

**MATH-332: Linear Algebra**Chapter: 2Matrix AlgebraSection 2.5: Matrix Factorizations

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*June 30, 2009*Lecture: Matrix Factorizations**Topics:**Matrix Factorizations  
LU Factorizations**Problems**Prac: 1  
Prob: 1, 3, 7-15odd, 19, 25**Section Goals**

- Understand how a matrix factorizations can represent important information extracted from a matrix and how this information can be used to simplify the solving of linear systems.
- Devise a method for finding a decomposition of a matrix that separates its echelon form from the row-operations used in producing it.

**Section Objectives**

- Define the LU-decomposition of a matrix and use it to solve associated linear systems.
- Argue the validity of the LU-factorization algorithm and apply this algorithm to various test matrices.