

- Basic idea of Krylov space methods:
Find (exponentially good in n) approximation of $E_0, |E_0\rangle$ (and possibly a few excited states) by projecting H to an $(n+1) \times (n+1)$ matrix within $K_{n+1}(H, |\psi\rangle)$.
- Crucial ingredient: Approximate invariance of $K_{n+1}(H, |\psi\rangle)$ for sufficiently large n .

Interlude: Invariant subspaces

- $S \subset \mathcal{H}$ is an invariant subspace of H , if $|x\rangle \in S \Rightarrow H|x\rangle \in S$
- If $Q = (|q_0\rangle, \dots, |q_n\rangle)$ with $Q^\dagger Q = \mathbb{1}_{(n+1)}$, then

orthonormal basis of S

$T = Q^\dagger H Q$ is the projection of H onto the invariant $(n+1) \times (n+1)$ subspace S , and we have $HQ = QT$

$\rightarrow$ From eigenvectors $\vec{y}_\lambda$ of T with $T \vec{y}_\lambda = E_\lambda \vec{y}_\lambda$, we

find that $QT \vec{y}_\lambda = E_\lambda Q \vec{y}_\lambda \Rightarrow H Q \vec{y}_\lambda = E_\lambda Q \vec{y}_\lambda$,

i.e. $Q \vec{y}_\lambda$ is an eigenstate of H with the same eigenvalue E_λ .
($|E_\lambda\rangle = Q \vec{y}_\lambda$)

- Relation to Krylov methods: $K_n(H, |\psi_i\rangle)$ is to exponentially good precision in n an invariant subspace containing the ground state, since $H^n |\psi_i\rangle$ converges to extremal eigenstates.

- Simple and successful method: Lanczos algorithm
- Start with a random initial state $|q_0\rangle := |\psi_i\rangle$ and iteratively apply H as follows:

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 normalized

$$H|q_0\rangle = a_0|q_0\rangle + b_1|q_1\rangle$$

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$$\langle q_0|H|q_0\rangle$$

$$\left[\begin{aligned} H|q_0\rangle &= \sum_{e=0}^D |e\rangle \langle e| H|q_0\rangle = \underbrace{\langle q_0|H|q_0\rangle}_{a_0} |q_0\rangle + \underbrace{\sum_{e \neq 0} |e\rangle \langle e| H|q_0\rangle}_{=: b_1 |q_1\rangle} \end{aligned} \right]$$

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 $|q_0\rangle =: |0\rangle$

$\leadsto \langle q_0|q_1\rangle = 0$ by construction.

$b_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ is a phase convention on $|q_1\rangle$, and $a_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ due to $H = H^\dagger$.

$$H|q_1\rangle = b'_1|q_0\rangle + a_1|q_1\rangle + b_2|q_2\rangle, \text{ where}$$

$$\langle q_0|H|q_1\rangle \stackrel{\uparrow}{=} b'_1 \stackrel{b_1 \in \mathbb{R}}{=} \langle q_1|H|q_0\rangle = b_1$$

$$\langle q_0 | q_1 \rangle = \langle q_0 | q_2 \rangle = 0$$

$$H |q_i\rangle = b_i |q_{i-1}\rangle + a_i |q_i\rangle + b_{i+1} |q_{i+1}\rangle$$

$$\text{with } \langle q_j | q_{i+1} \rangle = 0 \quad \forall j < i+1.$$

↳ This generates an orthonormal basis $|q_0\rangle, \dots, |q_n\rangle$ of the $(n+1)$ -th Krylov space in n steps, and with $Q = (|q_0\rangle, \dots, |q_n\rangle)$, $T = Q^H H Q$ is of the tridiagonal form:

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 & b_1 & & & \\ b_1 & a_1 & b_2 & & \\ & b_2 & a_2 & b_3 & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & b_n & a_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Why is $\langle q_j | q_{i+1} \rangle = 0 \quad \forall j < i+1$ true?

$$\langle q_0 | H | q_2 \rangle = (\langle q_0 | a_0 + \langle q_1 | b_1) | q_2 \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle q_0 | a_0 + \langle q_1 | b_1$$

$$[\langle q_0 | q_2 \rangle = \langle q_1 | q_2 \rangle = 0]$$

$$\rangle = \langle q_0 | H | q_2 \rangle = \langle q_0 | (b_1 | q_1 \rangle + a_2 | q_2 \rangle + b_3 | q_3 \rangle) =$$

$$= \langle q_0 | q_3 \rangle b_3 = 0$$

$$\langle q_0 | q_1 \rangle = \langle q_0 | q_2 \rangle = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$ For any $b_3 \neq 0$, we have $\langle q_0 | q_3 \rangle = 0$ ✓

Continue this argument by induction in i (here $i=2$).

→ Find the lowest eigenvalue ϵ_0 of T with eigenvector y_0

$\leadsto$ For large n $\epsilon_0 \rightarrow E_0$ and $Q \bar{y}_0 \rightarrow |E_0\rangle$
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[up to numerical instabilities]

- Lanczos pseudo code (with $D = \dim \mathcal{X} = 2^N$)

- Initialize D-vectors p and q , and n-vectors α, β ,

$\nearrow$ random $\nwarrow$ 0-vector $\uparrow$ $n \sim 100$

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double temp, int j = 0
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- Fix $\varepsilon > 0$ as a cutoff ($\sim 10^{-13}$) and set $\beta[0] = 1.0$;

- Fix $\max_{it} \sim 100$;

while ($|B[j]| > \epsilon \wedge j < \text{maxit} - 1$) {

if ($\bar{v} \neq 0$) {

int $i = 0$;

for ($i = 0, \dots, \text{dim} - 1$) { [% tidy up q and p for next step]

temp = $P[i]$;

$P[i] = q[i] / \beta[i]$

$q[i] = -\beta[i] \cdot \text{temp}$;

}

}

$q = q + H \cdot p$ [% matrix-vector mult. (see B.1 for implementation)]

$j++$;

$\alpha[j-1] = (p, q)$;

$q = q - \alpha[j-1] p$;

$\beta[j] = \text{sqrt}((q, q))$;

}

[% scalar product of dim-vectors]

$\leadsto$ tridiagonal (symmetric) matrix T stored in

$B[1:j-1]$, $\alpha[0:j-1]$.

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 $\{b_1, \dots, b_{j-1}\}$

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 $\{a_0, \dots, a_{j-1}\}$