

# Affine Iterations and Wrapping Effect: an Approach Based on the SVD

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# Linear IIR filters

## Linear Infinite Impulse Response filter

Let's consider a system with inputs  $u_n$  and states  $x_n$  at (discrete) time steps  $n$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ).

Each state  $x_n$  depends linearly on the last inputs  $u_{n-l}$ , with  $1 \leq l \leq L-1$  and also on the  $K$  previous states.

$$x_n = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} a_k * x_{n-k} + \sum_{l=1}^{L-1} c_l * u_{n-l}$$

# The problematic example: linear IIR filter

## Linear Infinite Impulse Response filter

$u_n \in \mathbf{x}$  are the inputs of the system and  $x_n$  the states at time steps  $n$ .

$$x_n = 1.8 * x_{n-1} - 0.9 * x_{n-2} + 4.7 \cdot 10^{-2} * (u_{n-2} + u_{n-1} + u_n)$$

Question: if the interval  $\mathbf{u}$  is given for the  $u_n$ , determine an interval  $\mathbf{x}$  containing every state  $x_n$ , for any  $n$ .

Preferably a small  $\mathbf{x}$ ...

Here:  $\mathbf{u} = [9.95, 10.05]$ .

## The problematic example: divergence of the interval simulation

$$x_n = 1.8 * x_{n-1} - 0.9 * x_{n-2} + 4.7 \cdot 10^{-2} * (u_{n-2} + u_{n-1} + u_n)$$

with  $u = 9.95 + [0, 0.1]$

gives larger and larger intervals.

Even if it is asymptotically stable (the moduli of the roots of the characteristic polynomial are  $< 0.95$ )...

One can even prove the interval simulation diverges (well, it converges to  $[-\infty, +\infty]$ ).

## The troublesome property

$$w(\mathbf{a} \pm \mathbf{b}) = w(\mathbf{a}) + w(\mathbf{b})$$

$$x_n = 1.8 * x_{n-1} - 0.9 * x_{n-2} + 4.7 \cdot 10^{-2} * (u_{n-2} + u_{n-1} + u_n)$$

Let's consider the width of the intervals:

$$w(x_n) = 1.8 * w(x_{n-1}) + 0.9 * w(x_{n-2}) + 4.7 \cdot 10^{-2} * (w(u_{n-2}) + w(u_{n-1}) + w(u_n))$$

The recurrence satisfied by the widths diverges (the moduli of the roots of the characteristic polynomial are  $\simeq 0.4$  and  $\simeq 2.2$ ).

## Another formulation matrix powers

$$x_n = 1.8 * x_{n-1} - 0.9 * x_{n-2} + 4.7 \cdot 10^{-2} * (u_{n-2} + u_{n-1} + u_n)$$

can also be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{n-1} \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -0.9 & 1.8 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} x_{n-2} \\ x_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0.047 * 3 * u \end{pmatrix}$$

## A first solution

$$\rho(A) \simeq 0.94 \text{ whereas } \rho(|A|) \simeq 2.2$$

$$\rho(A^2) \simeq 0.90 \text{ whereas } \rho(|A^2|) \simeq 3.5$$

$$\rho(A^3) \simeq 0.85 \text{ whereas } \rho(|A^3|) \simeq 4.4$$

$$\rho(A^4) \simeq 0.81 \text{ whereas } \rho(|A^4|) \simeq 4.8$$

$$\rho(A^5) \simeq 0.77 \text{ whereas } \rho(|A^5|) \simeq 4.7$$

$$\rho(A^6) \simeq 0.73 \text{ whereas } \rho(|A^6|) \simeq 4.2$$

$$\rho(A^7) \simeq 0.69 \text{ whereas } \rho(|A^7|) \simeq 3.4$$

$$\rho(A^8) \simeq 0.66 \text{ whereas } \rho(|A^8|) \simeq 2.3$$

$$\rho(A^9) \simeq 0.62 \text{ whereas } \rho(|A^9|) \simeq 1.3$$

$$\rho(A^{10}) \simeq 0.59 \text{ whereas } \rho(|A^{10}|) \simeq 0.78$$

$$\rho(A^{19}) \simeq 0.63 \text{ whereas } \rho(|A^{19}|) \simeq 0.37$$

$$\text{and } \forall k \geq 19, \rho(|A^k|) < 1.$$

# Interpretation

Computing every 10 (or 19) time steps with  $A^{10}$  (or  $A^{19}$ ) as the matrix of the recurrence can be simulated using interval arithmetic!  
In other words, the time step should be 10 (or 19) times larger.



## Another formulation matrix powers

$x_{n+1} = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} a_k * x_{n-k} + \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} c_l * u_{n-l}$  can also be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{n-K+2} \\ \vdots \\ x_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 \\ a_{K-1} & a_{K-2} & \dots & \dots & a_1 & a_0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} x_{n-K+1} \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ c^t \cdot \mathbf{u} \end{pmatrix}$$

# State of the art convergence of interval matrix powers

- **Formalism:**  $x_{n+1} = A.x_n + b$ .
- **Problem:** convergence of  $A^k$  where  $A$  is the matrix defining the recurrence.
- **Mayer and Warnke 2003, Guu and Pang 2004:** divergence when  $\rho(|A|) > 1$ , even when  $\rho(A) < 1$ : stable filter.

# Solution: general case

## Theorem

There exists a index  $k_0$  such that,  $\forall k \geq k_0$ ,  $A^k$  satisfies

$$\rho(|A^k|) < 1,$$

which ensures the convergence of the simulation using interval arithmetic.

## Choice of $k_0$ ?

### Current method:

compute  $A^k$  and  $\rho(|A^k|)$  until it is  $< 1$ , then choose this  $k$  as the time step.

### Problem:

there exists no formula to deduce  $k_0$  from the coefficients of  $A$ .

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# The considered problem: $x_{n+1} = Ax_n + b$

Let  $A$  be an  $d \times d$  matrix,  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

**Problem:** compute the iterates

$$x_{n+1} = Ax_n + b, x_0 \text{ given}$$

**Variants:**

- ▶ let  $x_0$  and  $b$  be known with uncertainties:  $x_0 \in \mathbf{x}_0$ ,  $b \in \mathbf{b}$ ,  
compute  $\mathbf{x}_{n+1} = A\mathbf{x}_n + \mathbf{b}$ ,
- ▶ account for roundoff errors,
- ▶ let  $A$  be known with uncertainties:  $A \in \mathbf{A}$ .

# Ubiquity of the Wrapping Effect (after Lohner, 2001)

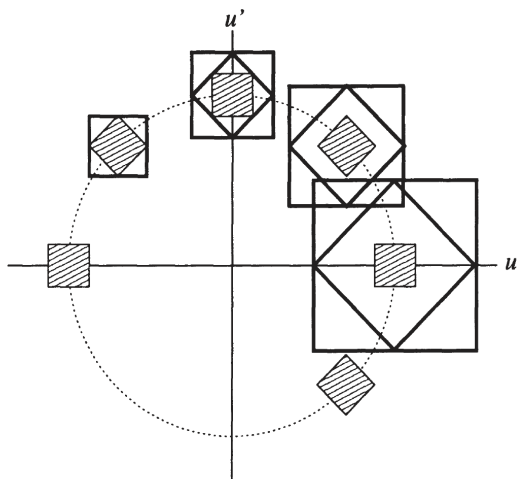


Figure 1: Wrapping effect for the harmonic oscillator.

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## Ubiquity of the Wrapping Effect (after Lohner, 2001)

Where does the Wrapping Effect appear?

- ▶ matrix-vector iterations:  $\mathbf{x}_{n+1} = A_n \mathbf{x}_n + \mathbf{b}_n$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ;
- ▶ discrete dynamical systems:  $\mathbf{x}_{n+1} = f(\mathbf{x}_n)$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_0$  given and  $f$  sufficiently smooth;
- ▶ continuous dynamical systems (ODEs):  $x'(t) = g(t, x(t))$ ,  $x(0) = x_0$ , which is studied through a numerical one step method (or more) of the kind  $\mathbf{x}_{n+1} = \mathbf{x}_n + h\Phi(\mathbf{x}_n, t_n) + \mathbf{z}_{n+1}$ ;
- ▶ difference equations:  $a_0 \mathbf{z}_n + a_1 \mathbf{z}_{n+1} + \dots + a_m \mathbf{z}_{n+m} = \mathbf{b}_n$  with  $\mathbf{z}_0, \dots, \mathbf{z}_m$  given;
- ▶ linear systems with (banded) triangular matrix;
- ▶ automatic differentiation.

The matrix-vector iteration is archetypal of the wrapping effect in all of these cases.

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# Coordinate transformations

Well-known problem with the power method:  $\mathbf{x}_n$  becomes aligned with the eigenvector corresponding to the largest eigenvalue (in module).

**Principle:** replace

$$\mathbf{x}_{n+1} = A\mathbf{x}_n + \mathbf{b}$$

by

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}_{n+1} &= B\mathbf{y}_{n+1} \\ \mathbf{y}_{n+1} &= B^{-1}A B\mathbf{y}_n + B^{-1}\mathbf{b}\end{aligned}$$

**Choice of  $B$ ?**

Discussion: better choose an orthogonal transformation.

## QR-preconditioning

**Principle:** Factor  $A$  as  $A = QR$  with  $Q$  orthogonal :  
 $Q^{-1} = Q^T$ , and  $R$  upper triangular.

In

$$x_{n+1} = Ax_n + b$$

replace  $x_n$  by

$$\begin{cases} x_n &= Qy_n \\ \mathbf{y}_{n+1} &= RQ\mathbf{y}_n + Q^T\mathbf{b} \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow y_n = Q^T x_n \text{ and thus } \mathbf{y}_n = Q^T \mathbf{x}_n$$

# QR-preconditioning

Iteration:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{y}_n &= Q^T \mathbf{x}_n \\ \mathbf{y}_{n+1} &= RQ\mathbf{y}_n + Q^T \mathbf{b} \end{cases}$$

Theoretical results:

$$\begin{aligned} w(\mathbf{y}_n) &\leq \text{cond}(Q^T P)^n \rho(A)^n w(\mathbf{y}_0) \\ &\quad + \frac{\text{cond}(Q^T P)^{n-1} \rho(A)^{n-1} - 1}{\text{cond}(Q^T P) \rho(A) - 1} w(\mathbf{b}) \\ &\quad + |Q^T| w(\mathbf{b}) \end{aligned}$$

where  $A$  diagonalizable:  $A = P\Lambda P^{-1}$ .

# SVD-preconditioning

(idea also present in Beaumont, 2000)

**Idea:** choose  $B$  which is orthogonal and iterate with  $BA$ .

**Principle:** Factor  $A$  as  $A = UDV^T$  with  $U$  and  $V$  orthogonal, and  $D$  diagonal.

In

$$x_{n+1} = Ax_n + b$$

replace  $x_n$  by

$$\begin{cases} x_n &= Uy_n \\ \mathbf{y}_{n+1} &= U^T A U \mathbf{y}_n + U^T \mathbf{b} \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow y_n = U^T x_n \text{ and thus } \mathbf{y}_n = U^T \mathbf{x}_n$$

## Similarly, SVD-preconditioning

**Principle:**  $U$  and  $V$  play similar roles, choose  $V$ :

Factor  $A$  as  $A = UDV^T$  with  $U$  and  $V$  orthogonal, and  $D$  diagonal.

In

$$x_{n+1} = Ax_n + b$$

replace  $x_n$  by

$$\begin{cases} x_n &= V y_n \\ \mathbf{y}_{n+1} &= V^T A V \mathbf{y}_n + V^T \mathbf{b} \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow y_n = V^T x_n \text{ and thus } \mathbf{y}_n = V^T \mathbf{x}_n$$

# SVD-preconditioning

## Iteration:

$$\begin{cases} x_n &= U y_n \\ \mathbf{y}_{n+1} &= DVU^T \mathbf{y}_n + U^T \mathbf{b} \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow y_n = U^T x_n \text{ and thus } \mathbf{y}_n = U^T \mathbf{x}_n$$

## Theoretical results:

$$\begin{aligned} w(\mathbf{y}_n) &\leq (\text{cond}(P)d\rho(A))^n Ew(\mathbf{y}_0) \\ &\quad + \frac{(\text{cond}(P)d\rho(A))^{n-1} - 1}{\text{cond}(P)d\rho(A) - 1} \|w(\mathbf{b})\| e \\ &\quad + \|w(\mathbf{b})\| e \end{aligned}$$

where  $A$   $d \times d$  diagonalizable:  $A = P\Lambda P^{-1}$ ,  
 $E$  the matrix of 1s and  $e$  the vector of 1s.

# Classical approach: Lohner's $QR$ -preconditioning

(after Lohner, and Nedialkov&Jackson, 2001)

**Principle:** at each step, perform a  $QR$  factorization.

In

$$x_{n+1} = Ax_n + b$$

replace  $x_n$  by

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{with the factorization} \\ x_n = Q_n y_n \\ B_n = Q_n R_n \\ B_{n+1} = R_n Q_n \\ y_{n+1} = B_{n+1} y_n + Q_n^T b \end{array} \right. \Leftrightarrow y_n = Q_n^T x_n$$

with  $Q_0 R_0 = A$ .

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Theoretical results:

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# Experimental setup

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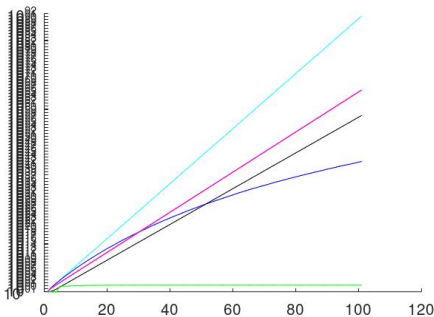
(Not shown here: similar results with Matlab and Rump's Intlab, even with affine arithmetic.)

## Matrices:

- ▶ matrix with a prescribed condition number  $e^{\kappa}$ :  
`A=gallery("randsvd",d,exp(kappa));`
- ▶ unscaling:  $A$  is replaced by  $D.A.D^{-1}$  where  $D$  is diagonal, with elements varying from 10 to  $10^s$  ( $s$  is the scaling factor);
- ▶ usually such unscaling degrades the previously prescribed condition number.

# Well-conditioned and well-scaled matrix

$A$   $100 \times 100$ , 100 iterates,  $\kappa = 2$ ,  $s = 2$

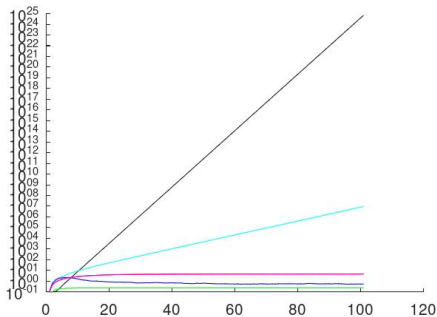


$\rho(A) \simeq 0.554$ ,  $\rho(|A|) \simeq 3.955$ ,  $\text{cond}(A) \simeq 370$ ,  $\text{cond}(P) \simeq 350$ .

In black: "bare" iterations, in green:  $k$ -power with  $k = 4$ , in cyan: QR, in blue: Lohner's QR, in red and magenta: SVD.

## Ill-conditioned and well-scaled matrix

$A$   $100 \times 100$ , 100 iterates,  $\kappa = 10$ ,  $s = 2$

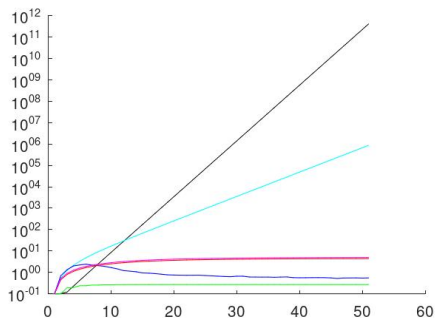


$\rho(A) \simeq 0.208$ ,  $\rho(|A|) \simeq 1.808$ ,  $\text{cond}(A) \simeq 6 \cdot 10^5$ ,  $\text{cond}(P) \simeq 10^3$ .

In black: "bare" iterations, in green: k-power with  $k = 2$ , in cyan: QR, in blue: Lohner's QR, in red and magenta: SVD.

## Ill-conditioned and well-scaled matrix

$A$   $100 \times 100$ , 50 iterates,  $\kappa = 10$ ,  $s = 2$

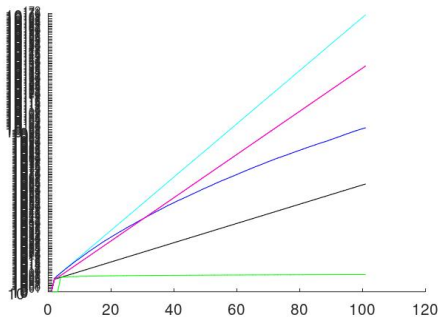


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# Well-conditioned and ill-scaled matrix

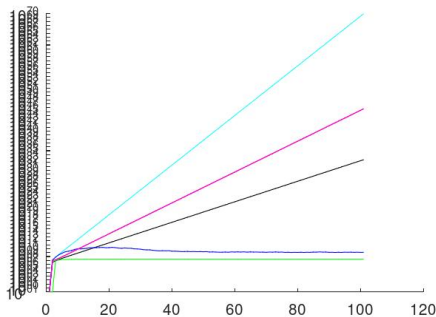
$A$   $100 \times 100$ , 100 iterates,  $\kappa = 2$ ,  $s = 10$



$\rho(A) \simeq 0.527$ ,  $\rho(|A|) \simeq 3.968$ ,  $\text{cond}(A) \simeq 6 \cdot 10^{17}$ ,  $\text{cond}(P) \simeq 10^{10}$ .  
 In black: "bare" iterations, in green:  $k$ -power with  $k = 3$ , in cyan: QR, in blue: Lohner's QR, in red and magenta: SVD.

## Ill-conditioned and ill-scaled matrix

$A$   $100 \times 100$ , 100 iterates,  $\kappa = 10$ ,  $s = 10$



$\rho(A) \simeq 0.223$ ,  $\rho(|A|) \simeq 1.828$ ,  $\text{cond}(A) \simeq 2 \cdot 10^{21}$ ,  $\text{cond}(P) \simeq 10^{11}$ .  
 In black: "bare" iterations, in green:  $k$ -power with  $k = 2$ , in cyan: QR, in blue: Lohner's QR, in red and magenta: SVD.

## Comparison of the different methods

### large number of iterations ( $n = 100$ )

	well-scaled	ill-scaled
well-conditioned	LQR $\gg$ brut $>$ SVD $\gg$ QR	brut $>$ LQR $>$ SVD $>$ QR
ill-conditioned	LQR $>$ SVD $\gg$ QR $\gg$ brut	LQR $>$ brut $>$ SVD $>$ QR

brut = no preconditioning - LQR = Lohner's QR - SVD = one of the SVD preconditionings - QR = QR preconditioning



## Comparison of the different methods

### small number of iterations ( $10 \geq n \geq 20$ )

	well-scaled	ill-scaled
well-conditioned	brut > SVD > LQR > QR	brut > SVD > LQR > QR
ill-conditioned	LQR $\simeq$ SVD > QR > brut	brut > SVD $\simeq$ LQR > QR

brut = no preconditioning - LQR = Lohner's QR - SVD = one of the SVD preconditioning - QR = QR preconditioning

# Comparison of the different methods

- ▶ when the naïve method works best: use it, it is the cheapest one (well-conditioned matrices);
- ▶ when the matrix is ill-conditioned and well-scaled: Lohner's QR and SVD give the best results, however
  - ▶ each iteration of Lohner's QR requires  $\mathcal{O}(d^3)$  operations  
 $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}(n.d^3)$  operations in total,
  - ▶ SVD requires one SVD factorization:  $\mathcal{O}(d^3)$  operations, then each iteration needs  $\mathcal{O}(d^2)$  operations only, thus  
 $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}(d^3 + n.d^2)$  operations in total;
- ▶ when the matrix is ill-conditioned and ill-scaled: Lohner's QR is the method of choice.

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# Conclusion

**Problem:** matrix-vector iteration compute  $x_{n+1} = Ax_n + b$  with uncertainty on  $x_n$  and  $b$ .

**Difficulty:** wrapping effect.

**Considered solutions:**

- ▶ determine  $k$  such that  $A^k$  gives no difficulty with interval arithmetic:  $\rho(|A^k|) < 1$ ;
- ▶ orthogonal coordinate transformation: using QR or SVD.

**Experimental results:**

- ▶ divergence except for the "k-power" method,
- ▶ when the matrix is well-conditioned: do not use anything sophisticated;
- ▶ when the matrix is ill-conditioned and well-scaled: Lohner's QR and SVD give the best results, SVD is cheaper;
- ▶ when the matrix is ill-conditioned and ill-scaled: Lohner's QR

## Future work

- ▶ compare more thoroughly with affine arithmetic;
- ▶ investigate more properties of SVD decomposition, to get a nice theoretical bounds (as the one for Lohner's QR);
- ▶ expand the set of test matrices, use real-life ones:
  - ▶ taken from the integration of ODEs:  $A = I + hB$  with  $h$  small,
  - ▶ taken from real-life control theory:  $A$  companion, take benefit from the zeros
- ▶ experiment with interval matrix  $A$
- ▶ experiment with the numerical quality of the SVD, with certified SVD ([van der Hoeven&Yakoubsohn, 2018](#))

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Also used, but more anecdotically (for the time being): Intlab, the Matlab package by Siegfried Rump.

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