

## Matrix classes

Matrix                      general m x n matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

Diagonal                      square matrix with non-zero leading diagonal,  
elsewhere zero

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & a_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Vector                      column matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Symm\_Band                      square symmetric sparse matrix, consisting of a non  
zero leading diagonal and non zero bands at fixed  
distance from the leading diagonal

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & & & -1 & & & & \\ -1 & 3 & -1 & & & -1 & & & \\ & -1 & 3 & -1 & & & -1 & & \\ & & -1 & 2 & 0 & & & -1 & \\ -1 & & & 0 & 3 & -1 & & & -1 \\ & -1 & & & -1 & 4 & -1 & & -1 \\ & & -1 & & & -1 & 4 & -1 & -1 \\ & & & -1 & & -1 & 3 & 0 & -1 \\ & & & & -1 & & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ & & & & & -1 & & -1 & 4 & -1 \\ & & & & & & -1 & & -1 & 4 & -1 \\ & & & & & & & -1 & & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ & & & & & & & & -1 & & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ & & & & & & & & & -1 & & -1 & 3 & -1 \\ & & & & & & & & & & -1 & & -1 & 3 & -1 \\ & & & & & & & & & & & -1 & & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Operators

$*$ ,  $+$ ,  $=$  between these matrix classes are overloaded, to allow more readable code.

## Solvers

Although quite different, these all solve the same matrix equation  $Ap = b$ , which can also be thought of as a set of  $N$  linear equations expressed in matrix form.

- Gauss-Seidel
- Conjugate Gradients
- Pre-conditioned Conjugate Gradients

They all start with an initial guess  $p_0$ , and they all continue iteratively until the residual error is less than a supplied tolerance, or a maximum number of iterations is reached.

## Grid Classes

### FluidQuantity

A vector, the same size as the no. of cells in the simulation  $N$ , representing a discrete grid of samples of a continuous fluid quantity such as velocity, temperature, smoke density etc.

The FluidQuantity class contains a pointer to the FluidGrid class, below, and obtains information about the grid, such as the time, by asking it directly.

Important functions are:

*InterpolateLinear* - linearly interpolates the value of the quantity at any point in the grid

*Advect* - Transports the quantity around the grid under the influence of the velocity field

## FluidGrid

This class represents the discrete grid on which the simulation occurs. Contains pointers to all the FluidQuantity objects which exist on the grid:

- *Velocity* (u,v, and w components)
- *Density*
- *Temperature*

Also stores important simulation attributes like the current time, the time of the next cache, the dimensions of the grid, density of the fluid etc.

The grid also defines a vector to store *pressure*, and other matrix objects which relate to the solver.

Important FluidGrid functions include:

*BuildLinearSystem()* – Sets up the equation  $Ap = b$  for the *Project* function

*setDeltaT* - Calculate the time step to be used in the simulation

*addSmoke* - injects *Density* and *Temperature* locally into the grid

*Project* - Iteratively solves the *pressure* necessary to satisfy the incompressibility condition, then updates the *velocity* using these *pressure* values.

Finally, the most important function defined by FluidGrid is Update, which performs the following steps:

```
void FluidGrid::Update() {  
  
    setDeltaT();  
  
    Advect();  
  
    AddForces();  
}
```

```
        addSmoke(0.25, 0.1, 0.45, 0.1, 0.05, 0.1,
                  0.5, 450);

    CalculateVolumes();

    BuildLinearSystem();
    MIC0precon(*A, *Ei);

    Project();

    currtime += deltaT;

    if (writetocache){
        WriteToCache();
        writetocache = false;
    }

}
```