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# Multigrid

A Basic Tutorial

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# Introduction

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# Origins...

- Multigrid is an entire approach to computational problem solving, a collection of ideas...
  - Originally, for solving BVP's.
  - But later:
    - Parabolic and Hyperbolic PDE's
    - Purely algebraic problems with no physical grid
    - Optimization
    - Integral Equations
    - ...
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# Capabilities

- A wide variety of problems
  - Arbitrary regions and boundary conditions
  - An optimal solver (with the right setup)
  - Can be efficiently parallelized
  - Effectively treats local demands (Multilevel Adaptive Methods)
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# Model Problems

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# What problem?

- Multigrid methods were originally applied to simple BVPs.
  - For simplicity we do the same here (for now!)
  - Let's call this "Model Problem":  
$$-\nabla^2 u + \sigma u = f(x, y, z, \dots), \quad 0 < x, y, z, \dots < 1, \quad \sigma \geq 0$$
  - Zero at boundaries.
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# Discretization

- Two dimensional case:

$$\frac{-v_{i-1,j} + 2v_{ij} - v_{i+1,j}}{h_x^2} + \frac{-v_{i,j-1} + 2v_{ij} - v_{i,j+1}}{h_y^2} + \sigma v_{ij} = f_{ij},$$

$$v_{i0} = v_{in} = v_{0j} = v_{mj} = 0, \quad 1 \leq i \leq m-1, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n-1.$$

- Or more compactly:

$$A\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{f}$$

- Direct and Relaxation methods are the two large categories for solving such a problem.



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# Direct Methods

- Determine a solution up to the machine's precision in a finite number of arithmetic steps.
  - Gaussian Elimination is a prototype.
  - But we are interested in relaxation methods here...
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# Basic Iterative Methods

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# Notation

- $\mathbf{u}$  denotes the exact solution and  $\mathbf{v}$  the current approximation.
- To associate  $\mathbf{u}$  with a grid  $\Omega^h$ ,  $\mathbf{u}^h$  is used.
- $\mathbf{e}$  is used for error which is given by:

$$\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}$$

- The residual is shown by  $\mathbf{r}$  and is defined this way:

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{f} - A\mathbf{v}$$

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# More on the Residual

- Knowing that  $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$ , we can write the residual equation:

$$A\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{r}$$

- It says the error will satisfy the same set of equations as the unknown when the right hand side is replaced by the residual.
  - The residual is simply the amount by which the current approximation fails to satisfy our problem.
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# A Simple Scheme: Jacobi

- Jacobi is solving the  $j$ th equation of system of equations for the  $j$ th unknown using current approximation for all other variables.
- We can express the relaxation scheme in matrix form:

$$A = D - L - U$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{u} = R_J \mathbf{u} + D^{-1} \mathbf{f}, \quad R_J = D^{-1}(L + U).$$

- So we write:  $\mathbf{v}^{(1)} = R_J \mathbf{v}^{(0)} + D^{-1} \mathbf{f}.$

# Weighted Jacobi

- We make a modification and introduce an entire family of iterations called weighted Jacobi (damped Jacobi).

- In matrix form:

$$\mathbf{v}^{(1)} = R_{\omega} \mathbf{v}^{(0)} + \omega D^{-1} \mathbf{f}, \quad R_{\omega} = (1 - \omega)I + \omega R_J$$

- Using the definition of the residual:

$$\mathbf{v}^{(1)} = \mathbf{v}^{(0)} + \omega D^{-1} \mathbf{r}^{(0)}.$$

- It can be shown that the closer  $\omega D^{-1}$  is to  $A^{-1}$  the more effective is our iteration scheme.

# More Relaxation Schemes(1)

- Gauss-Seidel: Components of the new approximation are used as soon as they are computed
- In matrix form:

$$\mathbf{v} \leftarrow R_G \mathbf{v} + (D - L)^{-1} \mathbf{f}, \quad R_G = (D - L)^{-1} U.$$

- The order in which the components of  $\mathbf{v}$  are updated is important.
- An effective alternative to just sweeping in ascending order is red-black Gauss-Seidel.

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# More Relaxation Schemes(2)

- Red-black Gauss-Seidel updates all even components first, and then goes through the odd components.
  - This scheme is very well suited for parallel computation. (each sweep can be done by several independent processors)
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# More Investigation(1)

- Because these methods are stationary linear it is enough to work with the homogeneous linear system  $A\mathbf{v} = 0$  and use arbitrary initial guesses.
- To study the one-dimensional case of the model problem we use Fourier modes for the initial guess:

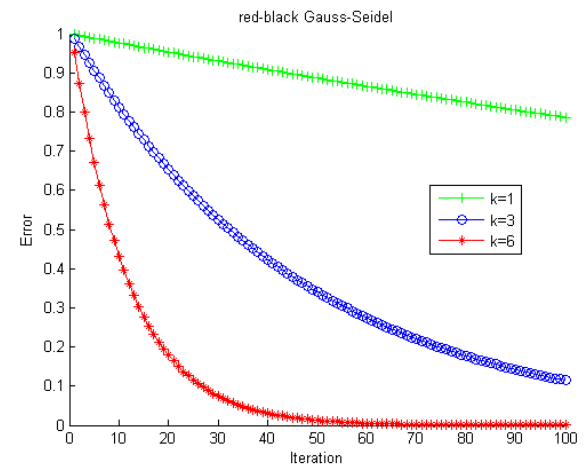
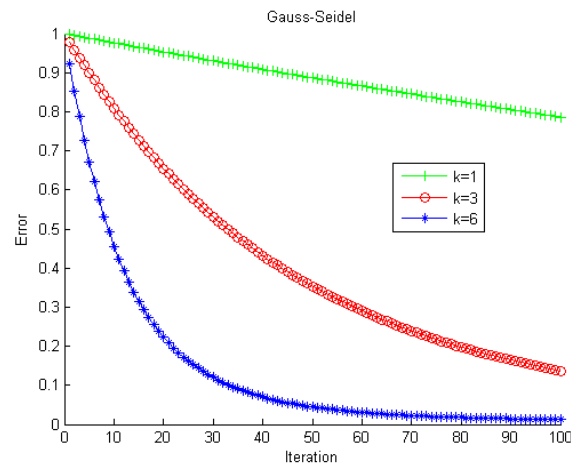
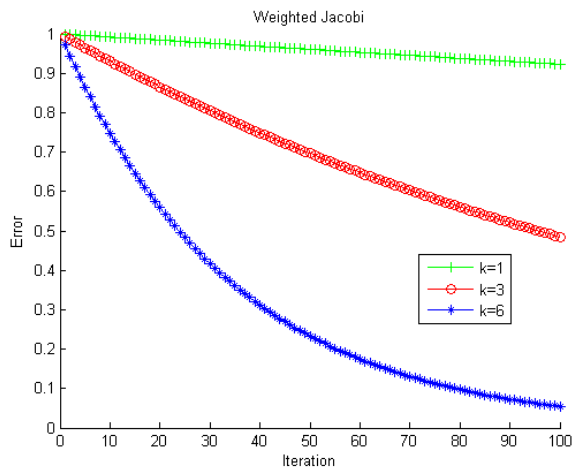
$$v_j = \sin\left(\frac{jk\pi}{n}\right), \quad 0 \leq j \leq n, \quad 1 \leq k \leq n-1.$$

## More Investigation(2)

- Introducing the wavenumber (frequency),  $\mathbf{v}_k$  designates the entire vector  $\mathbf{v}$  with wavenumber  $k$ .
- To compare the introduced methods first the weighed Jacobi with  $\omega = \frac{2}{3}$  is applied to the one-dimensional version of the model problem with  $\mathbf{f} = 0$  on a grid with 64 points.
- Beginning with  $\mathbf{v}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_3$  and  $\mathbf{v}_6$  the iteration is applied 100 times.

# Results(1)

- Here the norm of the error is plotted against the number of iterations for all the three methods. What is important now is the qualitative behavior.

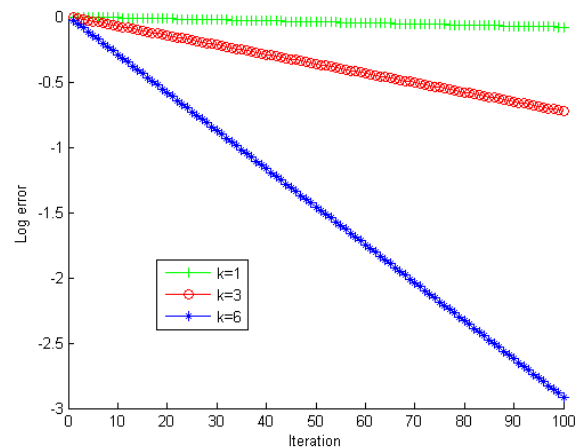


## Results(2)

- Here the logarithm of the norm of the Jacobi error is plotted against the number of iterations.
- This clear linear behavior indicates that the error itself decreases geometrically with each iteration:

$$\|e^{(m)}\|_{\infty} = c_k^m \|e^{(0)}\|_{\infty}$$

- This constant depends on the wavenumber.



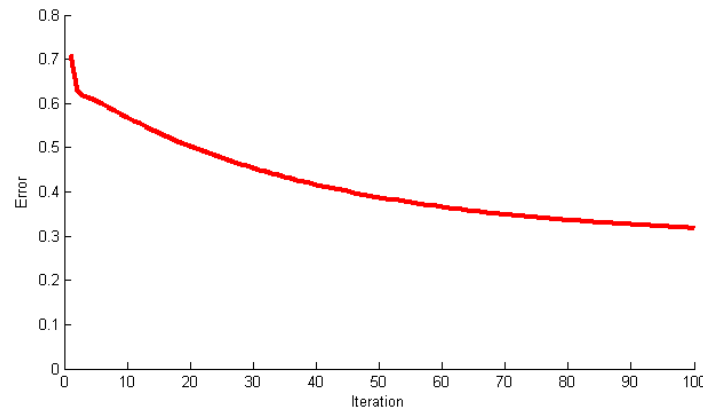
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# More Realistic Situation(1)

- In general most initial guesses (or equivalently the right hand side) consist of different modes.
  - This is been simulated with an initial guess consisting of the average of one low frequency mode ( $k = 1$ ), a medium ( $k = 6$ ) and a high frequency ( $k = 32$ ).
  - The figure in the next slide shows the result for weighted Jacobi applied to the problem.
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# More Realistic Situation(2)

- The standard iteration converges very quickly only as long as the error has high-frequency components. The slower elimination of the low-frequency components desgrades the performance of the relaxation methods.



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# What to Conclude?

- This drawback of the relaxation schemes can be analytically proven.
  - Moreover, one can find an optimum for  $\omega$  to reduce the smooth components of the error more effectively.
  - This is not enough.
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# Elements of Multigrid

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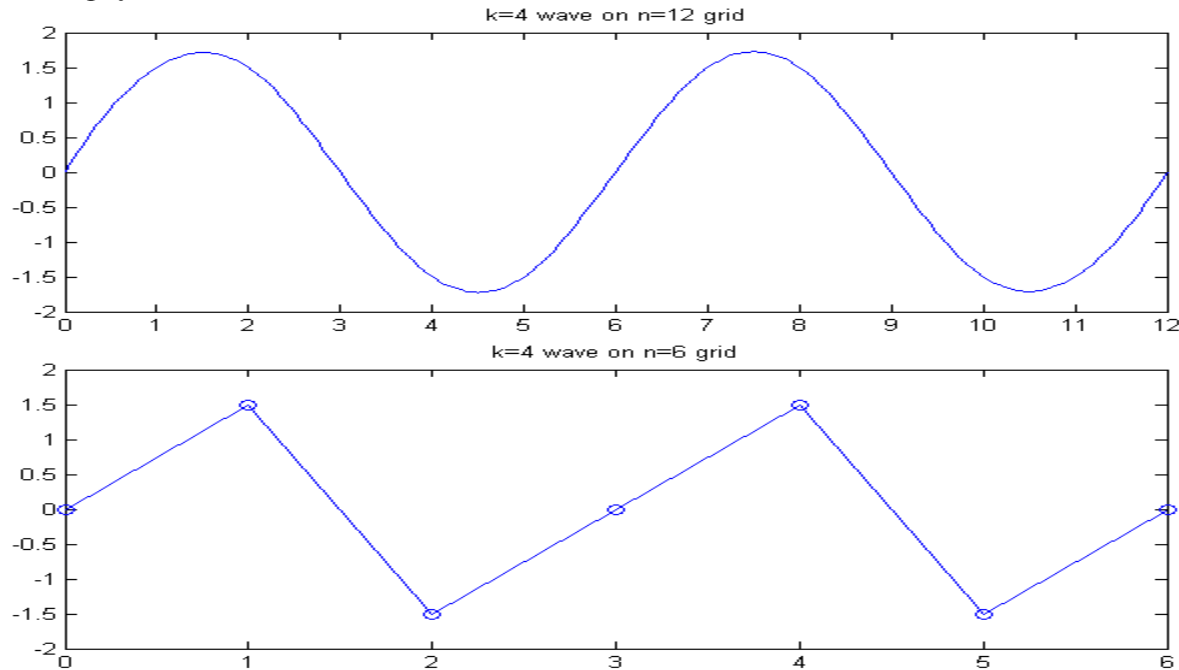


# Why Considering Coarser Grids? (1)

- So far we have seen that most of basic iterative methods possess the smoothing property.
- One idea is to take advantage of a good initial guess.
- A well-known technique to obtain one is perform some iterations on a coarse grid.
- It is cheaper due to fewer unknowns and faster while convergence behaves like  $1 - O(h^2)$ .

# Why Considering Coarser Grids? (2)

- A smooth wave with  $k = 4$  on  $\Omega^h$  with  $n = 12$  points has been projected directly to the grid  $\Omega^{2h}$  with  $n = 6$ .



# Why Considering Coarser Grids? (3)

- To state this more precisely, note that the grid points of the coarse grid are the even-numbered grid points of the fine grid.
- For the  $k$ th mode:

$$w_{k,2j}^h = \sin\left(\frac{2jk\pi}{n}\right) = \sin\left(\frac{jk\pi}{n/2}\right) = w_{k,j}^{2h}, \quad 1 \leq k < \frac{n}{2}$$

- So the  $k$ th mode on the fine grid is the  $k$ th mode on the coarse grid. But there are half as many modes on  $\Omega^{2h}$  as there are on  $\Omega^h$ .

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# The Starting Point of Multigrid

- Smooth modes on a fine grid look less smooth on a coarse one.
  - This suggests that when relaxation begins to stall, move to a coarser grid.
  - But how do we move?
  - Relaxation on the original equation  $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$  with a arbitrary initial guess is equivalent to relaxing on the residual equation  $A\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{r}$  with the specific initial guess  $\mathbf{e} = 0$ .
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# Putting the Ideas Together (1)

- Using the coarse grid to obtain better initial guess:
    - Relax on  $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$  on a very coarse grid to obtain an initial guess for the next finer grid.
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    - Relax on  $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$  on  $\Omega^{2h}$  to obtain an initial guess for  $\Omega^h$ .
    - Relax on  $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$  on  $\Omega^h$  to obtain a final approx.
  - The basis of the strategy “nested iteration.”
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## Putting the Ideas Together (2)

- Using the residual equation to relax on error:
    - Relax on  $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$  on  $\Omega^h$  to obtain an approximation.
    - Compute the residual  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{f} - A\mathbf{v}^h$ .
      - Relax on the residual equation  $A\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{r}$  on  $\Omega^{2h}$  to obtain an approximation to the error  $\mathbf{e}^{2h}$ .
    - Correct the approximation obtained on  $\Omega^h$  with the error estimate obtained on  $\Omega^{2h}$ :  $\mathbf{v}^h = \mathbf{v}^h + \mathbf{e}^{2h}$ .
  - Basis of the strategy “correction scheme.”
  - How do we transfer errors between grids?
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# Intergrid Transfers; Interpolation(1)

- There is usually no advantage in using grid spacing with ratio other than 2.
- Transferring information from a coarse grid to a fine one is called interpolation or prolongation.
- There are, of course, many methods!

- Linear interpolation:  $I_{2h}^h \mathbf{v}^{2h} = \mathbf{v}^h$

$$v_{2j}^h = v_j^{2h},$$

$$v_{2j+1}^h = \left( v_j^{2h} + v_{2j+1}^{2h} \right) / 2, \quad 0 \leq j \leq \frac{n}{2} - 1.$$

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# Intergrid Transfers; Interpolation(2)

- How well does this work?
  - We can show that interpolation is most effective when the error is smooth.
  - Nested iteration and Correction scheme both use interpolation, so are they only effective when the error is smooth?
  - Happily, these processes provide a complement to relaxation that is most effective when the error is oscillatory.
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# Intergrid Transfers; Restriction

- Form fine to coarse ( $I_h^{2h}$ ).
- One obvious restriction operator is injection:

$$v_j^{2h} = v_{2j}^h.$$

- An alternative is called full weighting:

$$v_j^{2h} = \frac{1}{4} \left( v_{2j-1}^h + 2v_{2j}^h + v_{2j+1}^h \right), \quad 1 \leq j \leq \frac{n}{2} - 1.$$

- Now we are ready to introduce our first multilevel scheme.

# Two-Grid Correction Scheme(1)

$$\mathbf{v}^h \leftarrow MG(\mathbf{v}^h, \mathbf{f}^h).$$

- Relax  $\nu_1$  times on  $A^h \mathbf{u}^h = \mathbf{f}^h$  on  $\Omega^h$  with initial guess  $\mathbf{v}^h$ .
- Compute the fine-grid residual  $\mathbf{r}^h = \mathbf{f}^h - A^h \mathbf{v}^h$  and restrict it to the coarse grid.
- Solve  $A^{2h} \mathbf{e}^{2h} = \mathbf{r}^{2h}$  on  $\Omega^{2h}$ .
- Interpolate the coarse-grid error and correct the fine grid approximation by  $\mathbf{v}^h \leftarrow \mathbf{v}^h + \mathbf{e}^h$ .
- Relax  $\nu_2$  times on  $A^h \mathbf{u}^h = \mathbf{f}^h$  on  $\Omega^h$  with initial guess  $\mathbf{v}^h$ .

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# Two-Grid Correction Scheme(2)

- In practice  $\nu_1$  is often 1,2, or 3.
  - Here is the fortunate complement that the scheme brings: Relaxation on the fine grid eliminates the oscillatory components of the error, leaving a relatively smooth error.
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# Numerical Example(1)

- Weighted Jacobi with  $\omega = \frac{2}{3}$  is applied to the one-dimensional model problem on a grid with 64 points.
- The initial guess contains 16<sup>th</sup> and 40<sup>th</sup> modes. (one quite smooth and one quite oscillatory)
- The aforementioned two-grid correction scheme with  $\nu_1 = \nu_2 = 3$  is used.

# Numerical Example(2); Results

- After one relaxation sweep the 2-norm of the error has been diminished to 57% of the norm of the initial guess.
- After three sweeps the reduction is 36%.
- By one relaxation sweep on the coarse grid the error will be reduced to 26%.
- After three coarse-grid sweeps: 8%.
- Correcting the fine grid approximation and performing three relaxation sweeps: 3%.
- Once again to the coarse grid and then three relaxation sweeps: 1%.

# More Advanced Schemes; V-Cycle(1)

$$\mathbf{v}^h \leftarrow V^h(\mathbf{v}^h, \mathbf{f}^h).$$

1. Relax  $\nu_1$  times on  $A^h \mathbf{u}^h = \mathbf{f}^h$  on  $\Omega^h$  with a given initial guess  $\mathbf{v}^h$ .
2. If  $\Omega^h =$  coarsest grid, then go to step 4.

Else

$$\mathbf{f}^{2h} \leftarrow I_h^{2h}(\mathbf{f}^h - A^h \mathbf{v}^h),$$

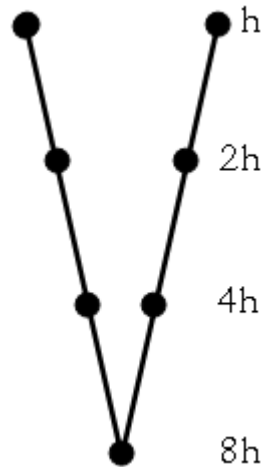
$$\mathbf{v}^{2h} \leftarrow \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{v}^{2h} \leftarrow V^{2h}(\mathbf{v}^{2h}, \mathbf{f}^{2h}).$$

7. Correct  $\mathbf{v}^h \leftarrow \mathbf{v}^h + I_{2h}^h \mathbf{v}^{2h}$ .
8. Relax  $\nu_2$  times on  $A^h \mathbf{u}^h = \mathbf{f}^h$  on  $\Omega^h$ .

# More Advanced Schemes; V-Cycle(2)

- In a V-Cycle scheme we use the two-grid scheme within itself.
- Here is the schedule of grids for V-Cycle:



# More Advanced Schemes; $\mu$ -Cycle(1)

$$\mathbf{v}^h \leftarrow M\mu^h(\mathbf{v}^h, \mathbf{f}^h).$$

1. Relax  $\nu_1$  times on  $A^h \mathbf{u}^h = \mathbf{f}^h$  on  $\Omega^h$  with a given initial guess  $\mathbf{v}^h$ .
2. If  $\Omega^h =$  coarsest grid, then go to step 4.

Else

$$\mathbf{f}^{2h} \leftarrow I_h^{2h}(\mathbf{f}^h - A^h \mathbf{v}^h),$$

$$\mathbf{v}^{2h} \leftarrow \mathbf{0},$$

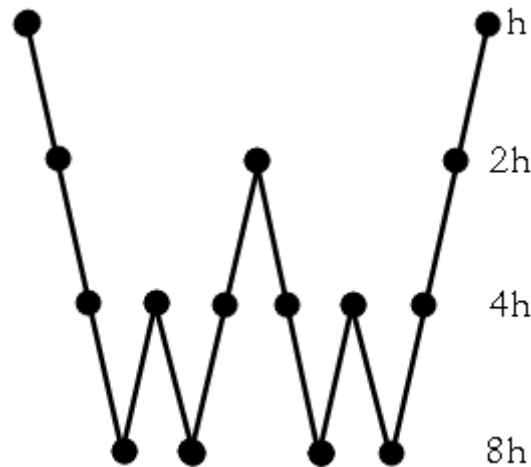
$$\mathbf{v}^{2h} \leftarrow M\mu^{2h}(\mathbf{v}^{2h}, \mathbf{f}^{2h}) \quad \mu \text{ times}.$$

7. Correct  $\mathbf{v}^h \leftarrow \mathbf{v}^h + I_{2h}^h \mathbf{v}^{2h}$ .
8. Relax  $\nu_2$  times on  $A^h \mathbf{u}^h = \mathbf{f}^h$  on  $\Omega^h$ .



# More Advanced Schemes; $\mu$ -Cycle(2)

- $\mu$ -cycle is an entire multigrid cycling scheme family and V-cycle is just one member of this family ( $\mu = 1$ ).
- W-cycle, shown below, is the case with  $\mu = 2$ :



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# Full Multigrid V-Cycle(1)

- So far we have developed only the correction scheme.
  - The nested iteration idea has yet to be explored.
  - Nested iteration suggests solving a problem on  $\Omega^{2h}$  to obtain an initial guess for solving the problem on  $\Omega^h$ .
  - But where does the initial guess for  $\Omega^{2h}$  come from?
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# Full Multigrid V-Cycle(2)

$$\mathbf{v}^h \leftarrow FMG^h(\mathbf{f}^h).$$

2. If  $\Omega^h$  = coarsest grid, set  $\mathbf{v}^h \leftarrow 0$  and go to step 3.

Else

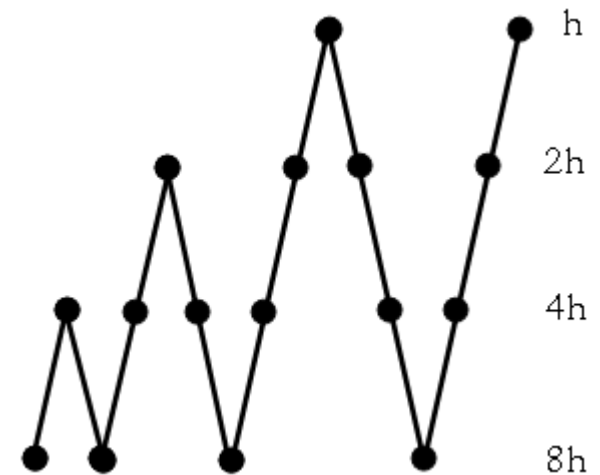
$$\mathbf{f}^{2h} \leftarrow I_h^{2h}(\mathbf{f}^h),$$

$$\mathbf{v}^{2h} \leftarrow FMG^{2h}(\mathbf{f}^{2h}).$$

5. Correct  $\mathbf{v}^h \leftarrow I_{2h}^h \mathbf{v}^{2h}$ .
6.  $\mathbf{v}^h \leftarrow V^h(\mathbf{v}^h, \mathbf{f}^h)$   $\nu_0$  times.

# Full Multigrid V-Cycle(3)

- We do some extra work to find the best initial guess possible. But this is not only inexpensive, but easily pays for itself. The result is a very powerful algorithm.
- Here is the schedule for FMG scheme in 4 levels:



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# Implementation

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# Writing a Code

- We now want to turn to more practical issues of writing a multigrid program.
  - The experiment of many practitioners suggests that such a program should be highly modular.
  - This way, besides its simplicity, one can change different components of his code.
  - We will see how effective that can be.
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# Data Structure(1)

- Choosing an appropriate data structure is also of great importance.
  - One way is to declare a new structure that groups together all the associated information for each grid level.
  - Going further in this area without pointing a specific language seems pointless since every discussion would soon be outdated!
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## Data Structure(2)

- In languages with more restrictive data structures, like MATLAB and FORTRAN, there seems to be a general agreement.
  - That is the solutions and the right-side vectors on the various grids should be stored contiguously in single arrays (so two arrays).
  - Actually, mutligrid codes started to “grow up” in such an environment.
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# Complexity(1)

- How much do the multigrid scheme cost in terms of storage and computation?
- Consider a  $d$ -dimensional grid with  $n^d$  points.
- For simplicity  $n$  is a power of two.
- On the finest grid we need  $n^d$  storage locations for each array (two arrays).
- From now on each grid needs  $2^{-d}$  times as much storage as the finer grid before it.
- Adding these term give a geometric series.

# Complexity(2)

- Storage =  $2n^d (1 + 2^{-d} + 2^{-2d} + \dots + 2^{-nd}) < \frac{2n^d}{1 - 2^{-d}}$
- The storage costs of multigrid algorithm decreases relatively as the dimension of the problem increases.
- Same analysis gives an estimation of the computational costs of multigrid methods.
- Note that in the results next page the cost of intergrid transfers, typically 10-20% of the cost of the entire cycle, is neglected.

# Complexity(3)

- In a V-cycle with  $v_1 = v_2 = 1$  each level is visited twice and grid  $\Omega^{ph}$  requires  $p^{-d}$  work units, so the computational cast for a V-cycle is:

$$2\left(1 + 2^{-d} + 2^{-2d} + \dots + 2^{-nd}\right) < \frac{2}{1 - 2^{-d}} WU.$$

- With a slight modification for the FMG we can obtain:

$$\left(\frac{2}{1 - 2^{-d}}\right)\left(1 + 2^{-d} + 2^{-2d} + \dots + 2^{-nd}\right) < \frac{2}{\left(1 - 2^{-d}\right)^2} WU.$$

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# Complexity(4); final points

- We again can see with increasing the dimension of the problem the relative computational cost decreases in both scheme.
  - As expected, a single FMG cycle costs more than a single V-cycle (the difference is less in higher dimensions).
  - To reach a final idea which one is more suitable we need to know how many cycles they need to give satisfactory results.
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# Numerical Example(1)

- We solve the two-dimensional problem

$$-u_{xx} - u_{yy} = 2\left[(1 - 6x^2)y^2(1 - y^2) + (1 - 6y^2)x^2(1 - x^2)\right]$$

in unit square with zero on the boundaries.

- We aim to
  - Compare results using different relaxation, interpolation and restriction operators
  - Make a conclusion about the effectiveness of the V-cycle and FMG schemes

# Numerical Example(2)

- In comparing different operators more than what introduced before here we add half-injection and cubic interpolation.
- Half-injection in one-dimension is simply half of the injection operator.
- Cubic interpolation in one-dimension is defined this way:

$$v_{2j}^h = v_j^{2h},$$
$$v_{2j+1}^h = \frac{1}{16} \left( -v_{j-1}^{2h} + 9v_j^{2h} + 9v_{j+1}^{2h} - v_{j+2}^{2h} \right)$$

# Results(1); Different Operators

	Relaxation	Injection		Full Weighting		Half-Injection	
$(v_1, v_2)$	Scheme	Linear	Cubic	Linear	Cubic	Linear	Cubic
(1,0)	Jacobi	-	-	0.49	0.49	0.55	0.62
	GS	0.89	0.66	0.33	0.34	0.38	0.37
	RBGS	-	-	0.21	0.23	0.45	0.42
	Cost	1.00	1.25	1.13	1.39	1.01	1.26
(1,1)	Jacobi	0.94	0.56	0.35	0.34	0.54	0.52
	GS	0.16	0.16	0.14	0.14	0.45	0.43
	RBGS	-	-	0.06	0.05	0.12	0.16
	Cost	1.49	1.75	1.63	1.88	1.51	1.76
(2,1)	Jacobi	0.46	0.31	0.24	0.24	0.46	0.45
	GS	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.40	0.39
	RBGS	-	-	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.07
	Cost	1.99	2.24	2.12	3.37	1.51	1.76

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## Results(2); Different Operators

- At least in this problem cubic interpolation is noticeably more effective than linear one only when injection is used for restriction.
  - Not surprisingly, you get what you pay for: better convergence factor comes with higher cost.
  - Parameter selection largely depends on what we want: cost or performance?
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# Results(3); V-cycle or FMG?

- Here, comparing FMG(1,1) and V(1,2), for all grids FMG is less expensive than V-cycle.
- It confirms the fact that for converging to the level of discretization

	FMG(1,1)	V(2,1)	V(2,1)
	WU	cycles	WU
4	7/2	3	12
8	7/2	4	16
16	7/2	4	16
32	7/2	5	20
64	7/2	5	20
128	7/2	6	24
256	7/2	7	28
512	7/2	7	28
1024	7/2	8	32
2048	7/2	9	36

error, full multigrid methods are generally preferable to simple V-cycles.

# Diagnostic Tools(1)

- Debugging can be the most difficult part of creating a successful program. Here is a short list of useful debugging techniques in evaluating a mutigrid code:
  2. Methodical Plan: modular! Focus should be firstly on the solver.
  3. Starting Simply: basic methods, simple problems.
  4. Homogenous Problem: norms of the residual and the error.

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# Diagnostic Tools(2)

1. Residual Printout: on each level the norm of the residual should decline to machine zero at a steady rate.
2. Error Graph: is it oscillatory after coarse-grid correction? Effectively smoothed by relaxation? Any unusual behavior?
3. Two-Level Cycles: it is necessary that the two-level scheme work, test it!

There is no end to this list.

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# Nonlinear Problem

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# Nonlinearity

- Up to now everything was linear!
- Do we need to make any changes to treat nonlinear problems?
- Let's take a look at the most significant difference between linear and nonlinear systems.
- Consider the nonlinear system below (note the new notation):

$$A(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{f}$$

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# Residual Equation

- From the definition of the residual we find the new residual equation:

$$A(\mathbf{u}) - A(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{r}.$$

- Even though  $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{e}$ , we cannot conclude that  $A(\mathbf{u}) - A(\mathbf{v}) = A(\mathbf{e})$ .
  - Since the solver now needs to solve a nonlinear equation, it makes sense to take a look at a classical relaxation method for such a system.
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# Nonlinear Gauss-Seidel Relaxation

- The same as linear GS, we form the  $j$ th equation and update the corresponding component:

$$v_j \leftarrow M_j(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{j-1}, v_{j+1}, \dots, v_n), \quad 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

- In cases where we cannot form the equation explicitly, the following system should be solved using a few steps of Newton method:

$$\left( A(\mathbf{v} + s\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_j) \right)_j = \mathbf{f}_j, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

- When  $s$  is found:  $\mathbf{v} \leftarrow \mathbf{v} + s\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_j$

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# Newton-Multigrid

- The new residual equation can be written:

$$A(\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{e}) - A(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{r}.$$

- Expanding the first term in Taylor series about  $\mathbf{v}$  and truncating the series after two terms, we have a linear equation:

$$J(\mathbf{v})\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{r},$$

- This system is an approximation to the nonlinear system. One highly recommended option to solve it is multigrid.
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# Going Further...

- Newton-multigrid can be effective, but it does not use multigrid ideas to treat the nonlinearity directly.
- In a two-grid setting, the residual on the coarser grid appears as:

$$A^{2h}(\mathbf{v}^{2h} + \mathbf{e}^{2h}) - A^{2h}(\mathbf{v}^{2h}) = \mathbf{r}^{2h}.$$

- We choose the coarse-grid residual to be the restriction of the fine-grid residual:

$$\mathbf{r}^{2h} = I_h^{2h} \mathbf{r}^h = I_h^{2h} (\mathbf{f}^h - A^h(\mathbf{v}^h)).$$

# The Nonlinear Version of Multigrid

- But what about the current approximation?
- Using the same operator for the residual, we restrict the current approximation on the fine grid to the coarser grid.

$$\mathbf{v}^{2h} = I_h^{2h} \mathbf{v}^h.$$

- Putting everything together in the residual equation and solving it gives the coarse-grid approximation for the error which can be interpolated to fine grid to correct the current approximation. This is FAS.

# Full Approximation Scheme (FAS)

- FAS steps can be summarized this way:
  - Restrict the current approximation and its fine-grid residual to the coarse grid.
  - Solve this coarse-grid problem:

$$A^{2h}(\mathbf{u}^{2h}) = A^{2h}(\mathbf{v}^{2h}) + \mathbf{r}^{2h}.$$

- Compute the coarse-grid approximation to the error

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$$\mathbf{e}^{2h} = \mathbf{u}^{2h} - \mathbf{v}^{2h}.$$

- Interpolate the error approximation up to the fine grid and correct the current fine-grid approximation.

$$\mathbf{v}^h \leftarrow \mathbf{v}^h + I_{2h}^h \mathbf{e}^{2h}.$$

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# FAS Comments(1)

- If the operator is linear FAS reduces to the linear two-grid scheme.
  - The process stalls at and only at the exact solution.
  - The second step of the FAS procedure involves a nonlinear problem itself. In a two-level scheme it is solved with standard relaxation method such as nonlinear GS.
  - A true FAS process would be done recursively.
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## FAS Comments(2)

- Thus, like its linear counterpart, FAS is usually implemented as a V-cycle or W-cycle scheme.
  - The convergence of nonlinear iterations depend critically on a good initial guess. Using one FMG cycle can provide accuracy to the level of discretization (whether we use Newton-multigrid or FAS V-cycles).
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Thank you!!

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