

ON LU FACTORIZATION ALGORITHM WITH MULTIPLIERS

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ABSTRACT

Various algorithm such as Doolittle, Crouts and Cholesky have been proposed to factor a square matrix into a product of L and U matrices, that is, to find L and U such that $A = LU$; where L and U are lower and upper triangular matrices respectively. These methods are derived by writing the general forms of L and U and the unknown elements of L and U are then formed by equating the corresponding entries in A and LU in a systematic way. This approach for computing L and U for larger values of n will involve many sum of products and will result in n^2 equations for a matrix of order n. In this paper, we propose a straightforward method based on multipliers derived from modification of Gauss elimination algorithm.

KEY WORDS: Lower and Upper Triangular Matrices, Multipliers.

INTRODUCTION

Let A be a square matrix of order n. An LU factorization or decomposition is a decomposition of the form:

$$A = LU \quad (1)$$

Where L and U are upper and lower triangular matrices (of the same size) respectively (Horn and Johnson, 1985; Kreyszig, 1993; Morris, 1983; Conte, 1965).

The LU factorization is not unique if one only requires that L be lower triangular and U be upper triangular. It is unique if we assign fixed values to the diagonal elements of either L or U (Conte, 1965; Sastry, 1989; Olayi, 2000; Atkinson, 1993).

LU decomposition is used for solving system of linear equations, calculating matrix determinants and inverse.

THEOREM 1 (EXISTENCE AND UNIQUENESS).

The matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

admits an LU factorization if and only if all its principal minors are non singular, that is, if

$$a_{11} \neq 0 \quad \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} \neq 0 \quad \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{2n} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{3n} \end{vmatrix} \neq 0 \quad \dots \quad |A| \neq 0 \quad (3)$$

(Conte, 1965; Sastry, 1989; Olayi, 2000).

LU DECOMPOSITION ALGORITHMS

We now outline the various procedures or methods that have hitherto been used to factor a square matrix A into a product of L and U matrices. We assume in all the methods that no interchanges will be necessary. The methods we are going to examine involve writing the general forms of L and U and the unknown elements of L and U are then found by equating corresponding entries in A and LU in a systematic way.

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DOOLITTLE ALGORITHM

In this algorithm, the lower triangular matrix has all diagonal elements equal to 1, whereas the upper triangular matrix U is of the general form. Thus, the elements of the matrices $L = (l_{ij})$ [with main diagonal 1, δ , 1] and $U = (u_{ij})$ in this method are computed from (Schied, 1988):

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_{ij} &= a_{ij} & j &= 1, 2, \delta \dots n \\
 l_{i1} &= \frac{a_{i1}}{u_{11}}, & i &= 2, \delta \dots n \\
 u_{ij} &= a_{ij} - \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} l_{ik} u_{kj} & j &= i, \delta \dots n \\
 l_{ij} &= \frac{a_{ij} - \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} l_{ik} u_{ki}}{u_{ii}} & i &= j+1, \delta \dots n
 \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

CROUT'S ALGORITHM

In Crout's algorithm, the matrix U has all diagonal elements equal to 1, whereas L has the general diagonal. Hence, the elements of the matrices

$L = (l_{ij})$ and $U = (u_{ij})$ [with main diagonal 1, δ , 1] are computed from:

$$\begin{aligned}
 l_{i1} &= a_{i1} & i &= 1, 2, \delta \dots n \\
 u_{1j} &= \frac{a_{1j}}{l_{11}} & j &= 2, \delta \dots n \\
 l_{ij} &= a_{ij} - \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} l_{ik} u_{kj} & i &= j, \delta \dots n \\
 u_{ij} &= a_{ij} - \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{i-1} l_{ik} u_{kj}}{l_{ii}} & j &= i+1, \delta \dots n
 \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

CHOLESKY'S ALGORITHM

For a symmetric positive definite matrix $A (A=A^T, x^T A x > 0 \forall x \neq 0)$. We can choose $U = L^T$, thus $u_{ij} = l_{ji}$ and (4) are simplified to (Kreyszig, 1993)

$$\begin{aligned}
 l_{11} &= \sqrt{a_{11}} \\
 l_{ii} &= \sqrt{a_{ii} - \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} l_{ik}^2} \\
 l_{i1} &= \frac{a_{i1}}{l_{11}} \\
 l_{ij} &= \frac{1}{l_{jj}} \left(a_{ij} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} l_{ik} l_{kj} \right)
 \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

FACTORIZATION WITH MULTIPLIERS

Given an nxn matrix,

$$A = a_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \dots \end{matrix} \quad (7)$$

We want to factor A into the form, A = LU

$$\text{With } U = \begin{bmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} & u_{13} & \dots & u_{1n} \\ u_{21} & u_{22} & u_{23} & \dots & u_{2n} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & u_{33} & \dots & u_{3n} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \dots & u_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \dots \end{matrix} \quad (8)$$

$$\text{And } L = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ l_{21} & \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & \mathbf{1} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ l_{n1} & l_{n2} & l_{n3} & \dots & \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} \end{matrix} \quad (9)$$

Recall the Gaussian elimination algorithm that for a matrix of order n, the elimination is performed in (n-1) steps, K=1,2,3,...,n-1. In step K, the elements $a_{ij}^{(k)}$ with $i,j > k$ are transformed according to (Dahlquist and Bjorck; 1974):

$$m_{ik} = \frac{a_{ik}^{(k)}}{a_{kk}^{(k)}} \quad \dots \dots \dots \quad (10)$$

$$a_{ij}^{(k+1)} = a_{ij}^{(k)} - m_{ik} a_{kj}^{(k)} \quad \begin{matrix} \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \dots \end{matrix} \quad (11)$$

$$i=k+1, k+2, \dots, n; \quad j=i, i+1, \dots, n$$

Where m_{ik} is called the multiplier.

It has been shown by Dahlquist & Bjorck (1974), Scheid(1988) and Matthews(1987) that the elements in L are the multipliers and the matrix U the final triangular matrix obtained by Gaussian elimination.

Hence, we can say that:

$$m_{ik} = l_{ik}$$

(10) and (11) can now be written as:

$$l_{ik} = \frac{a_{ik}^{(k)}}{a_{kk}^{(k)}} \quad \begin{matrix} \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} \end{matrix} \quad (12)$$

$$a_{ij}^{(k+1)} = a_{ij}^{(k)} - l_{ik} a_{kj}^{(k)} \quad \begin{matrix} \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} \end{matrix} \quad (13)$$

Also, observe that after triangularisation, (7) will take the form:

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}^{(1)} & a_{12}^{(1)} & a_{13}^{(1)} & \dots & a_{1n}^{(1)} \\ \mathbf{0} & a_{22}^{(2)} & a_{23}^{(2)} & \dots & a_{2n}^{(2)} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & a_{33}^{(3)} & \dots & a_{3n}^{(3)} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \dots & a_{nn}^{(n)} \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} \end{matrix} \quad (14)$$

So, we can let A = $a_{ij}^{(1)}$ in (7) equals $a_{ij}^{(1)}$,

$$\text{That is, let } A = a_{ij} = a_{ij}^{(1)} \quad \begin{matrix} \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} \end{matrix} \quad (15)$$

Comparing (8) with (14), we can say that,

$$a_{ij}^{(1)} = u_{ij}, \quad j = 1 \text{ to } n \quad \bar{0} \ \bar{0} \ \bar{0} \ \bar{0} \ \bar{0} \quad (16)$$

we already know that,

$$l_{ii} = 1, \quad i = 1 \text{ to } n \quad \bar{0} \ \bar{0} \ \bar{0} \ \bar{0} \ \bar{0} \ \bar{0} \quad (17)$$

Instead of writing $i = k+1, k+2, \dots, n; j = i, i+1, \dots, n$; we can write:

$i = 2$ to n for (12), since for $k=1$, this transformation begins from row 2 and $i, j = 2$ to n for (13) since for $k=1$, it begins from row 2 column 2.

Also comparing (8) with (14), we can say that:

$$a_{ij}^{(1)} = u_{ij}, \quad i = 2, \dots, n \quad \bar{0} \ \bar{0} \ \bar{0} \ \bar{0} \ \bar{0} \ \bar{0} \quad (18)$$

Combining (15), (16), (17), (12), (13) and (18) we now write an algorithm for factoring A into LU:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Let } A = a_{ij} = a_{ij}^{(1)} \\ &a_{ij}^{(1)} = u_{ij}, \quad j = 1 \text{ to } n \\ &l_{ii} = 1, \quad i = 1 \text{ to } n \\ &\text{For } k = 1, 2 \text{ to } n-1 \\ &\quad \underline{a_{ik}^{(k)}} \\ &\quad l_{ik} = \frac{a_{ik}^{(k)}}{a_{kk}^{(k)}} \quad i > k, \quad i = 2 \text{ to } n \\ &\quad a_{ij}^{(k+1)} = a_{ij}^{(k)} - l_{ik} a_{kj}^{(k)} \quad i, j > k, \quad i, j = 2 \text{ to } n: \\ &\quad a_{ij}^{(1)} = u_{ij} \quad i, j = 2, \dots, n \\ &\quad U = (u_{ij}) \quad 1 \text{ mi, } j \text{ mn and } L = (L_{ij}) \quad 1 \text{ mi, } j \text{ mn} \end{aligned}$$

APPLICATION (Stroud, 1996)

We want to decompose

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -3 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ into } A = LU,$$

Which we know the result to be:

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2/3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 11/7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -7/3 & 8/3 \\ 0 & 0 & -55/7 \end{bmatrix}$$

METHOD 1: USING MULTIPLIERS

$$a_{11}^{(1)} = 3, \quad a_{12}^{(1)} = 2, \quad a_{13}^{(1)} = -1, \quad a_{21}^{(1)} = 2, \quad a_{22}^{(1)} = -1, \quad a_{23}^{(1)} = 2$$

$$a_{31}^{(1)} = 1, \quad a_{32}^{(1)} = -3, \quad a_{33}^{(1)} = -4.$$

$$a_{ij}^{(1)} = u_{ij}, \quad j = 1 \text{ to } n \Rightarrow$$

$$a_{11}^{(1)} = u_{11} = 3, \quad a_{12}^{(1)} = u_{12} = 2, \quad a_{13}^{(1)} = u_{13} = -1$$

$$l_{11} = 1, \quad i = 1 \text{ to } n \Rightarrow$$

$$l_{11} = l_{22} = l_{33} = 1$$

For $k = 1$ to $n-1$, we have:

$$K = 1, \quad i = 2, \Rightarrow l_{21} = 2/3$$

$$K = 1, \quad i = 3, \Rightarrow l_{31} = 1/3$$

$$K = 1, \quad i = 2, \quad j = 2 \Rightarrow a_{22}^{(2)} = -7/3$$

$$K = 1, \quad i = 2, \quad j = 3 \Rightarrow a_{23}^{(2)} = 8/3$$

$$K = 1, \quad i = 3, \quad j = 2 \Rightarrow a_{32}^{(2)} = -11/3$$

$$K = 1, \quad i = 3, \quad j = 3, \Rightarrow a_{33}^{(2)} = -11/3$$

$$K = 2, \quad i = 3, \Rightarrow l_{32} = 11/7$$

$$K = 2, \quad i = 3, \quad j = 3, \Rightarrow a_{33}^{(3)} = -55/7$$

Thus,
 $a_{22}^{(2)} = U_{22} = -7/3$, $a_{23}^{(2)} = U_{23} = 8/3$, $a_{33}^{(3)} = U_{33} = -55/7$,

$$\therefore L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2/3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 11/7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -7/3 & 8/3 \\ 0 & 0 & -55/7 \end{bmatrix}$$

METHOD 2: USING DOOLITTLE ALGORITHM

For the purpose of our comparison, we shall use Doolittle algorithm.

We already know that, Doolittle algorithm(4) is obtained by writing the general forms of L and U, where L has all the diagonal elements equal to 1, whereas the upper triangular matrix U is of the general form and the unknown elements of L and U are then found by equating corresponding entries in A and LU in a systematic way. Thus, for:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let $l_{11} = 1$, $l_{22} = 1$, $l_{33} = 1$

$$LU = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ l_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} & U_{13} \\ 0 & U_{22} & U_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & U_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$LU = \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} & U_{13} \\ l_{21}U_{11} & l_{21}U_{12} + U_{22} & l_{21}U_{13} + U_{23} \\ l_{31}U_{11} & l_{31}U_{12} + l_{32}U_{22} & l_{31}U_{13} + l_{32}U_{23} + U_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

But $A = LU \Rightarrow U_{11} = 3, U_{12} = 2, U_{13} = -1$

$$l_{21}u_{11} = 2, \Rightarrow 3l_{21} = 2, \Rightarrow l_{21} = 2/3$$

$$l_{31}u_{11} = 1 \Rightarrow 3l_{31} = 1, \Rightarrow l_{31} = 1/3$$

$$l_{21}u_{12} + u_{22} = -1 \Rightarrow 4/3 + u_{22} = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow u_{22} = -1 - 4/3 = -7/3$$

$$l_{21}u_{13} + u_{23} = 2, \Rightarrow -2/3 + u_{23} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow u_{23} = 2 + 2/3 = 8/3$$

$$l_{31}u_{12} + l_{32}u_{22} = -3, \Rightarrow 1/3(2) + l_{32}(-7/3) = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow l_{32} = 11/7$$

$$l_{31}u_{13} + l_{32}u_{23} + u_{33} = -4$$

$$1/3(-1) + 11/7(8/3) + u_{33} = -4$$

$$-1/3 + 88/21 + u_{33} = -4$$

$$u_{33} = -4 - 81/21 = -165/21 = -55/7$$

$$\text{Thus } A = LU = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2/3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 11/7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -7/3 & 8/3 \\ 0 & 0 & -55/7 \end{bmatrix}$$

CONCLUSION

We have modified the Gaussian elimination algorithm and have developed a straightforward algorithm based on multipliers for factoring an $n \times n$ matrix A into the form $A = LU$, where L are the multipliers with 1s on the diagonal and U is the upper triangular matrix. We have also observed that our proposed algorithm does not involve many sums of products as compared to the Doolittle algorithm.

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