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Question:

2 women and 5 men can together finish an embroidery work in 4 days, while 3 women and 6 men can finish it in 3 days. Find the time taken by 1 woman alone to finish the work, and also that taken by 1 man alone.

Solution:

Let the number of days taken by 1 woman alone to finish the work be x

Let the number of days taken by 1 man alone to finish the work be y

Then,

The amount of work done by a woman in 1 day is $\frac{1}{x}$

The amount of work done by a man in 1 day is $\frac{1}{y}$

Let,

$$\frac{1}{x} = p \text{ and } \frac{1}{y} = q \quad (0.1)$$

Then the equations are:

$$2p + 5q = \frac{1}{4} \quad (0.2)$$

$$3p + 6q = \frac{1}{3} \quad (0.3)$$

Matrix Form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.4)$$

LU decomposition:

For the system of linear equations $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$, if \mathbf{A} is non-singular, we can decompose it as product LU where L is lower triangular matrix and U is an upper triangular matrix.

The equation becomes

$$\mathbf{LUx} = \mathbf{b} \quad (0.5)$$

Taking

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Ux} \quad (0.6)$$

Substituting (0.6) in (0.5)

$$\mathbf{L}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b} \quad (0.7)$$

We solve for \mathbf{y} in $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$ and then solve for \mathbf{x} in $\mathbf{U}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$

Applying LU decomposition to matrix \mathbf{A} ,

For each column $j \geq k$, the entries of \mathbf{U} in the k th row are updated as:

$$U_{k,j} = A_{k,j} - \sum_{m=1}^{k-1} L_{k,m} U_{m,j}, \forall j \geq k \quad (0.8)$$

For each row $i > k$, the entries of \mathbf{L} in the k th column are updated as:

$$L_{j,k} = \frac{1}{U_{k,k}} \left(A_{j,k} - \sum_{m=1}^{k-1} L_{j,m} U_{m,k} \right), \forall i > k \quad (0.9)$$

We find \mathbf{L} and \mathbf{U} as follows:

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{3}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.10)$$

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 0 & -\frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.11)$$

Solving $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$ by forward substitution,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{3}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.12)$$

$$y_1 = \frac{1}{4} \quad (0.13)$$

$$y_2 = -\frac{1}{24} \quad (0.14)$$

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} \\ -\frac{1}{24} \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.15)$$

Solving $\mathbf{U}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 0 & -\frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} \\ -\frac{1}{24} \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.16)$$

$$p = \frac{1}{18} \quad (0.17)$$

$$q = \frac{1}{36} \quad (0.18)$$

Hence, solution is

$$x = \frac{1}{p} = 18 \quad (0.19)$$

$$y = \frac{1}{q} = 36 \quad (0.20)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 18 \\ 36 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.21)$$

Therefore,

The time taken by 1 woman alone to finish the work is 18 days

The time taken by 1 man alone to finish the work is 36 days

Plot:

