# Fourier Analysis of Iterative Methods for the Helmholtz problem

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- Preconditioning Techniques
- Multilevel Krylov Multigrid Method

### Fourier Analysis

- Theory
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- Multigrid Analysis
- Multigrid Convergence
- Numerical Experiments
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# Helmholtz Problem

Helmholtz equation

$$-\Delta u(\mathbf{x}) - k^2 u(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}) \text{ in } \Omega \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

Boundary condition

#### Dirichlet / Neumann / Sommerfeld

Discretization

finite difference method / finite element method

#### Linear system

- sparse
- symmetric but non-Hermitian

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### Model Problem

1D dimensionless Helmholtz problem with homogeneous Dirichlet boundary condition

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u(x) - k^2 u(x) = f(x) \text{ for } x \in (0,1), \\ u(0) = u(1) = 0. \end{cases}$$

The resulting linear system

$$Ax = b$$
 where  $A = \frac{1}{h^2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ & & & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - k^2 I$ 

Wave resolution

$$gw \cdot h = \frac{2\pi}{k}$$

# Model Problem

Eigenvalue

$$\lambda_l = \frac{4}{h^2} \sin^2(l\pi h/2) - k^2$$
 for  $l = 1, 2, \cdots, n$ 

Difficulty in solving Helmholtz problem



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# **Multigrid Method**

The solver for inverting the shifted Laplacian preconditioner M

- The coarsening strategy is done by doubling the mesh size, i.e.  $\Omega_h \to \Omega_{2h}$ .
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# Krylov Subspace Methods

The solver for solving the linear system Ax = b

- GMRES, used in the thesis work
- CG
- BiCGStab
- GCR,IDR(s),...

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# Approximated Inversion

Given the iteration operator G, there is the approximated inversion

$$\mathbb{A}^{-1} = (I - G)A^{-1}$$

For the stationary iteration, there is

$$\mathbb{A}_m^{-1} = (I - G^m) A^{-1}.$$

For the multigrid iteration, there is

$$\mathbb{A}_{\rm MG}^{-1} = (I - T_1^m) A^{-1}.$$

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# Shifted Laplacian Preconditioner

$$M := -\Delta_h - (\underbrace{\beta_1 + \iota\beta_2}_{\text{shift}})k^2 I$$

preconditioned system

 $\hat{A} := AM^{-1} = M^{-1}A$  and  $\sigma(AM^{-1}) = \sigma(M^{-1}A)$ 

preservation of symmetry

$$(AM^{-1})^T = AM^{-1}$$

circular spectrum distribution

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# Shifted Laplacian Preconditioner

#### $\beta_1 = 1 \Longrightarrow$ the most compact distribution



The spectrum distributions of the preconditioned matrix  $AM^{-1}$  with respect to several typical shifts when k = 100

## **Deflation Operator**

For an invertible  $\hat{A}$ , take any  $n \times r$  full rank matrices Y and Z

$$\begin{cases} \text{left} \quad P := I - \hat{A} Z \hat{E}^{-1} Y^T + \lambda_d Z \hat{E}^{-1} Y^T, \\ \text{right} \quad Q := I - Z \hat{E}^{-1} Y^T \hat{A} + \lambda_d Z \hat{E}^{-1} Y^T, \end{cases} \text{ where } \hat{E} = Y^T \hat{A} Z.$$



The spectrum distributions of the deflated matrix  $\hat{A}Q$  towards  $\lambda_d = 0.2$ where k = 100, shift  $= 1 - \iota 1, A Z = Z \Lambda_r$  and  $Y^T \hat{A} = \Lambda_r Y^T$  Deflation Operator

 $\sigma(\hat{A}) = \{\lambda_1, \cdots, \lambda_n\} \text{ with } |\lambda_1| \leqslant \cdots \leqslant |\lambda_n|$ 

• Projector in case of  $\lambda_d = 0$ 

$$P_D \cdot P_D = P_D$$
 and  $Q_D \cdot Q_D = Q_D$ .

- Preservation of symmetry in case of  $\lambda_d = 0$ ,
- Spectrum distribution

$$\sigma(P\hat{A}) = \sigma(\hat{A}Q) = \{\lambda_d, \cdots, \lambda_d, \ \mu_{r+1}, \cdots, \mu_n\}.$$

Condition number

$$\kappa(P\hat{A}) = \frac{|\mu_n|}{\min\{|\lambda_d|, |\mu_{r+1}|\}} \quad \text{in case of } \lambda_d \neq 0,$$

### Deflation Operator Inaccuracy in $\hat{E}^{-1}$

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# Multilevel Krylov Multigrid Method

A recursive Krylov solution of  $\hat{E}^{-1}$ 

Use the approximation

$$M^{-1} \approx Z(Y^T M Z)^{-1} Y^T.$$

2 Take the replacement

$$\hat{E} := Y^T \hat{A} Z = Y^T A M^{-1} Z \approx \underbrace{Y^T A Z}_{A_{(2)}} (\underbrace{Y^T M Z}_{M_{(2)}})^{-1} \underbrace{Y^T Z}_{B_{(2)}}$$
$$\hat{E}^{-1} \approx \left(A_{(2)} M_{(2)}^{-1} B_{(2)}\right)^{-1}$$

Solve  $A_{(2)}^{-1}$  in the same way as  $A^{-1}$ 

# Multilevel Krylov Multigrid Method



The illustration of multilevel Krylov multigrid method in a five-level grid

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# Principles of Fourier Analysis

Find out a subspace  $E = \text{span}\{\phi_1, \cdots, \phi_m\}$  such that

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Assume E is the union of several disjoint subspaces. Then, there is a diagonal block matrix

$$K :\stackrel{\wedge}{=} [\tilde{K}^l]$$
 with  $l$  as the block index.

# Fourier Analysis for Multigrid Analysis

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# Application to Preconditioning

Shifted Laplacian preconditioner

$$\tilde{\hat{A}} = \tilde{A}\tilde{M}^{-1}$$

Deflation operator

$$\tilde{Q} = I - \tilde{P}_2^1 \tilde{\tilde{E}}_2 \tilde{R}_2^1 (\lambda_n I - \tilde{\hat{A}}) \quad \text{with } \tilde{\tilde{E}}_2 = \tilde{R}_1^2 \tilde{\hat{A}} \tilde{P}_2^1$$

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# **Basic Preconditioning Effect**

• The spectrum of  $AM^{-1}$  is restricted to a circular distribution.



• The spectrum of  $AM^{-1}Q$  is clustered around (1,0).



# Choice of Shift $\beta_1 + \iota \beta_2$

•  $\beta_2$  determines the length of arc on which the eigenvalues of  $AM^{-1}$  are located.



2  $\beta_2$  has the indirect influence on the tightness of spectrum distribution of  $AM^{-1}Q$ .



# Influence of Wave resolution gw

High resolution exerts little negative influence on the spectrum distribution of  $AM^{-1}$ .



In the second of  $AM^{-1}Q$ .



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# Approximated Shifted Laplacian Preconditioning $A\mathbb{M}^{-1} = A(I - T_1^m)M^{-1}$

The multigrid introduces disturbance to the preconditioning effect.



 The disturbance can be easily corrected by several iterations at a cheap cost.



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# Approximated Deflation Preconditioning $A \mathbb{M}^{-1} \mathbb{Q}$ where the construction of $\mathbb{Q}$ is based on the $\mathbb{M}^{-1}$

• The preconditioning  $AM^{-1}Q$  is much more sensitive to the accuracy in the approximation of  $M^{-1}$ .



# Multigrid Convergence Factor

- independence of k
- independence of the sign of  $\beta_2$



High resolution is favourable for the convergence.

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# Optimal Shift for the Preconditioner

- A small shift is favourable for the Krylov convergence of  $AM^{-1}$ .
- A large shift is favourable for the multigrid convergence of  $M^{-1}$ .

To find out

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$$\beta_1 + \iota \beta_2)_{\text{opt}} := \arg \min\{|\beta_1 + \iota \beta_2| : \max_{1 \le l \le n-1} \mathcal{G}(l, \beta_1, \beta_2) \le c < 1\}.$$

	gw = 10	gw = 30	gw = 60	gw = 120	gw = 240
m = 2	0.1096	0.0126	0	0	0
m = 3	0.3228	0.0616	0.0150	0	0
m = 4	0.3931	0.2002	0.0632	0.0155	0
m = 5	0.3931	0.2886	0.2012	0.0636	0.0156

The optimal  $\beta_2$  in the shift  $1 + \iota \beta_2$  for  $\rho(T_1^m) \leqslant c = 0.9$ 

# Basic Convergence Behaviour



Overview of the convergence behaviour by different preconditioning

- verify
  - the different preconditioning effect
  - the advantage of  $AM^{-1}Q$  over  $AM^{-1}$
  - the influence of wavenumber and wave resolution

# Influence of Orthogonalization

- Householder reflection outperforms modified Gram-Schmidt in convergence behaviour.
- GMRES using modified Gram-Schmidt fails to converge in the very small system.



# Influence of Approximated Preconditioning

- The inaccuracy in  ${\rm I\!M}^{-1}$  has little influence on the convergence behaviour

gw	k = 10	k = 50	k = 100	k = 200	k = 300	k = 400	k = 500
10	11/11	36/36	60/60	108/105	153/149	193/188	265/258
30	12/12	36/36	60/58	114/108	161/152	209/196	255/240
60	12/12	36/36	63/62	113/111	161/158	207/204	255/250

Number of iterations with respect to different degrees of approximations i.e.  $AM^{-1}$  /  $AM^{-1}$ 

• The inaccuracy in Q slows down the convergence.

gw	k = 10	k = 50	k = 100	k = 200	k = 300	k = 400	k = 500
10	6/9/9	11/18/18	14/26/27	21/43/44	28/59/61	33/71/70	39/98/111
30	4/5/5	6/13/13	6/15/17	8/36/37	9/54/55	10/73/75	11/92/ 94
60	3/4/4	4/ 5/ 8	4/ 7/ 9	5/12/16	6/18/22	6/24/27	6/32/ 34

Number of iterations with respect to different degrees of approximations i.e.  $AM^{-1}Q / AM^{-1}Q / AM^{-1}Q$ 

# Internal Iteration in MKMG $(\diamond, \#_2, \cdots, \#_{m-1}, \diamond)$

- It is worth doing more iterations on the higher levels.
- The convergence behaviour will be slowed by more iterations on the lower levels.



Number of iterations with respect to different MKMG setup in a six-level grid

# Suggestion on Future Work

- higher dimensional problems
- local Fourier analysis
- different Krylov solvers

# Thank you for watching !

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