

Parallel Numerics

Exercise 4: Iterative Methods

1 Stationary Methods

To solve the equation system $Ax = b$ stationary methods split up the matrix A into $A = M - N$:

$$\begin{aligned} Ax &= b \\ (M - N)x &= b \\ Mx &= Nx + b \\ Mx^{(n+1)} &= Nx^{(n)} + b \end{aligned}$$

Given a matrix A :

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 & 0 & 0 \\ d_1 & a_2 & b_2 & c_2 & 0 \\ e_1 & d_2 & a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \\ 0 & e_2 & d_3 & a_4 & b_4 \\ 0 & 0 & e_3 & d_4 & a_5 \end{pmatrix}$$

i.e. a banded matrix with five diagonals ($\beta = 2$).

- i) Give the Richardson, Jacobi and Gauß-Seidel method using matrix notation. Give an implementation using pseudo code. Choose an appropriate sparse format for A and exploit its banded form.

1.1 Residual-based notation

The residual is defined as

$$r = b - Ax$$

- i) Give the Richardson, Jacobi and Gauß-Seidel method using the residual.
- ii) Give a sketch of the data dependency graph for both computing the residual and updating the solution according to the Jacobi and the GS scheme. (To simplify matters: Assume that A is tridiagonal)
- iii) Which parallel algorithms for matrix vector products of a tridiagonal matrix do you know (already)?

- iv) Which operations do you find in the Gauß-Seidel algorithm that can be executed in parallel?

2 Steepest Descent

Consider the linear system $Ax = b$ where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 11 & -9 \\ -9 & 11 \end{pmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

- Is the matrix A symmetric positive definite (SPD)?
- Apply the first two iterations of the steepest descent method. Use the initial vector $x^{(0)} = (0, 0)^T$.
- Show that the residuals $r^{(k)}$ and $r^{(k-2)}$, $k \geq 2$, are parallel in \mathbb{R}^2 for the steepest descent method.
- Solve (1) with the CG method for the initial solution $x^{(0)} = (0, 0)^T$. Compare your results to part ii). (see algorithm snippet below for the CG algorithm).
- Consider the Conjugate Gradient method that computes the solution x iteratively as a series $\{x^{(k)}\}$:

$$\begin{aligned} p^{(0)} &= r^{(0)} = b - Ax^{(0)} \\ \alpha^{(k)} &= -\frac{\langle r^{(k)}, r^{(k)} \rangle}{\langle p^{(k)}, Ap^{(k)} \rangle} \\ x^{(k+1)} &= x^{(k)} + \alpha^{(k)} p^{(k)} \\ r^{(k+1)} &= r^{(k)} - \alpha^{(k)} Ap^{(k)} \\ \text{if } \|r^{(k+1)}\|_2^2 &\leq \epsilon \text{ then break} \\ \beta^{(k)} &= \frac{\langle r^{(k+1)}, r^{(k+1)} \rangle}{\langle r^{(k)}, r^{(k)} \rangle} \\ p^{(k+1)} &= r^{(k+1)} + \beta^{(k)} p^{(k)} \end{aligned}$$

Implement this algorithm. Try to implement with just one matrix-vector product. Think about parallelizability of the operations and their computational complexity given p processors and matrix size n .

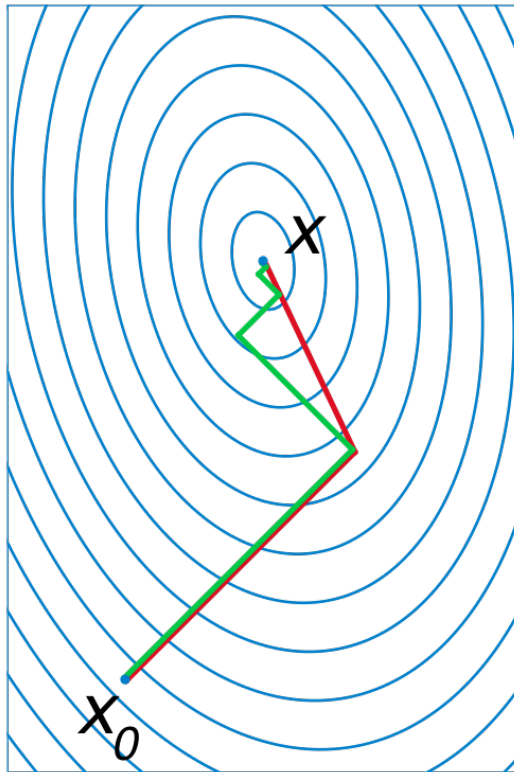


Figure 1: Comparision of Gradient (green) and CG (red)