

# LU Factorization Reference Note

Factor the matrix  $A$  to lower  $L$  and upper  $U$  triangle matrices

$$\begin{aligned}Ax &= b \\LUx &= b \\ \text{let } Ux &= y \\ \textcolor{red}{x} &= U^{-1}y \\ Ly &= b \\ y &= L^{-1}b \\ \textcolor{red}{x} &= U^{-1}y = U^{-1}L^{-1}b\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ 0 & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a_{33}x_3 = b_3$$

$$\textcolor{red}{x}_3 = \frac{b_3}{\textcolor{blue}{a}_{33}}$$

$$a_{22}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 = b_2$$

$$a_{22}x_2 = b_2 - a_{13}\textcolor{red}{x}_3$$

$$a_{22}x_2 = b_2 - a_{13}\left(\frac{b_3}{a_{33}}\right)$$

$$\textcolor{red}{x}_2 = \frac{b_2 - a_{13}\left(\frac{b_3}{a_{33}}\right)}{\textcolor{blue}{a}_{22}}$$

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 = b_1$$

$$a_{11}x_1 = b_1 - (a_{11}x_2 + a_{12}x_3)$$

$$x_1 = \frac{b_1 - (a_{11}x_2 + a_{12}x_3)}{a_{11}}$$

$$\textcolor{red}{x}_1 = \frac{b_1 - \left(a_{11}\frac{b_2 - a_{13}\frac{b_3}{a_{33}}}{a_{22}} + a_{12}\frac{b_3}{a_{33}}\right)}{\textcolor{blue}{a}_{11}}$$

## 1 Backward substitute

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void backsub(int[][] a, int[] x, int[] b){
    for(int i=n-1; i >= 0; i--){
        Double s = 0.0
        for(int j=n-1; j >= i; j--){
            if(j == i){
                x[i] = (b[i] - s)/a[i][j]
            } if(j > i){
                s += a[i][j]*x[j];
            }
        }
    }
}
```

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