# LU Decomposition CS/SE 4X03

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## LU decomposition

- Decompose A as A = LU, where
  - $\circ \ L$  is unit lower-triangular 1's on the main diagonal, 0's above it
  - $\circ \ U$  is upper-triangular 0's below the main diagonal
- Consider solving Ax = b. From

$$Ax = LUx = b$$
$$L\underbrace{(Ux)}_{y} = b$$

we can solve first Ly = b for y and then Ux = y for x

## LU decomposition cont.

#### $A ext{ is } n \times n$

- Gauss elimination takes  $O(n^3)$  arithmetic operations
- ullet LU decomposition takes  $O(n^3)$  arithmetic operations
- Solving each of Ly=b and Ux=y takes  $O(n^2)$  arithmetic operations
- Suppose we need to solve m systems  $Ax=b^{(i)}$ ,  $i=1,\ldots,m$  A is the same, the right-hand side changes
- If we solve them with GE

 $O(mn^3)$ 

• Do LU decomposition first

 $O(n^3)$ 

• Solve  $Ly = b^{(i)}$ , Ux = y, for i = 1:mTotal LU+triangular solves  $O(mn^2)$   $O(n^3 + mn^2)$ 

# Example of LU decomposition

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{c} \times 1 & \times 3 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{array}$$

• multipliers  $l_{2,1} = 1$ ,  $l_{3,1} = 3$ 

$$M_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -8 \end{bmatrix} = A^{(1)}$$

• multiplier  $l_{3,2} = \frac{1}{2}$ 

$$M_2 A^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & -6.5 \end{bmatrix} = A^{(2)} = U$$

We have

$$M_2 A^{(1)} = (M_2 M_1) A = U$$

$$A = \underbrace{(M_1^{-1} M_2^{-1})}_{L} U$$

To compute  ${\cal M}_1^{-1}$ ,  ${\cal M}_2^{-1}$  flip the signs of nonzero entries below the main diagonal

Then

$$L = M_1^{-1} M_2^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{L} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & -6.5 \end{bmatrix}}_{U} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{A}$$

## General derivation

• Let  $l_{i,1} = a_{i,1}/a_{1,1}$  for  $l = 2, \dots n$ 

$$\underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -l_{2,1} & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -l_{3,1} & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & \\ -l_{n,1} & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} }_{M_1} \underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & a_{1,3} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & a_{2,3} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ a_{3,1} & a_{3,2} & a_{3,3} & \cdots & a_{3,n} \\ \vdots & & & & \\ a_{n,1} & a_{n,2} & a_{n,3} & \cdots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} }_{A}$$

$$= \underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & a_{1,3} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ 0 & a_{2,2}^{(1)} & a_{2,3}^{(1)} & \cdots & a_{2,n}^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{3,2}^{(1)} & a_{3,3}^{(1)} & \cdots & a_{3,n}^{(1)} \\ \vdots & & & & \\ 0 & a_{n,2}^{(1)} & a_{n,3}^{(1)} & \cdots & a_{n,n}^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} }_{A(1)}$$

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• Let 
$$l_{i,2} = a_{i,2}^{(1)}/a_{2,2}^{(1)}$$
 for  $l = 3, \dots n$ 

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -l_{3,2} & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & \\ 0 & -l_{n,2} & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{M_2} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & a_{1,3} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ 0 & a_{2,2}^{(1)} & a_{2,3}^{(1)} & \cdots & a_{2,n}^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{3,2}^{(1)} & a_{3,3}^{(1)} & \cdots & a_{3,n}^{(1)} \\ \vdots & & & & \\ 0 & a_{n,2}^{(1)} & a_{n,3}^{(1)} & \cdots & a_{n,n}^{(1)} \end{bmatrix}}_{A^{(1)}}$$

$$= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & a_{1,3} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ 0 & a_{2,2}^{(1)} & a_{2,3}^{(1)} & \cdots & a_{2,n}^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{3,2}^{(2)} & a_{3,3}^{(2)} & \cdots & a_{3,n}^{(2)} \\ \vdots & & & & \\ \vdots & & & & \\ 0 & a_{n,2}^{(2)} & a_{n,3}^{(2)} & \cdots & a_{n,n}^{(2)} \end{bmatrix}}_{A^{(2)}}$$

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- $M_2A^{(1)} = M_2M_1A = A^{(2)}$
- Continuing in this way

$$M_{n-1}\cdots M_2M_1A = A^{(n-1)} = U$$

which is upper triangular

• Multiplying by  $M_i^{-1}$  both sides

$$A = \underbrace{\left(M_1^{-1} M_2^{-1} \cdots M_{n-1}^{-1}\right)}_{L} U$$

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#### • $M_i$ is of the form

$$M_i^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & l_{i+1,i} & 1 & & \\ & & l_{i+2,i} & & \ddots & \\ & & \vdots & & \ddots & \\ & & l_{n,i} & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$