

Last Course Lecture - Chebyshev acceleration.

Suppose we convert $Ax=b$ to some iteration $x_{i+1} = Rx_i + c$, and we get $\{x_i\} \rightarrow x = A^{-1}b$.

Given a bunch of steps x_1, \dots, x_m , we want to know whether they can be combined to yield

$$y_m = \sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_{m,i} x_i$$

which is somehow closer to x .

Note. $\sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_{m,i} \equiv 1$, since $x_i = x$ is a plausible iteration.

Now we can write

$$\begin{aligned}y_m - x &= \left(\sum \gamma_{m,j} x_j \right) - x \\ &= \sum \gamma_{m,j} (x_j - x) \\ &= \sum \gamma_{m,j} R^j (x_0 - x) \\ &= p_m(R) (x_0 - x)\end{aligned}$$

where $p_m(R) = \sum_{i=0}^m \gamma_{m,i} R^i$ is a polynomial of degree m in R with $p(1) = \sum \gamma_{m,i} = 1$.

Now we would like

$$p_m(R) = 0,$$

so guessing that $p_m(R) = \text{characteristic polynomial of } R$ would work. There are two problems.

a) We don't know the characteristic polynomial.

b) R is very large ($\sim 10^6 \times \sim 10^6$) so this takes too many steps to get started anyway.

So let's think about what we do know about R . We ~~know~~ might know

- 1) the eigenvalues of R are real
- 2) the eigenvalues lie in $(-p, p) \subsetneq [-1, 1]$.

In that case, we want to choose a polynomial p_m so that

- i) $p_m(1) = 1$
- ii) $\max_{x \in (-p, p)} |p_m(x)|$ is as small as possible.

By the spectral mapping theorem, that makes eigenvalues of $p_m(R)$ as small as possible!

But these properties are exactly what we wanted (so long ago!) from the Chebyshev polynomials.

We recall

Definition. The m th Chebyshev ~~approximation~~ polynomial $T_m(x)$ is defined by

$$T_m(x) = 2x T_{m-1}(x) - T_{m-2}(x)$$

where $T_0(x) = 1$ and $T_1(x) = x$.

Note that ~~$T_m(x)$~~ $T_m(1) = 2T_{m-1}(1) - T_{m-2}(1)$ so it is easy to show $T_m(1) = 1$ by induction.

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So suppose we know ρ .

(Really, this is just an overestimate of $\rho(R)$, so we could guess.) Set

$$P_m(x) = T_m(x/\rho) / T_m(1/\rho).$$

Clearly $P_m(1) = 1$. ~~But if $x < \rho$, we can observe $T_m \in$ Now suppose.~~

Now we claim $|T_m(x)| \leq 1$ if $|x| \leq 1$ (again, this follows by induction), so for $x \in (-\rho, \rho)$ we have

$$|P_m(x)| < 1 / T_m(\cancel{\rho} / \rho).$$

But for $\rho = \frac{1}{1+\epsilon}$, this is $1 / T_m(1+\epsilon)$, which turns out to be ~~gigantic!~~ tiny!

For instance, if ϵ

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} \epsilon = 10^{-4} & \epsilon = 10^{-3} & \epsilon = 10^{-2} \\ m=1000 \sim 10^{-5} & \sim 10^{-19} & \sim 10^{-61} \end{array}$$

So now how do we implement?

For convenience, let $\mu_m = \frac{1}{T_m(1/\rho)}$ so

$P_m(R) = \mu_m T_m(R/\rho)$. Now

$$T_m(1/\rho) = (2/\rho) T_{m-1}(1/\rho) - T_{m-2}(1/\rho).$$

by the recurrence for Chebyshev polynomials. So

$$\frac{1}{\mu_m} = \frac{2}{\rho \mu_{m-1}} - \frac{1}{\mu_{m-2}}$$

Then once we get started,

$$\begin{aligned} y_m - x &= P_m(R)(x_0 - x) \\ &= \mu_m T_m\left(\frac{R}{\rho}\right)(x_0 - x) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \mu_m \left[2 \frac{R}{\rho} T_{m-1} \left(\frac{R}{\rho} \right) (x_0 - x) - T_{m-2} \left(\frac{R}{\rho} \right) (x_0 - x) \right]$$

$$= \mu_m \left[2 \frac{R}{\rho} \frac{P_{m-1} \left(\frac{R}{\rho} \right) (x_0 - x)}{\mu_{m-1}} - \frac{P_{m-2} \left(\frac{R}{\rho} \right) (x_0 - x)}{\mu_{m-2}} \right]$$

$$= \mu_m \left[2 \frac{R}{\rho} \frac{y_{m-1} - x}{\mu_{m-1}} - \frac{y_{m-2} - x}{\mu_{m-2}} \right]$$

Now we don't know x , so this is not yet a useful formula. But we can compute by pulling out y_{m-1}, y_{m-2} terms

$$y_m = \frac{2\mu_m}{\mu_{m-1}} \frac{R}{\rho} y_{m-1} - \frac{\mu_m}{\mu_{m-2}} y_{m-2} + d_m$$

where

$$d_m = x - \frac{2\mu_m}{\mu_{m-1}} \left(\frac{R}{\rho} \right) x + \frac{\mu_m}{\mu_{m-2}} x$$

Now x is a fixed point of the

iteration, so $x = Rx + c$, or $Rx = x - c$.

So this

$$= x - \frac{2\mu_m}{\mu_{m-1}} \left(\frac{x-c}{\rho} \right) + \frac{\mu_m}{\mu_{m-2}} x$$

$$= \cancel{\mu_m \left(\frac{1}{\mu_m} - \frac{2}{\rho \mu_{m-1}} + \frac{1}{\mu_{m-2}} \right) x} + \frac{2\mu_m}{\rho \mu_{m-1}} c$$

$$= \frac{2\mu_m}{\rho \mu_{m-1}} c.$$

Thus the Chebyshev iteration is, at long last,

$$\mu_0 = 1, \mu_1 = \rho, y_0 = x_0, y_1 = Rx_0 + c.$$

and

$$\mu_m = 1 / \left(\frac{2}{\rho \mu_{m-1}} - \frac{1}{\mu_{m-2}} \right)$$

$$y_m = \frac{2\mu_m}{\rho \mu_{m-1}} R y_{m-1} - \frac{\mu_m}{\mu_{m-2}} y_{m-2} + \frac{2\mu_m}{\rho \mu_{m-1}} c.$$

Note that we're really still only doing one matrix multiply per iteration, so we are about as fast as another iterator!

Thank You!