

Preconditioning Sparse Matrices with Alternating and Multiplicative Operator Splittings^[1]

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Part I: Theory & Construction

Our Common Goal: Try to Solve $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$
(\mathbf{A} is an $n \times n$ matrix, \mathbf{b} is an $n \times 1$ vector)

- Basic Iterative Method: $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{M} + (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{M})$, where \mathbf{M} is an invertible matrix. It leads to the iterative defect correction with $\mathbf{x}^0 := 0, k = 0, \dots, k_{last} - 1$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}^{k+1} &:= \mathbf{M}^{-1}(\mathbf{b} - (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{M})\mathbf{x}^k) \\ &:= \mathbf{x}^k + \mathbf{M}^{-1}(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}^k) \\ &:= \mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}^k + \mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{b}, \quad \mathbf{G} := \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{A}.\end{aligned}$$

- This iteration could alternate between different splittings $\overline{\mathbf{M}}_0, \dots, \overline{\mathbf{M}}_{m-1}$, resulting in the repetition (from $k = 0$ to $k_{last} - 1$) of the alternating corrections as shown in the following.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}^{mk+1} &:= \mathbf{x}^{mk+0} + \overline{\mathbf{M}}_0^{-1}(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}^{mk+0}) \\ &\vdots \\ \mathbf{x}^{mk+m} &:= \mathbf{x}^{mk+m-1} + \overline{\mathbf{M}}_{m-1}^{-1}(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}^{mk+m-1}) \text{ with } \textit{alternating splittings } \overline{\mathbf{M}}_0, \dots, \overline{\mathbf{M}}_{m-1}.\end{aligned}$$

Try to Reduce the Operational Cost

- By using the appropriate preconditioner $\bar{M}_{\text{ALT}-i}$, we are able to express the alternating corrections as a single correction as the following:

$$\bar{M}_{\text{ALT}-i} := A(I - \bar{G}_{\text{ALT}-i})^{-1}, \quad \bar{G}_{\text{ALT}-i} := \prod_{l=m-1}^0 (I - \bar{M}_l^{-1} A),$$

$$\mathbf{x}^{k+1} := \mathbf{x}^k + \bar{M}_{\text{ALT}-i}^{-1}(\mathbf{b} - A\mathbf{x}^k)$$

However, $\bar{M}_{\text{ALT}-i}$ has a disadvantage which is that it requires $m - 1$ additional multiplications with A (It is expensive!). Hence, in addition to the alternating splittings as we introduced above like \bar{M}_l , we need to introduce a new splittings which is called *multiplicative operator splittings* (MOS). The definition as the following:

$$M_{\text{MOS}} := T \prod_{l=m-1}^0 M_l$$

At here, T is an invertible diagonal matrix and M_l are some invertible matrices.

- Advantage: The application of all $M_l(A)$ doesn't require additional multiplication with A (It is cheaper!).

$$\mathbf{x}^{k+1} := \mathbf{x}^k + M_{\text{MOS}}^{-1}(\mathbf{b} - A\mathbf{x}^k)$$

Outer Solver: GMRES

- We can also use the operator splitting preconditioner with GMRES as an outer solver to achieve faster convergence.

$$\boldsymbol{x}^{k+1} := \text{GMRESstep}^k(\boldsymbol{A}, \boldsymbol{M})$$

Similarly, we can also apply different splittings $\overline{\boldsymbol{M}}_l$ in alternating iterations of FGMRES (A GMRES variant which could support different preconditioners).

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{x}^{km+1} &:= \text{FGMRESstep}^{km+0}(\boldsymbol{A}, \overline{\boldsymbol{M}}_l) \\ &\vdots \\ \boldsymbol{x}^{km+m} &:= \text{FGMRESstep}^{km+m-1}(\boldsymbol{A}, \overline{\boldsymbol{M}}_{m-1})\end{aligned}$$

- Combining those two GMRES iterations with the alternating and multiplicative preconditioners, we can get four different approaches which we will introduce later.

ADI Method

- The ADI method is about elliptic and parabolic PDEs on a 2D tensor product grid, where the elliptic operator splits into two direction:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{continuous Laplace } \Delta = \partial^2/\partial Y^2 + \partial^2/\partial X^2 \\ \text{discrete Laplace } A = L_1 + L_0 \text{ with tridiagonal } L_1, L_0, \text{ which allow fast inversion} \end{array} \right.$$
- Then $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ can be solved by iterative method with $\mathbf{x}_0 = 0$, $k = 0, \dots, k_{last} - 1$ as the following:

$$\begin{aligned} (L_1 + \rho_k I) \mathbf{x}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} &:= -(L_0 - \rho_k I) \mathbf{x}^k + \mathbf{b} \\ (L_0 + \rho_k I) \mathbf{x}^{k+1} &:= -(L_1 - \rho_k I) \mathbf{x}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} + \mathbf{b}, \\ \text{with alternating acceleration factors } \rho_k &> 0 \end{aligned}$$

- This is the same as the iterative defect correction process in the previous slide with:

$$\begin{aligned} G &:= (L_0 + \rho_k I)^{-1} (L_1 - \rho_k I) (L_1 + \rho_k I)^{-1} (L_0 - \rho_k I) \\ &:= (L_0 + \rho_k I)^{-1} (L_1 + \rho_k I)^{-1} (L_1 - \rho_k I) (L_0 - \rho_k I) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M &:= A(I - G)^{-1} = \frac{1}{2\rho_k} (L_1 + \rho_k I)(L_0 + \rho_k I) \\ &= (T + \left(L_1 - \frac{T}{m}\right)) T^{-1} (T + \left(L_0 - \frac{T}{m}\right)) \end{aligned}$$

It is a special case ($m = 2, T = 2\rho_k I$) of our MOS

ILU Factorization

- In our MOS method, the invertible diagonal matrix T appears only on the left of MOS splitting, but we can express the matrix factor M_l in a form which could highlight the symmetry of the MOS w.r.t. T .

$$M_l := (I + T^{-1}M'_l) = T^{-1}(T + M'_l)$$
$$M_{\text{MOS}} := T \prod_{l=m-1}^0 M_l = (T + M'_{m-1})T^{-1}(T + M'_{m-2})T^{-1} \cdots T^{-1}(T + M'_0)$$

- Generalization of ILU:
Setting $m = 2$, M_1' strictly lower triangular and M_0' strictly upper triangular. Then, we can generalize ILU as the special case of MOS splitting as the following:

$$M_{\text{MOS}} = (T + M'_1)T^{-1}(T + M'_0) = (I + M'_1 T^{-1})(T + M'_0)$$

- Therefore, the MOS preconditioners could be used to generalize ILU to multiple factors ($m > 2$) and more general form of factors as shown above.

Diagonal Preconditioners

$$(\text{diagp}_0(A))_{i,i} := (\text{diag}(A))_{i,i} = A_{i,i},$$

$$(\text{diagp}_1(A))_{i,i} := \text{unit}(A_{i,i}) \max(|A_{i,i}|, \sum_{j:j \neq i} |A_{i,j}|),$$

$$(\text{diagp}_2(A))_{i,i} := \text{unit}(A_{i,i}) \sum_j |A_{i,j}|,$$

$$(\text{diagp}_{l1}(A))_{i,i} := A_{i,i} \sum_{j:j \neq i} |A_{i,j}|,$$

$$\text{unit}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{If } x=0 \\ x/|x| & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

Sparsity Patterns

The sparsity pattern is the index set of the nonzero coefficients in the matrix. Let's first define some sparsity patterns:

$$S^{\text{diag}} := \{(i, j) \mid i = j\}, \quad S^{\text{tri}} := \{(i, j) \mid |i - j| \leq 1\},$$

$$S^{\text{low}} := \{(i, j) \mid i \geq j\}, \quad S^{\text{low-s}} := \{(i, j) \mid i > j\},$$

$$S^{\text{max-n}}(A, q) := \{(i, j) \mid j \in \bar{S}_i^{\text{max-n}}(A, q_i)\}$$

Then we want to scale coefficients in A based on our sparsity pattern:

$$(\text{prune}(A, S))_{i,j} = \begin{cases} A_{i,j} & \text{if } (i, j) \in S, \\ 0 & \text{else,} \end{cases}$$

$$(\text{scale}(A, S, \omega))_{i,j} = \begin{cases} \omega A_{i,j} & \text{if } (i, j) \in S, \\ A_{i,j} & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & 0 \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & c_{23} \\ 0 & c_{32} & c_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

Direct Construction

$$E := \frac{1}{m} T^{-1} (\text{diag}(A) - T) \leq 0, \quad T(I + mE) = \text{diag}(A),$$

$$J := I + E, \quad \frac{m-1}{m} I \leq J \leq I,$$

$$M'_l := (TE + A'_l), \quad A'_l := J^{-(m-1-l)} A''_l J^{-L},$$

$$M_l := (I + T^{-1} M'_l) = (J + T^{-1} A'_l)$$

Here, M_l is factors defined based on some off-diagonal matrices A''_0, \dots, A''_{m-1} and on an invertible diagonal matrix T with $\text{unit}(T) = \text{unit}(\text{diag}(A))$ and $|T| \geq |\text{diag}(A)|$

Then

$$I \leq J^{-m} \leq 4I, \quad 0 \leq J^m - (I + mE) \leq \binom{m}{2} E^2 \leq \frac{1}{2} (mE)^2$$

Direct Construction (Continued)

Now we have the MOS-d preconditioner as a permutation of the matrix A.

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\text{MOS_d}} &:= T \prod_{l=m-1}^0 (I + T^{-1}M'_l) = T \prod_{l=m-1}^0 (J + T^{-1}A'_l) \\ &= TJ^m + \sum_{l=0}^{m-1} J^{m-1-l} A'_l J^l + R_2 \\ &= A + R, \quad R := R_0 + R_1 + R_2, \end{aligned}$$

$$R_2 := \sum_{l_1, l_2=0; l_1 > l_2}^{m-1} A''_{l_1} J^{-m} T^{-1} A''_{l_2} + R_{\text{tail}}(||T^{-1}||^2),$$

$$R_1 = (\text{diag}(A) + \sum_{l=0}^{m-1} A''_l) - A,$$

$$R_0 = T(J^m - (I + mE)), \quad ||R_0|| \leq \frac{1}{2} ||T|| ||mE||^2.$$

Adaptive Construction

Let's start with MOS:

$$M_{\text{MOS-}a} := T \prod_{l=m-1}^0 M_l,$$

Except for now, M_l are constructed adaptively with immediate pruning (scaling)

$$B_0 := \text{prune}(A, S_0^B), \quad M_0 := \text{prune}(B_0, S_0^M),$$

$$B_1 := \text{prune}(B_0 M_0^{-1}, S_1^B), \quad M_1 := \text{prune}(B_1, S_1^M),$$

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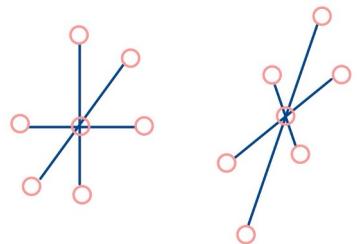
$$B_{m-1} := \text{prune}(B_{m-2} M_{m-2}^{-1}, S_{m-1}^B), \quad M_{m-1} := \text{prune}(B_{m-1}, S_{m-1}^M),$$

$$B_m := \text{prune}(B_{m-1} M_{m-1}^{-1}, S_m^B), \quad T := \text{diagp}_1(B_m),$$

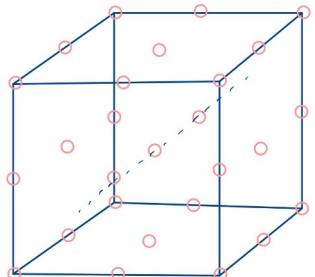
$$S_l^B \supseteq S_l^M.$$

Part II: Solver & Result

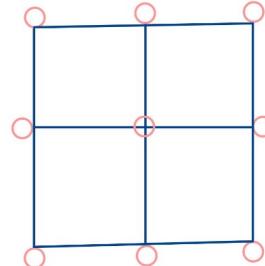
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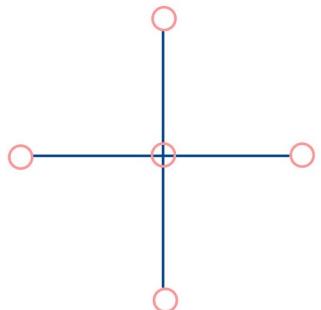
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