LOCAL THB-MULTIGRID

Fast solvers for large-scale locally refined IgA-systems.



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Discretization based on B-splines



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The model scheme

Let $\mathbb{T} \subset V$ be a conforming THB-discretization.

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SSC: Successive subspace corrections

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Equivalence of Symmetric SSC and Multigrid V-cycle

Theorem ((Xu, 1992))

The **Symmetric SSC method** and the **multigrid V-cycle** (eg. ref. (Hackbusch, 1985)) are equivalent.

Ie., the error propagation operator (EPO) of the Multigrid V-cycle coincides with the EPO of the symmetric SSC method.

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The EPO of the Symmetric SSC is self-adjoint (wrt. a(.,.)) and is the product of the EPO of the SSC method and its adjoint (wrt. a(.,.))

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By the well-posedness of the subspace problems one sees, that $T_i|_{\mathbb{T}_i}: \mathbb{T}_i \to \mathbb{T}_i$ is **isomorphic**.

If $a_i(.,.) = a(.,.)$ one has $T_i = P_i$, where P_i is the energy projection,

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From the definition of SSC it follows, that $u - u_i^{l-1} = (I - T_i)(u - u_{i-1}^{l-1})$, hence,

 $u - u^{l} = E(u - u^{l-1}) = \dots = E^{l}(u - u^{0}), \qquad E = (I - T_{J})(I - T_{J-1})\cdots(I - T_{1}),$

ie. SSC is the multiplicative Schwarz method.

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This assumption admits the application of the **Xu-Zikatanov identity** (Xu and Zikatanov, 2002).

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Strengthened Cauchy-Schwarz (SCS) inequality

For any $u_i, v_i \in \mathbb{T}_i$

$$\left|\sum_{i=1}^{J}\sum_{j=i+1}^{J}a(u_i, v_j)\right| \le K_2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^{J} \|u_i\|_a^2\right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{J} \|v_i\|_a^2\right)^{1/2}$$

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This means, that SSC converges uniformly with a constant that is independent of J. In other words, a symmetrized SSC-preconditioned conjugate gradient method is <u>*h*-robust</u>.

FINDING A SUITABLE DECOMPOSITION



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Fixing the mesh level disparity yields so-called admissible THB-spline spaces:

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In order to obtain stability and SCS for this decomposition the ordering of the subspaces T_i is important.



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Weak contraction assumption

$$\exists \omega \in (0,2) \forall v \in \mathbb{T} : ||T_i v||_a^2 \le \omega a(T_i v, v).$$

Remark: $||I - T_i||_a \le 1 \leftrightarrow a(T_iv, T_iv) \le 2a(T_iv, v), v \in \mathbb{T}$

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■ Elementary computations from Xu-Zikatanov formula yield convergence, if one can show *l*²-*L*²-stability of THB-splines

$$\exists c \neq c(|\mathbb{T}|) > 0 \forall w = \sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}} c_{\tau}(w) \tau \in \mathbb{T} : \sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}} |c_{\tau}(w)|^2 \le c ||w||_0^2.$$

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- \blacksquare l^2 - L^2 -stability of THB-splines \implies local multigrid convergence
- Convergence analysis for jumping coefficients
- Nested iteration schemes
- Application to mixed problems