

Welcome to Ma 221! Lecture 28, Fall 24

Preconditioning to accelerate iterative Methods for $Ax=b$

How to change $Ax=b$ cheaply to converge faster:

simplest: $M^{-1}Ax = M^{-1}b$ where $M \approx A$

(1) M^{-1} should be cheap to multiply by

(2) $M^{-1}A$ better conditioned than A

Idea straightforward for GMRES, which works for any general A

Apply GMRES to $M^{-1}Ax = M^{-1}b$

Trickier for CG: M s.p.d. and A s.p.d. then $M^{-1}A$ generally not

$$M \text{ s.p.d.} \Rightarrow M = Q\Lambda Q^T \Rightarrow M^{1/2} = Q\Lambda^{1/2}Q^T$$

Imagine applying CG to

$$(*) \quad \underbrace{(M^{-1/2} A M^{-1/2})}_{\text{s.p.d.}} (M^{1/2} x) = M^{-1/2} b$$

$M^{-1}A$ and $M^{-1/2} A M^{-1/2}$ are similar

$$M^{1/2} (M^{-1}A) M^{-1/2} = M^{-1/2} A M^{-1/2}$$

\Rightarrow same evals and

$$\text{cond}(M^{-1/2} A M^{-1/2}) \leq \text{cond}(M^{-1}A)$$

Preconditioned CG (equivalent to CG on $(*)$)

$$k=0, x(0), r(0)=b, p(1)=M^{-1}b, y(0)=M^{-1}r(0)$$

repeat

$$k=k+1$$

$$z = A p(k)$$

$$\nu(k) = (y(k-1)^T r(k-1)) / (p(k)^T z)$$

$$x(k) = x(k-1) + \nu(k) p(k)$$

$$r(k) = r(k-1) - \nu(k) \cdot z$$

$$y(k) = M^{-1} r(k)$$

$$\nu(k+1) = (y(k)^T r(k)) / (y(k-1)^T r(k-1))$$

$$p(k+1) = y(k) + \nu(k+1) \cdot p(k)$$

until $\|r(k)\|_2$ small enough

Thm 6.9: equivalent to CG on $(*)$

(HWQ 6.14) prove it!

(see errata on page 317)

Where to get a good M ?

goals: (1) cheap to multiply by M^{-1}
(2) $\text{cond}(M^{-1}A) \ll \text{cond}(A)$

lots of preconditioners, depends on A

(1) A s.p.d $M = \text{diag}(A_{11}, A_{22}, \dots, A_{nn})$

"Jacobi preconditioning"

$$A = M - (M - A) = M - K$$

$$R_j = M^{-1}K = M^{-1}(M - A) = I - M^{-1}A$$

$$M^{-1}A = I - R_j$$

$\rho(R_j) < 1 \Leftrightarrow M^{-1}A$ well conditioned

Thm (Van der Sluis, 1969) if M diagonal then $\text{diag}(A_{11}, A_{22}, \dots, A_{nn})$ within factor of n of optimal, i.e. minimizing $\text{cond}(M^{-1}A)$

$$(2) M = \text{diag}(\tilde{A}_{11}, \tilde{A}_{22}, \dots, \tilde{A}_{kk})$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{A}_{11} & & \\ & \tilde{A}_{22} & \\ & & \tilde{A}_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

where each \tilde{A}_{ii} is a square block on diagonal; more expensive than Jacobi preconditioning (called block Jacobi)

Van der Sluis generalizes: If M can be any block diagonal matrix, choosing as above within factor k of minimal condition # of $M^{-1}A$

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(3) "Incomplete Cholesky"

compute a partial Cholesky decomp.

$LL^T \approx A$ by limiting fill-in of L

simplest: no new nonzeros in L

$$L_{ij} \neq 0 \Rightarrow A_{ij} \neq 0$$

\Rightarrow triangular solves with L, L^T costs

same # flops as multiplying by A

(4) a few steps of multigrid
(perhaps just applied to \tilde{A}_{ii})

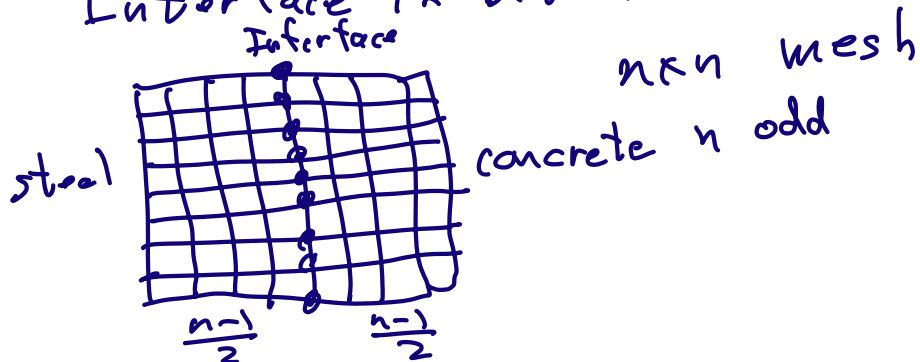
(5) Domain Decomposition (sec 6.10 of text)

Ex: discretize FE problem on 2D mesh

Left is discretization of steel

Right " " " concrete

Interface in between



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{ss} & \mathcal{O} & A_{si} \\ \mathcal{O} & A_{cc} & A_{ci} \\ A_{is} & A_{ic} & A_{ii} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} I & \mathcal{O} & \mathcal{O} \\ \mathcal{O} & I & \mathcal{O} \\ A_{is}A_{ss}^{-1} & A_{ic}A_{cc}^{-1} & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & \mathcal{O} & \mathcal{O} \\ \mathcal{O} & I & \mathcal{O} \\ \mathcal{O} & \mathcal{O} & S \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_{ss} & \mathcal{O} & A_{si} \\ \mathcal{O} & A_{cc} & A_{ci} \\ \mathcal{O} & \mathcal{O} & I \end{bmatrix}$$

$S =$ Schur complement

$$= A_{ii} - A_{is}A_{ss}^{-1}A_{si} - A_{ic}A_{cc}^{-1}A_{ci}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{ss}^{-1} & 0 & -A_{ss}^{-1} A_{si} \\ 0 & A_{cc}^{-1} & -A_{cc}^{-1} A_{ci} \\ 0 & 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & S^{-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I & 0 \\ -A_{is} A_{ss}^{-1} & -A_{ic} A_{cc}^{-1} & I \end{bmatrix}$$

How to cheaply multiply by A^{-1} (approximately)

Good idea if have good preconditioners for A_{ss} and A_{cc}

Need to multiply by

$$(-A_{is} A_{ss}^{-1})x = -A_{is} (A_{ss}^{-1}x)$$

\Rightarrow use preconditioner for A_{ss} to approximate $A_{ss}^{-1}x$

ditto for $-A_{ic} A_{cc}^{-1}x$

Multiplying by S^{-1} (approximately)

$$Sx = (A_{ii}x) - A_{is} (A_{ss}^{-1} (A_{si}x)) - A_{ic} (A_{cc}^{-1} (A_{ci}x))$$

use preconditioners for A_{ss} and A_{cc}

Given Sx use CG to multiply by S^{-1} , using all preceding tricks

Often S much better conditioned than A ,
Thm. $\text{cond}(S) \leq \text{cond}(A)$ if A s.p.d.

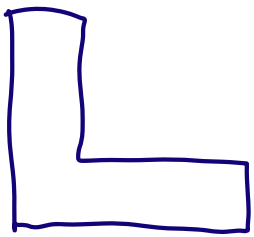
why often much better?

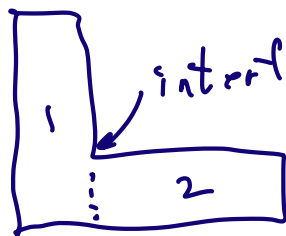
smaller: dimension n vs $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$

Poisson: $\kappa(S) \sim \sqrt{\kappa(A)}$

Called "non overlapping domain decomposition"

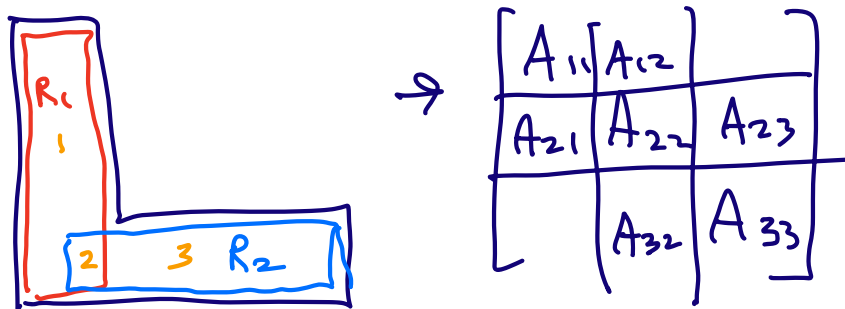
Also: "overlapping domain decomp"

Ex:  solve Poisson on L-shaped domain

Non overlapping  interface

use fast Poisson solver on each rectangle
disadvantage: data moves slowly across interface (same problem that multigrid addressed)

Solution: let domains overlap



$$R_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for rectangle 1}$$

$$R_2 = \begin{bmatrix} A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{32} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for rectangle 2}$$

$$M^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} R_1^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & R_2^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

"overlapping block Jacobi"

"additive Schwarz"

Apply idea from Gauss-Seidel to
use most recent data!

Solve with R_1^{-1} , then use updated
solution to solve with R_2^{-1}

"multiplicative Schwarz"