

Linear System of Equations

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2$$

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$$a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n = b_n$$

$$A\boldsymbol{x} = \mathbf{b},$$

where

$A = [a_{ij}]$: $n \times n$ real matrix,

$\mathbf{b} = [b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n]^T$: right hand side,

\boldsymbol{x} : unknown vector.

$$A_k \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1k} & | & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2k} & | & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & & | & & \\ a_{kk_1} & a_{kk_2} & \cdots & a_{kk_k} & | & \cdots & a_{kn} \\ \vdots & & & & | & & \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nk} & - & \cdot & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_k \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_k \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Assumptions: $\det(A_k) \neq 0$, $k = 1, \dots, n$,

where A_k : principal leading submatrix of order k .

LU decomposition

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Then Gauss elimination is equivalent to writing

$$A = L U ,$$

where L is unit lower triangular and

U is upper triangular matrix.

Gauss elimination

$A \rightarrow U$,

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ m_{21} & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ m_{31} & m_{32} & 1 & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & 1 & \\ m_{n1} & m_{n2} & & \ddots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Notations: $e_j = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow j^{\text{th}} \text{ place Canonical vector}$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2 + \cdots + x_n e_n$$

$A = [a_{ij}] : n \times n \text{ matrix}$

$$C_j = A e_j : j^{\text{th}} \text{ column of } A \quad e_i^T A e_j = a_{ij}$$

$$R_i = e_i^T A : i^{\text{th}} \text{ row of } A$$

Gauss elimination

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{array} \right] \quad m_{21} = \frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}}, \quad m_{31} = \frac{a_{31}}{a_{11}}$$

$$R_2 - m_{21} R_1, \quad R_3 - m_{31} R_1.$$

$$a_{22}^{(1)} = a_{22} - m_{21} a_{12}, \quad a_{23}^{(1)} = a_{23} - m_{21} a_{13}$$

$$a_{32}^{(1)} = a_{32} - m_{31} a_{12}, \quad a_{33}^{(1)} = a_{33} - m_{31} a_{13}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ -m_{31} & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{ccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(1)} & a_{23}^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{32}^{(1)} & a_{33}^{(1)} \end{array} \right]$$

$$E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ -m_{31} & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad m_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ m_{21} \\ m_{31} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$m_1 e_1^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ m_{21} \\ m_{31} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ m_{21} & 0 & 0 \\ m_{31} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_1 = I - m_1 e_1^T, \quad e_1^T m_1 = [1 \ 0 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ m_{21} \\ m_{31} \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$(I - m_1 e_1^T)(I + m_1 e_1^T) = I$$

First step of Gauss elimination

$$E_1 A = A^{(1)},$$

$$m_{21} = \frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}}, \quad m_{31} = \frac{a_{31}}{a_{11}},$$

$$m_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ m_{21} \\ m_{31} \end{bmatrix}, \quad E_1 = I - m_1 e_1^T,$$
$$E_1^{-1} = I + m_1 e_1^T$$

Second Step of Gauss elimination

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(1)} & a_{23}^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{32}^{(1)} & a_{33}^{(1)} \end{array} \right] \quad m_{32} = \frac{a_{32}^{(1)}}{a_{22}^{(1)}}$$

$$R_3 - m_{32} R_2$$

$$a_{33}^{(2)} = a_{33}^{(1)} - m_{32} a_{23}^{(1)}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -m_{32} & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{ccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(1)} & a_{23}^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{32}^{(1)} & a_{33}^{(1)} \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(1)} & a_{23}^{(1)} \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33}^{(2)} \end{array} \right]$$

$$E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -m_{32} & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad m_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ m_{32} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$m_2 e_2^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ m_{32} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_{32} & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad e_2^T m_2 = 0$$

$$E_2 = I - m_2 e_2^T,$$

$$(I - m_2 e_2^T)(I + m_2 e_2^T) = I \Rightarrow E_2^{-1} = I + m_2 e_2^T$$

Gauss elimination

$$E_2 E_1 A = A^{(2)} = U$$

$$\Rightarrow A = E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} U$$

$$E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} = (I + m_1 e_1^T) (I + m_2 e_2^T)$$

$$= I + m_1 e_1^T + m_2 e_2^T$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ m_{31} & m_{32} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} e_1^T \\ e_2^T \\ \vdots \\ e_n^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \\ \vdots \\ m_{32} \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$m_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ m_{21} \\ m_{31} \end{bmatrix}, m_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ m_{32} \end{bmatrix}$$

First step of Gauss elimination: $R_i \rightarrow R_i - m_{i1} R_1$

$$a_{ij}^{(1)} = a_{ij} - m_{i1} a_{1j}, \quad m_{i1} = \frac{a_{i1}}{a_{11}}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -m_{21} & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -m_{31} & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & & \\ -m_{n1} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{cccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{array} \right] = A^{(1)}$$

$E_1 A = A^{(1)}$: First step of Gauss elimination

nxn matrix

Define $m_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ m_{21} \\ \vdots \\ m_{n1} \end{bmatrix}$.

$$m_1 e_1^T = [m_1 e_1^T e_1, m_1 e_1^T e_2, \dots, m_1 e_1^T e_n]$$

$$= [m_1, \bar{0}, \bar{0}, \dots, \bar{0}]$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ m_{21} \\ \vdots \\ m_{n1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & 0 \\ -m_{21} & 1 & \ddots & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ -m_{n1} & 0 & & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I - m_1 e_1^T$$

$$E_1 = I - m_1 e_1^T$$

$$e_1^T m_1 = [1 \ 0 \dots \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ m_{21} \\ \vdots \\ m_{n1} \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$(I - m_1 e_1^T) (I + m_1 e_1^T)$$
$$= I - m_1 e_1^T + m_1 e_1^T - m_1 e_1^T m_1 e_1^T = I$$

$$E_1^{-1} = I + m_1 e_1^T$$

Second step of Gauss elimination:

$$a_{ij}^{(2)} = a_{ij}^{(1)} - m_{i2} a_{2j}^{(1)}, \quad i, j = 3, \dots, n.$$

Define

$$m_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ m_{32} \\ \vdots \\ m_{n2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & & 0 \\ \vdots & -m_{32} & 1 & & \vdots \\ 0 & -m_{n2} & 0 & & 0 \end{bmatrix} = I - m_2 e_2^T$$

$$E_2 A^{(1)} = A^{(2)}$$

$$E_2^{-1} = I + m_2 e_2^T$$

$$E_2 E_1 A = A^{(2)}$$

In general, for $1 \leq k \leq n-1$, define

$$m_k = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ m_{k+1,k} \\ \vdots \\ m_{n,k} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad E_k = I - m_k e_k^T.$$

$$e_1^T m_k = e_2^T m_k = \cdots = e_k^T m_k = 0$$

$$E_k^{-1} = I + m_k e_k^T$$

$$E_{n-1} E_{n-2} \cdots E_2 E_1 A = A^{(n)} = U : \text{upper triangular}$$

Thus $Ax = b$ is transformed to

$$\underbrace{E_{n-1} E_{n-2} \cdots E_2 E_1}_E A x = E b,$$

that is, $Ux = y$.

Since $EA = U$ and E is an invertible matrix, both the systems have the same solution.

$$\begin{aligned}
 E^{-1} &= E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} \cdots E_{n-2}^{-1} E_{n-1}^{-1} \\
 &= (\mathbb{I} + m_1 e_1^T)(\mathbb{I} + m_2 e_2^T) \cdots (\mathbb{I} + m_{n-1} e_{n-1}^T) \\
 &= \mathbb{I} + m_1 e_1^T + m_2 e_2^T + \cdots + m_{n-1} e_{n-1}^T \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ m_{21} & 1 & & 0 \\ \vdots & m_{32} & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & & 0 \\ m_{n1} & m_{n2} & & 1 \end{bmatrix} = L
 \end{aligned}$$

$$EA = U$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= E^{-1} U \\
 &= LU
 \end{aligned}$$

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Note that Gauss elimination can be performed provided at no stage the pivot becomes zero.

Thus $A = LU$ if at no stage the pivot becomes zero.

$$A = L \cup$$

$$Ax = b \Leftrightarrow Lu x = b$$

$\Leftrightarrow Ly = b$: forward substitution

$Ux = y$: back substitution

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ l_{21} & 1 & & & \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & 1 & & \\ \vdots & & & & \\ l_{n1} & l_{n2} & \cdots & l_{n,n-1} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} : \begin{aligned} y_1 &= b_1, \\ y_2 &= b_2 - l_{21} y_1, \\ y_i &= b_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} l_{ij} y_j \end{aligned}$$

$Ux = y$: as before

Storage:

$$A \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} & u_{13} & \cdots & u_{1n} \\ l_{21} & u_{22} & u_{23} & \cdots & u_{2n} \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & u_{33} & \cdots & u_{3n} \\ \vdots & & & & \\ l_{n1} & l_{n2} & \cdots & l_{n,n-1} & u_{nn} \end{bmatrix} : l_{ii} = 1, \\ i = 1, \dots, n$$

LU decomposition: Uniqueness

$A : n \times n$ matrix, leading principal submatrices:
nonsingular.

Then $A = LU$, where

L : unit lower triangular, U : upper triangular,
invertible.

Let $A = L_1 U_1 = L_2 U_2$.

$$\text{Then } L_2^{-1} L_1 = U_2 U_1^{-1} = I$$

unit lower upper
triangular triangular

$$\Rightarrow L_1 = L_2, U_1 = U_2.$$

Suppose we know that A can be written as LU

Then we can determine L and U directly as follows.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ l_{21} & 1 & & & 0 \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & 1 & & \\ \vdots & & & & \\ l_{n1} & l_{n2} & l_{n3} & \cdots & l_{n,n-1} 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} & u_{13} & \cdots & u_{1n} \\ 0 & u_{22} & u_{23} & & u_{2n} \\ 0 & 0 & u_{33} & & u_{3n} \\ \vdots & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \quad u_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{1j} = u_{1j}, \quad j=1, \dots, n \quad (\text{1st row of } U \text{ is determined})$$

$$l_{i1} u_{11} = a_{i1}, \quad i=2, \dots, n$$

$$\Rightarrow l_{i1} = \frac{a_{i1}}{u_{11}} \quad (\text{1st column of } L \text{ is determined})$$

$$A = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & & & \\ l_{21} & 1 & & 0 \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & 1 & \\ \vdots & & & \\ l_{n1} & l_{n2} & l_{n3} & \cdots l_{n,n-1} \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{ccccc} u_{11} & u_{12} & u_{13} & \cdots & u_{1n} \\ 0 & u_{22} & u_{23} & & u_{2n} \\ 0 & 0 & u_{33} & & u_{3n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

2nd row of L x jth column of U ($j=2, \dots, n$)

$$a_{2j} = l_{21} u_{1j} + u_{2j}, \quad j=2, \dots, n \quad (\text{2nd row of } U \text{ is determined})$$

(also 2nd Column of U)

$$\text{i-th row of } L \times \text{2nd Column of } U$$

$$a_{i2} = l_{i1} u_{12} + l_{i2} u_{22}, \quad i=3, \dots, n$$

2nd column (and row) of L is determined.

L D V decomposition

$A = L U$, where $U_{ii} \neq 0$.

Define $D = \text{diag.}(u_{11}, u_{22}, \dots, u_{nn})$ and

$$V = D^{-1} U.$$

$$V_{ii} = \sum_{k=1}^n D^{-1}(i,k) U(k,i) = D^{-1}(i,i) U_{ii} = 1:$$

V : unit upper triangular, $U = DV$ and

$$A = L DV$$

$A = L D V$, L : unit lower triangular,
 D : diagonal,
 V : unit upper triangular.

Uniqueness of the decomposition:

$$A = L_1 D_1 V_1 = L_2 D_2 V_2$$

$$\Rightarrow L_1 = L_2, D_1 V_1 = D_2 V_2 \quad (\text{uniqueness of the LU decomposition})$$

$$\Rightarrow D_2^{-1} D_1 = V_2 V_1^{-1} = I \Rightarrow D_1 = D_2, V_1 = V_2$$

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diagonal unit upper
triangular