AMSC/CMSC460 Computational Methods Spring 2015

Homework 1, Due on Tuesday, February 10, 2015

1. (Gauss elimination) Let A be a 3-by-3 matrix given as

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- a). Find a lower triangular matrix L_1 , an upper triangular matrix U_1 , such that $A = L_1U_1$.
- b). Find a lower triangular matrix L_2 , an upper triangular matrix U_2 and a permutation matrix P such that $PA = L_2U_2$.
- c). Use matlab code [L2, U2, P] = lu(A) to check your answer.
- d). Run matlab code [L3, U3] = lu(A). What is L_3 ? Derive L_3 by hand.
- e). Solve the linear system Ax = b by hand, with $b = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$.

2. (Matlab implementation of Gauss elimination)

- a). Read through the attached Matlab code on function mylu. Test with A, b given in problem 1. Find an LU decomposition of A, and the solution of Ax = b from the code. Check your answers with 1 a) and e).
- b). Modify the code by adding pivoting to the Gauss elimination procedure. Write a Matlab function [x, LU, p] = mylup(A, b), where the input A is an n-by-n matrix, b is an n-vector, and the output x is the solution of Ax = b, LU is the matrix containing the information of LU decomposition, and p is the permutation vector. Do NOT use Matlab functions like backslash, lu, etc.
- c). Test your code in b) on A, b given in problem 1. Check your solution with Matlab integrated functions:
 - For x, check with $A \setminus b$.
 - For LU, check with lu(A).
 - For p, check with the p in the output of [L, U, p] = lu(A, 'vector').