

Lab 4 – Homework Solutions

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A Homework

Homework 4.1 (LU decomposition). Consider the system $\mathbb{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ with

$$\mathbb{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 5 & -8 & -5 \\ -4 & -4 & 8 & -6 \\ 4 & 2 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -6 \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Use the LU decomposition of matrix \mathbb{A} to solve the system. Use both the functions implemented and the `lu` MATLAB/Octave command.
- Compute the determinant of \mathbb{A} using the LU decomposition.
- Consider now a different right-hand side vector $\mathbf{c} = [-22, -12, -1, -11]^T$. Use an approach which allow us to contain the computational cost.

Solution Homework 4.1.

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clc
clear all
close all

A = [12 5 -8 -5;
     -4 -4 8 -6;
      4 2 -3 0;
      0 -1 2 -4;];

b = [4 -6 3 -3]';

[L, U] = lu(A)

y1 = forward_substitution(L, b);
x1 = backward_substitution(U, y1)

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detA = prod(diag(U))
det(A)

c = [-22 -12 -1 -11]';

y2 = forward_substitution(L, c);
x2 = backward_substitution(U, y2)

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% The solution of the system A*x2 = c is obtained without a new
% factorization, since we stored the matrices L and U the first time we
% solved the system with b. This factorization is indeed useful everytime
% the matrix A does not change and we have to solve several linear systems
% with different right-hand sides.
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