

## Elimination process

$$L_N \cdots L_2 L_1 A = U$$

← upper triangular matrix

$$N = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

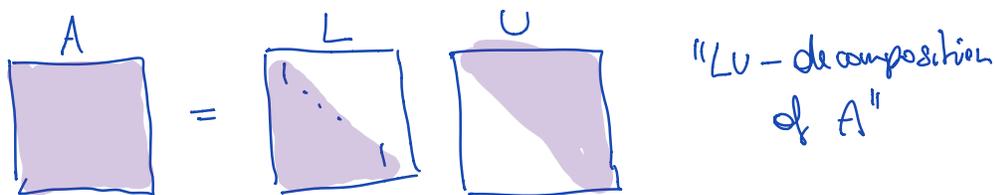
$$L_i = I + \mu_{rs} E^{rs}$$

$\mu_{rs} \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$A = \underbrace{L_1^{-1} \cdots L_N^{-1}}_{L \text{ unit lower triangular}} U \leftarrow \text{upper triangular}$$



How can  $L, U$  be used to solve  $Ax = b$ ?

$$Ax = L \underbrace{Ux}_y = b$$

① Solve  $Ly = b$  with lower triangular matrix  $L$  (forward substitution)

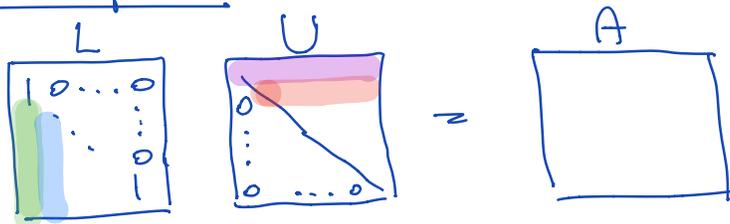
② Solve  $Ux = y$  with upper triangular matrix  $U$  (backward substitution)

In MATLAB notation:  $y = L \setminus b$ ,  $x = U \setminus y$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x = U \setminus (L \setminus b)}$$

$A \setminus b$  in MATLAB  $\rightarrow$  it computes  $L, U$ , and then does  $x = U \setminus (L \setminus b)$

Direct computation:



$$u_{ij} = a_{ij} \quad j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$$

$$l_{ii} = 1, \quad l_{ij} = \frac{a_{ij}}{u_{ii}} \quad i = 2, \dots, n$$

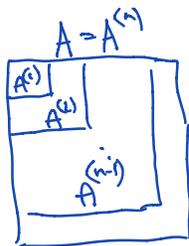
$$u_{2j} = a_{2j} - l_{21} u_{1j} \quad j = 2, \dots, n$$

$$l_{j2} = \frac{1}{u_{22}} (a_{j2} - l_{j1} u_{12}) \quad j = 1, 2, \dots$$

$\vdots$

Next question: For what  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  does an LU decomposition exist?

Def:  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , the leading principle submatrices  $A^{(k)}$  coincide with  $A$  on the "upper left"



Thm:  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , every leading principle submatrix  $A^{(k)}$  is non-singular  $k = 1, \dots, n-1$ . Then  $A = LU$  exists with a lower unit triangular matrix  $L$  and an upper triang.  $U$ .

Proof: Induction over matrix size  $k$ :

$$\underline{k=2} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}, \quad a \neq 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ l & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u & v \\ 0 & \eta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$u = a, \quad v = b, \quad lu = c, \quad lv + \eta = d$$

$$\Rightarrow l = \frac{c}{a}, \quad v = a \neq 0$$

$[k \rightarrow k+1]$

Assume  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{(k+1) \times (k+1)}$  for which all principle leading submatrices of order  $k$  or lower are invertible, and thus they have an LU-decomposition.

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} A^{(k)} & \begin{matrix} b \\ | \\ d \end{matrix} \\ \hline -c^T & \end{array} \right]$$

$A^{(k)}$  is non-singular,  $A^{(k)} = L^{(k)} U^{(k)}$ .

$b, c \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , column vectors

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} L^{(k)} & \begin{matrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{matrix} \\ \hline m^T & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} U^{(k)} & \begin{matrix} v \\ | \\ \eta \end{matrix} \\ \hline 0 \dots 0 & \eta \end{array} \right]$$

block  
multiplication

$$A^{(k)} = L^{(k)} U^{(k)}$$

$$L^{(k)} v = b, \quad m^T U^{(k)} = c^T$$

$$m^T v + \eta = d \quad U^{(k)T} m = c$$

$$v = (L^{(k)})^{-1} b$$

$$A^{(k)} = L^{(k)} U^{(k)}, \quad \det(A^{(k)}) = \det(L^{(k)}) \det(U^{(k)}) = 1$$

$\Rightarrow U^{(k)}$  is invertible, and so is  $(U^{(k)})^T$

$$\Rightarrow m = ((U^{(k)})^T)^T c$$

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## §2.4: Pivoting

What do we do if  $u_{ii} = 0$  (or very small)

Example:  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  no LU decomposition exists,  
but exchanging  
1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> row

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  now LU-decomposition exists!

Pivoting exchanges rows to ensure we don't find a zero (or something very small) in diagonal.

Def: (Permutation matrices):  $P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  which only contains zeros and ones and each column and row contains exactly one non-zero.

Examples:  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \dots$

Properties: - products of perm. matrices are again perm. matrices

- det is  $\pm 1$

- product of "interchange" matrices (matrices that interchange two rows)

- inverse are again perm. matrices.