

§1.5 Triangular factors and row exchanges

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back to elimination example:
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -6 & 0 \\ -2 & 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad Ax = b$$

① $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 4 & -6 & 0 & -2 \\ -2 & 7 & 2 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & -8 & -2 & -12 \\ -2 & 7 & 2 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$
 E A EA

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 F EA FEA

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 G FEA GF EA

upper triangular - can solve by back substitution.

$$Ax = b.$$

$$2u + v + w = 5 \quad u = 1$$

$$-8v - 2w = -12 \quad v = 1$$

$$w = 2$$

$\underbrace{G}_{\text{elementary matrices}} \underbrace{F}_{\text{original matrix}} \underbrace{EA}_{\text{upper triangular}} = U$

key property ①: a product of upper triangular matrices is upper triangular
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$$\underbrace{GFE}_{\text{lower triangular!}}$$

lower triangular! row operation is reversible so

key property ②: each elementary matrix has an inverse.

Defn: an inverse for A is a matrix A^{-1} such that $A^{-1}A = I_n$ identity matrix.

warning: not all matrices have inverses! (eg $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ zero matrix).

Example

①

② $-2 \times ①$

③

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

E

①

② $+2 \times ①$

③

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

E^{-1}

check!

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

$$\begin{aligned} LFEA &= U \\ \underbrace{F^{-1}L}_{I} FEA &= GU \\ \underbrace{F^{-1}F}_{I} EEA &= F^{-1}GU \\ \underbrace{E^{-1}E}_{I} EA &= E^{-1}F^{-1}GU \end{aligned}$$

$$A = \underbrace{E^{-1}F^{-1}L}_{\text{lower triangular}} \underbrace{U}_{\text{upper triangular}}$$

$$A = \underbrace{L}_{\substack{\text{lower triangular} \\ 1's \text{ on diagonal}}} \underbrace{U}_{\text{upper triangular (result of doing Gaussian elimination on A)}}$$

"LU factorization"

Thm Every matrix A has an LU factorization, $A = LU$ where

U is upper triangular, result of doing Gaussian elimination.

L is lower triangular, 1 's on the diagonal, corresponds to row operations.

Thm

Thm (1.5 2H) If A can be row reduced with no exchanges of rows, then $A = LU$ where L is lower triangular, with 1s on diagonal.
 U upper triangular

Q: why did we do this?

A: so we want to solve $Ax = b$ $\leftrightarrow$ $LUx = b$
 $\uparrow$ two triangular systems, i.e.
 solve $Lc = b$ (n^2)
 then $Ux = c$ (n^2)

we often want to solve $Ax = b$ for many different values of b .

so we can do this by ① factor $A = LU$ ($\frac{1}{2}n^3$ operations)
 ② solve $Lc = b$ (n^2 operations)
 $Ux = c$ (n^2 operations)

Example solve $Ax = b$

$$\begin{aligned} x + 2y - z &= b_1 \\ -x + 3z &= b_2 \\ x + 6y + 6z &= b_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 6 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ +1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} +1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

solve $Lc = b$
 $Ux = c$

$$Lc = b: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 &= 1 \\ -c_1 + c_2 &= 1 \\ c_2 &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 + 2c_2 + c_3 &= -1 \\ 1 + 4 + c_3 &= -1 \\ c_3 &= -6 \end{aligned}$$

$$Ux = c \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x + 2y - z &= -6 & x &= -14 \\ 2y + 2z &= 2 & y &= 3 \\ 3z &= -6 & z &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

check!