

Fast iterative or fast direct solution of boundary element systems

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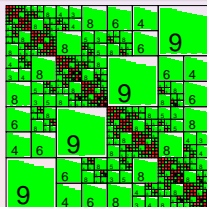
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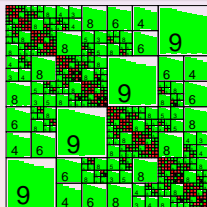
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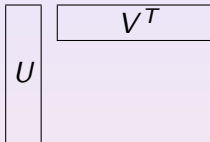
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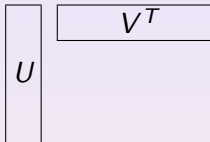
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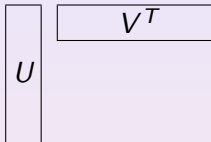
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where $S := A_{22} - A_{21}A_{11}^{-1}A_{12}$ is the Schur complement.

\mathcal{H} -operations: $\mathcal{O}(N \log^* N)$ [Grasedyck/Hackbusch '03].

Adaptive Cross Approximation (ACA)

Let $k = 1$; $Z = \emptyset$

repeat

if $k > 1$ **then** $i_k := \operatorname{argmax}_{i \notin Z} |(u_{k-1})_i|$

else $i_k := \min\{1, \dots, m\} \setminus Z$

$\tilde{v}_k := a_{i_k, 1:n} - \sum_{\ell=1}^{k-1} (u_\ell)_{i_k} v_\ell$

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if \tilde{v}_k does not vanish **then**

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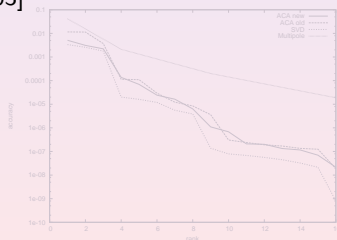
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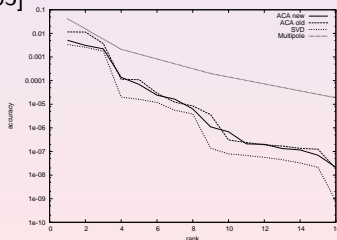
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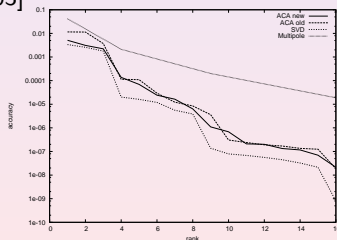
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First and last: LU decompositions of half the size.

Second: solve $LB = A$ for B .

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- replace usual operations $+$, $*$ by \mathcal{H} -versions with accuracy δ
- on the leaves of the tree use usual matrix operations
- Cholesky decomposition

Accuracy of *storing* and of each *arithmetical operation* is δ .
Product LU is backward stable, i.e.,

$$\|A - LU\|_2 < c\rho\delta\|A\|_2,$$

where the *growth factor*

$$\rho := \frac{\max_{ij} |u_{ij}|}{\max_{ij} |a_{ij}|}$$

is bounded in practice.

Complexity of \mathcal{H} -LU: $n|\log \delta|^4 \log^2 n$.

Preconditioner $C_{\mathcal{H}}$, $\text{cond}_2(C_{\mathcal{H}}^{-1}K) \leq 10$, with complexity
 $\mathcal{O}(n \log^6 n)$.

Inner Dirichlet Problem Laplace

Boundary integral equation

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Building the \mathcal{H} -matrix approximants

single layer 28288×28288 and 113152×113152

double layer 28288×14146 and 113152×56578



η	$n = 28288$				$n = 113152$			
	single layer		double layer		single layer		double layer	
	MB	time	MB	time	MB	time	MB	time
0.6	76	132 s	154	772 s	378	698 s	756	3972 s
0.8	78	99 s	156	596 s	391	497 s	765	2971 s
1.0	83	79 s	164	491 s	422	397 s	807	2408 s
1.2	88	71 s	172	448 s	458	353 s	860	2195 s

Computing \mathcal{H} -LU decomposition and solving

Recompress a copy to prescribed accuracy δ and compute hierarchical Cholesky decomposition with precision δ .

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Summary

We have presented a preconditioning technique that is

- building matrix using original matrix entries
- spectrally equivalent preconditioning (also for small n)
- *fast*: $\mathcal{O}(n \log^* n)$ complexity
- expensive parts parallelized
- *black-box*: can equally be applied to any elliptic operator

Software library for \mathcal{H} -matrices:

<http://www.math.uni-leipzig.de/~bebendorf/AHMED.html>