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Preconditioning Saddle-Point Systems arising in a Stochastic Mixed Finite Element Problem

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Outline

• Mixed SFEM on: $\mathcal{A}(\boldsymbol{x},\omega)^{-1} \boldsymbol{u}(\boldsymbol{x},\omega) - \nabla p(\boldsymbol{x},\omega) = 0, \ -\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}(\boldsymbol{x},\omega) = f(\boldsymbol{x})$



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• Solving stochastic saddle-point systems

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- \triangleright Weak problem in $H(div; D) \otimes L^2(\Gamma)$ and $L^2(D) \otimes L^2(\Gamma)$
- ⊳ Inf-sup stability
- > Block-diagonal preconditioner
- > Multigrid implementation
- \triangleright Eigenvalue bounds
- > Numerical results



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For $\boldsymbol{x} \in D$, $A(\omega)$ is a random variable with finite variance; for $\omega \in \Omega$, $\mathcal{A}(\boldsymbol{x}) \in L^{\infty}(D)$.

We seek random fields $p(\boldsymbol{x}, \omega), \ \boldsymbol{u}(\boldsymbol{x}, \omega)$ such that *P*-almost everywhere $\omega \in \Omega$:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \mathcal{A}\left(\boldsymbol{x},\omega\right)^{-1}\boldsymbol{u}\left(\boldsymbol{x},\omega\right)-\nabla p\left(\boldsymbol{x},\omega\right)&=&0,\\ \nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{u}\left(\boldsymbol{x},\omega\right)&=&-f(\boldsymbol{x})\quad\boldsymbol{x}\ \text{in }D,\\ p\left(\boldsymbol{x},\omega\right)&=&g(\boldsymbol{x})\quad\boldsymbol{x}\ \text{on }\partial D_{D},\\ \boldsymbol{u}\left(\boldsymbol{x},\omega\right)\cdot\boldsymbol{n}&=&0\qquad\boldsymbol{x}\ \text{on }\partial D_{N}. \end{array}$$



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Note that:

$$\int_{D} Var\left(A^{-1} - A_{M}^{-1}\right) = \int_{D} \sigma^{2}(\boldsymbol{x})dD - \sum_{i=1}^{M} \lambda_{i}$$



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If $b_1 = \frac{1}{4} = b_2$ then a 200 term KL expansion, yields relative error of 0.08

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- S_d ⊂ L²(Γ) is set of multivariate polynomials in M random variables. Choose from:
 1. total degree d (generalised polynomial chaos) of dimension N_ξ = (M+d)!/M!d!
 2. degree d in each random variable of dimension N_ξ = (d + 1)^M

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which leads to a symmetric indefinite system of the form:

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of dimension $N_x \times N_{\xi}$ where $N_x = N_u + N_p$.

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$$[A_0]_{ij} = \int_D \boldsymbol{\mu}(\boldsymbol{x}) \boldsymbol{\varphi}_i(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\varphi}_j(\boldsymbol{x}) \qquad [A_k]_{ij} = \sqrt{\lambda_k} \int_D \boldsymbol{c}_k(\boldsymbol{x}) \boldsymbol{\varphi}_i(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\varphi}_j(\boldsymbol{x})$$

and

$$[B]_{ij} = \int_D \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\varphi}_i(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \phi_j(\boldsymbol{x})$$

$$[G_k]_{rs} = \langle y_k \psi_r(\boldsymbol{y}) \psi_s(\boldsymbol{y}) \rangle$$





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If we choose:

- $V_h := RT_0(D)$ (lowest-order Raviart-Thomas elements)
- $W_h := P_0(D)$ (piecewise constants)

and assume that:

$$0 < a_{min} \leq A_M^{-1}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) \leq a_{max} < +\infty, \quad \text{a.e. in } D \times \Pi$$

then, the following results can be proved independently of the choice of $S_d \subset L^2_\rho(\Gamma)$.



Well-posedness

• $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ and $b(\cdot, \cdot)$ are continuous bilinear forms

• Ellipticity

$$a\left(oldsymbol{v}_{hd},oldsymbol{v}_{hd}
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where

$$Z_{hd} = \{ \boldsymbol{v}_h \in V_h \otimes S_d \text{ s.t. } b(\boldsymbol{v}_{hd}, w_{hd}) = 0, \quad \forall w_{hd} \in W_h \otimes S_d \}$$

• Theorem (inf-sup stability)

There exists a constant $\tilde{\beta} > 0$ depending only on the domain *D* and the Raviart-Thomas interpolation operator (and therefore independent of *h*, *M* and *d*) such that:

$$\sup_{\boldsymbol{v}_{hd} \in V_h \otimes S_d \setminus \{\boldsymbol{0}\}} \frac{b(\boldsymbol{v}_{hd}, w_{hd})}{\|\boldsymbol{v}_{hd}\|_{div \otimes L^2}} \geq \tilde{\beta} \|w_{hd}\|_{L^2 \otimes L^2} \qquad \forall w_{hd} \in W_h \otimes S_d.$$



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We then have matrix representations of the following stochastic norms:

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Note that the discrete inf-sup condition tells us that:

$$\tilde{\beta}^2 \min\left(1, \frac{1}{a_{max}}\right) \leq \frac{\underline{w}^T \tilde{B}\left(\tilde{A} + \tilde{D}\right)^{-1} \tilde{B}^T \underline{w}}{\underline{w}^T \tilde{M} \underline{w}} \qquad \forall \underline{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_p N_{\xi}} \setminus \{\underline{0}\}$$

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Theorem

The eigenvalues of

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{A} & \tilde{B}^T \\ \tilde{B} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{u} \\ \underline{p} \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{A} + \tilde{D} & 0 \\ 0 & \tilde{M} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{u} \\ \underline{p} \end{pmatrix}$$

are bounded and lie in the union of the intervals,

$$\left[-1, \, -\frac{\tilde{\beta}^2}{a_{max}}\right] \cup \{1\}$$



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Let $D = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$, with mixed bcs. We choose an exponential covariance function for the random input with $\mu(\mathbf{x}) = 1$ and $\sigma(\mathbf{x}) = 0.2$.



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Mean of numerical solution

Pressure (left), Flux (right)







Variance of numerical solution

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(Exact) Preconditioned Minres iterations

In this example $a_{max} = O(1)$

| | | | $h = \frac{1}{16}$ | | | $h = \frac{1}{32}$ |
|-----|---|-----------|--------------------|-----------|------|--------------------|
| | d | N_{ξ} | lter | dimension | Iter | dimension |
| M=4 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 6,560 | 6 | 25,920 |
| - | 2 | 15 | 6 | 19,650 | 6 | 77,760 |
| - | 3 | 35 | 6 | 45,920 | 6 | 181,440 |
| - | 4 | 70 | 6 | 91,840 | 6 | 362,880 |
| M=5 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 7,872 | 6 | 31,104 |
| - | 2 | 21 | 6 | 27,552 | 6 | 108,864 |
| - | 3 | 56 | 6 | 73,472 | 6 | 290,304 |
| - | 4 | 126 | 6 | 165,312 | 6 | 653,184 |
| M=6 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 9,184 | 6 | 36,288 |
| - | 2 | 28 | 6 | 36,736 | 6 | 145,152 |
| - | 3 | 84 | 6 | 110,208 | 6 | 435,456 |
| - | 4 | 210 | 6 | 275,520 | 6 | 1,088,640 |

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| $rac{\sigma}{\mu}$ | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.8 |
|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| lter | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 |

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| μ | 10^{-2} | 10^{-1} | 10^{0} | 10^{1} | 10^{2} |
|-------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| lter | 4 | 4 | 6 | 9 | 22 |



Practical Implementation

We need a fast solver for systems with the coefficient matrix:

$$\tilde{A} + \tilde{D} = I \otimes \left(A_0 + B^T M^{-1} B\right) + \left(\sum_{k=1}^M G_k \otimes A_k\right)$$

which represents a weighted stochastic $H(div; D) \otimes L^2_{\rho}(\Gamma)$ operator:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathcal{A}}: RT_0(D) \otimes S_d(\Gamma) \to RT_0(D) \otimes S_d(\Gamma)$$

defined via:

$$\left(\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathcal{A}}\boldsymbol{v}_{hd},\boldsymbol{v}_{hd}\right) = \int_{\Gamma} \rho(\boldsymbol{y}) \left(\int_{D} \mathcal{A}_{M}^{-1}\boldsymbol{v}_{hd}\cdot\boldsymbol{v}_{hd} + \nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{v}_{hd}\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{v}_{hd}\,dD\right)\,d\,\boldsymbol{y}.$$

Note that this is not an elliptic operator.



Theorem: Suppose there exists a matrix \tilde{V} satisfying

$$\theta \leq \frac{\underline{v}^T \left(\tilde{A} + \tilde{D} \right) \underline{v}}{\underline{v}^T \tilde{V} \underline{v}} \leq \Theta \leq 1$$

with positive constants θ and Θ . The eigenvalues of:

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$$\left[-1, -\frac{1}{2}\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}\left(1-\alpha\right) - \sqrt{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{2}\left(\alpha-1\right)^{2} + 4\alpha\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)\right] \cup \left[\boldsymbol{\theta}, 1\right]$$

where $\alpha = \frac{\tilde{\beta}^2}{a_{max}}$ is the corresponding bound for the ideal preconditioner.



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Key ingredients:

- Prolongation: $\tilde{P} = I \otimes P_H^h$ where P_H^h is a standard spatial prolongation operator
- Restriction operator $\tilde{R} = \tilde{P}^T = I \otimes R_h^H$
- Smoother: additive Schwarz method (block Jacobi)





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Let $\tilde{H}_h = \tilde{A} + \tilde{D}$ be the stochastic H(div) matrix associated with a fixed spatial mesh T_h , decomposed into vertex-based patches:



The smoothing operator (in matrix form) is defined via:

$$\tilde{S}_h = \eta \sum_k \tilde{P}_h^k \tilde{H}_h^{-1}$$





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This is tractable for a few thousand stochastic degrees of freedom.

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Combining this result with eigenvalue bound for preconditioned saddle-point system, we have a solver that is optimal w.r.t all discretisation parameters.

Example 1

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$$P = \left(\begin{array}{cc} \tilde{V} & 0\\ 0 & \tilde{M} \end{array}\right)$$

- 1 multigrid V-cycle per minres iteration; 1 pre and 1 post smoothing step;
- Uniform random variables; $\mu(\mathbf{x}) = 1, \sigma = 0.1 \ (\Rightarrow a_{max} = O(1))$

| | d | M = 1 | M = 2 | M = 3 | M = 4 |
|--------------------|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| $h = \frac{1}{32}$ | 1 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 |
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- Fixed discretisation parameters: $h = \frac{1}{16}, M = 4, p = 2.$
- Varying $\frac{\sigma}{\mu}$

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Preconditioned minres iterations:

| $\frac{\sigma}{\mu}$ | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.6 |
|----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Ideal | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
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| $\frac{\sigma}{\mu}$ | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.6 |
|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| θ | 0.4576 | 0.4564 | 0.4548 | 0.4527 | 0.4495 |
| Θ | 1.0000 | 1.0000 | 1.0000 | 1.0000 | 1.0000 |

Example 3

- Fixed discretisation parameters: $h = \frac{1}{16}, M = 4, p = 2.$
- Vary a_{max} by varying μ and setting $\sigma = \frac{\mu}{10}$.

Preconditioned minres iterations:

| μ | 10^{-3} | 10^{-2} | 10^{-1} | 10^{0} | 10^{1} | 10^{2} | 10^{3} |
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| Ideal | 3 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 16 | 46 |
| Multigrid version | 15 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 21 | 40 | 99 |

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|-------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|--------|
| θ | 0.4552 | 0.4550 | 0.4556 | 0.4587 | 0.4864 | 0.6453 | 0.9172 |
| Θ | 1.0000 | 1.0000 | 1.0000 | 1.0000 | 1.0000 | 1.0000 | 1.0000 |

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- Solving well-posed stochastic saddle-point problem
- Stochastic inf-sup stability result leads to nice eigenvalue bounds for H(div) preconditioners
- Practical implementation based on deterministic Arnold-Falk-Winther multigrid
- Analysis of extended multigrid method available
- Preconditioner for saddle-point system is optimal w.r.t spatial and stochastic discretisation parameters
- Overall performance does depend on a_{min} and a_{max}
- Experiments with modified (cheaper) smoothers look promising



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Pro: Standard multigrid methods can be used. Con: Obtaining \tilde{A}_{diag} that yields robustness w.r.t PDE coefficients is difficult.



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