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Ex: Solve the following linear system in 4 digit arithmetic via Gaussian Elimination

$$\begin{cases} 10^{-4} x_1 + 20x_2 = 30 \\ 10 x_1 + 10 x_2 = 40 \end{cases}$$

Soln:

$$\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 10^{-4} & 20 & : & 30 \\ 10 & 10 & : & 40 \end{array} \right] \\ \textcircled{2} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 10^4 & 20 & : & 30 \\ 0 & -2 \times 10^6 & : & -3 \times 10^6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{3}{2} \quad x_1 = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \rightarrow \textcircled{2} - \frac{10}{10^{-4}} \textcircled{1}$$

replace

$$10 - \underbrace{10^5(20)}_{2 \times 10^6} = \overset{\leftarrow}{\text{4 digit Arith}} -2 \times 10^6$$

Exact soln: $x_2 = 1.49999$

$$x_1 = 2.50001$$

While x_2 is close, x_1 is completely incorrect.

How can fix this?

let's swap the rows

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 10 & 10 & 40 \\ 10^{-4} & 20 & 30 \end{array} \right] \quad (2) \rightarrow (2) - \frac{10^4}{10} \cdot (1)$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 10 & 10 & 40 \\ 0 & 20 & 30 \end{array} \right] \quad 20 - 10^{-5} \cdot 10 = 20 \text{ in 4 digit arithmetic}$$

$$x_2 = 3/2 \quad x_1 = \frac{1}{10} (40 - 10(3/2)) = 2.5$$

This is much better! 

$$\frac{|x_2 - 1.49999|}{|1.49999|} \sim O(10^{-4})$$

$$\frac{|x_1 - 2.50001|}{|2.50001|} \sim O(10^{-4})$$

This swapping of rows is called row pivoting.

How do we choose which row swap?

$$A = \left[\begin{matrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{matrix} \right]$$

magnitude

$$[a_{11} \dots a_{nn}]$$

in magnitude

Pick the biggest entry¹ in the 1st column
 { Swap the correspond row to the 1st row.

Let row k have the largest a_{ki} entry
 Then swap row k \Rightarrow row 1

What is the matrix that swaps row k \Rightarrow
 row 1?

$$PA \quad \text{Where } P \text{ is the permutation matrix}$$

kth column

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} & & & & 1 & & & \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \\ 1 & & & & & & & \\ \vdots & & & & & & & \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \end{bmatrix}$$

kth row \Rightarrow

What if I need to row pivot for the second column?

row j has largest $|a_{j2}|$ entry.

Then swap row 2 \Rightarrow row j

Permutation matrix

$$P_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & & \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$'2 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -0 & 1 & 0 & - & - & 0 \\ \vdots & 0 & 1 & 0 & - & - & - & 0 \\ & & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & , \\ & & & & \ddots & \ddots & , \end{bmatrix}$$

$P_2 P A \Leftarrow$ Swaps row k \Rightarrow 1
 \Downarrow row j \Rightarrow 2

After you're done w/ your pivoting you get

$$PA = LU$$

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pivot or permutation matrix

$$P = P_{n-1} \cdots P_2 P_1$$

How do you solve a linear system w/ pivoted LU?

Goal : Solve $Ax = b$

We know $PA = LU$

Multiply by P

$PAx = Pb \leftarrow$ Move the rows so they are better ordered for LU stability

Now Solve $LUx = Pb$

\tilde{y}

1st solve $Ly = Pb$

2nd Solve $Ux = \tilde{y}$

The Software package that does LU & other basic linear algebra is called LAPACK.

Input : $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

Output : P - permutation matrix

LU - overwritten into the A matrix

that was inputted.

$$LU = \begin{bmatrix} u_{11} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdots & u_{1n} \\ l_{21} & \ddots & \cdot & \cdot & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{n1} & \cdots & \cdots & l_{n,n-1} & u_{nn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} & & & U \\ & L^{\text{ish}} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ \cdot & 0 & & \\ L^{\text{ish}} & \cdot & \ddots & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is more stable than LU w/out pivots
but this is not the most stable version of LU.

To create the most stable LU, you need to do complete pivoting. This involves both row & column pivots.

How does this work? Suppose we are processing

$$k^{\text{th}} \text{ row} \Rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|ccccc} & & & & & \\ & & \downarrow & & & \\ & & k^{\text{th}} \text{ column} & & & \\ & & \hline & \ddots & & \\ & & \hline & A(k, n:n) & & \\ & & \hline & A(k:n, k) & & \end{array} \right)$$

(column k).

1st check $A(k, k:n)$ ^① $\geq A(k:n, k)$ for the largest entry (in magnitude)

If the largest entry is in ①, then it is a column swap. Then check if row swap is needed.

If the largest entry is in ②, then do a row swap.

The result of the factorization is

$$P A Q = L U$$

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row permutations column permutations

If I want to solve $Ax = b$, what do we need to do to be able to use the LU?

$$\underbrace{PAQQ^T}_{\text{LU}} x = Pb$$

$$LU w = Pb$$

$$\text{Solve } Ly = Pb$$

$$\text{Solve } Uw = y$$

$$\text{Solve } Q^{-1}x = w \rightarrow x = Qw \quad \text{*reorder the answer from LU solve}$$

Note You never need to make Q^{-1}