

# Scaling of polynomial eigenvalue problems

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# Why do we scale (balance)?

A is badly scaled:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2^{-20} & 2^{-5} \\ 2^{20} & 1 & 0 \\ 2^6 & 2^{-15} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

eig(A, 'nobalance')

2.170086486635807  
-1.481194304285061  
0.3111078174287060

After scaling:

$$D^{-1}AD = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

eig(A, 'nobalance')

2.170086486626031  
-1.481194304092015  
0.3111078174659817

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 2^{-20} & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 2^{-15} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Scaling of polynomial eigenvalue problems

Define the matrix polynomial

$$P(\lambda) := \lambda^m A_m + \cdots + \lambda A_1 + A_0$$

Our aim: Find diagonal scaling matrices  $D_1, D_2$  such that the eigenvalues of

$$D_1 P(\lambda) D_2 = \lambda^m D_1 A_m D_2 + \cdots + \lambda D_1 A_1 D_2 + D_1 A_0 D_2$$

are less sensitive to perturbations.

- How can we rigorously define the aim of scaling?
- What is the influence of scaling on condition number, forward error, backward error?
- Scaling and linearizations of matrix polynomials
- Other ways of improving computed eigenvalues

## A case, where scaling improves the forward error

Define the quadratic eigenvalue problem  $P(\lambda) = A_0 + \lambda A_1 + \lambda^2 A_2$  by

$$A_0 = 10^{-8} \begin{bmatrix} -59990 & 50009990 & -60 \\ -12982 & 10002982 & -28 \\ -96984 & 90006984 & -106 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_1 = 10^{-8} \begin{bmatrix} -44975 & 35009975 & -60 \\ -9955 & 7002955 & -52 \\ -69960 & 63006960 & -103 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_2 = 10^{-8} \begin{bmatrix} 14985 & 4980015 & 10 \\ 4973 & 994027 & 26 \\ 4976 & 8986024 & 15 \end{bmatrix}.$$

## Two examples...

Before scaling

$\lambda$	$\tilde{\lambda}$	$\eta(\tilde{\lambda})$	$\kappa(\lambda)$
$-1/3$	$-0.3333333333562194$	$9.22 \cdot 10^{-17}$	$7.45 \cdot 10^6$
1	$+1.0000000000001247$	$7.41 \cdot 10^{-17}$	$1.68 \cdot 10^4$
2	$+2.0000000000584293$	$1.05 \cdot 10^{-16}$	$2.79 \cdot 10^6$

After scaling

$\lambda$	$\tilde{\lambda}$	$\eta(\tilde{\lambda})$	$\kappa(\lambda)$
$-1/3$	$-0.333333333333333333$	$3.72 \cdot 10^{-17}$	26.9
1	$+1.00000000000000006$	$2.08 \cdot 10^{-16}$	28.9
2	$+2.0000000000000000$	$1.38 \cdot 10^{-17}$	10.9

- Condition numbers reduced by scaling
- Backward error has only changed little
- Gain of up to 6 digits of accuracy

## Two examples...

Consider the generalized eigenvalue problem  $P(\lambda) = A_0 - \lambda A_1$  defined by

$$A_0 = \begin{bmatrix} -2.977448532913490e - 01 & 4.452263778189542e - 01 & -1.373875559192313e + 00 \\ -7.863347359785547e + 03 & 1.612185635982964e + 01 & -6.817404683656819e - 02 \\ 3.479541188173907e + 01 & -4.950564712472924e - 02 & 2.320917894721326e - 03 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -2.167083034887365e - 01 & 3.265327471226953e - 01 & -8.537224431099331e - 01 \\ -1.045204352731886e + 04 & 2.142639766742700e + 01 & -1.672334249618942e - 01 \\ 4.625880080141054e + 01 & -7.899480493461045e - 02 & 2.159236789260356e - 03 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\tilde{\lambda}$	$\eta(\tilde{\lambda})$	$\kappa(\lambda)$
7.523262370299634e - 01	$6.35 \cdot 10^{-17}$	4.80
1.378777970940714e + 00	$6.14 \cdot 10^{-22}$	$1.02 \cdot 10^6$
1.602702387792619e + 00	$9.00 \cdot 10^{-22}$	$3.84 \cdot 10^5$

$\tilde{\lambda}$	$\eta(\tilde{\lambda})$	$\kappa(\lambda)$
7.523262370299637e - 01	$1.98 \cdot 10^{-16}$	3.94
1.378777970940470e + 00	$6.42 \cdot 10^{-17}$	$2.77 \cdot 10^3$
1.602702387792630e + 00	$1.76 \cdot 10^{-18}$	$4.08 \cdot 10^3$

Although the condition numbers decrease, the forward errors increase after scaling!

# Optimal scalings

Let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $P(\lambda)$  with left and right eigenvectors  $y$  and  $x$ . The *normwise* condition number of  $\lambda$  is given as ([Tisseur, 00])

$$\kappa(\lambda) = \frac{\|y\|_2 \|x\|_2 \alpha}{|\lambda| |y^H P'(\lambda) x|}, \quad \alpha = \sum_{k=0}^m |\lambda|^k \|A_k\|_2.$$

After scaling this becomes

$$\kappa_{D_1, D_2}(\lambda) = \frac{\|D_1^{-1} y\|_2 \|D_2^{-1} x\|_2 \alpha_{D_1, D_2}}{|\lambda| |y^H P'(\lambda) x|}, \quad \alpha = \sum_{k=0}^m |\lambda|^k \|D_1 A_k D_2\|_2.$$

Scale  $y$  and  $x$  such that  $|y^H P'(\lambda) x| = 1$  to obtain

$$\kappa_{D_1, D_2}(\lambda) = \frac{1}{|\lambda|} \|D_1^{-1} y\|_2 \|D_2^{-1} x\|_2 \alpha_{D_1, D_2}$$

**Definition:** A matrix polynomial  $P(\lambda)$  is optimally scaled for an eigenvalue  $\lambda$  if

$$\kappa(\lambda) = \inf_{\det(D_1 D_2) \neq 0} \frac{1}{|\lambda|} \|D_1^{-1} y\|_2 \|D_2^{-1} x\|_2 \alpha_{D_1, D_2},$$

where  $x$  and  $y$  are chosen such that  $|y^H P'(\lambda) x| = 1$ .

Note, that an optimal scaling depends on the eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .

How can we characterize optimal scalings?



# The componentwise condition number

The componentwise condition number of an eigenvalue is defined as

$$\text{cond}(\lambda) := \limsup_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{|\Delta\lambda|}{\epsilon|\lambda|} : \begin{aligned} &(P(\lambda + \Delta\lambda) + \Delta P(\lambda + \Delta\lambda))(x + \Delta x) = 0, \\ &|\Delta A_k| \leq \epsilon |A_k| \end{aligned} \right\}.$$

(see [Higham/Higham, 98] for generalized case).

We have

$$\text{cond}(\lambda) = \frac{|y^H|A|x|}{|\lambda||y^H P'(\lambda)x|}, \quad A := \sum_{k=0}^l |\lambda|^k |A_k|.$$

**Theorem:** Let all entries of  $y$  and  $x$  be nonzero. Then

$$\frac{1}{n} \text{cond}(\lambda) \leq \inf_{\det(D_1 D_2) \neq 0} \kappa_{D_1, D_2}(\lambda) \leq n \text{cond}(\lambda).$$

An almost optimal scaling is given by

$$D_1 = \text{diag}(|y_i|), D_2 = \text{diag}(|x_i|)$$

For this scaling we have

$$\kappa_{D_1, D_2}(\lambda) \leq n \text{cond}(\lambda).$$

# The influence on the backward error

The normwise backward error of an approximate eigenpair  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{\lambda})$  is given as [Tisseur, 00]

$$\eta(\tilde{x}, \tilde{\lambda}) = \frac{\|P(\tilde{\lambda})\tilde{x}\|_2}{\|\tilde{x}\|_2 \alpha}.$$

Under scaling this becomes

$$\eta_{D_1, D_2}(\tilde{\lambda}) = \frac{\|D_1 P(\tilde{\lambda})\tilde{x}\|_2}{\|D_2^{-1}\tilde{x}\|_2 \alpha_{D_1, D_2}}.$$

**Theorem:** Let  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{\lambda})$  be an approximate eigenpair. Then

$$\sup_{D_1, D_2} \eta_{D_1, D_2}(\tilde{x}, \tilde{\lambda}) \leq n^{\frac{3}{2}} \omega(\tilde{\lambda}, \tilde{x}),$$

where  $\omega(\tilde{x}, \tilde{\lambda})$  is the componentwise backward error.

# Obtaining good scalings

Use an extension of the scaling of Lemonnier/Van Dooren to matrix polynomials. Find  $D_1, D_2$  such that

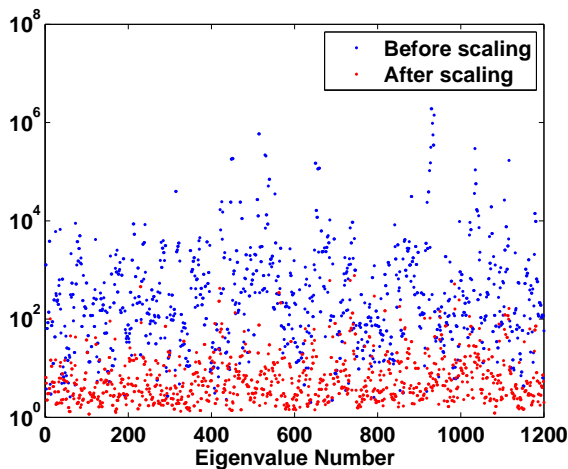
$$\sum_{k=0}^m \|D_1 A_k D_2 e_i\|^2 = \sum_{k=0}^m \|e_j^H D_1 A_k D_2\|^2 = 1, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n.$$

**Heuristic idea:** If rows and columns are normalized, the entries of the eigenvectors are expected to be of similar magnitude if  $P(\lambda)$  does not have special structure.

- Implementation only a minor modification of the generalized case described in [Lemonnier/Van Dooren, 2006].
- If magnitude of the wanted eigenvalues approximately known it is slightly favorable to use the condition

$$\sum_{k=0}^m |\lambda|^{2k} \|D_1 A_k D_2 e_i\|^2 = \sum_{k=0}^m |\lambda|^{2k} \|e_j^H D_1 A_k D_2\|^2 = 1, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n.$$

# Numerical results



The ratio of componentwise and normwise condition number before and after scaling for 100 random  $6 \times 6$  quadratic polynomials.

# Scalings and linearizations

Should we first scale and then linearize or first linearize and then scale ?

**Example:**

$$\lambda \begin{bmatrix} D_1 A D_2 & 0 \\ 0 & -D_1 C D_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} D_1 B D_2 & D_1 C D_2 \\ D_1 C D_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = (I \otimes D_1) \left( \lambda \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & -C \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) (I \otimes D_2)$$

vs.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{D}_{11} & \\ & \tilde{D}_{12} \end{bmatrix} \left( \lambda \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & -C \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{D}_{21} & \\ & \tilde{D}_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Theorem [Higham/Mackey/Tisseur,06]:** Let  $L(\lambda) \in \mathbb{DL}(P)$ . Then

$$\kappa_L(\lambda; v) = \frac{|\lambda| \|X\|_2 + \|Y\|_2}{|p(\lambda; v)|} \frac{\|\Lambda\|_2^2 \|y\|_2 \|x\|_2}{|\lambda| \|y^H P'(\lambda) x|},$$

where  $\Lambda := [\lambda^{m-1}, \lambda^{m-2}, \dots, 1]^T$  and  $p(\lambda; v) = \Lambda^T v$ .

Scaling leads to

$$\kappa_{L_{D_1, D_2}}(\lambda; v) = \frac{|\lambda| \|\tilde{X}\|_2 + \|\tilde{Y}\|_2}{|p(\lambda; v)|} \frac{\|\Lambda\|_2^2 \|D_1^{-1} y\|_2 \|D_2^{-1} x\|_2}{|\lambda| \|y^H P'(\lambda) x|}.$$

## Other possible transformations...

**Theorem:** [Higham/Mackey/Tisseur, 06]

Let  $\lambda$  be a simple, finite, nonzero eigenvalue of  $P$ . Then

$$\left(\frac{2\sqrt{m}}{m+1}\right) \frac{1}{\rho} \leq \frac{\inf_v \kappa_L(\lambda; v)}{\kappa_P(\lambda)} \leq m^2 \rho,$$

where  $\rho = \frac{\max_i \|A_i\|_2}{\min(\|A_0\|_2, \|A_m\|_2)}$ .

[Fan/Lin/Van Dooren, 04] For QEP  $P(\lambda) = \lambda^2 A + \lambda B + C$  substitute  $\lambda = \alpha\mu$ . Solve

$$\min_{\alpha, \beta} \max\{|\beta\alpha^2\|A\|_2 - 1|, |\beta\alpha\|B\|_2 - 1|, |\beta\|C\|_2 - 1|\}.$$

Define  $\rho(\alpha) = \frac{\max_i \alpha^i \|A_i\|_2}{\min(\|A_0\|_2, \alpha^m \|A_m\|_2)}$ . Now minimize  $\rho(\alpha)$ .

**Theorem:** For  $\alpha > 0$  the global minimizer of  $\rho(\alpha)$  is  $\alpha = (\|A_0\|_2 / \|A_m\|_2)^{1/m}$ .

- For  $m = 2$  (QEP case) this is identical to the choice of  $\alpha$  proposed by Fan/Lin/Van Dooren.
- Note, that  $\kappa_P(\lambda)$  is invariant under this scaling.
- For palindromic problems we have  $\alpha = 1$ . Hence, this approach has no effect on these problems.



## Other possible transformations...

Let  $P(\lambda) = \lambda^2 A + \lambda B + A^H$  with  $B = B^H$ . We obtain

$$\rho = \max\{1, \|B\|_2/\|A\|_2\}.$$

If  $\|B\|_2 \gg \|A\|_2$  linearization might be badly conditioned.

Try structure preserving transformation of  $\lambda$  that reduces  $\rho$ . Set

$$\lambda = \frac{\mu - \alpha}{1 - \bar{\alpha}\mu}, \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{C}.$$

This transformation preserves palindromic structure. We obtain

$$\rho(\alpha) = \max\left(1, \frac{\| -2\alpha A + (1 + |\alpha|^2)B - 2\bar{\alpha}A^H \|}{\|A - \bar{\alpha}B + \bar{\alpha}^2 A^H\|}\right).$$

It follows that  $\rho(1) = 2$ . But  $\kappa_P(\mu) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $\alpha \rightarrow 1$ .