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# INTRODUCTION TO PYSPARSE

PySparse extends the Python interpreter by a set of sparse matrix types holding double precision values. PySparse also includes modules that implement

- Iterative Krylov methods for solving linear systems of equations,
- Diagonal (Jacobi) and SSOR preconditioners,
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# SPARSE MATRIX FORMATS

This section describes the sparse matrix storage schemes available in Pysparse. It also covers sparse matrix creation,



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### 3.1.2 ll\_mat objects

ll\_mat







rank-1 NumPy arrays of appropriate size. For `sss_mat` objects `matvec_transp` is equivalent to `matvec`.

`to_csr()`

The operation is equivalent to the following Python code:

```
for i in range(len(ind)):
    for j in range(len(ind)):
        if mask[i]:
            A[ind[i], ind[j]] += B[i, j]
```

The three parameters are all NumPy arrays. **B** is a rank-2 array representing a square matrix. The two remaining parameters are rank-1 arrays. Their length corresponds to the order of matrix **B**.

`update_add_at(val, irow, jcol)`

Add in place the elements of the vector `val`

### 3.1.3 csr\_mat and sss\_mat Objects

csr\_mat objects represent matrices stored in the CSR format, which are described in *Sparse Matrix Formats*.  
sss\_mat objects represent matrices stored in the SSS format (c.f.

```
        if j > 0:
            L[k, k-n] = -1
        if j < n-1:
            L[k, k+n] = -1
    return L
```

Using the symmetric variant of the `ll_mat` object, this gets even shorter:

```
def poi_sson2d_sym(n):
    n2 = n*poi_sson2d_sym(n):
        if
```

```
if
```

```
= -1
```



```
In [9]: %timeit -n10 -r3 L = poisson.poisson2d(1000)
10 loops, best of 3: 4.02 s per loop
In [10]: %timeit -n10 -r3 L = poisson_vec.poisson2d_vec(1000)
10 loops, best of 3: 398 ms per loop
```

and for the symmetric versions:

```
In [18]: %timeit -n10 -r3 L = poisson.poisson2d_sym(100)
10 loops, best of 3: 22.6 ms per loop
In [19]: %timeit -n10 -r3 L = poisson_vec.poisson2d_sym_vec(100)
10 loops, best of 3: 5.05 ms per loop

In [20]: %timeit -n10 -r3 L = poisson.poisson2d_sym(300)
10 loops, best of 3: 5.05 ms per loop
In [21]: %timeit -n10 -r3 L = poisson_vec.poisson2d_sym_vec(300)
10 loops, best of 3: 27 ms per loop

In [22]: %timeit -n10 -r3 L = poisson.poisson2d_sym(500)
10 loops, best of 3: 561 ms per loop
In [23]: %timeit -n10 -r3 L = poisson_vec.poisson2d_sym_vec(500)
10 loops, best of 3: 63.7 ms per loop

In [24]: %timeit -n10 -r3 L = poisson.poisson2d_sym(1000)
10 loops, best of 3: 2.26 s per loop
In [25]: %timeit -n10 -r3 L = poisson_vec.poisson2d_sym_vec(1000)
10 loops, best of 3: 224 ms per loop
```

From these numbers, it is obvious that vectorizing is crucial, especially for large matrices. The gain in terms of time seems to be a factor of at least four or five. Note that the 150(a6 8.seems)-2(actk)-600([18:]))TJ0 g 0 G0.40 0.40 0.40 rg 0.40 0.40 0.40







# PRECONDITIONERS

## 4.1 The precon Module



# ITERATIVE SOLVERS

**relres** the relative residual at the approximate solution computed by the iterative method. What this actually is depends on the actual iterative method used.

The iterative solvers may accept additional parameters, which are passed as keyword arguments.





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`nnz`

The `nnz` attribute holds the total number of nonzero entries stored in both the L and U factors.

`solve`



```
def precon(self, x, y):
    self.LU.solve(x, y)

n = .00
A = poisson.poisson2d_sym_block(n).to_csr()  # Convert right away
b = numpy.ones(n*n)
x = numpy.empty(n*n)

K = ILU_Precon(A)
info, niter, relres = itsolvers.pcg(A, b, x, 1e-12, 2000, K)
```

**Note:**



## 6.2.2 The

`solve(rhs, transpose=False)`

Solve the linear system  $A \cdot x = rhs$ , where  $A$  is the input matrix and  $rhs$  is a Numpy vector of appropriate dimension. The result is placed in the `sol` member of the class instance.

If the optional argument

**scale** string that specifies the scaling UMFPACK should use. Valid values are 'none',



# EIGENVALUE SOLVER

## 7.1 The `jdsym` Module

The `jdsym` module provides an implementation of the JDSYM algorithm, that is conveniently callable from Python. JDSYM is an eigenvalue solver to compute eigenpairs of a generalised matrix eigenvalue problem of the form

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x} \quad (7.1)$$

or a standard eigenvalue problem of the form

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda \mathbf{x} \quad (7.2)$$

where  $\mathbf{A}$  is an  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix and  $\mathbf{M}$  is an  $n \times n$  symmetric positive definite matrix.

The module exports a single function:

`jdsym(A, M, K, kmax, tau, jdtol, itmax, linsolver, **kwargs)`

Implements Jacobi-Davidson iterative method to identify a given number of eigenvalues near a target value.

**Parameters** **A** the matrix **A** in (7.1) or (7.2). **A** must provide the `shape` attribute and the `matvec` and `matvec_transp` methods.

**M** the matrix **M** in (7.1). **M** must provide the `shape` attribute and the `matvec` and `matvec_transp` methods. If the standard eigenvalue problem (7.2)

**blkwise** is an integer that affects the convergence criterion if `blksize`



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# HIGHER-LEVEL SPARSE MATRIX CLASSES

## 8.1 The `pysparseMatrix` module

```
class PysparseMatrix(**kwargs)
    Bases: sparseMatrix, SparseMatrix
```

```
>>> L = PysparseMatrix(size = 3)
```

### 8.1.1 Creating an Identity Matrix

`class PysparseIdentityMatrix(size)`

Bases: `pysparseMatrix`. `PysparseMatrix`

Represents a sparse identity matrix for pysparse.



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