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High performance numerical linear algebra: trends and new challenges.

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# First: A personal tribute

Grenoble [not far off from here] was the place to be in scientific computing in the 1960's and 1970's



Jean Kuntzmann [1912-1992] and Noel Gastinel [1925-1984] played a huge role in Grenoble's pre-eminence in Numerical Analysis and Computer Science in France and Europe

#### Introduction: Numerical Linear Algebra

Numerical linear algebra has always been a "universal" tool in science and engineering. Its focus has changed over the years to tackle "new challenges"

*1940s–1950s:* Major issue: the flutter problem in aerospace engineering. Focus: eigenvalue problem.

Triggered discoveries of the LR and QR algorithms, and the package Eispack followed a little later

*1960s:* Problems related to the power grid promoted what we know today as general sparse matrix techniques.

*1970s:* Finite Element methods, Computational Fluid Dynamics, reinforced need for general sparse techniques

Late 1980s – 1990s: Focus on parallel matrix computations.

*Late 1990s:* Big spur of interest in "financial computing" (After which the stock market collapsed ...)

- Computational Mechanics (e.g., Fluid Dynamics, structures) has been a driving force in past few decades
- But new forces are reshaping numerical linear algebra

*Recent/Current:* Google page rank, data mining, problems related to internet technology, knowledge discovery, bio-informatics, nano-technology, ...

Major factor: Synergy between disciplines.

*Example:* Discoveries in materials (e.g. semi conductors replacing vacuum tubes in 1950s) lead to faster computers, which in turn lead to better physical simulations..

- > What about data-mining and materials?
- Potential for a perfect union
- > A lot of recent interest

# The plan:

1 The traditional: Sparse iterative solvers

- a brief tutorial
- recent research
- 2 The challenging: Materials science
  - a brief tutorial
  - solving very large eigenvalue problems
- 3 The new: Data Mining/ Machine learning
  - a brief overview
  - dimension reduction

#### PART 1: SPARSE ITERATIVE SOLVERS

#### Introduction: Linear System Solvers



#### Long standing debate: direct vs. iterative

- Starting in the 1970's: huge progress of sparse direct solvers
- Iterative methods much older not designed for 'general systems'. Big push in the 1980s with help from 'preconditioning'
- ► General consensus now: Direct methods do well for 2-D problems and some specific applications [e.g., structures, ...]
- Usually too expensive for 3-D problems
- Huge difference between 2-D and 3-D case
- Test: Two Laplacean matrices of same dimension n = 122,500. First: on a  $350 \times 350$  grid (2D); Second: on a  $50 \times 50 \times 49$  grid (3D)

#### Pattern of a similar [much smaller] coefficient matrix



# A few observations

Problems are getting harder for Sparse Direct methods (more 3-D models, much bigger problems,..)

Problems are also getting difficult for iterative methods Cause: more complex models - away from Poisson

Researchers on both camps are learning each other's tricks to develop preconditioners.

Current Challenges:

(1) Scalable (HPC) performance [for general systems]

(2) Robustness, general purpose preconditioners

# Background: Preconditioned Krylov subspace methods

Two ingredients:

An accelerator: Conjugate gradient, BiCG, GMRES, BICGSTAB,... ['Krylov subspace methods']
A preconditioner: makes the system easier to solve by accelator, e.g. Incomplete LU factorizations; SOR/SSOR; Multigrid, ...

One viewpoint:

Goal of preconditioner: generate good basic iterates.. [Gauss-Seidel, ILU, ...]

Goal of accelerator: find best combination of these iterates

#### Acceleration: Krylov subspace methods

 $\blacktriangleright$  Let  $x_0$  = initial guess, and  $r_0 = b - A x_0$  = initial residual

► Define 
$$K_m = \operatorname{span}\{r_0, Ar_0, \cdots, A^{m-1}r_0\}$$
 ...

> ...  $L_m$  another subspace of dim. m

Basic Krylov step: seek $x_m=x_0+\delta;\ \delta\in K_m$  such that  $b-Ax_m\perp L_m$ 

Projection method on  $K_m$  orthogonally to  $L_m$ 

#### Approximation theory viewpoint:

•  $|x_m = x_0 + p_m(A)r_0|$  where  $p_m$  = polynomial of deg. m-1

# Two common and imporant choices

1.  $L_m = K_m \rightarrow \text{class of Galerkin or orthogonal projection}$ methods (e.g., Conjugate Gradient Method). When A is SPD:

$$\|x^* - ilde{x}\|_A = \min_{z \in K} \|x^* - z\|_A.$$

2.  $L_m = AK_m \rightarrow \text{class of minimal residual methods: CR,}$ GCR, ORTHOMIN, GMRES, CGNR, ....  $x_m$  satisfies:

$$\|b - A ilde{x}\|_2 = \min_{z \in K} \|b - Az\|_2$$

Key to success of Krylov methods: Preconditioning

# **Preconditioning – Basic principles**

Use Krylov subspace method on a modified system, e.g.:

$$M^{-1}Ax = M^{-1}b.$$

- The matrix  $M^{-1}A$  need not be formed explicitly; only need to solve Mw = v whenever needed.
- Requirement : 'easy' to compute  $M^{-1}v$  for arbitrary v
- Effect of preconditioner: spectrum of  $M^{-1}A$  more favorable for Krylov subspace accelerators

# Both A and M are SPD: Preconditioned CG (PCG)

#### ALGORITHM : 1 Preconditioned Conjugate Gradient

1.	Compute $r_0 := b - Ax_0$ , $z_0 = M^{-1}r_0$ , and $p_0 := z_0$
2.	For $j = 0, 1, \ldots$ , until convergence Do:
З.	$lpha_j:=(r_j, z_j)/(Ap_j, p_j)$
4.	$x_{j+1}:=x_j+lpha_j p_j$
5.	$r_{j+1}:=r_j-lpha_joldsymbol{A}p_j$
<i>6.</i>	$z_{j+1} := M^{-1} r_{j+1}$
7.	$eta_j:=(r_{j+1}, z_{j+1})/(r_j, z_j)$
<i>8.</i>	$p_{j+1} := z_{j+1} + \beta_j p_j$
<i>9</i> .	EndDo

> Krylov method for  $M^{-1}Ax = M^{-1}b$  but use *M*-inner product to preserve self-adjointness.

**Background:** Incomplete LU (ILU) preconditioners



Common difficulties of ILUs: Often fail for indefinite problems Not too good for highly parallel environments

#### Sparse matrix computations with GPUs \*\*

Very popular approach to: inexpensive supercomputing

> Can buy  $\sim$  one Teraflop peak power for around \$1,000

Tesla C1060 240 cores; 930GF peak

Next: Fermi; followed by Kepler; then Maxwell



► Tesla K 80 :  $2 \times 2,496 \rightarrow 4992$  GPU cores. 24 GB Mem.; Peak:  $\approx$  2.91 TFLOPS double prec. [with clock Boost].

# The CUDA environment: The big picture

# A host (CPU) and an attached device (GPU)

# **Typical program:**





Sparse matrix computations on GPUs

Main issue in using GPUs for sparse computations:

• Huge performance degradation due to 'irregular sparsity'

	Matrix -name	N	NNZ
Matrices:	FEM/Cantilever	62,451	4,007,383
	Boeing/pwtk	217,918	11,634,424

Performance of Mat-Vecs on NVIDIA Tesla C1060

	Sing	gle Pr	ecision	Double Precision		
Matrix	CSR	JAD	DIA+	CSR	JAD	DIA+
FEM/Cantilever	9.4	10.8	25.7	7.5	5.0	13.4
Boeing/pwtk	8.9	16.6	29.5	7.2	10.4	14.5

# More recent tests: NVIDIA M2070 (Fermi), Xeon X5675 Double precision in Gflops

MATRIX	Dim. N	CPU	CSR	JAD	HYB	DIA
rma10	46,835	3.80	10.19	12.61	8.48	-
cfd2	123,440	2.88	8.52	11.95	12.18	-
majorbasis	160,000	2.92	4.81	11.70	11.54	13.06
af_shell8	504,855	3.13	10.34	14.56	14.27	-
lap7pt	1,000,000	2.59	4.66	11.58	12.44	18.70
atmosmodd	1,270,432	2.09	4.69	10.89	10.97	16.03

CPU SpMV: Intel MKL, parallelized using OpenMP
 HYB: from CUBLAS Library. [Uses ellpack+csr combination]

(\*) Thanks: all matrices from the Univ. Florida sparse matrix collection

#### Sparse Forward/Backward Sweeps

Next major ingredient of precond. Krylov subs. methods

ILU preconditioning operations require L/U solves:  $x \leftarrow U^{-1}L^{-1}x$  Sequential outer loop.

for i=1:n for j=ia(i):ia(i+1)  $x(i) = x(i) - a(j)^*x(ja(j))$ end end

Parallelism can be achieved with level scheduling:

- Group unknowns into levels
- Compute unknowns x(i) of same level simultaneously
- $ullet 1 \leq nlev \leq n$

# ILU: Sparse Forward/Backward Sweeps

• Very poor performance [relative to CPU]

Matrix	N	CPU	GPU-Lev		
Iviatita	IN	<u>M</u> flops	#lev	<u>M</u> flops	ble
Boeing/bcsstk36	23,052	627	4,457	43	era
FEM/Cantilever	62,451	653	2,397	168	nis
COP/CASEYK	696,665	394	273	142	
COP/CASEKU	208,340	373	272	115	rec

GPU Sparse Triangular Solve with Level Scheduling

- Very poor performance when #levs is large
- ► A few things can be done to reduce the # levels but perf. will remain poor



#### ... prepare for the demise of the GPUs...

# ... or the demise of the ILUs ?

#### Alternative: Low-rank approximation preconditioners

Goal: use standard
 Domain Decomposition
 framework

• Exploit Low-rank corrections

Consider a domain partitioned in *p* sub-domains using vertex-based partitioniong (edge-separator)
 Interface nodes in each domain are listed last.



# The global system: Global view

▶ Global system can be permuted to the form →
 ▶ u<sub>i</sub>'s internal variables
 ▶ y interface variables



>  $\hat{F}_i$  maps local interface points to interior points in domain  $\Omega_i$ 

 $\hat{E}_i^T$  does the reverse operation

# Example:



# **Splitting**

Split as:
$$A \equiv \begin{pmatrix} B & \hat{F} \\ \hat{E}^T & C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} B \\ C \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \hat{F} \\ \hat{E}^T & F \end{pmatrix}$$
Define:
$$F \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \hat{F} \\ -I \end{pmatrix}; \quad E \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \hat{E} \\ -I \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Then:}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} B & |\hat{F} \\ \hat{E}^T & C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B + \hat{F}\hat{E}^T & 0 \\ 0 & |C + I \end{bmatrix} - FE^T.$$

> Property:  $\hat{F}\hat{E}^{T}$  is 'local', i.e., no inter-domain 1  $\text{couplings} \rightarrow$ 

$$egin{aligned} A_0 &\equiv egin{bmatrix} B+\hat{F}\hat{E}^T & 0 \ 0 & C+I \ \end{bmatrix} \ &= ext{block-diagonal} \end{aligned}$$

# Low-Rank Approximation DD preconditioners

 $Sherman-Morrison \rightarrow$ 

$$A^{-1} = A_0^{-1} + A_0^{-1} F G^{-1} E^T A_0^{-1}$$
$$G \equiv I - E^T A_0^{-1} F$$

Options: (a) Approximate  $A_0^{-1}F, E^T A_0^{-1}, G^{-1}$ (b) Approximate only  $G^{-1}$  [this talk]

> (b) requires 2 solves with  $A_0$ .

Let  $G \approx G_k$ Preconditioner  $\rightarrow$ 

$$M^{-1} = A_0^{-1} + A_0^{-1} F G_k^{-1} E^T A_0^{-1}$$

#### Symmetric Positive Definite case

> Recap: Let 
$$G \equiv I - E^T A_0^{-1} E \equiv I - H$$
. Then  
 $A^{-1} = A_0^{-1} + A_0^{-1} E G^{-1} E^T A_0^{-1}$ 

> Approximate  $G^{-1}$  by  $G_k^{-1} \rightarrow$  preconditioner:  $M^{-1} = A_0^{-1} + (A_0^{-1}E)G_k^{-1}(E^TA_0^{-1})$ 

#### > Matrix $A_0$ is SPD

 $\blacktriangleright$  Can show:  $0 \leq \lambda_j(H) < 1$  .

► Now take rank-*k* approximation to *H*:  $H \approx U_k D_k U_k^T$   $G_k = I - U_k D_k U_k^T$  →  $G_k^{-1} \equiv (I - U_k D_k U_k^T)^{-1} = I + U_k [(I - D_k)^{-1} - I] U_k^T$ 

► Observation:  $A^{-1} = M^{-1} + A_0^{-1} E[G^{-1} - G_k^{-1}] E^T A_0^{-1}$ 

>  $G_k$ : k largest eigenvalues of H matched – others set == 0

> Result:  $AM^{-1}$  has

• n - s + k eigenvalues == 1

All others between 0 and 1

#### Alternative: reset lowest eigenvalues to constant

- Let  $H = U\Lambda U^T$  = exact (full) diagonalization of H
- > We replaced  $\Lambda$  by:
- > Alternative: replace  $\Lambda$  by

- > Interesting case:  $\theta = \lambda_{k+1}$
- > Question: related approximation to  $G^{-1}$ ?

► Result: Let  $\gamma = 1/(1 - \theta)$ . Then approx. to  $G^{-1}$  is:  $G_{k,\theta}^{-1} \equiv \gamma I + U_k [(I - D_k)^{-1} - \gamma I] U_k^T$ 

- >  $G_k$ : k largest eigenvalues of G matched others set ==  $\theta$
- >  $\theta = 0$  yields previous case
- $\blacktriangleright$  When  $\lambda_{k+1} \leq heta < 1$  we get
- > Result:  $AM^{-1}$  has

• 
$$n - s + k$$
 eigenvalues == 1  
• All others  $\geq 1$ 

Next: An example for a  $900 \times 900$  Laplacean, 4 domains, s = 119.

# Eigenvalues of $AM^{-1}$ . Used: k = 5 . Two cases



PropositionAssume 
$$\theta$$
 is so that  $\lambda_{k+1} \leq \theta < 1$ . Thenthe eigenvalues  $\eta_i$  of  $AM^{-1}$  satisfy: $1 \leq \eta_i \leq 1 + \frac{1}{1-\theta} \|A^{1/2}A_0^{-1}E\|_2^2$ .

Can Show: For the Laplacean (FD)

$$\|A^{1/2}A_0^{-1}E\|_2^2 = \|E^TA_0^{-1}AA_0^{-1}E\|_2 \le rac{1}{4}$$

regardless of the mesh-size.

Best upper bound for 
$$heta = \lambda_{k+1}$$

Set  $\theta = \lambda_{k+1}$ . Then  $\kappa(AM^{-1}) \leq \text{constant}$ , if k large enough so that  $\lambda_{k+1} \leq \text{constant}$ .

# The symmetric indefinite case

> Appeal of this approach over ILU: approximate inverse  $\rightarrow$  Not as sensitive to indefiniteness

- Part of the results shown still hold
- > But  $\lambda_i(H)$  can be > 1 now.

> Can change the setting slightly [by introducing a parameter  $\alpha$ ] to improve diagonal dominance

Details skipped.
## **Parallel implementations**



$$M^{-1} = A_0^{-1} \left[ I + E G_{k, heta}^{-1} E^T A_0^{-1} 
ight] 
onumber \ G_{k, heta}^{-1} = \gamma I + U_k [(I - D_k)^{-1} - \gamma I] U_k^T$$

 $\succ$  Steps involved in applying  $M^{-1}$  to a vector x :

#### ALGORITHM : 2 Preconditioning operation

1.  $z = A_0^{-1}x$  //  $\hat{B}_i$ -solves and  $C_*$  solve ( $C_* \equiv C + I$ ) 2.  $y = E^T z$  // Interior points to interface (Loc.) 3.  $y_k = G_{k,\theta}^{-1}y$  // Use Low-Rank approx. 4.  $z_k = Ey_k$  // Interface to interior points (Loc.) 5.  $u = A_0^{-1}(x + z_k)$  //  $\hat{B}_i$ -solves and  $C_*$ - solve





 $\blacktriangleright$  Recall  $\hat{B}_i = B_i + E_i E_i^T$ 

> A solve with  $A_0$  amounts to all  $p \ \hat{B}_i$ -solves and a  $C_*$ -solve

- > Can replace  $C_*^{-1}$  by a low degree polynomial [Chebyshev]
- > Can use any solver for the  $\hat{B}_i$ 's

## Parallel tests: Itasca (MSI)

- HP linux cluster- with Xeon 5560 ("Nehalem") processors
- Simple Poisson equation on regular grid

	Mesh	Nproc	Rank	#its	Prec-t	lter-t
	256 imes256	2	8	29	2.30	.343
2-D	512 imes512	8	16	57	2.62	.747
	1024  imes 1024	32	32	96	3.30	1.32
	2048  imes 2048	128	64	154	4.84	2.38

	Mesh	Nproc	Rank	#its	Prec-t	Iter-t
2-0	32  imes 32  imes 32	2	8	12	1.09	.0972
3-0	64  imes 64  imes 64	16	16	31	1.18	.381
	128  imes 128  imes 128	128	32	62	2.42	.878

#### **PART 2: ALGORITHMS FOR ELECTRONIC STRUCTURE**

## Approximations/theories used

- Original Schrödinger equation very complex
- Approximations developed started the 1930s reached excellent level of accuracy. Among them...

*Density Functional Theory:* (DFT) observable quantities are uniquely determined by ground state charge density.

Kohn-Sham equation:

$$\left[-rac{
abla^2}{2}+V_{ion}+V_H+V_{xc}
ight]\Psi=E\Psi$$

### The three potential terms

$$\left[-rac{
abla^2}{2}+V_{ion}+V_H+V_{xc}
ight]\Psi(r)=E\Psi(r)$$
 With:

• Charge density:

$$ho(r) = \sum_{i=1}^{occup} |\psi_i(r)|^2$$

• Hartree potential (local)

$$abla^2 V_H = -4\pi
ho(r)$$

- $V_{xc}$  depends on functional. For LDA:
- $V_{ion}$  = nonlocal does not explicitly depend on  $\rho$

$$V_{xc}=f(
ho(r))$$

$$V_{ion} = V_{loc} + \sum_a P_a$$

> Note:  $V_H$  and  $V_{xc}$  depend nonlinearly on eigenvectors

## Self Consistence

The potentials and/or charge densities must be self-consistent: Can be viewed as a nonlinear eigenvalue problem. Can be solved using different viewpoints

- Nonlinear eigenvalue problem: Linearize + iterate to selfconsistence
- Nonlinear optimization: minimize energy [again linearize + achieve self-consistency]
- The two viewpoints are more or less equivalent
- Preferred approach: Broyden-type quasi-Newton technique
- > Typically, a small number of iterations are required

## Self-Consistent Iteration

Most time-consuming part = computing eigenvalues / eigenvectors.

*Characteristic* : Large number of eigenvalues /-vectors to compute [occupied states].

Self-consistent loop takes a few iterations (say 10 or 20 in easy cases).

Challenge:Compute a large number of eigenvalues ( $n_{ev} \approx 10^4 - 10^5$ ) $10^4 - 10^5$ )of a large Hamiltonian matrix ( $N \approx 10^7 - 10^8$ )

## **PARSEC**

> Represents  $\approx$  15 years of effort by a multidisciplinary team

- Real-space Finite Difference;
- Efficient diagonalization, ...
- Exploits symmetry, ...
- > PARSEC Released in  $\sim$  2005.



#### **DIAGONALIZATION: CHEBYSHEV FILTERING**

## Subspace iteration with Chebyshev filtering

Given a basis  $[v_1, \ldots, v_m]$ , 'filter' each vector as

$$\hat{v}_i = p_k(A)v_i$$

>  $p_k$  = Low deg. polynomial. Enhances wanted eigencomponents

The filtering step is not used to compute eigenvectors accurately ➤ SCF & diagonalization loops merged Important: convergence still good and robust



## Main step:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Previous basis } V = [v_1, v_2, \cdots, v_m] \\ \downarrow \\ \text{Filter} & \hat{V} = [p(A)v_1, p(A)v_2, \cdots, p(A)v_m] \\ \downarrow \\ \text{Orthogonalize } [V, R] = qr(\hat{V}, 0) \end{array}$$

▶ The basis V is used to do a Ritz step (basis rotation)
 C = V<sup>T</sup>AV → [U, D] = eig(C) → V := V \* U
 ▶ Update charge density using this basis.

Update Hamiltonian — repeat

- ► In effect: Nonlinear subspace iteration
- > Main advantages: (1) very inexpensive, (2) uses minimal storage (m is a little  $\geq$  # states).
- > Filter polynomials: if [a, b] is interval to dampen, then

$$p_k(t) = rac{C_k(l(t))}{C_k(l(c))};$$
 with  $l(t) = rac{2t-b-a}{b-a}$ 

•  $c \approx$  eigenvalue farthest from (a+b)/2 – used for scaling

> 3-term recurrence of Chebyshev polynommial exploited to compute  $p_k(A)v$ . If B = l(A), then  $C_{k+1}(t) = 2tC_k(t) - C_{k-1}(t) \rightarrow$ 

$$w_{k+1}=2Bw_k-w_{k-1}$$

## Tests with Silicon and Iron clusters (old)

Legend:

- ullet  $n_{state}$  : number of states
- $n_H$  : size of Hamiltonian matrix
- # A \* x : number of total matrix-vector products
- # SCF : number of iteration steps to reach self-consistency
- $\frac{total\_eV}{atom}$  : total energy per atom in electron-volts
- 1st CPU : CPU time for the first step diagonalization
- total CPU : total CPU spent on diagonalizations

*Reference:* Y. Zhou, Y.S., M. L. Tiago, and J. R. Chelikowsky, Phy. Rev. E, vol. 74, p. 066704 (2006).

## A comparison: $Si_{525}H_{276}$

method	# A * x	SCF its.	CPU(secs)
ChebSI	124761	11	5946.69
ARPACK	142047	10	62026.37
TRLan	145909	10	26852.84

Polynomial degree = 8. Total energies agree to within 8 digits

A larger system:  $Si_{9041}H_{1860}$ 

$n_{state}$	#A * x	# SCF	$rac{total\_eV}{atom}$	1st CPU	total CPU
19015	4804488	18	-92.00412	102.12 h.	294.36 h.

# PEs = 48;  $n_H$  =2,992,832. Pol. Deg. = 8.

## Spectrum Slicing and the **EVSL** project

# Part of our DOE project on excited states

Conceptually simple idea: cut the overall interval containing the spectrum into small subintervals and compute eigenpairs in each sub-interval *independently.* Tool: polynomial filtering



To avoid repeting eigenpairs, keep only the computed eigenvalues / vectors that are located in support interval



The two main levels of parallelism in EVSL

#### Simple Parallelism: across intervals

> Use OpenMP to illustrate scaling: Compute 1002 lowest eigenpairs of matrix SiO (n = 33, 401, nnz = 1, 317, 655.)

Use 4 and then 10 spectral slices

Near optimal scaling observed as # cores increases

 Note: 2nd level of parallelism [re-orthogonalization + MatVecs] not exploited.



Faster solution times with 4 slices ( $\approx 250$  evals per slice) than with 10 slices ( $\approx 100$  evals per slice)

#### **PART 3: DATA MINING**

## Introduction: a few factoids

- Data is growing exponentially at an "alarming" rate:
  - 90% of data in world today was created in last two years
  - Every day, 2.3 Million terabytes (2.3  $\times 10^{18}$  bytes) created
- Mixed blessing: Opportunities & big challenges.
- Trend is re-shaping & energizing many research areas ...
- including my own: numerical linear algebra

#### Introduction: What is data mining?

Set of methods and tools to extract meaningful information or patterns from (big) datasets. Broad area : data analysis, machine learning, pattern recognition, information retrieval, ...

Tools used: linear algebra; Statistics; Graph theory; Approximation theory; Optimization; ...

This talk: brief introduction – emphasis on linear algebra viewpoint

+ our initial work on materials.

Focus on "Dimension reduction methods"

## Lots of data: can be hugely beneficial (e.g., Health sciences)

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#### **IBM's Watson Could Diagnose Cancer Better Than Doctors**



Posted in Medical Computing by Qmed Staff on October 22, 2013

Several years ago, IBM's Watson supercomputer gained fame after beating some of the world's top Jeopardy! players. To accomplish that feat, researchers fed thousands of points of information into Watson's database, allowing it to retrieve information presented through natural language. While winning Jeopardy! might be an exciting challenge for researchers, Watson's next goal could revolutionize oncology. IBM is currently working on the third-generation of the Watson platform, which has the power to debate and reason, according to IBM CEO Ginni Rometty.

The latest version of Watson can absorb and analyze vast amounts of data, allowing it to make diagnoses that are more accurate than human doctors. If a Watson-style computer was deployed through a cloud interface, healthcare facilities may be able to improve diagnosis accuracy, reduce costs and minimize patient wait times.



The third generation of IBM's Watson platform will be able to actively reason.

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#### Major tool of Data Mining: Dimension reduction

- Goal is not as much to reduce size (& cost) but to:
- Reduce noise and redundancy in data before performing a task [e.g., classification as in digit/face recognition]
- Discover important 'features' or 'paramaters'

The problem:Given:  $X = [x_1, \cdots, x_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , find alow-dimens. representation  $Y = [y_1, \cdots, y_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times n}$  of XAchieved by a mapping $\Phi : x \in \mathbb{R}^m \longrightarrow y \in \mathbb{R}^d$  so: $\phi(x_i) = y_i, \quad i = 1, \cdots, n$ 



- $\blacktriangleright$  may be linear :  $y_i = W^ op x_i$  , i.e.,  $Y = W^ op X$  , ..
- ... or nonlinear (implicit).
- > Mapping  $\Phi$  required to: Preserve proximity? Maximize variance? Preserve a certain graph?

### **Example:** Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

In *Principal Component Analysis* W is computed to maximize variance of projected data:

$$\max_{W\in \mathbb{R}^{m imes d}; W^ op W=I} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \left\|y_i - rac{1}{n}\sum_{j=1}^n y_j
ight\|_2^2, \,\, y_i = W^ op x_i.$$

## Leads to maximizing

$${
m Tr}\left[W^ op(X-\mu e^ op)^ op W
ight], \hspace{1em} \mu=rac{1}{n}\Sigma_{i=1}^n x_i$$

> Solution  $W = \{$  dominant eigenvectors  $\}$  of the covariance matrix  $\equiv$  Set of left singular vectors of  $\bar{X} = X - \mu e^{\top}$ 

SVD:

$$ar{X} = oldsymbol{U} \Sigma oldsymbol{V}^ op, \quad oldsymbol{U}^ op oldsymbol{U} = oldsymbol{I}, \quad oldsymbol{V}^ op oldsymbol{V} = oldsymbol{I}, \quad \Sigma = extsf{Diag}$$

> Optimal  $W = U_d \equiv$  matrix of first d columns of U

Solution W also minimizes 'reconstruction error' ..

$$\sum_i \|x_i - WW^T x_i\|^2 = \sum_i \|x_i - Wy_i\|^2$$

In some methods recentering to zero is not done, i.e.,  $\bar{X}$  replaced by X.

## Unsupervised learning

"Unsupervised learning": methods that do not exploit known labels Example of digits: perform a 2-D projection Images of same digit tend to cluster (more or less) Such 2-D representations are popular for visualization Can also try to find natural clusters in data, e.g., in materials Basic clusterning technique: Kmeans

PCA – digits : 5 – 7 • 5 **\*** 6 Photovoltaic Superhard Superconductors  $(\circ 8)$ Ferromagnetic Catalytic Multi-ferroics Thermo-electric

## Example: The 'Swill-Roll' (2000 points in 3-D)

Original Data in 3-D



# **2-D** 'reductions':





ONPP





### **Example:** Digit images (a random sample of 30)



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# **2-D** 'reductions':



### Supervised learning: classification

*Problem:* Given labels (say "A" and "B") for each item of a given set, find a mechanism to classify an unlabelled item into either the "A" or the "B" class.



- > Many applications.
- Example: distinguish SPAM and non-SPAM messages
- Can be extended to more than 2 classes.

## Supervised learning: classification

Best illustration: written digits recognition example



Roughly speaking: we seek dimension reduction so that recognition is 'more effective' in low-dim. space

## Supervised learning: Linear classification



Note: The world in non-linear. Often this is combined with Kernels – amounts to changing the inner product Face Recognition – background

*Problem:* We are given a database of images: [arrays of pixel values]. And a test (new) image.





*Question:* Does this new image correspond to one of those in the database?

## Techniques used in words:

*"Build a (linear) projector that does well on some training data. Use that same projector to predict class of new item"* 

- Some methods use a graph e.g., neighborhood graph
- Some methods use kernels (change inner products).
## **Example:** Eigenfaces [Turk-Pentland, '91]

- Idea identical with the one we saw for digits:
- Consider each picture as a (1-D) column of all pixels
- Put together into an array A of size  $\#\_pixels \times \#\_images$ .



– Do an SVD of  $\boldsymbol{A}$  and perform comparison with any test image in low-dim. space

- Similar to LSI in spirit - but data is not sparse.

### Graph-based methods in a supervised setting

**Test: ORL** 40 subjects, 10 sample images each – sample shown earlier # of pixels :  $112 \times 92$ ; TOT. # images : 400



#### **ESTIMATING MATRIX RANKS**

## What dimension to use?

- Important question but a hard one.
- > Often, dimension k is selected in an ad-hoc way.
- $\blacktriangleright$  k = intrinsic rank of data.
- Can we estimate it?

### *Two scenarios:*

1. We know the magnitude of the noise, say  $\tau$ . Then, ignore any singular value below  $\tau$  and count the others.

2. We have no idea on the magnitude of noise. Determine a good threshold  $\tau$  to use and count singular values  $> \tau$ .

Use of Density of States [Lin-Lin, Chao Yang, YS]

 $\blacktriangleright$  Formally, the Density Of States (DOS) of a matrix A is

$$\phi(t) = rac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \delta(t-\lambda_j),$$

### where

## • $\delta$ is the Dirac $\delta$ -function or Dirac distribution

•  $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \cdots \leq \lambda_n$  are the eigenvalues of A

Term used by mathematicians: Spectral Density

Note: number of eigenvalues in an interval [a, b] is  $\mu_{[a,b]} = \int_{a}^{b} \sum_{j} \delta(t - \lambda_{j}) dt \equiv \int_{a}^{b} n\phi(t) dt .$   $\blacktriangleright \phi(t) ==$  a probability distribution function == probability of finding eigenvalues of A in a given infinitesimal interval near t.

ln Solid-State physics,  $\lambda_i$ 's represent single-particle energy levels.

So the DOS represents # of levels per unit energy.

Many uses in physics

## The Kernel Polynomial Method

Used by Chemists to calculate the DOS – see Silver and Röder'94, Wang '94, Drabold-Sankey'93, + others

Basic idea: expand DOS into Chebyshev polynomials

Use trace estimators [discovered independently] to get traces needed in calculations

- > Assume change of variable done so eigenvalues lie in [-1, 1].
- Include the weight function in the expansion so expand:

$$\hat{\phi}(t)=\sqrt{1-t^2}\phi(t)=\sqrt{1-t^2} imesrac{1}{n}\sum_{j=1}^n\delta(t-\lambda_j).$$

Then, (full) expansion is:  $\hat{\phi}(t) = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \mu_k T_k(t)$ .

> Expansion coefficients  $\mu_k$  are formally defined by:

$$egin{aligned} \mu_k &= rac{2-\delta_{k0}}{\pi} \int_{-1}^1 rac{1}{\sqrt{1-t^2}} T_k(t) \hat{\phi}(t) dt \ &= rac{2-\delta_{k0}}{\pi} \int_{-1}^1 rac{1}{\sqrt{1-t^2}} T_k(t) \sqrt{1-t^2} \phi(t) dt \ &= rac{2-\delta_{k0}}{n\pi} \sum_{j=1}^n T_k(\lambda_j). \end{aligned}$$

 $\blacktriangleright$  Note:  $\sum T_k(\lambda_i) = \operatorname{Tr}[T_k(A)]$ 

Estimate this, e.g., via stochastic estimator

> Generate random vectors  $v^{(1)}, v^{(2)}, \cdots, v^{(n_{\text{vec}})}$  (normal distribution, zero mean)

Some calculations similar to those of eigenvalue counts

## An example with degree 80 polynomials



Left: Jackson damping; right: without Jackson damping.

Integrating to get eigenvalue counts

As already mentioned

$$\mu_{[a,b]} = \int_a^b \sum_j \delta(t-\lambda_j) \ dt \equiv \int_a^b n \phi(t) dt$$

If we use KPM to approximate  $\phi(t) = \hat{\phi}(t)/\sqrt{1-t^2}$  then

$$\mu_{[a,b]} pprox \sum_{k=0}^m \mu_k \int_a^b rac{T_k(t)}{\sqrt{1-t^2}} dt$$

➤ A little calculation shows that the result obtained in this way is identical with that of the eigenvalue count by Cheb expansion

### Application: Estimating a threshold for rank estimation

> When no other information is available, DOS can be used to find a good cut-off value  $\theta$  to use to estimate ranks

 Common behavior: DOS decreases then increases (or stabilizes).
If there is a significant gap use this to set-up θ.
Often gives good guess for cut-off between 'noise' and 'real' sing. values



# Updating the partial SVD

In applications, data matrix X often updated

*Challenge:* Update the partial SVD as fast as possible [e.g. for 'online' applications..]

Example: Information Retrieval (IR), can add documents, add terms, change weights, ..

Methods based on projection techniques – developed in E. Vecharynski and YS'13. Details skipped

#### **MATERIALS INFORMATICS**

## **Data mining for materials: Materials Informatics**

*Definition:* "The application of computational methodologies to processing and interpreting scientific and engineering data concerning materials" [Editors. 2006 MRS bulletin issue on materials informatics]

Huge potential in exploiting two trends:

**1** Improvements in efficiency and capabilities in computational methods for materials

**2** Recent progress in data mining techniques

> Current practice: "One student, one alloy, one PhD" [see special MRS issue on materials informatics]  $\rightarrow$  Slow ..

Data Mining: can help speed-up process

## Unsupervised learning



► 1970s: Unsupervised learning "by hand": Find coordinates that will cluster materials according to structure

 2-D projection from physical knowledge
'Anomaly Detection': helped find that compound Cu F does not exist

### see: J. R. Chelikowsky, J. C. Phillips, Phys Rev. B 19 (1978).

*Question:* Can modern data mining achieve a similar diagrammatic separation of structures?

- Should use only information from the two constituent atoms
- Experiment: 67 binary 'octets'.
- Use PCA exploit only data from 2 constituent atoms:
- 1. Number of valence electrons;
- 2. Ionization energies of the s-states of the ion core;
- 3. Ionization energies of the p-states of the ion core;
- 4. Radii for the s-states as determined from model potentials;
- 5. Radii for the p-states as determined from model potentials.





# Supervised learning: classification

*Problem:* classify an unknown binary compound into its crystal structure class

55 compounds, 6 crystal structure classes
"leave-one-out" experiment

*Case 1:* Use features 1:5 for atom A and 2:5 for atom B. No scaling is applied.

*Case 2:* Features 2:5 from each atom + scale features 2 to 4 by square root of # valence electrons (feature 1)

*Case 3:* Features 1:5 for atom A and 2:5 for atom B. Scale features 2 and 3 by square root of # valence electrons.

### Three methods tested

1. PCA classification. Project and do identification in space of reduced dimension (Euclidean distance in low-dim space).

- 2. KNN K-nearest neighbor classification -
- 3. Orthogonal Neighborhood Preserving Projection (ONPP) a graph based method [see Kokiopoulou, YS, 2005]

Recognition		rates	for	3	
different	me	thods	usir	ng	
different features					

Case	KNN	ONPP	PCA
Case 1	0.909	0.945	0.945
Case 2	0.945	0.945	1.000
Case 3	0.945	0.945	0.982

### Current work

### Some data is becoming available



## Current work

Huge recent increase of interest in the physics/chemstry community

**1.** Predicting enthalpy of formation for a certain class of compounds.. [current]

**2.** Application to Orthophosphates of lanthanides (LnPO4) [current – with Edoardo di Napoli TRWH]

3. Project: Predict Band-gaps

# Conclusion

Many, interesting new matrix problems in areas that involve the effective mining of data

Among the most pressing issues is that of reducing computational cost - [SVD, SDP, ..., too costly]

Many online resources available

Huge potential in areas like materials science though inertia has to be overcome

On the + side: materials genome project is starting to energize the field

► To a researcher in computational linear algebra : big tide of change on types or problems, algorithms, HPC, culture,..



*Two quotes:* 

"When one door closes, another opens; but we often look so long and so regretfully upon the closed door that we do not see the one which has opened for us.

– Alexander Graham Bell

*"Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance, you must keep moving"* 

– Albert Einsten