

Answers to exercise 10

1. (a) In matrix addition elements are added element-wise, so we can restrict our analysis to simple elements. Addition $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$ is symmetric to \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} so we need to study an error in an element of \mathbf{A} only. Let a be an element of \mathbf{A} and b an element of \mathbf{B} . Then $a + b = c$. If a has an error Δa , then $a + \Delta a + b = c + \Delta c$.

The absolute condition is

$$\kappa('+', a) = \sup_{a, \Delta a} \frac{|a + b - (a + \Delta a + b)|}{|\Delta a|} = \sup_{a, \Delta a} \frac{|\Delta a|}{|\Delta a|} = 1.$$

- (b) Matrix multiplication is, for the individual elements merely vector inner-products, so we can restrict our analysis to inner-products only.

The inner-product is defined as

$$c = \mathbf{a}^H \mathbf{y} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k y_k. \quad (1)$$

Algorithmically, it can be calculated with:

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s(1) = 0
for k = 1 to m
    t(k) = a(k) * y(k)
    s(k+1) = t(k) + s(k)
end
c = s(m+1)
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For each iteration step we have

$$t_k = a_k y_k (1 + \xi_k) \quad (2)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
s_{k+1} &= (t_k + s_k)(1 + \eta_k) \\
&= a_k y_k (1 + \xi_k)(1 + \eta_k) + s_k(1 + \eta_k) \\
&= a_k y_k (1 + \xi_k)(1 + \eta_k) \\
&\quad + a_{k-1} y_{k-1} (1 + \xi_{k-1})(1 + \eta_{k-1})(1 + \eta_k) \\
&\quad + s_{k-1} (1 + \eta_{k-1})(1 + \eta_k) \\
&= \sum_{h=1}^k a_h y_h (1 + \xi_h) \prod_{l=1}^h (1 + \eta_l) \\
&= \sum_{h=1}^k a_h y_h (1 + \epsilon_{h+1})
\end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

where $(1 + \epsilon_{h+1}) = (1 + \xi_h) \prod_{l=1}^h (1 + \eta_l)$. If we assume that $|\eta_k|$ and $|\xi_k|$ are both bound by η (which is reasonable), that is, we have $\max\{|\eta_k|, |\xi_k|\} < \eta$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
(1 - \eta)^k &\leq 1 + \epsilon_k \leq (1 + \eta)^k \\
(1 - \eta)^k - 1 &\leq \epsilon_k \leq (1 + \eta)^k - 1
\end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

whereby

$$|\epsilon_k| < \max\{|(1 - \eta)^k - 1|, |(1 + \eta)^k - 1|\} = |(1 + \eta)^k - 1|. \tag{5}$$

Therefore, the numerical representation of the dot-product is

$$\hat{c} = \mathbf{a}^H \mathbf{y} (1 + \epsilon) \tag{6}$$

where for ϵ it holds that

$$|\epsilon| < |(1 + \eta)^n - 1|. \tag{7}$$

η is the relative accuracy of the corresponding numerical representation and n is the number of elements in vector \mathbf{a} .

Note that we cannot estimate the bounds of ϵ within the floating point arithmetic whose bounds it estimates, since the numerical accuracy is not sufficient. We therefore have to estimate these bounds with, for example, Taylor expansion.

2. Let \mathbf{A} be an $N \times N$ hermitian matrix, $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^H$, \mathbf{v}_i be the eigenvectors of \mathbf{A} , λ_i the corresponding eigenvalues and $|\lambda_i| \leq |\lambda_{i+1}|$.

Then \mathbf{A} is unitary similar to a diagonal matrix, that is, we can write

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{Q}^H$$

where $\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^H = \mathbf{Q}^H\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{I}$ and

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \lambda_N \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{A}\|_2^2 &= \max_{\mathbf{x} \neq 0} \frac{\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2}{\|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2} = \max_{\mathbf{x} \neq 0} \frac{\mathbf{x}^H \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{x}^H \mathbf{x}} = \max_{\mathbf{x} \neq 0} \frac{\mathbf{x}^H \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{x}^H \mathbf{x}} \\ &= \max_{\mathbf{x} \neq 0} \frac{\mathbf{x}^H \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{Q}^H \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{Q}^H \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{x}^H \mathbf{x}} = \max_{\mathbf{x} \neq 0} \frac{\mathbf{x}^H \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{Q}^H \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{x}^H \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^H \mathbf{x}} \end{aligned}$$

since $\mathbf{Q}^H\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{I}$. Substituting $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Q}^H\mathbf{x}$ yields

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_2^2 = \max_{\mathbf{y} \neq 0} \frac{\mathbf{y}^H \mathbf{D}^H \mathbf{D} \mathbf{y}}{\mathbf{y}^H \mathbf{y}} = \max_{\mathbf{y} \neq 0} \frac{\|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{y}\|_2^2}{\|\mathbf{y}\|_2^2} = \|\mathbf{D}\|_2^2$$

Note that the largest element of \mathbf{D} is λ_N and thus $\|\mathbf{D}\|_2^2 = \lambda_N^2$, whereby $\|\mathbf{A}\|_2^2 = \lambda_N^2$.

3. Eigenvalues λ_k of autocorrelation matrices are positive $\lambda_k > 0$, but numerical errors can make that limit approximate $\lambda_k \gtrsim 0$. Addition of a sufficiently large constant μ will make the eigenvalues strictly positive $\lambda_k + \mu > 0$. For the autocorrelation matrix \mathbf{R} this corresponds to $\mathbf{R} + \mu\mathbf{I}$, that is, regularisation of \mathbf{R} .

In LMMSE estimation we invert matrix $\mathbf{R}_x + \sigma_v^2\mathbf{I}$, that is, we invert $\mathbf{R}_y = \mathbf{R}_x + \sigma_v^2$. Clearly this corresponds to regularisation of \mathbf{R}_x . However, \mathbf{R}_x is generally estimated from \mathbf{R}_y by $\mathbf{R}_x = \mathbf{R}_y - \sigma_v^2\mathbf{I}$, which is the opposite of regularisation and we actually make the conditioning worse. The larger σ_v^2 is, the more prominent the problem becomes. However, since we do not need to invert \mathbf{R}_x that is not an immediate problem.

On the other hand, if \mathbf{R}_y is ill-conditioned from the beginning, we might benefit from regularisation. Here are three possible methods:

(a) Originally we had

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{R}_x(\mathbf{R}_x + \sigma_v^2)^{-1} = (\mathbf{R}_y - \sigma_v^2\mathbf{I})\mathbf{R}_y^{-1} \quad (8)$$

but by replacing \mathbf{R}_y by $\mathbf{R}_y + \mu\mathbf{I}$ we obtain

$$\hat{\mathbf{H}} = (\mathbf{R}_y + (\mu - \sigma_v^2)\mathbf{I})(\mathbf{R}_y + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}.$$

By choosing $\mu = \sigma_v^2$ we obtain a convenient form

$$\hat{\mathbf{H}} = \mathbf{R}_y(\mathbf{R}_y + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}.$$

- (b) From Eq. 8 we see that we are inverting only \mathbf{R}_y and we need to regularise only \mathbf{R}_y and we can leave $\mathbf{R}_y - \sigma_v^2\mathbf{I}$ intact. Then

$$\hat{\mathbf{H}} = (\mathbf{R}_y - \sigma_v^2\mathbf{I})(\mathbf{R}_y + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}.$$

Heuristically, this has the benefit that we regularise (=corrupt) only those matrices that require regularisation.

- (c) By rewriting we obtain

$$\mathbf{H} = (\mathbf{R}_y - \sigma_v^2\mathbf{I})\mathbf{R}_y^{-1} = \mathbf{I} - \sigma_v^2\mathbf{R}_y^{-1}$$

whereby, again, we need only regularise \mathbf{R}_y and have

$$\hat{\mathbf{H}} = \mathbf{I} - \sigma_v^2(\mathbf{R}_y + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}$$

We observe that the choice of regularisation method is not trivial. Each of the above methods are well-warranted and we do not have general means of choosing a method. Our proposition is to analyse results in speech enhancement with both objective measures and listening tests in order to find the superior method.