

Verified error bounds for sparse systems

Black box Matlab/Octave/INTLAB algorithms

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 - Interval data
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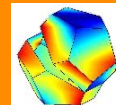
to appear in SIMAX (see my homepage)



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Symmetric/Hermitian (positive definite) A



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Let $B := A - sI$ for $0 < s \in \mathbb{R}$ and let $B \approx \tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T$

Define $E := \tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T - B$ and assume $\|E\|_2 \leq e$

$$(*) \quad \sigma_{\min}(A) = \sigma_{\min}(\tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T + sI - E) \geq \sigma_{\min}(\tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T + sI) - \|E\|_2 \geq s - e$$

Thus $\alpha := s - e$ is a lower bound for $\sigma_{\min}(A)$. Hence

$$\|A^{-1}b - \tilde{x}\|_{\infty} \leq \|A^{-1}b - \tilde{x}\|_2 = \|A^{-1}(b - A\tilde{x})\|_2 \leq \alpha^{-1}\|b - A\tilde{x}\|_2$$

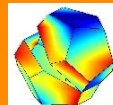
That might be applied to $A^T A$, but $\text{cond}(A^T A) = \text{cond}(A)^2$.

Challenge: Linear systems $Ax = b$ with **general sparse** A



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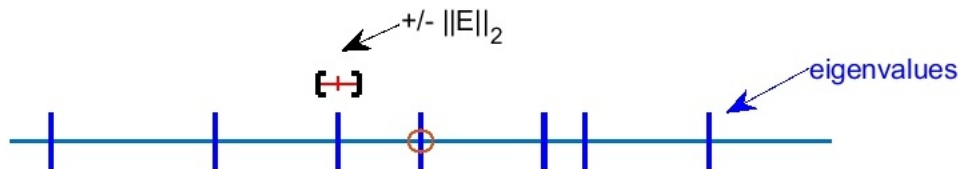


Theorem 1 *Let symmetric $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $0 < \tilde{\lambda} \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\tilde{L}_1, \tilde{D}_1, \tilde{L}_2, \tilde{D}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be given. If the inertia of $\tilde{D}_1$ and $\tilde{D}_2$ are equal, then for any matrix norm*

$$\sigma_{\min}(A) > \tilde{\lambda} - \max\{\|A - \tilde{\lambda}I - \tilde{L}_1\tilde{D}_1\tilde{L}_1^T\|, \|A + \tilde{\lambda}I - \tilde{L}_2\tilde{D}_2\tilde{L}_2^T\|\}. \quad (1)$$

If all eigenvalues of $\tilde{D}_1$ are positive, then

$$\sigma_{\min}(A) > \tilde{\lambda} - \|A - \tilde{\lambda}I - \tilde{L}_1\tilde{D}_1\tilde{L}_1^T\|. \quad (2)$$



Not pursued because lack of robustness of LDL^T -decomposition.

Nowadays robust LDL^T -decompositions are available

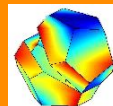
Good scaling and equilibration routines are available, in particular

Iain S. Duff: Ma57 - a code for the solution of sparse symmetric definite and indefinite systems, ACM TOMS, 30(2):118-144, 2004.

That makes the old methods attractive, observed in

T. Terao, K. Ozaki: Method for verifying solutions of sparse linear systems with general coefficients, Appl. Math. Comp. 490, 2025.

A drawback of $B - LDL^T$ is that the product of 3 matrices is needed.



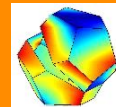
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That triggered a revival with several improvements of my old methods



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Factor $A \approx F_1 F_2$ such that $A - F_1 F_2$ requires only one dot product

We present **two main algorithms** and treat three cases separately:

- I. Symmetric/Hermitian positive definite
- II. general symmetric/Hermitian
- III. general real/complex

Until further notice discussion of **Algorithm I**

Many details to be considered



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Lower bound for $\sigma_{\min}(A)$ for symmetric (s.p.d.) A

Recall $\sigma_k(A) = \lambda_k(A) > 0$

$$s \lesssim \sigma_{\min}(A)$$

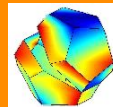
$$B \approx \tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T$$

$$E := \tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T - B \text{ and } \|E\|_2 \leq e$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{\min}(A) \geq s - e$$

Needs I) approximation s of $\sigma_{\min}(A)$ and

II) upper bound for $\|E\|_2$



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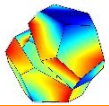
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I) Approximation of $\sigma_{\min}(A)$ for symmetric A

- i) `svds(A,1,'smallestnz')` **fast**, but often inaccurate
- ii) `s = abs(eigs(A,1,'smallestabs'))`
 - Robust and accurate, but sometimes **slow**
 - iterative based on decomposition of A

In most cases a factor of A is already computed, therefore

- iii) Few inverse power iterations based on factor of A



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II) Upper bound for $\|E\|_2$

Common bound $\|E\|_2 \leq \sqrt{\|E\|_1 \|E\|_\infty}$

Better use Collatz-Wieland bound for the Perron root

$$0 \leq A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}), \quad 0 < x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \quad \varrho(A) \leq \max_k \frac{(Ax)_k}{x_k}$$

For general E

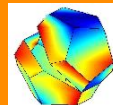
$$\|E\|_2 \leq \||E|\|_2 = \sigma_{\max}(|E|) = \sqrt{\lambda_{\max}(|E|^T |E|)} \leq \max_k \frac{(|E|^T (|E|x))_k}{x_k}$$

For symmetric/Hermitian E

$$\|E\|_2 \leq \max_k \frac{(|E|x)_k}{x_k} \quad \text{both for any } 0 < x \in \mathbb{F}^n$$

Few power iterations on x yield a very good bound on $\||E|\|_2$

Since E is an inclusion of a matrix residual, usually $\text{mag}(E) \approx |E|$



Lower bound for $\sigma_{\min}(A)$ for symmetric (s.p.d.) A (cont'd)

Recall $\sigma_k(A) = \lambda_k(A) > 0$

$$s \lesssim \sigma_{\min}(A)$$

$$B \approx \tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T$$

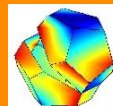
$$E := \tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T - B \text{ and } \|E\|_2 \leq e$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{\min}(A) \geq s - e$$

- approximation s of $\sigma_{\min}(A)$ ✓

- upper bound for $\|E\|_2$ ✓

→ III) Need to compute E such that $|\tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T - B| \leq E$



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III) A priori bounds on $\|\tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T - B\|$ for $\tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T \approx B$

Lemma [Demmel, 1989] Let the **floating-point** Cholesky decomposition of B run to completion with Cholesky factor $\tilde{G}$. Then

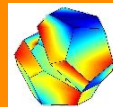
$$|E_{ij}| \leq \frac{(n+1)\mathbf{u}}{1 - (n+1)\mathbf{u}} (\tilde{G}_{ii}\tilde{G}_{jj})^{1/2}$$

for $E := \tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T - B$.

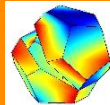
Lemma [R./Ogita, 2006] With the assumptions as before

$$\|E\|_2 \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \varphi_{k+1} B_{kk} \text{ with } \varphi_k := \frac{\gamma_k}{1 - \gamma_k} \text{ and } \gamma_k := \frac{k\mathbf{u}}{1 - k\mathbf{u}}$$

Rigorous estimate based on *floating-point Cholesky decomposition*



A priori bounds on $\|\tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T - B\|$ for **sparse** B with $\tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T \approx B$ (cont'd)



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Lemma [R., 2025] Let the **floating-point Cholesky decomposition** of B run to completion with Cholesky factor $\tilde{G}$.

$$E := \tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T - B$$

μ_k number of nonzero elements in $\tilde{G}_{*k}$

$$\Phi_{ij} := \min(\mu_i, \mu_j) + 1$$

$$D \text{ diagonal with } D_{kk} := \left(\frac{B_{kk}}{1 - \Phi_{kk}\mathbf{u}} \right)^{1/2}$$

Then $\|E\|_2 \leq \mathbf{u} \|D\Phi D\|_2 \leq \mathbf{u} \max_k \frac{(D\Phi Dx)_k}{x_k}$ for every $0 < x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

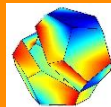
Φ is full, so how to compute $\Phi(Dx)$?



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A priori bounds on $\|\tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T - B\|$ for sparse B with $\tilde{G}\tilde{G}^T \approx B$ (cont'd)



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Recall $\|E\|_2 \leq \mathbf{u} \max_k \frac{(D\Phi Dx)_k}{x_k}$ for every positive $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

for $\Phi_{ij} := \min(\mu_i, \mu_j) + 1$

Lemma [Lange, 2025] Let $0 < v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be sorted in ascending order and define $\Phi \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ by $\Phi_{ij} := \min(v_i, v_j)$.

Then for $0 < x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ the vector $\mathbf{w}$ computed by

```
rcx = cumsum(x, 1, 'reverse');  
vx = v. * x;  
w = cumsum(vx) - vx + v. * rcx;
```

is equal to Φx .

$\mathcal{O}(n)$ ops

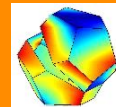
$\Rightarrow$ Improves the previous estimate by an order of magnitude.



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Scaling and equilibration



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Businger 1968: $A = A^H \Rightarrow$ optimal diagonal scaling is symmetric

$$\inf_{D_1, D_2 \in \mathcal{D}_n} \kappa(D_1 A D_2) = \inf_{D \in \mathcal{D}_n} \kappa(D A D)$$

v.d. Sluis 1969: A s.p.d. with diagonal scaled to 1 $\Rightarrow$

$$\kappa(A) \leq q \min_{D \in \mathcal{D}_n} \kappa(D^H A D)$$

for q denoting the maximum number of nonzeros per row of A

Forsythe/Straus 1958, Bauer 1963:

Equilibrate $|A|$ to a scalar multiple of a doubly stochastic matrix

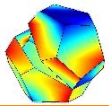
$\rightarrow$ Sinkhorn/Knopp algorithm



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Scaling and equilibration for s.p.d. A



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Scale A to have entries near 1

```
d = pow2(round(log2(1./sqrt(diag(A)))));  
A = ( d .* A ) .* d';
```

Sinkhorn/Knopp $d=1./(\text{abs}(A)*d)$ starting with $d=\text{ones}(n,1)$

We use

```
d = 1./sqrt(diag(A));  
for k = 1:4, d = 1./(\text{abs}(A) * d); end  
A = (d. * A). * d';
```

i.e., 2 iteration steps scaling rows and columns.

Right hand side is scaled and transformed accordingly



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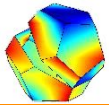
Scaling and equilibration for symmetric/Hermitian A

Different diagonal scaling because A_{kk} may be zero

We choose the columnwise maximum $d_k := \sum_{\ell} |A_{k\ell}|$

We use

```
d = 1./vecnorm(A, 2)';  
for k = 1 : 4, d = 1./(abs(A) * d); end  
A = (d. * A). * d';
```



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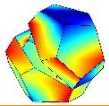
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Scaling and equilibration for general A

Knight 2008: Convergence of Sinkhorn/Knopp algorithm

We use Matlab's `equilibrate` and add 2 Sinkhorn/Knopp iterations

```
[p,row,col] = equilibrate(A,'vector');  
for k = 1:2  
    col = 1./(abs(A(p,:)') * row); row = 1./(abs(A(p,:)) * col);  
end  
row = sign(row). * pow2(round(log2(abs(row))));  
col = sign(col). * pow2(round(log2(abs(col))));  
A = row. * A(p,:). * col';
```



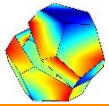
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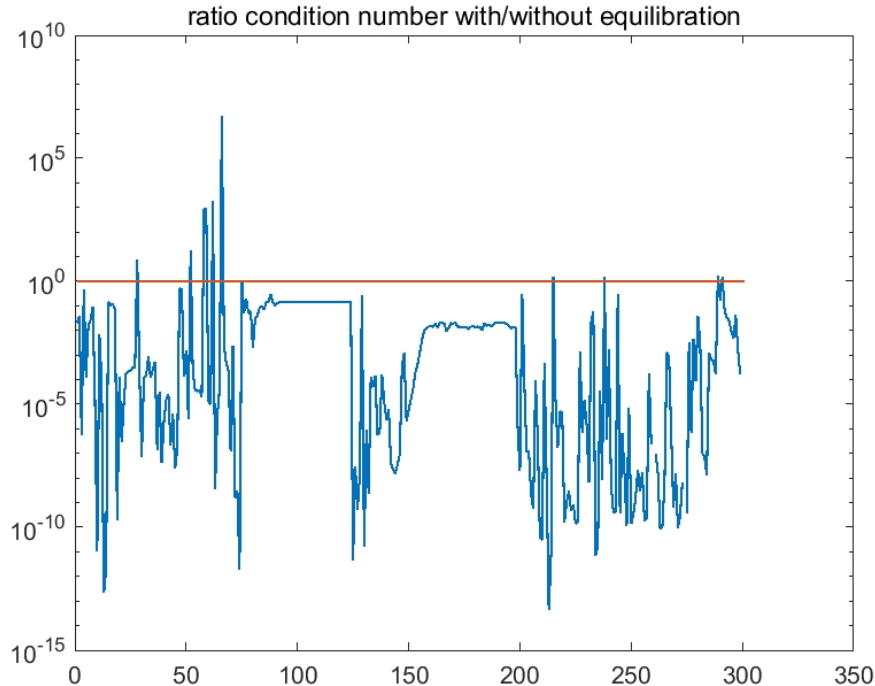
Numerical evidence for the benefit of equilibration



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All matrices from the Suite Sparse Matrix Collection with

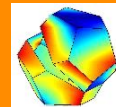
$$10^3 \leq m, n \leq 10^5 \quad \text{and} \quad 10^7 \leq \kappa(A) \leq 10^{16} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{nnz}(A) \leq 10^6$$



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Matrix decomposition



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For s.p.d. A we use `[R,FLAG,p] = chol(A,'vector');`

For $A = A^H$ we use `[L,D,p] = ldl(A,thresh,'vector');`
such that LDL^T approximates $A(p,p)$

The maximal value **thresh**= 0.5 gives good numerical results

Progress of “MA57” compared to previous versions of LDL^T

Another possibility with $LDL^T \approx S(p,:) * A * S(:,p)$

`[L,D,p,S] = ldl(A,thresh,'vector');`

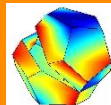
was sometimes useful, but **often counterproductive**



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Matrix decomposition (cont'd)



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Lemma For nonsingular A a block LDL^T decomposition of

$B := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ must produce D with all 2×2 blocks with **zero diagonal**

Matlab's **ldl** sets entries below a threshold to zero, but unfortunately also for the entries of D

→ In 54 out of 211 tests **ldl** produced a singular D

remedy:

```
[L,D,p] = ldl(B + 1e-50 * speye(n), thresh, 'vector');  
D(1:n+1:n^2) = 0;
```

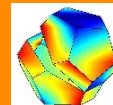
The problem is fixed from Version 2026a of Matlab



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Sparse symmetric (s.p.d.) matrices



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```
1 function [x, δ] = verifySparseSPD(A,b)
2   If any  $A_{kk} \leq 0$ , [x, δ] = verifySparseSym(A,b), return
3   Equilibrate A
4   Compute Cholesky factorization  $\tilde{R}^T \tilde{R} \approx A$ 
5   If failed, [x, δ] = verifySparseSym(A,b), return
6   Compute  $\tilde{s}(A, \tilde{R})$  and set  $s := 0.9\tilde{s}$ 
7   setround(-1); As = A - s * speye(n);
8   setround(0); [Rs, FLAG, p] = chol(As);
9   If succeeded, goto step 13
→10  Set rounding downwards and  $As = As + (8s/10)I$ ;  $s = s/5$ 
11  Compute Cholesky factor  $\tilde{R}^T \tilde{R} \approx As$  in rounding to nearest
12  If failed, [x, δ] = verifySparseSym(A,b), return
13  Compute upper bound  $\alpha$  with  $\|Rs^T Rs - As\|_2 \leq \alpha$ 
→14  If  $\alpha \geq s$ , compute  $\alpha$  with  $\|Rs^T Rs - As\|_2 \leq \alpha$  using (??)
→15  If  $\alpha \geq s$ , compute  $\alpha$  with  $\|Rs^T Rs - As\|_2 \leq \alpha$  using (??)
16  If  $\alpha \geq s$ , verification failed, return
17  [x, δ] = ErrorBound(A, b, s - α, “solve”) using  $\tilde{R}$  for solve
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Floating-point error estimates when using directed rounding

Jeannerod/R. (2013): $|\text{float}(AB)_{ij} - (AB)_{ij}| \leq \mu \mathbf{u}(|A||B|)_{ij}$

for a nearest rounding and at most μ nonzero products per entry

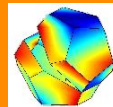
Ozaki et al. (2015): $|\text{float}(AB)_{ij} - (AB)_{ij}| \leq 2(\mu + 4) \mathbf{u}(AB)_{ij}$

for $A, B \geq 0$ and directed rounding

Lange/R. (2019): $|\text{float}(AB)_{ij} - (AB)_{ij}| \leq 2\mu \mathbf{u}(|A||B|)_{ij}$

for general A, B and directed rounding

Why is that important?



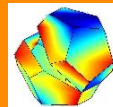
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Why are floating-point error estimates in directed rounding important?



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Goal: inclusion of AB

Typical approach:

$$\text{setround}(0), C = A*B; \Rightarrow AB \in C \pm \mathbf{u}(|A||B|) \quad (*)$$

If not satisfactory:

$$\text{setround}(-1), C1 = A*B;$$

$$\text{setround}(+1), C2 = A*B; \Rightarrow AB \in [C1, C2]$$

Requires 3 matrix multiplications if $(*)$ not successful

Alternatively:

$$\text{setround}(-1), C = A*B; \Rightarrow AB \in C \pm 2\mathbf{u}(|A||B|)$$

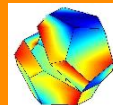
If not satisfactory:

$$\text{setround}(+1), C2 = A*B; \Rightarrow AB \in [C, C2]$$



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Lemma Let $A \in \mathbb{F}^{m \times \ell}$ and $B \in \mathbb{F}^{\ell \times n}$ be given.

μ_i number of nonzero elements in A_{i*}

ν_j number of nonzero elements in B_{*j}

$\rho_i = \|A_{i*}\|_2$ and $\sigma_j = \|B_{*j}\|_2$

Then using a nearest-rounding and any order of evaluation

$$\|\text{float}(AB) - AB\|_2 \leq \mathbf{u} \sum_{k=1}^n \min(\mu_k, \nu_k) \rho_k \sigma_k$$

without limit on n . For $C \in \mathbb{F}^{m \times n}$ and $E := \text{float}(AB - C)$ it follows

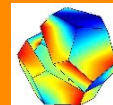
$$\|\text{float}(AB - C) - (AB - C)\|_2 \leq \mathbf{u} \left(\|E\|_2 + \sum_{k=1}^n \min(\mu_k, \nu_k) \rho_k \sigma_k \right)$$

without limit on n .

For a faithful rounding basically replace $\mathbf{u}$ by $2\mathbf{u}$.



Sparse symmetric (s.p.d.) matrices



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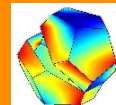
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11  Compute Cholesky factor  $\tilde{R}^T \tilde{R} \approx As$  in rounding to nearest
12  If failed, [x, δ] = verifySparseSym(A,b), return
13  Compute  $\alpha$  by Theorem 2 with  $\|Rs^T Rs - As\|_2 \leq \alpha$ 
14  If  $\alpha \geq s$ , compute  $\alpha$  with  $\|Rs^T Rs - As\|_2 \leq \alpha$  using  $\downarrow\uparrow$ 
15  If  $\alpha \geq s$ , compute  $\alpha$  with  $\|Rs^T Rs - As\|_2 \leq \alpha$  using ext.prec.
16  If  $\alpha \geq s$ , verification failed, return
17  [x, δ] = ErrorBound(A, b, s - α, “solve”) using  $\tilde{R}$  for solve
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Narrow error bounds for the solution of a sparse linear system



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$$\alpha \leq \sigma_{\min}(A) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \|A^{-1}b - \tilde{x}\|_{\infty} \leq \alpha^{-1} \|b - A\tilde{x}\|_2$$

Store approximate solution in 2 parts $\tilde{x} + \tilde{y}$ [R. 1980]

Notation: $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_{2,1}$ evaluated in extended and stored in double precision

```
1   $[\tilde{x}, \delta] = \text{ErrorBound}(A, b, s, \text{"solve"})$            %  $\leq \sigma_{\min}(A)$ 
2   $\tilde{x} = \text{solve}(A, b)$                                    %  $A^{-1}b \approx \tilde{x}$ 
3   $\tilde{y} = \text{solve}(A, \llbracket b - A\tilde{x} \rrbracket_{2,1})$            %  $A^{-1}b \approx \tilde{x} + \tilde{y}$ 
4   $[\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}] = \text{TwoSum}(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})$ 
5   $\tilde{z} = \text{solve}(A, \llbracket b - A\tilde{x} - A\tilde{y} \rrbracket_{2,1})$        %  $A^{-1}b \approx \tilde{x} + \tilde{y} + \tilde{z}$ 
6   $[\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}] = \text{TwoSum}(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y} + \tilde{z})$              %  $A^{-1}b \approx \tilde{x} + \tilde{y}$ 
7   $\text{setround}(-1); \varrho = \text{abs}(\llbracket A\tilde{x} + A\tilde{y} - b \rrbracket_{2,1})$ 
8   $\text{setround}(+1); \varrho = \max(\varrho, \text{abs}(\llbracket A\tilde{x} + A\tilde{y} - b \rrbracket_{2,1}))$ 
9   $\delta = |\tilde{y}| + \text{vecnorm}(\varrho)/s$ 
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implies entrywise estimates $|A^{-1}b - \tilde{x}| \leq \delta$

That is the key to narrow inclusions.

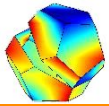


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Computational results

... to be displayed for s.p.d., symmetric and general matrices



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Lower bounds for $\sigma_{\min}(A)$ for symmetric/Hermitian and general A

Factor $A \approx L_1 L_2$ such that L_1, L_2 have identical sets of singular values

Then

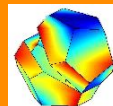
$$\sigma_{\min}(A) \approx \sigma_{\min}(L_1 L_2) \geq \sigma_{\min}(L_1) \sigma_{\min}(L_2) = \sigma_{\min}(L_1)^2 = \sigma_{\min}(L_1 L_1^T)$$

A true lower bound is obtained by

$$\sigma_{\min}(A) \geq \sigma_{\min}(L_1 L_2) - \|A - L_1 L_2\| \geq \sigma_{\min}(L_1 L_1^T) - \|A - L_1 L_2\|$$

For general matrices apply that scheme to $B := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Method: split D such that $LDL^T \rightarrow L_1 L_2$



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Factorization of 2×2 Hermitian matrix D

Three cases:

- D is 1×1
- D with zero diagonal
- general D

Third case $D = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ \bar{b} & c \end{pmatrix}$, define $d := \sqrt{(a - c)^2 + 4\bar{b}b}$

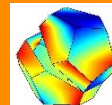
Eigenvalues $\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{1}{2}(a+c \pm d)$ and unitary eigenvectors $v_{1,2} = \begin{pmatrix} a - c \pm d \\ 2\bar{b} \end{pmatrix}$

For all cases

$$D = \hat{D}S\hat{D}^H \quad \text{for symmetric } A$$

$$D = \hat{D}SP\hat{D}^H \quad \text{for symmetric } A \text{ with zero diagonal}$$

for block diagonal $\hat{D}$, signature matrix S , permutation matrix P



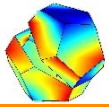
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Factorization of symmetric/Hermitian A



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$$LDL^T \approx A, \quad D \approx \hat{D}S\hat{D}^H, \quad L_1 \approx L\hat{D}, \quad L_2 = SL_1^H$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\sigma_{\min}(A) \approx \sigma_{\min}(L_1 L_2) = \sigma_{\min}(L_1 L_1^T)$$

$$\|A - L_1 L_2\| \leq \alpha$$

$$M \approx L_1 L_1^T \text{ and } \|M - L_1 L_1^T\| \leq \beta$$

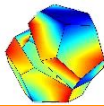
$$s \lesssim \sigma_{\min}(M) \text{ and } \tilde{R}^T \tilde{R} \approx M - sI \text{ and } \|M - sI - \tilde{R}^T \tilde{R}\| \leq \gamma$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\min}(A) &\geq \sigma_{\min}(L_1 L_2) - \|A - L_1 L_2\|_2 \geq \sigma_{\min}(L_1 L_1^T) - \alpha \\ &\geq \sigma_{\min}(M) - \|L_1 L_1^T - M\|_2 - \alpha \geq \sigma_{\min}(M) - \beta - \alpha \\ &= \sigma_{\min}(sI + \tilde{R}^T \tilde{R} + M - sI - \tilde{R}^T \tilde{R}) - \beta - \alpha \\ &= \sigma_{\min}(sI + \tilde{R}^T \tilde{R}) - \gamma - \beta - \alpha \\ &\geq s - \alpha - \beta - \gamma. \end{aligned}$$



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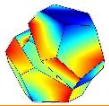
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Factorization of $B := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{pmatrix}$



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$$LDL^T \approx B, \quad D \approx \hat{D}SP\hat{D}^H, \quad L_1 \approx L\hat{D}, \quad L_2 = SPL_1^H$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\sigma_{\min}(B) \approx \sigma_{\min}(L_1L_2) \geq \sigma_{\min}(L_1)\sigma_{\min}(L_2) = \sigma_{\min}(L_1)^2 = \sigma_{\min}(L_1L_1^T)$$

$$\|B - L_1L_2\| \leq \alpha$$

$$M \approx L_1L_1^T \text{ and } \|M - L_1L_1^T\| \leq \beta$$

$$s \lesssim \sigma_{\min}(M) \text{ and } \tilde{R}^T\tilde{R} \approx M - sI \text{ and } \|M - sI - \tilde{R}^T\tilde{R}\| \leq \gamma$$

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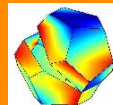
Least squares and underdetermined systems

Let $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$, $b \in \mathbb{C}^m$

$$m > n : \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^H \\ A & -I_m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow x = (A^H A)^{-1} A^H b = A^+ b$$

$$m < n : \begin{pmatrix} -I_n & A^H \\ A & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow x = A^H y = A^H (A A^H)^{-1} b = A^+ b$$

Note that an inclusion proves the system matrix has full rank



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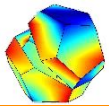


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Nearly symmetric matrices

Symmetry broken $A^T \neq A$ due to rounding errors



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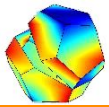


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Nearly symmetric matrices

Symmetry broken $A^T \neq A$ due to rounding errors



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Algorithm `verifySparseSym` is intended for symmetric matrices,

but works correctly for unsymmetric A as well !

$\delta := \|A^T - A\|$ should be small

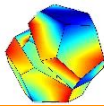
mathematically no restriction on δ

Applies to nearly s.p.d. as well



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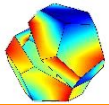
1  function  $[x, \delta] = \text{verifySparseSym}(A, b)$                                 % for  $A^T \neq A$ 
2      Equilibrate  $A$ 
→ 3      Compute  $LDL^T(A)$ 
4      If  $D$  is singular, verification failed,  $[x, \delta] = \text{verifySparseGen}(A, b)$ , return
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→ First checking for least squares and underdetermined systems

```
function [xs,delta] = verifySparselss(A,b,nearsym)
% Approximate solution xs of Ax=b with rigorous error bound delta
if nargin<3, nearsym = false; end
[m,n] = size(A);
if m>n
    % least squares problem
    B = [ sparse(n,n) A' ; A -speye(m) ];
    [xs,delta] = verifySparselss(B,[zeros(n,size(b,2));b],nearsym);
    xs = xs(1:n,:);
    delta = delta(1:n,:);
    return
elseif m<n
    % underdetermined linear system
    B = [ -speye(n) A' ; A sparse(m,m) ];
    [xs,delta] = verifySparselss(B,[zeros(n,size(b,2));b],nearsym);
    xs = xs(1:n,:);
    delta = delta(1:n,:);
    return
end
... ..
```



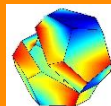
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→ Real square matrix, real or complex right hand side(s)

```
... ..
if isreal(A)                % linear system with square matrix
    if isreal(b)            % A and b real
        xs = NaN;
        symm = isequal(A',A);
        if ( ~symm ) && ( ~nearsym )    % determine nearsym
            nearsym = all(abs(nonzeros(A'-A)))<1e-15*norm(A,inf);
        end
        if symm || nearsym    % A symmetric or near symmetric
            [xs,delta] = verifySparseSPD(A,b);
        end
        if isnan(xs(1))        % SPD and Sym failed
            [xs,delta] = verifySparseGen(A,b);
        end
    else                    % A real, b complex
        [xs,delta] = verifySparselss(A,[real(b) imag(b)],nearsym);
        n = size(A,1);
        m = size(b,2);
        xs = complex(xs(:,1:m),xs(:,m+1:end));
        delta = reshape(vecnorm(reshape(delta,[],2),2,2),n,[]);
    end
end
```

... ..

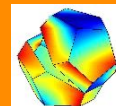


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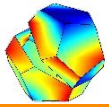
→ Complex square matrix, real or complex right hand side(s)

```
... ..  
    else                                % A complex, square matrix  
        n = size(A,1);  
        A = [real(A) -imag(A);imag(A) real(A)];  
        b = [real(b);imag(b)];  
        [xs,delta] = verifySparselss(A,b);  
        xs = complex(xs(1:n,:),xs(n+1:end,:));  
        delta = reshape(delta,n,[])'; % take care of multiple r.h.s.  
        delta = reshape(vecnorm(reshape(delta,2,[]),2),size(b,2),[])';  
    end  
end % function verifySparselss
```



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- 1 set $s = \text{abs}(\text{eigs}(B, 1, \text{'smallestabs'})$) for $B := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and set $\theta := 0.5s$
- 2 Compute $LDL^T(B + \theta I)$
- 3 If the inertia of D is not $(n, 0, n)$, decrease θ and go to step 2
- 4 Compute ϱ with $\|B + \theta I - LDL^T\|_2 \leq \varrho$
- 5 if $|\theta| > \varrho$ then return $|\theta| - \varrho$ as lower bound for $\sigma_{\min}(A)$
- 6 If $\theta \leq \varrho$, restart from step 2 with larger $\theta > \varrho$ or verification fails

Advantage/disadvantage to Theorem 1: only one LDL^T decomposition of [double-size matrix](#)

Cons: `rho = NormBnd(G(p,p)-L*intval(D)*L', true);`

Terao/Ozaki use Advanpix for extra precise bounds, therefore we do as well

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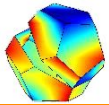
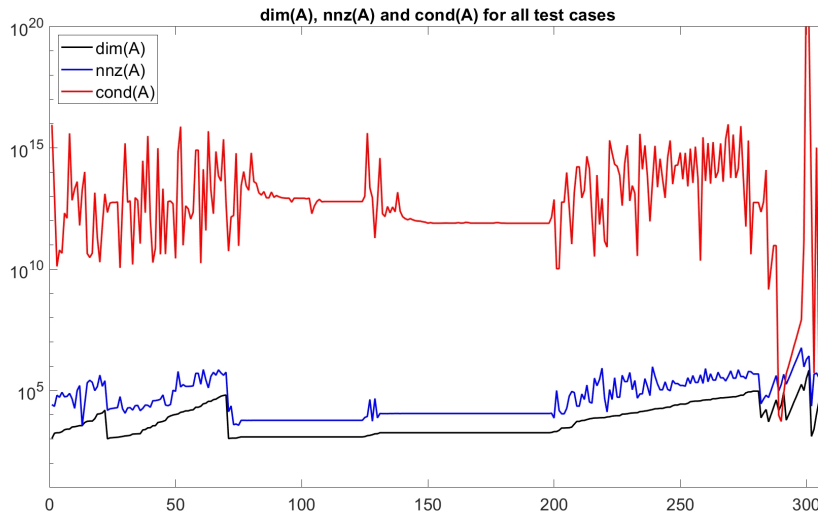
Numerical results

All matrices from the Suite Sparse Matrix Collection with

$$10^3 \leq m, n \leq 10^5 \quad \text{and} \quad 10^7 \leq \kappa(A) \leq 10^{16} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{nnz}(A) \leq 10^6$$

resulting in 306 test cases

Terao/Ozaki kindly provided their Matlab code



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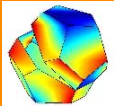


Tabelle 1: Test sets and success rate.

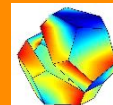
structure	success new			success Terao/Ozaki		
spd	22	out of	22	14	out of	22
sym	45	out of	48	42	out of	48
gen	210	out of	211	199	out of	211
Terao/Ozaki	20	out of	20	20	out of	20

Success new: 297 out of 301

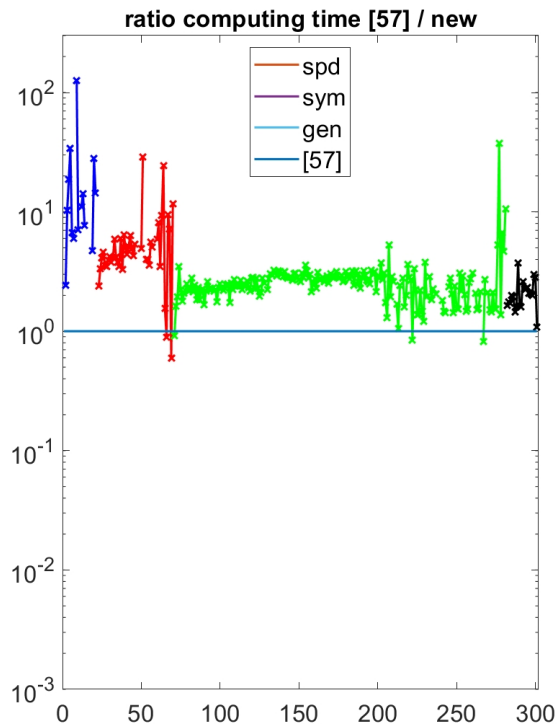
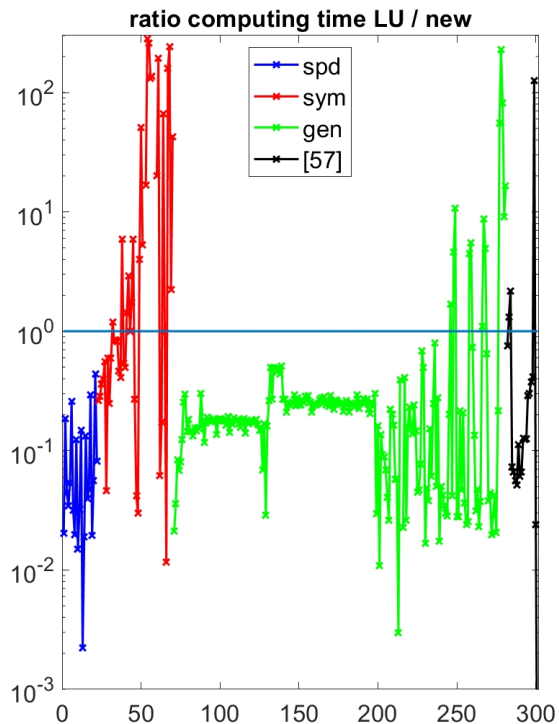
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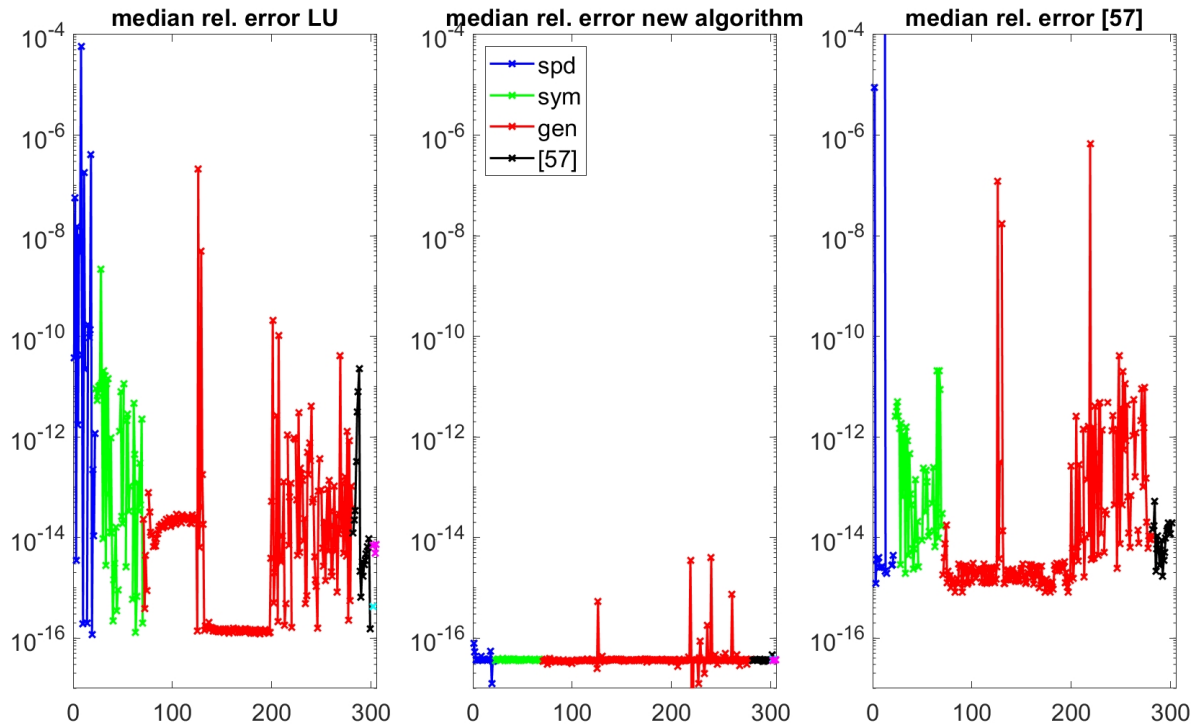
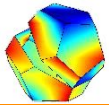


Ratio computing time lu/new and TO/new



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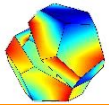


Results for 100 randomly generated ill-conditioned test cases

$A = \text{sprand}(n,n,\text{dens},1/\text{cnd})$

with $n = 10^4$, density 0.001 and $\kappa(A) = 10^{15} \Rightarrow \text{nnz}(A) = 10^5$

	“new”	Terao/Ozaki
inclusions	failed in 3 out of 100 tests	failed in 33 out of 100 tests
median relative error	$3.7 \cdot 10^{-17}$	$1.6 \cdot 10^{-14}$
maximal relative error	$6.6 \cdot 10^{-11}$	1253.8
bounds containing 0 in some entries	0 out of 97 successful	26 out of 67 successful

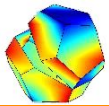


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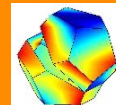
From now on discussion of **Algorithm II: inertia-based**



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The inertia of a 2×2 matrix computed in floating-point



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Let $M := \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix}$ be nonsingular with eigenvalues λ_1, λ_2

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \text{trace}(M) = a + c$$

$$\lambda_1 \lambda_2 = \det(M) = ac - b^2$$

$$\iota(M) = \text{inertia}(M) = \#(\text{negative, zero, positive}) \text{ eigenvalues}$$

$$ac - b^2 < 0 : \iota(M) = (1, 0, 1)$$

$$ac - b^2 > 0 : \iota(M) = \begin{cases} (0, 0, 2) & a + c < 0 \\ (2, 0, 0) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$a, c \in \mathbb{F} : \text{fl}(a + c) < 0 \Leftrightarrow a + c < 0$$

$$p = \text{fl}(ac), q = \text{fl}(b^2) : p - q \leq 0 \Rightarrow ac \leq b^2 \Leftrightarrow \det(M) \leq 0$$

$$[p, e] = \text{TwoProduct}(a, c) \text{ and } [q, f] = \text{TwoProduct}(b, b) \Rightarrow ac = p + e, b^2 = q + f$$

$$\text{i.e. } \text{float}(\det(M)) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{fl}(ac) = p = q = \text{fl}(b^2) \Rightarrow ac - b^2 = e + f$$



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Accurate matrix residuals

Up to now we used extended precision of the Advanpix mp toolbox, e.g.

```
mp.Digits(34);  
setround(-1); Q = double(abs(mp(A)*B - C));  
setround(+1); Q = max( Q , double(abs(mp(A)*B - C) ));
```

computes Q with $|AB - C| \leq Q$

Terao/Ozaki used the Advanpix mp toolbox, so we did as well for a fair comparison

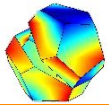
Recently we worked on an alternative

Lange, R.: Accurate floating-point matrix residuals, 49 pages, submitted

```
[res,err] = prodK(A,B,-1,C,k);  
setround(1)  
gamma = NormBnd(abs(res) + err,symm);
```

produces a result “as if” computed in $k/2 + 1$ -fold precision

$\Rightarrow |AB - C - \text{res}| \leq \text{err}$ and $\|AB - C\|_2 \leq \text{gamma}$ with mathematical rigour

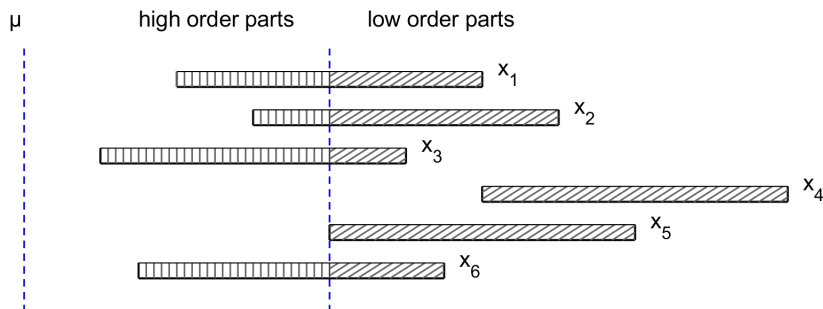
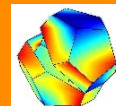


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$$A = A^{(1)} + A^{(2)} + \dots + A^{(k)} + \underline{A}^{(k)} \quad \text{with} \quad \underline{A}^{(k)} := A - \sum_{i=1}^k A^{(i)}$$

$$AB = \sum_{i+j \leq k+1} A^{(i)} B^{(j)} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^k A^{(i)} \underline{B}^{(k+1-i)} + \underline{A}^{(k)} B}_{\text{remainder terms}} \quad \text{error-free in floating-point}$$

K. Ozaki, T. Ogita, S. Oishi, S. Rump: Error-free transformations of matrix multiplication by using fast routines of matrix multiplication and its applications, Num. Alg., 59, 95–118, 2012.



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Accurate matrix residuals $AB - C$ (cont'd)

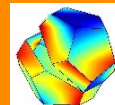
Algorithm **prodK** for full input, **spProdK** for sparse

Both algorithms are implemented in Matlab by Marko Lange and fast

Recall that [Advanpix](#) is highly optimized C-code callable by Matlab

full n	real data			complex data		
	$t_{\text{vpa}}/t_{\text{mp}}$	$t_{\text{mp}}/t_{\text{prodK}}$	t_{prodK}	$t_{\text{vpa}}/t_{\text{mp}}$	$t_{\text{mp}}/t_{\text{prodK}}$	t_{prodK}
100	464	0.9	0.02	236	3.1	0.03
300	326	18.0	0.03	220	10.8	0.05
1000	306	30.1	0.21	206	62.6	0.48

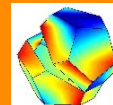
sparse n	real data			complex data		
	$t_{\text{vpa}}/t_{\text{mp}}$	$t_{\text{mp}}/t_{\text{spProdK}}$	t_{spProdK}	$t_{\text{vpa}}/t_{\text{mp}}$	$t_{\text{mp}}/t_{\text{spProdK}}$	t_{spProdK}
1000	1325	0.3	0.06	1010	0.3	0.10
3000	2437	1.0	0.08	3466	0.6	0.09
10000	-	0.6	0.25	-	0.8	0.22
30000	-	1.0	0.53	-	1.0	0.49



Maximally accurate inclusions by $A^{-1}b \approx \tilde{x} + \tilde{y} + \tilde{z}$

Advanpix respects the rounding mode **only for extended, not higher precision**

In our **prodK** and **spProdK** higher precision is possible



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```
1  [ $\tilde{x}, \delta$ ] = ErrorBound3( $A, b, s$ , "solve")
2       $\tilde{x}$  = solve( $A, b$ )                                %  $A^{-1}b \approx \tilde{x}$ 
3       $\tilde{y}$  = solve( $A, \llbracket b - A\tilde{x} \rrbracket_{2,1}$ )                %  $A^{-1}b \approx \tilde{x} + \tilde{y}$ 
4      [ $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}$ ] = TwoSum( $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}$ )
5       $\tilde{z}$  = solve( $A, \llbracket b - A\tilde{x} - A\tilde{y} \rrbracket_{2,1}$ )            %  $A^{-1}b \approx \tilde{x} + \tilde{y} + \tilde{z}$ 
6      [ $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z}$ ] = spProdK(1,  $\tilde{x}$ , 1,  $\tilde{y}$ , 1,  $\tilde{z}$ , 4) %  $A^{-1}b \approx \tilde{x} + \tilde{y} + \tilde{z}$ 
7       $\tilde{z}$  = solve( $A, \llbracket b - A\tilde{x} - A\tilde{y} - A\tilde{z} \rrbracket_{3,1}$ ) %  $A^{-1}b \approx \tilde{x} + \tilde{y} + \tilde{z}$ 
8      setround(-1);  $c_1 = \tilde{y} + \tilde{z}$ ;  $\varrho = \text{abs}(\llbracket A\tilde{x} + A\tilde{y} + A\tilde{z} - b \rrbracket_{3,1})$ 
9      setround(+1);  $c_2 = \tilde{y} + \tilde{z}$ ;  $\varrho = \max(\varrho, \text{abs}(\llbracket A\tilde{x} + A\tilde{y} + A\tilde{z} - b \rrbracket_{3,1}))$ 
10      $\delta = \max(|c_1|, |c_2|) + \text{vecnorm}(\varrho)/s$ 
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Algorithm II based on inertia for symmetric/Hermitian matrix

Let $s \lesssim \sigma_{\min}(A)$ and

$$\|A - sI - Q_-\|_2 \leq \alpha_- \quad \text{and} \quad \|A + sI - Q_+\|_2 \leq \alpha_+$$

Then $\iota(Q_-) = \iota(Q_+) \Rightarrow \sigma_{\min}(A) \geq s - \max(\alpha_-, \alpha_+)$

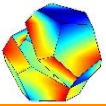
Let $A_{-s} := A - sI$ and compute $L_{-s}D_{-s}L_{-s}^T(A_{-s})$

Split $D_{-s} \approx \hat{D}_{-s}S_-\hat{D}_{-s}^T$ as before and set $L_1 \approx LD_{-s}, L_2 = S_-L_1^T$

and compute α_- with $\|A_{-s} - L_1L_2\|_2 \leq \alpha_-$

$\Rightarrow \iota(L_1L_2) = \iota(L_1S_-L_1^T) = \iota(S_-)$ for the real signature matrix S_-

accurate bounds $\|A_{\pm s} - L_1L_2\|_2 \leq \alpha_{\pm s}$ follow (better than $\|A - LDL^T\|_2$)



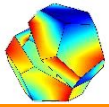
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Algorithm II based on inertia for symmetric/Hermitian matrix (cont'd)



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If $\|A_{\pm s} - L_1 L_2\|_2 \leq \alpha_{\pm s}$ not accurate enough we use LDL^T instead:

```
1 function p = residualBoundLDLT(A,L,D)
2   [C1,C2,E1] = spProdK(D,L',2);
3   [C,E2] = spProdK(L,C1,L,C2,-1,A,2);
4   alpha1 = NormBnd(abs(C)+E2,false);
5   setround(1)
6   alpha = NormBnd(L,false)*NormBnd(E1,false) + alpha1;
7 end % function residualBoundLDLT
```

Line 2: $|C_1 + C_2 - DL^T| \leq E_1$

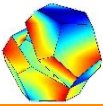
Line 3: $|LC_1 + LC_2 - A - C| \leq E_2$

$$\begin{aligned}\|A - LDL^T\|_2 &= \|L(DL^T - C_1 - C_2) + C + L(C_1 + C_2) - A - C\|_2 \\ &\leq \|L\|_2 \|E_1\|_2 + \| |C| + |L(C_1 + C_2) - A - C| \|_2 \\ &\leq \|L\|_2 \|E_1\|_2 + \| |C| + E_2 \|_2 \\ &\leq \|L\|_2 \|E_1\|_2 + \alpha_1 \\ &\leq \alpha\end{aligned}$$



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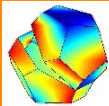
1  function  $[x, \delta] = \text{verifySparseSym}(A, b)$ 
2      Equilibrate  $A$ 
3      Compute  $LDL^T(A)$ 
4      If  $D$  is singular, verification failed,  $[x, \delta] = \text{verifySparseGen}(A, b)$ , return
5      Compute  $\tilde{s}(A, L, D)$  and set  $s := 0.9\tilde{s}$ ,  $\Phi = \text{true}$ 
6      Rounding downwards,  $A_s := A - sI$  and compute  $L_s D_s L_s^T(A_s)$ 
7      Compute approximate splitting  $D_s \approx \hat{D}_s S \hat{D}_s^T$ 
8      Compute  $L_1 \approx L D_s$  and  $L_2 = S L_1^T$ 
9      Compute  $\alpha_-$  with  $\|A_s - L_1 L_2\|_2 \leq \alpha_-$ 
→10     If  $\alpha_- \geq s$ , improve  $\alpha_-$  by  $\downarrow\uparrow$ 
11     If  $\alpha_- < s$ ,  $\nu_- = \text{sum}(S) > 0$ , goto Step 13
→12     Compute  $\alpha_-$  with  $\|A_s - L_s D_s L_s^T\|_2 \leq \alpha_-$ ,  $\nu_- = \pi(D_s)$ 
13     If  $\alpha_- \geq s$ , first verification failed, go to Step 22
14     Rounding upwards,  $A_s := A + sI$  and compute  $L_s D_s L_s^T(A_s)$ 
15     Compute approximate splitting  $D_s \approx \hat{D}_s S \hat{D}_s^T$ 
16     Compute  $L_1 \approx L D_s$  and  $L_2 = S L_1^T$ 
17     Compute  $\alpha_+$  with  $\|A_s - L_1 L_2\|_2 \leq \alpha_+$ 
→18     If  $\alpha_+ \geq s$ , improve  $\alpha_+$  by  $\downarrow\uparrow$ 
19     If  $\alpha_+ < s$ ,  $\nu_+ = \text{sum}(S) > 0$ , goto Step 21
→20     Compute  $\alpha_+$  with  $\|A_s - L_s D_s L_s^T\|_2 \leq \alpha_+$ ,  $\nu_+ = \pi(D_s)$ 
21     Set  $\alpha = \max(\alpha_-, \alpha_+)$ , if  $\alpha < s$ , go to Step 23
→22     If  $\Phi$ ,  $\Phi = \text{false}$ ,  $s = s/5$ , goto Step 6, else  $\nu_- = 0$ 
23     If  $\nu_- \neq \nu_+$ , verification failed,  $[x, \delta] = \text{verifySparseGen}(A, b)$ , return
24      $[x, \delta] = \text{ErrorBound}(B, [0; b], s - \alpha, \text{"solve"})$  using  $LDL^T$  for solve

```



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Algorithm II based on inertia for general matrix

We use the augmented matrix $B := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

One shift suffices because $\iota(B) = (n, 0, n)$ for nonsingular A

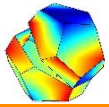
As in the symmetric case we use $L_1 L_2$ rather than LDL^T



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Algorithm II based on inertia for general matrix



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```
1  function  $[x, \delta] = \text{verifySparseGen}(A, b)$ 
2      Equilibrate  $A$ 
3      Let  $B$  the augmented matrix
4      Compute  $LDL^T(B)$ 
5      If  $\text{nnz}(D) < 2n$ , compute  $LDL^T(B)$  for slightly shifted  $B$ 
6      If  $\text{nnz}(D) < 2n$ , verification failed, return
7      Compute  $\tilde{s}(B, L, D) \lesssim \sigma_{\min}(B)$  and set  $s := 0.9\tilde{s}$ ,  $\Phi = \text{true}$ 
8      Rounding downwards,  $B_s := B - sI$  and compute  $L_s D_s L_s^T(B_s)$ 
9      Compute approximate splitting  $D_s \approx \hat{D}_s S \hat{D}_s^T$ 
10     Compute  $L_1 \approx L D_s$  and  $L_2 = S L_1^T$ 
11     Use fl.-pt. estimates to compute  $\alpha$  with  $\|B_s - L_1 L_2\|_2 \leq \alpha$ 
12     If  $\alpha \geq s$ , improve  $\alpha$  by  $\downarrow \uparrow$ 
13     If  $\alpha \geq s$ ,  $\nu = \text{sum}(D_s) > 0$ , else improve  $\alpha$  by  $\text{spProdK}$ ,  $\nu = \pi(D_s)$ 
14     If  $\alpha \geq s$ , go to Step 16
15     If  $\Phi$ ,  $\Phi = \text{false}$ ,  $s = s/5$ , goto Step 8, else  $\nu = 0$ 
16     If  $\nu \neq n$ , verification failed, return
17      $[x, \delta] = \text{ErrorBound}(B, [0; b], s - \alpha, \text{"solve"})$  using  $LDL^T$  for solve
```



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Input data with tolerances

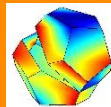
Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{IF}^{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{IF}^{n,k}$, i.e.,

$$\mathbf{A} = [\underline{A}, \overline{A}] = \{A : \underline{A} \leq A \leq \overline{A}\} \quad \text{for } \underline{A}, \overline{A} \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$$

For $A \in \mathbf{A}$ and $b \in \mathbf{b}$ and $\tilde{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ define $M \approx \text{mid}\mathbf{A}$ and $\Delta := A - M$

$$\begin{aligned} |A^{-1}b - \tilde{x}| &= |A^{-1}(b - A\tilde{x})| = |(M + \Delta)^{-1}(b - A\tilde{x})| \\ &= |(I + M^{-1}\Delta)^{-1}M^{-1}(b - A\tilde{x})| \\ &\leq \frac{\|M^{-1}(b - A\tilde{x})\|_{\infty}}{1 - \|M^{-1}\Delta\|_{\infty}} \mathbf{e} \\ &\leq \frac{\sigma_{\min}(M)^{-1}\|\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\tilde{x}\|_2}{1 - \sigma_{\min}(M)^{-1}\|\text{rad}\mathbf{A}\|_2} \mathbf{e} \end{aligned}$$

provided that $\sigma_{\min}(M)^{-1}\|\text{rad}\mathbf{A}\|_2 < 1$



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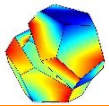
$f : \mathbf{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ continuously differentiable with compact, convex $\mathbf{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$

$$x, \tilde{x} \in \mathbf{D} \Rightarrow \exists \xi_1, \dots, \xi_n \in x \sqcup \tilde{x} : f(x) = f(\tilde{x}) + \begin{pmatrix} \nabla f_1(\xi_1) \\ \cdots \\ \nabla f_n(\xi_n) \end{pmatrix} (x - \tilde{x})$$

$\mathbf{X} = \text{hull}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s), \mathbf{Y} = \text{f}(\text{gradientinit}(\mathbf{X})) \Rightarrow$

$$\forall x \in \mathbf{X} : f(x) \in \mathbf{Y} \cdot \mathbf{x} \quad \text{and} \quad \nabla(f_k(x)) \in \mathbf{Y} \cdot \mathbf{dx}_k$$

$\mathbf{Y}_s = \text{f}(\text{intval}(\mathbf{x}_s)) \Rightarrow f(x) \in \mathbf{Y}_s + \mathbf{Y} \cdot \mathbf{dx} * (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{x}_s)$



Inclusion theorem for nonlinear system

Theorem [R. 1983] Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ with $f \in \mathcal{C}^1$ and $\tilde{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{IR}^n$, $R \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ with $0 \in \mathbf{X}$ and $\tilde{x} + \mathbf{X} \subseteq D$ be given. Suppose

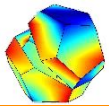
$$S(\mathbf{X}, \tilde{x}) := -Rf(\tilde{x}) + \{I - RJ_f(\tilde{x} + \mathbf{X})\}\mathbf{X} \subseteq \text{int}(\mathbf{X}) .$$

Then R and all matrices $M \in J_f(\tilde{x} + \mathbf{X})$ are nonsingular, and there is a unique root $\hat{x}$ of f in $\tilde{x} + S(\mathbf{X}, \tilde{x})$.

$$\mathbf{Y} = f(\text{gradientinit}(\mathbf{x}s + \mathbf{X})) \Rightarrow J_f(\tilde{x} + \mathbf{X}) \in \mathbf{Y}.\text{dx}$$

$$\text{Let } C := \mathbf{Y}.\text{dx}.\text{mid} \text{ and } \Delta := \mathbf{Y}.\text{dx}.\text{rad}$$

$$\Rightarrow S(\mathbf{X}, \tilde{x}) \subseteq C^{-1}(-f(\tilde{x}) - \Delta \cdot \mathbf{X}) \quad \text{sparse linear system with interval r.h.s.}$$



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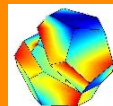
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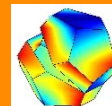
Approximation part

```
1  function [X,kxs,kY] = verifySparseNlss(f,xs)
2      setround(0)
3      n = size(xs,1); phi = 1e-14*sqrt(n);
4      dxs = abs(xs); kxs = 0;
5      while ( kxs < 10 )           % at most 10 Newton iterations
6          kxs = kxs + 1; xsold = xs;
7          y = f(gradientinit(xs)); % function value and gradient
8          xs = xs - y.dx\y.x;      % approximate Newton iteration
9          d = abs(xs-xsold);
10         if all(d<.5*abs(xs)) && ( norm(d,inf)<=phi*norm(xs,inf) )
11             break
12         end
13     end
```

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Inclusion part



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```
14      ys = -f(intval(xs));          % inclusion of f(xs)
15      Y = mag(ys);                  % magnitude of ys
16      kY = 0; setround(1)
17      while ( kY < 10 )
18          kY = kY + 1;
19          X = 1.01*Y + realmin;      % epsilon-inflation
20          JJ = f(gradientinit(midrad(xs,X)));
21          J = JJ.dx;                 % inclusion of Jacobian
22          b = midrad( ys.mid , ys.rad + J.rad*X );
23          [Ys,delta] = verifySparselss(J.mid,b);      % sparse linear system
24          Y = abs(Ys) + delta;       % r.h.s. of (7.7)
25          if all( Y < X )
26              X = midrad(xs,Y);      % inclusion successful
27              return
28          end
29          X = intval(NaN(size(xs))); % inclusion failed
30      end % function verifySparseNlss
```



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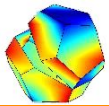
Numerical results

As before all matrices from the Suite Sparse Matrix Collection with

$$10^3 \leq m, n \leq 10^5 \quad \text{and} \quad 10^7 \leq \kappa(A) \leq 10^{16} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{nnz}(A) \leq 10^6$$

structure	backslash				Sparse1				Sparse2			
	poor	fail			poor	fail			poor	fail		
real spd	2	0	of	35	0	0	of	35	0	0	of	35
sym	2	0	of	96	0	0	of	96	0	0	of	96
gen	1	0	of	249	0	2	of	249	0	0	of	249
tests TO	0	2	of	20	0	0	of	20	0	0	of	20
complex spd	1	0	of	1	0	1	of	1	0	0	of	1
gen	0	0	of	2	0	0	of	2	0	0	of	2
random	35	0	of	100	0	1	of	100	0	0	of	100
rect. orig	1	0	of	29	0	1	of	29	0	0	of	29
rect. transp	1	0	of	29	0	1	of	29	0	0	of	29
Σ	43	2		561	0	6		561	0	0		561

“poor” means rel. errors > 0.1



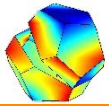
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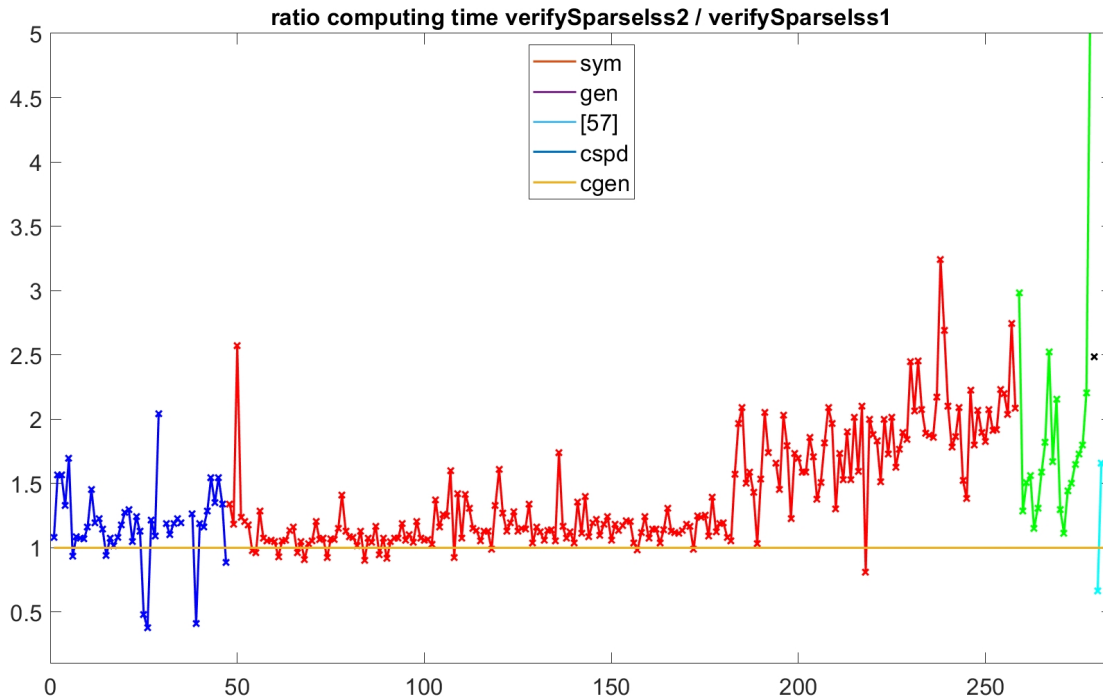
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Timing first and second algorithm



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In the median `verifySparselss1` 1.22 times faster than `verifySparselss2`, at most 5.2

Conversely `verifySparselss2` up to 2.6 times faster than `verifySparselss1`

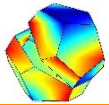


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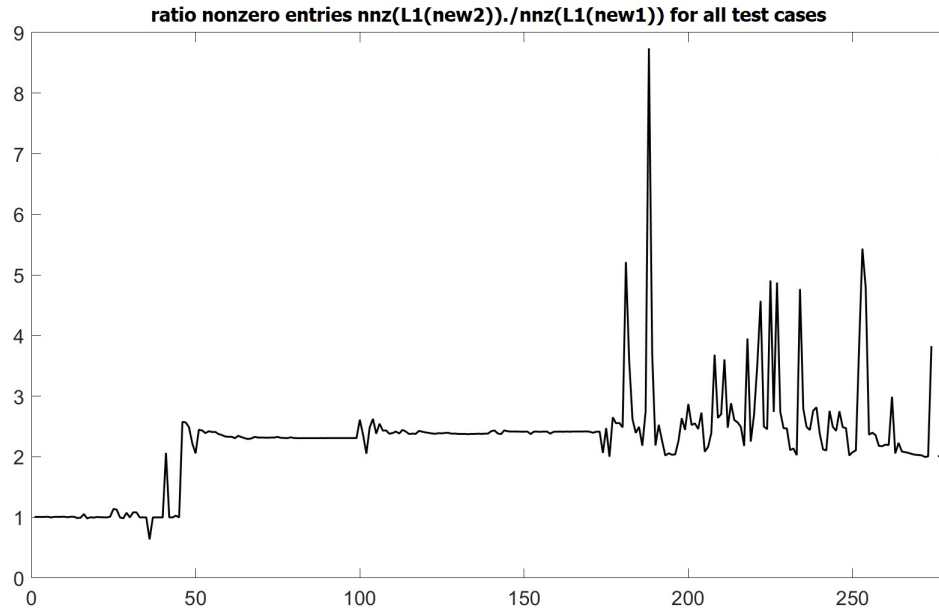
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Why is `verifySparselss1` faster than `verifySparselss2` ?

$LDL^T(A \pm sI)$ may cause more fill-in than $LDL^T(A)$:



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Test cases for nonlinear systems with sparse Jacobian

Function p09, p13 and p14 in

J.J. Moré, D.C. Sorensen, K.E. Hillstom, and B.S. Garbow: The MINPACK project.
In W. Cowell ed., Sources and Development of Math. S/W, pages 88-111. Prentice Hall, 1984.

Moré/Cosnard: discretization of

$$MC: \quad u'' = .5 * (u + t + 1)^3 \quad \text{with} \quad u(0) = u(1) = 0$$

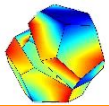
and initial approximation $x_k = t_k(t_k - 1)$ for $t_k = k/(n + 1)$.

Abbott/Brent: discretization of

$$AB: \quad 3y''y + (y')^2 = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad y(0) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad y(1) = 20$$

with true solution $20x^{3/4}$ and initial approximation $10*\text{ones}(n,1)$.

Matlab's nonlinear system solver **fsolve**, no derivatives



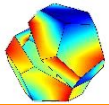
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Test results for nonlinear systems with sparse Jacobian



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	<i>problem</i>		<i>times [sec]</i>			<i>relerr Sparse1</i>		<i>relerr Sparse2</i>		<i>relerr fsolve</i>	
	<i>n</i>	<i>cond</i>	<i>t_{Sparse1}</i>	<i>t_{Sparse2}</i>	<i>t_{fsolve}</i>	<i>median</i>	<i>max</i>	<i>median</i>	<i>max</i>	<i>median</i>	<i>max</i>
p09	1,000	4.0e5	0.041	0.049	0.100	1.3e-8	6.8e-6	1.3e-8	6.8e-6	0.107	0.195
	10,000	4.0e7	0.146	0.146	3.18	1.3e-5	0.068	1.3e-5	0.068	0.200	0.364
	20,000	1.6e8	0.356	0.329		1.2e-4	0.606	1.2e-4	0.604	out of memory	
	30,000	3.6e8	0.557	0.547		NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	out of memory	
p13	1000	2.5	0.088	0.054	0.182	5.1e-13	1.3e-12	4.0e-13	1.0e-12	2.5e-13	6.3e-13
	10,000	2.5	0.206	0.166	19.6	5.2e-12	1.3e-11	4.1e-12	1.0e-11	2.9e-12	1.2e-11
	100,000	2.5	1.628	1.803		5.2e-11	1.3e-10	4.1e-11	1.0e-10	out of memory	
	1,000,000	2.5	18.21	20.06		5.2e-10	1.3e-9	4.1e-10	1.0e-9	out of memory	
	10,000,000	2.5	484.4	87.6		5.6e-9	1.4e-8	NaN	NaN	out of memory	
p14	1,000	1.8	0.725	0.284	1.458	5.0e-13	2.4e-13	5.1e-13	2.4e-13	1.2e-13	3.5e-9
	10,000	1.8	0.617	0.726	128.0	6.2e-12	1.3e-11	4.9e-12	2.3e-12	1.2e-12	2.5e-12
	100,000	1.8	11.6	31.5		6.0e-11	1.3e-10	1.3e-10	5.9e-11	out of memory	
	1,000,000	1.8	207.9	3408		6.0e-10	1.3e-9	1.3e-9	6.0e-10	out of memory	
MC	1,000	4.0e5	0.080	0.076	0.182	4.8e-12	4.9e-6	3.8e-12	3.9e-6	6.8e-4	8.3e-4
	10,000	4.0e7	0.258	0.296	15.9	0.23	2.3e-9	0.18	1.8e-9	5.3e-4	0.13
	100,000	4.0e9	3.17	26.4		2.7e-7	0.014	2.7e-7	0.014	out of memory	
	1,000,000	4.0e11	31.5	2935		NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	out of memory	
AB	1,000	5.3e5	0.157	0.116	0.587	3.9e-13	4.5e-11	2.1e-13	2.3e-11	1.0e-9	1.1e-7
	3,000	4.7e6	0.384	0.261	5.06	1.9e-12	9.7e-10	7.4e-13	3.8e-10	4.6e-8	1.2e-5
	4,000	8.4e6	0.322	0.482	9.97	NaN	NaN	1.2e-12	4.0e-10	out of memory	
	5,000	1.3e7	0.246	0.506		NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	out of memory	

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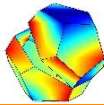
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Test results for nonlinear systems with sparse Jacobian



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	<i>problem</i>		<i>times [sec]</i>			<i>relerr Sparse1</i>		<i>relerr Sparse2</i>		<i>relerr fsolve</i>	
	<i>n</i>	<i>cond</i>	<i>t_{Sparse1}</i>	<i>t_{Sparse2}</i>	<i>t_{fsolve}</i>	<i>median</i>	<i>max</i>	<i>median</i>	<i>max</i>	<i>median</i>	<i>max</i>
p09	1,000	4.0e5	0.041	0.049	0.100	1.3e-8	6.8e-6	1.3e-8	6.8e-6	0.107	0.195
	10,000	4.0e7	0.146	0.146	3.18	1.3e-5	0.068	1.3e-5	0.068	0.200	0.364
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	<i>200,000</i>	<i>1.6e10</i>	<i>3.63</i>	<i>3.61</i>		<i>2.5e-16</i>	<i>1.5e-13</i>	<i>2.5e-16</i>	<i>1.5e-13</i>	<i>out of memory</i>	
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	<i>90,000</i>	<i>4.3e9</i>	<i>3.59</i>	<i>16.1</i>		<i>2.5e-16</i>	<i>4.3e-16</i>	<i>2.5e-16</i>	<i>3.4e-16</i>	<i>out of memory</i>	

Data in italic: Inclusion of $f(\tilde{x})$ with extra precision



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Benchmark problems for a sparse linear system

Problem 1: synthetic saddle-point system with random r.h.s. of norm 1

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ B^T & \varepsilon I_m \end{pmatrix},$$

such as Stokes flow, mixed finite-element discretizations, or KKT systems in optimization. Velocity block $A = \nu I_n$ with small diffusion parameter $\nu = 10^{-14}$, constraint matrix $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ is random sparse matrix

Tikhonov regularization $\epsilon = 10^{-16}$ to avoid exact singularity.

Hence K is indefinite and ill-conditioned with eigenvalues spanning many orders of magnitude.

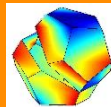
Problem 2: saddle-point system arising from a finite-difference discretization of 2-dim incompressible Stokes equations,

$$-\nu \Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p = \mathbf{f}, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0,$$

on a rectangular, anisotropic grid resulting in the symmetric saddle-point system

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 & D_x^T \\ 0 & A & D_y^T \\ D_x & D_y & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

with right-hand side vector f chosen as synthetic load.



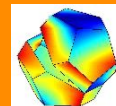
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Results of Matlab's backslash, Terao/Ozaki and our algorithm



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	problem 1			problem 2		
	backslash	T/O	new	backslash	T/O	new
n		75,000			60,000	
nnz(A)		125,000			357,594	
condest(A)		$8.0 \cdot 10^{16}$			$4.7 \cdot 10^{14}$	
time [sec]	0.056	2.45	2.75	> 24 hours	ϱ failed	4.5
median rel. error	0	0.72	$1.5 \cdot 10^{-16}$			$1.6 \cdot 10^{-16}$
wrong sign	104	9957	0			0
max rel. error	1	$6.5 \cdot 10^{15}$	$1.0 \cdot 10^{-8}$			$2.2 \cdot 10^{-16}$

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Verification of an eigenproblem of 3-dimensional Navier-Stokes equation

Using mixed finite elements on a cubic domain

Communicated by Xuefeng Liu with 2 discretizations:

n	nnz(A)	“backslash”		inclusion	
		time [sec]	median rel. error	time [sec]	median rel. error
30,424	3,056,247	94	$1.9 \cdot 10^{-14}$	11	$4.0 \cdot 10^{-17}$
247,956	28,167,243	out of memory after 12 hours		78	$3.9 \cdot 10^{-17}$

The original matrix data was unsymmetric.

Without using “nearly symmetric” the computing time was

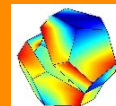
small: 251 instead of 11 sec

large: 311 instead of 78 sec

Papers on my homepage (google “rump tuhh”)

The results in this talk allow a good upper bound for $\|A^{-1}\|_2$ for large, sparse A

Open problem: Good upper bound for $\|A^{-1}\|_\infty$ for large, sparse A



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INTLAB: The Matlab/Octave toolbox for reliable computing

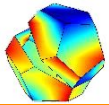
Everything presented is included in INTLAB Version 14.1

Toolboxes in INTLAB include:

- interval, affine and slope arithmetic
 - gradients, Hessians and Taylor series
 - ODE toolbox implementing AWA and Taylor models
 - univariate and multivariate polynomials
 - simulation of IEEE754 binary and base- β arithmetic in specifiable precision
 - double-double and our pair arithmetic
 - Galois fields GF[p]
 - long: multiple precision floating-point numbers, point and interval
- and many problem solving routines

An overview on INTLAB and latest developments can be found at

<https://www.tuhh.de/ti3/paper/rump/INTLAB2026final.pdf>



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