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Krylov Methods

- Krylov iterative methods obtain x_n from the history of the iteration.

- The ones with theory do this by minimizing an error or residual function over the affine space

$$x_0 + \mathcal{K}_k$$

- x_0 is the initial iterate

- $\mathcal{K}_k$ is the kth Krylov subspace

$$\mathcal{K}_k = \text{span}(r_0, Ar_0, \ldots, A^{k-1}r_0)$$

for $k \geq 1$.

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Terms and Notation Review

- Equation $Ax = b$; Solution $x^* = A^{-1}b$
- Error $e = x - x^*$
- Residual $b - Ax = Ae$

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GMRES and Conjugate Gradient (CG)

These two methods can be expressed in terms of minimization principles

In GMRES (Generalized Minimum Residual), the kth iteation x_k minimizes the residual over $x_0 + \mathcal{K}_k$

$$\|b - Ax_k\| = \min_{x \in x_0 + \mathcal{K}_k} \|b - Ax\|$$

for $\|\cdot\| = \|\cdot\|_2$. For CG, A must be spd and x_k minimizes the A-norm of the error

$$\|x^* - x\|_A = \min_{x \in x_0 + \mathcal{K}_k} \|x^* - x\|_A$$

where

$$\|v\|_A^2 = v^T A v.$$

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General Properties of CG/GMRES

- convergence in N iterations (impractical)
- no need for matrix representation of A only matrix-vector products
- sensitive to conditioning and eigenvalue distribution

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Analysis of GMRES

If $x \in x_0 + \mathcal{K}_k$ then

$$r = b - Ax = b - Ax_0 - \sum_{j=0}^{k} \gamma_j A^j r_0 \equiv p(A) r_0$$

where $p \in \mathcal{P}_k$, the set of k degree residual polynomials.

$$\mathcal{P}_k = \{p \mid p \text{ is a polynomial of degree } k \text{ and } p(0) = 1.\}$$

This simple observation is the key to analysis of Krylov methods.

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GMRES and Residual Polynomials

Theorem: Let A be nonsingular and let x_k be the kth GMRES iteration. Then for all $\bar{p}_k \in \mathcal{P}_k$

$$\|r_k\| = \min_{p \in \mathcal{P}_k} \|p(A)r_0\| \leq \|\bar{p}_k(A)r_0\|.$$

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Proof of Theorem

Let x_k the the kth GMRES iteration. Then there is $p_k \in \mathcal{P}_k$ such that

$$r_k = b - Ax_k = p_k(A)r_0$$

Since any $x \in x_0 + \mathcal{K}_k$ satisfies

$$r = b - Ax = \bar{p}(A)r_0$$

for some $\bar{p} \in \mathcal{P}_k$, the minimization principle imples that

$$\|r_k\|_2 = \min_{p \in \mathcal{P}_k} \|p(A)r_0\| \leq \|b - Ax\| = \|\bar{p}_k(A)r_0\|.$$

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How to Use This Theorem

- ▶ Connect properties of the matrix to a polynomial you understand.
- ▶ Manufacture a residual polynomail $\bar{p}$ from that
- ▶ Get an upper bound from

$$\|r_k\| \leq \|\bar{p}(A)r_0\| \leq \|\bar{p}(A)\|\|r_0\|$$

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Consequences of the Minimization Principle: I

Corollary: Let A be nonsingular. Then the GMRES algorithm will find the solution within N iterations.

Proof: The characteristic polynomial of A is $p(z) = det(A - zI)$. p has degree N, $p(0) = det(A) \neq 0$ since A is nonsingular, and so

$$\bar{p}_N(z) = p(z)/p(0) \in \mathcal{P}_N$$

is a residual polynomial. The Cayley-Hamilton theroem says that $\bar{p}_N(A) = 0$, and so

$$\|r_n\| \leq \|\bar{p}_N(A)\| \|r_0\| = 0.$$

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Consequences of the Minimization Principle: I

Corollary: If $\|I - A\| \leq \rho < 1$ then

$$\|r_k\| \leq \rho^k \|r_0\|_2.$$

Proof: Let $\bar{p}_k = (1 - z)^k$ and use the theorem.

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Diagonalizable Matrices

A is diagonalizable if there is a nonsingular (**possibly complex!**) matrix V such that

$$A = V \Lambda V^{-1}.$$

If A is diagonalizable and p is a polynomail then

$$p(A) = \sum_{j=0}^{m} a_j \gamma_j A^j = \sum_{j=0}^{m} a_j (V \Lambda V^{-1})^j = V \sum_{j=0}^{m} a_j \Lambda^j V^{-1} = V p(\Lambda) V^{-1}$$

So

$$\|p(A)\| \leq \|V\| \|p(A)\| \|V^{-1}\| = \kappa(V) \max_{\lambda \in \sigma(A)} |p(\lambda)|$$

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GMRES Convergence for Diagonalizable Matrices

We just proved ...

Theorem: Let $A = V\Lambda V^{-1}$ be a nonsingular diagonalizable matrix.
Let x_k be the kth GMRES iterate. Then for all $\bar{p}_k \in \mathcal{P}_k$

$$\frac{\|r_k\|_2}{\|r_0\|_2} \leq \kappa_2(V) \max_{z \in \sigma(A)} |\bar{p}_k(z)|.$$

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Easy Results for Diagonalizable A: I

If A has m distinct eigenvalues then GMRES will terminate in at most m iterations.

Proof: Use

$$p(z) = \prod_{i=1}^{m} \left(\frac{\lambda_i - \lambda}{\lambda_i} \right)$$

$p(0) = 1$ so $p \in \mathcal{P}_k$. Since $p(\lambda_i) = 0$ for all i, $r_N = 0$.

This proof is (1) very easy and (2) typical of the way one thinks about Krylov methods.

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Easy Results for Diagonalizable A: II

Let $x_0 = 0$ (so $r_0 = b$) and assume that

- $\sigma(A) \subset (9, 11)$
- $\kappa(V) = 100$

Then if we let $\bar{p}_k(z) = (10 - z)^k / 10^k$ we see that

$$\frac{\|r_k\|_2}{\|r_0\|_2} \leq \kappa(V)\|p_k(A)\| \leq (100)10^{-k} = 10^{2-k}.$$

So $\|r_k\| \leq \eta\|b\|$ when

$$k > 2 + \log_{10}(\eta).$$

This tells us that an approximate inverse preconditioner could be useful.

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Observations

- A normal implies $\kappa(V) = 1$
- If A is not normal and $\kappa(V)$ is large, then $\sigma(A)$ does not tell the whole story.
- The heuristic is that if the eigenvalues are grouped into a few clusters the iteration will perform well.
- If the eigenvalues are clustered near 1, the GMRES is very happy and A is well-conditioned.

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Preconditioning

Preconditioning means to replace $Ax = b$ with

$$BAx = Bb \text{ (left)}$$

or

$$ABy = b \text{ (right), and then } x = By$$

and solve the preconditioned equation with GMRES. The preconditioner B should be

- ▶ very inexpensive matrix-vector products
- ▶ be a good approximate inverse of (part) of A

Examples coming later.

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Left Preconditioning

Solve

$$BAx = Bb$$

so

- solution to preconditioned equation is still x
- preconditioned residual $Bb - BAx = Br$ should be a better indicator of error

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Right Preconditioning

Solve

$$ABz = b$$

for z. Then set $x = Bz$.

▶ The preconditioned residual is the same as the original residual because $b - A(Bz) = b - Ax$.

▶ The solution of the preconditioned problem is different.

▶ The residual may not be a good indicator of the error **in** x.

More on preconditioning later. But first . . .

And now for the software

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GMRES Implementation

The kth GMRES iteration is the solution of the linear least squares problem

$$\min \|Ax - b\|$$

where $x = \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \gamma_j A^j r_0$

The key to a successsful implementation is to solve this in an efficient and stable way.

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A Questionable GMRES Implementation

How about this?

- As the iteration progresses store $A^j r_0$.
- Let $B_k = (r_0, A r_0, \ldots A^{k-1} r_0)$
- Compute the QR factorization of $B_k = Q_k R_k$
- The $x_k = R_k^{-1} Q_k^T b$

What could go wrong?

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What could go wrong?

- Accumulating $A^j r_0$ can be unstable
  Example $A = diag(1, 2, ..., N)$
- The cost of $B_k = Q_k R_k$ is $O(Nk^2)$.
- You have to start over with each k and are not reusing the old columns.

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Arnoldi Factorization is Better

Suppose one had an orthogonal projector V_k onto $\mathcal{K}_k$.
Then any $z \in \mathcal{K}_k$ can be written as

$$z = \sum_{l=1}^{k} y_l v_l^k$$

where v_l^k is the lth column of V_k.
So we can convert the problem for x_k to a problem in R^k.
Begin by writing any $x \in x_0 + \mathcal{K}_k$ as

$$x = x_0 + V_k y,$$

where y is the vector of coefficients of $x - x_0$ using the columns of
V_k as the basis for $\mathcal{K}_k$.

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Arnoldi Part II

So if $x_k = x_0 + V_k y_k$ then

$$\|b - Ax_k\| = \|b - A(x_0 + V_k y_k)\|_2 = \|r_0 - AV_k y_k\|_2.$$

So the least squares problem for y is

$$\min \|r_0 - AV_k y\|$$

If we can build V_k in a stable way, we have solved the stability problem (but that is not completely simple).
Can we do it efficiently?

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Arnoldi Part III

The Gram-Schmidt process will

- build V_k incrementally, so $V_k = (V_{k-1}, v_k)$,
- enable a fast QR factorization of AV_k, and
- be stable (if done correctly).

Orthogonalization is the central part of the Arnoldi method.

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Arnoldi Part IV

The algorithm orthogonalizes each Av_i against the columns of V_{k-1} to construct v_k

$V = \texttt{arnoldi}(x_0, b, A, k)$

  $r_0 = b - Ax_0$; $v_1 = r_0/\|r_0\|$

  for $i = 1 : k - 1$ **do**

    $w = Av_i$

    for $j = 1 : i$ **do**

      $h_{ji} = w^T v_j (= (Av_i)^T v_j)$; $w = w - h_{ji} v_j$

    end for

    $h_{ki} = \|w\|$; $v_{i+1} = w/h_{ki}$

  end for

At the end you have V_k. Columns orthonormal basis for $\mathcal{K}_k$.

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Examine the Arnoldi Loops

What if you divide by zero in

$$v_1 = r_0/\|r_0\| \text{ or } v_{i+1} = w/\|w\|?$$

- If $r_0 = 0$, then x_0 is the solution and the GMRES iteration would terminate.
- If $w = 0$, then you have a happy breakdown of the Arnoldi process. This implies that you found the solution as x_{k-1}.
- A well-designed implementation would stop before division by zero.

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The Happy Breakdown Theorem

Theorem: Let A be nonsingular, let the vectors v_j be generated by the Arnoldi process, and for which

$$Av_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i} ((Av_i)^T v_j) v_j = 0.$$

Then $x = A^{-1}b \in x_0 + \mathcal{K}_i$.

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Proof: The Happy Breakdown Theorem

- ▶ By hypothesis $Av_i \in \mathcal{K}_i$, so $A\mathcal{K}_i \subset \mathcal{K}_i$.
- ▶ The columns of V_i are an orthonormal basis for $\mathcal{K}_i$, so
- ▶ $AV_i = V_iH$ where H is an $i \times i$ matrix. H is nonsingular since A is.
- ▶ Set $\beta = \|r_0\|_2$ and $e_1 = (1, 0, \ldots, 0)^T \in R^i$, then
- ▶ $\|r_i\|_2 = \|b - Ax_i\|_2 = \|r_0 - A(x_i - x_0)\|_2$.
- ▶ Now, $x_i - x_0 \in \mathcal{K}_i$ so there is $y \in R^i$ such that $x_i - x_0 = V_iy$.
- ▶ Since $r_0 = \beta V_i e_1$ and V_i is an orthogonal matrix

$$\|r_i\|_2 = \|V_i(\beta e_1 - Hy)\|_2 = \|\beta e_1 - Hy\|_{R^i},$$

- ▶ Set $y = \beta H^{-1}e_1$ to show $r_i = 0$.

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What about H?

- Assuming that there is no breakdown, then $h_{ij} = (Av_j)^T v_i = 0$ if $i > j + 1$, so H is upper Hessenberg.
- So, the Arnoldi process produces $AV_k = V_{k+1}H_k$.
- This means (with $\beta = \|r_0\|$)

$$r_k = b - Ax_k = r_0 - A(x_k - x_0) = V_{k+1}(\beta e_1 - H_k y_k).$$

- Hence $x_k = x_0 + V_k y^k$, where y^k minimizes $\|\beta e_1 - H_k y\|_2$.
- This is great. We can test for termination without wasting a matrix-vector product to compute $b - Ax_k$ by testing

$$\|r_k\| = \|\beta e_1 - H_k y_k\|$$

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A Framework for GMRES Implementation

$r = b - Ax$, $v_1 = r/\|r\|_2$, $\rho = \|r\|_2$, $\beta = \rho$, $k = 0$

while $\rho > \epsilon\|b\|_2$ and $k < kmax$ **do**

   $k = k + 1$

   Apply Arnoldi to obtain H_k and V_{k+1} from V_k and H_{k-1}

   $e_1 = (1, 0, \ldots, 0)^T \in R^{k+1}$

   Solve min $\|\beta e_1 - H_k y_k\|_{R^{k+1}}$ for $y_k \in R^k$.

   $\rho = \|\beta e_1 - H_k y_k\|_{R^{k+1}}$.

end while

$x_k = x_0 + V_k y_k$.

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Orthogonalization: Classical Gram-Schmidt

for $j = 1 : k$ **do**
  $h_{jk} = (Av_k)^T v_j$
end for
$v_{k+1} = Av_k - \sum_{j=1}^{k} h_{jk} v_j$
$h_{k+1,k} = \|v_{k+1}\|_2$
$v_{k+1} = v_{k+1}/\|v_{k+1}\|_2$

Advantate (huge): the for loop is trivially parallel/vectorizable.
Disadvantage: unstable, which means . . .

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Instability in Orthogonalization

- Classical Gram-Schmidt can produce V's with non-orthogonal colums.
- In this case, the reduction to upper Hessenberg form is wrong,
- and $\|r_k\| \neq \|\beta e_1 - H_k y_k\|$.

So we have to fix it.

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Classical Gram-Schmidt Twice

> **for** $j = 1 : k$ **do**
> $\quad h_{jk} = (Av_k)^T v_j$
> **end for**
> $v_{k+1} = Av_k - \sum_{j=1}^{k} h_{jk} v_j$
> **for** $j = 1 : k$ **do**
> $\quad \tilde{h}_{jk} = v_{k+1}^T v_j$
> $\quad h_{jk} = h_{jk} + \tilde{h}_{jk}$
> **end for**
> $v_{k+1} = v_{k+1} - \sum_{j=1}^{k} \tilde{h}_{jk} v_j$
> $h_{k+1,k} = \|v_{k+1}\|$
> $v_{k+1} = v_{k+1}/\|v_{k+1}\|$

Still parallel, but twice the work.

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Orthogonalization: Modified Gram-Schmidt (MGS)

$v_{k+1} = Av_k$
for $j = 1 : k$ **do**
   $h_{jk} = v_{k+1}^T v_j$
   $v_{k+1} = v_{k+1} - h_{jk}v_j$
end for
if Loss of orthogonality **then**
   Reorthogonalize
end if
$h_{k+1,k} = \|v_{k+1}\|_2$
$v_{k+1} = v_{k+1}/\|v_{k+1}\|_2$

More stable than CGS, but parallelism is lost.

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Test for loss of orthogonality

If

$$\|Av_k\|_2 + \delta\|v_{k+1}\|_2 = \|Av_k\|_2$$

to working precision, then you should reorthogonalize because there is very little information in v_{k+1}.

MGS and the test is the default in our MATLAB codes, but ...

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Observations

- If you have as few as four cores, CGS-twice is faster.
- Storage is the main problem with GMRES.
- Low-storage methods for non-symmetric matrices have problems (more later).

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Solving upper-Hessenberg Least Squares Problems

The last thing to do is to solve

$$\min \|\beta e_1 - H_k y\|.$$

We do this by forming the QR factorization of H_k with Givens rotations

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Givens Rotations: I

A 2×2 **Givens rotation** is a matrix of the form

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} c & -s \\ s & c \end{pmatrix} \tag{1}$$

where $c = \cos(\theta)$, $s = \sin(\theta)$ for $\theta \in [-\pi, \pi]$.
G rotates a vector in R^2 by θ. In particular

$$G \begin{pmatrix} c \\ -s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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Givens Rotations: II

An $N \times N$ Givens rotation replaces a 2×2 block on the diagonal of the $N \times N$ identity matrix with a 2×2 Givens rotation.

$$G_j = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & & \ldots & & & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & & & & \\ & \ddots & c & -s & & & \\ \vdots & & s & c & 0 & & \vdots \\ & & & 0 & 1 & \ddots & \\ & & & & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & & & \ldots & & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \tag{2}$$

Columns j and $j+1$ are changed.

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Givens Rotations: III

To build the QR factorization of H_k, we apply Givens rotations.
Step 1: Multiply H_k by a Givens rotation that annihilates h_{21} (and, of course, changes h_{11} and the subsequent columns). We define $G_1 = G_1(c_1, s_1)$ by

$$c_1 = h_{11}/\sqrt{h_{11}^2 + h_{21}^2} \text{ and } s_1 = -h_{21}/\sqrt{h_{11}^2 + h_{21}^2}.$$

Then $R_k \leftarrow G_1 H_k$ has zero in the 22 entry.
Step 2: Multiply R by $G_2(c_2, s_2)$ where

$$c_2 = h_{22}/\sqrt{h_{22}^2 + h_{32}^2} \text{ and } s_1 = -h_{32}/\sqrt{h_{22}^2 + h_{32}^2}.$$

Continue . . .

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Continuing we obtain, at the end,

$$R_k = G_k \ldots G_1 H_k$$

is upper triangular. Set

$$Q_k = (G_k \ldots G_1)^T$$

and $H_k = Q_k R_k$. Cost $= O(N)$.

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The implementation stores Q_k by

- ▶ storing the sequences $\{c_j\}$ and $\{s_j\}$
- ▶ computing the action of Q_k on a vector $x \in R^{k+1}$ by applying $G_j(c_j, s_j)$
- ▶ and obtain $Q_k x = G_1(c_k, s_k)^T \ldots G_k(c_1, s_1)^T x$.
- ▶ We overwrite H_k with the triangular part of the QR factorization of H_k, so
- ▶ we do not store H_k, rather R_k.

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At iteration k you have H_{k-1} overwritten with R_{k-1}

- $g = \rho(1, 0, \ldots, 0)^T \in R^k$
- Compute h_{jk} for $1 \le j \le k+1$
- $Q_k = I$
-
    1. If $k > 1$ apply Q_{k-1} to the kth column of H.
    2. $\nu = \sqrt{h_{k,k}^2 + h_{k+1,k}^2}$.
    3. $c_k = h_{k,k}/\nu$, $s_k = -h_{k+1,k}/\nu$
       $h_{k,k} = c_k h_{k,k} - s_k h_{k+1,k}$, $h_{k+1,k} = 0$
    4. $g = G_k(c_k, s_k)g$.
    5. $Q_k^T = G_k Q_{k-1}^T$.
    6. $\rho = |(g)_{k+1}|$.

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CG's Minimization Principle

Solve $Ax = b$ where A is spd.

For CG, x_k minimizes the A-norm of the error

$$\|x^* - x\|_A = \min_{x \in x_0 + \mathcal{K}_k} \|x^* - x\|_A$$

over $x_0 + \mathcal{K}_k$, where

$$\|v\|_A^2 = v^T A v.$$

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CG and Residual Polymonials

As with GMRES, any $x \in x_0 + \mathcal{K}_k$ can be written

$$x = x_0 + \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \gamma_j A^j r_0$$

Let $x^* = A^{-1}b$ and $e = x^* - x$. Since $r = b - Ax = Ae$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
x^* - x \quad &= e = x^* - x_0 - \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \gamma_j A^j r_0 \\
&= e_0 - \sum_{j=1}^{k} \gamma_j A^j e_0 = p(A)e_0
\end{aligned}
$$

for some $p \in \mathcal{P}_k$.

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Minimization Principle

So, if x_k is the kth CG iteration

$$\|e_k\|_A \leq \|p(A)e_0\|_A$$

for all $p \in \mathcal{P}_k$.
So what does this mean?

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What is the A-norm of $p(A)$

Since A is spd, A has a unique spd square root,

$$A = U\Lambda U^T \text{ and } \sqrt{A} = U\sqrt{\Lambda}U^T$$

so

$$\|x\|_A^2 = x^T A x = (\sqrt{A}x)^T(\sqrt{A}x) = \|\sqrt{A}x\|^2$$

which means

$$\|p(A)x\|^2 = \|\sqrt{A}p(A)x\|^2 = \|p(A)(\sqrt{A}x)\|^2$$

Hence

$$\|p(A)\|_A = \max_{\lambda \in \sigma(A)} |p(\lambda)|$$

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Residual Polynomial Analysis

As with GMRES

$$\|e_k\|_A \leq \max_{\lambda \in \sigma(A)} |p(\lambda)| \|e_0\|_A$$

So, for example, if $\sigma(A) \subset (.9, .1)$ then

$$\|e_k\|_A \leq \|e_0\| 10^{-k}$$

which we get by using $p(z) = (1 - z)^k$.

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Convergence within N Iterations

Theorem: Let A be spd. Then the CG algorithm will find the solution within N iterations.
Proof: Use

$$p(z) = \prod \left(\frac{\lambda_i - z}{\lambda_i} \right)$$

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The Concus-Golub-O'Leary Estimate

Theorem: Let $0 < \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \lambda_N$ be the eigenvalues of A (so $\kappa(A) = \lambda_N/\lambda_1$). Let x_k be the kth CG iteration. Then

$$\frac{\|e_k\|_A}{\|e_0\|_A} \leq \left[\frac{\sqrt{\kappa(A)} - 1}{\sqrt{\kappa(A)} + 1}\right]^k.$$

This can be pessimistic if the eigenvalues are clustered.

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Termination

It's standard to terminate the iteration when the residual is small

$$\|r_k\| \leq \|b - Ax_k\| \leq \eta \|r_0\|.$$

How is this connected to the A-norm of e?
Since

$$\sqrt{\lambda_1} \|x\| \leq \|x\|_A \leq \sqrt{\lambda_N} \|x\|$$

we have

$$\frac{\|r_k\|}{\|r_0\|} = \frac{\|Ae_k\|}{\|Ae_0\|} \leq \sqrt{\kappa(A)} \frac{\|\sqrt{A}e_k\|}{\|\sqrt{A}e_0\|} = \sqrt{\kappa(A)} \frac{\|e_k\|_A}{\|e_0\|_A}$$

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Example

Let $x_0 = 0$ and assume $\sigma(A) \subset (9, 11)$. Using
$p(z) = (10 - z)^k / 10^k$ we see

$$\|e_k\|_A / \|e_0\|_A \leq 10^{-k}.$$

So the A-norm of the error will be reduced by a factor of 10^{-3}
after 3 iterations.
What about the residual? All we know is that $\kappa(A) \leq 11/9$, so

$$\frac{\|r_k\|}{\|r_0\|} \leq 10^{-k}\sqrt{11/9}$$

and we need 4 iterations to guarantee a residual reduction of 10^{-3}.

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Alternative Minimization Principle

Theorem: The kth iterate x_k of CG minimizes

$$\phi(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^T A x - x^T b$$

over $x_0 + \mathcal{K}_k$

Remark: Note that if $\tilde{x}$ is any a stationary point,

$$\nabla \phi(\tilde{x}) = A\tilde{x} - b = 0$$

then $\tilde{x} = x^*$.

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Proof

Note that

$$\|x-x^*\|_A^2 = (x-x^*)^T A(x-x^*) = x^T Ax - x^T Ax^* - (x^*)^T Ax + (x^*)^T Ax^*.$$

Since A is symmetric and $Ax^* = b$

$$-x^T Ax^* - (x^*)^T Ax = -2x^T Ax^* = -2x^T b.$$

Therefore

$$\|x - x^*\|_A^2 = 2\phi(x) + (x^*)^T Ax^*.$$

So x minimizes ϕ over any set if and only if x minimizes $\|x - x^*\|_A^2$.

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$cg(x, b, A, \epsilon, kmax)$

$r = b - Ax$, $\rho_0 = \|r\|_2^2$, $k = 1$.

while $\sqrt{\rho_{k-1}} > \epsilon \|b\|$ and $k < kmax$ **do**

    if $k = 1$ **then**

      $p = r$

    else

      $\beta = \rho_{k-1}/\rho_{k-2}$ and $p = r + \beta p$

    end if

    $w = Ap$

    $\alpha = \rho_{k-1}/p^T w$

    $x = x + \alpha p$

    $r = r - \alpha w$

    $\rho_k = \|r\|^2$

    $k = k + 1$

end while

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CG Implementation: Cost I, two scalar products

$cg(x, b, A, \epsilon, kmax)$

$\quad r = b - Ax$, $\rho_0 = \|r\|_2^2$, $k = 1$.

$\quad$**while** $\sqrt{\rho_{k-1}} > \epsilon\|b\|$ and $k < kmax$ **do**

$\quad\quad$**if** $k = 1$ **then**

$\quad\quad\quad p = r$

$\quad\quad$**else**

$\quad\quad\quad \beta = \rho_{k-1}/\rho_{k-2}$ and $p = r + \beta p$

$\quad\quad$**end if**

$\quad\quad w = Ap$

$\quad\quad \alpha = \rho_{k-1}/p^T w$

$\quad\quad x = x + \alpha p$

$\quad\quad r = r - \alpha w$

$\quad\quad \rho_k = \|r\|^2$

$\quad\quad k = k + 1$

$\quad$**end while**

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CG Implementation: Cost II, three daxpys

$cg(x, b, A, \epsilon, kmax)$

$\quad r = b - Ax, \; \rho_0 = \|r\|_2^2, \; k = 1.$

$\quad$ **while** $\sqrt{\rho_{k-1}} > \epsilon\|b\|$ and $k < kmax$ **do**

$\qquad$ **if** $k = 1$ **then**

$\qquad\quad p = r$

$\qquad$ **else**

$\qquad\quad \beta = \rho_{k-1}/\rho_{k-2}$ and $p = r + \beta p$

$\qquad$ **end if**

$\qquad w = Ap$

$\qquad \alpha = \rho_{k-1}/p^T w$

$\qquad x = x + \alpha p$

$\qquad r = r - \alpha w$

$\qquad \rho_k = \|r\|^2$

$\qquad k = k + 1$

$\quad$ **end while**

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Cost of CG

Each iteration requires

- one matrix-vector product,

- two scalar products,

- three daxpys,

and the storage of x, b, r, p, w five vectors!

Compare to GMRES (k vectors and $O(k)$ scalar products).

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Preconditioned CG (PCG)

Right (or left) preconditioning is a problem because

$$BA \text{ or } AB$$

need not be spd.

The correct way to precondition CG is symmetrically

$$SASy = Sb$$

and then $x = Sy$. This means that $S^2 = B$ is the preconditioner.
So do you have to compute $S = \sqrt{B}$?

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PCG

$\text{pcg}(x, b, A, B, \epsilon, kmax)$

$\quad r = b - Ax,\ \rho_0 = \|r\|^2,\ k = 1$

$\quad$ **while** $\sqrt{\rho_{k-1}} > \epsilon\|b\|$ and $k < kmax$ **do**

$\quad\quad z = Br$

$\quad\quad \tau_{k-1} = z^T r$

$\quad\quad$ **if** if $k = 1$ **then**

$\quad\quad\quad \beta = 0$ and $p = z$

$\quad\quad$ **else**

$\quad\quad\quad \beta = \tau_{k-1}/\tau_{k-2},\ p = z + \beta p$

$\quad\quad$ **end if**

$\quad\quad w = Ap$

$\quad\quad \alpha = \tau_{k-1}/p^T w$

$\quad\quad x = x + \alpha p;\ r = r - \alpha w;\ \rho_k = r^T r$

$\quad\quad k = k + 1$

$\quad$ **end while**

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Cost of PCG

Each iteration requires

▶ one matrix-vector product,

▶ one preconditioner-vector product,

▶ three scalar products,

▶ four daxpys,

and the storage of x, b, r, z, p, w six vectors.

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CGNR and CGNE

Conjugate gradient on the normal equations.

Two low-storage + provably convergent methods for nonsymmetric problems.

CGNR: Apply CG to

$$A^T A = A^T b$$

CGNE: Apply CG to

$$AA^T y = b \text{ and set } x = A^T y.$$

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Analysis of CGNR

Apply the minimization property. You miminize

$$\|x^* - x\|_{A^T A}^2 \ = (x^* - x)^T A^T A (x^* - x) = (Ax^* - Ax)^T (Ax^* - Ax)$$

$$= (b - Ax)^T (b - Ax)^T = \|r\|^2$$

over $x_0 + \mathcal{K}_k(A^T A)$. Hence the name **C**onjugate **G**radient on the **N**ormal equations to minimize the **R**esidual.

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Analysis of CGNE

Same story,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|y^* - y\|_{AA^T}^2 \ &= (y^* - y)^T (AA^T)(y^* - y) \\
&= (A^T y^* - A^T y)^T (A^T y^* - A^T y) = \|x^* - x\|^2
\end{aligned}
$$

is minimized over $y_0 + \mathcal{K}_k(AA^T)$ at each iterate. **C**onjugate **G**radient on the **N**ormal equations to minimize the **E**rror.

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Observations

- CGNR and CGNE need two matrix-vector products
- one is a transpose-vector product
  hard to do in a matrix-free way
- Condition number is squared, so more iterations are needed
- Classic time-for-storage trade-off.

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Other Low-Storage Methods

We discuss Bi-CGSTAB and TFQMR. Their common properties are

- Constant storage
- Two A-vector products per iteration
- No transpose-vector products needed
- Breakdown possible; no complete convergence theory

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Bi-CGSTAB

$\texttt{bicgstab}(x, b, A, \epsilon, kmax)$

$r = b - Ax$, $\hat{r}_0 = \hat{r} = r$, $\rho_0 = \alpha = \omega = 1$, $v = p = 0$, $k = 0$, $\rho_1 = \hat{r}_0^T r$

while $\|r\| > \epsilon\|b\|$ and $k < kmax$ **do**

    $k = k + 1$

    $\beta = (\rho_k/\rho_{k-1})(\alpha/\omega)$ (breakdown possible; zero-divide)

    $p = r + \beta(p - \omega v)$ (two daxpys)

    $v = Ap$ (matvec)

    $\alpha = \rho_k/(\hat{r}_0^T v)$ (scalar product + breakdown possible; zero-divide)

    $s = r - \alpha v$, $t = As$ (daxpy + matvec)

    $\omega = t^T s/\|t\|^2$; $\rho_{k+1} = -\omega \hat{r}_0^T t$ (three scalar products)

    $x = x + \alpha p + \omega s$ (two daxpys)

    $r = s - \omega t$ (daxpy)

end while

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Cost of BiCGSTAB

Each iteration requires

- two matrix-vector product,
- four scalar products,
- seven daxpys,

and the storage of $x, b, r, \hat{r}, p, v, s, t$ eight vectors.
Breakdown? Pick new x_0 and try again.

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TFQMR

$\texttt{tfqmr}(x, b, A, \epsilon, kmax)$

$k = 0$; $w_1 = y_1 = r_0 = b - Ax$; $u_1 = v = Ay_1$, $d = 0$; $\rho_0 = r_0^T r_0$; $\tau = \|r\|$; $\theta = 0$; $\eta = 0$

while $k < kmax$ **do**

$\quad k = k + 1$; $\sigma_{k-1} = r_0^T v$; (scalar product)

$\quad \alpha = \rho_{k-1}/\sigma_{k-1}$ (breakdown possible; zero-divide)

$\quad y_2 = y_1 - \alpha v$; $u_2 = Ay_2$ (daxpy + matvec)

$\quad$ **for** $j = 1, 2$ ($m = 2k - 2 + j$) (all costs doubled in this loop) **do**

$\quad\quad w = w - \alpha u_j$; $d = y_j + (\theta^2 \eta / \alpha)d$ (two daxpys)

$\quad\quad \theta = \|w\|/\tau$; $c = 1/\sqrt{1 + \theta^2}$ (scalar product)

$\quad\quad \tau = \tau \theta c$; $\eta = c^2 \alpha$;

$\quad\quad x = x + \eta d$ (daxpy)

$\quad\quad$ If $\tau \sqrt{m + 1} \leq \epsilon \|b\|$ terminate successfully

$\quad$ **end for**

$\quad \rho_k = r_0^T w$, $\beta = \rho_k / \rho_{k-1}$ (scalar product + breakdown possible; zero-divide)

$\quad y_1 = w + \beta y_2$, $u_1 = Ay_1$ (daxpy + matvec)

$\quad v = u_1 + \beta(u_2 + \beta v)$ (two daxpys)

end while

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Classical Stationary Iterative Methods

Recall that

- convert $Ax = b$ to $x = Mx + c$ with a matrix splitting,
- M_S is the iteration matrix for the method
- Harvest a preconditioner with $BA = I - M$ and then

$$x = Mx + c \text{ is the same as } BAx = Bb.$$

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Example: Jacobi

- ▶ Splitting: $A = D + L + U$
- ▶ $M = -D^{-1}(L + U) = I - D^{-1}A$
- ▶ so $B = D^{-1}$.

Sometimes Jacobi preconditioning works well.

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Incomplete Factorizations

If you can store A as a sparse matrix then

- ▶ you can start a sparse factorization,
- ▶ and discard small elements in the factors,
- ▶ or enforce sparsity.

The MATLAB commands ilu and ichol create incomplete LU and Cholseky factorizations.

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Integral Equations

- ▶ Many integral equations are well conditioned and CG or GMRES do well.
- ▶ The transport equation is one example.
- ▶ The performance of Kyrlov methods is independent of the discretization.
- ▶ WARNING! Sometime preconditioning can still make a difference.

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Elliptic PDEs I

Suppose you seek to solve an elliptic boundary value problem.

$$Lu = f$$

with Dirichlet/Neumann/mixed boundary conditions.
If you discretize the PDE to obtain

$$L_h u_h = f_h$$

the resulting discrete problem is very poorly conditioned and
Krylov methods will be slow.

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Elliptic PDEs II

Split $L = L_1 + L_0$, where L_1 contains the high-order derivatives.
If you can find a fast solver for L_1 with the same type of boundary conditions, then L_1^{-1} is a mesh-independent preconditioner.
Why? $L_1^{-1}L$ is an integral operator. (Manteufel/Parter 1990)

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Example of PDE preconditioning

- $-\nabla^2 u + c_1 u_x + c_2 u_y + c_0 u = f(x, y)$ for $0 < x, y < 1$
- $u(x, 0) = u(0, y) = u(x, 1) = u(1, y) = 0$
- $L_1 u = -\nabla^2 u$
- Apply fast Poisson solver $N \log(N)$ work.

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Scalability

The scenario:

- ▶ Continuous problem: $Lu = f$; Discrete problem: $L_h u_h = f_h$.
- ▶ $h = 1/N$ spatial mesh width; N^2 number of mesh points.
- ▶ Second order accuracy: $u_h - u^* = O(h^2)$
- ▶ Preconditioner B_h is "perfect", i. e. Krylovs needed to reduce error by factor of 10 is N_k for all h.
- ▶ Cost of $B_h L_h$ matvec is $O(N)$

Then, given h you can find u_h up to truncation error in $O(N)$ work!

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Fast Solvers

Pick $h_0 = 2^p h$ so that $L_{h_0} u_{h_0} = f_{h_0}$ is easy to solve.
Solve $L_{h_0} u_0 = f_{h_0}$
for l=1:p **do**
  $h_l = h_{l-1}/2$; $u_l = u_{l-1}$
  Apply GMRES to $L_{h_l} u_l = f_{h_l}$ with u_l as the start.
  Terminate when residual is reduced by factor of 10.
  Accept u_l
end for

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Cost Analysis

- A matvec for $h_l = 2^l h$ costs $O(2^{-l})N^2)$ operations
- We do at most N_k matvecs at each level
- So ...

$$\text{Cost} \quad \leq \sum_{l=0}^{p} N_k (2^{-l} N)^2 \leq \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} N_k (2^{-l} N)^2$$

$$= N_k N \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} 4^{-l} = 4 N_k N^2 / 3.$$

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▶ Modify the pde demo codes `klpde2ddemo.m` to use BiCGStab and TFQMR. Any problems?

▶ Write a CGNR code and solve the problem in `klpde2ddemo.m` with CGNR.

▶ Solve the source iteration equation with GMRES. What problem would you have if you wanted to solve it with CGNR or CGNE?