

Notes on the Bi-Conjugate Gradient Method

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1 Without a preconditioner

Found in section 3.6.1 of [1]. Initialize as follows:

$$r = b - Ax, \hat{r} = r, \rho_0 = 1, \hat{p} = p = 0, k = 0. \quad (1)$$

Repeat the following until a termination condition such as $\|r\|_2 < \epsilon\|b\|_2$ is satisfied,

$$k = k + 1 \quad (2a)$$

$$\rho_k = \hat{r}^T r, \beta = \rho_k / \rho_{k-1} \quad (2b)$$

$$p = r + \beta p, \hat{p} = \hat{r} + \beta \hat{p} \quad (2c)$$

$$v = Ap \quad (2d)$$

$$\alpha = \rho_k / (\hat{p}^T v) \quad (2e)$$

$$x = x + \alpha p \quad (2f)$$

$$r = r - \alpha v, \hat{r} = \hat{r} - \alpha A^T \hat{p}. \quad (2g)$$

References

- [1] C. T. Kelley, "Iterative Methods for Linear and Nonlinear Equations", SIAM (1995).