

LU Decomposition

$A = LU$  ,  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  ,  $L \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  ,  $U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$

- $U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  will have a block of zeros if  $m < n$ .
- $L, U$  are found by performing Gauss Elimination on  $A$  and keeping a record of the details!
- G.E. can be represented by a series of matrix multiplications on  $A$ .

Begin with:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Using  $a_{11}$  as the pivot element, we "zero out" all the entries under  $a_{11}$  by multiplying by the matrix

$$M_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & & \\ -\sigma_2^{(1)} & 1 & & & & 0 \\ -\sigma_3^{(1)} & 0 & 1 & & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & & \\ -\sigma_n^{(1)} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & \end{bmatrix} , \quad \sigma_i^{(1)} = \frac{a_{i1}}{a_{11}} , \quad i=2,3,\dots,n$$

• Then  $M_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(1)} & & a_{2n}^{(1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & a_{n2}^{(1)} & & a_{nn}^{(1)} \end{bmatrix}$

Similarly,

$$M_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & & & \\ 0 & 1 & & & \\ \vdots & -\delta_3^{(1)} & 1 & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & 0 & \ddots & \\ \vdots & \vdots & 0 & \ddots & \\ 0 & -\delta_n^{(1)} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\delta_i^{(2)} = \frac{a_{i2}^{(1)}}{a_{22}^{(1)}}, \quad i=3,4,\dots,n$$

Note: I'm being sloppy here. These  $\delta_i$ 's are NOT the same as the  $\delta_i$ 's in the previous step of G.E.

So,

$$M_2 M_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(1)} & \dots & a_{2n}^{(1)} \\ \vdots & 0 & a_{33}^{(2)} & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & a_{n3}^{(2)} & a_{nn}^{(2)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Applying the process  $n-1$  times (AND yes, I'm tacitly assuming that we don't encounter any zero pivot elements and that the process is "completeable" on my  $A$  matrix), we get

$$M_{n-1} M_{n-2} \dots M_2 M_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(1)} & \dots & a_{2n}^{(1)} \\ \vdots & 0 & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a_{nn}^{(n-1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Upper Triar matrix  $U$

$$\Rightarrow A = M_1^{-1} M_2^{-1} \dots M_{n-1}^{-1} U$$

- Note: Each  $M_k$  is invertible with  $M_k^{-1}$  having the very convenient form

$$M_k^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & 1 & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & 1 & \\ & & & & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & & & & 1 & \\ & & & & & & & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Furthermore,  $M_1^{-1} M_2^{-1} \dots M_{n-1}^{-1} = L$  and has the form

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ \sigma_2^{(1)} & 1 & & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & \\ \sigma_n^{(1)} & \sigma_n^{(2)} & \dots & \sigma_n^{(n-1)} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

← Note: L has  
Lin. Ind. Columns

- Observe:
  - A L is lower triangular
  - B ones on diagonal of L
  - C G.E. multipliers for each step sit under the diagonal elements.

- An advantage of having the LU-decomposition is that if we are given a linear system

$$Ax = b$$

to solve, the LU-decomp. can make this process reasonably painless - by first using forward substitution + then using backward substitution on the appropriate linear systems →

$$Ax = b$$

$$LUx = b \quad , \text{ define } y = Ux$$

$$Ly = b$$

- 1. Solve  $Ly = b$  using forward substitution
  - 2. Solve  $Ux = y$  using back substitution
- This yields the soln  $x$ .
  - Note: This can be very beneficial if we are working with an algorithm that requires repeated linear system solves where the matrix  $A$  doesn't change and we only need to use a new  $b$ -vector during each iteration of the algorithm.

- Pseudoinverse of  $A$  using  $LU$ :

Thm 1.11

If  $A = LU$ , then  $A^+ = U^* (UU^*)^{-1} (L^*L)^{-1} L^*$

Why? Verify that  $x = A^+b$  satisfies  $A^*Ax = A^*b$

$$A^*Ax = (LU)^* LU [U^* (UU^*)^{-1} (L^*L)^{-1} L^*] b$$

$$= [U^* L^* \underbrace{L(UU^*)^{-1} (L^*L)^{-1} L^*}_{= I}] b$$

$$= U^* (L^*L) (L^*L)^{-1} L^* b \quad \rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^*Ax &= U^*L^*b \\
 &= (LU)^*b \\
 &= A^*b
 \end{aligned}$$

So, for  $x$  defined by  $x=A^*b$ , it satisfies the normal eqns, and now we need to check that our  $x$  is orthogonal to all  $w \in N(A)$ .

If  $w \in N(A)$ , then  $Aw=0 \Rightarrow LUw=0$ .

Since  $L$  has linearly independent cols, then  $L^{-1}$  exists, and this implies that it must be the case that

$$Uw=0$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle w, A^*b \rangle &= \langle w, U^*(U^*U)^{-1}(L^*L)^{-1}L^*b \rangle \\
 &= \langle Uw, (U^*U)^{-1}(L^*L)^{-1}L^*b \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Since } Uw=0 & \xrightarrow{\text{}} = \langle 0, (U^*U)^{-1}(L^*L)^{-1}L^*b \rangle \\
 \text{i.e. } w \in N(U) & = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $x=A^*b$  is orthogonal to all  $w \in N(A)$ .

And the  $A^*$  defined above satisfies the requirements of Defn. 1.13.

Ex:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  Row Reduce  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{So, } A = LU \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Note: To compute the Pseudoinverse of  $A$ , we first eliminate the zero rows of  $U$  and corresponding cols. of  $L$  to form the  $L, U$  that contain only the Lin. Ind. Cols + Rows.

$$\text{So, Begin with } L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}, U = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

New Land  $U$ :

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}, U = [2 \ 4 \ 6]$$

Then the Pseudoinverse is given by

$$A' = U^* (U U^*)^{-1} (L^* L)^{-1} L^*$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \left[ \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \right]^{-1} \left[ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \right]^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \left( \frac{1}{56} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{5}{4} \right)^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{70} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{70} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 \\ 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

← See pg. 31 for G.E. version of this computation.