

NEW ALGORITHMS FOR SOLVING NONLINEAR EIGENVALUE PROBLEMS

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Abstract. To solve a nonlinear eigenvalue problem we develop algorithms which compute zeros of $\det A(\lambda) = 0$. We show how to apply third order iteration methods for that purpose. The necessary derivatives of the determinant are computed by algorithmic differentiation. Since many nonlinear eigenvalue problems have banded matrices we also present an algorithm which makes use of their structure.

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1. Introduction. Let $A : \lambda \mapsto \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ be analytic on a open set $\{\lambda\} \subset \mathbb{C}$. We consider the problem to find λ such that $f(\lambda) = \det A(\lambda) = 0$.

To compute a zero of f one can consider Newton's method

$$\lambda_{k+1} = \lambda_k - \frac{f(\lambda_k)}{f'(\lambda_k)},$$

which needs the derivative of the determinant. The *formula of Jacobi*, well known and discussed in linear algebra textbooks, gives an explicit expression for it:

$$f'(\lambda) = \det A(\lambda) \operatorname{trace}(A^{-1}(\lambda)A'(\lambda)).$$

The Newton correction becomes

$$\frac{f(\lambda_k)}{f'(\lambda_k)} = \frac{1}{\operatorname{trace}(A^{-1}(\lambda_k)A'(\lambda_k))}.$$

An alternative way to compute the derivative, respectively the Newton correction, is by *algorithmic differentiation* (see [1], [11], [4])

2. Computing Determinants and the Newton Correction. Numerically a good method to compute a determinant is applying Gaussian elimination to compute the LU -decomposition. If $PA = LU$ where P is the permutation matrix resulting from partial pivoting, L is the lower unit triangular matrix and U is the upper triangular factor, then

$$\det(A) = \pm u_{11}u_{22} \cdots u_{nn}.$$

When overwriting the matrix A by the LU -decomposition, the value of the determinant is updated in the k th elimination step by multiplying with the pivot element $f := f \times a_{kk}$. Determinants tend soon to over- or underflow, therefore it is better to compute their logarithm: $\log f := \log f + \log(a_{kk})$.

Note that the derivative of the logarithm

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda} \log f(\lambda) = \frac{f'(\lambda)}{f(\lambda)}$$

is the inverse Newton correction. Thus if we compute the derivative of the logarithm by algorithmic differentiation,

$$\log f := \log f + \log(a_{kk}) \implies \log fp := \log fp + \frac{a'_{kk}}{a_{kk}},$$

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37 the inverse  $\text{ffp} = 1/\log\text{fp} = f(\lambda)/f'(\lambda)$  is the Newton correction we need. This has
38 been used in the following program in [11]:
39 function ffp=deta(A,Ap)
40 % DETA compute determinant of A and derivative
41 % Given  $A=A(\lambda)$  and  $Ap=A'(\lambda)$ , DETA(A,Ap)
42 % computes Newton correction  $\text{ffp}=f/f'$  where  $f=\det(A)$ .
43 n=length(A); logfp=0;
44 for j=1:n
45     [amax,kmax]= max(abs(A(j:n,j))); % partial pivoting
46     if amax == 0,ffp=0; return, end
47     kmax=kmax+j-1;
48     if kmax ~= j % interchange rows
49         h=Ap(kmax,:); Ap(kmax,:)=Ap(j,:); Ap(j,:)=h;
50         h=A(j,:); A(j,:)=A(kmax,:); A(kmax,:)=h;
51     end
52     logfp=logfp + Ap(j,j)/A(j,j);
53     Ap(j+1:n,j)=(Ap(j+1:n,j)*A(j,j)-A(j+1:n,j)*Ap(j,j))/A(j,j)^2;
54     A(j+1:n,j)=A(j+1:n,j)/A(j,j);
55     Ap(j+1:n,j+1:n)=Ap(j+1:n,j+1:n) - Ap(j+1:n,j)*A(j,j+1:n)- ...
56         A(j+1:n,j)*Ap(j,j+1:n);
57     A(j+1:n,j+1:n)=A(j+1:n,j+1:n) - A(j+1:n,j)*A(j,j+1:n);
58 end
59 ffp=1/logfp;

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60 **3. Suppression Instead of Deflation.** With the function `deta` we can compute a solution of $\det A(\lambda) = 0$ by Newton's method. In order to avoid recomputing already computed zeros $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$, we suppress them by working with the function

$$63 \quad f_k(\lambda) := \frac{f(\lambda)}{p(\lambda)},$$

64 where $p(\lambda) = (\lambda - \lambda_1) \cdots (\lambda - \lambda_k)$. Then

$$65 \quad p'(\lambda) = \sum_{j=1}^k \prod_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^k (\lambda - \lambda_i) = p(\lambda)s(\lambda), \quad \text{where } s(\lambda) = \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{\lambda - \lambda_j}.$$

66 The derivative of f_k is (we omit the argument λ):

$$67 \quad f'_k = \frac{pf' - p'sf}{p^2} = \frac{f' - sf}{p}.$$

68 The Newton correction f_k/f'_k expressed in terms of f and f' becomes

$$69 \quad (3.1) \quad \frac{f_k}{f'_k} = \frac{f/p}{(f' - sf)/p} = \frac{f}{f' - sf} = \frac{f}{f'} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{f}{f'}s}.$$

70 The resulting iteration

$$71 \quad \lambda_{j+1} = \lambda_j - \frac{f_k(\lambda_j)}{f'_k(\lambda_j)} = \lambda_j - \frac{f(\lambda_j)}{f'(\lambda_j)} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{f(\lambda_j)}{f'(\lambda_j)} \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{\lambda - \lambda_j}}$$

72 is called *Newton-Maehly* iteration [7].

73 In [11] we computed two mass-spring examples from [2] and the cubic example
74 in [1]. The MATLAB program to compute the first mass-spring example is

```
75 n=50, tau=3, kappa=5,           % nonoverdamped
76 e=-ones(n-1,1);
77 C=(diag(e,-1)+diag(e,1)+3*eye(n)); K=kappa*C; C=tau*C;
78 lam=-0.5+0.1*i; lamb=[];       % start
79 for k=1:2*n
80     ffp=1;
81     while abs(ffp)>1e-14
82         Qp=2*lam*eye(n)+C; Q=lam*(lam*eye(n)+ C)+K;
83         ffp=deta(Q,Qp);
84         s=sum(1./(lam-lamb(1:k-1)));
85         lam=lam-ffp/(1-ffp*s);   % Newton step
86     end
87     lamb(k)=lam;
88     lam=lam*(1+0.01*i);         % start for next eigenvalue
89 end
90 plot(lamb,'o')
```

91 We start the iteration for the first eigenvalue with some random complex number,
92 here $\lambda_0 = -0.5 + 0.1i$. As initial value for the following eigenvalues we choose the
93 last computed and suppressed eigenvalue λ_k with some small perturbation: $\lambda_0 =$
94 $\lambda_k(1 + i/100)$.

95 Similarly we compute the overdamped mass-spring example and the cubic eigen-
96 value problem for $n = 50$. The resulting eigenvalues are plotted in Figure 1.

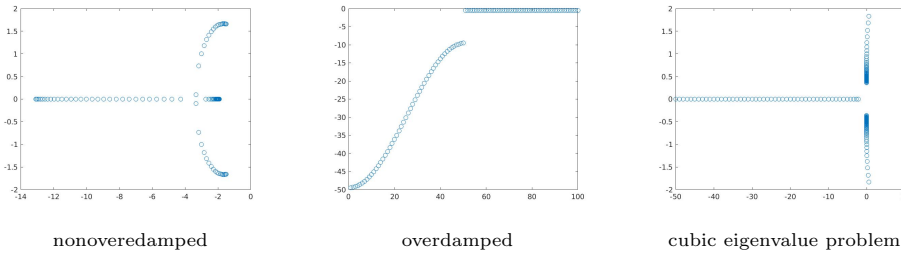


FIG. 1. *Examples solved with Newton Iteration.*

97 It is interesting to display the number of iterations needed for each eigenvalue.
98 The bar plots and the mean number of iterations are shown in Figure 2. The initial
99 value for the iteration for the first eigenvalue is obviously not well chosen – a large
100 number of iterations is needed to converge. For the cubic eigenvalue problem large
101 numbers of iterations also occur in between for some other eigenvalues.

102 **4. Improving Convergence.** The reason for many iteration steps needed for
103 computing the eigenvalues in the last three examples is because of the rather poor
104 global convergence of Newton’s method. Locally, Newton’s method converges quadrat-
105 ically to a simple zero, thus after 3 to 4 iterations one should obtain a result to machine
106 precision.

107 Let $f(z) = 0$ and λ_k be an approximation near z . Newton’s iteration replaces f
108 at λ_k by a *linear function* g such that $f(\lambda_k) = g(\lambda_k)$, $f'(\lambda_k) = g'(\lambda_k)$. Thus g is the
109 Taylor-polynomial $g(\lambda) = f(\lambda_k) + f'(\lambda_k)(\lambda - \lambda_k)$ and the next iterate λ_{k+1} is the zero
110 of g .

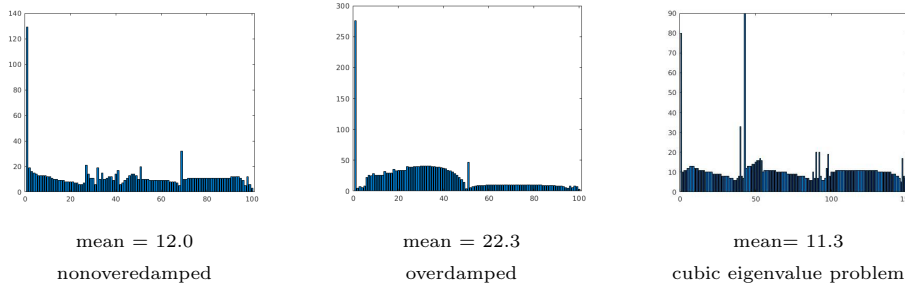


FIG. 2. *Iterations needed.*

111 Halley's Iteration

112 (4.1)
$$\lambda_{k+1} = \lambda_k - \frac{f(\lambda_k)}{f'(\lambda_k)} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{f(\lambda_k)f''(\lambda_k)}{f'(\lambda_k)^2}}$$

replaces f locally by a *hyperbolic function*

$$g(\lambda) = \frac{a}{\lambda + b} + c$$

113 such that $f(\lambda_k) = g(\lambda_k)$, $f'(\lambda_k) = g'(\lambda_k)$ and $f''(\lambda_k) = g''(\lambda_k)$ and the next iterate
 114 λ_{k+1} is the zero of g . Halley's iteration is a third order method which means that it
 115 converges cubically to a simple zero [10]. Possibly this hyperbolic approximation of f
 116 leads to better global convergence.

117 **5. Implementing Halley's Iteration.** We need the *second derivative* of the
 118 determinant, more precisely, we need to compute the function

119
$$t(\lambda) = \frac{f(\lambda)f''(\lambda)}{f'(\lambda)^2}.$$

120 Note that the derivative of Newton's correction is

121
$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{f}{f'} \right) = \frac{f'^2 - f f''}{f'^2} = 1 - \frac{f f''}{f'^2}.$$

122 Thus

123
$$t = \frac{f f''}{f'^2} = 1 - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{f}{f'} \right),$$

124 and we only need to compute the derivative of the Newton correction in our function
 125 `det2p` to get $t(\lambda)$. This can be done by algorithmic differentiation of the function `det2p`.

126 The following function `det2p` needs as input the matrices A , A' and A'' and
 127 computes the Newton correction f/f' and its derivative.

```

128 function [ffp,dffp] = det2p(A,Ap,App)
129 % DET2P computes Newton correction ffp = f/f'
130 % and its derivative dffp = (f/f')'
131 n=length(A);
132 logfpp=0; % logfpp = log(f)''
133 logfp=0; % log(f)'
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134 for k=1:n
135     [amax,kmax]=max(abs(A(k:n,k)));           % partial pivoting
136     if amax==0                               % matrix singular
137         ffp=0; dffp=0;return
138     end
139     kmax=kmax+k-1;
140     if kmax~=k                               % interchange rows
141         h=App(k,:); App(k,:)=App(kmax,:); App(kmax,:)=h;
142         h=Ap(k,:); Ap(k,:)=Ap(kmax,:); Ap(kmax,:)=h;
143         h=A(k,:); A(k,:)=A(kmax,:); A(kmax,:)=h;
144     end
145     logfpp=logfpp+(A(k,k)*App(k,k)-Ap(k,k)^2)/A(k,k)^2;
146     logfp=logfp+Ap(k,k)/A(k,k);
147     App(k+1:n,k)=(A(k,k)*App(k+1:n,k)-Ap(k+1:n,k)*Ap(k,k))/A(k,k)^2-...
148         (Ap(k+1:n,k)*Ap(k,k)/A(k,k)^2+ ...
149         A(k+1:n,k)*App(k,k)/A(k,k)^2-...
150         2* A(k+1:n,k)*Ap(k,k)^2/A(k,k)^3);
151     Ap(k+1:n,k)=Ap(k+1:n,k)/A(k,k)-A(k+1:n,k)*Ap(k,k)/A(k,k)^2;
152     A(k+1:n,k)=A(k+1:n,k)/A(k,k);           % elimination step
153
154     App(k+1:n,k+1:n)=App(k+1:n,k+1:n) -...
155         (App(k+1:n,k)*A(k,k+1:n) + Ap(k+1:n,k)*Ap(k,k+1:n) ) - ...
156         (Ap(k+1:n,k)*App(k,k+1:n) + A(k+1:n,k)*App(k,k+1:n));
157
158     Ap(k+1:n,k+1:n)=Ap(k+1:n,k+1:n) - Ap(k+1:n,k)*A(k,k+1:n)-...
159         A(k+1:n,k)*Ap(k,k+1:n);
160     A(k+1:n,k+1:n)=A(k+1:n,k+1:n) - A(k+1:n,k)*A(k,k+1:n);
161 end
162 dffp=-logfpp/logfp^2; ffp=1/logfp;

```

164 **6. Halley-Maehly.** As before we want to suppress already computed eigenval-
165 ues and consider again

$$166 \quad f_k(\lambda) := \frac{f(\lambda)}{p(\lambda)}, \quad p(\lambda) = (\lambda - \lambda_1) \cdots (\lambda - \lambda_k).$$

167 We now apply Halley's iteration to f_k

$$168 \quad \lambda_{\text{new}} = \lambda - \frac{f_k}{f'_k} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{f_k f''_k}{f'^2_k}},$$

169 and express the iteration in terms of f , f' and f'' . For the Newton correction f_k/f'_k
170 we use Equation (3.1). For f''_k/f'_k we compute first

$$171 \quad f''_k = \frac{d}{d\lambda} \left(\frac{f' - sf}{p} \right) = \frac{p(f'' - s'f - sf') - p'(f' - sf)}{p^2}$$

$$172 \quad = \frac{f'' - s'f - sf' - sf' + s^2f}{p}, \quad p' = ps, \quad s = \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{\lambda - \lambda_j}.$$

174 Then dividing with f'_k we get

$$175 \quad \frac{f''_k}{f'_k} = \frac{f'' - s'f - 2sf' + s^2f}{f' - sf} = \frac{\frac{f''}{f'} - s' \frac{f}{f'} - 2s + s^2 \frac{f}{f'}}{1 - s \frac{f}{f'}},$$

	nonoverdamped	overdamped	cubic EVP
Newton			
max iterations	128	275	90
mean iterations	11.4	20.9	11.3
Halley			
max iterations	67	140	46
mean iterations	7	12.1	7.1

TABLE 1
Comparing Newton and Halley

176 and by multiplying with f_k/f'_k we obtain

177 (6.1)
$$t = \frac{f_k f''_k}{f'^2_k} = \frac{\frac{f f''}{f'^2} + (s^2 - s') \left(\frac{f}{f'}\right)^2 - 2s \frac{f}{f'}}{\left(1 - s \frac{f}{f'}\right)^2}.$$

178 Summarizing we compute a Halley-Maehly iteration step as follows:

179 1. Compute Newton's correction for f_k :

180
$$\frac{f_k}{f'_k} = \frac{f}{f'} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{f}{f'} s}.$$

181 2. Compute $t(\lambda)$ for f_k according to Equation (6.1).

182 3. Iterate

183
$$\lambda_{\text{new}} = \lambda - \frac{f_k}{f'_k} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}t}.$$

184 We solve the three NEV-problems with Halley and compare the results with those
185 of Newton's iteration, see Table 1. Indeed global convergence has improved, we need
186 fewer iterations with Halley.

187 **7. Laguerre and Ostrowski.** Another third order method which is designed
188 for zeros of polynomials is *Laguerre's Method*. This method uses as approximation for
189 a polynomial function f of degree n the polynomial $g(\lambda) = a(\lambda - \lambda_1)(\lambda - \lambda_2)^{n-1}$. The
190 parameters a , λ_1 and λ_2 are determined such that g interpolates f and its derivatives
191 $f(\lambda_k) = g(\lambda_k)$, $f'(\lambda_k) = g'(\lambda_k)$, $f''(\lambda_k) = g''(\lambda_k)$. The next iteration is the zero of g
192 closer to λ_k :

193 (7.1)
$$\lambda_{k+1} = \lambda_k - \frac{f(\lambda_k)}{f'(\lambda_k)} \frac{n}{1 + \sqrt{(n-1)^2 - n(n-1) \frac{f(\lambda_k) f''(\lambda_k)}{f'(\lambda_k)^2}}}.$$

194 The degree n is a parameter of Laguerre's method. If we let $n \rightarrow \infty$ in Equation (7.1)
195 then we get the iteration

196 (7.2)
$$\lambda_{k+1} = \lambda_k - \frac{f(\lambda_k)}{f'(\lambda_k)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{f(\lambda_k) f''(\lambda_k)}{f'(\lambda_k)^2}}}$$

197 which is *Ostrowski's Square Root Iteration*. Note that for both iterations Laguerre
198 and Ostrowski we need as for Halley only the two expressions

199
$$\frac{f}{f'} \quad \text{and} \quad t = \frac{f f''}{f'^2}.$$

	nonoverdamped	overdamped	cubic EVP
Halley			
max iterations	67	140	46
mean iterations	7	12.1	7.1
Laguerre			
max iterations	18	36	16
mean iterations	5.3	6.6	5.2
Ostrowski			
max iterations	23	43	18
mean iterations	5.5	7.1	5.2

TABLE 2
Halley, Laguerre and Ostrowski

200 Since Laguerre’s iteration is designed for zeros of polynomials we can expect a
 201 good performance on our three examples. Indeed comparing the three methods in
 202 Table 2 for the three examples shows that this is the case.

203 **8. Third Order Methods.** Halley, Laguerre and Ostrowski are special cases of
 204 the following theorem

THEOREM 8.1 (Third Order Methods [10]). *If s is a simple zero of f , G any function with $G(0) = 1$, $G'(0) = \frac{1}{2}$ and $|G''(0)| < \infty$, then*

$$x_{\text{new}} = x - \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)} G(t(x)), \quad t(x) = \frac{f(x)f''(x)}{f'(x)^2}$$

205 *converges at least cubically to s .*

206 Examples:

- 207 • Halley’s formula: $G(t) = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}t} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}t + \frac{1}{4}t^2 + \frac{1}{8}t^3 + \dots$
- 208 • Euler’s formula: $G(t) = \frac{2}{1+\sqrt{1-2t}} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}t + \frac{1}{2}t^2 + \frac{5}{8}t^3 + \dots$
- 209 • Quadratic inverse interpolation: $G(t) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}t$
- 210 • Ostrowski’s square root iteration: $G(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-t}} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}t + \frac{3}{8}t^2 + \dots$
- 211 • Laguerre: $G(t) = \frac{n}{1+\sqrt{(n-1)^2-n(n-1)t}} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}t + \frac{1}{8}\frac{3n-2}{n-1}t^2 + \dots$
- 212 • Hansen-Patrick family [5]: $G(t) = \frac{\alpha+1}{\alpha+\sqrt{1-(\alpha+1)t}} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}t + \frac{\alpha+3}{8}t^2 + \dots$

213 We note that in order to apply these iteration formulas we need only to compute the
 214 Newton-correction and $t = f f'' / f'^2$.

215 **9. NLEVP – Resources for Nonlinear EV Problems.** T. Betcke, N. J.
 216 Higham, V. Mehrmann, C. Schröder, and F. Tisseur have assembled a remarkable
 217 collection of nonlinear eigenvalue problems¹ (see [8] and [9]). The examples include
 218 all sorts of matrices.

219 Using Laguerre’s method we computed the two quadratic eigenvalue problems
 220 **sign1** and **sign2** (dense matrices, $n = 81$). The results are given in Table 3. **sign1**
 221 has the $2n = 162$ eigenvalues on the unit circle with two accumulation points at ± 1 .
 222 Convergence to zeros of these two clusters is slow as we can see from the bar plot.
 223 Convergence for **sign2** is much better as the eigenvalues are more separated. Using

¹<http://www.maths.manchester.ac.uk/our-research/research-groups/numerical-analysis-and-scientific-computing/numerical-analysis/software/nlevp/>

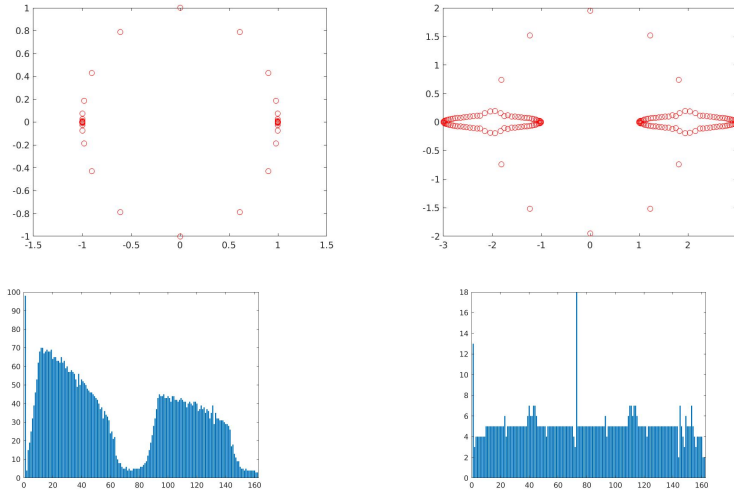


TABLE 3
left: *Sign1* – right: *Sign2*

224 MATLAB’s time measurement `tic,toc` we needed for `sign1` 63.92 seconds and for
225 `sign2` 10.82 seconds on my laptop.

10. Non-polynomial Eigenvalue Problem. `TimeDelay` is a non-polynomial non-linear eigenvalue problem from the NLEVP collection with a 3×3 matrix $A(\lambda)$:

$$A(\lambda) = -\lambda I + A_0 + A_1 e^{-\lambda}$$

226 Tisseur et al. write for this problem:

227 “... characteristic equation of a time-delay system with a single delay
228 and constant coefficients. The problem has a double non-semisimple
229 eigenvalue $\lambda = 3\pi i$ ”

230 The nonlinear equation $\det A(\lambda) = 0$ has infinitely many solutions. Using Os-
231 trowski’s iteration we can e.g. compute the first 20 solutions and get the plot in
232 Table 4. On the imaginary axis we get the double eigenvalues (λ_2 and λ_3 in Ta-
233 ble 4) mentioned above and also a single eigenvalue $\lambda_4 = 4.5\pi i$. The eigenvalue
234 $\lambda_1 = 0.705244109106679 + 2.741466762205487i$ has a positive real part, all the others
235 have negative real parts. The double eigenvalue is computed to the precision one can
236 expect with IEEE floating point arithmetic.

237 **11. Gaussian Elimination for Banded Matrices.** Many problems in the
238 NLEVP collection are banded (e.g. `beamsensitivity` with 7 or `pdde-stabiity` with
239 32 diagonals). It makes sense to develop an algorithm to compute determinants for
240 banded matrices. A MATLAB-function for Gaussian elimination for banded matrices
241 with partial pivoting is given in [4]. If A has q lower and p upper diagonals we store
242 the diagonals as columns in the matrix B . For partial pivoting we add q zero columns
243 to B , see Figure 3.

244 By adapting the function `det2p` to this banded structure we obtain the function
245 `det2pband`.

```
246 function [ffp,dffp]=det2pband(p,q,B,Bp,Bpp);
247 % DET2PBAND computes Newton-correction and derivative for a banded matrix
```


$$\begin{aligned}
\lambda_1 &= 0.705244109106679 + 2.741466762205487i \\
\lambda_2 &= 0.000000005149180 + 9.424777943433675i \\
\lambda_3 &= -0.000000007679198 + 9.424777969836999i \\
\lambda_4 &= -0.000000000000001 + 14.137166941154069i \\
\lambda_5 &= -0.422996397305027 + 20.485362607960255i \\
\lambda_6 &= -0.693701244038287 + 26.758000106609209i
\end{aligned}$$

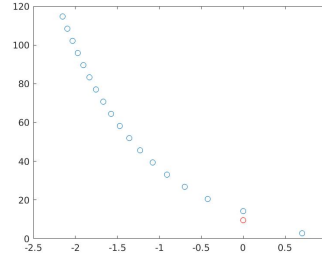


TABLE 4
Non-Polynomial EVP: Time Delay Example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} x & x & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ x & x & x & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ x & x & x & x & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x & x & x & x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x & x & x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x & x & x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & x & x & x & x \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & x & x & x \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & x & x & | & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x & x & x & | & 0 & 0 \\ x & x & x & x & | & 0 & 0 \\ x & x & x & x & | & 0 & 0 \\ x & x & x & x & | & 0 & 0 \\ x & x & x & x & | & 0 & 0 \\ x & x & x & x & | & 0 & 0 \\ x & x & x & 0 & | & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

FIG. 3. storing banded matrices

```

248 n=length(B); logfpp=0; logfp=0;
249 Bpp=[Bpp,zeros(n,q)];
250 Bp=[Bp,zeros(n,q)]; B=[B,zeros(n,q)]; % augment B with q columns
251 normb=norm(B,1);
252 for j=1:n
253     maximum=0; kmax=j; % search pivot
254     for k=j:min(j+q,n)
255         if abs(B(k,j-k+q+1))>maximum,
256             kmax=k; maximum=abs(B(k,j-k+q+1));
257         end
258     end
259     if maximum<1e-14*normb; % only small pivots
260         ffp=0; dffp=0; return % consider det=0
261     end
262     if j~=kmax % interchange rows
263         ind1=j-kmax+q+1:min(n,j+2*q+p-kmax+1);
264         ind2=q+1:min(n,2*q+p+1);
265         h=Bpp(kmax,ind1); Bpp(kmax,ind1)=Bpp(j,ind2); Bpp(j,ind2)=h;
266         h=Bp(kmax,ind1); Bp(kmax,ind1)=Bp(j,ind2); Bp(j,ind2)=h;
267         h=B(kmax,ind1); B(kmax,ind1)=B(j,ind2); B(j,ind2)=h;
268     end
269
270     logfpp=logfpp+(B(j,q+1)*Bpp(j,q+1)-Bp(j,q+1)^2)/B(j,q+1)^2;
271     logfp=logfp+Bp(j,q+1)/B(j,q+1);
272     for k=j+1:min(n,j+q) % elimination step
273         ind3=j-k+q+1;

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274     Bpp(k, ind3)=(Bpp(k, ind3)*B(j, q+1)-Bp(j, q+1)*Bp(k, ind3))/B(j, q+1)^2 ...
275         -(Bp(k, ind3)*Bp(j, q+1)+B(k, ind3)*Bpp(j, q+1))/B(j, q+1)^2 ...
276         +2*Bp(j, q+1)^2*B(k, ind3)/B(j, q+1)^3;
277     Bp(k, ind3)=(B(j, q+1)*Bp(k, ind3)-B(k, ind3)*Bp(j, q+1))/B(j, q+1)^2;;
278     B(k, ind3)=B(k, ind3)/B(j, q+1);
279     end
280     for k=j+1:min(n, j+q)
281         for l=j+1:min(n, j+p+q)
282             ind4=l-k+q+1; ind5=j-k+q+1; ind6=l-j+q+1;
283             Bpp(k, ind4)=Bpp(k, ind4)-Bpp(k, ind5)*B(j, ind6)-Bp(k, ind5)*Bp(j, ind6)...
284                 -Bp(k, ind5)*Bp(j, ind6)-B(k, ind5)*Bpp(j, ind6);
285             Bp(k, ind4)=Bp(k, ind4)-Bp(k, ind5)*B(j, ind6)-B(k, ind5)*Bp(j, ind6);
286             B(k, ind4)=B(k, ind4)-B(k, ind5)*B(j, ind6);
287         end
288     end
289 end
290 dffp=-logfpp/logfp^2; ffp=1/logfp;

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291 The Beamsensitivity example is a quadratic eigenvalue problem with a banded
292 matrix with 7 diagonals. For $n = 200$, that is for 400 eigenvalues, using Laguerre,
293 measured with MATLAB's `tic,toc`, we need for the full-matrix algorithm: *83.85*
294 *seconds*. Using the banded algorithm the computation time drops to *10.39 seconds*.

295 **12. Damped Beam Example.** In [6] Higham et al. write: *The standard ap-*
296 *proach to the numerical solution of the QEP is to convert the quadratic $Q(\lambda) =$*
297 *$\lambda^2 M + \lambda D + K$ into a linear polynomial $L(\lambda) = \lambda X + Y$ of twice the dimension of*
298 *Q but with the same spectrum. The resulting generalized eigenproblem $L(\lambda)z = 0$ is*
299 *usually solved by the QZ algorithm for small- to medium-size problems or by a Krylov*
300 *method for large sparse problems.*

A common choice of L in practice is the first companion form, given by

$$C_1(\lambda) = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} M & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} D & K \\ -I & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

When K and M , respectively, are nonsingular the two pencils

$$L_1(\lambda) = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} M & 0 \\ 0 & -K \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} D & K \\ K & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad L_2(\lambda) = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 0 & M \\ M & D \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -M & 0 \\ 0 & K \end{pmatrix}$$

301 *are other possible linearizations.*

302 Using these linearizations Higham et al. compute the eigenvalues of the QEP
303 using MATLAB's function `eig` for the generalized eigenvalue problem. The results are
304 rather disappointing, see Figure 4.

305 Fan, Lin and Van Dooren showed in [3] that by applying appropriate scalings
306 the ill-conditioning of the linearized eigenvalue problems can be cured. Higham et
307 al. show and explain in [6] why without the scaling the transformed systems are so
308 ill-conditioned. The situation reminds me of an old problem of Jim Wilkinson. Trans-
309 forming an eigenvalue problem by computing first the coefficients of the characteristic
310 polynomial, then computing the zeros of the polynomial is also not a recommended
311 way because the transformation may change the condition of the eigenvalues dramati-
312 cally.

313 However, if we solve $\det A(\lambda) = 0$ directly with one of our methods using e.g.
314 Laguerre's iteration then we get correct results without the necessity to scale (see
315 Figure 5).

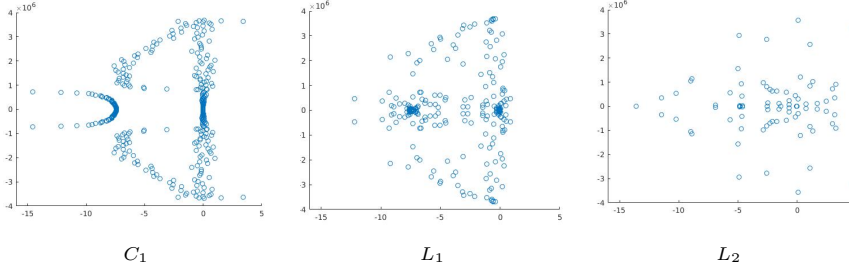


FIG. 4. *Linearization without scaling*

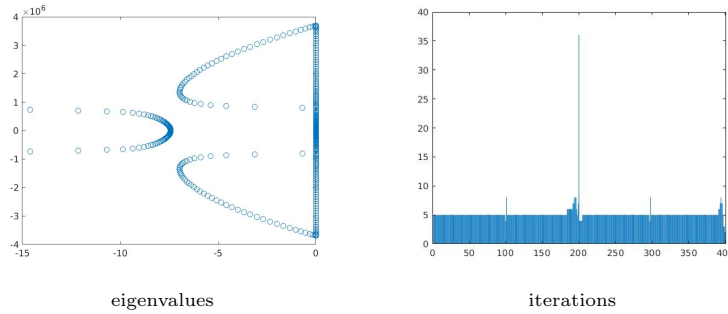


FIG. 5. *Damped Beam solved with Laguerre*

316 **13. Conclusions.** We have shown how to implement third order iteration meth-
 317 ods for solving $f(\lambda) = \det A(\lambda) = 0$ using algorithmic differentiation. This technique
 318 produces the exact derivatives, since for computing determinants by Gaussian Elimina-
 319 tion we only use the four basic arithmetic operations.

320 Since we work with the original problem the condition is not changed by trans-
 321 formations of the problem.

322 One could obtain cubic convergence by a multi-step iteration which avoids the sec-
 323 ond derivative. However, only by using one point iterations, we obtain the algorithm
 324 `det2p` which in an elegant way computes the Newton correction and t containing the
 325 necessary derivatives $t = f f'' / f'^2$.

326 Computing the second derivative is expensive. For a full $n \times n$ matrix we need
 327 $\sim n^3$ operations per iteration. Since our computers have powerful processors, we can
 328 solve anyway medium size NEP. The situation is much more favorable for banded
 329 matrices for which one iteration needs only $\sim n$ operations.

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