



2.29 Numerical Fluid Mechanics

Spring 2015 – Lecture 5

Review of Lecture 4

Reference: Chapra and Canale, Chapters 5 and 6

- **Roots of nonlinear equations**

- Bracketing Methods

- Example: Heron’s formula
- Bisection and False Position

- “Open” Methods

- Fixed-point Iteration (General method or Picard Iteration)

- Examples, Convergence Criteria
- Order of Convergence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|e_{n+1}|}{|e_n|^p} = C$$

$$x_{n+1} = g(x_n) \quad \text{or}$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - h(x_n)f(x_n)$$

- Newton-Raphson

- Convergence speed and examples

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{1}{f'(x_n)} f(x_n)$$

- Secant Method

- Examples, Convergence and efficiency

- Extension of Newton-Raphson to systems of nonlinear equations

- Roots of Polynomial (all real/complex roots)

- Open methods (applications of the above for complex numbers) and Special Methods (e.g. Muller’s and Bairstow’s methods)

- **Systems of Linear Equations**

- Motivations and Plans

- Direct Methods



TODAY's Lecture: Systems of Linear Equations

- Direct Methods
 - Cramer's Rule
 - Gauss Elimination
 - Algorithm
 - Numerical implementation and stability
 - Partial Pivoting
 - Equilibration
 - Full Pivoting
 - Well suited for dense matrices
 - Issues: round-off, cost, does not vectorize/parallelize well
 - Special cases, Multiple right hand sides, Operation count
 - LU decomposition/factorization
 - Error Analysis for Linear Systems
 - Condition Number
 - Special Matrices: Tri-diagonal systems
- Iterative Methods
 - Jacobi's method
 - Gauss-Seidel iteration
 - Convergence



Reading Assignment

- **Chapters 9 and 10 of “Chapra and Canale, Numerical Methods for Engineers, 2006/2010/204.”**
 - Any chapter on “Solving linear systems of equations” in references on CFD that we provided. For example: chapter 5 of “J. H. Ferziger and M. Peric, Computational Methods for Fluid Dynamics. Springer, NY, 3rd edition, 2002”



Direct Methods for Small Systems: Determinants and Cramer's Rule

Linear System of Equations:

$$\begin{aligned} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \cdots + a_{1n}x_n &= b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \cdots + a_{2n}x_n &= b_2 \\ \cdot & \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot &= \cdot \\ \cdot & \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot &= \cdot \\ a_{n1}x_1 + \cdots + a_{nn}x_n &= b_n \end{aligned}$$

Recall, for a 2 by 2 matrix, the determinant is:

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{12}$$

Recall, for a 3 by 3 matrix, the determinant is:

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11} \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} - a_{12} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + a_{13} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix}$$



Direct Methods for small systems: Determinants and Cramer's Rule

Cramer's rule:

“Each unknown x_i in a system of linear algebraic equations can be expressed as a fraction of two determinants:

- Denominator is determinant D
- Numerator is D but with column i replaced by \mathbf{b} ”

$$x_i = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \overset{i^{\text{th}} \text{ column}}{b_1} & a_{1n} \\ & b_2 & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ a_{n1} & b_n & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix}}{D}$$

Example: Cramer's Rule, n=2

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} D &= a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{12} \\ D_1 &= b_1a_{22} - b_2a_{12} \\ D_2 &= b_2a_{11} - b_1a_{21} \end{aligned}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{D_1}{D} = \frac{b_1a_{22} - b_2a_{12}}{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{12}}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{D_2}{D} = \frac{b_2a_{11} - b_1a_{21}}{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{12}}$$

Numerical case:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.01 & -1.0 \\ 1.0 & 0.01 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 1.0 \\ 1.0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{1.0 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)}{0.01 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)} = 1.0099$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1.0 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot 1.0}{0.01 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)} = -0.9899$$

**Cramer's rule becomes impractical for $n > 3$:
The number of operations is of $O(n!)$**



Direct Methods for large dense systems

Gauss Elimination

- Main idea: “combine equations so as to eliminate unknowns systematically”
 - Solve for each unknown one by one
 - Back-substitute result in the original equations
 - Continue with the remaining unknowns

Linear System of Equations

$$\begin{array}{cccccc}
 a_{11}x_1 & a_{12}x_2 & \cdot & \cdot & a_{1n}x_n & = & b_1 \\
 a_{21}x_1 & a_{22}x_2 & \cdot & \cdot & a_{2n}x_n & = & b_2 \\
 \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & = & \cdot \\
 \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & = & \cdot \\
 a_{n1}x_1 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & a_{nn}x_n & = & b_n
 \end{array}$$

- General Gauss Elimination Algorithm
 - Forward Elimination/Reduction to Upper Triangular Systems)
 - Back-Substitution
- Comments:
 - Well suited for dense matrices
 - Some modification of above simple algorithm needed to avoid division by zero and other pitfalls



Gauss Elimination

Linear System of Equations

$$a_{11}x_1 \quad a_{12}x_2 \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad a_{1n}x_n = b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 \quad a_{22}x_2 \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad a_{2n}x_n = b_2$$

$$\cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot = \cdot$$

$$\cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot = \cdot$$

$$a_{n1}x_1 \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad a_{nn}x_n = b_n$$

Reduction / Forward Elimination Step 0

$$a_{ij}^{(1)} = a_{ij}, \quad b_i^{(1)} = b_i$$

$$a_{11}^{(1)} x_1 \quad a_{12}^{(1)} x_2 \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad a_{1n}^{(1)} x_n = b_1^{(1)}$$

$$a_{21}^{(1)} x_1 \quad a_{22}^{(1)} x_2 \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad a_{2n}^{(1)} x_n = b_2^{(1)}$$

$$\cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot = \cdot$$

$$\cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot = \cdot$$

$$a_{n1}^{(1)} x_1 \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad a_{nn}^{(1)} x_n = b_n^{(1)}$$

If a_{11} is non zero, we can eliminate x_1 from the remaining equations 2 to $(n-1)$ by multiplying equation 1 with $\frac{a_{i1}}{a_{11}}$ and subtracting the result from equation i .

This leads to the following algorithm for “Step 1”:



Gauss Elimination

Reduction / Forward Elimination: Step 1

$$\left. \begin{aligned} m_{i1} &= \frac{a_{i1}^{(1)}}{a_{11}^{(1)}} \\ a_{ij}^{(2)} &= a_{ij}^{(1)} - m_{i1}a_{1j}^{(1)}, \quad j = 1, \dots, n \\ b_i^{(2)} &= b_i^{(1)} - m_{i1}b_1^{(1)} \end{aligned} \right\} i = 2, \dots, n$$

Subtract multiple of row 1 from rows 2 to n

a_{11} is called pivot element:

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} & \xrightarrow{j} & & & & \\ a_{11}^{(1)} x_1 & a_{12}^{(1)} x_2 & \cdot & \cdot & a_{1n}^{(1)} x_n & = b_1^{(1)} \\ \boxed{0} & a_{22}^{(2)} x_2 & \cdot & \cdot & a_{2n}^{(2)} x_n & = b_2^{(2)} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & = \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & = \cdot \\ \boxed{0} & a_{n2}^{(2)} x_2 & \cdot & \cdot & a_{nn}^{(2)} x_n & = b_n^{(2)} \end{array}$$

(is called Pivot equation for step 1)

Notes:

- Result of step 1: last (n-1) equations have (n-1) unknowns
- Pivot a_{11} needs to be non-zero



Gauss Elimination

Reduction: Step k

Recursive repetition of step 1 for successively reduced set of (n-k) equations:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} m_{ik} &= \frac{a_{ik}^{(k)}}{a_{kk}^{(k)}} \\ a_{ij}^{(k+1)} &= a_{ij}^{(k)} - m_{ik} a_{kj}^{(k)}, \quad j = k, \dots, n \\ b_i^{(k+1)} &= b_i^{(k)} - m_{ik} b_k^{(k)} \end{aligned} \right\} i = k+1, \dots, n$$

The result after completion of step k is:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} a_{11}^{(1)} x_1 & a_{12}^{(1)} x_2 & \cdot & \cdot & a_{1n}^{(1)} x_n & = & b_1^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(2)} x_2 & \cdot & \cdot & a_{2n}^{(2)} x_n & = & b_2^{(2)} \\ 0 & \cdot & a_{kk}^{(k)} x_k & \cdot & \cdot & = & \cdot \\ 0 & \cdot & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & = & \cdot \\ 0 & \cdot & 0 & \cdot & a_{nn}^{(k+1)} x_n & = & b_n^{(k+1)} \end{array}$$

First non-zero element on row n: $a_{n,k+1}^{(k+1)} x_k$



Gauss Elimination

Reduction/Elimination: Step k

$$\left. \begin{aligned} m_{ik} &= \frac{a_{ik}^{(k)}}{a_{kk}^{(k)}} \\ a_{ij}^{(k+1)} &= a_{ij}^{(k)} - m_{ik} a_{kj}^{(k)}, \quad j = k, \dots, n \\ b_i^{(k+1)} &= b_i^{(k)} - m_{ik} b_k^{(k)} \end{aligned} \right\} i = k+1, \dots, n$$

Reduction: Step (n-1)

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} a_{11}^{(1)} x_1 & a_{12}^{(1)} x_2 & \cdot & \cdot & a_{1n}^{(1)} x_n & = & b_1^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(2)} x_2 & \cdot & \cdot & a_{2n}^{(2)} x_n & = & b_2^{(2)} \\ 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & = & \cdot \\ 0 & \cdot & 0 & a_{n-1,n-1}^{(n-1)} x_{n-1} & a_{n-1,n}^{(n-1)} x_n & = & b_{n-1}^{(n-1)} \\ 0 & \cdot & \cdot & 0 & a_{nn}^{(n)} x_n & = & b_n^{(n)} \end{array}$$

Back-Substitution

$$\begin{aligned} x_n &= b_n^{(n)} / a_{nn}^{(n)} \\ x_{n-1} &= (b_{n-1}^{(n-1)} - a_{n-1,n}^{(n-1)} x_n) / a_{n-1,n-1}^{(n-1)} \\ &\cdot \\ &\cdot \\ &\cdot \\ x_k &= \left(b_k^{(k)} - \sum_{j=k+1}^n a_{kj}^{(k)} x_j \right) / a_{kk}^{(k)} \\ &\cdot \\ &\cdot \\ x_1 &= \left(b_1^{(1)} - \sum_{j=2}^n a_{1j}^{(1)} x_j \right) / a_{11}^{(1)} \end{aligned}$$

Result after step (n-1) is an Upper triangular system!



Gauss Elimination: Number of Operations

Reduction/Elimination: Step k

$\left. \begin{aligned} m_{ik} &= \frac{a_{ik}^{(k)}}{a_{kk}^{(k)}} \\ a_{ij}^{(k+1)} &= a_{ij}^{(k)} - m_{ik} a_{kj}^{(k)}, \quad j = k, \dots, n \\ b_i^{(k+1)} &= b_i^{(k)} - m_{ik} b_k^{(k)} \end{aligned} \right\} i = k+1, \dots, n$	<p>: n-k divisions</p> <p>: 2 (n-k) (n-k+1) additions/multiplications</p> <p>: 2 (n-k) additions/multiplications</p>
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For reduc., total number of ops: $\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} 3(n-k) + 2(n-k)(n-k+1) = \frac{3n(n-1)}{2} + \frac{2n(n^2-1)}{3} = O(\frac{2}{3}n^3)$

Use: $\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$

Back-Substitution

$x_k = \left(b_k^{(k)} - \sum_{j=k+1}^n a_{kj}^{(k)} x_j \right) / a_{kk}^{(k)}$	<p>: (n-k-1)+(n-k)+2=2(n-k) + 1 additions/multiplications</p>
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Hence, total number of ops is: $1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} (2(n-k) + 1) = 1 + (n-1)(n+1) = n^2$ (the first 1 before the sum is for x_n) $\left(\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right)$

Grand total number of ops is $O(\frac{2}{3}n^3) = O(n^3)$:

- Grows rapidly with n
- Most ops occur in elimination step



Gauss Elimination: Issues and Pitfalls to be addressed

- Division by zero:
 - Pivot elements $a_{k,k}^{(k)}$ must be non-zero and should not be close to zero
- Round-off errors
 - Due to recursive computations and so error propagation
 - Important when large number of equations are solved
 - Always substitute solution found back into original equations
 - Scaling of variables can be used
- Ill-conditioned systems
 - Occurs when one or more equations are nearly identical
 - If determinant of normalized system matrix \mathbf{A} is close to zero, system will be ill-conditioned (in general, if \mathbf{A} is not well conditioned)
 - Determinant can be computed using Gauss Elimination
 - Since forward-elimination consists of simple scaling and addition of equations, the determinant is the product of diagonal elements of the Upper Triangular System



Gauss Elimination: Pivoting

Reduction Step k

$$\left. \begin{aligned} m_{ik} &= \frac{a_{ik}^{(k)}}{a_{kk}^{(k)}} \\ a_{ij}^{(k+1)} &= a_{ij}^{(k)} - m_{ik} a_{kj}^{(k)}, \quad j = k, \dots, n \\ b_i^{(k+1)} &= b_i^{(k)} - m_{ik} b_k^{(k)} \end{aligned} \right\} i = 2, \dots, n$$

Pivot Elements

$$a_{11}^{(1)}, a_{22}^{(2)}, \dots, a_{nn}^{(n)}$$

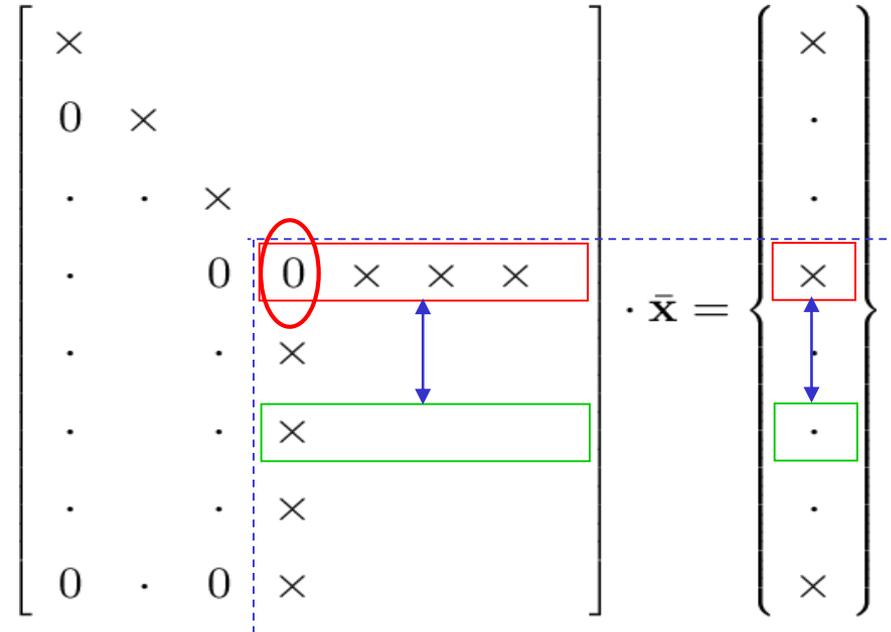
Required at each step!

$$a_{kk}^{(k)} \neq 0$$

Row k

Row i

Partial Pivoting by Columns





Gauss Elimination: Pivoting

Reduction Step k

$$\left. \begin{aligned} m_{ik} &= \frac{a_{ik}^{(k)}}{a_{kk}^{(k)}} \\ a_{ij}^{(k+1)} &= a_{ij}^{(k)} - m_{ik} a_{kj}^{(k)}, \quad j = k, \dots, n \\ b_i^{(k+1)} &= b_i^{(k)} - m_{ik} b_k^{(k)} \end{aligned} \right\} i = 2, \dots, n$$

Pivot Elements

$$a_{11}^{(1)}, a_{22}^{(2)}, \dots, a_{nn}^{(n)}$$

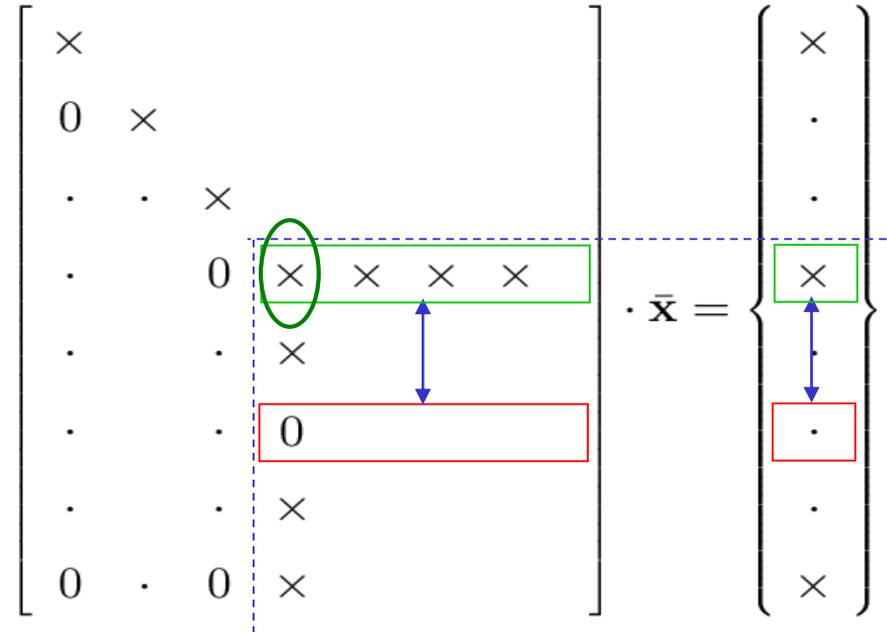
Required at each step!

$$a_{kk}^{(k)} \neq 0$$

New Row k

New Row i

Partial Pivoting by Columns:
i.e. pivot is chosen with each column



A. Partial Pivoting

- i. Search for largest available coefficient in column below pivot element
- ii. Switch rows k and i

B. Complete Pivoting

- i. As for Partial, but search both rows and columns
- ii. Rarely done since column re-ordering changes order of x's, hence more complex code



Gauss Elimination: Pivoting Example

(for division by zero but also reduces round-off errors)

Example, n=2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.01 & -1.0 \\ 1.0 & 0.01 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 1.0 \\ 1.0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Cramer's Rule - Exact

$$x_1 = \frac{1.0 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)}{0.01 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)} = 1.0099$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1.0 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot 1.0}{0.01 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)} = -0.9899$$

Relatively close to zero

Direct Gaussian Elimination, no pivoting

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.01 & -1.0 \\ 1.0 & 0.01 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 1.0 \\ 1.0 \end{Bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = 1.01 \\ x_2 = -0.99 \end{cases}$$

2-digit Arithmetic

$$m_{21} = 100$$

$$a_{21}^{(2)} = 0$$

$$a_{22}^{(2)} = 0.01 + 100 \approx 100$$

$$b_2^{(2)} = 1 - 100 \approx -100$$

$$x_2 \approx -1$$

$$x_1 = (1.0 - 1.0)/0.01 = 0$$

100% error (red arrow from 0 to 1.0099)

1% error (green arrow from -1 to -0.9899)

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n=2
a = [ [0.01 1.0]' [-1.0 0.01]']
b= [1 1]'
r=a^(-1) * b
x=[0 0];
m21=a(2,1)/a(1,1);
a(2,1)=0;
a(2,2) = radd(a(2,2), -m21*a(1,2), n);
b(2) = radd(b(2), -m21*b(1), n);
x(2) = b(2)/a(2,2);
x(1) = (radd(b(1), -a(1,2)*x(2), n))/a(1,1);
x'
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Gauss Elimination: Pivoting Example

(for division by zero but also reduces round-off errors)

Example, n=2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.01 & -1.0 \\ 1.0 & 0.01 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 1.0 \\ 1.0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Cramer's Rule - Exact

$$x_1 = \frac{1.0 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)}{0.01 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)} = 1.0099$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1.0 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot 1.0}{0.01 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)} = -0.9899$$

Partial Pivoting
Interchange Rows

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.0 & 0.01 \\ 0.01 & -1.0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 1.0 \\ 1.0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

2-digit Arithmetic

$$m_{21} = 0.01$$

$$a_{22}^{(2)} = -1 - 0.0001 \simeq -1.0$$

$$b_2^{(2)} = 1 - 0.01 \simeq 1.0$$

$$x_2 \simeq -1$$

$$x_1 = 1 + 0.01 \simeq 1.0$$

1% error

1% error

See
tbt2.m

Notes on coding:

- Pivoting can be done in function/subroutine
- Most codes don't exchange rows, but rather keep track of pivot rows (store info in "pointer" vector)



Gauss Elimination: Equation Scaling Example

(normalizes determinant, also reduces round-off errors)

Example, n=2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.01 & -1.0 \\ 1.0 & 0.01 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 1.0 \\ 1.0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Cramer's Rule - Exact

$$x_1 = \frac{1.0 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)}{0.01 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)} = 1.0099$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1.0 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot 1.0}{0.01 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)} = -0.9899$$

Multiply Equation 1 by 200:

this solves division by 0, but eqns. not scaled anymore!

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2.0 & -200 \\ 1.0 & 0.01 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 200.0 \\ 1.0 \end{Bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = 1.01 \\ x_2 = -0.99 \end{cases}$$

2-digit Arithmetic

$$m_{21} = 0.5$$

$$a_{21}^{(2)} = 0$$

$$a_{22}^{(2)} = 0.01 + 100 \simeq 100$$

$$b_2^{(2)} = 1 - 0.5 \cdot 200 \simeq -100$$

$$x_2 \simeq -1$$

$$x_1 = (200 - 200)/2 = 0$$

100% error

1% error

See [tbt3.m](#)

Equations must be normalized for partial pivoting to ensure stability

This **Equilibration** is made by normalizing the matrix to unit norm

Row-based Infinity-norm Normalization

$$\|a_{ij}\|_{\infty} = \max_j |a_{ij}| \simeq 1, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

Row-based 2-norm Normalization

$$\|a_{ij}\|_2 = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}^2 \simeq 1, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$



Examples of Matrix Norms

$$\|A\|_1 = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sum_{i=1}^m |a_{ij}|$$

“Maximum Column Sum”

$$\|A\|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq i \leq m} \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}|$$

“Maximum Row Sum”

$$\|A\|_F = \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

“The Frobenius norm” (also called Euclidean norm)”, which for matrices differs from:

$$\|A\|_2 = \sqrt{\lambda_{\max}(A^*A)}$$

“The l-2 norm” (also called spectral norm)



Gauss Elimination: Full Pivoting Example

(also reduces round-off errors)

Pivoting searches both rows and columns

Start from system where eq. 1 multiplied by 200:

Example, n=2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2.0 & -200 \\ 1.0 & 0.01 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 200.0 \\ 1.0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

pivot chosen within each row, across all columns

$$\begin{bmatrix} -200 & 2.0 \\ 0.01 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 \\ \tilde{x}_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 200.0 \\ 1.0 \end{Bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \tilde{x}_1 = -0.99 \\ \tilde{x}_2 = 1.01 \end{cases}$$

Interchange Unknowns

$$x_1 = \tilde{x}_2$$

$$x_2 = \tilde{x}_1$$

Cramer's Rule - Exact

$$x_1 = \frac{1.0 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)}{0.01 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)} = 1.0099$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1.0 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot 1.0}{0.01 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)} = -0.9899$$

2-digit Arithmetic

$$m_{21} = -0.00005$$

$$a_{21}^{(2)} = 0$$

$$a_{22}^{(2)} = 0.01 + 1.0 \simeq 1.0$$

$$b_2^{(2)} = 1 + 0.01 \simeq 1$$

$$\tilde{x}_2 \simeq 1$$

$$\tilde{x}_1 = (200 - 2)/(-200) \simeq -1$$

1% error

Full Pivoting

Find largest numerical value in eligible rows and columns, and interchange
Affects ordering of unknowns (hence rarely done)



Gauss Elimination

Numerical Stability

- Partial Pivoting
 - Equilibrate system of equations (Normalize or scale variables)
 - Pivoting within columns
 - Simple book-keeping
 - Solution vector in original order
- Full Pivoting
 - Does not necessarily require equilibration
 - Pivoting within both row and columns
 - More complex book-keeping
 - Solution vector re-ordered

Partial Pivoting is simplest and most common

Neither method guarantees stability due to large number of recursive computations (round-off error)



Gauss Elimination: Effect of variable transform (variable scaling)

Example, n=2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.01 & -1.0 \\ 1.0 & 0.01 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 1.0 \\ 1.0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Cramer's Rule - Exact

$$x_1 = \frac{1.0 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)}{0.01 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)} = 1.0099$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1.0 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot 1.0}{0.01 \cdot 0.01 - 1.0 \cdot (-1.0)} = -0.9899$$

Variable Transformation

$$x_1 = \tilde{x}_1$$

$$x_2 = 0.01 \cdot \tilde{x}_2$$

See
tbt4.m

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.0 & -1.0 \\ 1.0 & 0.0001 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 \\ \tilde{x}_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 100.0 \\ 1.0 \end{Bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \tilde{x}_1 = 1.01 \\ \tilde{x}_2 = -99 \end{cases}$$

2-digit Arithmetic

$$m_{21} = 1.0$$

$$a_{21}^{(2)} = 0$$

$$a_{22}^{(2)} = 0.0001 + 1.0 \simeq 1.0$$

$$b_2^{(2)} = 1 - 100 \simeq -100$$

$$\tilde{x}_2 = \boxed{-100}$$

$$\tilde{x}_1 = 100 - 100 = \boxed{0}$$

1% error

100% error



Systems of Linear Equations

Gauss Elimination

How to Ensure Numerical Stability

- System of equations must be well conditioned
 - Investigate condition number
 - Tricky, because it can require matrix inversion (as we will see)
 - Consistent with physics
 - e.g. don't couple domains that are physically uncoupled
 - Consistent units
 - e.g. don't mix meter and μm in unknowns
 - Dimensionless unknowns
 - Normalize all unknowns consistently
- Equilibration and Partial Pivoting, or Full Pivoting



Special Applications of Gauss Elimination

- **Complex Systems**

- Replace all numbers by complex ones, or,
- Re-write system of n complex equations into $2n$ real equations

- **Nonlinear Systems of equations**

- Newton-Raphson: 1st order term kept, use 1st order derivatives
- Secant Method: Replace 1st order derivatives with finite-difference
- In both cases, at each iteration, this leads to a linear system, which can be solved by Gauss Elimination (if full system)

- **Gauss-Jordan: variation of Gauss Elimination**

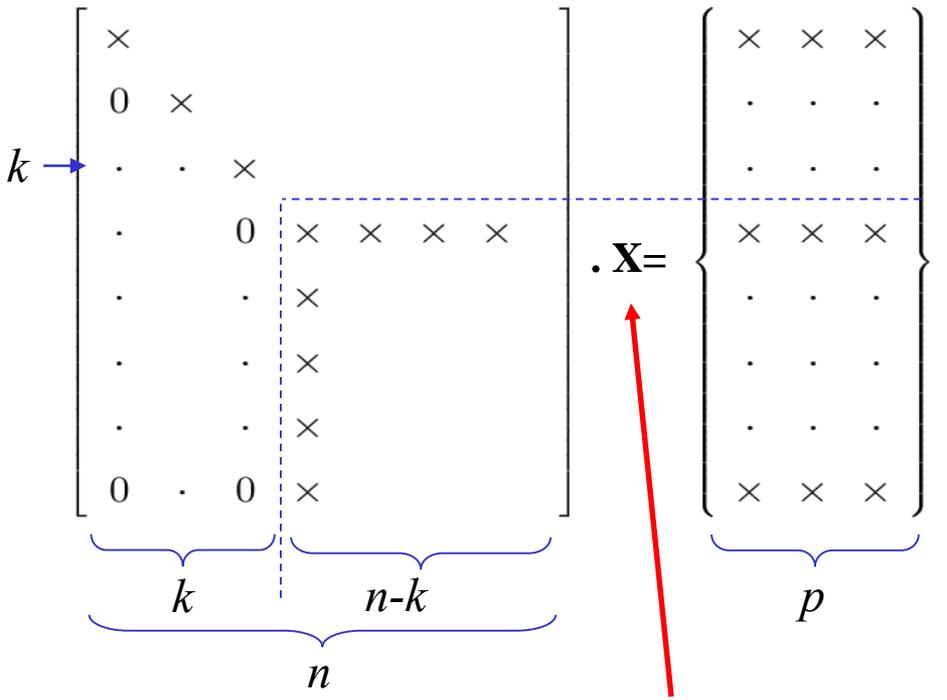
- Elimination
 - Eliminates each unknown completely (both below and above the pivot row) at each step
 - Normalizes all rows by their pivot
- Elimination leads to diagonal unitary matrix (identity): no back-substitution needed
- Number of Ops: about 50% more expensive than Gauss Elimination ($n^3/2$ vs. $n^3/3$ multiplications/divisions)



Gauss Elimination: Multiple Right-hand Sides

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{B}$$

Reduction Step k



\mathbf{X} is a $[n \times p]$ matrix

Total Computation Count = ?

Reduction: Nr

Back Substitution: Nb

If $n \gg p$, we expect $Nr \gg Nb$

But, if $n \sim p$? (next slide)



Gauss Elimination: Multiple Right-hand Sides

Number of Ops

Reduction/Elimination: Step k

$\left. \begin{aligned} m_{ik} &= \frac{a_{ik}^{(k)}}{a_{kk}^{(k)}} \\ a_{ij}^{(k+1)} &= a_{ij}^{(k)} - m_{ik} a_{kj}^{(k)}, \quad j = k, \dots, n \\ b_i^{(k+1)} &= b_i^{(k)} - m_{ik} b_k^{(k)} \end{aligned} \right\} i = k+1, \dots, n$	<p>: n-k divisions</p> <p>: 2 (n-k) (n-k+1) additions/multiplications</p> <p>: 2 (n-k) p additions/multiplication</p>
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p equations as this one

For reduction, the number of ops is:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} (2\underline{p}+1)(n-k) + 2(n-k) * (n-k+1) =$$

$$\underline{(2p+1)} \frac{n(n-1)}{2} + \frac{2n(n^2-1)}{3} = O(n^3 + \underline{p}n^2)$$

Back-Substitution

$x_k = \left(b_k^{(k)} - \sum_{j=k+1}^n a_{kj}^{(k)} x_j \right) / a_{kk}^{(k)}$	<p>: p * ((n-k-1)+(n-k)+2) = p * (2(n-k) +1) add./mul./div.</p>
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Number of ops for back-substitution: $\underline{p} + \underline{p} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} 2(n-k) + 1 = \underline{p} + \underline{p}(n-1)(n+1) = \underline{p}n^2$
 (the first **p** before the sum is for the evaluations of the **p** x_n 's)

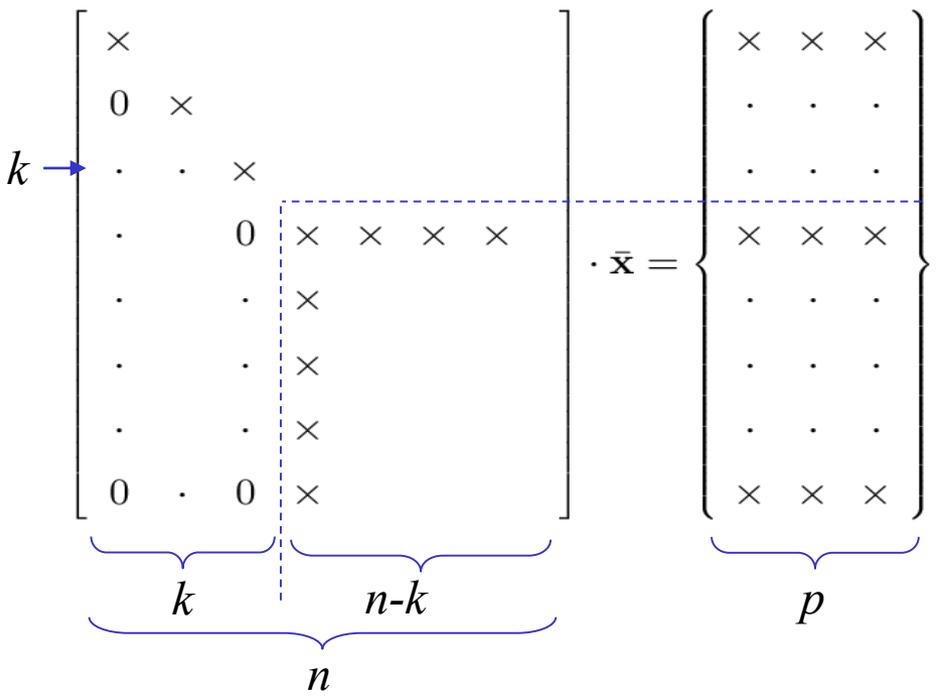
Grand total number of ops is $O(n^3 + p n^2)$: note, extra reduction/elimination only for RHS



Gauss Elimination: Multiple Right-hand Sides

Number of Ops, Cont'd

Reduction
at end of step k



- i. Repeating reduction/elimination of A for each RHS would be inefficient if $p \gg \gg$
- ii. However, if RHS is result of iterations and unknown a priori, it may seem one needs to redo the Reduction each time

$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{b}_2, \text{ etc, where vector } \mathbf{b}_2 \text{ is a function of } \mathbf{x}_1, \text{ etc}$
 \Rightarrow LU Factorization / Decomposition of A

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