

Gauss Jordan Elimination

Theory

GAUSS-JORDAN ELIMINATION METHOD

OVERVIEW:

Gauss-Jordan Elimination is an extension of Gauss Elimination that transforms the coefficient matrix into a diagonal form (reduced row echelon form). Unlike Gauss Elimination, it eliminates both above and below the pivot element, eliminating the need for back substitution.

MATHEMATICAL FOUNDATION:

For a system $AX = B$, the method transforms the augmented matrix $[A|B]$ into the form $[I|X]$, where I is the identity matrix and X is the solution vector.

ALGORITHM STEPS:

1. Forward Elimination (Similar to Gauss):
 - o Transform matrix to upper triangular form
 - o For each pivot position (k,k) :
 - Make the pivot element 1 by dividing the entire row
 - Eliminate all elements below the pivot

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2. for (int i = 0; i < n - 1; i++)  
3.     {  
4.     }  
5.         for (int j = i + 1; j < n; j++)  
6.         {  
7.             double r = v[j][i] / v[i][i];  
8.             for (int k = 0; k < var + 1; k++)  
9.             {  
10.                 v[j][k] -= v[i][k] * r;  
11.             }  
12.         }
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13. Backward Elimination:

- o Starting from the last row, moving upward:
- o Eliminate all elements above each pivot

- Result: Diagonal matrix with 1's on diagonal

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14. for (int i = 1; i < n; i++)
15.     {
16.         for (int j = i - 1; j >= 0; j--)
17.         {
18.             double ratio = v[j][i] / v[i][i];
19.             for (int k = 1; k <= var; k++)
20.             {
21.                 v[j][k] -= ratio * v[i][k];
22.             }
23.         }
24.     }

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25. Solution:

- Solution is directly available in the augmented column
- No back substitution needed

PIVOT NORMALIZATION:

For each pivot row k:

- Divide entire row by $v[k][k]$
- This makes the diagonal element equal to 1

TIME COMPLEXITY:

$O(n^3)$ - slightly more operations than Gauss Elimination due to backward elimination

ADVANTAGES:

- No back substitution required
- Solution obtained directly
- Can compute matrix inverse simultaneously
- Better for finding matrix inverse

DISADVANTAGES:

- More computational steps than Gauss Elimination
- Still susceptible to round-off errors
- Requires non-zero pivot elements

