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**A criterion for the representability of a matrix in the form of a product of a lower-triangular and an upper-triangular matrix. (Russian)**

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A matrix  $A$  of order  $n$  is said to be  $T$ -factorable if there exists a lower-triangular matrix  $B$  and an upper-triangular matrix  $C$  such that  $A = BC$ . Denote by  $A_1^{(m)}$  the rectangular matrix consisting of the first  $m$  rows of the matrix  $A$ , and by  $A_2^{(m)}$  the rectangular matrix consisting of the first  $m$  columns of the same matrix  $A$ . Denote by  $A_0^{(m)}$  the square matrix which consists of the elements common to both  $A_1^{(m)}$  and  $A_2^{(m)}$ . Theorem: A matrix  $A$  is  $T$ -factorable if and only if  $r(A_1^{(m)}) + r(A_2^{(m)}) - r(A_0^{(m)}) \leq m$  ( $1 \leq m \leq n$ ), where  $r(A_j^{(m)})$ ,  $j = 0, 1, 2$ , denotes the rank of  $A_j^{(m)}$ . *G. Biriuk*