

Solving Linear System of Equations

Triangular Matrices

Backward substitution

$$\begin{pmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} & \dots & U_{1n} \\ 0 & U_{22} & \dots & U_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & U_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Recall that we can also write $\mathbf{U}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ as a linear combination of the columns of \mathbf{U}

$$\begin{bmatrix} U_{11} \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} x_1 + \begin{bmatrix} U_{12} \\ U_{22} \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} x_2 + \dots + \begin{bmatrix} U_{1i} \\ U_{2i} \\ \vdots \\ U_{ii} \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} x_i + \dots + \begin{bmatrix} U_{1n-1} \\ U_{2n-1} \\ \vdots \\ U_{i,n-1} \\ \vdots \\ U_{n-1,n-1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} x_{n-1} + \begin{bmatrix} U_{1n} \\ U_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ U_{in} \\ \vdots \\ U_{nn} \end{bmatrix} x_n = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$U_{nn} x_n = b_n \longrightarrow x_n = b_n / U_{nn}$$

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$$U_{n-1,n-1} x_{n-1} = b_{n-1} - U_{n-1,n} x_n \quad U_{ii} x_i = b_i - \sum_{j=i+1}^n U_{ij} x_j$$

$$x_{n-1} = \frac{b_{n-1} - U_{n-1,n} x_n}{U_{n-1,n-1}}$$

$$x_i = \frac{b_i - \sum_{j=i+1}^n U_{ij} x_j}{U_{ii}}$$

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$$i = n, n-1, \dots$$

Triangular Matrices

Forward-substitution for lower-triangular systems:

$$\begin{pmatrix} L_{11} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ L_{21} & L_{22} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ L_{n1} & L_{n2} & \dots & L_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = b_1/L_{11} \qquad x_i = \frac{b_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} L_{ij}x_j}{L_{ii}}, \qquad i = 2, 3, \dots, n$$

same procedure for the forward substitution

Backward substitution

$$x_i = \frac{b_i - \sum_{j=i+1}^n U_{ij} x_j}{U_{ii}}$$

$$i = n, n-1, n-2, \dots, 1$$

	$i=n$	$i=n-1$	$i=n-2$...	$i=1 (n-(n-1))$	Total
# divisions :	1	1	1	...	1	n
# multiplications	0	1	2	...	$(n-1)$	$\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)$
# subtractions/ additions	0	1	2	...	$(n-1)$	$\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m i = \frac{1}{2}m(m+1) \implies \frac{1}{2}(n-1)(n-1+1) = \frac{1}{2}n(n-1)$$

$$\text{Total} = n + n(n-1) \implies \text{Computational Complexity } O(n^2) \quad (n \rightarrow \infty)$$

Cost of solving triangular systems

$$x_n = b_n / U_{nn} \quad x_i = \frac{b_i - \sum_{j=i+1}^n U_{ij} x_j}{U_{ii}}, \quad i = n-1, n-2, \dots, 1$$

n divisions

$n(n-1)/2$ subtractions/additions

$n(n-1)/2$ multiplications



Computational complexity is $O(n^2)$

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LU Factorization

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ L_{21} & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ L_{n1} & L_{n2} & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} & \dots & U_{1n} \\ 0 & U_{22} & \dots & U_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & U_{nn} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \dots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{n1} & A_{n2} & \dots & A_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Assuming the LU factorization is known, we can solve the general system

① $A = LU \longrightarrow ?$

$$\underline{LU}x = b$$

② $Ly = b \longrightarrow \text{solve for } y \quad O(n^2)$

③ $Ux = y \longrightarrow \text{solve for } x \quad O(n^2)$

Clicker question

Assume the $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{LU}$ factorization is known, yielding:

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{U} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 8 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 2.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.75 \end{pmatrix}$$

Determine the solution \mathbf{x} that satisfies $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$, when $\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{LUx}}_{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{b}$$

First, solve the lower-triangular system $\mathbf{Ly} = \mathbf{b}$ for the variable \mathbf{y}

Then, solve the upper-triangular system $\mathbf{Ux} = \mathbf{y}$ for the variable \mathbf{x}

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ L_{21} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} \\ 0 & U_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} \\ L_{21}U_{11} & L_{21}U_{12} + U_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

① First row of U is the first row of A

$$U_{11} = A_{11} \quad U_{12} = A_{12}$$

② $A_{21} = L_{21}U_{11} \rightarrow L_{21} = \frac{A_{21}}{U_{11}} = \frac{A_{21}}{A_{11}}$

(corresponding column of A divided by diagonal entry above)

③ $A_{22} = L_{21}U_{12} + \underline{U_{22}}$

$$U_{22} = A_{22} - L_{21}U_{12} = A_{22} - \frac{A_{21}}{A_{11}}A_{12}$$

2x2 LU Factorization (simple example)

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ L_{21} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} \\ 0 & U_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} \\ L_{21}U_{11} & L_{21}U_{12} + U_{22} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow U_{11} = A_{11}/U_{11}$$

$$2) L_{21} = A_{21}/U_{11}$$

$$3) U_{22} = A_{22} - L_{21}U_{12}$$

Seems quite simple! Can we generalize this for a $n \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} ?

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Which of the following statements about the $A = LU$ factorization are true?

- 1) It can happen that A is invertible, but U is not. *False*
- 2) U has a diagonal that is full of ones. *False*
- 3) A factorization $A = LU$ does not always exist. *True*
- 4) L has a diagonal that is full of ones. *True*

A) 1 and 2

B) 1 and 3

C) 2 and 3

D) 2 and 4

E) 3 and 4

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Computing the Lower-Triangular Factor in LU

1 point

Consider the matrix

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

and its corresponding LU factorization ($A = LU$), where the lower and upper triangular matrices given respectively by

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ l_{21} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} \\ 0 & u_{22} \end{bmatrix}.$$

$l_{21} =$

0.5

$u_{11} =$

2

$u_{12} =$

3

$u_{22} =$

$$4 - \frac{(1)(3)}{2} = 2.5$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \dots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{n1} & A_{n2} & \dots & A_{nn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ L_{21} & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ L_{n1} & L_{n2} & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} & \dots & U_{1n} \\ 0 & U_{22} & \dots & U_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & U_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & \underline{a_{12}} \\ \underline{a_{21}} & \underline{A_{22}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \underline{0} \\ \underline{l_{21}} & \underline{L_{22}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & \underline{u_{12}} \\ \underline{0} & \underline{U_{22}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & \underline{a_{12}} \\ \underline{a_{21}} & \underline{A_{22}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & \underline{u_{12}} \\ U_{11} \underline{l_{21}} & \underline{l_{21} u_{12} + L_{22} U_{22}} \end{bmatrix}$$

outer product!

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & \underline{a}_{12} \\ \underline{a}_{21} & \underline{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & \underline{u}_{12} \\ U_{11} \underline{l}_{21} & \underbrace{\underline{l}_{21} \underline{u}_{12} + \underline{l}_{22} \underline{u}_{22}}_{\text{outer product!}} \end{bmatrix}$$

• $A_{11} = U_{11}$, $\underline{a}_{12} = \underline{u}_{12}$ \rightarrow 1st row of \underline{U} is the first row of \underline{A} !

• $\underline{a}_{21} = U_{11} \underline{l}_{21} \Rightarrow \underline{l}_{21} = \frac{1}{U_{11}} \underline{a}_{21}$ \rightarrow take column of \underline{A} (not including diagonal entry) and divide by diagonal entry of \underline{A} .

$$\underline{A}_{22} = \underline{l}_{21} \underline{u}_{12} + \underline{l}_{22} \underline{u}_{22}$$

$$\underline{l}_{22} \underline{u}_{22} = \underline{A}_{22} - \underline{l}_{21} \underline{u}_{12}$$

\rightarrow What next? Repeat the same process for this smaller matrix! recursion

LU Factorization

a_{11} : scalar

\mathbf{a}_{12} : row vector ($1 \times (n - 1)$)

\mathbf{a}_{21} : column vector ($(n - 1) \times 1$)

\mathbf{A}_{22} : matrix ($(n - 1) \times (n - 1)$)

$$\begin{pmatrix}
 \boxed{A_{11}} & \boxed{A_{12} \quad \dots \quad A_{1n}} \\
 \boxed{A_{21}} & \boxed{A_{22} \quad \dots \quad A_{2n}} \\
 \vdots & \vdots \quad \ddots \quad \vdots \\
 \boxed{A_{n1}} & \boxed{A_{n2} \quad \dots \quad A_{nn}}
 \end{pmatrix}
 = \begin{pmatrix}
 a_{11} & \mathbf{a}_{12} \\
 \mathbf{a}_{21} & \mathbf{A}_{22}
 \end{pmatrix}
 = \begin{pmatrix}
 1 & \mathbf{0} \\
 \mathbf{l}_{21} & \mathbf{L}_{22}
 \end{pmatrix}
 \begin{pmatrix}
 \mathbf{u}_{11} & \mathbf{u}_{12} \\
 \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{U}_{22}
 \end{pmatrix}$$

1) First row of \mathbf{U} is the first row of \mathbf{A}



$$\begin{pmatrix}
 \boxed{a_{11}} & \boxed{\mathbf{a}_{12}} \\
 \boxed{\mathbf{a}_{21}} & \boxed{\mathbf{A}_{22}}
 \end{pmatrix}
 = \begin{pmatrix}
 \boxed{u_{11}} & \boxed{\mathbf{u}_{12}} \\
 \boxed{u_{11} \mathbf{l}_{21}} & \boxed{\mathbf{l}_{21} \mathbf{u}_{12} + \mathbf{L}_{22} \mathbf{U}_{22}}
 \end{pmatrix}$$

2) $\mathbf{l}_{21} = \frac{1}{u_{11}} \mathbf{a}_{21}$

First column of \mathbf{L} is the first column of \mathbf{A} / u_{11}



3) $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{L}_{22} \mathbf{U}_{22} = \overbrace{\mathbf{A}_{22} - \mathbf{l}_{21} \mathbf{u}_{12}}^{\text{Known!}}$

Need another factorization!

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 8 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ 0.5 & 1 & & \\ 0.5 & & 1 & \\ 0.5 & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 8 & 4 & 1 \\ & -2 & 1 & 2.5 \\ & & 3 & -1 \\ & & & 0.75 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 6 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 0.5 \\ 4 & 2 & 0.5 \\ 4 & 2 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 2.5 \\ -2 & 4 & 1.5 \\ -1 & 2 & 1.5 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{do it again!}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1.5 \\ 2 & 1.5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2.5 \\ 0.5 & 1.25 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1.5 & 0.25 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{do it again!}$$

$$0.25 - (-0.5) = 0.75$$

Example

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 8 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 8 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 8 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 2.5 \\ 1 & -2 & 4 & 1.5 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 1.5 \end{pmatrix}$$

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LU Algorithm

```
A = np.array([[2.0,8,4,1],[1,2,3,3],[1,2,6,2],[1,3,4,2]])
```

```
## Algorithm 1
## Factorization using the block-format,
## creating new matrices L and U
## and not modifying A
print("LU factorization using Algorithm 1")
L = np.zeros((n,n))
U = np.zeros((n,n))
M = A.copy()
for i in range(n):
    U[i,i:] = M[i,i:]
    L[i:,i] = M[i:,i]/U[i,i]
    M[i+1:,i+1:] -= np.outer(L[i+1:,i],U[i,i+1:])
```

```
## Algorithm 2
## Factorization using the block-format
## Matrices L and U are stored in the input matrix
## that could be a copy of A or A itself
print("LU factorization using Algorithm 2")
M = A.copy()
for i in range(n):
    M[i+1:,i] = M[i+1:,i]/M[i,i]
    M[i+1:,i+1:] -= np.outer(M[i+1:,i],M[i,i+1:])
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    M[i+1:,i+1:] -= np.outer(M[i+1:,i],M[i,i+1:])
```

```
    For j = i + 1:n - 1
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         $M[j,i] = M[j,i]/M[i,i]$ 
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    For j = i + 1:n - 1
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        For k = i + 1:n - 1
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             $M[j,k] -= M[j,i] * M[i,k]$ 
```

```
M = A.copy()
```

```
for i in range(n-1):
```

```
    for j in range(i+1,n):
```

```
        M[j,i] = M[j,i]/M[i,i]
```

```
        for k in range(i+1,n):
```

```
            M[j,k] -= M[j,i]*M[i,k]
```

Cost of LU factorization

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```

Side note:

$$\sum_{i=1}^m i = \frac{1}{2}m(m+1)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m i^2 = \frac{1}{6}m(m+1)(2m+1)$$

Number of divisions: $(n-1) + (n-2) + \dots + 1 = n(n-1)/2$

Number of multiplications $(n-1)^2 + (n-2)^2 + \dots + (1)^2 = \frac{n^3}{3} - \frac{n^2}{2} + \frac{n}{6}$

Number of subtractions: $(n-1)^2 + (n-2)^2 + \dots + (1)^2 = \frac{n^3}{3} - \frac{n^2}{2} + \frac{n}{6}$



Computational complexity is $O(n^3)$

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Which of the following statements are true about the LU factorization of an $n \times n$ matrix A , assuming LU factorization of A exists and not considering any row/column interchanges?

Select all that apply:

- 1) $A = LU$. **True**
- 2) LU factorization is exactly performing Gaussian elimination. **True**
- 3) We can solve for $LUx = b$ instead of solving $Ax = b$ to obtain x . **True**
- 4) L is a lower triangular matrix, and is exactly the lower part of A but with unit diagonal. **False**
- 5) U is an upper triangular matrix, and is exactly the upper part of A (including diagonal). **False**

A) 1, 2, 3

B) 1, 2, 3, 5

C) 1, 3

D) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

E) 4, 5

Solving linear systems

In general, we can solve a linear system of equations following the steps:

- 1) Factorize the matrix \mathbf{A} : $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{LU}$ (complexity $O(n^3)$)
- 2) Solve $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$ (complexity $O(n^2)$)
- 3) Solve $\mathbf{U}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$ (complexity $O(n^2)$)

But why should we decouple the factorization from the actual solve?
(Remember from Linear Algebra, Gaussian Elimination does not decouple these two steps...)

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Let's assume that when solving the system of equations $\mathbf{K} \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{F}$, we observe the following:

- When the matrix \mathbf{K} has dimensions (100,100), computing the LU factorization takes about 1 second and each solve (forward + backward substitution) takes about 0.01 seconds.

Estimate the total time it will take to find the response \mathbf{U} corresponding to 10 different vectors \mathbf{F} when the matrix \mathbf{K} has dimensions (1000,1000)?

A) ~ 10 seconds
 B) $\sim 10^2$ seconds
 C) $\sim 10^3$ seconds
 D) $\sim 10^4$ seconds
 E) $\sim 10^5$ seconds

$n = 10^2 \rightarrow 1 \text{ sec} \quad | \quad 0.01 \text{ s}$
 $n = 10^3 \rightarrow ? \quad | \quad ?$

$(\text{LU}) \quad t = \alpha n^3 \rightarrow \frac{1 \text{ sec}}{t_1} = \left(\frac{10^2}{10^3}\right)^3 \rightarrow \boxed{t_1 = 10^3 \text{ sec}}$

$(\text{solve}) \quad t = \beta n^2 \rightarrow \frac{t_2}{10^2 \text{ sec}} = \left(\frac{10^3}{10^2}\right)^2 \rightarrow \boxed{t_2 = 1 \text{ sec}}$ each

TOTAL = $\underline{\underline{10^3 + 10}}$

\rightarrow LU factorization

What can go wrong with the previous algorithm?

Demo "Little c"

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 8 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{U} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 8 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{l}_{21}\mathbf{u}_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & 0.5 \\ 4 & 2 & 0.5 \\ 4 & 2 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{M} - \mathbf{l}_{21}\mathbf{u}_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 8 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 2.5 \\ 1 & -2 & 4 & 1.5 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 1.5 \end{pmatrix}$$

The next update for the lower triangular matrix will result in a division by zero! LU factorization fails.

What can we do to get something like an LU factorization?

Pivoting

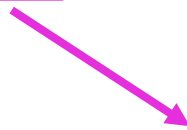
Approach:

1. Swap rows if there is a zero entry in the diagonal
2. Even better idea: Find the largest entry (by absolute value) and swap it to the top row.

The entry we divide by is called the pivot.

Swapping rows to get a bigger pivot is called (partial) pivoting.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \mathbf{a}_{12} \\ \mathbf{a}_{21} & \mathbf{A}_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_{11} & \mathbf{u}_{12} \\ u_{11} l_{21} & l_{21} \mathbf{u}_{12} + \mathbf{L}_{22} \mathbf{U}_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$



Find the largest entry (in magnitude)