

CISM COURSE

COMPUTATIONAL ACOUSTICS

Solvers

Part 1: Direct Solvers

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Algebraic Systems arising in CA

Given a regular (?) $n_h \times n_h$ system matrix $\mathbf{A} = [A_{ij}]_{i,j=1,\dots,n_h}$ and a rhs $\underline{f} = [f_i]_{i=1,\dots,n_h} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_h}$, find $\underline{u} = [u_j]_{j=1,\dots,n_h} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_h}$:

$$\mathbf{A}\underline{u} = \underline{f} \quad (1)$$

where $n = n_h = n_{eq} = O(h^{-d})$ - nr of dofs = nr of eqns,
 h - discretization parameter, d - space dim. (PDE in $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$).

Possible system matrices in CA:

$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{D}$ - diagonal matrix (mass lumping)

$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{M}$ - mass matrix (MK3= Kaltenbacher 3)

$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{K}$ - stiffness matrix (MK3)

$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{M} + \gamma_H \Delta t \mathbf{C} + \beta_H (\Delta t)^2 \mathbf{K}$ - Newmark matrix (MK3)

$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{K} - \omega^2 \mathbf{M}$ - time-harmonic case (SM=Marburg)

$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}$ - fully populated BEM matrices (SM): $n_h = O(h^{-(d-1)})$

Model Problem from MK3

- Mixed BVP for Poisson equation ($\nu = 1$):

$$-\Delta u = f \text{ in } \Omega, \quad u = u_e := 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_e, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial \mathbf{n}} = q_n \text{ on } \Gamma_n \quad (2)$$

- Weak formulation: Find $u \in V_{u_e} : a(u, v) = \ell(v) \forall v \in V_0$

Find $u \in V_{u_e} := \{v \in H^1(\Omega) : v = u_e \text{ on } \Gamma_e\}$ such that ($:$)

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, d\mathbf{x} = \int_{\Omega} f v \, d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\Gamma_n} q_n v \, ds \quad (3)$$

for all $v \in V_0 := \{v \in H^1(\Omega) : v = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_e\}$, where

$$H^1(\Omega) = \{v \in L_2(\Omega) : \exists \text{ weak } \nabla v \in L_2(\Omega)\}$$

denotes the Sobolev space that is equipped with the norm

$$\|v\|_1^2 := \|v\|_0^2 + |v|_1^2 = \int_{\Omega} |v|^2 \, d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \, d\mathbf{x}$$

Model Problem from MK3: $\exists!$

Lax-Milgram Lemma delivers existence and uniqueness provided that the following assumptions are fulfilled:

1. rhs $\ell(\cdot)$ is a continuous (bounded), linear functional:

$$|\ell(v)| \leq (\|f\|_0 + c \|q_n\|_{L_2(\Gamma_n)}) \|v\|_1, \quad \forall v \in V_0,$$

2. bilinear form $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ is continuous (bounded) on V_0 :

$$|a(u, v)| \leq 1 \|u\|_1 \|v\|_1 = \mu_2 \|u\|_1 \|v\|_1, \quad \forall u, v \in V_0,$$

3. bilinear form $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ is V_0 elliptic (coercive):

$$a(v, v) = |v|_1^2 \geq \frac{1}{2} (1 + c_F^{-2}) \|v\|_1^2 = \mu_1 \|v\|_1^2, \quad \forall v \in V_0,$$

by Friedrichs' inequality: $\|v\|_0 \leq c_F(\Gamma_e) |v|_1, \quad \forall v \in V_0.$

Model Problem from MK3: FEM

- FE-Scheme: Find $u^h \in V_{u_e}^h : a(u^h, v^h) = \ell(v^h) \forall v^h \in V_0^h$
Find $u^h(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^{n_{eq}} u_j N_j(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j=n_{eq}+1}^{n_n} u_e(\mathbf{x}_j) N_j(\mathbf{x}) \in V_{u_e}^h$:
$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u^h \cdot \nabla v^h d\mathbf{x} = \int_{\Omega} f v^h d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\Gamma_n} q_n v^h ds \quad (4)$$

for all $v^h \in V_0 := \text{span}\{N_1, N_2, \dots, N_{n_{eq}}\}$.

- Since the FE basis is chosen, the FE scheme (4) is equivalent to the solution of a linear system of equations:
Find $\underline{u} = [u_j]_{j=1, \dots, n_h} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_h = n_{eq}}$:

$$\mathbf{K}\underline{u} = \underline{f}, \quad (5)$$

where $\mathbf{K} = [K_{ij}]_{i,j=1, \dots, n_h}$, $K_{ij} = \int_{\Omega} \nabla N_j \cdot \nabla N_i d\mathbf{x}$
 $\underline{f} = [f_i]_{i=1, \dots, n_h}$, $f_i = \int_{\Omega} f N_i d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\Gamma_n} q_n N_i ds$
 $\quad - \sum_{j=n_{eq}+1}^{n_n} K_{ij} u_e(\mathbf{x}_j)$

Structural Properties of K

- Large scale: $n_h = O(h^{-d}) = 10^6, \dots, 10^9$ dofs in practice !
- Sparse: $K_{ij} = 0 \forall i, j : \text{supp}N_i \cap \text{supp}N_j = \emptyset$, i.e.
NNE = Number of Non-zero Elements = $O(h^{-d}) = n_h$
- Band resp. profile structure, i.e.
 $K_{ij} = 0$ if $|i - j| > b_w = \text{bandwidth} = O(h^{-(d-1)})$, **BUT**
band resp. profile depend on the numbering of the nodes !
 \implies Heuristic algorithms of band or profile optimization like
 - Cuthill-McKee algorithm
 - Reverse Cuthill-McKee algorithm
 - Minimal degree algorithm

■ Heredity relation:

$$(\mathbf{K}\underline{u}, \underline{v}) := (\mathbf{K}\underline{u}, \underline{v})_{R^n} = a(u^h, v^h) \quad \forall \underline{u}, \underline{v} \leftrightarrow u^h, v^h \in V_0^h \quad (6)$$

■ Consequences:

1. $a(u^h, v^h) = a(v^h, u^h) \quad \forall u^h, v^h \in V_0^h \Rightarrow \mathbf{K} = \mathbf{K}^T$
2. $a(v^h, v^h) > 0 \quad \forall v^h \in V_0^h \setminus \{0\} \Rightarrow \mathbf{K}$ is positive definite !
3. MK3 model problem (3): $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{K}^T > 0$ is SPD since $a(., .)$ is symmetric and even V_0 -elliptic.

SPD Stiffness Matrix \mathbf{K} : Spectral Properties

Let us assume that $a(.,.)$ is symmetric, V_0 -elliptic and V_0 -bounded as in our MK3 model problem (3):

■ Consequences:

1. \mathbf{K} is SPD
2. \mathbf{K} has $n = n_h$ positive real eigenvalues (EV) λ_k with the corresponding eigenvectors $\underline{\varphi}_k$: $\mathbf{K}\underline{\varphi}_k = \lambda_k\underline{\varphi}_k$

$$0 < \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$$

$$\underline{\varphi}_1, \underline{\varphi}_2, \dots, \underline{\varphi}_n,$$

where the eigenvectors are orthogonal, i.e.

$$(\underline{\varphi}_i, \underline{\varphi}_j) := (\underline{\varphi}_i, \underline{\varphi}_j)_{R^n} = \delta_{i,j} \quad (7)$$

3. Spectral condition number:

$$\kappa_2(\mathbf{K}) := \|\mathbf{K}\|_2 \|\mathbf{K}^{-1}\|_2 = \frac{\lambda_n}{\lambda_1} = \frac{\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{K})}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{K})} \quad (8)$$

■ Rayleigh quotient representation:

1. Maximal eigenvalue $\lambda_n = \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{K})$ of \mathbf{K} :

$$\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{K}) = \max_{\underline{v} \in R^n} \frac{(\mathbf{K}\underline{v}, \underline{v})}{(\underline{v}, \underline{v})} \leq c_2 h^{d-2} \quad (9)$$

$$P: (\mathbf{K}\underline{v}, \underline{v}) = a(v^h, v^h) = \sum (\mathbf{K}^e \underline{v}^e, \underline{v}^e) \leq \sum \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{K}^e) (\underline{v}^e, \underline{v}^e)$$

2. Minimal eigenvalue $\lambda_1 = \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{K})$ of \mathbf{K} :

$$\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{K}) = \min_{\underline{v} \in R^n} \frac{(\mathbf{K}\underline{v}, \underline{v})}{(\underline{v}, \underline{v})} \geq c_1 h^d \quad (10)$$

$$P: (\mathbf{K}\underline{v}, \underline{v}) = a(v^h, v^h) \geq \mu_1 \|v^h\|_1^2 \geq \mu_1 \|v^h\|_0^2 = \mu_1 (\mathbf{M}\underline{v}, \underline{v})$$

■ The spectral condition number estimate

$$\kappa_2(\mathbf{K}) = \frac{\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{K})}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{K})} \leq \frac{c_2}{c_1} h^{-2} \quad (11)$$

is sharp wrt h , i.e. $\kappa_2(\mathbf{K}) = O(h^{-2})$ for $h \rightarrow 0$ (example).

Example: $-u'' = f$ in $(0, 1)$, $u(0) = u(1) = 0$

Let us consider the 1d example

$$-u''(x) = f(x), \quad x \in (0, 1), \quad u(0) = u(1) = 0 \quad (12)$$

yielding the FE stiffness matrix

$$\mathbf{K} = \frac{1}{h} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & -1 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & -1 & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (13)$$

for hat functions $N_1, \dots, N_{n_h=n-1}$ on a uniform grid

$0 = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_{n-1} < x_n = 1$ with $x_{i+1} - x_i = h = 1/n$.

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- Eigenvalues: $\lambda_k = \frac{4}{h} \sin^2 \frac{k\pi}{2n}$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, n-1 = \overline{1, n-1}$
- Eigenvectors: $\underline{\varphi}_k = [\sqrt{2n} \sin(k\pi ih)]_{i=1, \dots, n-1}$, $k = \overline{1, n-1}$
- Minimal eigenvalue:

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{4}{h} \sin^2 \frac{1\pi}{2n} = \frac{4}{h} \sin^2 \frac{\pi h}{2} = O(h)$$

- Maximal eigenvalue:

$$\lambda_{n-1} = \frac{4}{h} \sin^2 \frac{(n-1)\pi}{2n} = \frac{4}{h} \cos^2 \frac{\pi h}{2} = O(h^{-1})$$

- Spectral condition number:

$$\kappa_2(\mathbf{K}) = \frac{\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{K})}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{K})} = \frac{\cos^2 \frac{\pi h}{2}}{\sin^2 \frac{\pi h}{2}} = \cot^2 \frac{\pi h}{2} = O(h^{-2})$$

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Carl Friedrich Gauss (1777- 1855)



Gaussian Elimination: Idea

Let us write our system (1) $\mathbf{A}\underline{u} = \underline{b}$ in detail as

$$\begin{array}{cccccccc} A_{11}^{(0)} u_1 & + & A_{12}^{(0)} u_2 & + & \cdots & + & A_{1n}^{(0)} u_n & = & b_1^{(0)} \\ A_{21}^{(0)} u_1 & + & A_{22}^{(0)} u_2 & + & \cdots & + & A_{2N}^{(0)} u_n & = & b_2^{(0)} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \ddots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ A_{n1}^{(0)} u_1 & + & A_{n2}^{(0)} u_2 & + & \cdots & + & A_{nN}^{(0)} u_n & = & b_n^{(0)}. \end{array}$$

Use the first eqn to eliminate u_1 from the other eqns:

$$\begin{aligned} U_{1j} &= A_{1j}^{(0)} = A_{1j}, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n, \\ L_{i1} &= A_{i1}^{(0)} / A_{11}^{(0)}, \quad i = 2, \dots, n, \\ A_{ij}^{(1)} &= A_{ij}^{(0)} - L_{i1} U_{1j}, \quad i, j = 2, \dots, n, \\ c_1 &= b_1^{(0)} = b_1 \\ b_i^{(1)} &= b_i^{(0)} - L_{i1} c_1, \quad i, j = 2, \dots, n. \end{aligned}$$

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Gaussian Elimination: Algorithm

If we simply replace superscript (0) by $(k - 1)$ and (1) by (k) , then we arrive at the Gaussian Elimination Algorithm

Algorithm (Gaussian Elimination Algorithm)

Initialization: $\mathbf{A}^{(0)} = A, \underline{b}^{(0)} = \underline{b}$

Forward Elimination:

for $k = 1$ *step* 1 *until* $n - 1$ *do*

for $i = k + 1$ *step* 1 *until* n *do*

$$L_{ik} = A_{ik}^{(k-1)} / A_{kk}^{(k-1)}$$

$$b_i^{(k)} = b_i^{(k-1)} - L_{ik} b_k^{(k-1)}$$

for $j = k + 1$ *step* 1 *until* n *do*

$$A_{ij}^{(k)} = A_{ij}^{(k-1)} - L_{ik} A_{kj}^{(k-1)}$$

endfor

endfor

endfor

Gaussian Elimination: Storage scheme

The intermediate results after $k - 1$ can be stored as follows:

$$\begin{pmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} & \cdots & U_{1k} & \cdots & U_{1n} \\ L_{21} & U_{22} & \cdots & U_{2k} & \cdots & U_{2n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ L_{k1} & \cdots & L_{k,k-1} & A_{kk}^{(k-1)} & \cdots & A_{kn}^{(k-1)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ L_{n1} & \cdots & L_{n,k-1} & A_{nk}^{(k-1)} & \cdots & A_{nn}^{(k-1)} \end{pmatrix}$$

Backward Substitution

After $n-1$ steps, we obtain the upper triangular system

$$\mathbf{U}\underline{u} = \underline{c}$$

with the upper triangular matrix

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{pmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} & \cdots & U_{1,n-1} & U_{1n} \\ 0 & U_{22} & \cdots & U_{2,n-1} & U_{2n} \\ \vdots & 0 & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & U_{n-1,n-1} & U_{n-1,n} \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & U_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{und} \quad \underline{c} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_{n-1} \\ c_n \end{pmatrix}$$

which can easily be solved by backward substitution:

$$u_n = c_n/U_{nn}; \quad u_i = (c_i - \sum_{j=i+1}^n U_{ij}u_j)U_{ii}^{-1}, \quad i = n-1, n-2, \dots, 1.$$

■ Feasibility via pivoting strategies:

To avoid $U_{kk} = A_{kk}^{k-1} = 0$, i.e. division by zero, we propose a pivot search in the remainder matrix $\mathbf{A}^{(k-1)}$:

1. Total pivoting: column and row exchange defined by $i^*, j^* \in \{k, \dots, n\} : |A_{i^*j^*}^{k-1}| \geq |A_{ij}^{k-1}| \quad \forall i, j = k, \dots, n$.
2. column pivoting: column exchange
3. row pivoting: row exchange

■ Operation count: SAXPY ($ax + y$) operations:

1. Forward elimination $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{LU}$: $\approx O(n^3) = (n-1)^2 + \dots + 1^2$
2. Forward substitution $\underline{c} = \mathbf{L}^{-1}\underline{b}$: $\approx O(n^2) = (n-1) + \dots + 1$
3. Backward substitution $\underline{x} = \mathbf{U}^{-1}\underline{c}$: $\approx O(n^2)$

- **Exercise:** Show that the $n-1$ Gaussian elimination steps are equivalent to the LU factorization of \mathbf{A} , i.e. ($n = 3$)

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{LU} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ L_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ L_{31} & L_{32} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U_{11} & U_{21} & U_{31} \\ 0 & U_{22} & U_{32} \\ 0 & 0 & U_{33} \end{pmatrix},$$

with the entries L_{ij} and U_{ij} generated by the Gaussian elimination algorithm.

- Therefore, the solution of $\mathbf{A}\underline{u} = \underline{b}$ is equivalent to
 1. factorization: $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{LU}$ by means of $O(n^3)$ ops
 2. forward substitution: $\mathbf{L}\underline{c} = \underline{b}$ by means of $O(n^2)$ ops
 3. backward substitution: $\mathbf{U}\underline{u} = \underline{c}$ by means of $O(n^2)$ ops

ILU Factorization as Preconditioner

- If we compute the coefficients L_{ij} and U_{ij} in the Gaussian Elimination Algorithm only for the indices

$$(i, j) \in \mathcal{M} \supseteq \mathcal{M}_{NZE} := \{(i, j) : A_{ij} \neq 0\}$$

and set them to zero otherwise, then we obtain an Incomplete LU factorization of the form

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- **But who knows what it's good for ?** We can hope that $\mathbf{C} = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{U}}$ can be used as a good **preconditioner** for \mathbf{A} in iterative methods \implies see NL2 and NL3

■ Exercise: Show that

$$L_{ij} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad U_{ij} = 0 \quad \forall |i - j| > b_w$$

if $A_{ij} = 0$ for all $|i - j| > b_w = \text{bandwidth}!$

■ Results:

1. The bandwidth of \mathbf{A} remains in the LU factors \mathbf{L} and \mathbf{U} of \mathbf{A} , but zero coefficients within the band of \mathbf{A} can turn to non-zero coefficients of \mathbf{L} and \mathbf{U} . This is call “fill-in”!
2. Factorization needs $O(b_w^2 n)$ ops, whereas For- and backward substitutions need $O(b_w n)$ ops only!
3. Storage requirement is of the order $O(b_w n)$.

- ## ■ Similar results hold for profiles (sky lines): The row / column resp. column / row profiles of \mathbf{A} remains in the LU resp. UL factorization of \mathbf{A} .

Special Matrices: Symmetric Matrices

The LDL^T factorization of a symmetric and regular matrix \mathbf{A} can be found by comparing the coefficients ($n = 3$):

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ L_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ L_{31} & L_{32} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} D_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & D_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & D_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & L_{21} & L_{31} \\ 0 & 1 & L_{32} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} D_{11} & D_{11}L_{21} & D_{11}L_{31} \\ L_{21}D_{11} & L_{21}^2D_{11} + D_{22} & L_{21}L_{31}D_{11} + L_{32}D_{22} \\ L_{31}D_{11} & L_{31}L_{21}D_{11} + L_{32}D_{22} & L_{31}^2D_{11} + L_{32}^2D_{22} + D_{33} \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

Algorithm (LDL^T factorization: Algorithm)

$$\begin{aligned}j = 1, \dots, n: D_{jj} &= A_{jj} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} L_{jk}^2 D_{kk} \\ i = j + 1, \dots, n: L_{ij} &= D_{jj}^{-1} (A_{ij} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} L_{ik} L_{jk} D_{kk})\end{aligned}$$

Special Matrices: SPD Matrices

The Cholesky factorizations LL^T or UU^T of a SPD matrix \mathbf{A} can also be found by comparing the coefficients ($n = 3$):

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A} &= \begin{pmatrix} L_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ L_{12} & L_{22} & 0 \\ L_{13} & L_{23} & L_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L_{11} & L_{12} & L_{13} \\ 0 & L_{22} & L_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & L_{33} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} L_{11}^2 & L_{11}L_{12} & L_{11}L_{13} \\ L_{12}L_{11} & L_{12}^2 + L_{22}^2 & L_{12}L_{13} + L_{22}L_{23} \\ L_{13}L_{11} & L_{13}L_{12} + L_{23}L_{22} & L_{13}^2 + L_{23}^2 + L_{33}^2 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

Algorithm (Cholesky factorizations LL^T : Algorithm)

$L_{11} = \sqrt{A_{11}}$; **for** $j = 2$ *step 1 until* n **do** $L_{1j} = A_{1j}/L_{11}$;
if $j > 2$ **then** $i = 2, \dots, j - 1$: $L_{ij} = L_{jj}^{-1}(A_{ij} - \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} L_{ki}L_{kj})$;
 $L_{jj} = \sqrt{A_{jj} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} L_{kj}^2}$ **endfor**

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Sparse Direct Methods

- Sparse direct methods like
 - nested dissection methods
 - multifrontal methods

use special elimination strategies:

1. ordering step: reorder the rows and columns
2. symbolic factorization: nonzero structure of the factors
3. numerical factorization: L and U
4. solution step: forward and backward substitution

- Software:

- SuperLU (left-looking)
- UMFPACK (multifrontal)
- PARDISO (left-right looking)
- MUMPS (multifrontal)

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- Linear systems of algebraic equation arising in CA
- Properties of the system matrices
- Gaussian elimination as basic idea of direct methods
- Gaussian elimination and LU factorization
- ILU factorization as preconditioner
- Band and profile matrices
- LDL^T factorization for symmetric matrices
- Cholesky factorization for SPD matrices
- Sparse direct methods

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