

# Accelerating Multigrid Optimization via SESOP

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where  $\rho(\cdot)$  the spectral radius operator.

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or

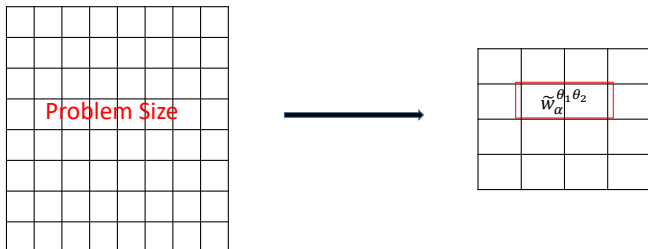
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with  $C = \cos\phi$  and  $S = \sin\phi$ .

Discretization:

$$\mathcal{L}^h = \frac{1}{h^2} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2}(1 - \varepsilon)CS & \varepsilon C^2 + S^2 & \frac{1}{2}(1 - \varepsilon)CS \\ C^2 + \varepsilon S^2 & -2(1 + \varepsilon) & C^2 + \varepsilon S^2 \\ \frac{1}{2}(1 - \varepsilon)CS & \varepsilon C^2 + S^2 & -\frac{1}{2}(1 - \varepsilon)CS \end{bmatrix}$$

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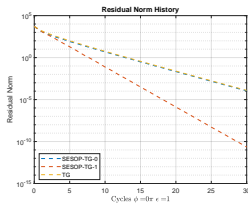
TG: Jacobi with optimally damped factor

Residual Norm:

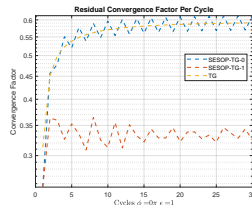
$$\|\mathcal{L}^h \mathbf{u}_k^h - f^h\|_F$$

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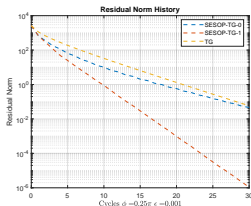
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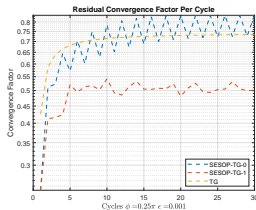
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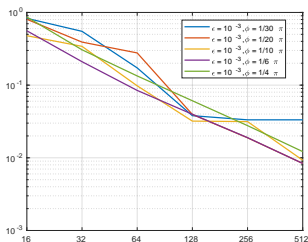
The comparison of convergence factor versus diff. methods  
SESOP - Geometric average of the last 10 iterations

$\phi$	$\epsilon$	Bilinear		Bicubic		Ideal One
		SESOP	Fixed	SESOP	Fixed	
0	1	0.332	0.332	0.333	0.331	0.333
$\frac{\pi}{6}$	$10^{-3}$	0.570	0.563	0.537	0.532	0.587
$\frac{\pi}{6}$	$10^{-4}$	0.572	0.565	0.538	0.533	0.588
$\frac{\pi}{4}$	$10^{-3}$	0.509	0.500	0.457	0.443	0.446
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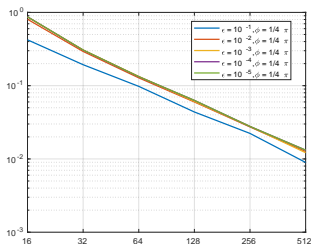
# Linear Problem Continued - Deterioration of Strategy II

Denote

$$r_{ratio}(Num) \triangleq \frac{\log r_{1024}^{opt}}{\log r_{Num}^{opt}} - 1$$



(e) Various  $\phi$



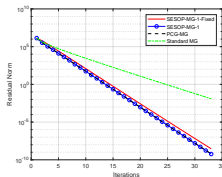
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Result: working on  $128 \times 128$  but solving  $1024 \times 1024$  & less 10% additional computation - benefit if work on a huge problem

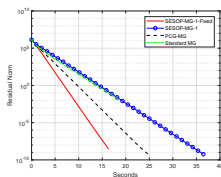
# Linear Problem Continued - Multilevel Results

fine  $1024 \times 1024$  & determine  $64 \times 64$  – 1.5 seconds & Dirichlet  
W-cycle, 2 pre- and 1 postrelaxation only coarse levels

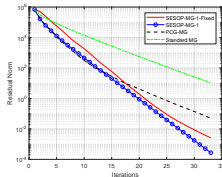
- ▶ SESOP-MG-1-Fixed:  
fixed stepsizes
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subspace minimization
- ▶ Standard MG:  
Jacobi relaxation with  
optimally damped  
factor + Coarse-Grid  
Correction
- ▶ PCG-MG:  
Preconditioned CG  
with standard MG as  
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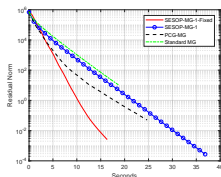
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where  $p \in (1, 2)$ .

PDE form:

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla \cdot \left( \|\nabla u + \xi\|^{p-2} \nabla u \right) = f \text{ in } \Omega \\ u = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega. \end{cases}$$

$\xi > 0$  regularization & avoid a trivial value in the denominator part.

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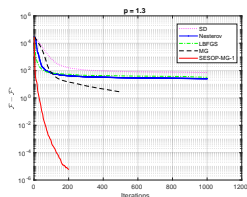
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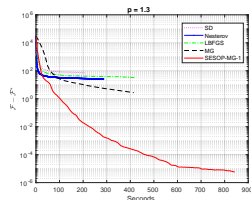
# Nonlinear Problem Continued

Fine  $1024 \times 1024$  & gradient descent as relaxation – SESOP-MG-1 and MG

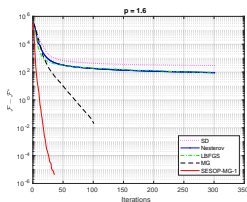
Newton as subspace minimization and BFGS for the coarsest level  $9 \times 9$



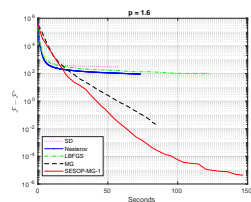
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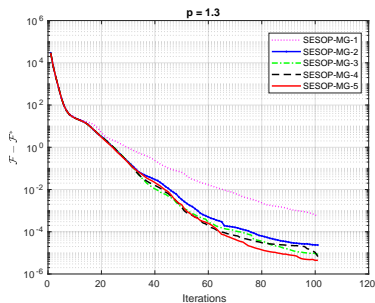
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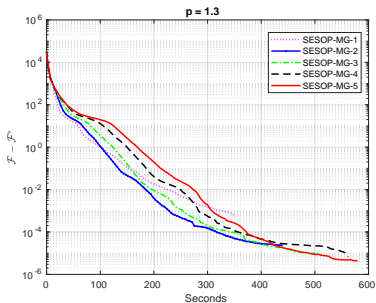
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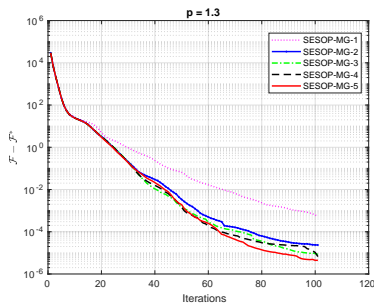
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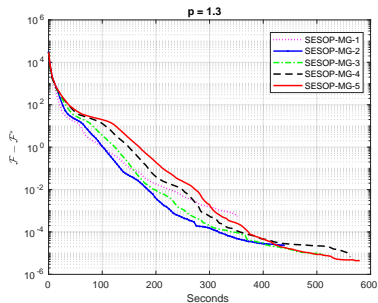
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More experiments and the detail of our analyses  $\Rightarrow$  our paper [HYZ18]

Thanks & Questions?



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