

# Q 1.9 Bordered Algorithm for computing Cholesky factorization

Given  $A$  is symmetric Positive definite Matrix.

lets Consider  $A = LL^T$

Start by Partitioning the matrix  $A$  and  $L$ .

$$: \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{00} & * \\ A_{10}^T & d_{11} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad L = \begin{pmatrix} L_{00} & 0 \\ l_{10}^T & d_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

now substituting these partitions to  $A = LL^T$

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} A_{00} & * \\ A_{10}^T & d_{11} \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} L_{00} & 0 \\ l_{10}^T & d_{11} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L_{00} & 0 \\ l_{10}^T & d_{11} \end{pmatrix}^T \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} L_{00} & 0 \\ l_{10}^T & d_{11} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L_{00}^T & l_{10} \\ 0 & d_{11} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} L_{00} L_{00}^T & * \\ l_{10}^T L_{00} & l_{10}^T l_{10} + d_{11}^2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

As these matrices are equal, their individual elements must be equal too.

$$\text{so we can write } A_{00} = L_{00} L_{00}^T$$

$$A_{10}^T = l_{10}^T L_{00}^T \Rightarrow l_{10}^T = A_{10}^T L_{00}^T$$

$$d_{11} = l_{10}^T l_{10} + d_{11}^2 \Rightarrow d_{11} = \sqrt{d_{11} - l_{10}^T l_{10}}$$

with these 3 equations we can write the algorithm as.

Step 1  $\rightarrow$  Partition matrix  $A$  as  $\begin{pmatrix} A_{00} & A_{01} \\ A_{10}^T & d_{11} \end{pmatrix}$

Step 2  $\rightarrow$   $A_{00} := L_{00}$  this is the Cholesky factorization computed in the previous iteration.

c.e.  $A_{00} := L_{00} = \text{Chol}(A_{00})$

Step 3 → overwrite  $a_{10}^T := l_{10}^T = a_{10}^T L_{00}^{-T}$

Step 4 → overwrite  $\alpha_{11} = \sqrt{\alpha_{11} - a_{10}^T l_{10}}$

Repeat step 1 to step 4, until we traverse full matrix.

Pseudocode for the algorithm

Algorithm A := chol-Bordered (A)

Partition A → 
$$\begin{array}{c|c} A_{TL} & * \\ \hline A_{BL} & A_{BR} \end{array}$$

where  $A_{TL}$  is OXO.

while  $n(A_{TL}) < n(A)$  do.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} A_{TL} & * \\ \hline A_{BL} & A_{BR} \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{c|c} A_{00} & * & * \\ \hline a_{10}^T & \alpha_{11} & * \\ \hline A_{20} & a_{21} & A_{22} \end{array}$$

where  $\alpha_{11}$  is a scalar

$a_{10}^T := a_{10}^T \text{TRIL}(A_{00})^{-T}$

$\alpha_{11} := \sqrt{\alpha_{11} - a_{10}^T a_{10}}$

$$\begin{array}{c|c} A_{TL} & * \\ \hline A_{BL} & A_{BR} \end{array} \leftarrow \begin{array}{c|c|c} A_{00} & * & * \\ \hline a_{10}^T & \alpha_{11} & * \\ \hline A_{20} & a_{21} & A_{22} \end{array}$$

endwhile.

Q1-b

Theorem Given SPD matrix  $A$ , There exists a lower triangular matrix  $L$  such that  $A = LL^T$ .

If the diagonal elements of  $L$  are restricted to be positive,  $L$  is unique.

Proving theorem for Bordered Cholesky factorization.

Before going through the prove, lets first establish a few lemmas.

Lemma 1 → Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is a Symmetric positive definite matrix, and partitioned as  $\begin{pmatrix} A_{00} & q_{10} \\ q_{10}^T & a_{11} \end{pmatrix}$  then  $A_{00}$  is also symmetric positive definite.

Proof → Let  $x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$  be an arbitrary non-zero vector. Define  $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$   
where  $x_2 = -\frac{(x_1^T q_{10} + q_{10}^T x_1)}{a_{11}}$

then since clearly  $x \neq 0$ . And  $A$  is SPD.

$$x^T A x > 0.$$

Replacing the values.

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} A_{00} & q_{10} \\ q_{10}^T & a_{11} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} > 0.$$

$$= (x_1^T \ x_2) \begin{pmatrix} A_{00} x_1 + q_{10} x_2 \\ q_{10}^T x_1 + a_{11} x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= x_1^T A_{00} x_1 + x_1^T q_{10} x_2 + x_2^T q_{10}^T x_1 + x_2^T a_{11} x_2.$$

Replacing value of  $x_2$ .

$$= x_1^T A_{00} x_1 - \frac{x_1^T q_{10} (x_1^T q_{10} + q_{10}^T x_1)}{a_{11}} - \frac{q_{10}^T x_1 (x_1^T q_{10} + q_{10}^T x_1)}{a_{11}}$$

$$+ \frac{(x_1^T q_{10} + q_{10}^T x_1)}{a_{11}} \text{ iff } \frac{(x_1^T q_{10} + q_{10}^T x_1)}{a_{11}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{x_1^T A_{00} x_1 - \frac{x_1^T q_{10} x_1^T q_{10}}{d_{11}} - \frac{x_1^T q_{10} q_{10}^T x_1}{d_{11}} - \frac{q_{10}^T x_1 x_1^T q_{10}}{d_{11}} - \frac{q_{10}^T x_1 q_{10}^T x_1}{d_{11}}} + \underline{\frac{x_1^T q_{10} x_1^T q_{10}}{d_{11}}} + \underline{\frac{x_1^T q_{10} q_{10}^T x_1}{d_{11}}} + \underline{\frac{q_{10}^T x_1 x_1^T q_{10}}{d_{11}}} + \underline{\frac{q_{10}^T x_1 q_{10}^T x_1}{d_{11}}}$$

simplying.. we can see.

$$x_1^T A_{00} x_1 > 0.$$

and we have choose  $x_1$  to be a non-zero arbitrary vector.  
this proves that  $A_{00}$  is SPD.

Lemma 2 → if  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be SPD. then  $d_{11}$  is real and Positive.

Proof → let  $e_1$  be the 1<sup>st</sup> unit basis vector, corresponding to the position of  $d_{11}$

so from the definition of SPD.

$$e_1^T A e_1 > 0$$

this implies  $d_{11} > 0$ .

Now with these 2 proves, we can continue with the bordered Cholesky factorization. We will be employing proof by induction.

Base Case:  $n=1$

the base case for a  $1 \times 1$  matrix  $A = d_{11}$ : In this case the fact that  $A$  is SPD means that  $d_{11}$  is real and positive and the Cholesky factor is given by  $d_{11} = \sqrt{d_{11}}$ , with uniqueness if we insist  $d_{11}$  is positive

Inductive Step - Assume the result is true for all matrices with  $n=k$ , we will show that it holds true for  $n=k+1$ .

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{(k+1)(k+1)}$  be SPD, Partition.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{00} & a_{01} \\ a_{10}^T & d_{11} \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } L = \begin{pmatrix} L_{00} & 0 \\ l_{10}^T & d_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A_{00} = L_{00} L_{00}^T \quad \text{--- (I)} \\ l_{10}^T = a_{10}^T L_{00}^{-T} \quad \text{--- (II)} \\ d_{11} = \sqrt{d_{11} - l_{10}^T l_{10}} \quad \text{--- (III)} \end{array} \right.$$

will be the component of  $L$  which is Cholesky factor of  $A$ .

\* From Lemma-1 we see the  $A_{00}$  is also a SPD matrix and the similar analysis can be applied recursively to find Cholesky factorization.

\* Eqn 2 can be written as  $l_{10}^T L_{00}^T = a_{10}^T$

As  $L_{00}$  is the Cholesky factor derived in previous step of SPD matrix  $A$ , so by inductive assumption we know that it exists and is non-singular, similarly we know that  $l_{10}$  exists from previous step. So we can deduce  $l_{10}^T L_{00}^T = a_{10}^T$  has a solution that is unique.

\* From Lemma 2 we know  $d_{11}$  is real and positive, which implies as long as  $d_{11} \geq l_{10}^T l_{10}$ , we will have a positive and well defined value of  $d_{11}$ .

Thus a  $(k+1)(k+1)$  matrix has a unique Cholesky factorization as long as at every step

$$d_{11} \geq l_{10}^T l_{10}$$

Substituting value of  $l_{10}$  from eqn (11),

$$a_{11} \geq (Q_{10}^T L_{00}^{-T})^T (Q_{10}^T L_{00}^{-T}).$$

$$a_{11} \geq L_{00}^{-1} Q_{10} Q_{10}^T L_{00}^{-T}.$$

With this condition in place, by the principle of mathematical induction this result holds. and we establish the bordered Cholesky factorization is well defined for a matrix A that is SPD.