Challenges for Matrix Preconditioning Methods

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Circuit and device simulation

Circuits

- Modified nodal approach
- transient analysis





- Devices
 - harmonic balance
 - drift diffusion equations



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The Anderson model of localization A Challenge for modern eigenvalue algorithms

Model describes electronic transport properties in disordered systems

Wave function probabilities

 $\omega = 14.5$ $\omega = 16.5$ $\omega = 18.5$





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- $\omega \approx$ 16.5 critical range
- $\omega \ll$ 16.5 \rightarrow fluctuations, but bounded
- $\omega \gg$ 16.5 \rightarrow wave functions are localized

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Numerical Approach

Preconditioned Eigenvalue Solver



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Associated graph



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- Associated graph
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Associated permutation



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Permuted matrix



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- dense case [Olschowka, Neumeier'96],
- sparse case ['MC64', Duff,Koster'99]



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- yields permutation Π and diagonal scalings D_r and D_c .

 $A \rightarrow \Pi^{\top} D_r A D_c$ such that $|a_{ii}| = 1, |a_{ij}| \leq 1$ for all i, j

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BUT

- matching destroys symmetry structures
- leads to unsymmetric scaling
- in this way not directly applicable to symmetrically structured systems



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- pivots stay inside if related SYMMETRIC permutation is applied





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- break up cycles into pairs of 2-cycles and group them together
 - various strategies of breaking up the cycles [Duff,Gilbert'02],[Duff,Pralet'04],[Schenk,Hagemann'04]
 - long cycles rarely show up in practice [Duff, Pralet'04]
- Scaling replaced by symmetric scaling $D = (D_c D_r)^{1/2}$ ensures that entries are still at most 1 in modulus

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Symbolic reorderings techniques

- multilevel nested dissection
 - → MeTiS [Karypis,Kumar'95]
- Approximate minimum degree [Amestoy,Davis,Duff,Gilbert,Larimore,Ng]
 → AMD, UMFPACK
- further old–fashioned orderings (Reverse Cuthill–McKee, Minimum Degree)
- Different approach: diagonal dominance + sparsity [Saad'03] alternative to matching + reordering

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- S_{CC} coarse grid system, E error matrix
- E represents the entries being discarded in L, U

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Multilevel approach: same approach recursively applied to Scc



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$$e \rightarrow (I - \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} B_{\mathcal{FF}} & 0\\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + PS_{\mathcal{CC}}^{-1}R^{\top} \right\} A)e$$

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• V-cycle (μ = 1), W-cycle (μ = 2) ($I - G_2 A$)($I - PS_{CC}^{-1} R^T A$) $^{\mu} (I - G_1 A)$



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What means inverse-based decomposition

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$$P$$



Why inverse-based Decompositions

Generally speaking:

- Norm of the inverse factors drive the approximation error
- "Inverse error" $F = L^{-1}EU^{-1}$ is amplified

If the norms of inverse factors are even kept bounded:

- Absolute error of the coarse grid system S_{CC} can be predicted
- Tight κ forces approximately sparse factors L^{-1}, U^{-1}



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Approximation Error Why Inverse–Based Decompositions

- Approximation A = LDU + E
- For solving Ax = b we have to apply L^{-1} , U^{-1}



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"AINV" [Benzi, Tuma '98]

• compute approximate inverses $W \approx L^{-1}$, $Z \approx U^{-1}$ directly without L, U

$$\mathsf{A} \to \begin{pmatrix} * \\ & \\ \end{pmatrix} + \mathsf{F}_1 \to \begin{pmatrix} * \\ & \\ \end{pmatrix} + \mathsf{F}_2 \to \cdots \to \mathsf{WAZ} = \begin{pmatrix} & \\ & \\ \end{pmatrix} + \mathsf{F}$$

- Numerical usually more expensive than ILU
- Significantly more robust if small entries in *W*, *Z* are discarded.
- ILUs as by-product from AINV inherit robustness [Benzi,Tuma'03]



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Theorem [B.,Saad'02]

$$\begin{array}{c} |I_{im}| \cdot \|\boldsymbol{e}_{m}^{\top} \boldsymbol{W}\| \\ |\boldsymbol{u}_{mj}| \cdot \|\boldsymbol{Z} \boldsymbol{e}_{m}\| \end{array} \right\} \leqslant \varepsilon \to \left\{ \begin{array}{c} I_{im} & := & 0 \\ \boldsymbol{u}_{mj} & := & 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{e}_i^\top | I - LW | \mathbf{e}_m \leqslant (m-i)\varepsilon, \quad \mathbf{e}_m^\top | I - ZU | \mathbf{e}_j \leqslant (m-j)\varepsilon$$



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Observation

Norm of the inverse factors drive the approximation error



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Lemma [B.,Saad'04]

Denote by $E_{L,\mathcal{FF}}$, $E_{U,\mathcal{FF}}$ the entries being dropped from $L_{\mathcal{FF}}$, $U_{\mathcal{FF}}$. • coarse grid system \tilde{S}_{CC} from ILU

$$\Rightarrow \boldsymbol{F}_{\mathcal{F}\mathcal{C}} = -L_{\mathcal{F}\mathcal{F}}^{-1} \left(\boldsymbol{E}_{L,\mathcal{F}\mathcal{F}} \boldsymbol{D}_{\mathcal{F}\mathcal{F}} + \boldsymbol{D}_{\mathcal{F}\mathcal{F}} \boldsymbol{E}_{U,\mathcal{F}\mathcal{F}} \right) \boldsymbol{U}_{\mathcal{F}\mathcal{F}}^{-1} \boldsymbol{U}_{\mathcal{F}\mathcal{C}}$$

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Theorem [B.,Saad '04]

Coarse grid system Š_{CC} from ILU

If I_{im} , u_{mj} are dropped, whenever $|I_{im}|$, $|u_{mj}| \leq \varepsilon/\kappa^2$,

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Consequences for inverse-based multilevel methods

- Estimate $\|L^{-1}\|$, $\|U^{-1}\|$ efficiently [Cline,Moler,Stewart,Wilkinson'77]
- Construct a well–suited initial system by a priori permutation and scaling $(\to A_{{\cal F}{\cal F}})$
- Keep $\|L^{-1}\|$, $\|U^{-1}\|$ below κ by inverse-based pivoting



• Tight κ desired, since $\|L^{-1}\|_{\infty} \leq \kappa \Rightarrow \sum_{j < i} |(L^{-1})_{ij}| \leq \kappa - 1$



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Aggressive Dropping

Problem

- for practical problems we do not precisely know the optimal ε
- to be save we prefer a smaller tolerance

Consequences

- as $\varepsilon \to 0$, the fill–in significantly increases
- as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, number of iteration steps decreases to a few number of steps
- memory requirement dramatically increases
- even for the iterative part, efficiency does not increase since the fill increases



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Aggressive Dropping

Solution

- We do not necessarily need a small number of iteration steps
- instead: $L^{-1}AU^{-1} = D F$ should lead to small ||F|| and small perturbations in L^{-1} , U^{-1} could be tolerated

Lemma

Denote by μ_k , ν_k the number of nonzeros in column k of L (resp. row k of U). Let \tilde{L} , \tilde{U} be constructed from L, U by dropping entries I_{ik} , u_{kj} satisfying

$$\|L^{-1}\mathbf{e}_i\|\cdot|I_{ik}|\leqslant rac{ au}{\mu_k}, \quad |u_{kj}|\cdot\|\mathbf{e}_j^{ op}U^{-1}\|\leqslant rac{ au}{
u_k},$$

then

$$D-F = (I+E_L)(\tilde{D}-\tilde{F})(I+E_U)$$

where

$$\|E_L\|_1 \leqslant \tau, \|E_U\|_{\infty} \leqslant \tau.$$



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Example. BCSSTK25.

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Circuit Simulation (benchmark collection from Infineon)

- compare regular and inverse-based ILU
- Dependence of the decomposition on drop tolerance ε (Convergence of GMRES(30) after at most 500 steps)



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Device Simulation

- direct solver (PARDISO, [Schenk,Gärner'04] excellent, but causes a lot of fill
- inverse–based ILU (ILUPACK [B.,Saad'04]): fix drop tolerance at $\varepsilon = 10^{-3}$ and use $\kappa = 10$.
- "regular" ILU fails until 1e 7 for most problems
- both use minimum weight matching and MeTiS.

	direct	solver	inverse-l	based ILU
	$\frac{nnz(L+U)}{nnz(A)}$	time[sec]	$\frac{nnz(L+U)}{nnz(A)}$	time[sec]
barrier2-1	32.3	4.7e3	0.9	7.9e1
barrier2-2	32.3	4.6e3	0.9	6.1e1
barrier2-3	32.3	4.6e3	0.9	_
barrier2-4	32.3	4.6e3	0.9	1.1e2
barrier2-9	32.8	4.6e3	0.9	3.2e1
barrier2-10	32.8	4.6e3	0.9	7.5e1
barrier2-11	32.8	4.7e3	0.9	7.4e1
barrier2-12	32.8	4.7e3	0.9	6.5e1



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Challenges,

- Symmetry requires structure preserving solver
- Block–oriented variant (1 \times 1, 2 \times 2), since highly indefinite
- Matching-based preprocessing [Duff,Koster'98], [Gilbert,Duff'02], [Duff,Pralet'04], [Schenk,Hagemann'04]
- classical approach: Cullum-Willoughby algorithm ['85]
- iterative methods ARPACK [Lehoucq, Sorensen, Yang'98], Jacobi–Davidson [Sleijpen, Van der Vorst'96], [Geus'02]
- direct solver PARDISO [Schenk,Gärtner], preconditioner ILUPACK [B.,Saad'04],[B.,Schenk'05]



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Numerical results [Schenk, B., Römer'05]

system size $n = m^3$	Time			
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 $n = m^3$, m = 100, 130, 160, 190. $\omega = \omega_c = 16.5$.

	Memory [GB]			
system size $n = m^3$	10 ⁶	2 · 10 ⁶	$4\cdot 10^6$	7 · 10 ⁶
ARPACK + PARDISO	14.3	_	_	_
ARPACK + ILUPACK	1.4	3.0	5.8	_
Jacobi–Davidson + ILUPACK	1.4	3.0	5.8	9.6



Inverse-based decompositions: the key to success

- clear: modern iterative eigenvalue solver (Jacobi-Davidson) essential
- Matching quite helpful
- key role: bound κ for $\|L^{-1}\|$

Numerical example m = 70, 100. Vary bound κ inside ILUPACK

	$\kappa(m=70)$			κ (<i>m</i> = 100)		
	5	10	20	5	10	20
fill–in $\frac{nnz(L)}{nnz(A)}$	11.7	18.6	31.7	11.6	18.6	_
Time [sec]	1.7 <i>e</i> 2	3.7 <i>e</i> 2	7.8e2	5.2e2	1.1 <i>e</i> 3	



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ILUPACK V2.0

- multilevel ILU preconditioning software package
- inverse-based decompositions
- single/double, real and complex arithmetic supported
- classes of matrices that are supported
 - general
 - symmetric (Hermitian) positive definite
- new in V2.0
 - real/complex symmetric, complex Hermitian indefinite
 - interfaces to incorporate matchings is provided (PARDISO, MC64)
- http://www.math.tu-berlin.de/ilupack/

to be released soon ...

Conclusions

- development in recent years has significantly changed preconditioning methods as well as direct solvers
- matchings dramatically stabilize preconditioning methods
- symmetric matchings nowadays allow to efficiently treat symmetrically structured indefinite systems
- inverse-based decompositions are complementary approach
- analysis partially gives an explanation for this effect

