

# GAUSSIAN ELIMINATION

## EXAMPLE

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 3 & 1 \\ 8 & 7 & 9 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 & 9 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$L_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ -2 & 1 & & \\ -4 & & 1 & \\ -3 & & & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 5 & 5 \\ 4 & 6 & 8 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$L_2 L_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ -3 & 1 & & \\ -4 & & 1 & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$L_3 L_2 L_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = U$$

WHAT ABOUT  $L$ ? IF  $A = LU$

$$L^{-1} = L_3 L_2 L_1$$

$$\Rightarrow L = L_1^{-1} L_2^{-1} L_3^{-1}$$

$$L_1^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ -2 & 1 & & \\ -4 & & 1 & \\ -3 & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ 2 & 1 & & \\ 4 & & 1 & \\ 3 & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

FOR  $L_k^{-1}$  JUST REPLACE  
~~VALUE~~ VALUES BELOW  $l_{kk}$   
 BY  $-1$  TIMES THE VALUE.

$$L = L_1^{-1} L_2^{-1} L_3^{-1}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ 2 & 1 & & \\ 4 & & 1 & \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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TO GET  $L$ , SIMPLY NEED ④  
 TO COMPILE ALL THE SUBDIAGONAL  
 ENTRIES OF  $L_k^{-1}$  IN ONE  
 MIN-ZERO MATRIX!

RECALL:

MQS WE SAID WAS  
 TRIANGULAR ORTHOGONALIZATION

HOUSEHOLDER WE SAID WAS  
 ORTHOGONAL TRIANGULARIZATION.

GAUSSIAN ELIMINATION IS  
 TRIANGULAR TRIANGULARIZATION.

## GENERAL FORMULA

LET  $x_k$  BE THE  $k$ TH  
COLUMN OF THE MATRIX  
AT THE  $k$ TH STEP.

$$x_k = \begin{bmatrix} x_{1k} \\ \vdots \\ x_{kk} \\ x_{k+1,k} \\ \vdots \\ x_{mk} \end{bmatrix}$$

WOULD LIKE  $L_k$  SUCH THAT

$$L_k x_k = \begin{bmatrix} x_{1k} \\ \vdots \\ x_{kk} \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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TO DO THIS, WE MUST HAVE

$$l_{jk} = \frac{x_{jk}}{x_{kk}} \quad \text{for } j = k+1, \dots, m$$

SO THAT

$$L_k = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & -l_{k+1,k} & \ddots \\ & & \vdots & & 1 \\ & & -l_{mk} & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

THEN CAN WRITE

$$L_k = I - l_k e_k^*$$

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WHERE

$$l_k = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ l_{k+1,k} \\ \vdots \\ l_{m,k} \end{bmatrix}$$

AND  $e_k$  IS THE VECTOR  
WITH  $k$ TH ENTRY 1 AND  
0 ~~ELSEWHERE~~ ELSEWHERE.

SINCE,  $e_k^* l_k = 0$

$$(I - l_k e_k^*)(I + l_k e_k^*) = I$$

THUS,

$$L_k^{-1} = I + l_k e_k^*$$

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$$L_k^{-1} L_{k+1}^{-1} = (I + l_k e_k^*)(I + l_{k+1} e_{k+1}^*)$$

$$= I + l_k e_k^* + l_{k+1} e_{k+1}^*$$

SINCE  $e_k^* l_{k+1} = 0$ .

THUS,

$$L = L_1^{-1} L_2^{-1} \dots L_{m-1}^{-1}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ l_{21} & 1 & & \\ \vdots & l_{32} & \ddots & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots \\ l_{m1} & l_{m2} & \dots & l_{m,m-1} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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# GAUSSIAN ELIMINATION ALGORITHM

$$A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m} \text{ (square)}$$

$$U = A$$

$$L = I$$

for  $k=1$  to  $m-1$

for  $j=k+1$  to  $m$

$$l_{jk} = u_{jk} / u_{kk}$$

$$(*) \quad u_{j,k:m} = u_{j,k:m} - l_{jk} u_{k,k:m}$$

END FOR

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## OPERATION COUNT

WORK DOMINATED BY LINE (\*)

CONSISTS OF:

(i)  $m-k+1 : \times$

(ii)  $m-k+1 : -$

$2(m-k+1)$  FLOPS EVERY TIME  
(\*) IS REACHED. (10)

$$\# \text{ OF FLOPS} \sim \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \sum_{j=k+1}^m 2(m-k+1)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} 2(m-k+1) \underbrace{\sum_{j=k+1}^m 1}_{m-k}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} 2(m-k+1)(m-k)$$

$$\sim \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} 2m^2 - 4mk + 2k^2$$

$$\sim 2m^3 - \frac{4m^3}{2} + \frac{2}{3}m^3$$

$$\# \text{ OF FLOPS} \sim \frac{2}{3}m^3$$