# Multigrid for solving complex-valued Helmholtz problems

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## 1 Failure of the Multigrid method for Helmholtz problems: analysis

#### 1.1 Discretization

(a)

$$10 \le \lambda \text{ \#gridpoints} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$10 \le \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{|\sigma|}} \frac{1}{h^d} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\sqrt{|\sigma|} h^d \le \frac{2\pi}{10} \approx 0.625.$$

(b)

# roosterpunten = 
$$\frac{10\sqrt{600}}{2\pi}$$
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### 1.2 1D model problem

(a)

To proof:  $H^{2h} \neq I_h^{2h} H^h I_{2h}^h$ .

$$H^{2h} = H_n = A_n + \sigma i d_n$$
  
$$H^h = H_{2n} = A_{2n} + \sigma i d_{2n}$$

Assume that  $A_n = I_h^{2h} A_{2n} I_{2h}^h = R_{2n} A_{2n} I_n$ . By linearity it is sufficient to proof:

$$\sigma i d_n \neq \sigma R_{2n} i d_{2n} I_n \Leftrightarrow$$

$$i d_n \neq R_{2n} I_n \Leftarrow$$

$$(i d_n)_{00} = 1 \neq \frac{3}{4} = (R_{2n} I_n)_{00}$$

First equivalence follows from  $\sigma \neq 0$ . The assumption and the last inequality depends on the definition of restriction and interpolation. (b) See code/main.ipynb for code and plots. We implemented  $f(t) = \delta(t - 0.5)$  by concentrating all the mass into the middle element of  $f_n$ .

(c)

There exists a closed formula for eigenvalues and eigenvectors of tridiagonal toeplitz matrix. It is just tedious to use. Alternatively the eigenvalues and eigenvectors can be derived from the Poisson problem ( $\sigma = 0$ ) because

$$Av = \lambda v \Rightarrow$$

$$(A + \sigma id)v = Av + \sigma v$$

$$= (\lambda + \sigma)v$$

i.e. eigenvectors stay the same and eigenvalues get shifted by  $\sigma$ .

(d)

See code/main.ipynb for the plot.  $\sigma = 0$  is the boundary where H goes from indefinite to definite.

#### 1.3 LFA analysis of the $\omega$ -Jacobi smoother

(a)

For grid points without a neighboring boundary point there H acts like following stencil:

$$H_n = n^2[-1 \quad 2 + \frac{\sigma}{n^2} \quad -1].$$

So  $R_{\omega}$  works element wise the following way on the error:

$$e_j^{m+1} = (1 - \omega)e_j^m + \frac{\omega n^2}{2n^2 + \sigma}(e_{j-1}^m + e_{j+1}^m). \tag{1}$$

Very similar to the analysis for the Poisson equation. Note that we haven't used that  $\sigma$  is real. Doing the LFA substitution  $e_j^{(m)} = \mathcal{A}(m)e^{ij\theta}$ :

$$A(m+1) = A(m) \left( 1 - \omega + \frac{\omega n^2}{2n^2 + \sigma} (e^{-i\theta} + e^{i\theta}) \right)$$
$$= A(m) \left( 1 - \omega + 2\cos(\theta) \frac{\omega n^2}{2n^2 + \sigma} \right)$$

The factor in behind of A(m) is the amplification factor  $G(\theta)$ .

(b)

 $\sigma=0$  reduces back to the LFA we did for the Poisson equation.  $\theta\approx 0\Rightarrow \cos(\theta)\approx 1+O\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right)\Rightarrow G(\theta)\approx 1-O\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right)$  so smooth modes are preserved for big n. (c) See code/main.ipynb for the plot.

(d)

Maximum of  $G(\theta)$  is achieved at  $\theta = 0$  because  $G(\theta)$  is just an increasing function of  $\cos(\theta)$ . This means that  $\rho = 1 - \omega + 2\frac{\omega n^2}{2n^2 + \sigma} \approx 1.05$  which suggests that weighted jacobi wouldn't converge.

#### 1.4 Spectral analysis of the two-grid correction scheme

(a)

It is easily seen that

$$R_{2n} = cS_{2n}(3id - A_{2n}). (2)$$

with  $c \in \mathbb{R}_0$ ,  $S_{2n} : \mathbb{R}^{2n-1} \to \mathbb{R}^{n-1} : (v_j)_{j \leq 2n-2} \to (v_{2j+1})_{j \leq n-2}$  subsampling uneven components. Using that  $S_{2n}w_k^{2n} = w_k^n$  if k < n it is easily seen that:

$$R_{2n}w_k^{2n} = cS_{2n}(3id - A_{2n})w_k^{2n}$$
  
=  $c(3 - \lambda_k(A_{2n}))S_{2n}w_k^{2n}$   
=  $a(n,k)w_k^n$ .

In our case  $I_n$  is linear interpolation, reconstruction error for lagrange interpolation can be bounded using Taylors theorem.

$$I_n S_{2n} v_{2n} \approx c v_{2n}. \tag{3}$$

For  $w_k^{2n}$  smooth and combining with previous argument we have:

$$I_n R_{2n} w_{2n} \approx c_1 w_{2n}. \tag{4}$$

To check the normalizing constant try  $v_{2n} = 1 \Rightarrow c_1 = 1$ .

We also checked these facts numerically by plotting see code. Now doing spectral analysis of TG is straight forward:

$$TGw_k^{2n} = (id - I_n H_n^{-1} R_{2n} H_{2n}) w_k^{2n}$$

$$= w_k^{2n} - I_n H_n^{-1} R_{2n} \lambda_k (H_{2n}) w_k^{2n}$$

$$= w_k^{2n} - I_n H_n^{-1} a(n, k) w_k^n \lambda_k (H_{2n})$$

$$= w_k^{2n} - I_n a(n, k) w_k^n \lambda_k (H_n^{-1}) \lambda_k (H_{2n})$$

$$= w_k^{2n} - I_n R_{2n} w_k^{2n} \lambda_k (H_n^{-1}) \lambda_k (H_{2n})$$

$$\approx w_k^{2n} - w_k^{2n} \lambda_k (H_n^{-1}) \lambda_k (H_{2n})$$

$$\approx w_k^{2n} (1 - \lambda_k (H_n^{-1}) \lambda_k (H_{2n}))$$

(b)

We already analytically derived the eigenvalues for  $H_n$ . For the plot see code.

TG iterations may amplify smooth modes when  $\rho_k > 1$ .

(c)

See code for the plots.  $\rho_k > 1$  when the sign changes. In the previous case the index closest to the sign change is k = 6. No, the smoother leaves smooth modes almost unchanged.

## 2 Solving the complex-valued Helmholtz problem using Multigrid

## 2.1 1D model problem

(a)

see code

(b) For a point source it may not be obvious but the solutions for complex shifted problem is very similar.

(c) see code

#### 2.2 LFA analysis of the $\omega$ -Jacobi smoother

(a) Already answered in previous question.  $\rho$  is still  $|G(\theta)|$  almost the same reasoning.

$$|G(\theta)| = |a + b\cos(\theta) + c\cos(\theta)i| \tag{5}$$

with  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  still gets optimized when  $\cos(\theta)$  gets optimized. Using that argument requires that  $2n^2 + R(\sigma) \ge 0$  which follows from the criterium on n we placed at the start.

(b)

Depending on  $\beta$  the smoother may be stable.

(c)

We think  $|G(\pi)|$  or  $|G(\frac{\pi}{2})|$ . We have numerical evidence not a proof yet. (d) Eyeballing the plot we made  $\omega \approx 0.65$  is good.

### 2.3 Spectral analysis of the two-grid correction scheme

(a)

Already did that. See code. Well with the formula not numerical eigenvalues ...

(b)

The instability in  $\rho_k$  dampens.

## 2.4 2D model problem

(a)

Solve happens in the code. (b)

Less iterations are needed for the same amount of error. This is because  $\sigma$  the source of the problem get relatively smaller to  $n^2$  in our convergence factors, asymptotically behavior should go back the Laplace problem.

## 2.5 Aggressive coarsening

## 3 Multigrid as a preconditioner for Krylov subspace methods

## 3.1 MG-GMRES for the indefinite Helmholtz problem