

Systems of Linear Equations

The purpose of computing is insight, not numbers.

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Topics to Be Discussed

- **This is a long unit and will include the following important topics:**
 - Solving systems of linear equations – Gaussian elimination
 - Pivoting
 - LU-decomposition
 - Iterative methods (Jacobi and Gauss-Seidel)
 - Iterative Refinement
 - Matrix Inversion
 - Determinant

Problem Description: 1/2

- Solving systems of linear equations is one of the most important tasks in numerical methods.
- The i -th equation ($1 \leq i \leq n$) is $a_{i1}x_1 + a_{i2}x_2 + a_{i3}x_3 + \dots + a_{in}x_n = b_i$, where $a_{i1}, a_{i2}, a_{i3}, \dots, a_{in}$ and b_i are known values, and the x_i 's are unknowns to be solved from the n linear equations.

$$\begin{aligned} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n &= b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n &= b_2 \\ &\dots\dots\dots \\ a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + a_{n3}x_3 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n &= b_n \end{aligned}$$

Problem Description: 2/2

- A system of linear equations is usually represented by matrices, $\mathbf{A}=[a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$ the coefficient matrix, $[b_i]_{n \times 1}$ the constant matrix, and $[x_i]_{n \times 1}$ the unknown matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{n1} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{n2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Methods to Be Discussed

- **Methods for solving systems of linear equations are of two types, *direct* and *iterative*.**
- ***Direct* methods go through a definite procedure to find the solution. Elimination and decomposition are the two major approaches.**
- ***Iterative* methods, which is similar to solving non-linear equations, find the solution iteratively.**

Gaussian Elimination: 1/7

- Suppose all conditions are ideal (*i.e.*, no errors will occur during the computation process).
- Gaussian elimination is very effective and easy to implement.
- **Idea 1:** For every i , use the i -th equation to eliminate the unknown x_i from equations $i+1$ to n . This is the *elimination* stage.
- **Idea 2:** After the elimination stage, a *backward substitution* is performed to find the solutions.

Gaussian Elimination: 2/7

- The following is a simple elimination example. Use equation 1 to eliminate variable x in equations 2 and 3.

$$\begin{array}{r} x - y + z = 3 \\ 2x + y - z = 0 \\ 3x + 2y + 2z = 15 \end{array}$$

$\times(-2)+$ $\times(-3)+$

$$\begin{array}{r} x - y + z = 3 \\ 3y - 3z = -6 \\ 5y - z = 6 \end{array}$$

x is eliminated from equations 2 and 3

Gaussian Elimination: 3/7

- Use equation 2 to eliminate y in equation 3.
- After elimination, the system is *upper triangular*!

$$x - y + z = 3$$

$$\boxed{3y - 3z = -6} \quad \times(-5/3) +$$

$$\boxed{5y - z = 6}$$

$$x - y + z = 3$$

$$3y - 3z = -6$$

$$4z = 16$$

y is eliminated from equation 3
Equation 2 only has z !

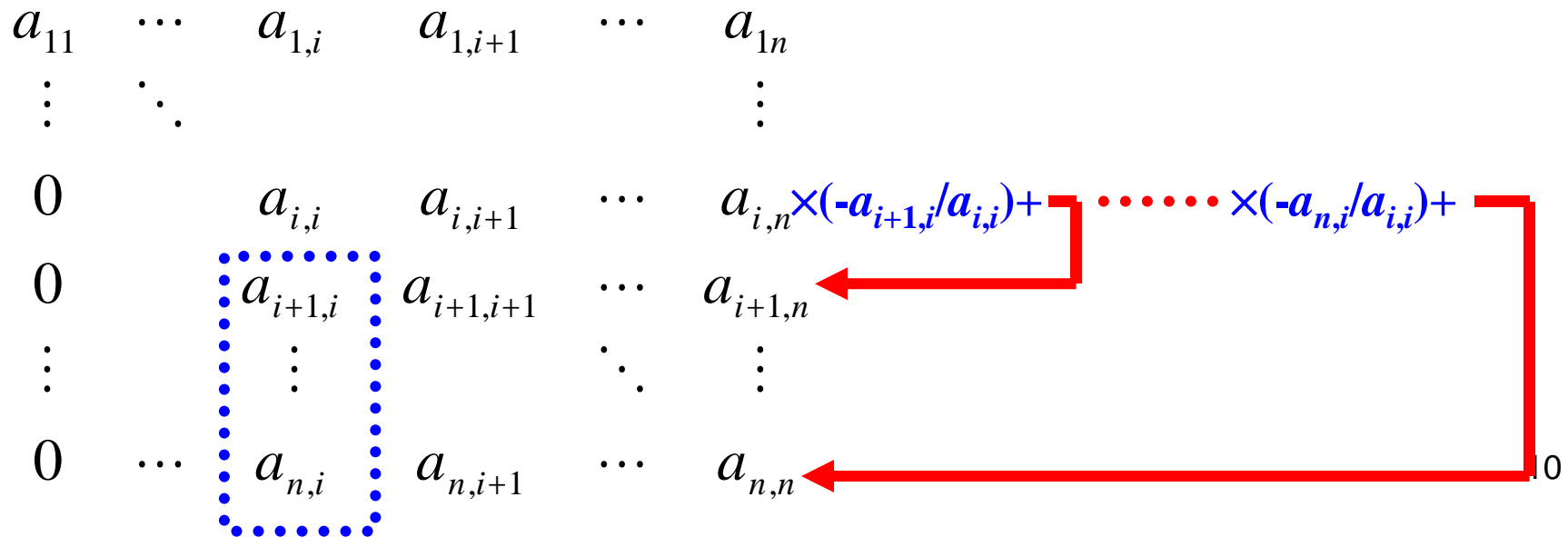
Gaussian Elimination: 4/7

- Now we can solve for z from equation 3.
- Plug z into equation 2 to solve for y .
- Then, plug y and z into equation 1 to solve for x .
- This is *backward substitution*!

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x - y + z = 3 & & x = 3 + y - z \\ 3y - 3z = -6 & \cdots \cdots \cdots \rightarrow & y = (-6 + 3z)/3 \\ 4z = 16 & & z = 16/4 \end{array}$$

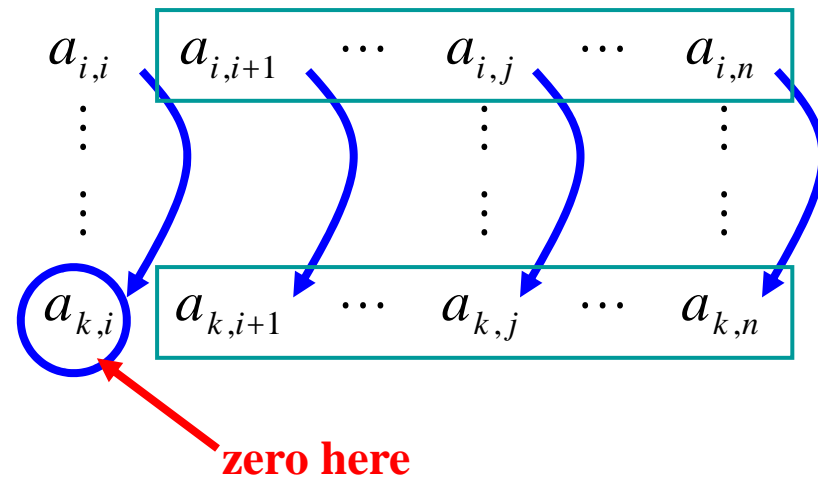
Gaussian Elimination: 5/7

- Each entry of row i and b_i is multiplied by $-a_{k,i}/a_{i,i}$ and added to row k and b_k for all k with $i+1 \leq k \leq n$.
- In this way, all entries on column i below $a_{i,i}$ are eliminated (*i.e.*, zero). Do the same for b_i 's.



Gaussian Elimination: 6/7

- Gaussian Elimination uses row i (i.e., $a_{i,i}$) to eliminate $a_{k,i}$ for $k > i$.
- Thus, all entries below $a_{i,i}$ become zero!



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DO i = 1, n-1
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  DO k = i+1, n
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    S = -a(k,i)/a(i,i)
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    DO j = i+1, n
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      a(k,j) = a(k,j) + S*a(i,j)
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    END DO
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```
    a(k,i) = 0
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    b(k) = b(k) + S*b(i)
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  END DO
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END DO
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! using row i, i.e., a(i,*)
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! we want to eliminate a(k,i)
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! compute the multiplier
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! for each entry on row k
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!   update its value
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! set a(k,i) to 0
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! don't forget to update b(k)
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Gaussian Elimination: 7/7

- After elimination, the equations become *upper triangular*, i.e., all lower diagonal entries being 0's.

All Zeros

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1,i} & a_{1,i+1} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & & & & \vdots \\ 0 & & a_{i,i} & a_{i,i+1} & \cdots & a_{i,n} \\ 0 & & 0 & a_{i+1,i+1} & \cdots & a_{i+1,n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \ddots & a_{n,n} \end{array}$$

- Equation i only has variables x_i, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n :

$$a_{i,i}x_i + a_{i,i+1}x_{i+1} + \cdots + a_{i,n}x_n = b_i$$

Backward Substitution

- Equation n is $a_{n,n}x_n = b_n$, and hence $x_n = b_n/a_{n,n}$.
- Equation $n-1$ is $a_{n-1,n-1}x_{n-1} + a_{n-1,n}x_n = b_{n-1}$, and $x_{n-1} = (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1,n}x_n)/a_{n-1,n-1}$
- Equation i is $a_{i,i}x_i + a_{i,i+1}x_{i+1} + \dots + a_{i,n}x_n = b_i$ and x_i is computed as:

$$x_i = \frac{1}{a_{i,i}} \left(b_i - \sum_{k=i+1}^n a_{i,k} x_k \right)$$

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DO i = n, 1, -1      ! going backward, row i
  S = b(i)          ! initialize S to b(i)
  DO k = i+1, n     ! sum all terms to the right
    S = S - a(i,k)*x(k) ! of a(i,i)
  END DO
  x(i) = S/a(i,i)  ! compute x(i)
END DO
```

Efficiency Issues: 1/4

- **How to determine the efficiency of Gaussian elimination?**
 - **We count the number of multiplications and divisions, since they are slower than additions and subtractions.**
 - **As long as we know the dominating factor, we know the key of efficiency.**
 - **Since divisions are not used frequently, counting multiplications would be good enough.**

Efficiency Issues: 2/4

- Fixing i , the inner-most j loop executes $n-i$ times, and uses $n-i$ multiplications. One more is needed to update b_k . Therefore, the total is $n-i+1$.
- Since k goes from $i+1$ to n and the inner-most j loop executes $n-i$ times, there are $(n-i)(n-i+1)$ multiplications.
- Since i goes from 1 to $n-1$, the total is $\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (n-i)(n-i+1)$

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DO i = 1, n-1
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DO k = i+1, n
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S = -a(k,i)/a(i,i)
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DO j = i+1, n
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```
a(k,j) = a(k,j) + S*a(i,j)
```

```
END DO
```

```
a(k,j) = 0
```

```
b(k) = b(k) + S*b(i)
```

```
END DO
```

```
END DO
```

This j loop uses $n-i$ *'s

One more * here

Thus, one i iteration uses $n-i+1$ *'s

Efficiency Issues: 3/4

- **The following can be proved with induction:**

$$1 + 2 + \dots + n = \frac{1}{2}n(n + 1)$$

$$1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{1}{6}(2n^3 + 3n^2 + n)$$

- **Therefore, we have (verify yourself):**

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (n - i)(n - i + 1) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (n - i)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (n - i) = \frac{1}{3}(n^3 - n)$$

- **This is an $O(n^3)$ algorithm (i.e., number of multiplications proportional to n^3).**

Efficiency Issues: 4/4

- In the *backward substitution* step, since we need to compute the sum $a_{i,i+1}x_{i+1} + a_{i,i+2}x_{i+2} + \dots + a_{i,n}x_n$, $n-i$ multiplications are needed.
- Since i runs from $n-1$ down to 1 , the total number of multiplications is $\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (n-i) = \frac{1}{2}n(n-1)$
- In summary, the total number of multiplications used is dominated by the elimination step, which is proportional to $n^3/3$, or $O(n^3)$!
- Exercise: *How many divisions are needed in the elimination and the backward substitution stages?*

A Serious Problem

- There is a **big** problem. When eliminating $a_{k,i}$ using $a_{i,i}$, $-a_{k,i}/a_{i,i}$ is computed.
- What if $a_{i,i} \approx 0$? Division-by-zero or overflow in $-a_{k,i}/a_{i,i}$ or truncation in $(-a_{k,i}/a_{i,i}) \times a_{i,j} + a_{k,j}$ may occur because of $(-a_{k,i}/a_{i,i}) \times a_{i,j} \gg a_{k,j}$! **Why?**
- Therefore, the use of Gaussian elimination is risky and some *modifications* would be needed.
- However, if the following holds (*i.e.*, *diagonal dominant*), Gaussian elimination works fine.

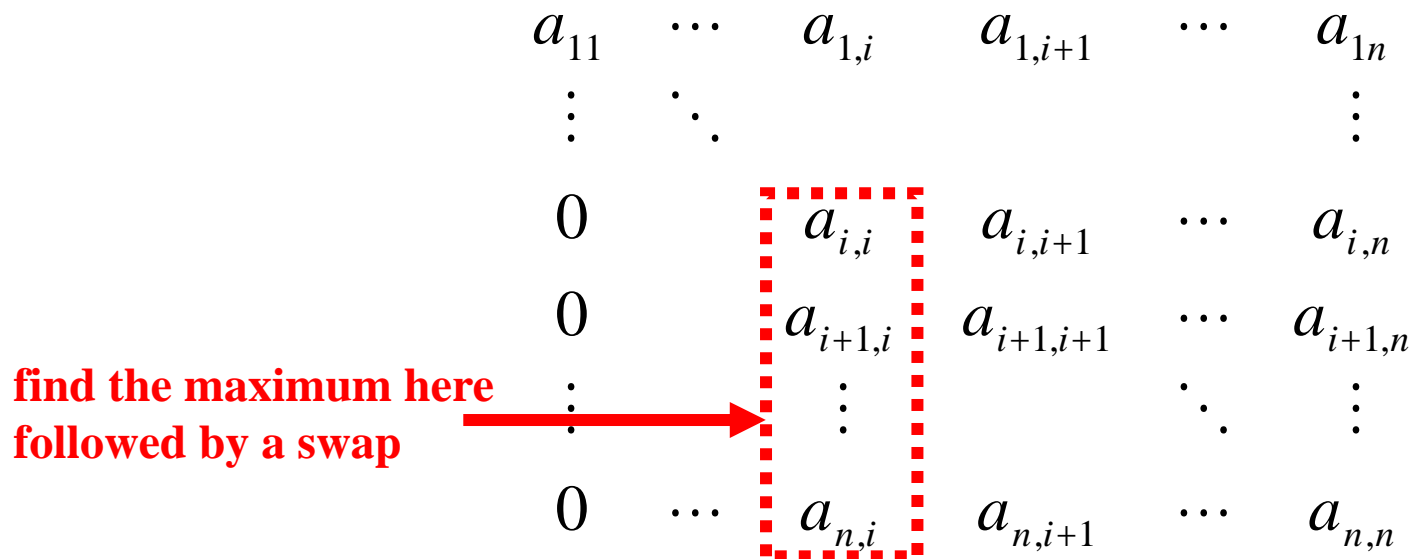
$$|a_{i,i}| > \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n |a_{i,j}| \quad (\text{for every } i)$$

Partial Pivoting: 1/6

- To overcome the possible $x/0$ issue, one may use an important technique: *pivoting*.
- There are two types of pivoting, *partial* (or *row*) and *complete*. For most cases, *partial pivoting* usually works efficiently and accurately.
- Important Observation: *Swapping two equations does not change the solutions!*
- If $a_{i,i} \approx 0$, one may swap some equation k with equation i so that the new $a_{i,i}$ would not be zero.
- But, which k should be swapped?

Partial Pivoting: 2/6

- One of the best candidates is the $a_{k,i}$ such that $|a_{k,i}|$ is the maximum of $|a_{i,i}|, |a_{i+1,i}|, \dots, |a_{n,i}|$.
- **Why?** If equation k with maximum $|a_{k,i}|$ is swapped to equation i , then, all $|a_{j,i}/a_{i,i}| \leq 1$ for $i \leq j \leq n$.



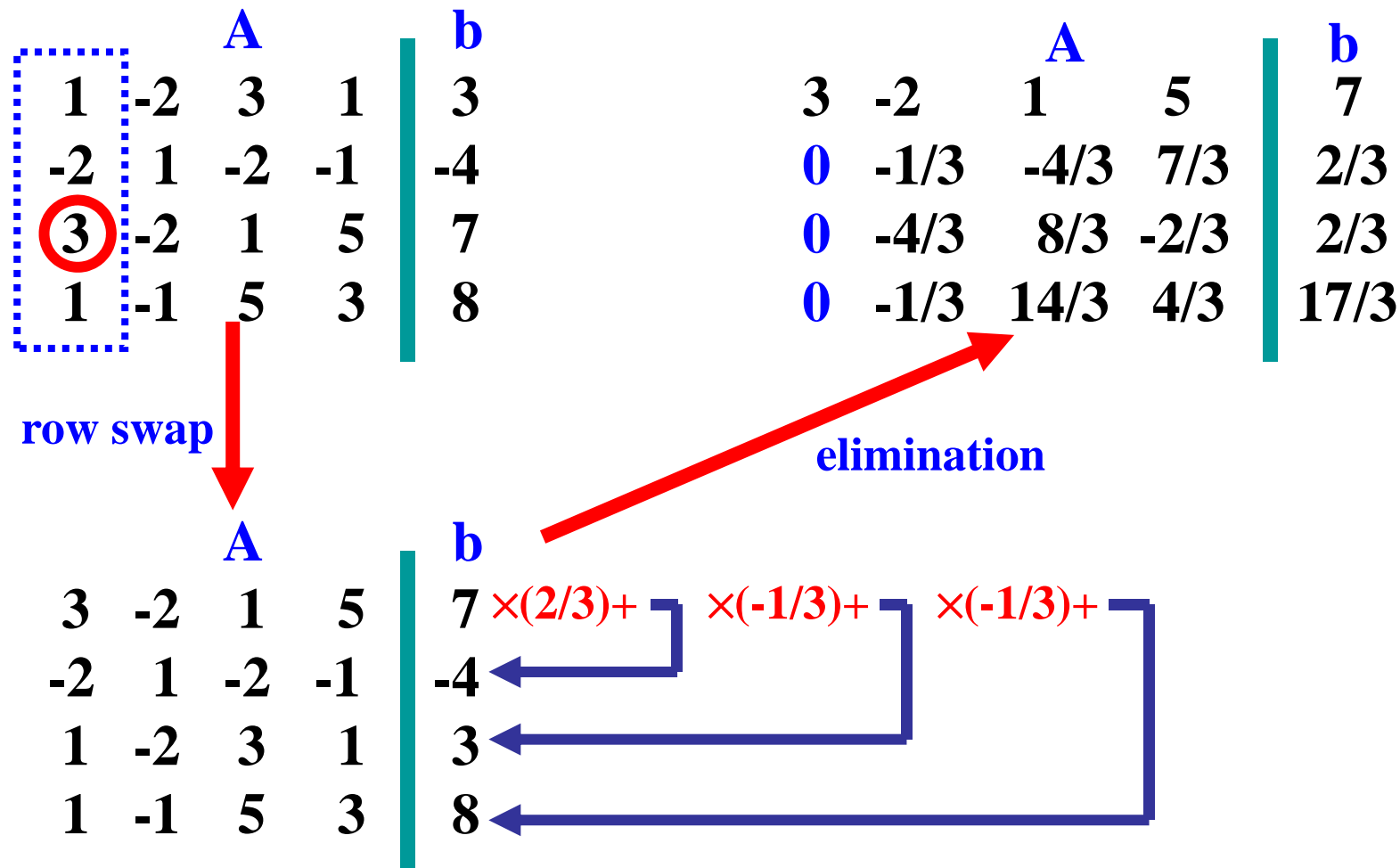
Partial Pivoting: 3/6

- The original Gaussian elimination is modified to include pivoting: find the maximum $|a_{k,i}|$ of $a_{i,i}$, $a_{i+1,i}$, ..., $a_{n,i}$, and do a row swap, including b_i and b_k . The remaining is the same!

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DO i = 1, n-1           ! going through rows i+1 to n
  Max = i               ! assume |a(i,i)| is the max
  DO k = i+1, n         ! find the largest in Max
    IF (ABS(a(Max,i)) < ABS(a(k,i))) Max = k
  END DO
  DO j = i, n           ! swap row Max and row i
    swap a(Max,j) and a(i,j)
  END DO
  swap b(Max) and b(i)  ! don't forget to swap b(i)
  ... do the elimination step ...
END DO
```

Partial Pivoting: 4/6

- **Blue** dashed line: current column, **Red** circle: max



Partial Pivoting: 5/6

- **Blue** dashed line: current column, **Red** circle: max

A				b	A				b
3	-2	1	5	7	3	-2	1	5	7
0	-1/3	-4/3	7/3	2/3	0	-4/3	8/3	-2/3	2/3
0	-4/3	8/3	-2/3	2/3	0	0	-2	5/2	1/2
0	-1/3	14/3	4/3	17/3	0	0	4	3/2	11/2

row swap

A				b
3	-2	1	5	7
0	-4/3	8/3	-2/3	2/3 $\times(-1/4)+$
0	-1/3	-4/3	7/3	2/3 \leftarrow
0	-1/3	14/3	4/3	17/3 \leftarrow

elimination

Partial Pivoting: 6/6

- **Blue dashed line:** current column, **Red circle:** max

A					b	A					b
3	-2	1	5		7	3	-2	1	5		7
0	-4/3	8/3	-2/3		2/3	0	-4/3	8/3	-2/3		2/3
0	0	-2	5/2		1/2	0	0	4	3/2		11/2
0	0	4	3/2		11/2	0	0	0	13/4		13/4

elimination

$x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = x_4 = 1$

row swap

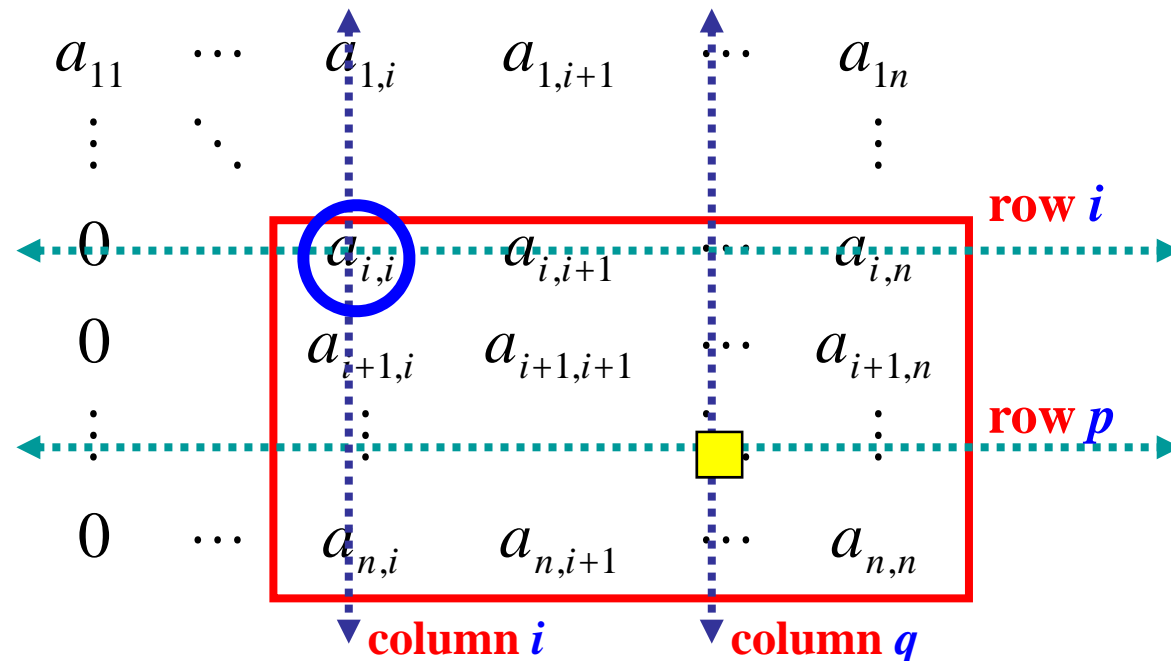
A					b
3	-2	1	5		7
0	-4/3	8/3	-2/3		2/3
0	0	4	3/2		11/2 ×(1/2)+
0	0	-2	5/2		1/2

Complete Pivoting: 1/4

- What if $a_{i,j}$, $a_{i+1,j}$, ..., $a_{n,j}$ are all very close to zero when doing pivoting for column i ?
- If this happens, partial pivoting has a problem, because no matter which row is swapped, there is a chance to have **0/0**, **overflow** or **truncation/rounding**.
- In this case, ***complete pivoting*** may help.

Complete Pivoting: 2/4

- With complete pivoting, the block defined by $a_{i,i}$ and $a_{n,n}$ is searched for a maximum $|a_{p,q}|$.
- Then, a row swap (row i and row p) and a column swap (column i and column q) are required.
- After swapping, do the usual elimination.



Complete Pivoting: 3/4

- While swapping rows does not change the solutions, swapping column i and column q changes the positions of x_i and x_q .
- To overcome this problem, we have to keep track the swapping operations so that column swapping will not affect the solutions.
- *One may use an index array!*

Complete Pivoting: 4/4

- Index array $\mathbf{idx}()$ is initialized to $1, 2, \dots, n$.
- If columns i and q are swapped, the content of the i -th and q -th entries of $\mathbf{idx}()$ are also swapped (*i.e.*, swapping $\mathbf{idx}(i)$ and $\mathbf{idx}(q)$).
- At the end, $\mathbf{idx}(k) = h$ means column k is the solution of x_h . For example, if $\mathbf{idx}(1) = 4$, $\mathbf{idx}(2) = 3$, $\mathbf{idx}(3) = 1$ and $\mathbf{idx}(4) = 2$, this means columns 1, 2, 3 and 4 contain the solutions to x_4, x_3, x_1 and x_2 .
- Sometimes, this index array is referred to as a *permutation array*.

Efficiency Concerns

- **Elimination with pivoting does not increase the number of multiplications; however, it does use CPU time for comparisons and swapping.**
- **Although compared with multiplications and divisions swapping may be insignificant, pivoting does add speed penalty to the efficiency of the methods.**
- **One may use index arrays to avoid actually carrying out swapping.**
- **Exercise: *how can this be done?* Refer to the index array method for complete swapping.**

Is Pivoting Really Necessary? 1/3

- Consider the following without pivoting.

$$\begin{array}{l} 0.0003x + 3.000y = 2.0001 \quad \times(-1/0.0003)+ \\ 1.0000x + 1.000y = 1.0000 \quad \leftarrow \\ \hline 0.0003x + 3.000y = 2.0001 \quad \text{exact arithmetic yields} \\ \quad \quad \quad -9999y = -6666 \quad x = 1/3 \text{ and } y = 2/3 \end{array}$$

elimination

$$y = 6666 / 9999$$

$$x = \frac{2.0001 - 3.0000 \times (6666 / 9999)}{0.0003}$$

Is Pivoting Really Necessary? 2/3

- **Without pivoting:**

$y = 6666 / 9999$

Possible cancellation here, as $3 \times (6666/9999) \approx 2.0001!$

$$x = \frac{2.0001 - 3.0000 \times (6666 / 9999)}{0.0003}$$

Precision	y	x
4	0.6667	0
5	0.66667	0.3
6	0.666667	0.33
7	0.6666667	0.333

inaccurate

Is Pivoting Really Necessary? 3/3

- **With pivoting:**


$$\begin{array}{l} 1.0000x + 1.0000y = 1.0000 \\ 0.0003x + 3.0000y = 2.0001 \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{l} 1.0000x + 1.0000y = 1.0000 \\ 2.9997y = 1.9998 \end{array}$$


$$y = \frac{1.9998}{2.9997}$$

$$x = 1.0000 - y$$

Precision	y	x
4	0.6667=2/3	0.3333
5	0.66667	0.33333
6	0.666667	0.333333
7	0.6666667	0.3333333

Pitfalls of Elimination: 1/2

- The first one is, of course, $a_{i,i} \approx 0$ when computing $-a_{k,i}/a_{i,i}$. This can be overcome with partial or complete pivoting.
- However, *singular* systems cannot be solved by elimination (e.g., two parallel lines do not have a solution).
- Rounding can be a problem. Even with pivoting, rounding is still there and could propagate from earlier stages to the next.
- In general, $n \leq 100$ is OK. Otherwise, consider using other (e.g., indirect) methods.

Pitfalls of Elimination: 2/2

- ***Ill-Conditioned*** systems are trouble makers.
- **Ill-Conditioned** systems are systems very sensitive to small changes to coefficients, and there could be many ***seemingly correct*** “solutions.”
- Since these “solutions” seem to satisfy the systems, one may be misled to believe they are “correct” solutions.

LU-Decompositions: 1/8

- **Idea:** The basic idea of LU-decomposition is to “decompose” the given matrix $\mathbf{A}=[a_{i,j}]$ of $\mathbf{A}\bullet\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$ into a product of a lower triangular and an upper triangular matrices (*i.e.*, $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}\bullet\mathbf{U}$).
- The lower triangular matrix has all diagonal elements being 1’s (*i.e.*, **Doolittle form**).

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n,1} & a_{n,2} & \cdots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \\
 \mathbf{A}
 \end{array}
 =
 \begin{array}{c}
 \text{lower triangular} \\
 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ l_{2,1} & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{n,1} & l_{n,2} & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \mathbf{L}
 \end{array}
 \bullet
 \begin{array}{c}
 \text{upper triangular} \\
 \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} & \cdots & u_{1,n} \\ 0 & u_{2,2} & \cdots & u_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & u_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \\
 \mathbf{U}
 \end{array}$$

LU-Decompositions: 2/8

- If \mathbf{A} has been decomposed as $\mathbf{A}=\mathbf{L}\cdot\mathbf{U}$, then solving $\mathbf{A}\cdot\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ becomes solving $(\mathbf{L}\cdot\mathbf{U})\cdot\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$.
- $(\mathbf{L}\cdot\mathbf{U})\cdot\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ can be rewritten as $\mathbf{L}\cdot(\mathbf{U}\cdot\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{b}$.
- Let $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{U}\cdot\mathbf{x}$. Then, $\mathbf{L}\cdot(\mathbf{U}\cdot\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{b}$ becomes **two** systems of linear equations: $\mathbf{L}\cdot\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$ and $\mathbf{U}\cdot\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$.
- Since \mathbf{L} and \mathbf{b} are known, one can solve for \mathbf{y} . Once \mathbf{y} becomes available, it is used in $\mathbf{U}\cdot\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$ to solve for \mathbf{x} .
- This is the key concept of LU-decomposition.

LU-Decompositions: 3/8

- **Would it make sense when one system $A \cdot x = b$ becomes two $L \cdot y = b$ and $U \cdot x = y$?**
- **It depends; however, both systems are very easy to solve if $A = L \cdot U$ is available.**
- **Can use backward substitution to solve $U \cdot x = y$.**

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} & \cdots & u_{1,i} & \cdots & u_{1,n} \\ 0 & u_{2,2} & \cdots & u_{2,i} & \cdots & u_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & u_{i,i} & \cdots & u_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & u_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_i \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_i \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

LU-Decompositions: 4/8

- The $\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$ system is also easy to solve.
- From row 1, we have $y_1 = b_1$. Row 2 is $l_{2,1}y_1 + y_2 = b_2$. Row i is

$$l_{i,1}y_1 + l_{i,2}y_2 + \cdots + l_{i,i-1}y_{i-1} + y_i = b_i$$

- Hence, $y_i = b_i - (l_{i,1}y_1 + l_{i,2}y_2 + \cdots + l_{i,i-1}y_{i-1}) = b_i - \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} l_{i,k}y_k$

$$\text{row } i \left[\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ l_{2,1} & 1 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ l_{i,1} & l_{i,2} & \cdots & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{n,1} & l_{n,2} & \cdots & l_{n,i} & \cdots & 1 \end{array} \right] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_i \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_i \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

LU-Decompositions: 5/8

- The following code is based on the formula mentioned earlier

$$y_i = b_i - (l_{i,1}y_1 + l_{i,2}y_2 + \dots + l_{i,i-1}y_{i-1}) = b_i - \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} l_{i,k}y_k$$

- This is referred to as **forward substitution** since y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{i-1} are used to compute y_i .

```
Y1 = b1
DO i = 2, n
  Yi = bi
  DO k = 1, i-1
    Yi = Yi - Li,k*Yk
  END DO
END DO
```

This is an $O(n^2)$ method
Do it yourself.

LU-Decompositions: 6/8

- In summary, LU-decomposition methods have the following procedure:
 - ❖ From \mathbf{A} in $\mathbf{A}\cdot\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ find a LU-decomposition $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}\cdot\mathbf{U}$
 - ❖ Solve for \mathbf{y} with forward substitution from $\mathbf{L}\cdot\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$
 - ❖ Solve for \mathbf{x} with backward substitution from $\mathbf{U}\cdot\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$

LU-Decompositions: 7/8

- Why LU-decomposition when Gaussian elimination is available?
- The reason is simple: **saving time**.
- Suppose we need to solve k systems of linear equations like this: $A \cdot x_1 = b_1$, $A \cdot x_2 = b_2$, $A \cdot x_3 = b_3$, ..., $A \cdot x_k = b_k$. Note that they share the same A and not all b_i 's are available at the same time.
- Without a LU-decomposition, Gaussian elimination would be repeated k times, one for each system. This is time consuming.

LU-Decompositions: 8/8

- Since each Gaussian elimination requires $O(n^3)$ multiplications, solving k systems requires $O(k \times n^3)$ multiplications.
- A LU-decomposition decomposes $A = L \cdot U$.
- For each b_i , applying a forward followed by a backward substitution yields the solution x_i .
- Since each backward and forward substitution requires $O(n^2)$ multiplications, solving k systems requires $O(n^3 + k \times n^2)$ multiplications.
- Therefore, LU-decomposition is faster!

elimination is still needed

How to Decompose: 1/4

- **LU-decomposition is easier than you thought!**
- *Gaussian elimination generates an upper triangular matrix, which is the **U** in $A = L \cdot U$.*
- **More importantly, the *elimination process also produces lower triangular matrix **L***, although we never thought about this possibility.**
- **The next few slides shows how to recover this lower triangular matrix **L** during the elimination process.**

How to Decompose: 3/4

- During Gaussian elimination, the lower triangular part is set to zero.
- One may use this portion for the lower triangular matrix **L** without its diagonal; however, the diagonal is part of **U** rather than **L**.

```
DO i = 1, n-1                                ! using row i, i.e., a(i,i)
  DO k = i+1, n                                ! we want to eliminate a(k,i)
    S = a(k,i)/a(i,i)
    DO j = i+1, n                                ! for each entry on row k
      a(k,j) = a(k,j) - S*a(i,j)                ! update its value
    END DO
    a(k,i) = S                                  ! save this "multiplier"
  END DO                                        ! don't forget to update b(k)
END DO
```

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END DO
```

How to Decompose: 4/4

- After the decomposition $A = L \cdot U$, matrix A is replaced by U in the upper triangular part and L in the lower triangular part *without the diagonal*.

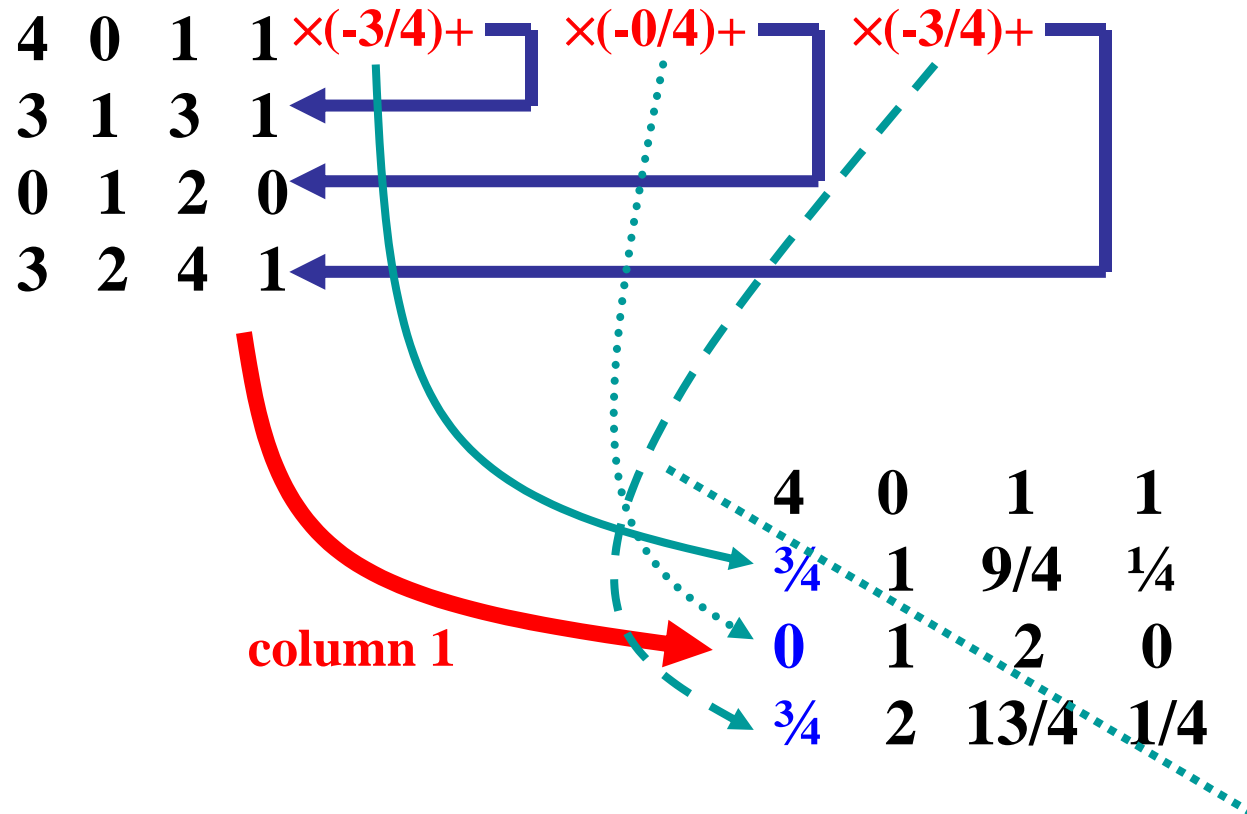
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} & u_{1,3} & \cdots & u_{1,i} & \cdots & u_{1,n} \\ l_{2,1} & u_{2,2} & u_{2,3} & \cdots & u_{2,i} & \cdots & u_{2,n} \\ l_{3,1} & l_{3,2} & u_{3,3} & \cdots & u_{3,i} & \cdots & u_{3,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{i,1} & l_{i,2} & l_{i,3} & \cdots & u_{i,i} & \cdots & u_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{n,1} & l_{n,2} & l_{n,3} & \cdots & l_{n,i} & \cdots & u_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

matrix U

matrix L

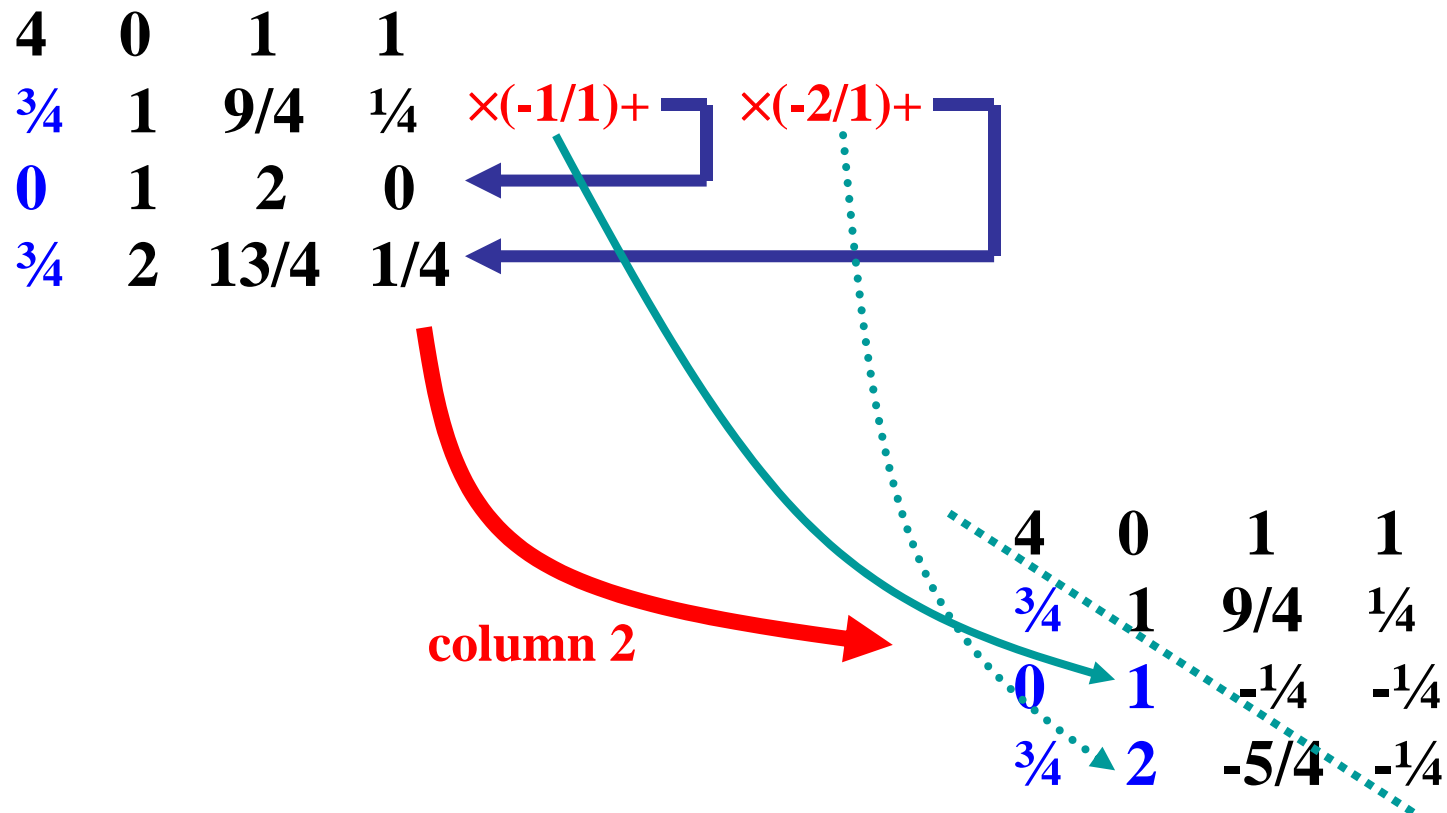
Example: 1/4

- **Blue:** values of the lower diagonal portion (*i.e.*, matrix **L** without the diagonal)



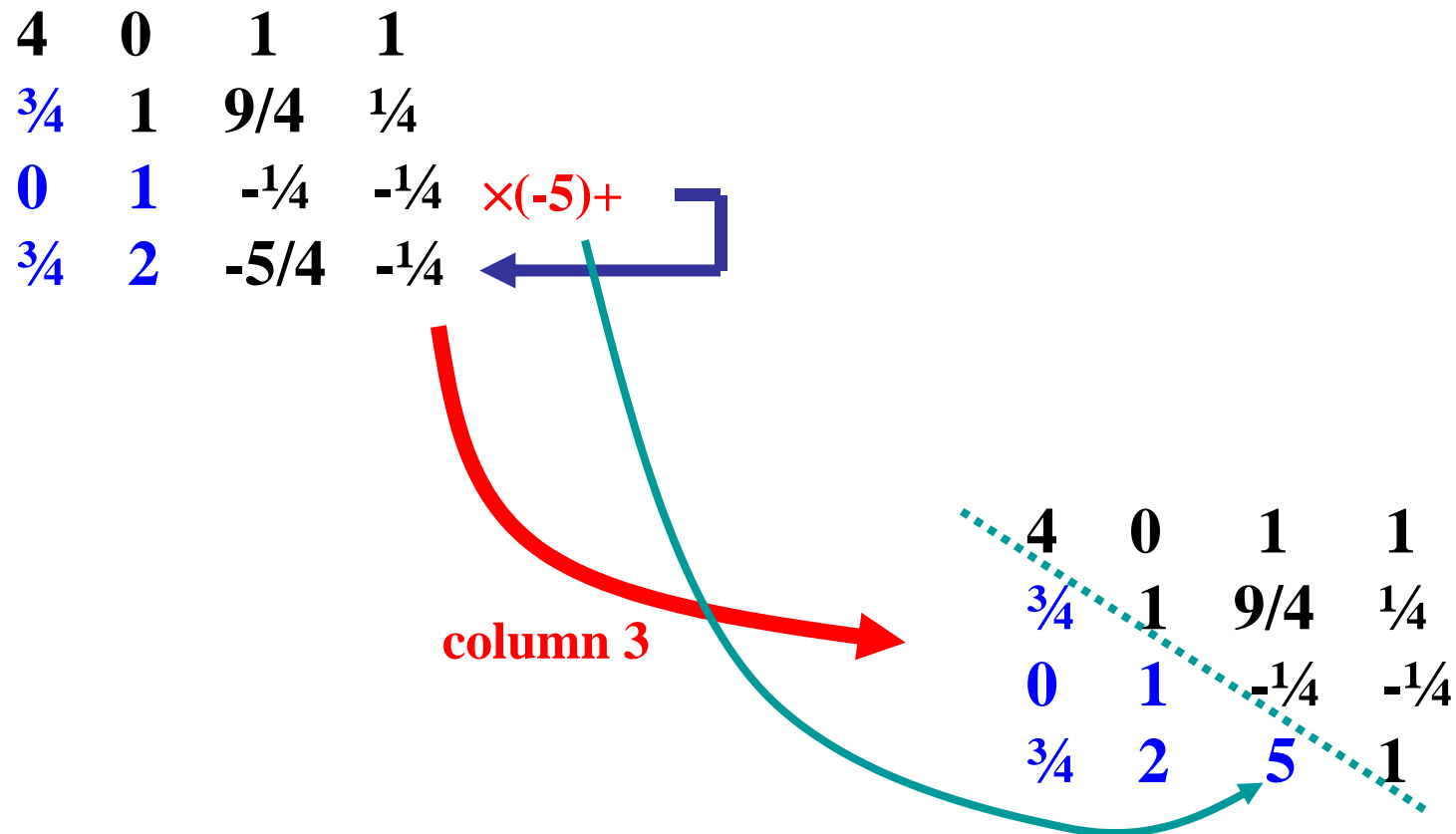
Example: 2/4

- **Blue:** values of the lower diagonal portion (*i.e.*, matrix **L** without the diagonal)



Example: 3/4

- **Blue:** values of the lower diagonal portion (*i.e.*, matrix **L** without the diagonal)



Example: 4/4

● Verification:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ 3/4 & 1 & & \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & \\ 3/4 & 2 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 9/4 & 1/4 & \\ -1/4 & -1/4 & & \\ & & 1 & \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

L • **U** = **A**

How to Solve: 1/2

- The following is a forward substitution solving for \mathbf{y} from \mathbf{L} and \mathbf{b} (i.e., $\mathbf{L}\cdot\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$):

```
 $\mathbf{y}_1 = \mathbf{b}_1$   
DO  $i = 2, n$   
   $\mathbf{y}_i = \mathbf{b}_i$   
  DO  $k = 1, i-1$   
     $\mathbf{y}_i = \mathbf{y}_i - \mathbf{a}_{i,k} * \mathbf{y}_k$   
  END DO  
END DO
```

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} & u_{1,3} & \cdots & u_{1,i} & \cdots & u_{1,n} \\ l_{2,1} & u_{2,2} & u_{2,3} & \cdots & u_{2,i} & \cdots & u_{2,n} \\ l_{3,1} & l_{3,2} & u_{3,3} & \cdots & u_{3,i} & \cdots & u_{3,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ l_{i,1} & l_{i,2} & l_{i,3} & \cdots & u_{i,i} & & u_{i,n} \\ \vdots & & & & & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{n,1} & l_{n,2} & l_{n,3} & \cdots & l_{n,i} & \cdots & u_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{a}_{i,k}$ is actually $l_{i,k}$

How to Solve: 2/2

- The following is a backward substitution solving for \mathbf{x} from $\mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$.

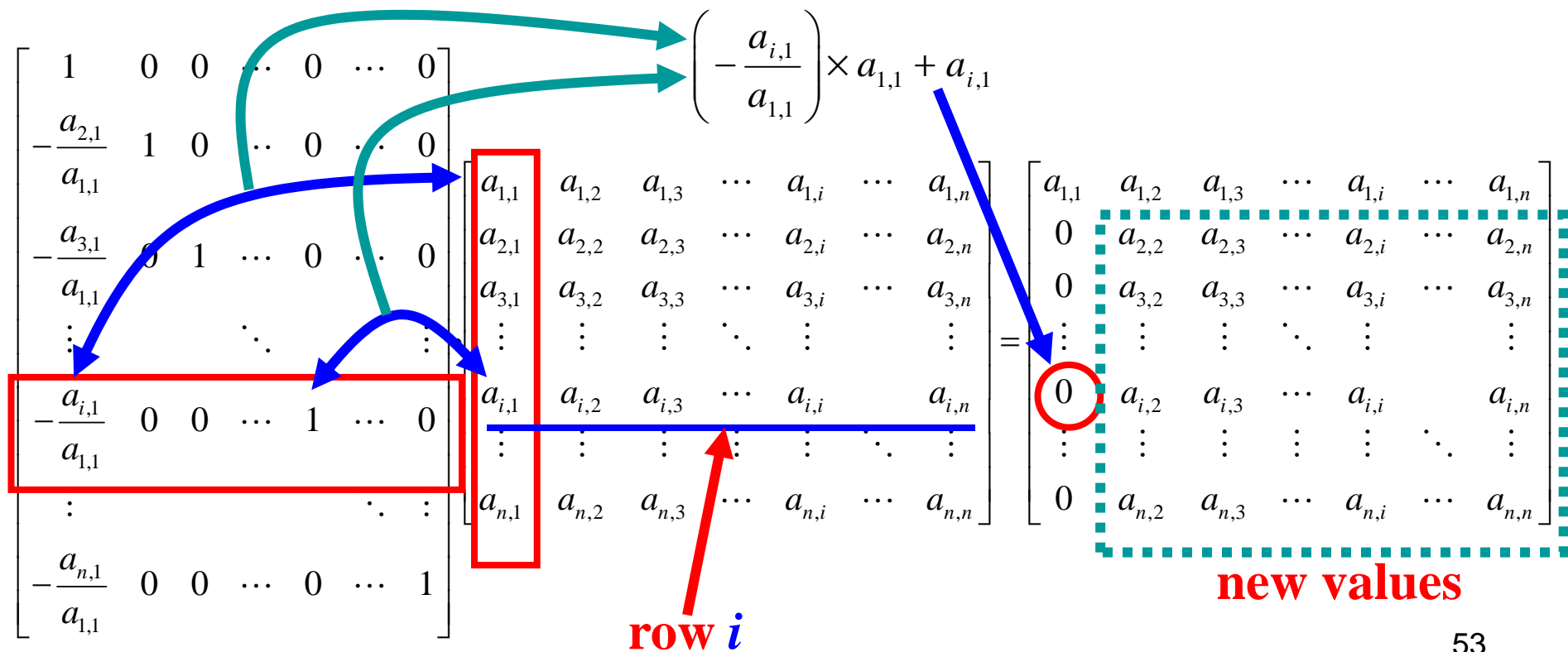
```
DO i = n, 1, -1
  S = yi
  DO k = i+1, n
    S = S - ai,k * xk
  END DO
  xi = S / ai,i
END DO
```

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} & u_{1,3} & \cdots & u_{1,i} & \cdots & u_{1,n} \\ l_{2,1} & u_{2,2} & u_{2,3} & \cdots & u_{2,i} & \cdots & u_{2,n} \\ l_{3,1} & l_{3,2} & u_{3,3} & \cdots & u_{3,i} & \cdots & u_{3,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{i,1} & l_{i,2} & l_{i,3} & \cdots & u_{i,i} & \cdots & u_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{n,1} & l_{n,2} & l_{n,3} & \cdots & l_{n,i} & \cdots & u_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$a_{i,k}$ here is $u_{i,k}$!

Why Is L Correct? 1/10

- For row 1, the elimination step multiplies every element on row 1 by $-a_{i,1}/a_{1,1}$ and adds the results to row i . *This is a matrix multiplication!*



Why Is L Correct? 2/10

- Define matrix E_1 as follows. Then, $E_1 \cdot A$ sets all entries on column 1 below $a_{1,1}$ to zero.

$$E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -a_{2,1} / a_{1,1} & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -a_{3,1} / a_{1,1} & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ -a_{i,1} / a_{1,1} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & \ddots & \vdots \\ -a_{n,1} / a_{n,n} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad E_1 \text{ is lower triangular!}$$

Why Is L Correct? 3/10

- Define E_2 as follows. The same calculation shows $E_2 \cdot (E_1 \cdot A)$ sets all entries of $E_1 \cdot A$ below $a_{2,2}$ to 0.

$$E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -a_{3,2} / a_{2,2} & 1 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ 0 & -a_{i,2} / a_{2,2} & 0 & \cdots & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & -a_{n,2} / a_{2,2} & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad E_2 \text{ is lower triangular!}$$

Why Is L Correct? 4/10

- For column i , lower triangular matrix E_i is defined as follows. It has all the “multipliers”.

$$E_i = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & & 1 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & -\frac{a_{i+1,i}}{a_{i,i}} & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ 0 & & -\frac{a_{i+2,i}}{a_{i,i}} & \cdots & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & & -\frac{a_{n,i}}{a_{i,i}} & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Why Is L Correct? 5/10

- Since $\mathbf{E}_{i-1} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{i-2} \cdot \dots \cdot \mathbf{E}_2 \cdot \mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{A}$ sets the lower diagonal part of column 1 to column $i-1$ to 0, the new matrix $\mathbf{E}_i \cdot (\mathbf{E}_{i-1} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{i-2} \cdot \dots \cdot \mathbf{E}_2 \cdot \mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{A})$ eliminates the lower diagonal part of $a_{i,i}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & & 1 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & & & \\ \vdots & -\frac{a_{i+1,i}}{a_{i,i}} & & \ddots & & & \\ 0 & -\frac{a_{i+2,i}}{a_{i,i}} & \dots & 1 & \dots & 0 & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & & \ddots & & \\ 0 & -\frac{a_{n,i}}{a_{i,i}} & \dots & 0 & \dots & 1 & \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & \dots & a_{1,i} & a_{1,i+1} & a_{1,i+2} & \dots & a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & a_{i,i} & a_{i,i+1} & a_{i,i+2} & \dots & a_{i,n} \\ \vdots & & a_{i+1,i} & a_{i+1,i+1} & a_{i+1,i+2} & \dots & a_{i+1,n} \\ 0 & & a_{i+2,i} & a_{i+2,i+1} & a_{i+2,i+2} & \dots & a_{i+2,n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & a_{n,i} & a_{n,i+1} & a_{n,i+2} & \dots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & \dots & a_{1,i} & a_{1,i+1} & a_{1,i+2} & \dots & a_{1,n} \\ 0 & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \dots & a_{2,n} \\ 0 & \dots & a_{i,i} & a_{i,i+1} & a_{i,i+2} & \dots & a_{i,n} \\ \vdots & & 0 & a_{i+1,i+1} & a_{i+1,i+2} & \dots & a_{i+1,n} \\ 0 & & 0 & a_{i+2,i+1} & a_{i+2,i+2} & \dots & a_{i+2,n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & a_{n,i+1} & a_{n,i+2} & \dots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{E}_i \cdot \mathbf{E}_{i-1} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{i-2} \cdot \dots \cdot \mathbf{E}_2 \cdot \mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{A}$

Why Is L Correct? 6/10

- Repeating this process, matrices $\mathbf{E}_1, \mathbf{E}_2, \dots, \mathbf{E}_{n-1}$ are constructed so that $\mathbf{E}_{n-1} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{n-2} \cdot \dots \cdot \mathbf{E}_2 \cdot \mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{A}$ is upper diagonal.
- Note that only $\mathbf{E}_1, \mathbf{E}_2, \dots, \mathbf{E}_{n-1}$ are needed, because the lower diagonal part has $n-1$ columns.
- Therefore, *the elimination process is completely described by the product of matrices \mathbf{E}_i 's.*
- Now, we have $\mathbf{E}_{n-1} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{n-2} \cdot \dots \cdot \mathbf{E}_2 \cdot \mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}$, where \mathbf{U} is an upper triangular matrix, and $\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{E}_{n-1} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{n-2} \cdot \dots \cdot \mathbf{E}_2 \cdot \mathbf{E}_1)^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{U}$, where \mathbf{T}^{-1} means the inverse matrix of \mathbf{T} (*i.e.*, $\mathbf{T} \cdot \mathbf{T}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$, the identify matrix).
- What is $(\mathbf{E}_{n-1} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{n-2} \cdot \dots \cdot \mathbf{E}_2 \cdot \mathbf{E}_1)^{-1}$? In fact, this is matrix \mathbf{L} we want!

Why Is L Correct? 9/10

- Additionally, $\mathbf{E}_1^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{E}_2^{-1} \cdot \dots \cdot \mathbf{E}_{n-2}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{n-1}^{-1}$ is also easy to compute.
- The following shows the results of $\mathbf{E}_{n-2}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{n-1}^{-1}$. It is basically “filling” the entries.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & p_{n-1} & 1 & \\ p_n & 0 & 1 & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & 0 & 1 & \\ & & 0 & m_n & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & p_{n-1} & 1 & \\ p_n & & m_n & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Pivoting in LU-Decomposition: 1/7

- **LU-Decomposition may also use pivoting.**
- **Although partial pivoting in Gaussian elimination does not affect the order of the solutions, it does in LU-decomposition because LU-decomposition only processes matrix A !**
- **Therefore, when using partial pivoting with LU-decomposition, an index array is needed to save row swapping activities so that the same row swapping can also apply to matrix b later.**

Pivoting in LU-Decomposition: 2/7

- To keep track *partial pivoting*, an index array $\mathbf{idx}()$ is needed, which will be used to swap elements of matrix \mathbf{b} .
- For example, if $\mathbf{idx}(1)=4$, $\mathbf{idx}(2)=1$, $\mathbf{idx}(3)=3$ and $\mathbf{idx}(4)=2$, this means after row swapping, row 1 is equation 4, row 2 is equation 1, row 3 is equation 3, and row 4 is equation 2.
- Before using forward/backward substitution, we need to swap b_4 to the first position, b_1 , b_3 and b_2 to the 2nd, 3rd and 4th, respectively.

Pivoting in LU-Decomposition: 3/7

- **Blue:** values of the lower diagonal portion (*i.e.*, matrix **L** without the diagonal)

index
array

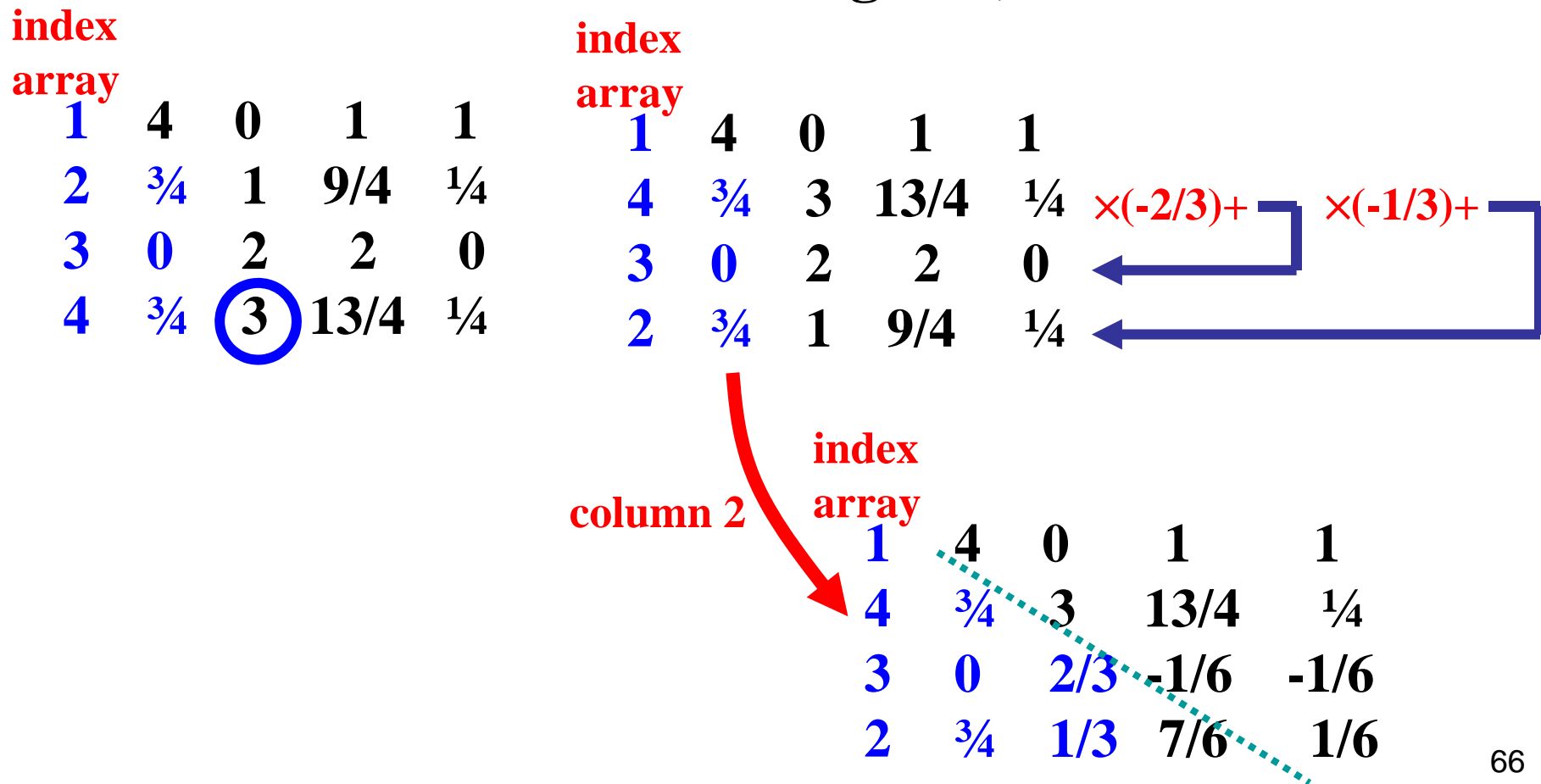
1	4	0	1	1	$\times(-3/4)+$	$\times(-0/4)+$	$\times(-3/4)+$
2	3	1	3	1	←	←	←
3	0	2	2	0	←	←	←
4	3	3	4	1	←	←	←

column 1

4	0	1	1
$3/4$	1	$9/4$	$1/4$
0	2	2	0
$3/4$	3	$13/4$	$1/4$

Pivoting in LU-Decomposition: 4/7

- **Blue:** values of the lower diagonal portion (*i.e.*, matrix **L** without the diagonal)



Pivoting in LU-Decomposition: 5/7

- **Blue:** values of the lower diagonal portion (*i.e.*, matrix **L** without the diagonal)

index				
array				
1	4	0	1	1
4	$\frac{3}{4}$	3	$\frac{13}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$
3	0	$\frac{2}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{6}$	$-\frac{1}{6}$
2	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{7}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$

index				
array				
1	4	0	1	1
4	$\frac{3}{4}$	3	$\frac{13}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$
2	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{7}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$ $\times(\frac{1}{7})+$
3	0	$\frac{2}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{6}$	$-\frac{1}{6}$ ←

column 3

index				
array				
1	4	0	1	1
4	$\frac{3}{4}$	3	$\frac{13}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$
2	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{7}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$
3	0	$\frac{2}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{7}$	$-\frac{3}{21}$

Pivoting in LU-Decomposition: 6/7

● Verification:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ \frac{3}{4} & 1 & & \\ \frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{3} & 1 & \\ 0 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{-1}{7} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & \frac{13}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \\ & \frac{7}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \\ & & \frac{-3}{21} & \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \text{index} \\ \text{array} \\ \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{4} \\ \mathbf{2} \\ \mathbf{3} \end{array} \\
 \mathbf{L} \quad \bullet \quad \mathbf{U} \quad = \quad \mathbf{A}
 \end{array}$$

Pivoting in LU-Decomposition: 7/7

- **LU-decomposition may use complete pivoting.**
- **A second index array is needed to keep track the swapping of variables.**
- **After the decomposition $A = L \cdot U$ is found, the partial pivoting index array is used to swap matrix b 's elements, then use the new b to solve for the x .**
- **If complete pivoting is used, the second array is used to get the correct order of variables back.**
- **See [Complete Pivoting](#) slides for the details.**

Iterative Methods: 1/2

- In addition to Gaussian elimination, LU-decomposition, and other methods that guarantee to compute the solution in a fixed number of steps, there are *iterative methods*.
- Like we learned in solving non-linear equations, iterative methods start with an initial guess \mathbf{x}_0 of $\mathbf{A}\bullet\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ and successively compute $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k$ until the error vector $\mathbf{e}_k = \mathbf{A}\bullet\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}$ is small enough.
- In many cases (e.g., very large systems), iterative methods may be more effective than the non-iterative methods.

Iterative Methods: 2/2

- **There are many iterative methods, from the very classical ones (*e.g.*, Jacobi and Gauss-Seidel) to very modern ones (*e.g.*, conjugate gradient).**
- **We only discuss the classical ones, Jacobi and Gauss-Seidel.**
- **Typical iterative methods have a general form similar to the following:**

$$x_{k+1} = C \cdot x_k + d$$

Jacobi Method: 1/4

- Equation i in $\mathbf{A}\bullet\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$ has the following form:

$$a_{i,1}x_1 + a_{i,2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{i,i}x_i + \cdots + a_{i,n}x_n = b_i$$

- Solving for x_i yields the following if $a_{i,i} \neq 0$:

$$x_i = \frac{1}{a_{i,i}} \left[b_i - \left(a_{i,1}x_1 + \cdots + a_{i,i-1}x_{i-1} + a_{i,i+1}x_{i+1} + \cdots + a_{i,n}x_n \right) \right] = \frac{1}{a_{i,i}} \left[b_i - \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^n a_{i,k}x_k \right]$$

- Jacobi method goes as follows:

- Start with an initial guess $\mathbf{x}_0 = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$
- Plug this \mathbf{x}_i into the above equations to compute \mathbf{x}_{i+1}
- Repeat this process until $\mathbf{A}\bullet\mathbf{x}_k \approx \mathbf{b}$ for some k .

- See next few slides for more details.

Jacobi Method: 2/4

- Let the system be:

$$\begin{array}{l} -5x - y + 2z = 1 \\ 2x + 6y - 3z = 2 \\ 2x + y + 7z = 32 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{transformation}} \begin{array}{l} x = -(1 + y - 2z)/5 \\ y = (2 - 2x + 3z)/6 \\ z = (32 - 2x - y)/7 \end{array}$$

- Suppose the initial values are $x=y=z=0$ (i.e., $\mathbf{x}_0 = [0,0,0]$)

- Plug \mathbf{x}_0 into the equations: $\mathbf{x}_1 = [-1/5, 1/3, 32/7]$.

- Plug \mathbf{x}_1 into the equations:

$$x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{5} \left(1 + \frac{1}{3} - 2 \times \frac{32}{7} \right) \\ \frac{1}{6} \left(2 - 2 \times \frac{-1}{5} + 3 \times \frac{32}{7} \right) \\ \frac{1}{7} \left(32 - 2 \times \frac{-1}{5} - \frac{1}{3} \right) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1.5619 \\ 2.6857 \\ 4.5810 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Converge in approx. 10 iterations
with $x \approx 0.998$, $y \approx 1.997$, $z \approx 3.991$**

Jacobi Method: 3/4

● Step 1: Initialization

! Given system is $A \bullet x = b$
! $C(:, :)$ and $d(:)$ are two
! working arrays

```
DO i = 1, n
  DO j = 1, n
    C(i,j) = -A(i,j)/A(i,i)
  END DO
  C(i,i) = 0
  d(i) = b(i)/A(i,i)
END DO
```

Now we have $x = C \bullet x + d$

row and column swaps may be needed
before starting iteration!

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\frac{a_{1,2}}{a_{1,1}} & -\frac{a_{1,3}}{a_{1,1}} & \dots & -\frac{a_{1,n}}{a_{1,1}} \\ -\frac{a_{2,1}}{a_{2,2}} & 0 & -\frac{a_{2,3}}{a_{2,2}} & \dots & -\frac{a_{2,n}}{a_{2,2}} \\ \frac{a_{3,1}}{a_{3,3}} & -\frac{a_{3,2}}{a_{3,3}} & 0 & \ddots & -\frac{a_{3,n}}{a_{3,3}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -\frac{a_{n,1}}{a_{n,n}} & -\frac{a_{n,2}}{a_{n,n}} & -\frac{a_{n,3}}{a_{n,n}} & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$d = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{b_1}{a_{1,1}} \\ \frac{b_2}{a_{2,2}} \\ \frac{b_3}{a_{3,3}} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{b_n}{a_{n,n}} \end{bmatrix}$$

Jacobi Method: 4/4

● Step 2: Iteration

```
DO
  x_new = C*x + d
  IF (ABS(A*x_new - b) < Tol) EXIT
  x = x_new
END DO
```

ABS(A*x_{new}-b) < Tol means the absolute value of each entry of **A*x_{new} - b** is less than **Tol**.

You may just use the equations for computation instead of the above matrix form.

Gauss-Seidel Method: 1/4

- Gauss-Seidel method is slightly different from Jacobi method.
- With Jacobi method, all new \mathbf{x} values are computed and be used in the *next* iteration.
- Gauss-Seidel method uses the same set of equations and the same initial values.
- *However*, the new x_1 computed from equation 1 is used in equation 2 to compute x_2 , the new x_1 and x_2 are used in equation 3 to compute x_3 .
- In general, the new x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{i-1} are used in equation i to compute the new x_i .

Gauss-Seidel Method: 2/4

- **Example:**

$$\begin{array}{l} -5x - y + 2z = 1 \\ 2x + 6y - 3z = 2 \\ 2x + y + 7z = 32 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{transformation}} \begin{array}{l} x = -(1 + y - 2z)/5 \\ y = (2 - 2x + 3z)/6 \\ z = (32 - 2x - y)/7 \end{array}$$

- Initial value is $x=y=z=0$.

- Plugging y and z into equation 1 yields the new $x = -1/5$. Now, we have $x = -1/5, y=z=0$.

- Plugging x and z into equation 2 yields the new $y = 2/5$. Now, we have $x=-1/5, y=2/5, z=0$

- Plugging x and y into equation 3 yields the new $z = 32/7$. Now, we have $x=-1/5, y=2/5, z=32/7$.

- This completes the first iteration!

Gauss-Seidel Method: 3/4

- **Example:**

$$\begin{array}{l} -5x - y + 2z = 1 \\ 2x + 6y - 3z = 2 \\ 2x + y + 7z = 32 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{transformation}} \begin{array}{l} x = -(1 + y - 2z)/5 \\ y = (2 - 2x + 3z)/6 \\ z = (32 - 2x - y)/7 \end{array}$$

- **Iteration 2 starts with $x=-1/5$, $y=2/5$, $z=32/7$.**
- **Plugging y and z into equation 1 yields the new $x = 271/175 \approx 1.5486$, and $x = 271/175$, $y=2/5$, $z=32/7$.**
- **Plugging x and z into equation 2 yields the new $y = 368/175 \approx 2.1029$, and $x=271/175$, $y=368/175$, $z=32/7$**
- **Plugging x and y into equation 3 yields the new $z = 134/35 \approx 3.8286$, and $x=271/175$, $y=368/175$, $z=134/35$.**
- **This completes the second iteration!**

Gauss-Seidel Method: 4/4

- **Algorithm:**
- **The initialization part is the same as the Jacobi method, since both methods use the same set of equation transformations.**

```
DO
  DO i = 1, n                ! Update  $x_i$ 
    EQN_i = 0
    DO j = 1, n
      EQN_i = EQN_i + C(i,j)*x(j)
    END DO
    x(i) = EQN_i + d(i)
  END DO
  IF (ABS(A*x - b) < Tol) EXIT
END DO
```

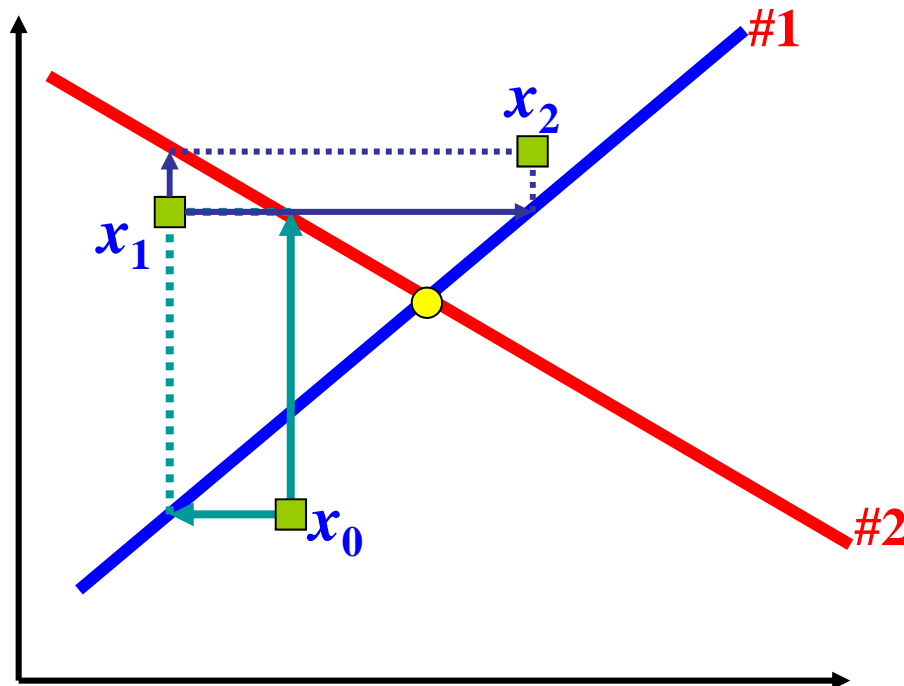
Convergence

- **Jacobi and Gauss-Seidel methods may not converge.**
- **Even though they may converge, they may be very slow.**
- **If the system is *diagonal dominant*, both methods converge.**

$$|a_{i,i}| > \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n |a_{i,j}| \quad (\text{for every } i)$$

Geometric Meaning: 1/4

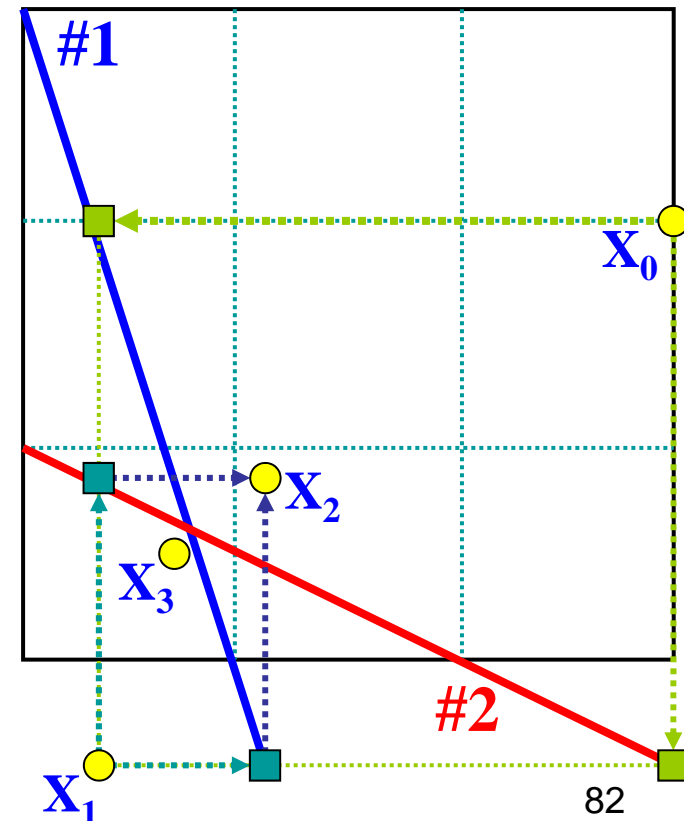
- Suppose we have two lines, **#1** and **#2**.
- Jacobi method uses y to find a new x with equation **#1**, and uses x to find a new y with equation **#2**.



Geometric Meaning: 2/4

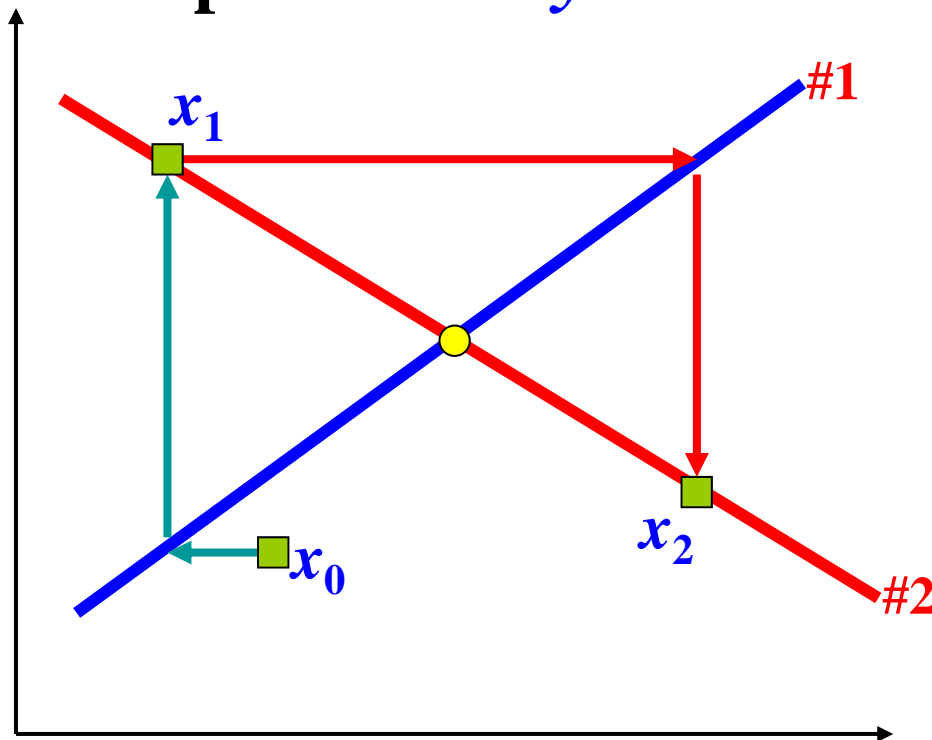
- If the given system is *diagonal dominant*, the Jacobi method converges.
- Let $\mathbf{X}_0=[3,2]$.
- Then, $\mathbf{X}_1=[1/3,-1/2]$. The right diagram shows how to find the x and y coordinates.
- $\mathbf{X}_2=[7/6,5/6]$ and $\mathbf{X}_3=[13/18,5/12]$.
- The solution is $\mathbf{X}^*=[4/5,3/5]$

$$\begin{array}{l} 3x+y=3 \\ x+2y=2 \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{l} x=1-y/3 \\ y=1-x/2 \end{array}$$



Geometric Meaning: 3/4

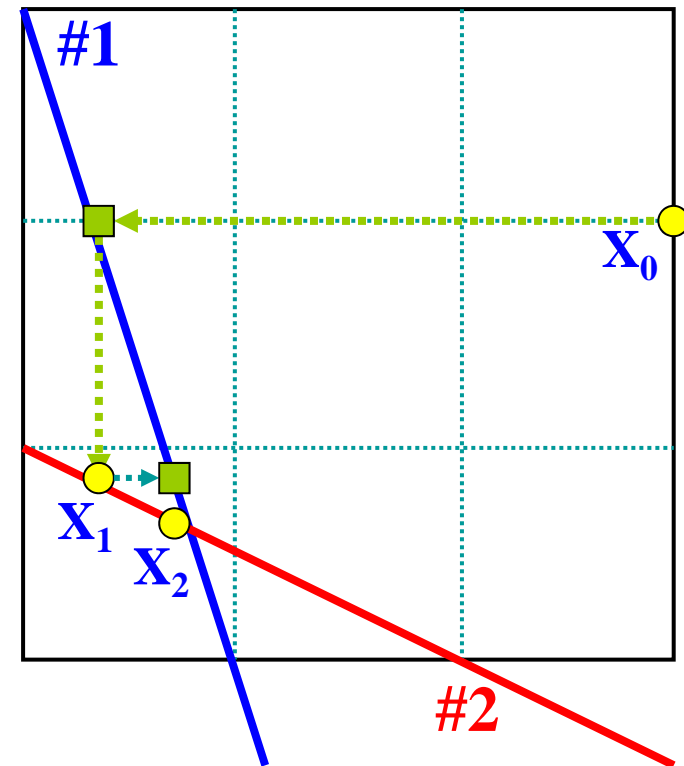
- Let us try the Gauss-Seidel method.
- This method uses y to compute a new x with equation 1, which replaces the old x , and uses this new x to compute a new y .



Geometric Meaning: 4/4

- Use Gauss-Seidel method with $X_0=[3,2]$.
- Since $x=1-2/3=1/3$ and $y=1-(1/3)/2=5/6$, $X_1=[1/3,5/6]$.
- Since $x=1-(5/6)/3=13/18$ and $y=1-(13/18)/2=23/36$, $X_2=[13/18,23/36]$.
- Since $x=1-(23/36)/3=85/108$ and $y=1-(85/108)/2=131/216$, $X_3=[85/108,131/216]$.
- Gauss-Seidel is *faster*!

$$\begin{array}{l} 3x+y=3 \\ x+2y=2 \end{array} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{l} x=1-y/3 \\ y=1-x/2 \end{array}$$



Iterative Refinement: 1/5

- Due to rounding error accumulation, elimination methods may not be accurate enough.
- This is especially true if matrix \mathbf{A} in $\mathbf{A}\cdot\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is ill-conditioned (*e.g.*, nearly singular), and, as a result, the computed solution may still be far away from the actual solution.
- *Iterative refinement techniques* can improve the accuracy of elimination methods.
- To use iterative refinement methods, one has to preserve matrix \mathbf{A} and compute the LU-decomposition $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}\cdot\mathbf{U}$.

Iterative Refinement: 2/5

- Here is the algorithm. In each step, the “residual” is computed and used to solve for a “correction” to update the solution \mathbf{X} .

```
Make copies of  $\mathbf{A}$  to  $\mathbf{A}'$  and  $\mathbf{A}''$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  to  $\mathbf{b}'$ 
Use  $\mathbf{A}''$  to compute  $\mathbf{A}'' = \mathbf{L} * \mathbf{U}$       !  $\mathbf{A}''$  is destroyed
Apply an elimination method to solve  $\mathbf{A}' * \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}'$ 
Let the solution be  $\mathbf{x}$ 
DO
   $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A} * \mathbf{x}$                 ! compute residual
  IF ( $\text{ABS}(\mathbf{r}) < \text{Tol}$ ) EXIT
  Solve for  $\Delta$  from  $(\mathbf{L} * \mathbf{U}) * \Delta = \mathbf{r}$  ! compute correction
   $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x} + \Delta$                     ! update  $\mathbf{x}$ 
END DO
```

Iterative Refinement: 3/5

- Consider solving the following system:

$$x + y = 2$$

$$2x + 3y = 5$$

- We have **A**, **L**, **U** and **b** matrices as follows:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{L}} \cdot \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{U}} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

- If a method provides a “solution” $x = 0.9$ and $y = 1.3$, the *residual* vector **r** is

$$r = b - A \cdot x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 \\ 1.3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.2 \\ -0.7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Iterative Refinement: 4/5

- Now, we solve for Δ from $A \cdot \Delta = r$.
- Since $A = L \cdot U$, we have $L \cdot (U \cdot \Delta) = r$.
- Since L and r are known, we may solve for T in $L \cdot T = r$ (hence $U \cdot \Delta = T$) as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} t_1 \\ t_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.2 \\ -0.7 \end{bmatrix}$$

L

- Forward substitution yields $t_1 = -0.2$ and $t_2 = -0.3$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} -0.2 \\ -0.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Iterative Refinement: 5/5

- We have $\mathbf{U} \cdot \Delta = \mathbf{T}$ as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_1 \\ \Delta_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.2 \\ -0.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

\mathbf{U}

- Backward substitution yields Δ as follows:

$$\Delta = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 \\ -0.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The new \mathbf{x} is

$$x_{new} = x_{old} + \Delta = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 \\ 1.3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 \\ -0.3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Since $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$, we have the solution in **1** iteration!

Matrix Inversion: 1/9

- The inverse matrix of a $n \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{A}^{-1} , satisfies $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}$, where \mathbf{I} is the $n \times n$ identity matrix.
- **Not all matrices are invertible.** A matrix that does not have an inverse is a **singular matrix**, and has zero determinant.
- Given \mathbf{A} , how do we find its inverse?
- If you know how to solve systems of linear equations, matrix inversion is just a little more complex.

Matrix Inversion: 2/9

- Let \mathbf{X} be a matrix such that $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{I}$.
- Consider column i of \mathbf{X} , \mathbf{X}_i , and column i of \mathbf{I} , \mathbf{I}_i .
- We have $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{X}_i = \mathbf{I}_i$ as shown below.
- Since \mathbf{X}_i is unknown and \mathbf{I}_i is known, solving for \mathbf{X}_i gives column i of matrix \mathbf{X} .

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{1,i} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{i,1} & & a_{i,i} & & a_{i,n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n,1} & \cdots & a_{n,i} & \cdots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_{1,i} \\ \vdots \\ x_{i,i} \\ \vdots \\ x_{n,i} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ } i\text{-th position}$$

Matrix Inversion: 3/9

- Therefore, we may use the same \mathbf{A} and solve \mathbf{X}_1 from \mathbf{I}_1 , \mathbf{X}_2 from \mathbf{I}_2 , ..., \mathbf{X}_n from \mathbf{I}_n .
- It requires the execution of a linear system solver n times with the same \mathbf{A} .
- We may use LU-decomposition to save time!

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{1,i} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{i,1} & & a_{i,i} & & a_{i,n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n,1} & \cdots & a_{n,i} & \cdots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_{1,i} \\ \vdots \\ x_{i,i} \\ \vdots \\ x_{n,i} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ } i\text{-th position}$$

Matrix Inversion: 4/9

- First, do a LU-decomposition $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}\cdot\mathbf{U}$.
- For each i from 1 to n , let \mathbf{I}_i be the column vector with a 1 in the i -th position and 0 elsewhere.
- We have $(\mathbf{L}\cdot\mathbf{U})\cdot\mathbf{X}_i = \mathbf{I}_i$. Applying forward and backward substitutions yields \mathbf{X}_i , the i -th column of the inverse matrix $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$.
- Note that if partial (complete) pivoting is used in the construction of $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}\cdot\mathbf{U}$, one must swap rows of \mathbf{I}_k 's before solving, and swap rows (and columns) after the solution is obtained.

Matrix Inversion: 5/9

- Consider finding the inversion of the following matrix **A**:

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

- First, find **A**'s LU-decomposition as follows:

$$A = L \cdot U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ \frac{3}{4} & 1 & & \\ \frac{4}{4} & & 1 & \\ 0 & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 \\ & 1 & \frac{9}{4} \\ & & \frac{-1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix Inversion: 6/9

- Now, find the first column of the inverse.
- The right-hand side is $[1,0,0]^T$ as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ \frac{3}{4} & 1 & \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 \\ & 1 & \frac{9}{4} \\ & & \frac{-1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \cdot X_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Go through a forward and a backward substitution yields:

$$X_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix Inversion: 7/9

- Then, find the second column of the inverse.
- The right-hand side is $[0,1,0]^T$ as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ \frac{3}{4} & 1 & & \\ 4 & & & \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 \\ & 1 & \frac{9}{4} \\ & & 4 \\ & & \frac{-1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \cdot X_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Go through a forward and a backward substitution yields:

$$X_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix Inversion: 8/9

- Finally, find the third column of the inverse.
- The right-hand side is $[0,0,1]^T$ as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ \frac{3}{4} & 1 & \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 \\ & 1 & \frac{9}{4} \\ & & \frac{-1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \cdot X_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Go through a forward and a backward substitution yields:

$$X_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 9 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix Inversion: 9/9

- Therefore, the inverse of A is $[X_1 | X_2 | X_3]$:

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 6 & -8 & 9 \\ -3 & 4 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Let us verify it:

$$A \cdot A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 6 & -8 & 9 \\ -3 & 4 & -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determinant: 1/3

- The determinant of a square matrix is also easy to compute.
- If $A = L \cdot U$, then the determinant of A is the product of the diagonal elements of U .
- If the construction of $A = L \cdot U$ uses pivoting, the total number of row **and** column swaps matters. If the total is odd, the product should be multiplied by **-1**.
- This is because swapping two rows (or columns) changes the sign of the determinant.

Determinant: 3/3

- It is possible that all the remaining entries are 0's when doing complete pivoting.
- In this case, the given matrix is *singular* with *zero* determinant.
- More importantly, the number of none-zero entries on the diagonal is the *rank* of the matrix.

The End