

MATLAB Example

- `clear; n=100;k=10;omega=1;stationary`
- `tridiag(-.5, 1, -.5):`
 - Jacobi norm $|\cos(\pi/n)|$
 - GS norm $\cos(\pi/n)^2$
 - both $< 1 \rightarrow$ convergence, but slow
- To improve convergence \rightarrow nonstationary methods (or multigrid)



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- High-dimensional numerics (sparse grids)
- Fast iterative solvers (multi-level methods, preconditioners, eigenvalue solvers)
- Uncertainty Quantification
- Space-filling curves
- Numerical linear algebra
- Numerical algorithms for image processing
- HW-aware numerical programming

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5.3. Nonstationary Methods

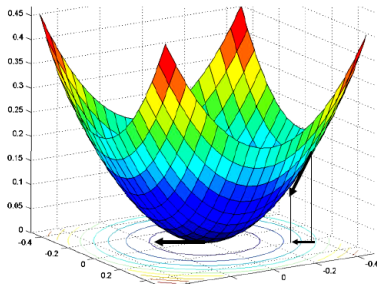
5.3.1. Gradient Method

- Consider $A = A^T > 0$ (A SPD)

$$\text{Function } \Phi(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^T Ax - b^T x$$

- n -dim. paraboloid $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- Gradient $\nabla\Phi(x) = Ax - b$
- Position with $\nabla\Phi(x) = 0$ is exactly minimum of paraboloid
- Instead of solving $Ax = b$ consider $\min_x \Phi(x)$
- Local descent direction in y :
 $\nabla\Phi(x) \cdot y$ is minimum for

$$y = -\nabla\Phi(x)$$



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- To define α_k :

$$\min_{\alpha} g(\alpha) := \min_{\alpha} (\Phi(x^{(k)} + \alpha(b - Ax^{(k)})))$$

$$= \min_{\alpha} \left(\frac{1}{2} (x^{(k)} + \alpha d^{(k)})^T A (x^{(k)} + \alpha d^{(k)}) - b^T (x^{(k)} + \alpha d^{(k)}) \right)$$

$$= \min_{\alpha} \left(\frac{1}{2} \alpha^2 d^{(k)T} A d^{(k)} - \alpha d^{(k)T} d^{(k)} + \frac{1}{2} x^{(k)T} A x^{(k)} - x^{(k)T} b \right)$$

$$\alpha_k = \frac{d^{(k)T} d^{(k)}}{d^{(k)T} A d^{(k)}}$$

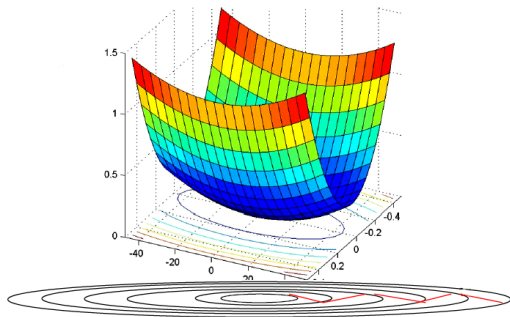
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Gradient Method (cont. 2)

$$x^{(k+1)} = x^{(k)} + \frac{\|b - Ax^{(k)}\|_2^2}{(b - Ax^{(k)})^T A (b - Ax^{(k)})} (b - Ax^{(k)})$$

- Method of steepest descent.
- Disadvantage: Distorted contour lines.
- Slow convergence (zig zag path)
- Local descent direction is not globally optimal



Analysis of the Gradient Method

- Definition A -norm:

$$\|x\|_A := \sqrt{x^T A x}$$

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- Therefore, minimizing Φ is equivalent to minimizing the error in the A -norm! More detailed analysis reveals:

$$\|x^{(k+1)} - \bar{x}\|_A^2 \leq \left(1 - \frac{1}{\kappa(A)}\right) \cdot \|x^{(k)} - \bar{x}\|_A^2$$

- Therefore, for $\kappa(A) \gg 1$ very slow convergence!



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- Improving descent direction being globally optimal.
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- We choose new search direction as component of last residual that is A -conjugate to all previous search directions.
- α_k again by 1-dim. minimization as before (for chosen $p^{(k)}$)



The Conjugate Gradient Algorithm

$$p^{(0)} = r^{(0)} = b - Ax^{(0)}$$

for $k = 1, 2, \dots$ do

$$\alpha^{(k)} = -\frac{\langle r^{(k)}, r^{(k)} \rangle}{\langle p^{(k)}, Ap^{(k)} \rangle}$$

$$x^{(k+1)} = x^{(k)} - \alpha^{(k)} p^{(k)}$$

$$r^{(k+1)} = r^{(k)} + \alpha^{(k)} Ap^{(k)}$$

if $\|r^{(k+1)}\|_2^2 \leq \epsilon$ **then break**

$$\beta^{(k)} = \frac{\langle r^{(k+1)}, r^{(k+1)} \rangle}{\langle r^{(k)}, r^{(k)} \rangle}$$

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- $x^{(k)}$ is best approximate solution to $Ax = b$ in subspace $K_k(A, r^{(0)})$. For $x^{(0)} = \mathbf{0}$: $x^{(k)} \in K_k(A, b)$

- Error:

$$\|x^{(k)} - \bar{x}\|_A = \min_{x \in K_k(A, b)} \|x - \bar{x}\|_A$$

- Cheap 1-dim. minimization gives optimal k -dim. solution for free!



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- Matrix-vector-product easy in parallel.
- But, how to get fast convergence and reduce #iterations?



Error Estimation ($x^{(0)} = 0$)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|e^{(k)}\|_A &= \|x^{(k)} - \bar{x}\|_A = \min_{x \in K_k(A,b)} \|x - \bar{x}\|_A = \\
 &= \min_{\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{k-1}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \alpha_j (A^j b) - \bar{x} \right\|_A = \\
 &= \min_{\mathcal{P}^{(k-1)}(x)} \left\| \mathcal{P}^{(k-1)}(A)b - \bar{x} \right\|_A = \\
 &= \min_{\mathcal{P}^{(k-1)}(x)} \left\| \mathcal{P}^{(k-1)}(A)A\bar{x} - \bar{x} \right\|_A = \\
 &= \min_{\mathcal{P}^{(k-1)}(x)} \left\| (\mathcal{P}^{(k-1)}(A)A - I)(\bar{x} - x^{(0)}) \right\|_A = \\
 &= \min_{\mathcal{Q}^{(k)}(x), \mathcal{Q}^{(k)}(0)=1} \left\| \mathcal{Q}^{(k)}(A)e^{(0)} \right\|_A
 \end{aligned}$$

for polynomial $\mathcal{Q}^{(k)}(x)$ of degree k with $\mathcal{Q}^{(k)}(0) = 1$.



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Better Estimates

- Choose normalized Chebyshev polynomials
 $T_n(x) = \cos(n \arccos(x))$

$$\|e^{(k)}\|_A \leq \frac{1}{T_k\left(\frac{\kappa(A)+1}{\kappa(A)-1}\right)} \|e^{(0)}\|_A \leq 2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{\kappa(A)} - 1}{\sqrt{\kappa(A)} + 1} \right)^k \|e^{(0)}\|_A$$



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- For clustered eigenvalues choose special polynomial, e.g. assume that A has only two eigenvalues λ_1 and λ_2 :

$$Q^{(2)}(x) := \frac{(\lambda_1 - x)(\lambda_2 - x)}{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}$$

$$\|e^{(2)}\|_A \leq \max_{j=1,2} |Q^{(2)}(\lambda_j)| \|e^{(0)}\|_A = 0$$

Convergence of CG after two steps!



Outliers/Cluster

Assume the matrix has an eigenvalue $\lambda_1 > 1$ and all other eigenvalues are contained in an ϵ -neighborhood of 1:

$$\forall \lambda \neq \lambda_1 : |\lambda - 1| < \epsilon$$

$$Q^{(2)}(x) := \frac{(\lambda_1 - x)(1 - x)}{\lambda_1}$$

$$\|e^{(2)}\|_A \leq \max_{|\lambda-1|<\epsilon} \left| \frac{(\lambda_1 - \lambda)(1 - \lambda)}{\lambda_1} \right| \|e^{(0)}\|_A \leq \frac{(\lambda_1 - 1 + \epsilon)\epsilon}{\lambda_1} = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

Very good approximation of CG after only two steps!

Important: small number of outliers combined with cluster.



Conjugate Gradients Summary

- To get fast convergence and reduce the number of iterations:
→ find preconditioner M , such that $M^{-1}Ax = M^{-1}b$ with clustered eigenvalues.
- Conjugate gradients (CG) is always the method of choice for symmetric positive definite A (in general).
- To improve convergence, include preconditioning (PCG).
- CG has two important properties: optimal and cheap.



Parallel Conjugate Gradients Algorithm

```

while ( sqrt(gamma) > epsilon * error_0 ) {
  if ( iteration > 1 )
    q = r + gamma / gamma_old * q;
  MVP → v = A * q;
  delta = dot(v,q);
  alpha = delta / gamma;
  x = x + alpha * q;
  r = r - alpha * v;
  gamma_old = gamma;
  gamma = dot(r,r);
  iteration = iteration + 1;
}
    
```

MVP

scalar

local vector

synchronisation
points

dot product: requires communication (MPI_ALLREDUCE)



Non-Blocking Collective Operations

- Use to hide communication!
- Allows overlap of numerical computations and communications.
- In MPI-1/MPI-2 only possible for point-to-point communication:
MPI_Isend and MPI_Irecv.

Additional libraries necessary for collective operations!
Example: LibNBC (non-blocking collectives)

- Are included in new MPI-3 standard.



Example: Pseudocode for Nonblock. Reduct.

```
MPI_Request req;
int sbuf1[SIZE], rbuf1[SIZE], buf2[SIZE];
// compute sbuf1
compute(sbuf1, SIZE);

// start non-blocking allreduce of subf1
// computation and communication overlap
MPI_Iallreduce(sbuf1,rbuf1,SIZE,MPI_INT,MPI_SUM,MPI_COMM, &req);

// compute buf2 (independent of buf1)
compute(buf2, SIZE);

// synchronization
MPI_WAIT(&req, &stat);

// use data in rbuf1; final computation
evaluate(rbuf1, buf2, SIZE);
```



Iter. Methods for general (nonsymmetric) A : BiCGSTAB

- Applicable if little memory at hand and A^T not available.
- Computational costs per iteration similar to BiCG and CGS.
- Alternative for CGS that avoids irregular convergence patterns of CGS maintaining similar convergence speed.
- Less loss of accuracy in the updated residual.



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- Requires only matrix-vector products with the coeff. matrix.
- Number of inner products grows linearly with iteration number (up to restart point).
- Implementation based on Gram-Schmidt \rightarrow inner products independent \rightarrow only one synchronization point.
Using modified Gram-Schmidt \rightarrow one synchronization point per inner product.

We consider GMRES in the following.



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- Try to find sequence of "good" subspaces $U_1 \rightarrow U_2 \rightarrow U_3 \rightarrow \dots$ such that iteratively we can update the optimal solutions

$$x_1 \rightarrow x_2 \rightarrow x_3 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow A^{-1} b$$

using mainly matrix-vector products.



GMRES: Subspace

What subspace for fast convergence and easy computations?

$$U_m := K_m(A, b) = \text{span}(b, Ab, \dots, A^{m-1}b) \quad (\text{Krylov space})$$

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Start with $u_1 := \frac{b}{\|b\|_2}$ and do for $j = 2 : m$:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{u}_j &:= Au_{j-1} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} (u_k^T Au_{j-1}) u_k = Au_{j-1} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} h_{k,j-1} u_k \\ u_j &:= \frac{\tilde{u}_j}{\|\tilde{u}_j\|_2} = \frac{\tilde{u}_j}{h_{j,j-1}}\end{aligned}$$

which is the standard orthogonalization method (Arnoldi method)



Matrix Form of Arnoldi ONB

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$$AU_m = A(u_1 \quad \dots \quad u_m) = (u_1 \quad \dots \quad u_{m+1}) \tilde{H}_{m+1,m} = U_{m+1} \tilde{H}_{m+1,m}$$

$$\tilde{H}_{m+1,m} = \begin{pmatrix} h_{11} & \dots & \dots & h_{1m} \\ h_{21} & \ddots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & \ddots & h_{mm} \\ 0 & & 0 & h_{m+1,m} \end{pmatrix}$$



GMRES: Minimization

This leads to minimization problem

$$\begin{aligned}\min_{x \in U_m} \|Ax - b\| &= \min_y \|AU_m y - b\| \\ &= \min_y \left\| U_{m+1} \tilde{H}_{m+1,m} y - \|b\| u_1 \right\| \\ &= \min_y \left\| U_{m+1} (\tilde{H}_{m+1,m} y - \|b\| e_1) \right\| \\ &= \min_y \left\| \tilde{H}_{m+1,m} y - \|b\| e_1 \right\|\end{aligned}$$

Because U_{m+1} is part of an orthogonal matrix.



GMRES: QR

Use Givens matrices to compute a QR-factorization of the upper Hessenberg matrix $\tilde{H}_{m+1,m}$.

$$G_1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} * & \cdots & * \\ * & \ddots & \vdots \\ & \ddots & * \\ & & * \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} * & \cdots & * \\ 0 & \ddots & \vdots \\ & \ddots & * \\ & & * \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$G_m \cdots G_2 G_1 \cdot \tilde{H}_{m+1,m} = Q \cdot \tilde{H}_{m+1,m} = \begin{pmatrix} R_m \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

QR via Givens matrices is a simplified version of QR via Householder matrices.



GMRES

$$\begin{aligned}\min_{x \in K_m} \|Ax - b\| &= \min_y \left\| \tilde{H}_{m+1,m} y - \|b\| e_1 \right\| \\ &= \min_y \left\| Q^T R y - \|b\| e_1 \right\| = \min_y \|R y - \|b\| Q e_1\| \\ &= \min_y \left\| \begin{pmatrix} R_m \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} y - \tilde{b} \right\| = \min_y \left\| \begin{pmatrix} R_m y - \tilde{b}_m \\ -\tilde{\beta}_m \end{pmatrix} \right\|\end{aligned}$$

Solution:

$$R_m y = \tilde{b}_m, \quad x_m = U_m y$$



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- Disadvantage: large Hessenberg matrices!
- Therefore, use restarted GMRES, e.g. GMRES(20).

