

### CS556 Iterative Methods Fall 2024 Homework 3.

Due Tuesday, Oct. 8, 5 PM.

1. **Conjugate Gradient Convergence.** Consider the  $n \times n$  SPD matrix

$$A = VDV^T, \tag{1}$$

where  $V$  is orthonormal and  $D = \text{diag}(1, 2 \dots n-1, M)$ , with  $M := n^2$ . Let  $A_n$  be defined in the same way as  $A$ , save that  $M = n$ .

- What is the condition number of  $A_n$ ?
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- Using the CG error bound (e.g., Eq. (25) of the “projection2a.pdf” from the 9-24-2024 notes on Relate), estimate the number of iterations  $k$  required to reach a *relative* error tolerance,  $tol = 2 \times 10^{-8}$  in the  $A$ -norm or  $A_n$ -norm when solving a system in  $A$  or  $A_n$ , respectively. (Use actual logarithms, rather than the quick estimates we used in class.) Please show the steps used to reach your given estimate.
- **Challenge.** Let  $k_{\max}$  and  $k_n$  denote your estimated iteration counts from the preceding question. Use the best-fit principles of CG to show that the number of CG iterations for solving  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  to tolerance  $tol$  is bounded by  $k_n + 1$ . *Hint: Think carefully about a polynomial that would solve the discrete minimax problem.*
- Code up CG Saad (2nd Ed.) **Alg. 6.18** and solve  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  with random rhs  $\mathbf{b}$  with  $n = 101$ . What number of iterations do you find to reach a relative  $A$ -norm error tolerance of  $tol = 2 \times 10^{-8}$ ? (Note that  $V$  can be generated as `[V,R]=qr(rand(n,n));`).
- Make a semilogy plot of  $\|\mathbf{e}_k\|_A / \|\mathbf{x}\|_A$  and  $\|\mathbf{r}_k\|_2 / \|\mathbf{b}\|_2$  vs.  $k$ , both on the same graph, and comment on your observations for the graph and the overall analysis.

## 2. Coarse-Grid + Diagonal Preconditioning.

- Extend your CG code from **Q1** to support preconditioned search directions,  $z = M^{-1}r$ , where

$$M^{-1} = D^{-1} + M_c^{-1} \quad (2)$$

$$M_c^{-1} = JA_c^{-1}J^T \quad (3)$$

$$A_c = J^T AJ. \quad (4)$$

Here,  $A$  is the SPD, second-order finite difference, matrix that approximates the 2D Poisson (homogeneous-Dirichlet) operator with  $n = (N - 1)^2$  interior grid points and uniform grid spacing  $h = L/N$  in each direction. Take  $J = \hat{J} \otimes \hat{J}$  to be the tensor product of 1D piecewise linear interpolants from  $N_c$  to  $N$ , where  $N_c$  is the number of coarse-grid spacings and  $N$  is the number of fine-grid spacings. (An matlab example to generate  $\hat{J}$  is provided.)

(**Note:** do not form  $M_c$ , as it will be completely full.)

- Run the code for  $N = 256$  and relative residual tolerance  $10^{-8}$  and plot, on a *loglog* scale, the relative residual-norm,  $res := \|\underline{r}_k\|/\|\underline{b}\|$  vs.  $k$  until  $res < 10^{-8}$ .
- Generate the relative residual history for  $N_c = 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64$  and plot each on the same figure. **Also**, plot the relative residual history for the *unpreconditioned case*.
- How does the required number of iterations,  $k_{\max}$ , vary with  $N_c$ ?

### 3. Preconditioned Spectra.

- For insight into the behavior of this preconditioner, we look at its impact on the spectrum of  $A$ . Recall the following set of tensor-product decompositions

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= S\Lambda S^T \\
 S &= S_y \otimes S_x \\
 \Lambda &= I_y \otimes \Lambda_x + \Lambda_y \otimes I_x \\
 S_x &= [\underline{s}_{x,1} \ \underline{s}_{x,2} \ \cdots \ \underline{s}_{x,N-1}] = [\dots \sin(k\pi x_j) \dots] \\
 \Lambda_x &= \text{diag}(\lambda_k); \quad \lambda_k = \frac{2}{\Delta x^2}(1 - \cos(\pi k/N)) \\
 &\text{etc.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Specifically,

$$\lambda_j(A) = \lambda_k(A_x) + \lambda_l(A_y) \tag{5}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{\underline{s}_j^T A \underline{s}_j}{\underline{s}_j^T \underline{s}_j} \tag{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{\underline{s}_{k,l}^T A \underline{s}_{k,l}}{\underline{s}_{k,l}^T \underline{s}_{k,l}} =: \lambda_{k,l}(A) \tag{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

Here,  $\underline{s}_j \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , with  $n = (N-1)^2$  is the  $j$ th eigenvector of  $A$ . It can be viewed as a matrix of mesh values given  $\underline{s}_{k,l} := \underline{s}_j = \underline{s}_{x,k} \underline{s}_{y,l}^T$ .

Make a 2D mesh plot of  $\lambda_{k,l}$  for  $k, l \in \{1, \dots, N-1\}^2$  using (7), with  $N = 32$ .

- Make a similar mesh plot with

$$\mu_{kl} = \frac{\underline{s}_{k,l}^T M^{-1} A \underline{s}_{k,l}}{\underline{s}_{k,l}^T \underline{s}_{k,l}}, \tag{8}$$

which approximates the spectra of the preconditioned operator,  $M^{-1}A$ . (This approximation is exact if  $\mathcal{R}(\underline{J}) = \text{span}\{\underline{s}_{x,1} \underline{s}_{x,1} \cdots \underline{s}_{x,c} \underline{s}_{x,c}\}$ .)

- Plot the two distributions on the *same* mesh plot.
- Comment on the implications for the condition number in the preconditioned case and on the sensitivity of the condition number to the choice of  $A_c$ .
- The condition number for the unpreconditioned case is

$$\kappa(A) = \frac{\max(\lambda_k + \lambda_l)}{\min(\lambda_k + \lambda_l)} \tag{9}$$

$$= \frac{2 \cdot 4(N-1)^2}{2\pi^2}. \tag{10}$$

- Based on observations from your 2D spectra, what is the condition number for the preconditioned case as a function of  $N_c$ ?
- What is the expected iteration count for PCG as a function of  $N_c$ ?
- How does this estimate compare with the results of your *loglog* plot of **Q2**?