

## Homework nr. 3

The files ([a.i.txt](#), [b.i.txt](#),  $i=1,\dots,5$ ) contain 5 linear systems with sparse matrix (with ‘few’ non-zero elements,  $a_{ij} \neq 0$  and size  $n$  ‘big’),  $Ax = b$ , in the following way:

- For matrix  $A$  (files [a.i.txt](#)):
  - $n$  system’s size,
  - $a_{ij} \neq 0$ ,  $i, j$  - non-zero values from the sparse matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , row index and column index of the corresponding non-zero element
- For vector  $b$  (files [b.i.txt](#)):
  - $n$  vector’s size,
  - $b_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , all the elements of vector  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

1. Using the attached files, read the size of the linear system, the vector  $b$ , the non-zero elements of matrix  $A$ , generate the necessary data structures for economically storing the sparse matrix. For matrix  $A$  use the sparse storing method described below. Assume that the non-zero elements are randomly located in the file. Verify that the diagonal elements of the matrix are non-zero. Use two methods for memorizing the sparse matrix, one that is described in this text and the second, of your choice. For both these methods, solve the below-described requirements. Other methods for storing sparse matrices can be found [here](#). Consider the computation error  $\epsilon = 10^{-p}$  as input.

2. Using the sparse storage for matrix  $A$ , approximate the solution of the linear system:

$$Ax = b \tag{1}$$

employing the Gauss-Seidel method. Display (also) the number of iterations performed until convergence.

3. Verify the correctness of the computed solution by displaying the norm:

$$\|Ax_{GS} - b\|$$

where  $x_{GS}$  is the approximate solution obtained using Gauss Seidel method.

4. In all computations that involve the elements of matrix  $A$ , use the sparse storage structures (do not declare a classical matrix).
5. When implementing the Gauss Seidel method use only one vector  $x_{GS}$ .

**Bonus 25pt:** compute the sum of two sparse matrices ([a.txt](#), [b.txt](#), [aplusb.txt](#)). Verify that the (computed) sum of matrices from files *a.txt* and *b.txt* is the matrix from file *aplusb.txt*. Two elements that have the same row and column indices  $(i, j)$  are considered equal if  $|c_{ij} - d_{ij}| < \epsilon$ . Use both methods for storing sparse matrices.

**Remarks:**

- 1) Don't use classically stored matrices for solving the above problem and don't use a function  $val(i, j)$  that computes the value of  $a_{ij}$  the corresponding element in the matrix, for all pairs  $(i, j)$ .
- 2) Implementing the sparse storage method described in this file is **mandatory** (not implementing it will be penalised).
- 3) If in the *a.i.txt* files, there are multiple entries with the same row and column indices:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} val_1 & , & i \quad , \quad j \\ \vdots & & \\ val_2 & , & i \quad , \quad j \\ \vdots & & \\ val_k & , & i \quad , \quad j \end{array}$$

this situation has the following meaning:

$$a_{ij} = val_1 + val_2 + \dots + val_k.$$

### Sparse matrix storing method

A sparse vector is a vector that has 'few' non-zero elements. Such a vector can be stored economically in a data structure that will keep only the non-zero values and the position in the vector of the respective value:

$$\{(val \neq 0, i); x_i = val\}$$

A sparse matrix can be economically stored in the following way:

- a vector  $d \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is used for storing the diagonal elements of the matrix,  $d_i = a_{ii}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$
- a vector of sparsely stored vectors: the non-zero elements of each row except the diagonal one are stored in a sparse vector.

### Iterative methods for solving sparse linear systems

Assume that the matrix  $A$  is nonsingular, i.e.  $\det A \neq 0$ . Denote the exact solution of system (1) by  $x^*$ :

$$x^* = A^{-1}b$$

The iterative methods for solving linear systems were developed for ‘large’ systems ( $n$  ‘large’), with sparse matrix  $A$  (a matrix that has ‘few’ non-zero elements  $a_{ij} \neq 0$ ). The iterative methods do not change the matrix  $A$  (as it happens in Gaussian elimination or in  $LU$  decompositions or in  $QR$  factorizations), the non-zero elements of the matrix are employed for approximating the exact solution  $x^*$ . For sparse matrices, special storing methods are employed.

For approximating the solution  $x^*$ , a sequence of real vectors  $\{x^{(k)}\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is computed. If certain conditions are fulfilled, this sequence converges to the exact solution  $x^*$  of system (1):

$$x^{(k)} \longrightarrow x^* \quad , \quad k \longrightarrow \infty.$$

The first vector of the sequence,  $x^{(0)}$ , is usually set to 0:

$$x_i^{(0)} = 0 \quad , \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

When the sequence  $\{x^{(k)}\}$  converges, the limit is  $x^*$  the exact solution of system (1).

### Gauss-Seidel Method

In order to be able to apply this method all the diagonal elements of matrix  $A$  must be non-zero:

$$a_{ii} \neq 0 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$$

When reading the matrix from one of the posted files, verify that all the diagonal elements of the matrix are non-zero ( $|a_{ii}| > \epsilon \forall i$ ). If there exists a

zero diagonal element, the system cannot be solved using the Gauss-Seidel iterative method. The sequence of vectors generated by the Gauss-Seidel iterative method, is computed with the following relation:

$$\begin{aligned}
x_i^{(k+1)} &= \frac{\left( b_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} x_j^{(k+1)} - \sum_{j=i+1}^n a_{ij} x_j^{(k)} \right)}{a_{ii}}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n \\
&= \frac{\left( b_i - \sum_{\substack{\text{non-zero elements on row } i \\ \text{except the diagonal element}}} val * x_{\substack{column \\ index}}^{(?) \right)}{the \text{ value of the diagonal element on row } i}
\end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

The above formula must be adapted to the new way of storing the sparse matrix  $A$ . In the above sums for computing the  $i$ -th component of a vector, one needs only the non-zero elements  $a_{ij}$  from row  $i$ . For fast computing the  $i$ -th component of vector  $x^{(k+1)}$  we need to have easy access to the non-zero elements of matrix  $A$  from row  $i$ , that's why in the sparse storing methods the elements are memorized accordingly. If, for example, the matrix  $A$  is row diagonally dominant, that is:

$$|a_{ii}| > \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n |a_{ij}| \quad \text{for all } i = 1, \dots, n$$

the sequence  $\{x^{(k)}\}$  computed with the Gauss-Seidel algorithm, converges to solution  $x^*$  (but it is not the only situation when the sequence converges).

For all iterative methods that solve linear systems, the convergence or divergence of sequence  $\{x^{(k)}\}$  doesn't depend on the choice of the first vector  $x^{(0)}$  of the sequence.

In order to get an approximation for solution  $x^*$  one must compute an element  $x^{(k)}$  of the sequence of vectors, for  $k$  sufficiently large. If the difference between two consecutive elements of the sequence  $\{x^{(k)}\}$  becomes sufficiently '*small*', then the last computed vector is '*near*' the exact solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x^{(k+1)} - x^{(k)}\| \leq \epsilon &\Rightarrow \|x^{(k+1)} - x^*\| \leq c\epsilon, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}_+ \\
&\Rightarrow x^{(k+1)} \approx x^*.
\end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

It is not necessary to store all the vectors of the sequence  $\{x^{(k)}\}$ , we only need the last two computed elements, and for approximating the solution we need the vector that satisfies relation (3),  $\|x^{(k)} - x^{(k-1)}\| \leq \epsilon$ .

In your program, you can use only two vectors:

$$x^c \text{ for vector } x^{(k+1)} \text{ and } x^p \text{ for vector } x^{(k)}.$$

The Gauss-Seidel method can be implemented by only using one vector for all the computations.

$$x_{GS} = x^c = x^p.$$

When using only one vector, computing formula (2) and the norm computation  $\|x^{(k+1)} - x^{(k)}\| = \|x^c - x^p\|$  must be done in the same *for* loop.

### Iterative method for solving a linear system (with 2 vectors!)

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 $x^c = x^p = 0$  ;
 $k = 0$  ;
do
{
 $x^p = x^c$  ;
compute new  $x^c$  using  $x^p$  (with formula (2) ;
compute new  $\Delta x = \|x^c - x^p\|$  ;
 $k = k + 1$  ;
}
while (  $\Delta x \geq \epsilon$  and  $k \leq k_{max}$  and  $\Delta x \leq 10^{10}$  )
if (  $\Delta x < \epsilon$  )
 $x^c \approx x^*$  ; //  $x^c$  is the approximation of the exact solution
else ‘divergence’ ;
( $k_{max} = 10000$ ,  $\epsilon = 10^{-p}$ ,  $p \in \{5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$  )

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### Example

Matricea:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 102.5 & 0.0 & 2.5 & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 3.5 & 104.88 & 1.05 & 0.0 & 0.33 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 100.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 1.3 & 0.0 & 101.3 & 0.0 \\ 0.73 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 1.5 & 102.23 \end{pmatrix}$$

se poate memora economic astfel:

$$d = (102.5, 104.88, 100.0, 101.3, 102.23)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \{ \{ (2.5, 2) \}, \\ & \{ (3.5, 0), (0.33, 4), (1.05, 2) \}, \\ & \{ null \}, \\ & \{ (1.3, 1) \}, \\ & \{ (1.5, 3), (0.73, 0) \} \}. \end{aligned}$$

Presupunem că:

$$x^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 \\ 2.0 \\ 3.0 \\ 4.0 \\ 5.0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 6.0 \\ 7.0 \\ 8.0 \\ 9.0 \\ 1.0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_0^{(1)} \quad (\text{varianta clasică})$$

$$= (b_0 - a_{01}x_1^{(0)} - a_{02}x_2^{(0)} - a_{03}x_3^{(0)} - a_{04}x_4^{(0)})/a_{00} -$$

$$= (6.0 - 0.0 * 2.0 - 2.5 * 3.0 - 0.0 * 4.0 - 0.0 * 5.0)/102.5$$

(varianta economică folosește doar elementele nenule de pe linia 1)

$$= (6.0 - 2.5 * 3.0)/102.5 = -0,01463414...$$

$x_1^{(1)}$  (varianta clasică)

$$= (b_1 - a_{10}x_0^{(1)} - a_{12}x_2^{(0)} - a_{23}x_3^{(0)} - a_{24}x_4^{(0)})/a_{11} -$$

$$= (7.0 - 3.5 * (-0.01463414...) - 1.05 * 3.0 - 0.0 * 4.0 - 0.33 * 5.0)/104.88$$

(varianta economică folosește doar elementele nenule de pe linia a 2-a)

$$= (7.0 - 1.05 * 3.0 - 3.5 * (-0.01463414...) - 0.33 * 5.0)/104.88 = 0.0214647...$$