

# On short recurrences for generating orthogonal Krylov subspace bases

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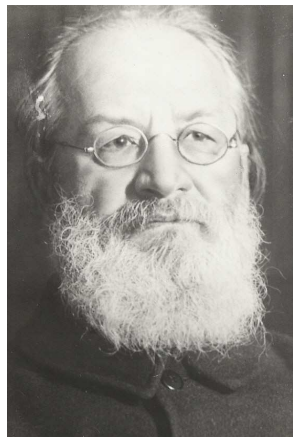
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Krylov subspace methods:

- Iterative methods for solving large and sparse linear systems or eigenvalue problems,
- they are based on projection onto the Krylov subspaces,
- examples: Lanczos, CG, Arnoldi, GMRES, BiCG,
- named after [Aleksei Nikolaevich Krylov](#) (1863-1945), Russian navy general and scientist.

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A. N. Krylov, 1931

- 1931 Krylov employs the sequence  $v, \mathbf{A}v, \mathbf{A}^2v, \dots$  for determining the minimal polynomial of  $\mathbf{A}$ .
- 1952 First Krylov subspace methods (Hestenes/Stiefel, Lanczos), independently of Krylov's work.
- 1959 Term **Krylov sequence** (Householder/Bauer).
- 1980 Perception of *space* rather than *sequence*; term **Krylov subspace** (Parlett).
- 2000 Use of Krylov subspaces for solving  $\mathbf{A}x = b$  considered among **Top 10 algorithmic ideas of the 20th century** (AIP/IEEE/SIAM).

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Each method **must generate a basis of  $\mathcal{K}_j(\mathbf{A}, v)$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$**



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# The classical CG method of Hestenes and Stiefel

US Nat. Bureau of Standards Preprint No. 1659, March 10, 1952

In case the matrix  $A$  is symmetric and positive definite, the following formulas are used in the conjugate gradient method.

$$(3:1a) \quad p_0 = r_0 = k - Ax_0 \quad (x_0 \text{ arbitrary})$$

$$(3:1b) \quad a_i = \frac{|r_i|^2}{(p_i, Ap_i)}$$

$$(3:1c) \quad x_{i+1} = x_i + a_i p_i$$

$$(3:1d) \quad r_{i+1} = r_i - a_i A p_i$$

$$(3:1e) \quad b_i = \frac{|r_{i+1}|^2}{|r_i|^2}$$

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In the background of CG, one can see the **Lanczos algorithm** for computation of orthogonal basis.



## SOLUTION OF SPARSE INDEFINITE SYSTEMS OF LINEAR EQUATIONS\*

C. C. PAIGE† AND M. A. SAUNDERS‡

**Abstract.** The method of conjugate gradients for solving systems of linear equations with a symmetric positive definite matrix  $A$  is given as a logical development of the Lanczos algorithm for tridiagonalizing  $A$ . This approach suggests numerical algorithms for solving such systems when  $A$  is symmetric but indefinite. These methods have advantages when  $A$  is large and sparse.

- CG is for symmetric positive definite  $\mathbf{A}$ .
- In 1975, Paige and Saunders derived MINRES and SYMMLQ, two short recurrence methods for **symmetric indefinite  $\mathbf{A}$** .
- Similar to CG, both are based on three-term recurrences

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for generating an orthogonal basis  $r_0, \dots, r_{j-1}$  of  $\mathcal{K}_j(\mathbf{A}, r_0)$ .

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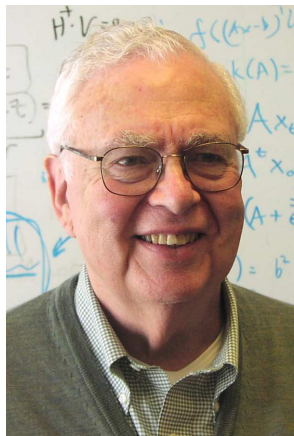
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- They are *optimal* in the sense that they minimize some norm of the error:

$$\|x - x_j\|_{\mathbf{A}} \text{ in CG,}$$

$$\|x - x_j\|_{\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}} = \|r_j\| \text{ in MINRES,}$$

$$\|x - x_j\| \text{ in SYMMLQ -here } x_j \in x_0 + \mathbf{A} \mathcal{K}_j(\mathbf{A}, r_0).$$



G. H. Golub, 1932–2007

- By the end of the 1970s it was unknown if such methods existed also for general unsymmetric  $A$ .
- Golub posed this **fundamental question** at Gatlinburg VIII (now Householder VIII) held in Oxford from July 5 to 11, 1981.
- “A prize of \$500 has been offered by Gene Golub for the construction of a 3-term conjugate gradient like descent method for non-symmetric real matrices or a proof that there can be no such method”.

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- This becomes a Krylov subspace method when

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$$(r_0 = b - \mathbf{A}x_0).$$

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## NECESSARY AND SUFFICIENT CONDITIONS FOR THE EXISTENCE OF A CONJUGATE GRADIENT METHOD\*

VANCE FABER† AND THOMAS MANTEUFFEL†

**Abstract.** We characterize the class  $CG(s)$  of matrices  $A$  for which the linear system  $A\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$  can be solved by an  $s$ -term conjugate gradient method. We show that, except for a few anomalies, the class  $CG(s)$  consists of matrices  $A$  for which conjugate gradient methods are already known. These matrices are the Hermitian matrices,  $A^*=A$ , and the matrices of the form  $A=e^{i\theta}(dI+B)$ , with  $B^*=-B$ .

- Faber and Manteuffel gave the answer in 1984:  
For a general matrix  $A$  there exists *no* short recurrence for generating orthogonal Krylov subspace bases.
- What are the details of this statement?



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- Generate an orthogonal basis  $v_1, \dots, v_d$  of  $\mathcal{K}_d(\mathbf{A}, v)$ ,
  1.  $\text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_j\} = \mathcal{K}_j(\mathbf{A}, v)$ , for  $j = 1, \dots, d$ ,
  2.  $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = 0$ , for  $i \neq j$ ,  $i, j = 1, \dots, d$ .

# Formulation of the problem

## Arnoldi's method

Standard way for generating the orthogonal basis  
(no normalization for convenience):

$$v_1 = v,$$

$$v_2 = \mathbf{A}v_1 - h_{1,1}v_1,$$

$$v_3 = \mathbf{A}v_2 - h_{1,2}v_1 - h_{2,2}v_2,$$

$\vdots$

$$v_{j+1} = \mathbf{A}v_j - \sum_{i=1}^j h_{i,j}v_i, \quad h_{i,j} = \frac{\langle \mathbf{A}v_j, v_i \rangle}{\langle v_i, v_i \rangle}.$$

$\vdots$

$$v_d = \mathbf{A}v_{d-1} - \sum_{i=1}^{d-1} h_{i,d-1}v_i.$$



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## Arnoldi's method - matrix formulation

In matrix notation:

$$v_1 = v,$$
$$\mathbf{A} \underbrace{[v_1, \dots, v_{d-1}]}_{\equiv \mathbf{V}_{d-1}} = \underbrace{[v_1, \dots, v_d]}_{\equiv \mathbf{V}_d} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} h_{1,1} & \cdots & h_{1,d-1} \\ 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ & \ddots & h_{d-1,d-1} \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\equiv \mathbf{H}_{d,d-1}},$$

$\mathbf{V}_d^* \mathbf{V}_d$  is diagonal,  $d = \dim \mathcal{K}_n(\mathbf{A}, v)$ .

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CG, MINRES, SYMMLQ:  $s = 1 \rightarrow$  optimal 3-term recurrence,

$$v_{j+1} = \mathbf{A} v_j - h_{j,j} v_n - h_{j-1,j} v_{j-1}.$$

Why *optimal*?

1. Only the previous  $s + 1$  vectors are required.
2. Only one multiplication with  $\mathbf{A}$  is performed.

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Optimal short recurrences (matrix formulation)

Nonzero structure of the matrices  $\mathbf{H}_{d,d-1}$ :

Optimal  $(s + 2)$ -term recurrence:

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_{d-1} = \mathbf{V}_d$$

The diagram illustrates the nonzero structure of the matrix  $\mathbf{H}_{d,d-1}$ . It is a square matrix of size  $(s+2) \times (d-1)$ . The first row has non-zero elements at the first, middle, and  $(s+1)$ th columns. The main diagonal contains non-zero elements from the second row to the  $(d-1)$ th row. The last column contains non-zero elements at the  $(d-1)$ th row, middle, and bottom rows.

$\mathbf{H}_{d,d-1}$  is  $(s + 2)$ -band Hessenberg,  
e.g. 3-band Hessenberg = tridiagonal.

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Range of  $s$

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_{d-1} = \mathbf{V}_d$$

The diagram shows a matrix equation  $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_{d-1} = \mathbf{V}_d$ . The matrix is enclosed in large square brackets. A horizontal brace above the first  $s+1$  columns is labeled  $s+1$ . A horizontal brace below the last  $d-1$  columns is labeled  $d-1$ . The matrix contains a main diagonal of dots, with blue dots at the top-left and bottom-right corners of the  $s+1$  by  $s+1$  submatrix, and three blue dots in the last column of the matrix.

- $s \geq 0$   
a nonnegative integer.
- Practical cases:  
 $s$  is a small positive integer.
- If  $s+2 = d_{\min}(\mathbf{A})$ ,  
the upper part of  $\mathbf{H}_{d,d-1}$  is full

Interesting cases

$$0 \leq s < d_{\min}(\mathbf{A}) - 2.$$

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Optimal short recurrences (Definition - Liesen and Strakoš, 2008)

**A** admits an optimal  $(s + 2)$ -term recurrence, if

- for any  $v$ ,  $\mathbf{H}_{d,d-1}$  is at most  $(s + 2)$ -band Hessenberg, and
- for at least one  $v$ ,  $\mathbf{H}_{d,d-1}$  is  $(s + 2)$ -band Hessenberg.

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$$p(\lambda_i) = \bar{\lambda}_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \quad \text{i.e.} \quad p(\mathbf{\Lambda}) = \mathbf{\Lambda}^*.$$

$p$  is of degree at most  $d_{\min}(\mathbf{A}) - 1$ . Therefore

$$p(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{U}p(\mathbf{\Lambda})\mathbf{U}^* = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}^*\mathbf{U}^* = \mathbf{A}^*.$$

“normal( $s$ )” can be understood as a **grade of normality**.

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- Sufficiency is rather straightforward, necessity *is not*. Key words from the proof of necessity in (Faber and Manteuffel, 1984) include: “continuous function” (analysis), “closed set of smaller dimension” (topology), “wedge product” (multilinear algebra).

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Why is necessity so hard?

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Prove something about the linear operator  $\mathbf{A}$ , without complete knowledge of the structure of its matrix representation.



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For  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$  as above, and an integer  $s \geq 0$  with  $s + 2 < d_{\min}(\mathbf{A})$ :

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This result is connected with the question: How many roots can have the *harmonic polynomial*\*  $p_s(z) - \bar{z}$ ?

Answer [Khavinson and Świątek, 2003]: with  $s > 1$  it may have *at most*  $3s - 2$  roots.

\* A harmonic polynomial is a function of the form  $p(z) + \overline{q(z)}$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are polynomials.

# The Faber-Manteuffel theorem

Example - the most interesting cases

The previous results is very pessimistic:

Except for a few unimportant cases, the length of the optimal recurrence is either 3 or  $d_{\min}(\mathbf{A}) - 1$ .

The most interesting cases are

1. The Hermitian case ( $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^*$ )

$$\mathbf{A}^* = p_1(\mathbf{A}) \quad \text{for} \quad p_1(z) = z.$$

2. The skew-Hermitian case ( $\mathbf{A} = -\mathbf{A}^*$ ):

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# The Faber-Manteuffel theorem

## Example - the role of the matrix $\mathbf{B}$

We can try to find a HPD matrix  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  such that

$$\mathbf{B}^{-1} \mathbf{A}^* \mathbf{B} = \pm \mathbf{A}.$$

Example: Saddle point matrix:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_2^T \\ -A_2 & A_3 \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $A_1 = A_1^T > 0$ ,  $A_3 = A_3^T \geq 0$  has full rank  $k \leq m$ . Define

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}(\gamma) = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 - \gamma I_m & A_2^T \\ A_2 & \gamma I_k - A_3 \end{bmatrix},$$

This matrix satisfies  $\mathbf{B}^{-1} \mathbf{A}^* \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A}$ . How to choose  $\gamma$  such that  $\mathbf{B}(\gamma)$  is positive definite? Conditions can be found in

[Fischer et al., 1998], [Benzi and Simoncini, 2006], [Liesen and Parlett, 2007].

# Summary

Generating of  $\mathbf{B}$ -orthogonal basis of  $\mathcal{K}_k(\mathbf{A}, v)$  via optimal short recurrences

Arnoldi-type recurrence  
( $s + 2$ )-term



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the only interesting case  
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# The Faber-Manteuffel theorem

## Historical remarks

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- This “non uniqueness” in the definition complicated understanding the theorem and led to some misunderstandings in later papers.

# V. V. Voevodin and E. E. Tyrtysnikov, 1981

## On Generalization of Conjugate Direction Methods

A similar result was announced by V.V. Voevodin,

- V. V. Voevodin, [The problem of a non-selfadjoint generalization of the conjugate gradient method has been closed, U.S.S.R. Comput. Math. and Math. Phys., 1983, 23, 143–144].

Its proof (difficult to understand) appeared in

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Two big differences:

- Assumptions:  $\mathbf{A}$  is **nonderogatory** ( $d_{\min}(\mathbf{A}) = n$ ),
- Characterization of necessity only for  $3s + 2 \leq n$ .
- **Incorrect understanding of  $(s + 2)$ -term recurrence.**







They study necessary and sufficient conditions that  $\mathbf{A}$  can be  $\mathbf{B}$ -orthogonally reduced to  $(s + 2)$ -band upper Hessenberg form.

- A similar result to Voevodin and Tyrtysnikov.
- The authors explain the difference between reducibility to  $(s + 2)$ -band upper Hessenberg form and  $(s + 2)$ -term recurrence.
- Assumption:  $\mathbf{A}$  is nonderogatory.
- Complete characterization of necessity (not only for  $3s + 2 \leq n$ ).

# J. Liesen and Z. Strakoš, 2008

On optimal short recurrences for generating orthogonal Krylov subspace bases

- Completely reworked the theory of short recurrences for generating orthogonal Krylov subspace bases; new, mathematically rigorous definitions of all important concepts have been given,
- unique definition of “ $\mathbf{A}$  admits an optimal  $(s + 2)$ -term recurrence”,
- a stronger version of the Faber-Manteuffel theorem,
- characterization of the  $\mathbf{B}$ -normal( $s$ ) property,
- it is desirable to find an alternative, and possibly simpler proof.

Moreover ... (see the next slide)

For simplicity assume that  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{I}$ .

**Theorem.** Let  $s$  be a nonnegative integer,  $s + 2 < d_{\min}(\mathbf{A})$ . Then the following three assertions are equivalent:

1.  $\mathbf{A}$  admits an optimal  $(s + 2)$ -term recurrence.
2.  $\mathbf{A}$  is normal( $s$ ).
3.  $\mathbf{A}$  is orthogonally reducible to  $(s + 2)$ -band Hessenberg form.

- Motivated by the paper [J. Liesen and Z. Strakoš, 2008],
- in terms of linear operators on finite dimensional Hilbert spaces,
- two new proofs of the Faber-Manteuffel theorem,
- use more elementary tools,
- first proof - improved version of the Faber-Manteuffel proof,
- second proof - completely new proof based on orthogonal transformations of upper Hessenberg matrices.

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$W$  is unitary. If  $G$  is chosen such that  $\tilde{H}$  is again unreduced upper Hessenberg matrix, then

$$A W = W \tilde{H}.$$

represents result of the Arnoldi's method applied to  $A$  and  $w_1$ .

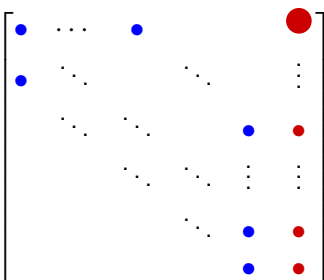
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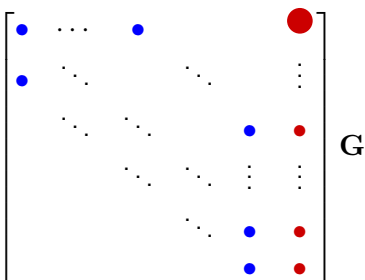


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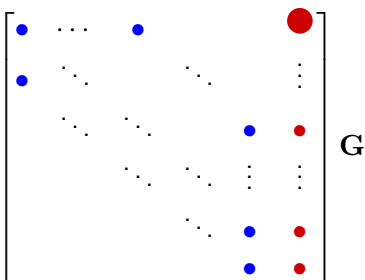
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Find unitary  $\mathbf{G}$  (a product of Givens rotations) such that  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$  is unreduced upper Hessenberg, but  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$  is not  $(s + 2)$ -band (up to the last column) - **contradiction**.

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# Unitary matrices

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(stable implementation - two coupled 2-term recurrences).

- Used for solving unitary eigenvalue problems and linear systems with [shifted unitary matrices](#) [Jagels and Reichel, 1994].
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