

# Convergence of Jacobi, GS and SOR( $\omega$ ). ①

When do these methods converge? How fast?

Definition.  $A$  is strictly row diagonally dominant if  $|a_{ii}| > \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|$ .

Theorem. If  $A$  is strictly row diagonally dominant, then both Jacobi and GS converge. GS converges "faster" in the sense that  $\|R_{GS}\|_{\infty} \leq \|R_J\|_{\infty} < 1$ .

Proof. We have  $R_J = L + U = (D^{-1}(\tilde{L} + \tilde{U}))$  and  $R_{GS} = (I - L)^{-1}U$ . We want to show

$$\|R_{GS}\| = \| |R_{GS}| \vec{1} \|_{\infty} \leq \| |R_J| \vec{1} \|_{\infty} = \|R_J\|_{\infty}.$$

where  $\vec{1}$  is the vector ~~of~~ of all ones.

(Thus  $A\vec{1}$  is the vector of row sums, etc.)

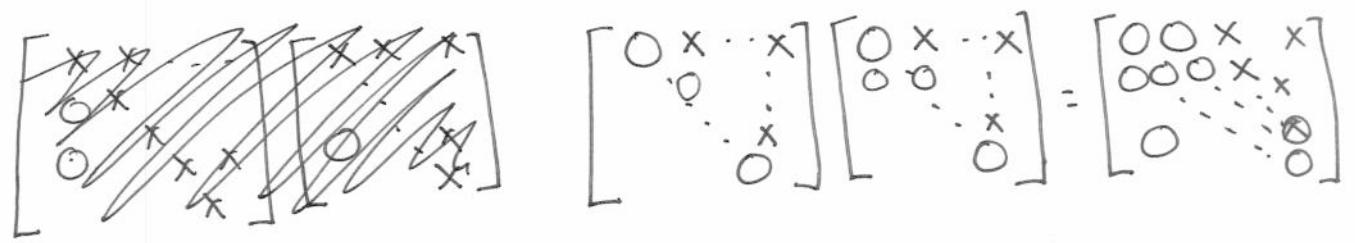
In fact, we show the stronger componentwise inequality (for all  $i$ )

$$(|R_{GS}| \vec{1})_i \leq (|R_j| \vec{1})_i$$

Now we have

$$|(I-L)^{-1} u| \cdot \vec{1} \leq \underbrace{|(I-L)^{-1}| |u|}_{\text{triangle inequality, since these are sums of absolute values and lhs is abs. vals. of sums.}} \cdot \vec{1}$$

Now  $L$  is <sup>strictly</sup> lower triangular, and so



we can compute that the subdiagonals empty out as we take powers of  $L$ .

In fact,  $L^n = 0$ . So  ~~$(I-L)^{-1}$~~  Now we can expand

$$(I-L)^{-1} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} L^i$$

as usual and truncate the series at  $L^{n-1}$ .

We learn that

$$(I - L)^{-1} = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} L^i$$

So our previous

$$\|(I - L)^{-1}\| \|u\| \vec{1} = \left\| \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} L^i \right\| \|u\| \vec{1}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \|L^i\| \|u\| \vec{1}$$

again, triangle inequality.

$$= (1 - \|L\|)^{-1} \cdot \|u\| \cdot \vec{1}$$

since  $\|L^n\| = 0$  as well.

So this means it is OK to prove (componentwise)

$$(I - \|L\|)^{-1} \|u\| \vec{1} \leq (\|L\| + \|u\|) \vec{1}$$

Now  $(I - \|L\|)^{-1}$  is a matrix with nonnegative entries, ~~as~~ since it's  $\sum \|L^i\|$ . So if we can prove

$$\|u\| \vec{1} \leq (I - \|L\|)(\|L\| + \|u\|) \vec{1}$$

we could obtain the inequality by  
multiplying both sides by  $(I - |L|)^{-1}$ .

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So we want to show

$$|U| \vec{1} \leq (I - |L|)(|L| + |U|) \vec{1}$$

or

$$0 \leq [(I - |L|)(|L| + |U|) - |U|] \vec{1}$$

$$\leq [ |L| + |U| - |L|^2 - |L||U| - |U| ] \vec{1}$$

$$\leq [ |L| - |L|^2 - |L||U| ] \vec{1}$$

$$\leq |L| (I - |L| - |U|) \vec{1}$$

But again, this will be true if

$$0 \leq (I - |L| - |U|) \vec{1}$$

or

Now  $I \cdot \vec{1} = \vec{1}$ , while  $(|L| + |U|) \cdot \vec{1} =$  the vector  
of row sums of  $|L| + |U|$ . But such a sum

is equal to  $\sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq k}}^n |a_{kj}|$ , which is  $< 1$  (5)

by the assumption that  $A$  is strictly row diagonally dominant.

Now in fact  $|L| + |U| = R_j$  so if  $A$  is S.R.D.D. then  $\|R_j\|_\infty = \max \text{ row sum of } R_j < 1$ . Thus we have (unwinding this whole mess) that

$$\|R_{GS}\|_\infty \leq \|R_j\|_\infty$$

as claimed. Now we have shown that in this operator norm

$$\|R_{GS}\|_\infty \leq \|R_j\|_\infty < 1,$$

so GS and Jacobi both converge.  $\square$

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In most cases, we can settle for

Definition.  $A$  is weakly diagonally dominant if  $|a_{jj}| \geq \sum_{j \neq k} |a_{jk}|$  and strict inequality occurs at least once.

We need a technical hypothesis: think about the variables  $x_i$  as nodes in a graph.  $x_i$  and  $x_j$  are connecting connected if  $a_{ij} \neq 0$ , this allows information to flow from  $x_i$  to  $x_j$  as we iterate. ~~If the~~  
 If the graph is disconnected, it could split into a bunch of independent problems, some of which might not have any strict inequalities.

Theorem. (see Demmel, Thm 6.3) If  $A$  is irreducible (i.e. the graph is connected) and weakly diagonally dominant, GS and Jacobi converge and  $\rho(R_{GS}) < \rho(R_J) < 1$ .

What about  $\text{SOR}(\omega)$ ? Recall

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$$R_{\text{SOR}(\omega)} = (I - \omega L)^{-1} ((1 - \omega)I + \omega U).$$

Theorem.  $\rho(R_{\text{SOR}(\omega)}) \geq |\omega - 1|$ . Thus  
 $0 < \omega < 2$  for convergence.

Proof. Consider the ~~ca~~ characteristic polynomial of  $R_{\text{SOR}(\omega)}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(\lambda) &= \det(\lambda I - R_{\text{SOR}(\omega)}) \\ &= \det(\lambda I - (I - \omega L)^{-1}((1 - \omega)I + \omega U)) \\ &= \det(\underbrace{(I - \omega L)}_{\text{has det 1}} (\lambda I - (I - \omega L)^{-1}((1 - \omega)I + \omega U))) \\ &= \det((\lambda + \omega - 1)I - \omega \lambda L - \omega U) \end{aligned}$$

So the constant term in  $\Phi(\lambda)$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(0) &= \det((\omega - 1)I - \omega U) \\ &= \det((\omega - 1)I) = (\omega - 1)^n \end{aligned}$$

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Now the constant term in any polynomial is the product of the roots, so this means that if  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  are the eigenvals of  $R_{SOR}(\omega)$ , then

$$\prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i = (\omega - 1)^n$$

So one of the  $\lambda_i$  must ~~be~~ have  $|\lambda_i| \geq |\omega - 1|$ , as desired.  $\square$

It turns out to be the case that when  $A$  is symmetric positive definite,

Theorem.  $A$  s.p.d.  $\Rightarrow \rho(R_{SOR}(\omega)) < 1$   
for all  $\omega \in (0, 2)$  so  $SOR(\omega)$  converges.  
(For  $\omega = 1$ , note this shows GS also converges.)



This depends on an amazing theorem.

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Spectral Mapping Theorem.

Suppose  $p$  is a rational function.

If  $A$  is a square matrix with eigenvalues  $\{\lambda_i\}$  then  $P(A)$  has eigenvalues  $\{P(\lambda_i)\}$ .

Proof (of SOR( $\omega$ ) theorem) The splitting for SOR( $\omega$ ) is

$$\begin{aligned} A &= M - K \\ &= \frac{1}{\omega} (D - \omega \tilde{L}) - \frac{1}{\omega} ((1-\omega) \tilde{D} + \omega \tilde{U}) \end{aligned}$$

check

So let

$$Q = A^{-1}(2M - A).$$

We claim  $\text{Re } \lambda_i(Q) > 0$  for all eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  of  $Q$ . Suppose  $Qx = \lambda x$ .

Then

$$(2M - A)x = \lambda Ax$$

or (as a scalar equation)

$$x^*(2M - A)x = \lambda x^*Ax$$

Now the conjugate transpose of this equation is

$$(x^*(2M - A)x)^* = \lambda^* (x^*Ax)^*$$

or

$$x^*(2M^* - A)x = \lambda^* (x^*Ax)$$

since  $A$  is symmetric (and real). So if we add this to the equation above,

$$x^*(2M + 2M^* - 2A)x = (\lambda^* + \lambda) (x^*Ax)$$

or

$$x^*(M + M^* - A)x = (\text{Re } \lambda) x^*Ax.$$

We can now solve for

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$$\operatorname{Re} \lambda = \frac{x^*(M+M^*-A)x}{x^*Ax}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} M+M^* &= \omega^{-1}(D-\omega\tilde{L}) + \omega^{-1}(D-\omega\tilde{L}^*) \\ &= \omega^{-1}(2D-\omega\tilde{L}-\omega\tilde{U}) \\ &= \omega^{-1}((2-\omega)\cancel{D} + \omega D - \omega\tilde{L} - \omega\tilde{U}) \\ &= \omega^{-1}((2-\omega)D + \omega A) \\ &= \frac{(2-\omega)}{\omega} D + A \end{aligned}$$

b/c A symmetric

So

$$M+M^*-A = \left(\frac{2}{\omega}-1\right)D$$

We know  $\omega < 2$ , so this is a positive multiple of  $D$ .

Thus  $(M^* + M^* - A)$  is positive definite,  $(12)$   
as is  $A$ , so

$$\operatorname{Re} \lambda = \frac{x^*(M + M^* - A)x}{x^*Ax} > 0.$$

Now we claim  $(Q - I)(Q + I)^{-1} = R_{\text{SOR}(\omega)}$ .

This can just be checked:

← do so →

So we have for each eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $Q$ ,  
the corresponding eigenvalue of  $R$  has  
~~absolute value~~ complex norm

$$\left| \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda + 1} \right| = \left| \frac{(\operatorname{Re} \lambda - 1)^2 + (\operatorname{Im} \lambda)^2}{(\operatorname{Re} \lambda + 1)^2 + (\operatorname{Im} \lambda)^2} \right|^{1/2}$$

which is  $< 1$  because  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > 0$ . This  
proves that  $R_{\text{SOR}(\omega)}$  has spectral radius  
less than 1 as desired.