

Scientific Computing II

Conjugate Gradient Methods

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Families of Iterative Solvers

- **relaxation methods:**
 - Jacobi-, Gauss-Seidel-Relaxation, ...
 - Over-Relaxation-Methods
- **Krylov methods:**
 - Steepest Descent, Conjugate Gradient, ...
 - GMRES, ...
- **Multilevel/Multigrid methods,**
Domain Decomposition, ...

Remember: The Residual Equation

- for $Ax = b$, we defined the **residual** as:

$$r^{(i)} = b - Ax^{(i)}$$

- and the error: $e^{(i)} := x - x^{(i)}$
- leads to the **residual equation**:

$$Ae^{(i)} = r^{(i)}$$

- relaxation methods: solve a modified (easier) SLE:

$$B\hat{e}^{(i)} = r^{(i)} \quad \text{where } B \sim A$$

- multigrid methods: coarse-grid correction on residual equation

$$A_H e_H^{(i)} = r_H^{(i)} \quad \text{and} \quad x^{(i+1)} := x^{(i)} + I_H^h e_H^{(i)}$$

Part I

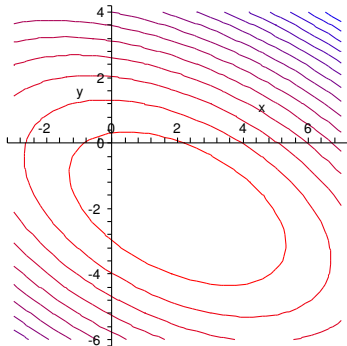
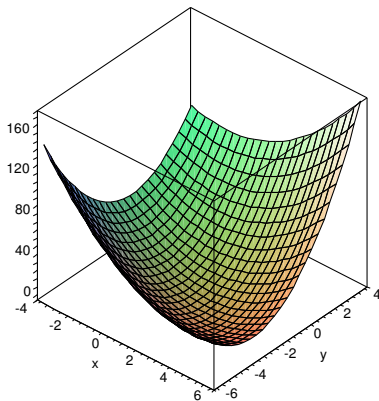
Quadratic Forms and Steepest Descent

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Quadratic Forms

A *quadratic form* is a scalar, quadratic function of a vector of the form:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^T A x - b^T x + c, \quad \text{where } A = A^T$$



Quadratic Forms (2)

The *gradient* of a quadratic form is defined as

$$f'(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} f(x) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n} f(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

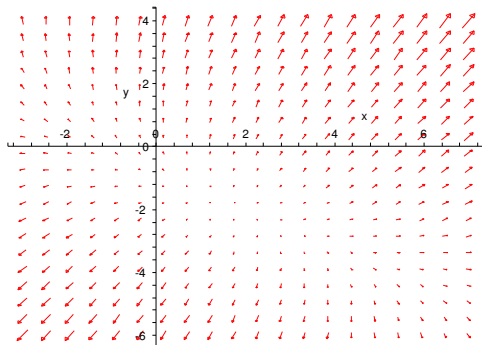
- $f'(x) = Ax - b$
- $f'(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow Ax - b = 0 \Leftrightarrow Ax = b$

$\Rightarrow Ax = b$ equivalent to a **minimisation problem**

\Rightarrow proper minimum **only if A positive definite**

Direction of Steepest Descent

- gradient $f'(x)$: direction of “steepest ascent”
- $f'(x) = Ax - b = -r$ (with residual $r = b - Ax$)
- residual r : direction of “steepest descent”



Solving SLE via Minimum Search

- basic idea to find minimum:
move into direction of steepest descent
- most simple scheme:

$$x^{(i+1)} = x^{(i)} + \alpha r^{(i)}$$

- α constant \Rightarrow **Richardson** iteration
(often considered as a relaxation method)
- better choice of α :
move to lowest point in that direction
 \Rightarrow **Steepest Descent**

Steepest Descent – find an optimal α

- task: *line search* along the line $x^{(1)} = x^{(0)} + \alpha r^{(0)}$
- choose α such that $f(x^{(1)})$ is minimal:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} f(x^{(1)}) = 0$$

- use chain rule:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} f(x^{(1)}) = f'(x^{(1)})^T \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} x^{(1)} = f'(x^{(1)})^T r^{(0)}$$

- remember $f'(x^{(1)}) = -r^{(1)}$, thus:

$$- \left(r^{(1)} \right)^T r^{(0)} \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

hence, $f'(x^{(1)}) = -r^{(1)}$ should be orthogonal to $r^{(0)}$

Steepest Descent – find α (2)

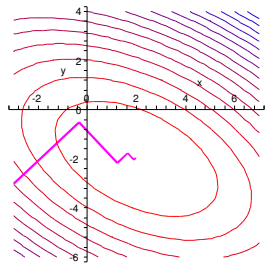
$$\begin{aligned}(r^{(1)})^T r^{(0)} &= (b - Ax^{(1)})^T r^{(0)} = 0 \\(b - A(x^{(0)} + \alpha r^{(0)}))^T r^{(0)} &= 0 \\(b - Ax^{(0)})^T r^{(0)} - \alpha (Ar^{(0)})^T r^{(0)} &= 0 \\(r^{(0)})^T r^{(0)} - \alpha (r^{(0)})^T Ar^{(0)} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Solve for α :

$$\alpha = \frac{(r^{(0)})^T r^{(0)}}{(r^{(0)})^T Ar^{(0)}}$$

Steepest Descent – Algorithm

1. $r^{(i)} = b - Ax^{(i)}$
2. $\alpha_i = \frac{(r^{(i)})^T r^{(i)}}{(r^{(i)})^T Ar^{(i)}}$
3. $x^{(i+1)} = x^{(i)} + \alpha_i r^{(i)}$



Observations:

- slow convergence (sim. to Jacobi relaxation)
- $\|e^{(i)}\|_A \leq \left(\frac{\kappa-1}{\kappa+1}\right)^i \|e^{(0)}\|_A$
- for positive definite A : $\kappa = \lambda_{\max}/\lambda_{\min}$
(largest/smallest eigenvalues of A)
- many steps in the same direction

Part II

Conjugate Gradients

Conjugate Directions
A-Orthogonality
Conjugate Gradients
A Miracle Occurs ...
CG Algorithm

Conjugate Directions

- observation:
Steepest Descent takes repeated steps in the same direction
- obvious idea:
try to do only one step in each direction
- possible approach:
choose orthogonal search directions $d^{(0)} \perp d^{(1)} \perp d^{(2)} \perp \dots$
- notice:
errors orthogonal to previous directions:

$$e^{(1)} \perp d^{(0)}, e^{(2)} \perp d^{(1)} \perp d^{(0)}, \dots$$

Conjugate Directions (2)

- compute α from

$$\left(\mathbf{d}^{(0)}\right)^T \mathbf{e}^{(1)} = \left(\mathbf{d}^{(0)}\right)^T \left(\mathbf{e}^{(0)} - \alpha \mathbf{d}^{(0)}\right) = 0$$

requires propagation of the error $\mathbf{e}^{(1)} = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^{(1)}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}^{(1)} &= \mathbf{x}^{(0)} + \alpha_j \mathbf{d}^{(0)} \\ \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^{(1)} &= \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^{(0)} - \alpha_j \mathbf{d}^{(0)} \\ \mathbf{e}^{(1)} &= \mathbf{e}^{(0)} - \alpha_j \mathbf{d}^{(0)} \end{aligned}$$

- formula for α :

$$\alpha = \frac{\left(\mathbf{d}^{(0)}\right)^T \mathbf{e}^{(0)}}{\left(\mathbf{d}^{(0)}\right)^T \mathbf{d}^{(0)}}$$

- **but:** we don't know $\mathbf{e}^{(0)}$

A-Orthogonality

- make the search directions *A-orthogonal*:

$$\left(d^{(i)}\right)^T A d^{(j)} = 0$$

- again: errors *A-orthogonal* to previous directions:

$$\left(e^{(i+1)}\right)^T A d^{(i)} \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

- equiv. to minimisation in search direction $d^{(i)}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} f\left(x^{(i+1)}\right) &= \left(f'\left(x^{(i+1)}\right)\right)^T \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} x^{(i+1)} = 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow -\left(r^{(i+1)}\right)^T d^{(i)} &= 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow -\left(d^{(i)}\right)^T A e^{(i+1)} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

A-Conjugate Directions

- remember the formula for conjugate directions:

$$\alpha = \frac{(d^{(0)})^T e^{(0)}}{(d^{(0)})^T d^{(0)}}$$

- same computation, but with A -orthogonality:

$$\alpha_i = \frac{(d^{(i)})^T A e^{(i)}}{(d^{(i)})^T A d^{(i)}} = \frac{(d^{(i)})^T r^{(i)}}{(d^{(i)})^T A d^{(i)}}$$

(for the i -th iteration)

- these α_j can be computed!**
- still to do: find A -orthogonal search directions

A-Conjugate Directions (2)

classical approach to find orthogonal directions \rightarrow

conjugate Gram-Schmidt process:

- from linearly independent vectors $u^{(0)}, u^{(1)}, \dots, u^{(i-1)}$
- construct orthogonal directions $d^{(0)}, d^{(1)}, \dots, d^{(i-1)}$

$$d^{(i)} = u^{(i)} + \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} \beta_{ik} d^{(k)}$$
$$\beta_{ik} = -\frac{(u^{(i)})^T A d^{(k)}}{(d^{(k)})^T A d^{(k)}}$$

- needs to keep all old search vectors in memory
- $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$ computational complexity \Rightarrow infeasible

Conjugate Gradients

- use residuals (i.e., $u^{(i)} := r^{(i)}$) to construct conjugate directions:

$$d^{(i)} = r^{(i)} + \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} \beta_{ik} d^{(k)}$$

- new direction $d^{(i)}$ should be A -orthogonal to all $d^{(j)}$:

$$0 \stackrel{!}{=} (d^{(i)})^T A d^{(j)} = (r^{(i)})^T A d^{(j)} + \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} \beta_{ik} (d^{(k)})^T A d^{(j)}$$

- all directions $d^{(k)}$ (for $k = 0, \dots, i-1$) are already A -orthogonal (and $j < i$), hence:

$$0 = (r^{(i)})^T A d^{(j)} + \beta_{ij} (d^{(j)})^T A d^{(j)} \Rightarrow \beta_{ij} = - \frac{(r^{(i)})^T A d^{(j)}}{(d^{(j)})^T A d^{(j)}}$$

Conjugate Gradients – Status

1. conjugate directions and computation of α_j :

$$\alpha_j = \frac{(d^{(j)})^T r^{(j)}}{(d^{(j)})^T A d^{(j)}}$$
$$x^{(j+1)} = x^{(j)} + \alpha_j d^{(j)}$$

2. use residuals to compute search directions:

$$d^{(i)} = r^{(i)} + \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} \beta_{ik} d^{(k)}$$
$$\beta_{ik} = -\frac{(r^{(i)})^T A d^{(k)}}{(d^{(k)})^T A d^{(k)}}$$

→ **still infeasible**, as we need to store all vectors $d^{(k)}$

A Miracle Occurs – Part 1

Two small contributions:

1. propagation of the error $\mathbf{e}^{(i)} = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^{(i)}$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}^{(i+1)} &= \mathbf{x}^{(i)} + \alpha_i \mathbf{d}^{(i)} \\ \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^{(i+1)} &= \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \alpha_i \mathbf{d}^{(i)} \\ \mathbf{e}^{(i+1)} &= \mathbf{e}^{(i)} - \alpha_i \mathbf{d}^{(i)}\end{aligned}$$

(we have used this once, already)

2. propagation of residuals

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{r}^{(i+1)} &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{e}^{(i+1)} = \mathbf{A}\left(\mathbf{e}^{(i)} - \alpha_i \mathbf{d}^{(i)}\right) \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{r}^{(i+1)} &= \mathbf{r}^{(i)} - \alpha_i \mathbf{A}\mathbf{d}^{(i)}\end{aligned}$$

A Miracle Occurs – Part 2

Orthogonality of the residuals:

- search directions are A -orthogonal
- only one step in each directions
- hence: error is A -orthogonal to previous search directions:

$$(d^{(i)})^T A e^{(j)} = 0, \text{ for } i < j$$

- residuals are orthogonal to previous search directions:

$$(d^{(i)})^T r^{(j)} = 0, \text{ for } i < j$$

- search directions are built from residuals:

$$\text{span} \{d^{(0)}, \dots, d^{(i-1)}\} = \text{span} \{r^{(0)}, \dots, r^{(i-1)}\}$$

- hence: **residuals are orthogonal**

$$(r^{(i)})^T r^{(j)} = 0, \quad i < j$$

A Miracle Occurs – Part 3

- combine orthogonality and recurrence for residuals:

$$\begin{aligned}(r^{(i)})^T r^{(j+1)} &= (r^{(i)})^T r^{(j)} - \alpha_j (r^{(i)})^T Ad^{(j)} \\ \Rightarrow \alpha_j (r^{(i)})^T Ad^{(j)} &= (r^{(i)})^T r^{(j)} - (r^{(i)})^T r^{(j+1)}\end{aligned}$$

- $(r^{(i)})^T r^{(j)} = 0$, if $i \neq j$:

$$(r^{(i)})^T Ad^{(j)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\alpha_i} (r^{(i)})^T r^{(i)}, & i = j \\ -\frac{1}{\alpha_{i-1}} (r^{(i)})^T r^{(i)}, & i = j + 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

A Miracle Occurs – Part 4

- computation of β_{ik} (for $k = 0, \dots, i - 1$):

$$\beta_{ik} = -\frac{(r^{(i)})^T Ad^{(k)}}{(d^{(k)})^T Ad^{(k)}} = \begin{cases} \frac{(r^{(i)})^T r^{(i)}}{\alpha_{i-1} (d^{(i-1)})^T Ad^{(i-1)}}, & \text{if } i = k + 1 \\ 0, & \text{if } i > k + 1 \end{cases}$$

- thus: search directions

$$d^{(i)} = r^{(i)} + \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} \beta_{ik} d^{(k)} = r^{(i)} + \beta_{i,i-1} d^{(i-1)}$$

$$\beta_i := \beta_{i,i-1} = \frac{(r^{(i)})^T r^{(i)}}{\alpha_{i-1} (d^{(i-1)})^T Ad^{(i-1)}}$$

\Rightarrow reduces to a **simple iterative scheme for β_i**

A Miracle Occurs – Part 5

- build search directions

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{d}^{(i+1)} &= \mathbf{r}^{(i+1)} + \beta_i \mathbf{d}^{(i)} \\ \beta_{i+1} &= \frac{(\mathbf{r}^{(i+1)})^T \mathbf{r}^{(i+1)}}{\alpha_i (\mathbf{d}^{(i)})^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}^{(i)}} \end{aligned}$$

- remember: $\alpha_i = \frac{(\mathbf{d}^{(i)})^T \mathbf{r}^{(i)}}{(\mathbf{d}^{(i)})^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}^{(i)}}$
- thus: $\alpha_i (\mathbf{d}^{(i)})^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d}^{(i)} = (\mathbf{d}^{(i)})^T \mathbf{r}^{(i)}$

$$\Rightarrow \beta_{i+1} = \frac{(\mathbf{r}^{(i+1)})^T \mathbf{r}^{(i+1)}}{(\mathbf{d}^{(i)})^T \mathbf{r}^{(i)}} = \frac{(\mathbf{r}^{(i+1)})^T \mathbf{r}^{(i+1)}}{(\mathbf{r}^{(i)})^T \mathbf{r}^{(i)}}$$

- last step:

$$(\mathbf{d}^{(i)})^T \mathbf{r}^{(i)} = (\mathbf{r}^{(i)} + \beta_{i-1} \mathbf{d}^{(i-1)})^T \mathbf{r}^{(i)} = (\mathbf{r}^{(i)})^T \mathbf{r}^{(i)} + \beta_{i-1} (\mathbf{d}^{(i-1)})^T \mathbf{r}^{(i)} = (\mathbf{r}^{(i)})^T \mathbf{r}^{(i)}$$

(residual $\mathbf{r}^{(i)}$ orthogonal to previous search direction $\mathbf{d}^{(i-1)}$)

Conjugate Gradients – Algorithm

Start with $d^{(0)} = r^{(0)} = b - Ax^{(0)}$

While $r^{(i)} > \epsilon$ iterate over:

$$1. \alpha_j = \frac{(r^{(i)})^T r^{(i)}}{(d^{(i)})^T A d^{(i)}}$$

$$2. x^{(i+1)} = x^{(i)} + \alpha_j d^{(i)}$$

$$3. r^{(i+1)} = r^{(i)} - \alpha_j A d^{(i)}$$

$$4. \beta_{i+1} = \frac{(r^{(i+1)})^T r^{(i+1)}}{(r^{(i)})^T r^{(i)}}$$

$$5. d^{(i+1)} = r^{(i+1)} + \beta_{i+1} d^{(i)}$$

Part III

Preconditioning

CG Convergence

Preconditioning

CG with “Change-of-Basis” Preconditioning

CG with Matrix Preconditioner

Preconditioners – Examples

ILU and Incomplete Cholesky

Conjugate Gradients – Convergence

Convergence Analysis:

- uses *Krylow subspace*:

$$\text{span} \left\{ r^{(0)}, Ar^{(0)}, A^2r^{(0)}, \dots, A^{i-1}r^{(0)} \right\}$$

- “Krylow subspace method”

Convergence Results:

- in principle: direct method (n steps)
(*however: orthogonality lost due to round-off errors \rightarrow exact solution not found*)
- in practice: iterative scheme

$$\|e^{(i)}\|_A \leq 2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{\kappa} - 1}{\sqrt{\kappa} + 1} \right)^i \|e^{(0)}\|_A, \quad \kappa = \lambda_{\max}/\lambda_{\min}$$

Preconditioning

- convergence depends on matrix A
- idea: modify linear system

$$Ax = b \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad M^{-1}Ax = M^{-1}b,$$

then: convergence depends on matrix $M^{-1}A$

- optimal preconditioner: $M^{-1} = A^{-1}$:

$$A^{-1}Ax = A^{-1}b \Leftrightarrow x = A^{-1}b.$$

- in practice:
 - avoid explicit computation of $M^{-1}A$
 - find an M similar to A , compute effect of M^{-1} (i.e., approximate solution of SLE)
 - or: find an M^{-1} similar to A^{-1}

CG and Preconditioning

- just replace A by $M^{-1}A$ in the algorithm??
- problem: $M^{-1}A$ not necessarily symmetric (even if M and A both are)
- we will try an alternative first:
symmetric preconditioning

$$Ax = b \rightsquigarrow L^T AL\hat{x} = L^T b, \quad x = L\hat{x}$$

- Remember: for Finite Element discretization, this corresponds to a change of basis functions!
- requires some re-computations in the CG algorithm (see following slides)

“Change-of-Basis” Preconditioning

- preconditioned system of equations:

$$Ax = b \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \underbrace{(L^T AL)}_{=: \hat{A}} \hat{x} = \underbrace{L^T b}_{=: \hat{b}}, \quad x = L\hat{x}$$

- computation of residual:

$$\hat{r} = \hat{b} - \hat{A}\hat{x} = L^T b - L^T AL\hat{x} = L^T(b - Ax) = L^T r$$

- computation of α for new system:

$$\alpha_j := \frac{(\hat{r}^{(j)})^T \hat{r}^{(j)}}{(\hat{d}^{(j)})^T \hat{A} \hat{d}^{(j)}} = \frac{(\hat{r}^{(j)})^T \hat{r}^{(j)}}{(\hat{d}^{(j)})^T L^T AL \hat{d}^{(j)}} = \frac{(\hat{r}^{(j)})^T \hat{r}^{(j)}}{(\tilde{d}^{(j)})^T A \tilde{d}^{(j)}}$$

where we defined $L\tilde{d}^{(j)} =: \hat{d}^{(j)}$

- update of solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{x}^{(j+1)} &= \hat{x}^{(j)} + \alpha_j \hat{d}^{(j)} \\ \Rightarrow x^{(j+1)} = L\hat{x}^{(j+1)} &= L\hat{x}^{(j)} + L\alpha_j \hat{d}^{(j)} = x^{(j)} + \alpha_j \tilde{d}^{(j)} \end{aligned}$$

“Change-of-Basis” Preconditioning (2)

- update residuals \hat{r} :

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{r}^{(i+1)} &= \hat{r}^{(i)} - \alpha_i \hat{A} \hat{d}^{(i)} = \hat{r}^{(i)} - \alpha_i L^T A L \hat{d}^{(i)} \\ &= \hat{r}^{(i)} - \alpha_i L^T A \tilde{d}^{(i)}\end{aligned}$$

- computation of β_j :

$$\beta_{i+1} = \frac{(\hat{r}^{(i+1)})^T \hat{r}^{(i+1)}}{(\hat{r}^{(i)})^T \hat{r}^{(i)}}$$

- update of search directions:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{d}^{(i+1)} &= \hat{r}^{(i+1)} + \beta_i \hat{d}^{(i)} \\ \Rightarrow \tilde{d}^{(i+1)} = L \hat{d}^{(i+1)} &= L \hat{r}^{(i+1)} + L \beta_i \hat{d}^{(i)} \\ &= L \hat{r}^{(i+1)} + \beta_i \tilde{d}^{(i)}\end{aligned}$$

CG with “Change-of-Basis” Preconditioning

Start with $\hat{r}^{(0)} = L^T(b - Ax^{(0)})$ and $\tilde{d}^{(0)} = L\hat{r}^{(0)}$;

While $\hat{r}^{(i)} > \epsilon$ iterate over:

1. $\alpha_j = \frac{(\hat{r}^{(i)})^T \hat{r}^{(i)}}{(\tilde{d}^{(i)})^T A \tilde{d}^{(i)}}$
2. $x^{(i+1)} = x^{(i)} + \alpha_j \tilde{d}^{(i)}$
3. $\hat{r}^{(i+1)} = \hat{r}^{(i)} - \alpha_j L^T A \tilde{d}^{(i)}$
4. $\beta_{i+1} = \frac{(\hat{r}^{(i+1)})^T \hat{r}^{(i+1)}}{(\hat{r}^{(i)})^T \hat{r}^{(i)}}$
5. $\tilde{d}^{(i+1)} = L\hat{r}^{(i+1)} + \beta_i \tilde{d}^{(i)}$

Hierarchical Basis Preconditioning

Some specifics for the CG implementation:

- L transforms coefficient vector from hierarchical basis to nodal basis, for example $\hat{x} = Lx$ or $\tilde{d} = L\hat{d}$
- L^T transforms the vector of basis functions from nodal basis to hierarchical basis (cmp. FEM), thus $\hat{r} = L^T r$
- effect of L and L^T can be computed in $\mathcal{O}(N)$ operations

HB-CG for the Poisson problem:

- in 1D: convergence after a $\log N$ iterations!
(in this case: $L^T AL$ diagonal matrix with $\log N$ different eigenvalues)
- in 2D and 3D very fast convergence!
- further improved by additional diagonal preconditioning
- so-called *hierarchical generating systems* (change to a multigrid basis) achieve multigrid-like performance

CG with Hierarchical Generating Systems

Recall: system of linear equations $A^{\text{GS}} v^{\text{GS}} = b^{\text{GS}}$ given as

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_h & A_h P_{2h}^h & A_h P_{4h}^h \\ R_h^{2h} A_h & A_{2h} & A_{2h} P_{4h}^{2h} \\ R_h^{4h} A_h & R_{2h}^{4h} A_{2h} & A_{4h} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_h \\ v_{2h} \\ v_{4h} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_h \\ R_h^{2h} b_h \\ R_h^{4h} b_h \end{pmatrix}$$

Preconditioning for CG?

- system $A^{\text{GS}} v^{\text{GS}} = b^{\text{GS}}$ is singular
→ subspace of solutions v^{GS} (minima of the quadratic form!)
- however: any of the solutions will do!
- convergence result:

$$\|e^{(i)}\|_A \leq 2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{\hat{\kappa}_{\text{GS}}} - 1}{\sqrt{\hat{\kappa}_{\text{GS}}} + 1} \right)^i \|e^{(0)}\|_A, \quad \hat{\kappa}_{\text{GS}} = \hat{\lambda}_{\max} / \hat{\lambda}_{\min}$$

where $\hat{\kappa}_{\text{GS}}$ is the ratio of largest vs. smallest **non-zero** eigenvalue

- for Poisson eq.: $\hat{\kappa}_{\text{GS}}$ independent of $h \rightsquigarrow$ multigrid convergence

CG and Preconditioning (revisited)

- preconditioning: replace A by $M^{-1}A$
- problem: $M^{-1}A$ not necessarily symmetric
- compare symmetric preconditioning

$$Ax = b \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad L^T AL\hat{x} = Lb, \quad x = L\hat{x}$$

- workaround: find $E^T E = M$ (Cholesky fact.), then

$$Ax = b \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad E^{-T}AE^{-1}\hat{x} = E^{-T}b, \quad \hat{x} = Ex$$

- what if E cannot be computed (efficiently)?
(neither M nor M^{-1} might be known explicitly!)
- E, E^{-T}, E^{-1} can be eliminated from algorithm
(again requires some re-computations):

$$\text{set } \hat{d} = Ed \quad \text{and use } \hat{r} = E^{-T}r, \quad \hat{x} = Ex, \quad E^{-1}E^{-T} = M^{-1}$$

CG with Preconditioner

Start: $r^{(0)} = b - Ax^{(0)}$; $d^{(0)} = M^{-1}r^{(0)}$

$$1. \alpha_j = \frac{(r^{(i)})^T M^{-1} r^{(i)}}{(d^{(i)})^T A d^{(i)}}$$

$$2. x^{(i+1)} = x^{(i)} + \alpha_j d^{(i)}$$

$$3. r^{(i+1)} = r^{(i)} - \alpha_j A d^{(i)}$$

$$4. \beta_{i+1} = \frac{(r^{(i+1)})^T M^{-1} r^{(i+1)}}{(r^{(i)})^T M^{-1} r^{(i)}}$$

$$5. d^{(i+1)} = M^{-1} r^{(i+1)} + \beta_{i+1} d^{(i)}$$

(for detailed derivation, see Shewchuck)

Implementation

Preconditioning steps: $M^{-1}r^{(i)}$, $M^{-1}r^{(i+1)}$

- M^{-1} known then multiply $M^{-1}r^{(i)}$
- M known? Then solve $My = r^{(i)}$ to obtain $y = M^{-1}r^{(i)}$
- neither M , nor M^{-1} are known explicitly:
 - algorithm to solve $My = r^{(i)}$ is sufficient!
→ any approximate solver for $Ae = r^{(i)}$
 - algorithm to compute M^{-1} is sufficient!
→ compute (sparse) approximate inverse (SPAI)
- Examples: Multigrid, Jacobi, ILU, SPAI, ...

Preconditioners for CG – Examples

- find $M \approx A$ and compute effect of M^{-1} :
 - Jacobi preconditioning: $M := D_A$
 - (Symmetric) Gauss-Seidel preconditioning: $M := L_A$ or $M = (D_A + L'_A)D_A^{-1}(D_A + (L'_A)^T)$, etc.
- just compute effect of M^{-1} :
 - any approximate solver might do
→ incl. multigrid methods
 - incomplete LU -decomposition (ILU)
should be symmetric → incomplete Cholesky factorization
 - use a multigrid method as preconditioner(?)
→ worthwhile (only) in situations where multigrid does not work (well) as stand-alone solver
- find an M^{-1} similar to A^{-1}
 - “sparse approximate inverse” (SPAI)
 - tries to minimise $\|I - MA\|_F$, where M is a matrix with (given) sparse non-zero pattern

Preconditioners – ILU and Incomplete Cholesky

Recall LU decomposition and Cholesky factorization:

- LU decomposition: given A , find lower/upper triangular matrices L and U such that $A = LU$
- Cholesky factorization: given $A = A^T$, find lower triangular matrix L such that $A = LL^T \rightarrow$ symmetric preconditioning!
- variants with explicit diagonal matrix D :

$$A = LD^{-1}U \quad \text{or} \quad A = LD^{-1}L^T,$$

where $L = D + L'$ and $R = D + R'$ with *strict* lower/upper triangular L', R'

- **but:** for sparse A , L and U may be non-sparse

Idea: disregard all fill-in during factorization

Cholesky Factorization

$$\begin{pmatrix} L_{11} & & \\ L_{21} & L_{22} & \\ L_{31} & L_{32} & L_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} D_{11}^{-1} & & \\ & D_{22}^{-1} & \\ & & D_{33}^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L_{11}^T & L_{21}^T & L_{31}^T \\ & L_{22}^T & L_{32}^T \\ & & L_{33}^T \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{21}^T & A_{31}^T \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & A_{32}^T \\ A_{31} & A_{32} & A_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

Derive the factorization algorithm:

- assume that $A_{11} \stackrel{!}{=} L_{11} D_{11}^{-1} L_{11}^T$ is already factorized
- let L_{21} be a $1 \times k$ submatrix, i.e., to compute next row of L :

$$L_{21} D_{11}^{-1} L_{11}^T \stackrel{!}{=} A_{21}$$

$D_{11}^{-1} L_{11}^T$ upper triangular matrix \rightarrow solve triangular system for L_{21}

- by convention $L_{22} = D_{22}$, which is computed from:

$$L_{21} D_{11}^{-1} L_{21}^T + L_{22} D_{22}^{-1} L_{22}^{-T} \stackrel{!}{=} A_{22} \quad \Rightarrow \quad L_{22} = D_{22} := A_{22} - L_{21} D_{11}^{-1} L_{21}^T$$

Incomplete Cholesky Factorization

Algorithm: $(A \rightarrow LD^{-1}L^T)$

- initialize $D := 0, L := 0$
- for $i = 1, \dots, n$:
 1. for $k = 1, \dots, i - 1$:
 - if $(i, k) \in S$ then set $L_{ik} := A_{ik} - \sum_{j < k}' L_{ij} D_{jj}^{-1} L_{kj}$
 2. set $L_{ii} = D_{ii} := A_{ii} - \sum_{j < i}' L_{ij} D_{jj}^{-1} L_{ij}$
- note: sums $\sum_{j < k}'$ and $\sum_{j < i}'$ only consider non-zero elements $\in S$
- uses given **pattern** S of non-zero elements in the factorization (frequent choice: use non-zeros of A for S)
- Cholesky factorization computed in $\mathcal{O}(n)$ operations for sparse matrices (with $c \cdot n$ non-zeros)
- frequently used for preconditioning

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