

LINEAR ALGEBRA AND ITS APPLICATIONS

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Course Content: Cholesky Decomposition Or Factorization:

Cholesky decomposition or Cholesky factorization is decomposition of a Hermitian positive definite matrix which is factored into lower triangular matrix L and its conjugate transpose L^T. In this L has real positive diagonal entries.

• A Hermitian positive definite matrix A can be factored as $A=LL^T$ where $L=\begin{pmatrix} l_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ l_{21} & l_{22} & 0 \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & l_{33} \end{pmatrix}$

$$\mathsf{A} = \mathsf{LL}^\mathsf{T} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} l_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ l_{21} & l_{22} & 0 \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & l_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} l_{11} & l_{21} & l_{31} \\ 0 & l_{22} & l_{32} \\ 0 & 0 & l_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

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Algorithm:

Let
$$A_{3x3} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$
 be a symmetric positive definite matrix.

Then A can be factored as LL^T

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$$= \begin{pmatrix} l_{21}^2 & l_{11}l_{21} & l_{11}l_{31} \\ l_{21}l_{11} & l_{21}^2 + l_{22}^2 & l_{21}l_{31} + l_{22}l_{32} \\ l_{31}l_{11} & l_{31}l_{31} + l_{32}l_{22} & l_{31}^2 + l_{32}^2 + l_{33}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$



This gives
$$l_{11}^2=a_{11}\Longrightarrow l_{11}=\sqrt{a_{11}}$$
;
$$l_{21}=\frac{a_{21}}{l_{11}}; \qquad l_{22}=\sqrt{a_{22}-l_{21}^2}$$

$$l_{31}=\frac{a_{31}}{l_{11}}\;; \qquad l_{32}=\frac{a_{32}-l_{31}l_{21}}{l_{22}}; \qquad l_{33}=\sqrt{a_{33}-l_{31}^2-l_{32}^2}$$

Example: Factorize A using Cholesky Decomposition given
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & 6 \\ 2 & 2 & 5 \\ 6 & 5 & 22_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\mathsf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & 6 \\ 2 & 2 & 5 \\ 6 & 5 & 22 \end{pmatrix} \qquad l_{11} = \sqrt{a_{11}} = 2 \; ; \; l_{21} = \frac{a_{21}}{l_{11}} = 1 \; ; \quad l_{22} = \sqrt{a_{22} - l_{21}^2} = 1 \\ l_{31} = \frac{a_{31}}{l_{11}} = 3 \; \; ; \quad l_{32} = \frac{a_{32} - l_{31} l_{21}}{l_{22}} = 2 \quad ; \quad l_{33} = \sqrt{a_{33} - l_{31}^2 - l_{32}^2} = 3$$

Hence
$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$
 $L^{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\therefore A = LL^{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$



Factorize
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 12 & -16 \\ 12 & 37 & -43 \\ -16 & -43 & 98 \end{pmatrix}$$
 using Cholesky factorization.

Answer:
$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$



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