## **Reading and Thinking**



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## A survey of direct methods for sparse linear systems

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- What's your most-used solver?
- What algorithm(s) does it use?
- Do you like direct solvers or iterative solvers better? Why?
- Have you used some of the sparse
  - direct solvers in your application?
- If yes, what's your experience with them?
- If not, try one of them for your

application.