

# Systems of Linear Equations Analysis

Algorithm *GaussElimination* ...

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1: for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do  $A[i, n + 1] \leftarrow b[i]$ 
2: for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n - 1$  do
3:   for  $j \leftarrow i + 1$  to  $n$  do
4:     multiplier  $\leftarrow A[j, i] / A[i, i]$   $\triangleright$  compute row multiplier once
5:     for  $k \leftarrow i$  to  $n + 1$  do
6:        $A[j, k] \leftarrow A[j, k] - A[i, k] * \textit{multiplier}$ 
```

## What's the efficiency?



Back substitution



Solution, system of linear equations

### Quiz

What is the efficiency if the coefficients matrix happens to be **upper triangular**.

# Gaussian Elimination Corrections

⇒ **Scaling factor**

⇒ **Partial pivoting**

[http://www.hashimi.ws/cs223/figs/ieee\\_\\_addition2.pdf](http://www.hashimi.ws/cs223/figs/ieee__addition2.pdf)



Important to realize that first pseudocode doesn't describe a correct algorithm.

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & -1 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

## Algorithm *BetterElimination*

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- 1: for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do  $A[i, n + 1] \leftarrow b[i]$
- 2: for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n - 1$  do
  - 3: find row  $j$  with largest value in column  $i$
  - 4: swap rows  $i, j$  (make  $j$  pivotrow)
  - 5: for  $j \leftarrow i + 1$  to  $n$  do
    - 6:  $m \leftarrow A[j, i]/A[i, i]$  ▷ row multiplier
    - 7: for  $k \leftarrow i$  to  $n + 1$  do
    - 8:  $A[j, k] \leftarrow A[j, k] - A[i, k] * m$

# Gaussian Elimination

## An Algorithm

### Exercise

Find the simpler instance after **partial pivoting**.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

### Exercise

Swap columns 1,2 in addition to partial pivoting in *WolframAlpha*, verify that solution stays the same.

### Algorithm *BetterElimination*

**Input** Coefficients matrix  $A[1..n, 1..n]$ , vector  $b[1..n]$

**Output** Reduced augmented  $A$ , equivalent upper matrix in-place

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1: for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do  $A[i, n+1] \leftarrow b[i]$ 
2: for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n-1$  do
3:    $pivotrow \leftarrow i$   $\triangleright$  Lines 3-6 replace default by row with max value under  $i$ 
4:   for  $j \leftarrow i+1$  to  $n$  do
5:     if  $|A[j, i]| > |A[pivotrow, i]|$  then  $pivotrow \leftarrow j$ 
6:   for  $k \leftarrow i$  to  $n+1$  do swap  $A[i, k], A[pivotrow, k]$ 
7:   for  $j \leftarrow i+1$  to  $n$  do
8:      $m \leftarrow A[j, i]/A[i, i]$ 
9:     for  $k \leftarrow i$  to  $n+1$  do
10:       $A[j, k] \leftarrow A[j, k] - A[i, k] * m$ 
```

# Gaussian Elimination Applications

⇒ **Solution system of linear equations**

Gaussian elimination is fundamental to matrix processing (just like sorting for lists).

⇒ ***LU* decomposition of matrix** ◀

⇒ **Computing matrix inverse**

⇒ **Computing the determinant**

# Gaussian Elimination Applications


## *LU* Decomposition

⇒ Lower matrix

⇒ Amortized efficiency

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

**Quiz**  
Where did elements of  $L, U$  come from?

**Exercise**   
Find decomposition after partial pivoting, write the re-arranged matrix  $A$ .

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Quiz**  
What's the (overall) efficiency of solving a system given an  $LU$  decomposition of coefficients matrix?

**Quiz**  
What about a sequence of systems with different right-hand side vectors and the same coefficients?

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b} \quad \overbrace{\mathbf{LU}}^{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{\mathbf{y}}$

$$\mathbf{Ly} = \mathbf{b} \quad \mathbf{Ux} = \mathbf{y}$$

# Gaussian Elimination Applications

# Matrix Inverse

⇒ **Singular matrix**

⇒ **Identity matrix**

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$$



## Quiz

How can Gaussian elimination be used to test if matrix is **singular**?

## Exercise

Use *WolframAlpha* to find  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  (from Slide 3), verify solution to the system of equations.

## Exercise

Compare the cost of computing the inverse via Gaussian elimination for each of the  $n$  systems of equations, or using the  $LU$  decomposition of  $\mathbf{A}$  then solving for each column in  $\mathbf{I}$ .

## ⇒ Importance

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b}$$

## ⇒ Computing the inverse

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & \mathbf{x}_{12} & \cdots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & \mathbf{x}_{22} & \cdots & x_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & \\ x_{n1} & \mathbf{x}_{n2} & \cdots & x_{nn} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{1} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$

# Gaussian Elimination Take Home

Basic methods and strategies to compute the solution of a system of linear equations and related matrix operations, interesting scenarios, and resulting efficiencies.

⇒ **Computational effort**

⇒ **Scenarios, efficiencies**

⇒ **Use *WolframAlpha* to study**

⇒ **Applications of matrix and linear algebra**



**Exercise**  
Look up info about the test workload suite **Linpack**.