

# Computing accurate eigenvalues and eigenvectors of symmetric quasi-Cauchy matrices

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## Setting the Problem

**Definition. Quasi-Cauchy matrix:**

$$A = D_1 C D_2 \quad D_1, D_2 \text{ diagonal matrices}$$

and  $C$  is a Cauchy matrix:  $C_{ij} = \frac{1}{x_i + y_j}$   $i, j = 1 : n$ , where  $x_i$   
and  $y_j$  are given floating point numbers.

**Problem:** Usual algorithms (QR, Divide and Conquer, Jacobi,  
J-Orthogonal Jacobi [9],...) **do not compute** accurate eigenvalues  
and eigenvectors of REAL SYMMETRIC quasi-Cauchy matrices.

**Goal:** Compute EIGENVALUES and EIGENVECTORS of REAL  
SYMMETRIC ( $D_1 = D_2, x_i = y_i$ ) QUASI-CAUCHY matrices  
with HIGH RELATIVE ACCURACY and in  $O(n^3)$  flops.

**Previous work:** Demmel [2] gave a  $O(n^3)$  algorithm to compute  
SVD of quasi-Cauchy matrices with high relative accuracy.

## Numerical Experiment 1

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with  $\kappa(C) = 7.8 * 10^{73}$ . Eigenvalues and eigenvectors using **Mathematica with 120-decimal digit precision** are compared with algorithms in MATLAB ( $\epsilon \approx 1.1 * 10^{-16}$ ).

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## Numerical Experiment 2

Consider the  $100 \times 100$  Cauchy matrix

$$x_i = (i - 0.5) \quad i = 1 : (n - 1) \quad ; \quad x_n = -(n - 0.5)$$

with  $\kappa(C) = 3.53 * 10^{147}$ . **Mathematica computations with 200-decimal digit precision.**

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## Previous work on General matrices (1)

The following algorithm was introduced by Demmel, Gu, Eisenstat, Slapničar, Veselić, Drmač [3] to compute the SVD of general matrices with high relative accuracy:

Algorithm to compute SVD of general  $A$ .

**STEP 1:** Compute a **rank revealing decomposition (RRD)**

$A = XDY^T$ , where  $D$  is a nonsingular diagonal matrix and  $X, Y$  are well conditioned matrices.

**STEP 2:** Apply a Jacobi-type algorithm of Demmel et al. to the computed RRD to compute the SVD of  $A = U\Sigma V^T$ .

**STEP 2 (Algorithm 3.1 in [3]):** SVD of  $A = XDY^T$ .

1. QR factorization with column pivoting of  $XD$ ,  
 $XD = QRP$ . Thus  $A = QRPY^T$ .
2. Multiply to get  $W = RPY^T$ . Thus  $A = QW$ .
3. SVD of  $W$  with one-sided Jacobi;  $W = \bar{U}\Sigma V^T$ . Thus  
 $A = Q\bar{U}\Sigma V^T$ .
4. Multiply  $U = Q\bar{U}$ . Thus  $A = U\Sigma V^T$

## Previous work on General matrices (2)

Next Theorem was proved in [3] for the Algorithm in page 3.

**Notation:**  $R' \equiv D'^{-1}R$ , where  $D'$  is a diagonal matrix chosen so that  $R'$  is as well conditioned as possible (usually  $\kappa(R') \approx 1$ , and at worst  $\kappa(R') = O(n^{3/2}\kappa(X))$ ). Letters with a hat denote computed magnitudes, and without a hat exact magnitudes.  $\epsilon$  is machine precision.

**Theorem:** Let us assume that the computed RRD satisfies

$$\|X - \hat{X}\|_2 = O(\epsilon)\|X\|_2 \quad , \quad \|Y - \hat{Y}\|_2 = O(\epsilon)\|Y\|_2$$

$$|D_{ii} - \hat{D}_{ii}| = O(\epsilon)|D_{ii}| \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{D} \text{ diagonal.}$$

**Then**

$$|\sigma_i - \hat{\sigma}_i| = O(\epsilon\kappa(R') \max(\kappa(X), \kappa(Y)))\sigma_i,$$

$$\theta(u_i, \hat{u}_i) \text{ or } \theta(v_i, \hat{v}_i) = \frac{O(\epsilon\kappa(R') \max(\kappa(X), \kappa(Y)))}{relgap_i}$$

$$\text{where } relgap_i = \min\left(\min_{j \neq i} \frac{|\sigma_i - \sigma_j|}{\sigma_i}, 2\right).$$

**Conclusion:** Computing an accurate enough RRD of  $A$  is sufficient to compute a SVD with high relative accuracy.

## Previous work on quasi-Cauchy matrices

Gaussian elimination with complete pivoting (**GECP**) is used by Demmel [2] to compute an accurate RRD,  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{Y}^T$ , but **not in the usual way**.

Notice that after having done  $k$  steps of GE on  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} L_{11} & 0 \\ A_{21}U_{11}^{-1} & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & L_{11}^{-1}A_{12} \\ 0 & S^{(k)} \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $A_{11} = L_{11}U_{11}$  and the **k-th Schur Complement**

$$S^{(k)} = A_{22} - A_{21}A_{11}^{-1}A_{12} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-k) \times (n-k)}.$$

- $D_{k+1,k+1} = S_{11}^{(k)}$ .
- $X(k+1:n, k+1) = S^{(k)}(:, 1)/S_{11}^{(k)}$ .
- $Y^T(k+1, k+1:n) = S^{(k)}(1, :)/S_{11}^{(k)}$ .
- The pivoting strategy can be introduced in this scheme.

For **quasi-Cauchy** matrices:

$$S_{rs}^{(k)} = S_{rs}^{(k-1)} \frac{(x_r - x_k)(y_s - y_k)}{(x_k + y_s)(x_r + y_k)}.$$

**The elements of all the Schur complements are computed with relative accuracy  $O(\epsilon)$ . Then, the RRD is computed with the required accuracy and cost  $\frac{4}{3}n^3$  or  $\frac{8}{3}n^3$  flops.**

## Computing eigenvalues and eigenvectors

Consider **SYMMETRIC quasi-Cauchy** real matrices

$$A = DCD \quad \text{where } D \text{ diagonal matrix}$$

and  $C$  is a symmetric Cauchy matrix:

$$C_{ij} = \frac{1}{x_i + x_j} \quad i, j = 1 : n.$$

### First Method: Signed SVD

(Dopico, Molera, Moro [4])

**If a SVD with high relative accuracy can be computed this method produces eigenvalues and eigenvectors with high relative accuracy.**

Outline of the method:

1. Compute SVD of quasi-Cauchy matrix,  $A = U\Sigma V^T$ , using Demmel's algorithm.
2. Assign the correct signs to the singular values

$$\lambda_i = (v_i^T u_i) \sigma_i, \quad (v_i^T u_i) = \pm 1$$

3. Eigenvectors  $q_i = v_i$ .

Method works when tight clusters of singular values are present with a convenient modification.

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## Second (Symmetric) Method: J-Orthogonal

**Remark:** GECP and **STEP 2** in page 3 on a symmetric quasi-Cauchy matrix does not take advantage of symmetry ( $A = XDY^T$  with  $X \neq Y$ ).

**Question:** *Can we develop a symmetric algorithm?*

**Answer:** **Yes.**

We use a two step algorithm like the J-Orthogonal proposed by Veselić [9] and analyzed by Slapničar [7],

**BUT WE NEED TO MODIFY THE FACTORIZATION STEP TO GET HIGH RELATIVE ACCURACY FOR QUASI-CAUCHY MATRICES.**

1. **Factorization Step:** Compute an accurate enough *symmetric indefinite decomposition* (SID):

$$A = GJG^T, \quad J = I_p \oplus -I_{r-p}.$$

2. Apply to this SID the implicit one-sided **J-orthogonal Jacobi method** of Veselić and Slapničar [9], [7] to obtain eigenvalues and eigenvectors with high relative accuracy.



## Accurate $A = GJG^T$ (SID) of quasi-Cauchy

We only describe the **first step** of the computation using Bunch and Parlett's pivoting strategy [1]:

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 $\mu_0 = \max_{i,j} |a_{ij}|, \mu_1 = \max_i |a_{ii}|, \alpha \approx 0.64$ 
if  $\mu_1 \geq \alpha\mu_0$ 
     $1 \times 1$  pivot s.t.  $|e_{11}| = \mu_1.$ 
else
     $2 \times 2$  pivot s.t.  $|e_{21}| = \mu_0.$ 
end

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where  $E$  is the  $s \times s$  chosen pivot ( $s = 1, 2$ ), and  $\Pi$  a permutation

$$\Pi A \Pi^T = \begin{bmatrix} E & C^T \\ C & B \end{bmatrix}.$$

The first step of the *diagonal pivoting method* is

$$\Pi A \Pi^T = \begin{bmatrix} I_s & 0 \\ CE^{-1} & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E & 0 \\ 0 & S^{(s)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_s & E^{-1}C^T \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix},$$

with the Schur complement

$$S^{(s)} = B - CE^{-1}C^T.$$

$1 \times 1$  pivots as usual; for  $2 \times 2$  do the spectral decomposition: [8]:

$$E = Q_s \Lambda_s Q_s^T = (Q_s \sqrt{|\Lambda_s|}) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} (\sqrt{|\Lambda_s|} Q_s^T).$$

Thus,  $\Pi A \Pi^T = G^{(s)} J^{(s)} (G^{(s)})^T$  with

$$G^{(s)} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_s \sqrt{|\Lambda_s|} & 0 \\ C Q_s (\sqrt{|\Lambda_s|})^{-1} J_1 & I \end{bmatrix}, \quad J^{(s)} = \begin{bmatrix} J_1 & 0 \\ 0 & S^{(s)} \end{bmatrix},$$

and  $J_1 = \text{diag}(1, -1)$ .

We compute the elements of all the Schur complements with relative error  $O(\epsilon)$ : if the pivot is  $1 \times 1$  just as in Demmel's algorithm (pag. 5), and for  $2 \times 2$  pivots using

$$S_{rs}^{(k+1)} = S_{rs}^{(k-1)} \frac{(x_r - x_k)(x_s - x_k)(x_r - x_{k+1})(x_s - x_{k+1})}{(x_k + x_s)(x_r + x_k)(x_{k+1} + x_s)(x_r + x_{k+1})}$$

### Rounding errors in $A = G J G^T$

The following theorem is proved by using

- the  $2 \times 2$  pivots fulfill  $\kappa_2(E) \leq 4.6$  and  $|(CE^{-1})_{ij}| \leq 2.78$ .

**Theorem:** Let  $\hat{G} \hat{J} \hat{G}^T$  be the SID computed by the previous algorithm applied to a symmetric quasi-Cauchy matrix  $A$  with precision  $\epsilon$ . **If the same sequence of pivots (in size and positions) is applied in exact arithmetic, a SID of  $A$  is obtained:**

$$A = G J G^T, \quad \text{such that}$$

1.  $\hat{J} = J$ , whenever  $100n\epsilon < 1/2$ .
2.  $\|\hat{G}(:, j) - G(:, j)\|_2 = O(\epsilon) \|G(:, j)\|_2 \quad \forall j$ .
3.  $\|\hat{G}D - GD\|_2 = O(\epsilon) \|GD\|_2 \quad \forall \text{ diagonal nonsing. } D$ .
4.  $\hat{G} \hat{J} \hat{G}^T = (I + E) A (I + E)^T$ ,  $\|E\|_2 = O(\epsilon) \min_D \kappa_2(GD)$ .

## Overall error in $A = GJG^T + \mathbf{J}$ -Jacobi

Combining the previous result with **the error analysis done by Slapničar [7] for the implicit one-sided J-orthogonal Jacobi method**, we obtain that the computed eigenvalues and eigenvectors are the exact eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a *small multiplicative perturbation* of  $A$ :

$$(I + F)A(I + F)^T,$$

with

$$\|F\|_2 = O(\epsilon \gamma \kappa_2(GC_0)) \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma = \max_{1 \leq i \leq M} \frac{\kappa_2(G_i C_i)}{\kappa_2(GC_0)},$$

where  $C_i$  are diagonal matrices such that

$$\|(G_i C_i)(:, j)\|_2 = 1 \quad \forall j.$$

for all the J-Orthogonal Jacobi iterates  $G_i$ . Numerical experiments show that  $\gamma \approx 1$ , but it is still an open problem to prove it.

Well-known results of *multiplicative perturbation theory* (Eisenstat, Ipsen [5], Li [6]) yield **high relative accuracy** for e-values and e-vectors:

$$|\hat{\lambda}_i - \lambda_i| = O(\epsilon \gamma \kappa_2(GC_0)) |\lambda_i|,$$

$$\theta(q_i, \hat{q}_i) = \frac{O(\epsilon \gamma \kappa_2(GC_0))}{\min_{j \neq i} \frac{|\lambda_j - \lambda_i|}{|\lambda_i|}}.$$

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- 1400 random symm. quasi-Cauchy matrices of 7 different types and  $10 \leq n \leq 100$  also produce very satisfactory results.
- # Jacobi sweeps.

METHOD	MAX	MEAN	MIN
Signed SVD	8	5.3	2
Cauchy J-Orthog.	10	6.9	3

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## Numerical Experiments (2)

- 1400 random symm. quasi-Cauchy matrices of 7 different types and dimensions  $10 \leq n \leq 100$ .

- Use  $C_{ij} = 1/(x_i + x_j) \Rightarrow$

$$C^{-1} = D'CD' \quad \text{with} \quad D'_{ii} = \frac{\prod_k (x_k + x_i)}{\prod_{k \neq i} (x_i - x_k)}$$

- Compare with MATLAB:

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Signed SVD = 101	J-Orthog. = 264
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- The same for the inverse ( $\lambda^{inv} = 1/\lambda$ ):

$$\max \max_i \frac{|\lambda_i^{inv} - \lambda_i^M(A^{-1})|}{\epsilon \|A^{-1}\|_2}$$

Signed SVD = 58	J-Orthog. = 313
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- Compare with the same algorithm for the inverse:

$$\max \max_i \frac{|\lambda_i - (\lambda_i(A^{-1}))^{-1}|}{\epsilon |\lambda_i|}$$

Signed SVD = 244	J-Orthog. = 932
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- Number of matrices with rel. error  $> 1$  in some eigenvalue

MATLAB = 907	Stand. J-Orthog. = 475
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**Other interesting data:**

- $1.9 * 10^{-62} \leq |\lambda| \leq 1.6 * 10^{12}$ .
- $\min_i \text{relgap}_i(\lambda) = 0.62$  ;  $\min_i \text{relgap}_i(\sigma) = 0!!!$
- $\#(\text{rel. error } \lambda > 1) = 64$ . (Stand. J-Orthog. and MATLAB).
- $\max(\kappa(X), \kappa(Y)) = 38.7$  (GECP).
- $\kappa(GD_G) = 30.5$  (SID).

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- Compare with MATLAB:  $\max_i \frac{|\lambda_i - \lambda_i^M|}{\epsilon \|A\|_2}$

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Signed SVD = 244	J-Orthog. = 932
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- Compare with MATLAB:

$$\max_i \|v_i - v_i^M\| \text{absgap}_i(\sigma \text{ or } \lambda) / \epsilon$$

Signed SVD = 47	J-Orthog. = 85
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- The same for the inverse:

Signed SVD = 280	J-Orthog. = 370
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## Numerical Experiment II (2)

- Compare with the same algorithm for the inverse:

$$\max_i \|v_i - v_i(A^{-1})\| \text{relgap}_i(\sigma \text{ or } \lambda) / \epsilon$$

Signed SVD = 321	J-Orthog. = 373
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### Other interesting data:

- $\max \max_i \|v_i^S - v_i^J\| = 3.5 * 10^{-11}$ .
- $\max \max_i \frac{|\lambda_i^S - \lambda_i^J|}{|\lambda_i^J|} = 5 * 10^{-14}$ .
- $\min \min_i \text{relgap}_i(\sigma) = 0$ .
- $\min \min_i \text{relgap}_i(\lambda) = 6.5 * 10^{-4}$ .
- $5.5 * 10^2 < \kappa_2 < 9.9 * 10^{150}$ .
- $\max \max(\kappa(X), \kappa(Y)) = 45.4$ .
- $\max \max(\kappa(GD_G)) = 35.3$ .
- Maximum relative error in eigenvalues

MATLAB = $1.5 * 10^{87}$	Stand. J-Orthog. = $4.4 * 10^{69}$
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