

Advanced Topics in Numerical Linear Algebra – Scaling & Squaring Methods.

Algorithm 1 Scaling & Squaring Method for $\exp(A)$

Input: $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$

Output: $F = \exp(A)$.

- 1: Find $s \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\|A/2^s\|_1 \leq \theta_{13} \approx 5.4$
 - 2: Scaling: $A \leftarrow A/2^s$
 - 3: Evaluate [13/13]-Padé approximation $X = r_{13}(A)$.
 - 4: Squaring: $F \leftarrow X^{2^s}$.
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Algorithm 2 Inverse Scaling & Squaring Method for $\log(A)$

Input: $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$

Output: $F = \log(A)$.

- 1: Compute Schurform $Q^*AQ = R$.
 - 2: Find $s \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\|R^{1/2^s}\| \approx I$
 - 3: Successively compute square roots by adaptation of Schur-Parlett: $R \leftarrow R^{1/2^s}$
 - 4: Evaluate Padé approximation $X = r_m(R - I)$.
 - 5: Scaling & back transformation: $F \leftarrow 2^s QXQ^*$.
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Remarks:

- In practice, s, m are chosen adaptively based on $\|A\|$ (or $\|R - I\|$ for inverse S&S). The value $m = 13$ has been proven a good candidate for S&S in double precision arithmetic.
- Schurform in inverse S&S can be avoided, but then the square roots have to be computed differently, e.g., by Newton's method and variants thereof (Section III.5.6).

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