

LU-Matrix factorization

Idea given a matrix A find factors

L and U such that $A=LU$.

lower
triangular

upper
triangular

row echelon form...

$$11. \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 & 3 \\ 6 & -7 & 2 \\ -1 & 7 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = A.$$

Make the row echelon form using elimination steps...

$$r_2 \leftarrow r_2 - 2r_1$$

$$r_3 \leftarrow r_3 - (-\frac{1}{3})r_1$$

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(row, col) = (2, 1)

\leftarrow = (3, 1)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 & -4 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$r_3 \leftarrow r_3 - 1r_2$$

(row, col) = (3, 2)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = U$$

What is L?

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

always the same...

Check the answer...

Multiply LU and see what we get...

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$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1/3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 & 3 \\ 6 & -7 & 2 \\ -1 & 7 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = LU$$

usually if something goes wrong you can tell from the last entry...

What to do with LU factorization...

Solve $Ax = b \dots$

$LUx = b$

Substitute $y = Ux$

$$\begin{cases} Ly = b \\ Ux = y \end{cases}$$

two simpler linear alg. problems...