

Lecture 6: LU Decomposition

In the last class we discussed on:

- Gauss-Jordan elimination method
- We worked out an example problem as well.

LU Decomposition

* We have earlier discussed that matrices can be factored.

$$[A] = [B][C] \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

* There can be infinite number of combinations possible for the above equation $\textcircled{1}$.

* One can easily then decompose or factorise $[A]$ into a lower triangle matrix and upper triangle matrix.

$$\text{i.e. } [A] = [L][U] \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & a_{n3} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} l_{11} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ l_{21} & l_{22} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{n1} & l_{n2} & \dots & l_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} & \dots & u_{1n} \\ 0 & u_{22} & \dots & u_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & u_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Q: What is the purpose of decomposing the matrix $[A]$?

→ If we need to solve several linear systems with same coefficient matrix, then it will be tedious to do Gauss elimination for every R.H.S. vector.

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- Especially in a situation where the R.H.S vector is/a function of the ^{previous} solution vectors. ~~of previous~~
- To counter such unnecessary computations LU Decomposition is recommended.

Please note about LU Decomposition

$$[A] \{x\} = \{b\} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\text{i.e. } [L][U] \{x\} = \{b\} \rightarrow (2)$$

Now multiply by $[L]^{-1}$;

$$[L]^{-1}[L][U] \{x\} = [L]^{-1}\{b\}$$

$$\text{i.e. } [I][U] \{x\} = [L]^{-1}\{b\}$$

$$\text{or } [U] \{x\} = [L]^{-1}\{b\} \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\text{let us define } [U] \{x\} = \{c\} \rightarrow (4)$$

$$\therefore \text{ We get } \{c\} = [L]^{-1}\{b\}$$

$$\text{or } [L] \{c\} = \{b\} \rightarrow (5)$$

* That is, the lower triangle matrix $[L]$ will transform the R.H.S. vector $\{b\}$ to $\{c\}$ using the relation $\{c\} = [L]^{-1}\{b\}$

* After obtaining $\{c\}$, using the relation $[U] \{x\} = \{c\}$, we get the solution vector.

LU Decomposition Forms

$$A = [A] = [L][U] \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

there are many combinations of this eqn. ①.

⇒ Now if the diagonal elements of [L] are 1, then the combination $[A] = [L][U]$ will be unique.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & a_{n3} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ l_{21} & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{n1} & l_{n2} & \dots & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} & \dots & u_{1n} \\ 0 & u_{22} & \dots & u_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ u_{n1} & u_{n2} & \dots & u_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

The ^{solution of linear system} formation of unique combination is Doolittle's method.

⇒ If the diagonal elements of [U] are 1, again the decomposition $[A] = [L][U]$ will be unique

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & a_{n3} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} l_{11} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ l_{21} & l_{22} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{n1} & l_{n2} & l_{n3} & \dots & l_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & u_{12} & u_{13} & \dots & u_{1n} \\ 0 & 1 & u_{23} & \dots & u_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

This method of solving the system is called Crout's method.

Quick Example (Hoffman, 2001)

We will discuss the method of decomposition later. Let us do a quick example.

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 80 & -20 & -20 \\ -20 & 40 & -20 \\ -20 & -20 & 130 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 20 \\ 20 \\ 20 \end{Bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Solve this system} \\ \text{by Doolittle method.} \end{array}$$

$$[A] \{x\} = \{b\}$$

$$\text{Now } [A] = [L][U]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 80 & -20 & -20 \\ -20 & 40 & -20 \\ -20 & -20 & 130 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1/4 & 1 & 0 \\ -1/4 & -5/7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 80 & -20 & -20 \\ 0 & 35 & -25 \\ 0 & 0 & 750/7 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Check the product yourself) \rightarrow The method for decomposition to be explained later.

$$\text{ie. Now } [L]\{c\} = \{b\}$$

$$\text{ie. } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1/4 & 1 & 0 \\ -1/4 & -5/7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 20 \\ 20 \\ 20 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Use forward substitution,

$$c_1 = 20$$

$$c_2 = 20 - \left(\frac{-20}{4}\right) = 25$$

$$c_3 = 20 - \left(\frac{-20}{4}\right) - \left(\frac{-5}{7} \times 25\right) = \frac{300}{7}$$

$$\text{Now } [U]\{x\} = \{c\}$$

$$\text{ie. } \begin{bmatrix} 80 & -20 & -20 \\ -20 & 40 & -20 \\ -20 & -20 & 130 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 20 \\ 25 \\ 300/7 \end{Bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 80 & -20 & -20 \\ 0 & 35 & -25 \\ 0 & 0 & 750/7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 20 \\ 25 \\ 300/7 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore x_3 = 0.40, \quad x_2 = \frac{25 + 25 \times 0.4}{35} = 1.0$$

$$x_1 = 0.60$$

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Doolittle Method for LU Decomposition

Recall your Gauss elimination algorithm:

→ At any k^{th} step:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} a_{ij}^{(k)} &= a_{ij}^{(k-1)} - l_{ik} a_{kj}^{(k-1)} \\ l_{ik} &= \frac{a_{ik}^{(k-1)}}{a_{kk}^{(k-1)}} \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} i = k+1, k+2, \dots, n \\ j = k, k+1, k+2, \dots, n \\ k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1 \end{array}$$

→ Doing this elimination, you are finally getting an upper triangular matrix using Gauss elimination.

$$[A] \rightarrow [U] \text{ in } (n-1) \text{ steps.}$$

Now you can see that

$$a_{ij}^{(k)} - a_{ij}^{(k-1)} = -l_{ik} a_{kj}^{(k-1)}$$

(i.e. Elements in matrix A gets modified).

As you know $k = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, (n-1)$

$$a_{ij}^{(k)} - a_{ij}^{(k-2)} = -l_{ik} a_{kj}^{(k-1)} - l_{i,k-1} a_{k-1,j}^{(k-2)}$$

$$\text{||} \quad a_{ij}^{(k)} - a_{ij}^{(k)} = - \sum_{k=1}^k l_{ik} a_{kj}^{(k-1)} ; \quad \begin{array}{l} i = k+1, k+2, \dots, n \\ j = k, k+1, k+2, \dots, n \end{array}$$

$$a_{ij}^{(k)} = a_{ij}^{(k)} + \sum_{k=1}^k l_{ik} a_{kj}^{(k-1)} ; \quad \begin{array}{l} i = k+1, k+2, \dots, n \\ j = k, k+1, k+2, \dots, n \end{array}$$

This is nothing but $[A] = [L][U]$

$$\text{or } a_{ij}^{(k)} = a_{ij} - \sum_{m=1}^k l_{im} a_{mj}^{(m-1)}$$

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where elements of $[L]$ are

$$l_{ij} = \begin{cases} l_{ik} & ; \text{ for } i > k, k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1 \\ 1 & ; \text{ for } i = j \\ 0 & ; \text{ for } i < j \end{cases}$$

i.e.

$$[L] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ l_{21} & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & \\ l_{n1} & l_{n2} & l_{n3} & l_{nn} & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}, [U] = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(1)} & \dots & a_{2n}^{(1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a_{nn}^{(n-1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

where $l_{21} = \frac{a_{21}^{(0)}}{a_{11}^{(0)}}$, $l_{32} = \frac{a_{32}^{(1)}}{a_{22}^{(1)}}$, etc.

So the steps are:

$$k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, (n-1)$$

$$l_{kk} = 1, \quad l_{ik} = 0 \text{ for } i < k$$

$$u_{ij} = a_{ij}^{(k)} = a_{ij}^{(k-1)} - l_{ik} a_{jk}^{(k-1)}$$

$$i = k+1, k+2, \dots, n$$

$$j = k, k+1, k+2, \dots, n$$

$$k = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, n-1$$

$$l_{ik} = \frac{a_{ik}^{(k-1)}}{a_{kk}^{(k-1)}}; \quad i > k$$

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So if you look into the example.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 80 & -20 & -20 \\ -20 & 40 & -20 \\ -20 & -20 & 130 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_2 = R_2 - \left(\frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}}\right)R_1 = R_2 - \left(-\frac{20}{80}\right)R_1 \quad \text{Now } l_{21} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$R_3 = R_3 - \left(-\frac{20}{80}\right)R_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 80 & -20 & -20 \\ 0 & 35 & -25 \\ 0 & -25 & 125 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_3 = R_3 - \left(-\frac{25}{35}\right)R_2$$

$$[L] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{4} & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{4} & -\frac{5}{7} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 80 & -20 & -20 \\ 0 & 35 & -25 \\ 0 & 0 & 750/7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Cront's Method

If in the decomposition $[A] = [L][U]$ the diagonal elements of $[U]$ are 1, then it is Crout's method.

$$[U] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & u_{12} & u_{13} & \dots & u_{1n} \\ 0 & 1 & u_{23} & \dots & u_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

~~An assignment~~ In Interval-2, I will be asking you to write the ^{Crout's} method described ~~for Doolittle's for~~ in the same [^] for for Doolittle.

Cholesky Method

→ The LU decomposition for symmetric and positive definite matrix $[A] \rightarrow$ efficiently computed if