

## 10.3.2.4.2

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Question: Is the following pair of linear equations consistent or inconsistent? If consistent, obtain the solution graphically.

$$\begin{aligned}x - y &= 8 \\ 3x - 3y &= 16\end{aligned}$$

**Solution:**

We represent the system in matrix form:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & -3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}. \quad (1)$$

*LU Decomposition of A*

We aim to decompose  $A$  into  $LU$ , where:

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ l_{21} & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} \\ 0 & u_{22} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2)$$

Substituting  $LU = A$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ l_{21} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} \\ 0 & u_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & -3 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3)$$

From this:

$$u_{11} = 1, \quad u_{12} = -1, \quad (4)$$

$$l_{21}u_{11} = 3 \implies l_{21} = 3, \quad (5)$$

$$l_{21}u_{12} + u_{22} = -3 \implies 3(-1) + u_{22} = -3 \implies u_{22} = 0. \quad (6)$$

Thus:

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (7)$$

*Solving  $Ax = b$*

*Forward Substitution: Solve  $Ly = b$ :*

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (8)$$

From the first row:

$$y_1 = 8. \quad (9)$$

From the second row:

$$3y_1 + y_2 = 16 \quad (10)$$

$$3(8) + y_2 = 16 \quad (11)$$

$$y_2 = -8. \quad (12)$$

Thus:

$$y = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (13)$$

*Back Substitution: Solve  $Ux = y$  :*

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (14)$$

From the first row:

$$x - y = 8. \quad (15)$$

From the second row:

$$0 = -8 \quad (\text{contradiction}). \quad (16)$$

The system of equations is inconsistent and has no solution. The matrix  $A$  is singular (non-invertible), as indicated by the zero  $u_{22}$  in the U-matrix.

