



# Low-rank correction preconditioning techniques

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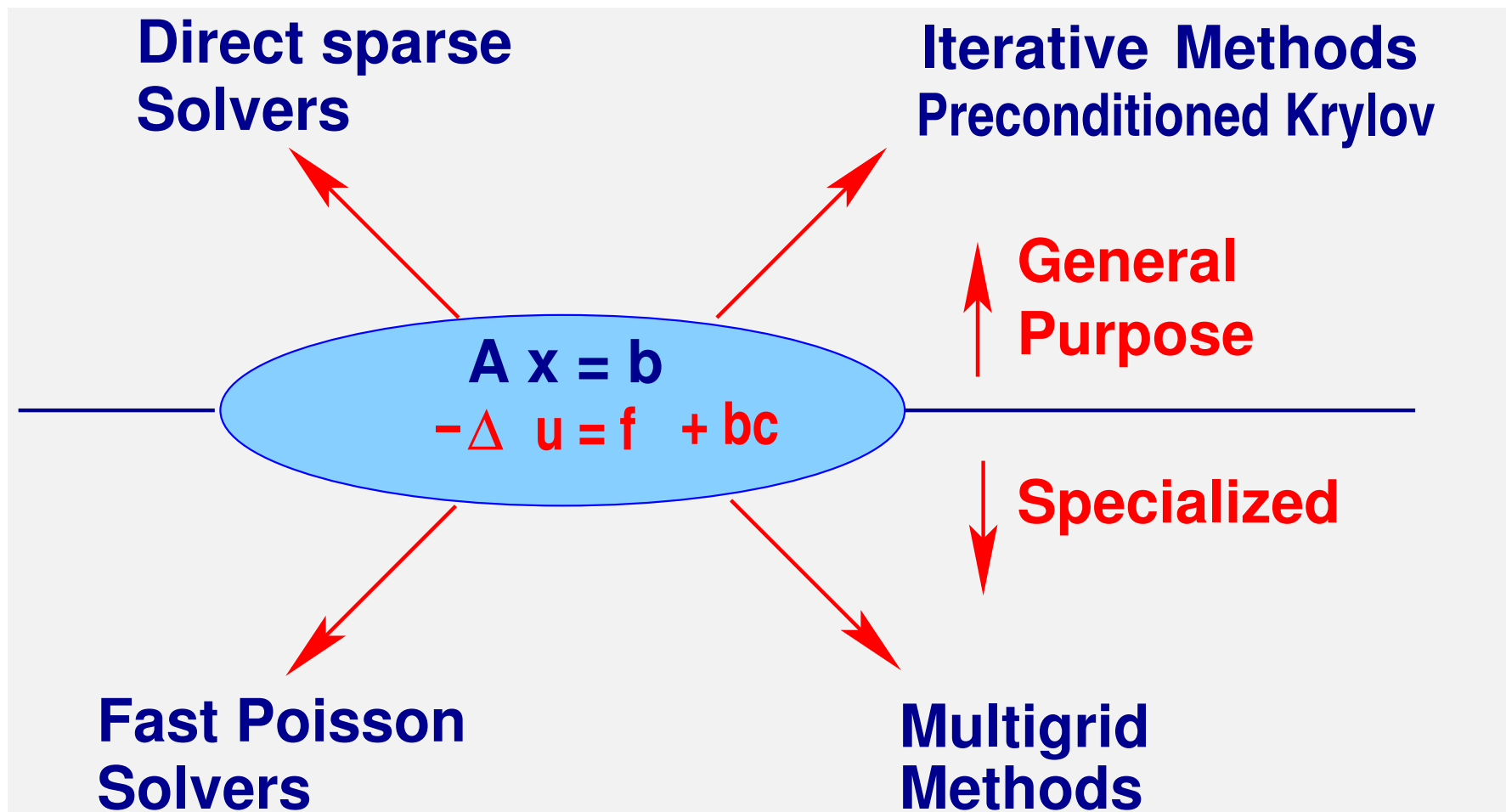
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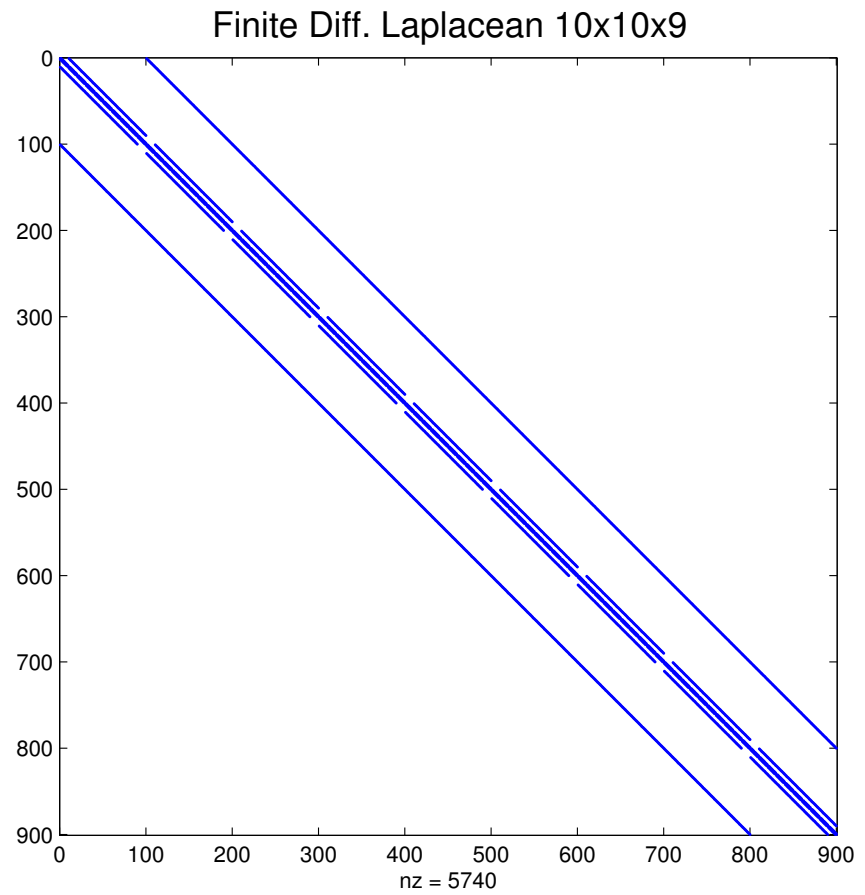
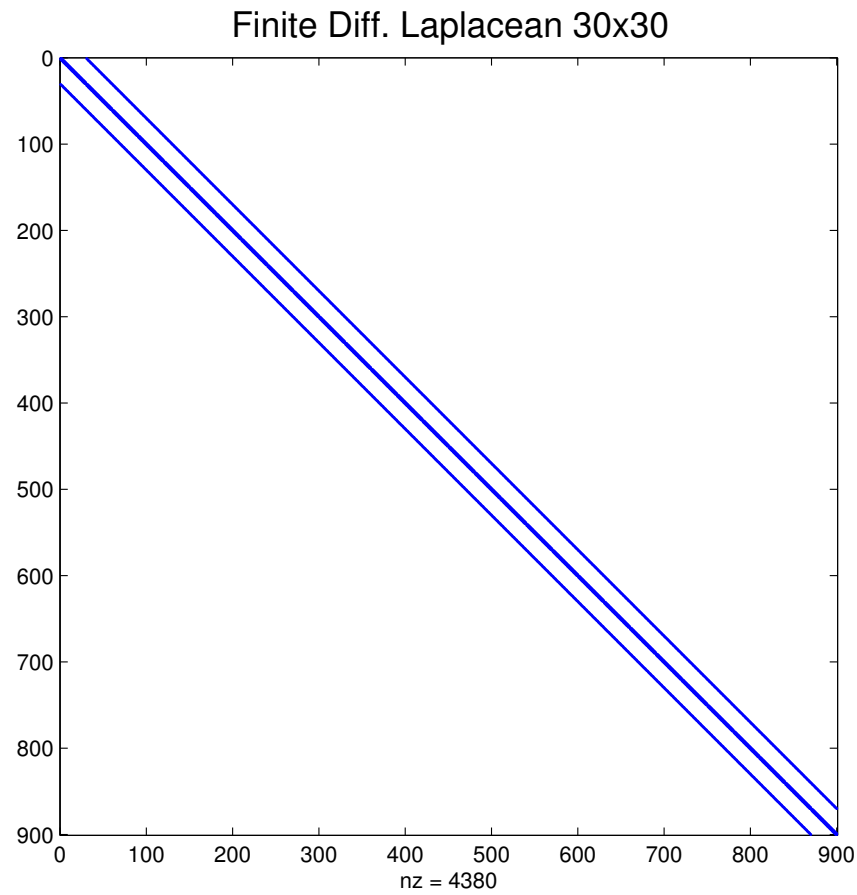
# Introduction: Linear System Solvers



## *Long standing debate: direct vs. iterative*

- Starting in the 1970's: huge progress of **sparse direct solvers**
- Iterative methods – Initially not designed for 'general systems'. Big push in the 1980s with help from '**preconditioning**'
- General consensus now: Direct methods do well for 2-D problems and some specific applications [e.g., structures, ...]
- Usually too expensive for 3-D problems
- Huge difference between 2-D and 3-D case
- Test: Two Laplacean matrices of same dimension  $n = 122,500$ . **First:** on a  $350 \times 350$  grid (2D); **Second:** on a  $50 \times 50 \times 49$  grid (3D)

➤ Pattern of a similar [much smaller] coefficient matrix



## *A few observations*

- Problems are getting harder for Sparse Direct methods  
(more 3-D models, much bigger problems,..)
- Problems are also getting difficult for iterative methods:  
More complex models - away from Poisson
- Researchers on both camps are learning each other's tricks  
to develop preconditioners.
- Much of recent work on solvers has focussed on:
  - (1) Parallel implementation – scalable performance
  - (2) Robustness, more general preconditioners

## *Background: Preconditioned iterative solvers*

To solve:

$$Ax = b$$

- $A$  is a general sparse matrix
- Solve by: Preconditioned Krylov subspace methods

### *Two ingredients:*

- **A preconditioner:** makes the system easier to solve by accelerator, e.g. Incomplete LU factorizations;

$$Ax = b \rightarrow M^{-1}Ax = M^{-1}b$$

- **An accelerator:** Conjugate gradient, BiCG, GMRES, BICGSTAB,.. ['Krylov subspace methods']

## Preconditioned CG (PCG); $A$ : Symmetric Positive Definite

### ALGORITHM : 1 . Preconditioned CG

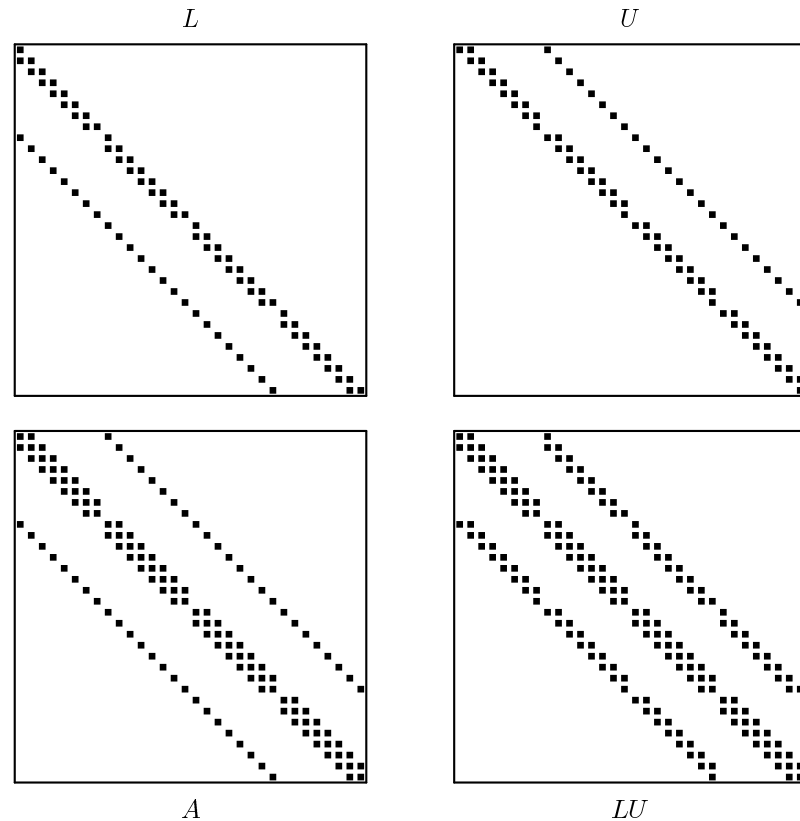
1. Compute  $r_0 := b - Ax_0$ ,  $z_0 = M^{-1}r_0$ , and  $p_0 := z_0$
2. For  $j = 0, 1, \dots$ , until convergence Do:
3.      $\alpha_j := (r_j, z_j) / (Ap_j, p_j)$
4.      $x_{j+1} := x_j + \alpha_j p_j$
5.      $r_{j+1} := r_j - \alpha_j \boxed{Ap_j}$
6.      $z_{j+1} := \boxed{M^{-1}r_{j+1}}$
7.      $\beta_j := (r_{j+1}, z_{j+1}) / (r_j, z_j)$
8.      $p_{j+1} := z_{j+1} + \beta_j p_j$
9.     EndDo

➤  $M$  = preconditioning matrix, e.g.,  $M = LU$  from ILU

## Background: Incomplete LU (ILU) preconditioners

**ILU:**  $A \approx LU$

Simplest Example: ILU(0)  $\rightarrow$



### Common difficulties of ILUs:

Often fail for indefinite problems

Not too good for highly parallel environments



## *Sparse matrix computations with GPUs \*\**

- GPUs Currently a very popular approach to: inexpensive supercomputing
- Can buy  $\sim$  one Teraflop peak power for around a little more than \$1,000

*Tesla C1060*



\*\* Joint work with Ruipeng Li

## Tesla C 1060:



- \* 240 cores
- \* 4 GB memory
- \* Peak rate: 930 GFLOPS [single]
- \* Clock rate: 1.3 Ghz
- \* 'Compute Capability': 1.3 [allows double precision]

- Next: Fermi [48 cores/SM]— followed by: Kepler..
- Tesla K 80 :  $2 \times 2,496 \rightarrow 4992$  GPU cores. 24 GB Mem.; Peak:  $\approx 2.91$  TFLOPS **double prec.** [with clock Boost].

# The CUDA environment: The big picture

- A host (CPU) and an attached device (GPU)

## Typical program:

1. Generate data on CPU
2. Allocate memory on GPU

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cudaMalloc (...)
```

3. Send data Host → GPU

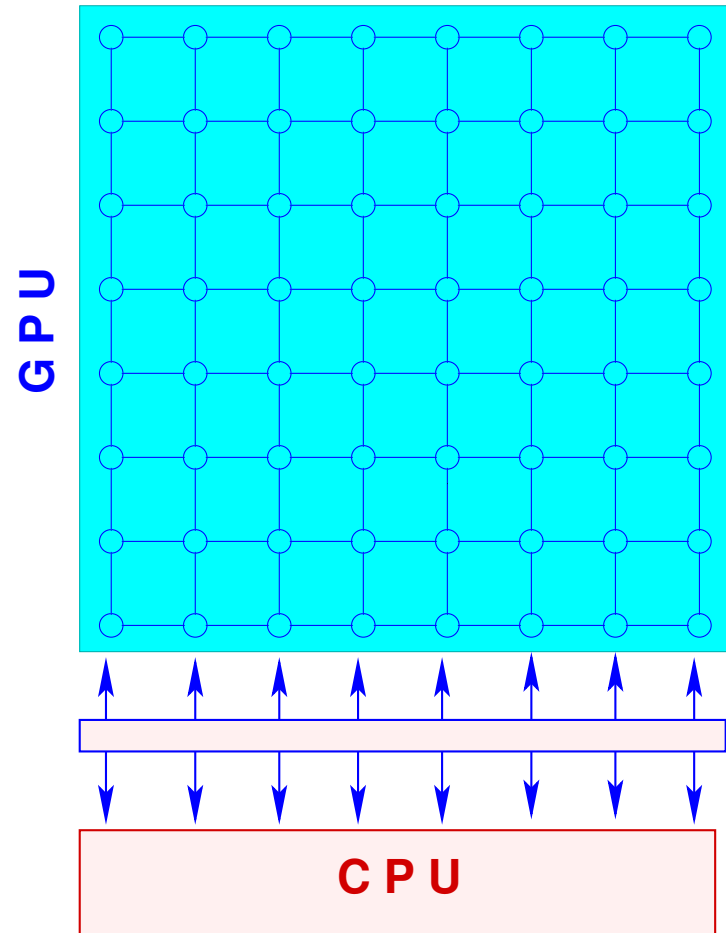
```
cudaMemcpy (...)
```

4. Execute GPU 'kernel':

```
kernel <<< (...)>>> (...)
```

5. Copy data GPU → CPU

```
cudaMemcpy (...)
```



## *Sparse matrix computations on GPUs*

Main issue in using GPUs for sparse computations:

- Huge performance degradation due to 'irregular sparsity'

➤ Matrices:

Matrix -name	N	NNZ
FEM/Cantilever	62,451	4,007,383
Boeing/pwtk	217,918	11,634,424

- Performance of Mat-Vecs on NVIDIA Tesla C1060

Matrix	<i>Single Precision</i>			<i>Double Precision</i>		
	CSR	JAD	DIA+	CSR	JAD	DIA+
FEM/Cantilever	9.4	10.8	25.7	7.5	5.0	13.4
Boeing/pwtk	8.9	16.6	29.5	7.2	10.4	14.5

- More recent tests: NVIDIA M2070 (Fermi), Xeon X5675
- Double precision in Gflops

MATRIX	Dim. $N$	CPU	CSR	JAD	HYB	DIA
rma10	46,835	3.80	10.19	12.61	8.48	-
cfd2	123,440	2.88	8.52	11.95	12.18	-
majorbasis	160,000	2.92	4.81	11.70	11.54	13.06
af_shell8	504,855	3.13	10.34	14.56	14.27	-
lap7pt	1,000,000	2.59	4.66	11.58	12.44	18.70
atmosmodd	1,270,432	2.09	4.69	10.89	10.97	16.03

- CPU SpMV: Intel MKL, parallelized using OpenMP
- HYB: from CUBLAS Library. [Uses ellpack+csr combination]

(\*) Thanks: all matrices from the Univ. Florida sparse matrix collection

## *Sparse Forward/Backward Sweeps*

➤ Next major ingredient of precondition. Krylov subs. methods

➤ ILU preconditioning operations require L/U solves:  $x \leftarrow U^{-1}L^{-1}x$

➤ Sequential outer loop.

```
for i=1:n
  for j=ia(i):ia(i+1)
    x(i) = x(i) - a(j)*x(ja(j))
  end
end
```

➤ Parallelism can be achieved with **level scheduling**:

- Group unknowns into levels
- Compute unknowns  $x(i)$  of same level simultaneously
- $1 \leq nlev \leq n$

## ILU: Sparse Forward/Backward Sweeps

- Very poor performance [relative to CPU]

Matrix	N	CPU Mflops	GPU-Lev	
			#lev	Mflops
Boeing/bcsstk36	23,052	627	4,457	43
FEM/Cantilever	62,451	653	2,397	168
COP/CASEYK	696,665	394	273	142
COP/CASEKU	208,340	373	272	115

Prec: miserable :-)

### GPU Sparse Triangular Solve with Level Scheduling

- Very poor performance when #levs is large
- A few things can be done to reduce the # levels but perf. will remain poor

So...

... prepare for the demise of the GPUs...

... or the demise of the ILUs ?



## *Alternatives to ILU preconditioners*

➤ What would be a good alternative?

***Wish-list:*** A preconditioner that

- Requires few 'irregular' computations
- Trades **volume** of computations for **speed**
- Is robust for indefinite problems

➤ Candidate:

- Multilevel Low-Rank (MLR) approximate inverse preconditioners

# 1. Low-rank Multilevel Approximations: divide & conquer

- Starting point: **symmetric** matrix derived from a 5-point discretization of a 2-D Pb on  $n_x \times n_y$  grid

$$\mathbf{A} = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc}
 \mathbf{A}_1 & \mathbf{D}_2 & & & & \\
 \mathbf{D}_2 & \mathbf{A}_2 & \mathbf{D}_3 & & & \\
 & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & & \\
 & & \mathbf{D}_\alpha & \mathbf{A}_\alpha & \mathbf{D}_{\alpha+1} & \\
 \hline
 & & & \mathbf{D}_{\alpha+1} & \mathbf{A}_{\alpha+1} & \cdots \\
 & & & & \cdots & \cdots \\
 & & & & & \mathbf{D}_{n_y} & \mathbf{A}_{n_y}
 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A}_{11} & \mathbf{A}_{12} \\ \mathbf{A}_{21} & \mathbf{A}_{22} \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A}_{11} & \\ & \mathbf{A}_{22} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} & \mathbf{A}_{12} \\ \mathbf{A}_{21} & \end{pmatrix}$$

➤ In the simplest case:

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & \\ & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \\ \hline -I & -I \\ \hline \end{array}$$

➤ Write 2nd matrix as:

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \\ \hline -I & \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \\ \hline +I & \\ \hline \end{array} - \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \\ \hline I & I \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$\mathbf{E E}^T$

$$\mathbf{E}^T = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \\ \hline I & I \\ \hline \end{array}$$

➤ Above splitting can be rewritten as

$$A = \underbrace{(A + EE^T)}_B - EE^T$$

$$A = B - EE^T,$$

$$B := \begin{pmatrix} B_1 & \\ & B_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, \quad E := \begin{pmatrix} E_1 \\ E_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n_x},$$

Note:  $B_1 := A_{11} + E_1 E_1^T$ ,  $B_2 := A_{22} + E_2 E_2^T$ .

➤ Next :

Use Sherman - Morrison formula:

$$A^{-1} = B^{-1} + (B^{-1}E)X^{-1}(B^{-1}E)^T$$

$$X = I - E^T B^{-1}E$$

➤ Method: Use low-rank approx. for  $B^{-1}E$

$$B^{-1}E \approx U_k V_k^T,$$

$$U_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}, \\ V_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x \times k},$$

➤ Replace  $B^{-1}E$  by  $U_k V_k^T$  in  $X = I - (E^T B^{-1})E$ :

$$X \approx G_k = I - V_k U_k^T E, \quad (\in \mathbb{R}^{n_x \times n_x}) \quad \text{Leads to ...}$$

Preconditioner

$$M^{-1} = B^{-1} + U_k H_k U_k^T, \quad H_k = V_k^T G_k^{-1} V_k$$

↙ Use recursivity

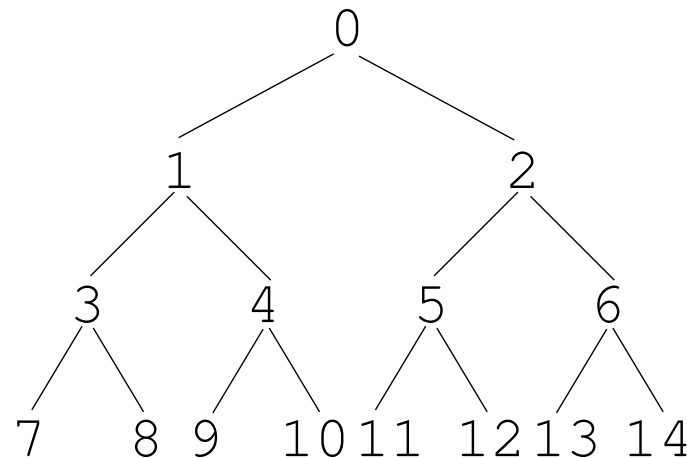
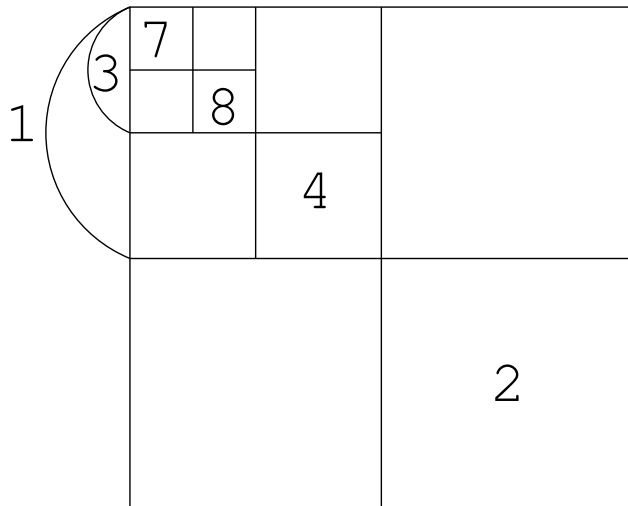
➤ We can show :

$$H_k = (I - U_k^T E V_k)^{-1} \quad \text{and}$$

$$H_k^T = H_k$$

## Recursive multilevel framework

- $A_i = B_i + E_i E_i^T$ ,  $B_i \equiv \begin{pmatrix} B_{i_1} & \\ & B_{i_2} \end{pmatrix}$ .
- Next level, set  $A_{i_1} \equiv B_{i_1}$  and  $A_{i_2} \equiv B_{i_2}$
- Repeat on  $A_{i_1}$ ,  $A_{i_2}$
- Last level, factor  $A_i$  (IC, ILU)
- Binary tree structure:



## Theory: 2-level analysis for model problem

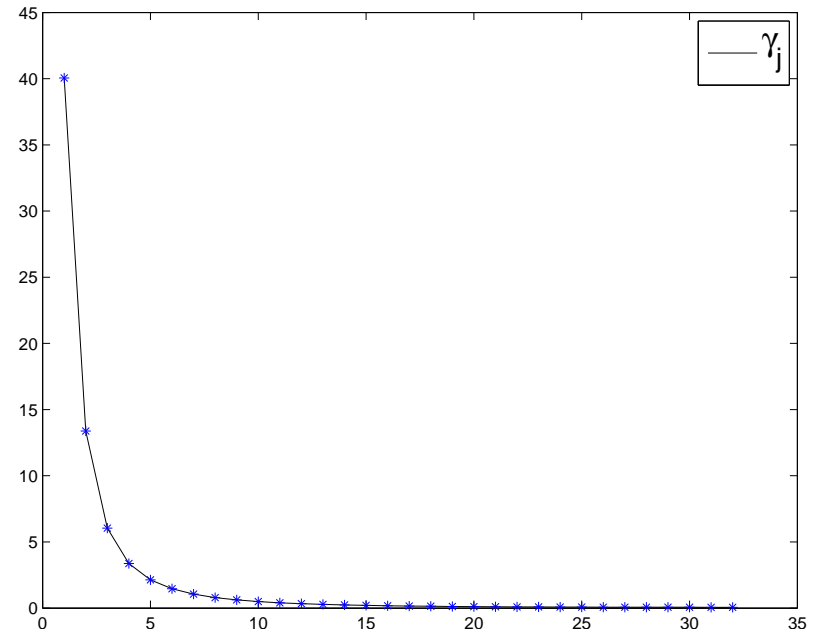
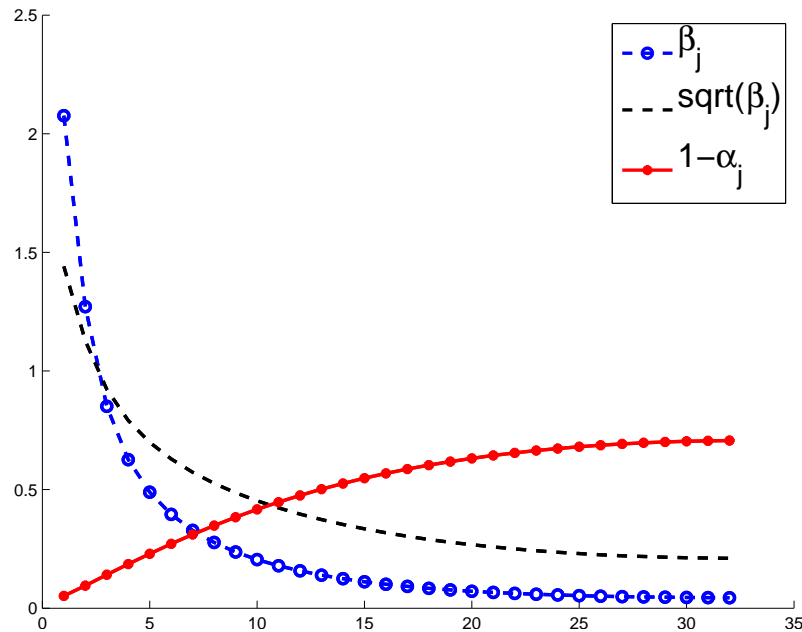
- Interested in eigenvalues  $\gamma_j$  of

$$A^{-1} - B^{-1} = B^{-1}EX^{-1}E^T B^{-1}$$

when  $A$  = Pure Laplacean .. They are:

$$\gamma_j = \frac{\beta_j}{1 - \alpha_j}, \quad j = 1, \dots, n_x \quad \text{with:}$$
$$\beta_j = \sum_{k=1}^{n_y/2} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{n_y k \pi}{n_y + 1}}{4 \left( \sin^2 \frac{k \pi}{n_y + 1} + \sin^2 \frac{j \pi}{2(n_x + 1)} \right)^2},$$
$$\alpha_j = \sum_{k=1}^{n_y/2} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{n_y k \pi}{n_y + 1}}{\sin^2 \frac{k \pi}{n_y + 1} + \sin^2 \frac{j \pi}{2(n_x + 1)}}.$$

► Decay of the  $\gamma_j$ 's when  $nx = ny = 32$ .



Note  $\sqrt{\beta_j}$  are the singular values of  $B^{-1}E$ .

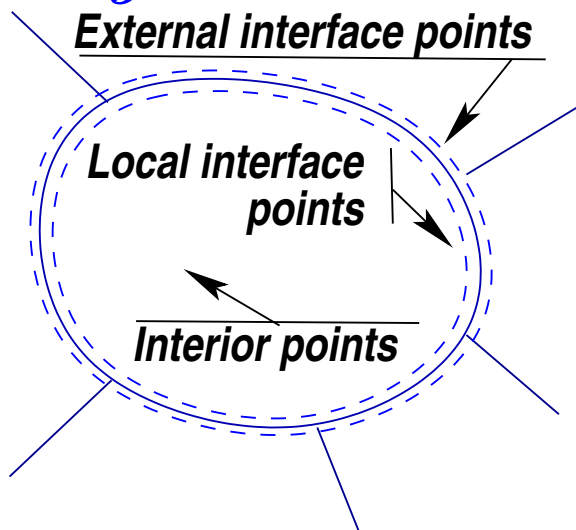
In this particular case 3 eigenvectors will capture 92 % of the inverse whereas 5 eigenvectors will capture 97% of the inverse.



## 2. Avoiding recursivity: 'standard' DD framework

- Domain partitioned in  $p$  sub-domains [edge-separation]. Interface nodes in each subdomain listed last.

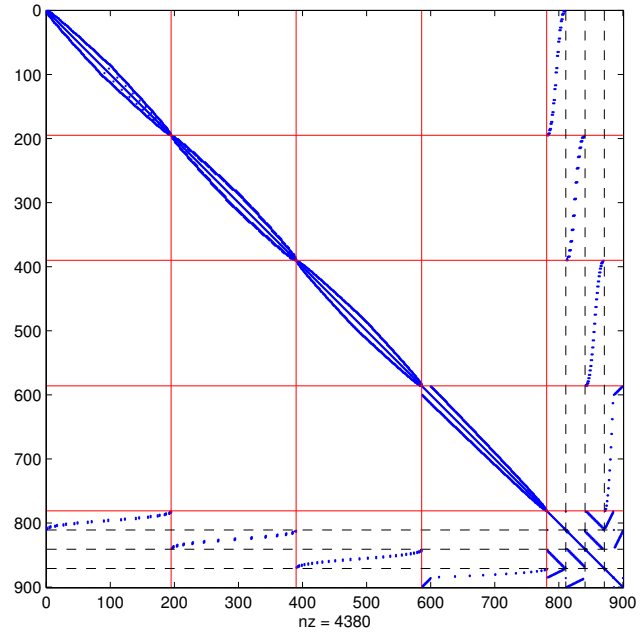
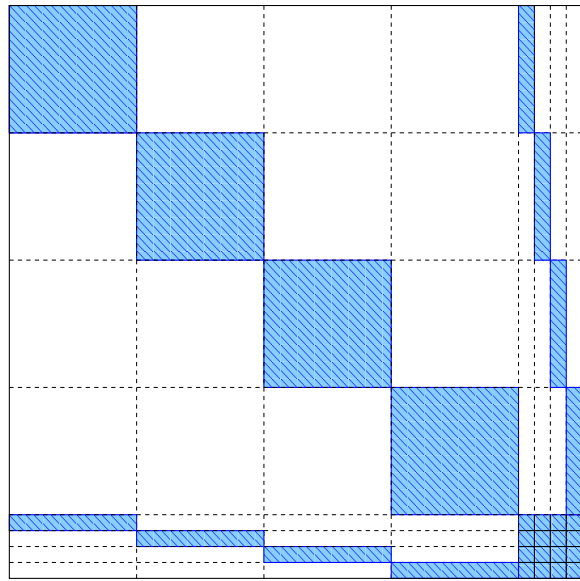
- Global system can be permuted to the form  $\rightarrow$
- $u_i$ 's internal variables
- $y$  interface variables



$$\begin{pmatrix} B_1 & & \dots & \hat{F}_1 \\ & B_2 & & \hat{F}_2 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & & B_p & \hat{F}_p \\ \hat{E}_1^T & \hat{E}_2^T & \dots & \hat{E}_p^T & C \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_p \\ y \end{pmatrix} = b$$

- $\hat{F}_i$  maps local interface points to interior points in domain  $\Omega_i$
- $\hat{E}_i^T$  does the reverse operation

*Example:*



➤ Global matrix has the form  $\begin{pmatrix} B & E \\ E^T & C \end{pmatrix}$

## Splitting

➤ Split as: 
$$A \equiv \begin{pmatrix} B & \hat{F} \\ \hat{E}^T & C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} B & \\ & C \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} & \hat{F} \\ \hat{E}^T & \end{pmatrix}$$

➤ Define:  $F \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \alpha^{-1}\hat{F} \\ -\alpha I \end{pmatrix}; \quad E \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \alpha^{-1}\hat{E} \\ -\alpha I \end{pmatrix}$  Then:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c|c} B & \hat{F} \\ \hline \hat{E}^T & C \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} B + \alpha^{-2}\hat{F}\hat{E}^T & 0 \\ \hline 0 & C + \alpha^2 I \end{array} \right] - FE^T.$$

➤  $\alpha$  is a parameter

➤ Property:  $\hat{F}\hat{E}^T$  is 'local', i.e., no inter-domain couplings  $\rightarrow$

$$A_0 \equiv \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} B + \alpha^{-2}\hat{F}\hat{E}^T & 0 \\ \hline 0 & C + \alpha^2 I \end{array} \right] \\ = \text{block-diagonal}$$

## Low-Rank Approximation DD preconditioners

Sherman-Morrison  $\rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} A^{-1} &= A_0^{-1} + A_0^{-1} F G^{-1} E^T A_0^{-1} \\ G &\equiv I - E^T A_0^{-1} F \end{aligned}$$

**Options:**

- (a) Approximate  $A_0^{-1} F$ ,  $E^T A_0^{-1}$ ,  $G^{-1}$  [as before]
- (b) Approximate **only**  $G^{-1}$  [new]

➤ (b) requires 2 solves with  $A_0$ .

Let  $G \approx G_k$

Preconditioner  $\rightarrow$

$$M^{-1} = A_0^{-1} + A_0^{-1} F G_k^{-1} E^T A_0^{-1}$$

## *Symmetric Positive Definite case*

- Recap: Let  $G \equiv I - E^T A_0^{-1} E \equiv I - H$ . Then

$$A^{-1} = A_0^{-1} + A_0^{-1} E G^{-1} E^T A_0^{-1}$$

- Approximate  $G^{-1}$  by  $G_k^{-1} \rightarrow$  preconditioner:

$$M^{-1} = A_0^{-1} + (A_0^{-1} E) G_k^{-1} (E^T A_0^{-1})$$

- Matrix  $A_0$  is SPD
- Can show:  $0 \leq \lambda_j(H) < 1$  .

➤ Now take rank- $k$  approximation to  $H$ :

$$H \approx U_k D_k U_k^T \quad G_k = I - U_k D_k U_k^T \quad \rightarrow$$

$$G_k^{-1} \equiv (I - U_k D_k U_k^T)^{-1} = I + U_k [(I - D_k)^{-1} - I] U_k^T$$

➤ Observation:  $A^{-1} = M^{-1} + A_0^{-1} E [G^{-1} - G_k^{-1}] E^T A_0^{-1}$

➤  $G_k$ :  $k$  largest eigenvalues of  $H$  matched – others set == 0

➤ Result:  $AM^{-1}$  has

- $n - s + k$  eigenvalues == 1
- All others between 0 and 1

## Alternative: reset lowest eigenvalues to constant

- Let  $H = U\Lambda U^T$  = exact (full) diagonalization of  $H$
- We replaced  $\Lambda$  by:

➤ Alternative: replace  $\Lambda$  by

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & & & & & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & & & & & & & \\ & & \dots & & & & & & & \\ & & & \lambda_k & & & & & & \\ & & & & 0 & & & & & \\ & & & & & \dots & & & & \\ & & & & & & 0 & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & & & & & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & & & & & & & \\ & & \dots & & & & & & & \\ & & & \lambda_k & & & & & & \\ & & & & \theta & & & & & \\ & & & & & \dots & & & & \\ & & & & & & \theta & & & \\ & & & & & & & \dots & & \\ & & & & & & & & \theta & \end{pmatrix}$$

- Interesting case:  $\theta = \lambda_{k+1}$
- Question: related approximation to  $G^{-1}$ ?

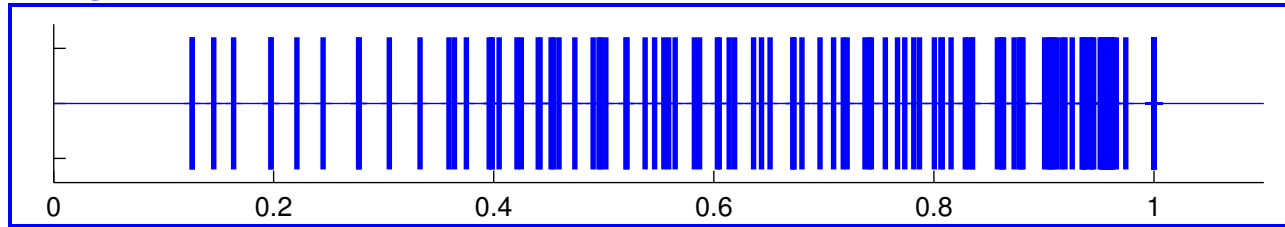
- Result: Let  $\gamma = 1/(1 - \theta)$ . Then approx. to  $G^{-1}$  is:

$$G_{k,\theta}^{-1} \equiv \gamma I + U_k[(I - D_k)^{-1} - \gamma I]U_k^T$$

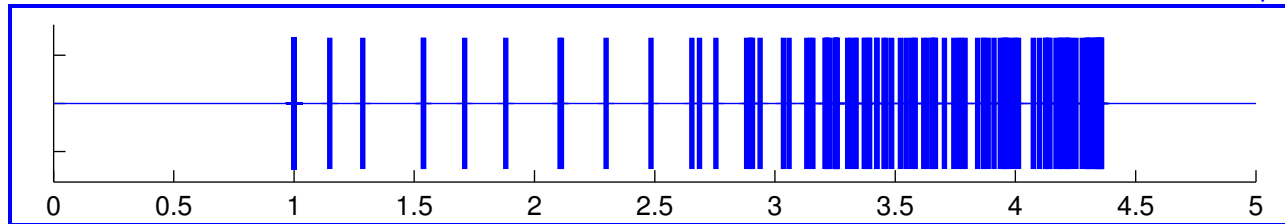
- $G_k$ :  $k$  largest eigenvalues of  $G$  matched – others set  $== \theta$
- $\theta = 0$  yields previous case
- When  $\lambda_{k+1} \leq \theta < 1$  we get
- Result:  $AM^{-1}$  has
  - $n - s + k$  eigenvalues  $== 1$
  - All others  $\geq 1$
- Next: An example for a  $900 \times 900$  Laplacean, 4 domains,  $s = 119$



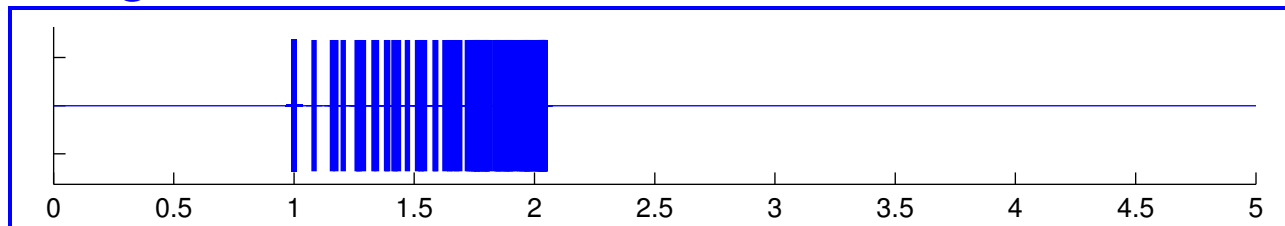
**$k = 5$**  Eigenvalues of  $AM^{-1}$  for the case  $\theta = 0$



**$k = 5$**  Eigenvalues of  $AM^{-1}$  for the case  $\theta = \lambda_{k+1}$



**$k = 15$**  Eigenvalues of  $AM^{-1}$  for the case  $\theta = \lambda_{k+1}$



**Proposition** Assume  $\theta$  is so that  $\lambda_{k+1} \leq \theta < 1$ . Then the eigenvalues  $\eta_i$  of  $AM^{-1}$  satisfy:

$$1 \leq \eta_i \leq 1 + \frac{1}{1 - \theta} \|A^{1/2} A_0^{-1} E\|_2^2.$$

➤ Can Show: For the Laplacean (FD) and when  $\alpha = 1$ ,

$$\|A^{1/2} A_0^{-1} E\|_2^2 = \|E^T A_0^{-1} A A_0^{-1} E\|_2 \leq \frac{1}{4}$$

regardless of the mesh-size.

➤ Best upper bound for  $\theta = \lambda_{k+1}$

➤ Set  $\theta = \lambda_{k+1}$ . Then  $\kappa(AM^{-1}) \leq \text{constant}$ , if  $k$  large enough so that  $\lambda_{k+1} \leq \text{constant}$ .

➤ i.e., need to capture sufficient part of spectrum

## Parallel implementations

➤ Recall :

$$M^{-1} = A_0^{-1} \left[ I + EG_{k,\theta}^{-1}E^T A_0^{-1} \right]$$
$$G_{k,\theta}^{-1} = \gamma I + U_k[(I - D_k)^{-1} - \gamma I]U_k^T$$

➤ Steps involved in applying  $M^{-1}$  to a vector  $x$  :

### ALGORITHM : 2 Preconditioning operation

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1.  $z = A_0^{-1}x$  //  $\hat{B}_i$ -solves and  $C_\alpha$ -solve
2.  $y = E^T z$  // Interior points to interface (Loc.)
3.  $y_k = G_{k,\theta}^{-1}y$  // Use Low-Rank approx.
4.  $z_k = Ey_k$  // Interface to interior points (Loc.)
5.  $u = A_0^{-1}(x + z_k)$  //  $\hat{B}_i$ -solves and  $C_\alpha$ -solve

## $A_0$ Solves

Note:

$$A_0 = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{B}_1 & & & & & \\ & \hat{B}_2 & & & & \\ & & \dots & & & \\ & & & \hat{B}_p & & \\ & & & & & C_\alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

- Recall  $\hat{B}_i = B_i + \alpha^{-2} E_i E_i^T$
- A solve with  $A_0$  amounts to all  $p$   $\hat{B}_i$ -solves and a  $C_\alpha$ -solve
- Can replace  $C_\alpha^{-1}$  by a low degree polynomial [Chebyshev]
- Can use any solver for the  $\hat{B}_i$ 's

## Parallel tests: Itasca (MSI)

- HP linux cluster- with Xeons 5560 (“Nehalem”) processors

2-D

Mesh	Nproc	Rank	#its	Prec-t	Iter-t
256 × 256	2	8	29	2.30	.343
512 × 512	8	16	57	2.62	.747
1024 × 1024	32	32	96	3.30	1.32
2048 × 2048	128	64	154	4.84	2.38

3-D

Mesh	Nproc	Rank	#its	Prec-t	Iter-t
32 × 32 × 32	2	8	12	1.09	.0972
64 × 64 × 64	16	16	31	1.18	.381
128 × 128 × 128	128	32	62	2.42	.878

### 3. *'Non-standard' DD framework: HID ordering*

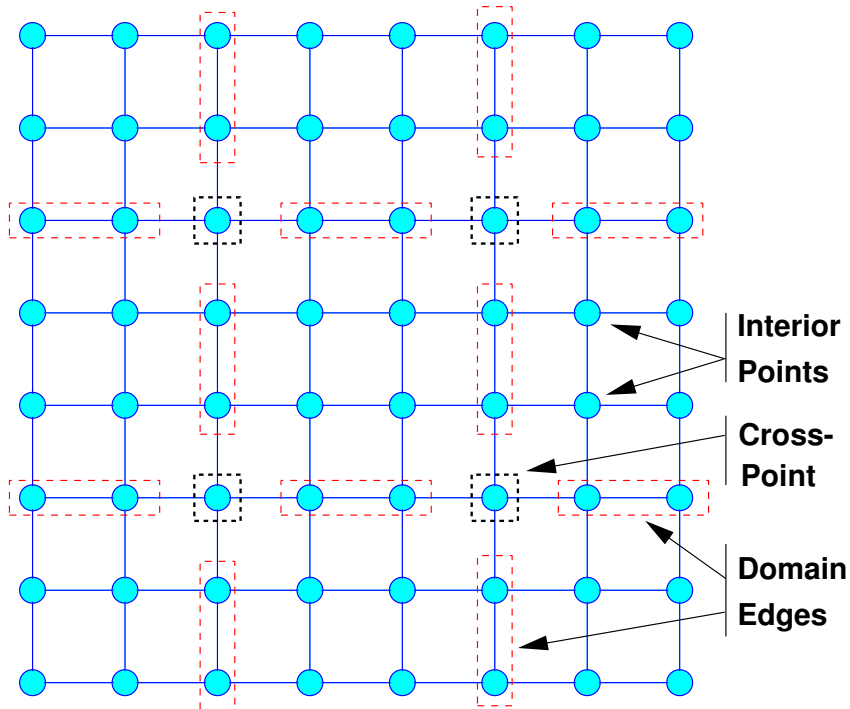
- Issue: Schur complement can become large (3D Pbs)
- Remedy: Use Hierarchical Interface Decomposition (HID) - Henon and YS'05

*Goal:* Define a method that descends into interface variables in a hierarchical way → need a hierarchy of 'interfaces'.

- Ideas of this type in the Domain Decomposition context (PDEs) by. Smith and Widlund (89) – [“Wirebasket” techniques]

## The hierarchical decomposition of a graph

- Partition  $\mathcal{G}$  into  $p$  subgraphs - with overlapping.



Example:  $A$  originates from a 5-point FD discretization of a Laplacean on a 2-D domain.

- Three types of nodes: interior, interface, and cross-points.

- Extension expressed in terms of “connectors” of different levels.

## *The hierarchical decomposition of a graph*

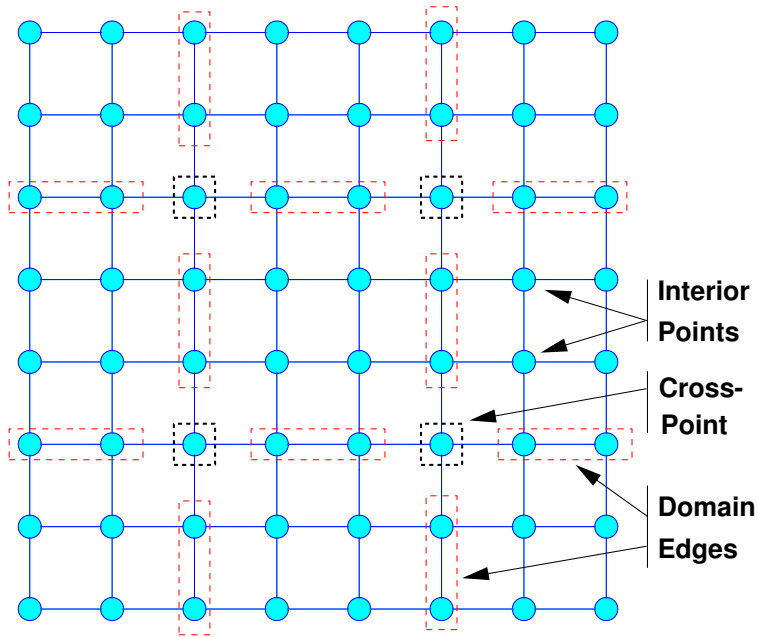
- Vertex node divided into ‘connectors’ (sets of vertices) grouped into  $L$  levels

This set of connectors is a hierarchical decomposition of  $\mathcal{G}$ , if:

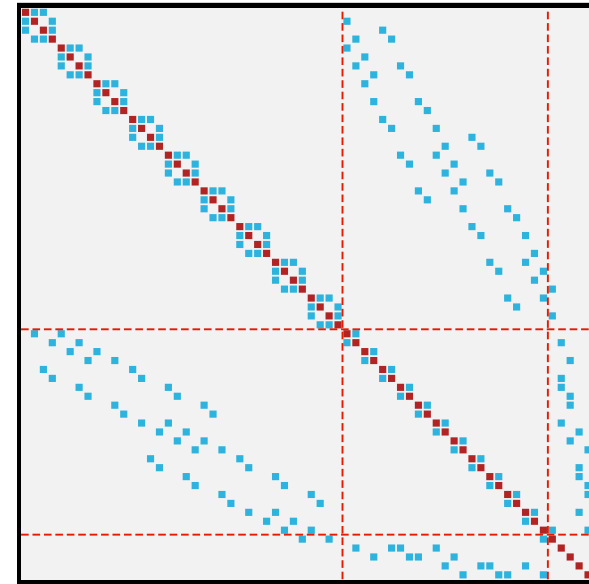
1. The connectors are disjoint and form a partition of the graph,
2. Connectors of the same level are not adjacent,
3. Connectors of a level  $l > 1$  are separators for connectors at level  $l - 1$ .



# The hierarchical decomposition of a graph - example



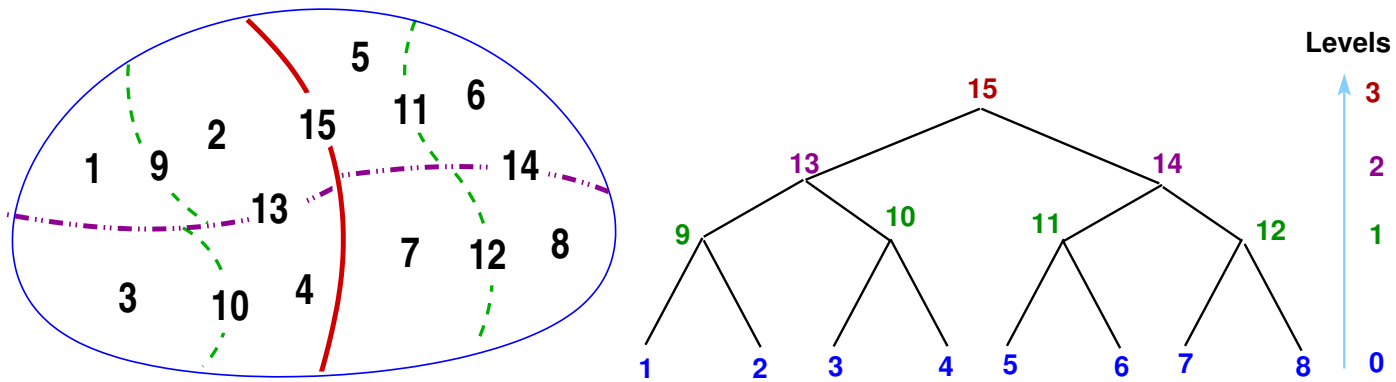
Graph



Matrix pattern

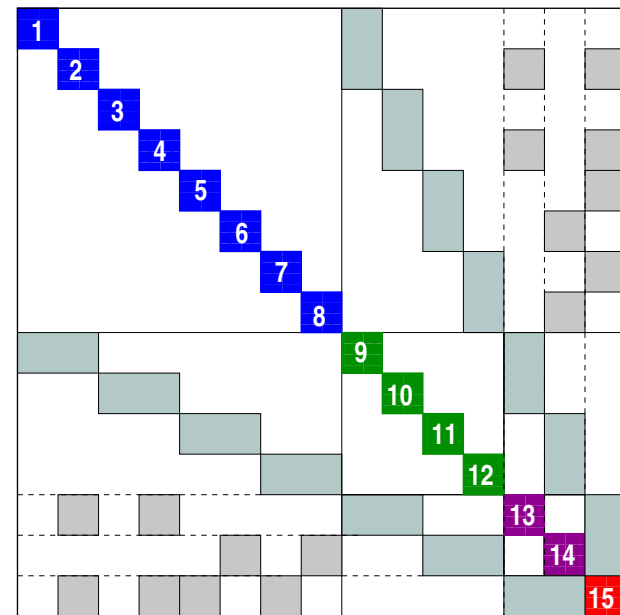
- $C^1$  = interior of each subdomain;  $C^2$  = sets of edges;  $C^3$  = none ;  $C^4$  = cross-points
- Label by levels → block-diagonal structure at each level

➤ Easy way to get an HID: Nested Dissection ordering



Up: 3-level partition of a 2-D domain.  
An HID tree with connector level information.

Right: Non-zero pattern of the re-ordered matrix.



## *Recursive preconditioner*

$$A_l = \begin{pmatrix} B_l & E_l \\ E_l^T & C_l \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad C_l = A_{l+1} \quad \text{for} \quad l = 0 : L - 1,$$

$A_0$  == reordered matrix of  $A$  from the HID ordering

$A_l$  == matrix  $C_{l-1}$  for  $l = 1, 2, \dots, L$

$A_L$  == submatrix associated with the top-level connector.

➤ Each leading block  $B_l$  in  $A_l$  has a block-diagonal structure

**Goal:**

Explore multilevel strategies to approximate the factorization of  $A_l$

➤ Recall factorization:

$$A_l = \begin{pmatrix} I & & \\ E_l^T B_l^{-1} & I & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_l & \\ & S_l \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & B_l^{-1} E_l \\ & I \end{pmatrix}$$
$$S_l = C_l - E_l^T B_l^{-1} E_l$$

**Main Observation:**  $S_l^{-1} - C_l^{-1}$  nearly small rank

➤ Rank bounded by number of cross-points (connectors at level  $l$  that intersect with connectors of higher levels)..

**Idea:** Write

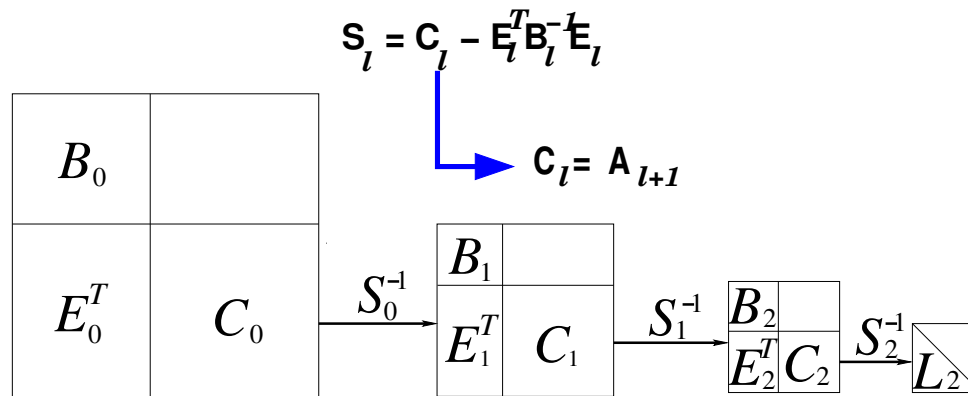
$$A_l^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} I & -B_l^{-1}E_l \\ & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_l^{-1} & \\ & S_l^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & \\ -E_l^T B_l^{-1} & I \end{pmatrix} \cdot$$

- Approximate  $S_l^{-1}$  as  $S_l^{-1} \approx C_l^{-1} - W_l H_l W_l^T$
- Next: set  $C_l = A_{l+1}$  → exploit recursivity
- Last level: use (incomplete) Cholesky.
- Next: illustration for 3 levels.

- At levels  $l = 0, 1, 2$  express  $A_l^{-1}$  as :

$$A_l^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} I & -B_l^{-1}E_l \\ & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_l^{-1} & \\ & S_l^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & \\ -E_l^T B_l^{-1} & I \end{pmatrix}.$$

- $S_l^{-1}$  needed  $\rightarrow$  Approximate as  $S_l^{-1} \approx C_l^{-1} + W_l H_l W_l^T$
- $C_l^{-1}$  needed  $\rightarrow$  if  $l == 2$  get  $C_2 \approx L_2 L_2^T$ ,  
else set  $A_{l+1} = C_l$  & go to next level



## Computing the low-rank correction

- Let  $C = LL^T$  and define

$$G = L^{-1}(C - S)L^{-T} = L^{-1}(E^T B^{-1}E)L$$

We have  $S = L(I - G)L^T \rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} S^{-1} - C^{-1} &= L^{-T} [(I - G)^{-1} - I] L^{-1} \\ &= L^{-T} [G(I - G)^{-1}] L^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

- Use Lanczos algorithm to get a few of the largest eigenvalues of  $G$  with associated eigenvectors:

$$[W_l, \Sigma_l] = \text{eigs}(C_l^{-1} E_l^T B_l^{-1} E_l, k) \rightarrow$$

$$S_l^{-1} - C_l^{-1} \approx W_l H_l W_l^T, \quad \text{with } H_l = \Sigma_l (I - \Sigma_l)^{-1}.$$

- Need to solve with  $C_l \rightarrow$  exploit recursivity

*Test: Shifted Laplacean (Symm. indefinite)*

MSLR vs. ILDLT & RAS for symmetric indefinite systems (shifted Laplacean) (accelerator: GMRES)

Grid	ILDLT-GMRES				RAS-GMRES				MSLR-GMRES					
	fill	p-t	its	i-t	fill	p-t	its	i-t	lev	rk	fill	p-t	its	i-t
$256^2$	8.18	0.18	F	—	7.56	0.26	F	—	4	64	6.58	0.29	20	0.07
$512^2$	8.39	0.71	F	—	7.84	1.19	F	—	5	80	7.68	3.17	36	0.60
$1024^2$	12.6	5.34	F	—	19.40	22.90	F	—	6	180	9.13	41.09	76	6.30
$32^3$	5.89	0.11	21	0.11	5.78	0.09	40	0.06	7	32	5.60	0.25	17	0.04
$64^3$	7.05	1.03	F	—	11.40	3.01	F	—	10	64	7.06	7.44	187	3.97
$128^3$	9.35	12.20	F	—	10.2	31.20	F	—	13	64	8.07	80.20	F	—



## *Test: General sparse matrices*

Matrix	order	nnz	SPD	Origin
cf1	70,656	1,825,580	yes	CFD Prb.
cf2	123,440	3,085,406	yes	CFD Prb.
Dubcova3	146,689	3,636,643	yes	2-D/3-D PDE Prb.
thermal1	82,654	574,458	yes	thermal Prb.
thermal2	1,228,045	8,580,313	yes	thermal Prb.
F2	71,505	5,294,285	no	structural Prb.
Lin	256,000	1,766,400	no	structural Prb.
qa8fk	66,127	1,660,579	no	3-D acoustics Prb.
vibrobox	12,328	301,700	no	vibroacoustic Prb.

## MSLR vs. ICT / ILDLT, RAS for general symmetric linear systems [Accelerators: CG or GMRES(40)]

Matrix	ICT/ILDLT				RAS				MSLR					
	fill	p-t	its	i-t	fill	p-t	its	i-t	lev	rk	fill	p-t	its	i-t
cf1	5.81	3.40	298	11.7	5.61	1.83	F	—	7	64	5.00	1.42	85	0.96
cf2	4.47	3.20	271	13.60	4.52	2.65	F	—	8	50	4.47	1.53	155	2.58
Dubcova3	1.19	0.47	45	0.93	1.18	1.17	54	0.45	5	64	1.17	0.39	20	0.18
thermal1	4.57	0.20	52	0.50	4.55	0.38	235	0.77	6	50	4.50	0.18	38	0.14
thermal2	5.98	4.21	90	17.80	5.87	8.11	F	—	8	64	6.02	3.29	87	6.02
F2	2.82	3.43	F	—	2.90	3.46	F	—	6	64	2.49	1.24	79	1.51
Lin	4.61	0.53	F	—	5.36	4.63	F	—	10	22	4.55	0.88	185	2.96
qa8fk	1.90	0.26	17	0.20	4.56	1.16	25	0.20	7	32	1.8	0.44	21	0.14
vibrobox	4.13	0.43	F	—	4.35	0.36	F	—	5	16	3.86	0.18	57	0.16

## *Recent work: extension to nonsymmetric case*

- Use Arnoldi instead of Lanczos. Code implemented in C. Also: complex version
- Details skipped. Two examples shown.

First: set of SPD test matrices (SuiteSparse Matrix Collection)

Matrix	Order	nnz	SPD	Origin
cfid1	70,656	1,825,580	yes	CFD pb.
cfid2	123,440	3,085,406	yes	CFD pb.
Dubcova3	146,689	3,636,643	yes	2D/3D pb.
Offshore	259,789	4,242,673	yes	electromagnetics pb.
2cubes	101,492	1,647,264	yes	electromagnetics pb.
boneS01	127,224	5,516,602	yes	model reduction

GMSLR and UMFPACK. OOM == Out Of Memory.

Matrix	GMSLR						UMFPACK		
	fill	lev	rk	p-t	i-t	its	fact. time	solve time	fill
cf1	2.22	9	16	.306	1.81	8	10.11	0.21	41.16
cf2	2.26	10	16	.572	2.46	5	32.25	0.41	48.55
Dubcova3	1.48	10	32	.487	.327	3	0.69	0.1	3.95
Offshore	2.9	10	16	.775	.82	5	OOM	OOM	OOM
2cubes	2.03	9	8	.183	.083	3	69.27	0.47	107.6
boneS01	1.21	9	16	.549	3.26	6	32.99	0.38	22.03

## 2nd: Set of nonsymmetric matrices (SuiteSparse Collection.)

Matrix	Order	nnz	SPD	Origin
CoupCons	416,800	22,322,336	no	structural pb.
AtmosModd	1,270,432	8,814,880	no	atmospheric model
Transport	1,602,111	23,500,731	no	CFD pb.

Comparison between GMSLR and ILUT preconditioners. Drop tolerance for ILUT ==  $10^{-3}$ .

Matrix	GMSLR						ILUT			
	fill	nlev	rank	p-t	i-t	its	fill	p-t	i-t	its
CoupCons	1.82	10	16	2.67	1.55	5	1.56	17.6	1.25	12
AtmosModd	7.69	9	8	3.07	10.0	12	11.2	5.01	12.0	44
Transport	2.88	12	16	6.43	32.5	12	4.66	11.73	43.5	119

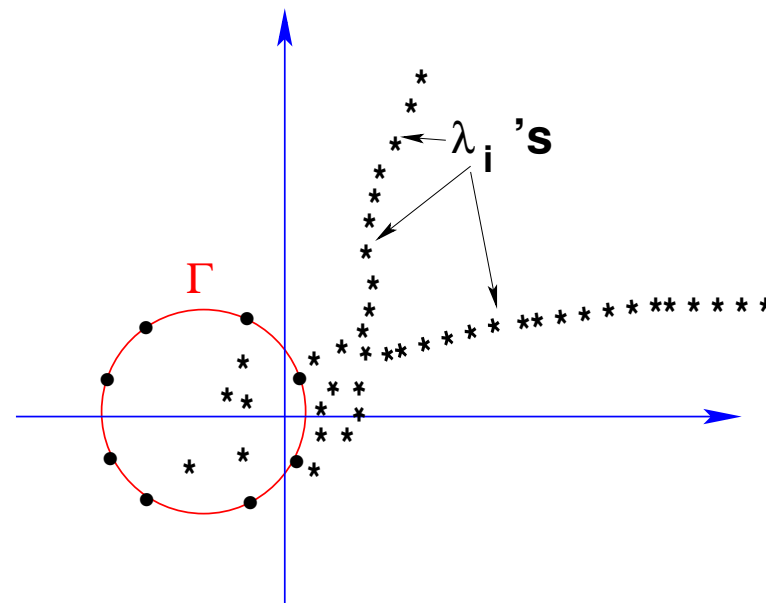
## 5. Cauchy integral approximation of $A^{-1}$

Define a preconditioner as follows:

**Step 1:** approximate  $A^{-1}$   
\*outside\* circle.

**Step 2:** Resolve the modes  
inside circle by a simple Krylov  
method.

Let  $P$  = spectral projector  
associated with  $\lambda_i$ 's inside  $\Gamma$



**Recall:**

$$Pf(A) = \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{\Gamma} (sI - A)^{-1} f(s) ds$$

➤ Computes  $f(A)$  for spectrum inside  $\Gamma$  when  $f$  analytic.

**\*Idea:\*** Approximate  $f(A)$  when  $f(z) = 1/z$  **\*outside circle\*** by change of variables. Use numerical integration:

$$(I - P)A^{-1} \approx \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{2p} \alpha_k (I - \sigma_k A)^{-1} \rightarrow$$

$$A^{-1} = (I - P)A^{-1} + PA^{-1} \approx \sum_{k=1}^{2p} \xi_k U_k^{-1} L_k^{-1} + PA^{-1}$$

**Q:** How to compute term  $PA^{-1}b$  for a given  $b$  ?

- Can get approximate eigenspace associated with  $P$  & solve in this subspace.
- OK – but may not be practical if subspace is large...
- Can just use a Krylov method to solve  $APy = Pb \dots$
- Many details skipped

## Test: 3D Helmholtz problem

- Helmholtz equation of the following form on domain  $(0, 1)^3$

$$\left( -\Delta - \frac{\omega^2}{c(x)^2} \right) u = s$$

$\Delta \equiv$  Laplacian

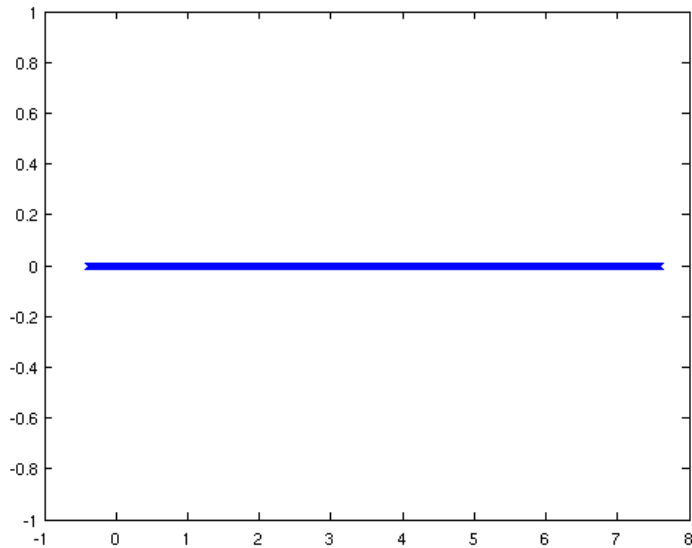
$\omega \equiv$  angular frequency,

$c(x) \equiv$  seismic velocity field

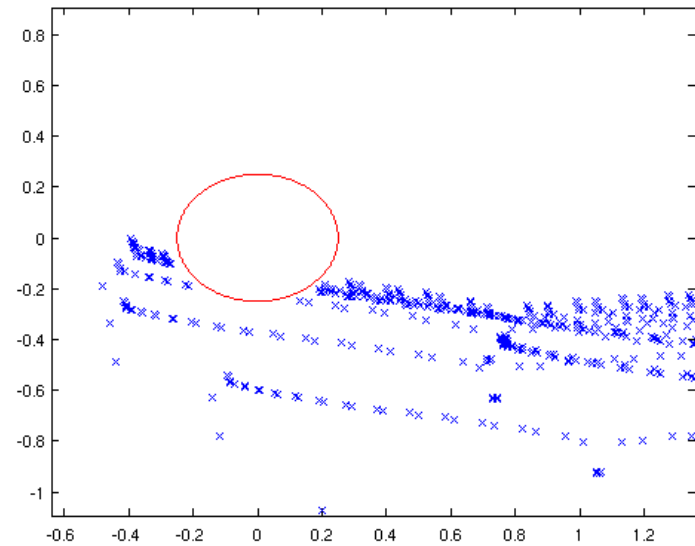
- $s(x, \omega) =$  forcing term - here generated by a Gaussian point source centered at  $(1/2, 1/2, 1/2)$ .
- $u(x, \omega) =$  time-harmonic wavefield solution
- Zero Dirichlet boundary condition applied to one side, PML conditions on others
- Discretization: 8 points per wavelength when discretizing (7-point finite diff. on  $N \times N \times N$  grids.



- PML has a significant impact on spectrum:



All Dirichlet



PML on 3 sides

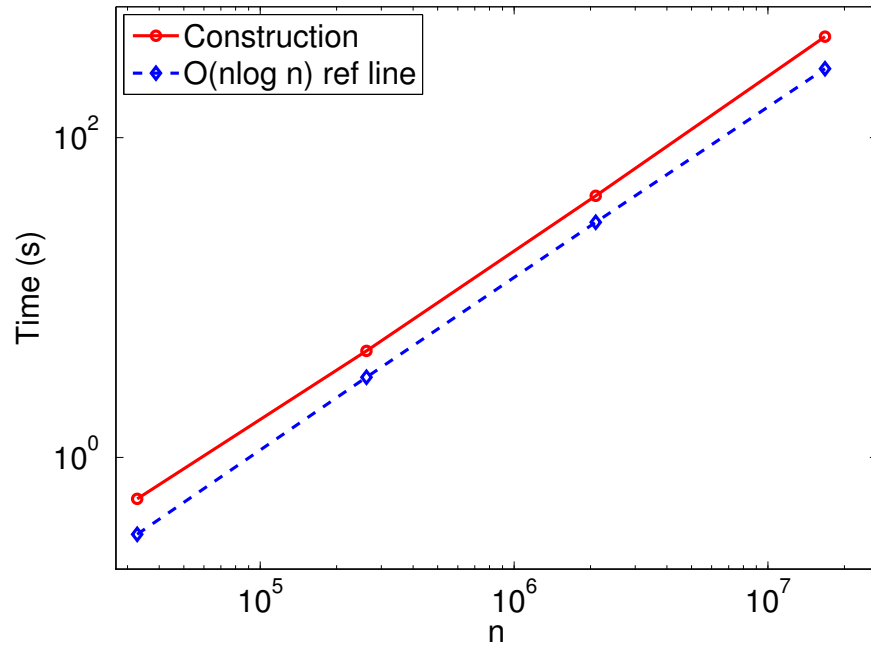
- Complex non-Hermitian matrices
- System solved to low accuracy (factor of  $10^3$  res. reduction)

- Solve for  $N = 2^5, 2^6, 2^7, 2^8$  on a standard workstation
- Matrices reordered by Nested Dissection (*lev* levels)
- GMRES(35) used as inner solver
- Radius of circle  $\equiv 30$ ; 8 poles

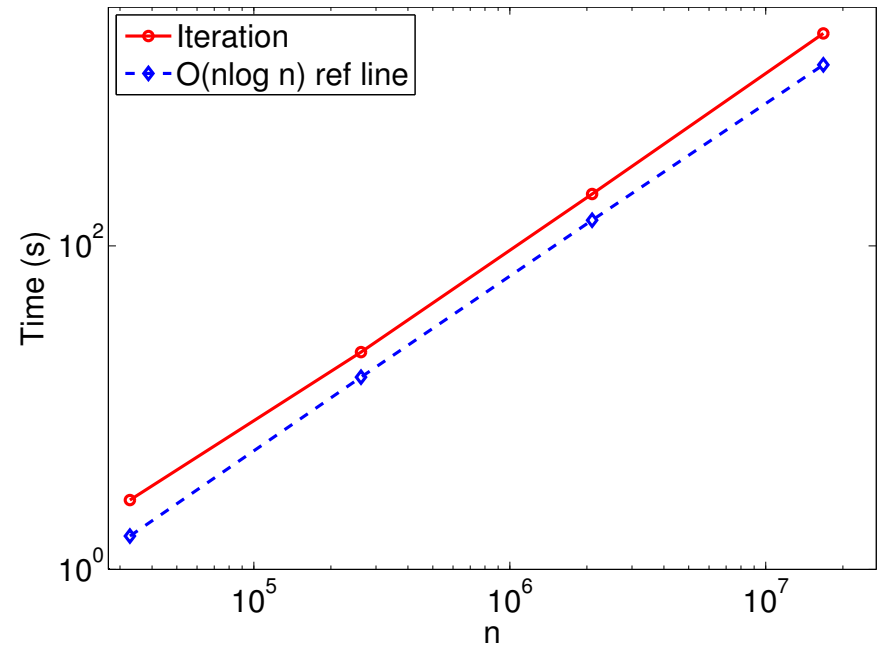
$n = N^3$	$\omega / (2\pi)$	lev	fill	p-t	i-t	its
$32^3$	4	9	8.84	0.55	2.67	2
$64^3$	8	12	10.89	4.63	22.04	2
$128^3$	16	15	11.25	43.27	209.4	2
$256^3$	32	18	11.67	428.77	2059.1	2

- p-t, i-t == preconditioning set-up time, iteration time; its = outer iterations.
- lev = # levels used in Nested Dissection.

# Time scaling



Construction



Iteration

## *Conclusion*

- New Mantra: Seek “rank-sparsity” or “spectral sparsity” instead of regular sparsity
- More work to do : (1) Good HID partitioniers; (2) Parallel implementations; (3) \*Very\* highly indefinite problems

### *Advantages of Multilevel Low-Rank preconditioners:*

- (1) Approximate inverses → less sensitive to indefiniteness;
- (2) Exploit dense computations; (3) Easy to update.

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- Visit <http://cs.umn.edu/~saad> for this talk, papers, codes, ...

## *Conclusion – Embrace New Horizons*

➤ Many, many, interesting **New** matrix problems related to the new economy and new emerging scientific fields:

**1** Information technologies [learning, data-mining, ...]

**2** Computational Chemistry / materials science

**3** Bio-informatics, computational biology, genomics, ..

*When one door closes, another opens; but we often look so long and so regretfully upon the closed door that we do not see the one which has opened for us.*

Alexander Graham Bell (1847-1922)