

Structured linear system

- Tridiagonal
- Diagonally dominant
- Banded

Tridiagonal system

Tridiagonal system

- A **tridiagonal matrix** is characterized by

$$a_{ij} = 0 \text{ if } |i - j| \geq 2.$$

- Memory friendly: $n \times n$ tridiagonal matrix only requires $3n - 2$ memory locations.
- Naïve Gaussian elimination is used; no need for pivoting!
- Similarly, there is a **penta-diagonal** system
$$a_{ij} = 0 \text{ if } |i - j| \geq 3.$$

Tridiagonal system

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 d_1 & c_1 & & & & \\
 a_1 & d_2 & c_2 & & & \\
 & a_2 & d_3 & c_3 & & \\
 & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\
 & & & a_{i-1} & d_i & c_i \\
 & & & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\
 & & & & & a_{n-2} & d_{n-1} & c_{n-1} \\
 & & & & & a_{n-1} & d_n &
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 x_1 \\
 x_2 \\
 x_3 \\
 \vdots \\
 x_i \\
 \vdots \\
 x_{n-1} \\
 x_n
 \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix}
 b_1 \\
 b_2 \\
 b_3 \\
 \vdots \\
 b_i \\
 \vdots \\
 b_{n-1} \\
 b_n
 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases}
 d_i \leftarrow d_i - (a_{i-1}/d_{i-1}) c_{i-1} \\
 b_i \leftarrow b_i - (a_{i-1}/d_{i-1}) b_{i-1}
 \end{cases}
 \quad
 \begin{cases}
 d_2 \leftarrow d_2 - (a_1/d_1) c_1 \\
 b_2 \leftarrow b_2 - (a_1/d_1) b_1
 \end{cases}
 \quad
 (2 \leq i \leq n)$$

After forward elimination

- We get an upper-triagonal matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 d_1 & c_1 & & & & \\
 & d_2 & c_2 & & & \\
 & & d_3 & c_3 & & \\
 & & & \ddots & \ddots & \\
 & & & & d_i & c_i \\
 & & & & & \ddots & \ddots \\
 & & & & & & d_{n-1} & c_{n-1} \\
 & & & & & & & d_n
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 x_1 \\
 x_2 \\
 x_3 \\
 \vdots \\
 x_i \\
 \vdots \\
 x_{n-1} \\
 x_n
 \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix}
 b_1 \\
 b_2 \\
 b_3 \\
 \vdots \\
 b_i \\
 \vdots \\
 b_{n-1} \\
 b_n
 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Note that b, d are changed, but c 's are the same.
- Back substitution: $x_n \leftarrow b_n / d_n$

$$x_i \leftarrow (b_i - c_i x_{i+1}) / d_i \quad (i = n-1, n-2, \dots, 1)$$

Function $x = \text{Tri}(a, d, c, b)$

$$\begin{cases} d_i \leftarrow d_i - (a_{i-1}/d_{i-1}) c_{i-1} \\ b_i \leftarrow b_i - (a_{i-1}/d_{i-1}) b_{i-1} \end{cases} \quad (2 \leq i \leq n)$$

$$x_n \leftarrow b_n / d_n$$

$$x_i \leftarrow (b_i - c_i x_{i+1}) / d_i \quad (i = n-1, n-2, \dots, 1)$$

Strictly diagonal dominance

Strictly diagonal matrix

- Since **Tri** does not involve pivoting, will it fail?
- It is possible to encounter division by zero.
- If the matrix is **diagonally dominant**, then **Tri** will succeed.

A general matrix $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ is **strictly diagonally dominant** if

$$|a_{ii}| > \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n |a_{ij}| \quad (1 \leq i \leq n)$$

Strictly dominant tridiagonal

For a tridiagonal matrix, strict diagonal dominance means

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 d_1 & c_1 & & & & & \\
 a_1 & d_2 & c_2 & & & & \\
 & a_2 & d_3 & c_3 & & & \\
 & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & \\
 & & & a_{i-1} & d_i & c_i & \\
 & & & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\
 & & & & & a_{n-2} & d_{n-1} & c_{n-1} \\
 & & & & & & a_{n-1} & d_n
 \end{bmatrix}
 \rightarrow
 \begin{aligned}
 &|d_i| > |a_{i-1}| + |c_i| \\
 &(1 \leq i \leq n)
 \end{aligned}$$

No need for pivoting

We'll verify that **Tri** preserves strictly diagonal dominance.

$$\begin{cases} \hat{d}_1 = d_1 \\ \hat{d}_i = d_i - (a_{i-1}/\hat{d}_{i-1})c_{i-1} \quad (2 \leq i \leq n) \end{cases}$$

If $|d_i| > |a_{i-1}| + |c_i| \quad (1 \leq i \leq n)$

then $|\hat{d}_i| > |c_i|$.

Case study

Symmetric tridiagonal system

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 d_1 & c_1 & & & & & \\
 c_1 & d_2 & c_2 & & & & \\
 & c_2 & d_3 & c_3 & & & \\
 & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & \\
 & & & c_{i-1} & d_i & c_i & \\
 & & & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\
 & & & & & c_{n-2} & d_{n-1} & c_{n-1} \\
 & & & & & & c_{n-1} & d_n
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 x_1 \\
 x_2 \\
 x_3 \\
 \vdots \\
 x_i \\
 \vdots \\
 x_{n-1} \\
 x_n
 \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix}
 b_1 \\
 b_2 \\
 b_3 \\
 \vdots \\
 b_i \\
 \vdots \\
 b_{n-1} \\
 b_n
 \end{bmatrix}$$

Penta-diagonal system

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 d_1 & c_1 & f_1 & & & \\
 a_1 & d_2 & c_2 & f_2 & & \\
 e_1 & a_2 & d_3 & c_3 & f_3 & \\
 & e_2 & a_3 & d_4 & c_4 & f_4 \\
 & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\
 & & & e_{i-2} & a_{i-1} & d_i & c_i & f_i \\
 & & & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\
 & & & & & e_{n-4} & a_{n-3} & d_{n-2} & c_{n-2} & f_{n-2} \\
 & & & & & & e_{n-3} & a_{n-2} & d_{n-1} & c_{n-1} \\
 & & & & & & & e_{n-2} & a_{n-1} & d_n
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 x_1 \\
 x_2 \\
 x_3 \\
 x_4 \\
 \vdots \\
 x_i \\
 \vdots \\
 x_{n-2} \\
 x_{n-1} \\
 x_n
 \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix}
 b_1 \\
 b_2 \\
 b_3 \\
 b_4 \\
 \vdots \\
 b_i \\
 \vdots \\
 b_{n-2} \\
 b_{n-1} \\
 b_n
 \end{bmatrix}$$

Banded system

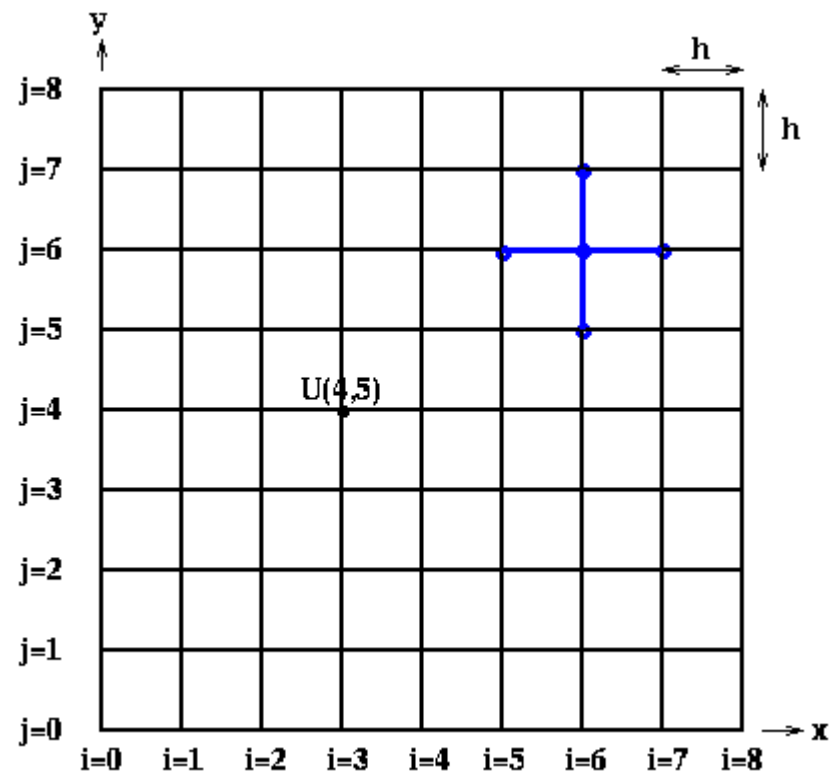
- Poisson equation

$$\frac{d^2 u(x,y)}{dx^2} + \frac{d^2 u(x,y)}{dy^2} = f(x,y)$$

$u(x,y) = 0$ if (x,y) is on the boundary of Ω

- Discretization

$$4*U(i,j) - U(i-1,j) - U(i+1,j) - U(i,j-1) - U(i,j+1) = b(i,j)$$



Small-scale example

		13	14	15	16
4					
3		9	10	11	12
2		5	6	7	8
j=1		1	2	3	4
	i=1	2	3	4	

4	-1		-1		
-1	4	-1		-1	
	-1	4	-1		-1
		-1	4		-1
-1			4	-1	-1
	-1		-1	4	-1
		-1		-1	4
			-1		-1
				4	-1
			-1		4
				-1	-1
					4
					-1

$$\begin{matrix}
 U(1,1) \\
 U(2,1) \\
 U(3,1) \\
 U(4,1) \\
 U(1,2) \\
 U(2,2) \\
 U(3,2) \\
 U(4,2) \\
 U(1,3) \\
 U(2,3) \\
 U(3,3) \\
 U(4,3) \\
 U(1,4) \\
 U(2,4) \\
 U(3,4) \\
 U(4,4)
 \end{matrix}
 *
 \begin{matrix}
 b(1,1) \\
 b(2,1) \\
 b(3,1) \\
 b(4,1) \\
 b(1,2) \\
 b(2,2) \\
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 \end{matrix}
 =
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 \end{matrix}$$