

Title: **Benchmarking the Numerical Stability of Direct and Iterative Solvers in Image Decryption: A Comparative Study of Dense and Sparse Matrix Systems**

Algorithm	Method Type	Key Strength to Test
Gaussian Elimination	Direct	How well it handles pivoting in sparse systems.
LU Decomposition	Factorization	Speed efficiency when reusing the same sparse key.
Gauss-Seidel	Iterative	Its famous ability to converge faster on sparse matrices.

The Two Matrix Types:

- Dense Matrix:** Every entry in the 8×8 key is a non-zero number.
- Sparse Matrix:** Only about 20% of the key entries are non-zero.

Methodology

Step 1: Image Discretization

You convert your image into a numerical matrix and divide it into 8×8 pixel blocks.

Step 2: Key Generation

You generate two different keys:

- Key_Dense:** A standard random matrix.
- Key_Sparse:** A matrix where most elements are zeroed out.

Step 3: Noise Injection (The Stress Test)

Before decryption, you add **Gaussian White Noise** to the encrypted blocks. This is your independent variable—how much noise can each algorithm handle before the image is destroyed?

Possible Result

Eye Test					
Condition	Original	Encrypted + Noise	Gaussian Result	LU Result	Gauss-Sei del Result
Dense Key	[Image]	[Noise]	Clear	Clear	Grainy
Sparse Key	[Image]	[Noise]	Clear	Clear	Cleanest

Numerical Accuracy				
Matrix Type	Metric	Gaussian	LU Decomposition	Gauss-Seidel
Dense	PSNR (dB)	34.5	34.3	28.1
	MSE	0.021	0.022	0.085
Sparse	PSNR (dB)	33.9	33.7	36.4

	MSE	0.025	0.026	0.015
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Section	Content Strategy for your Paper
Introduction	<p>The Context: Define the importance of matrix-based encryption (Hill Cipher) in digital image security.</p> <p>The Problem: Discuss how high-dimensional matrices are vulnerable to rounding errors and data corruption (stochastic noise).</p> <p>The Objective: To evaluate the numerical robustness, speed, and accuracy of three solvers across Sparse(why we also choose this too) and Dense key matrices.</p>
Methods	<p>Algorithms: Provide the pseudocode for Gaussian Elimination (with Partial Pivoting), LU Decomposition, and the Gauss-Seidel Iterative Method.</p> <p>The Experiment: Explain the process of partitioning an image into blocks, generating two types of key matrices (Dense vs. Sparse), and injecting Gaussian noise ($C' = C + \epsilon$) to simulate transmission errors.</p>
Results	<p>Visual Data: Present the "Wall of Decryption"—side-by-side images of the original, the noisy encrypted version, and the recovered results for all three algorithms.</p> <p>Quantitative Data: Provide comparison tables for PSNR (Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio), MSE (Mean Squared Error), and Execution Time (in milliseconds) for both matrix types.</p>

Discussion	<p>The Comparison: Contrast the performance of Direct methods (Gaussian/LU) vs. Iterative methods (Gauss-Seidel).</p> <p>The Discovery: Explain why Gauss-Seidel converged faster on sparse matrices and how it potentially filtered out stochastic noise better than the exact solvers.</p> <p>Stability: Analyze the impact of the Condition Number on the final image quality.</p>