

Quick reference guide

Dense matrix and array manipulation

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Modules and Header files

The **Eigen** library is divided in a Core module and several additional modules. Each module has a corresponding header file which has to be included in order to use the module. The `Dense` and `Eigen` header files are provided to conveniently gain access to several modules at once.

Module	Header file	Contents
Core	<code>#include <Eigen/Core></code>	Matrix and Array classes, basic linear algebra (including triangular and selfadjoint products), array manipulation
Geometry	<code>#include <Eigen/Geometry></code>	Transform , Translation , Scaling , Rotation2D and 3D rotations (Quaternion , AngleAxis)
LU	<code>#include <Eigen/LU></code>	Inverse , determinant, LU decompositions with solver (FullPivLU , PartialPivLU)
Cholesky	<code>#include <Eigen/Cholesky></code>	LLT and LDLT Cholesky factorization with solver
Householder	<code>#include <Eigen/Householder></code>	Householder transformations; this module is used by several linear algebra modules
SVD	<code>#include <Eigen/SVD></code>	SVD decompositions with least-squares solver (JacobiSVD , BDCSVD)
QR	<code>#include <Eigen/QR></code>	QR decomposition with solver (HouseholderQR , ColPivHouseholderQR , FullPivHouseholderQR)
Eigenvalues	<code>#include <Eigen/Eigenvalues></code>	Eigenvalue, eigenvector decompositions (EigenSolver , SelfAdjointEigenSolver , ComplexEigenSolver)
Sparse	<code>#include <Eigen/Sparse></code>	Sparse matrix storage and related basic linear algebra (SparseMatrix , SparseVector) (see Quick reference guide for sparse matrices for details on sparse modules)
	<code>#include <Eigen/Dense></code>	Includes Core, Geometry, LU, Cholesky, SVD, QR, and Eigenvalues header files
	<code>#include <Eigen/Eigen></code>	Includes Dense and Sparse header files (the whole Eigen library)

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Array, matrix and vector types

Recall: **Eigen** provides two kinds of dense objects: mathematical matrices and vectors which are both represented by the template class **Matrix**, and general 1D and 2D arrays represented by the template class **Array**:

```
typedef Matrix<Scalar, RowsAtCompileTime, ColsAtCompileTime, Options> MyMatrixType;
typedef Array<Scalar, RowsAtCompileTime, ColsAtCompileTime, Options> MyArrayType;
```

- `Scalar` is the scalar type of the coefficients (e.g., `float`, `double`, `bool`, `int`, etc.).
- `RowsAtCompileTime` and `ColsAtCompileTime` are the number of rows and columns of the matrix as known at compile-time or `Dynamic`.
- `Options` can be `ColMajor` or `RowMajor`, default is `ColMajor`. (see class **Matrix** for more options)

All combinations are allowed: you can have a matrix with a fixed number of rows and a dynamic number of columns, etc. The following are all valid:

```

Matrix<double, 6, Dynamic>           // Dynamic number of columns (heap allocation)
Matrix<double, Dynamic, 2>           // Dynamic number of rows (heap allocation)
Matrix<double, Dynamic, Dynamic, RowMajor> // Fully dynamic, row major (heap allocation)
Matrix<double, 13, 3>                // Fully fixed (usually allocated on stack)

```

In most cases, you can simply use one of the convenience typedefs for **matrices** and **arrays**. Some examples:

Matrices

```

Matrix<float, Dynamic, Dynamic> <=> MatrixXf
Matrix<double, Dynamic, 1>      <=> VectorXd
Matrix<int, 1, Dynamic>         <=> RowVectorXi
Matrix<float, 3, 3>             <=> Matrix3f
Matrix<float, 4, 1>             <=> Vector4f

```

Arrays

```

Array<float, Dynamic, Dynamic> <=> ArrayXXf
Array<double, Dynamic, 1>      <=> ArrayXd
Array<int, 1, Dynamic>         <=> RowArrayXi
Array<float, 3, 3>             <=> Array33f
Array<float, 4, 1>             <=> Array4f

```

Conversion between the matrix and array worlds:

```

Array44f a1, a1;
Matrix4f m1, m2;
m1 = a1 * a2;           // coeffwise product, implicit conversion from array to matrix.
a1 = m1 * m2;           // matrix product, implicit conversion from matrix to array.
a2 = a1 + m1.array();   // mixing array and matrix is forbidden
m2 = a1.matrix() + m1;  // and explicit conversion is required.
ArrayWrapper<Matrix4f> mla(m1); // mla is an alias for m1.array(), they share the same coefficients
MatrixWrapper<Array44f> alm(a1);

```

In the rest of this document we will use the following symbols to emphasize the features which are specifics to a given kind of object:

- * linear algebra matrix and vector only
- * array objects only

Basic matrix manipulation

	1D objects	2D objects	Notes
Constructors	<pre> Vector4d v4; Vector2f v1(x, y); Array3i v2(x, y, z); Vector4d v3(x, y, z, w); VectorXf v5; // empty object ArrayXf v6(size); </pre>	<pre> Matrix4f m1; MatrixXf m5; // empty object MatrixXf m6(nb_rows, nb_columns); </pre>	By default, the coefficients are left uninitialized
Comma initializer	<pre> Vector3f v1; v1 << x, y, z; ArrayXf v2(4); v2 << 1, 2, 3, 4; </pre>	<pre> Matrix3f m1; m1 << 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9; </pre>	
Comma initializer (bis)	<pre> int rows=5, cols=5; MatrixXf m(rows,cols); m << (Matrix3f() << 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9).finished(), MatrixXf::Zero(3,cols-3), MatrixXf::Zero(rows-3,3), MatrixXf::Identity(rows-3,cols-3); cout << m; </pre>		<p>output:</p> <pre> 1 2 3 0 0 4 5 6 0 0 7 8 9 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 </pre>
Runtime info	<pre> vector.size(); vector.innerStride(); vector.data(); </pre>	<pre> matrix.rows(); matrix.cols(); matrix.innerSize(); matrix.outerSize(); matrix.innerStride(); matrix.outerStride(); matrix.data(); </pre>	Inner/Outer* are storage order dependent
Compile-time info	<pre> ObjectType::Scalar ObjectType::RealScalar ObjectType::Index </pre>	<pre> ObjectType::RowsAtCompileTime ObjectType::ColsAtCompileTime ObjectType::SizeAtCompileTime </pre>	
Resizing	<pre> vector.resize(size); vector.resizeLike(other_vector); vector.conservativeResize(size); </pre>	<pre> matrix.resize(nb_rows, nb_cols); matrix.resize(Eigen::NoChange, nb_cols); matrix.resize(nb_rows, Eigen::NoChange); matrix.resizeLike(other_matrix); matrix.conservativeResize(nb_rows, nb_cols); </pre>	no-op if the new sizes match, otherwise data are lost

			resizing with data preservation
Coeff access with range checking	<pre>vector(i) vector.x() vector[i] vector.y() vector.z() vector.w()</pre>	<code>matrix(i, j)</code>	Range checking is disabled if <code>NDEBUG</code> or <code>EIGEN_NO_DEBUG</code> is defined
Coeff access without range checking	<pre>vector.coeff(i) vector.coeffRef(i)</pre>	<pre>matrix.coeff(i, j) matrix.coeffRef(i, j)</pre>	
Assignment/copy	<pre>object = expression; object_of_float = expression_of_double.cast<float>();</pre>		the destination is automatically resized (if possible)

Predefined Matrices

Fixed-size matrix or vector	Dynamic-size matrix	Dynamic-size vector
<pre>typedef {Matrix3f Array33f} FixedXD; FixedXD x; x = FixedXD::Zero(); x = FixedXD::Ones(); x = FixedXD::Constant(value); x = FixedXD::Random(); x = FixedXD::LinSpaced(size, low, high) N/A x.setZero(); x.setOnes(); x.setConstant(value); x.setRandom(); x.setLinSpaced(size, low, high);</pre>	<pre>typedef {MatrixXf ArrayXXf} Dynamic2D; Dynamic2D x; x = Dynamic2D::Zero(rows, cols); x = Dynamic2D::Ones(rows, cols); x = Dynamic2D::Constant(rows, cols, value) x = Dynamic2D::Random(rows, cols); N/A x.setZero(rows, cols); x.setOnes(rows, cols); x.setConstant(rows, cols, value); x.setRandom(rows, cols); N/A</pre>	<pre>typedef {VectorXf ArrayXf} Dynamic1D; Dynamic1D x; x = Dynamic1D::Zero(size); x = Dynamic1D::Ones(size); x = Dynamic1D::Constant(size, value); x = Dynamic1D::Random(size); x = Dynamic1D::LinSpaced(size, low, high) x.setZero(size); x.setOnes(size); x.setConstant(size, value); x.setRandom(size); x.setLinSpaced(size, low, high);</pre>
Identity and basis vectors *		
<pre>x = FixedXD::Identity(); x.setIdentity(); Vector3f::UnitX() // 1 0 0 Vector3f::UnitY() // 0 1 0 Vector3f::UnitZ() // 0 0 1</pre>	<pre>x = Dynamic2D::Identity(rows, cols); x.setIdentity(rows, cols); N/A</pre>	<pre>N/A VectorXf::Unit(size, i) VectorXf::Unit(4, 1) == Vector4f(0, 1, 0, 0) == Vector4f::UnitY()</pre>

Mapping external arrays

Contiguous memory	<pre>float data[] = {1, 2, 3, 4}; Map<Vector3f> v1(data); // uses v1 as a Vector3f object Map<ArrayXf> v2(data, 3); // uses v2 as a ArrayXf object Map<Array22f> m1(data); // uses m1 as a Array22f object Map<MatrixXf> m2(data, 2, 2); // uses m2 as a MatrixXf object</pre>
Typical usage of strides	<pre>float data[] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9}; Map<VectorXf, 0, InnerStride<2>> v1(data, 3); // = [1, 3, 5] Map<VectorXf, 0, InnerStride<>> v2(data, 3, InnerStride<>(3)); // = [1, 4, 7] Map<MatrixXf, 0, OuterStride<3>> m2(data, 2, 3); // both lines are equal to: Map<MatrixXf, 0, OuterStride<>> m1(data, 2, 3, OuterStride<>(3)); // are equal to: [1, 4, 7; 2, 5, 8]</pre>

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Arithmetic Operators

add	<code>mat3 = mat1 + mat2;</code>	<code>mat3 += mat1;</code>
subtract	<code>mat3 = mat1 - mat2;</code>	<code>mat3 -= mat1;</code>
scalar product	<code>mat3 = mat1 * s1;</code> <code>mat3 = mat1 / s1;</code>	<code>mat3 *= s1;</code> <code>mat3 /= s1;</code> <code>mat3 = s1 * mat1;</code>
matrix/vector products *	<code>col2 = mat1 * col1;</code> <code>row2 = row1 * mat1;</code> <code>mat3 = mat1 * mat2;</code>	<code>row1 *= mat1;</code> <code>mat3 *= mat1;</code>
transposition adjoint *	<code>mat1 = mat2.transpose();</code> <code>mat1 = mat2.adjoint();</code>	<code>mat1.transposeInPlace();</code> <code>mat1.adjointInPlace();</code>
dot product inner product *	<code>scalar = vec1.dot(vec2);</code> <code>scalar = col1.adjoint() * col2;</code> <code>scalar = (col1.adjoint() * col2).value();</code>	
outer product *	<code>mat = col1 * col2.transpose();</code>	
norm normalization *	<code>scalar = vec1.norm();</code> <code>vec2 = vec1.normalized();</code>	<code>scalar = vec1.squaredNorm();</code> <code>vec1.normalize(); // inplace</code>
cross product *	<code>#include <Eigen/Geometry></code> <code>vec3 = vec1.cross(vec2);</code>	

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Coefficient-wise & Array operators

In addition to the aforementioned operators, **Eigen** supports numerous coefficient-wise operator and functions. Most of them unambiguously makes sense in array-world*. The following operators are readily available for arrays, or available through `.array()` for vectors and matrices:

Arithmetic operators	<code>array1 * array2</code> <code>array1 + scalar</code>	<code>array1 / array2</code> <code>array1 - scalar</code>	<code>array1 *= array2</code> <code>array1 += scalar</code>	<code>array1 /= array2</code> <code>array1 -= scalar</code>
Comparisons	<code>array1 < array2</code> <code>array1 <= array2</code> <code>array1 == array2</code> <code>array1.min(array2)</code>	<code>array1 > array2</code> <code>array1 >= array2</code> <code>array1 != array2</code> <code>array1.max(array2)</code>	<code>array1 < scalar</code> <code>array1 <= scalar</code> <code>array1 == scalar</code> <code>array1.min(scalar)</code>	<code>array1 > scalar</code> <code>array1 >= scalar</code> <code>array1 != scalar</code> <code>array1.max(scalar)</code>
Trigo, power, and misc functions and the STL-like variants	<div> <code>array1.abs2()</code> <code>array1.abs()</code> <code>array1.sqrt()</code> <code>array1.log()</code> <code>array1.log10()</code> <code>array1.exp()</code> <code>array1.pow(array2)</code> <code>array1.pow(scalar)</code> <code>array1.square()</code> <code>array1.cube()</code> <code>array1.inverse()</code> <code>array1.sin()</code> <code>array1.cos()</code> <code>array1.tan()</code> <code>array1.asin()</code> <code>array1.acos()</code> <code>array1.atan()</code> <code>array1.sinh()</code> <code>array1.cosh()</code> <code>array1.tanh()</code> <code>array1.arg()</code> <code>array1.floor()</code> <code>array1.ceil()</code> <code>array1.round()</code> <code>array1.isFinite()</code> <code>array1.isInf()</code> <code>array1.isNaN()</code> </div> <div> <code>abs(array1)</code> <code>sqrt(array1)</code> <code>log(array1)</code> <code>log10(array1)</code> <code>exp(array1)</code> <code>pow(array1, array2)</code> <code>pow(array1, scalar)</code> <code>pow(scalar, array2)</code> <code>sin(array1)</code> <code>cos(array1)</code> <code>tan(array1)</code> <code>asin(array1)</code> <code>acos(array1)</code> <code>atan(array1)</code> <code>sinh(array1)</code> <code>cosh(array1)</code> <code>tanh(array1)</code> <code>arg(array1)</code> <code>floor(array1)</code> <code>ceil(array1)</code> <code>round(array1)</code> <code>isfinite(array1)</code> <code>isinf(array1)</code> <code>isnan(array1)</code> </div>			

The following coefficient-wise operators are available for all kind of expressions (matrices, vectors, and arrays), and for both real or complex scalar types:

Eigen's API**STL-like APIs*****Comments**

```
mat1.real()
mat1.imag()
mat1.conjugate()
```

```
real(array1)
imag(array1)
conj(array1)
```

```
// read-write, no-op for real expressions
// read-only for real, read-write for complexes
// no-op for real expressions
```

Some coefficient-wise operators are readily available for for matrices and vectors through the following `cwise*` methods:

Matrix API ***Via Array conversions**

```
mat1.cwiseMin(mat2)      mat1.cwiseMin(scalar)
mat1.cwiseMax(mat2)      mat1.cwiseMax(scalar)
mat1.cwiseAbs2()
mat1.cwiseAbs()
mat1.cwiseSqrt()
mat1.cwiseInverse()
mat1.cwiseProduct(mat2)
mat1.cwiseQuotient(mat2)
mat1.cwiseEqual(mat2)    mat1.cwiseEqual(scalar)
mat1.cwiseNotEqual(mat2)
```

```
mat1.array().min(mat2.array())  mat1.array().min(scalar)
mat1.array().max(mat2.array())  mat1.array().max(scalar)
mat1.array().abs2()
mat1.array().abs()
mat1.array().sqrt()
mat1.array().inverse()
mat1.array() * mat2.array()
mat1.array() / mat2.array()
mat1.array() == mat2.array()    mat1.array() == scalar
mat1.array() != mat2.array()
```

The main difference between the two API is that the one based on `cwise*` methods returns an expression in the matrix world, while the second one (based on `.array()`) returns an array expression. Recall that `.array()` has no cost, it only changes the available API and interpretation of the data.

It is also very simple to apply any user defined function `foo` using `DenseBase::unaryExpr` together with `std::ptr_fun` (c++03), `std::ref` (c++11), or `lambdas` (c++11):

```
mat1.unaryExpr(std::ptr_fun(foo));
mat1.unaryExpr(std::ref(foo));
mat1.unaryExpr([](double x) { return foo(x); });
```

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Reductions

Eigen provides several reduction methods such as: `minCoeff()`, `maxCoeff()`, `sum()`, `prod()`, `trace()` *, `norm()` *, `squaredNorm()` *, `all()`, and `any()`. All reduction operations can be done matrix-wise, **column-wise** or **row-wise**. Usage example:

<pre>mat = 5 3 1 2 7 8 9 4 6</pre>	<code>mat.minCoeff();</code>	1
	<code>mat.colwise().minCoeff();</code>	2 3 1
	<code>mat.rowwise().minCoeff();</code>	1 2 4

Special versions of `minCoeff` and `maxCoeff`:

```
int i, j;
s = vector.minCoeff(&i); // s == vector[i]
s = matrix.maxCoeff(&i, &j); // s == matrix(i, j)
```

Typical use cases of `all()` and `any()`:

```
if((array1 > 0).all()) ... // if all coefficients of array1 are greater than 0 ...
if((array1 < array2).any()) ... // if there exist a pair i, j such that array1(i, j) < array2(i, j) ...
```

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Sub-matrices

Read-write access to a **column** or a **row** of a matrix (or array):

```
mat1.row(i) = mat2.col(j);
mat1.col(j1).swap(mat1.col(j2));
```

Read-write access to sub-vectors:

Default versions	Optimized versions when the size is known at compile time	
<code>vec1.head(n)</code>	<code>vec1.head<n>()</code>	the first n coeffs
<code>vec1.tail(n)</code>	<code>vec1.tail<n>()</code>	the last n coeffs
<code>vec1.segment(pos, n)</code>	<code>vec1.segment<n>(pos)</code>	the n coeffs in the range $[pos : pos + n - 1]$
Read-write access to sub-matrices:		
<code>mat1.block(i, j, rows, cols)</code>	<code>mat1.block<rows, cols>(i, j)</code>	the $rows \times cols$ sub-matrix starting from position (i, j)
(more)	(more)	
<code>mat1.topLeftCorner(rows, cols)</code> <code>mat1.topRightCorner(rows, cols)</code> <code>mat1.bottomLeftCorner(rows, cols)</code> <code>mat1.bottomRightCorner(rows, cols)</code>	<code>mat1.topLeftCorner<rows, cols>()</code> <code>mat1.topRightCorner<rows, cols>()</code> <code>mat1.bottomLeftCorner<rows, cols>()</code> <code>mat1.bottomRightCorner<rows, cols>()</code>	the $rows \times cols$ sub-matrix taken in one of the four corners
<code>mat1.topRows(rows)</code> <code>mat1.bottomRows(rows)</code> <code>mat1.leftCols(cols)</code> <code>mat1.rightCols(cols)</code>	<code>mat1.topRows<rows>()</code> <code>mat1.bottomRows<rows>()</code> <code>mat1.leftCols<cols>()</code> <code>mat1.rightCols<cols>()</code>	specialized versions of <code>block()</code> when the block fit two corners

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Miscellaneous operations

Reverse

Vectors, rows, and/or columns of a matrix can be reversed (see [DenseBase::reverse\(\)](#), [DenseBase::reverseInPlace\(\)](#), [VectorwiseOp::reverse\(\)](#)).

```
vec.reverse()      mat.colwise().reverse()    mat.rowwise().reverse()
vec.reverseInPlace()
```

Replicate

Vectors, matrices, rows, and/or columns can be replicated in any direction (see [DenseBase::replicate\(\)](#), [VectorwiseOp::replicate\(\)](#)).

```
vec.replicate(times)      vec.replicate<Times>()
mat.replicate(vertical_times, horizontal_times)  mat.replicate<VerticalTimes, HorizontalTimes>()
mat.colwise().replicate(vertical_times, horizontal_times)  mat.colwise().replicate<VerticalTimes, HorizontalTimes>()
mat.rowwise().replicate(vertical_times, horizontal_times)  mat.rowwise().replicate<VerticalTimes, HorizontalTimes>()
```

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Diagonal, Triangular, and Self-adjoint matrices

(matrix world *)

Diagonal matrices

Operation	Code
view a vector as a diagonal matrix	<code>mat1 = vec1.asDiagonal();</code>
Declare a diagonal matrix	<code>DiagonalMatrix<Scalar, SizeAtCompileTime> diag1(size);</code>

Access the **diagonal** and **super/sub diagonals** of a matrix as a vector (read/write)

```
diag1.diagonal() = vector;
```

```
vec1 = mat1.diagonal();          mat1.diagonal() = vec1;
// main diagonal
vec1 = mat1.diagonal(+n);        mat1.diagonal(+n) = vec1;
// n-th super diagonal
vec1 = mat1.diagonal(-n);        mat1.diagonal(-n) = vec1;
// n-th sub diagonal
vec1 = mat1.diagonal<1>();        mat1.diagonal<1>() = vec1;
// first super diagonal
vec1 = mat1.diagonal<-2>();       mat1.diagonal<-2>() =
vec1; // second sub diagonal
```

Optimized products and inverse

```
mat3 = scalar * diag1 * mat1;
mat3 += scalar * mat1 * vec1.asDiagonal();
mat3 = vec1.asDiagonal().inverse() * mat1
mat3 = mat1 * diag1.inverse()
```

Triangular views

TriangularView gives a view on a triangular part of a dense matrix and allows to perform optimized operations on it. The opposite triangular part is never referenced and can be used to store other information.

Note

The `.triangularView()` template member function requires the `template` keyword if it is used on an object of a type that depends on a template parameter; see [The template and typename keywords in C++](#) for details.

Operation

Reference to a triangular with optional unit or null diagonal (read/write):

Code

```
m.triangularView<Xxx>()
```

Xxx = **Upper, Lower, StrictlyUpper, StrictlyLower, UnitUpper, UnitLower**

Writing to a specific triangular part:
(only the referenced triangular part is evaluated)

```
m1.triangularView<Eigen::Lower>() = m2 + m3
```

Conversion to a dense matrix setting the opposite triangular part to zero:

```
m2 = m1.triangularView<Eigen::UnitUpper>()
```

Products:

```
m3 += s1 * m1.adjoint().triangularView<Eigen::UnitUpper>() * m2
m3 -= s1 * m2.conjugate() *
      m1.adjoint().triangularView<Eigen::Lower>()
```

Solving linear equations:

$$M_2 := L_1^{-1} M_2$$

$$M_3 := L_1^*^{-1} M_3$$

$$M_4 := M_4 U_1^{-1}$$

```
L1.triangularView<Eigen::UnitLower>().solveInPlace(M2)
L1.triangularView<Eigen::Lower>().adjoint().solveInPlace(M3)
U1.triangularView<Eigen::Upper>().solveInPlace<OnTheRight>(M4)
```

Symmetric/selfadjoint views

Just as for triangular matrix, you can reference any triangular part of a square matrix to see it as a selfadjoint matrix and perform special and optimized operations. Again the opposite triangular part is never referenced and can be used to store other information.

Note

The `.selfadjointView()` template member function requires the `template` keyword if it is used on an object of a type that depends on a template parameter; see [The template and typename keywords in C++](#) for details.

Operation**Code**

Conversion to a dense matrix:

```
m2 = m.selfadjointView<Eigen::Lower>();
```

Product with another general matrix or vector:

```
m3 = s1 * m1.conjugate().selfadjointView<Eigen::Upper>() * m3;
m3 -= s1 * m3.adjoint() * m1.selfadjointView<Eigen::Lower>();
```

Rank 1 and rank K update:

$upper(M_1) += s_1 M_2 M_2^*$
 $lower(M_1) -= M_2^* M_2$

```
M1.selfadjointView<Eigen::Upper>().rankUpdate(M2, s1);
M1.selfadjointView<Eigen::Lower>().rankUpdate(M2.adjoint(), -1);
```

Rank 2 update: ($M += suv^* + svu^*$)

```
M.selfadjointView<Eigen::Upper>().rankUpdate(u, v, s);
```

Solving linear equations:

($M_2 := M_1^{-1} M_2$)

```
// via a standard Cholesky factorization
m2 = m1.selfadjointView<Eigen::Upper>().llt().solve(m2);
// via a Cholesky factorization with pivoting
m2 = m1.selfadjointView<Eigen::Lower>().ldlt().solve(m2);
```