# Lecture 07 — Solving Linear Systems (Part 1)

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#### Outline

- Review Lab 2 Assignment
- Homework 2 Overview
- Recap: Basic Linear Algebra Operations
- Overview of Solution of Linear Systems
- Direct Methods and Matrix Factorizations
- Deep-dive into LU decomposition

#### Lab 2 Assignment Review

- Ex. 1: Parametric Calc. & Function Approximation
  - No common errors
  - Produced the data + close to correct coefficients = full points
- Ex. 2: Searching & Parsing
  - Most common error: includes and excludes when searching for jackpot

```
grep -r Jackpot --include=*.{doc,xml} --exclude='jackpot_locations.txt'
```

- Other errors
  - File naming
    - -1 point per file with incorrect name.
  - Compression with tar
    - Make sure you submit just the required files!
    - A few people practically gave me their whole desktop (-5 points)

#### Homework 2 Overview

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- Will try to get solutions written/Autograder up by Friday
- vecfilein/vecfileout will be N lines with a single value on each line
- Timing table may be subject to change
  - Benchmarking is hard
    - Are you measuring I/O or the mat-vec multiplication?
  - Matrices vary greatly in size
    - One N may be simultaneously too small and too large
    - Don't want to wait 11 minutes for dense matrix multiplication
  - nmult = floor(C / N^2)?

## Learning Objectives: By the end of Today's Lecture you should be able to

- (Knowledge) list several methods for factorizing a matrix
- (Knowledge) have a high level view of various ways to solve linear systems
- (Skill) implement LU factorization (without pivoting)

#### **Basic Linear Algebra Operations**

#### **Residual and Norms of Vectors**

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}$$

residual

$$\|\mathbf{r}\|_1 = \sum_i |r_i|$$

1-norm ("total absolute error")

$$\left\|\mathbf{r}\right\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_i r_i^2}$$

2-norm ("average error")

$$\|\mathbf{r}\|_{\infty} = \max_{i} (|r_{i}|)$$

∞-norm ("max local error")

$$\left\|\mathbf{r}\right\|_{p} = \left(\sum_{i} \left|r_{i}\right|^{p}\right)^{1/p}$$

*p*-norm

#### Inner/Dot Product (vector-vector multiply)

$$\mathbf{u}^T \cdot \mathbf{v} = \sum_i u_i v_i$$

#### **Matrix-vector Multiply**

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \to b_i = \sum_j a_{i,j} x_j$$

#### **Matrix-Matrix Multiply**

$$\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{C} \to c_{i,j} = \sum_{k} a_{i,k} b_{k,j}$$

## Solving Linear Systems

## How do we solve linear systems?

## Types of Matrices

- Structure
  - Diagonal
  - Triangular
  - Symmetric (Hermitian)
- Properties
  - Orthonormal (Unitary)



## **Direct Solution Methods**

aka Matrix Factorizations

#### LU Factorization

• L is lower triangular

$$A = LU$$

• U is upper triangular

#### **QR** Factorization

- Q is orthonormal
- R is upper triangular

$$A = QR$$

## **Cholesky Factorization**

- L is lower triangular
- A must be symmetric

$$A = LL^*$$

#### Singular Value Decomposition

- U is unitary
- Σ is diagonal

$$A = U\Sigma V^*$$

V is unitary

#### Eigendecomposition

Q is orthonormal

$$A = Q\Lambda Q^{-1}$$

- $\Lambda$  is diagonal
- A must be square and diagonalizable

## LU Factorization

#### **LU Factorization**

#### LU: Forward Elimination

#### LU: Backward Substitution

#### **Fast LU Factorizations**