

Chapter 4 - LU Factorization - Part 2

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- Let upper triangular matrix $U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $x, b \in \mathbb{R}^n$.
- Consider the equation $Ux = b$ where U and b are known and x is to be computed.
- Partition

$$U \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c} v_{11} & u_{12}^T \\ \hline 0 & U_{22} \end{array} \right), \quad x \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \chi_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad b \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- $Ux = b$ implies

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}}_b = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} v_{11} & u_{12}^T \\ \hline 0 & U_{22} \end{pmatrix}}_U \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \chi_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}}_x = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} v_{11}\chi_1 + u_{12}^T x_2 \\ U_{22}x_2 \end{pmatrix}}_{Ux}$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} b \\ \beta_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} U & \\ v_{11} & | & u_{12}^T \\ 0 & | & U_{22} \end{pmatrix}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x \\ \chi_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} Ux \\ v_{11}\chi_1 + u_{12}^T x_2 \\ U_{22}x_2 \end{pmatrix}}$$

- Thus

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \beta_1 = v_{11}\chi_1 + u_{12}^T x_2 \\ b_2 = U_{22}x_2 \end{array} \right) \quad \text{or} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \chi_1 = (\beta_1 - u_{12}^T x_2)/v_{11} \\ U_{22}x_2 = b_2 \end{array} \right)$$

- This suggests the following steps for overwriting the vector b with the solution vector x :
 - Partition

$$U \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c} v_{11} & u_{12}^T \\ \hline 0 & U_{22} \end{array} \right), \quad \text{and} \quad b \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Solve $U_{22}x_2 = b_2$ for x_2 , overwriting b_2 with the result.
- Update $\beta_1 = (\beta_1 - u_{12}^T b_2)/v_{11} (= (\beta_1 - u_{12}^T x_2)/v_{11})$.

Algorithm: $[b] := \text{UTRSV_UNB}(U, b)$

Partition $U \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c} U_{TL} & U_{TR} \\ \hline U_{BL} & U_{BR} \end{array} \right), b \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c} b_T \\ \hline b_B \end{array} \right)$

where U_{BR} is 0×0 , b_B has 0 rows

while $m(U_{BR}) < m(U)$ **do**

Repartition

$\left(\begin{array}{c|c} U_{TL} & U_{TR} \\ \hline 0 & U_{BR} \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} U_{00} & u_{01} & U_{02} \\ \hline 0 & v_{11} & u_{12}^T \\ \hline 0 & 0 & U_{22} \end{array} \right), \left(\begin{array}{c} b_T \\ \hline b_B \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c} b_0 \\ \hline \beta_1 \\ \hline b_2 \end{array} \right)$

where v_{11} is 1×1 , β_1 has 1 row

$$\beta_1 := (b_1 - u_{12}^T b_2) / v_{11}$$

Continue with

$\left(\begin{array}{c|c} U_{TL} & U_{TR} \\ \hline 0 & U_{BR} \end{array} \right) \leftarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} U_{00} & u_{01} & U_{02} \\ \hline 0 & v_{11} & u_{12}^T \\ \hline 0 & 0 & U_{22} \end{array} \right), \left(\begin{array}{c} b_T \\ \hline b_B \end{array} \right) \leftarrow \left(\begin{array}{c} b_0 \\ \hline \beta_1 \\ \hline b_2 \end{array} \right)$

endwhile

Exercise

Solve the upper triangular linear system

$$-2\chi_0 - \chi_1 + \chi_2 = 6$$

$$-3\chi_1 - 2\chi_2 = 9$$

$$\chi_2 = 3$$

Exercise

Use <http://www.cs.utexas.edu/users/flame/Spark/> to write a FLAME@lab code for computing the solution of $Ux = b$, overwriting b with the solution and assuming that U is upper triangular.

Solving the Linear System, Again

Solving the Linear System

Let $A = LU$ and assume that $Ax = b$, where A and b are given. Then $(LU)x = b$ or $L(Ux) = b$. Let us introduce a dummy vector $z = Ux$. Then $Lz = b$ and z can be computed as described in the previous section. Once z has been computed, x can be computed by solving $Ux = z$ where now U and z are known.

When LU Factorization Breaks Down

“Does Gaussian elimination always solve a linear system?” Or, equivalently, can an LU factorization always be computed?

- *If* an LU factorization can be computed
- *and* the upper triangular factor U has no zeroes on the diagonal,
- *then* $Ax = b$ can be solved for all right-hand side vectors b .

Are there examples where LU (Gaussian elimination as we have presented it so far) can break down? The answer is *yes*.

Example

- Consider the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.
- In the first step, the algorithm for LU factorization will try to compute the multiplier $1/0$, which will cause an error.
- Now, $Ax = b$ is given by the set of linear equations

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

so that $Ax = b$ is equivalent to $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \end{pmatrix}$.

- The solution to $Ax = b$ is given by the vector $x = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_0 \end{pmatrix}$.
- Although Gaussian Elimination (LU factorization) breaks down, the linear system always has a solution.

Example

$$\begin{aligned}2x_0 + 4x_1 + (-2)x_2 &= -10 \\4x_0 + 8x_1 + 6x_2 &= 20 \\6x_0 + (-4)x_1 + 2x_2 &= 18\end{aligned}$$

Now,

- Subtract $(4/2) = 2$ times the first row from the second row:

$$\begin{aligned}2x_0 + 4x_1 + (-2)x_2 &= -10 \\0x_0 + 0x_1 + 10x_2 &= 40 \\6x_0 + (-4)x_1 + 2x_2 &= 18\end{aligned}$$

- Subtract $(6/2) = 3$ times the first row from the third row:

$$\begin{aligned}2x_0 + 4x_1 + (-2)x_2 &= -10 \\0x_0 + 0x_1 + 10x_2 &= 40 \\0x_0 + (-16)x_1 + 8x_2 &= 48\end{aligned}$$

- Now, we've got a problem.

Example (continued)

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 2\chi_0 + & 4\chi_1 + (-2)\chi_2 & = -10 \\ 0\chi_0 + & 0\chi_1 + 10\chi_2 & = 40 \\ 0\chi_0 + (-16)\chi_1 + & 8\chi_2 & = 48 \end{array}$$

- Swap the second and third row:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 2\chi_0 + & 4\chi_1 + (-2)\chi_2 & = -10 \\ 0\chi_0 + (-16)\chi_1 + & 8\chi_2 & = 48 \\ 0\chi_0 + & 0\chi_1 + 10\chi_2 & = 40 \end{array}$$

- at which point we are done transforming our system into an upper triangular system, and the backward substitution can commence to solve the problem.

Example

$$\begin{aligned}0x_0 + 4x_1 + (-2)x_2 &= -10 \\4x_0 + 8x_1 + 6x_2 &= 20 \\6x_0 + (-4)x_1 + 2x_2 &= 18\end{aligned}$$

Now,

- Subtract $(4/0)$ times the first row from the second row! Yikes!
- We swap the first row with any of the other two rows:

$$\begin{aligned}4x_0 + 8x_1 + 6x_2 &= 20 \\0x_0 + 4x_1 + (-2)x_2 &= -10 \\6x_0 + (-4)x_1 + 2x_2 &= 18\end{aligned}$$

- By subtracting $(6/4) = 3/2$ times the first row from the third row, we get

$$\begin{aligned}4x_0 + 8x_1 + 6x_2 &= 20 \\0x_0 + 4x_1 + (-2)x_2 &= -10 \\0x_0 + (-16)x_1 + (-7)x_2 &= -22\end{aligned}$$

- Etc.

LU factorization needs to be modified to allow for row exchanges if a zero pivot is encountered.

Permutations

Exercise

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_P \quad \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix}}_A =$$

Answer

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_P \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix}}_A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -3 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Definition

A vector $p = (k_0 \mid k_1 \mid \cdots \mid k_{n-1})^T$ is said to be a permutation (vector) if $k_j \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$, $0 \leq j < n$, and $k_i = k_j$ implies $i = j$.

We will below write $(k_0 \mid k_1 \mid \cdots \mid k_{n-1})^T$ to indicate a column vector, for space considerations. This permutation is just a rearrangement of the vector $(0, 1, \dots, n-1)^T$.

Definition

Let $p = (k_0, \dots, k_{n-1})^T$ be a permutation. Then

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} e_{k_0}^T \\ e_{k_1}^T \\ \vdots \\ e_{k_{n-1}}^T \end{pmatrix}$$

is said to be a *permutation matrix*.

Notation

- P is the identity matrix with its rows rearranged as indicated by the n -tuple $(k_0, k_1, \dots, k_{n-1})$.
- We will denote this matrix by $P(p)$ where p is the permutation vector.

Theorem

Let $p = (k_0, \dots, k_{n-1})^T$ be a permutation. Consider

$$P = P(p) = \begin{pmatrix} e_{k_0}^T \\ e_{k_1}^T \\ \vdots \\ e_{k_{n-1}}^T \end{pmatrix}, \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_0 \\ \chi_1 \\ \vdots \\ \chi_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} a_0^T \\ a_1^T \\ \vdots \\ a_{n-1}^T \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Then } Px = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_{k_0} \\ \chi_{k_1} \\ \vdots \\ \chi_{k_{n-1}} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad PA = \begin{pmatrix} a_{k_0}^T \\ a_{k_1}^T \\ \vdots \\ a_{k_{n-1}}^T \end{pmatrix}.$$

In other words, Px and PA rearrange the elements of x and the rows of A in the order indicated by permutation vector p .

Proof

Recall that unit basis vectors have the property that $e_j^T A = \check{a}_j^T$.

$$PA = \begin{pmatrix} e_{k_0}^T \\ e_{k_1}^T \\ \vdots \\ e_{k_{n-1}}^T \end{pmatrix} A = \begin{pmatrix} e_{k_0}^T A \\ e_{k_1}^T A \\ \vdots \\ e_{k_{n-1}}^T A \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \check{a}_{k_0}^T \\ \check{a}_{k_1}^T \\ \vdots \\ \check{a}_{k_{n-1}}^T \end{pmatrix}.$$

The result for Px can be proved similarly or, alternatively, by viewing x as a matrix with only one column.

Exercise

Let $p = (2, 0, 1)^T$. Compute

$$P(p) \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad P(p) \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Corollary

Let $p = (k_0 \mid k_1 \mid \cdots \mid k_{n-1})^T$ be a permutation and $P = P(p)$. Consider

$$A = (a_0 \mid a_1 \mid \cdots \mid a_{n-1}).$$

Then

$$AP^T = (a_{k_0} \mid a_{k_1} \mid \cdots \mid a_{k_{n-1}}).$$

Proof

Recall that unit basis vectors have the property that $Ae_k = a_k$.

$$\begin{aligned} AP^T &= A \begin{pmatrix} e_{k_0}^T \\ e_{k_1}^T \\ \vdots \\ e_{k_{n-1}}^T \end{pmatrix}^T = A (e_{k_0} \mid e_{k_1} \mid \cdots \mid e_{k_{n-1}}) \\ &= (Ae_{k_0} \mid Ae_{k_1} \mid \cdots \mid Ae_{k_{n-1}}) = (a_{k_0} \mid a_{k_1} \mid \cdots \mid a_{k_{n-1}}). \end{aligned}$$

Corollary

If P is a permutation matrix, then so is P^T .

Proof

This follows from the observation that if P can be viewed either as a rearrangement of the rows or as a (usually different) rearrangement of the columns.

Corollary

Let P be a permutation matrix. Then $PP^T = P^T P = I$.

Proof

We will first prove that $PP^T = I$. Let $p = (k_0 \mid k_1 \mid \cdots \mid k_{n-1})^T$ be the permutation that defines P . Then

$$\begin{aligned} PP^T &= \begin{pmatrix} e_{k_0}^T \\ e_{k_1}^T \\ \vdots \\ e_{k_{n-1}}^T \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e_{k_0}^T \\ e_{k_1}^T \\ \vdots \\ e_{k_{n-1}}^T \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} e_{k_0}^T \\ e_{k_1}^T \\ \vdots \\ e_{k_{n-1}}^T \end{pmatrix} (e_{k_0} \mid e_{k_1} \mid \cdots \mid e_{k_{n-1}}) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} e_{k_0}^T e_{k_0} & e_{k_0}^T e_{k_1} & \cdots & e_{k_0}^T e_{k_{n-1}} \\ e_{k_1}^T e_{k_0} & e_{k_1}^T e_{k_1} & \cdots & e_{k_1}^T e_{k_{n-1}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ e_{k_{n-1}}^T e_{k_0} & e_{k_{n-1}}^T e_{k_1} & \cdots & e_{k_{n-1}}^T e_{k_{n-1}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I. \end{aligned}$$

Proof (continued)

We will next prove that $P^T P = I$.

Let $p = (k_0 \mid k_1 \mid \cdots \mid k_{n-1})^T$ be the permutation that defines P . Then

$$\begin{aligned} P^T P &= \begin{pmatrix} e_{k_0}^T \\ e_{k_1}^T \\ \vdots \\ e_{k_{n-1}}^T \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} e_{k_0}^T \\ e_{k_1}^T \\ \vdots \\ e_{k_{n-1}}^T \end{pmatrix} = (e_{k_0} \mid e_{k_1} \mid \cdots \mid e_{k_{n-1}}) \begin{pmatrix} e_{k_0}^T \\ e_{k_1}^T \\ \vdots \\ e_{k_{n-1}}^T \end{pmatrix} \\ &= e_{k_0} e_{k_0}^T + e_{k_1} e_{k_1}^T + \cdots + e_{k_{n-1}} e_{k_{n-1}}^T = e_0 e_0^T + e_1 e_1^T + \cdots + e_{n-1} e_{n-1}^T. \end{aligned}$$

- Why?
- What does $e_0 e_0^T$ equal?
- What does $e_j e_j^T$ equal?
- What does $e_0 e_0^T + e_1 e_1^T + \cdots + e_{n-1} e_{n-1}^T$ equal?

Definition

Let us call the special permutation matrix of the form

$$\tilde{P}(\pi) = \begin{pmatrix} \boxed{e_{\pi}^T} \\ e_1^T \\ \vdots \\ e_{\pi-1}^T \\ \boxed{e_0^T} \\ e_{\pi+1}^T \\ \vdots \\ e_{n-1}^T \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \boxed{0} & \boxed{0} & \cdots & \boxed{0} & \boxed{1} & \boxed{0} & \cdots & \boxed{0} \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \boxed{1} & \boxed{0} & \cdots & \boxed{0} & \boxed{0} & \boxed{0} & \cdots & \boxed{0} \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

a *pivot matrix*.

Theorem

- When $\tilde{P}(\pi)$ multiplies a matrix from the left, it swaps rows 0 and π .
- When $\tilde{P}(\pi)$ multiplies a matrix from the right, it swaps columns 0 and π .

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Let us reiterate the algorithmic steps that were exposed for the LU factorization

- Partition

$$A \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline a_{21} & A_{22} \end{array} \right).$$

- Update $a_{21} = a_{21}/\alpha_{11}(= l_{21})$.
- Update $A_{22} = A_{22} - a_{21}a_{12}^T(= A_{22} - l_{21}u_{12}^T)$.
- Overwrite A_{22} with L_{22} and U_{22} by continuing recursively with $A = A_{22}$.

A Different Way of Looking at It

- Partition

$$A \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline a_{21} & A_{22} \end{array} \right).$$

- Compute $l_{21} = a_{21}/\alpha_{11}$.

- Update $\left(\begin{array}{c|c} \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline a_{21} & A_{22} \end{array} \right) := \left(\begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline -l_{21} & I \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline a_{21} & A_{22} \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline 0 & A_{22} - l_{21}a_{12}^T \end{array} \right).$

- Overwrite A_{22} with L_{22} and U_{22} by continuing recursively with $A = A_{22}$.

$[L, A] := \text{LU_UNB_VAR5_ALT}(A)$

Partition $L := I$

$$A \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c} A_{TL} & A_{TR} \\ \hline A_{BL} & A_{BR} \end{array} \right), L \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c} L_{TL} & 0 \\ \hline L_{BL} & L_{BR} \end{array} \right)$$

where A_{TL} is 0×0

while $m(A_{TL}) < m(A)$ **do**

Repartition

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c} A_{TL} & A_{TR} \\ \hline A_{BL} & A_{BR} \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} A_{00} & a_{01} & A_{02} \\ \hline a_{10}^T & \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline A_{20} & a_{21} & A_{22} \end{array} \right), \left(\begin{array}{c|c} L_{TL} & 0 \\ \hline L_{BL} & L_{BR} \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} L_{00} & 0 & 0 \\ \hline l_{10}^T & 1 & 0 \\ \hline L_{20} & l_{21} & L_{22} \end{array} \right)$$

where α_{11} is 1×1

$$l_{21} := a_{21}/\alpha_{11}$$

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Continue with

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c} A_{TL} & A_{TR} \\ \hline A_{BL} & A_{BR} \end{array} \right) \leftarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} A_{00} & a_{01} & A_{02} \\ \hline a_{10}^T & \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline A_{20} & a_{21} & A_{22} \end{array} \right), \left(\begin{array}{c|c} L_{TL} & 0 \\ \hline L_{BL} & L_{BR} \end{array} \right) \leftarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} L_{00} & 0 & 0 \\ \hline l_{10}^T & 1 & 0 \\ \hline L_{20} & l_{21} & L_{22} \end{array} \right)$$

endwhile

Example

Step	$\left(\begin{array}{c cc} A_{00} & a_{01} & A_{02} \\ \hline a_{10}^T & \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline A_{20} & a_{21} & A_{22} \end{array} \right)$	$\left(\begin{array}{c cc} L_{00} & 0 & 0 \\ \hline l_{10}^T & 1 & 0 \\ \hline L_{20} & l_{21} & L_{22} \end{array} \right)$	$l_{21} := a_{21}/\alpha_{11}$	$\left(\begin{array}{c cc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$
1-2	$\left(\begin{array}{c cc} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & -2 & -3 \\ \hline -4 & 4 & 7 \end{array} \right)$	$\left(\begin{array}{c cc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$	$\left(\begin{array}{c cc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$
3	$\left(\begin{array}{c cc} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & -3 & -2 \\ \hline 0 & 6 & 5 \end{array} \right)$	$\left(\begin{array}{c cc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline -1 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$	(-2)	$\left(\begin{array}{c cc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline -1 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline -(-2) & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$
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One more time

- Partition

$$A \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} A_{00} & a_{01} & A_{02} \\ \hline 0 & \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline 0 & a_{01} & A_{02} \end{array} \right) \text{ and } L \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} L_{00} & 0 & 0 \\ \hline l_{10}^T & 1 & 0 \\ \hline L_{20} & 0 & I \end{array} \right)$$

- Compute $l_{21} = a_{21}/\alpha_{11}$.

- Update $\left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} A_{00} & a_{01} & A_{02} \\ \hline 0 & \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline 0 & 0 & A_{02} \end{array} \right) :=$

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} I & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & -l_{21} & I \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} A_{00} & a_{01} & A_{02} \\ \hline 0 & \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline 0 & a_{01} & A_{02} \end{array} \right).$$

- Continue by moving the thick line forward one row and column.

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where α_{11} is 1×1

$$l_{21} := a_{21}/\alpha_{11}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} A_{00} & a_{01} & A_{02} \\ \hline a_{10}^T & \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline A_{20} & 0 & A_{02} \end{array} \right) &:= \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} I & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & -l_{21} & I \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} A_{00} & a_{01} & A_{02} \\ \hline a_{10}^T & \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline A_{20} & a_{01} & A_{02} \end{array} \right) \\ &= \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} I & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & -l_{21} & I \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} A_{00} & a_{01} & A_{02} \\ \hline 0 & \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline 0 & a_{01} & A_{02} \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} A_{00} & a_{01} & A_{02} \\ \hline 0 & \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline 0 & 0 & A_{02} - l_{21}a_{01} \end{array} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Continue with

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} A_{00} & a_{01} & A_{02} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c} L_{00} & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

Note

- Upon completion, A is an upper triangular matrix, U .
- The point of this alternative explanation is to show that
 - if $\check{L}^{(i)}$ represents the i th Gauss transform, computed during the i th iteration of the algorithms,
 - then the final matrix stored in A , the upper triangular matrix U , satisfies $U = \check{L}^{(n-2)}\check{L}^{(n-3)} \dots \check{L}^{(0)}\hat{A}$,
 - where \hat{A} is the original matrix stored in A .

Example

$$A = A^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 & -3 \\ -4 & 4 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

In the first step,

- Partition

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} -2 & -1 & 1 & & & \\ \hline 2 & -2 & -3 & & & \\ -4 & 4 & 7 & & & \end{array} \right) \text{ and } \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & & & \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & & & \end{array} \right);$$

- Compute $l_{21} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} / (-2) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$.
- Update A with

$$\begin{aligned} A^{(1)} &= \underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & & & \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 0 & & & \\ -2 & 0 & 1 & & & \end{array} \right)}_{\check{L}^{(0)}} \underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} -2 & -1 & 1 & & & \\ \hline 2 & -2 & -3 & & & \\ -4 & 4 & 7 & & & \end{array} \right)}_{A^{(0)}} \\ &= \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} -2 & -1 & 1 & & & \\ \hline 0 & -3 & -2 & & & \\ 0 & 6 & 5 & & & \end{array} \right). \end{aligned}$$

We emphasize that now $A^{(1)} = \check{L}^{(0)} A^{(0)}$.

In the second step,

- Partition

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & -3 & -2 \\ \hline 0 & 6 & 5 \end{array} \right) \text{ and } \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline -1 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right);$$

- Compute $l_{21} = (6) / (-3) = (-2)$.
- Update A with

$$A^{(2)} = \underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \right)}_{\check{L}^{(1)}} \underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & -3 & -2 \\ \hline 0 & 6 & 5 \end{array} \right)}_{A^{(1)}} = \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & -3 & -2 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right).$$

Now...

$$A = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{A^{(2)}}$$

$$= \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\check{L}^{(1)}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & -2 \\ 0 & 6 & 5 \end{pmatrix}}_{A^{(1)}}$$

$$= \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\check{L}^{(1)}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\check{L}^{(0)}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 & -3 \\ -4 & 4 & 7 \end{pmatrix}}_{A^{(0)}}$$

The point is...

- LU factorization can be viewed as the computation of a sequence of Gauss transforms so that, upon completion

$$U = \check{L}^{(n-1)} \check{L}^{(n-2)} \check{L}^{(n-3)} \dots \check{L}^{(0)} A.$$

- Now, let us reconsider the following property of a typical Gauss transform:

$$\underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c|cc} I & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & -l_{21} & I \end{array} \right)}_{\check{L}^{(i)}} \underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c|cc} I & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & l_{21} & I \end{array} \right)}_{L^{(i)}} = \underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c|cc} I & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & I \end{array} \right)}_I$$

Example (continued)

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{L^{(0)}} \quad \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{L^{(1)}} \quad \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_U$$
$$= \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 & -3 \\ -4 & 4 & 7 \end{pmatrix}}_A$$

Finally, note that

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{L^{(0)}} \quad \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{L^{(1)}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\check{L}^{(1)}}$$

$[L, A] := \text{LU_UNB_VAR5_PIV}(A)$

Partition $L := I$

$$A \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c} A_{TL} & A_{TR} \\ \hline A_{BL} & A_{BR} \end{array} \right), L \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c} L_{TL} & 0 \\ \hline L_{BL} & L_{BR} \end{array} \right), p \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c} p_T \\ \hline p_B \end{array} \right)$$

where A_{TL} is 0×0

while $m(A_{TL}) < m(A)$ **do**

Repartition

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c} A_{TL} & A_{TR} \\ \hline A_{BL} & A_{BR} \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \dots, \left(\begin{array}{c|c} L_{TL} & 0 \\ \hline L_{BL} & L_{BR} \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \dots, \left(\begin{array}{c} p_T \\ \hline p_B \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c} p_0 \\ \hline p_1 \\ \hline p_2 \end{array} \right)$$

where α_{11} is 1×1

$$\pi_1 = \text{PIVOT} \left(\left(\begin{array}{c} \alpha_{11} \\ \hline a_{21} \end{array} \right) \right)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c} \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline a_{21} & A_{22} \end{array} \right) := P(\pi_1) \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline a_{21} & A_{22} \end{array} \right)$$

$$l_{21} := a_{21} / \alpha_{11}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c} \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline a_{21} & A_{22} \end{array} \right) := \left(\begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline -l_{21} & I \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline a_{21} & A_{22} \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \alpha_{11} & a_{12}^T \\ \hline 0 & A_{22} - l_{21} a_{12}^T \end{array} \right)$$

Continue with

Example: Adding Row Swaps (Pivoting)

- Consider again the system of linear equations

$$\begin{aligned}2\chi_0 + 4\chi_1 + (-2)\chi_2 &= -10 \\4\chi_0 + 8\chi_1 + 6\chi_2 &= 20 \\6\chi_0 + (-4)\chi_1 + 2\chi_2 &= 18\end{aligned}$$

- Focus on the matrix of coefficients

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & -2 \\ 4 & 8 & 6 \\ 6 & -4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Iteration 0

- Apply a pivot to ensure that the diagonal element in the first column is not zero.
- In this example, no pivoting is required, so the first pivot matrix, $\tilde{P}^{(0)} = I$:

$$\underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c|cc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)}_{\tilde{P}^{(0)}} \left(\begin{array}{c|cc} 2 & 4 & -2 \\ \hline 4 & 8 & 6 \\ 6 & -4 & 2 \end{array} \right) = \underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c|cc} 2 & 4 & -2 \\ \hline 4 & 8 & 6 \\ 6 & -4 & 2 \end{array} \right)}_{\tilde{A}^{(0)}}$$

Iteration 0 (continued)

- Next, a Gauss transform is computed and applied:

$$\underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c|cc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)}_{\tilde{L}^{(0)}} \underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c|cc} 2 & 4 & -2 \\ \hline 4 & 8 & 6 \\ 6 & -4 & 2 \end{array} \right)}_{\tilde{A}^{(0)}} = \underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c|cc} 2 & 4 & -2 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 10 \\ 0 & -16 & 8 \end{array} \right)}_{A^{(1)}}.$$

Iteration 1

- Now the second and third row must be swapped by pivot matrix $\tilde{P}^{(1)}$:

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \tilde{P}^{(1)} \end{pmatrix}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 10 \\ 0 & -16 & 8 \end{pmatrix}}_{A^{(1)}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & -2 \\ 0 & -16 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 10 \end{pmatrix}}_{\tilde{A}^{(1)}}$$

Iteration 1 (continued)

- A Gauss transform is computed and applied:

$$\underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)}_{\tilde{L}^{(1)}} \underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c|cc} 2 & 4 & -2 \\ \hline 0 & -16 & 8 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 10 \end{array} \right)}_{\tilde{A}^{(1)}} = \underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c|cc} 2 & 4 & -2 \\ \hline 0 & -16 & 8 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 10 \end{array} \right)}_{A^{(2)}}.$$

Notice

- In each iteration, some permutation matrix is used to swap two rows, after which a Gauss transform is computed and then applied to the resulting (permuted) matrix.
- One can describe this as

$$U = \check{L}^{(n-2)} \check{P}^{(n-2)} \check{L}^{(n-3)} \check{P}^{(n-3)} \dots \check{L}^{(0)} \check{P}^{(0)} A,$$

where $P^{(i)}$ represents the permutation applied during iteration i .

- Now, once an LU factorization with pivoting is computed, one can solve $Ax = b$:

$$\begin{aligned} Ux &= \check{L}^{(n-2)} \check{P}^{(n-2)} \check{L}^{(n-3)} \check{P}^{(n-3)} \dots \check{L}^{(0)} \check{P}^{(0)} Ax \\ &= \check{L}^{(n-2)} \check{P}^{(n-2)} \check{L}^{(n-3)} \check{P}^{(n-3)} \dots \check{L}^{(0)} \check{P}^{(0)} b. \end{aligned}$$

Note

- If the LU factorization with pivoting completes without encountering a zero pivot, then given any right-hand side b this procedure produces a unique solution x .
- In other words, the procedure computes the net effect of applying A^{-1} to the right-hand side vector b , and therefore A has an inverse.
- If a zero pivot is encountered, then there exists a vector $x \neq 0$ such that $Ax = 0$, and hence the inverse does not exist.