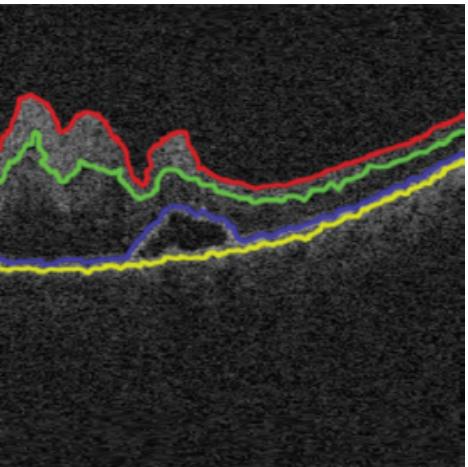
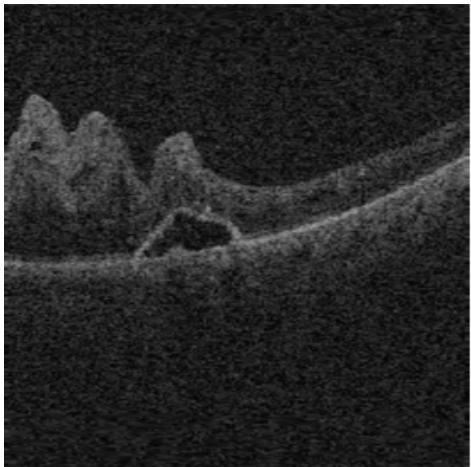
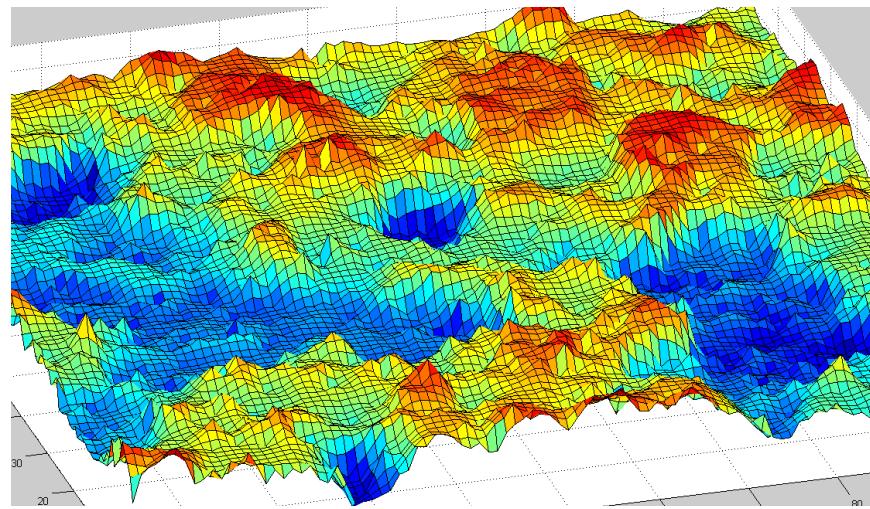


# Sparse Newton's Method

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# Large Graphs



# Spectral Graph Theory

Graph algorithms

Paths   Flows  
Cuts   ...

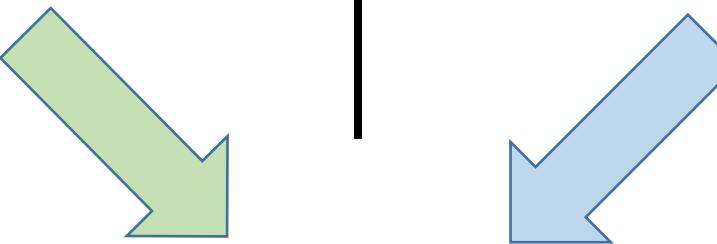
Combinatorial

Scientific computing

Matrices   Eigenvalues  
Iterative Methods   ...

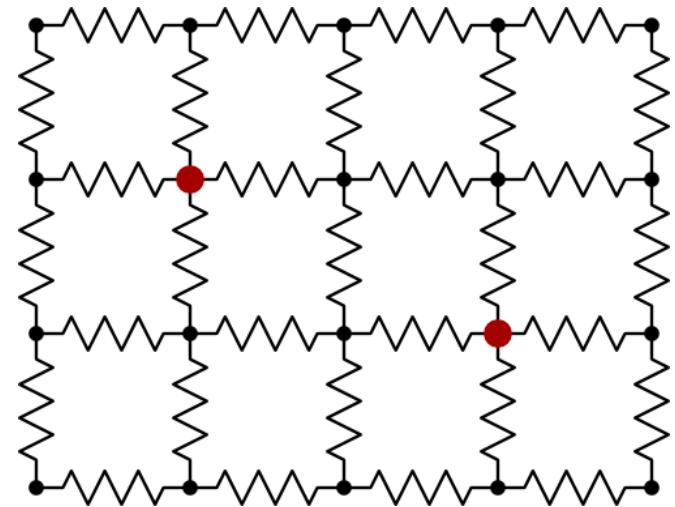
Numerical

Scalable Algorithms



# Electric Flow

- Electric flow / SDD linear systems
  - Direct methods:  $O(n^{2.37})$
  - Iterative methods:  $O(m\sqrt{\kappa})$
- [ST'04, KMP '11, KOSZ '13, CKMPPRX'14]  
$$O\left(m \sqrt{\log n} \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$$

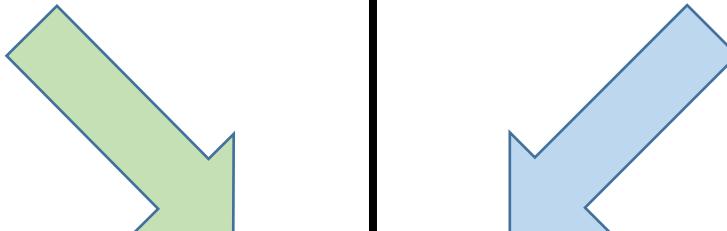


$n$  = size of the graph / dimension of the matrix  
 $m$  = number of edges / number of non-zeros  
 $\epsilon$  = precision               $\kappa$  = condition number

# Our Contributions

Graph algorithms

Spectral sparsification



Scientific computing

Newton's method

# Our Contributions

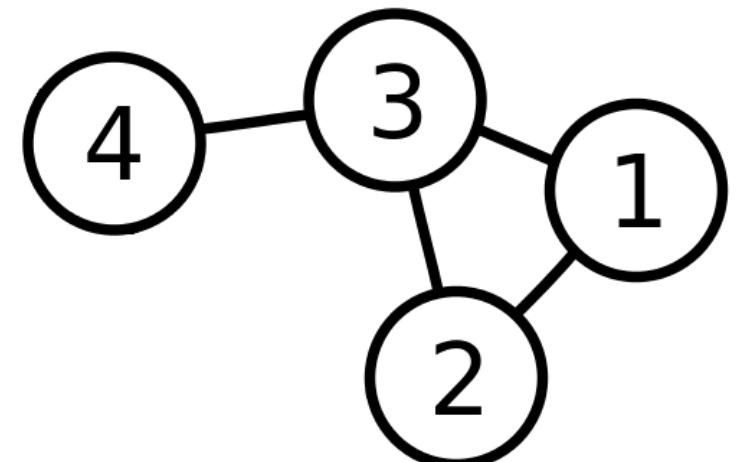
First nearly-linear work and polylog depth algorithm for:

1. Sampling Gaussian MRF with SDD precision matrix
2. Computing  $p$ th power of SDDM matrices for  $p \in [-1,1]$
3. Spectral Sparsification of Random-Walk Matrix Polynomials

# Sampling Gaussian Graphical Models

# Markov Random Field (MRF)

- Random variables described by an undirected graph
- Conditionally independence
- Gaussian MRF:
  - $\Pr(x|\Lambda, h) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}x^T \Lambda x + h^T x\right)$
  - Precision matrix  $\Lambda = \Sigma^{-1}$
  - Potential vector  $h$



# Previous Work

- Gibbs sampling  $\Omega(n^2)$  work, highly sequential

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Initialize  $x^{(0)} \sim q(x)$

**for** iteration  $i = 1, 2, \dots$  **do**

$x_1^{(i)} \sim p(X_1 = x_1 | X_2 = x_2^{(i-1)}, X_3 = x_3^{(i-1)}, \dots, X_D = x_D^{(i-1)})$

$x_2^{(i)} \sim p(X_2 = x_2 | X_1 = x_1^{(i)}, X_3 = x_3^{(i-1)}, \dots, X_D = x_D^{(i-1)})$

$\vdots$

$x_D^{(i)} \sim p(X_D = x_D | X_1 = x_1^{(i)}, X_2 = x_2^{(i)}, \dots, X_{D-1} = x_{D-1}^{(i)})$

**end for**

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# Our Result

- For Gaussian MRFs with SDD precision matrices  $\Lambda$

$$\Pr(x|\Lambda, h) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}x^T \Lambda x + h^T x\right)$$

- Work:  $O(m \log^c n)$

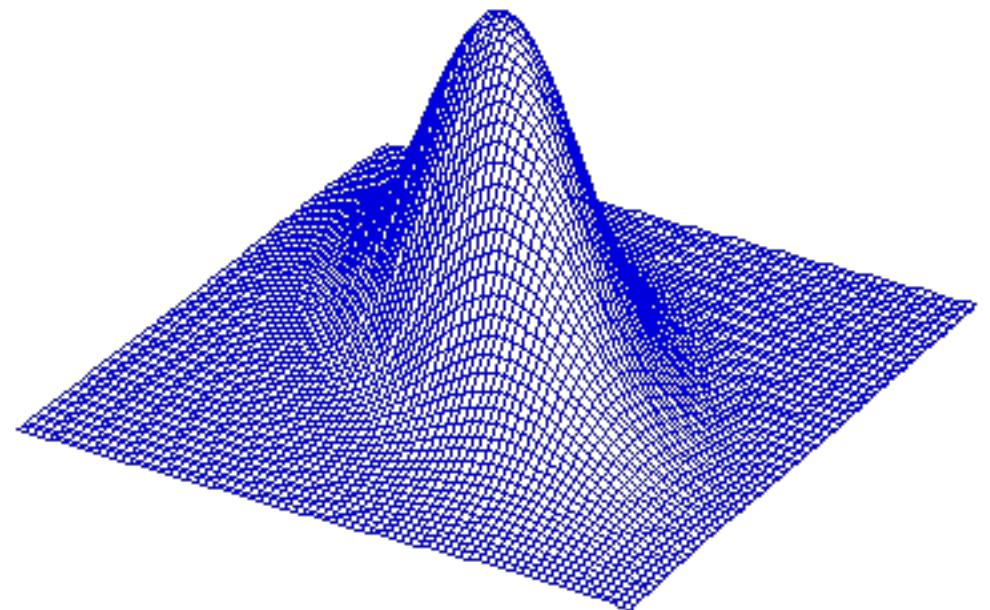
- Depth:  $O(\log^c n)$

- Randomness:  $O(n)$

# Sampling Gaussian MRF

- Input: precision matrix  $\Lambda = \Sigma^{-1}$   
potential vector  $h$

1. Compute mean  $\mu = \Lambda^{-1}h$
2. Find  $CC^T = \Lambda^{-1}$
3. Draw  $z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$   
Return  $x = Cz + \mu$



# Splitting

- Can assume  $\Lambda = I - X$ 
  - $\rho(X) = \max|\lambda(X)| \leq 1 - \frac{1}{\kappa}$
  - $\kappa = \kappa(\Lambda) = \frac{\lambda_{\max}(\Lambda)}{\lambda_{\min}(\Lambda)}$  poly( $n$ )
- Goal:  $CC^T = (I - X)^{-1}$

# $(I - X)^{-1/2}$ : First Attempt

- Cholesky factorization of  $\Lambda^{-1}$

- $CC^T = (I - X)^{-1}$

- $\Omega(n^{2.37})$  work

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 12 & -16 \\ 12 & 37 & -43 \\ -16 & -43 & 98 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 6 & -8 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Edge-vertex incident matrices

- $m \times n$  matrix  $B$  with  $B^T B = (I - X)$

- Use  $C = B(I - X)^{-1}$

- $O(m)$  random numbers

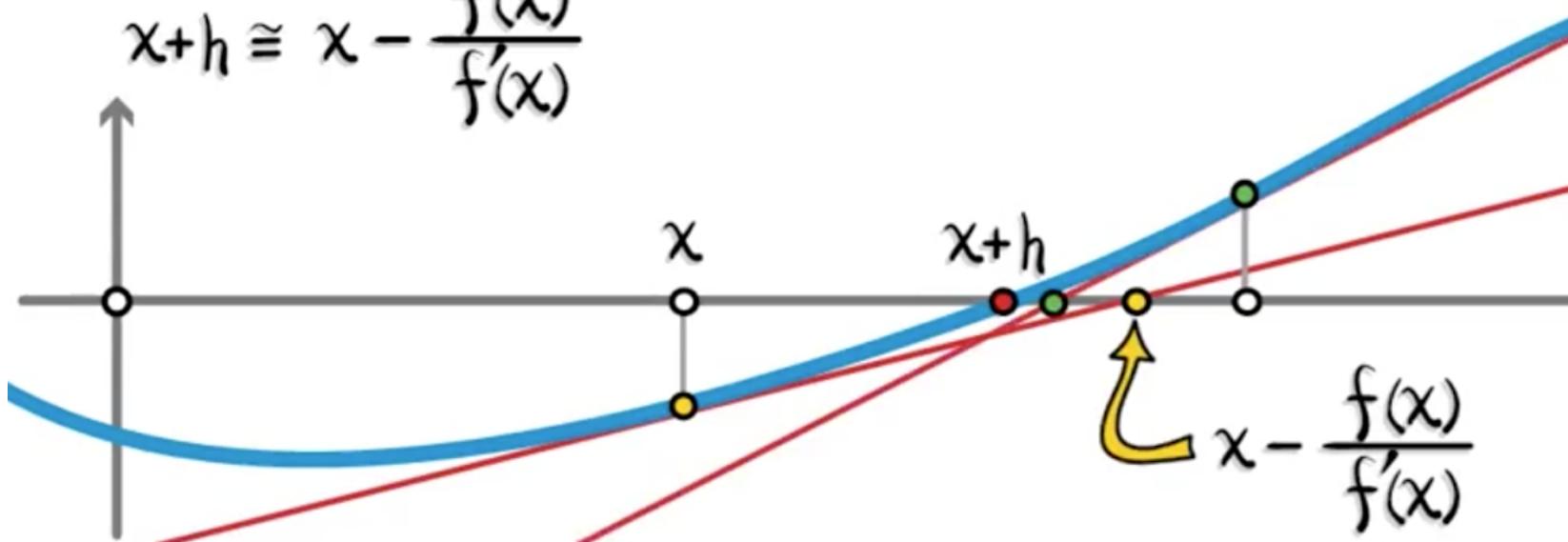
# $(I - X)^{-1/2}$ : Second Attempt

- Taylor expansion
- $(I - X)^{-1/2} = I + \frac{1}{2}X + \frac{3}{8}X^2 + \frac{5}{16}X^3 + \dots$
- $\rho(X) \leq 1 - \frac{1}{\kappa}$       Need  $O(\kappa)$  terms

# Newton's Method

$$O = f(x+h) \approx f(x) + f'(x)h$$

$$x+h \approx x - \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)}$$



# Newton's Method

Find the root of  $f(y) = \frac{1}{y^2} - (1 - a) \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-a}}$

$$y_0 = 1 \quad y_{k+1} = y_k - \frac{f(y_k)}{f'(y_k)} = y_k \left[ 1 + \frac{1-(1-a)y_k^2}{2} \right]$$

$$r_k \triangleq 1 - (1 - a)y_k^2$$

$$r_0 = a$$

$$y_k = \prod_{i=0}^k \left( 1 + \frac{r_i}{2} \right)$$

$$1 - r_{k+1} = \left( 1 + \frac{r_k}{2} \right)^2 (1 - r_k)$$

# $(I - X)^{-1/2}$ : Newton's Method

$$(I - X)^{-1} = \left( I + \frac{1}{2}X \right) \left( I - \frac{3}{4}X^2 - \frac{1}{4}X^3 \right)^{-1} \left( I + \frac{1}{2}X \right)$$

Reduce factoring  $(I - X)^{-1}$  to factoring  $\left( I - \frac{3}{4}X^2 - \frac{1}{4}X^3 \right)^{-1}$

$$r_k \triangleq 1 - (1 - a)y_k^2$$

$$y_k = \prod_{i=0}^k \left( 1 + \frac{r_i}{2} \right)$$

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# $(I - X)^{-1/2}$ : Newton's Method

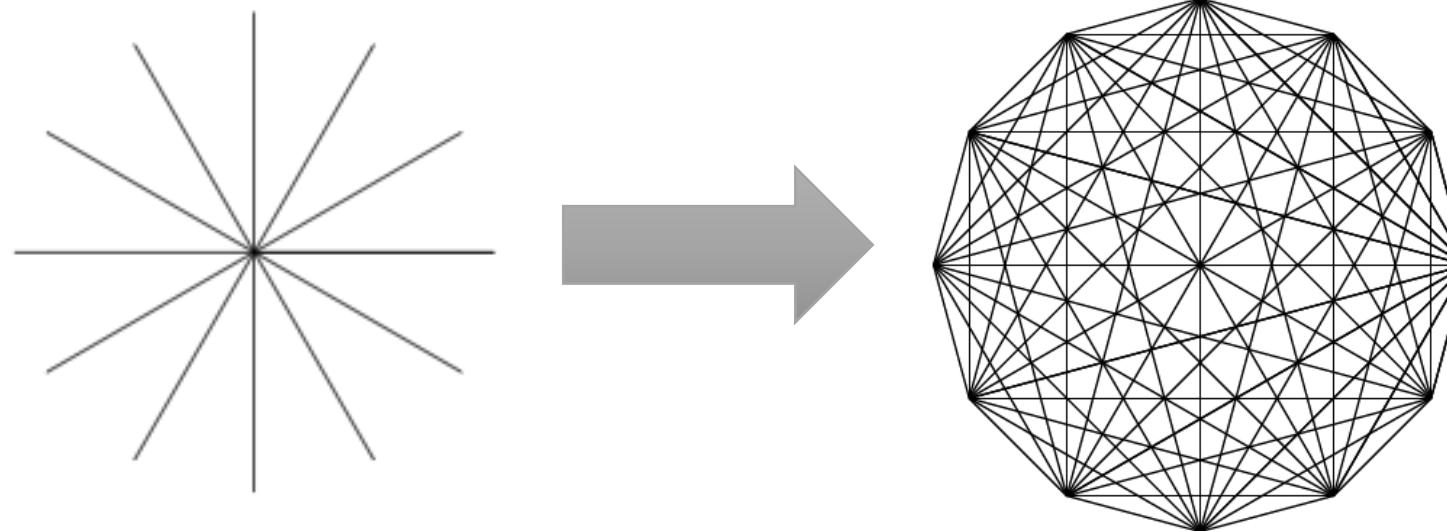
$$\begin{aligned}(I - X_0)^{-1} &= \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_0\right) \left(I - \frac{3}{4}X_0^2 - \frac{1}{4}X_0^3\right)^{-1} \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_0\right) \\&= \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_0\right) (I - X_1)^{-1} \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_0\right) \\&= \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_0\right) \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_1\right) \left(I - \frac{3}{4}X_1^2 - \frac{1}{4}X_1^3\right)^{-1} \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_1\right) \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_0\right)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}X_0 &= X & X_{i+1} &= \frac{3}{4}X_i^2 + \frac{1}{4}X_i^3 \\C &= \left(I + \frac{X_0}{2}\right) \left(I + \frac{X_1}{2}\right) \dots \left(I + \frac{X_d}{2}\right)\end{aligned}$$

# Factor Chain

- $X_0 = X$
- $X_{i+1} = \frac{3}{4}X_i^2 + \frac{1}{4}X_i^3$        $\rho(X_{i+1}) = \rho\left(\frac{3}{4}X_i^2 + \frac{1}{4}X_i^3\right) \leq \rho(X_i)^2$
- $X_d \rightarrow 0$
- $C = \left(I + \frac{X_0}{2}\right)\left(I + \frac{X_1}{2}\right) \dots \left(I + \frac{X_d}{2}\right)$
- $CC^T = (I - X)^{-1}$
- Convergence:  $d = \log \log(\kappa/\epsilon)$        $\rho(X) \leq 1 - \frac{1}{\kappa}$

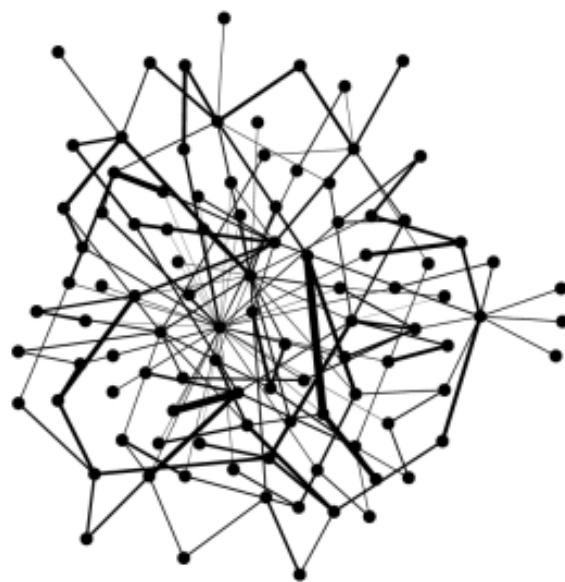
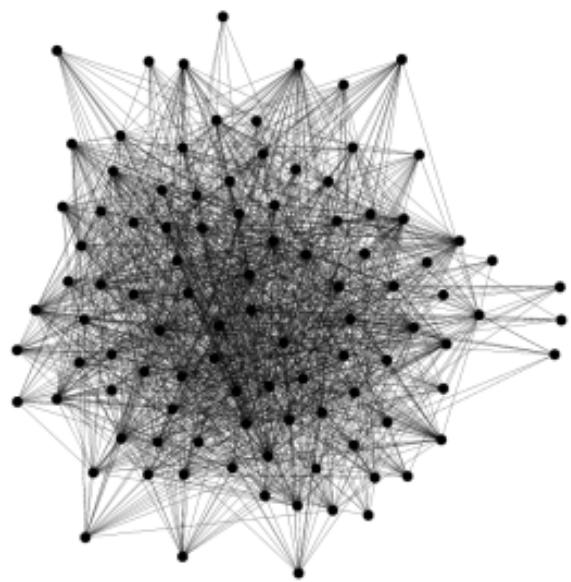
# Preserving Sparsity



$$I - X$$

$$I - \frac{3}{4}X_i^2 + \frac{1}{4}X_i^3$$

# Spectral Sparsification



$$\Lambda \approx_{\epsilon} \tilde{\Lambda} \iff x^T \tilde{\Lambda} x \approx_{\epsilon} x^T \Lambda x, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

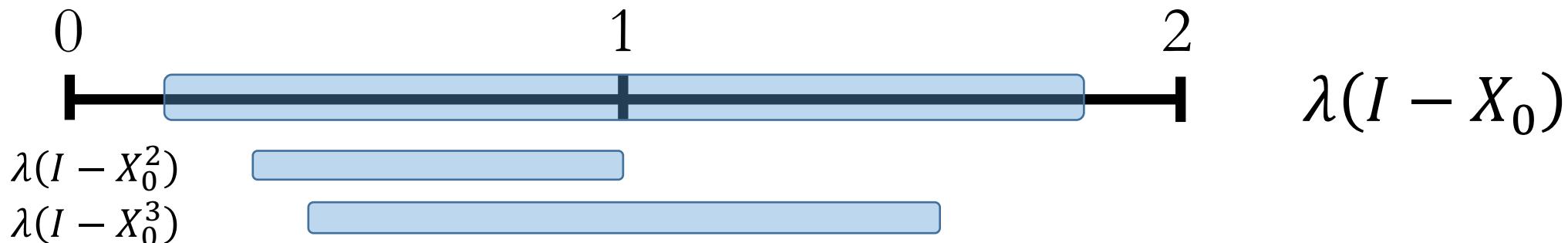
# Sparse Factor Chain

- $X_0 = X$
- $\cancel{X_{i+1} = \frac{3}{4}X_i^2 + \frac{1}{4}X_i^3}$        $I - X_{i+1} \approx_{\epsilon} I - \frac{3}{4}X_i^2 - \frac{1}{4}X_i^3$
- $X_d \rightarrow 0$
- $C = \left(I + \frac{X_0}{2}\right)\left(I + \frac{X_1}{2}\right) \dots \left(I + \frac{X_d}{2}\right)$
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# Sparse Factor Chain

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- $X_d \rightarrow 0$
- $C = \left(I + \frac{X_0}{2}\right)\left(I + \frac{X_1}{2}\right) \dots \left(I + \frac{X_d}{2}\right)$
- $CC^T = (I - X)^{-1}$
- Convergence:  ~~$d = \log \log(\kappa/c)$~~  ??

# Chain Convergence



- $d = \log(\kappa/\epsilon)$  enough

# Chain Accuracy

$$\begin{aligned}(I - X_0)^{-1} &= \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_0\right) \left(I - \frac{3}{4}X_0^2 - \frac{1}{4}X_0^3\right)^{-1} \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_0\right) \\&\approx_{\epsilon_1} \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_0\right) \left(I - X_1\right)^{-1} \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_0\right) \\&= \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_0\right) \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_1\right) \left(I - \frac{3}{4}X_1^2 - \frac{1}{4}X_1^3\right)^{-1} \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_1\right) \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_0\right) \\&\approx_{\epsilon_2} \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_0\right) \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_1\right) \left(I - X_2\right)^{-1} \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_1\right) \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X_0\right)\end{aligned}$$

- Overall error  $\sum_{i=1}^d \epsilon_i$ , set  $\epsilon_i = \epsilon/d$

# Computing $(I - X)^p$

# Computing $p$ th Power

- Fundamental problem in numerical analysis
- Nick Higham's quoted an email from a power company

*I have an Excel spreadsheet containing the transition matrix of how a company's [Standard & Poor's] credit rating changes from one year to the next. I'd like to be working in eighths of a year, so the aim is to find **the eighth root of the matrix**.*

# Our Result

- $(I - X)^p = \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X\right)^{-p} \left(I - \frac{3}{4}X^2 - \frac{1}{4}X^3\right)^p \left(I + \frac{1}{2}X\right)^{-p}$
- How to evaluate  $\left(I + \frac{1}{2}X\right)^{-p}$ ?
  - Taylor expansion!
  - $\left(I + \frac{X}{2}\right)^{-1/2} = I + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{X}{2}\right) - \frac{3}{8}\left(\frac{X}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{5}{16}\left(\frac{X}{2}\right)^3 + \dots$
  - $O(\log \kappa)$  terms suffice

# Summary

- Newton's Method + Spectral Sparsification
- First nearly linear work and polylog depth algorithm for
  - Gaussian Sampling
  - Computing  $(I - X)^p$
- Dense matrix  $\approx$  product of sparse matrices