LU Decomposition

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- Lower-Upper (LU) decomposition/factorization allows to factor a matrix as the product of a lower triangular matrix and an upper triangular matrix
- LU decomposition can be obtained using Gaussian elimination and can be seen as the matrix form of Gaussian elimination
- LU decomposition is typically used to solve systems of linear equations,
- LU decomposition can be used for computing the determinant of a matrix.

Any matrix A can be expressed as

$$PA = LU$$

where L is a lower triangular matrix, U is an upper triangular matrix, and P is a permutation matrix.

 The process of computing L and U (and P) is called LU decomposition/factorization.

- LU decomposition is not unique
- For example:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

has the following LU decompositions

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

For example: Let us factorize the following 2-by-2 matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \ell_{00} & 0 \\ \ell_{10} & \ell_{11} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{00} & u_{01} \\ 0 & u_{11} \end{bmatrix}.$$

We can find the LU decomposition by solving a non-linear system of equations with 6 unknowns and 4 equations, ie, .

$$\ell_{00} \cdot u_{00} + 0 \cdot 0 = 1$$

$$\ell_{10} \cdot u_{00} + \ell_{11} \cdot 0 = -1$$

$$\ell_{00} \cdot u_{01} + 0 \cdot u_{11} = -1$$

$$\ell_{10} \cdot u_{01} + \ell_{11} \cdot u_{11} = 5.$$

This is an underdetermined system, then, to find a unique LU decomposition, it is necessary to put some restrictions.

Some constraints should be considered to obtain unique decompositions:

• Doolittle's decomposition: $\ell_{ii}=1, i=0,1,\cdots,n-1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

• Crout's decomposition: $u_{ii} = 1, i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

• Cholesky's decomposition: $L = U^T$ and $\ell_{ii} = u_{ii} > 0$, $i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The previous decompositions (Doolittle, Crout and Cholesky) do not always exist.
- If A is a square, invertible matrix and has an LU factorization with all diagonal entries of L or U equal to 1, then the factorization is unique.
- If A is a symmetric positive-definite matrix, the Cholesky decomposition always exists and is unique

• For example: the following matrix A does not have Doolittle's, Crout's decomposition since $a_{0,0}=0$.

$$\boldsymbol{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

But we can find a permutation matrix such that PA = LU

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

A square matrix could have infinitely many LU factorizations

- if two or more of any first (n-1) columns are linearly dependent
- or any of the first (n-1) columns are 0

For example: the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

has LU factorizations of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ a & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$$

for any a, b such that 2a + b = 1

Solving a linear system using LU

If A = LU the linear system

$$Ax = b$$

can be solved in two steps. From

$$LUx = b$$

$$L(Ux) = b$$

we can define y = Ux and we solve the following two systems:

Ly = b, solve using forward substitution Ux = y, solve using backward substitution

first w.r.t. y and then w.r.t. x

Computing the determinant using LL

Recall

- $\det(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}) = \det(\mathbf{A})\det(\mathbf{B})$
- If we swap two rows (columns) in A, the determinant will change its sign.
- $\det(P) = \pm 1$

From

$$PA = LU$$

and $det(\mathbf{P}) = (-1)^k$, where k is the number of row exchanges in the previous decomposition, then

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = (-1)^k \det(\mathbf{L}) \det(\mathbf{U}) = (-1)^k \prod \ell_{ii} \prod u_{ii}$$

Comment

If E_i is an permutation of two rows of the identity matrix (ie, a permutation of the form P_{ij}), then after k row exchanges.

$$P = E_k E_{k-1} \cdots E_1 I$$

since $det(\boldsymbol{E}_i) = -1$ then

$$\det(\mathbf{P}) = (-1)^k$$

Comment

Note also that $E_i E_i = I$, $E_i = E_i^{-1} = E_i^T$ these are properties of two-row permutation matrices of the form P_{ij} , then

$$PP^T = E_k E_{k-1} \cdots E_2 E_1 E_1^T E_2^T \cdots E_{k-1}^T E_k^T = I$$

and again

$$det(\mathbf{P}) det(\mathbf{P}^T) = 1$$

$$det(\mathbf{P})^2 = 1 \text{ since } det(\mathbf{P}) = det(\mathbf{P}^T)$$

$$det(\mathbf{P}) = \pm 1$$

Solve systems of linear equations using

We can use LU decomposition to solve **systems of linear equations** using:

$$AX = B$$

where \boldsymbol{X} and \boldsymbol{B} are matrices of the same size n-by-p. We can rewrite the previous systems

$$LUX = B$$

Solve systems of linear equations using

We can also adapt the forward and backward substitutions methods to find the solution matrix \boldsymbol{X} of the following systems of linear equations

$$L(UX) = B$$

by solving

$$LY = B$$

$$UX = Y$$

First, we solve for Y using forward substitution and then we solve for X using backward substitution.

Inverting a matrix

Inverting a matrix: In particular, if B is the identity matrix, then the solution X of

$$LUX = I$$

is the inverse of A (use forward-backward substitution).

Another alternative is to find both the inverse of L and U by solving

$$UX = I$$

$$LY = I$$

then $\boldsymbol{X} = \boldsymbol{U}^{-1}$ and $\boldsymbol{Y} = \boldsymbol{L}^{-1}$ therefore

$$A^{-1} = (LU)^{-1} = U^{-1}L^{-1} = XY$$

Doolittle's Decomposition Method 3×3 matrix

$$\boldsymbol{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \ell_{1,0} & 1 & 0 \\ \ell_{2,0} & \ell_{2,1} & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \ \boldsymbol{U} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{0,0} & u_{0,1} & u_{0,2} \\ 0 & u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} \\ 0 & 0 & u_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Doolittle's Decomposition Method using a 3×3 matrix

$$\boldsymbol{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \ell_{1,0} & 1 & 0 \\ \ell_{2,0} & \ell_{2,1} & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \, \boldsymbol{U} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{0,0} & u_{0,1} & u_{0,2} \\ 0 & u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} \\ 0 & 0 & u_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boldsymbol{L}\boldsymbol{U} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{0,0} & u_{0,1} & u_{0,2} \\ u_{0,0}\ell_{1,0} & u_{0,1}\ell_{1,0} + u_{1,1} & u_{0,2}\ell_{1,0} + u_{1,2} \\ u_{0,0}\ell_{2,0} & u_{0,1}\ell_{2,0} + u_{2,1} & u_{0,2}\ell_{2,0} + u_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Since $\boldsymbol{L}\boldsymbol{U}=\boldsymbol{A},$ we obtain the following nonlinear system of equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{0,0} & u_{0,1} & u_{0,2} \\ u_{0,0}\ell_{1,0} & u_{0,1}\ell_{1,0} + u_{1,1} & u_{0,2}\ell_{1,0} + u_{1,2} \\ u_{0,0}\ell_{2,0} & u_{0,1}\ell_{2,0} + u_{2,1} & u_{0,2}\ell_{2,0} + u_{2,2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{0,0} & a_{0,1} & a_{0,2} \\ a_{1,0} & a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} \\ a_{2,0} & a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

with 9 equations and 9 unknowns.

We can find a solution by solving this system. In this case, we observe that the entries of \boldsymbol{U} corresponds to the Gaussian elimination process.

For example: $u_{0,\cdot}=a_{0,\cdot}$, ie, the first row of U matches with the first row of A. Note that: $u_{0,0}\ell_{1,0}=a_{1,0}$ and $u_{0,0}\ell_{2,0}=a_{2,0}$ then

$$\ell_{1,0} = \frac{a_{1,0}}{a_{0,0}}; \ \ell_{2,0} = \frac{a_{2,0}}{a_{0,0}}$$

and

$$egin{array}{lll} m{u}_{1,.} & = & m{a}_{1,.} - \ell_{1,0} m{a}_{0,.} \ m{u}_{2,.} & = & m{a}_{2,.} - \ell_{2,0} m{a}_{0,.} \end{array}$$

this suggest to directly use Gaussian Elimination to compute the entries of \boldsymbol{L} and \boldsymbol{U}

Let us now apply Gauss elimination to the previous matrix

$$R_0: \begin{bmatrix} u_{0,0} & u_{0,1} & u_{0,2} \\ u_{0,1}\ell_{1,0} & u_{0,1}\ell_{1,0} + u_{1,1} & u_{0,2}\ell_{1,0} + u_{1,2} \\ u_{0,0}\ell_{2,0} & u_{0,1}\ell_{2,0} + u_{1,1}\ell_{2,1} & u_{0,2}\ell_{2,0} + u_{1,2}\ell_{2,1} + u_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

if
$$u_{0,0} \neq 0$$
 we can compute a unique $\ell_{1,0} = \frac{a_{1,0}}{a_{0,0}} = \frac{u_{0,0}\ell_{1,0}}{u_{0,0}}$,

 $\ell_{2,0}=rac{a_{2,0}}{a_{0,0}}=rac{u_{0,0}\ell_{2,0}}{u_{0,0}}$ and apply the Gauss elimination that allows us to compute $u_{1,1},u_{1,2}$

$$R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - \begin{pmatrix} \ell_{1,0} \end{pmatrix} R_0$$

$$R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - \begin{pmatrix} \ell_{2,0} \end{pmatrix} R_0$$

$$R_0: \begin{bmatrix} u_{0,0} & u_{0,1} & u_{0,2} \\ R_1: \hline 0 & \textbf{\textit{u}}_{1,1} & \textbf{\textit{u}}_{1,2} \\ \hline 0 & u_{1,1}\ell_{2,1} & u_{1,2}\ell_{2,1} + u_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

if $u_{1,1} \neq 0$ then we can compute a unique $\ell_{2,1} = \frac{a_{2,1}}{a_{1,1}} = \frac{u_{1,1}\ell_{2,1}}{u_{1,1}}$, and this allows us to compute $u_{2,2}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{0,0} & u_{0,1} & u_{0,2} \\ \hline 0 & u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} \\ \hline 0 & u_{1,1}\ell_{2,1} & u_{1,2}\ell_{2,1} + u_{2,2} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\scriptscriptstyle R_2 - \begin{pmatrix} \ell_{2,1} \end{pmatrix}_{R_1}} \begin{bmatrix} u_{0,0} & u_{0,1} & u_{0,2} \\ \hline 0 & u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} \\ \hline 0 & \boxed{0} & u_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2-\overbrace{\ell_{2,1}}_{R_1}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{0,0} & u_{0,1} & u_{0,2} \\ \hline 0 & u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} \\ \hline 0 & \hline 0 & u_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

With the previous procedure, we obtain L and U

$$m{L} = egin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \ell_{1,0} & 1 & 0 \\ \ell_{2,0} & \ell_{2,1} & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \ m{U} = egin{bmatrix} u_{0,0} & u_{0,1} & u_{0,2} \\ 0 & u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} \\ 0 & 0 & u_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that we can simply combine them in one matrix, ie,

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{0,0} & u_{0,1} & u_{0,2} \\ \ell_{1,0} & u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} \\ \ell_{2,0} & \ell_{2,1} & u_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

This algorithm requires $u_{i,i}^{(i)} \neq 0$ at each step i=0,1 in order to obtain a unique solution.

Two important features of Doolittle's decomposition:

- 1 The matrix U is identical to the upper triangular matrix that results from Gauss elimination.
- 2 The off-diagonal elements of L are the pivot equation multipliers used during Gauss elimination; ie, ℓ_{ij} is the multiplier that eliminated a_{ij} .
- $3 \det(\mathbf{A}) = \det(\mathbf{U}) = \prod u_{ii}$

- ① Doolittle's factorization without permutation exists if $u_{i,i}^i \neq 0$, $i = 0, 1, \dots, n-2$, where $u_{0,0}^0 = u_{0,0} = a_{0,0}$.
- 2 Note that $u_{n-1,n-1}^{n-1}$ can be any number. If $u_{n-1,n-1}^{n-1}=0$ then the last row of U is the null vector, ie, $u_{n-1}=0$
- 3 For example: A = LU for

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 7 & 7 \\ 4 & 9 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \\
\mathbf{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}; \mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Comments

- **1** Crout's decomposition: $\det(A) = \det(L) = \prod \ell_{ii}$
- 2 Cholesky's decomposition:

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = \det(\mathbf{U}^T) \det(\mathbf{U}) = \prod u_{ii}^2$$

LU Decomposition

```
def LU(A): # without permutation
    n = A.shape[0]
2
   L = np.eye(n)
3
    U = A.copv()
4
    for j in range (n-1):
5
      for i in range(j+1, n):
6
        lii = U[i,i]/U[i,i]
7
        U[i,:] = U[i,:] - lij*U[j,:]
8
        L[i,j] = lij
9
10
    return L. U
```

Note: $U[j,j] \neq 0$, $j=0,1,\cdots,n-2$, ie U[n-1,n-1] could be zero.

See: scipy.linalg.lu, scipy.linalg.lu_factor, scipy.linalg.lu_solve

LU Decomposition

```
def Lu_compact(A): # without permutation
    n = A.shape[0]
   L = np.eye(n)
3
    U = A.copy()
4
    for j in range(n-1):
5
      for i in range(j+1, n):
6
        lij = U[i,j]/U[j,j]
7
        U[i,:] = U[i,:] - lij*U[j,:]
8
        U[i,j] = lij
9
10
    return U
```

Note: It only needs that $U[j,j] \neq 0, j = 0, 1, \dots, n-2$

_U Decomposition with permutation: Example

$$R_0: \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 5 \\ A_1: & 4 & 4 & -4 \\ R_2: & 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Permutation matrix P = I or pivot index p = [0, 1, 2]

$$R_0: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 4 & 4 & -4 \\ R_2: \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

_U Decomposition with permutation: Example :

$$R_0: \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 5 \\ R_1: & 4 & 4 & -4 \\ R_2: & 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Pivot: row = 0, column = 0, maximum absolute value: 4 in row 1. Then, permute $R_0 \leftrightarrow R_1$, P_{01} ; then $P = P_{01}P$ or p = [1, 0, 2]

Forward elimination: pivot column 0, pivot row 0.

$$R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - \frac{2}{4}R_0 = R_1 - \frac{1}{2}R_0$$

 $R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - \frac{1}{4}R_0$

LU Decomposition with permutation: Example

P

we can use the new entries with zeroes to set the entries of matrix $oldsymbol{L}$

$$\boldsymbol{P}$$

$$R_0: \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 4 & -4 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 & -4 \\ 1/2 & -1 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2: \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 4 & 4 \\ 1/2 & -1 & 7 & 7 \\ 1/4 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now we repeat the procedure

$$\boldsymbol{P}$$

$$R_0: \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 4 & 4 & -4 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/2 & -1 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/4 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Pivot: row = 1, column = 1.

Maximum absolute value: 2 in row 2. Then, permute $R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2$,

$$\boldsymbol{P}_{12}$$
, then $\boldsymbol{P} = \boldsymbol{P}_{12}\boldsymbol{P}$ or $\boldsymbol{p} = [1,2,0]$

$$R_0: \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 4 & 4 & -4 \ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/4 & 2 & 2 \ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 & -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Forward elimination: Pivot row = 1, column = 1. Then

$$R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - \frac{-1}{2}R_1 = R_2 + \frac{1}{2}R_1$$

Finally, we get: p = [1, 2, 0]

where PA = LU with

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \ \mathbf{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{4} & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \ \mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 & -4 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

_U Decomposition with permutation: Example ²

$$PA = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 & -4 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$LU = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 & -4 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

LU Algorithm with permutation

```
def PLU(A): # LU with permutation
    n=A.shape[0]
3
    P, L, U=np.eye(n), np.eye(n), A.copy()
4
    for j in range (n-1):
       # Find arg max abs value, col 'j' and below row 'j-1'
5
      k=argmax(U, j)
6
       if k!=j: # permutes rows j and k
7
          U, P=permute (U, P, j, k)
8
      for i in range(j+1,n):
9
         lij=U[i, j]/U[j, j]
10
         U[i,:]=U[i,:]-lij*U[j,:]
11
        L[i,j]=lij
12
   return P, L, U
13
```

Note: It only needs that $U[j,j] \neq 0, j = 0,1,\dots,n-2$

LU Decomposition with permutation: Example 2

Permutation matrix P = I or p = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4]

LU Decomposition with permutation: Example 2

Permute $R_0 \leftrightarrow R_1$, P_{01} ; then $P = P_{01}P$ or p = [1, 0, 2, 3, 4]

$$R_0: \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 & -18 & -12 & 12 & -6 \\ R_1: & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & -8 & -7 & 6 & -4 \\ R_2: & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -5 & -5 & 5 & -8 \\ R_3: & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 & -7 & -10 & 8 & -9 \\ R_4: & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -5 & -3 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

_U Decomposition with permutation: Example 2

Forward elimination

LU Decomposition with permutation: Example 2

Permute $R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3$, P_{13} ; then $P = P_{13}P$ or p = [1, 3, 2, 1, 4]

_U Decomposition with permutation: Example 2

Forward elimination

LU Decomposition with permutation: Example 2

Permute $R_2 \leftrightarrow R_4$, P_{24} ; then $P = P_{24}P$ or p = [1, 3, 4, 1, 2]

_U Decomposition with permutation: Example 2

Forward elimination

$$\boldsymbol{P}$$

LU Decomposition with permutation: Example 2

Permute
$$R_3 \leftrightarrow R_4$$
, P_{34} ; then $P = P_{34}P$ or $p = [1, 3, 4, 2, 1]$

LU Decomposition with permutation: Example 2

Forward elimination

_U Decomposition with permutation: Example 2

$$PA = LU$$
 with

$$\boldsymbol{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boldsymbol{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -18 & -12 & 12 & -6 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & 2 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -6 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}; \ \boldsymbol{U} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

LU using Gaussian elimination: Let consider the following matrix

$$m{A}_{j} = egin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & & & \\ & & 1 & & & & \\ & & a_{j+1,j} & & & & \\ & & \vdots & & \ddots & & \\ & & a_{n-1,j} & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

ie, it is the $n \times n$ identity matrix with its j-th column replaced by the vector $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & a_{j+1,j} & \cdots & a_{n,j} \end{bmatrix}^T$.

We can easily compute the inverse of A_i by

$$A_{j}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & -a_{j+1,j} & & \\ & \vdots & \ddots & \\ & -a_{n-1,j} & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

we just need to change the sign of the entries $a_{k,j}$

Column stacking

Column stacking

$$\mathbf{A}_{0\to 1} := \mathbf{A}_0 \mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & & & \\ a_{10} & 1 & & & & \\ a_{20} & a_{21} & 1 & & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & 0 & \ddots & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & 1 & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & 0 & \ddots & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ a_{n-1,0} & a_{n-1,1} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Column stacking

Recall: $(\alpha e_i + \beta e_j)^T A = \alpha a_{i,.} + \beta a_{j,.}$, ie, premultiplying A by $(\alpha e_i + \beta e_j)^T = [0,...,\alpha,...,\beta,...0]$

obtains a linear combination of rows i,j of matrix ${\bf A}$. In particular, if i=0, $\alpha=-\lambda_j$ and $\beta=1$

$$(-\lambda_j \boldsymbol{e}_0 + \boldsymbol{e}_j)^T \boldsymbol{A} = [-\lambda_j, ..., 1, ... 0] \boldsymbol{A} = \boldsymbol{a}_{j,.} - \lambda_j \boldsymbol{a}_{0,.}$$

Note that this corresponds to the transformation

$$(E_j - \lambda_j E_0) \to (E_j)$$

with $\lambda_j = \frac{a_{ji}}{a_{ii}}$ in the Gaussian elimination process

Now we can stack the previous operations, $j=1,2,\cdots,n-1$, and at the top we use the row e_0^T , obtaining

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ -\lambda_1 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -\lambda_2 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -\lambda_{n-1} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ -\lambda_1 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -\lambda_2 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -\lambda_{n-1} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{E_0 \leftarrow E_0} E_1 \leftarrow E_1 - \lambda_1 E_0$$

$$E_1 \leftarrow E_1 - \lambda_1 E_0$$

$$E_2 \leftarrow E_2 - \lambda_2 E_0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$E_{n-1} \leftarrow E_{n-1} - \lambda_{n-1} E_0$$

Note that, if

$$\lambda_j = \frac{a_{j,0}}{a_{0,0}}$$

then MA corresponds to first step of the Gaussian elimination process and we call M a Gaussian elimination matrix

So, after the first iteration we obtain

$$\boldsymbol{M}\boldsymbol{A} \ = \ \begin{bmatrix} a_{0,0}^{(0)} & a_{0,1}^{(0)} & \cdots & \cdots & a_{0,n-1}^{(0)} \\ 0 & a_{1,1}^{(0)} & & \cdots & a_{1,n-1}^{(0)} \\ 0 & a_{2,1}^{(0)} & & \cdots & a_{2,n-1}^{(0)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & a_{n-1,1}^{(0)} & & \cdots & a_{n-1,n-1}^{(0)} \end{bmatrix}$$

with $a_{i,0}^{(0)} = a_{i,0}$. Now, we can repeat the previous idea in order to obtain the next steps of the Gaussian elimination.

Let us define

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(k)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & -\lambda_{k+1,k} & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & -\lambda_{n-1,k} & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

with $k=0,1,\cdots,n-2$ and

$$\lambda_{j,k} = \frac{a_{j,k}^{(k)}}{a_{k,k}^{(k)}}; \ j = k+1, k+2, \cdots, n-1$$

Then, the Gaussian elimination algorithm can be written as follows.

$$m{U}^{(0)} = m{A} \ m{U}^{(k+1)} = \hat{m{L}}^{(k)} m{U}^{(k)}$$

for $k = 0, 1, \dots, n - 2$. The last step is

$$U^{(n-1)} = \hat{L}^{(n-2)} \hat{L}^{(n-3)} \cdots \hat{L}^{(0)} A$$

where $U^{(n-1)}$ is an upper triangular matrix, which denoted by

$$U := U^{(n-1)}$$

In order to obtain the matrix factorization $m{A} = m{L} m{U}$ we need to find $m{L}$

$$\boldsymbol{A} = \boldsymbol{L}\boldsymbol{U} = \boldsymbol{L}\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(n-2)}\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(n-3)}\cdots\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(0)}\boldsymbol{A}$$

then we can simply define

$$L := \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(n-2)}\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(n-3)}\cdots\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(0)}\right)^{-1}$$
$$= \boldsymbol{L}^{(0)}\cdots\boldsymbol{L}^{(n-3)}\boldsymbol{L}^{(n-2)}$$

with
$$oldsymbol{L}^{(k)} := \left(\hat{oldsymbol{L}}^{(k)}
ight)^{-1}$$
, ie, $oldsymbol{L}^{(k)}\hat{oldsymbol{L}}^{(k)} = oldsymbol{I}$

Note that

$$\boldsymbol{L}^{(k)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \lambda_{k+1,k} & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \lambda_{n-1,k} & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

with
$$k=0,1,\cdots,n-2$$
. Then,

$$L = L^{(0)}L^{(1)}\cdots L^{(n-3)}L^{(n-2)} = L_{0\rightarrow n-2}$$

$$\boldsymbol{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \lambda_{1,0} & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \lambda_{k,0} & \cdots & \lambda_{k,k-1} & 1 & 0 & \cdots & & 0 \\ \lambda_{k+1,0} & \cdots & \lambda_{k+1,k-1} & \lambda_{k+1,k} & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & & \vdots \\ \lambda_{n-2,0} & \cdots & \lambda_{n-2,k-1} & \lambda_{n-2,k} & \lambda_{n-2,k+1} & \cdots & 1 & 0 \\ \lambda_{n-1,0} & \cdots & \lambda_{n-1,k-1} & \lambda_{n-1,k} & \lambda_{n-1,k+1} & \cdots & \lambda_{n-1,n-2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that

$$LU = \left(L^{(0)}L^{(1)}\cdots L^{(n-3)}L^{(n-2)}\right)\left(\hat{L}^{(n-2)}\hat{L}^{(n-3)}\cdots\hat{L}^{(0)}\right)A
= \left(L^{(0)}L^{(1)}\cdots L^{(n-3)}\right)L^{(n-2)}\hat{L}^{(n-2)}\left(\hat{L}^{(n-3)}\cdots\hat{L}^{(0)}\right)A
= \left(L^{(0)}L^{(1)}\cdots L^{(n-3)}\right)\left(\hat{L}^{(n-3)}\cdots\hat{L}^{(1)}\hat{L}^{(0)}\right)A
= \cdots
= L^{(0)}\hat{L}^{(0)}A
= A$$

or simply

$$oldsymbol{L}oldsymbol{U} = \left(\hat{oldsymbol{L}}^{(n-2)}\hat{oldsymbol{L}}^{(n-3)}\cdots\hat{oldsymbol{L}}^{(0)}
ight)^{-1}\left(\hat{oldsymbol{L}}^{(n-2)}\hat{oldsymbol{L}}^{(n-3)}\cdots\hat{oldsymbol{L}}^{(0)}
ight)oldsymbol{A} = oldsymbol{A}$$

Summary:

Doolittle's decomposition is obtained with a sequence of Gaussian elimination (U) and a sequence of column stacking (L)

$$egin{array}{lcl} m{U} & = & \left(\hat{m{L}}^{(n-2)}\hat{m{L}}^{(n-3)}\cdots\hat{m{L}}^{(0)}
ight)m{A} \ m{L} & = & m{L}^{(0)}m{L}^{(1)}\cdotsm{L}^{(n-3)}m{L}^{(n-2)} = m{L}_{0 o n-2} \end{array}$$

Preserving matrix form property

For matrices of the form $A_{0 o k}$ and permutation matrix P_{ij}

multiplying on both sides of $A_{0 \to k}$ by P_{ij} for $k+1 \le i < j$ preserves the matrix form.

Preserving matrix form property

Multiplying on both sides of $A_{0\rightarrow k}$ by P_{ij} for $k+1 \le i < j$

only permutes the subrows $a_{i,0:k}$ and $a_{j,0:k}$ of the matrix $A_{0\to k}$, therefore the result has the same form as $A_{0\to k}$ (matrix form preservation)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 6 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 9 & 10 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

we can see that for $2 \le i < j$

$$m{P}_{ij}m{A}m{P}_{ij}$$
 =

ie the matrix keeps the same structure and only permutes the subrows i, j in the submatrix in blue

Example

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 6 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 9 & 10 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$m{P}_{35}m{A}m{P}_{35} \ = \ egin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 3 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 9 & 10 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \ 7 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \ 5 & 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \ \end{pmatrix}$$

ie permutes the subrows i=3 and j=5 in the submatrix in blue

The Gaussian elimination with permutation can be written as the following sequence of transformations (permutation and Gaussian elimination at each step)

$$m{U}^{(0)} = m{A} \ m{U}^{(k+1)} = \hat{m{L}}^{(k)} \hat{m{P}}^{(k)} m{U}^{(k)}$$

for $k=0,1,\cdots,n-2$, and $\hat{\boldsymbol{P}}^{(k)}$ is a two-row permutation or the identity matrix, ie, it has the form \boldsymbol{P}_{ij} , $\boldsymbol{P}_{ij}\boldsymbol{P}_{ij}=\boldsymbol{I}$. The last step is

$$\boldsymbol{U}^{(n-1)} = \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(n-2)}\hat{\boldsymbol{P}}^{(n-2)}\right)\left(\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(n-3)}\hat{\boldsymbol{P}}^{(n-3)}\right)\cdots\left(\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(0)}\hat{\boldsymbol{P}}^{(0)}\right)\boldsymbol{A}$$

where $U^{(n-1)}$ is an upper triangular matrix, which denoted by

$$\boldsymbol{U} := \boldsymbol{U}^{(n-1)}$$

We need to find P and L. Let us writte

$$\mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{P} = \left(\hat{\mathbf{L}}^{(n-2)}\hat{\mathbf{P}}^{(n-2)}\right)\left(\hat{\mathbf{L}}^{(n-3)}\hat{\mathbf{P}}^{(n-3)}\right)\cdots\left(\hat{\mathbf{L}}^{(0)}\hat{\mathbf{P}}^{(0)}\right) \\
\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{P}\left[\left(\hat{\mathbf{L}}^{(n-2)}\hat{\mathbf{P}}^{(n-2)}\right)\left(\hat{\mathbf{L}}^{(n-3)}\hat{\mathbf{P}}^{(n-3)}\right)\cdots\left(\hat{\mathbf{L}}^{(0)}\hat{\mathbf{P}}^{(0)}\right)\right]^{-1}$$

the problem is to find L (a lower triangular matrix) and P (a permutation matrix). Then

$$U = L^{-1}PA$$

$$PA = LU$$

Let us define

$$\boldsymbol{B} := \boldsymbol{P}^T \boldsymbol{L}$$

$$= \boldsymbol{P}^T \boldsymbol{P} \left[\left(\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(n-2)} \hat{\boldsymbol{P}}^{(n-2)} \right) \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(n-3)} \hat{\boldsymbol{P}}^{(n-3)} \right) \cdots \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(0)} \hat{\boldsymbol{P}}^{(0)} \right) \right]^{-1}$$

then

$$B = \left[\left(\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(n-2)} \hat{\boldsymbol{P}}^{(n-2)} \right) \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(n-3)} \hat{\boldsymbol{P}}^{(n-3)} \right) \cdots \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(0)} \hat{\boldsymbol{P}}^{(0)} \right) \right]^{-1} \\
= \boldsymbol{P}^{(0)} \boldsymbol{L}^{(0)} \cdots \boldsymbol{P}^{(n-2)} \boldsymbol{L}^{(n-2)}$$

where
$$m{P}^{(k)} = \left(\hat{m{P}}^{(k)}\right)^{-1} = \left(m{P}^{(k)}\right)^{-1}$$
 $\left(m{P}_{ij} = m{P}_{ij}^{-1}, m{P}_{ij}m{P}_{ij} = m{I}\right)$ and $m{L}^{(k)} = \left(\hat{m{L}}^{(k)}\right)^{-1}$

Since $P^{(1)}P^{(1)} = I$ then

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \boldsymbol{B} & = & \boldsymbol{P}^{(0)} \boldsymbol{L}^{(0)} \boldsymbol{P}^{(1)} \boldsymbol{L}^{(1)} \cdots \boldsymbol{P}^{(n-2)} \boldsymbol{L}^{(n-2)} \\ & = & \boldsymbol{P}^{(0)} \boldsymbol{P}^{(1)} \left(\boldsymbol{P}^{(1)} \boldsymbol{L}^{(0)} \boldsymbol{P}^{(1)} \right) \boldsymbol{L}^{(1)} \cdots \boldsymbol{P}^{(n-2)} \boldsymbol{L}^{(n-2)} \end{array}$$

 $L_0 := P^{(1)}L^{(0)}P^{(1)}$, where L_0 and $L^{(0)}$ have the same matrix form. Since the application of $P^{(1)}$ on both sides of $L^{(0)}$ only permutes subrows.

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{P}^{(0)} \mathbf{P}^{(1)} \mathbf{L}_0 \mathbf{L}^{(1)} \mathbf{P}^{(2)} \mathbf{L}^{(2)} \cdots \mathbf{P}^{(n-2)} \mathbf{L}^{(n-2)}
= \mathbf{P}^{(0)} \mathbf{P}^{(1)} \mathbf{P}^{(2)} \left(\mathbf{P}^{(2)} \mathbf{L}_{0 \to 1} \mathbf{P}^{(2)} \right) \mathbf{L}^{(2)} \cdots \mathbf{P}^{(n-2)} \mathbf{L}^{(n-2)}$$

since $L_0L^{(1)}$ can be written as $L_{0\rightarrow 1}$.

Note $L_1:=P^{(2)}L_{0\rightarrow 1}P^{(2)}$ and $L_{0\rightarrow 1}$ has the same matrix form, since the application of $P^{(2)}$ on both sides of $L_{0\rightarrow 1}$ only permutes subrows.

$$B = P^{(0)}P^{(1)}P^{(2)} \left(P^{(3)}L_1L^{(2)}P^{(3)}\right)L^{(3)}\cdots P^{(n-2)}L^{(n-2)}$$
$$= P^{(0)}P^{(1)}P^{(2)} \left(P^{(3)}L_{0\to 2}P^{(3)}\right)L^{(3)}\cdots P^{(n-2)}L^{(n-2)}$$

since $L_1L^{(2)}$ can be written as $L_{0\rightarrow 2}$.

Note $L_2:=P^{(3)}L_{0\rightarrow 2}P^{(3)}$ and $L_{0\rightarrow 2}$ has the same matrix form, since the application of $P^{(3)}$ on both sides of $L_{0\rightarrow 2}$ only permutes subrows.

We can repeat the previous procedure,

$$B = P^{(0)}P^{(1)}P^{(2)}P^{(3)}\cdots P^{(n-2)}L_{n-3}L^{(n-2)}$$

with $L_{n-3} := P^{(n-2)}L_{0\to n-3}P^{(n-2)}$. Since

$$\boldsymbol{B} = \boldsymbol{P}^T \boldsymbol{L}$$

we can define $P^T:=P^{(0)}P^{(1)}P^{(2)}P^{(3)}\cdots P^{(n-2)}$ and $L:=L_{n-3}L^{(n-2)}=L_{0\to n-2}.$ Note that

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^{(n-2)}\mathbf{P}^{(n-3)}\cdots\mathbf{P}^{(0)}$$

Note that P is an orthogonal and L is a lower triangular matrix. We can use the recurrence

$$P = P^{(0)}$$
 $P = P^{(k)}P$

to compute P

Summary

Matrix form of LU with permutation

$$U = \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(n-2)}\hat{\boldsymbol{P}}^{(n-2)}\right)\left(\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(n-3)}\hat{\boldsymbol{P}}^{(n-3)}\right)\cdots\left(\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{(0)}\hat{\boldsymbol{P}}^{(0)}\right)\boldsymbol{A}$$

$$P = \boldsymbol{P}^{(n-2)}\boldsymbol{P}^{(n-3)}\cdots\boldsymbol{P}^{(0)}$$

$$\boldsymbol{L} = \boldsymbol{L}_{0\to n-2}$$

with the following sequence of subrows permutation and column stacking to compute \boldsymbol{L}

$$egin{array}{lll} m{L}_{0 o 0} &:= m{L}_0 \ m{L}_{k-1} &:= m{P}^{(k)} m{L}_{0 o k-1} m{P}^{(k)} ext{ subrow permutation} \ m{L}_{0 o k} &:= m{L}_{k-1} m{L}^{(k)} ext{ column stacking} \end{array}$$

for
$$k = 1, 2, \dots, n - 2$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -8 & -6 & 6 \\ 6 & -18 & -12 & 12 \\ 2 & -5 & -5 & 5 \\ 3 & -7 & -10 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

Permutation

$$\mathbf{P}_{01}\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -18 & -12 & 12 \\ 3 & -8 & -6 & 6 \\ 2 & -5 & -5 & 5 \\ 3 & -7 & -10 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

Gaussian Elimination

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{0}\boldsymbol{P}_{01}\boldsymbol{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -18 & -12 & 12 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Permutation

$$\mathbf{P}_{13}\hat{\mathbf{L}}^{0}\mathbf{P}_{01}\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -18 & -12 & 12 \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{2} & -4 & \mathbf{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Gaussian Elimination

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{1} \boldsymbol{P}_{13} \hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{0} \boldsymbol{P}_{01} \boldsymbol{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -18 & -12 & 12 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Permutation

$$\boldsymbol{P_{23}}\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{1}\boldsymbol{P_{13}}\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{0}\boldsymbol{P_{01}}\boldsymbol{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -18 & -12 & 12 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Gaussian Elimination

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{2} \boldsymbol{P}_{23} \hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{1} \boldsymbol{P}_{13} \hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^{0} \boldsymbol{P}_{01} \boldsymbol{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -18 & -12 & 12 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix}$$

the we obtain $oldsymbol{U}:=\hat{oldsymbol{L}}^2oldsymbol{P}_{23}\hat{oldsymbol{L}}^1oldsymbol{P}_{13}\hat{oldsymbol{L}}^0oldsymbol{P}_{01}oldsymbol{A}.$

In order to find L and P, let us choose B such that BU = A

Now, we are going to compute P and L,

$$\begin{array}{lll} \boldsymbol{B} & := & (\hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^2 \boldsymbol{P}_{23} \hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^1 \boldsymbol{P}_{13} \hat{\boldsymbol{L}}^0 \boldsymbol{P}_{01})^{-1} \\ & = & \boldsymbol{P}_{01} \boldsymbol{L}^0 \boldsymbol{P}_{13} \boldsymbol{L}^1 \boldsymbol{P}_{23} \boldsymbol{L}^2 \\ & = & \boldsymbol{P}_{01} (\boldsymbol{P}_{13} \boldsymbol{P}_{13}) \boldsymbol{L}^0 \boldsymbol{P}_{13} \boldsymbol{L}^1 \boldsymbol{P}_{23} \boldsymbol{L}^2 \\ & = & \boldsymbol{P}_{01} \boldsymbol{P}_{13} (\boldsymbol{P}_{13} \boldsymbol{L}^0 \boldsymbol{P}_{13}) \boldsymbol{L}^1 \boldsymbol{P}_{23} \boldsymbol{L}^2 \\ & = & \boldsymbol{P}_{01} \boldsymbol{P}_{13} \boldsymbol{L}_0 \boldsymbol{L}^1 \boldsymbol{P}_{23} \boldsymbol{L}^2 \\ & = & \boldsymbol{P}_{01} \boldsymbol{P}_{13} \boldsymbol{L}_{0 \to 1} \boldsymbol{P}_{23} \boldsymbol{L}^2 \end{array}$$

where
$$L_0 = P_{13}L^0P_{13}$$
 and $L_{0\to 1} = L_0L^1$.

$$B = P_{01}P_{13}(P_{23}P_{23})L_{0\to 1}P_{23}L^{2}$$

$$= P_{01}P_{13}P_{23}(P_{23}L_{0\to 1}P_{23})L^{2}$$

$$= P_{01}P_{13}P_{23}L_{1}L^{2}$$

$$= P^{T}L_{0\to 2}$$

$$= P^{T}L$$

where

$$egin{array}{lcl} m{L}_1 & = & m{P}_{23} m{L}_{0
ightarrow 1} m{P}_{23} \ m{P} & = & m{P}_{23} m{P}_{13} m{P}_{01} \ m{L}_{0
ightarrow 2} & = & m{L}_1 m{L}^2 \end{array}$$

since A = BU then PA = LU

Inverse of the first Gaussian elimination matrix

$$\boldsymbol{L}^{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Preserving from property

$$\boldsymbol{L}_0 = \boldsymbol{P}_{13} \boldsymbol{L}^0 \boldsymbol{P}_{13} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Inverse of the second Gaussian elimination matrix

$$\boldsymbol{L}^{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Column stacking of Gaussian elimination matrices

$$m{L}_{0
ightarrow 1} := m{L}_0 m{L}^1 = egin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 1/2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \ 1/3 & 1/2 & 1 & 0 \ 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Preserving from property

$$L_1 = P_{23}L_{0 o 1}P_{23} = egin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 1/2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \ 1/2 & 1/2 & 1 & 0 \ 1/3 & 1/2 & 0 & 1 \ \end{bmatrix}$$

Inverse of the third Gaussian elimination matrix

$$\boldsymbol{L}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Column stacking of Gaussian elimination matrices

$$m{L}_1m{L}^2 = egin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 1/2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \ 1/2 & 1/2 & 1 & 0 \ 1/3 & 1/2 & 1/2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix L:

$$L := L_{0\to 2} = L_1 L^2$$

Permutation matrix P

$$\mathbf{P}^{T} = \mathbf{P}_{01}\mathbf{P}_{13}\mathbf{P}_{23}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Finally,

$$egin{array}{lll} m{U} & = & \hat{m{L}}_2 m{P}_{23} \hat{m{L}}_1 m{P}_{13} \hat{m{L}}_0 m{P}_{01} m{A} \\ m{P} & = & m{P}_{23} m{P}_{13} m{P}_{01} \\ m{L} & = & m{L}_{0
ightarrow 2} \end{array}$$

where

$$egin{array}{lcl} m{L}_0 & = & m{P}_{13} m{L}^0 m{P}_{13} \ m{L}_{0
ightarrow 1} & = & m{L}_0 m{L}^1 \ m{L}_1 & = & m{P}_{23} m{L}_{0
ightarrow 1} m{P}_{23} \ m{L}_{0
ightarrow 2} & = & m{L}_1 m{L}^2 \end{array}$$

the PLU (permutation, lower-, and upper-triangular matrices) decomposition (factorization) is

$$PA = LU$$

with

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}; \ \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -8 & -6 & 6 \\ 6 & -18 & -12 & 12 \\ 2 & -5 & -5 & 5 \\ 3 & -7 & -10 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boldsymbol{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}; \, \boldsymbol{U} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -18 & -12 & 12 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$