

## 6.6 Some special matrices

- LU decomp. of symmetric matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$a_{ij} = a_{ji}$$

$$A^T = A$$

Thm If  $A$  is symmetric and invertible,  
and has LU decomp., then

$$U = DL^T \quad \text{w/} \quad D = \text{diag} \{a_{11}^{(1)}, a_{22}^{(2)}, \dots, a_{nn}^{(n)}\}$$

• Then  $A = LU = LDL^T$

" $LDL^T$  decomposition"

Pf) We first show that every intermediate step of G. e. is symmetric.

It suffices to prove for step 1.

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Step 1:  $E_j \mapsto E_j - m_{j1} E_1$

$$m_{j1} = \frac{a_{j1}}{a_{11}}$$

$j = 2, \dots, n$

$$A^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & \boxed{\begin{matrix} a_{22}^{(2)} & \dots & a_{2n}^{(2)} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n2}^{(2)} & \dots & a_{nn}^{(2)} \end{matrix}} & & \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

want to show sym.

need to show:  $a_{ij}^{(2)} = a_{ji}^{(2)} \quad i, j \in \{2, \dots, n\}$

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

$$a_{ji}^{(2)} = a_{ji} - \frac{a_{j1}}{a_{11}} a_{1i} = a_{ij} - \frac{a_{1j}}{a_{11}} a_{i1}$$

↑  
sym. of A

To see  $U = DL^T$ ,

$$DL^T = \left( \begin{array}{c|ccc} a_{11}^{(1)} & & & \\ & a_{22}^{(2)} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & a_{nn}^{(n)} \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \left( \begin{array}{cccc} m_{21} & \dots & \dots & m_{n1} \\ & \ddots & & \vdots \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & m_{n,n-1} \\ & & & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \left( \begin{array}{cccc} a_{11}^{(1)} & a_{11}^{(1)} m_{21} & \dots & a_{11}^{(1)} m_{n1} \\ & a_{22}^{(2)} & a_{22}^{(2)} m_{32} & \dots & a_{22}^{(2)} m_{n2} \\ & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ & & & a_{n-1,n-1}^{(n-1)} & m_{n,n-1} \\ & & & & a_{nn}^{(n)} \end{array} \right)$$

Recall:

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{(1)} & a_{12}^{(1)} & \dots & a_{1n}^{(1)} \\ & a_{22}^{(2)} & \dots & a_{2n}^{(2)} \\ & & \dots & \vdots \\ & & & a_{nn}^{(n)} \end{pmatrix}$$

$(i,j)$ -element of  $DL^T$ :

$$a_{ii}^{(i)} m_{ji} = a_{ii}^{(i)} \cdot \frac{a_{ji}^{(i)}}{a_{ii}^{(i)}} = a_{ji}^{(i)}$$

$(i,j)$ -element of  $U$ :  $a_{ij}^{(i)}$  ))

← sym. of intermediate steps.

Ex  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & 3 \\ -2 & 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

Compute  $LDL^T$  decomp. of  $A$ .

Step 1:  $m_{21} = -\frac{1}{2}$

$m_{31} = -1$

don't need to compute, by sym.  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & 2 \\ 0 & \boxed{2} & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

Step 2:  $m_{32} = \frac{4}{3}$



$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

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



$$A = LDL^T$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & \\ -1 & \frac{4}{3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & & \\ & \frac{3}{2} & \\ & & \frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & -1 \\ & 1 & \frac{4}{3} \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- For symmetric matrix, by symmetry of intermediate steps, G.e. has computational cost only half of original cost.

# Positive definite matrix

Def A matrix  $A$  is positive definite

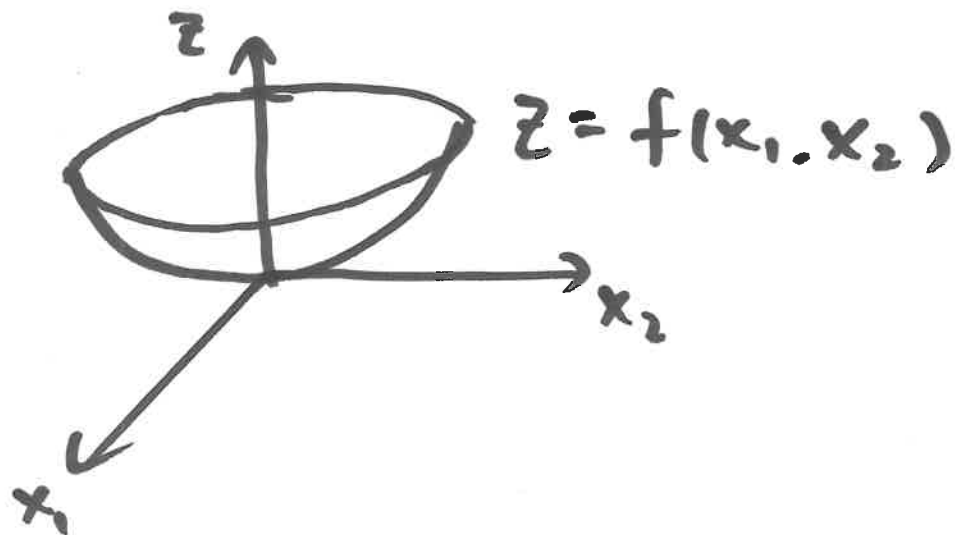
if  $A$  is symmetric, and

$$x^T A x > 0, \quad \forall 0 \neq x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

( $\left( \begin{array}{c} \phantom{A} \\ \phantom{A} \end{array} \right) \parallel$ )

(in other words,  $f(x) = x^T A x = \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij} x_i x_j > 0$ )

case  $n=2$ :  $f(x_1, x_2) = a_{11}x_1^2 + 2a_{12}x_1x_2 + a_{22}x_2^2$



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For symmetric matrix  $A$ , the following are equivalent:

- $A$  is pos. def.

- Every leading principal submatrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1k} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{k1} & \dots & a_{kk} \end{pmatrix} \text{ has } \det > 0, \\ k = 1, \dots, n$$

- All eigenvalues of  $A$  are positive

$$\hookrightarrow \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \text{ s.t. } Ax = \lambda x \text{ for some } \\ x \neq 0$$

for sym. matrix, all eigenvalues  
are real.

Thm. Pos. def. matrix always has

$LDL^T$  decomp. w/  $a_{ii}^{(i)} > 0, i=1, \dots, n$

• Using this.  $D = \overset{\text{diag}}{\underbrace{\{ a_{11}^{(1)}, \dots, a_{nn}^{(n)} \}}}$

write  $\tilde{D} = \text{diag} \{ \sqrt{a_{11}^{(1)}}, \dots, \sqrt{a_{nn}^{(n)}} \}$

then  $\tilde{D}^2 = D$

$$A = LDL^T = L\tilde{D} \cdot \tilde{D}^T L^T = (L\tilde{D}) \cdot (L\tilde{D})^T$$

$\tilde{L} := L\tilde{D}$  lower triangular

$$= \tilde{L} \cdot \tilde{L}^T$$

Ex Check pos. def. of previous A

$$\det(2) = 2 > 0$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \cdot 2 - (-1) \cdot (-1) = 3 > 0$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & 3 \\ -2 & 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = 4 > 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  A is pos. def.