

# Lecture 08

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## *Solving Linear System III: LU and PLU Decomposition*

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# Today's Lecture: Outline

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Today ... LU and PLU decomposition

1. LU Decomposition
2. Permutation matrix and  $PA = LU$

After this lecture, you should be able to

1. Compute LU decomposition of simple matrices
2. Apply permutation in the GE process

Strang's book: Sec 2.5, 2.6

# Part I Matrix Preparation: Permutation Matrix and Inverse of Elementary Matrix

[15 mins]

# Opening Practice

Q1.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $\rightarrow E_{\underline{3R_1+R_3}}$  ?

Q2 What is  $A^{-1}$ ?  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Q3. Does  $A^{-1}$  correspond to row operation?

$$-3R_1 + R_3 \quad E_{3R_1+R_3}^{-1} = E_{-3R_1+R_3}$$

Q4 What do we learn from it?

# Computing Inverse of $E_{3R_1 + R_3}$

Naive method:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} \quad AB = BA = I \Rightarrow a, b, c, \dots$$

Smarter method:

Shape of A, lower triangular

so inverse of A must be lower triangular.

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

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 1 & 0 \\ b & c & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 1 & 0 \\ 3+b & c & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{want}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Some row.

$$\Rightarrow a=0, b=-3, c=0$$

$$\Rightarrow B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Trick in Multiplication

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$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 \\ 0 & \alpha_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a} \\ \vec{b} \\ \vec{c} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \vec{a} \\ \alpha_2 \vec{b} \\ \alpha_3 \vec{c} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 20 & 5 & 60 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 100 & 75 & 37 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a} \\ \vec{b} \\ \vec{c} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a} \\ \vec{b} \\ \vec{c} \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider  $AB$ .

If in  $A$ , one row is the same as the row in identity matrix,  
then in the product  $AB$ , the corresponding row is  
the same as that row of  $B$ .

## Q4: What to learn?

We have shown  $E_{3R_1+R_3}^{-1} = E_{-3R_1+R_3}$ .

What is the relation of  $3R_1+R_3$  and  $-3R_1+R_3$ ?

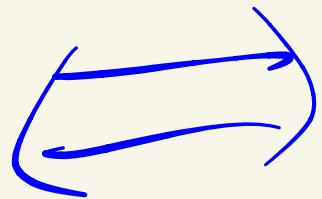
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a} \\ \vec{b} \\ \vec{c} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{3R_1+R_3} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a} \\ \vec{b} \\ 3\vec{a} + \vec{c} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-3R_1+R_3} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a} \\ \vec{b} \\ \vec{c} \end{bmatrix} = A$$

Apply two operations  $\Leftrightarrow$  doing nothing

They are reverse operators

If view matrix as operation

Inverse of matrix



reverse operation

# Reverse Operations in Daily Life

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## Reversible Operations

Turn off / on light

Wear / take off shoes.

Sleep / wake up.

## Non-reversible operation

break a light bulb

burn shoes

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# What Is the Inverse of an Elementary Matrix?

Example

$$R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2 \quad A^{-1} = A$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_2 \rightarrow R_1$$

$$3R_2 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{1}{3} R_2$$

$$3R_1 + R_3 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad -3R_1 + R_3$$

Question: What Is the Inverse of an Elementary Matrix?

Answer: Matrix corresponding to the reverse of

# Inverse of Elementary Matrix

tip: read title  
(important skill)

## Theorem (Inverse of Elementary Matrices)

(1)  $E_{R_i R_j}^{-1} = E_{R_j R_i}$ , corresponding to the reverse row operation 1:  $R_i \leftrightarrow R_j$ .

(2)  $E_{\alpha R_i}^{-1} = E_{\frac{1}{\alpha} R_i}$  ( $\alpha \neq 0$ ), corresponding to the reverse row operation 2:  
 $R_i \rightarrow \frac{1}{\alpha} R_i$ .

(3)  $E_{\beta R_i + R_j}^{-1} = E_{-\beta R_i + R_j}$ , corresponding to the reverse row operation 3:  
 $R_j \rightarrow -\beta R_i + R_j$ .

**Remark.** The inverse of the elementary matrices corresponding to the reverse row operations and belong to the same type of elementary matrices.

# What are the Shapes? Triangular, diagonal or none?

Type I:  
Not triangular

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

Type I inverse:  
Not triangular

$\alpha R_2$

Type II:  
Diagonal

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

Type II inverse:  
Diagonal

Type III:  
Lower triangular  
Or  
Upper triangular

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Type III inverse:  
Lower triangular  
Or  
Upper triangular.

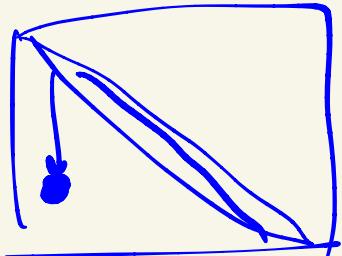
Same shape as the original matrix.

Add  $\beta R_1$  to  $R_3$  (use row-1 to eliminate row-3): lower triangular

If  $i < j$ , add  $\beta R_i$  to  $R_j$  (eliminate down, Step 1 of GE): lower triangular

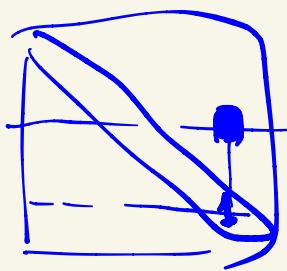
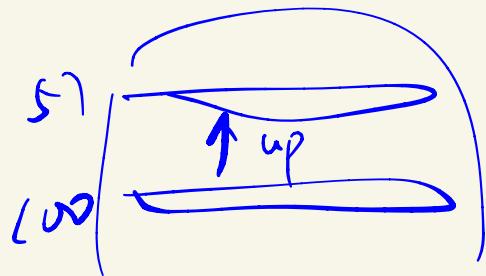
Otherwise: lower triangular.

$E_{ZR_3 + R_7}$  : up or low ?



GT: forward el/match ✓

$E_{ZR_{100} + R_{57}}$  : up or low ?



## Exercise: Judgement

apply operation to  $I_n$ . (square)

Any elementary matrix is a square matrix.

True.

Any elementary matrix is invertible. True.

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# Elementary Matrix

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## Exercise

Are the following matrices elementary?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

**Question:** What does the last matrix do if we multiply it by any matrix (with matched dimensions)?

# Permutation

A permutation  $\pi$  is a bijection from  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  to itself.

Expression as a vector:  $\pi = (\pi(1), \dots, \pi(n))^T$ . *permutation in two ways.*

There are  $n!$  permutations of  $n$  elements.

$$1) \quad \pi = (1 \ 3 \ 2)^T$$

$$2) \quad \pi(1) = 1, \pi(2) = 3, \pi(3) = 2$$

Matrix  $P_\pi$  is obtained by reordering the rows of  $I$  in the order  $(\pi(1), \dots, \pi(n))^T$ .

- Let  $\mathbf{e}_i$  be the  $i$ th row of  $I$ .
- The  $i$ th row of  $P_\pi$  is  $\mathbf{e}_{\pi(i)}$ .

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \\ \mathbf{a}_4 \\ \mathbf{a}_5 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{permuted by } \pi} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_5 \\ \mathbf{a}_4 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\pi = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 4 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad P_\pi = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

one 1 in each row & col.

permutation of  $\{1, 2\}$ :  $(1 \ 2)^T, (2 \ 1)^T$

permutation of  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ :  $(1, 2, 3)^T, (1, 3, 2)^T, (2, 1, 3)^T$   
 $(2, 3, 1)^T, (3, 1, 2)^T, (3, 2, 1)^T$

记  $\pi$  为  $P_\pi$

If  $\pi = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $P_\pi = P_{[2]} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

If  $\pi = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $P_\pi = P_{[1]} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

If  $\pi = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $P_\pi = P_{[\frac{1}{3}]} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

# Permutation Vector v.a Swapping Entries

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Claim Permutation vector can be obtained by swapping variables multiple times

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ \vdots \\ n \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{swap entries many times}} \begin{bmatrix} \pi(1) \\ \vdots \\ \pi(n) \end{bmatrix} \text{any permutation.}$$

e.g. How to obtain  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  by swapping entries?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{4 \leftrightarrow 2} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{3 \leftrightarrow 1} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Permutation Matrix via Swapping Rows

Claim Permutation matrix can be obtained by swapping rows multiple times.

e.g.  $\pi = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $P_\pi = \begin{bmatrix} 0_4 \\ 0_1 \\ 0_3 \\ 0_2 \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $a_i$  is the  $i$ 'th row of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ a_4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_4} \begin{bmatrix} a_4 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightleftharpoons[R_2 \leftrightarrow R_4]{\quad} \begin{bmatrix} a_4 \\ a_1 \\ a_3 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Permutation Matrix via Elementary Matrices

## Property (Permutation Matrix)

For a permutation matrix  $P$ , it can always be decomposed into a multiplication of finite number of row exchange matrices  $E_{R_{i_k} R_{j_k}}$  (corresponding to the row exchange  $R_{i_k} \leftrightarrow R_{j_k}$ ), i.e.

$$P = E_{R_{i_k} R_{j_k}} \cdots E_{R_{i_2} R_{j_2}} E_{R_{i_1} R_{j_1}}$$

Example

permutation      product of  $E_{R_i R_j}$ 's

exchange rows multiple times

each  $E$ : exchange rows once

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = E_{R_2 R_4} E_{R_1 R_3}$$

# Permutation Matrix

## Definition (Permutation Matrix)

A permutation matrix is a square matrix that has exactly one entry of 1 in each row and each column and 0s elsewhere.

**Remark** A permutation matrix can be obtained by reordering the rows of the identity matrix.

Example

$$\pi = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$I \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{bmatrix} a_3 \\ a_2 \\ a_1 \\ a_4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_4} P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xleftarrow{\text{4th}} = \begin{bmatrix} a_3 \\ a_4 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Thus } P = E_{R_1R_3} E_{R_2R_4}$$

# Part II Computing LU Decomposition

Strang's book Sec 2.6

[20 mins]

# “Row Operation $\Leftrightarrow$ Matrix Multiplication” in GE

We have learned two things:

**(S1)** (A single) elementary row operation  
Is (a single) matrix multiplication. [Lec 06]

**(S2)** GE is a bunch of elementary row operations. [Lec 05]

**(Corollary) by Syllogism 三段论**

**(S3)** GE is a bunch of matrix multiplications.

$$(A \text{ is } B) + (B \text{ is } C) \Rightarrow (A \text{ is } C)$$

(S1)

(S2)

(S3)

(S1) elementary row operath  $\iff$  matrix multiplication

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-2R_1 + R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = B$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underbrace{E_{-2R_1 + R_2}} A = B.$$

(S2) GE is a bunch of elementary row operations.

$$\boxed{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}} \xrightarrow{-2R_1 + R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{2}R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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# Matrix Multiplications Lead to Lower Triangular

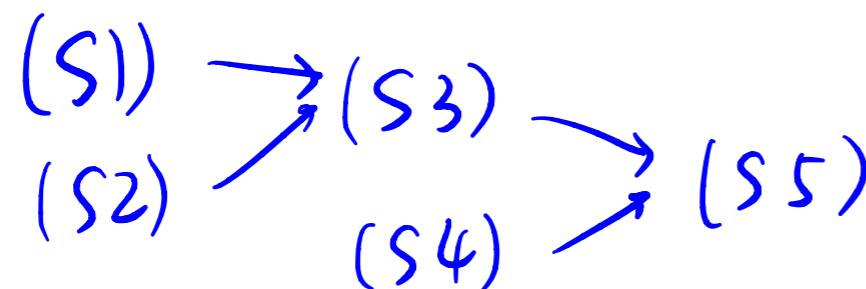
**Two facts:**

**(S3)** GE is just a bunch of matrix multiplications  
i.e.  $\underbrace{E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1}_\text{lower triangular matrix} A = U$ . *(lost slide)*

**(S4)** Multiplication  $E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1$  is lower triangular.  
*(surprise) (Hw 2)*

**(Corollary)**

**(S5)**  $A = (\text{lower triangular}) \times (\text{upper triangular})$  [Lec 07]



# n by n Good Case: LU Decomposition

Coefficient matrix A; square matrix.

(S2) Gaussian elimination (GE) (forward part; assume no row exchange)

$$A \xrightarrow{Op_1} A_1 \xrightarrow{Op_2} A_2 \dots \xrightarrow{Op_k} U$$

U is upper triangular.

(S3) Express GE as matrix multiplication:

$$E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1 A = U$$

Express matrix A as matrix product:

$$A = (E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1)^{-1} U$$

(S4) Denote  $L = (E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1)^{-1}$ ; it is lower triangular.

since only involves Type-I (eliminating down) and Type-II elementary matrices

Then

(S5)

$$\underline{\underline{A}} = \underline{\underline{L}} \underline{\underline{U}}$$

# Computing LU: 2x2 Example

Example  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ . Write LU of A.

Step 1 GE.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-2R_1+R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = U$

Step 2 Matrix  $E_{-2R_1+R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , i.e.  $E_1 A = U$ .

$E_1 \quad \quad \quad U$

|| $\Delta$  (denote as,  $i\leftrightarrow j$ )      || $\Delta$  (denote as,  $i\leftrightarrow j$ )

Step 3 Compute L.  $E_1^{-1} = E_{-2R_1+R_2}^{-1} = E_{2R_1+R_2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Conclusion  $A = L \cdot U$ , where  $L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Remark: You can verify  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

# Computing LU: $2 \times 2$ Exercise

Exercise  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ . LU of A.

Step 1. GE.  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -4 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[=E_1]{2R_1+R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 14 \end{bmatrix} \div 4$

Step 2. matrix  $E_{2R_1+R_2}^{-1} A = U \Rightarrow A = E_1^{-1} U$

Step 3. Compute L.  $L = E_{2R_1+R_2}^{-1} = E_{-2R_1+R_2}$   
 $= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Conclusion  $A = LU$ , where  $L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $U = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$ .

# Simplification of Process

For experts, the above process is simplified to:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\downarrow 2R_1 + R_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{D}{=} U.$$

$$L = E_{2R_1 + R_2}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \stackrel{D}{=} LU.$$

# How to Compute LU Decomposition?

**Step 1:** Express GE as matrix multiplications

$$E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1 A = U.$$

**Step 2:** Compute  $L = E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} \dots E_k^{-1}$ .

**Step 3:** Write conclusion  $A = LU$

Compute  $E_i$ 's,  $U$

Compute  $\prod_i E_i^{-1} = L$

$\Downarrow$

$$A = LU$$

# 3 by 3 Example (Same slide as Lec 07)

Coefficient matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Gaussian elimination:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}R_1 + R_2 \\ R_3 \rightarrow -2R_1 + R_3 \end{array}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -9 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow -(-3)R_2 + R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Express as matrix multiplication:

$$E_2 E_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -9 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

(st entry below (1,1))  
x 2nd below (1,1)

$$E_3(E_2 E_1 A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -9 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = U$$

1st below (2,2)

## 3 by 3 Example (from Lec 09)

**Step 1 Gaussian elimination (forward elimination)**

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 & 9 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}R_1 + R_2 \\ R_3 \rightarrow -2R_1 + R_3 \end{array}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -9 & 5 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow -(-3)R_2 + R_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{array} \right] \triangleq U.$$

No row exchange; continue.

**Step 2: Record elementary matrices.**

$$E_1, E_2, E_3 = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right], \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right], \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$E_{xR_1+R_2}, \quad E_{xR_1+R_3} \quad E_{xR_2+R_3}.$$

# 3 by 3 Example (from Lec 09)

## Step 1 Gaussian elimination (forward elimination)

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 & 9 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}R_1 + R_2 \\ R_3 \rightarrow -2R_1 + R_3}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -9 & 5 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow -(-3)R_2 + R_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{array} \right] \triangleq U.$$

No row exchange; continue.

## Step 2: Record elementary matrices.

$$E_1, E_2, E_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Step 3: Compute L by (10.3).

$$\begin{aligned} L &= E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} E_3^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \square & \square & \square \\ \square & \square & \square \\ \square & \square & \square \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

## Step 4: Conclusion.

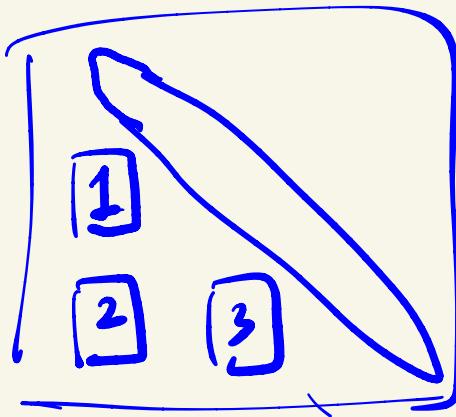
A has an LU decomposition  $A = LU$ , where  $L = \text{blabla}$ ,  $U = \text{blabla}$ .

*positions fixed; values are ratios of entries*

$$A = (E_3 \ E_2 \ E_1)^{-1} U$$

$E_{\alpha_3 R_2 + R_3}$        $\bar{E}_{\alpha_2 R_1 + R_3}$        $E_{\alpha_1 R_1 + R_2}$   
 $E_3$                    $E_2$                    $E_1$

$E_1, \bar{E}_2, E_3$  correspond to three entries to be eliminated .



# Computing LU Decomposition

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## Algorithm (compute LU decomposition)

Step 1:

Get

Step 2

Matrix

$$\tilde{E}_k - \tilde{E}_l A = U.$$

Step 3:

$$L = (\tilde{E}_k - \tilde{E}_l)^{-1}$$

Step 4:

$$A = LU.$$

# Computing LU Decomposition

## Algorithm (compute LU decomposition)

### Step 1: Forward elimination.

Run forward elimination, till get upper triangular matrix U.

IF row exchange needed:

STOP and report: the algorithm fails to generate LU decomposition.

ELSE (no row exchange) Go to Step 2.

### Step 2 Record elementary matrices.

Record elementary matrices  $E_1, \dots, E_k$  in Step 1.

### Step 3: Compute L.

Compute  $L = E_1^{-1}E_2^{-1}\dots E_k^{-1}$  (8.3)

Remark:  
Can use row operations for (8.3),

### Step 4: Conclusion.

A has an LU decomposition  $A = LU$ ,

where  $L = \text{blabla}$  (obtained in Step 3)

$U = \text{blabla}$  (recorded in Step 1)

# What if there is no LU decomposition?

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**You may wonder:** what if there is row exchange?  
(Assumption 3 does not hold)

**In homework/exam:**

- First, it probably will not happen if the problem asks you compute LU decomposition.
- Second, if it really happens in homework/exam, just say: there is no LU decomposition.

**In practice:**

- People can swap rows to perform PLU decomposition (next part)
- There may be other ways (beyond the class)

# Part III $PA = LU$ for General A

Strang's book Sec 2.6

## Outline of This Part

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Theorem (PLU decomposition)

Any square matrix A can be written as

$$P A = \underline{L} \underline{U},$$

where L is lower triangular,

U is upper triangular;

P is a certain permutation matrix.

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Outline:

- i) 2 by 2 matrix example;
- ii) 3 by 3 matrix example;
- iii) Summary:  $PA = LU$ .

## 2 by 2 Example

Augmented matrix:  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & 13 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 5x_2 = 13 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 = -3 \end{array} \right.$

Gaussian elimination:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & 13 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

How to perform elimination step?

$$E \underline{\alpha} R_1 + R_2, \text{ what is } \alpha? -\frac{1}{5}.$$

$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 = b_1 & (1) \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 = b_2 & (2) \end{cases}$$

To eliminate  $x_1$  in (2), need  $(1) \cdot \left(-\frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}}\right) + (2)$ ,

Now  $a_{11} = 0$ , what to do?  $\neq 0$ .

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Gaussian elimination:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & 13 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 5 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

Swap the rows !!  
The new  $a_{11} \neq 0$ .

## 2 by 2 Example

Augmented matrix:  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & 13 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$

Gaussian elimination:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & 13 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 5 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

Row exchange is needed!

Q. Unusual?

Just look at the coefficient matrix.

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

Answer: not triangular

Express as matrix multiplication (just 1st step):

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

$$E_{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \triangleq U$$

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Denote  $P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $P_1 A = U$ .

Then  $\underline{A = P_1^{-1}U}$ .

Here,  $P_1^{-1}$  is not triangular matrix, and U is upper triangular matrix.

## 2 by 2 Example (cont'd)

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Is this an LU decomposition?

After re-ordering rows of  $A$ , the new matrix has LU decomposition;  
i.e.,  $\exists$  permutation matrix  $P$ , s.t.  $PA = LU$ .

(In this example,  $L = I, P = P_1^{-1}$ .)

## 3 by 3 Example

**Coefficient matrix:**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$   $\xrightarrow{-2R_1+R_2}$   $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$

**Gaussian elimination in matrix form (just coefficient matrix):**

$$E_2 E_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Define  $P = E_{R_2 R_3}$ , then  $PE_2 E_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = U$

Then  $\underline{A} = (PE_2 E_1)^{-1} U = \underline{E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} P^{-1}} U$ .

$$A = L \cdot P^{-1} U$$

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But this is NOT the form of  $\underline{PA = LU}$ . How to get it?  
Idea: do all the row exchange at the beginning.

## 3 by 3 Example (cont'd)

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**Gaussian elimination in matrix form (just coefficient matrix):**

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Then  $PA = (E_2E_1)^{-1}U = E_1^{-1}E_2^{-1}U$ .

Define  $L = E_1^{-1}E_2^{-1}$ , then  $\textcolor{red}{PA = LU}$ .

## n by n General Case: PA = LU

Coefficient matrix A; square matrix.

i) Gaussian elimination (GE) (allow row exchange; forward elimination)

$\underline{A} \xrightarrow{\text{Type-II or none}} A_1 \xrightarrow{\text{Type-I}} A_2 \xrightarrow{\text{Type-II or none}} A_3 \xrightarrow{\text{Type-I}} A_4 \dots \rightarrow U$       U is upper triangular.

if  $a_{11}=0$ ,  
row exchange  
else:  
do nothing

now up  
to eliminate

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ii) Express GE as matrix multiplication:

$$P_k E_k P_{k-1} E_{k-1} \dots P_1 E_1 A = U,$$

where  $P_k, \dots, P_1$  are row-exchange matrices or identity,  
 $E_k, \dots, E_1$  are Type-II or Type-III elementary matrices.

Complicated

iii) Extract row exchange matrices: define  $P = P_k P_{k-1} \dots P_1$ .

$$E_0 P_0 E_D P - E_0 P_0 A = U.$$

It's a somewhat complicated product.

Two things to proceed:

(i) (Magic) (to prove in hw 3).

you can swap  $E_{\beta R_i + \beta_j}$  and  $P_{xx}$  (while changing index)

to get  $\underbrace{(E_k - E_l)}_{L^{-1}} \underbrace{(P_k P_{k-1} \dots P_l)}_P A = U$ .

$$\Rightarrow L^{-1} P A = U \Rightarrow P A = L U.$$

(ii) Product of row exchange matrix is a special type  
permutation matrix

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iv) Conduct GE on a new matrix  $PA$ .

“Magic”: no row exchange is needed to obtain upper triangular matrix.

**Claim** (requires proof; skip):  $\exists$  Type-II and Type-III matrices  $\hat{E}_1, \hat{E}_2, \dots, \hat{E}_t$  s.t.

$$\hat{E}_t \dots \hat{E}_2 \hat{E}_1 (PA) = U.$$

Remark:  $\hat{E}_i$ 's are different from  $E_j$ 's.

[This claim will be partially proved in HW 3]

# n by n General Case: PA = LU

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i) Gaussian elimination (GE) (allow row exchange; forward elimination)

$$A \xrightarrow{\text{Type-I or none}} A_1 \xrightarrow{\text{Type-II,III}} A_2 \xrightarrow{\text{Type-I or none}} A_3 \xrightarrow{\text{Type-II,III}} A_4 \dots \rightarrow U$$

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v) Denote  $L = (E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1)^{-1}$ , lower triangular. Then

$$\text{PA} = LU.$$

PLU decomposition

$$\underline{PA = LU}$$

For any A, ↓

after proper reordering of  
rows of A,

it can be written as LU.

# Concluding Section

# **Summary Today**

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Write your summary below.

One sentence summary:

Detailed summary:

# Summary Today Instructor's summary

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## One sentence summary:

We learned how to compute LU decomposition, and PLU decompositions

## Detailed summary:

- 1) Matrix preparation.
  - Inverse of permutation matrix, reverse operation
  - Permutation matrix (a) product of row exchange matrices; (b) reorder rows of  $A_n$ .
- 2) Compute LU decomposition
  - Works if no row exchange needed
  - Write  $E_i$ 's, then compute  $L = (E_k \cdots E_1)^{-1}$
- 3) PLU decomposition.
  - Any square matrix  $A$  satisfies  $PA = LU$ .