Eigenvector non-orthogonality in **non-Hermitian random matrices**: theory and applications ¹

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¹Works on the project: YF Commun. Math. Phys. **363**, 579—603 (2018); YF & W. Tarnowski Ann. Henri Poincare **22** 309 – 330(2021); YF & M. Osman J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. **55** 224013 (2021); T. Würfel, M.J. Crumpton & YF arXiv:2310.04307 & arXiv:2402.09296; YF, E Gudowska-Nowak, M.A. Nowak, W. Tarnowski arXiv:2310.09018 Effective **non-Hermitian** many-body Hamiltonians attracted recently a lot of attention, e.g. a time-reversal invariant many-body version of **Hatano-Nelson** model of hardcore bosons:

$$H = \sum_{k=1}^{L} \left[-t \left(e^{g} c_{k}^{\dagger} c_{k+1} + e^{-g} c_{k+1}^{\dagger} c_{k} \right) + h_{k} n_{k} + V n_{k} n_{k+1} \right]$$

with $n_k = c_k^{\dagger} c_k = (0, 1)$ counting the number of particles on a lattice site k, while $h_k \in [-h, h]$ being random on-site potentials and V being non-random nearest-neighbour interaction. It has been shown to have a **complex-real** transition in eigenvalues as well as an MBL transition as the disorder strength increases:



Alternatively, non-time-reversal invariant manybody gain-loss model:

$$H = \sum_{k=1}^{L} \left[-t \left(c_k^{\dagger} c_{k+1} + c_{k+1}^{\dagger} c_k \right) + \left(h_k - i\gamma(-1)^k \right) n_k + V n_k n_{k+1} \right]$$

Natural reference point: Ginibre Ensembles, real for I and complex for II.

Left-right eigenvectors and eigenvalue condition numbers:

A (square) matrix X is **non-normal** if it does not commute with its Hermitian adjoint: $XX^* \neq X^*X$. Generically, **non-Hermitian random** matrices are non-normal. To each eigenvalue of a non-normal matrix λ_i , real or complex, correspond two eigenvectors: left l_i and right r_i . The corresponding eigenproblems are

 $X\mathbf{r}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{r}_i$ and $X^* \mathbf{l}_i = \overline{\lambda}_i \mathbf{l}_i$.

The two sets can always be chosen **bi**-orthogonal: $(\mathbf{l}_i^*\mathbf{r}_j) = \delta_{ij}$.

Consider now a **perturbed** matrix $X' = X + \epsilon P$, with $\epsilon > 0$ controlling the magnitude of the perturbation *P*. To the leading order in ϵ the eigenvalues are shifted by

$$|\lambda_i(\epsilon) - \lambda_i(0)| = \epsilon |\mathbf{l}_i^* P \mathbf{r}_i| \le \epsilon ||P||_2 \sqrt{(\mathbf{l}_i^* \mathbf{l}_i)(\mathbf{r}_i^* \mathbf{r}_i)}$$

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showing that the sensitivity of eigenvalues is mainly controlled by the **eigenvalue condition numbers**:

$$\kappa_i = \sqrt{(\mathbf{l}_i^* \mathbf{l}_i)(\mathbf{r}_i^* \mathbf{r}_i)} \geq 1$$
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with $\kappa = 1$ only when X is normal. Thus, non-normal matrices are much more sensitive to perturbations of the matrix entries than their normal counterparts - "ill-conditioned eigenvalues".

Ginibre Gaussian Ensembles:

It is natural to ask how well-conditioned are eigenvalues of a 'typical' $N \times N$ nonnormal matrix randomly chosen according to a probability measure or "ensemble". The simplest choice: all entries are i.i.d. normals $X_{j,k} \sim N^{-1/2} \mathcal{N}(0,1)$ for the real Ginibre or $\Re X_{j,k} \sim \Im X_{j,k} \sim N^{-1/2} \mathcal{N}(0,1/2)$ for the complex Ginibre ensembles.

For the **real Ginibre** Ensemble of the order \sqrt{N} eigenvalues are typically **purely** real, with the uniform density $\mathbb{E}\left[\rho(|z \in \mathbb{R}| < 1] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\right]$, the rest of eigenvalues coming in complex-conjugate pairs and forming the uniformly filled in unit circle. For the **complex Ginibre** ensemble all eigenvalues are with probability one complex.



'Diagonal' eigenvector overlaps for complex Ginibre matrices:

Characteristics of **non-orthogonality** in the set of left & right eigenvectors of complex Ginibre matrices have been originally addressed more than two decades ago by **J. Chalker** and **B. Mehlig** ('98, '00) who introduced the matrix of inner products $\mathcal{O}_{ij} = (\mathbf{l}_i^* \mathbf{l}_j)(\mathbf{r}_j^* \mathbf{r}_i)$, which they called "**eigenvector overlaps**". The diagonal 'overlaps' are simply the squared eigenvalue condition numbers.

They further associated with the diagonal elements of the overlap matrix the following single-point correlation function:

$$O_1(z) = \left\langle \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{O}_{ii} \delta(z - \lambda_i) \right\rangle_{\mathbf{C}.\mathbf{G}}$$

where the angular brackets stand for the expectation with respect to the **complex Ginibre** ensemble, and then proceeded to computing the "**bulk**" value:

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} O_1(z) = \frac{1}{\pi} (1 - |z|^2)$$
 for $|z| < 1$

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implying that the typical eigenvalue condition number in the bulk has the order

$$\kappa_i^2 := \mathcal{O}_{ii} \sim O(N) \text{ as } N \gg 1$$

so is **parametrically larger** than for the normal matrices.

Distribution of 'diagonal' eigenvector overlaps for Ginibre ensembles:

Chalker and Mehlig also conjectured that the distribution of diagonal overlaps \mathcal{O}_{ii} for **complex Ginibre** case is heavy-tailed: $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{O}_{ii}) \sim \mathcal{O}_{ii}^{-3}$. This conjecture has been settled in 2018 by **Bourgade** & **Doubach** and **YF**, the latter paper further addressing overlaps for **real** eigenvalues of real Ginibre matrices.

Theorem:

Consider the (conditional) probability density function $\mathcal{P}_N(z,t)$ of the (scaled) 'diagonal overlap' factor $t = (\mathcal{O}_{ii} - 1)/N$ for eigenvectors corresponding to eigenvalues in the vicinity of a point z = x + iy in the complex plane for $\beta = 2$ or on the real axis for $\beta = 1$. Then

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} \mathcal{P}_N(z,t) = \frac{\langle \rho(z) \rangle}{t} e^{-\frac{O_1^{(\beta)}(z)}{t \langle \rho(z) \rangle}} \left(\frac{O_1^{(\beta)}(z)}{t \langle \rho(z) \rangle} \right)^{\beta}, \quad |z| < 1.$$

where for $\beta = 1 \langle \rho(z) \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$ for the interval |z| < 1, whereas for $\beta = 2 \langle \rho(z) \rangle = \pi^{-1}$ inside the unit circle |z| < 1. Further $O_1^{(\beta=2)}(z) = \pi^{-1}(1-|z|^2)$ and $O_1^{(\beta=1)}(z) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi}}(1-|z|^2)$ provide 'typical scale' value for the diagonal overlap. Note: For $\beta = 2$ 'typical scale=mean', whereas for $\beta = 1$ the mean does not exist!

Eigenvector overlaps in Ginibre: further works and applications:

Studies of Chalker-Mehlig overlaps in all scaling regimes of the complex plane: (i) at the edge, where non-orthogonality is parametrically weaker: $O_{ii} \sim \sqrt{N}$ (ii) in the depletion regime of GinOE close to the real axis, and in the **weak non-Hermiticity** regimes. **YF, Tarnowski**'21, **Würfel- Crumpton-YF**'23

In the bulk more general off-diagonal correlation function has been evaluated in various regimes (**Chalker & Mehlig**'99, **Walters & Simm**'15 **Bourgade** & **Doubach**'18)

$$O_2(z_1, z_2) = \left\langle \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k \neq l}^N \mathcal{O}_{kl} \delta(z_1 - \lambda_k) \delta(z_2 - \lambda_l) \right\rangle_{GC}$$

Numerics shows those eigenvector correlations are markedly different between the delocalized and localized phases: **Ghosh, Kulkarni, Roy**'23

It was argued eigenvector non-orthogonality may lead to a violation of Eigenstates Thermalization : Cipolloni & Kudler-Flam'23.

Enhancement of entropy production for driven multivariate linear systems: $dx_i = \sum_{j=1}^{N} A_{ij}x_j dt + dW_j(t)$ YF,Gudowska-Nowak,Nowak,Tarnowski'23 Applications to quantum chaotic scattering, both theoretically (Schomerus et al. '00, YF, Savin '12; YF, Osman '22) and experimentally Gros et al.'14, Davy, Genack '19.

Non-orthogonality factors for rank-one non-Hermitian deformations:

Theorem YVF, M. Osman, '21:

Consider $\mathcal{H} = H - i\gamma \mathbf{e} \otimes \mathbf{e}^T$, with $H \in GUE$ or $H \in GOE$ and define the (conditional) probability density of the non-orthogonality factor $t = O_{nn} - 1$ corresponding to eigenvalues in the vicinity of a point z = X - iY, Y > 0 in the complex plane

$$\mathcal{P}(t;z) = \left\langle \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \delta(O_{nn} - 1 - t) \delta(z - z_n) \right\rangle$$

Then for $H \in GUE$ as $N \to \infty$ the limiting density $\mathcal{P}_y^{(2)}(t) := \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{\pi \rho N} \mathcal{P}(t; z = X - i \frac{y}{\pi \rho N})$ takes the following form

$$\mathcal{P}_{y}^{(2)}(t) = \frac{16}{t^{3}} e^{-2gy} \mathbb{L}_{2} e^{-2gy\left(1+\frac{2}{t}\right)} I_{0}\left(\frac{4y}{t}\sqrt{(g^{2}-1)(1+t)}\right)$$

where we defined $g = \frac{1}{2\pi\rho_{sc}(x)} \left(\gamma + \frac{1}{\gamma}\right)$, $I_{\nu}(x)$ stands for the modified Bessel function and \mathbb{L}_2 is a differential operator acting on functions f(y) as

$$\mathbb{L}_2 f(y) = \left\{ 1 + \left(\frac{\sinh 2y}{2y}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2y} \left(1 - \frac{\sinh 4y}{4y}\right) \frac{d}{dy} + \frac{1}{4} \left(\left(\frac{\sinh 2y}{2y}\right)^2 - 1\right) \frac{d^2}{dy^2} \right\} y^2 f(y).$$

Similar explicit result is also available for $H \in GOE$.

The **heavy-tail** asymptotics $\mathcal{P}_{y}^{(2)}(t) \sim t^{-3}$ seems the most **universal** feature of statistics of diagonal overlaps in the complex plane.