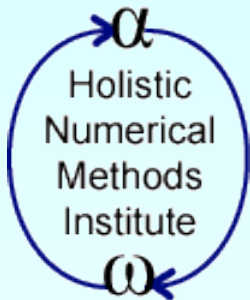


Gauss-Siedel Method

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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 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:

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

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

$$\vdots \quad \quad \quad \vdots$$

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

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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Algorithm

Rewriting each equation

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

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

\vdots \vdots \vdots

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

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

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Algorithm

General Form of each equation

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

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

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

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

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General Form for any row 'i'

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

How or where can this equation be used?

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Solve for the unknowns

Assume an initial guess for $[X]$

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

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.

Gauss-Seidel Method

Calculate the Absolute Relative Approximate Error

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

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: Production Optimization

To find the number of toys a company should manufacture per day to optimally use their injection-molding machine and the assembly line, one needs to solve the following set of equations. The unknowns are the number of toys for boys, x_1 , number of toys for girls, x_2 , and the number of unisex toys, x_3 .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.3333 & 0.1667 & 0.6667 \\ 0.1667 & 0.6667 & 0.3333 \\ 1.05 & -1.00 & 0.00 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 756 \\ 1260 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the values of x_1 , x_2 , and x_3 using the Gauss-Seidel Method

Example: Production Optimization

The system of equations is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.3333 & 0.1667 & 0.6667 \\ 0.1667 & 0.6667 & 0.3333 \\ 1.05 & -1.00 & 0.00 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 756 \\ 1260 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Initial Guess: Assume an initial guess of

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1000 \\ 1000 \\ 100 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: Production Optimization

Rewriting each equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.3333 & 0.1667 & 0.6667 \\ 0.1667 & 0.6667 & 0.3333 \\ 1.05 & -1.00 & 0.00 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 756 \\ 1260 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{756 - 0.1667x_2 - 0.6667x_3}{0.3333}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1260 - 0.1667x_1 - 0.3333x_3}{0.6667}$$

$$x_3 = \frac{0 - 1.05x_1 - (-1.00)x_2}{0}$$

Example: Production Optimization

$$x_3 = \frac{0 - 1.05x_1 - (-1.00)x_2}{0}$$

The Equation for x_3 is divided by 0 which is undefined. Therefore the order of the equations will need to be reordered. Equation 3 and equation 1 will be switched. By switching equations 3 and 1, the matrix will also become diagonally dominant.

The system of equations becomes:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.05 & -1.00 & 0.00 \\ 0.1667 & 0.6667 & 0.3333 \\ 0.3333 & 0.1667 & 0.6667 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1260 \\ 756 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: Production Optimization

Rewriting each equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.05 & -1.00 & 0.00 \\ 0.1667 & 0.6667 & 0.3333 \\ 0.3333 & 0.1667 & 0.6667 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1260 \\ 756 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{0 - (-1.00)x_2 - (0)x_3}{1.05}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1260 - 0.1667x_1 - 0.3333x_3}{0.6667}$$

$$x_3 = \frac{756 - 0.3333x_1 - 0.1667x_2}{0.6667}$$

Example: Production Optimization

Applying the initial guess and solving for x_i

Initial Guess

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1000 \\ 1000 \\ 100 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{0 - (-1.00) \times 1000 - 0 \times 100}{1.05} = 952.38$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1260 - 0.1667 \times 952.38 - 0.3333 \times 100}{0.6667} = 1601.8$$

$$x_3 = \frac{756 - 0.3333 \times 952.38 - 0.1667 \times 1601.8}{0.6667} = 257.32$$

When solving for x_2 , how many of the initial guess values were used?

Example: Production Optimization

Finding the absolute relative approximate error

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

$$|\epsilon_a|_1 = \left| \frac{952.38 - 1000}{952.38} \right| \times 100 = 5.0000\%$$

$$|\epsilon_a|_2 = \left| \frac{1601.8 - 1000}{1601.8} \right| \times 100 = 37.570\%$$

$$|\epsilon_a|_3 = \left| \frac{257.32 - 100}{257.32} \right| \times 100 = 61.138\%$$

At the end of the first iteration

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 952.38 \\ 1601.8 \\ 257.32 \end{bmatrix}$$

The maximum absolute relative approximate error is
61.138%

Example: Production Optimization

Iteration 2

Using $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 952.38 \\ 1601.8 \\ 257.32 \end{bmatrix}$ from Iteration 1,
the values of x_i are found:

$$x_1 = \frac{0 - (-1.00) \times 1601.8 - 0 \times 257.32}{1.05} = 1525.5$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1260 - 0.1667 \times 1525.5 - 0.3333 \times 257.32}{0.6667} = 1379.8$$

$$x_3 = \frac{756 - 0.3333 \times 1525.5 - 0.1667 \times 1379.8}{0.6667} = 26.295$$

Example: Production Optimization

Finding the absolute relative approximate error

$$|\epsilon_a|_1 = \left| \frac{1525.5 - 952.38}{1525.5} \right| \times 100 = 37.570\%$$

$$|\epsilon_a|_2 = \left| \frac{1379.8 - 1601.8}{1379.8} \right| \times 100 = 16.085\%$$

$$|\epsilon_a|_3 = \left| \frac{26.295 - 257.32}{26.295} \right| \times 100 = 878.59\%$$

At the end of the second iteration

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1525.5 \\ 1379.8 \\ 26.295 \end{bmatrix}$$

The maximum absolute relative approximate error is
878.59%

Example: Production Optimization

Repeating more iterations, the following values are obtained

Iteration	x_1	$ \epsilon_a _1$ %	x_2	$ \epsilon_a _2$ %	x_3	$ \epsilon_a _3$ %
1	952.38	5	1601.8	37.570	257.32	61.138
2	1525.5	37.570	1379.8	16.085	26.295	878.59
3	1314.1	16.085	1548.2	10.874	89.876	70.743
4	1474.5	10.874	1476.3	4.8686	27.694	224.53
5	1406.0	4.8686	1524.5	3.1618	49.863	44.459
6	1451.9	3.1618	1501.9	1.5021	32.554	53.170

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

Example: Production Optimization

Repeating more iterations, the following values are obtained

Iteration	x_1	$ \epsilon_a _1$ %	x_2	$ \epsilon_a _2$ %	x_3	$ \epsilon_a _3$ %
20	1439.8	0.00064276	1511.8	0.00034987	36.115	0.0091495
21	1439.8	0.00034987	1511.8	0.00019257	36.114	0.0049578

The value of

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1439.8 \\ 1511.8 \\ 36.114 \end{bmatrix}$$

closely approaches the true
value of

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1439.8 \\ 1511.8 \\ 36.113 \end{bmatrix}$$

Gauss-Seidel Method: Pitfall

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

This is a pitfall of the Gauss-Seidel 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:

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

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-Seidel 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-Seidel 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

$$|\epsilon_a|_1 = \left| \frac{0.50000 - 1.00000}{0.50000} \right| \times 100 = 100.00\%$$

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

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

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

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

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

$$x_3 = \frac{76 - 3(0.14679) - 7(4.9000)}{13} = 3.8118$$

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

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

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

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

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	$ \epsilon_{a_1} \%$	a_2	$ \epsilon_{a_2} \%$	a_3	$ \epsilon_{a_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	$ \epsilon_{a_1} \%$	A_2	$ \epsilon_{a_2} \%$	a_3	$ \epsilon_{a_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	$2.0364 \cdot 10^5$	109.89	-12140	109.92	$4.8144 \cdot 10^5$	109.89
6	$-2.0579 \cdot 10^5$	109.89	$1.2272 \cdot 10^5$	109.89	$-4.8653 \cdot 10^6$	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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