

BPX PRECONDITIONER FOR UNV571

$\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ polygonal domain, conforming triangulation, P^1 discretization
sequence of nested spaces associated with uniform refinement

$$\mathcal{M}_1 \subset \mathcal{M}_2 \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{M}_J = \mathcal{M} \quad (J \geq 2)$$

solving the problem: find $U \in \mathcal{M}$ such that

$$A(U, \phi) = (f, \phi) \quad \forall \phi \in \mathcal{M}$$

A is symmetric, self-adjoint and elliptic form

The 1^{st} goal: find a preconditioner B such that

- (i) the action of B on vectors from $\mathcal{M}$ is economical to compute
- (ii) $\mathcal{K}(BA)$ is not too large

$\mathcal{K}(BA) \leq c_1/c_0$ for any $c_0, c_1 > 0$ satisfying

$$c_0 (A(v, v)) \leq A(BA v, v) \leq c_1 A(v, v) \quad \forall v \in \mathcal{M}$$

Define the operators, for $\ell = 1, \dots, J$

- $P_\ell : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_\ell$

$$A(P_\ell w, v_\ell) = A(w, v_\ell) \quad \forall v_\ell \in \mathcal{M}_\ell$$

- $Q_\ell : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_\ell$

$$(Q_\ell w, v_\ell) = (w, v_\ell) \quad \forall v_\ell \in \mathcal{M}_\ell$$

- $A_\ell : \mathcal{M}_\ell \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_\ell$

$$(A_\ell w_\ell, v_\ell) = A(w_\ell, v_\ell) \quad \forall v_\ell \in \mathcal{M}_\ell$$

$$(A := A_J)$$

Orthogonal decomposition

$$\sigma_\ell := \{ \phi \mid \phi = (Q_\ell - Q_{\ell-1}) \psi, \psi \in \mathcal{M} \}, \quad Q_0 := 0$$

Then

$$\mathcal{M} = \sigma_1 + \dots + \sigma_J$$

From the definition of operators

$$Q_\ell A = A P_\ell$$

$$Q_\ell Q_\ell = Q_\ell Q_\ell = Q_\ell \quad \text{for } \ell \leq \ell$$

From the last equality

$$(Q_\ell - Q_{\ell-1})(Q_\ell - Q_{\ell-1}) = 0 \quad \text{for } \ell \neq \ell$$

$$\Rightarrow (A x_\ell, x_\ell) = 0 \quad \text{for } x_\ell \in \sigma_\ell, x_\ell \in \sigma_\ell \quad \ell \neq \ell$$

$\Rightarrow$ decomposition of M into $\sigma_0 + \dots + \sigma_J$ is orthogonal

First fundamental theorem

$$B = \sum_{\ell=1}^J \lambda_\ell^{-1} (Q_\ell - Q_{\ell-1})$$

where λ_ℓ is the spectral radius of A_ℓ .

Then B is symmetric and positive definite and

$$A(BA x, x) = \sum_{\ell=1}^J \lambda_\ell^{-1} \|(Q_\ell - Q_{\ell-1}) A x\|^2 \quad x \in M$$

$$\begin{aligned} A(BA x, x) &= A\left(\sum_{\ell=1}^J \lambda_\ell^{-1} (Q_\ell - Q_{\ell-1}) A x, x\right) = \\ &= \sum_{\ell=1}^J \lambda_\ell^{-1} A((Q_\ell - Q_{\ell-1}) A x, x) = \\ &= \sum_{\ell=1}^J \lambda_\ell^{-1} ((Q_\ell - Q_{\ell-1}) A x, A x) \\ &= \sum_{\ell=1}^J \lambda_\ell^{-1} ((Q_\ell - Q_{\ell-1}) A x, (Q_\ell - Q_{\ell-1}) A x) \quad \text{since } Q_\ell \text{ is projection} \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} A(BA x, x) &\leq \sum_{\ell=1}^J \lambda_\ell^{-1} \|Q_\ell A x\|^2 \leq \sum_{\ell=1}^J A(P_\ell x, P_\ell x) \\ \lambda_\ell^{-1} (Q_\ell A x, Q_\ell A x) &= \lambda_\ell^{-1} A(P_\ell x, Q_\ell A x) \leq 1 \cdot (P_\ell x, A P_\ell x) \\ &= A(P_\ell x, P_\ell x) \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (Q_\ell x - Q_{\ell-1} x, Q_\ell x - Q_{\ell-1} x) &= \|Q_\ell x\|^2 + \|Q_{\ell-1} x\|^2 - 2(Q_\ell x, Q_{\ell-1} x) \\ &\stackrel{\text{def } Q_{\ell-1}}{=} -2(Q_{\ell-1} Q_\ell x, Q_{\ell-1} x) \stackrel{Q_{\ell-1} Q_\ell = Q_{\ell-1}}{=} -2(Q_{\ell-1} x, Q_{\ell-1} x) = -2\|Q_{\ell-1} x\|^2 \\ \Rightarrow \|Q_\ell - Q_{\ell-1}\| x\|^2 &= \|Q_\ell x\|^2 - \|Q_{\ell-1} x\|^2 \leq \|Q_\ell x\|^2 \quad -2- \end{aligned}$$

from which $A(BA_n, v) \leq J \cdot A(v, v) \quad \forall v \in M$

$\|P_k\|_A \leq 1$ is used here in the proof

assumption for $k=1, \dots, J$ there exists $C_n > 0$ such that

$$(A.1) \quad \|(I - Q_{k-1})v\|^2 \leq C_n \lambda_k^{-1} A(v, v) \quad \forall v \in M$$

Thm 1: Assume (A.1). Then

$$C_n^{-1} J^{-1} A(v, v) \leq A(BA_n, v) \leq J A(v, v) \quad \forall v \in M$$

proved above

Proof (of the lower bound)

$$A(v, v) = \sum_{k=1}^J A((Q_k - Q_{k-1})v, v)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^J (v, (Q_k - Q_{k-1})Av)$$

$(Q_k - Q_{k-1})$ is a projection

$$= \sum_{k=1}^J ((Q_k - Q_{k-1})v, (Q_k - Q_{k-1})Av)$$

$v \in M_k$ and from definition of Q_k

$$= \sum_{k=1}^J ((I - Q_{k-1})v, (Q_k - Q_{k-1})Av)$$

By C-Schwarz inequality and (A.1)

$$A(v, v) \leq \sum_{k=1}^J \|(I - Q_{k-1})v\| \cdot \|(Q_k - Q_{k-1})Av\| \leq$$

$$\leq C_n^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^J \lambda_k^{-1/2} A(v, v) \cdot \|(Q_k - Q_{k-1})Av\|$$

$$\text{Therefore } A(v, v)^{1/2} \leq C_n^{1/2} J^{1/2} (A(BA_n, v))^{1/2}$$

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The form of the preconditioner $B = \sum \lambda_k^{-1} (Q_k - Q_{k-1})$ is not very efficient for computations (two projections in each summand).

Write B therefore as

$$B = \sum_{k=1}^{J-1} (\lambda_k^{-1} - \lambda_{k+1}^{-1}) Q_k + \lambda_J^{-1} I$$

This motivates the second preconditioner

$$(*) \quad \hat{B} = \sum_{k=1}^J \lambda_k^{-1} Q_k$$

If $\lambda_{k+1} \geq \sigma \lambda_k$ for some $\sigma > 1$ and all k , then

$$(1 - \sigma^{-1})(\hat{B}_{n,n}) \leq (B_{n,n}) \leq (\hat{B}_{n,n}) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Paper describes also a more general choice

$$B = \sum_{k=1}^J R_k Q_k$$

for some symmetric pos.-definite operators R_k (smooth),
but we will stick with $(*)$, i.e. $R_k = \lambda_k^{-1} I$

B with $R_k = \lambda_k^{-1} I$ satisfies (A.2) with $C_2 = C_3 = 1$

If $\{\psi_k^e\}$ is an orthonormal basis of M_k . Then

$$\lambda_k^{-1} u = \lambda_k^{-1} \sum_e (u, \psi_k^e) \psi_k^e \quad \forall u \in M_k$$

$$\text{Hence} \quad R_k Q_k u = \lambda_k^{-1} \sum_e (u, \psi_k^e) \psi_k^e$$

or that application of Q_k (L^2 projection) is computable without
solving a system with the global Gram matrix.

An orthonormal FEM basis is typically not available.

However, the rest of the paper shows, that under some assumptions one can consider the preconditioner

$$B_n = \sum_{k=1}^J \sum_e (r, \phi_k^e) \phi_k^e$$

even for the usual (standard) FEM basis.

- this ^{preconditioner} ~~basis~~ can be applied in parallel on all levels at once (in contrast to NL V-cycle)
- the condition number of the prec. problem depends on J ($\sim J^2$ in less regular problems)

