Assignment #3

Due Wednesday, 22 September, 2021 at the start of class.

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Exercise 2.2.2. (A Matlab/Octave question, of course.)

Exercise 2.2.3. (A Matlab/Octave question, again.)

Exercise 2.2.7.

Exercise 2.2.8.

Exercise 2.3.1. (*Do parts* (b) *and* (c) *only*.)

Exercise 2.3.4. (To verify the solution is correct, please compute and report norm(U*x-b).)

Exercise 2.4.1. (Do not do the "Write out the L matrix . . ." part. Instead, use Matlab/Octave to verify that LU = A to good accuracy.)

- **P3.** Function 2.3.1 in section 2.3 is the forward substitution algorithm, Function 2.3.2 is the back substitution algorithm, and Function 2.4.1 in section 2.4 is the LU factorization algorithm. This exercise combines these parts to create a solver for linear systems. This is an initial version of the solver, but in section 2.6 we will add an important refinement.
- (a) By downloading them or typing them in, check that you have correct versions of forwardsub(), backsub(), and lufact() from the textbook. In particular, demonstrate these functions on reasonable 3×3 matrices, that is, test them in cases where you know the exact answer and you can check correctness. (*There is no need to show the functions themselves in your solution, but show how you test them.*)
- **(b)** On page 57 there is a 3-step standard method for solving linear systems Ax = b:
 - 1. Factor LU = A using Gaussian elimination.
 - 2. Solve Lz = b using forward substitution.
 - 3. Solve Ux = z using back substitution.

Implement this standard method by writing this Matlab/Octave function:

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function x = linearsolve0(A,b)
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This function will call forwardsub(), backsub(), and lufact() to do the three steps above. It will not do any detailed calculation itself; it *only* calls the pieces.

(c) Set up convenient 3×3 and 4×4 linear system examples Ax = b for which you know the exact solution x. Check that linear solve0 () works correctly by showing it solves these systems accurately, i.e. so that the error is of size $O(10^{-15})$ or so.