



Structured Preconditioners for Saddle Point Problems

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Constrained Quadratic minimization problem

$$\text{minimize} \quad J(u) = \frac{1}{2} \langle Au, u \rangle - \langle f, u \rangle$$

subject to $Bu = g$

$A \quad n \times n \quad$ symmetric, $B \ m \times n, \ m \leq n$ full rank



Lagrange multipliers approach

Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) system

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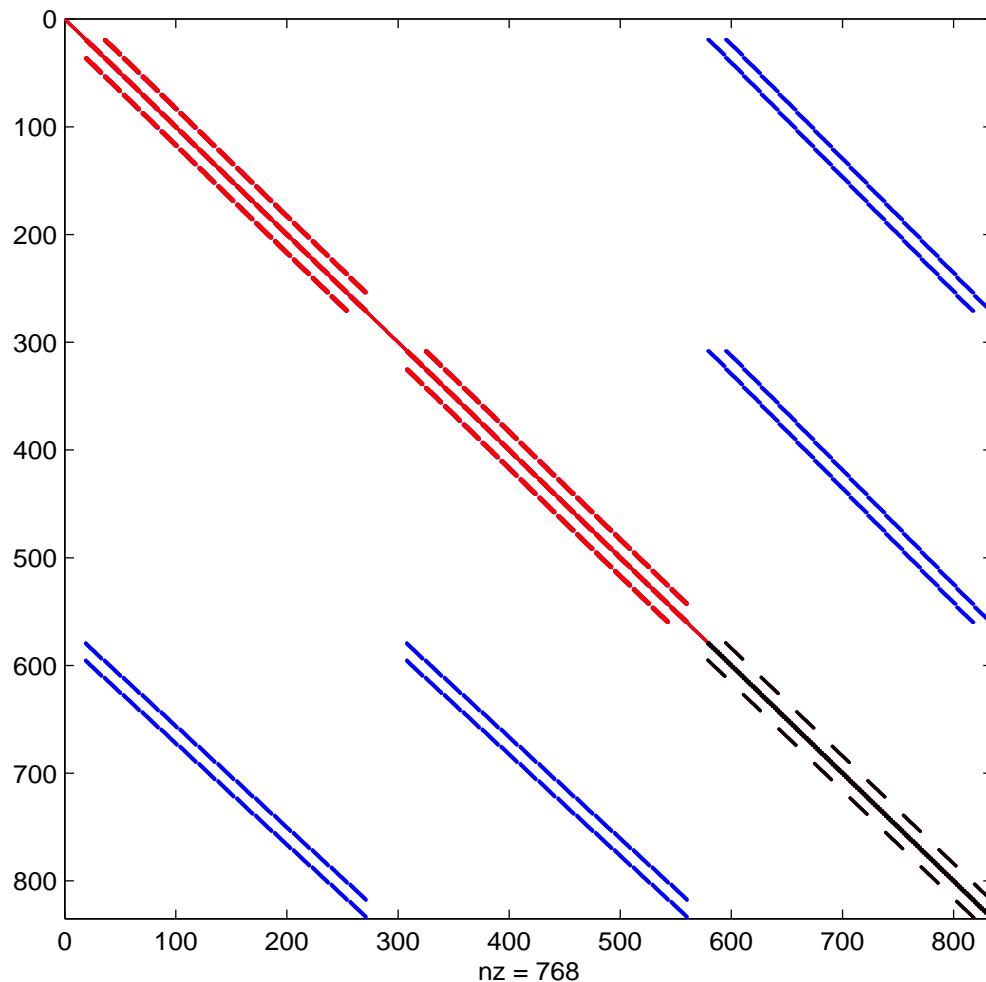
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A sym,

$$\mathcal{M}x = b \quad \mathcal{M} \text{ sym. indef.}$$

With n positive and m negative real eigenvalues

Typical Sparsity pattern (3D problem)



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More results for special cases (e.g. Perugia & S. 2000)

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- A look at efficiency:
 - Dealing with \mathcal{P} should be cheap
 - Storage for \mathcal{P} should be low
 - Properties (algebraic/functional) exploited

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GMRES converges in at most 2 iterations

Block diagonal Preconditioner



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$$\lambda \in [-a, -b] \cup [c, d]$$

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$$\mathcal{Q}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} I & -B^T \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & -(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{B}^T + \mathbf{C})^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ -B & I \end{bmatrix}$$

Computational Considerations. I



3D Magnetostatic problem

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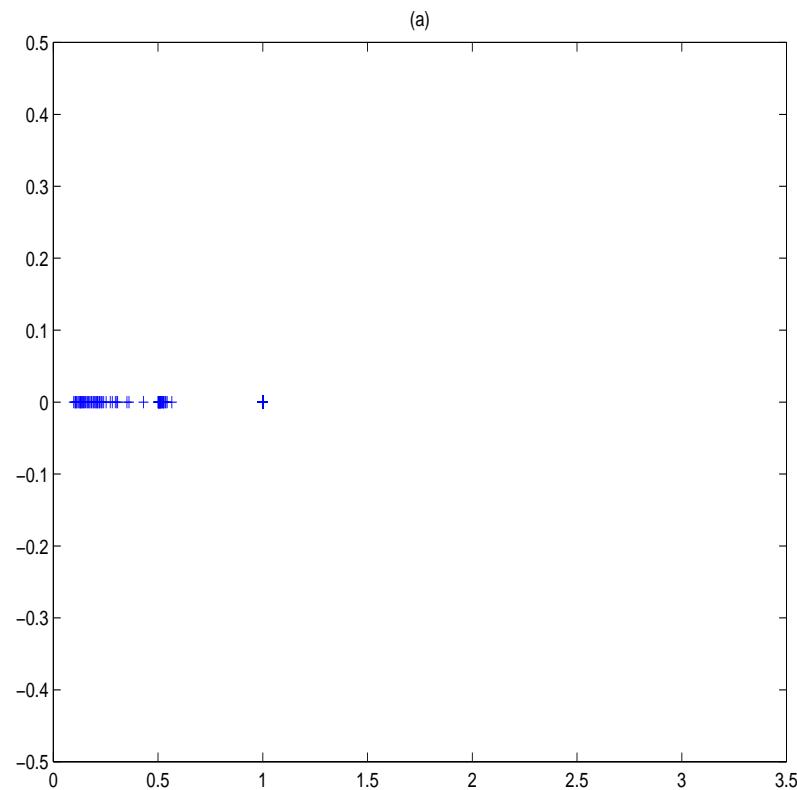
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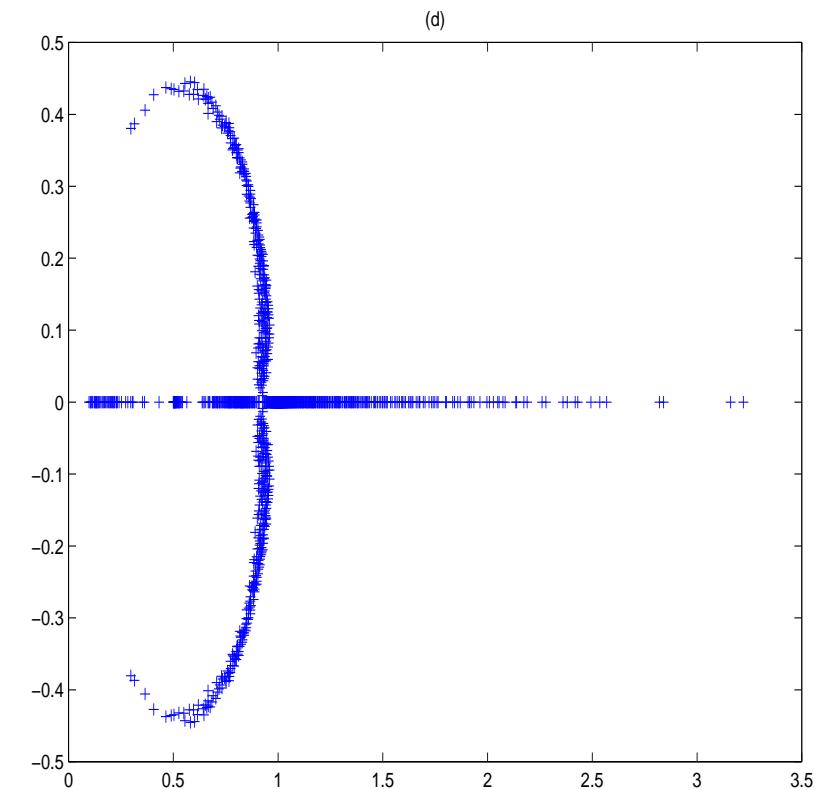
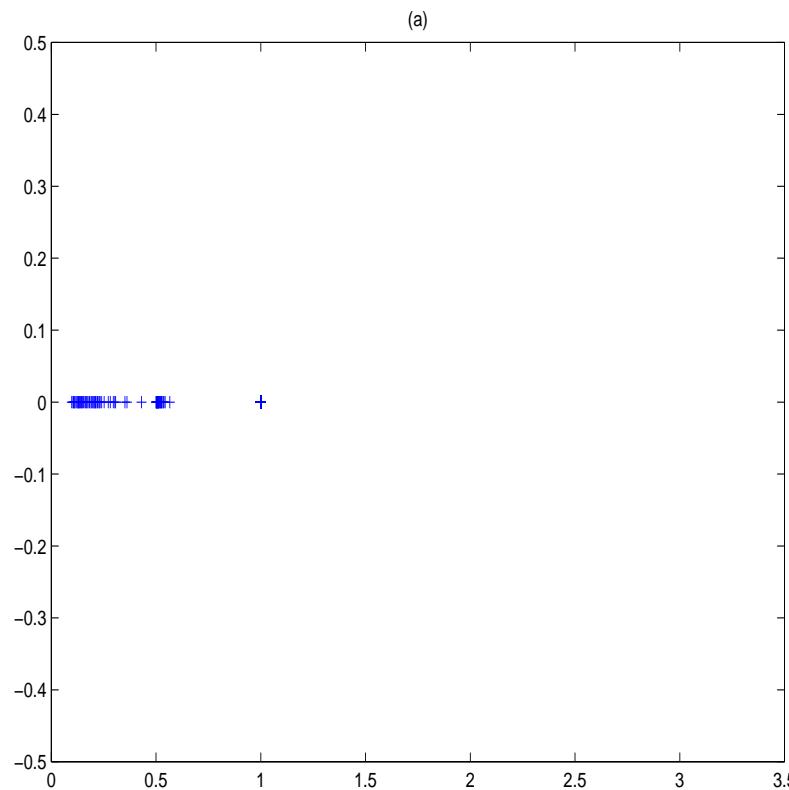
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More precisely: $\theta \in \Lambda(\mathcal{M}\mathcal{P}^{-1})$

$$\Im(\theta) \neq 0 \Rightarrow |\theta - 1| \leq \sqrt{1 - \lambda_{\min}(A\tilde{A}^{-1})} \quad (\text{if } 1 - \lambda_{\min}(A\tilde{A}^{-1}) \geq 0)$$

$$\Im(\theta) = 0 \Rightarrow \theta \in [\chi_1, \chi_2] \ni 1$$

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Spectral properties of \mathcal{M}_-

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A $n \times n$ sym. semidef. matrix, B $m \times n$, $m \leq n$

\mathcal{M}_- has at least $n - m$ real eigenvalues

Reality condition



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Moreover, if X is s.t. $\mathcal{M}_- = X \Lambda X^{-1}$, then

$$\kappa(X) \leq \frac{\|X\|^2}{\sqrt{1 - \chi}}, \quad \chi = \frac{4 \lambda_{\max}(B^T A^{-1} B + \beta I)}{\lambda_{\min}(A + \beta I)}$$

(columns of X have unit norm)

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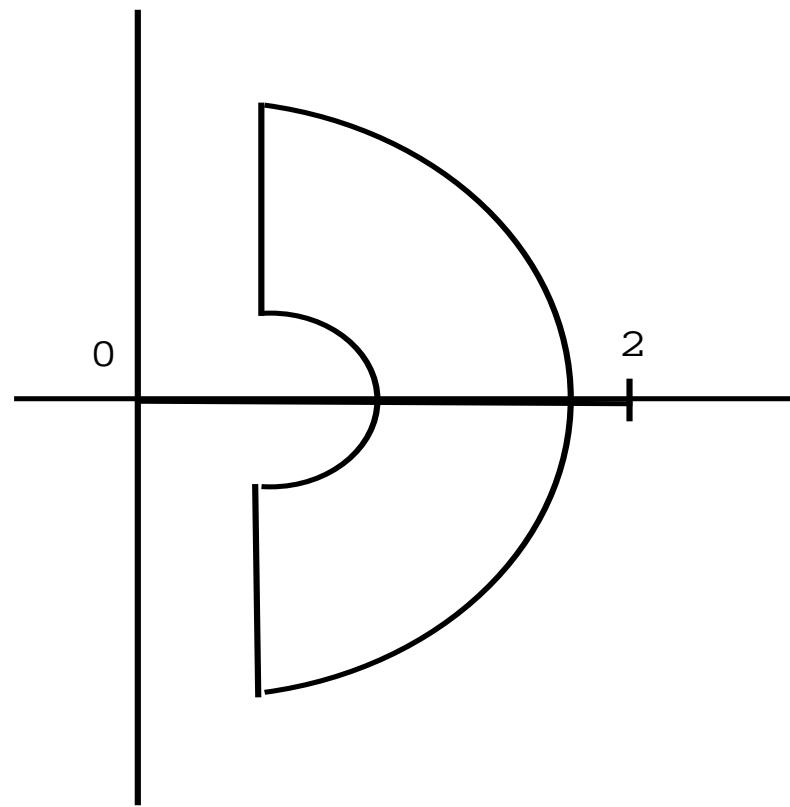
We provide bounds for real and imaginary part of eigenvalues

Stokes Problem

α	Lower bound	η_{\min}	η_{\max}	Upper bound
0.001	0.00048902	0.00050629	1.9999	1.9999
0.01	0.00111635	0.00169724	1.9999	1.9999
0.1	0.00014289	0.00022355	1.9929	1.9929
0.5	0.00002866	0.00004485	1.8150	1.8154
0.8	0.00001791	0.00002803	1.6871	1.6880
1.0	0.00001433	0.00002243	1.6137	1.6147

Spectral bounds

Spectrum of $\mathcal{R}_\alpha^{-1} \mathcal{M}_-$ (case $C = 0$)



(S. & Benzi 2004)

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- Generalization

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B^T \\ B & -C \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \lambda \begin{bmatrix} K & 0^T \\ 0 & -H \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad K, H \text{ spd}$$

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