

Preconditioners for Krylov subspace methods

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Preconditioned Krylov subspace methods with domain decomposition

- One level Additive Schwarz (AS) methods

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Plan

Preconditioned Krylov subspace methods with domain decomposition

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Preconditioned Krylov subspace methods

- Solve by using iterative methods

$$Ax = b.$$

- Convergence depends on $\kappa(A)$ and the eigenvalue distribution (for SPD matrices).
- To accelerate convergence, solve

$$M^{-1}Ax = M^{-1}b,$$

where

- M approximates well the inverse of A and/or
 - improves $\kappa(A)$, the condition number of A .
- Ideally, we would like to bound $\kappa(A)$, independently of the size of the matrix A .

Domain decomposition methods: notations

Solve $M^{-1}Ax = M^{-1}b$, where $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is SPD

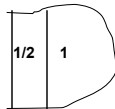
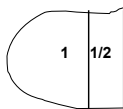
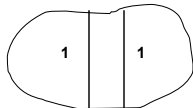
For $\mathcal{N} = \{1, \dots, n\}$, let $\mathcal{N}_i \subset \mathcal{N}$ for $i = 1 \dots N$ be the subset of DOF of subdomain i , referred to as Ω_i , possibly with overlap. We define:

- The restriction operator $R_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i \times n}$, $R_i = I_n(\mathcal{N}_i, :)$.
- The prolongation operator, $R_i^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n_i}$
- The matrix associated to domain i ,
 $A_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i \times n_i}$,

$$A_i = R_i A R_i^T$$

- The algebraic partition of unity $(D_i)_{1 \leq i \leq N}$,

$$I_n = \sum_{i=1}^N R_i^T D_i R_i$$



Additive and Restrictive Additive Schwarz methods

- Original idea from Schwarz algorithm at the continuous level (Schwarz 1870)
- Restricted Additive Schwarz (Cai & Sarkis 1999) defined as

$$M_{RAS}^{-1} := \sum_{i=1}^N R_i^T D_i A_i^{-1} R_i$$

- Symmetric formulation, Additive Schwarz (1989) defined as

$$M_{AS}^{-1} := \sum_{i=1}^N R_i^T A_i^{-1} R_i$$

- In practice, RAS more efficient than AS

Two level preconditioners

Given a coarse subspace $V_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n_0}$ and Z its basis, $V_0 = \text{span } Z$, let $R_0 = Z^T$, the coarse grid $R_0 A R_0^T$.
The two level AS preconditioner is

$$M_{AS,2}^{-1} := R_0^T (R_0 A R_0^T)^{-1} R_0 + \sum_{i=1}^N R_i^T (A_i)^{-1} R_i$$

Let k_c be minimum number of distinct colors so that $(\text{span}\{R_i^T\})_{1 \leq i \leq N}$ of the same color are mutually A -orthogonal. The following holds (e.g. Chan and Mathew 1994)

$$\lambda_{\max}(M_{AS,2}^{-1} A) \leq k_c + 1$$

Convergence theory

Results from e.g. [Chan and Mathew, 1994, Dolean et al., 2015].

$$M_{AS,2}^{-1}A := \sum_{i=0}^N R_i^T (A_i)^{-1} R_i A = \sum_{i=0}^N P_i, \text{ where } P_i = R_i^T (A_i)^{-1} R_i A$$

P_i are orthogonal projection matrices in the A inner product since

$$\begin{aligned} P_i P_i &= R_i^T (A_i)^{-1} R_i A R_i^T (A_i)^{-1} R_i A = R_i^T (A_i)^{-1} R_i A = P_i \\ A P_i &= A R_i^T (A_i)^{-1} R_i A = P_i^T A \end{aligned}$$

Recall that $a(u, v) = v^T A u$ and $\|P_i\| \leq 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{\max}(M_{AS,2}^{-1}A) &= \sup_{u \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{a(M_{AS,2}^{-1}A u, u)}{a(u, u)} \\ &= \sup_{u \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sum_{i=0}^N \frac{a(P_i u, u)}{\|u\|_a^2} = \sup_{u \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sum_{i=0}^N \frac{a(P_i u, P_i u)}{\|u\|_a^2} \\ &\leq \sum_{i=0}^N \sup_{u \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{a(P_i u, P_i u)}{\|u\|_a^2} \leq N + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Convergence theory (contd)

If we define a-orthogonal projectors

$$\tilde{P}_i = \sum_{j \in \Theta_i} P_j, \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, k_c$$

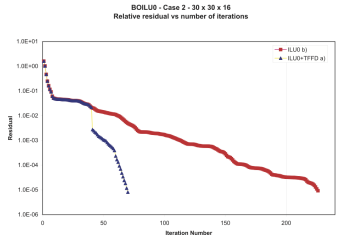
where Θ_i is a set of indices with the same color (that is the indices denoting disjoint subdomains). We can apply the same reasoning and obtain

$$\lambda_{\max}(M_{AS,2}^{-1}A) \leq k_c + 1$$

The need for two level preconditioners

- When solving complex linear systems arising, e.g. from large discretized systems of PDEs with **strongly heterogeneous coefficients** (high contrast, multiscale).

- Flow in porous media
- Elasticity problems
- CMB data analysis (no PDE)



- Most of the existing preconditioners lack robustness
 - wrt jumps in coefficients / partitioning into irregular subdomains, e.g. one level DDM methods (block Jacobi, RAS), incomplete LU
 - A few small eigenvalues hinder the convergence of iterative methods

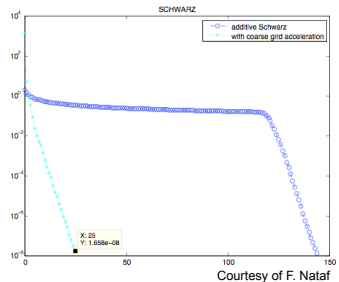
How to compute the coarse subspace $V_0 = \text{span } Z$

- Nicolaides 87 (CG): kernel of the operator (constant vectors) for a Poisson like problem works well

$$Z := (R_i^T D_i R_i 1)_{i=1:N}$$

Z defined as in (Nicolaides 1987):

$$Z = \begin{pmatrix} 1_{\Omega_1} & & & \\ & 1_{\Omega_2} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & 1_{\Omega_N} \end{pmatrix}$$



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- Z is formed by estimations of eigenvectors corresponding to smallest eigenvalues / knowledge from the physics
- Krylov methods can be used to obtain those estimations

Example of two level preconditioner

Consider the matrix [Tang et al., 2009]:

$$P := I - AZE^{-1}Z^T, \quad E := Z^T AZ$$

where

- Z is the deflation subspace matrix of full rank
- E is the coarse grid correction, a small dense invertible matrix
- P is called deflation matrix, $PAZ = 0$

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$$P_{2lvl}^{-1} = M^{-1}P + ZE^{-1}Z^T,$$

where M is the first level preconditioner (eg based on block Jacobi).

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- The small eigenvalues are shifted to 1.
- P_{2lvl} is not SPD, even when A is, better choices available, but more expensive.

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Computing the preconditioner requires

- Deflation subspace Z , which can be formed by
 - Eigenvectors corresponding to smallest eigenvalues - from previous linear systems solved with different right hand sides, etc.
 - Using knowledge from the physics, partition of the unity, etc.
- Computing AZ and $E = Z^T AZ$.

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- Computing $y = ZE^{-1}Z^T(Ax_i) = ZE^{-1}Z^T v$
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