

LU decomposition: Exercise

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- The product $(x, 1, 0) \cdot (1, 2, 1) = 0$ gives $x = -2$, the values of a and b are defined accordingly.

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- The next steps are to find F such that $F B = C$ where the entry $(3, 1)$ of C is zero, and G such that $G C = D$ with the entry $(3, 2)$ of D is zero. Making D an upper triangular matrix.

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- Check if $UL = LU$.

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- Note that $A^{-1} = U^{-1}L^{-1}$.