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Question:

Solve the following pairs of equations by reducing them to a pair of linear equations:

$$\frac{1}{3x+y} + \frac{1}{3x-y} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{2(3x+y)} - \frac{1}{2(3x-y)} = \frac{-1}{8}$$

Solution:

Let's solve this using LU decomposition. First, let's substitute:

$$\frac{1}{3x+y} = u \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{1}{3y-y} = v \quad (2)$$

Then our equations become:

$$u + v = \frac{3}{4} \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}u - \frac{1}{2}v = \frac{-1}{8} \quad (4)$$

$$4u + 4v = 3 \quad (5)$$

$$4u - 4v = -1 \quad (6)$$

This can be written in matrix form as:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 4 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (7)$$

Any non-singular matrix can be represented as a product of a lower triangular matrix L and an upper triangular matrix U

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{LUx} = \mathbf{b} \quad (8)$$

Factorization of LU:

Given a matrix \mathbf{A} of size $n \times n$, LU decomposition is performed row by row and column by column. The update equations are as follows:

- Start by initializing \mathbf{L} as the identity matrix $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{I}$ and \mathbf{U} as a copy of \mathbf{A} .

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

$$U_{k,j} = A_{k,j} - \sum_{m=1}^{k-1} L_{k,m} \cdot U_{m,j} \quad \forall \quad j \geq k \quad (9)$$

- For each row $i > k$, the entries of L in the k -th column are updated as:

$$L_{i,k} = \frac{1}{U_{k,k}} \left(A_{i,k} - \sum_{m=1}^{k-1} L_{i,m} \cdot U_{m,k} \right) \quad \forall \quad i > k \quad (10)$$

By doing the following steps and solving we get :

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 0 & -8 \end{pmatrix} \quad (11)$$

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (12)$$

Now,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 4 & -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 0 & -8 \end{pmatrix} \quad (13)$$

We can solve this using two steps:

$$L\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b} \quad (14)$$

$$U\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y} \quad (15)$$

Using forward substitution:

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

This gives:

$$y_1 = 3 \quad (17)$$

$$3 + y_2 = -1 \quad (18)$$

$$y_2 = -4 \quad (19)$$

Now using back substitution:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 0 & -8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (20)$$

This gives:

$$\Rightarrow v = \frac{1}{2} \quad (21)$$

$$4u + 2 = 3 \quad (22)$$

$$u = \frac{1}{4} \quad (23)$$

Therefore:

$$\frac{1}{3x+y} = \frac{1}{4} \implies 3x+y=4 \quad (24)$$

$$\frac{1}{3x-y} = \frac{1}{2} \implies 3x-y=2 \quad (25)$$

$$(26)$$

again by LU decomposition for

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (27)$$

By doing the following factorization we get:

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (28)$$

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (29)$$

Using forward substitution:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (30)$$

$$\implies y_1 = 4 \quad (31)$$

$$\implies y_2 = -2 \quad (32)$$

Now using back substitution:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (33)$$

This gives:

$$\implies y = 1 \quad (34)$$

$$3x + 1 = 4 \quad (35)$$

$$x = 1 \quad (36)$$

The solution is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (37)$$

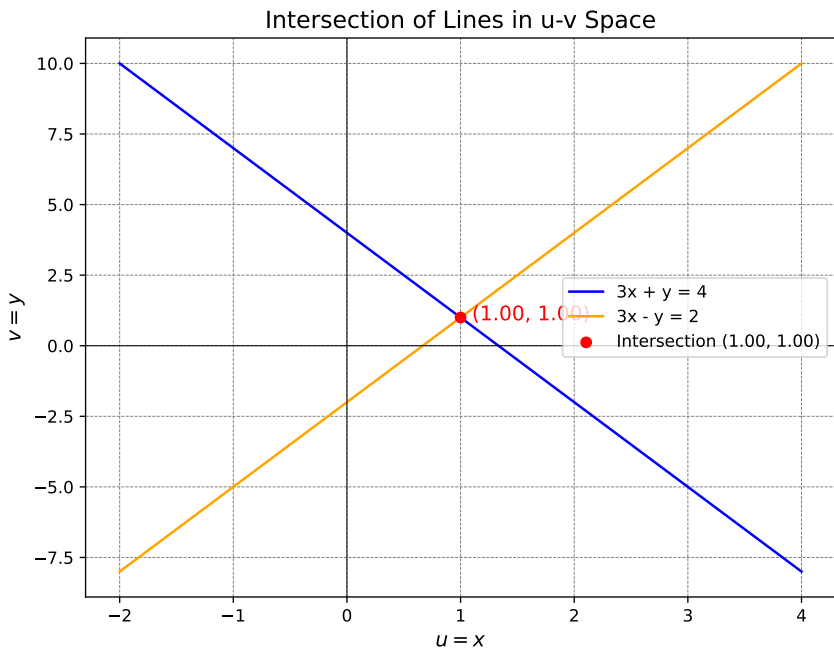


Fig. 1: Graph of the solution