# Experimenting with deflation-based preconditioning 

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## Preface

Since childhood, I haye been interested in mathematics and computers in general. The latter interest was my hobby and I would not want to turn it into my profession. But I haye seen a future in maths, so to study it, seemed the logical next step. I haye chosen the university of Groningen ("Rijksuniyersiteit Groningen" or $\mathrm{R} u \mathrm{G}$ for short) as it is one with a local and friendly character. A fortunate side effect of my choice was that computational science houses in the same building, so from time to time I was able to attend programming courses to keep my interest in computational science "hot" so to speak.

In the end, my study and my hobby joined in the form of my specialisation: numerical mathematics. The beauty of maths combined with the elegance of high performance computing. This I told my superyisor (F.W. Wubs) who would try to find a project in which I could lay my programming skills combinẹd with my gained knowledge in high performance computing. My superyisor attended a presentation of Jason Frank and Kees Vuik [1] about deflation. Afterwards, he spoke with Vuik about it with respect to using deflation on current research on parallelisation of MRILU at the $R u G$. It was possible to use deflation according to Vuik. Wubs then knew he had a nice project for me.

The goal for us was to implement the method described in that article, to yerify the results, to understand the results to some degree and to implement another (similar) method to suit current research done at the $\mathrm{R} u \mathrm{G}$. In short, chapter 2 is Frank and Vuik redone for symmetric problems and chapter 3 is about deflation for non-symmetric problems.

This report is the result of two years work. I neyer worked for this long on a project and I couldn't haye done this without the support of friends and relatives.

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The work could haye been done in less time, though, but other actiyities interyened. My job as student assistant took at least a couple of months. Doing administratiye tasks for the local badminton club cost seyeral weeks. I haye to build a curriculum pitae, don't

I? I followed a couple of courses which consumes lots of time. And of course the holidays; they took a couple of months. All in all, two years is not so bad a score...!

With this report, my college years will probably end. Time for a few weeks of activities not involving mathematics, i.e. activities that have not gotten enough attention last two years ;-).
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## 1 Introduction

Assume we want to solve $x$ from the problem

$$
\begin{equation*}
A x=b, \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $A$ is symmetric positive definite (SPD). These kinds of systems are encountered when a finite volume/difference/element method is used to discretise an elliptic partial differential equation (PDE). It is well known that the convergence rate of the conjugate gradient method is bounded as a function of the condition number of the system matrix to which it is applied.

When $A$ is the discrete approximation of an elliptic PDE, the condition number can become very large as the grid is refined, thus slowing down convergence. In this case it is advisable to solve, instead, a preconditioned system $K^{-1} A x=K^{-1} b$, where the symmetric positive definite preconditioner $K$ is chosen such that $K^{-1} A$ has a more clustered spectrum or a smaller condition number than that of $A$. Furthermore, a system. with the matrix $K$ must be cheap to solve relative to the improvement it provides in convergence rate. A final desirable property is that it should parallelise well, especially on distributed memory computers.

Probably the most effective preconditioning strategy in common use is to take $K=L L^{T}$ to be an incomplete Cholesky (IC) factorisation of $A$. When there are a few isolated extremal eigenvalues, another preconditioning strategy has proven successful; deflation.

This report is about deflation and based on work of Kees Vuik. We implement the deflated CG method described in his article (see [1]). Furthermore, we put the method to the test and try to understand the results to a degree (chapter 2). We also study the parallelisation of the method. Vuik covers mostly SPD problems, but we dive into non-symmetric problems, too (chapter 3).

## 2 Deflation for symmetric problems

In this chapter, we will introduce the notion of "projection". Projections play a key role in the deflation technique. We discuss a few interesting properties of projections and the potential of deflation before we start experimenting with the deflation technique. At the end of this chapter, we discuss the parallelisation of the deflated preconditioned CG method (DPCG).

### 2.1 Theory

The deflation technique tries to remove the smallest (or largest) eigenvalues from an iterative linear system solver. By doing so, the condition number of the problem is reduced which usually makes the solver use fewer iterations than before. Of course, the price we pay for removing eigenvalues has to be paid in the end by making a correction to the solution found.

Assume we want to solve $A x=b$ where $A$ is SPD. Let us define the projection $P$ by

$$
\begin{equation*}
P:=I-A Z\left(Z^{T} A Z\right)^{-1} Z^{T}, \quad Z \in \mathbb{R}^{z \times d} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the columns of $Z$ span the deflation subspace, i.e., the space to be projected out of the residual, and $I$ is the identity matrix of appropriate size. $d$ can be seen as the number of eigenvalues that are to be projected out of the residual. $z$ has to match the number of columns of $A$.

Later on, we will see that we should not try to eliminate too many eigenvalues as it is counterproductive, so we should assume that $d \ll z$ in practical cases.

We assume that $Z$ has rank $d$. Then the inverse of $Z^{T} A Z$ exists and $P$ has the following properties (which are easily proven):

- $P^{2}=P$
- $P(I-P)=0$
- $Z^{T} P=0$
- $P A=A P^{T}$
- $P A Z=0$
[Projecting a projection does nothing.] (3)
[ $P$ is perpendicular to $\left(I-P^{T}\right)$.]
[ $P$ is perpendicular to $Z$.$] (5)$
[ $P A$ is symmetric.] (6)
[ $Z$ is in the nullspace of $P A$.]

Lemma 2.1. Let $A$ be positive semidefinite and $P$ a projection $\left(P^{2}=P\right)$. If $P A$ is symmetric, it is positive semidefinite.
Proof. By definition: $0 \leq u^{T} A u$ for all $u$. But then it also holds for $u=P^{T} v$ where $v$ is an arbitrary vector:

$$
\begin{aligned}
0 \leq u^{T} A u & =\left(P^{T} v\right)^{T} A\left(P^{T} v\right)=v^{T}(P A) P^{T} v=v^{T}\left(A^{T}\left(P^{2}\right)^{T}\right) v \\
& =v^{T}\left(A^{T} P^{T}\right) v=v^{T}(P A) v
\end{aligned}
$$

Example. To see that the condition number of $P A$ may be better than that of $A$, consider the case in which $Z$ is the invariant subspace of $A$ corresponding to the smallest $d$ eigenvalues. $P A$ has $d$ zero-eigenvalues since, by (7) $P A Z=0$. Furthermore, since $P A$ is symmetric, by the orthogonal diagonalisation theorem the remaining eigenspace, say $Y$, can be chosen in the orthogonal complement of column space of $\{Z\}$, i.e. $Z^{T} Y=0$ and thereby the convergence is determined by the condition number of $Y^{T} P A Y$ :

$$
\kappa_{\mathrm{eff}}(P A)=\kappa\left(Y^{T} P A Y\right)=\frac{\lambda_{n}(A)}{\lambda_{d+1}(A)} .
$$

Since this holds for any $A$, especially it holds for a preconditioned system, say $A_{\text {prec }}^{-1} A$.
In summary, deflation of an invariant subspace cancels the corresponding eigenvalues, leaving the rest of the spectrum untouched.

### 2.2 Algorithm DPCG

As $d$ is relatively small, $A_{\text {deflated }} \equiv Z^{T} A Z$ may be easily computed and factored and is symmetric positive definite. Since $x=\left(I-P^{T}\right) x+P^{T} x$ and because

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(I-P^{T}\right) x=\left(\left(A Z\left(Z^{T} A Z\right)^{-1}\right) Z^{T}\right)^{T} x=Z\left(Z^{T} A Z\right)^{-1} Z^{T} A x=Z A_{\text {deflated }}^{-1} Z^{T} b \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

can immediately be computed, we only have to compute $P^{T} x$. Since $A P^{T} x=P A x=P b$, we can solve the deflated system

$$
\begin{equation*}
P A \tilde{x}=P b \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $\tilde{x}$ using the conjugate gradient method and premultiply this by $P^{T}$. Obviously, (9) is singular and this raises a few questions. First, the solution $\tilde{x}$ may contain arbitrary components in the null space of $P A$, i.e. in the column space of $\{Z\}$. This is not a problem however, because the projected solution $P^{T} \tilde{x}$ is unique. Second, what consequences does the singularity of (9) imply for the conjugate gradient method? In theory, a positive semidefinite system can be solved as long as the right-hand side is consistent (i.e., as long as $b=A x$ for some $x$ ). This is certainly true for (9), where the same projection is applied to both sides of the nonsingular system. Furthermore, because the null space never enters the iteration, the corresponding zero-eigenvalues do not influence the convergence.

### 2.3 Another view on deflation

In order to develop theory on a given subject, it always comes in handy to have multiple looks on the subject. That is why give another view on deflation.

In general, if a square matrix $\left[\begin{array}{ll}V & W\end{array}\right]$ has full rank, any $x$ can be decomposed into $x=V \hat{x}+W \tilde{x}$. This also means that any given linear problem $A x=b$ can be written as $A(V \hat{x}+W \tilde{x})$, or equivalently, $A\left[\begin{array}{ll}V & W\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}\hat{x} \\ \tilde{x}\end{array}\right]=b$. If we can choose $V$ and $W$ such that
$V^{T} A W=0$, then we can solve the following system easier:

$$
\left[\begin{array}{c}
V^{T} \\
W^{T}
\end{array}\right] A\left[\begin{array}{ll}
V & W
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}
\hat{x} \\
\tilde{x}
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
V^{T} A V & V^{T} A W \\
W^{T} A V & W^{T} A W
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}
\hat{x} \\
\tilde{x}
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}
V^{T} \\
W^{T}
\end{array}\right] b .
$$

That is, we can first compute $\hat{x}$ from $V^{T} A V \hat{x}=V^{T} b$ and then $\tilde{x}$. In the symmetric case $\left(A=A^{T}\right)$, the problem even gets decoupled because $\left(W^{T} A V\right)^{T}=V^{T} A W=0$. This is precisely what happens in the deflation approach if we take $V=Z$ then $\left(I-P^{T}\right)$ projects any vector onto the space spanned by $Z:\left(I-P^{T}\right) x=Z\left(Z^{T} A Z\right)^{-1} Z^{T} A x$. Then $W$ and $\tilde{x}$ are implicitly, not uniquely defined by $W \tilde{x}=P^{T} x$ because $x=\left(I-P^{T}\right) x+W \tilde{x}$. It holds that $Z$ and $W$ are perpendicular in an inner product based on A:

$$
P A Z=0 \Rightarrow x^{T} P A Z=0 \forall x \Rightarrow Z^{T} A P^{T} x=0 \forall x \Rightarrow Z^{T} A W \tilde{x}=0 \forall \tilde{x} \Rightarrow Z^{T} A W=0,
$$

which is favourable.

### 2.4 Choices for deflation

Deflation of an eigenspace cancels the corresponding eigenvalues without affecting the rest of the spectrum. This has led some authors to try to deflate with "nearly invariant" subspaces (possibly obtained during iteration), and led others to try to choose in advance subspaces which represent the extremal modes. We will investigate both approaches.

We will call the first one subdomain deflation as suggested in [1]. The domain is split up into non-overlapping subdomains. Vertically in $p$ and horizontally in $q$ subdomains. For each subdomain, we create a deflation vector which is one on its subdomain and zero on the others. We take the set of all these vectors for $Z$.

This choice of deflation subspace is related to domain decomposition. The projection $\left(I-P^{T}\right) x$ (see (8)) can be seen as a subspace correction in which each domain is agglomerated into a single cell.

Note that the matrix $A_{\text {deflated }} \equiv Z^{T} A Z$, the projection of $A$ onto the deflation subspace $Z$, has sparsity pattern similar to that of $A$. We will see that the effective condition number of $P A$ ( $\kappa_{\text {eff }}$ ) improves as the number of subdomains is increased (for a fixed problem size). However, this implies that the dimension of $A_{\text {deflated }}$ also increases, making direct solution expensive.

In the second approach we will use exactly computed eigenvectors to investigate the maximal effects possible after which it is possible to try to choose simple(r) vectors that resemble the eigenvectors for extremal modes.

### 2.4.1 Consequences of other choices than subdomain deflation

Since subdomain deflation is cheap, it is interesting to have some insight in what other choices might cost. Although other choices might lead to better convergence (as they might cancel the smallest or largest eigenvalues better), we only consider the computational cost of $P A x$, where $x$ is an arbitrary vector.

We note that if $Z$ becomes a full matrix, $A Z$ and $Z^{T} A Z$ also become full matrices (independent of the problem $A$ ). In the main loop of DPCG, $Z$ is used only in computing $P A x$ :

$$
\begin{aligned}
v & =A x \\
P A x & =v-(A Z)\left(Z^{T} A Z\right)^{-1} Z^{T} v
\end{aligned}
$$

- $A Z$ is constant and can be computed before the main loop; that makes it an order 1 computation.
- $\left(Z^{T} A Z\right)^{-1}$ is also constant and can be computed (in factored form) before the main loop which makes it an order 1 computation.
- $Z^{T} v$ can cost up to $p q$ as much calculations (since all columns of $Z$ are completely filled instead of only $\frac{1}{p q}$ ).
- The computation of the whole $(A Z)\left(Z^{T} A Z\right)^{-1} Z^{T} v$ as parts of the previous temporary results requires not considerably more work.

If $d \ll z$, then $Z^{T} v$ is only a small matrix-vector computation it will hardly have any effect on the speed in terms of wall-clock time even if it takes $p q$ as much computations.

### 2.5 Test set

In order to test the deflation technique, we have to create a test set. We choose to solve the 2D Laplace equation: $\varphi_{x x}+\varphi_{y y}=0$. The Dirichlet boundaries are chosen such that the solution corresponds to the temperature in a heated room. One side is kept at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ while the other sides are kept to $15^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, see figure 1 . The discretisation is a standard five-point one.

### 2.5.1 Grid

We choose a square, equidistant grid of $m q \times n p$ points, where $p$ is the number of subdomains in the vertical direction and $q$ in the horizontal. See figure 2. Unknowns are numbered in a lexical order (left to right, top to bottom). The resulting matrix $A$ is of size $m q n p \times m q n p$.

### 2.5.2 Preconditioner

In $A$, a subdomain is connected to its neighbour(s). When we disconnect all these $p q$ subdomains, we obtain the preconditioner we use in the test set. Observe that the preconditioner consists in fact of $p q$ problems that can be solved independently which allows for parallelisation. We will call this preconditioner $A_{\text {prec }}$.

There is another choice that we will make which is based on the technique called Gustafsson modification. All ties between subdomains are not simply dropped, but are added to the main diagonal instead. We will call this preconditioner $G_{\text {prec. }}$. Note that this


Figure 1: The solution to the stationary heated room problem ( 32 by 32 ).


Figure 2: The division of the grid in subdomains.
preconditioner is basically singular if both $p$ and $q$ are greater than 2: the interior subdomains have no ties to the boundary anymore making it Neumann subdomains. Adding one to the last element of each singular subdomain cancels the singularities.

### 2.5.3 Numerical results

The DPCG-algorithm takes, among others things, a preconditioner which can be given in factored form. We will use no preconditioner, a complete and an incomplete Cholesky factorisation of our preconditioner $A_{\text {prec }}$ or $G_{\text {prec }}$. For the incomplete ones, we will use luinc from MATLAB ${ }^{\circledR}$ with droptol $=0.1$.

For the deflation space, we choose between subdomain and no deflation and deflation based upon eigenvectors. Domains can be split up in two directions in various configurations. Currently, DPCG solves $A_{\text {prec }} x=r_{n}$ directly, but we note that this might as well be solved in an iterative manner, too. That technique is destined to be faster than the direct approach.

With the computers available to us, 128 by 128 was the largest problem we can investigate within reasonable time. Consequently, most tests are based on the heated room problem of size 128 by 128 . In all cases, we will use an all zero starting vector and require a precision of $10^{-6}$ in the 2 -norm of the residual.

### 2.5.3.1 CG without preconditioning nor deflation

First, for comparison, we run the test set on standard CG: no deflation and no preconditioner. Since there is no preconditioner, the choices for $p$ and $q$ are irrelevant. See table 1. As expected, the number of iterations rises by a factor of 2 when the total number of unknown is increased by 4 .

| $m q=n p$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 | 256 | 512 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Iteration needed to reach precision | 1 | 2 | 6 | 21 | 45 | 90 | 176 | 349 | 694 | 1378 |

Table 1: Total number of iterations with neither a preconditioner nor deflation (standard CG).

### 2.5.3.2 CG with preconditioning but without deflation

To investigate the effect of preconditioning, we run the test set without deflation, but with preconditioning. See table 2, 3, 4 and 5 . Each table covers a different preconditioning technique.

| $\substack{p \\ q}$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 1 | 40 | 54 | 72 | 96 | 133 | 188 | 266 |
| 2 | 31 | 42 | 60 | 75 | 100 | 130 | 186 | 267 |
| 4 | 53 | 61 | 61 | 83 | 107 | 142 | 19 | 269 |
| 8 | 72 | 79 | 85 | 86 | 116 | 148 | 198 | 275 |
| 16 | 95 | 103 | 108 | 117 | 122 | 161 | 208 | 282 |
| 32 | 133 | 137 | 142 | 148 | 161 | 172 | 227 | 297 |
| 64 | 187 | 188 | 192 | 198 | 209 | 227 | 243 | 323 |
| 128 | 266 | 268 | 269 | 274 | 282 | 297 | 324 | 349 |

Table 2: Total number of iterations using a complete Cholesky factorisation of $A_{\text {prec }}$. No deflation applied.

If we choose $p=1$ and $q=1$, then both $A_{\text {prec }}$ and $G_{\text {prec }}$ are equal to $A$. The preconditioned system $A^{-1} A x=A^{-1} b$ is 'solved', which requires just one iteration.

The tables clearly show that using square subdomains is better than stretched ones.
Giving each subdomain a size of $1 \times 1$ reduces the preconditioner $A_{\text {prec }}$ to a diagonal matrix. This does not help much since $A_{\text {prec }}^{-1} A$ is in essence the same as $A$; they only differ by a factor of 4 . This explains why the number of iterations for $p=128$ and $q=128$ in tables 1,2 and 4 are the same. The same holds for $G_{\text {prec }}$ in tables 3 and 5 .

| $p$ <br> $q$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 32 | 75 | 169 | 330 | 599 |
| 2 | 6 | 6 | 17 | 38 | 90 | 186 | 350 | 629 |
| 4 | 15 | 17 | 88 | 150 | 232 | 380 | 637 | 1000 |
| 8 | 34 | 38 | 153 | 162 | 232 | 318 | 491 | 783 |
| 16 | 79 | 91 | 244 | 235 | 224 | 282 | 352 | 570 |
| 32 | 170 | 186 | 386 | 324 | 283 | 244 | 314 | 442 |
| 64 | 333 | 350 | 667 | 503 | 388 | 335 | 295 | 379 |
| 128 | 614 | 636 | 1252 | 897 | 613 | 479 | 380 | 349 |

Table 3: Total number of iterations using a complete Cholesky factorisation of $G_{\text {prec }}$. No deflation applied.

| $p$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $q$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 122 | 147 | 143 | 149 | 162 | 181 | 205 | 266 |
| 2 | 146 | 139 | 152 | 158 | 169 | 181 | 216 | 267 |
| 4 | 141 | 152 | 146 | 155 | 168 | 191 | 217 | 269 |
| 8 | 149 | 158 | 155 | 156 | 169 | 192 | 223 | 275 |
| 16 | 161 | 169 | 167 | 170 | 177 | 198 | 231 | 282 |
| 32 | 180 | 182 | 189 | 192 | 198 | 214 | 249 | 297 |
| 64 | 205 | 216 | 219 | 224 | 232 | 249 | 263 | 323 |
| 128 | 266 | 268 | 269 | 274 | 282 | 297 | 324 | 349 |

Table 4: Total number of iterations using a incomplete Cholesky factorisation of $A_{\text {prec }}$. No deflation applied.

| $\substack{p \\ q}$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 122 | 200 | 203 | 197 | 202 | 195 | 226 | 599 |
| 2 | 210 | 231 | 247 | 254 | 260 | 264 | 264 | 630 |
| 4 | 209 | 241 | 258 | 258 | 275 | 284 | 272 | 1000 |
| 8 | 205 | 244 | 256 | 260 | 269 | 278 | 281 | 783 |
| 16 | 210 | 251 | 253 | 250 | 255 | 266 | 297 | 570 |
| 32 | 197 | 247 | 242 | 233 | 233 | 248 | 296 | 442 |
| 64 | 538 | 584 | 668 | 506 | 391 | 338 | 296 | 379 |
| 128 | 613 | 634 | 1252 | 897 | 613 | 479 | 380 | 349 |

Table 5: Total number of iterations using a incomplete Cholesky factorisation of $G_{\text {prec }}$. No deflation applied.

The smaller the subdomains, the more information is lost, the slower the convergence (in number of iterations).

The idea of preconditioning is to reduce the number of iterations with a bit of extra calculations. This is observed for $A_{\text {prec }}$ as the number of iterations is always fewer than 349 (the no-preconditioning case). But $G_{\text {prec }}$ seems to have an unfavourable effect: while spending extra calculations it also increases the number of iterations sometimes. Since
most subdomains are still almost singular (small eigenvalue), the condition number of $G_{\text {prec }}^{-1} A$ is quite high resulting in extra iterations. Note that (subdomain) deflation will cancel those small eigenvalues. Consequently, the effect noticed here should not be that worrying.

### 2.5.3.3 CG without preconditioning but with deflation

To investigate the effect of deflation, we run the test set with subdomain deflation, but without preconditioning. See table 6.

| $q^{p}$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 286 | 286 | 318 | 314 | 314 | 313 | 313 | 313 |
| 2 | 266 | 266 | 262 | 261 | 260 | 260 | 260 | 260 |
| 4 | 280 | 280 | 196 | 217 | 211 | 207 | 204 | 204 |
| 8 | 268 | 268 | 212 | 110 | 117 | 115 | 115 | 115 |
| 16 | 270 | 270 | 206 | 117 | 56 | 60 | 60 | 59 |
| 32 | 273 | 273 | 203 | 115 | 60 | 29 | 31 | 30 |
| 64 | 273 | 273 | 203 | 115 | 60 | 31 | 15 | 15 |
| 128 | 273 | 273 | 202 | 115 | 59 | 30 | 15 | 0 |

Table 6: Total number of iterations using no preconditioner at all. Subdomain deflation applied.
$p=q=1$ uses only 1 deflation vector, namely an all one vector. This one vector reduces the number of iterations by $20 \%$ (compare with table 1 ).

Better yet, it seems we can solve a problem with 0 iterations! It is true, but the computations have shifted to computing a direct inverse: $Z$ becomes the identity matrix which means that $P$ reduces to an all zero matrix. CG has to solve $0 A x=0 b$. Any vector suffices. The bulk of the work is now done computing $Z A_{\text {deflated }}^{-1} Z^{T} b$ which simplifies to $A^{-1} b$.

The more subdomains we have, the more deflation seems to help, but more subdomains actually mean that deflation shifts it work to computing $Z A_{\text {deflated }}^{-1} Z^{T} b$. It is quite possible that wall clock time is not at its best at minimum nor maximum number of subdomains; there is a trade-off probably. Unfortunately, this trade-off is not visible in the number of iterations. To investigate the trade-off-point would require a timed series, but it depends on the number of processors used and optimisations made et cetera. Nevertheless, in table 7 , such a timed series is performed on 1 processor. For simplicity, we assume that $P A x=P b$ can be solved completely in parallel and computing $Z A_{\text {deflated }}^{-1} Z^{T} b$ is restricted to one processor. In our situation (with $p q$ hypothetical processors), the trade-off-point is $p=q=32$.

### 2.5.3.4 CG with preconditioning and deflation

To see the full potential of subdomain deflation, we have to use preconditioning and subdomain deflation at the same time. See table 8, 9, 10 and 11.

| $p=q$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| number of iterations | 286 | 266 | 196 | 110 | 56 | 29 | 15 | 0 |
| time used for solving $P A x=P b$ | 16.6 | 15.5 | 11.8 | 6.9 | 3.9 | 3.1 | 5.1 | 0 |
| time used for solving $P A x=P b$ | 16.6 | 3.9 | 0.74 | 0.11 | 0.015 | 0.0030 | 0.0013 | 0 |
| time used for computing | 0.020 | 0.019 | 0.019 | 0.020 | 0.023 | 0.040 | 0.16 | 1.2 |
| $Z A_{\text {deflated }}^{-1} Z^{T} b$ | 16.6 | 15.5 | 11.8 | 6.9 | 3.9 | 3.1 | 5.2 | 1.2 |
| total time 1 processor | 16.6 | 3.9 | 0.76 | 0.13 | 0.048 | 0.043 | 0.16 | 1.2 |

Table 7: Timed series. No preconditioning used. Subdomain deflation is applied. Cheapest solution are marked.

| $p$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $q$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 1 | 37 | 53 | 60 | 79 | 110 | 154 | 219 |
| 2 | 36 | 41 | 52 | 56 | 71 | 96 | 131 | 185 |
| 4 | 50 | 55 | 42 | 55 | 62 | 79 | 105 | 146 |
| 8 | 55 | 63 | 55 | 34 | 42 | 51 | 65 | 86 |
| 16 | 72 | 78 | 63 | 41 | 25 | 30 | 37 | 48 |
| 32 | 96 | 103 | 79 | 51 | 30 | 17 | 21 | 27 |
| 64 | 134 | 141 | 106 | 65 | 37 | 21 | 12 | 15 |
| 128 | 191 | 196 | 146 | 86 | 47 | 26 | 15 | 0 |

Table 8: Total number of iterations using a complete Cholesky factorisation of $A_{\text {prec }}$. Subdomain deflation applied.

| $\substack{p \\ q}$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 33 | 51 | 81 | 140 | 225 | 329 |
| 2 | 25 | 28 | 41 | 57 | 88 | 148 | 235 | 324 |
| 4 | 37 | 39 | 37 | 45 | 58 | 88 | 134 | 173 |
| 8 | 53 | 56 | 45 | 35 | 40 | 53 | 72 | 91 |
| 16 | 84 | 88 | 58 | 40 | 26 | 32 | 40 | 48 |
| 32 | 145 | 147 | 87 | 53 | 32 | 19 | 23 | 27 |
| 64 | 232 | 235 | 133 | 72 | 40 | 23 | 13 | 15 |
| 128 | 323 | 325 | 172 | 90 | 48 | 27 | 15 | 0 |

Table 9: Total number of iterations using a complete Cholesky factorisation of $G_{\text {prec }}$. Subdomain deflation applied.

The effects of both preconditioning and deflation are clearly visible. The optimal size of a subdomain is the square one. For complete factorisation, the number of iterations 'starts' with 1 and 'ends' 0 . Here, too, will the minimum wall clock time not be in one of the endpoints. Towards the highly stretched subdomains the number of iterations rises dramatically.

If we compare table 10 to tables 4 and 6 we see that deflation and preconditioning have synergy; the combination is at least as good as the best of the parts and often even much better. Unfortunately, this cannot be said of Gustafsson preconditioning and deflation.

| $p$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $q$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 96 | 114 | 119 | 120 | 125 | 138 | 161 | 219 |
| 2 | 114 | 103 | 99 | 97 | 103 | 116 | 139 | 185 |
| 4 | 112 | 103 | 73 | 85 | 86 | 93 | 110 | 146 |
| 8 | 117 | 100 | 83 | 45 | 51 | 57 | 67 | 86 |
| 16 | 124 | 109 | 84 | 51 | 27 | 32 | 37 | 48 |
| 32 | 136 | 123 | 93 | 57 | 32 | 18 | 22 | 27 |
| 64 | 153 | 147 | 111 | 67 | 37 | 22 | 12 | 15 |
| 128 | 191 | 196 | 146 | 86 | 47 | 26 | 15 | 0 |

Table 10: Total number of iterations using a incomplete Cholesky factorisation of $A_{\text {prec }}$. Subdomain deflation applied.

| 1  <br> $q$ 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 96 | 158 | 168 | 164 | 158 | 151 | 178 | 329 |
| 2 | 168 | 165 | 163 | 160 | 157 | 170 | 167 | 324 |
| 4 | 170 | 164 | 131 | 137 | 132 | 137 | 137 | 173 |
| 8 | 166 | 159 | 130 | 79 | 73 | 75 | 81 | 91 |
| 16 | 161 | 157 | 126 | 76 | 44 | 44 | 45 | 48 |
| 32 | 149 | 154 | 122 | 72 | 44 | 27 | 25 | 27 |
| 64 | 274 | 277 | 146 | 76 | 41 | 23 | 13 | 15 |
| 128 | 323 | 324 | 172 | 90 | 48 | 27 | 15 | 0 |

Table 11: Total number of iterations using a incomplete Cholesky factorisation of $G_{\text {prec }}$. Subdomain deflation applied.

They are rivals in a sense as they both try to cancel low frequent components of the error and the high-frequent ones are demped less.

### 2.6 Deflation based on eigenvectors

A deflation vector corresponding to an eigenvalue of the problem should cancel that eigenvalue. So, in theory, a set of deflation vectors corresponding to the smallest $n$ eigenvalues should cancel those $n$ eigenvalues leaving a better conditioned system to be solved.

Since we don't actually solve the actual problem but the preconditioned one, we base the eigenvectors on the preconditioned system.

For our Poisson test problem, the condition number (of the preconditioned system) decreases slower when the largest eigenvalues are cancelled, so we use eigenvectors based upon the smallest ones. In order to be able to compare results, we take just as many deflation vectors as before, but note that we can just as easily use fewer of more.

The results in table 12 should be seen as the best results deflation can have.
It is clear that this deflation technique outperforms subdomain deflation in terms of number of iterations (see table 8), but bear in mind that computing many eigenvectors is a costly business. The gain isn't that much, except when the subdomains are (highly)

| $\substack{p \\ \boldsymbol{q}}$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | 1 | 30 | 44 | 46 | 51 | 53 | 56 | 60 |
| 2 | 27 | 33 | 39 | 42 | 41 | 42 | 43 | 44 |
| 4 | 43 | 38 | 34 | 35 | 33 | 32 | 32 | 32 |
| 8 | 46 | 41 | 35 | 28 | 29 | 26 | 25 | 24 |
| 16 | 51 | 42 | 33 | 29 | 21 | 22 | 19 |  |
| 32 | 53 | 42 | 32 | 26 | 22 | 16 |  |  |
| 64 | 56 | 43 | 32 | 25 | 20 |  |  |  |
| 128 | 60 | 45 | 33 | 24 |  |  |  |  |

Table 12: Total number of iterations using a complete Cholesky factorisation of $A_{\text {prec }}$. Eigenvector deflation applied.
stretched, which is not very interesting.
From these results we can conclude that subdomain deflation might be a cheap yet powerful choice of deflation.

In practise, we approximate the eigenvalues (and thus eigenvectors) rather than use exact ones as they are cheaper to compute. Note that trying to find structure in the eigenvectors is also an option that will save time.

### 2.7 A parallel view on DPCG

The main loop of DPCG consists of updating vectors, computing scalars, computing inner products ànd some matrix-vector multiplications.

To parallelise the main loop involves standard techniques, but the computation of $P A p$ deserves extra attention. This computation can be split up in several components:
Action

- Compute $A_{\text {deflated }}^{-1}=\left(Z^{T} M\right)^{-1}$ before the main

$$
A_{\text {deflated }}^{-1}=\left(Z^{T} A Z\right)^{-1}
$$ loop (or compute a factored form (LU) for back-forward-solving)

- Compute $w:=A p$
- Compute $\tilde{w}:=Z^{T} w$
- Compute $\tilde{e}:=A_{\text {deflated }}^{-1} \tilde{w}$
- Compute $P A p=w-M \tilde{e}$
(Intermediate) result

Assume, as before, that the grid consists of $q p$ subdomains of size $m \times n$ and that we have $d$ deflation vectors. Furthermore, assume $d \ll m q n p$ and we have $q p$ processors ${ }^{1}$. We then have the following dimensions of the variables:

[^0]

Since $d \ll m q n p, \tilde{w}$ and $\tilde{e}$ can be computed and stored on every processor. Similarly, since $d^{2} \ll(m q n p)^{2}$, we decide to let $A_{\text {deflated }}^{-1}$ exist on every processor. The distribution we propose is:

- $A_{\text {deflated }}^{-1}$ stored (in factored form) on every processor.
- $\tilde{w}$ stored on every processor.
- ẽ stored on every processor.


A:

Since $A$ is the result of a discretisation of a PDE, it will be sparse with the most fill-in appearing on the block-diagonal. Other fill-in will appear in the off block-diagonals. This means that the bulk of the computation of $w=A p$ can be done locally and almost no nearest neighbour communication (n.n.c.) is needed. In general, each boundary point of a subdomain requires n.n.c., but large subdomains have relatively few boundary points; in general only in the order of $2(m+n)$ neighbouring points have to be known. In contrast, the order of work involved for one subdomain is proportional to the number of non-zeroes (n.n.z.) of the subdomain which has order $m n$. It is obvious that for large subdomains $2(m+n) \ll m n$ holds.

The vector $p$ should be divided over the processors similarly to $A$ : each point in subdomain $S$ should be stored on processor $S$. The same goes for $Z$ and $M$, too. The computation of $\tilde{w}=Z^{T} w$ involves a gather-broadcast (g.b.) to compute. The vector $\tilde{e}$
can be computed locally. Finally, $w-M e ̃$ can be computed without communication. We now give an estimate of the computational cost based on the discussed distribution over $q p$ processors:

| Computation | Order of work per subdomain |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | computations | communication |
| $w=A p$ | $m n$ | n.n.c. of $\mathcal{O}(2(m+n))$ points |
| $\tilde{w}=Z^{T} w$ | $d m n$ | g.b. |
|  |  | gathering: $\mathcal{O}(q p d)$ points |
|  |  | broadcast: $\mathcal{O}(d)$ points |
| $\tilde{e}=A_{\text {deflated }}^{-1} \tilde{w}$ | $d^{2}$ | 0 |
| $P A p=w-M \tilde{e}$ | $d m n$ | 0 |

In the subdomain deflation ( $d=q p$ ) case, there is less work to be done, because only a fraction $\left(\frac{1}{p q}\right)$ of every deflation vector is filled:

| Computation | Order of work per subdomain <br> computations |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| communication |  |  |$|$| n.n.c. |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| $\tilde{w}=A p$ | $m n$ | g.b. |
| $\tilde{e}=A^{T} w$ | -1 | 0 |
| $P A p=w-M \tilde{e}=w-M \tilde{e}$ | $(q p)^{2}$ | 0 |

All in all, we need in the order of $m n+(q p)^{2}$ computations per iteration (for subdomain deflation). If we denote the total size of $A$ by $N(N=m q n p)$ the order can be rewritten to $\frac{N}{q p}+(q p)^{2}$ and $m n+\left(\frac{N}{m n}\right)^{2}$. This analysis shows that neither very small nor very large subdomains won't do any good to the work per iteration.

Unfortunately, we don't know an estimate of the number of iterations in terms of $q, p, m, n$. If we had such insights, we could multiply this estimate with the above found one. This new order would show the total computational costs which is obviously an important estimate.

The choice of preconditioner is also important. The preconditioner $A_{\text {prec }}$ (or $G_{\text {prec }}$ ) is converted to an (in)complete Cholesky factorisation $L$ and is then used in the main loop to update $z: z=\left(L L^{T}\right)^{-1} r$. This is only a process of back solving which can be done locally on each processor if the subdomains of $A_{\text {prec }}$ are decoupled. This reduces the communications to zero for updating $z$. It also holds that if the preconditioner has decoupled subdomains, the factorisation can be computed locally with no communication (each processor stores its own part of the factorisation).

## 3 Deflation for non-symmetric or indefinite problems

Up to now, only SPD problems could be solved using deflation, but with only moderate modifications also non-symmetric problems can be tackled.

### 3.1 Projections

In the non-symmetric case, two projections are needed. Define the following projections:

$$
\begin{aligned}
P & :=I-A Z\left(Y^{T} A Z\right)^{-1} Y^{T} \\
Q & :=I-Z\left(Y^{T} A Z\right)^{-1} Y^{T} A
\end{aligned}
$$

where $Z=\left[z_{1} \ldots z_{d}\right], Y=\left[y_{1} \ldots y_{d}\right]$ and $z_{1}, \ldots, z_{d}$ and $y_{1}, \ldots, y_{d}$ are independent sets of deflation vectors. Observe that this is a generalization of the symmetric case: $P^{T}=Q$. if $Z=Y$ and $A$ symmetric. $P$ and $Q$ have the following properties:

- $P^{2}=P, Q^{2}=Q$
[compare to (3)] (10)
- $P(I-P)=0, Q(I-Q)=0$
- $Q Z=0, Y^{T} P=0$
- $P A=A Q$
- $P A Z=0, Y^{T} A Q=0$
[compare to (4)] (11)
[compare to (5)] (12)
[compare to (6)] (13)
[compare to (7)] (14)
Since $u=(I-Q) u+Q u$ and because

$$
(I-Q) u=Z\left(Y^{T} A Z\right)^{-1} Y^{T} A u=Z\left(Y^{T} A Z\right)^{-1} Y^{T} f
$$

can immediately be computed, we need only to compute $Q u$. Since $A Q u=P A u=P f$, we can solve the deflated system

$$
P A \tilde{u}=P f
$$

for $\tilde{u}$ using GMRES (or any other appropriate Krylov-subspace solver) and premultiply this by $Q$.

### 3.1.1 Preconditioning

In this section, we show that providing GMRES with $P A, L, U$ and $P b$ and using $Q$ to find the contribution $Q \tilde{u}$, where $\tilde{u}$ is the solution obtained by GMRES, is the same as providing it with $\hat{P}, \hat{A}$ and $\hat{P} b$ and using $\hat{Q}$ to find the contribution $U \tilde{u}$, where $\hat{A}$ is the preconditioned matrix $A . \hat{P}$ and $\hat{Q}$ are defined below.

Suppose $A \approx L U$ then

$$
\begin{aligned}
\hat{P} & :=L^{-1} P L & & \\
& =I-L^{-1} A U^{-1} U Z\left(Y^{T} L\left(L^{-1} A U^{-1}\right) U Z\right)^{-1} Y^{T} L & & \\
& =I-\hat{A} U Z\left(Y^{T} L \hat{A} U Z\right)^{-1} Y^{T} L, & & \hat{A}:=L^{-1} A U^{-1} \\
& =I-\hat{A} \hat{Z}\left(\hat{Y}^{T} \hat{A} \hat{Z}\right)^{-1}, & & \hat{Z}:=U Z, \hat{Y}:=L^{T} Y
\end{aligned}
$$

and

$$
\begin{aligned}
\hat{Q} & :=U Q U^{-1} \\
& =U\left(A^{-1} P A\right) U^{-1} \\
& =\left(U A^{-1} L\right)\left(L^{-1} P L\right)\left(L^{-1} A U^{-1}\right) \\
& =\hat{A}^{-1} \hat{P} \hat{A} .
\end{aligned}
$$

This $\hat{P}$ and $\hat{Q}$ have the same properties as $P$ and $Q: \hat{P}^{2}=\hat{P}, \hat{Q}^{2}=\hat{Q}, \hat{P} \hat{A}=\hat{A} \hat{Q}, \hat{P} \hat{A} \hat{Z}=$ $0, \hat{Y}^{T} \hat{A} \hat{Q}=0$, so anything said about $P$ and $Q$ can also be said about $\hat{P}$ and $\hat{Q}$.

### 3.2 Driven cavity test set

In order to test the performance of DGMRES we have to create a (non-symmetric) test problem. Since the mathematics department of the University of Groningen is also involved in computational fluid dynamics, it seems logical to solve a relatively easy flow problem: a Stokes problem.

### 3.2.1 Continuous Stokes equations

We will compute the steady state of a flow of an incompressible viscous fluid in a square cavity. The flow is driven by a constantly moving upper lid that drags the fluid along. We will assume that the motion in terms of the Reynolds number is calm enough that the nonlinear (convection) terms of the Navier-Stokes equations may be dropped. All boundaries are considered to have the "no-slip" condition. The equations we want to solve are:

$$
\begin{align*}
\Delta u-\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} & =0  \tag{15}\\
\Delta v-\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} & =0  \tag{16}\\
\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}+\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} & =0 \tag{17}
\end{align*}
$$

[Horizontal momemtum equation]
[Vertical momemtum equation]
[Continuity equation]

### 3.2.2 Discrete Stokes equations

The pressure $p$ is defined in the centre of a control volume and the velocities at the edges. The horizontal velocity $u$ is defined in the centre of the right edge and the vertical velocity $v$ in the centre of the lower edge. This is called a staggered grid. See also [2].

Our discrete versions of the flow equations are:

$$
\begin{align*}
4 u_{i, j}-\left(u_{i-1, j}+u_{i, j-1}+u_{i+1, j}+u_{i, j+1}\right)+\left(p_{i-\frac{1}{2}, j}-p_{i+\frac{1}{2}, j}\right) & =0 \\
4 v_{i, j}-\left(v_{i-1, j}+v_{i, j-1}+v_{i+1, j}+v_{i, j+1}\right)+\left(p_{i, j-\frac{1}{2}}-p_{i, j+\frac{1}{2}}\right) & =0  \tag{16'}\\
\left(u_{i+1, j}-u_{i-1, j}\right)+\left(v_{i, j+1}-v_{i, j-1}\right) & =0 \tag{17'}
\end{align*}
$$

The resulting coefficient matrix will be singular as only the pressure gradient is computed. Later on, we will see that this has some consequences we will have to deal with. We will include bogus points (see 4) as it turned out it was handier from a programmers point of view.

Solutions typically look like figure 3.


Figure 3: Typical solution of a driven cavity problem.


Figure 4: Driven cavity problem made up of 16 cells. Dummy variables are marked.

### 3.2.3 Grid

Like in the Poisson test set, we choose a square, equidistant grid of $m q \times n p$ points, where $p$ is the number of subdomains in the vertical direction and $q$ in the horizontal. See figure 2. (Now, $p$ is used twice, but the context will always be clear about which meaning should be applied.)

### 3.2.4 Preconditioner

Similar to Poisson, we disconnect all subdomains. This gives us our preconditioner $A_{\text {prec }}$. A small problem arises with the subdomain that includes the lower-right side as this subdomain is essentially a smaller Stokes problem, thus having a singularity.

An incomplete factorisation does not suffer from this as the factorisation will likely be non-singular. Only when dealing with very small subdomains (in the order of 2 by 2 ), the incomplete one is singular. We then replace any 0 with 1 on the diagonal of the upper triangular matrix.

A complete factorisation will be singular and this negatively influences the convergence, so we "fix" it by adding 0.1 to the diagonal of the coefficient matrix corresponding to the discrete continuity equation of the lower right pressure point.

No Gustafsson modification based preconditioner will be used as the Poisson test set indicated it is counter productive.

### 3.2.5 Deflation vectors

For the choice of the deflation vectors, the conditioning of the deflated matrix is important.
For symmetric positive definite matrices it is obvious to take $Y=Z$. This choice, which is in fact a Galerkin approach, can still be used if the matrix becomes slightly non-symmetric, for instance in a convection-diffusion problem. If the matrix is (almost) indefinite however, then the deflated matrix may become very ill-conditioned or even singular.

For the Stokes matrix, we could make use of the finite element theory for the selection of a proper $Y$ and $Z$. The matrix itself can be thought of as a restriction of the continuous operator to a finite space built by finite elements. It is known that for the Stokes equation one has to satisfy the so-called inf-sup condition in order to avoid the above mentioned ill-conditioning of the matrix. Now, the deflated matrix can be viewed as a restriction of the continuous operator to a subspace of the original finite element space. Also for this subspace one has to satisfy the inf-sup condition. This will restrict the choice of the deflation vectors, since these vectors define how linear combinations of the original finite element basis functions are made in order to arrive at the basis functions for the subspace.

## 3.2,5,1 Subdomain deflation

Although we have theory as mentioned above, we decide to use subdomain deflation once more as it has proven in the heated room problem to have good qualities.

Subdomain deflation is not as straightforward as with Poisson though; the row sum in the coefficient matrix for every discrete continuity equation is zero. Computing a row sum is the same as multiplying the row with an all one vector, which occurs in subdomain deflation. Hence that applying this deflation gives a singularity in $Y^{T} A Z$ when $Y=Z$. This can be overcome in many different ways. We did this in a rather crude way: set the last element of the last subdomain to 3 and set the first element of the first subdomain to 2. This yields better results than modifying only the first or last. As this choice seemed fair enough, no further research was done in optimising the choice for making $Y^{T} A Z$ nonsingular.

Subdomain deflation for $u$ and $v$ is the same as with Poisson.

### 3.2.6 Numerical results

A grid of $32 \times 32$ was doable within a fair amount of time, but $64 \times 64$ not. As a consequence, all testing is performed on a grid of $32 \times 32$ cells.

We use a restart after 40 iterations, require a relative precision of $10^{-6}$ in the 2 -norm of the residual and an all zero starting vector. For incomplete LU factorisation, we use droptol $=0.1$. Using a restart after 20 iterations caused stagnation or too slow convergence.

| $m q=n p$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Iteration needed (restart=5) | 0 | 5 | 92 | 300 | 1387 | 8665 | 58500 | 393769 |
| Iteration needed (restart $=10$ ) | 0 | 5 | 54 | 158 | 726 | 4411 | 28766 | 195701 |
| Iteration needed (restart $=20$ ) | 0 | 5 | 21 | 114 | 395 | 2321 | 14755 | 97725 |
| Iteration needed (restart $=40$ ) | 0 | 5 | 21 | 80 | 248 | 1170 | 7456 | 49227 |
| Iteration needed (restart $=80$ ) | 0 | 5 | 21 | 54 | 163 | 685 | 3765 | 23981 |
| Iteration needed (restart $=160$ ) | 0 | 5 | 21 | 54 | 126 | 530 | 1956 | 11956 |
| Iteration needed (restart $=320$ ) | 0 | 5 | 21 | 54 | 126 | 297 | 1205 | 5695 |

Table 13: Total number of inner GMRES iterations with neither a preconditioner nor deflation.

As we can see in table 13, the restart value has quite a large influence on the convergence behaviour. For large problems, the number of iterations is reduced by a factor of two when the restart value is increased by a factor of two.

| $p p$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $q$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 998 | 631 | 637 | 630 | 624 | 628 |
| 2 | 668 | 371 | 277 | 267 | 262 | 263 |
| 4 | 639 | 330 | 171 | 142 | 137 | 136 |
| 8 | 592 | 318 | 147 | 66 | 62 | 62 |
| 16 | 574 | 313 | 148 | 63 | 35 | 32 |
| 32 | 558 | 312 | 148 | 62 | 31 | 0 |

Table 14: Total number of iterations using no preconditioner at all. Subdomain deflation applied.

Table 14 shows the bare effects of subdomain deflation. As with Poisson, only 1 deflation vector reduces the number of iterations by $10+\%$. If we take 16 , we only need about $15 \%$ of the original number of iterations while computing a direct inverse of $48 \times 48$ is peanuts. The effects seen in table 6 are essentially the same as table 14.

Tables 15 and 16 are comparable to tables 2 and 8 respectively; square subdomains are favoured over stretched ones, preconditioning is quite effective and preconditioning with subdomain deflation is a killer combination. For example, using 16 subdomains ( $p=4$, $q=4$ ) in table 16 leaves a mere 27 iterations instead of the reference value of 1170 . The extra work is only an inverse of $16 \times 16$.

| $\substack{p \\ q}$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 1 | 15 | 23 | 51 | 159 | 556 |
| 2 | 19 | 25 | 33 | 76 | 191 | 631 |
| 4 | 25 | 31 | 43 | 101 | 215 | 624 |
| 8 | 57 | 72 | 95 | 143 | 298 | 745 |
| 16 | 159 | 180 | 198 | 279 | 432 | 825 |
| 32 | 446 | 439 | 572 | 638 | 863 | 1117 |

Table 15: Total number of iterations using a complete LU factorisation of $A_{\text {prec }}$. No deflation used.

| $p$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $q$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 102 | 120 | 145 | 196 | 307 | 739 |
| 2 | 114 | 129 | 158 | 217 | 332 | 751 |
| 4 | 134 | 152 | 179 | 234 | 340 | 779 |
| 8 | 174 | 190 | 227 | 274 | 420 | 924 |
| 16 | 267 | 274 | 317 | 428 | 615 | 1265 |
| 32 | 717 | 742 | 824 | 1000 | 1360 | 1117 |

Table 17: Total number of iterations using an incomplete LU factorisation of $A_{\text {prec }}$. No deflation used.

| $p$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $q$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 1 | 17 | 24 | 48 | 117 | 268 |
| 2 | 19 | 23 | 29 | 46 | 73 | 144 |
| 4 | 25 | 29 | 27 | 27 | 43 | 72 |
| 8 | 51 | 41 | 29 | 20 | 23 | 35 |
| 16 | 114 | 77 | 43 | 23 | 14 | 18 |
| 32 | 264 | 146 | 76 | 36 | 18 | 0 |

Table 16: Total number of iterations using a complete LU factorisation of $A_{\text {prec }}$. Subdomain deflation applied.

| $p$ | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $q$ |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |
| 1 | 137 | 100 | 98 | 109 | 153 | 363 |
| 2 | 92 | 66 | 61 | 70 | 94 | 162 |
| 4 | 97 | 66 | 44 | 42 | 48 | 88 |
| 8 | 111 | 76 | 49 | 27 | 26 | 38 |
| 16 | 145 | 96 | 59 | 28 | 16 | 18 |
| 32 | 320 | 187 | 99 | 43 | 19 | 0 |

Table 18: Total number of iterations using an incomplete LU factorisation of $A_{\text {prec }}$. Subdomain deflation applied.

The behaviour observed in tables 17 and 18 is practically identical to that of tables 4 and 10 .

### 3.3 Conclusion

We have seen that the numerical results are remarkably similar to that of the DPCG-method. We think it is fair to say that deflation can be used on non-symmetric, indefinite problems although there are certain pitfalls that need to be considered or studied.

## 4 Conclusion

We created two test sets to test the performance of deflation in two common used solvers: CG and GMRES. We have created preconditioners that divided the problem in uncoupled subdomains. This is useful for both subdomain deflation and high performance computing.

The numerical results show that preconditioning works well with large subdomains while subdomain deflation is more suited for small subdomains. Combined, they make a strong team. This team is "powerful" in the sense that it reduces the number of iterations needed by a fair amount. A drawback is that the optimal configuration of the size of the subdomains cannot be given a priori. This is related to the problem that fewer iterations does not always mean less computing time.

We tried to further reduce the number of iterations by means of Gustafsson's modification. It seems that Gustafsson's modification and deflation are rivals in a sense as they both try to cancel the low-frequent components in the error; the number of iterations did not go down, but went up instead. This can be understood from the fact that high-frequent components are demped less if Gustafsson's modification is applied.

A few difficulties arose when working with singular problems and a singular preconditioner; the deflation vectors had to be adapted and the preconditioner had to be made non-singular. Also, we saw that the restart value DGMRES seems to be of great influence on the convergence rate; too small a value resulted in stagnation.

The performed experiments show that deflation is promising.

## 5 Recommendations for further study

It would be highly interesting to see what performance can be reached when (subdomain) deflation is used in multiple processor / vector computers. We have done only theoretic experiments, yet they indicate that subdomain deflation will only then show its full potential.

To be true, we have no theory why deflation works for the Stokes equation; we only know that it works. It would be nice to have a theoretic foundation for deflation, which is likely to be based on finite element theory.

We have no theory about what the optimal size of subdomains is a priori. To see whether theory can be developed to estimate this size will be a challenge.

Only two test problems were tackled, but in quite some detail. It would be pleasing to see whether deflation in general produces good results.

## Code fragments


he right hand side to make it a heated room problem:
function $[b]=r h s-h e a t e d-r o o m(m, n)$
 \% See also POISSON2D, POISSON2D-TE
$\%$ See also POISSON2D, POISSON2D-TEST_SUITE.


\% See also POISSON2D, POISSON2D_SIMPLE_PRECONDITIONER,
$\%$ POISSON2DGUSTAFSSONPRECONDITIONER, RHS_HEATEDROOM
\% POISSON2D_GUSTAFSSONPRECONDITIONER, RHS-HEATED.ROOM
firstSubdomainFirstRow = sparse (m*q, 1$)$ :

kron(ones( $n, 1)$, firstSubdomainfirst Row);
Z-oneRowOfSubdomains $=[] ;$
for shiftSubdomain $=0: m$
for shiftSubdomain $=0: m: m a q-m$
ZoneRowOfSubdomains $\quad \cdots$
circshift (firstSubdomainOfFirstRowOfSubdomains
shiftSubdomaln $)$ li shiftSubdomaln)]
$\stackrel{\text { end }}{Z}=$ kron(speye(p), Z_oneRowOfSubdomains); All our testing is done with matlab (4) (version 6.5.1.199709 Release 13 (Service Pack 1 ) All our testing is done with matlab
for GNU/Linux). We give the source of most

## A. 1 Heated room problem


function [A-prec] = poisson2D-simple-preconditioner (m, $n, ~ q, ~ p$ )
\% A.PREC = POISSON2D_SIMPLE_PRECONDITIONER (M, N, Q, P) returns a

POISSON2D_SIMPLE_PRECONDITIONER(M, N, 1, 1) gives the same
result as POISSON2D $(M, N)$.
\% See also POISSON2D and POISSON2DGUSTAFSSONPRECONDITIONER.
A_prec $=$ kron $(s p e y e(n * p \bullet q)$, poisson1D $(m))+$
The Gustafson modified preconditioner:
function [G-prec] = poisson2D-gustafsson-preconditloner(m, n, q, p)
\%POISSON2DGUSTAFSSONPRECONDTIONER A preconditioner for the 2D
G.PREC $=$ POISSON2D.GUSTAFSSONPRECONDITIONER(M, N, $Q, P$ )
the MQxNP 2D Poisson equation in which subdomains of size MxN
are made. POISSON2DGUSTAFSSONPRECONDITIONER(M, N, 1, 1) gives
The result whould be singular is $Q>2$ and $P>2$, but that is

See also POISSON2D and POISSON2D_SIMPLE_PRECONDITIONER




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definite and the right hand side column vector $B$ must have length
A may be a function returning Aax．




> \％dpcg（Qafun，b，tol，maxit，Omfun，［］，［］， 21 ）；
$\% \quad$ See also BICG，BICGSTAB，OGS，GMRES，DGMRES，LSQR，MINRES，QMR
$\%$ SYMMIQ，CHOLINC，©．






$[X, F L A G]=\operatorname{DPOG}(A, B, T O L, M A X I T, M 1, M 2, X 0, Z)$ also returns a



 $\min (N, 20)$ ．$\quad$ DPOG $A, M A X I T, M)$ and $\operatorname{DFOG(A,B,TOL,MAXIT,M1,M2)~use~}$




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## A. 1 Heated room problem




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Since we have several choices for preconditioning and defation, we built a small test suite:
function [x,flag, res, iter, resvec] = ...

$X=$ POISSON2D-TEST_SUITE(M,N,Q,P) will try to solve a 2 D heated
room problem of size MQxNP with subdomains of size MxN. To
room problem of size MQxNP with subdomains of size MxN. To
solve with only one subdomain, this function can be
POISSON2D_TEST_SUITE(M,N,Q,P, PRECONDITIONING_TYPE) specifies the reconditioning type to use. Options
PRECONDITIONING.TYPE (1):
RECONDITIONING-TYPE(1):
\% Create preconditioner,
switch (preconditloner-type)
case $1 \%$ Simple preconditioner.
A_prec $=$ poisson2D simple-pre case $2 \%$ Gustafsion modification.
A_prec $=$ poisson2 $D-$ gustafson_-
A.prec = poisson2D-gustafsion-preconditioner(m, $n, q, p)$;



 $\begin{aligned} & \text { lae } \\ & \text { [eigenVec, eigenVal] } \\ & \text { computegeigenvalues }\end{aligned}=$

 $\begin{aligned} & \text { else } \\ & \text { [eigenVec, eigenVa!] }\end{aligned}=$

1: simple preconditioner without Gustafsson modification
2: simple preconditioner with Gustafson modification
RECONDITINNNG-TYPE (2) (only meaningful for

1: make a complete Cholesky factorisation
2: make an incomplete Cholesky factorisation (droptol $=0.1$ ) POISSON2D_TEST_SUITE(M,N,Q,P, PRECONDITIONING_TYPE, DEFLATION_TYPE) Pocifies the deflation type to use. Options: 0: no deflation (default)
2: eigenvector deffation
DEFLATION_TYPE(2) (Only meaningful for DEFLATION_TYPE $(1)==2$ ): Note: If a preconditioner is requested, the eigenvectors will Note: If a preconditioner is requested, the eigenvectors will
be based on the generalized eigenvalue problem, otherwise, the
eigenvectors will be based on the coefficient matrix only. See also POISSON2D_TEST_COMBINATION, POISSON2D,
RHS_HEATED_ROOM, DPCG, PCG. \% RHSHEATEDROOM, DPCG, PCG.
if (nargln $<2$ I nargin $==3$ )
endror('Not_enough_input-arguments. ${ }^{\circ}$ );
end
if (nargin $==2)$
$\begin{aligned} q & =1 ; \\ p & =1 ;\end{aligned}$
if (nargin $<5$ )
(nargin $<$ s)
preconditioning-type $=[1 ; ~$

preconditioner-type $=$ preco
factorisationntype $=$ precon
clenr preconditioning-type;
if (nargin < 6 | isempty (deflation-type))
deflation-type $=0 ;$
and
deflation-type $=\ldots$

elgenvectors-type = deflation-type (2)
\% Create preconditioner,

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { switch (preconditioner-type) } \\
& \text { case o \% No preconditioning. } \\
& \text { A-prec } \equiv \text { (l) }
\end{aligned}
$$

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { end (nargout }==0 \text { ) fprintf(' } n^{\prime} \text { '); end } \\
& \text { if }
\end{aligned}
$$


 problem-size, preconditioner-type, deflation-type
\%POISSON2D-TEST-COMBINATION Try all combinations of subdomains.

 $\qquad$ if (flag - $=0$ )
 $\underset{\sim}{\text { end }} \begin{aligned} & \text { end } \\ & \text { end }\end{aligned}$


## A. 2 Driven cavity problem

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function

 dependence-v-on-v $=$ append-matrix (polsson $2 \mathrm{D}(\mathrm{m}, \mathrm{n}-1$ ), speye $(\mathrm{m})$ ); ependence-v-on $-p$ (end $m+1$ :end, end $m+1$ :end) $=0$;
 no-dependence
dependence_u-on_p, dependence-v-on-v,$~ d e p e n d e n c e-v-o n-p ; ~$ The simple preconditioner:
 OKES2DSIMPLEPRECONDITIONER Preconditioner for STOKES2D.
APREC = SIMPLEPRECONDITIONER(M,N,Q,P,MAKE_NON_SINGULAR)

 MxN. If MAKENONGular.
A.PREC $=$ STOKES2D_SIMPLE_PRECONDITIONER $(M, N, Q, P)$ is an
abbreviation of STOKES2D.SIMPLE_PRECONDITIONER $(M, N, Q, P, 0)$

Q,P,0
abbreviation of STOKES2DSIMPLEPRECONDITIONER(M,N,1,1) See also STOKES2D, PHS_DRIVEN_CAVITY. \% See also STOKES2D, RHS_DRTVEN_CAVITY.
if (nargin $<5$ )
makeanon_singular $=0$;
end end
if (nargin $<3$ )
$q=1 ;$
$p=1 ;$
end

$\mathrm{e}=$ ones $(\max (\mathrm{m}, \mathrm{n}), 1) ;$
noDependence $=$ sparse $(m$



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\% LUINC, a.
\%\%DGMRES: Added.
\% Adapted by Bart Dopheide (dopheide@fmf.nl, 2004 ) to use
$\%$ deflation technique.

iffexistM2 M2 $=[ \rceil$; end
[x,flag, relres, iter, resvec $\quad=\operatorname{gmres}(A, b$, restart, tol, maxit, M1
return; end ${ }^{\text {end }}$


if ((nargln $>8$ ) \& isequal(atype, 'matrix') \&














 end envectors-type = deflation-type (2)

\% Set constants.
droptol = 0.1 ;
droptol $=0.1 ;$
tol $=1 e-6 ;$
maxit $=30000 ;$
$x 0=[1 ;$
\%eigenvalues-method $=0 ; \%$ Use eig ().
eigenvalues-method $=1 ; \%$ Use eigs ().

\% Create preconditioner.
switeh (precondltioner-iype)
case 0 \% No preconditioning.
A-prec
case $\%$ Simple preconditioner
if (factorisation-type $==0)$


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\% Create deflation vectors.
switch (deflation_type)
\% Create deflation vectors
switch (deflation-type)
case 0 \% No deflation.

switch (eigenvectors-type)
case \% Eigenvectors based on smallest eigenvalues.
 $\div$ Since we have several choices for preconditioning and deflation, we built a small test suite:


$\mathrm{X}=$ STOKES2D-TEST.SUITE(M,N,Q,P) will try to solve a 2D
driven cavity problem of slze MQxNP with subdomains of size driven cavity problem of slze MQxNP with subdomains of size
MxN. To solve with only one subdomaln, thls function can be
abbreviated to STOKES2D.TESTSUITE $(M, N)$.
STOKES2D.TEST-SUITE(M,N,Q,P, PRECONDTIONING_TYPE) specifies
the preconditioning type to use. Options:
PRECONDITIONING_TYPE (1):
0 : no preconditioner (default)
0: no preconditioner (default
1: simple preconditioner without Gustafsson modification
PRECONDITIONINGTYPE(2) (only meaningful for
PRECONDTTIONING_TYPE(1) $=0$ ) :
: make no factorisation (default)
: make a complete Cholesky fact
: make an incomplete Cholesky fact

2):
0: use smallest eigenvectors (default)
1: use largest eligenvectors (
Note : if a preconditioner is requested, the elgenvectors will
Note: If a preconditioner is requested, the eigenvectors, the
be based on the generalized eigenvalue problem, otherwise, the
STOKES2D_TEST_SUITE(M,N,Q,P,PRECONDITIONING_TYPE,
DEFLATION_TYPE, RESTART) specifles the restart value to use
(D) GMRES. Defauit value is 40 .
DEFLATION_TYPE,RESTART) specif
(D) GMRES. Defauit value is 40 .
See also STOKES2D_TEST_COMBINA
See also STOKES2D_TEST_COMBINATION, STOKES2D,
RHS_DRIVEN_CAVITY, DGMRES, GMRES.
\% See also STOKES2D_TEST_COMBINATION, STOKES2D,
$\%$ RHS_DRTVEN_CAVITY, DGMRES, GMRES.
if (nargin < 2 \|nargin $==3$ )
error('Not-enough-input-arguments .');
end
if (nargin $==2$ )
$\begin{aligned} q & =1 ; \\ p & =1 ;\end{aligned}$
if (nargin $<5$ )
end
precondtioning-type $=\ldots$ extract-values (preconditioning-type, $\left.\left[\begin{array}{ll}0 & 0\end{array}\right],\left[\begin{array}{ll}0 & 1\end{array}\right],\left[\begin{array}{lll}0 & 1 & 2\end{array}\right]\right)$; $; ~$
factorisation-type= preco
if (nargin $<6$ i isempty(deflationatype))
for $q=2 \quad[0 ; \log 2($ problem-size $)]$





$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { \% Everything is setup now, Let's computel } \\
& {[x, \text { flag, res, iter, resvec }]=\ldots}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { dgmages } A, ~ b, ~ r e s t a r t, ~ t o l, ~ m a x i t / r e s t a r t, ~ \\
& \text { dem, } U 0, Z \text { ) }
\end{aligned}
$$

 \% See also STOKES2D_TEST_SUITE, STOKES2D To generate the tables in this report, we used a wrapper function that calls the test suite many
times:
function [iterationsMatrix] =
stokes $\quad$ D-test-combination (problem-size, preconditioner-type,
This is the input needed to generate most tables in chapter 3: end
endintif('\n')
problem-size $=$


$$
\cdots
$$


if (nargout $>0$ ) iterationsMatrix $=$ iter; end

$=-$

 $\qquad$


 for $i=2 ;(0) \log 2(16384)]$





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\begin{aligned}
& { }_{2}^{2} \times
\end{aligned}
$$

A. 3 Other functions used

We give several small functions that don't belong specifically to either test problem, but are
not standard mATLAB files. function [M] = appendmatrix(varargin)
fuppendmatrix Append matrles.
\%APPENDMATRXX Append matrices
$\% \mathrm{M}=$ APPENDMATRIX(A, B) will append
$\left.\begin{array}{ll}\% & M=A P P \\ \% & {[A} \\ \hline\end{array}\right]$.
\% APPENDMATRLX can be used
\% (including zero and one).
$\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{sparse}([]) ;$
for $\mathrm{i}=1$ nargi
for $i=1=$ nargin
$[x(i), y(i)]=$
$=$

function (sorted-eigen-vec, sorted-eigen-val) = compute elgenvalues (A, A-prec, n, type,mets
\%COMPUTEEIGENVALUES
Compute eigenvalues
[SORTEDEIGEN_VEC,SORTEDEIGEN_VAL] =
COMPUTEEIGENVALUES(A,A_PREC, N,TYPE,MEIHOD) computes the
(generalized) eigensystem of (A,APREC). APREC may be empty,
(generalized) eigensystem of (A, APREC). APREC may be empty,
inethat case the eigenvalues of A are computed. N specifies
the number of eigenvectors/eigenvalues wanted. N is ignored
the
when METHOD $=0$. MEIHOD $==0$ corresponds to computing the
eigenvalues with an exact method white MEIHOD $==1$ corresponds
to an inexact method. TYPE indicates the style to use when
METHOD $==1$. TYPE $==$ SM for smallest eigenvalues and TYPE $==$
$\mathrm{METHOD}==1$. TYPE $==$ 'SM' for
'LM' for largest elgenvalues.
The output is sorted from largest absolute eigenvalues first
\% See also EIG, EIGS.
\%fixme: This function does not to error checking etc. In fact, it clear opts
clear opts
opts $=$ struct ('disp', $0, ~ ' m a x i t ', ~ 1000) ; ~$
f (method $==0$ )
else [eigenVec, elgenval] $=\operatorname{cig}(f u l(A)) ;$
end
else





invalues = invalues (: ) ;
m = length (inValues) ;
outValues $(1: m)=i n V a l u e s ; ~$
if $(m<n)$

 es =[es sprintf('-\%f', varargin\{i\})];
error(es);
end function
$\%$ \%NER_GRESJTERATIONS
$\%$
ITER = INNER_GMRES_ITERATIONS(ITERS,RESTART) converts the
ITER $\begin{aligned} & \text { outer/inner style iterations from ( } \\ & \text { inner } i t e r a t i o n s ~ u s e d ~\end{aligned}$ GMRS to total number of
if (iters $(:)==(0 ; 0])$
else $\begin{aligned} & \text { iter }=(\text { iters }(1)-1) \\ & \text { end }\end{aligned}$ restart +iters (2); $; ~$

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