

3.2 An important equivalence. Consider a stationary, linear method of the form $\mathbf{v} \leftarrow \mathbf{v} + B^{-1}(\mathbf{f} - A\mathbf{v})$ applied to the problem $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$. Use the following steps to show the relaxation on $Au = f$ with an arbitrary initial guess is equivalent to relaxation on $A\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{r}$ with the zero initial guess:

- (a) First consider the problem $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$ with arbitrary initial guess $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_0$. What are the error and residual associated with \mathbf{v}_0 ?

The associated error is $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}_0$ and associated residual is $\mathbf{f} - A\mathbf{v}_0$. An iteration of the stationary, linear method is of the form $\mathbf{v}_1 \leftarrow \mathbf{v}_0 + B^{-1}\mathbf{r}_0$.

- (b) Now consider the associated residual equation $A\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{r}_0 = \mathbf{f} - A\mathbf{v}_0$. What are the error and residual in the initial guess $\mathbf{e}_0 = \mathbf{0}$?

The solution to the equation $A\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{f} - A\mathbf{v}_0$ is $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}_0$, so the associated error is $(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}_0) - \mathbf{e}_0 = \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}_0$, and the associated residual is $\mathbf{r}_0 - A\mathbf{e}_0 = \mathbf{r}_0$. Here, an iteration of the stationary, linear method is of the form $\mathbf{e}_1 \leftarrow \mathbf{e}_0 + B^{-1}(\mathbf{r}_0 - A\mathbf{e}_0)$. Because $\mathbf{e}_0 = \mathbf{0}$, the iteration is actually $\mathbf{e}_1 \leftarrow \mathbf{e}_0 + B^{-1}\mathbf{r}_0$.

- (c) Conclude that problems (a) and (b) are equivalent.

The problems are equivalent in the sense that the associated error and residual equations are equivalent. The solution of the second system has just been *shifted* by the vector \mathbf{v}_0 . Also, the iteration method would move both initial guesses by the same vector $B^{-1}\mathbf{r}_0$.

3.3 Properties of Interpolation. Show that I_{2h}^h based on linear interpolation is a linear operator with full rank in one and two dimensions.

Throughout this assignment, assume that the number of domain intervals in any axial direction is $n = 2^m$, where m is some integer. This sets the problem size per dimension at $(n - 1)$, and grid spacing $h = 1/n$. This convention is not necessary but can avoid some painful book-keeping issues. In one dimension, linear interpolation is given on page 34 as

$$\begin{aligned} v_{2i}^h &= v_i^{2h} \\ v_{2i-1}^h &= \frac{1}{2}(v_{i-1}^{2h} + v_i^{2h}) \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

By counting these vectors, show that the dimension of $\mathcal{N}(I_h^{2h})$ is $\frac{n}{2}$.

Recall that we have required $n = 2^m$ to avoid book-keeping problems. The 1D full-weighting restriction operator I_h^{2h} is given in problem 3.4. The following vectors can all be easily verified to be in the null space of full-weighting restriction $\mathcal{N}(I_h^{2h})$:

$$\begin{aligned} I_h^{2h} (2 \quad -1 \quad 0 \quad \dots \quad 0)^T &= \mathbf{0}, \text{ and} \\ I_h^{2h} (0 \quad \dots \quad 0 \quad -1 \quad 2)^T &= \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

Also, vectors of the following form are also easily seen to be in $\mathcal{N}(I_h^{2h})$:

$$I_h^{2h} (0 \quad \dots \quad -1 \quad 2 \quad -1 \quad \dots \quad 0)^T = \mathbf{0}, \tag{10}$$

with the 2 centered at any odd interior point. Counting the two vectors at the end point plus the $\frac{n}{2} - 2$ vectors at odd interior points, we see that we have found $\frac{n}{2}$ vectors in $\mathcal{N}(I_h^{2h})$. The rank deficiency of I_h^{2h} is its largest dimension $(n - 1)$ minus the rank $(\frac{n}{2} - 1)$, which is equal to $\frac{n}{2}$. The rank deficiency is the dimension of the null space. Because each of the $\frac{n}{2}$ null space vectors we found form a linearly independent set, we have a spanning basis of $\mathcal{N}(I_h^{2h})$.

3.6 Variational property.

- (a) Let I_{2h}^h and I_h^{2h} be defined as in the text. Show that the linear interpolation operator and full weighting satisfy the variational property $I_{2h}^h = c(I_h^{2h})^T$ by computing $c \in \mathbf{R}$ for both one and two dimensions.

From problems 3.3 and 3.4, it can be easily seen what the constants are for the respective dimensions. For 1D, $c = 2$ and, for 2D, $c = 4$.

- (b) The choice $c \neq 1$ found in part (a) is used because full weighting essentially preserves constants. Show that, except at the boundary, $I_h^{2h}(\mathbf{1}^h) = \mathbf{1}^{2h}$ (where $\mathbf{1}^h$ and $\mathbf{1}^{2h}$ are the vectors with entries 1 on their respective grids.)

The i th component of the vector $I_h^{2h}\mathbf{1}^h$ is the row sum of the matrix I_h^{2h} . Inspection of the one- and two-dimensional matrices in problem 3.4 reveals that row sum is equal to 1 for any point away from the boundary, or $(I_h^{2h}\mathbf{1}^h)_i = 1$ for any coarse-grid point i that isn't restricting information from the boundary. Thus, $I_h^{2h}(\mathbf{1}^h) = \mathbf{1}^{2h}$. Note that under the given problem and mesh spacing,

we are never restricting information from the boundary. However, in general, boundary restriction does occur—for example, for odd interval number n or a problem with Neumann boundary conditions.
