

## 6.4 Preconditioned Conjugate Gradient

Error for the CG is a function of the condition number of A,  $\mathbf{k}_2(A) = \frac{\max|\mathbf{I}|}{\min|\mathbf{I}|}$ .

The fastest convergence of the CG method occurs when  $\mathbf{k}_2(A) \approx 1$ . Preconditioning can

Be viewed as finding an equivalent  $\hat{A}\hat{X} = \hat{d}$  such that

$$K_2(\hat{A}) - 1 < K_2(A) - 1$$

There are three equivalent descriptions of the CG scheme:

$$1. \quad J(x^{m+1}) = \min_c J(x^m + c_o r_o + \dots + c_m r_m)$$

where  $r_i$  are residual directions,

$$2. \quad J(x^{m+1}) = \min_c J(x^m + c_o p_o + \dots + c_m p_m)$$

where  $p_i$  are conjugate directions, and

$$3. \quad J(x^{m+1}) = \min_c J(x^o + c_o r_o + c_1 A r_o + \dots + c_m A^m r_o)$$

where  $A^i r_0$  are Krylov directions.

**Proposition 8.** If A is SPD, then 1,2 and 3 are equivalent.

**Proof.**

$1 \leftrightarrow 2$ , see formal proof on Stoer and Bulrich.

$2 \leftrightarrow 3$ , see Kelley.

**Connection among 1,2,3:**

Let  $p_i$  be the conjugate directions as defined in the conjugate gradient algorithm.

$$p_o \equiv r_o$$

$$x^1 = x^o + \mathbf{a}_o p_o$$

$$r_1 = r_o - \mathbf{a}_o A p_o$$

$$p_1 = r_1 + \mathbf{b}_o p_o$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 &= x^1 + \mathbf{a}_1 p_1 \\ &= x^1 + \mathbf{a}_1 (r_1 + \mathbf{b}_o p_o) \\ &= x^1 + \mathbf{a}_1 (r_1 + \mathbf{b}_o r_o) , \text{residual directions} \\ &= x^o + \mathbf{a}_o r_o + \mathbf{a}_1 (r_o - \mathbf{a}_o A p_o + \mathbf{b}_o r_o) \\ &= x^o + c_o r_o + c_1 A r_o , \text{Krylov directions.} \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 9.** If A is SPD, then

$$\|x^{m+1} - x\|_A \leq 2 \left( \frac{\sqrt{k_2} - 1}{\sqrt{k_2} + 1} \right)^{m+1} \|x^o - x\|_A$$

where  $Ax = d$ ,  $k_2 = k_2(A)$  and  $\|x\|_A^2 = x^T A x$ .

**“Outline of proof”**

Use the Algebraic Lemma

$$\begin{aligned} J(x^{m+1}) - J(x) &= 1/2 (x^{m+1} - x)^T A (x^{m+1} - x) \\ &= 1/2 \|x^{m+1} - x\|_A^2. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x - x^{m+1} &= x - (x^o + c_o r_o + \dots c_m A^m r_o) \\ &= x - x^o - (c_o r_o + \dots c_m A^m r_o) \\ &= x - x^o - (c_o I + c_1 A + \dots c_m A^m) r_o \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r_o &= d - A x^o \\ &= A x - A x^o \\ &= A (x - x^o) \end{aligned}$$

$$x - x^{m+1} = x - x^o - (c_o I + c_1 A + \dots c_m A^m) r_o A (x^o - x)$$

$$= (I - (c_0 I + c_1 A + \dots + c_m A^m)) (x^o - x)$$

So, by the Algebraic Lemma

$$2(J(x^{m+1}) - J(x)) = \|x^{m+1} - x\|_A^2 \leq \|q_m(A)(x - x^o)\|_A^2 \quad \text{where}$$

$$q_m(z) = 1 - (c_0 z + \dots + c_m z^{m+1}).$$

To obtain an error estimate choose a "good" polynomial  $q_m(z)$ .

### Form of Preconditioner.

$$A = M - N$$

$M$  is SPD

$$M^{-1} = S^T S$$

$$Ax = d$$

$$M^{-1}Ax = M^{-1}d$$

$$S^T S Ax = S^T S d$$

$$S^T S A S^T (S^{-T} x) = S^T S d$$

$$(S A S^T)(S^{-T} x) = S d$$

$$\text{Let } \hat{A} = S A S^T$$

$$\hat{x} = S^{-T} x$$

$$\hat{d} = S d,$$

Apply CG to  $\hat{A}\hat{x} = \hat{d}$  and use the definition  $M^{-1} = S^T S$  to get the PCG .

### Examples.

1.  $M$  = diagonal part of  $A$

or

= block diagonal part of  $A$

2.  $M$  = incomplete Cholesky factorization

3.  $M$  = incomplete domain decomposition

4. M for symmetric SOR splitting as follows:

Let  $w = 1$ .

$$A = D - L - L^T$$

$$(D - L)x^{m+1/2} = d + L^T x^m \quad \text{Forward SOR}$$

$$(D - L^T)x^{m+1} = d + Lx^{m+1/2} \quad \text{Backward SOR}$$

$$= d + L(D - L)^{-1}(d + L^T x^m)$$

$$x^{m+1} = (D - L^T)^{-1}[d + L(D - L)^{-1}(d + L^T x^m)]$$

$$= (D - L^T)^{-1}d + (D - L^T)^{-1}L(D - L)^{-1}d + (D - L^T)^{-1}L(D - L)^{-1}L^T x^m$$

$$= M^{-1}d + M^{-1}Nx^m$$

$$M^{-1} = (D - L^T)^{-1} + (D - L^T)^{-1}L(D - L)^{-1}$$

$$= (D - L^T)^{-1}[(D - L) + L](D - L)^{-1}$$

$$= (D - L^T)^{-1}D(D - L)^{-1}$$

Solve  $M \hat{r} = r$

$$(D - L)D^{-1}(D - L^T)\hat{r} = r.$$

For  $w \neq 1$

$$M_w^{-1} = \left(\frac{1}{w}(D - wL^T)\right)^{-1} \left(\frac{2-w}{w}\right)D \left(\frac{1}{w}(D - wL)\right)^{-1}.$$

### Matlab Preconditioned Conjugate Gradient with SSOR (cgssor.m)

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clear;
%
% Solves -uxx -uyy = 200+200sin(pi x)sin(pi y) with zero BCs
% Uses PCG with SSOR preconditioner
% Uses 2D arrays for the column vectors
% Does not explicitly store the matrix
%
w = 1.5;
n = 20;
h = 1./n;
u(1:n+1,1:n+1) = 0.0;
r(1:n+1,1:n+1) = 0.0;
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rhat(1:n+1,1:n+1) = 0.0;
% Define right side of PDE
for j= 2:n
    for i = 2:n
        r(i,j)= h*h*(200+200*sin(pi*(i-1)*h)*sin(pi*(j-1)*h));
    end
end

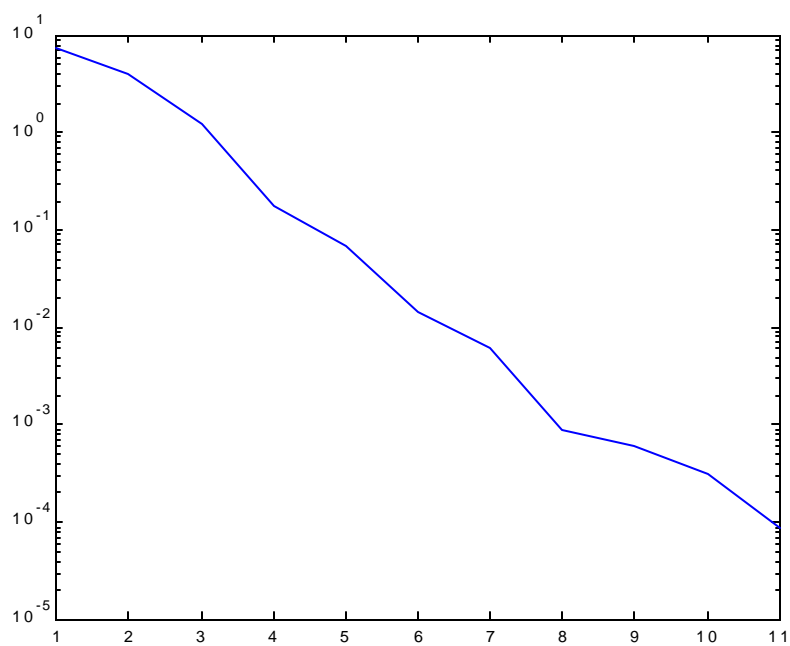
p(1:n+1,1:n+1)= 0.0;
q(1:n+1,1:n+1)= 0.0;
err = 1.0;
m = 0;
rho = 0.0;
% Begin PCG iterations
while ((err>.0001)*(m<200))
    m = m+1;
    oldrho = rho;
% Execute SSOR preconditioner
    for j= 2:n
        for i = 2:n
            rhat(i,j)=w*(r(i,j)+rhat(i-1,j)+rhat(i,j-1))/4.;
        end
    end
    rhat(2:n,2:n) = ((2.-w)/w)*(4.)*rhat(2:n,2:n);
    for j= n:-1:2
        for i = n:-1:2
            rhat(i,j)=w*(rhat(i,j)+rhat(i+1,j)+rhat(i,j+1))/4.;
        end
    end
% Find conjugate direction
    rho = sum(sum(r(2:n,2:n).*rhat(2:n,2:n)));
    if (m==1)
        p = rhat;
    else
        p = rhat + (rho/oldrho)*p;
    end
%
% Use the following line for steepest descent method
% p=r;
%
% Executes the matrix product q = Ap without storage of A
    for j= 2:n
        for i = 2:n
            q(i,j)=4.*p(i,j)-p(i-1,j)-p(i,j-1)-p(i+1,j)-p(i,j+1);
        end
    end
% Executes the steepest descent segment
    alpha = rho/sum(sum(p.*q));
    u = u + alpha*p;
    r = r - alpha*q;
% Test for convergence via the infinity norm of the residual

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    err = max(max(abs(r(2:n,2:n)))));
    reserr(m) = err;
end
m
semilogy(reserr)

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**Log(norm(r)) versus m for PCG with SSOR**