



Dense Matrix Solvers - LAPACK routines
Introduction to Parallel Sparse Direct solvers

Introduction

BLAS Level 3 routines provide convenient optimized operations that involve operations between multiple matrices, e.g.

- Multiply two matrices (GEMM)*
- Add a (special) product of two matrices to a third matrix (rank-k update)*
- Solve a triangular system $\mathbf{LX} = \mathbf{B}$ where \mathbf{X} & \mathbf{B} are matrices (not vectors)*

So far, we haven't seen routines to solve linear systems of equations (with the exception of the triangular system solve; but that's a special case)

Typical mode of use for routines we will examine:

- We may want to solve systems of the form $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ where the matrix \mathbf{A} is not necessarily an "easy" one to handle (i.e. a triangular matrix)*
- For many applications we may need to solve several systems like the one above with the same matrix \mathbf{A} but for different right-hand-sides $\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \mathbf{b}_3, \dots$ (and correspondingly producing multiple solutions $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3, \dots$)*
- In many cases we can afford a more expensive "one-time" pre-computation for the sake of accelerating the solution of subsequent problems.*

BLAS Level 3 Routines

BLAS Level 3 routines perform matrix-matrix operations. The following table lists the BLAS Level 3 routine groups and the data types associated with them.

BLAS Level 3 Routine Groups and Their Data Types		
Routine Group	Data Types	Description
<code>cblas_?gemm</code>	s, d, c, z	Computes a matrix-matrix product with general matrices.
<code>cblas_?hemm</code>	c, z	Computes a matrix-matrix product where one input matrix is Hermitian.
<code>cblas_?herk</code>	c, z	Performs a Hermitian rank-k update.
<code>cblas_?her2k</code>	c, z	Performs a Hermitian rank-2k update.
<code>cblas_?symm</code>	s, d, c, z	Computes a matrix-matrix product where one input matrix is symmetric.
<code>cblas_?syrk</code>	s, d, c, z	Performs a symmetric rank-k update.
<code>cblas_?syr2k</code>	s, d, c, z	Performs a symmetric rank-2k update.
<code>cblas_?trmm</code>	s, d, c, z	Computes a matrix-matrix product where one input matrix is triangular.
<code>cblas_?trsm</code>	s, d, c, z	Solves a triangular matrix equation.

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Pros/Cons of iterative methods :

- + Relatively easy to set-up, as a general rule they don't require much pre-computation to be used
 - + Some can be used without building the matrix explicitly (as in our earlier use of Conjugate Gradients)
 - They may require many, many iterations to converge (“pre-conditioners” help, but are difficult to design)
 - Some matrices can be particularly bad for them
- (it can be common that you need to use double-precision computation to barely get single-precision accurate results)

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Pros/Cons of direct methods :

- + No need to worry about how many iterations it will take (they “just” work ...)
 - + In many cases they are capable of computing solutions to higher accuracy, even for some “bad/problematic” matrices
 - They require significant amounts of computation (up to $O(N^3)$ for systems with N equations and N unknowns)
 - Pre-computation often required, which is only amortized if solving for many right-hand sides
- ??? Parallel Potential: Relatively easy to leverage for dense systems, much more challenging for sparse systems.

Solving a dense or a sparse matrix?

Systems ($\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$) where the matrix \mathbf{A} is dense offer the most direct opportunity for accelerated parallel computation

- *Support in MKL provided through “LAPACK routines” (we will see next)*
 - *Generally, matrices are given in row-major/column-major format (with some modestly-space-saving variants we will discuss ...)*
- *Parallel optimizations follow the pattern we have seen in GEMM-style operations (blocking, targeted vectorization, cache optimization)*

Systems ($\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$) where the matrix \mathbf{A} is sparse offer the most highest impact, since they can scale to many millions of equations relatively easily (as opposed to dense methods that are rarely used beyond ~50,000 equations/unknowns)

- *Support in MKL provided through the PARDISO library (will visit briefly today, in more detail next lecture)*
 - *Generally, matrices are given in CSR/CSC compressed format*
- *Parallel optimizations use highly advanced ideas and concepts, with great degree of sophistication both in theory and parallel programming (we will attempt to appreciate at least the “spirit” of such optimizations)*

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triangular			?trtrs	?trcon	?trrfs	?trtri
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*Lower-triangular factor
 (“unitary” along the diagonal)*

Upper-triangular factor

Permutation matrix

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*Both factors returned in-place
overwriting the input matrix*

*Returned as a vector
(encoding the permutation)*

?getrf

Computes the LU factorization of a general m -by- n matrix.

Syntax

```
lapack_int LAPACKE_sgetrf (int matrix_layout , lapack_int m , lapack_int n , float * a ,  
lapack_int lda , lapack_int * ipiv );
```

```
lapack_int LAPACKE_dgetrf (int matrix_layout , lapack_int m , lapack_int n , double * a ,  
lapack_int lda , lapack_int * ipiv );
```

Description

The routine computes the LU factorization of a general m -by- n matrix A as

$$A = P * L * U,$$

where P is a permutation matrix, L is lower triangular with unit diagonal elements (lower trapezoidal if $m > n$) and U is upper triangular (upper trapezoidal if $m < n$). The routine uses partial pivoting, with row interchanges.

NOTE

This routine supports the Progress Routine feature. See [Progress Function](#) for details.

Input Parameters

<i>matrix_layout</i>	Specifies whether matrix storage layout is row major (LAPACK_ROW_MAJOR) or column major (LAPACK_COL_MAJOR).
<i>m</i>	The number of rows in the matrix A ($m \geq 0$).
<i>n</i>	The number of columns in A ; $n \geq 0$.
<i>a</i>	Array, size at least $\max(1, lda \cdot n)$ for column-major layout or $\max(1, lda \cdot m)$ for row-major layout. Contains the matrix A .
<i>lda</i>	The leading dimension of array a , which must be at least $\max(1, m)$ for column-major layout or $\max(1, n)$ for row-major layout.

Output Parameters

<i>a</i>	Overwritten by L and U . The unit diagonal elements of L are not stored.
<i>ipiv</i>	Array, size at least $\max(1, \min(m, n))$. Contains the pivot indices; for $1 \leq i \leq \min(m, n)$, row i was interchanged with row $ipiv(i)$.

General matrices

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The screenshot shows the NVIDIA Developer Zone documentation page for cuSOLVER. The browser address bar shows the URL docs.nvidia.com/cuda/cusolver/index.html. The page header includes the NVIDIA logo, 'DEVELOPER ZONE', and 'CUDA TOOLKIT DOCUMENTATION'. A search bar is visible in the top right. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with sections for '1. Introduction', '2. Using the CUSOLVER API', '3. Using the CUSOLVERMG API', and examples for various solvers. The main content area discusses the GPU path of the cuSolver library, its responsibilities, and provides details for cuSolverDN (Dense LAPACK) and cuSolverSP (Sparse LAPACK). It includes mathematical equations for linear systems and notes on hardware requirements.

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I. Examples of multiGPU linear solver

The GPU path of the cuSolver library assumes data is already in the device memory. It is the responsibility of the developer to allocate memory and to copy data between GPU memory and CPU memory using standard CUDA runtime API routines, such as `cudaMalloc()`, `cudaFree()`, `cudaMemcpy()`, and `cudaMemcpyAsync()`.

cuSolverMg is GPU-accelerated ScaLAPACK. By now, cuSolverMg supports 1-D column block cyclic layout and provides symmetric eigenvalue solver.

Note: The cuSolver library requires hardware with a CUDA compute capability (CC) of at least 2.0 or higher. Please see the *CUDA C++ Programming Guide* for a list of the compute capabilities corresponding to all NVIDIA GPUs.

cuSolverDN: Dense LAPACK

The cuSolverDN library was designed to solve dense linear systems of the form

$$Ax = b$$

where the coefficient matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, right-hand-side vector $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and solution vector $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

The cuSolverDN library provides QR factorization and LU with partial pivoting to handle a general matrix A , which may be non-symmetric. Cholesky factorization is also provided for symmetric/Hermitian matrices. For symmetric indefinite matrices, we provide Bunch-Kaufman (LDL) factorization.

The cuSolverDN library also provides a helpful bidiagonalization routine and singular value decomposition (SVD).

The cuSolverDN library targets computationally-intensive and popular routines in LAPACK, and provides an API compatible with LAPACK. The user can accelerate these time-consuming routines with cuSolverDN and keep others in LAPACK without a major change to existing code.

cuSolverSP: Sparse LAPACK

The cuSolverSP library was mainly designed to a solve sparse linear system

$$Ax = b$$

General matrices

*Solve Stage: Use LU decomposition
in triangular substitution steps*

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$$\mathbf{Ux} = \mathbf{z}$$

Solve for \mathbf{x} using backward substitution

?getrs

Solves a system of linear equations with an LU-factored square coefficient matrix, with multiple right-hand sides.

Syntax

```
lapack_int LAPACKE_sgetrs (int matrix_layout, char trans, lapack_int n, lapack_int  
nrhs, const float * a, lapack_int lda, const lapack_int * ipiv, float * b, lapack_int  
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```

Description

The routine solves for X the following systems of linear equations:

$$A * X = B \quad \text{if } trans = 'N',$$

$$A^T * X = B \quad \text{if } trans = 'T',$$

$$A^H * X = B \quad \text{if } trans = 'C' \text{ (for complex matrices only).}$$

Before calling this routine, you must call [?getrf](#) to compute the LU factorization of A .

Symmetric, positive definite matrices

*Defining property
(for any nonzero vector \mathbf{x})*

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} > 0$$

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*Only a single lower-triangular factor
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The factor \mathbf{L} is returned in-place

?potrf

Computes the Cholesky factorization of a symmetric (Hermitian) positive-definite matrix.

Syntax

```
lapack_int LAPACKE_spotrf (int matrix_layout, char uplo, lapack_int n, float * a,  
lapack_int lda);
```

```
lapack_int LAPACKE_dpotrf (int matrix_layout, char uplo, lapack_int n, double * a,  
lapack_int lda);
```

Description

The routine forms the Cholesky factorization of a symmetric positive-definite or, for complex data, Hermitian positive-definite matrix A :

$A = U^T * U$ for real data, $A = U^H * U$ for complex data	if $uplo='U'$
$A = L * L^T$ for real data, $A = L * L^H$ for complex data	if $uplo='L'$

where L is a lower triangular matrix and U is upper triangular.

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$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & a_{31} & a_{41} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{32} & a_{42} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & a_{43} \\ a_{41} & a_{42} & a_{43} & a_{44} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A}_{\text{RFP}} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{44} & a_{43} \\ a_{11} & a_{33} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \\ a_{41} & a_{42} \end{pmatrix}$$

LAPACK Linear Equation Computational Routines

Table "Computational Routines for Systems of Equations with Real Matrices" lists the LAPACK computational routines for factorizing, equilibrating, and inverting *real* matrices, estimating their condition numbers, solving systems of equations with real matrices, refining the solution, and estimating its error. Table "Computational Routines for Systems of Equations with Complex Matrices" lists similar routines for *complex* matrices.

Computational Routines for Systems of Equations with Real Matrices						
Matrix type, storage scheme	Factorize matrix	Equilibrate matrix	Solve system	Condition number	Estimate error	Invert matrix
general	?getrf	?geequ, ?geequb	?getrs	?gecon	?gerfs, ?gerfsx	?getri
general band	?gbtrf	?gbequ, ?gbequb	?gbtrs	?gbcon	?gbrfs, ?gbrfsx	
general tridiagonal	?gttrf		?gttrs	?gtcon	?gtrfs	
diagonally dominant tridiagonal	?dttrfb		?dttrsb			
symmetric positive-definite	?potrf	?poequ, ?poequb	?potrs	?pocon	?porfs, ?porfsx	?potri
symmetric positive-definite, packed storage	?pptrf	?ppequ	?pptrs	?ppcon	?pprfs	?pptri
symmetric positive-definite, RFP storage	?pftrf		?pftrs			?pftri
symmetric positive-definite, band	?pbtrf	?pbequ	?pbtrs	?pbcon	?pbrfs	