

### Example

Given  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & -6 \\ 1 & -6 & 8 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  complete the factorization phase of Gaussian elimination with scaled row pivoting. (scaled partial pivoting)

$A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix for  $n=3$ .

max modulus of rows:  $s_1 = 6$   $s_2 = 8$   $s_3 = 3$

initial perm vect:  $(P_1, P_2, P_3) = (1, 2, 3)$   $Ax = b$   
 $Ay = c$

Let  $t$  denote the step number (initially  $t=1$ ).

Find largest  $|a_{p_i, t}|/s_{p_i}$  for  $t \leq i \leq n$  (If, instead, we look for the largest  $|a_{p_i, t}|$ , the method is called partial pivoting)

$|a_{11}|/s_1 = 2/6$   $|a_{21}|/s_2 = 1/8$   $|a_{31}|/s_3 = 3/3 = 1 \leftarrow$  the largest

$|a_{p_i, t}|/s_{p_i}$  is largest for  $i=3$  so we swap  $P_t$  and  $P_3$  in the perm vector.  $P_t = 1$   $P_3 = 3$  so  $(1 \leftarrow 2 \rightarrow 3)$  and we have

$(P_1, P_2, P_3) = (3, 2, 1)$

Now we can get rid of non-zero  $a_{p_i, t}$  for  $t < i \leq n$

$\begin{matrix} P_3 \\ P_2 \\ P_1 \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & -6 \\ 1 & -6 & 8 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  We apply operations  $R_{P_i} - \frac{a_{P_i, t}}{a_{P_t, t}} R_{P_t} \rightarrow R_{P_i}$  for  $t < i \leq n$

For  $t=1$ , this means  $i=2$   $R_{P_2} - \frac{a_{P_2, 1}}{a_{P_1, 1}} R_{P_1} \rightarrow R_{P_2}$  or  $R_2 - \frac{1}{3} R_3 \rightarrow R_2$

and  $i=3$   $R_{P_3} - \frac{a_{P_3, 1}}{a_{P_1, 1}} R_{P_1} \rightarrow R_{P_3}$  or  $R_1 - \frac{2}{3} R_3 \rightarrow R_1$

We update  $A$ :

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 13/3 & -20/3 \\ 0 & -16/3 & 23/3 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We can store multipliers where we have 0s

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 & 13/3 & -20/3 \\ 1/3 & -16/3 & 23/3 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Next we increase  $t$  and repeat until  $t=n$ .

$t=2$  Find largest  $|a_{p_i, t}|/s_{p_i}$  for  $t \leq i \leq n$

$$|a_{P_2, 2}|/s_{P_2} = |a_{22}|/s_2 = \frac{16/3}{8}$$

$$|a_{P_3, 2}|/s_{P_3} = |a_{12}|/s_1 = \frac{13/3}{6} \leftarrow \text{largest } i=3 \text{ so we}$$

swap  $P_t$  and  $P_i$  ( $P_2$  and  $P_3$ )  $(3 \leftarrow 2 \rightarrow 1)$ . Now  $(P_1, P_2, P_3) = (3, 1, 2)$

$$\begin{matrix} P_2 \\ P_3 \\ P_1 \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 & 13/3 & -20/3 \\ 1/3 & -16/3 & 23/3 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We apply operations

$$R_{P_i} - \frac{a_{P_i, t}}{a_{P_t, t}} R_{P_t} \rightarrow R_{P_i} \text{ for } t < i \leq n$$

For  $t=2$  this means  $R_{P_3} - \frac{a_{P_3, 2}}{a_{P_1, 2}} R_{P_1} \rightarrow R_{P_3}$  or  $R_2 - \frac{16/3}{13/3} R_1 \rightarrow R_2$

This is the only operation in this step since  $2 = t < i \leq n = 3$  and (of course) we don't apply them to the multipliers. We are storing multipliers in  $A$  only because it is convenient.

Updated  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 & 13/3 & -20/3 \\ 1/3 & -16/3 & -7/3 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Increasing  $t$  by 1, we get  $t=3=n$  so we are done!

Now

$$PA = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2/3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/3 & -16/3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 13/3 & -20/3 \\ 0 & 0 & -7/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$   $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & -6 \\ 1 & -6 & 8 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$P_{ij} = \delta_{p_i, j} \quad P = (3 \ 1 \ 2)$$

Now that the factorization phase is over, we can carry out the solution phase as described last time.

$$\begin{pmatrix} PAx = Pb \Rightarrow L \underline{U}x = Pb \text{ apply forward subs to } \\ \text{solve } Lz = Pb \text{ and then back subs. to solve } Ux = z. \end{pmatrix}$$

### Operation Counts

We will count the number of long operations or ops for short (long operations: multiplication or division).

At step  $t$ : we find largest  $|a_{p_i, t}|/s_{p_i}$  for  $t \leq i \leq n$

that gives us  $n-t+1$  divisions.

We also compute  $R_{P_i} - \frac{a_{P_i, t}}{a_{P_t, t}} R_{P_t} \rightarrow R_{P_i}$  for  $t < i \leq n$

Here for each  $i$ , we have 1 division due to  $\frac{a_{P_i, t}}{a_{P_t, t}} = m$  and  $n-t$  multiplication due to  $m \cdot R_{P_t}$

(recall: we don't need to multiply the entire row because the first  $t$  entries correspond to multipliers which are preserved.)

Thus, we have  $(n-t)^2$  multiplications as  $i$  ranges from  $t+1$  to  $n$ .

$$(n-t)^2 + (n-t) + (n-t+1) = (n-t)^2 + 2(n-t) + 1 = (n-t+1)^2$$

Thus,  $\sum_{t=1}^{n-1} (n-t+1)^2 = n^2 + (n-1)^2 + (n-2)^2 + \dots + 2^2 = \frac{1}{6} n(n+1)(2n+1) - 1$

$$= \frac{n^3}{3} + \frac{n^2}{2} + \frac{n}{6} - 1 = O(n^3)$$

$$\approx \frac{n^3}{3} + \frac{n^2}{2}$$

Exercise: Verify that in the forward subs. step (to solve

$$Lz = b' \text{ where } b' \text{ is the vector } b \text{ permuted})$$

$$\# \text{ ops} = 0 + 1 + 2 + \dots + (n-1) = \frac{1}{2}n^2 - \frac{1}{2}n$$

In the back subs step (to solve  $Ux = z$ )

$$\# \text{ ops} = 1 + 2 + \dots + n = \frac{1}{2}n^2 + \frac{1}{2}n$$

(Difference in # ops is due to the fact that  $L$  is unit lower triang.)

Thus, in the solution phase,  $\# \text{ ops} = n^2$ .

Thm (Theorem on Long Operations)

If Gaussian elimination is used with scaled row pivoting, then the solution of the system  $Ax = b$  with fixed  $A$  and  $m$  different vectors  $b$ , involves approximately

$$\frac{1}{3}n^3 + \left(\frac{1}{2} + m\right)n^2 \text{ ops (mult. or division)}$$

### Diagonally Dominant Matrices

Def<sup>n</sup>  $A_{n \times n}$  is called diagonally dominant if  $|a_{ii}| > \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n |a_{ij}|$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ )

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

(May arise from PDEs!)

$$|a_{ii}| > \sum_{\substack{j=2 \\ j \neq i}}^n |a_{ij}|$$

If  $A$  is diagonally dominant, we can use Gaussian elimination without pivoting.

Thm Gaussian elim. without pivoting preserves the diagonal dominance of the matrix.

Pf Let  $A = A^{(1)} \sim A^{(2)} \sim A^{(3)} \dots \sim A^{(n)}$  as before.

Note that it is enough to prove  $A^{(2)}$  is diagonally dominant.

$$\text{We want to show } |a_{ii}^{(2)}| > \sum_{\substack{j=2 \\ j \neq i}}^n |a_{ij}^{(2)}|$$

Recall

$$a_{ii}^{(2)} = a_{ii} - \frac{a_{i1}}{a_{11}} a_{1i}$$

$$a_{ij}^{(2)} = a_{ij} - \frac{a_{i1}}{a_{11}} a_{1j}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \quad R_i - \frac{a_{i1}}{a_{11}} R_1 \rightarrow R_i$$

In fact we will prove the stronger inequality

$$|a_{ii}^{(2)}| > |a_{ii}| - \left| \frac{a_{i1}}{a_{11}} a_{1i} \right| > \sum_{\substack{j=2 \\ j \neq i}}^n (|a_{ij}| + \left| \frac{a_{i1}}{a_{11}} a_{1j} \right|) > \sum_{\substack{j=2 \\ j \neq i}}^n |a_{ij}^{(2)}|$$

$$\text{or equivalently } |a_{ii}| - \sum_{\substack{j=2 \\ j \neq i}}^n |a_{ij}| > \sum_{j=2}^n \left| \frac{a_{i1}}{a_{11}} a_{1j} \right| = \frac{|a_{i1}|}{|a_{11}|} \sum_{j=2}^n |a_{1j}|$$

$$\text{We are given } |a_{ii}| > \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n |a_{ij}| = |a_{i1}| + \sum_{\substack{j=2 \\ j \neq i}}^n |a_{ij}|$$

$$\text{So } |a_{ii}| - \sum_{\substack{j=2 \\ j \neq i}}^n |a_{ij}| > |a_{i1}| > |a_{i1}| \left( \frac{\sum_{j=2}^n |a_{1j}|}{|a_{11}|} \right) < 1$$

which was to be shown.

Corollary 1: Every diagonally dominant matrix is nonsingular and has an LU decomposition.

Pf The theorem above shows that the pivot element  $a_{kk}^{(k)}$  at each step is nonzero. This is enough to conclude that LU-factorization exists where  $L$  is unit lower triangular. In particular  $L$  is non-singular.

The theorem above also implies  $U$  is diagonally dominant.

Thus,  $U$  has non-zero diagonal entries  $\Rightarrow U$  is also non-singular.

Therefore  $A = LU$  is non-singular.

Corollary 2: If we applied scaled pivoting to a diagonally dominant matrix, the perm. vector would be  $(1 \ 2 \ 3 \ \dots \ n)$ . In other words, no pivoting is necessary.

Idea of Pf

It is clear that  $s_i = |a_{ii}|$  and in the first step,

$$|a_{ii}|/s_i \text{ is maximized for } i=1 \text{ since } |a_{11}|/s_1 = 1 \text{ and}$$

$$|a_{ii}|/s_i < 1 \text{ for } i > 1.$$

(Next step is the same argument applied to the  $(n-1) \times (n-1)$  submatrix at the bottom right corner.)

### 4.4 Norms and the Analysis of Errors

$V$ : Vector space  $\|\cdot\|: V \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is called a norm if

$$1) \|x\| > 0 \text{ for } 0 \neq x \in V$$

$$2) \|\lambda x\| = |\lambda| \|x\| \text{ for } \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, x \in V$$

$$3) \|x+y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\| \text{ for } x, y \in V \text{ (triangle inequality)}$$