



CHAPTER 5d. SIMULTANEOUS LINEAR EQUATIONS

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Gauss-Jordan Elimination

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- We saw that the Gaussian Elimination consists of two steps:

- Forward Pass
- Back Substitution

For the following set of equation:

$$[a_{ij}] \{X_i\} = \{C_i\} \quad (1)$$



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- The Forward Pass can always result into a augmented matrix in the general form as

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & d_{12} & d_{13} & \cdots & d_{1n} & e_1 \\ 0 & 1 & d_{23} & \cdots & d_{2n} & e_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & d_{3n} & e_3 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & e_n \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$



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- The Back Substitution can always result into the following general form:

$$\begin{aligned} X_n &= e_n \\ X_{n-1} &= e_{n-1} - d_{n-1,n} X_n \\ X_{n-2} &= e_{n-2} - d_{n-2,n-1} X_{n-1} - d_{n-2,n} X_n \\ &\vdots \\ X_1 &= e_1 - d_{12} X_2 - d_{13} X_3 - \cdots - d_{1,n} X_n \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$



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■ Gauss-Jordan Process

- An alternative process of elimination in which all coefficients in a column except the pivot element are eliminated can also be used to obtain a solution.
- In Gauss-Jordan elimination, the solution is obtained directly after performing the forward pass.
- There is no back substitution.



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■ Gauss-Jordan Process

- Given the following set of equation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_{11}X_1 + a_{12}X_2 + a_{13}X_3 + \cdots + a_{1n}X_n &= C_1 \\
 a_{21}X_1 + a_{22}X_2 + a_{23}X_3 + \cdots + a_{2n}X_n &= C_2 \\
 a_{31}X_1 + a_{32}X_2 + a_{33}X_3 + \cdots + a_{3n}X_n &= C_3 \\
 \vdots & \\
 a_{n1}X_1 + a_{n2}X_2 + a_{n3}X_3 + \cdots + a_{nn}X_n &= C_n
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{4}$$



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■ Gauss-Jordan Process

– Or given the following set of equation in augmented matrix of the form:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \cdots & a_{1n} & C_1 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2n} & C_2 \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & \cdots & a_{3n} & C_3 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & a_{n3} & \cdots & a_{nn} & C_n \end{array} \right] \quad (5)$$



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■ Gauss-Jordan Process

– Using Gauss-Jordan, Eq. 5 can be transformed into the following form:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & C_1^* \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & C_2^* \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & C_3^* \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & C_n^* \end{array} \right] \quad (6)$$

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■ Gauss-Jordan Process

– And in which the solution is readily obtained as

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= C_1^* \\ X_2 &= C_2^* \\ X_3 &= C_3^* \\ &\vdots \\ X_n &= C_n^* \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

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■ Example: Gauss-Jordan

– Solve the following set of simultaneous equations using the Gauss-Jordan Method:

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 + 3X_2 + 2X_3 &= 15 \\ 2X_1 + 4X_2 + 3X_3 &= 22 \\ 3X_1 + 4X_2 + 7X_3 &= 39 \end{aligned}$$



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■ Example (cont'd): Gauss-Jordan

- This system of equations can be represented in a matrix form as

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ X_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ 22 \\ 39 \end{bmatrix}$$



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■ Example (cont'd): Gauss-Jordan

- Or this system of equations can be represented in an augmented matrix form as

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 3 & 2 & 15 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & 22 \\ 3 & 4 & 7 & 39 \end{array} \right]$$

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■ Example (cont'd): Gauss-Jordan – Step 1

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 3 & 2 & 15 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & 22 \\ 3 & 4 & 7 & 39 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R'_1 = R_1 \\ R'_2 = R_2 - 2R'_1 \\ R'_3 = R_3 - 3R'_1 \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 3 & 2 & 15 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & -8 \\ 0 & -5 & -1 & -6 \end{array} \right]$$

R_2	:2	4	3	22
$2R'_1$:2	6	4	30 (-)
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R'_2	:0	-2	-1	-8

R_3	:3	4	7	39
$3R'_1$:3	9	6	45 (-)
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R'_3	:0	-5	1	-6

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■ Example (cont'd): Gauss-Jordan – Step 2

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 3 & 2 & 15 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & -8 \\ 0 & -5 & 1 & -6 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R'_1 = R_1 - 3R'_2 \\ R'_2 = R_2 / -2 \\ R'_3 = R_3 + 5R'_2 \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1/2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 7/2 & 14 \end{array} \right]$$

R_1	:1	3	2	15
$3R'_2$:0	3	3/2	12 (-)
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R'_1	:1	0	1/2	3

R_3	:0	-5	1	-6
$5R'_2$:0	5	5/2	20 (+)
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R'_3	:0	0	7/2	14

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■ Example (cont'd): Gauss-Jordan – Step 3

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1/2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 7/2 & 14 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R'_1 = R_1 - R'_3 / 2 \\ R'_2 = R_2 - R'_3 / 2 \\ R'_3 = R_3 / (7/2) \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right]$$

R_1	:	1	0	1/2	3	
$R'_3 / 2$:	0	0	1/2	2	(-)
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R'_1	:	1	0	0	1	

R_2	:	0	1	1/2	4	
$R'_3 / 2$:	0	0	1/2	2	(-)
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R'_2	:	0	1	0	2	



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■ Example (cont'd): Gauss-Jordan – The last augmented matrix gives the solution for the system of equations as follows:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ X_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$



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- Example (cont'd): Gauss-Jordan
– OR

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ X_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ 22 \\ 39 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ X_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

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LU Decomposition

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- Recall that the Gaussian elimination process consists of two steps:
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- The forward pass transforms the system of equations into upper triangular matrix.

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- The upper triangular matrix can be denoted as U and it is given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & u_{12} & u_{13} & \cdots & u_{1n} \\ 0 & 1 & u_{23} & \cdots & u_{2n} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & u_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

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- Recall the augmented matrix that can result from the forward pass of Gaussian Elimination:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & d_{12} & d_{13} & \cdots & d_{1n} & e_1 \\ 0 & 1 & d_{23} & \cdots & d_{2n} & e_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & d_{3n} & e_3 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & e_n \end{bmatrix} \quad (9)$$



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- The values of this matrix (Eq. 8) can be related to the values in Eq. 9 as

$$u_{ij} = d_{ij} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\text{and } j = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

- The upper triangular matrix **U** can be related to the coefficients matrix **A** as



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$$LU = A \quad (10)$$

Where **L** = lower triangular matrix, which can be viewed as to present the back substitution

$$\begin{bmatrix} l_{11} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ l_{21} & l_{22} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & l_{33} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ l_{n1} & l_{n2} & l_{n3} & \dots & l_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \quad (11)$$

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- Therefore Eq. 10 can be expressed as

$$\begin{bmatrix} l_{11} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ l_{21} & l_{22} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & l_{33} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ l_{n1} & l_{n2} & l_{n3} & \cdots & l_{nn} \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & u_{12} & u_{13} & \cdots & u_{1n} \\ 0 & 1 & u_{23} & \cdots & u_{2n} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & u_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & \cdots & a_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & a_{n3} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}
 \tag{12}$$

$$LU = A$$

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- Eq. 12 states that the coefficient matrix **A** can be decomposed to two triangular matrices **L** and **U**.
- These triangular matrices can be determined without the use of Gaussian elimination method by performing the matrix multiplication **LU** in Eq. 12



LU Decomposition

■ Multiplication of **LU** will result in

$$\begin{bmatrix} l_{11} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ l_{21} & l_{22} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & l_{33} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ l_{n1} & l_{n2} & l_{n3} & \cdots & l_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & u_{12} & u_{13} & \cdots & u_{1n} \\ 0 & 1 & u_{23} & \cdots & u_{2n} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & u_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \quad (13)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} l_{11} & l_{11}u_{12} & l_{11}u_{13} & \cdots & l_{11}u_{1n} \\ l_{21} & l_{21}u_{12} + l_{22} & l_{21}u_{13} + l_{22}u_{23} & \cdots & l_{21}u_{1n} + l_{22}u_{2n} \\ l_{31} & l_{31}u_{12} + l_{32} & l_{31}u_{13} + l_{32}u_{23} + l_{33} & \cdots & l_{31}u_{1n} + l_{32}u_{n2} + l_{33}u_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ l_{n1} & l_{n1}u_{12} + l_{n2} & l_{n1}u_{13} + l_{n2}u_{23} + l_{n3} & \cdots & l_{n1}u_{1n} + l_{n2}u_{2n} + l_{n3}u_{3n} + \cdots + l_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$



LU Decomposition

■ Multiplication of **LU** will result in

$$\begin{bmatrix} l_{11} & l_{11}u_{12} & l_{11}u_{13} & \cdots & l_{11}u_{1n} \\ l_{21} & l_{21}u_{12} + l_{22} & l_{21}u_{13} + l_{22}u_{23} & \cdots & l_{21}u_{1n} + l_{22}u_{2n} \\ l_{31} & l_{31}u_{12} + l_{32} & l_{31}u_{13} + l_{32}u_{23} + l_{33} & \cdots & l_{31}u_{1n} + l_{32}u_{n2} + l_{33}u_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ l_{n1} & l_{n1}u_{12} + l_{n2} & l_{n1}u_{13} + l_{n2}u_{23} + l_{n3} & \cdots & l_{n1}u_{1n} + l_{n2}u_{2n} + l_{n3}u_{3n} + \cdots + l_{nn} \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{31} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & \cdots & a_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & a_{n3} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \quad (14)$$



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- For example, the multiplication of the first row of L with the first column of U results in the following value that is equal to a_{11} .

$$l_{11}(1) = a_{11}$$



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- In view of Eq. 14, for example

$$\begin{bmatrix} l_{11} & l_{11}u_{12} & l_{11}u_{13} & \cdots & l_{11}u_{1n} \\ l_{21} & l_{21}u_{12} + l_{22} & l_{21}u_{13} + l_{22}u_{23} & \cdots & l_{21}u_{1n} + l_{22}u_{2n} \\ l_{31} & l_{31}u_{12} + l_{32} & l_{31}u_{13} + l_{32}u_{23} + l_{33} & \cdots & l_{31}u_{1n} + l_{32}u_{2n} + l_{33}u_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ l_{n1} & l_{n1}u_{12} + l_{n2} & l_{n1}u_{13} + l_{n2}u_{23} + l_{n3} & \cdots & l_{n1}u_{1n} + l_{n2}u_{2n} + l_{n3}u_{3n} + \cdots + l_{nn} \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{31} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & \cdots & a_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & a_{n3} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$l_{31} = a_{31}$$

$$l_{11}u_{13} = a_{31} \Rightarrow u_{13} = \frac{a_{31}}{l_{11}}$$



LU Decomposition

- From Eq. 14, the values for L and U can be computed from:

$$l_{i1} = a_{i1} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$u_{1j} = \frac{a_{1j}}{l_{11}} \quad \text{for } j = 2, 3, \dots, n \quad (15)$$

$$l_{ij} = a_{ij} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} l_{ik} u_{kj} \quad \text{for } j = 2, 3, \dots, n-1 \text{ and } i = j, j+1, \dots, n$$

$$u_{ji} = \frac{a_{ji} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} l_{jk} u_{ki}}{l_{jj}} \quad \text{for } j = 2, 3, \dots, n-1 \text{ and } i = j+1, j+2, \dots, n$$

$$l_{nn} = a_{nn} - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} l_{nk} u_{kn}$$



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- Once the coefficient matrix is decomposed into L and U , these matrices can be used to solve a system of equations with constants C_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.
- The solution can be obtained in two steps, forward pass and back substitution.