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Special linear systems

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Band matrices

A is a *band matrix* with *lower bandwidth* b_L and *upper bandwidth* b_U if

$$a_{i,j} = 0$$

whenever $i > j - b_L$ or $i < j + b_U$:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{1,b_U+1} & & \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & \\ a_{b_L+1,1} & & & & a_{n-b_U,n} \\ & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ & & a_{n,n-b_L} & \cdots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Key observation: the Schur complement of a band matrix is also banded, with the same upper and lower bandwidths

\rightsquigarrow GEWP preserves the band structure:

$$A = L U$$

where L is unit lower triangular with lower bandwidth b_L and U is upper triangular with upper bandwidth b_U

This factorization can be computed with

$$2 n b_L b_U + O(n(b_L + b_U)) \text{ flops}$$

Example

Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (b_L = b_U = 1)$$

Then

$$L(1 : 4, 1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The *Schur complement* is given by $a_{j,k} \leftarrow a_{j,k} - l_{j,1} u_{1,k}$ for $j, k = 2, 3, 4$ and so

$$S_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example (cont.)

Next

$$L(2 : 4, 2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad U(2, 2 : 4) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad S_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

and then

$$L(3 : 4, 3) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad U(3, 3 : 4) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad S_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Finally

$$L(4 : 4, 4) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad U(4, 4 : 4) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example (cont.)

Thus

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = LU = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ 2 & 1 & & \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ & & 1 & 1 \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

GEPP can exploit band structure, but in a more involved way:

$$A = P L U$$

where U is banded with upper bandwidth $b_L + b_U$ and L has at most $b_L + 1$ nonzero entries per column

Why?

At each step pivoting can only be done within the first b_L rows, and later permutations can reorder the earlier columns of L

Example

Let again

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

and swap rows 1 and 2:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$L(1:4, 1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad U(1, 1:4) = [4 \quad -1 \quad 3 \quad 0], \quad S_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{-1}{2} & \frac{-3}{2} & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example (cont.)

We then swap the rows 2 and 3 of A to obtain

$$L(2:4, 2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad U(2, 2:4) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad S_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Swap the rows 3 and 4 of A :

$$L(3:4, 3) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{-1}{6} \end{bmatrix}, \quad U(3, 3:4) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad S_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{6} \end{bmatrix}$$

Finally

$$U(4, 4:4) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{6} \end{bmatrix}$$

Example (cont.)

Hence

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ 0 & 1 & & \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{-1}{6} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ & -1 & -2 & 1 \\ & & 3 & 4 \\ & & & \frac{1}{6} \end{bmatrix}$$

L has at most 2 nonzero elements per column, and U has upper bandwidth 2

Sparse matrices

GEPP does not preserve the sparse structure:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.1 & 0.1 & \dots & 0.1 \\ 0.1 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0.1 & 0 & 1 & & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0.1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ 0.1 & 1 & & & \\ 0.1 & -0.01 & 1 & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \ddots & \\ 0.1 & -0.01 & \dots & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.1 & 0.1 & \dots & 0.1 \\ 0.99 & -0.01 & \dots & & -0.01 \\ & 0.99 & & & -0.01 \\ & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ & & & \ddots & 0.99 \end{bmatrix}$$

