

Moments, Krylov subspace methods and model reduction

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Historical remark on iterative methods

1950 - **Iterative methods for elliptic PDE**

- Ph.D. Thesis by D. Young at Harvard (published in 1954)

1951, 1952 - Lanczos algorithm, conjugate gradient method
by C. Lanczos, M. Hestenes and E. Stiefel

1962 - Book **Matrix Iterative Analysis** by R. Varga

1971 - Book **Iterative methods** by D. Young

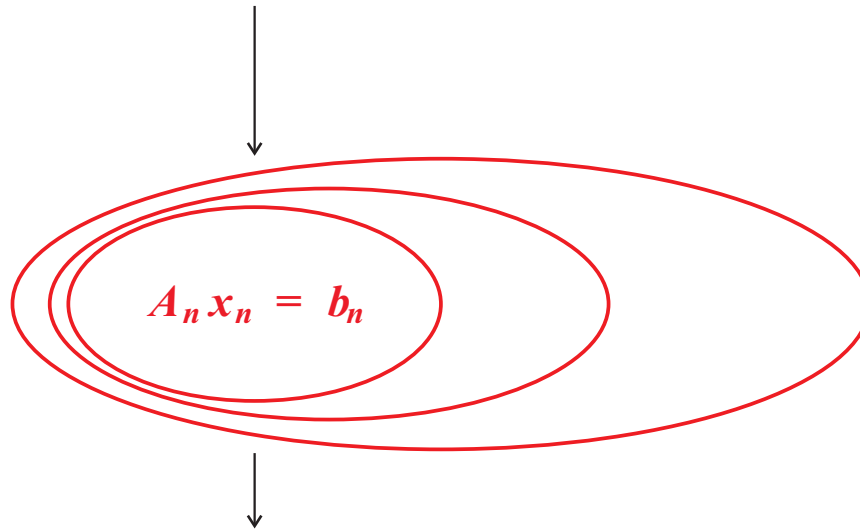
1971 - Lecture of J. Reid in Dundee (published in 1971)

1971 - Ph.D. Thesis of C.C. Paige at the University of London
(published in 1972, 1976 and 1980)



Projections onto Krylov subspaces

$$Ax = b, \quad A \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times N}, \quad r_0 = b - Ax_0$$



Here x_n approximates the solution x using the projection onto low dimensional subspaces

$$\mathcal{K}_n(A, r_0) \equiv \text{span} \{r_0, Ar_0, \dots, A^{n-1}r_0\}$$

.



Nonlinearity and moments

The projection process using Krylov subspaces is **highly nonlinear in A** and it depends on r_0 ,

$$x_n \in \mathcal{K}_n(A, r_0) \equiv \text{span} \{r_0, Ar_0, \dots, A^{n-1}r_0\}.$$

$\mathcal{K}_n(A, r_0)$ accumulate the dominant information **of A with respect to r_0** .

Unlike in the power method for computing the single dominant eigenspace, here all the information accumulated along the way is used, see Parlett (1980), Example 12.1.1.

The idea of projections using Krylov subspaces is in a fundamental way linked with the **problem of moments**.

The story goes back to Gauss (1814).



Outline

1. Krylov subspace methods as matching moments model reduction
2. Convergence of CG in the presence of close eigenvalues
3. Gauss-Christoffel quadrature can be sensitive to small perturbations of the distribution function
4. CG in finite precision arithmetic



1 : Matching moments

Consider a non-decreasing distribution function $\omega(\lambda)$, $\lambda \geq 0$ with the moments given by the Riemann-Stieltjes integral

$$\xi_k = \int_0^{\infty} \lambda^k d\omega(\lambda), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots$$

Find the distribution function $\omega^{(n)}(\lambda)$ with n points of increase $\lambda_i^{(n)}$, which matches the first $2n$ moments for the distribution function $\omega(\lambda)$,

$$\int_0^{\infty} \lambda^k d\omega^{(n)}(\lambda) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i^{(n)} (\lambda_i^{(n)})^k = \xi_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, 2n - 1.$$



1 : Gauss-Christoffel quadrature

Clearly,

$$\int_0^{\infty} \lambda^k d\omega(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i^{(n)} (\lambda_i^{(n)})^k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, 2n - 1$$

represents the n -point Gauss-Christoffel quadrature, see

C. F. Gauss, *Methodus nova integralium valores per approximationem inveniendi*, (1814),

C. G. J. Jacobi, *Über Gauss' neue Methode, die Werthe der Integrale näherungsweise zu finden*, (1826),

and the description given in H. H. J. Goldstine, *A History of Numerical Analysis from the 16th through the 19th Century*, (1977).

With no loss of generality we assume $\xi_0 = 1$.



1 : Model reduction via matching moments I

Gauss-Christoffel quadrature formulation:

$$\int_0^{\infty} f(\lambda) d\omega(\lambda) \approx \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i^{(n)} f(\lambda_i^{(n)}),$$

where the reduced model given by the distribution function with n points of increase $\omega^{(n)}$ **matches the first $2n$ moments**

$$\int_0^{\infty} \lambda^k d\omega(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i^{(n)} (\lambda_i^{(n)})^k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, 2n - 1.$$



1 : Stieltjes recurrence

Let $p_1(\lambda) \equiv 1, p_2(\lambda), \dots, p_{n+1}(\lambda)$ be the first $n + 1$ orthonormal polynomials corresponding to the distribution function $\omega(\lambda)$.

Then, writing $P_n(\lambda) = (p_1(\lambda), \dots, p_n(\lambda))^T$,

$$\lambda P_n(\lambda) = T_n P_n(\lambda) + \delta_{n+1} p_{n+1}(\lambda) e_n$$

represents the **Stieltjes recurrence (1883-4)**, with the Jacobi matrix

$$T_n \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1 & \delta_2 & & & \\ \delta_2 & \gamma_2 & \ddots & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \delta_n & \\ & & & \delta_n & \gamma_n \end{pmatrix}, \quad \delta_l > 0.$$



1 : Matrix computation: Lanczos \equiv Stieltjes

In matrix computations, T_n results from the **Lanczos process (1951)** applied to T_n starting with e_1 . Therefore $p_1(\lambda) \equiv 1, p_2(\lambda), \dots, p_n(\lambda)$ are orthonormal with respect to the inner product

$$(p_s, p_t) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^n |(z_i^{(n)}, e_1)|^2 p_s(\theta_i^{(n)}) p_t(\theta_i^{(n)}),$$

where $z_i^{(n)}$ is the orthonormal eigenvector of T_n corresponding to the eigenvalue $\theta_i^{(n)}$, and $p_{n+1}(\lambda)$ has the roots $\theta_i^{(n)}, i = 1, \dots, n$.

Consequently,

$$\omega_i^{(n)} = |(z_i^{(n)}, e_1)|^2, \quad \lambda_i^{(n)} = \theta_i^{(n)},$$

Golub and Welsh (1969), ,
Meurant and S, Acta Numerica (2006).



1 : Linear algebraic equation

Given $Ax = b$ with an HPD $A \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$, $r_0 = b - Ax_0$, $w_1 = r_0 / \|r_0\|$.
Assume, for simplicity of notation, $\dim(\mathcal{K}_n(A, r_0)) = n$.

Consider the spectral decomposition

$$A = S \operatorname{diag}(\lambda_i) S^*,$$

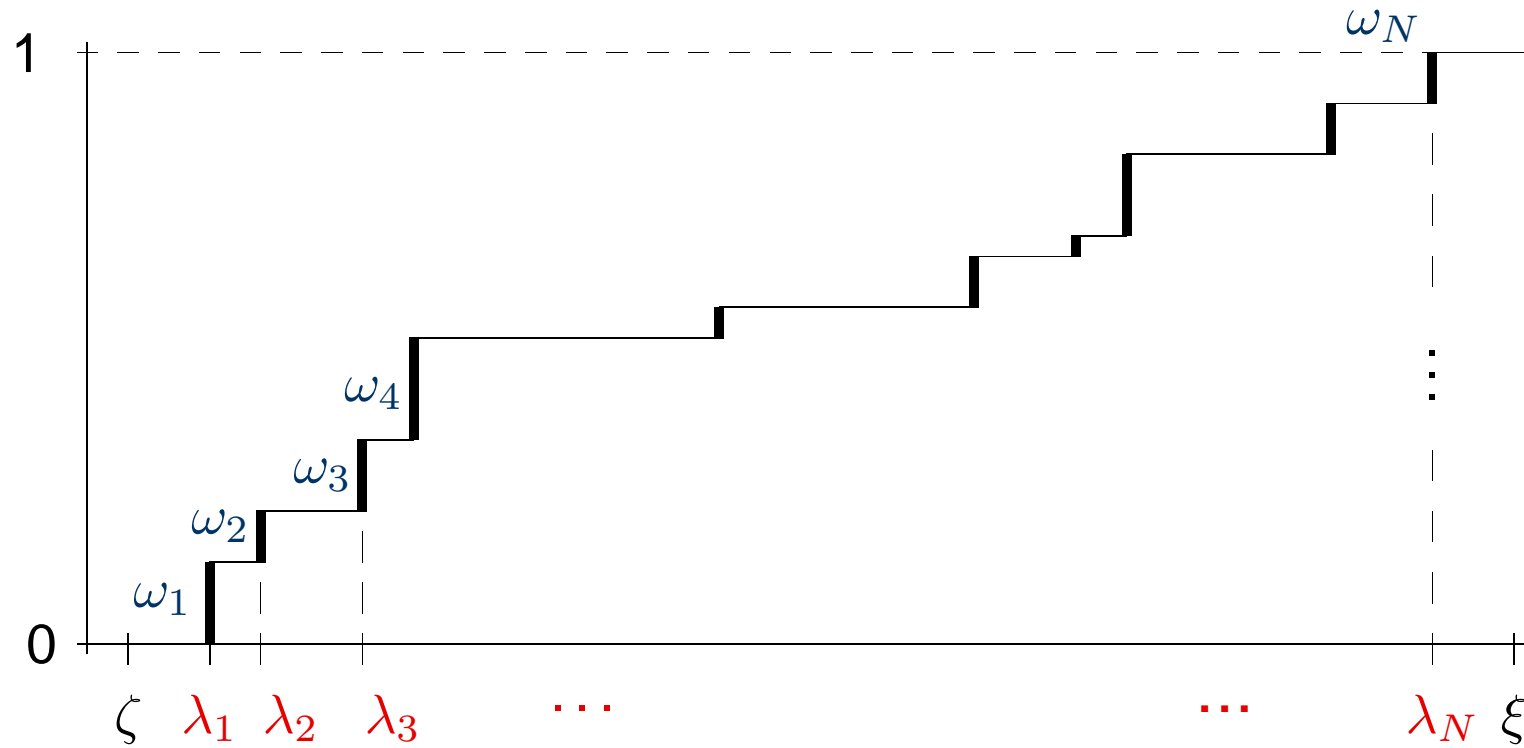
where for clarity of exposition we assume that the eigenvalues are distinct,

$$0 < \lambda_1 < \dots < \lambda_N, \quad S = [s_1, \dots, s_N].$$

A and $w_1(b, x_0)$ determine the distribution function $\omega(\lambda)$ with
 N points of increase λ_i and weights $\omega_i = |(s_i, w_1)|^2$, $i = 1, \dots, N$.



1 : Distribution function $\omega(\lambda)$





1 : Model reduction via matching moments II

Matrix formulation:

$$\int_0^\infty \lambda^k d\omega(\lambda) = \sum_{j=1}^N \omega_j (\lambda_j)^k = w_1^* A^k w_1,$$
$$\sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i^{(n)} (\lambda_i^{(n)})^k = \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i^{(n)} (\theta_i^{(n)})^k = e_1^T T_n^k e_1.$$

matching the first $2n$ moments therefore means

$$w_1^* A^k w_1 \equiv e_1^T T_n^k e_1, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, 2n - 1.$$



1 : Conjugate gradients (CG) for $Ax = b$

The A -norm of the error is minimal! See Elman, Silvester and Wathen (2005), p. 71.

$$\|x - x_n\|_A = \min_{u \in x_0 + \mathcal{K}_n(A, r_0)} \|x - u\|_A$$

with the formulation via the Lanczos process, $w_1 = r_0 / \|r_0\|$,

$$A W_n = W_n T_n + \delta_{n+1} w_{n+1} e_n^T, \quad T_n = W_n^* (A) A W_n (A),$$

and the CG approximation given by

$$T_n y_n = \|r_0\| e_1, \quad x_n = x_0 + W_n y_n.$$



1 : Alternative descriptions

- Stay with A, b, r_0, w_1 and work with the matrix formulation using the Lanczos process (CG) applied to A with w_1 .
- Using the basis of eigenvectors S , the matrix formulation reduces to the mathematically equivalent polynomial formulation, Lanczos (CG) reduces to the Stieltjes process applied to the distribution function $\omega(\lambda)$.

In both descriptions the n -th step gives the Jacobi matrix T_n and the distribution function $\omega_n(\lambda)$.

The relationship was pointed out by **Hestenes and Stiefel (1952)**, ...
nice Ph.D. Thesis by **Kent (1989, Stanford)**, book by **B. Fischer (1996)**,
paper by **Fischer and Freund (1992)**.



1 : CG \equiv matrix formulation of the Gauss Q

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Ax = b, x_0 & \longleftrightarrow & \int_{\zeta}^{\xi} \lambda^{-1} d\omega(\lambda) \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ T_n y_n = \|r_0\| e_1 & \longleftrightarrow & \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i^{(n)} \left(\theta_i^{(n)}\right)^{-1} \\ x_n = x_0 + W_n y_n & & \end{array}$$

$$\omega^{(n)}(\lambda) \longrightarrow \omega(\lambda)$$



1 : Matching moments model reduction

CG (Lanczos) reduces for A HPD at the step n the original model

$$Ax = b, r_0 = b - Ax_0$$

to

$$T_n y_n = \|r_0\| e_1,$$

such that the the first $2n$ moments are matched,

$$w_1^* A^k w_1 = e_1^T T_n^k e_1, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, 2n - 1.$$



1 : Comments on literature

Proofs of results related to moments or model reduction are in the literature typically based on **factorizations of the matrix of moments**, Golub and Welsh (1969), Dahlquist, Golub and Nash (1978), . . . , Kent(1989), . . . , which is also true for Antoulas (2005).

Moment matching techniques has been used for decades in computational physics and in computational chemistry, see Gordon (1968).

Gauss quadrature formulation related to the nonsymmetric Lanczos process and to the Arnoldi process was given by Freund and Hochbruck (1993), motivated by Fischer and Freund (1992). Gauss quadrature was formally extended to the complex plane by Saylor and Smolarski (2001), with motivation from inverse scattering problems in electromagnetics by Warnick (1997), . . . , Golub, Stoll and Wathen (2008).

Here we avoid using matrix of moments, and do not need any formal generalization of the Gauss quadrature formulas to the complex plane.



1 : Vorobyev moment problem - 1958, 1965

Find a linear HPD operator A_n on $\mathcal{K}_n(A, r_0)$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} A_n w_1 &= A w_1, \\ A_n (A w_1) &\equiv A_n^2 w_1 = A^2 w_1, \\ &\vdots \\ A_n (A^{n-2} w_1) &\equiv A_n^{n-1} w_1 = A^{n-1} w_1, \\ A_n (A^{n-1} w_1) &\equiv A_n^n w_1 = Q_n (A^n w_1), \end{aligned}$$

where Q_n projects onto \mathcal{K}_n orthogonally to \mathcal{K}_n .



1 : Matching moments model reduction

By construction,

$$w_1^* A^k w_1 = w_1^* A_n^k w_1, \quad k = 0, \dots, n-1.$$

Since $\mathcal{K}_n(A, w_1) = \text{span}\{w_1, \dots, A^{n-1}w_1\}$, the projection

$$Q_n(A^n w_1) - A_n^n w_1 = Q_n(A^n w_1 - A_n^n w_1) = 0$$

gives (note that A is Hermitian)

$$w_1^* A^k w_1 = w_1^* A_n^k w_1, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, 2n-1.$$



1 : Matching moments model reduction

Using the unitary basis W_n with $Q_n = W_n W_n^*$,

$$A_n = Q_n A Q_n = W_n W_n^* A W_n W_n^* = W_n T_n W_n^*,$$

$$A_n^k = W_n T_n^k W_n^*,$$

which gives the result

$$w_1^* A^k w_1 = w_1^* A_n^k w_1 = e_1^T T_n^k e_1, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, 2n - 1.$$



1 : Non-Hermitian Lanczos

Given a nonsingular $A \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$, $v \in \mathbb{C}^N$, $w \in \mathbb{C}^N$, $v^* w = 1$.

The non-Hermitian Lanczos algorithm can be written in the form

$$A W_n = W_n T_n + \delta_{n+1} w_{n+1} e_n^T,$$

$$A^* V_n = V_n T_n^* + \beta_{n+1}^* v_{n+1} e_n^T,$$

$$V_n^* W_n = I_n, \quad T_n = V_n^*(A, v_1, w_1) A W_n(A, v_1, w_1).$$

We **assume** that the algorithm does not break down in steps 1 through n (it can break down later).



1 : Non-Hermitian Lanczos

Here

$$T_n \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1 & \beta_2 & & & \\ \delta_2 & \gamma_2 & \ddots & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \beta_n & \\ & & \delta_n & \gamma_n & \end{pmatrix}, \quad \delta_l > 0, \beta_l \neq 0,$$

The columns of W_n form a basis of $\mathcal{K}_n(A, w_1)$, while the columns of V_n a basis of $\mathcal{K}_n(A^*, v_1)$. Since $V_n^* W_n = I_n$, the **oblique projector onto $\mathcal{K}_n(A, w_1)$ orthogonal to $\mathcal{K}_n(A^*, v_1)$** can be written as

$$Q_n = W_n V_n^* .$$



1 : Vorobyev moment problem for N. L.

Find a linear operator A_n on $\mathcal{K}_n(A, w_1)$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} A_n w_1 &= A w_1, \\ A_n (A w_1) &= A^2 w_1, \\ &\vdots \\ A_n (A^{n-2} w_1) &= A^{n-1} w_1, \\ A_n (A^{n-1} w_1) &= (W_n V_n^*) (A^n w_1). \end{aligned}$$

Using orthogonality to the basis vectors $v_1, A^* v_1, \dots, (A^*)^{n-1} v_1,$

$$v_1^* A^{k+n} w_1 = v_1^* A^k A_n^n w_1, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1.$$



1 : Matching moments in non-Hermitian L.

$$\begin{aligned} A_n &= Q_n A Q_n = W_n V_n^* A W_n V_n^* = W_n T_n V_n^*, \\ A_n^n &= W_n T_n^n V_n^*, \end{aligned}$$

$$v_1^* A^k = e_1^T T_n^k V_n^*, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1,$$

we finally get (using a simple multiplication argument for the first n moments)

$$v_1^* A^k w_1 \equiv e_1^T T_n^k e_1, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, 2n-1,$$

i.e., n steps of the non-Hermitian Lanczos (or BiCG) represent the model reduction which matches the first $2n$ moments.



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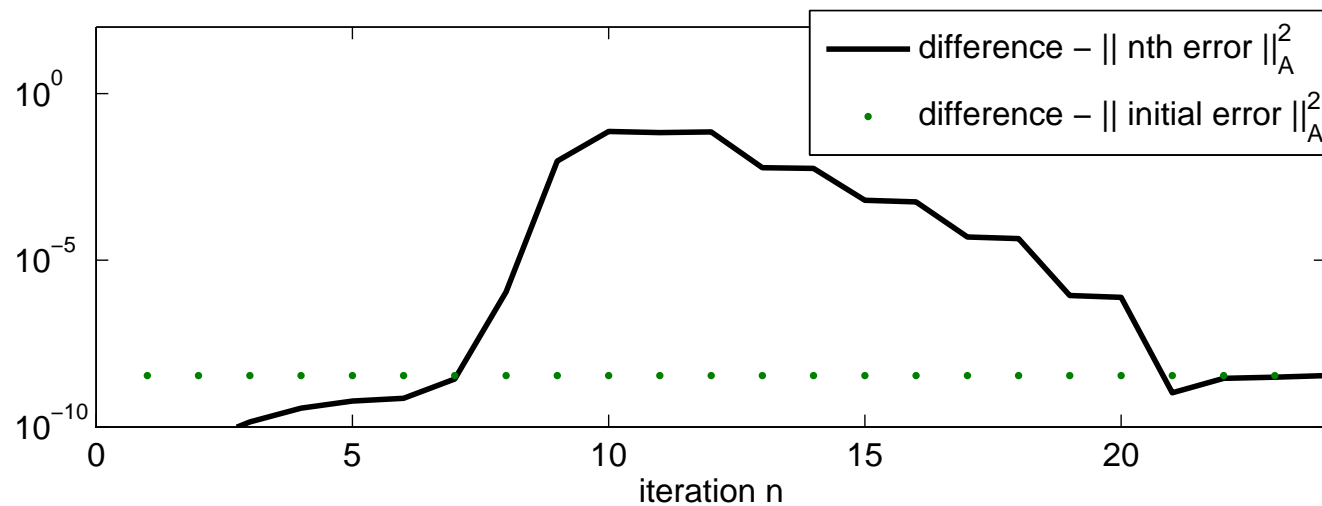
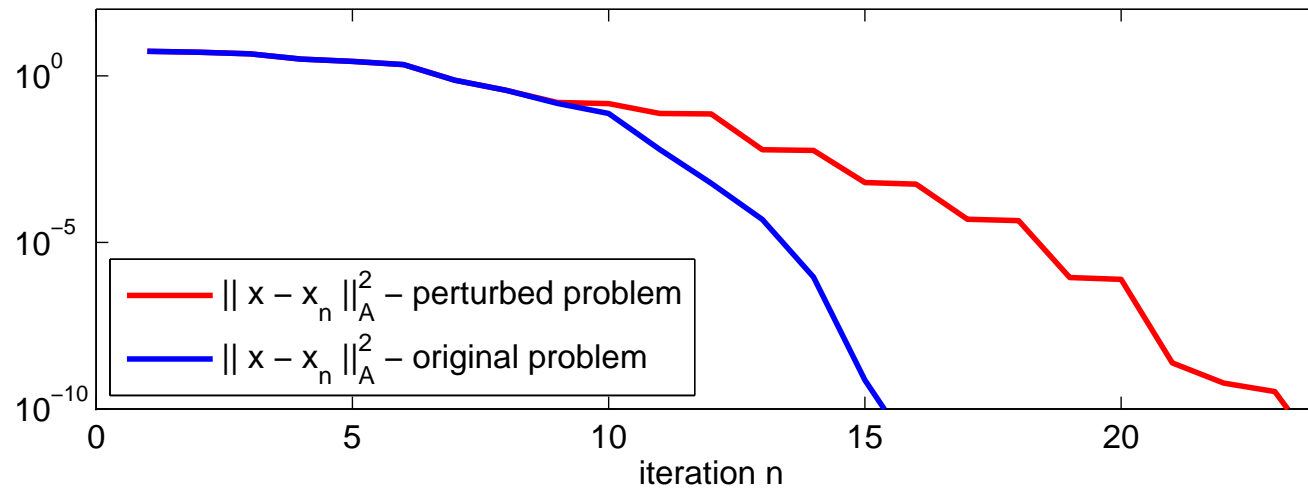
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Exact arithmetic !



2 : Exact CG for A, w_1 and \hat{A}, \hat{w}_1 :





2 : Observations

- Replacing single eigenvalues by two close ones causes large delays. **Clusters can not be replaced by single representatives!** Matching moment property is responsible for the possibly large difference.
- The presence of close eigenvalues causes an irregular staircase-like behaviour.
- Local decrease of error says nothing about the total error.
- Stopping criteria must be based on **the global information.**



2 : Published explanations

The fact that the presence of close eigenvalues affects the convergence of Ritz values and therefore the rate of convergence of the conjugate gradient method is well known; see the beautiful explanation given by van der Sluis and van der Vorst (1986, 1987).

It is closely related to the convergence of the Rayleigh quotient in the power method and to the so-called ‘misconvergence phenomenon’ in the Lanczos method, see

O’Leary, Stewart and Vandergraft (1979),
Parlett, Simon and Stringer (1982).



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3 : CG and Gauss-Ch. quadrature errors

At any iteration step n , CG represents the **matrix formulation of the n -point Gauss quadrature** of the R-S integral determined by A and r_0 ,

$$\int_{\zeta}^{\xi} f(\lambda) d\omega(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i^{(n)} f(\theta_i^{(n)}) + R_n(f).$$

For $f(\lambda) \equiv \lambda^{-1}$ the formula takes the form

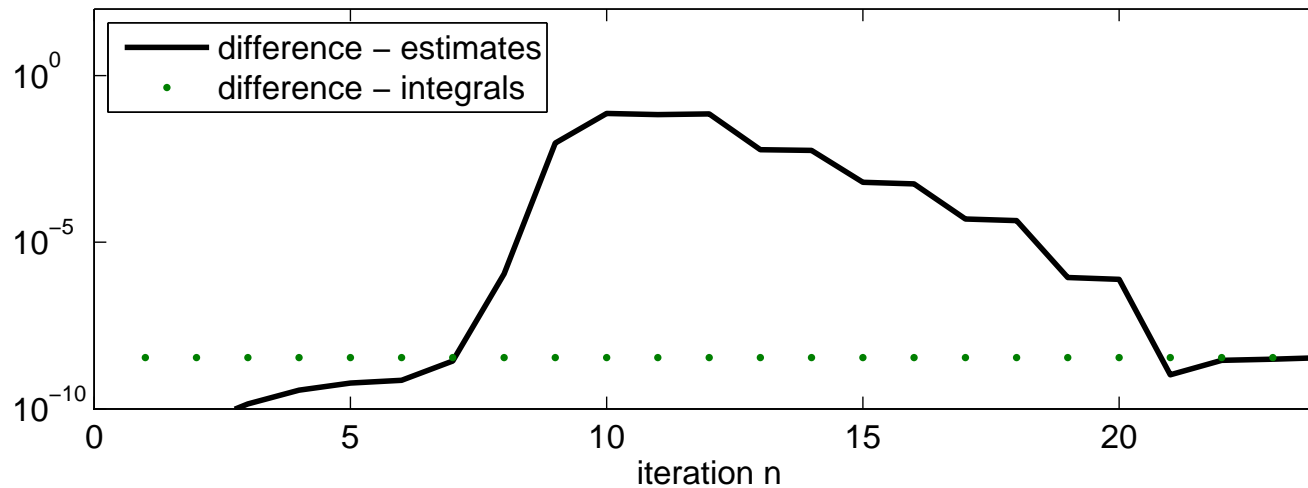
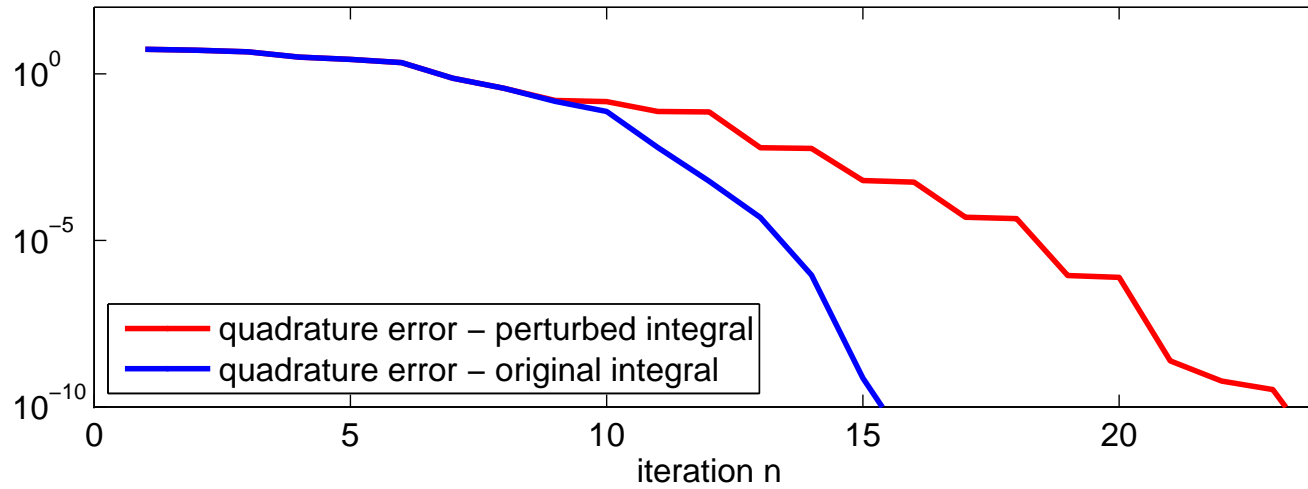
$$\frac{\|x - x_0\|_{\mathbf{A}}^2}{\|r_0\|^2} = \text{\textit{n-th Gauss quadrature}} + \frac{\|x - x_n\|_{\mathbf{A}}^2}{\|r_0\|^2}.$$

This was a base for the CG error estimation in

[DaGoNa-78, GoFi-93, GoMe-94, GoSt-94, GoMe-97, ...]

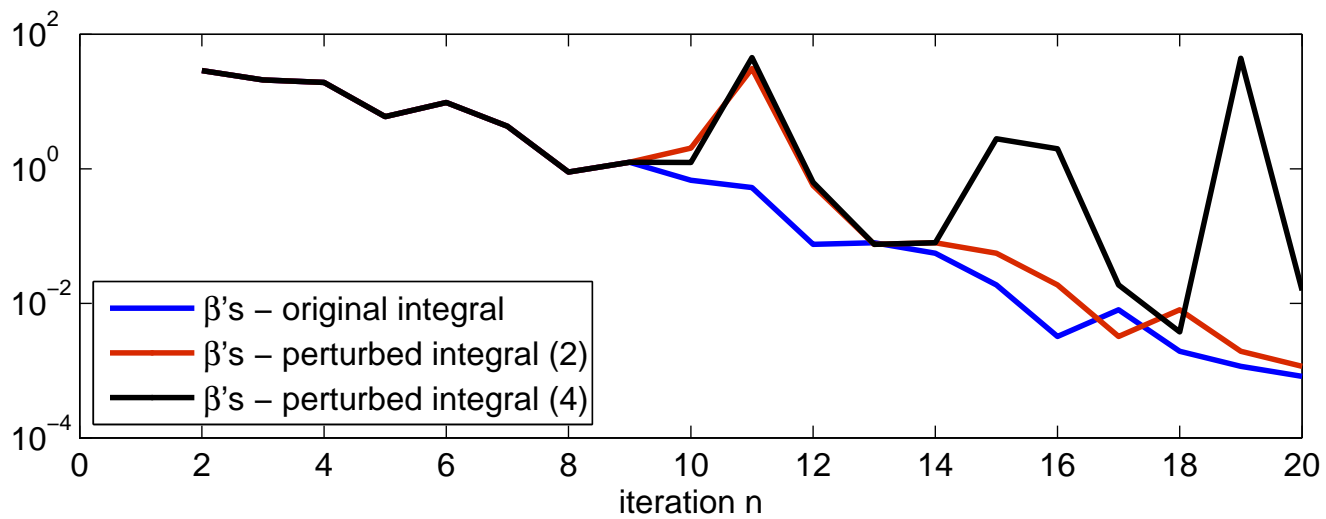
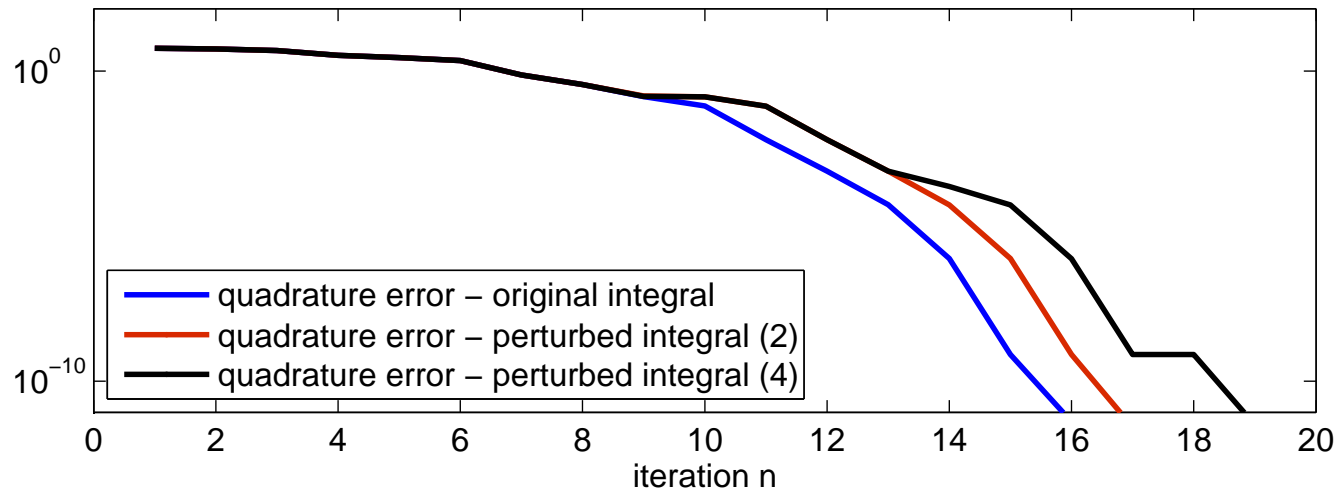


3 : Sensitivity of the Gauss-Ch. Quadrature





3 : Simplified problem





3 : Sensitivity statement

1. Gauss-Christoffel quadrature can be **highly sensitive to small changes in the distribution function of the approximated integral.**

In particular, the difference between the corresponding quadrature approximations (using the same number of quadrature nodes) can be many orders of magnitude larger than the difference between the integrals being approximated.

2. This sensitivity in Gauss-Christoffel quadrature can be observed for **discontinuous, continuous, and even analytic distribution functions,** and for analytic integrands uncorrelated with changes in the distribution functions and with no singularity close to the interval of integration.

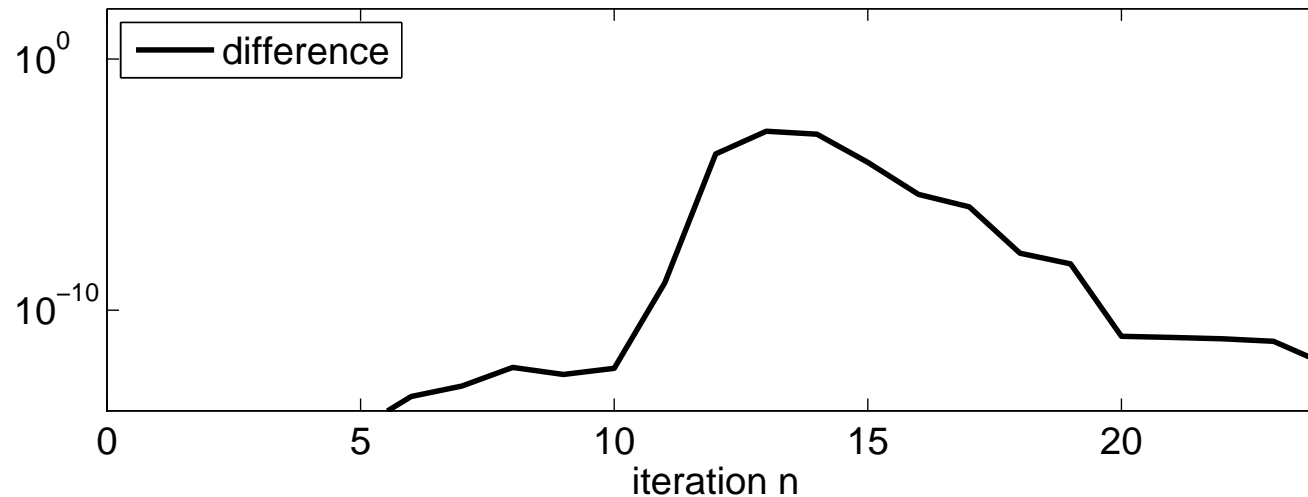
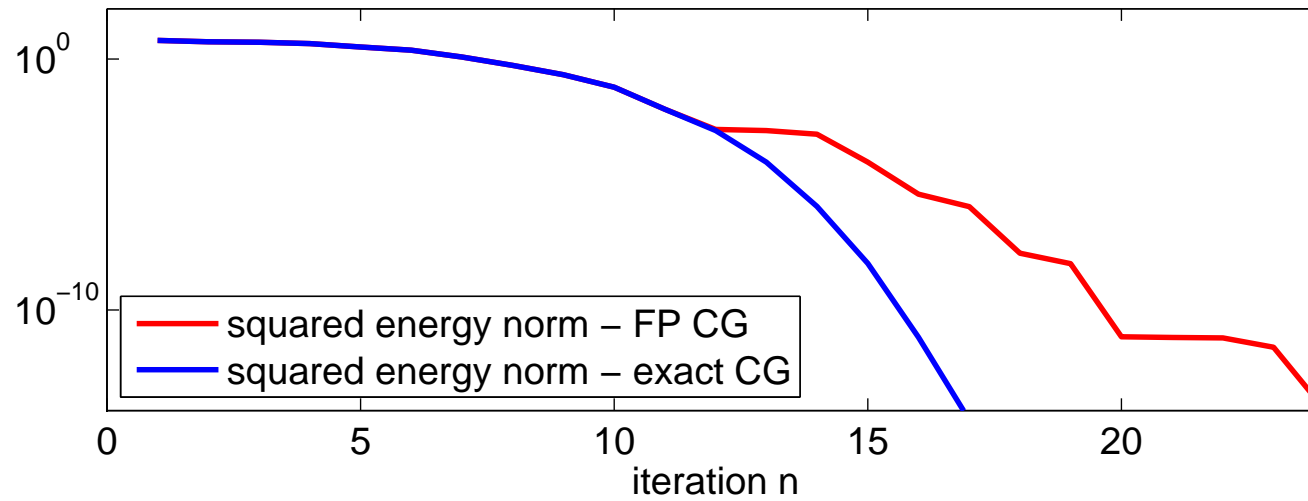


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4 : Exact and FP CG applied to A, w_1





4 : Observations - FP CG

- Rounding errors can cause **large delays**.
- They may cause an irregular staircase-like behaviour.
- Local decrease of error says nothing about the total error.
- Stopping criteria must be based on **global information**.
- It must be justified by **rigorous rounding error analysis**.

Golub and S (1994),
S and Tichý (2002, 2005),

Comput. Methods Appl. Mech. Engrg. (2003).



4 : Close to the exact CG for $\hat{A}\hat{x} = \hat{b}$???

Mathematical model of **finite precision Lanczos and CG computations**,
see

Paige (1971–80), Greenbaum (1989),
S (1991), Greenbaum and S (1992),
(also **Parlett (1990)**),

Recent review and update Meurant and S, Acta Numerica, (2006).



Conclusions

- It is good to look for interdisciplinary links and for different lines of thought. Such as linking the Krylov subspace methods with **model reduction and matching moments**.
- Rounding error analysis of Krylov subspace methods has had unexpected side effects such as understanding of general mathematical phenomena **independent of any numerical stability issues**.
- Analysis of Krylov subspace methods for solving **linear problems** has to deal with **highly nonlinear finite dimensional phenomena**.
- Regularization effects of Krylov subspace methods viewed through matching moments model reduction?!



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