

# Matrix Decomposition

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## 1 LU decomposition

### 1.1 Introduction

Take  $3 \times 3$  matrix for example. Assume **there's no operation that switch one row with another row**, matrix will be transformed into upper triangular matrix  $U$  after **gauss elimination**.

$$E_{32}E_{31}E_{21}A = U$$

$E_{ij}$  is a elimination matrix to eliminate the element located in row  $i$ , column  $j$  thus,

$$A = E_{21}^{-1}E_{31}^{-1}E_{32}^{-1}U = LU$$

Note: elimination matrix is lower triangular matrix. and the result after inverse or product between two lower triangular matrix is still lower triangular matrix.

why use  $A = LU$  instead of  $E_{32}E_{31}E_{21}A = U$ ? here's a example.

$$E_{32} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, E_{31} = I_3, E_{21} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$E_{32}E_{31}E_{21} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -5 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 10 & -5 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = E$$

$$E_{21}^{-1}E_{31}^{-1}E_{32}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = L$$

**L only contains elimination information**, however  $e_{32}e_{31}e_{21}$  contains other information.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow[r_2 \leftarrow r_1 \times \boxed{-\frac{1}{2}}]{} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow[r_3 \leftarrow r_2 \times \boxed{-\frac{2}{3}}]{} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix} = U$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \boxed{-\frac{1}{2}} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \boxed{-\frac{2}{3}} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix} = LU.$$

sometimes, u is written as  $\begin{pmatrix} d_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & d_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & * & * \\ & \ddots & * \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  in the above case,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = LDU$$

## 1.2 Solve Equations

If  $A = LU$ , solving the equation  $ax = b$  is equivalent to solve the two equations as follows:

$$Lc = b$$

$$Ub = c$$

triangular matrix is easy to solve. and it is easier to solve two equations than to solve the equation  $ax = b$  directly, excluding the time of lu decomposition. actually lu decomposition and gauss elimination take the same time complexity to solve the single equation.

However, if there are many equation like  $Ax = b_1, Ax = b_2, Ax = b_3, \dots, Ax = b_n$  to be solved, gauss elimination take n times to solve independently. take use of LU decomposition, take one time lu decomposition, the left n-1 equations need no do lu decomposition repeatly. and from physical aspect, A is concerned about the system itself, b is from sensor observation. with LU decomposition of A, it's fast to solve the x to different observations.

### Time Complexity

Three steps:

1. LU decomposition:  $\frac{1}{3}n^3$  addition +  $\frac{1}{3}n^3$  multiplication operation
2. solve  $Lc = b$ :  $n^2$
3. solve  $Ux = c$ :  $n^2$

## 1.3 Existence and Uniqueness

Not every square matrix admit lu decomposition, even it's invertible.

eg:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ l_{21} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} \\ 0 & u_{22} \end{pmatrix} = LU$

$$u_{11} = 0, u_{12} = 1, 2 = l_{21} \cdot 0?$$

### Existence Theorem:

If square matrix A is invertible, then it admits LU (or LDU) factorization if and only if all its leading principal minors are nonzero.

proof:

Using mathematical induction for  $a_{n \times n}$

for  $n=1, l=1, u=a_{11} \neq 0$

Let us assume  $A_{n \times n} = LU$  is true for  $n=k$ .

when  $n=k+1$ ,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_k & \beta \\ \alpha^T & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} I_k & 0 \\ -\alpha^T a_k^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} a = \begin{pmatrix} A_k & \beta \\ 0 & a_{nn} - \alpha^T a_k^{-1} \beta \end{pmatrix}$$

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#### Uniqueness Theorem:

If square matrix  $A$  is invertible,  $A=LU$ , and  $l_{ii} = 1, u_{ii} \neq 0$ , then the factorization is unique proof:

Assume,  $A$  has two LU decompositions  $L_1 U_1, L_2 U_2$

$$L_1 U_1 = L_2 U_2$$

$$L_2^{-1} L_1 = U_2 U_1^{-1}$$

The product of two lower(upper) triangular matrix is still lower(upper) triangular. and the diagonal elements of  $L_1, L_2$  are one, so the diagonal elements of  $L_2^{-1} L_1$  are one. at the same time,  $L_2^{-1} L_1 = U_2 U_1^{-1}$  is upper triangular matrix. the conclusion is  $L_2^{-1} L_1 = I$

## 1.4 PA=LU

Theorem: if square matrix  $A$  is invertible, **LU factorization with partial pivoting (LUP)** refers often to LU factorization with row permutations only:

$$PA = LU \quad (1)$$

**Tips:** permutation matrix  $P$  admits  $P^{-1} = P^T$ . the inverse of a permutation matrix is a permutation matrix, and the product of a permutation matrix is a permutation matrix.

## 1.5 Stability

- LU factorization: unstable
- LUP factorization: stable

## 1.6 Cholesky Decomposition

When  $A$  refers to symmetric positive-definitely matrix (SPD), it admits:

- $A = A^T$
- for any  $v \neq 0, v^T A v > 0$

$$A = LL^T$$

Note: **Diagonal elements in  $L$  is not 1**

e.g.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 12 & -16 \\ 12 & 37 & -43 \\ -16 & -43 & 98 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 6 & -8 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

And here is its  $LDL^T$  decomposition:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 12 & -16 \\ 12 & 37 & -43 \\ -16 & -43 & 98 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & -4 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

No need to partial pivoting like normal matrix, it's just numerically stable.

write out the equation:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T &= \begin{pmatrix} L_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ L_{21} & L_{22} & 0 \\ L_{31} & L_{32} & L_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L_{11} & L_{21} & L_{31} \\ 0 & L_{22} & L_{32} \\ 0 & 0 & L_{33} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} L_{11}^2 & L_{21}L_{11} & L_{31}L_{11} \\ L_{21}L_{11} & L_{21}^2 + L_{22}^2 & L_{31}L_{21} + L_{32}L_{22} \\ L_{31}L_{11} & L_{31}L_{21} + L_{32}L_{22} & L_{31}^2 + L_{32}^2 + L_{33}^2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

and therefore the following formulas for the entries of  $\mathbf{L}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} L_{j,j} &= (\pm) \sqrt{A_{j,j} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} L_{j,k}^2}, \\ L_{i,j} &= \frac{1}{L_{j,j}} \left( A_{i,j} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} L_{i,k} L_{j,k} \right) \quad \text{for } i > j \end{aligned}$$

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1:  $L = A$ 
2: for  $j = 1 : n$  do
3:    $\ell_{jj} = \sqrt{\ell_{jj}}$ 
4:   for  $i = j + 1 : n$  do
5:      $\ell_{ij} = \ell_{ij} / \ell_{jj}$ 
6:   end for
7:   for  $k = j + 1 : n$  do
8:     for  $i = k : n$  do
9:        $\ell_{ik} = \ell_{ik} - \ell_{ij} \ell_{kj}$ 
10:    end for
11:  end for
12: end for

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## 1.7 Symmetric Matrix

If  $A$  is a symmetric matrix, then  $A = A^T$ .

$$A = LDU \quad A^T = U^T D L^T.$$

$A = A^T$ .  $U$  is upper triangular matrix, so the  $U^T$  is lower triangular matrix. And because of the decomposition is unique,  $U^T = L$ .

$$A = LDL^T$$

## 2 QR decomposition

## 3 SVD Decomposition

SVD can be seen as a generalization of eigenvalues and eigenvectors to non-square matrices. The computation of SVD is numerically **well-conditioned**.

### 3.1 Introduce

$m \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  is a factorization of the form  $\mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T$ , where  $\mathbf{U}_{m \times m}$  and  $\mathbf{V}_{n \times n}$  are orthogonal matrixes,  $\mathbf{\Sigma}_{m \times n}$  is an rectangular diagonal matrix with non-negative numbers on the diagonla.

$$r = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} &= \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T \\ &= \mathbf{U} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \sigma_r & \\ & & & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}_{m \times n} \mathbf{V}^T \\ &= \sigma_1 \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{v}_1^T + \cdots + \sigma_r \mathbf{u}_r \mathbf{v}_r^T \end{aligned}$$

Customarily,  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \cdots \geq \sigma_r \geq 0$ , which are call the **singular values**. The front  $r$  columns of  $\mathbf{U}$  and  $\mathbf{V}$  are called **singular vector**

$$\text{Set } \mathbf{U} = (\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{u}_r \quad \mathbf{u}_{r+1} \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{u}_m), \mathbf{V} = (\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{v}_r \quad \mathbf{v}_{r+1} \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{v}_n).$$

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_i = \sigma_i \mathbf{u}_i, \quad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_j = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{U}^T$$

$$\implies \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{u}_i = \sigma_i \mathbf{v}_i, \quad \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{u}_k = \mathbf{0}$$

$$(i = 1, \cdots, r) \quad (j = r + 1, \cdots, n) \quad (k = r + 1, \cdots, m)$$

$$\implies \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_i = \sigma_i^2 \mathbf{v}_i, \quad \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{u}_i = \sigma_i^2 \mathbf{u}_i$$

Note that this generalizes the eigenvalue decomposition. While the latter decomposes a symmetric square matrix  $A$  with an orthogonal transformation  $V$  as:

$$A = V \Lambda V^T, \quad \text{with } V \in O(n), \Lambda = \text{diag} \{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n\} \quad (2)$$

### 3.2 Properties

Assume  $A$  is  $m \times n$  real matrix with rank  $r$ , then  $AA^T$  is  $m \times m$  real symmetric matrix, then  $A^T A$  is  $n \times n$  real symmetric matrix.

(1) The eigenvalues of  $A^T A$  and  $AA^T$  are non-negative.

*Proof:*

$$A^T A x = \lambda x (x \neq 0)$$

Multiply both sides by  $x^T$

$$\begin{aligned} x^T A^T A x &= \lambda x^T x \\ \implies \|Ax\|^2 &= \lambda \|x\|^2 \\ x \neq 0 \implies \|x\|^2 &\neq 0, \quad \|Ax\|^2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

thus,  $\lambda \geq 0$

(2) The sets of non-zero eigenvalues of  $A^T A$  and  $AA^T$  are same.

*Proof:*

$$r(A^T A) = r(AA^T) = r(A)$$

$A^T A$  is symmetric matrix, which must be similar to diagonalization.

$$A^T A \sim \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \sigma_r & \\ & & & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = \Lambda$$

thus, the number of non-zero eigenvalues of  $A^T A$  is equal to which of  $AA^T = r$

Assume  $\lambda$  is non-zero eigenvalues of  $A^T A$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} A^T A x &= \lambda x \\ \implies AA^T A x &= \lambda A x \end{aligned}$$

$$\lambda \neq 0 \implies A^T A x \neq 0 \implies A x \neq 0$$

(3)  $\sigma_1 \geq |\lambda|_{\max}, \quad \sigma_1 \geq |a_{ij}| \quad \forall i, j$

*Proof:*

$$\|A\mathbf{x}\| = \|U\Sigma V^T \mathbf{x}\| = \|\Sigma V^T \mathbf{x}\| \leq \sigma_1 \|V^T \mathbf{x}\| = \sigma_1 \|\mathbf{x}\|.$$

If  $Ax = \lambda x$ ,  $\|Ax\| = |\lambda| \|x\|$ , then  $\sigma_1 \geq |\lambda|_{max}$

Assume  $x = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$ ,  $Ax$  represent the first column vector, and  $\|Ax\| \geq \sigma_1 \|x\| = \sigma_1$  then

$$|a_{i1}| \leq \sqrt{a_{11}^2 + \dots + a_{n1}^2} \leq \sigma_1$$

### 3.3 Compare With Eigenvalues

the number of non-zero singular values  $\iff$  the rank of matrix.

However, the number of non-zero eigenvalues is less than the rank. (nilpotent matrix has no non-zero eigenvalues)

### 3.4 Pseudo Inverse

For an arbitrary matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , if its SVD is  $A = U\Sigma V^T$ , the pseudo inverse is defined as

$$A^\dagger = V\Sigma^\dagger U^\top, \text{ where } \Sigma^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_1^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}_{n \times m} \quad (3)$$

which admits

$$AA^\dagger A = A, \quad A^\dagger AA^\dagger = A^\dagger, \quad (AA^\dagger)^T = AA^\dagger, \quad (A^\dagger A)^T = A^\dagger A$$

On the contrary, the generalized inverse that satisfies these four equations is actually unique.

In addition, the linear system  $Ax = b$  with  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  of rank  $r \leq \min(m, n)$  can have multiple or no solutions.

$x_{min} = A^\dagger b$  is among all minimizers of  $|Ax - b|^2$  the one with the smallest norm  $|x|$ .