

# Lanczos tridiagonalization, Golub-Kahan bidiagonalization and the core problem

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## Overview:

- Motivation
- Golub-Kahan bidiagonalization
- Connection with Lanczos tridiagonalization
- The sketch of the proof

# 1. Motivation

Consider an orthogonally invariant approximation problem

$$(1) \quad Ax \approx b, \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}, b \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

where  $\approx$  means, e.g., using data corrections of the prescribed type in order to get the nearest compatible system (Least Squares, (Scaled) Total/Data Least squares).

For simplicity let  $A^T b \neq 0$ .

C.C. Paige, Z. Strakoš (2006) proposed transformation

$$P^T [ b \parallel AQ ] = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} b_1 & A_{11} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & A_{22} \end{array} \right], \quad P^{-1} = P^T, \quad Q^{-1} = Q^T,$$

where  $b_1 = \beta_1 e_1$  and  $A_{11}$  is a lower bidiagonal with nonzero bidiagonal elements. The original problem is thus decomposed into two subproblems

$$A_{11}x_1 \approx b_1, \quad A_{22}x_2 \approx 0$$

and the original problem solution is taken  $x \equiv Q \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

## Properties:

- a)  $A_{11}$  has no zero or multiple singular values. Any zero singular values or repeats that  $A$  has must appear in  $A_{22}$ .
- b)  $A_{11}$  has minimal dimensions and  $A_{22}$  has maximal dimensions, over all orthogonal transformations giving the presented block structure.
- c) All components of  $b_1 = \beta_1 e_1$  in the left singular vector subspaces of  $A_{11}$  (i.e. the first elements of all left singular vectors of  $A_{11}$ ) are nonzero.

**Consequence:** The TLS solution of  $A_{11}x_1 \approx b_1$  *always exists and is unique*. Thus the system is called **the core problem** in (1).

### **Computation of the core problem:**

- direct **partial** upper bidiagonalization of  $[b, A]$  by using the Householder reflections (small  $A$ )
- **partial** Golub-Kahan bidiagonalization (large  $A$ )

We will use the Golub-Kahan bidiagonalization, in relation with the Lanczos tridiagonalization and the properties of Jacobi matrices, to prove the core problem properties a) – c).

## 2. Golub-Kahan bidiagonalization

Let  $v_0 \equiv 0$ ,  $u_1 \equiv b/\beta_1$ , where  $\beta_1 = \|b\|$ . The algorithm computes for  $i = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\alpha_i v_i = A^T u_i - \beta_i v_{i-1}, \quad \|v_i\| = 1$$
$$\beta_{i+1} u_{i+1} = A v_i - \alpha_i u_i, \quad \|u_i\| = 1$$

until  $\alpha_i = 0$  or  $\beta_{i+1} = 0$  or  $i = \min\{n, m\}$ .



Let  $\alpha_i \beta_i \neq 0$  for  $1 \leq i \leq k+1$  and denote by

$$U_k = (u_1, \dots, u_k), \quad V_k = (v_1, \dots, v_k),$$

$$L_k = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & & & \\ \beta_2 & \alpha_2 & & \\ & \dots & & \\ & \beta_k & \alpha_k & \end{pmatrix}, \quad L_{k+} = \begin{pmatrix} & L_k & \\ \beta_{k+1} e_k^T & & \end{pmatrix}.$$

The matrices  $U_k, V_k$  have orthonormal columns and

$$(2) \quad A^T U_k = V_k L_k^T,$$

$$(3) \quad A V_k = [U_k, u_{k+1}] L_{k+}.$$

The bidiagonalization of  $A$  with  $u_1 = b/\|b\|$  stops with:

- $\alpha_i \beta_i \neq 0$  for  $i = 1, \dots, p$ ;  $\beta_{p+1} = 0$  or  $p = n$ . Then (2) gives

$$U_p^T AV_p = L_p,$$
$$U_p^T [b, AV_p] = \left[ \begin{array}{c|ccc} \beta_1 & \alpha_1 & & \\ & \beta_2 & \alpha_2 & \\ & & \dots & \\ & & \beta_p & \alpha_p \end{array} \right],$$

and  $L_p x_1 \approx \beta_1 e_1$  is the *compatible* core problem.  $U_p, V_p$  represent the first  $p$  columns of the matrices  $P, Q$  respectively.

- $\alpha_i \beta_i \neq 0$  for  $i = 1, \dots, p$ , and  $\beta_{p+1} \neq 0$ ;  $\alpha_{p+1} = 0$  or  $p = m$ . Then (3) gives

$$[U_p, u_{p+1}]^T AV_p = L_{p+},$$

$$[U_p, u_{p+1}]^T [b, AV_p] = \left[ \begin{array}{c|ccc} \beta_1 & \alpha_1 & & \\ & \beta_2 & \alpha_2 & \\ & & \dots & \\ & & \beta_p & \alpha_p \\ & & & \beta_{p+1} \end{array} \right]$$

and  $L_{p+}x_1 \approx \beta_1 e_1$  is the *incompatible* core problem.  $U_{p+1}, V_p$  represent the first  $(p + 1)$  and  $p$  columns of the matrices  $P, Q$  respectively.

### 3. Connection with the Lanczos tridiagonalization

Let  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{\nu \times \nu}$ ,  $w_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{\nu}$  ( $\|w_1\| = 1$ ). The algorithm computes in  $i$  steps

$$BW_i = W_i Z_i + \gamma_i w_{i+1} e_i^T, \quad W_i^T w_{i+1} = 0,$$

where  $W_i^T W_i = I$ ,  $Z_i \in \mathbb{R}^{i \times i}$  is symmetric tridiagonal with positive subdiagonal elements.

We consider a possibly incomplete tridiagonalization **stopped** whenever  $\gamma_i = 0$ .

Properties of the Jacobi matrix  $Z_i$ :

- All its eigenvalues are simple.
- If  $B$  is symmetric positive semidefinite and  $w_1 \perp \ker(B)$ , then all its eigenvalues are positive.
- The first components of all its eigenvectors are nonzero.

## **Bidiagonalization × tridiagonalization:**

- augmented matrix formulation
- normal matrix formulation

## Augmented matrix formulation:

Tridiagonalization of

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & A \\ A^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $w_1 = (u_1, \mathbf{0})^T$  yields in  $2k$  steps the matrix

$$W_{2k} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 & \mathbf{0} & \dots & u_k & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & v_1 & \dots & \mathbf{0} & v_k \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $Z_{2k}$  with zeros on the diagonal and the subdiagonals  $(\alpha_1, \beta_2, \dots, \alpha_k)$  see [Paige - 1974].

## Normal matrix formulation:

Assume that the Lanczos algorithm does not stop for  $i = 1, \dots, k + 1$ .

Using

$$AV_k = U_{k+1}L_{k+},$$
$$A^T U_{k+1} = V_k L_{k+}^T + v_{k+1} \alpha_{k+1} e_{k+1}^T$$

we obtain

$$A^T AV_k = A^T U_{k+1} L_{k+} = V_k L_{k+}^T L_{k+} + \alpha_{k+1} \beta_{k+1} v_{k+1} e_k^T,$$

where  $V_k^T V_k = I$ ,  $V_k^T v_{k+1} = 0$  and



$$L_{k+}^T L_{k+} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^2 + \beta_2^2 & \alpha_2 \beta_2 & & & \\ \alpha_2 \beta_2 & \alpha_2^2 + \beta_3^2 & \cdots & & \\ & \cdots & \cdots & & \\ & & \alpha_k \beta_k & & \\ & & \alpha_k \beta_k & \alpha_k^2 + \beta_{k+1}^2 & \end{pmatrix}.$$

Summarizing,  $k$  steps of the Lanczos tridiagonalization of  $B \equiv A^T A$  with the starting vector  $v_1 = A^T b / \|A^T b\|$  produces  $Z_k = L_{k+}^T L_{k+}$ .

Similarly,

$$A^T U_k = V_k L_k^T,$$

$$A V_k = U_k L_k + u_{k+1} \beta_{k+1} e_k^T$$

gives

$$(4) \quad A A^T U_k = U_k L_k L_k^T + \alpha_k \beta_{k+1} u_{k+1} e_k^T,$$

where  $U_k^T U_k = I$ ,  $U_k^T u_{k+1} = 0$  and

$$L_k L_k^T = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^2 & \alpha_1 \beta_2 & & \\ \alpha_1 \beta_2 & \alpha_2^2 + \beta_2^2 & \cdots & \\ & \cdots & \cdots & \alpha_{k-1} \beta_k \\ & & \alpha_{k-1} \beta_k & \alpha_k^2 + \beta_k^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Summarizing,  $k$  steps of the Lanczos tridiagonalization of  $B \equiv AA^T$  with the starting vector  $u_1 = b/\|b\|$  produces  $Z_k = L_k L_k^T$ .

## 4. Sketch of the proof

**I. Case  $\beta_{p+1} = 0$  or  $p = n$ , i.e.  $A_{11} = L_p$  :**

$L_p$  is the Cholesky factor of  $Z_p = L_p L_p^T$  that results from  $p$  steps of the tridiagonalization of  $AA^T$  with  $u_1 = b/\|b\|$ .

Let  $L_p = R\Sigma S^T$  be the SVD ( $\Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_p)$ ), then

$$Z_p \equiv L_p L_p^T = R\Sigma^2 R^T.$$

Consequently,  $(\sigma_i^2, R e_i)$  are the eigenpairs of  $Z_p$ .

The properties of  $Z_p$  yield:

- $\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_p^2$  are nonzero and distinct  $\Rightarrow$   
the singular values of  $L_p$  are simple and nonzero
- $e_1^T R e_i \neq 0$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, p \Rightarrow$

$$b_1^T R e_i = \beta_1 e_1^T R e_i \neq 0 \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, p$$

and thus  $b_1$  has no zero components in the direction of the left singular vectors of  $L_p$

**Consequence:** The system  $L_p x_1 = \beta_1 e_1$  is compatible and satisfies the core problem properties a) and c).

**II. Case  $\alpha_{p+1} = 0$  or  $p = m$ , i.e.  $A_{11} = L_{p+}$  :**

Then  $Z_p = L_{p+}^T L_{p+}$  results from  $p$  steps of the tridiagonalization of  $A^T A$  with the starting vector  $v_1 = A^T b / \|A^T b\|$ .

Let  $L_{p+} = R\Sigma S^T$  be the SVD, then

$$Z_p \equiv L_{p+}^T L_{p+} = S\Sigma^2 S^T.$$

Consequently,  $(\sigma_i^2, S e_i)$  are the eigenpairs of  $Z_p$ .

Similarly to the previous, the singular values of  $L_{p+}$  are distinct and nonzero and  $e_1^T S e_i \neq 0$ .

Since  $L_{p+}S = R\Sigma$  and  $L_{p+}$  is lower bidiagonal,  
 $e_1^T R e_i \neq 0 \Rightarrow$

$$b_1^T R e_i \neq 0 \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, p.$$

**Consequence:** The system  $L_{p+}x_1 \approx \beta_1 e_1$  is incompatible and satisfies the properties a) and c).

**Condition b) (the minimal dimensions of  $A_{11}$ ):**

Follows by contradictions similarly to [Paige, Strakoš - 2006].

**Thank you for your attention!**