

CSE 392: Matrix and Tensor Algorithms for Data

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Spectral Sums

Given a symmetric positive semidefinite (PSD) matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ with eigen-decomposition $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{U}^T$ and eigenvalues $\{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^d$, and desired function $f(\cdot)$, compute the *trace of the matrix function* $f(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{U}f(\mathbf{\Lambda})\mathbf{U}^T$, i.e.,

$$\text{Tr}(f(\mathbf{A})) = \sum_{i=1}^d f(\lambda_i).$$

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- *Applications:* machine learning, graph signal processing, quantum algorithms, scientific computing, statistics, computational biology and physics.
- *Naive approaches :* Eigenvalue decomposition, Cholesky Decomposition, singular value decomposition (SVD).
Cost: $O(d^3)$ or [Theory: $O(d^\omega)$ and $\omega = 2.373$].

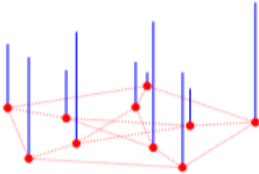
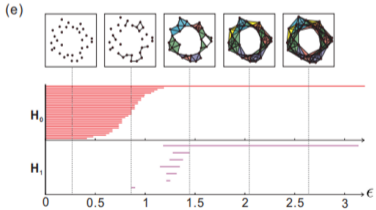
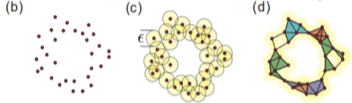
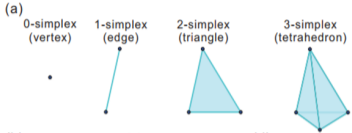
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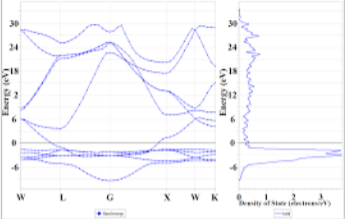
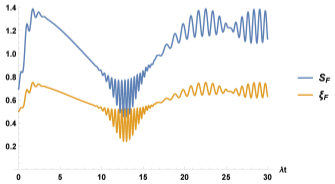
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- Approximate the function using two approaches:
 - ① Chebyshev polynomial approximation
 - ② Lanczos quadrature method

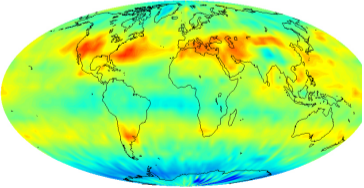
Spectral Sums Applications



(b) Graph Signal Processing

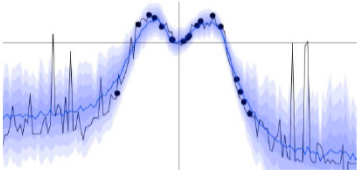


(c) Density of States



Matrix Functions in Machine Learning

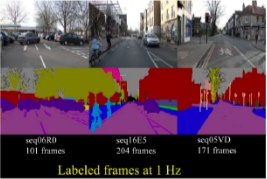
Matrix functions have been utilized in many machine learning problems:



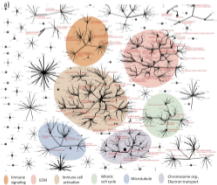
(a) Regression with Gaussian process

	php	Spark	Microsoft .NET	Python
Person 1	4.5	4.0	?	4.5
Person 2	?	1.0	4.0	2.0
Person 3	4.5	?	2.0	5.0

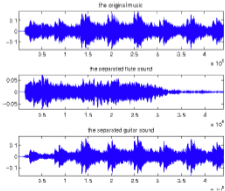
(b) Collaborative filtering for recommendation



(c) Image processing



(d) Gene expression



(e) Speech recognition

Can we estimate $\text{Tr}(f(A))$ faster than matrix multiplication cost?

Discuss *fast scalable* methods with *theoretical guarantees* and perform *well in practice*.

Combine randomization with approximation theory!

Stochastic Chebyshev Method

Chebyshev polynomial approximation

Given a function $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, a q degree **Chebyshev polynomial** approximation is given by:

$$f(x) \approx p_q(x) = \sum_{j=0}^q c_j T_j(x),$$

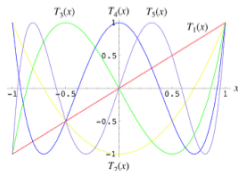
where $T_j(x)$ is the j th degree Chebyshev polynomial with $T_0(x) = 1, T_1(x) = x,$

$$T_{j+1}(x) = 2xT_j(x) - T_{j-1}(x),$$

and the (interpolation) coefficients,

$$c_j = \frac{2 - \delta_{j0}}{\pi} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{f(x)T_j(x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx \quad \text{or} \quad c_j = \frac{2 - \delta_{j0}}{q+1} \sum_{k=0}^q f(x_k)T_j(x_k),$$

with Chebyshev nodes $x_k = \cos\left(\frac{\pi(k+1)/2}{q+1}\right)$.



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The **spectral sums** can be estimated as:

$$\text{Tr}(f(\mathbf{A})) \approx \frac{1}{m} \sum_{l=1}^m \left[\sum_{j=0}^q \tilde{c}_j (v_l)^T \mathbf{w}_l^{(j)} \right]. \quad (1)$$

- **Computational cost:** $O(\text{nnz}(\mathbf{A})mq)$.
- *Kernel Polynomial Method* - estimating spectral density [Lin et al.,2016] , Eigencount [Di Napoli et al., 2016], Numerical rank [Ubaru and Saad, 2016, Ubaru et al., 2017].
- *Theoretical analysis* for analytic functions and applications [Han et. al, 2017].

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- The **Lanczos Quadrature** method by *Gene Golub* and his collaborators in a series of articles.
- Scalar (quadratic form) quantities $\mathbf{x}_l^\top f(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{x}_l$ as *Riemann-Stieltjes integral* problem, and employing *Gauss quadrature rule* to approximate this integral.
- With eigen-decomposition of A as $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\Lambda\mathbf{U}^\top$.

$$\mathbf{x}_l^\top f(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{x}_l = \mathbf{x}_l^\top \mathbf{U} f(\Lambda) \mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{x}_l = \sum_{i=1}^d f(\lambda_i) \mu_i^2 = \int_a^b f(t) d\mu(t),$$

μ_i are components of $\mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{x}_l$ and the measure $\mu(t)$ is a piecewise constant function

$$\mu(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } t < a = \lambda_1, \\ \sum_{j=1}^i \mu_j^2, & \text{if } \lambda_i \leq t < \lambda_{i+1}, \\ \sum_{j=1}^d \mu_j^2, & \text{if } b = \lambda_n \leq t. \end{cases}$$

- Use Gauss quadrature rule:

$$\int_a^b f(t) d\mu(t) \approx \sum_{k=0}^q \omega_k f(\theta_k),$$

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- For $A \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ and $\mathbf{x}_l : \|\mathbf{x}_l\| = 1$, Lanczos algorithm forms $\mathbf{Z}_q^{(l)}$ orthonormal basis for *Krylov subspace*: $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{x}_l, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_l, \dots, \mathbf{A}^q \mathbf{x}_l\}$,
and tridiagonal matrix $\mathbf{T}_q^{(l)} = \mathbf{Z}_q^{(l)\top} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Z}_q^{(l)}$.

- The columns \mathbf{z}_j of $\mathbf{Z}_q^{(l)}$ are related as

$$\mathbf{z}_j = p_j(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{x}_0, \quad j = 1, \dots, q,$$

where $p_j(\cdot)$ are the Lanczos polynomials.

- These polynomials are orthogonal wrt. the measure $\mu(t)$; see Thm 4.2 in [Meurant, Golub, 2009].

Stochastic Lanczos Quadrature

- We approximate,

$$\mathbf{x}_l^\top f(\mathbf{A}) \mathbf{x}_l \approx \sum_{k=0}^q (\tau_k^{(l)})^2 f(\theta_k^{(l)}) \quad \text{with} \quad (\tau_k^{(l)})^2 = \left[e_1^\top \mathbf{y}_k^{(l)} \right]^2,$$

$(\theta_k^{(l)}, \mathbf{y}_k^{(l)})$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, q$ are eigenpairs of $\mathbf{T}_q^{(l)}$ corresponding to initial vectors \mathbf{x}_l , $l = 1, \dots, m$.

- Matrix function trace estimation as,

$$\text{Tr}(f(\mathbf{A})) \approx \frac{n}{m} \sum_{l=1}^m \left(\sum_{k=0}^q (\tau_k^{(l)})^2 f(\theta_k^{(l)}) \right). \quad (2)$$

- **Computational Cost:** $O(\text{nnz}(\mathbf{A})mq)$.

Theorem

Given a PSD matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ with its eigenvalues in $[\lambda_{\min}, \lambda_{\max}]$ and condition number $\kappa = \frac{\lambda_{\max}}{\lambda_{\min}}$, a function f that is analytic inside this interval, and constants $\epsilon, \eta \in (0, 1)$, for SLQ parameters:

- $q \geq \frac{\sqrt{\kappa}}{4} \log \frac{K}{\epsilon}$ number of Lanczos steps, and
- $m \geq \frac{24}{\epsilon^2} \log(2/\eta)$ number of starting vectors,

where $K = \frac{3\lambda_{\max}\sqrt{\kappa}M_\rho}{2m_\rho}$ with M_ρ and m_ρ being the absolute maximum and minimum of the function in the interval,

$$\Pr \left[|\text{Tr}(f(\mathbf{A})) - \Gamma| \leq \epsilon |\text{Tr}(f(\mathbf{A}))| \right] \geq 1 - \eta, \quad (3)$$

where Γ is the output of the Stochastic Lanczos Quadrature method.

S. Ubaru, Jie Chen, and Yousef Saad. SIAM Journal on Matrix Analysis and Applications, 38(4), 1075–1099, 2017.

Further Reading:

- *Applications of trace estimation techniques* by S. Ubaru and Y. Saad.
- *Approximating spectral sums of large-scale matrices using stochastic Chebyshev approximations* by Insu Han, Dmitry Malioutov, Haim Avron, Jinwoo Shin.
- *Fast Estimation of $\text{Tr}(f(A))$ via Stochastic Lanczos Quadrature*, by S. Ubaru, Jie Chen, and Yousef Saad.