

MA-110 Linear Algebra and Differential Equations

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- If a $n \times n$ matrix is invertible it has n -pivots.
- Elementary matrix $E_{ij}(\lambda)$ is a matrix corresponding to adding λ multiple of the j^{th} row to the i^{th} row. Its inverse corresponds to adding λ multiple of the j^{th} row to the i^{th} row, $E_{ij}(-\lambda)$.
- Permutation matrices P_{ij} are matrices which correspond to row exchanges. Product of any matrices of this form is also called a permutation matrix. The inverse of the matrix P_{ij} is P_{ij} .
- Note that P_{ij} is a symmetric matrix.
- Any square matrix without row exchanges can be written as a product of a lower triangular and upper triangular matrix.

Triangular Factorization

Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -6 & 0 \\ -2 & 7 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. Note that each $E_{ij}(a)$ is a *lower triangular*. Product of lower triangular matrices is lower triangular. In particular L is lower triangular, where

$$L = E_{21}(2) E_{31}(-1) E_{32}(-1) =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Observe: L is lower triangular with diagonal entries 1 and *below the diagonals* are **the multipliers**.
(2, -1, -1 in the earlier example).

LU Decomposition

If A is an $n \times n$ matrix, *with no row interchanges needed* in the Gaussian elimination of A , then $A = LU$, where

- U is an upper triangular matrix, which is obtained by forward elimination, with non-zero diagonal entries as pivots.
- L is a lower triangular with diagonal entries 1 and with the multipliers needed in the elimination algorithm below the diagonals.

Q: What happens if row exchanges are required?

LU Decomposition: with Row Exchanges

Example: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$. A can not be factored as LU . (Why?)

How to verify?

The 1st step in the Gaussian elimination of A is a row exchange.

$$P_{12} A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now elimination can be carried out without row exchanges.

- If A is an $n \times n$ non-singular matrix, then there is a matrix P which is a permutation matrix (needed to take care of row exchanges in the elimination process) such that $\boxed{PA = LU}$, where L and U are as defined earlier. Why?

Q: What happens when A is an $m \times n$ matrix? **A:** Coming Soon!

Application 1: Solving systems of equations

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -2 & -12 & -5 \\ 1 & -6 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -8 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

To solve $Ax = b$, we can solve two triangular systems

$Lc = b$ and $Ux = c$. Then $Ax = LUx = Lc = b$.

$$\text{Take } b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ First solve } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We get $c_1 = 1$, $-2c_1 + c_2 = 2 \Rightarrow c_2 = 4$, and similarly $c_3 = 0$.

$$\text{Now solve } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -8 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We get $w = 0$, $v = -1/2$, $u = 2$.

Applications: 2. Invertibility of a Matrix

Let A be $n \times n$, P , L and U as before be such that $PA = LU$.

- P is invertible and $P^{-1} = P^T \Rightarrow A = P^{-1}LU$.
- L is lower triangular, with diagonal entries 1 $\Rightarrow L$ is invertible.

Q: What is L^{-1} ? e.g., Try $L = E_{21}(2)E_{31}(-1)E_{32}(-1)$ first.

- The non-zero diagonal entries of U are the pivots of A .

Thus, A invertible $\Rightarrow A$ has n pivots

\Rightarrow all diagonal entries of U are non-zero $\Rightarrow U$ is invertible.

Why? Hint: U^T is invertible.

Conversely, suppose U is invertible. Then A is invertible and has n pivots. Why? Moreover, $A^{-1} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

We have proved:

A is invertible $\Leftrightarrow U$ is invertible $\Leftrightarrow A$ has n pivots.

Computing the Inverse

Observe: $A = LU \Rightarrow A^{-1} = U^{-1} L^{-1}.$

Example: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -6 & 0 \\ -2 & 7 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ is invertible. Find A^{-1} .

If $A^{-1} = (x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3)$, where x_i is the i -th column of A^{-1} , then $AA^{-1} = I$ gives three systems of linear equations

$$Ax_1 = e_1, \quad Ax_2 = e_2, \quad Ax_3 = e_3$$

where e_i is the i -th column of I . Since the coefficient matrix A is same in three systems, we can solve them simultaneously as follows:

Calculation of A^{-1} : Gauss-Jordan Method

Steps: $(A|I) \longrightarrow (U|L^{-1}) \longrightarrow (I|U^{-1}L^{-1})$.

$$\begin{aligned}(A | e_1 \quad e_2 \quad e_3) &= \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & -6 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 7 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \\ &\xrightarrow[R_3+R_1]{R_2-2R_1} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -8 & -2 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \\ &\xrightarrow{R_3+R_2} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -8 & -2 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \\ &= (U | L^{-1}).\end{aligned}$$

Calculation of A^{-1} (Contd.)

Steps: $(A|I) \longrightarrow (U|L^{-1}) \longrightarrow (I|U^{-1}L^{-1})$.

$$(U|L^{-1}) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -8 & -2 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} R_2 + 2R_3 \\ R_1 - R_3 \end{array} \longrightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -8 & 0 & -4 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_1 + \frac{1}{8}R_2} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 0 & 0 & 12/8 & -5/8 & -6/8 \\ 0 & -8 & 0 & -4 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\text{Divide by pivots} \longrightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 12/16 & -5/16 & -6/16 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 4/8 & -3/8 & -2/8 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$= (I | U^{-1}L^{-1}) = (I | A^{-1})$$

Echelon Form

Recall: If A is $n \times n$, then $PA = LU$, where P is a product of permutation matrices, L is lower triangular, U is upper triangular, and all of size $n \times n$.

Q: What happens when A is not a square matrix?

Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 8 & 12 \\ 3 & 6 & 7 & 13 \end{pmatrix}$. By elimination, we see:

$$A \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = U.$$

$$\text{Thus } A = LU, \text{ where } L = E_{21}(2)E_{31}(3)E_{32}(-1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Echelon Form

If A is $m \times n$, we can find P , L and U as before. In this case, L and P will be $m \times m$ and U will be $m \times n$.

U has the following properties:

- 1 Pivots are the 1st nonzero entries in their rows.
- 2 Entries below pivots are zero, by elimination.
- 3 Each pivot lies to the right of the pivot in the row above.
- 4 Zero rows are at the bottom of the matrix.

U is called an *echelon form* of A .

Find all possible 2×2 echelon forms: Let \bullet = pivot entry.