Gauss-Siedel Method

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Gauss-Seidel Method

An *iterative* method.

Basic Procedure:

-Algebraically solve each linear equation for x_i

-Assume an initial guess solution array

-Solve for each x_i and repeat

-Use absolute relative approximate error after each iteration to check if error is within a pre-specified tolerance.

Gauss-Seidel Method

Why?

The Gauss-Seidel Method allows the user to control round-off error.

Elimination methods such as Gaussian Elimination and LU Decomposition are prone to prone to round-off error.

Also: If the physics of the problem are understood, a close initial guess can be made, decreasing the number of iterations needed.

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Algorithm

A set of *n* equations and *n* unknowns:

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 + \ldots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3 + \ldots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2$$

$$\vdots \qquad \vdots$$

$$a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + a_{n3}x_3 + \ldots + a_{nn}x_n = b_n$$

If: the diagonal elements are non-zero

Rewrite each equation solving for the corresponding unknown

ex:

First equation, solve for x_1

Second equation, solve for x_2

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Rewriting each equation

$$x_1 = \frac{c_1 - a_{12}x_2 - a_{13}x_3 \ldots\ldots - a_{1n}x_n}{a_{11}} \longleftarrow \text{From Equation 1}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{c_2 - a_{21}x_1 - a_{23}x_3 \ldots\ldots - a_{2n}x_n}{a_{22}} \longleftarrow \text{From equation 2}$$

$$\vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots$$

$$x_{n-1} = \frac{c_{n-1} - a_{n-1,1}x_1 - a_{n-1,2}x_2 \ldots\ldots - a_{n-1,n-2}x_{n-2} - a_{n-1,n}x_n}{a_{n-1,n-1}} \longleftarrow \text{From equation n-1}$$

$$x_n = \frac{c_n - a_{n1}x_1 - a_{n2}x_2 - \ldots\ldots - a_{n,n-1}x_{n-1}}{a_{nn}} \longleftarrow \text{From equation n}$$

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General Form of each equation

$$x_1 = \frac{c_1 - \sum\limits_{\substack{j=1 \\ j\neq 1}}^{n} a_{1j} x_j}{a_{11}}$$

$$x_{n-1} = \frac{c_{n-1} - \sum\limits_{\substack{j=1 \\ j\neq n-1}}^{n} a_{n-1,j} x_j}{a_{n-1,n-1}}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{c_2 - \sum\limits_{\substack{j=1 \\ j\neq 2}}^{n} a_{2j} x_j}{a_{22}}$$

$$x_n = \frac{c_n - \sum\limits_{\substack{j=1 \\ j\neq n}}^{n} a_{nj} x_j}{a_{nn}}$$

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Algorithm

General Form for any row ‘i’

$$x_i = \frac{c_i - \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^{n} a_{ij} x_j}{a_{ii}}, i = 1,2,\ldots,n.$$

How or where can this equation be used?

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Solve for the unknowns

Assume an initial guess for [X]

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n\text{-}1} \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Use rewritten equations to solve for each value of x_i.

Important: Remember to use the most recent value of x_i. Which means to apply values calculated to the calculations remaining in the **current** iteration.

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Calculate the Absolute Relative Approximate Error

$$\left|\in_a\right|_i = \left|\frac{x_i^{new} - x_i^{old}}{x_i^{new}}\right| \times 100$$

So when has the answer been found?

The iterations are stopped when the absolute relative approximate error is less than a prespecified tolerance for all unknowns.

Example: Thermal Coefficient

A trunnion of diameter 12.363" has to be cooled from a room temperature of 80 F before it is shrink fit into a steel hub.

The equation that gives the diametric contraction ΔD of the trunnion in dry-ice/alcohol (boiling temperature is −108 F is given by:

$$\Delta D = 12.363 \int_{80}^{-108} \alpha(T)\,dT$$

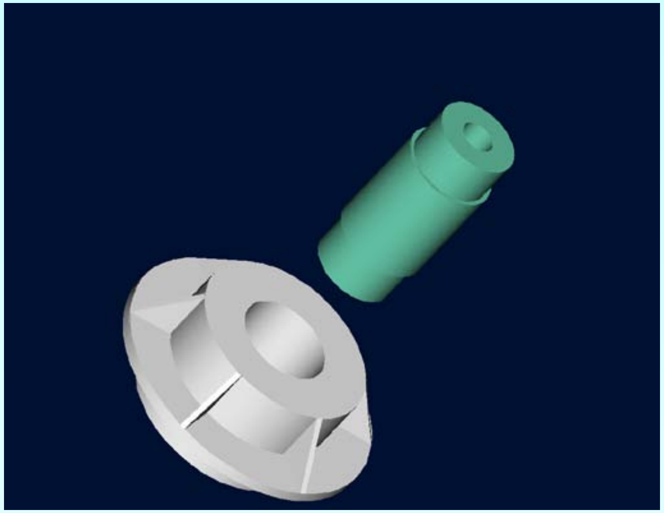

Figure 1 Trunnion to be slid through the hub after contracting.

Example: Thermal Coefficient

The expression for the thermal expansion coefficient, $\alpha = a_1 + a_2 T + a_3 T^2$ is obtained using regression analysis and hence solving the following simultaneous linear equations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 24 & -2860 & 7.26\times10^{5} \\ -2860 & 7.26\times10^{5} & -1.86472\times10^{8} \\ 7.26\times10^{5} & -1.86472\times10^{8} & 5.24357\times10^{10} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.057\times10^{-4} \\ -1.04162\times10^{-2} \\ 2.56799 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the values of a_1, a_2, and a_3 using Gauss-Seidel Method.

Example: Thermal Coefficient

The system of equations is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 24 & -2860 & 7.26\times10^{5} \\ -2860 & 7.26\times10^{5} & -1.86472\times10^{8} \\ 7.26\times10^{5} & -1.86472\times10^{8} & 5.24357\times10^{10} \end{bmatrix}\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.057\times10^{-4} \\ -1.04162\times10^{-2} \\ 2.56799 \end{bmatrix}$$

Initial Guess:

Assume an initial guess of

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: Thermal Coefficient

Rewriting each equation

Iteration 1

$$\begin{bmatrix} 24 & -2860 & 7.26\times10^{5} \\ -2860 & 7.26\times10^{5} & -1.86472\times10^{8} \\ 7.26\times10^{5} & -1.86472\times10^{8} & 5.24357\times10^{10} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.057\times10^{-4} \\ -1.04162\times10^{-2} \\ 2.56799 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a_1 = \frac{1.057\times10^{-4} - (-2860)\times0 - 7.26\times10^{5}\times0}{24} = 4.4042\times10^{-6}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{-1.04162\times10^{-2} - (-2860)\times4.4042\times10^{-6} - (-1.86472\times10^{8})\times0}{7.26\times10^{5}} = 3.0024\times10^{-9}$$

$$a_3 = \frac{2.56799 - 7.26\times10^{5}\times4.4042\times10^{-6} - (-1.86472\times10^{8})\times3.0024\times10^{-9}}{5.24357\times10^{10}} = -1.3269\times10^{-12}$$

Example: Thermal Coefficient

Finding the absolute relative approximate error

$$\left|\in_a\right|_i = \left|\frac{x_i^{new} - x_i^{old}}{x_i^{new}}\right| \times 100$$

$$\left|\in_a\right|_1 = \left|\frac{4.4042\times 10^{-6} - 0}{4.4042\times 10^{-6}}\right| \times 100 = 100\%$$

$$\left|\in_a\right|_2 = \left|\frac{3.0024\times 10^{-9} - 1000}{3.0024\times 10^{-9}}\right| \times 100 = 100\%$$

$$\left|\in_a\right|_3 = \left|\frac{-1.3269\times 10^{-12} - 100}{-1.3269\times 10^{-12}}\right| \times 100 = 100\%$$

At the end of the first iteration

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4.4042\times 10^{-6} \\ 3.0024\times 10^{-9} \\ -1.3269\times 10^{-12} \end{bmatrix}$$

The maximum absolute relative approximate error is 100%.

Example: Thermal Coefficient

Iteration 2

Using $\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4.4042\times10^{-6} \\ 3.0024\times10^{-9} \\ -1.3269\times10^{-12} \end{bmatrix}$ from Iteration 1 the values of a_i are found:

$$a_1 = \frac{1.057\times10^{-4} - (-2860)\times3.0024\times10^{-9} - 7.26\times10^{5}\times\left(-1.3269\times10^{-12}\right)}{24}$$

$$= 4.8021\times10^{-6}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{-1.04162\times10^{-2} - (-2860)\times4.8021\times10^{-6} - \left(-1.86472\times10^{8}\right)\times\left(-1.3269\times10^{-12}\right)}{7.26\times10^{5}}$$

$$= 4.2291\times10^{-9}$$

$$a_3 = \frac{2.56799 - 7.26\times10^{5}\times4.8021\times10^{-6} - \left(-1.86472\times10^{8}\right)\times4.2291\times10^{-9}}{5.24357\times10^{10}}$$

$$= -2.4738\times10^{-12}$$

Example: Thermal Coefficient

Finding the absolute relative approximate error

$$\left|\epsilon_a\right|_1 = \left|\frac{4.8021\times10^{-6} - 4.4042\times10^{-6}}{4.8021\times10^{-6}}\right|\times100 = 8.2864\%$$

$$\left|\epsilon_a\right|_2 = \left|\frac{4.221\times10^{-9} - 3.0024\times10^{-9}}{4.22911\times10^{-9}}\right|\times100 = 29.007\%$$

$$\left|\epsilon_a\right|_3 = \left|\frac{-2.4738\times10^{-12} - (-1.3269\times10^{-12})}{-2.4738\times10^{-12}}\right|\times100 = 46.360\%$$

At the end of the second iteration

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4.8021\times10^{-6} \\ 4.2291\times10^{-9} \\ -2.4738\times10^{-12} \end{bmatrix}$$

The maximum absolute relative approximate error is 46.360%.

Example: Thermal Coefficient

Repeating more iterations, the following values are obtained

Iteration	a_1	$\lvert\in_a\rvert_1$ %	a_2	$\lvert\in_a\rvert_2$ %	a_3	$\lvert\in_a\rvert_3$ %
1	4.4042×10^{-6}	100	3.0024×10^{-9}	100	-1.3269×10^{-12}	100
2	4.8021×10^{-6}	8.2864	4.2291×10^{-9}	29.0073	-2.4738×10^{-12}	46.3605
3	4.9830×10^{-6}	3.6300	4.6471×10^{-9}	8.9946	-3.4917×10^{-12}	29.1527
4	5.0636×10^{-6}	1.5918	4.7023×10^{-9}	1.1922	-4.4083×10^{-12}	20.7922
5	5.0980×10^{-6}	0.6749	4.6033×10^{-9}	2.1696	-5.2399×10^{-12}	15.8702
6	5.1112×10^{-6}	0.2593	4.4419×10^{-9}	3.6330	-5.9972×10^{-12}	12.6290

! Notice – After six iterations, the absolute relative approximate errors are decreasing, but are still high.

Example: Thermal Coefficient

Repeating more iterations, the following values are obtained

Iteration	a_1	$\left|\in_a\right|_1 \%$	a_2	$\left|\in_a\right|_2 \%$	a_3	$\left|\in_a\right|_3 \%$
75	5.0692×10^{-6}	2.2559×10^{-4}	2.0139×10^{-9}	0.02428	-1.4049×10^{-11}	0.01125
76	5.0691×10^{-6}	2.0630×10^{-4}	2.0135×10^{-9}	0.02221	-1.4051×10^{-11}	0.01029

The value of

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5.0691\times10^{-6} \\ 2.0135\times10^{-9} \\ -1.4051\times10^{-11} \end{bmatrix}$$

closely approaches the true value of

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5.0690\times10^{-6} \\ 2.0087\times10^{-9} \\ -1.4066\times10^{-11} \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: Thermal Coefficient

The polynomial that passes through the three data points is then

$$\alpha(T) = a_1 + a_2 T + a_3 T^2$$

$$= 5.06915 \times 10^{-6} + 2.00135 \times 10^{-9} T - 1.4051 \times 10^{-11} T^2$$

Gauss-Seidel Method: Pitfall

Even though done correctly, the answer may not converging to the correct answer

This is a pitfall of the Gauss-Siedel method: not all systems of equations will converge.

Is there a fix?

One class of system of equations always converges: One with a *diagonally dominant* coefficient matrix.

Diagonally dominant: [A] in [A] [X] = [C] is diagonally dominant if:

$$\left|a_{\mathrm{ii}}\right| \geq \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq \mathrm{i}}}^{n} \left|a_{ij}\right| \quad \text{for all 'i'} \qquad \text{and} \quad \left|a_{ii}\right| > \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^{n} \left|a_{ij}\right| \quad \text{for at least one 'i'}$$

Gauss-Seidel Method: Pitfall

Diagonally dominant: The coefficient on the diagonal must be at least equal to the sum of the other coefficients in that row and at least one row with a diagonal coefficient greater than the sum of the other coefficients in that row.

Which coefficient matrix is diagonally dominant?

$$[A]=\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5.81 & 34 \\ 45 & 43 & 1 \\ 123 & 16 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[B]=\begin{bmatrix} 124 & 34 & 56 \\ 23 & 53 & 5 \\ 96 & 34 & 129 \end{bmatrix}$$

Most physical systems do result in simultaneous linear equations that have diagonally dominant coefficient matrices.

Gauss-Seidel Method: Example 2

Given the system of equations

$$12x_1 + 3x_2 - 5x_3 = 1$$
$$x_1 + 5x_2 + 3x_3 = 28$$
$$3x_1 + 7x_2 + 13x_3 = 76$$

The coefficient matrix is:

$$[A] = \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 3 & -5 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 \\ 3 & 7 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

With an initial guess of

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Will the solution converge using the Gauss-Siedel method?

Gauss-Seidel Method: Example 2

Checking if the coefficient matrix is diagonally dominant

$$[A]=\begin{bmatrix} 12 & 3 & -5 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 \\ 3 & 7 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|a_{11}| = |12| = 12 \geq |a_{12}| + |a_{13}| = |3| + |-5| = 8$$

$$|a_{22}| = |5| = 5 \geq |a_{21}| + |a_{23}| = |1| + |3| = 4$$

$$|a_{33}| = |13| = 13 \geq |a_{31}| + |a_{32}| = |3| + |7| = 10$$

The inequalities are all true and at least one row is *strictly* greater than:

Therefore: The solution should converge using the Gauss-Siedel Method

Gauss-Seidel Method: Example 2

Rewriting each equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} 12 & 3 & -5 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 \\ 3 & 7 & 13 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 28 \\ 76 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{1 - 3x_2 + 5x_3}{12}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{28 - x_1 - 3x_3}{5}$$

$$x_3 = \frac{76 - 3x_1 - 7x_2}{13}$$

With an initial guess of

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{1 - 3(0) + 5(1)}{12} = 0.50000$$

$$x_2 = \frac{28 - (0.5) - 3(1)}{5} = 4.9000$$

$$x_3 = \frac{76 - 3(0.50000) - 7(4.9000)}{13} = 3.0923$$

Gauss-Seidel Method: Example 2

The absolute relative approximate error

$$\left|\in_a\right|_1 = \left|\frac{0.50000 - 1.0000}{0.50000}\right| \times 100 = 100.00\%$$

$$\left|\in_\mathrm{a}\right|_2 = \left|\frac{4.9000 - 0}{4.9000}\right| \times 100 = 100.00\%$$

$$\left|\in_\mathrm{a}\right|_3 = \left|\frac{3.0923 - 1.0000}{3.0923}\right| \times 100 = 67.662\%$$

The maximum absolute relative error after the first iteration is 100%

Gauss-Seidel Method: Example 2

After Iteration #1

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5000 \\ 4.9000 \\ 3.0923 \end{bmatrix}$$

Substituting the x values into the equations

$$x_1 = \frac{1 - 3(4.9000) + 5(3.0923)}{12} = 0.14679$$

$$x_2 = \frac{28 - (0.14679) - 3(3.0923)}{5} = 3.7153$$

$$x_3 = \frac{76 - 3(0.14679) - 7(4.900)}{13} = 3.8118$$

After Iteration #2

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.14679 \\ 3.7153 \\ 3.8118 \end{bmatrix}$$

Gauss-Seidel Method: Example 2

Iteration #2 absolute relative approximate error

$$\left|\in_a\right|_1 = \left|\frac{0.14679 - 0.50000}{0.14679}\right| \times 100 = 240.61\%$$

$$\left|\in_a\right|_2 = \left|\frac{3.7153 - 4.9000}{3.7153}\right| \times 100 = 31.889\%$$

$$\left|\in_a\right|_3 = \left|\frac{3.8118 - 3.0923}{3.8118}\right| \times 100 = 18.874\%$$

The maximum absolute relative error after the first iteration is 240.61%

This is much larger than the maximum absolute relative error obtained in iteration #1. Is this a problem?

Gauss-Seidel Method: Example 2

Repeating more iterations, the following values are obtained

Iteration	a_1	$\left|\in_a\right|_1 \%$	a_2	$\left|\in_a\right|_2 \%$	a_3	$\left|\in_a\right|_3 \%$
1	0.50000	100.00	4.9000	100.00	3.0923	67.662
2	0.14679	240.61	3.7153	31.889	3.8118	18.876
3	0.74275	80.236	3.1644	17.408	3.9708	4.0042
4	0.94675	21.546	3.0281	4.4996	3.9971	0.65772
5	0.99177	4.5391	3.0034	0.82499	4.0001	0.074383
6	0.99919	0.74307	3.0001	0.10856	4.0001	0.00101

The solution obtained $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.99919 \\ 3.0001 \\ 4.0001 \end{bmatrix}$ is close to the exact solution of $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

Gauss-Seidel Method: Example 3

Given the system of equations

$$3x_1 + 7x_2 + 13x_3 = 76$$

$$x_1 + 5x_2 + 3x_3 = 28$$

$$12x_1 + 3x_2 - 5x_3 = 1$$

With an initial guess of

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rewriting the equations

$$x_1 = \frac{76 - 7x_2 - 13x_3}{3}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{28 - x_1 - 3x_3}{5}$$

$$x_3 = \frac{1 - 12x_1 - 3x_2}{-5}$$

Gauss-Seidel Method: Example 3

Conducting six iterations, the following values are obtained

Iteration	a_1	$\left\|\in_a\right\|_1 \%$	A_2	$\left\|\in_a\right\|_2 \%$	a_3	$\left\|\in_a\right\|_3 \%$
1	21.000	95.238	0.80000	100.00	50.680	98.027
2	−196.15	110.71	14.421	94.453	−462.30	110.96
3	−1995.0	109.83	−116.02	112.43	4718.1	109.80
4	−20149	109.90	1204.6	109.63	−47636	109.90
5	$2.0364 \quad 10^{5}$	109.89	−12140	109.92	$4.8144 \quad 10^{5}$	109.89
6	$-2.0579 \quad 10^{5}$	109.89	$1.2272 \quad 10^{5}$	109.89	$-4.8653 \quad 10^{6}$	109.89

The values are not converging.

Does this mean that the Gauss-Seidel method cannot be used?

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The Gauss-Seidel Method can still be used

The coefficient matrix is not diagonally dominant

$$[A]=\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 7 & 13 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 \\ 12 & 3 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

But this is the same set of equations used in example #2, which did converge.

$$[A]=\begin{bmatrix} 12 & 3 & -5 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 \\ 3 & 7 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

If a system of linear equations is not diagonally dominant, check to see if rearranging the equations can form a diagonally dominant matrix.

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Not every system of equations can be rearranged to have a diagonally dominant coefficient matrix.

Observe the set of equations

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 3$$

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 = 9$$

$$x_1 + 7x_2 + x_3 = 9$$

Which equation(s) prevents this set of equation from having a diagonally dominant coefficient matrix?

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Summary

-Advantages of the Gauss-Seidel Method

-Algorithm for the Gauss-Seidel Method

-Pitfalls of the Gauss-Seidel Method

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Questions?

Additional Resources

For all resources on this topic such as digital audiovisual lectures, primers, textbook chapters, multiple-choice tests, worksheets in MATLAB, MATHEMATICA, MathCad and MAPLE, blogs, related physical problems, please visit

http://numericalmethods.eng.usf.edu/topics/gauss_seidel.html

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