## **Matrix Formulation**

 Lexicographically order unknowns (note some will be boundary values)

N<sup>2</sup> Linear

$$\phi_{ij} \Rightarrow x_k$$
 where  $k = iN^2 + j$ 

Formulate as a matrix problem:

2D to 1D conversion

Matrix representation

equations

Each grid point gives us one equation

$$\frac{x_{i+1} + x_{i-1} + x_{i+N} + x_{i-N} - 4x_i}{h^2} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & \cdots & -1 \\ -1 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & -1 \\ -1 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & -1 & \cdots & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

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