#### Matrix decay phenomenon and its applications I

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# Outline

#### January 25, 9:00. Decay phenomenon and sparse matrices

- Introduction;
- Decay characterization and applications;
- Upper bounds for banded matrices;
- Extension to sparse matrices;
- Application to network analysis.

#### January 26, 9:00. Decay phenomenon and numerical applications

- Decay phenomenon and Krylov subspace methods;
- Applications to the (inexact) Arnoldi algorithm;
- Decay phenomenon and rational Krylov subspace methods;
- Decay phenomenon and linear ODEs.

#### Matrix decay phenomenon and its applications

# Introduction

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#### Sparse matrices

- Sparse matrix: small number of nonzero elements (the number of nonzero elements is O(n)?);
- "A matrix is sparse if there is an advantage in exploiting its zeros" [Duff, Erisman, Reid, '86].



Sparsity does not take into account the elements' magnitude.

- There are dense matrices where only a small portion of its elements are non-negligible in magnitude;
- The elements with large magnitude are localized in a region of the matrix (e.g., diagonals);
- The magnitude usually tends to decay to zero as we move away from those regions;
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Refer to: [Benzi, Localization in matrix computation, '16]

## Matrix functions

Matrix exponential:

$$\exp(A) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} rac{A^j}{j!}$$
 ;

Matrix resolvent:

$$egin{aligned} &r_lpha(A) = (I - lpha A)^{-1}, &(1/lpha 
otin \sigma(A)), \ &\stackrel{?}{=} \sum_{j=0}^\infty lpha^j A^j, &(1/lpha < 
ho(A)); \end{aligned}$$

• Other functions: inverse  $A^{-1}$ , square root  $A^{1/2}$ , ...

Refer to: [Higham, Functions of Matrices, '08].

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#### Matrix function

Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  and f be an analytic function on some open  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ . Then

$$f(A) = \int_{\Gamma} f(z) \left( zI - A \right)^{-1} \mathrm{d}z,$$

with  $\Gamma \subset \Omega$  a system of Jordan curves encircling each eigenvalue of A exactly once, with mathematical positive orientation.

When f is analytic other equivalent definitions exist<sup>1</sup>. Moreover,

$$f(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha_j z^j, \quad f(A) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha_j A^j,$$

if both the series converge ( $|z| < 1, \ \rho(A) < 1$ ).

# Decay characterization and applications

#### Banded matrices and decay - Example



# Banded matrices and decay - Function properties



Function properties influence the decay behavior (pole vs entire)

#### Banded matrices and decay - Band length



## Banded matrices and decay - Spectral properties



#### An application: matrix exponential approximations

- $A_n$  is a sequence of banded matrices of increasing size n;
- $f(A_n)$  displays an off-diagonal decay whose rate is independent of n.

We want to compute  $exp(A_n)$  by polynomial approximation:

 $\exp(A_n) \approx p_k(A_n).$ 

For instance,  $p_k$  can be given in terms of Chebyshev polynomials  $T_k(z)$ . As the  $T_k$  are orthogonal polynomials, we get the recurrences

$$T_{k+1}(A_n) = 2A_n T_k(A_n) - T_{k-1}(A_n), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

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#### An application: matrix exponential approximations

The most expensive operation in the recurrences:

$$T_{k+1} = 2A_n T_k(A_n) - T_{k-1}(A_n), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

- A<sub>n</sub> is banded;
- $T_k(A_n)$  shows a decay. It can be approximated by a banded matrix  $B_{n,k} \approx T_k(A_n)$ ;
- The bandwidth of  $B_{n,k}$  is independent from n.

Therefore

 $A_n T_k(A_n) \approx A_n B_{n,k},$ 

Note that the cost of performing  $A_n B_{n,k}$  is  $\mathcal{O}(n)$  as *n* increases.

For certain sequences of matrices  $A_n$ , it is possible to derive  $\mathcal{O}(n)$  methods for matrix function approximation [Benzi, Razouk, '07].

# Other applications

- Linear systems: Ax = b, with A, b localized. Compute only the parts of x where the information is localized, e.g., by Gaussian elimination ([Duff, Erisman, Reid, '86]), Monte Carlo ([Benzi, Evans, Hamilton, Pasini, Slattery, '17]), quadrature ([Golub, Meurant, '10], [Bonchi, Esfandiar, Gleich, Greif, Lakshmanan, '12]), ...
- Preconditioner construction: e.g., based on banded approximation of inverse ([Concus, Golub, Meurant, '85]), decay in the inverse triangular factors ([Benzi, Tuma, '00]), ...
- Eigenvalue problems: since spectral projectors can be expressed as matrix functions ([Razouk, '08], [Benzi, Rinelli, '22])
- Error bound for Krylov subspace approximations: Using the structure of the Arnoldi upper-Hessenberg matrix ([Ye, '13], [Wang, Ye, '16], [P., Simoncini, '19]), ...
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## References (incomplete list...)

Early works on the decay property: [Demko, '77], [Demko, Moss, Smith, '84],
[Eijkhout, Polman, '88], [Freund, '89], [Meurant, '92], [Benzi, Golub, '99]
Surveys and theses: [Razouk, '08], [Benzi, '16], [Schimmel, '19], [Benzi, '20]
Matrix functions: [Iserles, '00], [Del Buono, Lopez, Peluso, '05], [Benzi, Razouk, '07],
[Benzi, Boito, Razouk, '13], [Benzi, Boito, '14], [Schweitzer, '21], [Benzi, Rinelli, '22],
[Boito, Eidelman, Gemignani, '22]

Applications to numerical methods: [Simoncini, Szyld, '03], [Simoncini '05], [Ye, '13], [Wang, '15], [Dinh, Sidje, '17], [Wang, Ye, '17], [Kürschner, Freitag, '20], [P., Simoncini, '19], [Frommer, Schimmel, Schweitzer, '21]

Sparse and structured matrices: [Mastronardi, Ng, Tyrtyshnikov, '10], [Canuto, Simoncini, Verani, '14], [Benzi, Simoncini, '15], [Frommer, Schimmel, Schweitzer, '18], [P., Tudisco, '18]

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# Upper bounds for banded matrices

## Bandwidth 1 and Polynomials



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#### Bandwidth 2 and Polynomials







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#### Notation

 $\mathcal{B}_n(\beta,\gamma)$  is the set of banded matrices  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  with upper bandwidth  $\beta \ge 0$  and lower bandwidth  $\gamma \ge 0$ , i.e.,

$$(A)_{k,\ell} = 0, \quad \text{ for } \ell - k > \beta \text{ or } k - \ell > \gamma.$$

If  $A \in \mathcal{B}_n(\beta, \gamma)$  with  $\beta, \gamma \neq 0$ , for

$$\xi := \left\{ egin{array}{ll} \lceil (\ell-k)/eta 
ceil, & ext{if } k < \ell \ \lceil (k-\ell)/\gamma 
ceil, & ext{if } k \geq \ell \end{array} 
ight.,$$

then

$$(A^m)_{k,\ell}=0, \quad ext{ for every } m<\xi.$$

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#### Banded matrices and decay - Polynomial expansion

If it is possible to expand the matrix function into a series of polynomials

$$f(A) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha_j p_j(A),$$

then,

$$f(A)_{k,\ell} = \sum_{j=\xi}^{\infty} \alpha_j p_j(A)_{k,\ell}.$$

Assuming  $|\alpha_j| \longrightarrow 0$  quick enough, and  $|p_j(A)_{k,\ell}|$  bounded, then  $|f(A)_{k,\ell}|$  decays to zero as  $|k - \ell|$  increases.

#### Banded matrices and decay - a-priori bounds

Using the previous observations, one can derive upper bounds in the form

 $|(f(A))_{k,\ell}| \leq c\rho^{|k-\ell|},$ 

where  $\rho \in (0, 1), c > 0$  depend on properties of *A*, *f*. In the non-symmetric case, the Field of Values

$$W(A) = \{ \boldsymbol{\nu}^* A \boldsymbol{\nu} \mid \boldsymbol{\nu} \in \mathbb{C}^n, ||\boldsymbol{\nu}|| = 1 \},\$$

can provide the necessary spectral information.

We now show an a-priori bound for a function of a (non-Hermitian) matrix based on this approach; see [P. Simoncini, '19] (no use of the Crouzeix's conjecture), c.f. [Benzi, Boito, '14], [Benzi, '20].

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#### The a-priori bound

Joint work with V. Simoncini (University of Bologna)

The bound takes the general form:

$$|(f(A))_{k,\ell}| \leq p(\xi) \left(\frac{1}{\tau(\xi)}\right)^{\xi},$$

where  $p(\xi) \rightarrow p > 0$ , and  $\tau(\xi) > 1$  depends on f and W(A).

#### Faber polynomials - Definition

Let  $\Omega$  be a continuum with connected complement,  $\phi$  is the relative conformal map satisfying the following conditions

$$\phi(\infty) = \infty, \quad \lim_{z \to \infty} \frac{\phi(z)}{z} = d > 0.$$



#### Faber polynomials - Definition

Consider the Laurent expansion of  $\phi$ :

$$\phi(z)=dz+a_0+\frac{a_1}{z}+\frac{a_2}{z^2}+\ldots$$

Then, the *n*th power of  $\phi$  can be expanded as

$$(\phi(z))^n = dz^n + a_{n-1}^{(n)} z^{n-1} + \dots + a_0^{(n)} + \frac{a_{-1}^{(n)}}{z} + \frac{a_{-2}^{(n)}}{z^2} + \dots$$

The Faber polynomial of degree n for the domain  $\Omega$  is defined as

$$\Phi_n(z) = dz^n + a_{n-1}^{(n)} z^{n-1} + \dots + a_0^{(n)}, \quad \text{for } n \ge 0.$$

When  $\Omega = [-1, 1]$ , they are the Chebyshev polynomials.

See [Suetin, '98].

• If f is analytic on  $\Omega$  then

$$f(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_j \Phi_j(z), \quad \text{ for } z \in \Omega;$$

• If the spectrum of A,  $\sigma(A)$ , is contained in  $\Omega$ , then

$$f(A) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_j \Phi_j(A);$$

• If  $\Omega$  is convex and contains W(A), then ([Beckermann, '05])

 $||\Phi_j(A)|| \leq 2.$ 

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#### Bound derivation - Idea

Assume  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\beta, \gamma)$ ,  $\Phi_j$  define on the domain  $\Omega \supset W(A)$ , then

$$f(A)_{k,\ell} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_j \Phi_j(A)_{k,\ell} = \sum_{j=\xi}^{\infty} f_j \Phi_j(A)_{k,\ell}$$

with  $\xi = \lceil (\ell - k)/\beta \rceil$  for  $k < \ell$ ,  $\xi = \lceil (k - \ell)/\gamma \rceil$  for  $k > \ell$ . Thus

$$egin{aligned} |f(A)_{k,\ell}| &\leq \sum_{j=\xi}^\infty |f_j| \, |\Phi_j(A)_{k,\ell}| \leq \sum_{j=\xi}^\infty |f_j| \, \|\Phi_j(A)\| \ &\leq 2\sum_{j=\xi}^\infty |f_j|. \end{aligned}$$

Approximating  $|f_j|$ , we obtain the bound (it depends on f,  $\Omega$ ,  $\xi$ ).

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#### The bound

#### Theorem

Let  $A \in \mathcal{B}_n(\beta, \gamma)$  with  $W(A) \subset \Omega$ . Moreover, let  $\phi$  be the conformal map of  $\Omega$ ,  $\psi$  be its inverse and  $G_{\tau}$  the set with border  $\Gamma_{\tau} = \{w : |\phi(w)| = \tau\}$ . Assume that, for  $\tau > 1$ , f is analytic on  $G_{\tau}$  and bounded on  $\Gamma_{\tau}$ . Then

$$\left| \left( f(\mathcal{A}) \right)_{k,\ell} \right| \leq 2 rac{ au}{ au-1} \max_{z \in \Gamma_{ au}} |f(z)| \left( rac{1}{ au} 
ight)^{\xi}.$$

For the given f,  $\Omega$  and  $\xi$ ,  $\tau$  must be chosen so to minimize

$$\max_{z\in\Gamma_{\tau}}|f(z)|\left(\frac{1}{\tau}\right)^{\xi}$$

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#### Exponential function

#### Corollary

Let  $A \in \mathcal{B}_n(\beta, \gamma)$  with  $W(A) \subset \Omega$ , with  $\Omega$ 's boundary a horizontal ellipse with semi-axes  $a \ge b > 0$  and center  $c = c_1 + ic_2 \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then for  $\xi > b$ 

$$\left|\left(e^{A}\right)_{k,\ell}\right|\lesssim 2e^{c_{1}}\left(e\frac{a+b}{2\xi}\right)^{\xi},\quad \xi>b.$$

A similar bound is derived in a different way in [Wang, Ye, '16].

## Example - 127-th column of exp(A)



Condition number of the eigenvector matrix: 4.0e + 29

## Example - 67-th column of exp(A)



 $A = \text{Toeplitz}(i, \underline{3i}, -i, -i) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}, n = 100$ Condition number of the eigenvector matrix 5.5e + 13

# Since $z^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ is defined in $\mathbb{C}^+$ , $\Gamma_{\tau}$ must be in $\mathbb{C}^+$ .

#### Corollary

Let  $A \in \mathcal{B}_n(\beta, \gamma)$  with  $W(A) \subset \Omega \subset \mathbb{C}^+$ .  $\Omega$ 's boundary is a horizontal ellipse with semi-axes  $a \ge b > 0$  and center  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then, for any  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $0 < \varepsilon \le |c| - \sqrt{a(a+b)}$ 

$$\left| \left( A^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right)_{k,\ell} \right| \lesssim \frac{2}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} p_2(\varepsilon) \left( \frac{a+b}{|c|-\varepsilon} q_2(\varepsilon) \right)^{\xi}$$

with

$$p_2(arepsilon) = rac{\left| c(1 - arepsilon/|c|) + \sqrt{c^2(1 - arepsilon/|c|)^2 - (arepsilon^2 - b^2)^2} 
ight|}{\left| c(1 - arepsilon/|c|) + \sqrt{c^2(1 - arepsilon/|c|)^2 - (arepsilon^2 - b^2)^2} 
ight| - (arepsilon + b)},$$
 $q_2(arepsilon) = rac{1}{|1 + \sqrt{1 - (arepsilon^2 - b^2)/(c(1 - arepsilon/|c|))^2}|}$ 

# Example - 67-th column of $A^{-\frac{1}{2}}$



 $A = \text{Toeplitz}(i, \underline{7+3i}, -i, -i) \in \mathcal{B}_{100}(1, 2), \varepsilon = 0.05$ Condition number of the eigenvector matrix: 5.5e + 13

# Example - 67-th column of $A^{-\frac{1}{2}}$



 $A = \text{Toeplitz}(i, \underline{3+3i}, -i, -i) \in \mathcal{B}_{100}(1, 2), \varepsilon = 0.05$ Condition number of the eigenvector matrix: 1.2e + 24

- We presented a family of bounds for the decay of functions of banded matrices;
- The bounds depend on the shape of the matrix field of values and on the domain of analyticity of the function;
- The better we approximate the field of values, the better the bound.

More details: P., Simoncini, *Inexact Arnoldi residual estimates and decay properties for functions of non-Hermitian matrices*, BIT (2019).
# Extension to sparse matrices

### Sparse matrices and decay: A graph interpretation

Any graph G = (V, E) is represented by its adjacency matrix A. Vice versa, any matrix A represents a (weighted) graph.



 $(A^m)_{k,\ell} = 0$ , if dist $(k,\ell) > m$ 

dist $(k, \ell)$  is the geodesic distance from k to  $\ell$ .

### Graphs and Polynomials



### A-priori bound for sparse matrices

For banded matrices we, generally, have bounds of the form:

$$|(f(A))_{k,\ell}| \lesssim c\left(\frac{1}{\tau}\right)^{\xi}$$

Using  $(A^m)_{k,\ell} = 0$ , if dist $(k, \ell) > m$ , they can be extended to the sparse case as follows:

$$|(f(A))_{k,\ell}| \lesssim c \left(rac{1}{ au}
ight)^{{\sf dist}(k,\ell)}$$

[Benzi, Razouk, '07]

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### Decay phenomenon and graphs: An example



# Application to network analysis

### Counting walks in graphs

A walk from k to  $\ell$  is a path from the node k to the node  $\ell$  that admits repeated edges (it is said to be closed when  $k = \ell$ ).

 $(A^n)_{k,\ell}$  = number of walks of length *n* from *k* to  $\ell$ .



 $1 \longrightarrow 4:$ 

- length 3: *b*, *c*, *e*
- length 4: a, b, c, e
- length 6: *b*, *c*, *d*, *b*, *c*, *e*
- length 7: *b*, *c*, *d*, *b*, *c*, *e*, *g*

#### Matrix powers and walks



### Tridiagonal matrix



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### Subgraph centrality: counting closed walks



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# Subgraph centrality: counting closed walks

$$SC(1) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + 2\alpha_3 + 3\alpha_4 + \dots$$
  
=  $\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 A_{1,1} + \alpha_2 (A^2)_{1,1} + \alpha_3 (A^3)_{1,1} + \alpha_4 (A^4)_{1,1} + \dots$   
=  $\left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha_j A^j\right)_{1,1} = f(A)_{1,1}$ 

It is a matrix function when the series converges. [Estrada, Rodriguez-Velazquez, '05]

#### Exponential and resolvent indexes

Usually, the following functions are considered:

$$\exp(A) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} A^n, \qquad r_{\alpha}(A) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha^n A^n = (I - \alpha A)^{-1}.$$

#### Subgraph centrality references (incomplete list)

[Arrigo, Higham, Noferini, Wood, '22][Estrada, Hatano, Benzi, '12][Arrigo, Durastante, '21][Estrada, '12][Benzi, Boito, '20][Estrada, Higham, '10][Arrigo, Higham, '17][Estrada, Hatano, '08][Aprahamian, Higham, Higham, '16][Newman, Barabasi, Watts, '06][Benzi, Klymko, '13][Estrada, Rodríguez-Velázquez, '05]

### Application: Stability under sparse perturbation

Joint work with F. Tudisco (GSSI Gran Sasso Science Institute).

Consider G = (V, E) with adjacency matrix A. Let us add, remove or simply modify the edges in the set  $\delta E$ , obtaining

 $\widetilde{G}=(V,\widetilde{E}),$ 

with  $\widetilde{E} \subset E \cup \delta E$  and with adjacency matrix  $\widetilde{A} = A + \delta A$ . We have derived bounds for

$$|f(A)_{k,\ell} - f(A + \delta A)_{k,\ell}|$$

which enlighten the dependency on the distance that separates either k or  $\ell$  from the nodes touched by the edges in  $\delta E$ .

### Motivations

- Computing the entries of f(A) is a costly operation.
- Often only the first most important nodes are needed.
- Typically modifying a few marginal edges does not change the ranking of the most important ones.
- The distance of important nodes from those with marginal role is usually large.

If  $\delta A$  is low-rank, efficient techniques for updating f(A) can be found in [Beckermann, Kressner, Schweitzer (2018)].

# Example: The bridge



- Adding e, the number of walks in the graph significantly increases;
- The far a node k is from the bridge, the longer the walks passing through e;
- Therefore, we expect SC(k) to significantly varies only for nodes close to the bridge.

#### Lemma

Let  $S = \{s | (s, t) \in \delta E\}$  and  $T = \{t | (s, t) \in \delta E\}$  be respectively the sets of sources and tips of  $\delta E$ , then

 $(\widetilde{A}^n)_{k\ell} = (A^n)_{k\ell}, \quad \text{ for } k \notin S \text{ and } \ell \notin T,$ 

for every  $n \leq d_G(k, S) + d_G(T, \ell) =: \delta$ .



Remark:  $d_G(k, S), d_G(T, \ell)$  are distances in the original network G.

# Polynomial approximation

If both the matrix and the perturbed matrix functions can be expanded in the same series of Faber polynomials:

$$f(A) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_j \Phi_j(A), \quad f(\widetilde{A}) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_j \Phi_j(\widetilde{A}),$$

then we get

$$f(\widetilde{A})_{k,\ell} - f(A)_{k,\ell} = \sum_{j=\lfloor \delta+1 \rfloor}^{\infty} f_j(\Phi(\widetilde{A})_{k,\ell} - \Phi_j(A)_{k,\ell}).$$

Using the same approach seen for the decay property of banded matrices, we derived the following bound.

### The bound

#### Theorem

Let W(A) and  $W(\tilde{A})$  contained in a convex continuum E with connected complement whose boundary is  $\Gamma$ . Moreover, let  $\phi$  be the conformal mapping of E,  $\psi$  be its inverse and  $G_{\tau}$  the set with border  $\Gamma_{\tau} = \{w : |\phi(w)| < \tau\}$ . Let us assume that  $\tau > 1$ , f is analytic in  $G_{\tau}$  and f is bounded on  $\Gamma_{\tau}$ . Then

$$\left|\left(f(A)-f(\tilde{A})\right)_{k\ell}\right| \leq \mu_{\tau}(f)\frac{2}{\pi}\frac{\tau}{\tau-1}\left(\frac{1}{\tau}\right)^{\delta+2}$$

with  $\delta = d_G(k, S) + d_G(T, \ell)$  and

$$\mu_{\tau}(f) = \int_{\Gamma_{\tau}} |f(\psi(z))| \,\mathrm{d}z \,.$$

#### Corollaries

Let  $\delta = d_G(k, S) + d_G(T, \ell)$ . If the boundary of  $\Omega$  is a horizontal ellipse with semi-axes  $a \ge b > 0$  and center c, then for  $\delta > b - 1$ 

$$\left|\left(\exp(A) - \exp(\tilde{A})\right)_{k\ell}\right| \leq \frac{4e^{\Re(c)}p(\delta)}{p(\delta) - (a+b)/(\delta+1)} \left(\frac{a+b}{\delta+1}\frac{e^{q(\delta)}}{p(\delta)}\right)^{\delta+1},$$

with 
$$q(t) = 1 + \frac{a^2 - b^2}{t^2 + t\sqrt{t^2 + a^2 - b^2}}$$
 and  $p(t) \approx 2$ .  
Moreover, for  $0 < \epsilon < |\alpha^{-1} - c| - a$  and  $\delta > 0$ 

$$\left|\left(r_{\alpha}(A)-r_{\alpha}(\tilde{A})\right)_{k\ell}\right| \leq \frac{4}{1-\frac{a+b}{(|\alpha^{-1}-c|-\varepsilon)p_{\varepsilon}}}\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\left(\frac{a+b}{|\alpha^{-1}-c|-\varepsilon}\frac{1}{p_{\varepsilon}}\right)^{\delta+1},$$

where  $p_{\varepsilon} \leq 2$ .

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#### Two circles: exponential-centrality



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#### Two circles: resolvent-centrality



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### Normalized Pajek/Erdos971: exponential-centrality

We added all the missing edges between the 10 nodes with smallest centrality  $\exp(A)_{kk}$ 



### London train connections



The nodes are the train stations, and the edges are the existing routes between them (overground, underground, DLR, etc.) [De Domenico, Solé-Ribalta, Gómez, Arenas, '14].

#### London train network 1

We added all the missing edges between the 5 nodes with smallest centrality  $\exp(A)_{kk}$ 



### London train network 1: Exponential-centrality



#### London train network 2

We modified the last 5 and 15 nodes changing their weights.



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### London train network 2: Exponential-centrality



Last 5 nodes.

Last 15 nodes.

## Remarks

- The bounds show that the variation of f(A)<sub>kℓ</sub> decays exponentially with respect to d<sub>G</sub>(k, S) + d<sub>G</sub>(T, ℓ), the sum of the distances that separates k and ℓ from the set of nodes touched by the perturbed edges in S, T.
- The bounds depend on W(A),  $W(\tilde{A})$  and we gave strategies for their estimation.
- We also proposed a strategy that allows to compute the distances between nodes simultaneously with the computation of the entries of f(A) by Lanczos algorithm.

More details: P., Tudisco, *On the stability of network indices defined by means of matrix functions*, SIMAX (2018).

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### Thank you for your attention!

### Matrix decay phenomenon and its applications II

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# Decay phenomenon

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#### Banded matrices and decay - A-priori bounds

By expanding a matrix function into a series of polynomials

$$f(A) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha_j p_j(A),$$

we derived upper bounds in the form

 $|(f(A))_{k,\ell}| \leq c\rho^{|k-\ell|},$ 

where  $\rho \in (0, 1), c > 0$  depend on properties of A, f (and  $\rho$  can depend on  $|k - \ell|$ ). To compute the a-priori bound we need to approximate the Field of Values

$$W(A) = \{ \mathbf{v}^* A \mathbf{v} \mid \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{C}^n, ||\mathbf{v}|| = 1 \}.$$

# Decay phenomenon and Krylov subspace methods

## Model reduction

A possible way to approximate  $f(A)\mathbf{v}$  is by projecting the problem onto a small subspace, such as the Krylov subspace:

$$\mathcal{P}_m(A, \mathbf{v}) := \operatorname{span} \{ \mathbf{v}, A \mathbf{v}, \dots, A^{m-1} \mathbf{v} \}.$$

Given a basis  $U_m$  of  $\mathcal{P}_m(A, \mathbf{v})$ , we can define the reduced matrix

$$T_m = U_m^* A U_m$$

Then we have the model reduction:

$$f(A)\mathbf{v} \approx U_m f(T_m)\mathbf{w}, \quad \mathbf{w} = U_m^* \mathbf{v}.$$

If *m* is small, computing  $f(T_m)w$  is computationally cheaper.

E.g., [Higham, Functions of Matrices, '08]

## Arnoldi's method

Given a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$  and a vector  $\mathbf{v} \neq 0$ , Arnoldi's method produces the orthogonal matrix

$$U_m = [\boldsymbol{u}_1, \ldots, \boldsymbol{u}_m],$$

forming a basis of  $\mathcal{P}_m(A, \mathbf{v})$ .

Starting with  $\boldsymbol{u}_1 = \boldsymbol{v}/\|\boldsymbol{v}\|$ , Arnoldi's method is a Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process defined by the recurrences

$$t_{j+1,j} \boldsymbol{u}_{j+1} = A \boldsymbol{u}_j - \sum_{i=1}^j t_{i,j} \boldsymbol{u}_i, \quad j = 1, \dots, m.$$

$$t_{i,j} = u_i^* A u_j, \quad t_{j+1,j} = \| u_{j+1} \|.$$

E.g., [Saad, Iterative Methods for Sparse Linear Systems, '03]

The recurrences have the matrix form:

$$AU_m = U_m T_m + t_{m+1,m} \boldsymbol{u}_{m+1} \boldsymbol{e}_m^T,$$

with  $T_m$  the  $m \times m$  upper Hessenberg matrix with entries  $t_{i,j}$  ( $e_m$  the *m*th vector of the canonical basis). By orthogonality we get

$$T_m = U_m^* A U_m.$$

The matrix  $T_m$  plays two roles in the algorithm:

- It represents the orthogonalization process (coefficients  $t_{i,j}$ );
- It represents the action of A in the Krylov subspace  $\mathcal{P}_m(A, \mathbf{v})$ , i.e.,

$$U_m T_m U_m^* = U_m U_m^* A U_m U_m^*.$$

## Hessenberg matrix and decay

 $T_m$  can be used for matrix-function approximation

 $f(A)\mathbf{v} \approx U_m f(T_m)\mathbf{e}_1,$ 



 $f(\lambda) = \lambda^{-1} \rightarrow \text{FOM}.$ 

Sparsity pattern of  $T_{60}$ 



# Decay bounds

It is possible to derive a-priori decay bound for  $f(T_m)$ .

- We know the band length;
- We know *f*;
- We can derive the necessary spectral information from the input matrix since W(T<sub>m</sub>) ⊆ W(A).

Applications: Decay bounds can be used, e.g., for:

- Devise new relaxed approaches (inexact Arnoldi);
- Stopping criteria for iterative solvers in matrix function evaluations and matrix equation solving.

E.g., [Güttel, Schweitzer,'21], [Kürschner, Freitag,'20], [P. , Simoncini,'19].

## Matrix function approximation

Joint work with V. Simoncini (University of Bologna)

Let  $\mathbf{y}(x) = f(xA)\mathbf{v}$  be the solution to the differential equation

$$\mathbf{y}^{(d)}(x) = A \, \mathbf{y}(x), \quad \mathbf{y}(0) = \mathbf{v}, \quad x \ge 0,$$

with  $\mathbf{y}^{(d)}$  the *d*th derivative. Consider the approximation

$$\mathbf{y}(x) \approx \mathbf{y}_m(x) = U_m f(xT_m) \, \mathbf{e}_1.$$

The differential equation residual is given by:

$$\mathbf{r}_m(x) = A \mathbf{y}_m(x) - \mathbf{y}_m^{(d)}(x) = \mathbf{u}_{m+1} t_{m+1,m} \mathbf{e}_m^T f(xT_m) \mathbf{e}_1.$$

# Residual bound

For simplicity, let us fix x = 1,

- $|\mathbf{e}_m^T f(T_m) \mathbf{e}_1|$  decays as *m* increases;
- We can bound  $|\mathbf{e}_m^T f(T_m) \mathbf{e}_1|$  a-priori, and hence

$$\|\mathbf{r}_m\| \leq |t_{m+1,m}||\mathbf{e}_m^T f(T_m) \mathbf{e}_1|.$$



 $A = ext{pde225f}$  (Matrix Market),  $f(A) = e^{-A}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = (1, \dots, 1)^T / \sqrt{n}$ .

# Applications to the inexact Arnoldi method

Joint work with V. Simoncini (University of Bologna)

In inexact Arnoldi, A is assumed to be not known exactly. Then, the matrix-vector product can only be approximated:

 $A\mathbf{u}_k \approx A\mathbf{u}_k + \mathbf{w}_k,$ 

with accuracy  $\|\mathbf{w}_k\| < \epsilon$ . Then the the original recurrences become

$$(A+E)U_m = U_mT_m + t_{m+1,m}\boldsymbol{u}_{m+1}\boldsymbol{e}_m^T, \quad E = [\boldsymbol{w}_1,\ldots,\boldsymbol{w}_m]U^*.$$

We can define the quantities (x = 1)

$$\mathbf{r}_m = A\mathbf{y}_m - \mathbf{y}_m^{(d)}$$
 and  $\rho_m = |t_{m+1,m}\mathbf{e}_m^T f(T_m)\mathbf{e}_1|$ .

However,  $\mathbf{r}_m$  cannot be computed exactly!

# A strategy for the inexact Arnoldi

Observe that

- *T<sub>m</sub>* is upper-Hessenberg;
- Assuming  $\epsilon$  small enough, W(A + E) is not much larger than W(A) since  $W(A + E) \subset W(A) + W(E)$ .

Therefore, by using the same bound seen before, we expect  $\rho_m = |t_{m+1,m} \mathbf{e}_m^T f(T_m) \mathbf{e}_1|$  to decay.

Since

$$\|\mathbf{r}_m\| \le |\|\mathbf{r}_m\| - \rho_m| + \rho_m,$$

if  $|||\mathbf{r}_m|| - \rho_m|$  is small, then  $||\mathbf{r}_m||$  decays too.

## A strategy for the inexact Arnoldi method

Note that ([Simoncini, '05], [Simoncini, Szyld, '03]),

$$|\|\mathbf{r}_m\| - \rho_m| \leq \|[\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_m]f(tH_m)\mathbf{e}_1\| \leq \sum_{j=1}^m \|\mathbf{w}_j\| \|\mathbf{e}_j^{\mathsf{T}}f(\mathsf{T}_m)\mathbf{e}_1\|,$$

Therefore,  $|||\mathbf{r}_m|| - \rho_m|$  is small as long as

 $\|\mathbf{w}_j\| |\mathbf{e}_j^T f(T_m) \mathbf{e}_1| \le \mathrm{toll}/m$ 

As a consequence,

- we can relax the accuracy of each iteration  $\epsilon_i = ||w_i||$ ;
- $\epsilon_j$  can be set a-priori using the bound for  $|\mathbf{e}_i^T f(T_m)\mathbf{e}_1|$ .

The smaller is  $\rho_m$  the larger is the accuracy  $\epsilon_i$ .

# Example - $e^{-A}\mathbf{v}$

- $\|\mathbf{r}_j\| \longrightarrow$  constant accuracy strategy,  $\epsilon_j = \operatorname{toll}/m$ , for every j;
- $\|\bar{\mathbf{r}}_j\| \longrightarrow$  previously presented strategy for  $\bar{\epsilon}_j$ .



Matrix pde225 (Matrix Market),  $\mathbf{v} = (1, \dots, 1)^T / \sqrt{n}$ .

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# Example - $\exp(-\sqrt{A})\mathbf{v}$



 $A = \text{Toeplitz}(-1, 1, \underline{3}, 0.1) \in \mathcal{B}_{200}(1, 2), \ \mathbf{v} = (1, \dots, 1)^T / \sqrt{n}.$ 

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# Example - $\exp(-\sqrt{A})\mathbf{v}$



More details: S. Pozza, V. Simoncini, *Decay bounds for functions of banded non-Hermitian matrices*, BIT, 2019.

# Decay phenomenon and rational Krylov subspace methods

#### Rational Krylov Subspace Method

Setting  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = [\sigma_1, \ldots, \sigma_{m-1}]$  with  $\sigma_j \notin \lambda(A)$ , the rational Krylov subspace is defined as

$$\mathcal{K}_m(A, \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}) := \operatorname{span} \left\{ \boldsymbol{v}, (A - \sigma_1 I)^{-1} \boldsymbol{v}, \dots, \prod_{j=1}^{m-1} (A - \sigma_j I)^{-1} \boldsymbol{v} \right\}.$$

RKSM produces the orthogonal matrix  $V_m = [\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m]$  basis of  $\mathcal{K}_m(A, \mathbf{v}, \sigma)$ . RKSM is a Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization:

$$h_{j+1,j} \mathbf{v}_{j+1} = (\mathbf{A} - \sigma_j \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{v}_j - \sum_{i=1}^j h_{i,j} \mathbf{v}_i, \quad j = 1, \dots, m,$$

$$h_{i,j} = \mathbf{v}_i^* (\mathbf{A} - \sigma_j \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{v}_j, \quad h_{j+1,j} = \|\mathbf{v}_{j+1}\|.$$

RKSM recurrences have the matrix form:

$$A V_m H_m = V_m K_m - h_{m+1,m} (A - \sigma_m I) \boldsymbol{v}_{m+1} \boldsymbol{e}_m^T,$$

with  $H_m$  the Hessenberg matrix with entries  $h_{i,j}$ , and

$$K_m = (I + H_m \operatorname{diag}(\sigma_1, \ldots, \sigma_m));$$

see, e.g., [Ruhe, '94], [Güttel, '13], [Güttel, Knizhnerman, '13]. The information about the orthogonalization are carried by  $H_m$ . The reduced-order matrix is defined as

$$J_m := V_m^* A V_m = K_m H_m^{-1} - h_{m+1,m} V_m^* (A - \sigma_m I) \boldsymbol{v}_{m+1} \boldsymbol{e}_m^T H_m^{-1},$$

which is the projection of *A* onto  $\mathcal{K}_m(A, \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})$ .

RKSM can be used for the approximation of matrix function

 $f(A)\mathbf{v} \approx V_m f(J_m)\mathbf{e}_1;$ 

Another application is the Lyapunov matrix equation. See, e.g., [Guttel, '13] [Knizhnerman, Simoncini,'11], [Simoncini,'15-'16].  $J_m$  is generally full. Nevertheless,  $J_m$ , and  $f(J_m)$  exhibit a decay.



See also [Fasino, '05], semiseparable + diag

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Given the rational function

$$s_j^{(t)}(x) := rac{q_j(x)}{(x-\sigma_t)\cdots(x-\sigma_{t+j-1})},$$

with  $t \ge 1$  and  $q_j(x)$  a polynomial of degree at most j. If the indexes  $k, \ell$  are such that  $k \ge t + 2$  and  $\ell \le t$ , then

$$\left(s_j^{(t)}(J_m)\right)_{k,\ell}=0, \quad j=1,\ldots,k-t-1.$$

- The hidden sparsity structure of  $J_m$  is a consequence of  $V_m$  orthogonality.
- In Arnoldi's method, the connection between the orthogonalization process and the sparsity pattern of  $T_m$  is evident.

## The hidden sparsity structure of $J_m$



Sparsity pattern of  $s_i^{(t)}(J_m)$  for  $J_{20}$  and Hermitian matrix A.

# A-priori decay bound

To derive a-priori decay bounds for  $f(J_m)$  we exploit:

- The hidden sparsity structure of  $J_m$ ;
- Rational function approximation. Specifically, rational Faber-Dzhrbashyan functions M<sub>j</sub>, ([Dzhrbashyan,'57], [Suetin,'98], [Beckermann, Reichel,'09]);
- The domain of analyticity of f;
- Information on the field of values of A since  $W(J_m) \subseteq W(A)$ .

Our results are based on Faber-Dzhrbashyan expansions:

$$f(J_m) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha_j M_j(J_m).$$

See also [Druskin, Knizhnerman, Simoncini, '11], [Knizhnerman, Simoncini, '11]

## Field of values and conformal maps

Let  $\Omega \supseteq W(A)$  be a convex compact set and let  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  be the related conformal map and its inverse, s.t.  $\phi(\infty) = \infty$ , and  $\lim_{z\to\infty} \phi(z)/z = d > 0$ .



Assume  $\tau > 1$ ,  $k - \ell > 1$ , and f analytic on  $\Omega_{\tau}$ . Then

$$|f(J_m)_{k,\ell}| \leq 3\frac{\tau}{\tau-1} \max_{|z|=\tau} |f(\psi(z))| \prod_{t=\ell}^{k-2} \frac{\tau+|\phi(\sigma_t)|}{|\phi(\sigma_t)|\tau+1} := B(k,\ell).$$

Setting the coefficients

$$\alpha_j = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=\tau} \frac{f(\psi(z))}{z} \prod_{t=\ell}^{k-2} \frac{z-\phi(\sigma_t)}{\overline{\phi(\sigma_t)}z-1} \frac{\phi(\sigma_t)}{|\phi(\sigma_t)|} \left(-\frac{1}{z}\right)^{j-k+\ell+2} dz.$$

and a positive integer s, we have the following more refined bound

$$|f(J_m)_{k,\ell}| \leq 3\left(\sum_{j=0}^{s-1} |\alpha_{j+k-\ell-1}| + \frac{B(k,\ell)}{\tau^s}\right)$$

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# Remarks

- $B(k, \ell)$  depends on the parameter  $\tau$ ;
- For each  $k, \ell$ , we can choose a nearly optimal  $\tau$ ;
- For f(λ) = λ, the bound shows that J<sub>m</sub> elements decays in the matrix lower part (wannabe Hessenberg);
- The better  $\Omega$  approximate W(A) the better is the bound;

## Numerical tests: Symmetric case, 2D Laplacian



(+): coefficients  $\alpha_j$  computed by MatLab integral,  $s \leq 27$ 

## Numerical tests: Symmetric case



flowmeter0, Oberwolfach Model Reduction Benchmark Collection (dynamical systems). Symm., n = 9669,  $\lambda(A) \subset [-2.08 \cdot 10^3, -1.31 \cdot 10^{-4}]$ .  $s \leq 53$ .

## Numerical tests: Non-symmetric case



A is obtained from the centered finite difference discretization of  $L(u) = -\Delta u + 35u_x + 35u_y$ , on the unit square, with homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions. Non-symmetric, n = 784.  $s \le 20$ .

Another application is the Lyapunov matrix equation

$$AX + XA^H = cc^H.$$

that can be approximated by solving the reduced-order equation

$$J_m Y_m + Y_m J_m^H = \boldsymbol{e}_1 \boldsymbol{e}_1^T, \quad X \approx V_m Y_m V_m^H,$$

$$Y_m = \frac{i}{2\pi} \int_{-i\infty}^{+i\infty} (wI - J_m)^{-1} \boldsymbol{e}_1 \boldsymbol{e}_1 (wI + J_m)^{-1} \,\mathrm{d}w.$$

 $Y_m$  decay can be used to estimate the residual.

### Numerical tests: Non-symmetric case



Field of values of A (yellow area), eigenvalues of A (\*)



 $|Y_{50}|$ , solution of the reduced-order Lyapunov equation (log scale)

## Numerical tests: $Y_m$ Lyapunov non-symmetric eq.



See also [Kürschner, Freitag, 2020].

# Remarks

- The matrix  $T_m = U_m^* A U_m$  from Arnoldi's method is upper-Hessenberg, hence characterized by a decay phenomenon.
- In RKSM, the matrix  $J_m = V_m^* A V_m$  is generally a full matrix.
- Despite having lost the band structure, J<sub>m</sub> is still characterized by a decay phenomenon in its lower part.
- We explained and described this decay phenomenon by deriving effective a-priori bounds.
- We derived similar bounds for Lyapunov matrix equations.

More details: P., Simoncini, *Functions of rational Krylov space matrices and their decay properties*, Numerische Mathematik, 2021.

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# Decay phenomenon and linear ODEs

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### Non-autonomous linear ODEs

Consider the following ordinary differential equation

$$\partial_t y(t) = ilde{f}(t) y(t), \quad y(0) = 1, \quad t \in [0,1],$$

with  $\tilde{f}(t)$  a given analytic function over [0, 1].

- We present a new approach for the solution of linear ODEs.
- The new method is meant for large systems of non-autonomous linear ODEs.
- For the sake of simplicity, here, we consider the simpler case where the time-dependent coefficient  $\tilde{f}(t) \in \mathbb{C}$ .

Joint work with N. Van Buggenhout (Charles University) and P-L. Giscard (ULCO, Calais).

## ODE solution expansion

Consider the (shifted) normalized Legendre polynomials  $p_0(t), p_1(t), p_2(t), \ldots$ , i.e., polynomials s.t.

$$\int_0^1 p_k(\tau) p_\ell(\tau) d\tau = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } k \neq \ell \\ 1, & \text{if } k = \ell \end{cases}$$

The solution y(t) is an analytic function over [0, 1], as such, we can expand it into the series

$$y(t)=\sum_{j=0}^{\infty}u_jp_j(t),\quad t\in[0,1].$$

## ODE solution expansion

Let us define the truncated expansion

$$y_m(t) := \sum_{j=0}^m u_j p_j(t), \quad t \in [0,1].$$

Then the error is bounded by

$$\max_{t \in [0,1]} |y(t) - y_m(t)| \le \sum_{j=m+1}^{\infty} |u_j| \frac{\sqrt{2j+1}}{2}$$

- As y(t) is analytic, the coefficients |u<sub>j</sub>| asymptotically converge to zero faster than geometric (decay).
- For *m* large enough,  $|u_{m+1}|$  is a good approximation of the truncation error.

## ODE solution by \*-product

The new approach is based on the so-called  $\star$ -product. Given two distributions  $g_1(t,s), g_2(t,s)$  from a certain class,

$$(g_1\star g_2)(t,s):=\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty}g_1(t,\tau)g_2(\tau,s)\,d au.$$

Then, the ODE solution can be expressed as [P., Giscard, '22]

$$y(t) = \left(\Theta(t-s) \star (1_{\star} - \tilde{f}(t)\Theta(t-s))^{-\star}\right)(t,0),$$

with

$$\Theta(t-s) = \left\{ egin{array}{c} 1, \ t \geq s, \ 0, \ t < s \end{array} 
ight.$$

(Replacing  $\tilde{f}$  with a matrix, we can solve an ODE system.)

#### \*-product discretization

By using the Legendre polynomials, the \*-product expression can be discretized. This leads to transforming the \*-product algebra into a matrix algebra.

$$\begin{split} \tilde{f}(t) \Theta(t-s) & F_m \\ r(t,s) &= p(t,s) \star q(t,s) & \text{discr.} & R_m = P_m Q_m \\ p+q & \longrightarrow & P_m + Q_m \\ 1_\star &= \delta(t-s) & I_m, \text{ identity matrix} \\ p^{-\star}(t,s) & P_m^{-1} \\ (1_\star - p)^{-\star}(t,s) & (I_m - P_m)^{-1} \end{split}$$

[P., Van Buggenhout, '22]

#### ODE solution by discretized \*-product

Then, the  $\star$ -solution of the ODEs can also be discretized.

$$y(t) = \left(\Theta(t-s) \star (1_{\star} - \tilde{f}(t)\Theta(t-s))^{-\star}\right)(t,0)$$

 $\int \frac{discr}{\mathbf{u}_m} \approx H_m (I_m - F_m)^{-1} \mathbf{e}_1$ 



## Example- $\tilde{f}(t) = \cos(4t)$



Sparsity pattern of the matrices after truncation (tol = 2e - 16)



Legendre coefficients of the solution u(t); computed by the \*-approach (\*), computed via chebfun knowing that  $u(t) = \exp(\cos(4t) - 1)$ .

## Remarks

- There is a clear relation between the decay of the resolvent of the discretized matrix and the decay of the Legendre coefficients u<sub>0</sub>, u<sub>1</sub>...;
- We need to determined *m* a-priori. This means that we need to know how many  $u_0, u_1 \dots$  are needed before solving the linear system;
- A-priori bound on the decay of  $(I_m F_m)^{-1}$  may provide an estimate for m.

More details:

- P., Van Buggenhout, A \*-product solver with spectral accuracy for non-autonomous ordinary differential equations, PAMM, '23.
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The decay phenomenon appears in:

- Network/graph analysis;
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