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Question: Solve the following system of equations,

$$2x + y - 6 = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$4x - 2y - 4 = 0 \quad (2)$$

Solution:

LU Decomposition

Representing using matrices,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

We shall solve this system of equations by LU Decomposition. Any non-singular matrix can be represented as a product of a lower triangular matrix L and an upper triangular matrix U

$$A\mathbf{x} = LU\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \quad (4)$$

Applying row reduction on A ,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2=R_2-R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (5)$$

Let

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ l_{21} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (6)$$

l_{21} is the multiplier used to zero a_{21} , so $l_{21} = 1$.

Now,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (7)$$

We have thus obtained LU Decomposition of the matrix A . Now, let

$$U\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y} \quad (8)$$

$$L\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b} \quad (9)$$

Substituting L in equation (9),

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (10)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (11)$$

Backsubstituting into equation (8),

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (12)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (13)$$

Thus, the system of equations is solved at $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

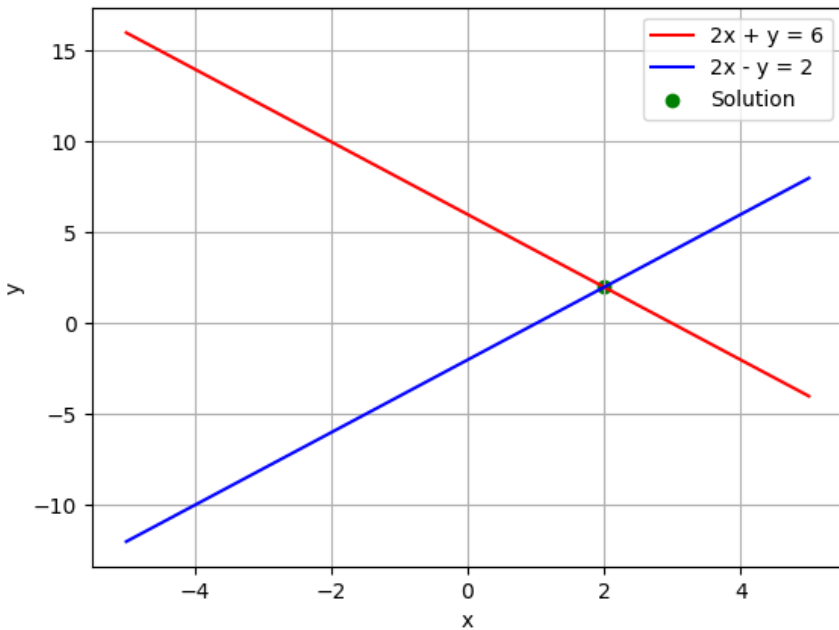


Fig. 1: Solving the system of equations, $2x + y = 6$, $2x - y = 2$