

# Numerical Algorithms for HPC

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Sparse Linear Algebra: Introduction to Krylov  
subspace methods



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## Overview

- Iterative versus direct methods
- What is a Krylov subspace?
- Measuring the error
  - Residue/residual
- Steepest Descent
- Conjugate Gradient
  - Mathematical overview
  - Toy example
- Other KS methods
  - The GMRES and BiCGSTAB methods



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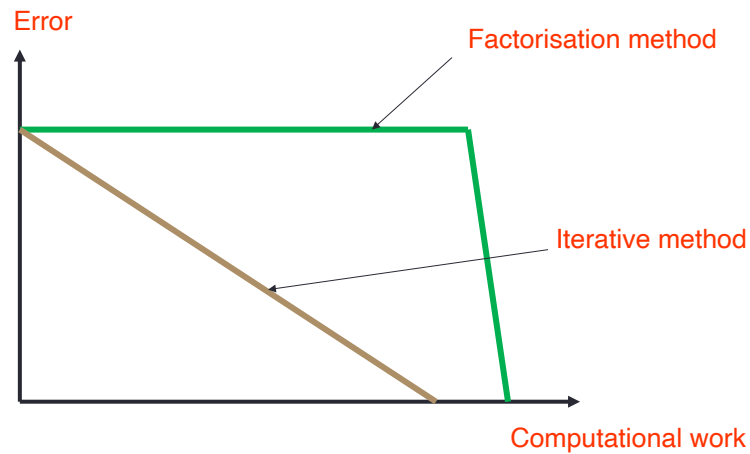
## Properties of iterative schemes

- Iterative methods (e.g. Jacobi, Gauss-Seidel, Conjugate Gradient)
  - do not modify source matrix, involve matrix only through matrix-vector multiplication (possibly with transpose of matrix)
  - preserve sparsity and structure
    - Memory: Good for storage
  - progressively refine solution allowing user to impose accuracy constraints interactively
  - operate on individual righthand sides

## Properties of direct schemes

- Direct (factorisation) methods (e.g. LU factorisation)
  - act on source matrix, destroying structure such as sparsity
  - involve redundant calculations on zero elements
    - Memory: storage of zero elements
  - produce fixed accuracy solutions in a prescribed number of steps
  - can be used efficiently for multiple righthand sides

## Convergence of schemes



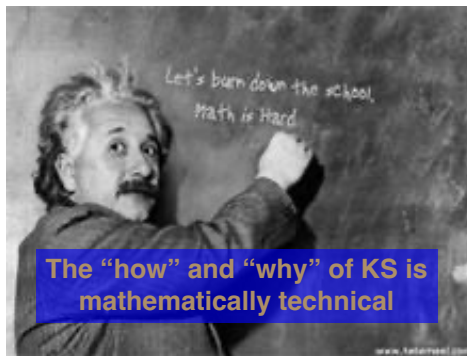
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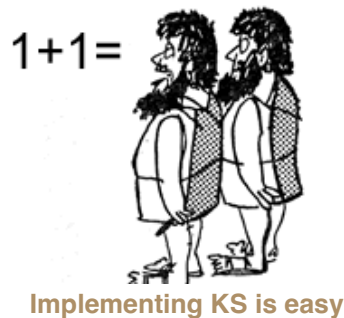


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## Mathematic caveat



Mathematical proofs and derivations are beyond the scope of this course



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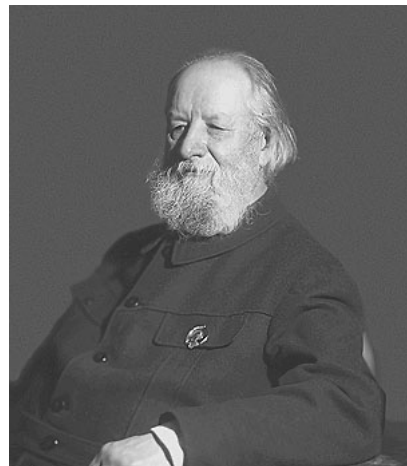
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## Notation

- The algorithms involve a number of scalars, vectors and matrices
  - Both sometimes with subscripts!
- For clarity we will use the following notation:
  - Bold upper case for a matrix:  $\mathbf{A}$
  - Bold lower case for a vector:  $\mathbf{v}_k$
  - Non-bold lower case for a matrix or vector element:  $a_{3,2}, v_1$
  - Non-bold lower case for a scalar:  $\alpha$
  - Non-bold script for Krylov subspace:  $\mathcal{K}_m$

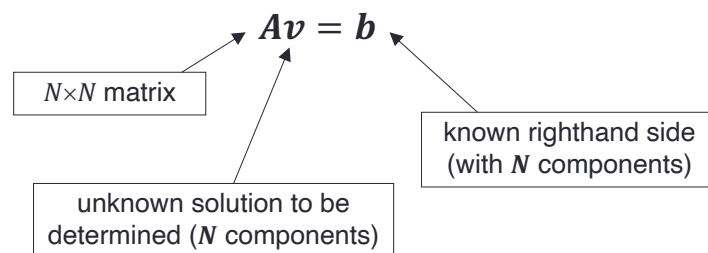
## Alexei Krylov

- Russian Naval engineer and applied mathematician
- Photo taken in 1930s Krylov in his 60s
- One of first people to classify the amount of work required for a given computation
- Krylov subspaces are constructed from linear systems



## Recall what a linear system is

- Recall that a linear system (of size  $N$ ) can be represented by a matrix equation, of the form:



- This is simply a representation of  $N$  equations linking  $N$  unknown quantities:  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_N$



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## Krylov Subspace

- Definition: The Krylov subspace (KS) of size  $m$  is said to be *spanned* by the vectors  $v, Av, A^2v, \dots, A^{m-1}v$  :

$$\mathcal{K}_m(A, v) \equiv \{v, Av, A^2v, \dots, A^{m-1}v\}$$

- Krylov subspace is a property of matrix  $A$  and starting vector  $v$ 
  - e.g.  $v$  could be initial guess at solution
- Repeated application of Matrix  $A$  to  $v$
- Vector  $v$  is often known as the starting vector
- The KS is an  $m$ -dimensional *subspace* of the  $N$ -dimensional space where the matrix lives
  - i.e.  $m < N$  for an  $N \times N$  matrix



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## Building KS is efficient

- Note we never perform “*matrix-matrix*” multiplications
  - Only ever need “*matrix-vector*” multiplications
- Multiplying a matrix by a vector always produces another vector
- If we label the KS vectors as
$$\{v_1, v_2 = Av_1, v_3 = A^2v_1, \dots, v_m = A^{m-1}v_1\}$$
- considering the third vector for example, we note that
$$v_3 = A^2v_1 = A(Av_1) = Av_2$$
- So even though we have an  $A^2$  term in there, we never calculate  $A^2$  explicitly.
- Similarly higher powers of  $A$  are not calculated explicitly



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## Computing the error

- As before consider the residual
$$r = b - Av$$
- And calculate residue
$$\text{residue} = \frac{\|r\|_2}{\|b\|_2}$$
- “Take a candidate solution,  $v$ , apply matrix  $A$  to it, and see how close it is to  $b$ .”
- If residue is 0, then  $v$  is exact solution.
- If residue is “small”, then  $v$  is likely to be close to solution.



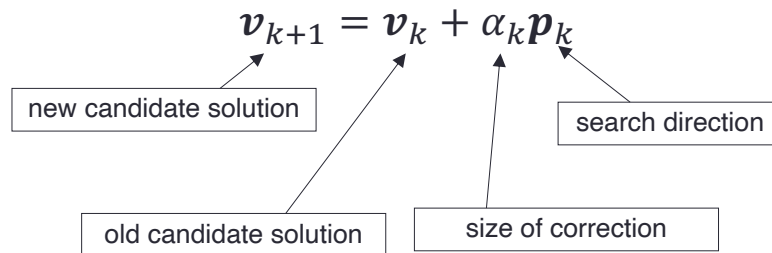
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## What is Krylov Subspace method?

- KS methods are class of iterative *search algorithms*.
- At iteration  $k$ , take existing candidate solution  $\mathbf{v}_k$  and improve it by "minimising error" by moving in some prescribed direction  $\mathbf{p}_k$ :



## Mechanics of KS method

*Search algorithm  $\equiv$  minimisation problem*

For example, minimising the quadratic form:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(\mathbf{v}) &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{b} \quad [\text{Quadratic form}] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{b}\end{aligned}$$

*[only true if  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric, otherwise have  $\mathbf{A}^T$  term as well!]*

minimising (differentiating and making equal to zero), gives

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{b} = 0$$

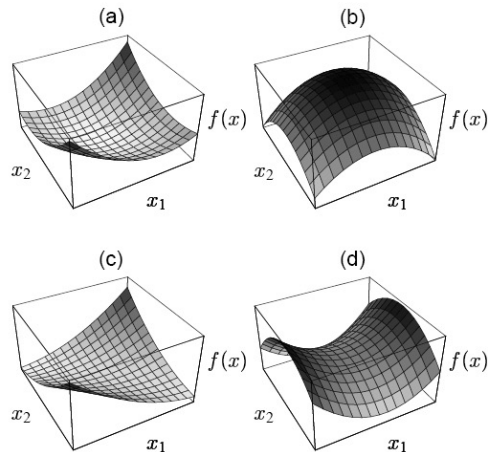
i.e. minimising  $\phi(\mathbf{v})$  is equivalent to solving  $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{b}$

## Mechanics of KS method

The Quadratic Form

- (a) Positive definite
- (b) Negative definite
- (c) Singular
- (d) Indefinite

Choose search directions to locate the minimum of  $\phi$



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## Which direction to go in?

- Given a vector,  $\mathbf{v}_k$ , how should we choose  $\mathbf{v}_{k+1}$ 
  - i.e. what should  $\mathbf{p}_k$  and  $\alpha_k$  be?

$$\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = \mathbf{v}_k + \alpha_k \mathbf{p}_k$$

- One obvious choice is to move in the direction of the negative gradient, i.e. “down the hill”
- The gradient happens to be the residual!

$$\mathbf{r}_k = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_k$$

- Could simply choose  $\mathbf{p}_k = \mathbf{r}_k$
- Put  $\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = \mathbf{v}_k + \alpha_k \mathbf{r}_k$  into  $\phi(\mathbf{v}_{k+1})$ ,
 
$$\phi(\mathbf{v}_{k+1}) = \phi(\mathbf{v}_k + \alpha_k \mathbf{r}_k)$$
- Expand and minimise (via differentiation) to find  $\alpha_k$
- This leads to a simple algorithm...

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## Steepest Descent

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Set k=0 and choose  $\mathbf{v}_0$ 
Compute  $\mathbf{r}_0 = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_0$ 
While (k<maxiter)
    k = k+1
     $\alpha_k = \mathbf{r}_{k-1} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{k-1} / \mathbf{r}_{k-1} \cdot \mathbf{A}\mathbf{r}_{k-1}$ 
     $\mathbf{v}_k = \mathbf{v}_{k-1} + \alpha_k \mathbf{r}_{k-1}$ 
     $\mathbf{r}_k = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_k$ 
    if ( $\|\mathbf{r}_k\|_2 / \|\mathbf{b}\|_2 < \text{tol}$ ) break
end while
```



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## Orthogonality and Conjugacy

- The scalar (dot) product of two vectors is
$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = u_1 \times v_1 + \cdots + u_N \times v_N$$

- Notice that

$$\|\mathbf{u}\|_2 = \sqrt{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}}$$

- We say two vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are orthogonal if

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$$

- and conjugate with respect to the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  if

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = 0$$



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## Conjugate Gradient Method

- Need to generate "good spread" of search directions. Obvious choice is (method of steepest descent)

$$\mathbf{p}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_{k+1}$$

- Better choice is to use combination of residual and mutually conjugate directions:

$$\mathbf{p}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_{k+1} + \beta \mathbf{p}_k$$

- Scalar  $\beta$  chosen to give a "good spread" of conjugate search directions.
- This method is known as the Conjugate Gradient method

*[search directions are mutually conjugate]*



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## Calculation of residual

- At each CG step we have to calculate the following scalars

$$\alpha_k = \frac{\mathbf{r}_k \cdot \mathbf{r}_k}{\mathbf{p}_k \cdot \mathbf{A} \mathbf{p}_k}, \quad \beta_k = \frac{\mathbf{r}_{k+1} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{k+1}}{\mathbf{r}_k \cdot \mathbf{r}_k}$$

- Residual is defined as

$$\mathbf{r}_{k+1} = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_{k+1}$$

- We have already worked on  $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{p}_k$  when calculating  $\alpha_k$
- Calculation of  $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_{k+1}$  implies a 2<sup>nd</sup> matrix multiplication
- Instead use the following relation for residual

$$\mathbf{r}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_k - \alpha \mathbf{A} \mathbf{p}_k$$

- So only 1 matrix multiplication needed per iteration



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## Desirable properties of KS method

- **Effective:** Method should minimise error (or something associated to error).
- **Bounded convergent:** Method should search solution space effectively, converging within pre-determined number of steps.
- **Efficient:** Cost of individual iteration should be small (and consistent).
- **Progressive:** Each iteration should improve the solution.

## Conjugate Gradient Method - Properties

The Conjugate Gradient (CG) method:

- converges to solution of equation; effective ✓
- converges in  $\leq N$  iterations; bounded convergent ✓
- requires 1 matrix-vector multiplication and 2 scalar products per iteration; efficient ✓
- improves the solution at each iteration. progressive ✓

But only for symmetric, positive definite matrices!

## CG Algorithm

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Set  $k=0$  and choose  $\mathbf{v}_0$ .
Compute  $\mathbf{r}_0 = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_0$ , set  $\mathbf{p}_0 = \mathbf{r}_0$ .
While ( $k < \text{maxiter}$ )
   $\alpha = \mathbf{r}_k \cdot \mathbf{r}_k / \mathbf{p}_k \cdot \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_k$ 
   $\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = \mathbf{v}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}_k$ 
   $\mathbf{r}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_k - \alpha \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_k$ 
  if ( $\|\mathbf{r}_{k+1}\|_2 / \|\mathbf{b}\|_2 < \text{tol}$ ) break
   $\beta = \mathbf{r}_{k+1} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{k+1} / \mathbf{r}_k \cdot \mathbf{r}_k$ 
   $\mathbf{p}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_{k+1} + \beta \mathbf{p}_k$ 
   $k = k + 1$ 
end while
  
```

initial setup

minimisation: compute correction and apply

test new solution -- are we close enough?

compute new search direction



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## Toy example

Recall the 'apples and pears' example:

- 2 apples and 3 pears costs 40p
- 3 apples and 5 pears costs 65p.

Solution is apples cost 5p, pears cost 10p.

Associated linear system is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 40 \\ 65 \end{pmatrix}$$

*A symmetric matrix!*



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## CG Algorithm (step by step)

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Set  $k=0$  and choose  $\mathbf{v}_0$ .  
Compute  $\mathbf{r}_0 = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_0$ , set  $\mathbf{p}_0 = \mathbf{r}_0$ . } ← initial setup  
While ( $k < \text{maxiter}$ )  
   $\alpha = \mathbf{r}_k \cdot \mathbf{r}_k / \mathbf{p}_k \cdot \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_k$   
   $\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = \mathbf{v}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}_k$   
   $\mathbf{r}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_k - \alpha \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_k$   
  if ( $\|\mathbf{r}_{k+1}\|_2 / \|\mathbf{b}\|_2 < \text{tol}$ ) break  
   $\beta = \mathbf{r}_{k+1} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{k+1} / \mathbf{r}_k \cdot \mathbf{r}_k$   
   $\mathbf{p}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_{k+1} + \beta \mathbf{p}_k$   
   $k = k+1$   
end while
```



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## Initial set up

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 40 \\ 65 \end{pmatrix}$$

Initial setup:

Guess  $a = 0$  and  $p = 0$ ;

Compute residual:  $\mathbf{r}_0 = (40, 65) = \mathbf{p}_0$ .



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## CG Algorithm (step by step)

Set  $k=0$  and choose  $\mathbf{v}_0$ .

Compute  $\mathbf{r}_0 = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_0$ , set  $\mathbf{p}_0 = \mathbf{r}_0$ .

While ( $k < \text{maxiter}$ )

$$\alpha = \frac{\mathbf{r}_k \cdot \mathbf{r}_k}{\mathbf{p}_k \cdot \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_k} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{minimisation: compute} \\ \text{correction and apply} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = \mathbf{v}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}_k$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_k - \alpha \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_k$$

if ( $\|\mathbf{r}_{k+1}\|_2 / \|\mathbf{b}\|_2 < \text{tol}$ ) break

$$\beta = \mathbf{r}_{k+1} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{k+1} / \mathbf{r}_k \cdot \mathbf{r}_k$$

$$\mathbf{p}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_{k+1} + \beta \mathbf{p}_k$$

$k=k+1$

end while



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## Compute correction: iter 0

$$\mathbf{r}_0 \cdot \mathbf{r}_0 = 40^2 + 65^2 = 5,825$$

*Matrix-vector multiply*

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 40 \\ 65 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \times 40 + 3 \times 65 \\ 3 \times 40 + 5 \times 65 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 275 \\ 445 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{p}_0 \cdot \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_0 = (40 \times 275) + (65 \times 445) = 39,925$$

$$\alpha = 5,825 \div 39,925 = 0.145899 \text{ (6 s.f.)}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{v}_0 + (0.145899 \times \mathbf{p}_0) = \begin{pmatrix} 5.83594 \\ 9.48341 \end{pmatrix}$$

*Nearly there in just one step!*



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## CG Algorithm (step by step)

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Set k=0 and choose  $\mathbf{v}_0$ .
Compute  $\mathbf{r}_0 = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_0$ , set  $\mathbf{p}_0 = \mathbf{r}_0$ .
While (k < maxiter)
   $\alpha = \mathbf{r}_k \cdot \mathbf{r}_k / \mathbf{p}_k \cdot \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_k$ 
   $\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = \mathbf{v}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}_k$ 
   $\mathbf{r}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_k - \alpha \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_k$ 
  if ( $\|\mathbf{r}_{k+1}\|_2 / \|\mathbf{b}\|_2 < \text{tol}$ ) break
   $\beta = \mathbf{r}_{k+1} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{k+1} / \mathbf{r}_k \cdot \mathbf{r}_k$ 
   $\mathbf{p}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_{k+1} + \beta \mathbf{p}_k$ 
  k=k+1
end while
  
```

test new solution -- are  
we close enough?



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## Test solution: Iter 0

$$\mathbf{r}_1 = \mathbf{r}_0 - \alpha \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 40 \\ 65 \end{pmatrix} - 0.145899 \begin{pmatrix} 275 \\ 445 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.122104 \\ 0.0751409 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\|\mathbf{r}_1\|_2 = 0.00187852$$

$$\|\mathbf{b}\|_2 = 5.825$$

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{r}_1\|_2}{\|\mathbf{b}\|_2} = 3.52885 \text{ e-}06 \text{ (very close to stopping already!)}$$



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## CG Algorithm (step by step)

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Set k=0 and choose  $\mathbf{v}_0$ .
Compute  $\mathbf{r}_0 = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_0$ , set  $\mathbf{p}_0 = \mathbf{r}_0$ .
While (k < maxiter)
   $\alpha = \mathbf{r}_k \cdot \mathbf{r}_k / \mathbf{p}_k \cdot \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_k$ 
   $\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = \mathbf{v}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}_k$ 
   $\mathbf{r}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_k - \alpha \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_k$ 
  if ( $\|\mathbf{r}_{k+1}\|_2 / \|\mathbf{b}\|_2 < \text{tol}$ ) break
   $\beta = \mathbf{r}_{k+1} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{k+1} / \mathbf{r}_k \cdot \mathbf{r}_k$ 
   $\mathbf{p}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_{k+1} + \beta \mathbf{p}_k$ 
  k=k+1
end while
    
```

compute new search  
direction



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## New search direction: iter 0

$$\beta = \mathbf{r}_1 \cdot \mathbf{r}_1 / \mathbf{r}_0 \cdot \mathbf{r}_0 = 0.00187852 / 5.825$$

$$= 3.52885\text{e-}06$$

$$\mathbf{p}_1 = \mathbf{r}_1 + \beta \mathbf{p}_0$$

$$\mathbf{p}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -0.122104 \\ 0.0751409 \end{pmatrix} + 3.52885\text{e-}06 \begin{pmatrix} 40 \\ 65 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.121963 \\ 0.0753703 \end{pmatrix}$$

Start next iteration



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## Iteration 1

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 40 \\ 65 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p_1 \cdot A p_1 = 0.00299902$$

$$\alpha = 0.0205555 \div 0.00299902 = 6.85408$$

$$v_2 = v_1 + 6.85408 \times p_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 5.000 \\ 10.000 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\|r_2\|_2 / \|b\|_2 = 5.9692e-20$$

VERY CLOSE TO EXACT SOLUTION!

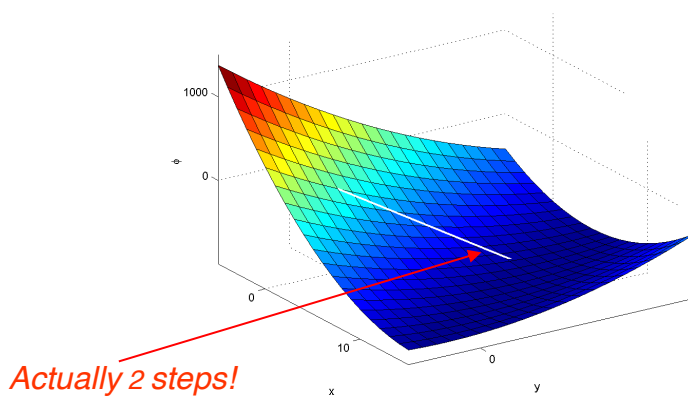


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## Graphical minimisation



Actually 2 steps!



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## Toy Example comments

- Convergence
  - $N = 2 \rightarrow k \leq 2$  **Exact solution after 2 iterations**
  - $\|\mathbf{r}\|_2$
- Precision
  - Rounding errors will produce only approximate solution
  - Single versus double precision

- Real applications
  - Use finite precision
  - Stop when residual  $< \varepsilon$
  - Approximate solutions
  - $N_{iter} \ll N$

## Further comments on CG

- Cost
  - involves one matrix-vector multiplication and two scalar products per iteration.
- CG does not modify the source matrix  $A$
- Requires user to provide routine for matrix-vector product
- CG actually builds a KS based first residual ( $\mathbf{r}_0$ )
  - Quite hard to see this in the algorithm!

But CG only for symmetric, positive definite matrices!

## Other KS methods

- For more general class of matrix, cannot achieve all *desirable properties*, though can fulfil most.
- Two popular methods considered:
  - Generalised Minimum RESidual method, **GMRES**
    - Minimises  $\|b - Av\|_2$  via the Krylov Subspace
  - Bi-Conjugate Gradient method with STABilisation (**BiCGSTAB**)
    - Variant of **Bi-Conjugate Gradient**, itself a variant of CG
    - Bi-Conjugate Gradient on its own is unstable
    - Bi-Conjugate Gradient has to consider both  $A$  and  $A^T$ .

## GMRES method

The GMRES method:

- converges to solution of equation; effective ✓
- converges in  $\leq N$  iterations; bounded convergent ✓
- requires expensive orthogonalisation of search directions at each iteration, -- depends on all previous iterations/search directions – computationally and memory intensive; efficient ✗
- improves the solution at each iteration. progressive ✓

## BiCGSTAB method

The BiCGSTAB method:

- may not converge to solution; **effective ×**
- convergence is unbounded; **bounded convergent ×**
- requires 2 matrix multiplications and 4 scalar products per iteration; **efficient ✓**
- not guaranteed to improve solution at each iteration. **progressive ×**

However, very often it works!

## BiCGstab algorithm

Set  $k=0$  and choose  $\mathbf{v}_0$ .

Compute  $\mathbf{r}_0 = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_0$ ,

$\mathbf{l}_0 = \mathbf{r}_0$ ,

$\mathbf{q}_0 = \mathbf{p}_0 = \mathbf{0}$ ,

$\rho_0 = \alpha = \omega_0 = 1$ .

Three scalars initialised to 1

While ( $k < \text{maxiter}$ )

$\rho_{k+1} = \mathbf{l}_0 \cdot \mathbf{r}_k, \quad \beta = (\rho_{k+1} / \rho_k) \times (\alpha / \omega_k)$

$\mathbf{p}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_k + \beta (\mathbf{p}_k - \omega_k \mathbf{q}_k), \quad \mathbf{q}_{k+1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_{k+1}$

$\alpha = \rho_{k+1} / (\mathbf{l}_0 \cdot \mathbf{q}_{k+1}), \quad \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{r}_k - \alpha \mathbf{q}_{k+1}, \quad \mathbf{t} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}$

$\omega_{k+1} = (\mathbf{t} \cdot \mathbf{s}) / (\mathbf{t} \cdot \mathbf{t})$

$\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = \mathbf{v}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}_{k+1} + \omega_{k+1} \mathbf{s}$

$\mathbf{r}_{k+1} = \mathbf{s} - \omega_{k+1} \mathbf{t}$

if ( $\|\mathbf{r}_{k+1}\|_2 / \|\mathbf{b}\|_2 < \text{tol}$ ) break

$k = k + 1$

end while

Appear to have 4 update vectors but I not updated so have  $\mathbf{l}_0$  but not  $\mathbf{l}_k$   
2 temporary vectors


## BiCGstab algorithm

Set  $k=0$  and choose  $\mathbf{v}_0$ .  
 Compute  $\mathbf{r}_0 = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_0$ ,  $\mathbf{l}_0 = \mathbf{r}_0$ ,  $\mathbf{q}_0 = \mathbf{p}_0 = \mathbf{0}$ ,  $\rho_0 = \alpha = \omega_0 = 1$ .  
 While ( $k < \text{maxiter}$ )  
      $\rho_{k+1} = \mathbf{l}_0 \cdot \mathbf{r}_k$ ,  $\beta = (\rho_{k+1} / \rho_k) \times (\alpha / \omega_k)$   
      $\mathbf{p}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_k + \beta (\mathbf{p}_k - \omega_k \mathbf{q}_k)$ ,  $\mathbf{q}_{k+1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_{k+1}$   
      $\alpha = \rho_{k+1} / (\mathbf{l}_0 \cdot \mathbf{q}_{k+1})$ ,  $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{r}_k - \alpha \mathbf{q}_{k+1}$ ,  $\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}$   
      $\omega_{k+1} = (\mathbf{t} \cdot \mathbf{s}) / (\mathbf{t} \cdot \mathbf{t})$   
      $\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = \mathbf{v}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}_{k+1} + \omega_{k+1} \mathbf{s}$   
      $\mathbf{r}_{k+1} = \mathbf{s} - \omega_{k+1} \mathbf{t}$   
     if ( $\|\mathbf{r}_{k+1}\|_2 / \|\mathbf{b}\|_2 < \text{tol}$ ) break  
      $k = k + 1$   
 end while

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2 matrix-vector operations

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## BiCGstab algorithm


Set  $k=0$  and choose  $\mathbf{v}_0$ .  
 Compute  $\mathbf{r}_0 = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_0$ ,  $\mathbf{l}_0 = \mathbf{r}_0$ ,  $\mathbf{q}_0 = \mathbf{p}_0 = \mathbf{0}$ ,  $\rho_0 = \alpha = \omega_0 = 1$ .  
 While ( $k < \text{maxiter}$ )  
      $\rho_{k+1} = \mathbf{l}_0 \cdot \mathbf{r}_k$ ,  $\beta = (\rho_{k+1} / \rho_k) \times (\alpha / \omega_k)$   
      $\mathbf{p}_{k+1} = \mathbf{r}_k + \beta (\mathbf{p}_k - \omega_k \mathbf{q}_k)$ ,  $\mathbf{q}_{k+1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_{k+1}$   
      $\alpha = \rho_{k+1} / (\mathbf{l}_0 \cdot \mathbf{q}_{k+1})$ ,  $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{r}_k - \alpha \mathbf{q}_{k+1}$ ,  $\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}$   
      $\omega_{k+1} = (\mathbf{t} \cdot \mathbf{s}) / (\mathbf{t} \cdot \mathbf{t})$   
      $\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = \mathbf{v}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}_{k+1} + \omega_{k+1} \mathbf{s}$   
      $\mathbf{r}_{k+1} = \mathbf{s} - \omega_{k+1} \mathbf{t}$   
     if ( $\|\mathbf{r}_{k+1}\|_2 / \|\mathbf{b}\|_2 < \text{tol}$ ) break  
      $k = k + 1$   
 end while

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4 scalar products

1 vector norm

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## Summary of KS methods

- Looked at CG method in particular
- Other KS methods exist and are used: Steepest Descent; MINRES; GMRES with restart; Conjugate Residual; BiCG.
- Generally, follow same principles.
- In practice, call numerical library (NAG, PetSC, ARPACK)
- Still need to provide the matrix-vector multiplier!
  - Will look at this in parallel in another lecture

## Conclusions

- Krylov subspace method is a form of iterative improvement. **You decide when to stop!**
- Replace linear solver with minimisation method
- For SPD matrices, standard implementation is Conjugate Gradient method.
- Otherwise, have a choice between **GMRES** and **BiCGSTAB**.
- Other methods do exist.

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