

QR decomposition

THM

$$A = QR$$

$m \times n$
rank n

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Q orthonormal cols
R upper triangular,
invertible

"full column rank"
cols of A lin. independent

recipe
proof!

- Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization on cols of A to get cols of Q
 w_1, \dots, w_n q_1, \dots, q_n

- during Gram-Schmidt: $\tilde{q}_k = w_k - \underbrace{\dots}_{q_1} - \dots - \underbrace{\dots}_{q_{k-1}} + 0 \cdot q_{k+1}$
 $w_k = \underbrace{\dots}_{q_1} + \dots + \underbrace{\dots}_{q_{k-1}} + \underbrace{\dots}_{q_k}$
 q_k pre-normalized
entries in col k of R

"lazy" alternative:
 $R = Q^T A$

Q orthonormal cols
 $\Leftrightarrow Q^T Q = I$
 $Q^T A = QR = R$

EG

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

w_1 w_2

$$\tilde{q}_1 = w_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

normalized:

$$q_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{q}_2 = w_2 - \frac{w_2 \cdot \tilde{q}_1}{\tilde{q}_1 \cdot \tilde{q}_1} \tilde{q}_1 = \frac{3}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad q_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{3} & 1/\sqrt{6} \\ 1/\sqrt{3} & -2/\sqrt{6} \\ 1/\sqrt{3} & 1/\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = Q^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{3} & 1/\sqrt{3} & 1/\sqrt{3} \\ 1/\sqrt{6} & -2/\sqrt{6} & 1/\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 1/\sqrt{3} \\ 0 & 4/\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = QR$$

$$w_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} q_1 + \frac{4}{\sqrt{6}} q_2$$