



Structured Preconditioners for Saddle Point Problems

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Motivational Application

Constrained minimization problem

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

subject to $Bu = g$

A $n \times n$ symmetric, B $m \times n$, $m \leq n$



Lagrange multipliers approach

Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) system

Application problems

- Computational Fluid Dynamics
- Elasticity problems
- Mixed (FE) formulations of II and IV order elliptic PDEs
- Linearly Constrained Programs
- Linear Regression in Statistics
- Weighted Least Squares (Image restoration)
- ...

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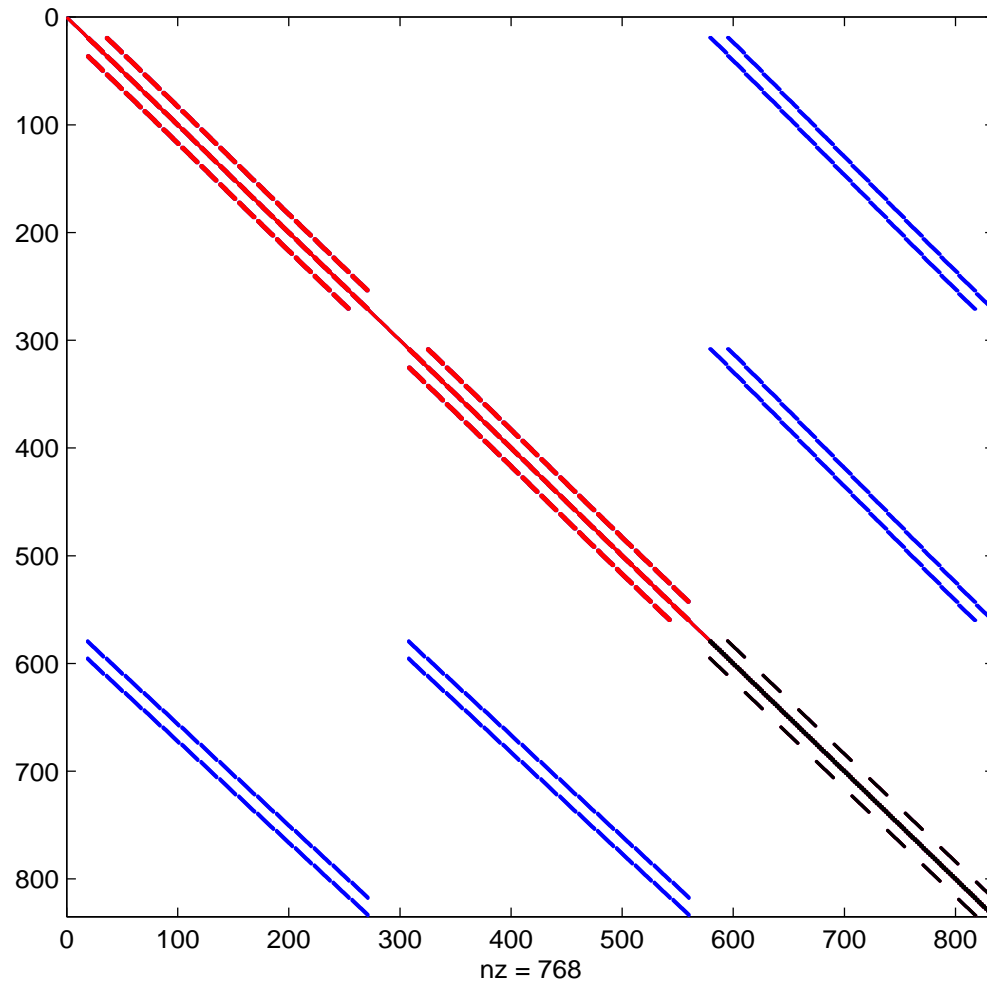
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$$\mathcal{M}x = b \quad \mathcal{M} \text{ sym. indef.}$$

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

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

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- General framework for spectral analysis of some inexact preconditioners

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If $\Im(\lambda) \neq 0$, then

$$\frac{1}{2}(\lambda_{\min}(A) + \lambda_{\min}(C)) \leq \Re(\lambda) \leq \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_{\max}(A) + \lambda_{\max}(C))$$

$$|\Im(\lambda)| \leq \sigma_{\max}(B).$$

If $\Im(\lambda) = 0$ then

$$2 \min\{\lambda_{\min}(A), \lambda_{\min}(C)\} \leq \lambda \leq (\lambda_{\max}(A) + \lambda_{\max}(C)).$$

cf. Sidi 2003 for $C = 0$

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Sharp spectral bounds for $C = 0$ (S. & Benzi 2004)

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cf. Fischer et al. 1997

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