

# Note on the Quadratic Convergence of Kogbetliantz's Algorithm for Computing the Singular Value Decomposition

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## ABSTRACT

This note is concerned with the quadratic convergence of Kogbetliantz algorithm for computing the singular value decomposition of a triangular matrix in the case of repeated or clustered singular values.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The idea of using different rotations on each side of a matrix  $A$  in order to compute the singular value decomposition of  $A$  was first suggested by Kogbetliantz [3] and analysed by Forsythe and Henrici [2]. Forsythe and Henrici have proved the convergence of the cyclic Kogbetliantz algorithm under the assumption that all pairs of rotation angles  $\{\phi_k, \psi_k\}$  lie in a closed interval  $J \subset (-\pi/2, \pi/2)$  independent of  $k$ :

$$\phi_k, \psi_k \in J, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots \quad (1)$$

In a recent paper, Paige and Van Dooren [4] have shown that the cyclic Kogbetliantz algorithm ultimately converges quadratically when no pathologically close singular values are present.

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Since efficiency can often be gained in computing the SVD if the input matrix is first orthogonally transformed into triangular form [1], it has been suggested that the matrix be preprocessed by computing its  $QR$  decomposition, before using Kogbetliantz algorithm to compute its SVD. This note is concerned with the asymptotic quadratic convergence of cyclic Kogbetliantz algorithm for computing the SVD of a triangular matrix in the case of repeated or clustered singular values. We have assumed that the cyclic Kogbetliantz algorithm is convergent.

In this note,  $\|\cdot\|_F$  and  $\|\cdot\|_2$  denote Frobenius and 2-norm respectively, and  $s(A)$  denotes the sum of squares of the off-diagonal elements of matrix  $A$ .  $s_l(A)$  [ $s_u(A)$ ] is the sum of squares of the strictly lower [upper] triangular elements of  $A$ .

## 2. DESCRIPTION OF THE ALGORITHM OF KOCBETLIANTZ

Let  $A$  be a  $n \times n$  real matrix, and let

$$A = U\Sigma V^T \quad (2)$$

be the SVD of  $A$ . The algorithm of Kogbetliantz for computing the decomposition (2) is based on the following observation. Let  $a_{ij}$  and  $a_{ji}$  be two off-diagonal elements of  $A$ . Let the rotation matrices

$$\hat{U}_k = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \phi_k & \sin \phi_k \\ -\sin \phi_k & \cos \phi_k \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

and

$$\hat{V}_k = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \psi_k & \sin \psi_k \\ -\sin \psi_k & \cos \psi_k \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

be chosen such that

$$\hat{U}_k \begin{pmatrix} a_{ii} & a_{ij} \\ a_{ji} & a_{jj} \end{pmatrix} \hat{V}_k = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{a}_{ii} & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{a}_{jj} \end{pmatrix} \quad (5)$$

is the SVD of the  $2 \times 2$  submatrix subtended by the rows and columns  $i$  and  $j$  of  $A$ . The rotations of (3) and (4) can be constructed to satisfy (1) and (5)

simultaneously [2]. Let  $U_k$  and  $V_k$  be the unit matrix with the elements  $(i, i), (i, j), (j, i), (j, j)$  replaced by the elements  $(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 2)$  of  $\hat{U}_k$  and  $\hat{V}_k$ , respectively; then  $A_{k+1} = U_k^T A_k V_k$  satisfies

$$s(A_{k+1}) = s(A_k) - a_{ij}^2 - a_{ji}^2. \tag{6}$$

In this scheme, a sweep consists of zeroing the off-diagonal elements in the natural row ordering. For example with  $n = 4$ , this is

$$(i, j) = (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 3), (2, 4), (3, 4).$$

We will call the Kogbetliantz algorithm with row ordering *the cyclic Kogbetliantz algorithm*.

Heath et al. [5] discuss in detail the effect of the cyclic Kogbetliantz algorithm on a triangular matrix. They show that an upper triangular matrix  $A$ , after the first sweep, becomes lower triangular. The second sweep puts it back to upper triangular form, and so on. Moreover, it is easy to show that if  $A$  is an upper trapezoidal matrix of the form

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $A_{11}$  is nonsingular, then after the second sweep, it has the form

$$A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11}^{(2)} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $A_{11}^{(2)}$  is nonsingular upper triangular. So without loss of generality, we may assume that  $A$  is a nonsingular triangular matrix.

### 3. MAIN RESULT AND PROOF

This section gives a proof of the asymptotic quadratic convergence of the cyclic Kogbetliantz algorithm in the case of repeated or clustered singular values. We begin our formal development with a lemma.

LEMMA 3.1. *Let the  $2 \times 2$  nonsingular upper triangular matrix*

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ 0 & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

satisfy  $|a_{11}| = \epsilon$ ,  $|a_{11}|, |a_{22}| \gg \epsilon$ ,  $\epsilon$  is small. Let

$$R_{12}P_{12} \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ 0 & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} P_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{a}_{22} & \hat{a}_{12} \\ 0 & \hat{a}_{11} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (7)$$

where  $P_{12}$  is a permutation and  $R_{12}$  a rotation. Then for any  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$  we have

$$|\sigma_1 - \hat{a}_{11}| \leq |\sigma_1 - a_{11}| + O(\epsilon^2) \frac{|a_{11}|}{|a_{22}|^2} \quad (8)$$

and

$$|\sigma_2 - \hat{a}_{22}| \leq |\sigma_2 - a_{22}| + O(\epsilon^2) \frac{1}{|a_{22}|}. \quad (9)$$

*Proof.* Let the rotation have the form

$$R_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} c & s \\ -s & c \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then from (7), we know that  $c = a_{22}/h$ ,  $s = a_{12}/h$ , where  $h = \text{sign}(a_{22})\sqrt{a_{22}^2 + a_{12}^2}$ . Since  $|a_{12}| = \epsilon$ , and  $\epsilon$  is small, it follows that

$$h = \sqrt{a_{22}^2 + \epsilon^2} = |a_{22}| + \frac{O(\epsilon^2)}{|a_{22}|}$$

and

$$\frac{1}{h} = \frac{1}{|a_{22}|} + \frac{O(\epsilon^2)}{|a_{22}|^2}.$$

From (7), we know that for any  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$

$$\begin{aligned} |\sigma_1 - \hat{a}_{11}| &= |\sigma_1 - a_{11}c| \\ &\leq |\sigma_1 - a_{11}| + |a_{11}||1 - c| \\ &\leq |\sigma_1 - a_{11}| + O(\epsilon^2) \frac{|a_{11}|}{|a_{22}|^2} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |\sigma_2 - \hat{a}_{22}| &= |\sigma_2 - h| \\ &\leq |\sigma_2 - a_{22}| + O(\epsilon^2) \frac{1}{|a_{22}|}, \end{aligned}$$

which is the desired result. ■

The lemma essentially tells us that if  $a_{11} \rightarrow \sigma_1$ ,  $a_{22} \rightarrow \sigma_2$ , and  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  are reasonably separated, then on symmetric permutation and premultiplying with a rotation matrix, the new  $\hat{a}_{11}$  and  $\hat{a}_{22}$  will still converge to  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  respectively.

For proving the quadratic convergence in the case of repeated or clustered singular values, we suppose that all the  $a_{ii}$  which converge to repeated or clustered singular values  $\sigma$  are at the bottom of  $A$ 's diagonal. This can always be obtained by a suitable reordering, but it not automatically obtained by the cyclic Kogbetliantz algorithm. We can then partition  $A$  accordingly as

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ 0 & A_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \tag{10}$$

where both  $A_{11}$  and  $A_{22}$  are upper triangular, and  $A_{22} \rightarrow \sigma I$ , and the off-diagonal elements of  $A$  satisfy

$$\|E\|_F < \eta, \tag{11}$$

where  $\eta$  is small. We illustrate how to obtain (10) for  $n = 5$ . Suppose  $a_{11} \rightarrow \sigma_1$ ,  $a_{55} \rightarrow \sigma_1$ , and other diagonal elements converge to distinct singular values. By the preceding lemma, we can put  $a_{11}$  and  $a_{55}$  at the bottom of  $A$ 's diagonal through symmetric permutation and premultiplying with ap-

propriate rotation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A \rightarrow P_{12} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & x & x & x \\ 0 & 2 & x & x & x \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & x & x \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} P_{12} \rightarrow R_{12} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & x & x & x \\ x & 1 & x & x & x \\ x & 1 & x & x & x \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & x & x \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \\
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 \rightarrow P_{34} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & x & x & x & x \\ 0 & 3 & x & x & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & x & x \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} P_{34} \rightarrow R_{34} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & x & x & x & x \\ 0 & 3 & x & x & x \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 0 & x \\ 0 & 0 & x & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix},
 \end{aligned}$$

where the indices indicate the position of the initial diagonal elements of matrix, and  $x$  represents the general matrix element. When treating the cyclic Kogbetliantz algorithm below, we will assume that a reordering step has been performed as soon as the cluster becomes apparent.

Starting from (10) with the cyclic Kogbetliantz algorithm, we have after one sweep

$$A_1 = D_1 + E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{A}_{11} & 0 \\ \bar{A}_{21} & \bar{A}_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (12)$$

where  $D_1$  is diagonal,  $E_1$  is strictly lower triangular,  $\bar{A}_{11}$ ,  $\bar{A}_{22}$  are lower triangular, and  $\bar{A}_{22} \rightarrow \sigma I$ . Then

$$A_1^T A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{A}_{11}^T \bar{A}_{11} + \bar{A}_{21}^T \bar{A}_{21} & \bar{A}_{21}^T \bar{A}_{22} \\ \bar{A}_{22}^T \bar{A}_{21} & \bar{A}_{22}^T \bar{A}_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (13)$$

and from the convergence of the cyclic Kogbetliantz algorithm,

$$\|F_1\|_F \leq \eta^2, \quad (14)$$

where  $F_1$  is the strictly lower triangular part of  $E_1^T E_1$ . From (13), we have

$$A_1^T A_1 - \sigma^2 I = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ Z & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_\sigma & 0 \\ 0 & Y_\sigma \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & Z^T \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}, \quad (15)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} X_\sigma &= \bar{A}_{11}^T \bar{A}_{11} + \bar{A}_{21}^T \bar{A}_{21} - \sigma^2 I, \\ Y_\sigma &= \bar{A}_{22}^T \bar{A}_{22} - \sigma^2 I - \bar{A}_{22}^T \bar{A}_{21} X_\sigma^{-1} \bar{A}_{21}^T \bar{A}_{22}, \\ Z &= \bar{A}_{21}^T \bar{A}_{21} X_\sigma^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Now observe that the rank of  $A_1^T A_1 - \sigma^2 I$  is  $n - m$ . By Sylvester's law of inertia (see e.g. [6]) the rank of the block diagonal factor must be  $n - m$ , and so  $Y_\sigma = 0$ . Thus

$$\bar{A}_{22}^T \bar{A}_{22} - \sigma^2 I = \bar{A}_{22}^T \bar{A}_{21} X_\sigma^{-1} \bar{A}_{21}^T \bar{A}_{22}. \quad (16)$$

By our assumption, we know that after a certain number of sweeps, all the singular values of  $\bar{A}_{11}$  will be separated from  $\sigma$  by  $\delta$  or more, in other words,

$$\rho \equiv \left\| (\bar{A}_{11}^T \bar{A}_{11} - \sigma^2 I)^{-1} \right\|_2 \leq \frac{1}{\min |\sigma_i - \sigma|} \leq \frac{1}{\delta}. \quad (17)$$

Thus from (16) and (17), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{2} s_i^{1/2} (\bar{A}_{22}^T \bar{A}_{22}) &\leq \|\bar{A}_{22}^T \bar{A}_{22} - \sigma^2 I\|_F \\ &\leq \|\bar{A}_{22}^T \bar{A}_{21}\|_F^2 \|X_\sigma^{-1}\|_F \\ &\leq s_i(A_1^T A_1) \rho \left\| \left[ I + \bar{A}_{21}^T \bar{A}_{21} (\bar{A}_{11}^T \bar{A}_{11} - \sigma^2 I)^{-1} \right]^{-1} \right\|_F \\ &\leq s_i(A_1^T A_1) \frac{1}{\delta} \frac{1}{1 - \|\bar{A}_{21}\|_F^2 / \delta} \\ &\leq s_i(A_1^T A_1) \frac{1}{\delta} \frac{1}{1 - \eta^2 / \delta}, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,

$$\sqrt{2} s_i^{1/2} (\bar{A}_{22}^T \bar{A}_{22}) \leq \frac{1}{\delta - \eta^2} s_i(A_1^T A_1) \quad (18)$$

This is the core inequality for proving the main result. In order to show the result more clearly, we need the following proposition.

**PROPOSITION 3.2.** *Denote a nonsingular lower triangular matrix  $A$  as*

$$A = D + E \quad (19)$$

where  $D$  is diagonal and  $E$  is triangular. Then there exist  $m$  and  $M$  such that

$$0 < m \leq d_{\min} \leq d_{\max} \leq M$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2}m^2s_1(A) - \|F\|_F^2 \leq s_1(A^T A) \leq 2M^2s_1(A) + 2\|F\|_F^2 \quad (20)$$

where  $d_{\max}$  and  $d_{\min}$  denote the largest and smallest elements of  $D$  respectively.  $F$  is a strictly lower triangular part of  $E^T E$ .

*Proof.* From (19), we know

$$\begin{aligned} A^T A &= (D + E)^T (D + E) \\ &= D^2 + DE + E^T D + E^T E. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $E^T E = \Sigma + F + F^T$ , where  $\Sigma$  is diagonal and  $F$  is a strictly lower triangular. Then

$$\begin{aligned} s_1(A^T A) &= \|DE + F\|_F^2 \\ &\leq (\|DE\|_F + \|F\|_F)^2 \\ &\leq 2(\|DE\|_F^2 + \|F\|_F^2) \\ &\leq 2M^2\|E\|_F^2 + 2\|F\|_F^2 \\ &= 2M^2s_1(A) + 2\|F\|_F^2. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, since for arbitrary matrices  $A$  and  $B$

$$\|A + B\|_F^2 \geq \frac{1}{2}\|A\|_F^2 - \|B\|_F^2,$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} s_i(A^T A) &= \|DE + F\|_F^2 \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2} \|DE\|_F^2 - \|F\|_F^2 \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2} m^2 \|E\|_F^2 - \|F\|_F^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} m^2 s_i(A) - \|F\|_F^2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the proposition is proved. ■

Now, from (18) and (20) and the convergence of the Kogbetliantz algorithm, we know that there exist  $m_1, M_1, 0 < m_1 \leq \sigma_{\min} \leq \sigma_{\max} \leq M_1$ , where  $\sigma_{\min}$  and  $\sigma_{\max}$  denote the smallest and largest singular values of  $A$  respectively, such that

$$s_i^{1/2}(\bar{A}_{22}) \leq \left( \frac{2}{\delta - \eta^2} \right) \frac{M_1^2}{m_1} s_i(A_1) + O(\eta^2). \tag{21}$$

And from (6), we know that

$$s_i(A_1) \leq s_u(A).$$

We then have

$$s_i^{1/2}(\bar{A}_{22}) \leq \left( \frac{2}{\delta - \eta^2} \right) \frac{M_1^2}{m_1} s_u(A) + O(\eta^2). \tag{22}$$

This shows that at some stage, after a sweep, the new off-diagonal elements will be the squares of the old ones. This behavior thus shows *asymptotic quadratic convergence*.

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