

Using non-Galerkin coarse grid operators in multigrid methods

General considerations and case studies for circulant matrices

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If in a modified coarse grid correction $\bar{\phi}_{CGC}^{(k)}$ the defect equation is solved by a linear iterative method

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with convergence rate $\bar{\eta} := \|I - \bar{N}_{k-1}\mathbf{A}_{k-1}\|_{A_{k-1}} < 1$, then the (post-smoothing) two grid method using $\bar{\phi}_{CGC}^{(k)}$ converges with convergence factor of at most $\max\{\bar{\eta}, \sqrt{1 - \delta}\}$, i.e.

$$\|S_k^{\nu_2} \bar{T}_k \mathbf{e}_k\|_{A_k} \leq \max\{\bar{\eta}, \sqrt{1 - \delta}\} \|\mathbf{e}_k\|_{A_k},$$

where $\delta = \alpha/\beta$ with α and β from the smoothing and approximation property.

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Requirements for V-cycle convergence

Let

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$$\|\hat{T}_k \tilde{T}_k \cdot\|_* \geq \mu_k \|\hat{T}_k \cdot\|_*$$

and

$$\ker(\hat{T}_k^H A_k \hat{T}_k) \subset \ker((\tilde{T}_k - \hat{T}_k)^H A_k \hat{T}_k + \hat{T}_k^H A_k (\tilde{T}_k - \hat{T}_k)),$$

$$\lambda_k := \max_{\mathbf{e}_k \in \mathbb{C}^{n_k} / \ker(\dots)} \frac{\langle (\tilde{T}_k - \hat{T}_k)^H A_k \hat{T}_k + \hat{T}_k^H A_k (\tilde{T}_k - \hat{T}_k) \mathbf{e}_k, \mathbf{e}_k \rangle}{\langle \hat{T}_k^H A_k \hat{T}_k \mathbf{e}_k, \mathbf{e}_k \rangle},$$

with $\alpha_k / \hat{\beta}_k > \lambda_k$.

Convergence of method using replacement operator

Theorem

Let S_k fulfill the smoothing property (1) and let \hat{T}_k fulfill the approximation property (2), i.e.

$$\|\hat{T}_k \mathbf{e}_k\|_{A_k}^2 \leq \hat{\beta} \|\mathbf{e}_k\|_*^2.$$

Under the assumptions of the previous slide and with the given definitions we have

$$\|S^{\nu_2} \tilde{T} \mathbf{e}_k\|_{A_k} \leq \max \left\{ \tilde{\eta}, \sqrt{(1 + \lambda_k) - \hat{\alpha}_k / \hat{\beta}_k} \right\} \|\mathbf{e}_k\|_{A_k}.$$

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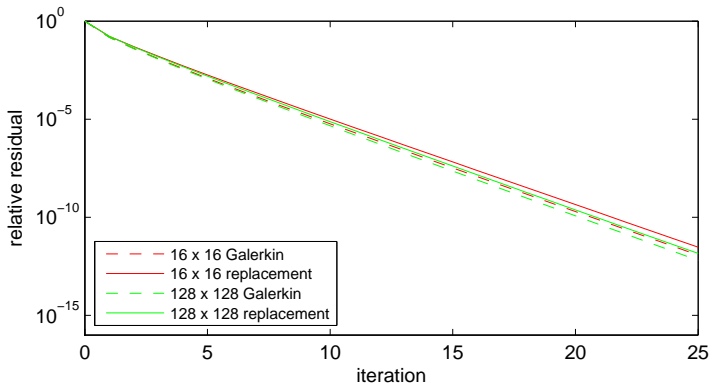
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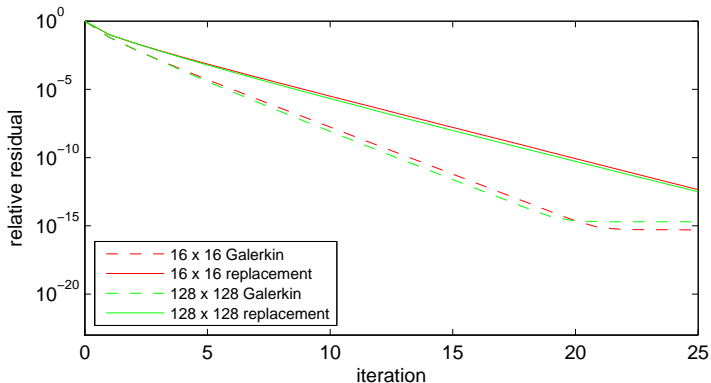
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