

# Range space Krylov methods for data assimilation in meteorology and oceanography

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# What is data assimilation?

*You use a kind of data assimilation scheme if you sneeze whilst driving along the motorway.*

*As your eyes close involuntary; you retain in your mind a picture of the road ahead and traffic nearby [observations], as well as a mental model of how the car will behave in the short time [dynamical system] before you reopen your eyes and make a course correction [adjustment to observations].*

O'Neil et al (2004)

# Predicting the state of the atmosphere, of the ocean

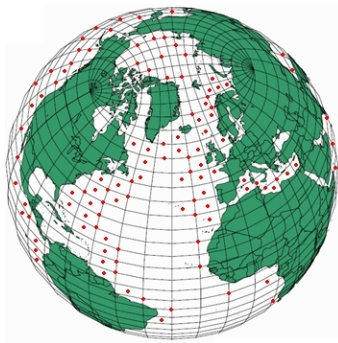
The state of the atmosphere or the ocean (the system) is characterized by **state variables** that are classically designated as fields:

- velocity components
- pressure
- density
- temperature
- salinity

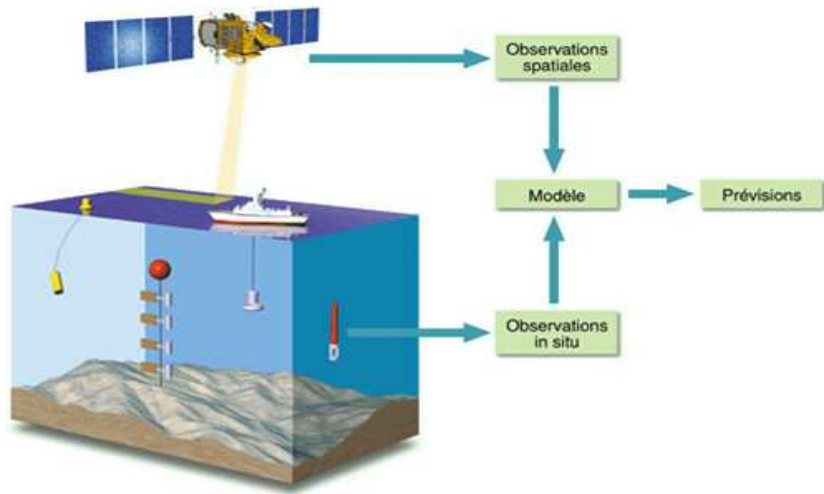
A **dynamical model** predicts the state of the system at a time given the state of the ocean at a earlier time. We address here this estimation problem. Applications are found in **climate, meteorology, ocean, neutronic, hydrology, seismic,...** (forecasting) problems. Involving large **computers** and **nearly real-time** computations.

# Predicting the state of the atmosphere of the ocean

**Data:** temperature, wind, pressure, ... everywhere and at all times!



# Data collection



# Optimal control problem

The fundamental problem of optimal control reads:

## Definition

Find the control  $u$  (initial state parameters) out of a set of admissible controls  $\mathcal{U}$  which minimizes the cost functional

$$\mathcal{J} = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} F(t, x, u) dt$$

subject to

$$\dot{x} = f(t, x, u), \text{ with } x_0 \text{ depending on } u$$

# DA as an optimal control problem

Since the problem of DA is to bring the model state closer to a given set observations, this may be expressed in terms of minimizing:

$$\mathcal{J} = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} (\mathcal{H}(x) - y)^T R^{-1} (\mathcal{H}(x) - y) dt$$

subject to

$$\dot{x} = f(t, x, u)$$

or in **discrete form** (that we will consider for the rest)

$$\mathcal{J} = \sum_{i=0}^N (\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}_i) - \mathbf{y}_i)^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}_i) - \mathbf{y}_i)$$

subject to

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{u})$$

# High performance computing point of view

- Typical sizes would be for this problem  $10^8$  unknowns and  $10^7$  observations (Rabier, MTO)
- If no particular structure taken into account, the solution of the problem on a modern ( $3 \cdot 10^9$  operations/s) computer would take 200 **centuries** of computation by the normal equations
- In terms of memory, working with the matrix in core memory of a computer **not practicable**
- Therefore **iterative methods** are used on parallel computers
- Furthermore, maintaining good parallel performance is just **vital** for 4D-Var, wrt stochastic methods. **MOMA** chantier : **CNES, MTO, CERFACS, IRIT, IMT**



# Regularization technique

If all mapping involved in the problem were linear, the data assimilation problem would often result

- in a linear least squares problem with more unknown than equations
- in a very ill-conditioned problem

A regularization technique is often needed. This is done using the background information

$$\mathcal{J}(\mathbf{x}_0) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{x}_b\|_{\mathbf{B}^{-1}}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^N \|\mathcal{H}_i(\mathbf{x}_i) - \mathbf{y}_i\|_{\mathbf{R}^{-1}}^2$$

# Four-Dimensional Variational (4D-Var) formulation

→ Very large-scale nonlinear weighted least-squares problem:

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \|x - x_b\|_{B^{-1}}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^N \|\mathcal{H}_j(\mathcal{M}_j(x)) - y_j\|_{R_j^{-1}}^2$$

where:

- Size of real (operational) problems:  $x, x_b \in \mathbb{R}^{10^6}$ ,  $y_j \in \mathbb{R}^{10^5}$
- The observations  $y_j$  and the background  $x_b$  are noisy
- $\mathcal{M}_j$  are model operators (nonlinear)
- $\mathcal{H}_j$  are observation operators (nonlinear)
- $B$  is the covariance background error matrix
- $R_j$  are covariance observation error matrices

# Incremental 4D-Var

Rewrite the problem as:

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \|\rho(x)\|_2^2$$

Incremental 4D-Var is an **inexact/truncated Gauss-Newton algorithm**:

- Linearize  $\rho$  around the current iterate  $\tilde{x}$  and solves

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{1}{2} \|\rho(\tilde{x}) + J(\tilde{x})(x - \tilde{x})\|_2^2$$

where  $J(\tilde{x})$  is the **Jacobian** of  $\rho(x)$  at  $\tilde{x}$

- Solve a **sequence of linear systems** (normal equations)

$$J^T(\tilde{x})J(\tilde{x})(x - \tilde{x}) = -J^T(\tilde{x})\rho(\tilde{x})$$

where the matrix is **symmetric positive definite** and **varies** along the iterations

## Context

We want to find the minimizer  $\mathbf{x}(t_0)$  of the **4D-Var functional**

$$\mathcal{J}[\mathbf{x}(t_0)] = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}(t_0) - \mathbf{x}^b)^T \mathbf{B}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}(t_0) - \mathbf{x}^b) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^p (\mathcal{H}_j(\mathbf{x}(t_j)) - \mathbf{y}_j^o)^T \mathbf{R}_j^{-1}(\mathcal{H}_j(\mathbf{x}(t_j)) - \mathbf{y}_j^o),$$

where

$\mathbf{x}(t_j) = \mathcal{M}_{j,0}(\mathbf{x}(t_0))$ ;

$\mathbf{B}$  : background-error covariance matrix;

$\mathbf{R}_j$  : observation-error covariance matrices,

$\mathcal{H}_j$  : maps the model field at time  $t_j$  to the observation space.

# Incremental 4D-Var Approach: algo overview

- 1 Transform the 4D-Var in a sequence of **quadratic** minimization problems
- 2 **Increments**  $\delta \mathbf{x}_0^{(k)}$  are min. of functions  $J^{(k)}$  defined by

$$J[\delta \mathbf{x}_0] = \frac{1}{2} \|\delta \mathbf{x}_0 - [\mathbf{x}^b - \mathbf{x}_0]\|_{\mathbf{B}^{-1}}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{H} \delta \mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{d}\|_{\mathbf{R}^{-1}}^2$$

- 3 Perform **update**

$$\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)}(t_0) = \mathbf{x}^{(k)}(t_0) + \delta \mathbf{x}_0^{(k)}.$$

# Inner minimization

Minimizing

$$J[\delta \mathbf{x}_0] = \frac{1}{2} \|\delta \mathbf{x}_0 - [\mathbf{x}^b - \mathbf{x}_0]\|_{\mathbf{B}^{-1}}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{H}\delta \mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{d}\|_{\mathbf{R}^{-1}}^2$$

amounts to solve

$$(\mathbf{B}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H}) \delta \mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{B}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^b - \mathbf{x}_0) + \mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{d}.$$

Exact solution writes

$$\mathbf{x}^b - \mathbf{x}_0 + (\mathbf{B}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H})^{-1} \mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}^b - \mathbf{x}_0)),$$

or equivalently (using the S-M-Woodbury formula)

$$\mathbf{x}^b - \mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{B} \mathbf{H}^T (\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{H} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{H}^T)^{-1} (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}^b - \mathbf{x}_0)).$$

## Dual formulation : PSAS

- 1 Very popular when few observations compared to model variables. Stimulated a lot of discussions e.g. in the Ocean and Atmosphere communities (cfr P. Gauthier)

- 2 Relies on

$$\mathbf{x}^b - \mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{H}^T (\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{H}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{H}^T)^{-1} (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}^b - \mathbf{x}_0))$$

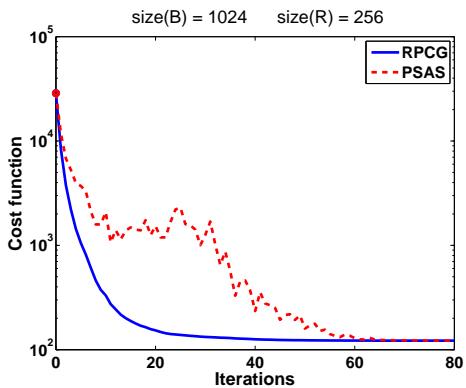
- 3 Iteratively solve

$$\left( \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{H}^T \right) w = \mathbf{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}^b - \mathbf{x}_0)) \quad \text{for } w$$

- 4 Set

$$\delta x_0 = \mathbf{x}^b - \mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{H}^T w$$

# Experiments





# Motivation : PSAS and CG-like algorithm

- 1 CG **minimizes** the Incremental 4D-Var function during its iterations. It minimizes a quadratic approximation of the non quadratic function : **Gauss-Newton** in the **model space**.
- 2 PSAS **does not** minimize the Incremental 4D-Var function during its iterations but works in the **observation space**.

Our goal : put the advantages of both approaches together in a **Trust-Region** framework, to guarantee convergence:

- Keeping the variational property, to get the so-called **Cauchy decrease** even when iterations are truncated.
- Being computationally efficient whenever the number of observations is significantly smaller than the size of the state vector.

**Getting global convergence in the observation space !**

## CG-like algorithm : assumptions 1

- ① Suppose the CG algorithm is applied to solve the Inc-4D using a preconditioning matrix  $\mathbf{F}$
- ② Suppose there exists  $\mathbf{G}^{m \times m}$  such that

$$\mathbf{F}\mathbf{H}^T = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{H}^T\mathbf{G}$$

- ③ For "exact" preconditioners

$$(\mathbf{B}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{H})^{-1}\mathbf{H}^T = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{H}^T(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{H}^T)^{-1}$$

# Preconditioned CG on Incremental 4D-Var cost function

## Initialization steps

### Loop: WHILE

- 1  $\mathbf{q}_{i-1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_{i-1}$
- 2  $\alpha_{i-1} = \mathbf{r}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{z}_{i-1} / \mathbf{q}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{p}_{i-1}$
- 3  $\mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{v}_{i-1} + \alpha_{i-1} \mathbf{p}_{i-1}$
- 4  $\mathbf{r}_i = \mathbf{r}_{i-1} + \alpha_{i-1} \mathbf{q}_{i-1}$
- 5  $\mathbf{z}_i = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{r}_i$
- 6  $\beta_i = \mathbf{r}_i^T \mathbf{z}_i / \mathbf{r}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{z}_{i-1}$
- 7  $\mathbf{p}_i = -\mathbf{z}_i + \beta_i \mathbf{p}_{i-1}$

## Initialization steps

### Loop: WHILE

- 1  $\mathbf{q}_{i-1} = (\mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{B}^{-1}) \mathbf{p}_{i-1}$
- 2  $\alpha_{i-1} = \mathbf{r}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{z}_{i-1} / \mathbf{q}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{p}_{i-1}$
- 3  $\mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{v}_{i-1} + \alpha_{i-1} \mathbf{p}_{i-1}$
- 4  $\mathbf{r}_i = \mathbf{r}_{i-1} + \alpha_{i-1} \mathbf{q}_{i-1}$
- 5  $\mathbf{z}_i = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{r}_i$
- 6  $\beta_i = \mathbf{r}_i^T \mathbf{z}_i / \mathbf{r}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{z}_{i-1}$
- 7  $\mathbf{p}_i = -\mathbf{z}_i + \beta_i \mathbf{p}_{i-1}$

# An useful observation

## Theorem

Suppose that

①  $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{H}^T\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{H}^T.$

②  $\mathbf{v}_0 = \mathbf{x}^b - \mathbf{x}_0.$

→ vectors  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_i$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{p}}_i$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{v}}_i$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}_i$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_i$  such that

$$\mathbf{r}_i = \mathbf{H}^T\hat{\mathbf{r}}_i,$$

$$\mathbf{p}_i = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{H}^T\hat{\mathbf{p}}_i,$$

$$\mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{v}_0 + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{H}^T\hat{\mathbf{v}}_i,$$

$$\mathbf{z}_i = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{H}^T\hat{\mathbf{z}}_i,$$

$$\mathbf{q}_i = \mathbf{H}^T\hat{\mathbf{q}}_i$$

# Preconditioned CG on Incremental 4D-Var cost function (bis)

## Initialization steps

given  $\mathbf{v}_0$ ;  $\mathbf{r}_0 = (\mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{B}^{-1}) \mathbf{v}_0 - \mathbf{b}, \dots$

## Loop: WHILE

- 1  $\mathbf{H}^T \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{i-1} = \mathbf{H}^T (\mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{B}^{-1} \mathbf{H}^T + \mathbf{I}_m) \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i-1}$
- 2  $\alpha_{i-1} = \mathbf{r}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{z}_{i-1} / \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{i-1}^T \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i-1}$
- 3  $\mathbf{B} \mathbf{H}^T \hat{\mathbf{v}}_i = \mathbf{B} \mathbf{H}^T (\mathbf{v}_{i-1} + \alpha_{i-1} \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i-1})$
- 4  $\mathbf{H}^T \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i = \mathbf{H}^T (\mathbf{r}_{i-1} + \alpha_{i-1} \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{i-1})$
- 5  $\mathbf{B} \mathbf{H}^T \hat{\mathbf{z}}_i = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{H}^T \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i = \mathbf{B} \mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{G} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i$
- 6  $\beta_i = (\mathbf{r}_i^T \mathbf{z}_i / \mathbf{r}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{z}_{i-1})$
- 7  $\mathbf{B} \mathbf{H}^T \hat{\mathbf{p}}_i = \mathbf{B} \mathbf{H}^T (-\hat{\mathbf{z}}_i + \beta_i \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i-1})$

# Restricted PCG (version 1) : expensive

## Initialization steps

given  $\mathbf{v}_0$ ;  $\mathbf{r}_0 = (\mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{B}^{-1}) \mathbf{v}_0 - \mathbf{b}, \dots$

## Loop: WHILE

- 1  $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_{i-1} = (\mathbf{I}_m + \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{B}^{-1} \mathbf{H}^T) \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i-1}$
- 2  $\alpha_{i-1} = \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{H}^T \hat{\mathbf{z}}_{i-1} / \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{H}^T \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i-1}$
- 3  $\hat{\mathbf{v}}_i = \hat{\mathbf{v}}_{i-1} + \alpha_{i-1} \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i-1}$
- 4  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_i = \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{i-1} + \alpha_{i-1} \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{i-1}$
- 5  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}_i = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{H}^T \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i = \mathbf{G} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i$
- 6  $\beta_i = \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{H}^T \hat{\mathbf{z}}_i / \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{H}^T \hat{\mathbf{z}}_{i-1}$
- 7  $\hat{\mathbf{p}}_i = -\hat{\mathbf{z}}_i + \beta_i \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i-1}$

# More transformations

- 1 Consider  $\mathbf{w}$  and  $\mathbf{t}$  defined by

$$\mathbf{w}_i = \mathbf{HBH}^T \hat{\mathbf{z}}_i \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{t}_i = \mathbf{HBH}^T \hat{\mathbf{p}}_i$$

- 2 From Restricted PCG (version 1)

$$\mathbf{t}_i = \begin{cases} -\mathbf{w}_0 & \text{if } i = 0, \\ -\mathbf{w}_i + \beta_i \mathbf{t}_{i-1} & \text{if } i > 0, \end{cases}$$

- 3 Use these relations into Restricted PCG (version 1)
- 4 Transform Restricted PCG (version 1) into Restricted PCG (version 2)

# Restricted PCG (version 2) : right inner-product!

## Initialization steps

### Loop: WHILE

- 1  $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_{i-1} = \mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{t}_{i-1} + \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i-1}$
- 2  $\alpha_{i-1} = \mathbf{w}_{i-1}^T \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{i-1} / \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{t}_{i-1}$
- 3  $\hat{\mathbf{v}}_i = \hat{\mathbf{v}}_{i-1} + \alpha_{i-1} \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i-1}$
- 4  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_i = \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{i-1} + \alpha_{i-1} \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{i-1}$
- 5  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}_i = \mathbf{G} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i$
- 6  $\mathbf{w}_i = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{H}^T \hat{\mathbf{z}}_i$
- 7  $\beta_i = \mathbf{w}_i^T \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i / \mathbf{w}_{i-1}^T \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{i-1}$
- 8  $\hat{\mathbf{p}}_i = -\hat{\mathbf{z}}_i + \beta_i \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i-1}$
- 9  $\mathbf{t}_i = -\mathbf{w}_i + \beta_i \mathbf{t}_{i-1}$



# Finding efficient preconditioners

→ **Limited Memory preconditioning!** (Fisher (1998), Morales and Nocedal (2000), Tschimanga et al. (2008))

The idea is:

- 1 Formulate the **limited memory Quasi-Newton matrix**
  - 2 Generate the preconditioner using the **information from CG iterations.**
- Want to find  $G$  that satisfies

$$FH^T = BH^TG$$

for a given  $F$ .

# G as a Quasi-Newton warm-start preconditioner : Gilbert, Lemarechal, Nocedal, Byrd, Zhu

## Formulation of $F$ as a Quasi-Newton Limited Memory Preconditioner

$$F_{k+1} = (I - \tau_k p_k q_k^T) F_k (I - \tau_k q_k p_k^T) + \tau_k p_k p_k^T$$

$p_k$  is the search direction

$$\tau_k = 1/(q_k^T p_k)$$

$$q_k = (B^{-1} + H^T R^{-1} H) p_k$$

$\Delta F_k$  defined by  $\Delta F_k = F_{k+1} - F_k$ , is the **solution** to the problem:

$$\min_{\Delta F_k} \left\| W^{1/2} \Delta F_k W^{1/2} \right\|_F$$

$$\text{subject to } \Delta F_k = \Delta F_k^T, \quad F_{k+1} q_k = p_k$$

## Formulation for $G$ as a Quasi-Newton Limited Memory Preconditioner

$$G_{k+1} = (I - \hat{\tau}_k \hat{p}_k (M \hat{q}_k)^T) G_k (I - \hat{\tau}_k \hat{q}_k \hat{p}_k^T M) + \hat{\tau}_k \hat{p}_k \hat{p}_k^T M$$

$M = H B H^T$ ,  $\hat{p}_k$  is the search direction,

$\hat{q}_k = (I_m + R^{-1} H B H^T) \hat{p}_k$  and

$$\hat{\tau}_k = 1/(\hat{q}_k^T H B H^T \hat{p}_k)$$

$\Delta G_k$  defined by  $\Delta G_k = G_{k+1} - G_k$  is the **solution** to the problem:

$$\min_{\Delta G_k} \left\| (W M)^{1/2} \Delta G_k (M^{-1} W)^{1/2} \right\|_F$$

$$\text{subject to } M \Delta G_k = \Delta G_k^T M, \quad G_{k+1} \hat{q}_k = \hat{p}_k$$

# Computationally efficient RPCG algorithm using Quasi-Newton Preconditioner

## Loop: WHILE

- 1  $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_{i-1} = \mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{t}_{i-1} + \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i-1}$
- 2  $\alpha_{i-1} = \mathbf{w}_{i-1}^T \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{i-1} / \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{t}_{i-1}$
- 3  $\hat{\mathbf{v}}_i = \hat{\mathbf{v}}_{i-1} + \alpha_{i-1} \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i-1}$
- 4  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_i = \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{i-1} + \alpha_{i-1} \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{i-1}$
- 5  $\hat{\mathbf{l}}_i = \mathbf{HBH}^T \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i$
- 6  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}_i = \mathbf{G} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i$
- 7  $\mathbf{w}_i = \mathbf{G}^T \hat{\mathbf{l}}_i$
- 8  $\beta_i = \mathbf{w}_i^T \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i / \mathbf{w}_{i-1}^T \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{i-1}$
- 9  $\hat{\mathbf{p}}_i = -\hat{\mathbf{z}}_i + \beta_i \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i-1}$
- 10  $\mathbf{t}_i = -\mathbf{w}_i + \beta_i \mathbf{t}_{i-1}$
- 11  $\mathbf{m}\mathbf{q}_{i-1} = (\mathbf{l}_{i-1} - \mathbf{l}_{i-2}) / \alpha_{i-1}$

- 1 Consider a new vector  $\mathbf{l}$  is defined as

$$\mathbf{l}_i = \mathbf{HBH}^T \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i$$

- 2  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}_i = \mathbf{G} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i$  and  $\mathbf{w}_i = \mathbf{HBH}^T \hat{\mathbf{z}}_i$
- 3  $\mathbf{HBH}^T \mathbf{G}$  is symmetric ( $\mathbf{HFH}^T = \mathbf{HBH}^T \mathbf{G}$ )

$$\mathbf{w}_i = \mathbf{HBH}^T \mathbf{G} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i = \mathbf{G}^T \mathbf{HBH}^T \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i = \mathbf{G}^T \mathbf{l}_i$$

- 4 Multiply line 18 of RPCG ( $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_i = \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{i-1} - \alpha_i \hat{\mathbf{q}}_i$ ) with  $\mathbf{HBH}^T$  gives

$$\mathbf{HBH}^T \hat{\mathbf{q}}_i = (\mathbf{l}_i - \mathbf{l}_{i-1}) / \alpha_i$$

# Convergence Properties

- If  $FA$  has eigenvalues  $\mu_1 \leq \mu_2 \leq \dots \leq \mu_n$ , **PCG algorithm** with zero initial starting vector satisfies the inequality:

$$\|x_{k+1} - x^*\|_A \leq 2 \left( \frac{\sqrt{\mu_n} - \sqrt{\mu_1}}{\sqrt{\mu_n} + \sqrt{\mu_1}} \right)^k \|x^*\|_A$$

where  $A = B^{-1} + H^T R^{-1} H$

- If  $G\hat{A}$  has eigenvalues  $\nu_1 \leq \nu_2 \leq \dots \leq \nu_m$ , **RPCG** with zero initial starting vector satisfies the inequality:

$$\|x_{k+1} - x^*\|_A \leq 2 \left( \frac{\sqrt{\nu_m} - \sqrt{\nu_1}}{\sqrt{\nu_m} + \sqrt{\nu_1}} \right)^k \|x^*\|_A$$

where  $\hat{A} = I + R^{-1} H B H^T$

$$\|x_{k+1} - x^*\|_A \leq 2 \left( \frac{\sqrt{\nu_m} - \sqrt{\nu_1}}{\sqrt{\nu_m} + \sqrt{\nu_1}} \right)^k \|x^*\|_A \leq 2 \left( \frac{\sqrt{\mu_n} - \sqrt{\mu_1}}{\sqrt{\mu_n} + \sqrt{\mu_1}} \right)^k \|x^*\|_A$$

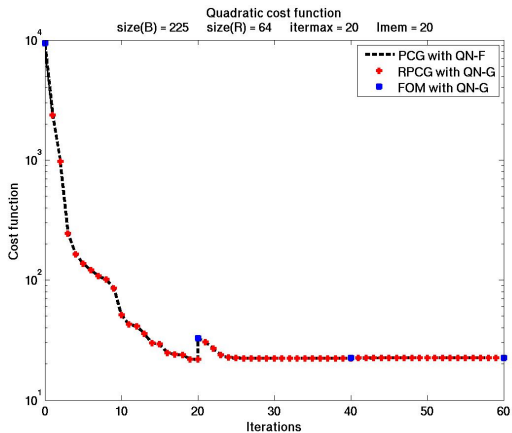
# When $H$ changes!

- When the observation operator  $H$  changes,  $FH^T = BH^TG$  is not satisfied.

Solution: To re-generate  $G$  by using the recent  $HBH^T$

- It is **costly!**
- We can **approximate**  $HBH^T$  (Using quasi-Newton formula!) and use this information to **re-generate**  $G$ . This is computationally efficient, but the system matrix is not symmetric with respect to the approximated inner product.
- We can use **FOM** algorithm which is a solver for unsymmetric systems.

# Experiments



# Comments

We summarize here the main features of RPCG:

- It amounts to solve the observation system with the **right** inner-product  $HBH^T$
- It is **mathematically equivalent** to PCG in the sense that, in exact arithmetic, both algorithms generate exactly the same iterates.
- It is possible to find  $G$  that satisfies  $FH^T = BH^TG$  for a given  $F$  to accelerate convergence in dual space.
- It contains a **single occurrence** of the matrix-vector products by  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $\mathbf{H}$ ,  $\mathbf{H}^T$  and  $\mathbf{R}^{-1}$  per iteration.

# Loss (and recovery) of orthogonality : CONGRAD vs M1QN3

- 1 The modified (G-S) orthogonalization scheme writes

$$\mathbf{r}_i \leftarrow \prod_{j=1}^{i-1} \left( \mathbf{I}_n - \frac{\mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T}{\mathbf{r}_j^T \mathbf{F} \mathbf{r}_j} \right) \mathbf{r}_i.$$

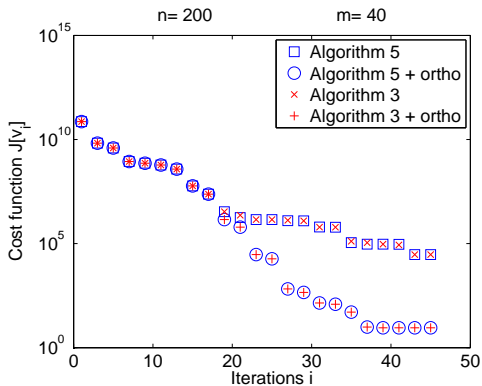
- 2 We suggest the following re-orthogonalization scheme

$$\hat{\mathbf{r}}_i \leftarrow \prod_{j=1}^{i-1} \left( \mathbf{I}_m - \frac{\hat{\mathbf{r}}_j \mathbf{w}_j^T}{\hat{\mathbf{r}}_j^T \mathbf{w}_j} \right) \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i. \quad (1)$$

- 3 Note that the total number of pairs to be stored can be reduced if selective reorthogonalization is performed.



# Loss (and recovery) of orthogonality : experiment



# Conclusions

- Have proposed a **reformulation** of the PCG for

$$(\mathbf{B}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H}) \delta \mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{B}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}^b - \mathbf{x}_0) + \mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{d}$$

- The **RPCG is mathematically equivalent to PCG**
- Exploits the fact that all vectors lie in a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^m$
- Cheaper than CG (memory and computation)
- Some numerical experiments shown

# Perspectives

## Perspectives

- Behaviour in presence of round-off error
- Find another efficient preconditioners  $\mathbf{F}$  such that

$$\mathbf{F}\mathbf{H}^T = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{H}^T\mathbf{G}$$

- Implement RPCG in a real life data assimilation system : **RTRA**  
project

# Towards further reduction of the cost

- We have shown that RPCG allows memory and computational cost reduction whenever the number of observation is smaller than the size of the control vector
- Similar results are possible with other Krylov methods (GMRES, FOM, ...)
- The question now is: can we reduce cost further ?
- Possible answer: inexact (cheap) matrix-vector products (truncated  $B^{-1}$ ,  $R^{-1}$ , simplified models, ...)

(Simoncini and Szyld, van den Eshop and Sleipen, Giraud, Gratton and Langou, ...)

→ But, there is a need of a **stable** modification of RPCG.

# The Arnoldi process

Define (in the full space)  $A = I_n + BH^T R^{-1}H$  and set

$$K = BH^T, \quad L = R^{-1}H$$

the successive **nested Krylov subspaces** generated by the sequence

$$b, (\gamma I_n + K^T L)b, (\gamma I_n + K^T L)^2 b, (\gamma I_n + K^T L)^3 b, \dots \quad (2)$$

or, equivalently, by

$$b, (K^T L)b, (K^T L)^2 b, (K^T L)^3 b, \dots \quad (3)$$

The Arnoldi process generates an **orthonormal basis** of each of the these subspaces, i.e. a set of vectors  $\{v_i\}_{i=1}^{k+1}$  with  $v_1 = b/\|b\|$  such that, after  $k$  steps,

$$K^T L V_k = V_{k+1} H_k, \quad (4)$$

where  $V_k \equiv [v_1, \dots, v_k]$  and  $H_k$  is a  $(k+1) \times k$  upper-Hessenberg matrix.

# Related methods: GMRES, MINRES, FOM, CG

Depending on how the matrix  $H_k$  is exploited to solve the problem we have

- The **GMRES** algorithm ( $\equiv$  MINRES for  $K^T = L$ )

$$y_k = \arg \min_y \|H_k y - \beta_1 e_1\|, \quad s_k = V_k y_k$$

- The **FOM** algorithm ( $\equiv$  CG for  $K^T = L$ )

$$H_k^\square y = \beta_1 e_1, \quad s_k = V_k y_k$$

here,  $H_k^\square$  is the leading  $k \times k$  submatrix of  $H_k$ .

GMRES (FOM) use **long** recurrences while MINRES (CG) use **short ones**.

Let

$$r_k = (I + K^T K)V_k y_k - b \quad \text{and} \quad f_k = \frac{1}{2} y_k^T V_k^T (\gamma I + K^T K)V_k y_k - b^T V_k y_k$$

→ GMRES and MINRES monotonically **minimize**  $r_k$  while FOM and CG monotonically **minimize**  $f_k$  along the iterations.

# Range-space GMRES and FOM (RSGMR and RSFOM)

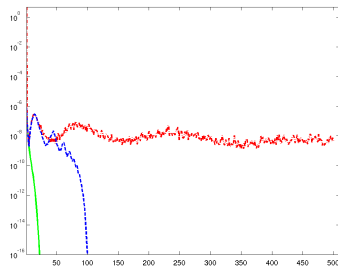
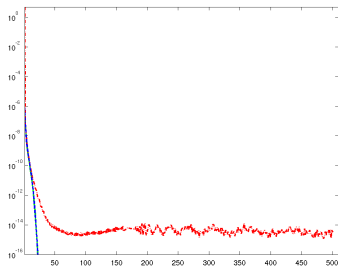
As CG may be rewritten in the **observation space** to yield RPCG, algorithms GMRES, MINRES and FOM may be rewritten to yields similar variants.

Why a range-space GMRES and FOM (RSGMR and RSFOM)?

- The FOM setting provides **better accuracy** and is much better suited to use inexact matrix-vector products.
- The cost of storing an orthonormal basis of the successive Krylov spaces is **much lower for range-space** methods than for full-space ones.

# Exact and inexact products: FOM vs CG

Is CG a reasonable framework for inexact products ?



Comparing  $\|r_k\| / (\|A\| \|s_*\|)$  for FOM, CG with reortho and CG for exact (left) and inexact (right) products

( $\tau = 10^{-9}$ ,  $\kappa \approx 10^6$ )



# Stability and convergence with inexact product

We want to bound  $\|r_k\|$  in the context of Arnoldi process under **inexact matrix-vector** products.

Some reasons to consider this question

- The inexact nature of **computer arithmetic** implies that such errors are inevitable
- To allow matrix-vector products in an inexact but **cheaper** form

Note that

- the analysis is for GMRES but that in the context of FOM similar conclusions will hold.
- standard CG and MINRES are no longer equivalent to FOM and GMRES in the context of unsymmetric perturbations.

# Two error models

Assume that each iteration  $i$  product by  $K$ ,  $K^T$  or  $L$  is **inexact**, that is

$$L_i = L + E_{L,i}, \quad K_i^T = K^T + E_{K^T,i}, \quad \text{and} \quad K_i = K + E_{K,i}$$

for some errors  $E_{L,i}$ ,  $E_{K^T,i}$ , and  $E_{K,i}$ . Consider two **error models** to describe the inaccuracy in the matrix-vector products.

- **Backward:**

$$\begin{aligned} \|E_{K,i+1}\| &\leq \tau_{K,i+1} \|K\|, \\ \|E_{K^T,i+1}\| &\leq \tau_{K^T,i+1} \|K\|, \\ \|E_{L,i+1}\| &\leq \tau_{L,i+1} \|L\|, \\ \|E_{K^T,*}\| &\leq \tau_* \|K\| \end{aligned}$$

- **Forward:**

$$\begin{aligned} \|E_{K,i+1} u_n\| &\leq \tau_{K,i+1} \|K u_n\|, \\ \|E_{K^T,i+1} u_m\| &\leq \tau_{K^T,i+1} \|K^T u_m\| \\ \|E_{L,i+1} u_n\| &\leq \tau_{L,i+1} \|L u_n\| \\ \|E_{K^T,*} u_m\| &\leq \tau_* \|K u_m\| \end{aligned}$$

# Results for the backward error model

Define

$$q_k = H_k y_k - \beta e_1, \quad G = \max[\|K\|, \|L\|], \quad \omega_k = \max_{i, \dots, k} \|\hat{v}_i\|$$

$\kappa(K)$  = condition number of  $K$

(... after some analysis ...)

## Theorem

Assume the backward-error model. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|r_k\| &\leq \sqrt{2(k+1)} \|q_k\| + \|K\| \omega_k \left[ \tau_* \gamma \sqrt{k} \|y_k\| + 4G^2 \sum_{i=1}^k |[y_k]_i| \tau_i \right] \\ &\leq \sqrt{2(k+1)} [\|q_k\| + \tau_{\max} \kappa(K) (\gamma + 4G^2) \|y_k\|]. \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tau_{\max} = \max[\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k]$ .

# Results for the forward error model

## Theorem

Assume the forward-error model. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|r_k\| &\leq \sqrt{2(k+1)} \|q_k\| + \sqrt{2} \left[ \tau_* \gamma \sqrt{k} \|y_k\| + 4G \|K\| \sum_{i=1}^k |[y_k]_i| \tau_i \right] \\ &\leq \sqrt{2(k+1)} \left[ \|q_k\| + \tau_{\max} (\gamma + 4G \|K\|) \|y_k\| \right]. \end{aligned}$$

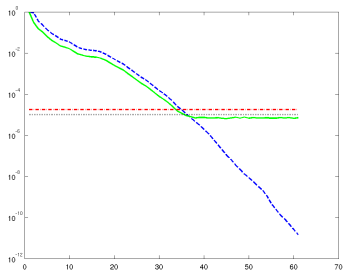
**Note** in both sets of bounds:

- The first of these bounds allows for **variable** accuracy requirements
- special role of  $\tau_*$ .

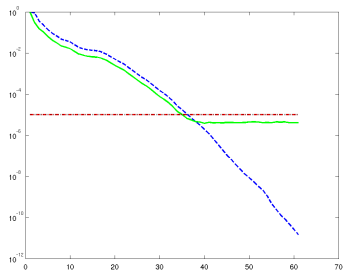
# Error models (1)

Is the error model important?

( $\epsilon = 10^{-5}$ ,  $\kappa \approx 10^2$ )



Backward error model



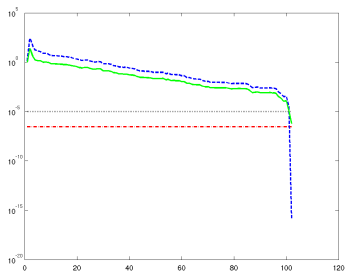
Forward error model

(normalized  $\|r_k\|$ , normalized  $\|q_k\|$ , accuracy threshold  $\tau$ )

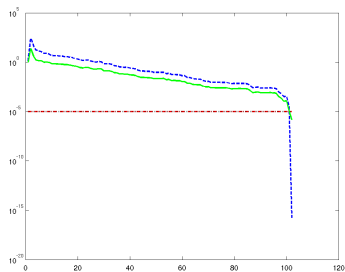
## Error models (2)

Yes, it can definitely make the difference

$$(\epsilon = 10^{-5}, \kappa \approx 10^9)$$



Backward error model

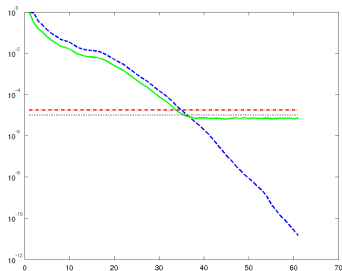
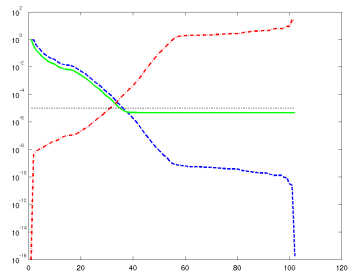


Forward error model

(normalized  $\|r_k\|$ , normalized  $\|q_k\|$ , accuracy threshold  $\tau$ )

## Fixed vs variable accuracy threshold (1)

Can we use **variable accuracy thresholds** efficiently? ( $\epsilon = 10^{-5}$ ,  $\kappa \approx 10^2$ )

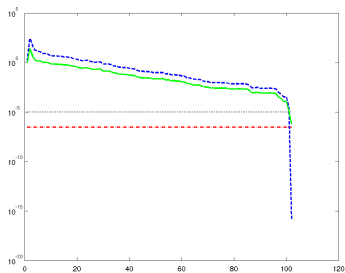
Fixed  $\tau$  $\tau \approx 1/\|q_k\|$ 

(normalized  $\|r_k\|$ , normalized  $\|q_k\|$ , accuracy threshold  $\tau$ )

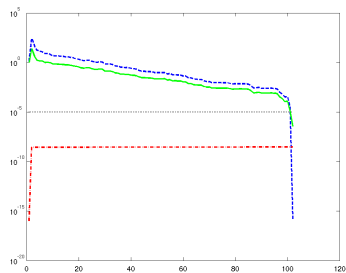
## Fixed vs variable accuracy threshold (2)

Maybe..., not obvious.

$$(\epsilon = 10^{-5}, \kappa \approx 10^2)$$



Fixed  $\tau$



$\tau \approx 1/\|q_k\|$

(normalized  $\|r_k\|$ , normalized  $\|q_k\|$ , accuracy threshold  $\tau$ )



# Conclusions

- Range space methods may be designed to gain from low rank
- Further gains may be obtained from inexact products
- Formal bounds on the residual norm are available in this context
- Forward error modelling gives more flexibility than backward
- True application: a real challenge (but we are working on it!)

Thank you for your attention !