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# Solving linear systems of equations by two-step diagonal and off-diagonal multisplitting methods

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In the realm of solving large linear systems of equations, multisplitting methods emerge as a prominent class of iterative techniques. This paper introduces two-step diagonal and off-diagonal multisplitting methods and evaluates their effectiveness in comparison to symmetric successive overrelaxation multisplitting and quasi-Chebyshev accelerated multisplitting techniques for solving linear systems of equations. Additionally, this study investigates convergence theorems when the system matrix is an  $H$ -matrix and demonstrates the effectiveness of the proposed methods by presenting numerical results. Copyright © 2022 Shahid Beheshti University.

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## 1. Introduction

The system of linear equations, represented as

$$Ax = b, \quad A \in R^{n \times n}, \quad x \in R^n, \quad b \in R^n, \quad (1)$$

is encountered in various fields such as industrial applications, engineering sciences, and economics. The growing interest in studying effective techniques for solving these systems has led to the emergence of a range of powerful methods, including direct, iterative, and multisplitting methods [2, 4, 11–17, 21, 27, 29, 31, 35, 40]. Iterative methods are particularly suited for solving systems with a sparse coefficient matrix. The basic idea behind iterative methods stems from the single splitting of the coefficient matrix  $A$ , which can be expressed as follows:

$$A = F - G, \quad (2)$$

$$x^{(k+1)} = F^{-1}Gx^{(k)} + F^{-1}b, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad (3)$$

where  $F$  is a nonsingular matrix. For any initial vectors  $x^{(0)}$ , the iterative scheme (3) converges to the unique solution if and only if  $\rho(F^{-1}G) < 1$  (where  $\rho$  represents the spectral radius).

Jacobi, Gauss-Seidel, and successive overrelaxation methods are classical iterative methods commonly used for solving linear systems [2, 27, 35]. An effective numerical iterative method is the two-step diagonal and off-diagonal method [17]. The Krylov subspace methods, such as conjugate gradient (CG), minimal residual (MINRES), and general minimal residual (GMRES), have proven to be highly effective for positive definite, symmetric indefinite, and general sparse systems, respectively [7, 20, 22, 34]. Chebyshev iterative methods, including Chebyshev semi-iterative and quasi-Chebyshev accelerated methods, also exhibit strong performance [26, 36, 42]. Among the various iterative techniques, multisplitting methods are recognized as powerful tools for solving large linear systems of equations [1, 30]. These methods, based on multiple splittings of the coefficient matrix, were first introduced by O'Leary and White in 1985 [32]. An ordered triple  $(F_i, G_i, E_i)$  is referred to as a multisplitting of  $A$  if

1.  $A = F_i - G_i$ , where the matrices  $F_i$  are invertible ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, l$ ).
2.  $\sum_i E_i = I$ , where the matrices  $E_i$  are diagonal and  $E_i \geq 0$ .

By partitioning the system matrix in several ways

$$A = F_i - G_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, l,$$

and by utilizing weighting matrices  $E_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, l$ ), a multisplitting method can be defined as follows:

**Method 1** *Multisplitting iteration method* [32]

Let  $(F_i, G_i, E_i)$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, l$ ) be a multisplitting of the matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .

1. Select an initial guess  $x^{(0)} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
2. For  $k = 0, 1, \dots$  until convergence.
3. For  $i = 0, 1, \dots, l$

$$x^{(k+1,i)} = F_i^{-1}G_i x^{(k)} + F_i^{-1}b. \tag{4}$$

4. Compute  $x^{(k+1)} = \sum_{i=1}^l E_i x^{(k+1,i)}$ .

It has been observed in [32] that the use of a relaxed parameter significantly enhances the convergence of multisplitting methods. Deren [38] introduced a class of relaxed parallel multisplitting methods.

**Method 2** *Relaxed multisplitting iteration method* [32]

Let  $(F_i, G_i, E_i)$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, l$ ) be a multisplitting of the matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .

1. Select an initial guess  $x^{(0)} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
2. For  $k = 0, 1, \dots$  until convergence.
3. For  $i = 0, 1, \dots, l$

$$x^{(k+1,i)} = F_i^{-1}G_i x^{(k)} + F_i^{-1}b. \tag{5}$$

4. Compute  $x^{(k+1)} = \theta \sum_{i=1}^l E_i x^{(k+1,i)} + (1 - \theta)x^{(k)}$ , where  $\theta$  is the relaxation parameter.

The multisplitting AOR and TOR methods were proposed for the case when the system matrix is an  $H$ -matrix [9, 10]. Subsequently, Frommer and Mayer studied the convergence properties of parallel multisplitting methods [23, 25]. In [45], Yun analyzed the convergence of both the multisplitting and relaxed multisplitting methods associated with the SSOR method. Additionally, Bai examined the convergence of two-stage multisplitting methods [3, 6].

With the multisplitting method, a task is divided into multiple subtasks, solved iteratively, then combined by weighting matrices to obtain the final result. This technique is also used to solve problems other than linear equations, such as nonlinear multisplitting methods, multisplitting for linear complementarity problems, and multisplitting preconditioned methods [5, 18, 19, 28, 39].

For solving linear systems of equations, the two-step diagonal and off-diagonal multisplitting methods, as well as the relaxed DOM (RDOM) are proposed. This paper presents numerical results to demonstrate the effectiveness of these new methods by comparing them with the symmetric successive overrelaxation multisplitting method (SSORM) and the quasi-Chebyshev accelerated multisplitting method (QCAM) [41–43, 45]. The numerical results demonstrate the efficiency and effectiveness of the proposed methods. The following is a list of the next sections.

- Section 2 contains some definitions, lemmas, and theorems used throughout the article.
- Section 3 presents new multisplitting and relaxed new multisplitting methods.
- Section 4 proposes theorems that justify the convergence of new methods under certain conditions.
- Section 5 provides examples to show that new algorithms can reduce CPU time and iteration steps (IT) compared with the SSORM and QCAM methods.

## 2. Preliminaries

This section aims to provide a concise introduction to some essential definitions, notations, and lemmas that are utilized throughout this paper. The matrix  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is nonnegative or  $A \geq 0$  if  $a_{ij} \geq 0$  ( $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ ). The absolute value of matrix  $A$  is defined by  $|A| = (|a_{ij}|)$ . For any two matrices  $A$  and  $B$  of compatible sizes  $|AB| \leq |A||B|$ . In [37], it was shown that if  $|A| \leq B$ , then  $\rho(A) \leq \rho(B)$ .

The square matrix  $A = (a_{ij})$  is classified as a  $Z$ -matrix if all its off-diagonal entries (entries not on the main diagonal) are non-positive. In the context of linear algebra, a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is considered an  $M$ -matrix if  $A$  is a  $Z$ -matrix and nonsingular with  $A^{-1} \geq 0$ . Furthermore, an  $H$ -matrix is defined as a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  for which its comparison matrix  $\langle A \rangle$  is an  $M$ -matrix. The comparison matrix  $\langle A \rangle$  is

$$\langle A \rangle = (\langle a_{ij} \rangle) = \begin{cases} |a_{ij}|, & i = j, \\ -|a_{ij}|, & i \neq j. \end{cases} \tag{6}$$

Also, a matrix  $A$  is monotone if  $A$  is nonsingular and  $A^{-1} \geq 0$ .

The decomposition  $A = F - G$  is called [8]

1. A regular splitting of  $A$  if  $F$  is a nonsingular matrix with  $F^{-1} \geq 0$  and  $G \geq 0$ .
2. Weak regular splitting if  $F^{-1} \geq 0$  and  $F^{-1}G \geq 0$ .
3. A  $M$ -splitting if  $F$  is an  $M$ -matrix and  $G \geq 0$ .

**Lemma 1** [23, 44] Let  $A \in R^{n \times n}$  be an  $H$ -matrix, and  $A = D - B$ , where  $D$  is the diagonal part of the matrix  $A$ , then the following statements hold:

1.  $A$  is nonsingular and  $|A^{-1}| \leq \langle A \rangle^{-1}$ ;
2.  $|D|$  is nonsingular and  $\rho(|D|^{-1}|B|) < 1$ .

**Lemma 2** [37] Suppose  $A$  is a nonnegative irreducible matrix, then  $\rho(A)$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  and the eigenvector  $x$  corresponding to  $\rho(A)$  such that  $x > 0$ .

**Lemma 3** [33] Let  $A$  be a  $Z$ -matrix, then the following statements are equivalent:

1.  $A$  is an  $M$ -matrix;
2. There exists a positive vector  $x$ , such that  $Ax > 0$ ;
3. Let  $A = F - G$  be a splitting of  $A$  and  $F^{-1} \geq 0$ ,  $G \geq 0$ , then  $\rho(F^{-1}G) < 1$ .

**Lemma 4** [37] If  $|A| \leq B$ , then  $\rho(A) \leq \rho(B)$ .

**Lemma 5** [29] Let  $A = F - G$  be a regular splitting of the matrix  $A$ . Then  $\rho(F^{-1}G) < 1$  if and only if  $A$  is nonsingular and  $A^{-1} \geq 0$ .

**Lemma 6** [24, 44] Assume that there exists a positive vector ( $u > 0$ ,  $u \in R^n$ ) such that  $|A|u < u$ . Then there exists a constant  $\alpha \in [0, 1)$  such that  $\rho(A) \leq \alpha$ .

**Theorem 1** [32]

1. If  $(F_i, G_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, l$  is a weak regular splitting of a matrix  $A$  satisfying  $A^{-1} \geq 0$ , then the multisplitting Method 1 is convergent;
2. If  $\|F_i^{-1}G_i\|_\infty < 1$ , then the multisplitting Method 1 is convergent.

### 3. Convergence theory

By applying the multisplitting  $(F_i, G_i, E_i)$  on the DOS method [17], this section presents the DOM method and its relaxed variant (RDOM) for solving the linear system (1). Then, the convergence of these methods is discussed.

**Method 3** DOM method for solving (1)

Given an initial vector  $x^{(0)}$ ;

For  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  until convergence do

For  $i = 1, 2, \dots, l$  do

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^{(k+\frac{1}{2},i)} &= D^{-1}[\alpha D + (1 - \alpha)B]x^{(k)} + D^{-1}(1 - \alpha)b, \\
 x^{(k+1,i)} &= (D - \beta L_i)^{-1}[(1 - \beta)D + \beta U_i]x^{(k+\frac{1}{2},i)} + (D - \beta L_i)^{-1}\beta b. \\
 x^{(k+1)} &= \sum_{i=1}^l E_i x^{(k+1,i)}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{7}$$

The RDOM method is an extension of Method 3, where incorporates a relaxation parameter to enhance the convergence behavior.

**Method 4** RDOM method for solving (1)

Given an initial vector  $x^{(0)}$ ;

For  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  until convergence do

For  $i = 1, 2, \dots, l$  do

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^{(k+\frac{1}{2},i)} &= D^{-1}[\alpha D + (1 - \alpha)B]x^{(k)} + D^{-1}(1 - \alpha)b, \\
 x^{(k+1,i)} &= (D - \beta L_i)^{-1}[(1 - \beta)D + \beta U_i]x^{(k+\frac{1}{2},i)} + (D - \beta L_i)^{-1}\beta b. \\
 x^{(k+1)} &= (\theta) \sum_{i=1}^l E_i x^{(k+1,i)} + (1 - \theta)x^{(k)}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{8}$$

In both methods, suppose the coefficient matrix  $A$  can be decomposed into  $A = D - L_i - U_i$ , where  $D$  is a diagonal matrix,  $L_i$ 's are strictly lower triangular matrices, and  $U_i$ 's are general matrices. By decomposing the matrix this way, diagonal and off-diagonal components can be separated, which can help with iterative solving techniques. The next step is to discuss the convergence of the proposed methods.

**Theorem 2** Let  $A \in R^{n \times n}$  be an  $H$ -matrix,  $b \in R^n$ ,  $D = \text{diag}(A)$ ,  $(F_i, G_i, E_i)$ ,  $(i = 1, 2, \dots, l)$  be a multisplitting of  $A$  and  $\langle A \rangle = |D| - |L_i| - |U_i|$ . Then, the multisplitting Method 3 converges to the exact solution of  $Ax = b$  for any initial vector  $x^{(0)}$ , provided that  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $0 < \beta \leq 1$ .

**Proof.** The DOM Algorithm 3 can be written as

$$x^{(k+1)} = \sum_{i=1}^l E_i F_i^{-1} G_i x^{(k)} + \sum_{i=1}^l E_i F_i^{-1} b, \tag{9}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} F_i &= \frac{1}{1 - \alpha + \alpha\beta} D \left[ D + \frac{(1 - \alpha)\beta}{1 - \alpha + \alpha\beta} U_i \right]^{-1} (D - \beta L_i), \\ G_i &= \frac{1}{1 - \alpha + \alpha\beta} D \left[ D + \frac{(1 - \alpha)\beta}{1 - \alpha + \alpha\beta} U_i \right]^{-1} [(1 - \beta)D + \beta U_i] D^{-1} [\alpha D + (1 - \alpha)B]. \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

The iteration matrix is  $T = \sum_{i=1}^l E_i F_i^{-1} G_i$ . It is sufficient to prove that  $\rho(T) < 1$ .

By applying the inequality  $\rho(T) \leq \rho(|T|)$ , it is sufficient to demonstrate that  $\rho(|T|) < 1$ . As

$$\begin{aligned} |T| &= \left| \sum_{i=1}^l E_i F_i^{-1} G_i \right| \leq \sum_{i=1}^l E_i |F_i^{-1} G_i| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^l E_i |F_i^{-1}| |G_i| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^l E_i \tilde{F}_i^{-1} \tilde{G}_i, \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{F}_i &= |D| \left[ |D| + \frac{(1 - \alpha)\beta}{1 - \alpha + \alpha\beta} |U_i| \right]^{-1} (|D| - \beta |L_i|), \\ \tilde{G}_i &= |D| \left[ |D| + \frac{(1 - \alpha)\beta}{1 - \alpha + \alpha\beta} |U_i| \right]^{-1} [(1 - \beta)|D| + \beta |U_i|] |D|^{-1} [\alpha |D| + (1 - \alpha) |B|]. \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

For  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $0 < \beta \leq 1$

$$\tilde{F}_i - \tilde{G}_i = (1 - \alpha + \alpha\beta) \langle A \rangle.$$

As  $\tilde{F}_i^{-1} \geq 0$  and  $\tilde{G}_i \geq 0$ , the splitting  $\tilde{F}_i - \tilde{G}_i$  is a regular splitting of  $(1 - \alpha + \alpha\beta) \langle A \rangle$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, l$ . Additionally, since  $A$  is an  $H$ -matrix, thus  $\langle A \rangle^{-1} \geq 0$ . Therefore, based on Lemma 3 and Theorem 1,

$$\rho \left( \sum_{i=1}^l E_i \tilde{F}_i^{-1} \tilde{G}_i \right) < 1. \tag{13}$$

This implies that

$$\rho \left( \sum_{i=1}^l E_i F_i^{-1} G_i \right) < 1.$$

□

The following theorem presents the convergence of the RDOM Method 4 for solving equation (1).

**Theorem 3** Assume that  $A \in R^{n \times n}$  is an  $H$ -matrix,  $(F_i, G_i, E_i)$   $(i = 1, 2, \dots, l)$  is a multisplitting of  $A$ ,  $\langle A \rangle = |D| - |L_k| - |U_k|$ . When  $\lambda = \rho(|D|^{-1}|B|)$  and  $\gamma = 1 - \alpha + \alpha\beta$ , the RDOM method is convergent for any initial vector if the parameters satisfy  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ ,  $0 < \beta \leq 1$  and  $0 < \theta < \frac{2}{2 - (1 - \lambda)\gamma}$ .

**Proof.** In RDOM method,

$$x^{(k+1)} = \theta \sum_{i=1}^l E_i F_i^{-1} G_i x^{(k)} + \theta \sum_{i=1}^l E_i F_i^{-1} b + (1 - \theta)x^{(k)},$$

that  $F_i$ 's and  $G_i$ 's are defined by (10).

Let  $T_\theta = \theta \sum_{i=1}^l E_i F_i^{-1} G_i + (1 - \theta)I$ , Since  $\rho(T_\theta) \leq \rho(|T_\theta|)$  it suffices to show  $\rho(|T_\theta|) < 1$ .

$$|T_\theta| = |\theta \sum_{i=1}^l E_i F_i^{-1} G_i + (1 - \theta)I| \leq \theta \sum_{i=1}^l E_i \tilde{F}_i^{-1} \tilde{G}_i + (1 - \theta)I,$$

where  $\tilde{F}_i$ 's and  $\tilde{G}_i$ 's are defined in (12). Thus

$$\tilde{G}_i = \tilde{F}_i - (1 - \alpha + \alpha\beta)\langle A \rangle = \tilde{F}_i - \gamma(|D| - |B|).$$

As a result,

$$\begin{aligned} |T_\theta| &\leq \theta \sum_{i=1}^l E_i \tilde{F}_i^{-1} \tilde{G}_i + |1 - \theta|I \\ &\leq \theta \sum_{i=1}^l E_i \tilde{F}_i^{-1} \\ &= \theta \sum_{i=1}^l E_i \tilde{F}_i^{-1} (\tilde{F}_i - \gamma(|D| - |B|)) + |1 - \theta|I \\ &= \theta \sum_{i=1}^l E_i (I - \gamma(\tilde{F}_i^{-1}(|D| - |B|))) + |1 - \theta|I \\ &= \theta I + |1 - \theta|I - \gamma\theta \sum_{i=1}^l E_i \tilde{F}_i^{-1} |D| (I - |D|^{-1}|B|) \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

According to the given information, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , the matrix  $|D|^{-1}|B| + \varepsilon e e^T$  has only positive entries and is irreducible, where  $e = (1, 1, \dots, 1)^T \in R^n$  [23]. By Lemma 2, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exist a positive vector  $u > 0$  such that  $(|D|^{-1}|B| + \varepsilon e e^T)u = \lambda_\varepsilon u$ , where  $\lambda_\varepsilon = \rho(|D|^{-1}|B| + \varepsilon e e^T)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |T_\theta| &\leq \theta I + |1 - \theta|I - \gamma\theta \sum_{i=1}^l E_i \tilde{F}_i^{-1} |D| (I - |D|^{-1}|B|) \\ &\leq \theta I + |1 - \theta|I - \gamma\theta \sum_{i=1}^l E_i \tilde{F}_i^{-1} |D| (I - |D|^{-1}|B| - \varepsilon e e^T) \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} |T_\theta|u &\leq (\theta I + |1 - \theta|I - \gamma\theta \sum_{i=1}^l E_i \tilde{F}_i^{-1} |D| (I - |D|^{-1}|B| - \varepsilon e e^T))u \\ &= (\theta + |1 - \theta|)u - \gamma\theta \sum_{i=1}^l E_i \tilde{F}_i^{-1} |D| (I - |D|^{-1}|B| - \varepsilon e e^T)u \\ &= \theta u + |1 - \theta|u - \gamma\theta(u - \lambda_\varepsilon u) \\ &= \begin{cases} (1 - (1 - \lambda_\varepsilon)\gamma\theta)u < u & 0 < \theta \leq 1 \\ (2\theta - 1 - (1 - \lambda_\varepsilon)\gamma\theta)u < u & 1 < \theta < \frac{2}{2 - (1 - \lambda)\gamma}. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

By considering the specified constraints  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $0 < \beta \leq 1$ , it can be inferred that  $0 < \gamma \leq 1$  and  $1 - \gamma + \lambda\gamma = 1 - (\lambda - 1)\gamma < 1$ .

By the continuity of the spectral radius, one can deduce  $\lambda_\varepsilon < 1$  and  $1 - \gamma + \lambda_\varepsilon\gamma < 1$  for sufficiently small  $\varepsilon > 0$ . As per Lemma 6, it follows that  $\rho(T_\theta) < 1$   $\square$

**Remark 1** Theorems 2 and 3 satisfies for M-matrix  $A \in R^{n \times n}$ . Since  $A$  is an M-matrix conclude that  $A$  is an H-matrix ( $A = \langle A \rangle$ ).

### 4. Numerical results

The purpose of this section is to demonstrate the effectiveness of DOM and RDOM methods (Method 3 and Method 4) using three numerical examples. DOM and RDOM methods are compared with the quasi-Chebyshev accelerated multisplitting method (QCAM) [41, 42] and numerical results are reported. Also, as DOM and RDOM methods are two-step multisplitting methods, these are compared with symmetric successive overrelaxation multisplitting multisplitting (SSORM) [45] method which is a two-step multisplitting method too. In this way reported numerical results show that presented methods are performed efficiently. Numerical computations are conducted under the following assumptions:

- The matrix  $A \in R^{n \times n}$  is an  $H$ -matrix and is decomposed as  $A = D - L_i - U_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, l$ , where  $D = \text{diag}(A)$ .
- The initial guess for the solution is  $x^{(0)} = (0, 0, \dots, 0)^T \in R^n$ .
- The iteration process stops when  $\|Ax - b\|_2 < 10^{-5}$ .
- The weight matrices are defined as  $E_i = \text{Diag}(0, 0, \dots, I_{S_i}, 0, 0, \dots, 0) \in R^{n \times n}$ , where the size  $S_i$  is determined as follows:  

$$S_i = \begin{cases} \psi_q + 1 & i \leq \psi_r, \\ \psi_q & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$
 Note that  $n = \psi_q l + \psi_r$  and  $0 \leq \psi_r < l$ .
- In the QCAM method,  $M_i$  represents the lower-triangular part of  $E_i A E_i$ , and  $N_i = M_i - A$ .

It is worth mentioning that all the examples are implemented in MATLAB 2020 on a personal computer (16 GB RAM). The following examples illustrate the application of the DOM, RDOM, SSORM, and QCAM algorithms to solve of linear systems.

**Example 1** [4, 17] The system of linear equations (1) is presented as follows in this example.

$$(wC_V + C_H)x = b,$$

where

- $C_V$  and  $C_H$  are the viscous and hysteretic damping matrices, respectively, and  $w$  is the driving circular frequency.
- $C_V = 10I$  and  $C_H = \mu H$  with a damping coefficient  $\mu$ , and  $H \in R^{n \times n}$  is the five-point centered difference matrix approximating the negative Laplacian operator with homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions, on a uniform mesh in the unit square  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  with the mesh-size  $r = \frac{1}{m+1}$ .
- $H = I \otimes W_m + W_m \otimes I$ , with  $W_m = r^{-2} \text{tridiag}(-1, 2, -1) \in R^{m \times m}$ . Then  $H$  is an  $n \times n$  block-tridiagonal matrix, with  $n = m^2$ .
- $w = \pi$ ,  $\mu = 0.02$ , and  $b = (-w^2 I + H + wC_V + C_H)B$ , with  $B$  being the vector of all entries equal to 1.

**Example 2** [4, 17] The system of linear equations

$$(I \otimes W + W \otimes I)x = q,$$

where

- $W = \text{tridiag}(-1, 2, -1) \in R^{m \times m}$ ,
- $q = [10(I \otimes W_C + W_C \otimes I) + 9(e_1 e_m^T + e_m e_1^T) \otimes I - (I \otimes W + W \otimes I)]B$ ,
- $W_C = W - e_1 e_m^T + e_m e_1^T \in R^{m \times m}$ ,  $e_1$  and  $e_m$  are unit vectors,
- $B$  is the vector that all entries are one.

**Example 3** [4, 17] A system of linear equations is represented by the following:

$$(H + \frac{(3 + \sqrt{3})I}{\tau})x = b,$$

Here are the details:

- The time step-size is denoted by  $\tau$ .
- The matrix  $K$  is a five-point centered difference matrix that approximates the negative Laplacian operator  $L = -\Delta$  with homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions. It is defined on a uniform mesh in the domain  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  with a mesh size of  $r = \frac{1}{m+1}$ .
- The matrix  $H \in R^{n \times n}$  is defined as  $H = I \otimes W_m + W_m \otimes I$ , where  $I$  is the identity matrix and  $W_m = r^{-2} \text{tridiag}(-1, 2, -1) \in R^{m \times m}$ .
- The matrix  $H \in R^{n \times n}$  is a block-tridiagonal matrix with size  $n = m^2$ .
- In the numerical computations,  $\tau = r$ , and the entries of vector  $b$  are defined as  $b_j = \frac{j}{\tau(j+1)^2}$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . These specific choices of parameters and matrices define the system of linear equations.

**Table 1.** Numerical results for examples with  $\alpha = 0, \beta = 1$

| m  | method | Ex 1      |     |            | Ex 2    |      |            | Ex 3     |      |            |
|----|--------|-----------|-----|------------|---------|------|------------|----------|------|------------|
|    |        | CPU       | IT  | error      | CPU     | IT   | error      | CPU      | IT   | error      |
| 30 | RDOM   | 0.01015   | 14  | 9.3796e-06 | 0.1977  | 1177 | 9.9624e-06 | 0.035612 | 226  | 9.6784e-06 |
| 30 | DOM    | 0.011293  | 20  | 6.7773e-06 | 0.22549 | 1414 | 9.9296e-06 | 0.039753 | 272  | 9.8892e-06 |
| 30 | QCAM   | 0.0073556 | 44  | 7.0581e-06 | 0.33806 | 2090 | 9.9948e-06 | 0.10576  | 681  | 9.8875e-06 |
| 30 | SSORM  | 0.28931   | 143 | 9.3089e-06 |         |      |            | 2.5851   | 1850 | 9.9512e-06 |
| 50 | RDOM   | 0.020519  | 38  | 6.2426e-06 | 1.2841  | 3057 | 9.9941e-06 | 0.16085  | 426  | 9.9879e-06 |
| 50 | DOM    | 0.025147  | 47  | 9.175e-06  | 1.5531  | 3670 | 9.9803e-06 | 0.18858  | 513  | 9.8566e-06 |
| 50 | QCAM   | 0.05054   | 109 | 9.7182e-06 | 2.3486  | 5515 | 9.9972e-06 | 0.51974  | 1311 | 9.9793e-06 |
| 50 | SSORM  | 5.0108    | 324 | 9.6978e-06 |         |      |            | 15.8979  | 3479 | 9.9831e-06 |
| 70 | RDOM   | 0.072625  | 72  | 7.8765e-06 | 5.1269  | 5758 | 9.9862e-06 | 0.49233  | 634  | 9.999e-06  |
| 70 | DOM    | 0.089581  | 88  | 8.9547e-06 | 6.0701  | 6910 | 9.9981e-06 | 0.49233  | 763  | 9.8453e-06 |
| 70 | QCAM   | 0.21233   | 209 | 9.497e-06  |         |      |            | 1.8856   | 1960 | 9.9631e-06 |
| 70 | SSORM  | 19.4244   | 598 | 9.7495e-06 |         |      |            | 50.6818  | 5168 | 9.9882e-06 |

**Table 2.** Numerical results for examples with  $\alpha = 0.25, \beta = 1$

| m  | method | Ex 1      |     |            | Ex 2    |      |            | Ex 3     |      |            |
|----|--------|-----------|-----|------------|---------|------|------------|----------|------|------------|
|    |        | CPU       | IT  | error      | CPU     | IT   | error      | CPU      | IT   | error      |
| 30 | RDOM   | 0.0038226 | 16  | 9.9099e-06 | 0.3196  | 1386 | 9.9277e-06 | 0.055384 | 247  | 9.5136e-06 |
| 30 | DOM    | 0.0051694 | 22  | 9.2366e-06 | 0.38129 | 1664 | 9.9577e-06 | 0.073149 | 297  | 9.785e-06  |
| 30 | QCAM   | 0.01749   | 44  | 7.0581e-06 | 0.35256 | 2090 | 9.9948e-06 | 0.14223  | 681  | 9.8875e-06 |
| 30 | SSORM  | 0.090516  | 143 | 7.7415e-06 |         |      |            | 3.3864   | 1850 | 9.9512e-06 |
| 50 | RDOM   | 0.02412   | 42  | 6.5746e-06 | 2.0975  | 3598 | 9.9724e-06 | 0.23117  | 465  | 9.936e-06  |
| 50 | DOM    | 0.028639  | 52  | 8.5205e-06 | 2.5658  | 4318 | 9.9929e-06 | 0.28079  | 559  | 9.9922e-06 |
| 50 | QCAM   | 0.063078  | 109 | 9.7182e-06 | 2.2163  | 5515 | 9.9972e-06 | 0.69906  | 1311 | 9.9793e-06 |
| 50 | SSORM  | 4.888     | 324 | 9.6978e-06 |         |      |            | 19.6991  | 3479 | 9.9831e-06 |
| 70 | RDOM   | 0.08909   | 79  | 8.229e-06  | 7.7513  | 6775 | 9.9854e-06 | 0.72537  | 692  | 9.9419e-06 |
| 70 | DOM    | 0.11093   | 97  | 8.1446e-06 | 9.2484  | 8131 | 9.9872e-06 | 0.88691  | 832  | 9.89e-06   |
| 70 | QCAM   | 0.9262    | 209 | 9.497e-06  |         |      |            | 2.3514   | 1960 | 9.9631e-06 |
| 70 | SSORM  | 47.9849   | 598 | 9.7495e-06 |         |      |            | 63.0641  | 5168 | 9.9882e-06 |

**Table 3.** Numerical results for examples with  $\alpha = 0.5, \beta = 1$

| m  | method | Ex 1      |     |            | Ex 2    |      |            | Ex 3     |      |            |
|----|--------|-----------|-----|------------|---------|------|------------|----------|------|------------|
|    |        | CPU       | IT  | error      | CPU     | IT   | error      | CPU      | IT   | error      |
| 30 | RDOM   | 0.0047245 | 19  | 4.7584e-06 | 0.28384 | 1683 | 9.9976e-06 | 0.042523 | 271  | 9.8264e-06 |
| 30 | DOM    | 0.0055472 | 25  | 7.0014e-06 | 0.32785 | 2021 | 9.9864e-06 | 0.055066 | 327  | 9.6275e-06 |
| 30 | QCAM   | 0.0099598 | 44  | 7.0581e-06 | 0.35229 | 2090 | 9.9948e-06 | 0.14542  | 681  | 9.8875e-06 |
| 30 | SSORM  | 0.26405   | 143 | 9.3089e-06 |         |      |            | 2.6091   | 1850 | 9.9512e-06 |
| 50 | RDOM   | 0.026523  | 46  | 9.3099e-06 | 1.8926  | 4369 | 9.9972e-06 | 0.19539  | 512  | 9.8066e-06 |
| 50 | DOM    | 0.032858  | 58  | 7.6432e-06 | 2.2523  | 5244 | 9.9964e-06 | 0.23563  | 615  | 9.9371e-06 |
| 50 | QCAM   | 0.066155  | 109 | 9.7182e-06 | 2.986   | 5515 | 9.9972e-06 | 0.74652  | 1311 | 9.9793e-06 |
| 50 | SSORM  | 5.0893    | 324 | 9.6978e-06 |         |      |            | 14.8037  | 3479 | 9.9831e-06 |
| 70 | RDOM   | 0.32      | 87  | 9.242e-06  | 7.3496  | 8227 | 9.9949e-06 | 0.63956  | 761  | 9.9617e-06 |
| 70 | DOM    | 0.39788   | 107 | 8.4574e-06 | 8.809   | 9874 | 9.9895e-06 | 0.78244  | 915  | 9.8874e-06 |
| 70 | QCAM   | 0.2841    | 209 | 9.497e-06  |         |      |            | 1.8451   | 1960 | 9.9631e-06 |
| 70 | SSORM  | 41.9837   | 598 | 9.7495e-06 |         |      |            | 49.422   | 5168 | 9.9882e-06 |

**Table 4.** Numerical results for examples with  $\alpha = 0.75, \beta = 1$

| m  | method | Ex 1      |     |            | Ex 2    |      |            | Ex 3     |      |            |
|----|--------|-----------|-----|------------|---------|------|------------|----------|------|------------|
|    |        | CPU       | IT  | error      | CPU     | IT   | error      | CPU      | IT   | error      |
| 30 | RDOM   | 0.003761  | 21  | 9.0596e-06 | 0.53547 | 2143 | 9.995e-06  | 4.2988   | 1850 | 9.9512e-06 |
| 30 | DOM    | 0.0054731 | 28  | 7.4192e-06 | 0.56104 | 2573 | 9.9862e-06 | 0.095181 | 362  | 9.9532e-06 |
| 30 | QCAM   | 0.029164  | 44  | 7.0581e-06 | 0.33128 | 2090 | 9.9948e-06 | 0.14803  | 681  | 9.8875e-06 |
| 30 | SSORM  | 0.26912   | 143 | 9.3089e-06 |         |      |            | 4.2988   | 1850 | 9.9512e-06 |
| 50 | RDOM   | 0.021068  | 52  | 8.1887e-06 | 2.4537  | 5562 | 9.986e-06  | 0.29372  | 568  | 9.9481e-06 |
| 50 | DOM    | 0.027769  | 64  | 9.8371e-06 | 2.8819  | 6675 | 9.9957e-06 | 0.35372  | 683  | 9.9213e-06 |
| 50 | QCAM   | 0.063551  | 109 | 9.7182e-06 | 2.986   | 5515 | 9.9972e-06 | 0.52747  | 1311 | 9.9793e-06 |
| 50 | SSORM  | 3.9336    | 324 | 9.6978e-06 |         |      |            | 19.7413  | 3479 | 9.9831e-06 |
| 70 | RDOM   | 0.083615  | 97  | 9.6837e-06 | 9.2166  | 8333 | 9.9975e-06 | 0.87146  | 846  | 9.856e-06  |
| 70 | DOM    | 0.10342   | 119 | 8.9141e-06 | 10.9394 | 9009 | 9.9980e-06 | 1.0559   | 1016 | 9.9103e-06 |
| 70 | QCAM   | 0.27784   | 209 | 9.497e-06  |         |      |            | 2.3016   | 1960 | 9.963e-06  |
| 70 | SSORM  | 17.4414   | 598 | 9.7495e-06 |         |      |            | 64.0521  | 5168 | 9.9882e-06 |

**Table 5.** Numerical results for examples with  $\alpha = 0, \beta = 0.25$

| m  | method | Ex 1      |     |            | Ex 2    |      |            | Ex 3    |      |            |
|----|--------|-----------|-----|------------|---------|------|------------|---------|------|------------|
|    |        | CPU       | IT  | error      | CPU     | IT   | error      | CPU     | IT   | error      |
| 30 | RDOM   | 0.0097478 | 41  | 8.4529e-06 | 0.37057 | 1604 | 9.9869e-06 | 0.10806 | 529  | 9.8507e-06 |
| 30 | DOM    | 0.0099201 | 44  | 6.487e-06  | 0.44684 | 1926 | 9.9877e-06 | 0.1284  | 636  | 9.8622e-06 |
| 30 | QCAM   | 0.01749   | 44  | 7.0581e-06 | 0.35256 | 2090 | 9.9948e-06 | 0.14223 | 681  | 9.8875e-06 |
| 30 | SSORM  | 0.090516  | 143 | 7.7415e-06 |         |      |            | 3.3864  | 1850 | 9.9512e-06 |
| 50 | RDOM   | 0.049363  | 87  | 8.736e-06  | 2.7401  | 4168 | 9.9936e-06 | 0.51713 | 998  | 9.9566e-06 |
| 50 | DOM    | 0.059115  | 106 | 9.5432e-06 | 2.9104  | 5003 | 9.9881e-06 | 0.6235  | 1199 | 9.9412e-06 |
| 50 | QCAM   | 0.063078  | 109 | 9.7182e-06 | 2.2163  | 5515 | 9.9972e-06 | 0.69906 | 1311 | 9.9793e-06 |
| 50 | SSORM  | 4.888     | 324 | 9.6978e-06 |         |      |            | 19.6991 | 3479 | 9.9831e-06 |
| 70 | RDOM   | 0.18627   | 166 | 9.1805e-06 | 9.2233  | 7851 | 9.9888e-06 | 1.5659  | 1485 | 9.9284e-06 |
| 70 | DOM    | 0.22337   | 201 | 9.4063e-06 | 16.2836 | 9422 | 9.9927e-06 | 1.8719  | 1783 | 9.9457e-06 |
| 70 | QCAM   | 0.9262    | 209 | 9.497e-06  |         |      |            | 2.3514  | 1960 | 9.9631e-06 |
| 70 | SSORM  | 47.9849   | 598 | 9.7495e-06 |         |      |            | 63.0641 | 5168 | 9.9882e-06 |

**Table 6.** Numerical results for examples with  $\alpha = 0, \beta = 0.5$

| m  | method | Ex 1      |     |            | Ex 2    |      |            | Ex 3    |      |            |
|----|--------|-----------|-----|------------|---------|------|------------|---------|------|------------|
|    |        | CPU       | IT  | error      | CPU     | IT   | error      | CPU     | IT   | error      |
| 30 | RDOM   | 0.0065586 | 27  | 6.9975e-06 | 0.31866 | 1401 | 9.9522e-06 | 0.08933 | 408  | 9.8883e-06 |
| 30 | DOM    | 0.008244  | 35  | 6.2202e-06 | 0.38138 | 1682 | 9.9819e-06 | 0.10436 | 491  | 9.8534e-06 |
| 30 | QCAM   | 0.01749   | 44  | 7.0581e-06 | 0.35256 | 2090 | 9.9948e-06 | 0.14223 | 681  | 9.8875e-06 |
| 30 | SSORM  | 0.090516  | 143 | 7.7415e-06 |         |      |            | 3.3864  | 1850 | 9.9512e-06 |
| 50 | RDOM   | 0.03668   | 68  | 7.6513e-06 | 2.0939  | 3639 | 9.9936e-06 | 0.40111 | 770  | 9.9159e-06 |
| 50 | DOM    | 0.044844  | 83  | 9.0989e-06 | 2.5175  | 4368 | 9.9926e-06 | 0.48167 | 925  | 9.9497e-06 |
| 50 | QCAM   | 0.063078  | 109 | 9.7182e-06 | 2.2163  | 5515 | 9.9972e-06 | 0.69906 | 1311 | 9.9793e-06 |
| 50 | SSORM  | 4.888     | 324 | 9.6978e-06 |         |      |            | 19.6991 | 3479 | 9.9831e-06 |
| 70 | RDOM   | 0.14666   | 128 | 9.9616e-06 | 7.7764  | 6854 | 9.9939e-06 | 1.189   | 1145 | 9.9596e-06 |
| 70 | DOM    | 0.17186   | 156 | 9.5452e-06 | 9.3439  | 8226 | 9.9929e-06 | 1.435   | 1375 | 9.9821e-06 |
| 70 | QCAM   | 0.9262    | 209 | 9.497e-06  |         |      |            | 2.3514  | 1960 | 9.9631e-06 |
| 70 | SSORM  | 47.9849   | 598 | 9.7495e-06 |         |      |            | 63.0641 | 5168 | 9.9882e-06 |

Note that:

- In Tables 1-4, results are presented for Examples 1, 2 and 3, in which  $\beta = 1$  is fixed and  $\alpha$  is variable.

**Table 7.** Numerical results for examples with  $\alpha = 0, \beta = 0.75$

| m  | method | Ex 1      |     |            | Ex 2    |      |            | Ex 3     |      |            |
|----|--------|-----------|-----|------------|---------|------|------------|----------|------|------------|
|    |        | CPU       | IT  | error      | CPU     | IT   | error      | CPU      | IT   | error      |
| 30 | RDOM   | 0.0048088 | 20  | 9.2545e-06 | 0.29468 | 1269 | 9.9813e-06 | 0.068021 | 309  | 9.7821e-06 |
| 30 | DOM    | 0.0060748 | 27  | 6.6341e-06 | 0.34602 | 1524 | 9.9824e-06 | 0.082215 | 372  | 9.8034e-06 |
| 30 | QCAM   | 0.01749   | 44  | 7.0581e-06 | 0.35256 | 2090 | 9.9948e-06 | 0.14223  | 681  | 9.8875e-06 |
| 30 | SSORM  | 0.090516  | 143 | 7.7415e-06 |         |      |            | 3.3864   | 1850 | 9.9512e-06 |
| 50 | RDOM   | 0.02849   | 51  | 9.5379e-06 | 1.9372  | 3297 | 9.9819e-06 | 0.30478  | 583  | 9.858e-06  |
| 50 | DOM    | 0.036185  | 64  | 7.8906e-06 | 2.3252  | 3957 | 9.9983e-06 | 0.46312  | 701  | 9.8325e-06 |
| 50 | QCAM   | 0.063078  | 109 | 9.7182e-06 | 2.2163  | 5515 | 9.9972e-06 | 0.69906  | 1311 | 9.9793e-06 |
| 50 | SSORM  | 4.888     | 324 | 9.6978e-06 |         |      |            | 19.6991  | 3479 | 9.9831e-06 |
| 70 | RDOM   | 0.12552   | 98  | 8.3207e-06 | 7.0736  | 6209 | 9.9953e-06 | 0.88752  | 867  | 9.9049e-06 |
| 70 | DOM    | 0.13211   | 119 | 9.3644e-06 | 8.553   | 7452 | 9.9942e-06 | 1.0718   | 1041 | 9.9822e-06 |
| 70 | QCAM   | 0.9262    | 209 | 9.497e-06  |         |      |            | 2.3514   | 1960 | 9.9631e-06 |
| 70 | SSORM  | 47.9849   | 598 | 9.7495e-06 |         |      |            | 63.0641  | 5168 | 9.9882e-06 |

**Table 8.** Numerical results for examples with  $\alpha = 0.1, \beta = 0.9$

| m  | method | Ex 1      |     |            | Ex 2    |      |            | Ex 3     |      |            |
|----|--------|-----------|-----|------------|---------|------|------------|----------|------|------------|
|    |        | CPU       | IT  | error      | CPU     | IT   | error      | CPU      | IT   | error      |
| 30 | RDOM   | 0.005064  | 18  | 4.6228e-06 | 0.25443 | 1290 | 9.9895e-06 | 0.056361 | 268  | 9.6315e-06 |
| 30 | DOM    | 0.0061406 | 24  | 6.1046e-06 | 0.27217 | 1550 | 9.9283e-06 | 0.069226 | 322  | 9.9604e-06 |
| 30 | QCAM   | 0.01749   | 44  | 7.0581e-06 | 0.35256 | 2090 | 9.9948e-06 | 0.14223  | 681  | 9.8875e-06 |
| 30 | SSORM  | 0.090516  | 143 | 7.7415e-06 |         |      |            | 3.3864   | 1850 | 9.9512e-06 |
| 50 | RDOM   | 0.026595  | 45  | 7.4556e-06 | 1.4808  | 3351 | 9.9852e-06 | 0.27769  | 505  | 9.8882e-06 |
| 50 | DOM    | 0.032598  | 56  | 8.1305e-06 | 1.7957  | 4022 | 9.9957e-06 | 0.32521  | 607  | 9.9399e-06 |
| 50 | QCAM   | 0.063078  | 109 | 9.7182e-06 | 2.2163  | 5515 | 9.9972e-06 | 0.69906  | 1311 | 9.9793e-06 |
| 50 | SSORM  | 4.888     | 324 | 9.6978e-06 |         |      |            | 19.6991  | 3479 | 9.9831e-06 |
| 70 | RDOM   | 0.14619   | 85  | 8.8737e-06 | 6.2893  | 6311 | 9.9865e-06 | 0.77935  | 751  | 9.9535e-06 |
| 70 | DOM    | 0.12361   | 104 | 9.0912e-06 | 8.6406  | 7574 | 9.9914e-06 | 0.95427  | 903  | 9.8783e-06 |
| 70 | QCAM   | 0.9262    | 209 | 9.497e-06  |         |      |            | 2.3514   | 1960 | 9.9631e-06 |
| 70 | SSORM  | 47.9849   | 598 | 9.7495e-06 |         |      |            | 63.0641  | 5168 | 9.9882e-06 |

- In Tables 5-7, numerical results are shown for three examples in which  $\alpha = 0$  is fixed and  $\beta$  is variable.
- In Table 8, the results are shown for three examples in which  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are not one and zero.
- The parameters involving QCAM and RDOM were chosen to be the experimentally found optimal parameters. Additionally, in the SSORM,  $w = 0.2$ .

As a result of the provided tables, it is possible to evaluate the performance of the methods as follows.

1. CPU (time in seconds): For various parameters of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , the presented methods remain superior as the problem size increases. As a result, new methods for solving examples converge faster than SSORM and QCAM in all cases. Using  $\beta = 1$  as a fixed value and  $\alpha$  as a variable, Tables 1-4 illustrate that results are improved when  $\alpha$  is decreased. In Tables 5-7, it is shown that by increasing  $\beta$ , the results are improved if  $\alpha$  is set to 0.
2. IT (iteration steps): As in the previous item, the new method has fewer iteration steps than the old method, and this advantage is maintained by increasing the size of the problem.
3. Error ( $\|Ax - b\|_2 < 10^{-5}$ ): It has been observed that the performance of the methods is almost similar with regard to error.
4. As far as convergence results are concerned, the numerical findings in Ex 2 demonstrate that the new methods are convergent, whereas the old methods are divergent.

Overall, it can be concluded that the new methods outperform the mentioned techniques in terms of CPU time and iteration steps under certain conditions.

## 5. Conclusions

For solving a linear system of equations  $Ax = b$ , two-step diagonal and off-diagonal multisplitting (DOM) methods, as well as relaxed DOM (RDOM) methods are presented. Under the assumption that the coefficient matrix is an H-matrix, the convergence properties of these methods have been discussed. A comparison of the DOM and RDOM methods to existing approaches (QCAM and SSORM) is demonstrated through numerical examples. The applicability of these approaches in different contexts can also be examined, and their performance can be improved through algorithmic improvements.

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