

6.5 Matrix Factorization

$$A = LU \quad A_{n \times n} \text{ matrix.}$$

where

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} x & & & 0 \\ x & \ddots & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ x & \dots & x & x \end{pmatrix}, \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} x & x & \dots & x \\ 0 & \ddots & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & x \end{pmatrix}$$

Lower Triang. Upper Triang.

If $A = LU$ and we want to solve the syst.

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b} \Leftrightarrow LU\vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

We can proceed as follows:

- ① Solve $L\vec{y} = \vec{b}$; forward subst. $O(n^2)$ ops.
- ② Solve $U\vec{x} = \vec{y}$; backward subst. $O(n^2)$ ops.

Example. If $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 9 \\ 3 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow A = LU.$$

where $L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3/2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 9/2 & 13/2 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$

If we want to solve

$$A\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{b}$$

① We solve first

$$L\vec{y} = \vec{b}$$

$$\text{or} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3/2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{Forward} \\ \text{Subst.} \end{array}$$

$$y_1 = -1,$$

$$3/2 y_1 + y_2 = 0 \Rightarrow y_2 = -\frac{3}{2}(-1) = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$3/2 y_1 + y_2 + y_3 = 4 \Rightarrow$$

$$y_3 = 4 + \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2} = 4.$$

$$\vec{\dot{y}} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3/2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

② then we solve: $U\vec{x} = \vec{\dot{y}}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 9/2 & 15/2 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3/2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{Backward} \\ \text{Subst.} \end{array}$$

Backward Subst.

$$-4x_3 = 4 \Rightarrow \boxed{x_3 = -1}$$

$$\frac{9}{2}x_2 + \frac{15}{2}x_3 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9}{2}x_2 = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{15}{2}(-1) = \frac{18}{2} = 9 \Rightarrow x_2 = \frac{18}{9} = 2 \Rightarrow \boxed{x_2 = 2}$$

and

$$2x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x_1 = -1 + x_2 - x_3 = -1 + 2 + 1 = 2 \Rightarrow \boxed{x_1 = 1}$$

Solu of linear Syst. $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \checkmark$ Jump to (3')

Question: How can we factor a matrix A in the form: $\underline{A = LU}$. ?

→ Cheney-Kincaid. 6.5 (Burden)

6.4 LU FACTORIZATION.

We will illustrate the process with a 3×3 matrix.

Consider the linear system: $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$

$$A\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 9 \\ 3 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{b}$$

Using Gaussian elimination (Naive)

1st step: $m_{21} = 3/2, \quad m_{31} = 3/2.$

$$A^{(2)}\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 9/2 & 15/2 \\ 0 & 9/2 & 7/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3/2 \\ 11/2 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{b}^{(2)}$$

2nd step: $m_{32} = \frac{9/2}{9/2} = 1.$

$$A^{(3)}\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 9/2 & 15/2 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3/2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{b}^{(3)}$$

Backward Substitution: $\hat{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

In general, if A is a 3×3 matrix and naive Gaussian elimination can be performed, after 2 steps A is transformed in an upper triangular matrix U . In fact,

$$\text{If } A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} = A^{(1)} = (a_{ij}^{(1)})$$

1st step: Elimination of entries below a_{11} in 1st column.

$$m_{21} = \frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}}, \quad m_{31} = \frac{a_{31}}{a_{11}}$$

$$A^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} - m_{21}a_{11} & a_{22} - m_{21}a_{12} & a_{23} - m_{21}a_{13} \\ a_{31} - m_{31}a_{11} & a_{32} - m_{31}a_{12} & a_{33} - m_{31}a_{13} \end{pmatrix} = (a_{ij}^{(2)})$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{(1)} & a_{12}^{(1)} & a_{13}^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(2)} & a_{23}^{(2)} \\ 0 & a_{32}^{(2)} & a_{33}^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}$$

2nd step: Elimination of entry below a_{22} in 2nd column.

$$m_{32} = \frac{a_{32}^{(2)}}{a_{22}^{(2)}}.$$

$$A^{(3)} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{(1)} & a_{12}^{(1)} & a_{13}^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(2)} & a_{32}^{(2)} \\ 0 & \cancel{a_{32}^{(2)}} \xrightarrow{+m_{32} a_{22}^{(2)}} 0 & a_{33}^{(2)} - m_{32} a_{32}^{(2)} \end{pmatrix} = (a_{ij}^{(3)}) =$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{(1)} & a_{12}^{(1)} & a_{13}^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(2)} & a_{32}^{(2)} \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33}^{(3)} \end{pmatrix} = U.$$

Define

$$M^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ -m_{31} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad M^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -m_{32} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

It can be easily proved that

$$\begin{aligned}
 M^{(1)} A^{(1)} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ -m_{31} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} = A^{(2)} = \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} - m_{21}a_{11} & a_{22} - m_{21}a_{12} & a_{23} - m_{21}a_{13} \\ a_{31} - m_{31}a_{11} & a_{32} - m_{31}a_{12} & a_{33} - m_{31}a_{13} \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{(1)} & a_{12}^{(1)} & a_{13}^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(2)} & a_{23}^{(2)} \\ 0 & a_{32}^{(2)} & a_{33}^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

and also

$$\begin{aligned}
 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -m_{32} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{(1)} & a_{12}^{(1)} & a_{13}^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(2)} & a_{23}^{(2)} \\ 0 & a_{32}^{(2)} & a_{33}^{(2)} \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{(1)} & a_{12}^{(1)} & a_{13}^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(2)} & a_{32}^{(2)} \\ 0 & a_{32}^{(2)} - m_{32}a_{22}^{(2)} & a_{33}^{(2)} - m_{32}a_{23}^{(2)} \end{pmatrix} \\
 M^{(2)} A^{(2)} &= \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{(1)} & a_{12}^{(1)} & a_{13}^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(2)} & a_{32}^{(2)} \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33}^{(3)} \end{pmatrix} = A^{(3)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$M^{(2)} A^{(2)} = A^{(3)} = U \text{ (upper triangular)}$$

which is equivalent to

$$M^{(2)} (M^{(1)} A^{(1)}) = U$$

or

$$(M^{(2)} M^{(1)}) A = U$$

Then

$$A = (M^{(2)} M^{(1)})^{-1} U = (M^{(1)})^{-1} (M^{(2)})^{-1} U \quad (5.1)$$

$M^{(2)}$ and $M^{(1)}$ are both invertible since

$$\det(M^{(2)}) = 1, \quad \det(M^{(1)}) = 1.$$

Inverse of $M^{(2)}$ and $M^{(1)}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ m_{31} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ -m_{31} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ m_{21} - m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ m_{31} - m_{31} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I.$$

$$L^{(1)} M^{(1)} = I.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & m_{32} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -m_{32} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & m_{32}-m_{32} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I$$

$$L^{(2)} M^{(2)} = I.$$

These $L^{(i)}$ matrices satisfy the property that their product is a lower triangular matrix L .

In fact,

$$L^{(1)} L^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ m_{31} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & m_{32} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ m_{31} & m_{32} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = L$$

$$\text{or } L^{(1)} L^{(2)} = L.$$

Substitution in (5.1) leads to

$$A = (M^{(1)})^{-1} (M^{(2)})^{-1} U = L^{(1)} L^{(2)} U = LU$$

In conclusion,

$$A = LU, \text{ where } \begin{cases} L \text{ is lower triangular} \\ U \text{ is upper triangular.} \end{cases}$$

In general,

or $A^{(n)} = M^{(n-1)} M^{(n-2)} \dots M^{(1)} A = U \quad (6)$

$$A = (M^{(n-1)} \dots M^{(1)})^{-1} U = [M^{(1)}]^{-1} [M^{(2)}]^{-1} \dots [M^{(n-1)}]^{-1} U$$

Defining $[M^{(i)}]^{-1} = L^{(i)}$

$$A = (L^{(1)} \dots L^{(n-1)}) U \equiv L U$$

Key result.

where $L \equiv L^{(1)} \dots L^{(n-1)}$

Now $M^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -m_{21} & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -m_{31} & & \ddots & & 0 \\ \vdots & 0 & & \ddots & 0 \\ -m_{n1} & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

It can be easily proved that

$$L^{(1)} = [M^{(1)}]^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ m_{21} & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ m_{31} & & \ddots & & 0 \\ \vdots & 0 & & \ddots & 0 \\ m_{n1} & 0 & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ m_{31} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ -m_{31} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ m_{21} - m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ m_{31} - m_{31} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I$$

And in general,

$$L^{(k)} = [M^{(k)}]^{-1} =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ & & \ddots & & \\ 0 & & & 1 & \\ & & & m_{k+1,k} & \\ & & & m_{k+2,k} & \\ & & & \vdots & \\ & & & m_{n,k} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 M^{(1)} L^{(1)} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -m_{21} & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -m_{31} & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -m_{n1} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ m_{21} & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ m_{31} & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ m_{n1} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -m_{21}+m_{21} & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -m_{31}+m_{31} & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -m_{n1}+m_{n1} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I
 \end{aligned}$$

and in general

$$M^{(k)} L^{(k)} = I$$

Now, if n=3

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$$L^{(1)} L^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ m_{31} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & m_{32} & 1 \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ m_{31} & m_{32} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

In general, for A $n \times n$ matrix non-singular

$$L = L^{(1)} L^{(2)} \dots L^{(n-1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ m_{21} & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ m_{31} & m_{32} & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ m_{n1} & m_{n2} & \dots & m_{n,n-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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We have been able to prove the following theorem:

Thm 6.18. - If G.E. can be performed on $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$

without row interchanges, then the matrix A can be factored into the product $A = LU$.

where

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{(1)} & a_{12}^{(1)} & \dots & a_{1n}^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(2)} & \dots & a_{2n}^{(2)} \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & \dots & a_{n-1,n-1}^{(n-1)} & a_{n-1,n}^{(n-1)} \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & a_{nn}^{(n)} \end{pmatrix} = M^{(n-1)} \dots M^{(1)} A.$$

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ m_{21} & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ m_{31} & m_{32} & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ m_{n1} & m_{n2} & \dots & m_{n,n-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = L^{(1)} L^{(2)} \dots L^{(n-1)}$$

In our example,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 9 \\ 3 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 9/2 & 5/2 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

and $L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3/2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

It can be easily verified that

$$LU = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3/2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 9/2 & 5/2 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 9 \\ 3 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} = A$$

The generalization of this factorization to $n \times n$ matrices is straightforward.

In general, for 3×3 matrices

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ m_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ m_{31} & m_{32} & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{(1)} & a_{12}^{(1)} & a_{13}^{(1)} \\ 0 & a_{22}^{(2)} & a_{32}^{(2)} \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33}^{(3)} \end{pmatrix}$$

LU (1/1)

Alternative procedure for LU decomposition.

Algorithm 6.4 (Based on this)

Example: 3x3

$$LU = \begin{pmatrix} l_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ l_{21} & l_{22} & 0 \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & l_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} & u_{13} \\ 0 & u_{22} & u_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & u_{33} \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\# \text{ of unknowns} = 6 + 6 = 12$$

$$LU = A. \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} l_{11}u_{11} & l_{11}u_{12} & l_{11}u_{13} \\ l_{21}u_{11} & l_{21}u_{12} + l_{22}u_{22} & l_{21}u_{13} + l_{22}u_{23} \\ l_{31}u_{11} & l_{31}u_{12} + l_{32}u_{22} & l_{31}u_{13} + l_{32}u_{23} + l_{33}u_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{ij} \\ \downarrow \\ \text{knowns} \end{pmatrix}_{3 \times 3}$$

Then we have 9 eqns. and 12 unknowns.

Need to specify 3 add. conditions

those are given over the diag. terms

$$l_{ii} = 1, \quad \forall i \quad \text{Doolittle.}$$

$$u_{ii} = 1, \quad \forall i \quad \text{Crout.}$$

$$l_{ii} = u_{ii}, \quad \forall i \quad \text{Choleski.}$$

let's adopt Doolittle in our particular example

LU (12)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 9 \\ 3 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} l_{11} = 1 \\ l_{22} = 1 \\ l_{33} = 1 \end{matrix}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} l_{11} u_{11} &= 2 \Rightarrow u_{11} = 2 \\ l_{11} u_{12} &= -1 \Rightarrow u_{12} = -1 \\ l_{11} u_{13} &= 1 \Rightarrow u_{13} = 1 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{matrix} \text{First row} \\ U \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \textcircled{1} \rightarrow \\ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & \\ \hline 2 & 3 & 9 & \\ \hline 3 & 3 & 5 & \end{array} \\ \textcircled{2} \downarrow \end{array}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} l_{21} u_{11} &= 3 \Rightarrow l_{21} = \frac{3}{2} \\ l_{31} u_{11} &= 3 \Rightarrow l_{31} = \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{matrix} \text{First column} \\ L \end{matrix}$$

2nd diag term $l_{21} u_{12} + l_{22} u_{22} = 3 \Rightarrow u_{22} = \frac{3 - l_{21} u_{12}}{l_{22}} = \frac{3 + \frac{3}{2}}{1} = \frac{9}{2}$

2nd row $l_{21} u_{13} + l_{22} u_{23} = 9 \Rightarrow u_{23} = \frac{9 - l_{21} u_{13}}{l_{22}} = \frac{9 - 3/2}{1} = \frac{15}{2}$

2nd column $l_{31} u_{12} + l_{32} u_{22} = 3 \Rightarrow l_{32} = \frac{3 - l_{31} u_{12}}{u_{22}} = \frac{3 + 3/2}{9/2} = 1$

Lower right
Corner
Last entry.

$$l_{31} u_{13} + l_{32} u_{23} + l_{33} u_{33} = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow u_{33} = \frac{5 - l_{31} u_{13} - l_{32} u_{23}}{l_{33}} = 5 - \frac{3}{2} - \frac{15}{2} = -4$$

$$\therefore L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{3}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{3}{2} & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 9/2 & 15/2 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Same as
the one obtained
by previous technique

Example of A nonsingular but row operations are needed for Gauss Elimination.

Gauss Elimination Process

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l}
 A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{E_1 \leftrightarrow E_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sim \\
 \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \sim \\
 \xrightarrow{E_3 \leftrightarrow E_4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{array} \right.$$

A cannot be factored as $A=LU$, because row interchanges are needed.

However, if the row interchanges were done from the beginning in A to produce a new matrix B, then

the new matrix $B = LU$.

In our example two row interchanges were needed

$$\begin{array}{l} E_1 \leftrightarrow E_3 \\ E_3 \leftrightarrow E_4 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{So new matrix}} B = \begin{pmatrix} \rightarrow E_3 \\ \rightarrow E_2 \\ \rightarrow E_4 \\ \rightarrow E_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

This matrix B can also be obtained from the matrix product $PA = B$, where $P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

In fact,

$$B = PA = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Gauss Elimination on $PA=B$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$m_{21} = 0$$

$$m_{31} = 1$$

$$m_{41} = 0$$

$$m_{32} = -1$$

$$m_{42} = 1$$

Therefore,

$$B = LU = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

or

$$PA = LU \Rightarrow A = (P^{-1}L)U$$

It can be shown that $P^{-1} = P^T$

Then,

$$A = (P^T L)U = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Not lower triangular