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Abstract. A fast solver (DAMG) for linear algebra problems or partial differential equations, based on multgrid methods, is presented. DAMG can be used with boundary value problems defined on uniform, tensor product, or arbitrary grids in any number of dimensions. The calling sequence is described in detail. What the subroutine library does and returns is also described.

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1. Introduction. Differential equations provide mathematical descriptions of numerous physical phenomena. This field can be divided into numerous categories, the main ones being ordinary (only one variable is differentiated) and partial (more than one variable is differentiated).

Ordinary differential equations arise in the study of electrical circuits and oscillating mechanical systems,

$$ay''(x) + by'(x) + cy(x) = f(x),$$

and cable suspension,

$$y''(x) = \frac{w}{H} \sqrt{1 + (y'(x))^2}.$$

They also arise when the technique of separation of variables is applied to a partial differential equation:

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(a(x)\frac{dy}{dx}\right) + b(x)y = f(x).$$

Partial differential equations can be characterized by

(1)
$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{L}u(x) = f(x), \\ \mathcal{B}u(x) = g(x), \end{cases}$$

where x is a vector. In (1), $\mathcal{L}u(x) = f(x)$ represents the problem to be solved, subject to the boundary and/or initial conditions $\mathcal{B}u(x) = g(x)$.

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Some common partial differential equations are Poisson's equation,

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = f(x, y)$$

with the special case of f(x, y) = 0 (Laplace's equation), the heat or diffusion equation,

$$u_t - a^2 u_{xx} = 0.$$

and the wave equation,

$$u_{tt} - a^2 u_{xx} = 0,$$

These three equations are examples of elliptic, parabolic, and hyperbolic partial differential equations respectively.

There are three common classes of boundary conditions. The first is known as a Dirichlet condition: the value of u(x) is specified along the boundary. The second is known as a Neumann condition: the value of the normal derivative du/dn is specified along the boundary. The third is known as a mixed condition: $\gamma u(x) + \psi du/dn$. More complicated conditions exist.

These problems are converted into finite dimensional ones using finite element or difference schemes, collocation, or box schemes (sometimes referred to as a finite volume schemes). Numerous books exist on how to do this, when the problems are well posed, and how to determine when the discretization is stable and consistent (see [2], [5], [6], [9], and [11]).

2. Introduction to multigrid methods. Once a linear differential or integral equation is discretized, we must solve

$$Ax = b, \quad x \in \mathcal{M},$$

where \mathcal{M} is a vector space. We will solve this using an abstract multilevel (or multigrid) iteration. An auxiliary set of equations are used which each approximate the original one:

$$A_j x_j = b_j, \quad levelf \le j \le levelc, \quad x_j \in \mathcal{M}_j,$$

where *levelc* and *levelf* be the coarsest and finest levels, respectively, $A_{levelf} = A$, $x_{levelf} = x$, and $b_{levelf} = b$. Neither symmetry nor definiteness (positive or negative) is required in the A_j 's.

Multigrid solvers frequently use particular features of an elliptic boundary value problem and the domain. There are similar procedures, known as aggregationdisaggregation methods, when A is not derived from partial differential equations; this routine can be used with either of these procedures. The term multigrid is usually applied only to problems based on grids, whereas the term multilevel is applied to problems which may or may not be grid based. We want to apply this method independent of the properties of the grid, domain, discretization, and differential equation. Multilevel methods combine scaled iterative methods (called *smoothers* or *roughers*) with iterative residual correction on coarser levels to reduce the error on a given level. Iteration *i* on some level j > levelc consists of a smoothing step (introducing an operator $S_j^{(i)}$), a correction step, and another smoothing step (introducing another operator $T_j^{(i)}$). There are μ_j of these iterations. On level j = levelc, just smoothing occurs (say, $S_j^{(i)}$); this may be an iterative or a direct procedure like (sparse) Gaussian elimination.

Common smoothers $S_j^{(i)}$ and $T_j^{(i)}$ are relaxation methods (e.g., Gauss-Seidel, SOR, line or plane methods), preconditioned conjugate direction methods (e.g., conjugate gradients, minimum residuals, Orthomin, CGS, CG–STAB), and the identity operator.

The correction step involves a two way transfer of information between levels. This is accomplished using mappings between the solution spaces:

$$R_j: \mathcal{M}_j \to \mathcal{M}_{j+1} \quad \text{and} \quad P_{j+1}: \mathcal{M}_{j+1} \to \mathcal{M}_j.$$

These are referred to as *restriction* and *prolongation* operators in the multigrid literature. Typically, P_{j+1} is a standard interpolation operator and R_j is its transpose.

There are two basic linear multilevel algorithms: correction ones and nested iteration ones. Correction multilevel algorithms start on a fine grid and use the coarser levels solely to correct the approximate solution on finer levels (we will define two such algorithms shortly, namely, MGC and MGFAS). Nested iteration multilevel algorithms start on a coarse level and work their way to some finer level, using the approximate solution on coarser levels to produce initial guesses and corrections on the finer levels (we will define two such algorithms shortly, namely, NIC and NIFAS).

Define a k-level correction multigrid algorithm by

ALGORITHM MGC $(k, \{\mu_\ell\}, x_k, f_k)$ (1) If k = levelc, then solve $A_k x_k = f_k$ exactly or iteratively (2) If $k \neq levelc$, then repeat $i = 1, \dots, \mu_k$: (2a) Smoothing: $x_k \leftarrow S_k^{(i)}(x_k, f_k)$ (2b) Residual Correction: $x_k \leftarrow x_k + P_{k+1}(MGC(k+1, \{\mu_\ell\}, 0, R_k(A_k x_k + f_k))))$ (2c) Smoothing: $x_k \leftarrow T_k^{(i)}(x_k, f_k)$ (3) Return x_k

This definition requires that $\mu_{levelc} = 1$. Examples of the flow of control between levels for both of the correction algorithms are contained in Figure 1.

Define a k-level (standard) full approximation multigrid scheme by

Algorithm MGFAS $(k, \{\mu_\ell\}, x_k, f_k)$

- (1) If k = levelc, then solve $A_k x_k = f_k$ exactly or iteratively
- (2) If $k \neq levelc$, then repeat $i = 1, \dots, \mu_k$:
 - (2a) Smoothing: $x_k \leftarrow S_k^{(i)}(x_k, f_k)$
 - (2b) Residual Correction:

$$x_k \leftarrow x_k + P_{k+1}(\operatorname{MGFAS}(k+1, \{\mu_\ell\}, 0, R_k(A_k x_k + f_k) - A_{k+1}R_k x_k) - R_k x_k)$$

$$(2c) \operatorname{Smoothing:} x_k \leftarrow T_k^{(i)}(x_k, f_k)$$

(3) Return x_k

This definition requires that $\mu_{levelc} = 1$. Examples are contained in Figure 1. Algorithm MGFAS can be used to solve nonlinear problems by using nonlinear smoothers. For linear problems, it is equivalent to Algorithm MGC.

Define a k-level nested iteration multigrid algorithm by

ALGORITHM NIC $(k, \{\mu_{\ell}, \psi_{\ell}\}, x_{levelc}, \{f_{\ell}\})$

(1) For $j = levelc, levelc - 1, \dots, k$, do

- (1a) If $j \neq levelc$, then $x_j \leftarrow P_{j+1}x_{j+1}$
- (1b) Set $\mu \leftarrow \mu_j$ and then $\mu_j \leftarrow \psi_j$.
- (1c) $x_j \leftarrow \mathrm{MGC}(j, \{\mu_\ell\}, x_j, f_j)$
- (1d) Restore $\mu_j \leftarrow \mu$.

(2) Return x_k

Alternatively, MGFAS can be substituted for MGC.

Algorithm NIFAS $(k, \{\mu_{\ell}, \psi_{\ell}\}, x_{levelc}, \{f_{\ell}\})$

(1) For $j = levelc, levelc - 1, \dots, k$, do

- (1a) If $j \neq levelc$, then $x_j \leftarrow P_{j+1}x_{j+1}$
- (1b) Set $\mu \leftarrow \mu_j$ and then $\mu_j \leftarrow \psi_j$.
- (1c) $x_j \leftarrow \mathrm{MGFAS}(j, \{\mu_\ell\}, x_j, f_j)$
- (1d) Restore $\mu_j \leftarrow \mu$.

(2) Return x_k

An example of the flow of control between levels for both of the nested iteration algorithms is contained in Figure 2.

3. Storage formats. Any collection of subroutines to solve partial differential equations or integral equations must support a variety of matrix storage formats. Discretizations of partial differential equations usually lead to large, sparse systems of equations. This will result in diagonal matrices, ones with a nearly constant number of nonzeros per row, or ones with a highly varying number of nonzeros per row. In all cases, the nonzero structure of the resulting matrix is usually nearly symmetric even when the matrix is not. On the other hand, integral equations and spectral discretizations of partial differential equations usually lead to dense systems of equations.

Currently, one standard dense storage format is supported:

• "general matrix"

One standard sparse storage format plus one nonstandard one are supported:

- "storage by rows"
- "stencil storage mode"



FIG. 1. Correction Algorithms (MGC and MGFAS) V and W cycles



FIG. 2. Nested Iteration Algorithms (NIC and NIFAS) V cycle

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More formats should be supported at some point in the future.

3.1. General dense matrix. General dense matrices are stored in column major form (i.e., Fortran's standard method, not C's). For a given dense matrix M, only one matrix DM is required to store the elements.

• DM, a long precision matrix of dimension (ndm, n) with $ndm \ge m$, contains the element M_{ij} in DM(i, j).

Consider the following as an example of a 5×5 general dense matrix M:

(2)
$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 0 & 13 & 0 & 0\\ 21 & 22 & 0 & 0 & 25\\ 0 & 0 & 33 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0\\ 51 & 52 & 0 & 0 & 55 \end{bmatrix}$$

which can be stored as a matrix as

$$DM_{matrix} = M$$

or as a vector as

$$DM_{vector} = (\begin{array}{ccccc} 11, & 21, & 0, & 0, & 51, \\ 0, & 22, & 0, & 0, & 52, \\ 13, & 0, & 33, & 0, & 0, \\ 0, & 0, & 0, & 0, & 0, \\ 0, & 25, & 0, & 0, & 55 \end{array})$$

For a symmetric matrix, obviously half of the storage could be eliminated. At this time, this is not supported (stay tuned).

3.2. Storage by rows. For a general sparse matrix M, storage by rows uses three vectors to define the matrix: IM, JM, and DM. Given the $m \times n$ sparse matrix M having *ne* nonzero elements, the vectors are set up as follows:

• DM, a long precision vector of length at least ne, contains the ne nonzero elements of the sparse matrix M stored contiguously. The rows of M are stored in ascending order. The elements of each row in M are stored in any order, but ascending order should be used if possible.

WARNING: Some of the iterative solvers actually require the rows to be stored in ascending order.

- IM, an integer vector of length at least m + 1, contains the relative starting position of each row of matrix M in vector DM. Hence, row i of M begins at DM(IM(i)) and ends at DM(IM(i+1) 1). If row j is all zero (i.e., an empty row), IM(j) = IM(j+1). The last element, IM(m+1), indicates the position after the last element in vector DM, which is ne + 1.
- JM, an integer vector of length at least ne, contains the corresponding column numbers of each nonzero element M_{ij} in matrix M.

Consider the example matrix M in (2) cast as a 5×5 general sparse matrix. This can be stored as

$$DM = (11, 13, 21, 22, 25, 33, 51, 52, 55)$$

$$IM = (1, 3, 6, 7, 7, 10)$$

$$JM = (1, 3, 1, 2, 5, 3, 1, 2, 5)$$

For a symmetric matrix, obviously half of the storage could be eliminated. At this time, this is not supported (stay tuned).

3.3. Stencil storage mode. Interpolation between similar grids is an important feature of multigrid algorithms when solving partial differential equations (see §2). Suppose we have two grids G_1 and G_2 , with N_1 and N_2 grid points, respectively, and $N_1 \gg N_2$. For a *d* dimensional problem, $N_1 \approx 2^d N_2$ is common.

Suppose an $N_2 \times N_1$ matrix R_1 is defined based on the grids G_1 and G_2 , i.e.,

$$R_1: \mathbb{R}^{N_1} \to \mathbb{R}^{N_2}.$$

Then we can transfer information from G_1 to G_2 or vice versa using the following (sparse) matrix-vector multiplications:

$$y = Rx$$
 or $x = R^T y$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^{N_1}, y \in \mathbb{R}^{N_2}$.

Frequently, the rows of R_1 are similar to many other rows in R_1 except that the first nonzero is in a different column. The matrix R_1 is really a collection of weighted sums of values of some function or vector at grid points and a few of the values at neighboring grid points.

We introduce a stencil storage mode which is very space efficient for regular grids. Information about each stencil is stored in two vectors: one integer (fullword) and the other real (long precision). The integer one is dimensioned N_2 larger than the real one.

This storage format is designed only to do the sparse-matrix vector multiplies using little memory while still being fast. We calculate $y = R_1 x$ using the following algorithm:

(1) j = 1.

(2) For
$$i = 1, \dots, N_2$$
 do:

(2a) Let p be the stencil associated with y_i .

(2b)
$$y_i = \sum_{\ell \in Stencil_p} r_\ell \sum_{k \in Offset_{p,\ell}} x_{j+k}.$$

(2c) $j = j + Increment_p$.

Each stencil p has a set of multipliers $(\{r_{\ell}\})$. Associated with each r_{ℓ} is a set of offsets $(\{Offset_{p,\ell}\})$ and an increment $(Increment_p)$. We will define all of these terms more concretely shortly.

Suppose rows and i and i + 1 of some example R_1 are the following:

0 0 1 $\mathbf{2}$ 4 $\mathbf{2}$ 1 0 0 0 0 0 . . . 0 0 0 1 $\mathbf{2}$ 4 $\mathbf{2}$ 1 0 . . . 0

Let stencil p encapsulate row *i*'s stencil (1,2,4,2,1). This is stored as part of vectors R and JR:

R	JR	Description	What
1.0	2	2 entries to multiply by 1.0	$Offset_{p,1}$
	0	offset = 0	
	4	offset = 4	
2.0	2	2 entries to multiply by 2.0	$Offset_{p,2}$
	1	offset $= 1$	
	3	offset $= 3$	
4.0	1	1 entry to multiply by 4.0	$Offset_{p,3}$
	2	offset $= 2$	
	0	End of stencil indicator	$Increment_p$
	2	add 2 to j in (2c)	_

The blank entries in R are never referenced, so they can be anything (zero is a safe value, however). In the algorithm for computing $y = R_1 x$, there is an outer loop (the i loop) in which y_i is computed, one row at a time. However, the starting index for x increases by a variable amount (which is rarely 1 in practice) in line (2c). Under unusual circumstances, the increment can actually be zero or negative. This is what is stored in $Increment_p$.

In this example, row i + 1's stencil is the same stencil as that for row i if and only if the increment is identical for the two rows. This anomaly results in very similar stencils differing only in the increment.

Stencil storage mode matrices have three distinct components: two pointer sections and the stencils' section. The term *pointer* is used here to refer to an index into a FORTRAN-77 style vector. Formally,

Index	R	JR
1	*	Pointer to stencil pointers
2 to K Ste		encils
$K+1$ to $K+N_2$		Pointers to stencils to compute y_i

Note that the R and JR vectors are of length K and $K + N_2$, respectively, in the description above.

This section is concluded with two real examples: both are for transferring data from a grid (in two or three dimensions) to another. Let G_1 be a rectangular, uniform grid with $N_1 = (2N_x + 1) \times (2N_y + 1)$ points:



Let $G_2 \subset G_1$ correspond to the $N_2 = N_x \times N_y$ points singled out above:



Suppose we use a stencil that is a nine point weighting of nearby neighbors, centered at the points where $G_1 \cap G_2$, of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ & & & \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ & & & \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

The 1 entry corresponds to the the center of the stencil. Then $R_1: G_1 \to G_2$ will have two nearly identical stencils. The first will have an increment of 2, the second will have an increment of $N_y + 3$. Each stencil has length 14, so

$$JR(1) = 30.$$

Stencil 1 is stored in R and JR as

Index	R	JR	Description
2	.25	4	$Offset_{1,1}$
3		0	
4		2	
5		$2N_y$	
6		$2N_{y} + 2$	
7	.5	4	$Offset_{1,2}$
8		1	
9		N_y	
10		$N_y + 2$	
11		$2N_y + 1$	
12	1.0	1	$Offset_{1,3}$
13		$N_{y} + 1$	
14		0	$Increment_1$
15		2	

Stencil 2 can be copied from stencil 1 using the following FORTRAN-77 code fragment: DO I = 2,14

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$$R(I+14) = R(I)$$

$$JR(I+14) = JR(I)$$
ENDDO
$$JR(29) = N_y + 3 \qquad \leftarrow \text{The 1 change}$$

Finally, we need to generate pointers to the correct stencils. This can be done using the following FORTRAN-77 code fragment:

$$M = 30$$

DO J = 1, N_x
DO I = 1, N_y - 1
JR(M) = 2 \leftarrow stencil 1
M = M + 1
ENDDO
JR(M) = 16 \leftarrow stencil 2
M = M + 1
ENDDO

This completes the two dimensional example.

The three dimensional example is similar. In this case, grid G_1 has $N_1 = (2N_x + 1) \times (2N_y + 1) \times (2N_z + 1)$ points and grid G_2 has $N_1 = N_x \times N_y \times N_z$ points where a point $(x_i, y_j, z_k) \in G_2$ is the point $(x_{2i}, y_{2j}, z_{2k}) \in G_1$. The weighting used to construct R_1 has 27 entries (3³) in it. The stencil is a weighting of the 9 nearest neighbors on the plane the stencil is centered on,

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ & & & \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ & & & \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \end{array}\right],$$

and the 9 nearest neighbors on the planes directly above and below (using the same weighting on each),

$\left[\begin{array}{c} \frac{1}{8} \end{array}\right]$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$]
$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	
$\left\lfloor \frac{1}{8} \right\rfloor$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$ -	

In this case, there are 3 stencils: ones with an increment of 2, N_y+3 , and $N_xN_y+2N_y+3$. Each stencil has four sets of offsets, one for each of the $\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, and 1 multipliers. The offsets are as follows:

Each stencil is of length 33, so

JR(1) = 101.

The second and third stencils can be copied from the first, similarly to the two dimensional example before. Finally, we need to generate the pointers to the correct stencils. This can be done using the following FORTRAN-77 code fragment:

M = 101DO K = $1, N_z$ DO J = $1, N_x - 1$ DO I = $1, N_y - 1$ JR(M) = 2 \leftarrow stencil 1 M = M + 1**ENDDO** JR(M) = 35 \leftarrow stencil 2 M = M + 1**ENDDO** DO J = $1, N_y - 1$ JR(M) = 2 \leftarrow stencil 1 M = M + 1ENDDO JR(M) = 68 \leftarrow stencil 3 M = M + 1**ENDDO**

This completes the three dimensional example.

We conclude this section by summarizing the savings in memory by using the stencil storage mode instead of standard sparse matrix storage schemes. In the two and three dimensional examples, we require the following amount of long precision real and integer memory locations:

	Stenc	il storage mode	Storage by rows	
Example	Real	Integer	Real	Integer
2D	30	$N_x N_y + 30$	$9N_xN_y$	$10N_xN_y + 1$
3D	100	$N_x N_y N_z + 100$	$27N_xN_yN_z$	$28N_xN_yN_z + 1$

To say that using stencil storage mode is a savings for this example is an understatement.

4. Subroutine DAMG. Algorithms MGC, MGFAS, NIC, and NIFAS have all been encapsulated in the long precision subroutine DAMG. It calls the correct multilevel algorithm subroutine(s), which in turn calls the appropriate matrix-vector multiplication routines, direct or iterative solvers, and possibly user supplied routines. 4.1. Syntax of DAMG. DAMG can be called from either FORTRAN or C using the following convention:

FORTRAN	CALL	DAMG (subchl, subpre, subsmr, infalg, infm,
			b, x, dm, im, jm, iparm, resid, aux, naux)
С		damg (subchl, subpre, subsmr, infalg, infm,
			b, x, dm, im, jm, iparm, resid, aux, &naux)

4.2. On entry to DAMG. The arguments to DAMG have the following meaning: subchl

is an external subroutine for changing levels. This is used instead of a call to the (sparse) matrix-vector multiply routine. It will occur automatically if the entries in infm corresponding to R_j , P_{j+1} , and NIP_{j+1} are zero for some level j. A routine DAMGN which generates a "not implemented" message and then terminates is provided in the library. For details, see §5.2. Specified as: the name of a subroutine that is declared as EXTERNAL in your calling program. It can be whatever name you choose.

subpre

is an external subroutine to be used as a preconditioner in the smoothing routines, where applicable. A routine DAMGN which just returns is provided in the library. For details, see §5.3.

Specified as: the name of a subroutine that is declared as EXTERNAL in your calling program. It can be whatever name you choose.

subsmr

is a user supplied solver subroutine (and usually an iterative one). A routine DAMGN which just returns is provided in the library. For details, see 5.4.

Specified as: the name of a subroutine that is declared as EXTERNAL in your calling program. It can be whatever name you choose.

infalg

is a 2 dimensional array which contains information about each level. It is dimensioned (12, L), where L is at least as great as the number of levels. The second index refers to a level (which will be denoted by j in this description).

- infalg(1, j) = Solver is which solver (see Table 1) to use on level j. See §4.5 for a description of the defaults.
- infalg(2, j) = SolverIters is how many iterations to do of the solver on level j each time smoothing is requested by a multilevel algorithm. The default is 2, but any value in the 1-4 range is typical.
- infalg(3, j) = Precond is which preconditioner (see Table 2) to use on level j. The default is 0 (no preconditioner).
- infalg(4, j) = MGIters is μ_j in multilevel algorithms. The default is 1, but either 1 or 2 is typical.
- infalg(5, j) = NIIters is ψ_j in NIC or NIFAS. The default is 1.
- infalg(6, j) = IdxXB is where x_j and b_j start in the x and b vectors. This is a FORTRAN-77 style vector index. See §4.5 for a description of how to dimension b and x and how to stack the b_j and x_j inside of b and x.
- infalg(7, j) = NXB is the length of x_j and b_j . See §4.5 for a description of this.
- infalg(8, j) = Colors is the number of colors for the Gauss-Seidel red-black solver, where $0 \leq Colors \leq NXB(j)$. The default is 2.
- infalg(9-12, j) are reserved.

A summary of *infalg* is in Table 3.

Solver	Symbolic name	Definition
0	NoSolver	no solver used on this level
1	User	user supplied routine subsmr
2	DSFactor	Gaussian elimination factorization
3	DSSolve	Gaussian elimination solution
4	SGS	symmetric Gauss-Seidel
5	GSNat	Gauss-Seidel, natural ordering
6	GSRedBlack	Gauss-Seidel, red-black ordering
7	CG	conjugate gradients
8	MR	minimum residuals
9	CG-Squared	conjugate gradients squared
10	CG-STAB	variant of CG-squared
11	GMRES	generalized minimum residuals

TABLE 1DAMG Solver Information

TABLE 2	
DAMG Preconditioner	Information

Preconditioner	Symbolic name	Definition
0	NoPrecond	no preconditioner used on this level
1	User	user supplied routine <i>subpre</i>
2	ILU	incomplete factorization
3	Diag	diagonal preconditioner
4	SGS	symmetric Gauss-Seidel
5	SSOR	successive over relaxation

TABLE 3Summary of infalg

	infalg(i,j) on level j			
i	Symbolic name	Definition		
1	Solver	Which solution method		
2	SolverIters	Iterations of Solver		
3	Precond	Which preconditioning method		
4	MGIters	Iterations of Algorithm MGC or MGFAS		
5	NIIters	Iterations of Algorithm NIC or NIFAS		
6	IdxXB	Index of first element of b_j or x_j in b or x		
7	NXB	Number of elements in b_j and x_j		
8	Colors	Number of colors in a multicolor ordering		
9-12	reserved			

is a 3 dimensional array which contains information about each level. This is the mother of all arguments. No program should be without one. It is dimensioned (10, l2infm, L), where L is at least as great as the number of levels (see *iparm* for a description of l2infm). The third index refers to a level (which will be denoted by j in this description).

This array contains information about all five types of matrices that can be associated with each level. In all likelihood, only two matrices will be associated with any given level, however. The five possible matrices for level j are as follows:

- A_j The coefficient matrix used in solving a linear system on level j.
- R_j The restriction matrix used to transfer data to level j + 1. The transpose of R_j may be used to transfer data from level j + 1, too.
- P_j The prolongation matrix used to transfer data to level j-1. The transpose of R_j may be used to transfer data from level j-1, too.
- NIP_j The prolongation matrix used only in Algorithm NIC or NIFAS to transfer data from level j - 1. Normally, P_j is used instead.
- $FASR_j$ The injection or projection matrix used in Algorithm MGFAS to transfer the approximate solution x_j onto level j + 1 as the initial guess to the approximate solution x_{j+1} .

All of these are optional.

infm is a very simple data structure actually: Consider infm(i, k, j), where j is the level. The symbolic names are in Table 4. The definitions of these variables are highly dependent on the tables above. Instead of defining all of these variable separately, we define them one row at a time, substituting a ? for A_j , R_j , P_j , NIP_j , and $FASR_j$:

infm

i/k	1	2	3	4	5
1	AType	RType	PType	NIPType	FASRType
2	ACols	RCols	PCols	NIPCols	FASRCols
3	ARows	RRows	PRows	NIPRows	FASRRows
4	ADim1	RDim1	PDim1	NIPDim1	FASRDim1
5	ADim2	RDim2	PDim2	NIPDim2	FASRDim2
6	IdxA	IdxR	IdxP	IdxNIP	IdxFASR
7	IdxIA	IdxIR	IdxIP	IdxINIP	IdxIFASR
8	IdxJA	IdxJR	IdxJP	IdxJNIP	IdxJFASR
9			reser	$\cdot ved$	
10			reser	rved	

TABLE 4Symbolic names for infm entries

?Type The matrix type. See Table 5.

Cols The number of columns in the matrix.

Rows The number of rows in the matrix.

- ?Dim1 The first dimension of the matrix stored in dm, as it would be logically be defined in a dimension statement in FORTRAN.
- ?Dim2 The second dimension of the matrix stored in dm, as it would be logically be defined in a dimension statement in FORTRAN. This is ignored unless ?Type = MatrixDense.
- Idx? A FORTRAN-77 style 1 based index in dm for the real part of the matrix. This is ignored if ?Type = MatrixNone or MatrixUser (see Table 6).
- IdxI? A FORTRAN-77 style 1 based index in im for one of the integer descriptions of the matrix. This is ignored unless ?Type = MatrixByRow MatrixStencil (see Table 6).
- IdxJ? A FORTRAN-77 style 1 based index in im for one of the integer descriptions of the matrix. This is ignored unless ?Type = MatrixByRow (see Table 6).

is a vector containing the right hand sides b_j , stacked one after the next. For a given b_j , it starts at the location referenced by $infalg(IdxXB_j)$. See §4.5 for a description of how to dimension b.

Specified as: a vector of long precision real numbers.

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Type	Symbolic name	Definition
0	MatrixNone	No matrix specified
1	MatrixUser	user supplied function used instead of matrix
2	MatrixByRow	"storage by rows" sparse matrix
3	MatrixStencil	stencil mode sparse matrix
4	MatrixDense	dense matrix

TABLE 5Matrix Type Information

TABLE 6Matrix Data Structure Correlation

Matrix	DAMG's 3 vectors		
Туре	dm	im	jm
MatrixNone		_	_
MatrixUser	_	_	—
MatrixByRow	A(LNA)	IA(LNA)	JA(N+1)
MatrixStencil	A(JA(1)-1)	JA(JA(1)+N-1)	_
MatrixDense	A(LDA,N)	_	_

Term	Definition
Ν	Number of rows
LNA, LDA	Leading dimension

is a vector containing the approximate solutions or corrections x_j , stacked one after the next. For a given x_j , it starts at the location referenced by $infalg(IdxXB_j)$. See §4.5 for a description of how to dimension x.

Specified as: a vector of long precision real numbers.

dm

x

is a vector containing the matrices (A_j, R_j, P_j, NIP_j) , and $FASR_j$ stacked one after the next. For a given A_j , it starts at the location referenced by infm(IdxA, 1, j) (and similarly for the remaining matrix types). Each matrix is stored in one of the matrix formats (see §3). Its size is specified by lndm and the last element in use is specified by lastdm (see iparm). Specified as: a vector of long precision real numbers.

is a vector containing the vectors im_j , stacked one after the next. For a given IA_j , it starts at the location referenced by infalg(IdxIA, 1, j). Its size is specified by lnim and the last element in use is specified by lastim (see iparm).

Specified as: a vector of integers.

jm

im

is a vector containing the matrices JA_j , stacked one after the next. For a given JA_j , it starts at the location referenced by infm(IdxJA, 1, j). Its size is specified by lnjm and the last element in use is specified by lastjm (see iparm). Specified as: a vector of integers.

iparm

is a vector of integer arguments.

- iparm(1) = mgfn determines which of the multilevel algorithms to use:
 - 1 MGC
 - **2** MGFAS
 - **3** NIC
 - 4 NIFAS
- iparm(2) = l2infm is the second dimension of infm. This must be positive.
- iparm(3) = bxsize is the size of b and x vectors. See §4.5 for a description of how to dimension b and x.
- iparm(4) = lndm is the size of dm vector. See §4.5 for a description of how to dimension dm.
- iparm(5) = lnim is the size of im vector. See §4.5 for a description of how to dimension im.
- iparm(6) = lnjm is the size of jm vector. See §4.5 for a description of how to dimension jm.
- iparm(7) = level f is the finest level number, where $level f \leq level c$.
- iparm(8) = levelc is the coarsest level number, where levelc ≥ levelf.
- iparm(9) = startl is the index of the starting level in the multigrid algorithm, where $levelf \leq startl \leq$ levelc. The default is levelf for Algorithms MGC and MGFAS. The default is levelc for Algorithms NIC and NIFAS.
- iparm(10) = presva is whether or not to preserve the matrices on the coarsest level. If iparm(10) = 1, then the coarsest level's A, IA, and JA entries in dm, im, and jm are destroyed during the direct solve phase of the computation. Otherwise, these are preserved at the expense of copying the relevant parts of the vectors to the end of their respective vectors. The default is 0 (preserve).
- iparm(11) = lastdm is the one based index of the last element in dm which is used. So, the last lndm - lastdm + 1 elements can be used by DAMG.
- iparm(12) = lastim is the one based index of the last element in *im* which is used. So, the last lnim-lastim+1 elements can be used by DAMG.

- iparm(13) = lastjm is the one based index of the last element in jm which is used. So, the last lnjm - lastjm + 1 elements can be used by DAMG.
- iparm(14) = info controls how much information is printed during a computation.

0 Print nothing.

- 1] Print flow control.
- 2 Print vectors as well as flow control.
- iparm(15) = restart is used to communicate to DAMG that this is a continuation of a previous call or not. If this is 1, then DAMG can assume that it has been called before. This should be used with care since it is not well tested.
- iparm(16 19) are reserved for future use and should be initialized to zero by the caller.
- iparm(20) = assist is for when all else fails. If this is 5551212, then additional information will written to unit 9.

See Table 7 for a summary.

Specified as: a vector of integers of length at least 20.

resid

is a vector where the residuals are stored. Its size is at least as large as the maximum number of unknowns on the finest level. Specified as: a vector of long precision real numbers.

aux

is the storage work area used by this subroutine. If restart = 1 (see *iparm*), this must be the exact same work area that was used before. Its size is specified by *naux*.

Specified as: a vector of long precision real numbers of length *naux*.

naux

is the size of the floating point scratch storage. WARNING: Do not pass a constant; use a variable. Specified as: an integer.

4.3. On return from DAMG. The following arguments to DAMG may change before it returns:

infalg

The one entry that specifies that the coarsest level should be factored, is changed to indicate that this has been done and only a solve need be done on this level.

		i parm(i)
i	Symbolic name	Definition
1	mgfn	Which multilevel algorithm
2	l2infm	Second dimension of $infm$ array
3	bxsize	Length of b and x arrays
4	lndm	Length of dm array
5	lnim	Length of <i>im</i> array
6	lnjm	Length of jm array
7	level f	Index of the finest level
8	levelc	Index of the coarsest level
9	startl	Index of the starting level
10	presva	Preserve coarsest level's matrices or not
11	lastdm	Index of last element in dm in use
12	lastim	Index of last element in im in use
13	last jm	Index of last element in jm in use
14	info	Control of debugging information
15	restart	Continued computation indicator
16–19	reserved	
20	assist	When all else fails

TABLE 7Summary of iparm

contains the right hand side for level level f and is destroyed on the other levels.

contains the approximate solution for level level f and is destroyed on the other levels.

dm

b

x

If Solver(levelc) specifies a direct solve, then the factorization of the coarsest level's matrix will be returned. Additionally, the coarsest level matrix, see IdxA(levelc), will have been destroyed if presva = 0. See *iparm* and *infm*.

im

If Solver(levelc) specifies a direct solve, then the factorization of the coarsest level's matrix will be returned. Additionally, the coarsest level matrix, see IdxIA(levelc), will have been destroyed if presva = 0. See *iparm* and *infm*. jmIf Solver(levelc) specifies a direct solve, then the factorization of the coarsest level's matrix will be returned. Additionally, the coarsest level matrix, see IdxJA(levelc), will have been destroyed if presva = 0. See iparm and infm. resid is a vector of length NXB(levelf) where the residuals for level levelf are stored. aux

is destroyed. If you plan on restarting DAMG later (restart = 1, see *iparm*), this must not be changed between calls to DAMG.

naux

is the estimate for what *naux* ought to have been if the value supplied in the call to DAMG is too small.

4.4. Errors associated with DAMG. There are three classes of errors: input, input or computational, and computational ones.

4.4.1. Input errors.

- 1. Solver(j) is not in 0 11 range.
- 2. SolverIters(j) < 0.
- 3. Precond(j) is not in 0-5 range.
- 4. Matrix type for level j, Precond(j) and Solver(j) are incompatible.
- 5. MGIters(j) < 0.
- 6. mgfn = 3 or 4, but NIIters(j) is not positive.

7. IdxXB(j) is out of range.

8. NXB(j) is not positive.

- 9. Choice of Solver(j) requires that ACols(j) = ARows(j).
- 10. Matrix type is not 0, 1, 2, 3,or 4.
- 11. Number of columns in matrix is not positive.

12. Number of rows in matrix is not positive.

- 13. First dimension of matrix should be positive, but it is not.
- 14. Second dimension of matrix should be positive, but it is not.

15. Index into dm is out of range.

16. Index into *im* is out of range.

17. Index into jm is out of range.

18. l2infm is not positive.

19. mgfn is not 1, 2, 3, or 4.

20. bxsize is not positive.

21. At least one of *lndm*, *lnim*, or *lnjm* is not positive.

22. *levelf* is negative or *levelf* > 50.

23. levelc < level f or levelc > 50.

24. presva is not 0 or 1 or must be 1 and it is not.

25. At least one of *lndm*, *lnim*, or *lnjm* is too small to factor coarse level matrix.

- 26. At least one of *lastdm*, *lastim*, or *lastjm* is not positive or is greater than *lndm*, *lnim*, or *lnjm*, respectively.
- 27. info is not 0, 1, or 2.
- 28. startl < 0, startl > levelc, or startl < levelf.
- 29. Colors(j) is not positive or Colors(j) > NXB(j).

4.4.2. Input or Computational Errors.

1. *naux* is not large enough.

4.4.3. Computational Errors.

- 1. Diagonal entry of coefficient matrix for level j is zero.
- 2. Coefficient matrix is stored by rows, but column indices are not stored in ascending order in some row.
- 3. Error occurred in Minimum Residual solver due to an inappropriate coefficient matrix. Re-run DAMG using one of the CGS, GMRES, or CGSTAB solvers instead.
- 4. An error occurred in *subchl*, *subpre*, or *subsmr*.

4.5. Notes about DAMG.

- 1. The philosophy behind subroutine DAMG is found in [3] and [4].
- 2. A number of iterative procedures are supported as smoothers (see Table 1). For a description of these procedures, see [1] for SGS, CG, MR, see [11] for GSNat and GSRedBlack, see [8] for CG-squared, see [10] for CG-STAB, and see [7] for GMRES. Solvers 2 and 3 are direct solvers which make no use of symmetry. Solvers 4 to 7 require the matrix A_j to be symmetric. Solvers 8 to 11 are used when the matrix A_j is nonsymmetric. Solver 1 has to be used when there is no matrix A_j . Solver 6 is really a multicolored Gauss-Seidel iteration. The number of colors is determined by the *Colors* entry in *infalg*. The default is 2 which is just the standard red-black ordering. The maximum allowed per level is the number of unknowns, nxb(j), which corresponds to a reverse natural ordering.
- 3. If A_j is not present, the user must provide an external subroutine (see subsmr) to do solves.
- 4. Normally, an iterative procedure is used as a smoother on all levels except the coarsest one, where a direct solver may be substituted. However, smoothing will be skipped on a level if NoSolver is specified as the solver for a level. This corresponds to the Identity operator as a smoother in the definitions in §2.

Solver	Preconditioner					
	None	User	ILU	Diag	SGS	SSOR
NoSolver	*	*	*	*	*	*
User	any	any	*	*	*	*
Factor	RD	*	*	*	*	*
Solve	RD	*	*	*	*	*
SGS	R	*	*	*	*	*
GS	RSD	*	*	*	*	*
GSRB	RSD	*	*	*	*	*
CG	RSD	RSD	R	R	R	R
MR	RSD	RSD	*	*	R	*
CGS	R	*	R	R	*	R
CGSTAB	R	*	R	R	*	R
GMRES	R	*	R	R	*	R

5. The solvers, preconditioners, and matrix types must be compatible with each other. The exact set of acceptable combinations is as follows:

The NoSolver case is invariably a mistake.

6. The right hand sides $\{b_j\}$ and approximate solutions $\{x_j\}$ are stored in the *b* and *x* vectors. Each b_j and x_j is stored in locations IdxXB(j) to IdxXB(j) + NXB(j) - 1 (see *infalg*). Suppose there are three levels with levelf = 1 and levelc = 3 (see *iparm*). Then

Level			Locations in b and
(j)	NXB	IdxXB	$x for b_j and x_j$
1	289	1	1 - 289
2	81	290	290 - 370
3	25	371	371 - 395

The minimum for bxsize is 395 in this example. Each x_j begins in x at the same location as the corresponding b_j in b.

7. When changing levels, it is very rare that R_j , P_j , NIP_j , and $FASR_j$ will all be defined. Usually only one or two these will be defined. These matrices are typically related to each other in very particular ways mathematically. An effort has been made to allow users of DAMG the option of generating only one matrix when it can be re-used or is the transpose of another matrix. DAMG determines which operation is wanted and then determines from information in the infm data structure how to change levels. The order of choice is determined by which matrix is wanted:

Wanted	Order of selection
R_j	$R_j, P_{j+1}^T, and NIP_{j+1}^T$
P_{j}	$P_j, R_{j+1}^T, and NIP_j$
NIP_j	$NIP_j, P_j, and R_{i+1}^T$
$FASR_{j}$	$FASR_j, R_j, P_{j+1}^T, and NIP_{j+1}^T.$

The external subroutine (subchl) is the last choice unless the matrix type is MatrixUser (see infm).

- 8. Algorithm MGFAS must inject or project the approximate solution x_j as the initial guess to x_{j+1} . This is usually done by a restriction operator that is different from the one used to project the residual onto the b_{j+1} . For a typical application, this should be a matrix stored by rows with a single entry of 1 in each row which just maps elements of level j onto the elements of level j + 1 (referred to as injection in the literature).
- 9. The coarse level coefficient matrix should be stored after all other matrices if it is to be factored and not preserved (*presva* = 0 in *iparm*; see also *infm*). This is becasue the call to direct solver to factor the coarse level matrix will overwrite the matrix and space after the dm and jm parts of them. Hence, space must be provided at the end of the dm, im, and jm vectors for the factorization and possibly a copy of the matrix.

For Algorithms MGFAS and NIFAS, presva = 1 must be assumed if a direct solve is used on the coarsest level.

When presva = 1, the coarse level matrix is copied to end of the active part of the dm, im, and/or jm vectors (depending on matrix storage type). DAMG uses *lastdm*, *lastim*, and *lastjm* (see *iparm*) to determine the end of the active areas. DAMG will use the remaining parts of these vectors for use with the coarsest level's computations.

- 10. The index variables (see infalg and infm) can be checked for simple "out of range" errors. These include an index which is less than one or where the end of the vector goes beyond the end of the storage area. No effort is made to check for overlapping vectors inside of the storage areas (see dm, im, and jm).
- 11. Should DAMG abnormally end, iparm, infm, and infalg might be changed from what the user expects.
- 12. In very special cases, the starting level (startl in iparm) cannot be either level f or levelc, but a level in between, namely, $level f \leq start l \leq level c$. An example of this is when the multilevel solver is being used with an adaptive grid refinement procedure: there is computing, followed by grid refinement to produce a finer level, followed by more computing. The default for startl is as follows:

NIC, NIFAS: startl = levelcMGC, MGFAS: startl = levelc WARNING: For both Algorithms NIC and NIFAS, if startl < levelc, the first part of the algorithm will just prolong the approximate solution on level startl+1, $x_{startl+1}$, onto x_{startl} as the initial guess to the solution on level startl. This is fundamentally different from both Algorithms MGC and MGFAS, which will simply start computing on level startl and will end computation on level levelf.

- 13. This is a sufficiently complicated subroutine, that help must be provided directly to the user. Setting info to either 1 or 2 provides this capability. DAMG will run at full speed only when info = 0, however. info = 1 provides information on what a multilevel algorithm is about to do, e.g.,
 - a SMOOTH ? ITERATIONS ON LEVEL ? b
 - a PROLONG FROM LEVEL ? TO LEVEL ?
 - a RESTRICT FROM LEVEL ? TO LEVEL ?

where

? is a number,

a is one of MGC, MGFAS, NIC, or NIFAS,

b is the name of a solver.

info = 2 provides additional information. Certain vectors are printed on unit 6 after major operations:

Operation	Vectors printed
Smooth on level j	$x_j, \ resid$
Prolong to level j	x_{j}
Restrict to level j	$x_j, \ b_j$

In addition, the values of various vectors will be printed on unit 9 when iparm(20) = 5551212. Setting info = 2 for large problems will requires a lot of disk space.

14. Calculating *naux* is complex since it is dependent on the storage requirements of the solver used on each level. Certain solver-preconditioner pairs introduce a machine dependence to calculating *naux*.

The solvers used by DAMG are partly home grown and partly from IBM's proprietary ESSL. The *naux* requirements per level are determined from the

Solver			Precon	ditione	er	
	None	User	ILU	Diag	SGS	SSOR
NoPrecond						
User						
Factor	a					
Solve	a					
SGS	b -					
GS	c					
GSRB	c					
CG	d	d	h	i	e	h
MR	$\int f$	f			g	
CGS	j		k	l		k
CGSTAB	j		k	l		k
GMRES	m		n	0		n

following table, where a blank entry means none:

For level i, NZ(i) is the number of nonzeros in a matrix A_i stored by rows. (a) Space must be left for the Gaussian elimination routines. For dense matrices, NXB(i)/2. For matrices stored by rows, this is unpredictable.

- (b) (3/2)NXB(i)
- (c) NXB(i)
- (d) 3NXB(i)
- (e) (9/2)NXB(i)
- (f) 4NXB(i)
- (g) (11/2)NXB(i)

(h) 3NZ(i) + (23/2)NXB(i) + 61. See DSRIS for details.

(i) (3NZ(i) + 15NXB(i))/2 + 31. See DSRIS for details.

(j) (3NZ(i) + 19NXB(i))/2 + 31. See DSRIS for details.

(k) 3NZ(i) + 16NXB(i) + 61. See DSRIS for details.

(1) (3NZ(i) + 21NXB(i))/2 + 31. See DSRIS for details.

(m) For k = SolverIters(i), (3NZ(i) + 5NXB(i))/2 + k(k + 4) + (k + 2)NXB(i) + 32. See DSRIS for details.

(n) For k = SolverIters(i), (3NZ(i)+7NXB(i))/2+k(k+4)+(k+2)NXB(i)+62. See DSRIS for details.

(o) For k = SolverIters(i), (3NZ(i)+7NXB(i))/2+k(k+4)+(k+2)NXB(i)+

32. See DSRIS for details.

So, *naux* is the sum over each level of the requirements from the above table. Obviously, it is easier to set naux = 1 and get an error message back from DAMG.

WARNING: A number of these formulas (a, h - o) are based on ones in the IBM ESSL manual. Some of these formulas do not require enough memory to actually get IBM's subroutine DSRIS to run. In these cases you need to modify mga1.f in the neighborhood of lines 1210–1250. You should only have

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to modify at most 2 lines of the code. Then send the author e-mail explaining that you had a problem so that this can be fixed.

5. Programming considerations for external subroutine arguments. Three of the arguments on entry to DAMG are for user defined subroutines. They can be called whatever the user pleases, must be declared EXTERNAL in the user's program which calls DAMG, and must have a particular set of arguments themselves. A default subroutine is defined in the library.

An example of a program which uses this feature of DAMG is the companion program DPMG for solving Poisson's equation in two or three dimensions. DPMG provides its own smoothers and change level subroutines since it does not store any matrices normally.

5.1. DAMGN: a stub-routine. Not everyone needs their own subroutine to change levels, to act as a preconditioner, or be a smoother (arguments 1 to 3 of DAMG). A subroutine is provided which terminates if it is ever called by DAMG, but alleviates the user from having to code up to three dummy subroutines to use in the calling sequence of DAMG.

To use this subroutine with subroutine DAMG, use the following FORTRAN-77 code fragment:

EXTERNAL DAMGN

CALL DAMG (DAMGN, ...)

This can be used in any combination of the first 3 arguments of DAMG, e.g.,

EXTERNAL DAMGN, OOPS

CALL DAMG (DAMGN, OOPS, DAMGN, ...)

5.2. SUBCHL: changing levels. Normally, the grid transfers in the multigrid algorithms occur by a call to a (sparse) matrix-vector multiply routine which computes one of

(3)
$$b_{j+1} = R_j r_j, \quad x_j = P_{j+1} c_{j+1}, \quad \text{or} \quad x_j = x_j + P_{j+1} c_{j+1}.$$

There are numerous reasons sometimes why doing this in this fashion is highly inefficient, e.g., the grids are highly nonuniform. The user can bypass making a matrix R_j by supplying a subroutine to change between levels j and j + 1 (both directions should be handled).

To use this subroutine with subroutine DAMG, use the following FORTRAN-77 code fragment:

EXTERNAL MYCHL

This declares the subroutine MYCHL to be an external address that is passed to DAMG like an ordinary variable. If DAMG calls MYCHL, it will report an error occurred. Normally, there is much more to MYCHL than this (and ERR=0).

DAMG will call SUBCHL assuming the following prologue:

FORTRAN	CALL SUBCHL (mgfn	, dir, add, lev1, lev2, x1, x2, bf, n1, n2, err)
C	$subchl\ (\ mgfn)$	dir, add, lev1, lev2, x1, x2, bf, n1, n2, err)

A subroutine DAMGN which generates a "not implemented" error message and then terminates is included in the library.

Unpredictable results will occur if the user changes any of the arguments except x2 and err. The user is responsible for providing any workspaces needed. Under no circumstances should the aux area, passed to DAMG, be touched.

5.2.1. On entry to SUBCHL. The arguments to SUBCHL have the following meaning:

mgfn

This determines which of the multilevel algorithms is in use:

mgfn	Definition
1	MGC
2	MGFAS
3	NIC
4	NIFAS

Specified as: an integer.

dir

determines which direction to change levels, either a restriction or a prolongation operation.

dir	Definition
0	fine to coarse (level j to $j + 1$)
1	coarse to fine (level $j + 1$ to j)

Specified as: an integer.

ad	¹ d
	determines whether the vector $x1$ is added to $x2$ or not. If $add = 1$, then the previous contents of $x2$ are added to $x1$. If
	add = 0, then the previous contents of x2 are ignored.
	Specified as: an integer.
le	
	is the "from" level.
1	Specified as: an integer.
le	is the "to" level.
	Specified as: an integer.
x1	
	is the x vector on "from" level.
	Specified as: a vector of long precision real numbers of length
	n1.
x_2	
	is the target vector on "to" level (see (3)).
	Specified as: a vector of long precision real numbers of length $n2$.
bf	
	is the b vector on "finer" level.
	Specified as: a vector of long precision real numbers of length
1	$\max n1, n2.$
n]	is the size of $x1$.
	Specified as: an integer.
n_2^{\prime}	
	is the size of x^2 .
	Specified as: an integer.
er	
	is 0.
	Specified as: an integer.
	2.2. On return from SUBCHL. The following arguments to SUBCHL may
change	before it returns:

x2

is the updated vector on the "to" level (see (3)).

err

is nonzero if any problem arises that cannot be solved by the user subroutine. DAMG terminates if this is nonzero; *err* is printed as part of the message on your screen.

5.3. SUBPRE: preconditioning. Most of the time, the user will want to use the iterative procedures included in the library. Occasionally, a user will be sophisticated

enough to want to use a very specific preconditioner (that is not included in the library) to a specific iterative procedure. The SUBPRE subroutine allows the caller this flexibility with certain of the smoothers.

Preconditioners typically come in one of three flavors: ones that modify the residual, ones that modify the approximate solution, and ones that do both. Currently, DAMG only supports preconditioners that modify the residual.

The external subroutine is provided with the level number (here referred to as j), the matrix A_j , x_j , b_j , and the residual $b_j - A_j x_j$. Any of these can be modified. Modifying A_j can cause unexpected errors in the multigrid subroutines.

The user should remember that they are accelerating the solution to $A_j x_j = b_j$ with their subroutine.

To use this subroutine with subroutine DAMG, use the following FORTRAN-77 code fragment:

EXTERNAL MYPRE

```
.
CALL DAMG ( ..., MYPRE, ... )
.
.
.
SUBROUTINE MYPRE ( ... )
ERR = 1
RETURN
END
```

This declares the subroutine MYPRE to be an external address that is passed to DAMG like an ordinary variable. If DAMG calls MYPRE, it will report an error occurred. Normally, there is much more to MYPRE than this (and ERR=0).

DAMG will call SUBPRE assuming the following prologue:

FORTRAN	CALL SUBPRE (lev, atype, acols, arows, adim1, adim2,
		a, ia, ja, x, b, resid, updat, err)
С	subpre (lev, atype, acols, arows, adim 1, adim 2,
		a, ia, ja, x, b, resid, updat, err)

A subroutine DAMGN which generates a "not implemented" error message and then terminates is included in the library.

The user is responsible for providing any workspaces needed. Under no circumstances should the *aux* area, passed to DAMG, be touched.

5.3.1. On entry to SUBPRE. The arguments to SUBPRE have the following meaning:

lev	
	is the level one of the multilevel algorithms is currently comput-
	ing on.
	Specified as: an integer.
atype	is the matrix storage type (see Table 5)
	is the matrix storage type (see Table 5). Specified as: an integer.
acols	
	is the number of columns in A_j .
	Specified as: an integer.
arows	
	is the number of rows in A_j .
adim1	Specified as: an integer.
uuinii	is used in the dimensions of A_i . It may also be used in
	dimensioning IA_j and JA_j ; see Table 6.
	Specified as: an integer.
adim2	
	is used in the dimensions of A_j . It may also be used in
	dimensioning IA_j and JA_j ; see Table 6. Specified as: an integer.
a	speened us. un integer.
	is A_j , stored in some format determined by <i>atype</i> . Its dimensions
	involve $adim1$ and $adim2$ according to Table 6.
	Specified as: a vector or matrix of long precision real numbers.
ia	
	is IA_j , stored in some format. Specified as: a vector or matrix of integers.
ja	specified as. a vector of matrix of megers.
J	is JA_j , stored in some format.
	Specified as: a vector or matrix of integers.
x	
	is the approximate solution x_j .
	Specified as: a vector of long precision real numbers of length $acols$.
b	
~	is the right hand side b_i .
	Specified as: a vector of long precision real numbers of length
	arows.

resid

is the residual $b_j - A_j x_j$.

Specified as: a vector of long precision real numbers of length *arows*.

updat

is 0. Specified as: an integer.

err

is 0.

Specified as: an integer.

5.3.2. On return from SUBPRE. The following arguments to SUBPRE may change before it returns:

resid

is the modified residual.

updat

is what changed during the call to SUBPRE.

Value	What changed
0	nothing
1	the residual

If it is 0, an error will be presumed to have occurred. Failure to set this correctly will cause serious problems inside the iterative solvers DAMG uses that can call SUBPRE.

err

is nonzero if any problem arises that cannot be solved by the user subroutine. DAMG terminates if this is nonzero; *err* is printed as part of the nasty message on your screen.

5.4. SUBSMR: a smoother or rougher. Most of the time, the user will want to use the iterative procedures included in the library. Occasionally, a user will be sophisticated enough to want to use a very specific iterative procedure that is not included in the library. This can be combined with a user supplied preconditioner (see $\S5.3$). The SUBSMR subroutine allows the caller this flexibility.

The external subroutine is provided with the level number (here referred to as j), the matrix A_j , x_j , and b_j . Only x_j should be modified. Modifying A_j or b_j can cause unexpected errors in the multigrid subroutines.

Due to the fact that a matrix A_j may not actually exist, it is required that the user compute the residual, $b_j - A_j x_j$ (even if A_j is only symbolic here) before returning.

The user should remember that they are trying to solve $A_j x_j = b_j$ with their subroutine.

To use this subroutine with subroutine DAMG, use the following FORTRAN-77 code fragment:

EXTERNAL MYSMR

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```
CALL DAMG ( ..., MYSMR, ... )

.

.

.

SUBROUTINE MYSMR ( ... )

ERR = 1

RETURN

END
```

This declares the subroutine MYSMR to be an external address that is passed to DAMG like an ordinary variable. If DAMG calls MYSMR, it will report an error occurred. Normally, there is much more to MYSMR than this (and ERR=0).

DAMG will call SUBSMR assuming the following prologue:

FORTRAN	CALL SUBSMR (subpre, iters, lev, atype, acols, arows, adim 1,
		adim2, a, ia, ja, x, b, resid, updat, err)
С	subsmr (subpre, iters, lev, atype, acols, arows, adim 1,
		adim2, a, ia, ja, x, b, resid, updat, err)

A subroutine DAMGN which generates a "not implemented" error message and then terminates is included in the library.

The user is responsible for providing their own workspaces themselves. Under no circumstances should the *aux* area, passed to DAMG, be touched.

5.4.1. On entry to SUBSMR. The arguments to SUBSMR have the following meaning:

subpre

is an external subroutine to be used as a preconditioner in the smoothing routines, where applicable. For details, see §5.3. A routine DAMGN which just returns is provided in the library. Specified as: the name of a subroutine that is declared as EXTERNAL in your calling program. It can be whatever name you choose.

iters

is the maximum number of iterations. Specified as: an integer.

lev

is the current computational level in one of the multilevel algorithms.

Specified as: an integer.

atype

is the matrix storage type (see Table 5). Specified as: an integer.

a cols	
	is the number of columns in A_j .
	Specified as: an integer.
arows	
	is the number of rows in A_j .
	Specified as: an integer.
adim1	
	is used in the dimensions of A_j . It may also be used in
	dimensioning IA_j and JA_j ; see Table 6.
1, 0	Specified as: an integer.
adim2	the second in the line of A. It was also be used in
	is used in the dimensions of A_j . It may also be used in dimensioning IA_j and IA_j are Table 6
	dimensioning IA_j and JA_j ; see Table 6. Specified as: an integer.
a	specified as. an integer.
u	is A_j , stored in some format determined by $atype$. Its dimensions
	involve $adim1$ and $adim2$ according to Table 6.
	Specified as: a vector or matrix of long precision real numbers.
ia	
	is IA_j , stored in some format.
	Specified as: a vector or matrix of integers.
ja	
	is JA_j , stored in some format.
	Specified as: a vector or matrix of integers.
x	
	is the approximate solution x_j .
	Specified as: a vector of long precision real numbers of length <i>acols</i> .
b	acois.
0	is the right hand side b_j .
	Specified as: a vector of long precision real numbers of length
	arows.
resid	
	is the residual $b_j - A_j x_j$.
	Specified as: a vector of long precision real numbers of length
	arows.
updat	
	is 0.
	Specified as: an integer.
err	
	is 0.
	Specified as: an integer.
5.4.2. On return from SUBSMR. The following arguments to SUBSMR may change before it returns:

x

is the approximate solution x_j .

resid

is the residual $b_j - A_j x_j$.

updat

is what changed during the call to SUBSMR.

	-
Value	What changed
0	nothing
1	the residual
2	x_j
3	both x_j and the residual
4	b_j

If it is 0, an error will be presumed to have occurred. Failure to set this correctly will cause serious problems inside DAMG. The normal return value for updat is 3.

err

is nonzero if any problem arises that cannot be solved by the user subroutine. DAMG terminates if this is nonzero; *err* is printed as part of the nasty message on your screen.

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A. Examples of DAMG Usage. All runs in this section were on an IBM RISC SYSTEM/ 6000^{TM} . In §A.1, a simple one dimensional problem is explored in depth. Provided with the code are one, two, and three dimensional example problems. Rather than duplicate the very lengthy set of comments at the beginning of DAMG, we refer the reader to the code.

It is implicitly assumed that you have already made a working version of DAMG. If you do not know how to do this, please see Appendix B.

A.1. Example 1: a one dimensional problem. The first example solves

$$\begin{cases} U_{xx} = F \text{ in the unit line } (0,1), \\ U(x) = 0 \text{ for } x \in \{0,1\}.. \end{cases}$$

F is chosen so that the solution is

$$U(x) = x\sin(x\pi)$$

or

$$F(x) = -2\pi \cos(x\pi) + x\pi^2 \sin(x\pi).$$

Algorithm NIC is used with the Gauss-Seidel smoother on all levels except the coarsest where a direct solver is used. A uniform mesh, a central difference discretization, and linear interpolation are used.

A sample FORTRAN main program is presented here. The declarations section is simply,

	parameter	(IAUX1 = 1000)
	parameter	(IDM1 = 1000)
	parameter	(IIM1 = 1000)
	parameter	(IJM1 = 1000)
	parameter	(IXB1 = 100)
	parameter	(NFINE = 7)
	parameter	(INFM2 = 2)
	parameter	(LEVELS $= 2)$
	external	damgn
	integer	infalg(12,LEVELS), infm(10,INFM2,LEVELS),
*		im(IIM1), iparm(20), jm(IJM1)
	double precision	aux(IAUX1), b(IXB1), dm(IDM1), resid(IXB1),
*		res2, x(IXB1)
	integer	i, idm, iim, ijm, ibx, incdm, incim,
*		j, k, lev, n, naux

DAMG's integer data structures are initialized to 0. Many of these entries have default values if 0 is passed to DAMG. However, it never hurts to set all of the entries to exactly what you want (which is done later in this example).

```
do j = 1,LEVELS
do i = 1,12
infalg(i,j) = 0
enddo
enddo
do k = 1,LEVELS
do j = 1,INFM2
do i = 1,10
infm(i,j,k) = 0
enddo
enddo
do i = 1,20
iparm(i) = 0
enddo
```

Generate A_{lev} , x_{lev} , and b_{lev} for 2 levels, starting with the fine grid problem. The variable idm, ..., ibx are indices into dm, ..., b/x where the next vector can be stored.

```
idm = 1

iim = 1

ijm = 1

ibx = 1

n = NFINE

do lev = 1,LEVELS
```

*

First, information about A_{lev} is filled in, then gena is called to actually generate A_{lev} (using a storage by rows format), then the indices into DM, IM, and JM are changed.

$\inf(1,1,\operatorname{lev}) = 2$	% Storage by rows
$\inf(2,1,\text{lev}) = n$	$\% { m Rows}$
$\inf(3,1,\operatorname{lev}) = n$	% Columns
$\inf(6,1,\operatorname{lev}) = \operatorname{idm}$	% First location in dm
$\inf(7,1,\operatorname{lev}) = \lim$	% First location in im
$\inf(8,1,\operatorname{lev}) = \operatorname{ijm}$	% First location in jm
call gena (n, IDM1 - $idm + 1$,	IIM1 - $iim + 1$,
IJM1 - ijm + 1, dm	n(idm), im(iim), jm(ijm),
$\inf(4,1,\operatorname{lev})$)	
iim = iim + n + 1	
ijm = ijm + infm(4,1,lev)	
idm = idm + infm(4,1,lev)	

Next, information about each level's solver is filled in. Then a call to genbx produces a right hand side b_{lev} and initial guess x_{lev} . Finally, the index into b and x is is incremented.

```
if (lev.eq. LEVELS) then
     infalg(1, lev) = 2
                                       Sparse Gaussian elimination
                                       1 iteration of this
     infalg(2, lev) = 1
else
     infalg(1, lev) = 4
                                       Symmetric Gauss Seidel
                                       2 iterations of this
     infalg(2, lev) = 2
endif
infalg(3, lev) = 0
                                       No preconditioner
                                       2 iterations of algorithm MGC
infalg(4, lev) = 2
                                       1 iteration of algorithm NIC
infalg(5, lev) = 1
                                       First location in b and x
infalg(6, lev) = ibx
infalg(7, lev) = n
                                       Number of unknowns
call genbx ( n, IXB1 - ibx + 1, b(ibx), x(ibx), incbx )
ibx = ibx + incbx
```

The loop is completed by generating the restriction matrix R_{lev} when lev<LEVELS. To do this, the next coarser level's number of unknowns n must be calculated in advance. After calling genr, the indices into dm and im are incremented.

n = (n - 1) / 2if (lev.ne. LEVELS) then $\inf(1, 2, \text{lev}) = 3$ Stencil storage $\inf(2,2,\text{lev}) = n$ Rows Columns $\inf(3,2,\operatorname{lev}) = \inf(3,1,\operatorname{lev})$ Unused actually $\inf(4,2,\text{lev}) = 1$ First location in dm $\inf(6,2,\text{lev}) = \text{idm}$ First location in im $\inf(7,2,\operatorname{lev}) = \lim$ call genr ($\inf(2,2,\text{lev}), \inf(3,2,\text{lev}),$ * IDM1 - idm + 1, IIM1 - iim + 1, * dm(idm), im(iim), incdm, incim) iim = iim + incimidm = idm + incdmendif enddo

Next *iparm* is filled in.

$\operatorname{iparm}(1) = 3$	Algorithm NIC
iparm(2) = INFM2	Second dimension of infm
iparm(3) = IXB1	Length of b and x vectors
iparm(4) = IDM1	Length of dm vector
iparm(5) = IIM1	Length of im vector
iparm(6) = IJM1	Length of jm vector
iparm(7) = 1	Index of finest level
iparm(8) = LEVELS	Index of coarsest level
iparm(9) = 0	Index of starting level (default)
iparm(10) = 1	Overwrite $A_{coarsest}$
iparm(11) = idm - 1	Last element of dm in use
$\operatorname{iparm}(12) = \operatorname{iim} - 1$	Last element of im in use
iparm(13) = ijm - 1	Last element of jm in use
$\operatorname{iparm}(14) = 0$	Minimum normal information
iparm(20) = 5551212	Assistance requested

Finally, DAMG can be called and the 2 norm of the residual is printed afterwards. naux = IAUX1

call damg(damgn, damgn, damgn, infalg, infm, b, x, dm, im, jm,

```
iparm, resid, aux, naux)
```

res2 = ddot(NFINE, resid, 1, resid, 1)

res2 = sqrt(res2) / NFINE

*

write (*,*) '2 Norm of residual = ', res2 end

There are three subroutines used in the preceding main program:

Subroutine	Description
gena	Generate A_{lev}
genbx	Generate b_{lev} and initial x_{lev}
genr	Generate R_{lev}

Each of these routines demonstrates a slightly different technique. Gena is an example of the storage by rows format. Genr is an example of the stencil storage format.

Gena produces a tridiagonal matrix of the form

The program declaration section is straight forward. The variable nzelts is the number of nonzeroes in A_{lev} and is a return value.

```
subroutine gena (n, lendm, lenim, lenjm, dm, im, jm, nzelts)
          integer
                                  lendm, lenim, lenjm, n, nzelts
          integer
                                  im(*), jm(*)
          double precision
                                  dm(*)
          integer
                                  irow
First, a check is made to ensure that enough space still remains in the dm, im, and jm
vectors to store the matrix.
          nzelts = 0
          if (lenim .le. n) return
          irow = 3 * n - 2
          if ( lendm .lt. irow .or. lenjm .lt. irow ) return
Then a tridiagonal matrix using storage by rows is generated.
          do irow = 1.n
               nzelts = nzelts + 1
               im(irow) = nzelts
               if (irow .gt. 1) then
                    jm(nzelts) = irow - 1
                    dm(nzelts) = -1.0d0
                    nzelts = nzelts + 1
               endif
               jm(nzelts) = irow
               dm(nzelts) = 2.0d0
               if (irow .lt. n) then
                    nzelts = nzelts + 1
                    jm(nzelts) = irow + 1
                    dm(nzelts) = -1.0d0
                endif
          enddo
```

Finally, the last entry in the im vector is filled in with the index of of the last entry in dm plus one, and then gena returns.

```
im(n+1) = nzelts + 1
return
end
```

Subroutine genbx sets the initial guess for the solution to 0 uniformly. The right hand side is scaled by the square of the mesh spacing due to the discretization method used in gena. The variable incbx is the number of nonzeroes in b_{lev} and is a return value.

subroutine genbx (n, lenbx, b, x, incbx)integerincbx, lenbx, ndouble precisionb(*), x(*)integerirowdouble precisionh, h2, pi, pi2, t, tpi

First, a check is made to ensure that enough space still remains in the b and x vectors.

Subroutine genr generates R_{lev} , which has n rows and 2n + 1 columns. Each row has 3 nonzeroes:

Notice how the stencil always shifts by 2 columns. Hence, there is only one stencil to worry about. Its form is given by

Index	IM	DM	Description
1	9		Index of first stencil pointer
2	2	0.5	2 entries to multiply by 0.5
3	0		Offset 0
4	2		Offset 2
5	1	1.0	1 entry to multiply by 1.0
6	1		Offset 1
7	0	0.0	End of stecil
8	2		Increment value is 2
9	2		
•			
•			Index of stencil for point $p-8$
•	.		
8+n	2		

Notice that where DM is blank, any entry can be there since those elements are never referenced. However, it is a good idea to set them to zero (as is done in this example).

The program declaration section is straight forward. The variables incdm and incim are the amount of space used in dm and im to store R_{lev} . Both are return values.

subroutine genr (nrows, ncols, lendm, lenim, dm, im, * incdm, incim) incdm, incim, lendm, lenim, ncols, nrows integer integer im(*)double precision dm(*)irow integer double precision desc4(7)desc4 / .50, 0., 0., data * 1., 0., * 0., 0. / First, a check is made to ensure that enough space still remains in the dm and im vectors to store the matrix. if (lendm.lt. 8) return if (lenim .lt. 8 + nrows) return Next, the real part of R_{lev} is generated. $\mathrm{dm}(1)=0.$ do i = 1.7dm(1+i) = desc4(i)enddo incdm = 8The integer part of R_{lev} is generated in five easy pieces. (1) Index to stencil indices im(1) = 9(2) Stencil 1: part for coefficient 0.5im(2) = 20 im(3) = $\mathbf{2}$ im(4) =im(5) = 1(3) Stencil 1: part for coefficient 1.0 im(6) =1 im(7) = 0(4) Stencil 1: part for increment im(8) = 2incim = 8(5) Stencil indices do i = 1, nrows incim = incim + 1im(incim) = 2enddo return end

Compiling, linking, and executing this set of programs results in output of the form.

DAMG INPUT ARGUMENTS

NAUX = 1000 L2INFM =

2	}				
IPARM =					
3	,	2,	100,	1000,	1000,
1000		1,	2,	0,	1,
	;,	23,	26,	0,	0,
	,	0,	0,	0,	5551212
INFALG =					·
4,	2				
2,	1				
0,	0				
2,	2				
1,	1				
1,	8				
7,	3				
0,	0				
0,	0				
0,	0				
0,	0				
0,	0				
INFM =					
SECOND INDE					
2,	2				
7,	3				
7,	3				
19,	7				
0,	0				
	28				
1,	20				
	20				
0,	0				
0, GEGOND INDI					
SECOND INDE					
3,	0 0				
3,					
7,	0				·
1,	0				
0,	0				
20,	0				
•	0				
0,	0				
0,	0				
0, DM -	U				
DM =					

2.0000D+	·00,	-1.0000D+00,	-1.0000D+00,	2.0000D+00,	-1.0000D+00,
-1.0000D+	·00,	2.0000D+00,	-1.0000D+00,	-1.0000D+00,	2.0000D+00,
-1.0000D+	·00,	-1.0000D+00,	2.0000D+00,	-1.0000D+00,	-1.0000D+00,
2.0000D+		-1.0000D+00,	-1.0000D+00,	2.0000D+00,	0.0000D+00,
5.0000D-			0.0000D+00,		
	-		2.0000D+00,		-1.0000D+00,
2.0000D+	-			2.0000D+00,	2.0000D+00,
-1.0000D+	•	-	2.0000D+00,		-1.0000D+00,
2.0000D+	-	·			
IM =					
1	· ,	3,	6,	9,	12,
15		18,	20,	9,	2,
0),	2,	1,	1,	0,
2	, ,	2,	2,	2,	1,
3	3,	6,	8,	1,	.3,
6	;,	8			
JM =					
1	. ,	2,	1,	2,	3,
2) ,	3,	4,	3,	4,
5	;,	4,	5,	6,	5,
6	δ,	7,	6,	7,	1,
2	2,	1,	2,	3,	2,
3	3,	1,	2,	1,	2,
3	3,	2,	3		
X =					
0.000D+	+00,	0.0000D+00,	0.0000D+00,	0.0000D+00,	0.0000D+00,
0.000D+	HOO,	0.0000D+00,	0.0000D+00,	0.0000D+00,	0.0000D+00
В =					
-8.3325D-	-02,	-4.2159D-02,	1.5858D-02,	7.7106D-02,	1.2662D-01,
1.5120D-	-01,	1.4234D-01,	-1.6864D-01,	3.0843D-01,	6.0481D-01
DAMG OUTH	PUT AR	GUMENTS			
X =					
	-02	1 77040-01	3.4932D-01,	5 05700-01	5 8503D-01
			-7.7707D-05,		
RESID =	στ,	0.40010 01,	1.11010-00,	1.01100 01,	1.00010 00
	+00	-5 80750-05	-4.9091D-05,	6 18830-05	2 44950-04
			H.0001D 00 ,	0.10000 00,	2.11000 04,
2.00010	····,	3.0220D-04			
2 Norm of	resid	lual = 6.892	231D-05		

B. Making DAMG. The source code for DAMG can be found on the Internet. Two possible anonymous ftp sites are the following:

Machine name	IP address
software.watson.ibm.com	
casper.cs.yale.edu	128.36.12.1

There are other machines with copies at this point, but these should do. Do not attempt to get the files or unpack them directly on a mainframe unless it is running UNIX; use a workstation initially if your target is a mainframe.

Before all else, make a new directory and change to it:

mkdir madpack4

cd madpack4

To retrieve information, from your Internet connected machine, run the ftp program with one of the machine names as its argument, e.g.,

% ftp software.watson.ibm.com

where % is the prompt assuming you are using the c-shell. You will be prompted for an account name and password: use the account name *anonymous* and use your e-mail address as the password. Then change directory to one with the software and look at the directory (the prompt for the ftp program is "ftp>."):

ftp> cd pub/pdes

ftp> dir

You should see something like the following:

total 888

drwxr-xr-x	512	Jul 22 1992	•
drwxr-xr-x	512	Dec 11 08:50	o e
-rw-r-r-	3691	Apr 28 1992	AGREE.damg
-rw-r-r	3691	Apr 28 1992	AGREE.dpmg
-rw-r-r-	7229	Jul 16 1992	README.damg
-rw-r-r	7997	Jun 03 1992	README.dpmg
-rw-r-r	182136	Jul 22 1992	damg.tar.Z
-rw-r-r	236555	Jul 16 1992	dpmg.tar.Z

WARNING: you may find the codes in the directory mgnet/madpack4 instead of pub/pdes.

You should get all of the Ascii files first:

ftp> prompt ftp> mget *.damg

Read the AGREE.damg file since this is your software license for DAMG (a copy of DAMG's license is Appendix C). Assuming there is nothing in the license that you find objectionable, then get the software package and quit:

ftp> binary ftp> get damg.tar.Z ftp> quit

Now you are ready to unpack the files into their own directory:

% mkdir damg

% cd damg

% zcat ../damg.tar | tar xvf -

Both zcat and tar are standard utilities on workstations.

You are now in the damg directory. On a workstation, to make some examples using DAMG, you merely have to run the command

% make

A number of library files (ones with an extension of ".a") will be produced:

File	Contains
libamg.a	Abstract multilevel solver
libdriv.a	Common routines used by the examples

Also, four executables will be made (b1d, m1d, m2d, and m3d).

You can type the examples from §A into your computer yourself or you can get them from MGNet as part of mgnet/madpack4/doc.tar.Z. To unpack the document, use the commands

% cd ..

% zcat doc.tar | tar xvf -

To compile and link the first example, use the commands

% cd doc

% xlf -c damg-ex1.f

% xlf -o damg-ex1 damg-ex1.o -ldamg -lessl

To execute the program,

% damg-ex1

To make all of the examples, use the command make.

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