

Linear System

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Consider the Dirichlet boundary-value problem:

$$-\Delta u \equiv -u_{xx} - u_{yy} = 2\pi^2 \sin \pi x \sin \pi y, \text{ for } (x, y) \in \Omega, \quad (1)$$

$$u(x, y) = 0 \quad (x, y) \in \partial\Omega, \quad (2)$$

for $\Omega := \{x, y | 0 < x, y < 1\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ with boundary $\partial\Omega$, which has the exact solution

$$u(x, y) = \sin \pi x \sin \pi y,$$

and is shown in Figure 1.

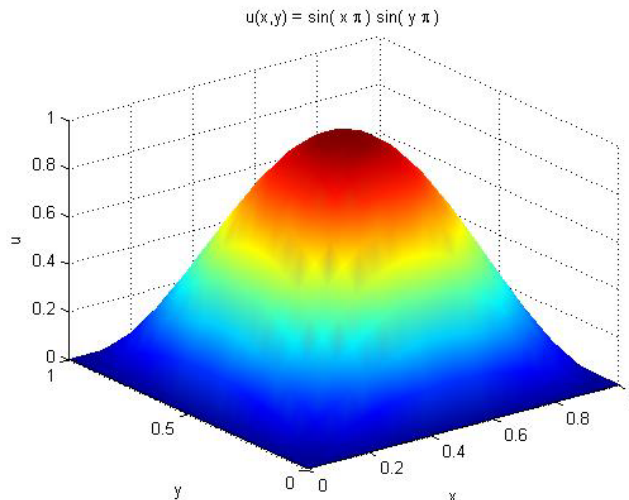


Figure 1: Exact solution.

Let $n \geq 1$ be an integer and $h = \frac{1}{n+1}$. Define

$$f_{ij} \equiv 2h^2\pi^2 \sin \pi x_i \sin \pi y_j$$

with $x_i = ih$, $y_j = jh$, $i, j = 0, 1, \dots, n+1$. Then, applying the finite difference scheme to discrete Eq. (2), it results the linear system

$$Ax = f, \quad (3)$$

where

$$f = \begin{bmatrix} f_{:,1} \\ f_{:,2} \\ \vdots \\ f_{:,n} \end{bmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & -I_n & & \\ -I_n & A_1 & \ddots & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & -I_n \\ & & -I_n & A_1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times n^2}$$

with

$$f_{:,j} = \begin{bmatrix} f_{1,j} \\ f_{2,j} \\ \vdots \\ f_{n,j} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, n,$$

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & & \\ -1 & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & -1 \\ & & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}.$$

Problem: How to solve the linear system $Ax = f$.

Requirements:

- (a) Construct the coefficient matrix A with dense format and right hand side vector f . Solve this linear system by using $x = A \backslash f$.
- (b) Use *function* command to construct the coefficient matrix A with sparse format and right hand side vector f . Solve this linear system by using $x = A \backslash f$.
- (c) Compare the performance of (a) and (b). (Use “tic” and “toc” functions in MATLAB to estimate the CPU times.)
- (d) Use conjugate gradients method to solve linear system (3).

1. Use MATLAB function `pcg` without any preconditioner:

$$[x, \text{flag}, \text{relres}, \text{iter}] = \text{pcg}(A, b, \text{tol}, \text{maxit})$$

2. Use MATLAB function `pcg` with a given preconditioner:

$$\begin{aligned} [x, \text{flag}, \text{relres}, \text{iter}] &= \text{pcg}(A, b, \text{tol}, \text{maxit}, M), \\ [x, \text{flag}, \text{relres}, \text{iter}] &= \text{pcg}(A, b, \text{tol}, \text{maxit}, M1, M2), \\ [x, \text{flag}, \text{relres}, \text{iter}] &= \text{pcg}(A, b, \text{tol}, \text{maxit}, [], M2), \\ [x, \text{flag}, \text{relres}, \text{iter}] &= \text{pcg}(A, b, \text{tol}, \text{maxit}, \text{MFUN}). \end{aligned}$$

(i) **Jacobi method:** $A = D + (L + U)$, $M = D$

$$x_{k+1} = -D^{-1}(L + U)x_k + D^{-1}b,$$

where D is the diagonal part, L is the strictly lower triangular part, and U is the strictly upper triangular part, of A , respectively.

(ii) **Gauss-Seidel:** $A = (D + L) + U$, $M = D + L$

$$x_{k+1} = -(D + L)^{-1}Ux_k + (D + L)^{-1}b.$$

(iii) **SSOR:** $A = D + L + L^T$, $M = M(\omega)$

$$x^{(k)} = (M_{\omega}^{-T}N_{\omega}^T M_{\omega}^{-1}N_{\omega})x^{(k-1)} + M(\omega)^{-1}b,$$

where

$$M(\omega) = \frac{1}{\omega(2 - \omega)}(D + \omega L)D^{-1}(D + \omega L^T).$$

(iv) M may be a function handle MFUN returning $M^{-1}x$

$$[x, \text{flag}, \text{relres}, \text{iter}] = \text{pcg}(A, b, \text{tol}, \text{maxit}, \dots) \\ @ (x) \text{precSSOR}(x, \omega, \text{mtxLower}, \text{mtxdiag})$$

(v) Use MATLAB functions “triu(A,1)” and “tril(A,-1)” to extract the strictly upper and lower triangular parts of A , respectively.