

Step-1

The symmetric factorization $A = LDL^T$ means that $x^T Ax = x^T LDL^T x$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow (x \ y) \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\ &\Rightarrow (x \ y) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{b}{a} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{ac-b^2}{a} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{b}{a} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\ &\Rightarrow ax^2 + 2bxy + cy^2 \\ &\Rightarrow \left(x + \frac{b}{a}y \ y\right) \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{ac-b^2}{a} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{b}{a} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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So,

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \left(a \left(x + \frac{b}{a}y\right) \left(\frac{ac-b^2}{a}\right)y\right) \begin{pmatrix} x + \frac{b}{a}y \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\ &\Rightarrow a \left(x + \frac{b}{a}y\right)^2 + \left(\frac{ac-b^2}{a}\right)y^2 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\boxed{ax^2 + 2bxy + cy^2 = a \left(x + \frac{b}{a}y\right)^2 + \left(\frac{ac-b^2}{a}\right)y^2}.$

Step-3

Now taking $a = 2$, $b = 4$, $c = 10$.

Therefore,

$$2x^2 + 8xy + 10y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow a\left(x + \frac{b}{a}y\right)^2 + \left(\frac{ac - b^2}{a}\right)y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\left(x + \frac{4}{2}y\right)^2 + \left(\frac{(2)(10) - (4)^2}{2}\right)y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(x + 2y)^2 + 2y^2.$$

Therefore, $\boxed{2x^2 + 8xy + 10y^2 = 2(x + 2y)^2 + 2y^2}.$