

## MAT-INF4310: Mandatory assignment #2, autumn 2017

To be handed in by September 28., 14:30

You must hand in commented scripts which actually compile and work. You must also use “Devilry”.

### Exercise 1.

a) Implement Gaussian elimination, Gaussian elimination with pivoting and Householder triangulation to solve an equation  $Ax = b$  where  $x$  and  $b$  are in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  and  $A$  is a matrix in  $\mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  for  $n \geq 1$ . The syntax should be “`x=solvetype(A,b)`”.

If

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } b = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 9 \\ 14 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ then } x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Test your codes on this example.

b) Test your codes on the  $2 \times 2$  matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

for  $\varepsilon = 10^{-12}, \varepsilon = 10^{-14}, \varepsilon = 10^{-16}$ . Do this by computing the relative error

$$E_{\text{rel}} = \frac{\|Ax - b\|}{\|b\|}.$$

Comment on your results.

c) Since pivoting comes at “no computational cost” in the notes, we can try to check this in practice, as well a checking whether the cost of Householder triangulation scales as twice the cost of Gaussian elimination.

In order to estimate the cost of a computation, we run the computation 5 times, and record the average elapsed time for this (in Matlab, this can be done with the `tic` and `toc` commands).

Set  $n = 50 \times 2^m$  for  $m = 0, \dots, 5$ , let  $A$  be a random  $n \times n$  matrix with integer entries in the range  $-1000, \dots, 1000$ , and let  $x$  be a vector with random integer entries (in the same range as those of  $A$ ) such that  $b = Ax$  is defined. Write a script which for each  $m$  records the “cost” of the three algorithms.

Do the actual execution times scale as the number of operations? Present your results in a table or a plot and discuss.