# VERIFIED ERROR BOUNDS FOR SPARSE SYSTEMS PART II: INERTIA-BASED BOUNDS, LEAST SQUARES AND NONLINEAR SYSTEMS\*

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5 Abstract. Verification methods provide mathematically correct error bounds for the solution 6of a numerical problem. That includes the proof of solvability of the problem and often uniqueness 7 of the solution within the computed bounds. There are many verification methods for standard 8 problems in numerical analysis, including linear and nonlinear systems of equations, matrix decom-9 positions, eigenproblems, local and global optimization, ordinary and partial differential equations. 10 Many of those verification methods are included in INTLAB, the Matlab/Octave toolbox for reliable computing. Despite several efforts, the solution of general sparse linear systems is an open problem. 11 In Part I of this note we presented an algorithm for general real or complex sparse linear systems with condition numbers up to the limit  $10^{16}$  in double precision. That algorithm splits into three 1314 subalgorithms for symmetric positive definite, symmetric indefinite and general input matrix A. It

15 is based on a mathematically correct lower bound on the smallest singular value  $\sigma_{\min}(A)$ .

In this Part II we use a method published by the author in 1995 based on the inertia of a symmetric matrix. In contrast to the previous approach a key point is, as in Part I, a factorization  $L_1L_2$  such that  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  have identical sets of singular values with the smallest one close to  $\sigma_{\min}(A)^{1/2}$ . Numerical evidence suggests that the method is often slower than that in Part I, however, a little more stable. That means, for some of the few cases where the method in Part I could not compute verified bounds successfully, the method in this Part II succeeded.

Furthermore we show how to compute inclusions with almost maximal accuracy for all entries, i.e., all bounds differ by few bits. That is based on a fast method to compute accurate approximations and bounds for extremely ill-conditioned dot products with a very efficient Matlab implementation. Moreover algorithms are given to compute verified error bounds for a least squares problem and

an underdetermined system of linear equations with sparse input matrix. Furthermore, we show how to compute verified error bounds for the solution of a system of nonlinear equations with sparse Jacobi matrix. In all cases the algorithms for square linear systems of Part I and this Part II can be used.

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**1. Introduction.** This paper in two parts presents verification methods for the solution of a linear system with sparse input matrix, i.e., the computation of rigorous error bounds for the solution. The bounds are computed in pure floating-point arithmetic and they are true with mathematical certainty. That includes the proof of solvability of the problem and uniqueness of the solution within the computed bounds. For overviews on verification methods cf. [26, 41, 29] and the literature cited over there. Many verification algorithms are included in INTLAB [39], the Matlab/Octave toolbox for reliable computing.

As mentioned in Part I, a verification method for sparse linear systems is part of the *Grand challenges* [27]. Although we cannot expect a general purpose algorithm, competitive known attempts such as in [43] work only for symmetric positive definite matrices.

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46 In Part I we presented the splitting of the input matrix A in two factors  $A \approx L_1 L_2$ 

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47 based on some  $LDL^{T}$ -decomposition. A key to a successful verification method is to 48 compute accurate of residuals, here  $||A - L_1L_2||_2$ . The advantage of the splitting into 49 two factors is that each entry of the residual  $A - L_1L_2$  is a dot product, so that fast

and accurate methods to compute accurate bounds for the residual norm can be used.

The methods in Part I and II explore the ideas in [37, 38, 40] published in the 1990's. For the time being the algorithms for  $LDL^{T}$ -decomposition were not stable enough to allow for good verification methods. Nowadays good scaling and equilibration routines are available [8, 9] making those methods attractive. That was observed by Terao and Ozaki [46] and triggered both parts of this note.

56 One key of our methods is the following theorem [38, Theorem 1.1]:

THEOREM 1.1. 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

59 (1.1) 
$$\sigma_{\min}(A) > \tilde{\lambda} - \max\{\|A - \tilde{\lambda}I - \tilde{L}_1 \tilde{D}_1 \tilde{L}_1^T\|, \|A + \tilde{\lambda}I - \tilde{L}_2 \tilde{D}_2 \tilde{L}_2^T\|\}$$

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

61 (1.2) 
$$\sigma_{\min}(A) > \tilde{\lambda} - \|A - \tilde{\lambda}I - \tilde{L}_1 \tilde{D}_1 \tilde{L}_1^T\|.$$

The proof is clear from the fact that the inertia of  $\tilde{L}_k \tilde{D}_k \tilde{L}_k^T$  and  $\tilde{D}_k$  coincide for  $k \in \{1, 2\}$ . We use "tilde" to indicate that approximate factorizations are used.

An application to symmetric (positive definite) A sets  $\tilde{G} \coloneqq \tilde{L}_1^T$  and  $\tilde{D}_1 = I$ , such that (1.2) implies

66 (1.3) 
$$\sigma_{\min}(A) > \tilde{s} - \|A - \tilde{s}I - \tilde{G}^T \tilde{G}\| =: \varrho$$

for an approximate Cholesky decomposition  $A - \tilde{s}I \approx \tilde{G}^T \tilde{G}$ . This certifies a lower bound  $\rho$  of the smallest singular value  $\sigma_{\min}(A)$  based on some approximation  $\tilde{s}$ . If  $\rho$ is positive it proves positive definiteness of A as well.

That approach for symmetric (positive definite) A was further explored in [43]. It is appealing that a priori bounds for  $||A - \tilde{s}I - \tilde{G}^T \tilde{G}||_2$  are available at practically no cost solely based on the diagonal of A. This is based on [6], see also [11, Theorem 10.5]. In Lemma 2.5 and Corollary 2.6 in Part I of this note we improve the bound  $\varrho$  by using linear estimates on the rounding error of dot products [16, 17, 18] and a special application of Perron-Frobenius Theory.

Another application [40, 46] of Theorem 1.1 gives a lower bound on  $\sigma_{\min}(A)$  of a general matrix A by using the augmented matrix  $B \coloneqq \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . The eigenvalues of B are  $\pm \sigma_k(A)$  so that the inertia of B is known to be (-n, 0, n) for nonsingular A. Hence

80 (1.4) 
$$\sigma_{\min}(A) = \sigma_{\min}(B) > \tilde{s} - \|B - \tilde{s}I - \tilde{L}\tilde{D}\tilde{L}^T\| =: \varrho$$

for an anticipated lower bound  $\tilde{s}$  of  $\sigma_{\min}(A) = \sigma_{\min}(B)$  is true if  $\tilde{D}$  has *n* positive eigenvalues for an approximate  $LDL^T$ -decomposition  $B - \tilde{s}I \approx \tilde{L}\tilde{D}\tilde{L}^T$ . Note that  $\rho > 0$ implies that *B* has full rank and therefore *A* is nonsingular.

If  $\sigma_{\min}(A) \ge \rho > 0$ , then for an approximate solution  $\tilde{x}$  of a linear system Ax = bit follows

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$$||A^{-1}b - \tilde{x}||_{\infty} \leq ||A^{-1}b - \tilde{x}||_2 \leq \rho^{-1} ||b - A\tilde{x}||_2$$

as noted in Part I. However, for ill-conditioned A that bound may be quite some overestimation. Therefore it is improved by a residual iteration as described in Section 4 of Part I. If accurate dot products are available, often close to maximally accurate entrywise bounds for the solution are computed, i.e., the left and right bounds differ by few bits. In our examples that is sometimes not the case, and to that end we present a further improvement of the accuracy of the bounds at the end of Section 2.

In Part I of this note we treat three cases separately, namely symmetric (positive 93 definite), symmetric indefinite and general matrices. As has been explained "positive 94 definite" is not an assumption but a property proved by the method a posteriori. In 95 this Part II we will improve on the second and third case, where both are based on a 96 factorization  $F_1F_2$  with  $\sigma_{\min}(F_1) = \sigma_{\min}(F_1) \approx \sqrt{\sigma_{\min}(A)}$ . More precisely,  $F_2 = SF_1^T$ for a signature matrix S, i.e., real diagonal S with entries  $\pm 1$  on the diagonal. Hence, 98 the factors have identical sets of singular values and the inertia of  $F_1F_2$  is equal to 99 that of S. The methods are based on that together with estimates on the error of the 100 factorization  $F_1F_2$  and Theorem 1.1. 101 That sounds simpler than the methods presented in Part I. However, there is no 102

clear picture. Often the methods in Part I are faster, sometimes much faster, but those in this Part II seem more often successful. We elaborate on that in several numerical examples in Section 9.

As in Part I our primary target is that our algorithm ends successfully, i.e., verifies non-singularity of the input matrix and computes error bounds for the solution of the linear system. Our algorithms are tuned to that goal accepting some penalty in computing time. Besides the mathematically rigorous verification, the second focus is to compute accurate bounds for the solution.

111 Our notation is as in Part I. In particular we assume a set of floating-point numbers  $\mathbb{F}$  with an arithmetic according to the IEEE754 floating-point standard [13]. 112We use double precision (binary64) in a nearest rounding<sup>1</sup> with relative rounding error 113unit  $\mathbf{u} = 2^{-53} \approx 10^{-16}$ , and we use directed rounding downwards (towards  $-\infty$ ) and 114upwards (towards  $+\infty$ ). In INTLAB [39] the command setround(-1) switches the 115rounding to downwards. That means that henceforth the result of all floating-point 116 117 operations is executed in rounding downwards. That includes in particular vector and matrix operations. Similarly, setround(1) switches the rounding to upwards. 118

We use float( $\cdot$ ) to indicate the result of an expression with all operations executed in floating-point. If the order of execution is not unique, results are true for any order.

121 We borrow some results of part I of this note as fol	lows.
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122		Part I	description	
123	(1.5)	(1.10)	$A^{T} = A \implies  \lambda_{k}(A + E) - \lambda_{k}(A)  \leq   E  _{2}$	
124	(1.6)	(3.2)	equilibration of a symmetric matrix	
125	(1.7)	(3.3)	equilibration of a general matrix	
126	(1.8)	(3.5)	[L, D, p] = ldl(A, thresh, 'vector');	
127	(1.9)	(3.7)	remedy for $LDL^T$ -decomposition	
128	(1.10)	(7.1)	decomposition of D	
129	(1.11)	(2.10)	norm of residual using a priori bounds	
130	(1.12)	(3.9)	approximation of smallest singular value	

131 The left-most column is the reference used in this Part II of our note.

<sup>1</sup>Our results in rounding to nearest are true for any rounding of ties.

We begin with an alternative method to compute accurate approximations and inclusions of residuals. That is paramount to our methods. Using this we show how to improve even more the accuracy of our inclusions. This leads to inclusions which are almost always and for all entries maximally accurate.

After discussing how to compute the inertia of the block matrix D of an  $LDL^{T}$ decomposition we explain our alternative method for symmetric and for general input matrix. Based on that we show how to compute inclusions of the solution of a least squares problem and of an underdetermined system of equations. We present our second Algorithm VerifySparselss0 to compute rigorous error bounds for a linear system with square or rectangular, real or complex sparse matrix and multiple right hand sides.

Numerical examples for test matrices out of [5] as well as for randomly generated matrices are shown. We close this note with concluding remarks and further open problems.

2. Approximation and estimation of matrix residuals. A key point to 146 147our methods are upper bounds on the spectral norm of some residual AB - C for compatible matrices A, B, C. Those are based on accurate dot products, with or 148 149 without error bound. To that end any of the many accurate dot product algorithms is suitable. The are Matlab implementations, however, they suffer from interpretation 150overhead, in particular for sparse data. We used Advanpix [12] in Part I this note, a 151multiple-precision Matlab package emulating a large number of Matlab's algorithms. 152The number d of decimal digits of precision can be freely specified by mp.Digits(d). 153However, according to [12] the precision in use is d decimal digits plus some guard 154

digits, but there is no specific information about the accuracy of a result. Moreover, for a general specification mp.Digits(d) the package does not respect the rounding mode.

To that end there is one exception, namely mp.Digits(34). That is a particularly fast implementation of extended precision arithmetic with relative rounding error unit  $2^{-113}$  according to the IEEE754 standard [13]. That implementation respects the specified rounding mode, for the arithmetic operations as well as for the type cast double(.) from mp to double precision. Thus the code

$$setround(-1); Q = double(abs(mp(A) * B - C));$$
  
 $setround(+1); Q = max(Q, double(abs(mp(A) * B - C)));$ 

164 computes a floating-point matrix  $\mathbb{Q}$  such that  $|AB - C| \leq \mathbb{Q}$  is true for the real matrix 165 AB - C using entrywise absolute value and comparison, see Lemma 2.4 in Part I of 166 this note.

167 The main reason to use the toolbox Advanpix [12] in Part I was to show a fair 168 comparison with [46] because it was also used in there. However, in this Part II we 169 use higher precision to achieve even more accurate bounds. That seems not possible 170 in [12].

171 An alternative to Advanpix [12] is Matlab's multiple precision package vpa. How-172 ever, that is very slow, see the timing in Table 1.

173 Recently we work [19, 20] on a new algorithm improving on [32]. The mathe-174 matical basis for the accurate computation of a dot product  $a^T b$  of  $a, b \in \mathbb{F}^n$  is as 175 follows. In [47] an *absolute splitting* of vectors was introduced, following the scheme 176 in Figure 1. The vectors a, b are split into high and low order parts a = p + q, b = r + s177 in such a way that the dot product  $p^T r$  of the high order parts is computed without 178 error in floating-point. The constant  $\mu$  determines the splitting and is chosen such



FIG. 1. The Zielke/Drygalla scheme to extract high and low order parts

that all products  $p_i r_i$  and their sum reside in the range of digits of one floating-point number in the given format. That method was analysed in [44] and is also used for reproducible results [2].

182 One specific advantage of the absolute splitting is the applicability to matrix 183 products. The recursive application leads to the following *Ozaki scheme* for the matrix 184 product AB of two floating-point matrices. It was originally published in [30, 34, 35] 185 with improvements in [31, 32]. In the first step A is split into k + 1 parts

186 (2.1) 
$$A = A^{(1)} + A^{(2)} + \ldots + A^{(k)} + \underline{A}^{(k)}$$

where each part  $A^{(i)}$  holds a limited range of mantissa digits and  $\underline{A}^{(k)}$  is the least significant part containing the remainder. A similar splitting is applied to B. The ranges for the mantissa digits in  $A^{(i)}$  and  $B^{(j)}$  are chosen in such a way that all the individual matrix products  $A^{(i)}B^{(j)}$  are computed error-free independent of the order of evaluation.<sup>2</sup> Ozaki et al. [34, 33, 32] exploited this by computing AB as the unevaluated sum of  $\frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}$  individual matrix products

193 (2.2) 
$$AB = \sum_{i+j \le k+1} A^{(i)} B^{(j)} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{k} A^{(i)} \underline{B}^{(k+1-i)} + \underline{A}^{(k)} B}_{\text{remainder terms}}.$$

where the sum of these is realized via an accurate summation algorithm, for instance [3, 25, 7, 28, 44]. Then the overall error is determined by the rounding errors in the computation of the k + 1 remainder terms which are least significant. By using the particular splitting approach proposed in [34], one can expect the error to be roughly of the size  $(2n\mathbf{u})^{k/2+1}|A||B|$ , where  $\mathbf{u}$  denotes the relative rounding error unit. Hence, with increasing k there is a significant increase in the precision.

A major advantage of Ozaki's scheme over other approaches for computing accurate matrix-matrix products is the efficient use of highly optimized level-3 BLAS routines. For algorithms based on vector transformations, such as Dot2 [28], reaching

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>This is true for standard matrix multiplication but requires further modifications to work with asymptotically faster approaches such as the Strassen or the Coppersmith–Winograd algorithm.

peak performance is more difficult and requires to perform optimizations by hand. A second benefit of Ozaki's scheme is the relatively low computational complexity for small k. The biggest drawback is that the computational complexity and the required memory increase quadratically with k.

In [19, 20] we discuss various improvements to the original Ozaki scheme. The most important for this note is to specify a precise splitting point. When compared to the original splitting by Ozaki's methods, this yields roughly an additional precision of k digits. Moreover, instead of the infinity norm of the respective column or row vectors, we use the Euclidean norm to determine suitable splitting parameters. This often gives another factor two in precision.

The implementation in Algorithm prodK is pure Matlab code and due to Marko
Lange [19, 20]. Despite the interpretation overhead it is faster than the mex-files used
in Advanpix [12]. Timing of vpa, mp and prodK for full matrices is shown in Table
As can be seen, for full matrices vpa is much slower than mp, and for little larger

TABLE 1

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		Timing rate	io for full	matrix mu	ltiplication A,	$B \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$	
		real data		сс	mplex data		
n	$t_{\tt vpa}/t_{\tt mp}$	$t_{\rm mp}/t_{\rm prodK}$	$t_{\rm prodK}$	$t_{\tt vpa}/t_{\tt mp}$	$t_{\rm mp}/t_{\rm prodK}$	$t_{\tt prodK}$	
100	464	0.9	0.02	236	3.1	0.03	
300	326	18.0	0.03	220	10.8	0.05	

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216217 dimension prodK is significantly faster than mp.

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 For sparse matrices much effort is necessary to ensure an efficient memory man-

agement. To that end Marko Lange provided a special implementation spProdK.
Timing of vpa, mp and spProdK for sparse matrices is shown in Table 2 for matrices

with some 100 nonzero entries per row.

 $\label{eq:TABLE 2} \ensuremath{\text{TABLE 2}} \ensuremath{\text{Table 2}} \ensuremath{\text{Table 5}} \ensurema$ 

		real data			complex data	
n	$t_{\tt vpa}/t_{\tt mp}$	$t_{\rm mp}/t_{\rm spProdK}$	$t_{\tt spProdK}$	$t_{\tt vpa}/t_{\tt mp}$	$t_{\tt mp}/t_{\tt spProdK}$	$t_{\tt spProdK}$
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

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For dimension 10,000 and larger vpa stopped with memory problems. However, vpa

would only be an option to compute accurate approximations, but it is not suitable for verified inclusions because it does not allow the computation of error bounds. The same is true for Advanpix except for extended precision using mp.Digits(34).

226 For prodK and similarly for spProdK typical calls are

$$(2.3) \qquad \begin{array}{ll} \operatorname{res} = \operatorname{prodK}(L,U,-1,A,k); & LU-A \approx res \\ [\operatorname{res},\operatorname{err}] = \operatorname{prodK}(L,U,-1,A,k); & LU-A \in res \pm err \\ [\operatorname{res},\operatorname{err}] = \operatorname{prodK}(A,x,A,y,-1,b,k); & Ax + Ay - b \in res \pm err \\ \operatorname{res} = \operatorname{prodK}(A,x,-1,b,k,'\operatorname{OutputTerms}',2); & Ax - b \approx res_{\{1\}} + res_{\{2\}} \end{array}$$

For the first pairs of input parameters  $p_1, q_1, p_2, q_2, ...$  the value  $\sum p_i q_i$  will be computed, where the each of the first parameters may be a scalar. For one output parameter *res* the result will be approximated in about (k/2+1)-fold precision. For two output parameters,  $res \pm err$  is a correct inclusion, also computed in (k/2+1)-fold precision. Finally, 'OutputTerms', m specifies that the result is stored in a cell array with m members. That corresponds to an unevaluated sum of m addends.

In (1.4) in Part I we introduced a notation for the approximation and inclusion of a residual Ax - b with sample Matlab/INTLAB code in (1.5). Here we extend the notation allowing evaluation in higher precision. The subindices  $_{k,1}$  indicate that the expression is evaluated in k-fold precision and rounded into working precision. The last parameter k in the calls of prodK and spProdK imply a result "as if" evaluated in k/2 + 1-fold precision. Therefore using spProdK sample Matlab/INTLAB code is

$$[expr]_{k,1} \quad \text{res} = \text{spProdK}(A, x, -1, b, 2 * (k - 1));$$
  
240 (2.4) 
$$\langle\!\langle expr \rangle\!\rangle_{k,1} \quad [\text{res}, \text{err}] = \text{spProdK}(A, x, -1, b, 2 * (k - 1));$$
  
res = midrad(res, err);

For compatible matrices A, B, C we borrow the function NormBnd in (1.8) and the code in (2.16) of Lemma 2.7 in Part I to bound  $||AB - C||_2$ :

244 The second parameter symm in the function NormBnd is chosen to be true if AB - C

is symmetric/Hermitian. A bound  $||AB - C||_2 \leq \gamma$  computed in higher precision as in (2.17) of Lemma 2.7 in Part I is now replaced by

Then  $||AB-C||_2 \leq \gamma$  because the sum **abs(res)+err** in the last statement is computed in rounding upwards and  $||M||_2$  is monotone for nonnegative M.

As explained above we work with a factorization  $A \approx L_1 L_2$  so that the entries of the residual  $L_1 L_2 - A$  consist of dot products. For ill-conditioned input matrix it might be necessary to compute an upper bound  $\alpha$  of the spectral norm of a residual  $LDL^T - A$ . Here extra care is necessary because now the product of three matrices is involved. The following code in Table 3 computes an upper bound  $\alpha$  of  $||LDL^T - A||_2$ .

The proof of correctness is as follows. The first line yields matrices  $C, C_2, E_1$  with

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

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function p = residualBoundLDLT(A,L,D)
  [C1,C2,E1] = spProdK(D,L',2);
  [C,E2] = spProdK(L,C1,L,C2,-1,A,2);
  alpha1 = NormBnd(abs(C)+E2,false);
  setround(1)
  alpha = NormBnd(L,false)*NormBnd(E1,false) + alpha1;
end % function residualBoundLDLT
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TABLE 3  
Computation of an upper bound 
$$\alpha$$
 of  $||LDL^T - A||_2$ 

with entrywise absolute value and comparison. The matrix pair  $(C_1, C_2)$  approximates DL<sup>T</sup> as an unevaluated sum which corresponds to quadruple precision. The matrices  $C, E_2$  in the next line satisfy

$$|LC_1 + LC_2 - A - C| \leqslant E_2$$

The next line uses Algorithm NormBnd from Table 1 in Part I of this note and computes  $\alpha_1$  with  $|||C| + E_2||_2 \leq \alpha_1$  so that finally

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$$||LDL^{T} - A||_{2} = ||L(DL^{T} - C_{1} - C_{2}) + C + L(C_{1} + C_{2}) - A - C||_{2}$$
  

$$\leq ||L||_{2} ||E_{1}||_{2} + ||C| + |L(C_{1} + C_{2}) - A - C||_{2}$$
  

$$\leq ||L||_{2} ||E_{1}||_{2} + ||C| + E_{2} ||_{2}$$
  

$$\leq ||L||_{2} ||E_{1}||_{2} + \alpha_{1}$$

is true because first summand in the final line of Algorithm residualBoundLDLT ensures  $||L||_2 ||E_1||_2 \leq \text{NormBnd}(L, false) * \text{NormBnd}(E1, false)$  and because the sum in the last line is computed in rounding upwards. The extra parameter "false" in NormBnd indicates that the input matrix is not necessarily symmetric. We choose not to calculate  $||LE_1||_2$  but to bound it by  $||L||_2 ||E_1||_2$  to save a matrix multiplication. Since  $E_2$  is very small this does no harm. Note that due to rounding errors  $E_2$  need not be symmetric.

Accurate bounds for matrix residuals are mandatory to compute accurate error bounds for the solution of a linear system. In Section 4 in Part I of this note we introduced in Table 1 the function **ErrorBound**. It stores an approximate solution of  $A^{-1}b$  in two parts  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}$  such that the unevaluated sum  $\tilde{x} + \tilde{y}$  produces a small residual  $\varrho = ||A\tilde{x} + A\tilde{y} - b||_2$ . The computation of  $\varrho$  is very ill-conditioned and requires at least double the working precision. To that end mp.Digits(34) is sufficient to improve an approximation and the inclusion.

In order to obtain almost always error bounds close to maximal accuracy for all entries of the solution, we follow [36] and store an approximation in three parts  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z}$ . Then the residual  $\varrho = ||A\tilde{x} + A\tilde{y} + A\tilde{z} - b||_2$  is even more ill-conditioned. Using twice the working precision is not sufficient, i.e., when using mp.Digits(34) there would be no improvement whether using two or three parts for the approximation.

A higher precision can be specified in mp, however, there is not enough information about the arithmetic in use to compute valid error bounds. In contrast, higher precision can be specified in prodK and spProdK to compute an accurate approximation and with the possibility to obtain verified error bounds. For example, an inclusion of  $\|A\tilde{x} + A\tilde{y} + A\tilde{z} - b\|_2$  is computed by

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$$[c,e] = spProdK(A, xs, A, ys, A, zs, -1, b, k)$$

implying that 290

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$$|A\tilde{x} + A\tilde{y} + A\tilde{z} - b - c| \leq e$$

is satisfied for all entries. The parameter k specifies that (k/2 + 1)-fold precision is 292 used. For an approximation in three parts k = 4 corresponding to 3-fold precision 293294is suitable. This leads to an improved and very accurate version ErrorBound3 of Algorithm ErrorBound in Table 1 in Part I of this note. Algorithm ErrorBound3 is 295given in Table 4. If necessary, the steps 6 and 7 may be repeated two or three times. 296The implementation of  $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_{k,1}$  follows (2.4).

1	$[\tilde{x}, \delta] = \text{ErrorBound3}(A, b, s, "solve")$	
2	$\tilde{x} = \text{solve}(A, b)$	$\%\;A^{-1}b\approx\tilde{x}$
3	$\tilde{y} = \operatorname{solve}(A, \llbracket b - A\tilde{x} \rrbracket_{2,1})$	$\%\;A^{-1}b\approx\tilde{x}+\tilde{y}$
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	$[\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z}] = \operatorname{spProdK}(1, \tilde{x}, 1, \tilde{y}, 1, \tilde{z}, 4)$	$\%\;A^{-1}b\approx\tilde{x}+\tilde{y}+\tilde{z}$
7	$\tilde{z} = \text{solve}(A, \llbracket b - A\tilde{x} - A\tilde{y} - A\tilde{z} \rrbracket_{3,1})$	$\%\;A^{-1}b\approx\tilde{x}+\tilde{y}+\tilde{z}$
8	setround(-1); $\rho = \operatorname{abs} \left( \left[\!\left[ A \tilde{x} + A \tilde{y} + A \tilde{z} - b \right]\!\right]_{3,1} \right)$	
9	setround(+1); $\rho = \max (\rho, \operatorname{abs} (\llbracket A\tilde{x} + A\tilde{y} + A\tilde{z} - b \rrbracket_3)$	<sub>1</sub> ))
11	$\delta =  \tilde{y}  + \ \varrho\ _{\infty}/s$	

TABLE 4 Improved residual iteration and inclusion of the solution  $A^{-1}b$ .

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The proof of correctness is as for ErrorBound in Part I of this note because only 298the approximation was changed from  $\tilde{x} + \tilde{y}$  to three parts  $\tilde{x} + \tilde{y} + \tilde{z}$ . Of course it 299 is possible to split the approximation into an unevaluated sum of even more parts, 300 where increasing the parameter k in prodK or spProdK would compute the residuals 301 with sufficient accuracy. However, we refrained from doing this because we rarely 302 303 encountered entries with not maximally accurate inclusion.

3. Inertia of a  $2 \times 2$  Hermitian matrix. For a decomposition  $A = LDL^T$  of 304 real A we need the inertia of the block diagonal matrix D. Thus we need the inertia 305 of  $M := \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix}$  for  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{F}$ . For  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  denoting the eigenvalues of M, we have

306  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \operatorname{trace}(M) = a + c$  and  $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 = \det(M) = ac - b^2$ . The following is true for 307

singular M, however, if successful then nonsingularity of D will be proved a posteriori 308 309 by our verification algorithm.

If det(M) < 0, then the inertia, the number of negative, zero and positive eigen-310 311 values, is  $\iota(M) = (1, 0, 1)$ . If det(M) > 0, then  $\iota(M) = (0, 0, 2)$  if trace(M) > 0 and  $\iota(M) = (2, 0, 0)$  otherwise. 312

We suppose a floating-point computation in some nearest rounding barring over-313 and underflow. A nearest rounding is defined by a rounding function  $fl: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{F}$ . For 314 $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$  and  $o \in \{+, -, \times, /\}$  that means that the floating-point result  $fl(a \circ b)$  satisfies 315

316 
$$|\mathrm{fl}(a \circ b) - a \circ b| = \min\{|f - a \circ b| : f \in \mathbb{F}\}.$$

317 Different nearest roundings are discriminated by the rounding of the tie: If the real

- result  $a \circ b$  is not the midpoint between two adjacent floating-point numbers, then the
- nearest result is uniquely determined, otherwise it is one of the two neighbours.
- 320 Any nearest rounding respects ordering, i.e.,

321 (3.1) 
$$x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$
:  $fl(x) < fl(y) \Rightarrow x < y$  and  $x < y \Rightarrow fl(x) \le fl(y)$ .

322 Since zero is a floating-point number, it follows

323 (3.2) 
$$a, c \in \mathbb{F}$$
:  $fl(a+c) < 0 \Leftrightarrow a+c < 0$ .

Here  $\Rightarrow$  is clear, and for  $\Leftarrow$  note that fl(a + c) = 0 is only possible if a + c is below the smallest denormalized floating-point number. However, in that case fl(a + c) = a + c, cf. [24].

It remains the problem to compute the sign of  $\det(M) = ac - b^2$  in floating-point. Let  $p := \operatorname{fl}(ac)$  and  $q := \operatorname{fl}(b^2)$ . Then (3.1) implies

329 (3.3) 
$$p-q < 0 \Rightarrow ac < b^2 \Leftrightarrow \det(M) < 0$$

and similarly for p - q > 0. It remains the case p = q. Since p, q are computed in floating-point, still det $(M) \neq 0$  is possible and the sign has to be decided. In that rare case we us the error-free transformation TwoProduct [14, 44, 24]. For  $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$  the call [x,y] = TwoProduct(a,b) produces  $x, y \in \mathbb{F}$  with x = fl(ab) and x + y = ab. Let

$$[p,e] = TwoProduct(a,c)$$
 and  $[q,f] = TwoProduct(b,b)$ .

335 Then

$$p = q \implies \det(M) = ac - bd = e - f$$

and the sign of the determinant can be determined as for the trace.

The Algorithm NumPosEV in Table 5 is executable Matlab/INTLAB code and computes the number of positive eigenvalues of a symmetric matrix M := [a b; b c]. The first line sets the rounding mode to nearest [39]. From what we derived before the correctness is clear for det $(M) \neq 0$ . If det(M) = 0 the eigenvalues are  $\lambda_1 = 0$  and  $\lambda_2$ . Thus trace $(M) = a + c = \lambda_2$  and proves correctness of the algorithm.

**4. Symmetric matrices.** We show in Table 6 a general outline of our modified subalgorithm "verifySparseSym0" to compute verified bounds for the solution of a sparse linear system with symmetric matrix.

Our second method explores on Theorem 1.1 published in [38, Theorem 1.1]; the 346 difference to the method on Part I of this note will be explained at the end of this 347 section. The original method in [38, Theorem 1.1] relied on approximate  $LDL^{T}$ -348 decompositions of A + sI and A - sI for a shift s being an anticipated lower bound of 349  $\sigma_{\min}(A)$ . In the original paper we used  $LDL^T$ , here we use the decompositions  $L_1L_2$ 350 presented in Part I of this note, were  $L_2 = SL_1^T$  for a signature matrix S. There are two 351 advantages. First, the inertia of S is trivial to compute. Second and more important, 352 the entries of the residual  $A_s - L_1 L_2$  for  $A_s = A \pm sI$  compute as one dot product where 353  $A_s - LDL^T$  requires the computation of the product of three matrices. Hence, in the 354former case we can expect better bounds for the spectral norm of the residuals. Only 355 if the residual  $A_s - L_1 L_2$  is not small enough for a verification we turn to  $A_s - LDL^T$ 356 as in the original paper. In that case we use Algorithm residualBoundLDLT as in 357 Table 3. 358

Lines 2-4 are as in subalgorithm VerifySparseSym in Part I of this note. In Line 5 the approximate decomposition of A is used to compute s, an anticipated lower bound on the smallest singular value of A.

```
function p = NumPosEV(a,b,c)
  setround(0)
  d = a*c - b*b;
  if d==0
                 % determine sign of determinant
    [p,e] = TwoProduct(a,c);
                               % p+e = ac
    [q,f] = TwoProduct(b,b);
                              % q+f = b^2
    d = e - f;
                               % using p=q
  end
                 % one positive, one negative eigenvalue
  if d<0
    p = 1;
  elseif d > 0
                 % eigenvalues have same sign
    if a > -c
                 % two positive eigenvalues
      p = 2;
    else
                 % two negative eigenvalues
      p = 0;
    end
  else
                 % matrix singular
    p = sign(a+c);
  end
    % function NumPosEV
end
```

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TABLE 5
Computing the number p of positive eigenvalues of M \coloneqq [a \ b; b \ c].
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In order to distinguish the factors, we denote  $A_s$  in Lines 6 and 14 by  $As_{-}$  and As<sub>+</sub>, respectively. The matrix  $As_{-}$  in Line 6 is computed in rounding downwards and therefore a lower bound on A - sI, i.e.,  $As_{-} = A - sI - \Delta_{-}$  for a diagonal and nonnegative matrix  $\Delta_{-}$ , and similarly for  $As_{+}$ .

366 Suppose matrices  $P_{-}, Q_{-}, P_{+}, Q_{+}$  are given such that

367 (4.1)  $\|\mathbf{As}_{-} - P_{-}Q_{-}P_{-}^{T}\|_{2} \leq \alpha_{-}$  and  $\|\mathbf{As}_{+} - P_{+}Q_{+}P_{+}^{T}\|_{2} \leq \alpha_{+}$ .

Denote the eigenvalues of symmetric  $M \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$  by  $\lambda_1(M) \ge \ldots \ge \lambda_n(M)$  and let k be the index of the smallest positive eigenvalue of  $Q_-$ . Then (1.5) implies

370 
$$\lambda_k(A) = \lambda_k(A - sI) + s \ge \lambda_k(As_-) + s \ge \lambda_k(P_-Q_-P_-^T) + s - \alpha_- > s - \alpha_- .$$

Denote by  $\ell$  the index of the smallest positive eigenvalue of  $Q_+$  such that  $\lambda_{\ell+1}(Q_+) \leq 0$ . Then we conclude similarly

373 
$$\lambda_{\ell+1}(A) = \lambda_{\ell+1}(A+sI) - s \leq \lambda_{\ell+1}(As_+) - s \leq \lambda_{\ell+1}(P_+Q_+P_+^T) - s + \alpha_+ \leq -s + \alpha_+ .$$

The smallest singular value of A is equal to the smallest absolute value of an eigenvalue  $\lambda_{\nu}(A)$ . If the inertia of  $Q_{-}$  and  $Q_{+}$  coincide, then  $k = \ell$  and the ordering of the  $\lambda_{\nu}(A)$ implies

377 (4.2) 
$$\sigma_{\min}(A) = \min\left(-\lambda_{k+1}(A), \lambda_k(A)\right) \ge s - \max(\alpha_-, \alpha_+) .$$

Now in Step 7–8 an approximate decomposition  $As_{-} \approx L_1 S L_1^T$  is computed. Note that

the computation of  $L_2 = SL_1^T$  does not cause rounding errors because S is a signature matrix, i.e., diagonal with entries ±1 on the diagonal. Hence  $L_1L_2 = L_1SL_1^T$ . Then

- 1 function  $[x, \delta]$  = verifySparseSym0(A,b)
- 2 Equilibrate A by (1.6)
- 3 Compute  $LDL^T(A)$  by (1.8)
- 4 If D is singular, verification failed,  $[x, \delta] = \text{verifySparseGen0(A,b)}$ , return
- 5 Compute  $\tilde{s}(A, L, D)$  by (1.12) and set  $s \coloneqq 0.9\tilde{s}$ ,  $\Phi = true$
- 6 Rounding downwards,  $A_s \coloneqq A sI$  and compute  $L_s D_s L_s^T(A_s)$  by (1.8)
- 7 Compute approximate splitting  $D_s \approx \widehat{D_s} S \widehat{D_s}^T$  according to (1.10)
- 8 Compute  $L_1 \approx LD_s$  and  $L_2 = SL_1^T$
- 9 Use (1.11) to compute  $\alpha_-$  with  $||A_s L_1 L_2||_2 \leq \alpha_-$
- 10 If  $\alpha_{-} \ge s$ , improve  $\alpha_{-}$  by (2.5)
- 11 If  $\alpha_{-} < s$ ,  $\nu_{-} = \operatorname{sum}(S) > 0$ , goto Step 13
- 12 Compute  $\alpha_-$  with  $||A_s L_s D_s L_s^T||_2 \leq \alpha_-$  as in Table 3,  $\nu_- = \pi(D_s)$
- 13 If  $\alpha_{-} \ge s$ , first verification failed, go to Step 22
- 14 Rounding upwards,  $A_s \coloneqq A + sI$  and compute  $L_s D_s L_s^T(A_s)$  by (1.8)
- 15 Compute approximate splitting  $D_s \approx \widehat{D_s} S \widehat{D_s}^T$  according to (1.10)
- 16 Compute  $L_1 \approx LD_s$  and  $L_2 = SL_1^T$
- 17 Use (1.11) to compute  $\alpha_+$  with  $||A_s L_1L_2||_2 \leq \alpha_+$
- 18 If  $\alpha_+ \ge s$ , improve  $\alpha_+$  by (2.5)
- 19 If  $\alpha_+ < s$ ,  $\nu_+ = \operatorname{sum}(S) > 0$ , goto Step 21
- 20 Compute  $\alpha_+$  with  $||A_s L_s D_s L_s^T||_2 \leq \alpha_+$  as in Table 3,  $\nu_+ = \pi(D_s)$
- 21 Set  $\alpha = \max(\alpha_-, \alpha_+)$ , if  $\alpha < s$ , go to Step 23
- 22 If  $\Phi$ ,  $\Phi = false$ , s = s/5, goto Step 6, else  $\nu_{-} = 0$
- 23 If  $\nu_{-} \neq \nu_{+}$ , verification failed,  $[x, \delta] = \text{verifySparseGen0(A,b)}$ , return
- 24  $[x, \delta] = \text{ErrorBound}(B, [0; b], s \alpha, \text{"solve"}) \text{ using } LDL^T \text{ for solve}$

# TABLE 6

Verified error bounds for  $A^{-1}b$  for general sparse input matrix A.

as  $\alpha_{-}$  is computed and possibly improved in Step 10 such that  $\|\mathbf{As}_{-} - L_{1}SL_{1}^{T}\| \leq \alpha_{-}$ . If  $\alpha_{-} < s$  in Step 11, we set  $P_{-} \coloneqq L_{1}$  and  $Q_{-} \coloneqq S$ . Then the number k of positive eigenvalues of  $Q_{-}$  is equal to  $\nu_{-}$  and  $\lambda_{k}(A) > s - \alpha_{-}$ . If  $\alpha_{-} \geq s$  in Step 11, we set  $P_{-} \coloneqq L_{s}$  and  $Q_{-} \coloneqq D_{s}$  and compute the upper bound  $\alpha_{1}$  for  $\|A_{s} - L_{s}D_{s}L_{s}^{T}\|_{2}$  using Algorithm residualBoundLDLT in Table 3. The number k of positive eigenvalues of  $Q_{-}$  is equal to  $\nu_{-}$  which is computed by  $\pi(D)$  based on Algorithm NumPosEV in Table 5. Hence  $\lambda_{k}(A) > s - \alpha_{-}$  as well.

If  $\alpha_{-} \ge s$ , the verification is not yet successful for the choice of s. In that case we go to Step 22 to try once more with decreased s.

The computations in Lines 14 – 20 are similar to those in Lines 6 – 12 replacing the subindex "-" by "+". It follows that the number  $\ell$  of positive eigenvalues of  $Q_+$ is equal to  $\nu_+$  and that  $\lambda_{\ell+1}(A) \leq -s + \alpha_+$ . If  $\alpha := \max(\alpha_-, \alpha_+) < s$  in Step 21 and  $\nu_- = \nu_+$  in Step 23, then  $k = \ell$  and (4.2) implies  $\sigma_{\min}(A) \geq s - \alpha > 0$ .

394 If  $\alpha := \max(\alpha_{-}, \alpha_{+}) \ge s$  in Step 21, then as before a reason may be that s is too

large. In that case we reduce s and try the verification from Lines 6 – 21 again. If still  $\alpha \ge s$  or  $\nu_{-} \ne \nu_{+}$  in Step 23, then verification failed and we turn to subalgorithm "verifySparseGen0".

If the verification was successful, the positive lower bound  $s - \alpha$  on  $\sigma_{\min}(A)$ verifies that the matrix A is nonsingular, and entrywise bounds for the solution of the linear system are computed by Algorithm ErrorBound in Table 1 of Part I of this note. To compute almost always maximally accurate inclusions we may use Algorithm ErrorBound3 as in Table 4.

The difference to Algorithm "verifySparseSym" in Part I of this note is as follows. Here the input matrix is shifted by s to the left and right. If the inertia of the corresponding  $LDL^{T}$ -decompositions are the same, then  $s-\alpha$  is a lower bound for  $\sigma_{\min}(A)$ subject to the maximum  $\alpha$  of the residual bounds. The drawback is some additional fill-in of the factors L of the shifted matrices. As a consequence "verifySparseSym0" is slower but seems a little more stable.

In "verifySparseSym" in Part I of this note we decompose  $A \approx L_1 L_2$  and estimate the smallest singular value of  $L_1$  using a Cholesky decomposition of  $L_1 L_1^T$  subject to a norm bound of the residual  $A - L_1 L_2$ . That turns out to be faster, but in rare cases it is less stable. See the numerical results in Section 9.

**5. General matrices.** As in [38, 40] our method for linear systems with general matrix uses the augmented matrix

415 (5.1) 
$$B \coloneqq \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

the singular values of which are  $\pm$  the eigenvalues of A. This matrix is used in [46] as well.

As in the symmetric case we explore on Theorem 1.1 published in [38, Theorem 1.1]. The original method relied on approximate  $LDL^T$ -decompositions of  $A \pm sI$  for a shift s being an anticipated lower bound of  $\sigma_{\min}(A)$ . In contrast to the symmetric case, one shift suffices for the augmented matrix B because the inertia of B is known beforehand. That is at least true for nonsingular matrix A. We do not assume nonsingularity of A beforehand but prove it a posteriori so that all deductions are true.

Rather than  $LDL^T$  as in [38, Theorem 1.1] we use, as in the symmetric case, a decomposition  $L_1L_2$  of B - sI as presented in Part I of this note, were  $L_2 = SL_1^T$  for a signature matrix S. That implies the same advantages as in the symmetric case.

In contrast to [38, 40, 46] we proceed for general matrices as follows. After equilibrating the original matrix A we compute an  $LDL^{T}$ -decomposition of the augmented matrix B by (1.8). As has been observed in Part I in some cases the computed Dis singular, even for moderately conditioned input matrix. That should not happen, and we cure it as in (1.7).

433 Based on the factors L, D we compute in Step 7 an anticipated lower bound s for 434 the smallest singular value of B which is equal to that of A. Although B has double 435 the size of A, the iteration (1.12) to compute s as a lower bound of  $\sigma_{\min}(B)$  rather 436 than of  $\sigma_{\min}(A)$  is more stable due to the symmetry of B.

437 A splitting (1.10) of D is computed in Step 9, and in Step 10 the factors  $L_1, L_2$ 438 such that  $L_1L_2 \approx A$ . The factor  $L_2$  is  $L_1$  multiplied by some signature matrix. That 439 computation is error-free, so that as in subalgorithm "verifySparseSym" in Part I of 440 this note the factors  $L_1, L_2$  have identical sets of singular values.

- 1 function  $[x, \delta]$  = verifySparseGen0(A,b)
- 2 Equilibrate A by (1.7)
- 3 Let B the augmented matrix (5.1)
- 4 Compute  $LDL^T(B)$  by (1.8)
- 5 If nnz(D) < 2n, compute  $LDL^T(B)$  by (1.9)
- 6 If nnz(D) < 2n, verification failed, return
- 7 Compute  $\tilde{s}(B, L, D) \leq \sigma_{\min}(B)$  by (1.12) and set  $s \coloneqq 0.9\tilde{s}$ ,  $\Phi = true$
- 8 Rounding downwards,  $B_s \coloneqq B sI$  and compute  $L_s D_s L_s^T(B_s)$  by (1.8)
- 9 Compute approximate splitting  $D_s \approx \widehat{D_s} S \widehat{D_s}^T$  according to (1.10)
- 10 Compute  $L_1 \approx LD_s$  and  $L_2 = SL_1^T$
- 11 Use (1.11) to compute  $\alpha$  with  $||B_s L_1 L_2||_2 \leq \alpha$
- 12 If  $\alpha < s$ , improve  $\alpha$  by (2.5)
- 13 If  $\alpha < s$ ,  $\nu = \text{sum}(Ds) > 0$ , else improve  $\alpha$  by (2.6),  $\nu = \pi(D_s)$
- 14 If  $\alpha < s$ , go to Step 16
- 15 If  $\Phi$ ,  $\Phi = false$ , s = s/5, goto Step 8, else  $\nu = 0$
- 16 If  $\nu \neq n$ , verification failed, return
- 17  $[x, \delta] = \text{ErrorBound}(B, [0; b], s \alpha, \text{"solve"}) \text{ using } LDL^T \text{ for solve}$

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{TABLE 7}\\ \text{Verified error bounds for $A^{-1}b$ for general sparse input matrix $A$.} \end{array}$ 

- 441 The remaining of the subalgorithm VerifySparseGen0 is identical to subalgo-442 rithm VerifySparseGen in Table 5 of Part I of this note. Hence, if successful,  $s - \alpha$ 443 is a lower bound for  $\sigma_{\min}(B) = \sigma_{\min}(A)$ .
- 444 Error bounds for the solution of the original linear system Ax = b use that

445 (5.2) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

446 implies  $x = A^{-1}b$  and we proceed as in Part I of this note.

As for "verifySparseSym0" the difference is that "verifySparseGen0" shifts the 447 augmented matrix and computes a lower bound for  $\sigma_{\min}(B)$  using Sylvester's law 448of inertia. In contrast, "verifySparseGen" relies on the factorization  $L_1L_2$  of the 449 original augmented matrix B without shift and computes a lower bound for  $\sigma_{\min}(B)$ 450based on a Cholesky factorization of  $L_1L_1^T$ . In rare cases that does not allow a 451verification where "verifySparseGen0" does. In general, however, "verifySparseGen0" 452seems slower because the decomposition of the shifted causes additional fill-in, see the 453 computational results in Section 9. 454

**6. Least squares problems and underdetermined linear systems.** The methods in Part I and Part II of this note can be used to compute verified error bounds for the solution of least squares problems and underdetermined systems of linear equations with sparse matrix.

# VERIFIED ERROR BOUNDS FOR SPARSE SYSTEMS PART II

459 For  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  with m > n and  $b \in \mathbb{C}^m$  define (cf. [11, Chapter 20])<sup>3</sup>

460 (6.1) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^H \\ A & -I_m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A^H y = 0 \text{ and } Ax - y = b$$

where  $I_m$  denotes the  $m \times m$  identity matrix. Multiplying the second equation by  $A^H$ yields  $A^H A x = A^H b$ . For full-rank A and  $A^+$  denoting the classical Moore-Penrose inverse [11] it follows that  $x = (A^H A)^{-1} A^H b = A^+ b$  is the unique least squares solution minimizing  $||Ax - b||_2$ .

The system matrix in (6.1) is symmetric indefinite, so our subalgorithms "verifySparseSym" and "verifySparseSym0" are applicable. In [42] we published algorithms to compute verified error bounds for least squares problems and underdetermined linear systems with full matrix. In that paper we used

469 
$$\begin{pmatrix} A & -I \\ 0 & A^H \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Although the system matrix is not Hermitian, we showed numerical evidence in [42] that the computed inclusions are sometimes more accurate than using (6.1). However, for our present approach we have to stick to the Hermitian input matrix.

For an underdetermined system of linear equations Ax = b with  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}, b \in \mathbb{C}^m$ and m < n define

475 (6.2) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} -I_n & A^H \\ A & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow Ax = b \text{ and } A^H y = x ,$$

so that multiplying the second equation by A yields  $AA^H y = Ax = b$ . If A has full rank, then  $x = A^H y = A^H (AA^H)^{-1} b = A^+ b$  is the unique solution of Ax = b with minimal  $||x||_2$ .

The linear systems in (6.1) and (6.2) can be solved by "verifySparseSym" or "verifySparseSym0". However, in Algorithm verifySparselss0 in Table 10 we call recursively "verifySparselss0". Since the augmented matrix is square, that leads directly to the case distinctions for real or complex matrices.

In subalgorithms "verifySparseSym" or "verifySparseSym0" the symmetric equilibration (1.7) (which is (3.3) in Part I of this note) is applied, i.e., two steps of the Sinkhorn-Knopp algorithm. That means the rows of  $A^T$  and rows of A are equilibrated from the left, and similarly from the right. Thus, although B is symmetric, the matrix A is equilibrated independently from the left and right. That produces stable results.

When computing error bounds for the square linear systems (6.1) or (6.2) by our algorithms, the nonsingularity of the augmented matrix is verified. In turn, that implies that A has full rank and our conclusions are valid.

There are other possibilities to define the solution of an underdetermined linear system. For example, Matlab computes a solution of Ax = b with at most *m* nonzero entries. This can be done as follows. First, an *LU*-decomposition of  $A^H$  is computed with partial pivoting. The only purpose is to obtain the pivoting information. Say

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>We may use  $+I_m$  or  $-I_m$  in the lower right corner of the system matrix; in order to cover complex matrices and keep the algorithm to be presented in Section 8 simple, we use  $-I_m$  because "verifySparseSPD" recognizes immediately that the system matrix cannot be positive definite.

that is stored in a vector p. Then the x is the solution of  $\tilde{A}x = b$  where  $\tilde{A}$  consists of the columns  $p_1, \ldots, p_m$  of A.

As a consequence we cannot compare our results with that of Matlab's backslash operator.

7. Systems of nonlinear equations. In this section we need some more details 500on interval operations, in particular the use of INTLAB [39]. If an operation involves 501one operand of type intval, then the operation is executed using interval arithmetic, 502i.e., the result is an inclusion of the true real (or complex) result. That is true for all 503 kinds of operations including vectors, matrices, standard functions and so forth. For 504example, in a\*(b+c) interval addition and multiplication is used if b or c is of type 505intval. There are toolboxes for gradients, Hessian, taylor series and Taylor models 506 in INTLAB. Here we use the gradient toolbox to compute an approximation of the 507derivative of a function. If the argument is of type intval, then a mathematically 508 rigorous inclusion is computed. For details, see [39, 41]. 509

510 Let a nonlinear system f(x) = 0 with continuously differentiable function  $f : \mathbf{D} \rightarrow$ 511  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with compact and convex  $\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{IR}^n$  be given. We assume a Matlab program  $\mathbf{f}$  to 512 be given such that  $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$  evaluates f(x).

513 Let  $\tilde{x} \in \mathbf{D}$  be given. Denote the Jacobian of f at x by  $J_f(x)$ . Then by the n-514 dimensional Mean Value Theorem for  $x \in \mathbf{D}$  there exist  $\xi_1, \ldots, \xi_n \in x \sqcup \tilde{x}$ , the convex 515 union of x and  $\tilde{x}$ , with

516 (7.1) 
$$f(x) = f(\tilde{x}) + \begin{pmatrix} \nabla f_1(\xi_1) \\ \cdots \\ \nabla f_n(\xi_n) \end{pmatrix} (x - \tilde{x})$$

using the component functions  $f_i : \mathbf{D}_i \to \mathbb{R}$  where  $\mathbf{D}_i := \{x_i : x \in \mathbf{D}\} \in \mathbb{IR}$ . As is well-known, the  $\xi_i$  cannot, in general, be replaced by a single  $\xi$ , so that the matrix in (7.1) is only rowwise equal to some Jacobian  $J_f$  of f.

520 Using INTLAB's gradient toolbox, the call J = f(gradientinit(x)) computes 521 for  $x \in \mathbb{F}^n \cap \mathbf{D}$  some  $J \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$  with  $J \approx J_f(x)$ . More important, let  $X \in \mathbb{IF}^n$  be an 522 interval vector with  $X \subseteq \mathbf{D}$ . Then the call

523 (7.2) 
$$Y = f(gradientinit(X))$$

524 computes Y such that  $Y.x \in \mathbb{IF}^n$  is an interval vector with  $\{f(x) : x \in \mathbf{X}\} \subseteq Y.x$ , and

525 Y.dx is an interval matrix Y.dx  $\in \mathbb{IF}^{n \times n}$  with  $\{\nabla f_k(\xi) : \xi \in X\} \subseteq Y_k$  for all  $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . 526 For a subset X of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  define hull(X)  $\in \mathbb{IR}^n$  by

527 (7.3) 
$$\operatorname{hull}(X) \coloneqq \bigcap \{ \mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{IR}^n : X \subseteq \mathbf{Z} \} .$$

528 For  $x, \tilde{x} \in \mathbf{D}$  also  $\mathbf{X} \coloneqq$  hull $(x \cup \tilde{x}) \subseteq \mathbf{D}$ , and (7.2) implies

529 (7.4) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} \nabla f_1(\xi_1) \\ \cdots \\ \nabla f_n(\xi_n) \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{Y}.d\mathbb{x}$$

530 for all  $\xi_1, \ldots, \xi_n \in \mathbf{X}$ . Therefore [41, Theorem 13.1], using interval operations the

531 Mean Value Theorem can be written in the following elegant way.

THEOREM 7.1. Let continuously differentiable  $f : \mathbf{D} \to \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{IR}^n$  and x, xs  $\in \mathbf{D} \cap \mathbb{F}^n$  be given. Define Y = f(gradientinit(hull(x,xs))). Then

534 (7.5) 
$$f(x) \in f(\tilde{x}) + \mathbb{Y}.\mathrm{dx}(x - \tilde{x}) .$$

Using this we can formulate [41, Theorem 13.3] the following theorem to compute error bounds for a solution of a system of nonlinear equations  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  based on some approximate solution  $\tilde{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

538 THEOREM 7.2. Let continuously differentiable  $f : D \to \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\tilde{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{IR}^n$ , 539  $R \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  with  $0 \in \mathbf{X}$  and  $\tilde{x} + \mathbf{X} \subseteq D$  be given. Suppose

540 (7.6) 
$$S(\mathbf{X}, \tilde{x}) \coloneqq -Rf(\tilde{x}) + \{I - RJ_f(\tilde{x} + \mathbf{X})\}\mathbf{X} \subseteq int(\mathbf{X})$$

with int denoting the topological interior. 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  $\tilde{x} + S(\mathbf{X}, \tilde{x})$ .

The bound  $\tilde{x} + S(\mathbf{X}, \tilde{x})$  is computable and is mathematically rigorous including the proof of uniqueness of the root  $\hat{x}$  of f in  $\tilde{x} + S(\mathbf{X}, \tilde{x})$ .

545 A practical application as implemented in Algorithm verifynlss in INTLAB 546 uses an approximate inverse R of  $J_f(\tilde{x})$  which is, in general, a full matrix. Therefore, 547 an inclusion based on Theorem 7.2 is hardly applicable to large systems of nonlinear 548 equations even if the Jacobian is sparse.

In practice, however, often individual variables  $x_k$  have few dependencies on other variables. As a consequence, the Jacobian becomes sparse, often a banded matrix. Next we show how the assumption (7.6) of Theorem 7.2 can be verified by solving a linear system with point matrix and interval right hand side. Then our methods for the solution of sparse linear systems are applicable.

554 We follow [41, Section 13, page 87] and compute an inclusion  $\mathbf{J} \in \mathbb{IF}^{n \times n}$  of  $J_f(\tilde{x} + \mathbf{X})$ 555 as in (7.2). Hence (7.4) implies that for all  $\xi \in \tilde{x} + \mathbf{X}$  and for all  $k \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$  the 556 gradient  $\nabla f_k(\xi)$  is included in the k-th row of  $\mathbf{J}$ , and Theorem 7.1 is applicable. 557 Denote  $\check{C} = \operatorname{mid}(\mathbf{J})$  and  $\Delta := \operatorname{rad}(\mathbf{J})$ . Assume that  $\check{C}$  is nonsingular and suppose

558 (7.7) 
$$\{y : \check{C}y = -f(\check{x}) - \varrho x, \ -\Delta \leq \varrho \leq \Delta, \ x \in \mathbf{X}\} \subseteq \mathbf{Y} .$$

559 for  $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{IF}^n$ . Then  $\mathbf{Y} \subset \operatorname{int}(\mathbf{X})$  implies (7.6). To see this set  $R \coloneqq \check{C}^{-1}$  and observe

$$-\check{C}^{-1}f(\tilde{x}) + \{I - \check{C}^{-1}[\check{C} + \varrho]\}x = \check{C}^{-1}(-f(\tilde{x}) - \varrho x)$$

for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\rho \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . Applying this to  $x \in \mathbf{X}$  and using  $|\rho| \leq \Delta$  proves (7.6) for  $R \coloneqq \check{C}^{-1}$ . Hence there is a unique solution  $\hat{x}$  of f(x) = 0 with  $\hat{x} \in \check{x} + \mathbf{Y}$ . That transforms the problem of computing verified bounds for the solution of a nonlinear system to the solution of a linear system with interval right hand side. Note that (7.6) proves the nonsingularity of  $\check{C}$  as well.

Now **X** is an anticipated inclusion of the difference of the true solution  $\hat{x}$  of the nonlinear system f(x) = 0 to the approximate solution  $\tilde{x}$ . And if successful, i.e. **Y**  $\subset$  int(**X**), then  $\hat{x} - \hat{x} \in \mathbf{Y}$ . If  $\tilde{x}$  is a good approximation, then **X** is small in magnitude and essentially symmetric to the origin. As a consequence we further simplify (7.7) by using the magnitudes<sup>4</sup>  $\overline{X}$  and  $\overline{Y}$  of **X** and **Y**, and set  $\mathbf{X} \coloneqq [-\overline{X}, \overline{X}]$  and  $\mathbf{Y} \coloneqq [-\overline{Y}, \overline{Y}]$ . Then  $\overline{Y} < \overline{X}$  with entrywise comparison is equivalent to  $\mathbf{Y} \subset \text{int}(\mathbf{X})$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Recall that for an interval quantity  $\mathbf{Z}$  the magnitude  $0 \leq \max(\mathbf{X}) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the entrywise maximum absolute value, i.e.,  $|z| \leq \max(\mathbf{Z})$  for all  $z \in \mathbf{Z}$ . That includes interval vectors and matrices with entrywise absolute value and comparison.

Let a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$  and interval right hand side  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{IF}^n$  be given. We are interested in computing an inclusion of the "outer inclusion set", see (5.1) in Part I of this note:

575 (7.8) 
$$\Sigma(A, \mathbf{b}) \coloneqq \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \exists b \in \mathbf{b} \text{ with } Ax = b\}.$$

To that end we use Algorithm "verifySparselss" as in Table 6 in Part I of this note with small modifications. First, we remove the check for least squares and underdetermined problems. Furthermore, the only modification is replacing the calls of "ErrorBound" in last line in subalgorithms "verifySparseSPD", "verifySparseSym" and "verifySparseGen" by the call of "ErrorBoundI" as shown in Table 8.

```
function [xs,delta] = ErrorBoundI(A,b,s,@solve)
1
2
      mu = b.mid; r = b.rad;
3
      xs = solve(A,mu);
4
      xs = xs - solve(A,spProdK(A,xs,-1,mu,2));
5
      [rho,err] = spProdK(A,xs,-1,mu,2);
6
      setround(1)
7
      delta = (abs(rho) + err + r)/s;
    end % function ErrorBoundI
8
                                  TABLE 8
```

Executable Matlab/INTLAB code to compute verified error bounds for the solution of a real or complex system of linear equations with interval right hand side.

The input parameter s is a lower bound on  $\sigma_{\min}(A)$  and Osolve is some routine delivering an approximate solution of a linear system. As in the original algorithm "ErrorBound" Osolve is based on the already computed decomposition in each of the subalgorithms.

The proof of correctness of Algorithm "ErrorBoundI" is as follows. Let  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{IF}^n$ be an interval vector. Then  $\mu, r \in \mathbb{F}^n$  in Line 2 are computed such that  $\mu - r \leq b \leq \mu + r$ for all  $b \in \mathbf{b}$ . In Line 3 an approximate solution  $\tilde{x}$  of the midpoint equation  $Ax = \mu$ is computed and is improved in Line 4 by one residual iteration. According to [45] that implies backward stability of  $\tilde{x}$ . Line 5 computes an inclusion  $\mathbf{rho} \pm \mathbf{err}$  of the residual  $|A\tilde{x} - \mu|$ , such that in particular  $|A\tilde{x} - \mu| \leq |\mathbf{rho}| + \mathbf{err}$ . Now delta in Line 7 is computed in rounding upwards, and with the lower bound s on  $\sigma_{\min}(A)$  it follows

$$|A^{-1}b - \tilde{x}| \leq |A^{-1}||b - A\tilde{x}|$$
  

$$\leq |A^{-1}|(|\mu - A\tilde{x}| + r))$$
  

$$\leq ||A^{-1}||_{\infty} (|\mu - A\tilde{x}| + r)$$
  

$$\leq ||A^{-1}||_{2} (|\mathsf{rho}| + \mathsf{err} + r))$$
  

$$\leq \delta$$

for all  $b \in \mathbf{b}$ . Let  $\mathbf{J} \in \mathbb{IF}^{n \times n}$  be an inclusion of  $J_f(\tilde{x} + \mathbf{X})$  computed as in (7.2) and consider

The first line computes an inclusion  $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{IF}^n$  of  $-f(\tilde{x})$  with  $-f(\tilde{x}) \in \mathbf{y}.\mathtt{mid}\pm \mathbf{y}.\mathtt{rad}$ . The second statement switches the rounding to upwards, and finally **b** is an inclusion of

```
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 < 15)
                                       % at most 10 Newton iterations
 6
          kxs = kxs + 1; xsold = xs;
 7
          y = f(gradientinit(xs));
                                       % function value and gradient
          xs = xs - y.dx y.x;
                                       % approximate Newton iteration
 8
9
          d = abs(xs-xsold);
10
          if all(d<.5*abs(xs)) && ( norm(d,inf)<=phi*norm(xs,inf) )</pre>
11
            break
12
          end
13
        end
14
        ys = -f(intval(xs));
                                        % inclusion of f(xs)
                                       % magnitude of ys
15
        Y = mag(ys);
16
        kY = 0; setround(1)
        while ( kY < 10 )
17
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
          b = midrad( ys.mid , ys.rad + J.rad*X );
22
23
          [Ys,delta] = verifySparse(J.mid,b);
24
          Y = abs(Ys) + delta;
                                      % r.h.s. of (7.7)
25
          if all(Y < X)
            X = midrad(xs, Y);
                                      % inclusion successful
26
27
          return
28
        end
29
        X = intval(NaN(size(xs)));
                                      % inclusion failed
30
      end % function verifySparseNlss
```

TABLE 9

Executable Matlab/INTLAB code to compute verified error bounds for the solution of a real or complex system of nonlinear equations.

598  $y.mid\pm \rho$  for all  $|\rho| \leq y.rad + J.rad*mag(X)$ . Thus  $-f(\tilde{x}) - \rho x \in \mathbf{b}$  for all  $x \in \mathbf{X}$  and 599  $|\rho| \leq \Delta$ . It follows that an inclusion  $\mathbf{Y}$  of the linear system with matrix  $\check{C}$  and right 600 hand side  $\mathbf{b}$  satisfies (7.7). As a consequence,  $\mathbf{Y} \subseteq int(\mathbf{X})$  implies  $\hat{x} \in \tilde{x} + \mathbf{Y}$ .

The algorithm to solve a system of nonlinear equations works as follows. First 601 we apply some Newton iterations to produce a good approximation  $\tilde{x}$  of f(x) = 0. 602 Then  $f(\tilde{x})$  should be small and the magnitude of **b** is dominated by the radius  $\Delta$  of 603 the inclusion of  $J_f(\tilde{x} + \mathbf{X})$ . The residual of the linear system cannot become smaller 604 than the magnitude of **b**, which in turn increases with the sensitivity of the problem. 605 Therefore, there is no need to improve an approximate solution of  $Cy = \mathbf{b}$  by a residual 606 iteration and we may apply algorithms "verifySparselss" or "verifySparselss0" with 607 using Algorithm "ErrorBoundI" as in Table 8 rather than "ErrorBound". 608

Executable Matlab/INTLAB code of Algorithm verifySparseNlss to compute rigorous error bounds for the solution of a nonlinear system f(x) = 0 based on an approximate solution  $\tilde{x}$  is given in Table 9. The rationale is as follows. In Line 2 the

rounding is set to nearest, and in Lines 5 - 13 some Newton iterations are applied to improve the approximation  $\tilde{x}$ . The statement y = f(gradientinit(xs)) in Line 7 computes y such that  $y.x \approx f(\tilde{x})$  and y.dx is an approximation of the Jacobi matrix of f at  $\tilde{x}$  using the gradient toolbox, which in turn is based on forward automatic differentiation [4, 10] and implemented in INTLAB [39]. Therefore Line 8 is one (approximate) Newton step.

The quantity ys in Line 14 is an inclusion of  $-f(\tilde{x})$  and Y its magnitude. Lines 618 17-28 are an interval iteration adapted to the description in [41]. Recall that Y is 619 a positive real vector, and the anticipated inclusion of the error with respect to  $\tilde{x}$ 620 is the interval vector [-Y, +Y]. Line 19 is one step of the so-called epsilon inflation 621 introduced in [36]. The target is Y < X, or equivalently  $[-Y, +Y] \subseteq int[-X, +X]$ . The 622 623 inclusion may fail if [-X, +X] is too narrow, so [-X, +X] is intentionally widened. The success of the epsilon-inflation can be analyzed theoretically, see [41]. On the 624 other hand [-X, +X] should not be too wide because that widens the Jacobian and 625 may prevent Y < X. 626

The purpose of the epsilon-inflation is to identify a good candidate for inclusion. 627 628 The right hand side **b** should be a narrow interval around  $f(\tilde{x})$ . More precisely, 629 according to (7.9) around  $-f(\tilde{x})$ , but that doesn't matter because our inclusion is symmetric to the origin. Therefore, basically  $\pm 1.01 |f(\tilde{x})|$  is our first choice. We need 630 an inclusion  $\mathbf{J} \in \mathbb{IF}^{n \times n}$  of  $J_f(\mathbf{Z})$  with  $\mathbf{Z} \coloneqq \tilde{x} + \mathbf{X}$ . The quantity<sup>5</sup> JJ in Line 20 satisfies 631  $f(z) \in JJ.x$  and the Jacobian of f at z is in JJ.dx for all  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Hence J in Line 632 21 is what we need. The next Line 22 computes  $\mathbf{b}$  as in (7.10), and the next line an 633 inclusion  $Ys \pm \delta$  of the linear system with matrix  $\tilde{C} = \operatorname{mid}(\mathbf{J})$  and right hand side **b**. 634 The magnitude of the inclusion is Y as in Line 24, and if Y < X is true for all entries 635 then midrad(xs,Y) is an inclusion of the solution of the nonlinear system. 636

637 If  $Y_k \ge X_k$  for some k, then the inclusion is tried again with X replaced by a little 638 widened Y. In some way these are also Newton steps. In each step a new Jacobian 639 J at **Z** is computed, and the widened Y reflects the width of the previous J. If not 640 successful after some 10 trials, the verification failed.

641 Unlike for linear systems we cannot expect, in general, maximally accurate inclu-642 sions because the lack of an accurate residual iteration and, more important, because 643 of nonlinearities of f widening the Jacobi matrix. Nevertheless the method works well 644 in a number of examples, see the test results in Section 9.

8. Complex sparse linear systems, data with tolerances and the final sparse lss algorithms. As noted in Part I, the  $LDL^{T}$ -decomposition for sparse matrices is restricted to real data. Therefore we proceed for complex linear systems as in Section 10 in Part I of this note. Data with tolerances may be treated as in Section 5 of Part I of this note.

To distinguish our algorithms, we use verifySparselss for our algorithm presented in Part I (also called "new" in there) and use verifySparselss0 for the algorithm presented in this Part II (henceforth called "new0"). The latter is identical to the former except replacing subalgorithms "verifySparseSym" and "verifySparseGen" by "verifySparseSym0" and "verifySparseGen0", respectively. Executable code of Algorithm verifySparselss0 including least squares problems and underdetermined linear systems is presented in Table 10.

The algorithm first checks for the type of problem, namely m > n for a least squares problem and m < n for an underdetermined system of equations. In either

 $<sup>{}^{5}</sup>$ In a practical implementation, of course, the same variable J can be used in Lines 20 and 21.

```
function [xs,delta] = verifySparselss0(A,b,acc)
% Approximate solution xs of Ax=b with error bound delta
  [m,n] = size(A);
  if m>n
                            % least squares problem
   B = [ sparse(n,n) A' ; A -speye(m) ];
    [xs,delta] = verifySparselss0(B,[zeros(n,size(b,2));b],acc);
    xs = xs(1:n,:);
    delta = delta(1:n,:);
    return
                            % underdetermined linear system
  elseif m<n
   B = [ -speye(n) A'; A sparse(m,m) ];
    [xs,delta] = verifySparselss0(B,[zeros(n,size(b,2));b],acc);
   xs = xs(1:n,:);
   delta = delta(1:n,:);
   return
  end
                            % linear system with square matrix
  if isreal(A)
                            % A and b real
    if isreal(b)
      symm = isequal(A',A);
      if symm
                            % A symmetric
        [xs,delta] = verifySparseSPD(A,b);
      end
                                     % A unsymm. or SPD failed
      if ( ~symm ) || isnan(xs(1))
        [xs,delta] = verifySparseGenO(A,b);
      end
                            % A real, b complex
    else
      [xs,delta] = verifySparselssO(A,[real(b) imag(b)]);
      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
  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] = verifySparselssO(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 verifySparselss0
```

#### TABLE 10

Final algorithm to compute verified error bounds for the solution of a real or complex sparse square linear system, for a least squares problem and an underdetermined linear system, all for multiple right hand sides.

case Algorithm verifySparselss0 is called using (6.1) or (6.2), respectively. If m = n, verified error bounds for a linear system with square matrix are computed with code identical to Algorithm verifySparselss in Table 6 in Part I of this note. The subalgorithm "verifySparseSPD" in Table 3 of Part I of this note is used except that in case of failure in lines 2, 5 and 12 subalgorithm "verifySparseSym0" is called instead of "verifySparseSym".

The algorithm in Part I of this note is adapted to least squares problems and underdetermined linear systems similar to Algorithm verifySparselss0 by replacing subalgorithms "verifySparseSym0" and "verifySparseGen0" by "verifySparseSym" and "verifySparseGen", respectively.

We added<sup>6</sup> to both algorithms an extra input parameter acc. If true, then inclusions with improved accuracy as described in Section 2 are computed by storing an approximation by an unevaluated sum of three instead of two parts. In that case we use Algorithm ErrorBound3 as in Table 4.

Computational results comparing our two algorithms to each other and to Matlab's backslash operator are presented in the next section. As has been mentioned, we restrict computational tests to least squares problems because Matlab does not compute an approximation of  $A^+b$  for underdetermined linear systems.

9. Test results. As in Part I of this note, our computing environment is a Panasonic laptop CF-SV with Intel(R) Core(TM) i7-10810U CPU with 1.10/1.61 GHz and 16 GB RAM. We use Matlab version 2023b [21] under Windows 10. Henceforth we call Algorithm verifySparselss "new" as in Part I, and Algorithm verifySparselss0 "new0".

We use the same set of test matrices from the Suite Sparse Matrix Collection [5] with the interface [15] as in Part I, namely we treat all real and complex square matrices with dimension

685 (9.1)  $10^3 \le n \le 10^5$  and  $10^{10} \le \text{condest}(A) \le 10^{16}$  and  $\text{nnz}(A) \le 10^6$ .

Test matrices with symmetric positive definite input matrix are omitted because the corresponding subalgorithms in verifySparselss and verifySparselss0 coincide.

That resulted in totally 284 tests displayed in Table 11. The first column indicates the structure indicated by [5], namely symmetric indefinite, general real, all test matrices out of [46], complex Hermitian positive definite and general complex. Our first Algorithm verifySparselss in Part I of this note computed verified bounds in 301 out of the 306 test cases, whereas Algorithm verifySparselss0 presented here failed in only one test case, namely number 1247 in [5]. For that case Algorithm verifySparselss failed as well. We discuss that case later.

The dimension, number of nonzero elements and condition number of all 284 test cases is shown in Figure 2. The dimensions vary between 1019 and 682,862 and the number of nonzero elements between 3562 and 5,778,545. For given matrix of dimension n we generate a right hand side A\*(2\*rand(n,1)-1)) as in Part I of this note. Hence the solution has, up to rounding errors, uniformly distributed entries between -1 and 1.

In Figure 3 we show for all tests the ratio of computing times of Algorithm verifySparselss0 (henceforth also called "new0") divided by that of Algorithm verifySparselss (henceforth also called "new"). The ratios are displayed if "new" (and therefore also "new0") is successful. That explains the gap at case 30. A number

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>Since it is clear how to do that and in order to keep the codes simple, that is not shown in Table 6 for subalgorithm "verifySparseSym0" and Table 7 for subalgorithm 'verifySparseGen0".

TABLE 11Test sets and success rate.

		success			success	
structure	ver	ifySparse	elss	veri	fySparse	lss0
sym	45	out of	48	47	out of	48
gen	210	out of	211	211	out of	211
[46]	20	out of	20	20	out of	20
complex spd	1	out of	1	1	out of	1
complex gen	3	out of	4	4	out of	4



FIG. 2. Dimension, number of nonzero elements and condition number of all test matrices.

less than 1 means that "new0" is faster than "new". That is rarely the case. In the
median over all examples Algorithm verifySparselss from Part I of this note is
faster than verifySparselss0 by a factor 1.23, at most by a factor 5.3. Conversely,
"new0" is faster than "new" by at most a factor 2.8.

In some way Algorithm verifySparselss0 is simpler than verifySparselss, so 709 we may ask why it is slower. Both algorithm start with computing some factor  $L_1$ , 710 both for symmetric as for general matrices. However, "new" computes for symmetric 711 input matrix A a factor of A, but "new0" of A shifted by s. Similarly, "new" computes 712a factor of the augmented matrix B, but "new0" of B shifted by s for general input 713matrix A. That causes a significant fill-in for method "new0". In Figure 4 we display 714the ratio of the number of nonzero entries of the factor  $L_1$  in verifySparselss0 715 divided by that of verifySparselss. Hence a value greater than 1 means that "new0" 716has more fill-in than "new". 717

The median ratio of fill-in over all examples is 2.4, and maximally the factor  $L_1$  by "new0" has 8.7 times more elements than that of  $L_1$  by "new". That is true although we reduced the number of elements as explained in (3.5)ff in Part I of this note by setting entries in L smaller than  $10^{-30}$  in magnitude to zero in case the first



FIG. 3. Ratios of computing times  $t_{verifySparselss0}/t_{verifySparselss}$ .



FIG. 4. Ratio of number of nonzero entries of  $L_1$  in "new0" divided by that of "new".

# 722 $LDL^{T}$ -decomposition failed due to singular D.

Next we show in Figure 5 a rough image of the median relative error of the Algorithms verifySparselss and verifySparselss0. As can be seen in both cases usually almost maximally accurate approximations are computed. In the median the relative error of all entries of the inclusion computed by Algorithms verifySparselss and verifySparselss0 is  $3.6 \cdot 10^{-17}$ , the maximum relative error is around  $10^{-4}$ .

As discussed at the end of Section 2 we may reduce the maximal relative error of the inclusion further by an improved residual iteration, storing an approximate solution by an unevaluated sum of three instead of two parts. In the practical implementation we added an extra parameter acc and eventually use Algorithm ErrorBound3



FIG. 5. Median of relative errors of verifySparselss and verifySparselss0.

as in Table 4. If the maximum relative error of the inclusion is beyond some threshold, then we switch from two to three parts for the approximate solution. We used the threshold  $10^{-15}$  for the maximal error of all entries of the inclusion. When using **acc**= *true* the relative errors are as shown in Figure 6. Now for most examples the inclusions for all entries of the solution are maximally accurate.



FIG. 6. Median of relative errors with option acc = true.

The additional computing time is marginal for a vector right hand side because only some extra  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$  operations are necessary. For multiple right hand sides that changes. As a result, for almost all test cases maximally accurate inclusions for all entries are computed.

741 We discuss some details of our Algorithm verifySparselss0 on the several im-

742 provement steps in the subalgorithms "verifySparseSym0" and "verifySparseGen0". 743 As has been mentioned, our first priority is the successful computation of verified 744 bounds, and to that end there are several measures in the subalgorithms to avoid 745 failure. Secondly, we aim to compute highly accurate bounds. One might introduce 746 options to change these priorities.

We begin with subalgorithm "verifySparseSym0". The security measure on singu-747 lar D in step 4 occurred occasionally while developing Algorithm verifySparselss0, 748 in the sym tests with (9.1) it did not happen. The improvement of  $\alpha$  in line 10 was 749 used 10 times, the second improvement in line 11 was used in 4 out of the 48 tests. 750For one test case the value s was decreased in line 22. Failure in line 23 occurred in 751 4 out of the 48 sym tests and Algorithm verifySparselss called subalgorithm "ver-752753 ifySparseGen0". It succeeded in all but one case. As in Part I the reason seems that subalgorithm "verifySparseGen0" performs an unsymmetric equilibration by (1.7). 754

Secondly, some details on the performance of subalgorithm "verifySparseGen0" for the 211 "gen" test cases plus the 20 tests from [46]. The second call of  $LDL^T$ in step 5 was necessary in 53 out of 231 cases due to singularity of the factor D. As explained in Part I of this note there seems room for improvement for the Matlab routine ldl for an augmented matrix of type (5.1). With the trick in (1.9) the  $LDL^T$ decomposition never produced a singular D.

The improvement of  $\alpha$  in step 12 of subalgorithm "verifySparseGen0" was called in 58 cases, and the second improvement in line 13 was never used in the 231 tests. The decrease of s in step 15 was necessary once.

Algorithm verifySparselss0 failed once in all 306 test cases including the symmetric positive definite matrices, namely matrix 1247 in [5]. The condition number of that matrix is  $7.6 \cdot 10^{15}$ , but the estimate s in Step 5 of "verifySparseSym0" for the smallest singular was  $4.5 \cdot 10^{-19}$ . This is far too small for a successful verification. In this example even artificially setting s to a value slightly below  $\sigma_{\min}(A)$ did not help, the residuals where too large for both Algorithm verifySparselss and verifySparselss0.

We present some detailed data in Tables 13 - 14. To present all data is too much for this note, so we put the results for all 284 test cases at the url in (9.2).

# 773 (9.2) https://www.tuhh.de/ti3/rump/sparselssAllResultsII.pdf

Here NaN in the columns for the relative error indicate failure of verification, the sixth column displays the ratio  $\rho = t_{new0}/t_{new}$ . A ratio  $\rho > 1$  indicates that Algorithm verifySparselss of Part I of this note is faster than verifySparselss0 presented here. Otherwise, the columns are self-explaining.

In order to reduce space for the results to be displayed in this note, we considered the 20 tests in [46] together with the 264 examples in (9.1) satisfying all properties listed in Table 12. That fills 2 pages of computational results; all results can be found at the url in (9.2). The curios ratio 1.43 of computing time  $t_{new0}/t_{new}$  is tuned to fill 2 pages of results. The horizontal lines separate symmetric, general, [46], Hermitian positive definite and general complex matrices.

As in Part I of this note we give some additional test results for randomly generated ill-conditioned sparse matrices using A = sprand(n,n,dens,1/cnd) with dimension  $n = 10^4$ , density 0.001 and cnd=1e15. The resulting matrices have some 100,000 nonzero elements each, and the median estimated condition number over the 100 tests was  $4.0 \cdot 10^{15}$ . The results of this test are reported in Table 15.

The median condition number  $4.0 \cdot 10^{15}$  of our samples is boarder line in the sense that a verification algorithm might just succeed to compute verified bounds. Still, 
 TABLE 12

 Displayed tests extracted from the 306 tests in Table 11.

- all tests where "new" failed
- all tests where "new0" failed
- all tests where the maximal relative error by "new" is larger than  $10^{-15}$
- all tests where the maximal relative error by "new0" is larger than  $10^{-15}$
- all tests where the computing time ratio  $t_{new0}/t_{new}$  is larger than 1.43

"new" succeeds in 98 cases to compute bounds with at least 11 coinciding figures in each entry, "new0" succeeds in all cases. For randomly generated examples there is not much difference in the accuracy of the bounds, but "new" is mostly more than twice as fast as "new0". In Figure 7 we show the ratio of computing times of Algorithm verifySparselss0 divided by that of Algorithm verifySparselss. Algorithm "new" from Part I of this note is always faster than "new0". As explained



FIG. 7. Ratios of computing times  $t_{verifySparselss0}/t_{verifySparselss}$ .

797 before that is related to the number of nonzero elements of the matrices  $L_1$ .

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We tested Algorithm verifySparselss0 for complex data as well. Some data is shown in the url in (9.2). As there were no surprises we refrain, as in Part I of this note, from extending our already shown computational data.

Next we show computational results for rectangular input matrix. As has been mentioned, Matlab chooses to minimize the number of nonzero elements of the solution rather than computing  $A^+b$ . Therefore we show only data for least squares problems. Since the matrix in (6.2) is a permutation of that in (6.1) this is gives information of the underdetermined cases as well. If a test matrix A in [5] has more columns than rows we use  $A^H$ .

807 We use all matrices from the Suite Sparse Matrix Collection [5] with dimensions

808 (9.3)  $10^3 \le m, n \le 10^5$  and  $10^7 \le cnd \le 10^{16}$  and  $nnz(A) \le 10^6$ .

809 The condition number of a rectangular matrix with respect to a least squares problem

		n	natrix		tim	es	relera	r new	relerr	news
	#	n	nnz(A)	cnd	tnew	ρ	median	max	median	max
-	2221	10798	608540	$7.0\mathrm{e}14$	13.97	1.87	3.8e-17	1.1e-16	3.8e-17	1.1e-16
	1247	12546	140034	$7.6\mathrm{e}15$	26.47	2.58	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
	1210	20360	509866	$8.1\mathrm{e}14$	396.42	1.18	NaN	NaN	$4.2{ m e}{ m -}17$	$1.9{ m e}{ ext{-}}13$
	1451	20360	509866	$8.1\mathrm{e}14$	391.55	1.14	NaN	NaN	$4.0  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	4.3  e- 15
	2229	28216	730080	$1.3{ m e}14$	9.07	1.32	3.7e-17	1.1e-16	3.7e-17	1.1e-16
	949	41731	559341	$1.9\mathrm{e}12$	210.97	1.57	3.7e-17	1.1e-16	3.7e-17	1.1e-16
	950	51035	707985	$7.1\mathrm{e}13$	4.64	1.32	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$5.8  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 15$	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$4.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 15$
	1225	64810	565996	$5.3\mathrm{e}12$	24.58	1.37	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$
	243	1080	23094	$1.4\mathrm{e}12$	0.63	1.44	3.5e-17	1.1e-16	3.5e-17	1.1e-16
	1074	1220	5892	$8.6  \mathrm{e}  12$	0.21	1.41	3.5e-17	1.1e-16	3.5e-17	1.1e-16
	438	1633	46626	$1.9{ m e}11$	0.87	1.43	3.7e-17	1.1e-16	3.7e-17	1.1e-16
	465	2904	58142	$3.5\mathrm{e}12$	0.98	1.50	2.8e-17	1.1e-16	2.8e-17	1.1e-16
	439	3096	90841	$1.1{ m e}11$	2.18	1.70	3.7e-17	1.1e-16	3.7e-17	1.1e-16
	548	5850	42568	$1.8\mathrm{e}13$	2.29	1.51	$3.4\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$	$3.4\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}16}$
	818	6316	167178	$4.5\mathrm{e}14$	2.97	1.76	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}16}$
	934	7055	30082	$1.7\mathrm{e}12$	1.59	1.12	NaN	NaN	4.2e-17	$5.6 \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}14}$
	446	7320	324772	$3.3\mathrm{e}10$	8.71	1.68	3.7e-17	1.1e-16	3.7e-17	1.1e-16
	739	7337	156508	$7.6  \mathrm{e}  13$	2.40	1.35	3.8e-17	$2.0  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 11$	3.8e-17	1.8e-11
	920	7500	283992	$7.0\mathrm{e}11$	34.95	2.00	3.8e-17	1.1e-16	3.8e-17	1.1e-16
	1395	7548	834222	$8.3\mathrm{e}12$	33.43	0.68	NaN	NaN	1.3e-15	4.6e-10
	2814	8256	109368	$2.1\mathrm{e}15$	11.91	1.69	3.7e-17	1.1e-16	3.7e-17	1.1e-16
	448	9035	335472	$2.1\mathrm{e}14$	4.87	1.49	$3.5  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$	$3.5\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$
	580	9129	52883	$1.7\mathrm{e}14$	4.72	1.65	3.7e-17	1.1e-16	3.7e-17	1.1e-16
	581	9129	52883	$7.5\mathrm{e}13$	4.60	1.64	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}16}$
	1405	10605	424587	$4.2\mathrm{e}12$	2.87	1.38	$1.2{ m e}{ m -}17$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$	$1.2{ m e}{ m -}17$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}16}$
	741	10672	232633	$2.3\mathrm{e}14$	3.96	1.48	$3.9{ m e}{ ext{-}17}$	$2.2\mathrm{e}$ -9	$3.8  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	8.0e-10
	743	10964	233741	$1.3\mathrm{e}15$	6.70	1.62	6.7e-17	$5.9 \mathrm{e}{-6}$	$6.5  \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$5.0 \mathrm{e}{-6}$
	921	11532	551184	$6.5\mathrm{e}12$	174.38	2.16	$3.7{ m e}{ ext{-}}17$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}16}$
	550	11790	107383	$2.8\mathrm{e}13$	8.87	1.79	$3.5\mathrm{e}{-17}$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$	$3.5{ m e}{-}17$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}16}$
	570	13694	72734	$1.3\mathrm{e}14$	3.98	1.69	3.6e-17	1.1e-16	3.6e-17	1.1e-16
	745	14270	307858	$1.3\mathrm{e}15$	8.04	1.49	$9.3  \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}} 17$	$2.7\mathrm{e}{-6}$	$8.2{ m e}{ m -}17$	$1.6  \mathrm{e}{-6}$
	551	14760	145157	$6.7\mathrm{e}13$	14.37	1.90	$3.5  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$	$3.5\mathrm{e}{-17}$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$
	922	16428	948696	$4.2\mathrm{e}13$	471.99	2.22	3.6e-17	1.1e-16	3.6e-17	1.1e-16
	747	17576	381975	$1.2\mathrm{e}15$	27.89	0.79	1.1e-15	$4.2\mathrm{e}{\text{-}5}$	5.9e-16	$2.2\mathrm{e}{-5}$
	553	17730	183325	$2.4\mathrm{e}13$	26.55	1.91	$3.5  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$	$3.5\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$
	582	18289	106803	$3.6\mathrm{e}14$	14.49	1.81	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$
	583	18289	106803	$5.1{ m e}13$	13.93	1.81	3.7e-17	1.1e-16	3.7e-17	1.1e-16
	431	19716	227872	$8.8 \mathrm{e}  12$	6.83	1.32	4.0e-17	$1.5  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 12$	3.8e-17	$4.8  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 14$
	572	20614	111903	$3.9\mathrm{e}14$	7.41	1.85	3.7e-17	$3.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 13$	3.6e-17	9.1e-14
	555	23670	259648	$3.2\mathrm{e}13$	46.80	2.02	3.5e-17	1.1e-16	3.5e-17	1.1e-16
	1109	25187	193276	$1.9\mathrm{e}14$	5.52	1.48	3.6e-17	1.1e-16	3.6e-17	1.1e-16
	1111	25187	193216	$2.0\mathrm{e}14$	5.73	1.50	3.7e-17	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{-16}$	3.7e-17	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$
	584	27449	160723	$6.4\mathrm{e}14$	24.71	1.87	3.7e-17	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$	3.7e-17	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ extsf{e}{ extsf{-}16}}$
	585	27449	160723	$5.1\mathrm{e}13$	24.26	1.88	3.8e-17	5.9e-15	3.8e-17	4.3e-16
	574	27534	151063	$6.3{ m e}14$	12.88	2.29	4.0e-17	$2.4\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}10}$	4.0e-17	$1.4  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 10$
	557	29610	335972	$2.6\mathrm{e}13$	59.97	2.00	3.6e-17	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$	3.6e-17	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}16}$
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TABLE 13 Timing and accuracy for sparse linear systems in [5] satisfying the conditions in (9.1).

	m	atrix		tim	es	relera	r new	relerr	news
#	n	nnz(A)	cnd	$t_{\texttt{new}}$	ρ	median	max	median	max
576	34454	190224	$9.4\mathrm{e}14$	17.73	2.26	4.6e-17	9.1e-9	4.4e-17	3.3e-9
559	35550	412306	$3.6\mathrm{e}13$	83.83	2.00	3.6e-17	1.1e-16	$3.6\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$
586	36609	214643	$1.1{ m e}15$	36.29	1.83	3.8e-17	6.5e-14	3.7e-17	$4.0  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 15$
587	36609	214643	$5.8  \mathrm{e}  13$	35.07	1.87	3.7e-17	$2.1  \mathrm{e}{-12}$	3.7e-17	1.3e-13
1316	37261	443573	$2.2\mathrm{e}10$	43.76	1.86	3.7e-17	1.1e-16	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	1.1e-16
1371	39899	195429	$2.8  \mathrm{e}  15$	2.93	1.58	3.5e-17	1.1e-16	$3.5  \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	1.1e-16
2815	40816	803978	$4.4{ m e}13$	411.55	1.76	3.5e-17	1.1e-16	$3.5  \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	1.1e-16
578	41374	229385	$1.6{ m e}15$	31.55	2.48	2.5e-16	$7.4  \mathrm{e}{-4}$	6.8e-17	$2.1  \mathrm{e}{}^{-5}$
561	41490	488633	$3.4\mathrm{e}13$	131.50	2.10	3.5e-17	1.1e-16	$3.5  \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{-16}$
588	45769	268563	$1.7\mathrm{e}15$	48.49	1.89	3.7e-17	2.8e-11	3.7e-17	$2.6  \mathrm{e}{-12}$
589	45769	268563	$5.8  \mathrm{e}  13$	46.75	1.84	3.7e-17	6.4e-10	3.7e-17	3.3e-11
563	47430	564952	$1.1{ m e}14$	130.58	2.03	3.5e-17	1.1e-16	$3.5  \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	1.1e-16
1413	49702	333029	$1.5{ m e}15$	41.28	1.43	3.7e-17	4.2e-13	3.7e-17	8.4e-14
1414	49702	332807	$4.0\mathrm{e}13$	17.81	1.39	3.7e-17	$2.7 \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 15$	3.7e-17	$2.7\mathrm{e}{-16}$
1375	51032	247528	$2.3\mathrm{e}15$	3.87	1.97	3.5e-17	$2.6  \mathrm{e}{}^{-15}$	3.5e-17	$2.9  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 15$
983	51993	380415	$9.4\mathrm{e}15$	221.62	1.80	2.9e-17	1.1e-16	$2.9\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{-16}$
565	53370	641290	$5.8  \mathrm{e}  13$	162.73	2.05	3.5e-17	1.4e-16	$3.5  \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$
590	54929	322483	$3.6\mathrm{e}15$	62.44	1.89	3.7e-17	1.3 e-9	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$3.7{ m e}{ ext{-}11}$
591	54929	322483	$5.8\mathrm{e}13$	61.02	1.85	3.7e-17	$5.6 \mathrm{e}{-8}$	$3.7\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$2.1 \mathrm{e}$ -9
567	59310	717620	$1.4\mathrm{e}14$	219.66	2.07	3.5e-17	$1.7 \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 15$	$3.5  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	1.2  e- 16
592	64089	376395	$7.9\mathrm{e}15$	75.23	1.83	3.7e-17	$6.5 \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}7 e$	$3.7\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	9.5  e - 8
593	64089	376395	$5.8\mathrm{e}13$	73.71	1.87	3.7e-17	1.5  e-4	$3.7\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$1.8  \mathrm{e}{}{-}6$
373	80209	307604	$5.7  \mathrm{e11}$	9.05	2.09	2.7e-17	3.6e-13	$2.7\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$3.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 13$
1374	87190	606489	$2.0\mathrm{e}15$	17.88	2.11	3.7e-17	$1.5  \mathrm{e}{-16}$	$3.7 \mathrm{e}{\text{-}}17$	2.2  e- 16
2657	87936	593276	$4.1\mathrm{e}10$	18.49	2.03	3.6e-17	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{}{-}16$	$3.6\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}16}$
1343	94294	476766	$5.6\mathrm{e}12$	17.26	2.48	3.7e-17	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$	$3.7{ m e}{ ext{-}}17$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ extsf{e}{ extsf{-}16}}$
1344	94294	479246	$5.6\mathrm{e}12$	25.08	1.90	3.7e-17	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{}{-}11$	$3.7{ m e}{ ext{-}}17$	$7.7 \mathrm{e}{\text{-}}12$
1345	94294	479151	$5.6\mathrm{e}12$	20.01	2.65	3.7e-17	$7.4 \mathrm{e}{-14}$	$3.7\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$4.3 \mathrm{e}{\text{-}}14$
919	16428	63406	$1.2\mathrm{e}14$	2.50	1.37	3.6e-17	1.1e-16	$3.6 \mathrm{e}{-17}$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{-16}$
2566	20468	206076	$9.4\mathrm{e}10$	2.71	1.40	3.7e-17	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{-16}$	$3.7{ m e}{ ext{-}}17$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}16}$
2567	40948	412148	$9.4\mathrm{e}10$	5.98	1.63	3.7e-17	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$	$3.7{ m e}{-}17$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ extsf{e}{ extsf{-}16}}$
288	14734	95053	$9.6\mathrm{e}3$	4.17	1.92	3.7e-17	1.1e-16	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$
289	25228	175027	$5.3\mathrm{e}3$	7.92	1.61	3.7e-17	1.1  e- 16	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{\text{-}}16$
290	84617	463625	$7.5\mathrm{e}4$	22.22	2.10	3.7e-17	1.1e-16	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}} 17$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$
2822	17922	561677	$2.6  \mathrm{e}  6$	4.70	1.34	3.6e-17	1.1  e- 16	$3.6\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$
2823	32510	1030878	$6.3  \mathrm{e}  6$	15.76	2.30	3.6e-17	1.1  e- 16	$3.6\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$
2824	56021	1797934	$1.4\mathrm{e}7$	29.06	1.61	3.6e-17	1.1e-16	$3.6\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$
2825	100037	3226066	$3.4\mathrm{e}7$	63.50	1.74	3.6e-17	1.1  e- 16	$3.6\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 16$
2826	178437	5778545	$8.2\mathrm{e}7$	149.03	1.80	3.7e-17	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}16}$	$3.7\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ extsf{-}16}$
1415	99340	940621	$1.5\mathrm{e}11$	25.01	2.10	3.7e-17	1.1  e- 16	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{\text{-}} 17$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{\text{-}}16$
1417	321821	1931828	$5.1\mathrm{e}22$	110.07	4.57	3.7e-17	$3.0 \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}16}$	$3.7\mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	$3.0 \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}16}$
1419	682862	2638997	$9.5\mathrm{e}19$	768.65	2.57	4.5e-17	$2.1 \mathrm{e}$ -9	$4.5  \mathrm{e}{-17}$	2.2  e-9
326	2534	463360	$5.2\mathrm{e}5$	20.08	1.62	3.7e-17	1.1e-16	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}17}$	1.1e-16
1407	10605	522387	$1.0\mathrm{e}15$	52.32	1.91	NaN	NaN	1.1e-16	1.8e-11
2555	37365	330633	$2.7\mathrm{e}5$	60.08	1.87	3.7e-17	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ extsf{-}16}$	$3.7 \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}} 17$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ extsf{-}16}$
2556	90249	803173	$3.2\mathrm{e}5$	214.20	1.98	3.7e-17	1.1e-16	$3.7  \mathrm{e}{ ext{-}} 17$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ extsf{e}{ extsf{-}16}}$

TABLE 14 Timing and accuracy for sparse linear systems in [5] satisfying the conditions in (9.1).

		Table 15			
Results for 100	randomly	generated	$ill\-conditioned$	test	cases.

	"new"	"new0"
inclusions	failed in 2 out of 100 tests	failed in 0 out of 100 tests
median relative error	$3.7 \cdot 10^{-17}$	$3.7 \cdot 10^{-17}$
maximal relative error	$7.8 \cdot 10^{-12}$	$5.1 \cdot 10^{-12}$

is a bit tricky. Here cnd denotes the estimated condition number of the augmented matrix in (6.1).

There were no complex examples in [5] satisfying (9.3). The conditions in (9.3) lead to 26 test cases because most of the examples where either well-conditioned or extremely ill-conditioned, often with condition number  $\infty$ . The results are displayed in Table 16. As can be seen Algorithm verifySparselss failed for the two cases 1950 and 2055 of [5], Algorithm verifySparselss0 failed only for the last case 2055.

There is not too much difference in computing for "new" and "new0". In the median the computing times are almost the same, in the worst case "new" is 2.2 times faster than "new0", and "new0" is 1.3 times faster than "new".

A reason is that, in contrast to the square case, there is not much difference in the fill-in of the factor  $L_1$  because the majority of diagonal elements of the augmented matrix (6.1) are already nonzero.

There is quite a spread in computing time between lu and our new algorithms. In the median lu is 1.2 times faster than "new", but in the worst case "new" is 274 times faster than lu, and lu is 93 times faster than "new".

Both Algorithms "new" and "new0" compute always inclusions with maximal 826 accuracy for all entries of the solution. In contrast, the approximations by Matlab's 827 828 lu are significantly less accurate. The median and maximum relative errors of the approximation by lu and "verifySparselss0" are displayed in Figure 8. As can be seen 829 in the median some 12 figures of the approximation by lu are correct, but in one case 830 only 4 digits of at least one entry of the approximation. In contrast, "verifySparselss0" 831 (and also "verifySparselss") compute almost always maximally accurate inclusions for 832 833 all entries.

834 Out of the ill-conditioned test cases satisfying (9.3) there were 37 matrices with zero columns. That implies that the matrix is rank-deficient. When deleting those 835 columns there was a dichotomy. Either the matrices became well-conditioned, i.e., 836 condition number less than  $5 \cdot 10^7$ , or, the matrices were still extremely ill-conditioned, 837 i.e., condition number larger than  $3 \cdot 10^{20}$ . In the former case it was no problem 838 to compute verified inclusions, the latter cases are out of the scope of verification 839 methods. Therefore, we refrain from giving additional computational results for those. 840 We finally show some test results for systems of nonlinear equations. The first 841

source of test examples stems from the MINPACK project [23]. The source code for 23 examples can be found at

844 https://people.sc.fsu.edu/~jburkardt/m\_src/test\_nonlin/test\_nonlin.html}}

In 4 examples the dimension can be freely specified. In the first example p01 the floating-point Newton iteration did not converge. For the other three example p09, p13 and p14 we list computational results for different dimensions.

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r  new	max	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{-16}$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{-16}$	1.1 e - 16	1.1 e - 16	1.2 e - 14	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{ extsf{-}16}$	1.1 e - 16	1.1 e - 16	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{-16}$	1.1 e - 16	1.1 e - 16	1.1 e - 16	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{-16}$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{-16}$	$1.1 \operatorname{e}{-16}$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{-16}$	1.1 e - 16	1.1 e - 16	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{-16}$	$1.1 \mathrm{e}{-16}$	$1.1  \mathrm{e}{-16}$	1.1 e - 16	1.1 e-16	1.1 e - 16	NaN	NaN
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r lu	max	5.1e-9	7.4 e-12	2.2e-11	1.1e-9	2.6e-5	4.8e-9	5.6e-11	$3.6 \mathrm{e}{-10}$	$2.5 \mathrm{e}{-}12$	1.0 e - 12	1.8 e - 7	3.5 e-10	9.7e-12	$2.1 \operatorname{e-11}$	2.0 e-10	6.3 e - 12	1.1 e - 11	1.2 e - 11	2.3e-7	7.5e-8	7.1e-8	5.7 e-11	$1.2 \mathrm{e}{-8}$	8.3e-9	4.7e-7	NaN
reler	median	$2.0  \mathrm{e}{-13}$	$2.9  \mathrm{e}{-15}$	$4.6 \mathrm{e}{-15}$	$2.8  \mathrm{e}{-14}$	1.9e-9	2.9e-14	$4.8  \mathrm{e}{-15}$	1.9 e - 14	$3.4  \mathrm{e}{-15}$	$1.3  \mathrm{e}{-}15$	2.4e-14	$1.3  \mathrm{e}{-} 13$	$3.0  \mathrm{e}{-15}$	$5.1 \mathrm{e}{-15}$	$6.6  \mathrm{e}{-15}$	$1.2  \mathrm{e}{-15}$	1.9 e - 15	$1.8  \mathrm{e}{-15}$	1.7 e-11	$8.2  \mathrm{e}{-12}$	$1.6  \mathrm{e}{-11}$	$1.2  \mathrm{e}{-} 13$	$1.5 \mathrm{e}{-}12$	1.3 e - 11	$1.5 \mathrm{e}{-}11$	NaN
	$t_{new0}$	0.999	0.807	0.194	3.690	14.729	577.639	1.567	2.285	0.763	0.526	0.347	2.647	4.133	0.491	0.565	1.025	2.416	1.272	1.499	1.267	1.595	0.923	8.211	211.135	2067.807	91.822
times [sec]	$t_{new}$	2.005	1.203	0.281	3.886	13.537	498.115	2.339	2.129	0.912	0.520	0.497	3.003	3.701	0.563	0.588	1.587	5.376	1.679	1.559	2.552	1.851	0.730	6.832	302.484	5131.570	34.050
	$t_{lu}$	0.307	0.142	0.030	70.980	21.915	158.681	8.028	0.301	0.533	0.754	0.046	19.070	48.686	0.013	0.032	2.745	332.492	155.820	34.109	32.080	33.919	0.023	0.113	1.103	14.993	0.167
	cnd	$2.1  \mathrm{e}  12$	2.5e7	3.7e8	4.0e7	$1.7 \mathrm{e}10$	1.3e9	1.7 e 10	4.4e7	4.3e7	6.4e8	3.2e7	4.4e7	$4.3  \mathrm{e}  11$	5.7e7	1.1e8	6.1e7	6.5e8	5.7e8	1.6e7	6.3e7	1.6e7	5.0e7	3.1e8	2.3e9	1.5 e 10	$9.0  \mathrm{e}  15$
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To further investigate the performance of our algorithms, we consider two other examples with specifiable dimension. The first [22], abbreviated by MC, is a discretization of

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$$MC: u'' = .5 * (u + t + 1)^3$$
 with  $u(0) = u(1) = 0$ 

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

The second example [1], abbreviated by AB, is a discretization of

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

with true solution  $20x^{3/4}$ . The initial approximation specified in [1] is 10\*ones(n,1).



FIG. 8. Median of relative errors of verifySparselss and verifySparselss0.

The results for Algorithm "verifySparseNlss" are shown in Table 17. We compare 856 three algorithm. The first is "verifySparseNlss" listed in Table 9 and called "new" in 857 Table 17. It calls the modified Algorithm "verifySparselss" as in Table 6 in Part I of 858 859 this note to solve the linear system with interval right hand side. Secondly, we use Algorithm "verifySparselss0" as in Table 10 as the linear system solver. In Table 17 860 it is called "new0". As a third algorithm we use the built-in Matlab routine fsolve. 861 The columns are self-explaining except "iter" for "new" and "new0" which dis-862 plays the number kxs of (approximate) Newton iterates and the number kY of interval 863

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as an initial approximation. For the functions p09, p13 and p14 we use the starting values specified in [23]. Except AB we treat dimensions from  $10^3$  to  $10^7$ .

INTLAB contains Algorithm verifynlss for solving systems of nonlinear equations. It is based on Theorem 7.2 using an approximate inverse R of the Jacobian at  $\tilde{x}$  which is, in general, a full matrix. For dimension  $n = 10^4$  that requires, for example, some 800 megabytes of memory. All of our 5 examples are solved successfully by verifynlss, but larger dimensions are prohibitive for our laptop.

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1,000	0.1	0.1	0.4	5/2	3.0e-11	1.6 e-10	5/2	5.9e-11	1.6 e - 10	0.20	0.33
10,000	0.2	0.2	5.5	5/2	3.0e-9	9.6e-9	5/2	5.9e-9	1.2e-8	0.34	0.50
100,000	1.2	1.2		6/2	3.1e-7	$1.3  \mathrm{e}{-6}$	6/2	$6.3  \mathrm{e}{-7}$	1.3e-6	out of n	nemory
1,000,000	14.9	14.8		10/2	3.0e-5	1.5 e-4	10/2	5.9e-5	1.5e-4	out of n	nemory
10,000,000	215.9	231.0		13/2	3.0e-3	9.6e-3	13/2	$6.0  \mathrm{e^{-3}}$	1.2e-2	out of n	nemory
1,000	0.1	0.1	0.4	6/1	6.3e-16	2.0e-15	6/3	9.5 e-16	2.8 e - 15	3.2e-15	7.5e-14
10,000	0.2	0.2	24.6	6/1	6.3e-16	2.0 e-15	6/2	9.5 e - 16	$2.8 \mathrm{e}{-15}$	5.9 e - 13	1.9 e - 11
100,000	1.1	2.1		6/1	6.3e-16	2.0 e-15	6/2	9.5 e - 16	$2.8 \mathrm{e}{-15}$	out of n	nemory
1,000,000	11.5	21.5		6/1	6.3e-16	2.0e-15	6/2	9.5 e - 16	$2.8 \mathrm{e}{-15}$	out of n	nemory
10,000,000	134.2			6/1	6.3e-16	2.0e-15		failed		out of n	nemory
1,000	0.6	0.6	1.9	7/1	7.2e-16	1.5 e-15	7/2	1.5 e - 15	3.4e-15	1.5 e-15	7.0e-9
10,000	0.5	0.2	149.2	7/1	7.2e-16	1.5 e - 15	7/2	1.5 e - 15	5.4e-16	5.4e-16	1.1 e - 14
100,000	7.0	34.2		7/1	1.5e-15	2.9 e-15	7/2	2.9 e-15	8.0 e-15	out of n	nemory
1,000,000	88.8	2264.6		7/1	1.5e-15	2.9 e-15	7/2	2.9 e-15	8.0 e - 15	out of n	nemory
10,000,000	7088.9			7/1	1.5e-15	2.9 e-15		failed		out of n	nemory
1,000	0.2	0.2	0.4	4/2	1.1e-14	$8.1 e{-10}$	4/2	1.6e-15	6.4e-10	0.0014	0.0017
10,000	0.3	0.4	27.9	4/2	1.3e-13	8.4 e - 8	4/2	7.9 e - 15	6.6e-8	0.0011	0.0013
100,000		16.1			failed		4/2	1.2 e - 12	9.2e-6	out of n	nemory
1,000,000		2079.7			failed		5/2	$1.1 e{-}11$	6.1e-4	out of n	nemory
10,000,000					failed			failed		out of n	nemory
100	0.7	0.5	0.4	10/2	3.8e-16	1.6 e - 13	10/2	$5.1 \mathrm{e}{-16}$	4.4e-14	1.1e-12	1.2 e - 11
1,000	0.2	0.2	0.9	12/2	3.9 e-16	2.6 e - 11	12/2	5.5 e-16	8.4e-13	2.1e-9	$2.2  \mathrm{e^{-7}}$
5,000	0.4	0.4	22.1	14/3	3.9 e-16	7.8 e-10	14/2	7.8 e-16	1.3 e - 11	2.0e-7	1.3 e - 5
9,000	1.0	0.7	67.0	15/5	$3.9  \mathrm{e}{-16}$	2.7e-9	15/2	1.0 e - 15	3.9 e - 11	6.7e-6	0.0037
10,000		0.8			failed		15/2	8.7 e-16	$7.2  \mathrm{e}{-11}$	out of n	nemory
30,000		5.5			failed		15/3	$1.3 e{-}15$	1.4e-10	out of n	nemory
50,000		14.4			failed		15/3	1.6e-14	1.5e-9	out of n	nemory
60,000					failed			failed		out of n	nemory

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The same seems to apply to Matlab's fsolve. As can be seen in Table 17, Algorithm fsolve computes an approximation for dimensions up to  $10^4$ ; for larger dimensions it fails with error "out of memory". For problem "MC" the approximation is in the median accurate to some 3 decimal digits, for problem p09 only one figure is correct.

Our algorithms for a nonlinear system with sparse Jacobian work successfully up dimension 10<sup>7</sup>. For the problems p09, p13 and p14, "new" based on the linear system solver "verifySparselss" in Part I of this note computes verified bounds successfully for  $n \leq 10^7$ , while "new0" based on "verifySparselss0" presented in this note fails for problems p13 and p14 and dimension  $n = 10^7$ . Moreover, "new0" is much slower than "new" for problem p14.

Contrary, for problems MC and AB "new0" is successful for larger dimensions than "new". For problem AB, with increasing dimension the increasing difficulty of "new0" to compute verified bounds can be seen in Table 17. The number kxs of approximate Newton iterates increases to the limit, and eventually also the number of interval iterations. The median relative error of the inclusion does not change much, but the maximal error increases. However, that is basically due to the first entries of the solution with small magnitude.

**10.** Conclusion and an open problem. In this Part II of our note we discussed a second Algorithm for computing verified error bounds for a linear system with sparse input matrix. The bounds are correct with mathematical certainty including the proof of nonsingularity of the input matrix. As the method in Part I it is applicable to real and complex data including data afflicted with tolerances.

The second algorithm is usually slower than the first one presented in Part I of this note, but seems a little more stable. Our methods are usually slower than Matlab's built-in solver lu, but sometimes faster by two orders of magnitude.

Moreover, we gave algorithms to compute verified bounds for least squares problems as well as for underdetermined linear systems. Computational evidence suggests that even for very ill-conditioned problems accurate bounds are computed.

As an application of the solution of linear systems the data of which are afflicted with tolerances we described a method to compute verified error bounds for a system of real or complex nonlinear equations. The nonlinear problem is transformed into a linear system with point matrix and interval right hand side. In practical applications the Jacobian is often sparse. In that case our method is superior to existing algorithms such as Algorithm verifynlss in INTLAB. Computational tests show that the new method is successful on our small laptop for dimensions up to 10<sup>7</sup>.

The primary goal of our algorithms is to be successful, accepting some penalty in computing time. The second goal is to compute narrow error bounds. To the latter end we described a method to obtain even more accurate error bounds for the solution of linear systems such that almost always error bounds with maximal accuracy are delivered for all entries.

The methods in Part I and II of this note are based on a matrix decomposition. There are numerous iterative methods to compute an approximation of a sparse linear system, and many people think that is at least an attractive way to attack sparse systems. These approximations may be used for a verification method, but the computation of rigorous bounds based on an iterative method is completely open. There are error estimates, but those are qualitative and/or theoretical and not computable. Up to now some factorization is the only way for the step from a small residual to a

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