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## Linear Systems

- Gauss-elimination
- LU decomposition

$$Ax = b, \text{ with } A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}, \quad b = (b_i)_{n \times 1}$$

Exm. Find the parabola  $y = A + Bx + cx^2$  that passes through  $(1, 1)$ ,  $(2, -1)$  and  $(3, 1)$ .

Soln:

We obtain

$$A + B + c = 1$$

$$A + 2B + 4c = -1$$

$$A + 3B + 9c = 1$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let,  $A = [\bar{a}_1 \ \bar{a}_2 \ \bar{a}_3 \ \dots \ \bar{a}_n]$  where  $\bar{a}_i$ 's are column vectors.

Cramer's Rule :-

For  $\det(A) \neq 0$ , the linear system  $Ax = b$  has the ~~the~~ unique solution,

$$x_i = \frac{\det(A_i)}{\det(A)}, \quad i = 1(1)n$$

where  $A_i$  is the matrix obtained from  $A$ , replacing  $\bar{a}_i$  by  $b$ .

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{14}{2} = 7, \quad B = \frac{-16}{2} = -8, \quad c = \frac{4}{2} = 2$$

Cramer's Rule is simple and elegant, but computationally a disaster.

Computational Cost :-

Let,  $R_n$  be the no of operations (Multiplication and addition) to calculate an  $n \times n$  determinant.

# Determinant is expanded as a sum of  $(n-1)$  order minors, multiplied by element.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then, } R_n &= nR_{n-1} + n + (n-1) \\ &= nR_{n-1} + 2n - 1 \end{aligned}$$

Let,  $M_n$  be the no of operations in Cramer's Rule

$$M_n = (n+1)R_n + n \quad \left[ \text{Computing } (n+1) \text{ } n \times n \text{ determinants and } n \text{ divisions} \right]$$

$$\text{We have } R_2 = 3$$

$$M_2 = 11$$

So,  $R_n \sim O(n!)$  &  $M_n \sim O((n+1)!)$ . This is too large for large  $n$ .

$\Rightarrow$  For 8 eqns, we need to do 25,40,160 operations in 700 hrs if one can perform one operation per sec.

$\Rightarrow$  No information if  $\det(A) = 0$ .

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Exm.} \\ \left. \begin{array}{l} x + 2y + z = 1 \\ 2x + 4y + 2z = 2 \\ x + 2y = 1 \end{array} \right\} \det(A) = 0 \end{array}$$

But infinite soln.

$x + 2y = 1, z = 0$ . whole line.

## Gauss Elimination :-

$$2x + 3y + 5z = 1$$

$$4y + z = 5$$

$$3z = 15$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \frac{15}{3} = 5$$

$$y = \frac{5 - 5}{4} = 0$$

$$x = \frac{1 - 25}{2} = -12$$

Back-substitution

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

upper-triangular.

Aim: Gauss elimination converts any matrix A into an equivalent upper triangular form.

$$Ax = b \Rightarrow Ux = b_1$$

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Back-subs.

Exm.

$$2x + 3y = 5 \dots \textcircled{i}$$

$$x + y = 3 \dots \textcircled{ii}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\textcircled{ii} - \frac{1}{2} \times \textcircled{i}$ :

$$2x + 3y = 5$$

$$-\frac{y}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

Use back-substitution to get

$$y = -1$$

$$x = 4$$

In matrix form,

$$[A|b] = \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_2 - \frac{1}{2}R_1} \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right)$$

Augmented matrix.

Theorem :- For any square matrix A,  $\exists$  one non-singular matrix M such that  $U = MA$  is upper triangular.

# How are we getting  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$  from  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ?

Ans:

Elementary matrix differs from the identity matrix by one single elementary operation.

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 - \frac{1}{2}R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = L_1$$

$$L_1 A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} = U$$

$$\therefore A = L_1^{-1} U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \\ = \underline{LU}$$

This is called LU decomposition.

Exm.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & +2 & -1 \\ 6 & -6 & 7 \\ 3 & -4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$[A|b] \xrightarrow[\begin{matrix} R_2 + 2R_1 \\ R_3 + R_1 \end{matrix}]{\quad} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -3 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & -2 & 3 & 2 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_3 - R_2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -3 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -2 \end{array} \right)$$

With back. subs, the sol<sup>n</sup> is:

$$z = 1 \\ y = \frac{1}{2} \\ x = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$L_2 L_1 A = U$$

$$\therefore A = L_1^{-1} L_2^{-1} U$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} U.$$

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

## LU decomposition

$$A = LU$$

$$Ax = b \Rightarrow LUX = b$$

$$\text{Let, } Ux = y \text{ then } Ly = b$$

$$\text{Forward Subs: } Ly = b$$

$$\text{Backward Subs: } Ux = y$$

Difficulty: ①  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  : Gauss-elimination fails

$$\textcircled{11} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 10^{-4} & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Original Soln: } x_1 = \frac{1}{1-10^{-4}}, \quad x_2 = 2 - \frac{1}{1-10^{-4}}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 10^{-4} & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_2 - 10^4 R_1} \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 10^{-4} & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -9999 & -9998 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\text{So, } x_2 = 0.9999 \approx 1$$

$$x_1 = 0$$

Remedy:

$$\frac{1.2567}{10^{-4}} = 12567$$

$$\frac{1.26}{10^{-4}} = 12600$$

Error margin: 33

To avoid these round-off error from small pivots/  
Zero pivots, row interchanges are made (Partial pivoting)  
or both rows and columns are interchanged  
(Complete pivoting)

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$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 2 & -1 \\ 6 & -6 & 7 \\ 3 & -8 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

We interchange rows to place the largest element of 1st column in the pivot

$$A \xrightarrow{P_{12}} \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -6 & 7 \\ -2 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -8 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} R_2 + \frac{1}{3}R_1 \\ R_3 - \frac{1}{2}R_1 \end{matrix}} \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -6 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} \\ 0 & -5 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{P_{23}} \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -6 & 7 \\ 0 & -5 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix} = U$$

$P_{12}$  &  $P_{23}$  are permutation matrices.

$\Rightarrow$  A permutation matrix  $P$  is an identity matrix with permuted rows.

Properties:

- (i)  $PX$  is same as  $X$  with rows permuted
- $XP$  is same as  $X$  with columns permuted
- (ii)  $P^{-1} = P^T$
- (iii)  $\det(P) = \pm 1$
- (iv)  $P_1 P_2$  is also a permutation matrix.

$$P_{23} M_1 P_{12} A = U \quad \text{where}$$

$$P_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad P_{23} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad M_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(P_{23} M_1 P_{23}) P_{23} P_{12} A = U$$

$$\Rightarrow PA = (P_{23} M_1^{-1} P_{23}) U = P_{23} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{3} & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} P_{23} U$$

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

$$P = P_{23} P_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

Operation Count :-

GE:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 - \frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}} R_1 \\ R_3 - \frac{a_{31}}{a_{11}} R_1}} \begin{pmatrix} \text{---} \\ 0 & \square \\ 0 & \square \end{pmatrix}$$

In step  $i$ , we eliminate  $x_i$  from  $(n-i)$  equations or  $(n-i)$  rows. This needs  $n-i$  divisions in computing the multipliers  $m_{ji} (= \frac{a_{ji}}{a_{ii}})$  and  $(n-i)^2$  multiplications and as many subtractions. Since we do a total  $(n-1)$  steps, the total ~~no~~ no of operations

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left\{ (n-i) + 2(n-i)^2 \right\}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} (k + 2k^2) = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} + \frac{n(n-1)(2n-1)}{3}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}n^3 - \frac{n^2}{2} - \frac{n}{6}$$

$$= O(n^3)$$

Back substitutions:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & a_{22} & a_{23} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

The solution  $x_i$  is given by,

$$x_i = \frac{1}{a_{ii}} \left( b_i - \sum_{j=i+1}^n a_{ij} x_j \right)$$

For  $x_i$ , we make  $(n-i)$  multiplications and as many subtractions and 1 division. So, total no of operations

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (n-i) + n = 2 \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k + n \\ &= n(n-1) + n = n^2 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, forward and backward substitution cost  $O(n^2)$  operations

#  $A=LU$ . How does the eigenvalues of  $A$  &  $L, U$  connects?

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

$$\text{eig}(L) = 1, 1 \quad \text{eig}(A) = 0, 2$$

$$\text{eig}(U) = 1, 0$$

# Is  $\det(A) \neq 0$  enough for LU decomposition?

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow[\substack{R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 - R_1}]{\phantom{R_2 - 2R_1}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{But } \det(A) = 1 \neq 0.$$

Theorem :-

- Any square matrix  $A$ , singular or non-singular, has a factorization  $PA=LU$ , with  $P$  permutation matrix,  $L$  unit lower triangular matrix and  $U$  upper-triangular.
- A non-singular matrix  $A$  is LU diagonalizable iff all leading principal submatrices of  $A$  are non-singular.



c) If  $A$  is a singular matrix of rank  $k$ , then it admits an LU factorization if the first  $k$  leading minors are non-zero. [Converse not true]

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

Proof

(b)  $A = LU \Rightarrow$  leading minors are non-zero

In terms of block matrices:

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

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

where  $A_{11}$  is a leading principal submatrix of order  $1 \leq j \leq n$ , as are  $L_{11}$  and  $U_{11}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } \det(A_{11}) &= \det(L_{11}) \det(U_{11}) \\ &= \det(U_{11}) \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$L$  is unit triangular, &  $U$  is non-singular.

leading minors are non-zero  $\Rightarrow A = LU$ .

The proof is by induction on the size of the matrix  $A$ .

$$n=1. \quad a_{11} = l_{11} u_{11} = 1 \cdot a_{11}.$$

Assume that the result is true for  $n = k-1$ . Let,  $\tilde{A}$  is a square matrix of order  $k$ .

We need to find unique triangular matrices  $L$  &  $U$  of order  $(k-1)$ , unique  $(k-1) \times 1$  vectors  $l$  and  $u$ , and a unique non-zero number  $\alpha$  such that the

following decomposition holds:

$$\tilde{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A & b \\ c^T & \delta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} L & 0 \\ l^T & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U & u \\ 0 & \alpha \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} LU & Lu \\ l^T U & l^T u + \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

By the induction hypothesis,  $\exists$  unique matrices  $L$  and  $U$  of order  $(k-1)$  such that  $A = LU$ . We get

$$u = L^{-1}b, \quad l^T = c^T U^{-1}, \quad \alpha = \delta - l^T u.$$

So,  $u$ ,  $l$  and  $\alpha$  are unique. Also,  $U$  is non-singular

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \neq \det(\tilde{A}) &= \det \begin{pmatrix} L & 0 \\ l^T & 1 \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} U & u \\ 0 & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \alpha \det(U) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \underline{\alpha \neq 0}$$

Result: If  $A$  is positive definite, i.e.  $x^T A x > 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$ , then all leading principal minors of  $A$  are non-zero.

For  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$ , we assume  $A_k = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1k} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{k1} & \dots & a_{kk} \end{pmatrix}$

as the  $k$ th principal leading submatrix.

Assume, if possible  $A_k$  is singular. Then,  $\exists$  a vector

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_k \end{pmatrix} \neq 0 \quad \text{such that} \quad A_k \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_k \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

let,  $\bar{x}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_k \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then,  $\bar{x}_0^T A \bar{x}_0 = 0$  and  $\bar{x}_0 \neq 0$

This contradicts that  $A$  is positive definite. So,  $A_k$  is non-singular.

Converse is not true.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \det(A_1) \neq 0 \quad \det(A_2) \neq 0 \quad \text{but } A \text{ is not p.d.}$$

## Symmetric Positive Definite Matrix :

If  $A^T = A$  and  $x^T A x > 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$ , then

$A$  is called s.p.d.

### Theorem :

- i) If  $X$  is non-singular, then  $A$  is s.p.d iff  $X^T A X$  is s.p.d.
- ii) If  $A$  is s.p.d, then any principal submatrix  $A_k$  is s.p.d
- iii)  $A$  is s.p.d iff  $A = A^T$  and all eigenvalues are +ve
- iv) If  $A$  is s.p.d, then  $a_{ii} > 0$  and  $\max |a_{ij}| = \max_i a_{ii} > 0$
- v)  $A$  is s.p.d iff  $\exists$  a unique lower triangular non-singular matrix  $L$ , with +ve diagonal entries such that  $A = LL^T$ . This is called the Cholesky factorization of  $A$ .

### Proof :

i) If  $X$  is non-singular, then  $Xx \neq 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$ , and thus  $x^T (X^T A X) x > 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$  if  $A$  is s.p.d.

~~Since  $A$  is s.p.d, this implies that  $X^T A X$  is s.p.d~~  
The opposite implication is true as  $X$  is invertible.

ii) Do yourself

iii) Let,  $X$  be the real, orthogonal eigenvector matrix of  $A$  so that  $X^T A X = D$ , diagonal matrix of real eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$ .  ~~$X^T A X = X^T X$~~

$$x^T D x = \sum \lambda_i x_i^2$$

$D$  is s.p.d iff  $\lambda_i > 0 \quad \forall i$

Now apply (i).

(iv) Let,  $A$  is spd.

Let,  $e_k$  be the  $k$ th column of the identity matrix.

$$\text{Then } e_k^T A e_k = a_{kk} > 0 \quad \forall k.$$

If  $|a_{mn}| = \max_{ij} |a_{ij}|$ , but  $m \neq n$ , choose

$$\bar{x}_0 = e_m - \text{sign}(a_{mn}) e_n.$$

Then  $\bar{x}_0^T A \bar{x}_0 = a_{mm} + a_{nn} - 2|a_{mn}| \leq 0$ , contradicts that  $A$  is spd. So,  $\max_{ij} |a_{ij}| = \max_i a_{ii}$ .

v) Let,  $A = LL^T$  with  $L$  non-singular.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then, } x^T A x &= x^T L L^T x \\ &= (L^T x)^T L^T x \\ &= \|L^T x\|_2^2 > 0 \quad \text{for } x \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

So,  $A$  is spd.

Now let  $A$  is spd. Therefore  $A = LU$  with diagonal elements of  $L$  being all 1.

Since  $A$  is invertible, we write  $U = D\bar{U}$  with  $D$  diagonal matrix and diagonal elements of  $\bar{U}$  all 1.

$$\text{So, } A = LD\bar{U}$$

$$\text{Hence, } A^T = \bar{U}^T D L^T = A = LU$$

By the uniqueness of LU decomposition,  $L = \bar{U}^T \Rightarrow \bar{U} = L^T$ .

$$\text{So, } A = LD L^T.$$

Now,  $A$  being  $\&$  spd

$$\begin{aligned}d_{ii} &= e_i^T D e_i = e_i^T L^{-1} A (L^T)^{-1} e_i \\ &= (\bar{L}^T e_i)^T A (\bar{L}^T e_i) > 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Set } D^{1/2} = \text{diag}(\sqrt{d_{11}}, \sqrt{d_{22}}, \dots, \sqrt{d_{nn}})$$

$$\text{then } A = (L D^{1/2})(L D^{1/2})^T = \bar{L} \bar{L}^T$$

This completes the result.

H.W. 1. If  $A$  is strictly diagonally dominant, i.e.

$$|a_{ii}| > \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n |a_{ij}| \quad \forall i$$

then  $A$  is LU decomposable

Hint: Use Gauss-elimination.

2. Let,  $A$  is spd. Show that  $|a_{ij}| < \sqrt{a_{ii} a_{jj}}$