

Fast Algorithms and Integral Equation Methods

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Numerics is lies.

complexity

$O(n^2)$ ok?

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conditioning

condition # ; κ

rel. error on output $\leq \kappa$ rel. error on input

$$\kappa(A) = \|A\| \|A^{-1}\|$$

$$D \approx \partial_x \quad \uparrow$$

$$D\vec{u} = f$$

really poorly conditioned

What's the point of this class?

- ▶ Starting point: Large-scale scientific computing
- ▶ Many popular numerical algorithms: $O(n^\alpha)$ for $\alpha > 1$
(Think Matvec, Matmat, Gaussian Elimination, LU, ...)
- ▶ Build a set of tools that lets you cheat: Keep α small
(Generally: probably not—Special purpose: possible!)
- ▶ Final goal: Extend this technology to yield PDE solvers
- ▶ But: Technology applies in many other situations
 - ▶ Many-body simulation
 - ▶ Stochastic Modeling
 - ▶ Image Processing
 - ▶ 'Data Science' (e.g. Graph Problems)
- ▶ This is class is about an even mix of math and computation

$A \vec{x} = \vec{b}$ → matrix-vector
→ solve

$$K \vec{\sigma} = \vec{f}$$

$$\sum K_{ij} \sigma_j = f_i$$

$$(x \in \Omega') \int_{\Omega} K(x,y) \sigma(y) = f(x)$$

"columns" → \int_{Ω}

$i \leftrightarrow x$
 $j \leftrightarrow y$

Example:

$$K(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = \frac{1}{\|\vec{x} - \vec{y}\|_2}$$

① Efficiency
dense → $O(h^2)$

② Solvable?

③ Applications?
↳ PDE-solved.

① Efficiency cont'd

$$\bar{k}(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{\|\vec{r}\|_2}$$

$$\int k(x,y)\sigma(y)dy = \int \bar{k}(x-y)\sigma(y)dy$$

convolution

$$= \bar{k} * \sigma$$

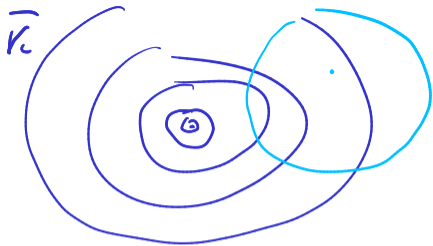
$$\hat{F}\{\bar{k} * \sigma\} = \hat{F}\{\bar{k}\} \cdot \hat{F}\{\sigma\}$$

Fourier transform : often $O(n \log n)$

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periodicity

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"Fast" algorithm
regular grid

A smooth function is one that's well-approximated by a Taylor series.



→ expand away from singularity / diagonal

How about the solve?

iterative method for $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ (CG, GMRES)

- iterate to improve a guess until 'close enough' to solution
- each iteration: a α update \leftarrow flops: $O(1)$
- Cost: $\#$ iterations \cdot α update cost $\leftarrow O(n)$

② Solvable? $\int_{\Omega} k(x,y) \sigma(y) dy = f(x) \quad (x \in \Omega)$

If k is a smooth function, $\int_{\Omega} k(x,y) \sigma(y) dy$ is a compact operator.
 $A: \sigma \mapsto f$ "operator"

$$\sigma: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$(A\sigma)(x) = \int_{\Omega} k(x,y) \sigma(y) dy = f(x)$$

"compact" operator; well-approximated by a finite-dim. operator.

$$\int K(x, y) \sigma(y) dy = f(x) \quad \text{"first kind"}$$

$$\sigma(x) + \int_{\Omega} K(x, y) \sigma(y) dy = f(x) \quad \text{"second kind"}$$

$$(I + A)\sigma = f$$

will develop a solution theory.

③ Applications

$$\Delta u = f$$

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solution

'Poisson's equation'

← how represented?
↳ polynomial
↳ point values

~~'δ-function'~~
distribution

$$\delta(x) = 0 \quad x \neq d$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \delta(x) dx = 1$$

'weakly':

$$\Delta G = \delta$$
$$\int \Delta G \varphi = \int \delta \varphi$$

'free-space Green's function'

in 3D: $G(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi|\vec{x}|}$

$$\Delta G = 0 \quad x \neq 0$$

representation of the soln.

$$u(\vec{x}) = \sum G(x - y_j) \sigma_j$$

$$| \quad x=0 : ?$$

BVP:

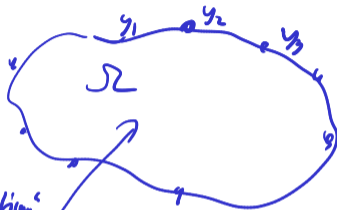
$$\Delta u = 0 \quad \text{on } \Omega$$

$$u = g \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega$$

→ "Laplace"

"PDE"

"boundary condition"



$$\Delta u = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_x \\ \vdots \\ \partial_z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Delta = \partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2 + \partial_z^2 = \nabla \cdot \nabla$$

$$u(\vec{x}) = \underbrace{\sum_j G(\vec{x} - \vec{y}_j)}_{\text{repr}} \sigma_j = g(\vec{x}) \quad (\vec{x} \in \partial\Omega)$$

$$u(x) = g(x) \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega$$

"Upgrade" the representation:

$$\text{From } u(\vec{x}) = \sum_j G(\vec{x} - \vec{y}_j) \sigma_j$$

do:

$$u(\vec{x}) = \int_{\partial\Omega} G(\vec{x} - \vec{y}) \sigma(\vec{y}) d\vec{y}$$

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"layer potential"

Survey

no class on Thu

- ▶ Home dept
- ▶ Degree pursued
- ▶ Longest program ever written
 - ▶ in Python?
- ▶ Research area
- ▶ Interest in PDE solvers

Class web page

<https://bit.ly/fastalg-s24>

contains:

- ▶ Class outline
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