Homework 1: Gaussian Elimination

Due: January 31, 2014

1. Show that L_k and L'_k obtained at the k-th step of Gaussian Elimination have the same structure. Here

$$L'_{k} = P_{m-1} \dots P_{k+1} L_{k} P_{k+1}^{-1} \dots P_{m-1}^{-1}.$$

2. Calculate by hand the LU decomposition of

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

both with and without partial-pivoting. Then use both techniques to solve by hand

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 7 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

- 3. G&C: 8, 9, 10
- 4. MATLAB:
 - Generate a function GaussPP.m that takes as input an $n \times n$ matrix A and returns the matrices P, L, U such that PA = LU.
 - Create a driver that uses GaussPP.m to solve

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 5 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 11 & 1 \\ 2 & 8 & 7 & 3 \\ 7 & 4 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Please note the solution \mathbf{x} and the matrices \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{L} , and \mathbf{U} .