rankings.  
Princeton University Press.

Power Iteration, included.

Inverse Iteration & RQI, not touched!  
Need large system, fast algorithm

- **Google's search**–PageRank
- **Input–output method** in economy.  
Eigenvector
- **Stability speed** in stochastic systems.  
Stationary distribution: eigenvector  
Stability rate: eigenvalue
- **Principal component analysis**  
–BigData, five-diagonal

- **Image recognition**, Poisson, Toeplitz, Block-tridiagonal matrices. PDE
- **Random algorithm**, MCMC
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For large  $N$ , guess: # of iterations  $\sim N^\alpha$ .  
 $N = 10^4$ ?          Subvert/overtun



Large  $N$ .  $\lambda_0 = 1/4$  if  $N = \infty$ .  $\leq 30$  Sec

Use  $\tilde{v}_0$  and  $\delta_1$ . Let  $z_0 = 7/(8\delta_1) + v_0^*(-Q)v_0/8$ .

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$N+1$	$z_0$	$z_1$	$z_2 = \lambda_0$	upper/lower
8	0.523309	0.525268	0.525268	$1 + 10^{-11}$
100	0.387333	0.376393	0.376383	$1 + 10^{-8}$
500	0.349147	0.338342	0.338329	$1 + 10^{-7}$
1000	0.338027	0.327254	0.32724	$1 + 10^{-7}$
5000	0.319895	0.30855	0.308529	$1 + 10^{-7}$
7500	0.316529	0.304942	0.304918	$1 + 10^{-7}$
$10^4$	0.31437	0.302586	0.302561	$1 + 10^{-7}$

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# I Efficient initials. Tridiagonal case

$$E = \{0, 1, \dots, N\}.$$

$$Q^c = A - mI, \quad m := \max_{i \in E} \sum_{j \in E} a_{ij}.$$

$$Q^c = (q_{ij}) =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -b_0 - c_0 & b_0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ a_1 & -a_1 - b_1 - c_1 & b_1 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & a_2 & -a_2 - b_2 - c_2 & b_2 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & a_N & -a_N - c_N \end{pmatrix}$$

$$a_i > 0, \quad b_i > 0, \quad c_i \geq 0, \quad \neq 0.$$

$$q_{k,k+1} = b_k, \quad q_{k,k-1} = a_k, \quad q_{kk} = -a_k - b_k - c_k$$

Define  $\{h_n\}$ . Explicit

$$h_0 = 1, \quad h_n = h_{n-1} r_{n-1}, \quad 1 \leq n \leq N,$$

where  $r_0 = 1 + c_0/b_0$ ,

$$r_n = 1 + \frac{a_n + c_n}{b_n} - \frac{a_n}{b_n r_{n-1}}, \quad 1 \leq n < N,$$

$$c_i \equiv 0 (i < N) \implies h_i \equiv 1.$$

$Q^c \setminus$  the last row  $h = 0$ .

$$\tilde{Q} = \text{Diag}(h_i)^{-1} Q^c \text{Diag}(h_i).$$

Define  $\{\mu_n\}$  and  $\{\varphi_n\}$ .

Explicit

$$Q = \tilde{Q}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -b_0 & b_0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ a_1 & -a_1 - b_1 & b_1 & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & a_2 & -a_2 - b_2 & b_2 & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & a_N & -a_N - b_N \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $a_i, b_i > 0$ . ( $c_i$ ) erased!

$$\mu_0 = 1, \quad \mu_n = \mu_{n-1} b_{n-1} / a_n, \quad 1 \leq n \leq N.$$

$$\varphi_n = \sum_{k=n}^N (\mu_k b_k)^{-1}, \quad 0 \leq n \leq N.$$

# RQI: tridiagonal case

$$\tilde{v}_0(i) = \sqrt{\varphi_i}, \quad i \leq N; \quad v_0 = \tilde{v}_0 / \|\tilde{v}_0\|_{\mu,2};$$

$$\delta_1 = \max_{0 \leq n \leq N} \left[ \sqrt{\varphi_n} \sum_{k=0}^n \mu_k \sqrt{\varphi_k} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varphi_n}} \sum_{n+1 \leq j \leq N} \mu_j \varphi_j^{3/2} \right] =: z_0^{-1}.$$

Solve  $w_k$ :  $(-Q - z_{k-1}I)w_k = v_{k-1}$ ,

$$v_k = \frac{w_k}{\|w_k\|_{\mu}} \rightarrow g, \quad z_k = (v_k, -Qv_k)_{\mu} \rightarrow \lambda_0$$

## II Efficient initials. General case

Let  $A = (a_{ij} : i, j \in E)$  be irreducible,  $a_{ij} \geq 0$ ,  $\forall i \neq j$ .

Define  $A_i = \sum_{j \in E} a_{ij}$  and

$$Q^c = A - \left( \max_{i \in E} A_i \right) I.$$

Let  $h = (h_0, h_1, \dots, h_N)^*$  (with  $h_0 = 1$ ) solve  $Q^c \setminus \text{the last row } h = 0$  and define  $\tilde{Q} = \text{Diag}(h_i)^{-1} Q^c \text{Diag}(h_i)$ .

$$c_0 = \dots = c_{N-1} = 0, c_N =: q_{N, N+1} > 0$$

$Q := \tilde{Q}$ . Let  $\varphi = (\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_N)^*$   
(with  $\varphi_0 = 1$ ) solve

$\varphi \setminus \text{the first row} = P \setminus \text{the first row} \varphi$ , where

$$P = \text{Diag}((-q_{ii})^{-1})Q + I.$$

$\mu := (\mu_0, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_N)$  with  $\mu_0 = 1$   
solves  $Q^* \setminus \text{the last row} \mu^* = 0$ .

**Algorithm.** Def  $\tilde{v}_0(i) = \sqrt{\varphi_i}$ ,  $i \leq N$ ;

$$v_0 = \tilde{v}_0 / \|\tilde{v}_0\|_\mu; \quad z_0 = (v_0, -Qv_0)_\mu.$$



# Alternative $z_0$

For  $k \geq 1$ , let  $w_k$  solve

$$(-Q - z_{k-1}I)w_k = v_{k-1} \text{ and set}$$

$$v_k = w_k / \|w_k\|_\mu \rightarrow g,$$

$$z_k = (v_k, -Qv_k)_\mu \rightarrow \lambda_0 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty.$$

Alter choice of  $z_0 = (v_0, -Qv_0)_\mu$ :

$$z_0^{-1} = (1 - \varphi_1)^{-1} \max_{0 \leq n \leq N} \left[ \sqrt{\varphi_n} \times \right.$$

$$\left. \sum_{k=0}^n \mu_k \sqrt{\varphi_k} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varphi_n}} \sum_{n+1 \leq j \leq N} \mu_j \varphi_j^{3/2} \right]$$

# Example. Block-tridiagonal matrix

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} A_0 & B_0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ C_1 & A_1 & B_1 & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & C_2 & A_2 & B_2 & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & C_N & A_N \end{pmatrix}$$

$A_k, B_k, C_k:$   
 $40 \times 40$   
 $B, C$ 's: Identity  
 $A$ 's: tridiagonal

$N+1$	$z_0$	$z_1$	$z_2 = \lambda_0$
1600	7.985026	7.988219	7.988263
3600	7.993232	7.994676	7.994696
<b>6400</b>	7.996161	7.988256	7.987972

# Example. Toeplitz Matrix [Xu Zhu]

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{2} & 3 & \cdots & n-1 & n \\ 2 & 1 & \mathbf{2} & \cdots & n-2 & n-1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{n-1} & n-2 & n-3 & \cdots & 1 & \mathbf{2} \\ n & \mathbf{n-1} & n-2 & \cdots & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$N+1$	$z_0 \times 10^6$	$z_1 \times 10^6$	$z_2 \times 10^6$	$z_3 = \lambda_0$
1600	0.156992	0.451326	0.390252	<b>0.389890</b>
3600	0.157398	2.30731	1.97816	<b>1.97591</b>
<b>6400</b>	0.157450	7.32791	6.25506	<b>6.24718</b>

### III Global algorithms

Tridiagonally dominant matrices.

More negative? complex?

Analytic: Block-tri, lower triangular +1,

Upper triangular + one line, ... AlphaGo

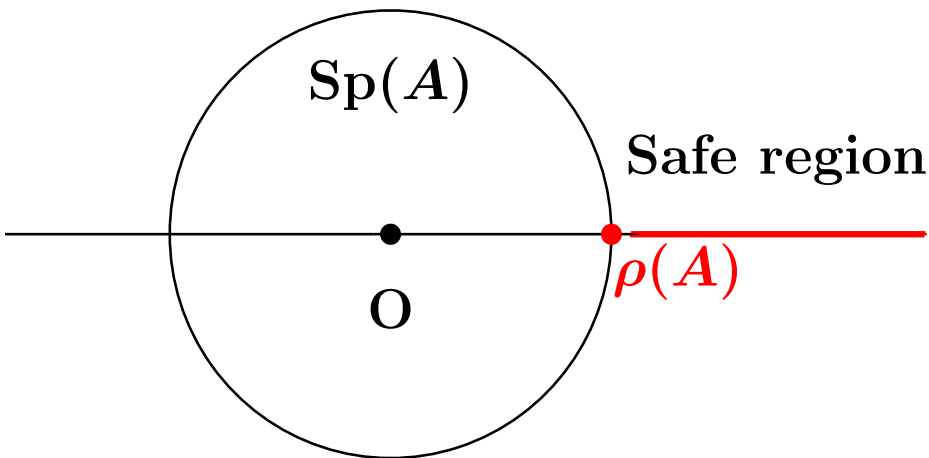
Ask computer to find efficient initials?

$v_0$  = uniform distr.  $[(1, \dots, 1)^* / \sqrt{N+1}]$

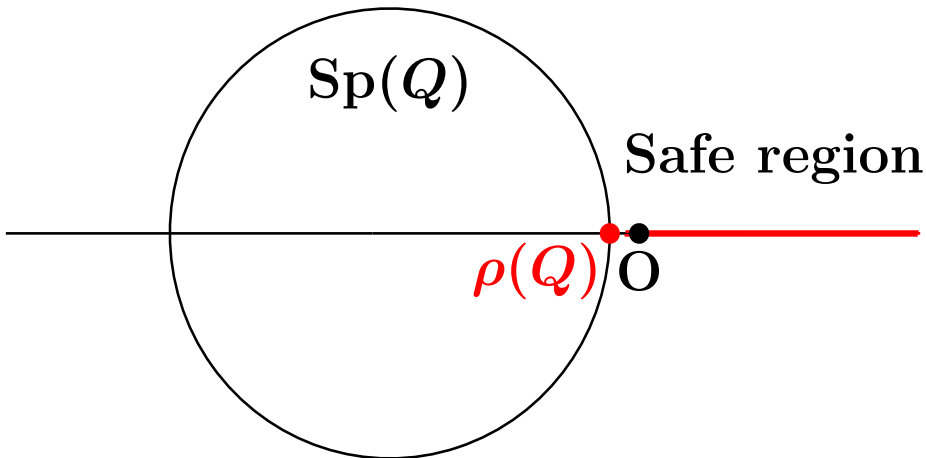
How to choose  $z_0$  ( $z_n$ ) in unified way?

$$z_0 \neq \frac{v_0^* A v_0}{v_0^* v_0} \text{ [RQ!]}, \quad z_n = ?$$

## Complex plane



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### III Global algorithms: A1 & A2

$$v_0 = \text{unif. distri.}, \quad z_0 = \max_{0 \leq i \leq N} \frac{Av_0}{v_0}(i).$$

A1. Specific Rayleigh quotient iteration  
(C. 2016: §4.1 with Choice I)

For  $k \geq 1$ ,  $v := v_{k-1}$ ,  $z := z_{k-1}$ ,  
let  $w$  solve equation  $(zI - A)w = v$ .  
Set  $v_k = w / \|w\|$ ,  $z_k = v_k^* A v_k$ .

A2. Shifted inverse iteration

$$z_k = \max_{0 \leq i \leq N} \frac{Av_k}{v_k}(i).$$

# Lower triangular + upper-diagonal

$Q =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ a_1 & -a_1 - 2 & \mathbf{2} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ a_2 & 0 & -a_2 - 3 & \mathbf{3} & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \mathbf{N-1} & 0 \\ a_{N-1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & -a_{N-1} - N & \mathbf{N} \\ a_N & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -a_N - \mathbf{N-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$q_{k,k+1} = k + 1, \quad q_{k0} = 1/(k + 1).$$

We have computed 4 cases:

$$a_k = \mathbf{1/(k + 1)}, \quad \equiv \mathbf{1}, \quad = \mathbf{k}, \quad = \mathbf{k^2}.$$



# The outputs for different $N$ by Algorithm 2

$N+1$	$z_1$	$z_2$	$z_3$
8	0.276727	0.427307	0.451902
16	0.222132	0.367827	0.399959
32	0.187826	0.329646	0.370364
50	0.171657	0.311197	0.357814
100	0.152106	0.287996	0.343847
500	0.121403	0.247450	0.321751
1000	0.111879	0.233257	0.313274
5000	0.0947429	0.205212	0.293025
$10^4$	0.0888963	0.194859	0.284064

# The outputs for different $N$ by Algorithm 2

$N+1$	$z_4$	$z_5$	$z_6$
8	0.452339		
16	0.400910		
32	0.372308	0.372311	
50	0.360776	0.360784	
100	0.349166	0.349197	
500	0.336811	0.337186	
1000	0.334155	0.335009	0.335010
5000	0.328961	0.332609	0.332635
$10^4$	0.326285	0.332113	0.332188

# Upper triangular + lower-diagonal

$Q =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & p_2 & p_3 & p_4 & \cdots & p_{N-1} & \sum_{k \geq N} p_k \\ 2p_0 & -2 & 2p_2 & 2p_3 & \cdots & 2p_{N-2} & 2 \sum_{k \geq N-1} p_k \\ 0 & 3p_0 & -3 & 3p_2 & \cdots & 3p_{N-3} & 3 \sum_{k \geq N-2} p_k \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & -N+1 & (N-1) \sum_{k \geq 2} p_k \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & Np_0 & -Np_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p_0 = \alpha/2, \quad p_1 = 0, \quad p_n = (2 - \alpha)/2^n, \\ \alpha \in (4/3, 2). \quad \alpha = 7/4.$$

# The outputs in the subcritical case

$N$	$z_1$	$z_2$	$z_3$	$z_4$
8	0.637800	0.638153		
16	0.621430	0.625490	0.625539	
50	0.609976	0.624052	0.624997	<b>0.625000</b>
100	0.606948	0.623377	0.624991	<b>0.625000</b>
500	0.604409	0.622116	0.624962	<b>0.625000</b>
$10^3$	0.604082	0.621688	0.624944	<b>0.625000</b>
$\frac{10^4}{2}$	0.603817	0.620838	0.62489	<b>0.625000</b>
$10^4$	0.603784	0.620511	0.624861	<b>0.625000</b>

# Matrix with more “-” elements

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 8 & -1 \\ 8 & 8 & 8 \\ -1 & 8 & 8 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Eigenvalues of  $A$ : **17.5124**,  $-7.4675$ ,  $4.95513$ .

$n$	$z_n$ : Algorithm 1	$z_n$ : Algorithm 2
1	17.3772	18.5316
2	<b>17.5124</b>	17.5416
3		17.5124

# Complex matrix

 $A =$ 

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.75 - 1.125i & 0.5882 - 0.1471i & 1.0735 + 1.4191i \\ -0.5 - i & 2.1765 + 0.7059i & 2.1471 - 0.4118i \\ 2.75 - 0.125i & 0.5882 - 0.1471i & -0.9265 + 0.4191i \end{pmatrix}$$


Eigenvalues of  $A$ : **3**,  $-2 - i$ ,  $1 + i$ .

Outputs of “Algorithm 2”

$y_1$	$3.03949 - 0.0451599i$
$y_2$	$3.00471 - 0.0015769i$
$y_3$	<b>3</b> <span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">Fast cubic</span>



$\operatorname{Re}(A^n) > 0 \quad \forall n \gg 1$  up to  $mI$ .

# For Further Reading I

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A package based on the paper is available on CRAN now [by X.J. Mao]:  
<https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/EfficientMaxEigenpair/index.html>

# For Further Reading II

-  C. (2017a). Global algorithms for maximal eigenpair. Preprint
-  C. (2017b). Efficient algorithm for principal eigenpair of discrete  $p$ -Laplacian. Preprint

<http://math0.bnu.edu.cn/~chenmf>

4 volumes, 19 popularizing papers, 8 videos



The end!

Thank you, everybody!

谢谢大家!

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