

2072U Computational Science I

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6. Systems of linear equations
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8. Gaussian elimination
9. LU decomposition

Newton iteration can be generalized to n equations with n unknowns.

Alternative derivation in 1D:

$$f(x + \delta x) \approx f(x) + f'(x)\delta x = 0 \Rightarrow \delta x = -\frac{f(x)}{f'(x)}$$

Now in 2D. We want to find x_1 and x_2 such that

$$f_1(x_1, x_2) = 0$$

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Note that, in general, we need **the same number of equations and unknowns** to find (isolated) solutions...

$$f_1(x_1 + \delta x_1, x_2 + \delta x_2) \approx f_1(x_1, x_2) + \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}(x_1, x_2)\delta x_1 + \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2}(x_1, x_2)\delta x_2$$

$$f_2(x_1 + \delta x_1, x_2 + \delta x_2) \approx f_2(x_1, x_2) + \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1}(x_1, x_2)\delta x_1 + \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2}(x_1, x_2)\delta x_2$$

In matrix form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}(x_1, x_2) & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2}(x_1, x_2) \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1}(x_1, x_2) & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2}(x_1, x_2) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \delta x_1 \\ \delta x_2 \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x_1, x_2) \\ f_2(x_1, x_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

We need to solve a system of linear equations of the form:

$$\begin{aligned} a_{1,1}x_1 + a_{1,2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{1,n}x_n &= b_1 \\ a_{2,1}x_1 + a_{2,2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{2,n}x_n &= b_2 \\ &\vdots \\ a_{n,1}x_1 + a_{n,2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{n,n}x_n &= b_n \end{aligned}$$

or in matrix form:

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$$

where $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is a matrix, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are the unknowns, and $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Example for $n = 4$ (i.e. with 4 unknowns: x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 .)

$$x_1 + 2x_2 - 4x_3 + x_4 = 1$$

$$3x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + 4x_4 = 3$$

$$x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 - x_4 = -1$$

$$2x_1 - x_2 - x_3 + 3x_4 = 2$$

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where

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -4 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

How do we solve such a system of linear equations?

Central questions:

- ▶ What is Gaussian elimination? LU decomposition?
- ▶ How is LU decomposition related to Gaussian elimination?
- ▶ How is an LU decomposition $A = LU$ computed?
- ▶ For any square $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, does a decomposition $A = LU$ exist?

In Python (use SciPy): `import scipy,`
`import scipy.linalg`

Matrices

- ▶ Matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ is rectangular array of numbers

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,n-1} & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,n-1} & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m-1,1} & a_{m-1,2} & \cdots & a_{m-1,n-1} & a_{m-1,n} \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \cdots & a_{m,n-1} & a_{m,n} \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ Numbers $a_{i,j}$ = **elements of A** = **entries of A** .
- ▶ First index (i) of element $a_{i,j}$ = **row index**.
- ▶ Second index (j) of element $a_{i,j}$ = **column index**.

Example: `A = np.array([[1,2],[3,4]])`

Vectors

- ▶ n -vector: “skinny” matrix (dimension $n \times 1$ or $1 \times n$)

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{x}^T = (x_1, \ x_2, \ \cdots, \ x_{n-1}, \ x_n)$$

- ▶ Elements $x_i =$ components of \mathbf{x} .
- ▶ Convention: vectors generically **column** vectors
assume $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ means $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$.
- ▶ To SCIPY, scalars are vectors of length 1 and also matrices of dimension 1×1 .

Special matrices

Zero matrix $0 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

$$\forall A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \quad A + 0 = 0 + A = A, \text{ where } 0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Identity matrix $I \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \quad AI = IA = A, \text{ where } I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Examples: `scipy.zeros((3,2))`, `scipy.identity(3)`

Special vectors

- ▶ **Coordinate vectors**: all 0s, one 1.
- ▶ **k^{th} -coordinate vector** is

$$\mathbf{e}_k := \mathbf{I}_{:,k} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1},$$

i.e., k^{th} column of $\mathbf{I} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$.

- ▶ Convenient notation for matrix algorithms.

$$\mathbf{e}_k = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Example with $n = 4$:

```
I=scipy.identity(4)
e1=I[:, [0]], e2=I[:, [1]]
e3=I[:, [2]], e4=I[:, [3]]
```

Matrix transpose

If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $C = A^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ is

$$c_{i,j} = a_{j,i} \quad (1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq m)$$

$$\text{e.g., } \begin{bmatrix} -7 & -5 & 6 \\ -1 & -8 & 10 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} -7 & -1 \\ -5 & -8 \\ 6 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Use `SCIPY.TRANSPOSE` or `.T` for the transpose of matrices:

```
A = np.array([[ -7, -5, 6], [-1, -8, 10]])
C = scipy.transpose(A)
C = A.T
```

- If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ satisfies $A = A^T$, A is said to be **symmetric**.

Scalar multiplication

If $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ and $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $C = \mu A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ is

$$c_{i,j} = \mu a_{i,j} \quad (i = 1:m, j = 1:n)$$

e.g.,
$$3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -3 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 \\ -9 & 3/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Scalar multiplication in SciPy/NumPy uses operator \star

```
A=np.array([[1,-2],[-3,0.5]])
B=3*A
```

Matrix addition

If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, **matrix sum** $C = A + B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ is

$$c_{i,j} = a_{i,j} + b_{i,j} \quad (i = 1:m, j = 1:n)$$

e.g.,
$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & -3 & 3 \\ 4 & -5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 5 & 2 \\ -9 & -3 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 5 \\ -5 & -8 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ Matrix addition in SciPy uses operator +

```
A=np.array([[ -2.0, -3, 3], [4, -5, -3]])
```

```
B=np.array([[ 7.0, 5, 2], [-9, -3, 8]])
```

```
C=A+B
```

- ▶ Matrices **must** be conformable (same shape) for addition.

Matrix multiplication

If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times s}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{s \times n}$, **matrix product** $C = AB \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ is

$$c_{i,j} = \sum_{k=1}^s a_{i,k} b_{k,j} \quad (i = 1:m, j = 1:n)$$

e.g.,
$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 5 & -4 \\ -4 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 21 & 20 & 2 \\ 9 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ In SCIPY: `scipy.dot(A, B)` or `scipy.matmul(A, B)`
- ▶ Requires A and B satisfies
`scipy.shape(A)[1] == scipy.shape(B)[0]`.
- ▶ Note: $AB \neq BA$ in general!

Matrix inverse

Square matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is **invertible** (or **regular** or **nonsingular**) if there exists $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ such that

$$AB = BA = I$$

Inverse of A is unique and denoted A^{-1} ; A must be square,

$$\text{e.g., } \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -2 & 4 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \\ -4 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/8 & -3/4 & -1/2 \\ 1/24 & -7/12 & -1/6 \\ 1/3 & -2/3 & -1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Use routine `scipy.linalg.inv` for computing matrix inverse:

```
A=np.array([[ -2, -3, 3], [4, -5, -3]])
B=scipy.linalg.inv(A)
```


Algebra

For any scalars $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$:

1. $A + 0 = 0 + A = A$
2. $IA = AI = A$
3. $A(B + C) = AB + AC$ for any $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times s}$; $B, C \in \mathbb{R}^{s \times n}$
4. $(AB)C = A(BC)$ for any $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times l}$, $C \in \mathbb{R}^{l \times n}$
5. $\mu(AB) = (\mu A)B = A(\mu B)$ for any $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times s}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{s \times n}$
6. $(\mu A)^T = \mu A^T$
7. $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$ for any matrices $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$
8. $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$ for any $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times s}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{s \times n}$
9. $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$ for any invertible $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

Theorem (Nonsingular matrix properties)

For $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, the following properties are equivalent:

1. The inverse of A exists; i.e., A is nonsingular
2. $\det(A) \neq 0$
3. For every $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has unique solution $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$
4. $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$
5. The rows of A form a basis for \mathbb{R}^n
6. The columns of A form a basis for \mathbb{R}^n
7. The map $\{A : \mathbb{R}^n \text{ into } \mathbb{R}^n\}$ is one-to-one (injective)
8. The map $\{A : \mathbb{R}^n \text{ into } \mathbb{R}^n\}$ is onto (surjective)
9. 0 is not an eigenvalue of A

- ▶ Rule for matrix multiplication permits representation of linear systems of equations using matrices and vectors.
- ▶ e.g., linear system of equations

$$2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 4$$

$$4x_1 + 3x_2 + 3x_3 + x_4 = 11$$

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can be written as $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ with

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 3 & 1 \\ 8 & 7 & 9 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 & 9 & 8 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{x}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 11 \\ 29 \\ 30 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{b}}$$

We can solve linear systems of equations in SciPy with the `linalg` module using

`scipy.linalg.solve`.

► Simplest use:

```
In [1]: import scipy
In [2]: A = np.array([[7.0, 5.0, 2.0],
                    [-3.0, 1.0, 0.0], [0.0, 12.0, -3.0]])
In [3]: b = np.array([[3.0], [-4.0], [0.0]])
In [4]: x = scipy.linalg.solve(A, b)
```

► `scipy.linalg` actually calls the LAPACK and BLAS routines - optimized for your hardware under Linux.

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Solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$

Never solve linear systems by computing A^{-1} and $\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$!

Use SciPy's built-in solvers that avoid inverting matrices.

We will see that computing A^{-1} explicitly is *slow* and often leads to *large numerical error*.

Diagonal systems:

- ▶ Given vector $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_n)^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$, and diagonal matrix D , wish to solve linear system of equations $D\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$, i.e.,

$$\begin{bmatrix} d_1 & & & \\ & d_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & d_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ Solution of $D\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ directly computable:

$$x_k = \frac{b_k}{d_k} \quad (d_k \neq 0, k = 1:n)$$

Solve the linear system of equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & & \\ & 3 & \\ & & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2x_1 = 5 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_1 = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$3x_2 = 9 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_2 = \frac{9}{3} = 3$$

$$-4x_3 = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_3 = -\frac{1}{4}$$

Equations are completely decoupled.

Upper triangular systems:

- ▶ Given $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_n)^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and U upper triangular, wish to solve linear system of equations $U\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$, i.e.,

$$\begin{bmatrix} U_{1,1} & U_{1,2} & \cdots & U_{1,n} \\ & U_{2,2} & \cdots & U_{2,n} \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & U_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ Solution of $U\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ through **backward substitution**:

$$x_k = \frac{1}{U_{k,k}} \left(b_k - \sum_{j=k+1}^n U_{k,j} x_j \right) \quad (k = 1 : n)$$

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$$-4x_3 = 1 \Rightarrow x_3 = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$3x_2 + 5x_3 = 9 \Rightarrow x_2 = \frac{1}{3} \left(9 - 5 \left(-\frac{1}{4} \right) \right) = \frac{41}{12}$$

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 - 2x_3 = 5 \Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{1}{2} \left(5 - 3 \left(\frac{41}{12} \right) + 2 \left(-\frac{1}{4} \right) \right) = -\frac{23}{8}$$

Lower triangular systems:

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$$\begin{bmatrix} L_{1,1} & & & \\ L_{2,1} & L_{2,2} & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ L_{n,1} & L_{n,2} & \cdots & L_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ Solution of $L\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ through **forward substitution**:

$$x_k = \frac{1}{L_{k,k}} \left(b_k - \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} L_{k,j} x_j \right) \quad (k = 1:n)$$

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$$-2x_1 + 5x_2 - 4x_3 = 1 \Rightarrow x_3 = -\frac{1}{4} \left(1 + 2 \left(\frac{5}{2} \right) - 5 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right) = -\frac{7}{8}$$

Gaussian elimination

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Central Idea

Reduce square system of linear equations to upper triangular system by sequence of elementary row operations.

Example:

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- ▶ Write system as $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ with

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 3 & 1 \\ 8 & 7 & 9 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 & 9 & 8 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 11 \\ 29 \\ 30 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Each stage of elimination amounts to multiplying A on the left by unit lower triangular matrix with negatives of multipliers in pivot column.

In our example:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 & 5 \\ 0 & 4 & 6 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 3 & 1 \\ 8 & 7 & 9 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = L_1 A$$

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So that, finally,

$$L_3 L_2 L_1 A = U \text{ or } A = (L_3 L_2 L_1)^{-1} U = L_1^{-1} L_2^{-1} L_3^{-1} U = L U$$

where

$$L = L_1^{-1} L_2^{-1} L_3^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

If two matrices are lower (upper) triangular, then so is their product and their inverse!

Note, because L_1 , L_2 , and L_3 are matrix representations of elementary row operations, their inverses are easy to find, and thus L is easy to find.

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LU Decomposition

A pair of matrices L and U with the properties above is an **LU decomposition** (or **LU factorisation** or **Gauss factorisation**) of A .

Procedure for LU decomposition

1. Start by writing down $n \times n$ matrix A and identity matrix.
 2. Carry out steps of Gaussian elimination, transforming A to upper triangular (“row echelon”) form.
 3. At each stage of elimination, write multiplier $m_{k,\ell}$ in (k, ℓ) position of identity matrix ($k = 1 : n - 1, \ell = k + 1 : n$).
 4. At end, result is upper triangular U and unit lower triangular L .
- ▶ Even if A invertible, procedure above may not work.
 - ▶ Pivoting required for some matrices (see Lec 6).

Example: Start from square matrix A and an identity matrix

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

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

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

We now have triangular factors L and U such that $LU = A$

Pseudo-code for LU decomposition:

LU decomposition without pivoting

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

$U \leftarrow A, L \leftarrow I$

(initialise matrices)

for $j = 1 : n - 1$

(loop through pivot columns)

for $i = j + 1 : n$

$L_{i,j} \leftarrow U_{i,j} / U_{j,j}$

(store multiplier in L matrix)

$U_{i,j:n} \leftarrow U_{i,j:n} - L_{i,j} U_{j,j:n}$

(update row i of U matrix)

end for

end for

Output: Matrices L and U

Existence of LU decomposition $A = LU$.

Proposition

For a given nonsingular matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, the LU decomposition $A = LU$ exists and is unique iff all the leading principal submatrices of A are nonsingular.

Note: a *leading submatrix* is obtained from a matrix A by extracting its first k rows and columns: $A(1 : k, 1 : k)$.

- ▶ LU decomposition $A = LU$ has L unit lower triangular and U upper triangular
- ▶ Not always possible to find $A = LU$ for A nonsingular
- ▶ When A nonsingular, **always** possible to find permutation P such that $PA = LU$, i.e., so that PA has a Gauss (LU) factorisation