# On ideal GMRES for a Jordan Block 

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where $r_{i}=b-\mathbf{A} x_{i}$.

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- Considered classes of matrices in this talk:

Normal matrices and Jordan blocks.

- For simplicity:

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## Outline

1. Introduction
2. Bounds and Questions
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## Our questions:

- When ideal GMRES = worst-case GMRES?
- How to evaluate or estimate the ideal GMRES bound?
- Which $b$ yields the worst-case residual norm?
- Relevance of the bound?


## GMRES for normal matrices

Let A be nonsingular and normal,

$$
\mathbf{A}=\mathbf{Q} \boldsymbol{\Lambda} \mathbf{Q}^{H}, \quad \mathbf{Q}^{H} \mathbf{Q}=\mathbf{I}, \quad \boldsymbol{\Lambda}=\operatorname{diag}\left(\lambda_{1}, \ldots, \lambda_{n}\right) .
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Moreover

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\min _{p \in \pi_{i}}\|p(\mathbf{A})\|=\min _{p \in \pi_{i}} \max _{\lambda_{j} \in L}\left|p\left(\lambda_{j}\right)\right|
$$

where $L \equiv\left\{\lambda_{1}, \ldots, \lambda_{n}\right\}$.

## Evaluation of the bound (A normal)

Conjecture: There exists a subset of $i+1$ (distinct) eigenvalues $\left\{\mu_{1}, \ldots, \mu_{i+1}\right\} \subseteq\left\{\lambda_{1}, \ldots, \lambda_{n}\right\}$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\min _{p \in \pi_{n}} \max _{\lambda_{j} \in L}\left|p\left(\lambda_{j}\right)\right| \approx\left(\sum_{j=1}^{i+1} \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq j}}^{i+1} \frac{\left|\mu_{k}\right|}{\left|\mu_{k}-\mu_{j}\right|}\right)^{-1} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

- real eigenvalues :
[Liesen \& T. '04, Greenbaum '79]
(1) is equality (proved),
- complex eigenvalues :
(1) is equality up to a factor between 1 and $\frac{4}{\pi}$ (conjecture).


## Nonnormal matrices A

What is the GMRES behavior for nonnormal matrices?

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- Eigenvalues may have nothing to do with the convergence behavior.

> [Arioli, Greenbaum, Pták, Strakoš 1992-2000]

- Worst-case GMRES can be very different from ideal GMRES.
[Faber \& Joubert \& Knill \& Manteuffel '96, Toh '97]


## Toh's example

Worst-case GMRES can be very different from ideal GMRES for nonnormal A !
Consider the 4 by 4 matrix

$$
\mathbf{A}=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & \epsilon & & \\
& -1 & \epsilon^{-1} & \\
& & 1 & \epsilon \\
& & & -1
\end{array}\right], \quad \epsilon>0
$$

Then, for $i=3$,

$$
\frac{\max _{\|b\|=1} \min _{p \in \pi_{i}}\|p(\mathbf{A}) b\|}{\min _{p \in \pi_{i}}\|p(\mathbf{A})\|} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text { as } \quad \epsilon \rightarrow 0
$$

## Toh's matrix

$$
\mathbf{A}=\mathbf{V} \mathbf{J} \mathbf{V}^{-1}
$$

where

$$
\mathbf{J}=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & 1 & & \\
& 1 & & \\
& & -1 & 1 \\
& & & -1
\end{array}\right], \quad \mathbf{V}=\frac{1}{4}\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
\epsilon & \epsilon & \epsilon & -\epsilon \\
-2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & -2 \epsilon & 0 & 2 \epsilon \\
0 & 4 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right]
$$

and

$$
\kappa(\mathbf{V}) \sim \frac{4}{\epsilon}
$$

## GMRES for a Jordan block

Let $\lambda>0$. Consider an $n$ by $n$ Jordan block

$$
\mathbf{J}_{\lambda}=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
\lambda & 1 & & \\
& \ddots & \ddots & \\
& & \ddots & 1 \\
& & & \lambda
\end{array}\right] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}
$$

What is the situation for a Jordan block? Does it hold
worst-case GMRES = ideal GMRES?

How to describe ideal GMRES convergence?

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Definition: The polynomial $\varphi_{i} \in \pi_{i}$ is called the $i$ th ideal GMRES polynomial of $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, if it satisfies

$$
\begin{gathered}
\qquad\left\|\varphi_{i}(\mathbf{A})\right\|=\min _{p \in \pi_{i}}\|p(\mathbf{A})\| \\
\text { [Existence and uniqueness of } \varphi_{i} \rightarrow \text { Greenbaum \& Trefethen '94] }
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We call the matrix $\varphi_{i}(\mathbf{A})$ the $i$ th ideal GMRES matrix.

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Using the orthogonal transformation and this lemma we proved: If $i$ divides $n$ then
ideal GMRES = worst-case GMRES
for a Jordan block $\mathbf{J}_{\lambda}$.
[T. \& Liesen '05]

## In more details

We proved: There is a strong connection between
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where $m=n / i$. Let e.g. $n$ is even, $i=n / 2, m=2$.


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$$
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## Estimating the ideal GMRES approximation

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- If $\mathbf{A}$ is normal then $\Omega=L$.
- If $\mathbf{A}$ is nonnormal then there are several possibilities how to choose $\Omega$, e.g.
* $\varepsilon$-pseudospectrum of $\mathbf{A}$,
* polynomial numerical hull of $\mathbf{A}$.
[Nevanlinna, Greenbaum]


## Polynomial numerical hull

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How do these sets look like for a given class of nonnormal matrices?
[papers by Greenbaum et al. 2000-2004]

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\begin{aligned}
2 r^{n}+r-1 & =0 \\
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$$
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$$

for $\lambda \geq r_{i, n}$.

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if $\mathbf{A}$. and $\mathbf{B}$. hold then
worst-case GMRES $=$ ideal GMRES for $\mathbf{J}_{\lambda}$ in each step $i$.

## Conclusions for a Jordan block

Let $i$ divide $n$. In these steps $i$ :

- we proved worst-case GMRES = ideal GMRES,
- we determined the ideal GMRES polynomial,
- we know the radius of polynomial numerical hull,
- we derived tight bounds on $\left\|\varphi_{i}\left(\mathbf{J}_{\lambda}\right)\right\|$.


## Conclusions for a Jordan block

Let $i$ divide $n$. In these steps $i$ :

- we proved worst-case GMRES = ideal GMRES,
- we determined the ideal GMRES polynomial,
- we know the radius of polynomial numerical hull,
- we derived tight bounds on $\left\|\varphi_{i}\left(\mathbf{J}_{\lambda}\right)\right\|$.

General step $i$ :
Our numerical experiments predict:

$$
\text { worst-case GMRES }=\text { ideal GMRES for } \mathbf{J}_{\lambda} \text { in each step } i .
$$

Which approximation problem solves ideal GMRES for $\mathbf{J}_{\lambda}$ ?

## Thank you for your attention!

