

# Computing LU Decomp

We start with an example:

$$A = L \cdot U$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -6 & -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} l_{11} & 0 \\ l_{21} & l_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} \\ 0 & u_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

From this we get equations:

$$u_{11} \cdot l_{11} = 3$$

$$u_{12} \cdot l_{11} = 1$$

$$u_{11} \cdot l_{21} = -6$$

$$l_{21}u_{12} + l_{22} \cdot u_{22} = -4$$

We see here that we have a choice:

$l_{11}$  appears in the two top equations  
but not again!

We can choose any  $l_{11} \neq 0$ .

L U decomp is not unique!

Let  $l_{11} = 1$ , then we get  $u_{11} = 3$ ,  $u_{12} = 1$

&  $l_{21} = -2$ .

Again we have a choice for  $l_{22}$ , so pick

$l_{22} = 1$   $\Rightarrow$   $u_{22} = -2$ . Hence

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -6 & -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= L \cdot U$$

Note if we insist on 1s on diagonal  $\Rightarrow$  UNIQUE!

In 3-dim we get the following:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ l_{12} & 1 & 0 \\ l_{13} & l_{23} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} & u_{13} \\ 0 & u_{22} & u_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & u_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$u_{33} = a_{33} - l_{31}u_{13} - l_{32}u_{23} = \sum_{n=1}^2 l_{3n}u_{n3}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} & u_{13} \\ \underline{l_{21}u_{11}} & \underline{l_{21}u_{12} + u_{22}} & \underline{l_{21}u_{13} + u_{23}} \\ \underline{l_{31}u_{11}} & \underline{l_{31}u_{12} + l_{32}u_{22}} & \boxed{\underline{l_{31}u_{13} + l_{32}u_{23}} + u_{33}} \end{pmatrix} \quad 6 \text{ ops}$$

$$l_{21} = \frac{a_{21}}{u_{11}} \quad a_{33} \quad || \quad a_{33}$$

For general case, see Book 2 p.13 Procedure 2.

$$u_{ij} = a_{ij} \quad l_{ii} = \frac{a_{ii}}{u_{ii}}$$

Note this is just row reduction!

For example:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -6 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 \mapsto R_2 + 2R_1}} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = U$$

We express this as matrices:

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Row reduction matrices}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -6 & -4 \end{pmatrix}}_{E} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Row reduction  
matrices

$$\text{Thus } L = E^{-1}$$

When is there an LU decompt?

Moral: Whenever a matrix  $A$  is non-singular (ie  $\det(A) \neq 0$ ) there is an LU decompt.

Example: Solve  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\underline{\underline{A}} \cdot \underline{\underline{x}} = \underline{\underline{b}}$$

We can, but our algorithm can't!

Suppose  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ l_{11} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} \\ 0 & u_{22} \end{pmatrix}$

Then  $u_{11} = 0$   $\Rightarrow$   $\det U = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\det(A)} = \underline{\det(LU)} = \underline{\det(L)\det(U)} = 0 \quad \text{X}$$

We solve this via (partial) pivoting.

Let  $P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , then

$$PA \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = P \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}}_{= \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}}$$

It's just permuting rows so that  
no  $a_{ii}$  is ever 0.

Theorem A a non-singular matrix.

$\exists!$  U upper  $\Delta$ , L lower  $\Delta$  w/ 1s on diag  
& P permutation matrix s.t.

$$\underline{PA = LU} .$$