

CX1104: Linear Algebra for Computing

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & a_{m3} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}}_{A} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}}_{x} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}}_{b}$$

Chap. No : **6.3.1**

Lecture : **Orthogonality**

Topic : **Gram–Schmidt for QR**

Concept : **Motivation and Review of Concepts**

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Introducing $A = QR$

QR decomposition, given A ($m \times n$) matrix, we can decompose it into the product of 2 matrixes,

$$A = QR$$

- Properties of Q :
 - $C(Q) == C(A)$
 - $Q^T Q = I$, i.e Q has orthonormal column (BUT not necessary square)
 - $Q Q^T =$ projection matrix into col (A)
- R is a square upper triangle matrix and Depending if
 - A has independent col, then R is invertible,
 - A has dependent col, then R is NOT-invertible.

Warning: Theorem 12 is for A Having independent column.

THEOREM 12

The QR Factorization

If A is an $m \times n$ matrix with linearly independent columns, then A can be factored as $A = QR$, where Q is an $m \times n$ matrix whose columns form an orthonormal basis for $\text{Col } A$ and R is an $n \times n$ upper triangular invertible matrix with positive entries on its diagonal.

$$A = [\mathbf{x}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{x}_n] = [Q\mathbf{r}_1 \quad \cdots \quad Q\mathbf{r}_n] = QR$$

$$A \in R^{m \times n} \quad Q = \text{columns are orthonormal} \quad R = \text{Upper Triangle and invertible}$$

Motivation for QR

It has many applications, e.g,
solving least squares:

$$\begin{aligned} Ax &= y \\ QRx &= y \\ Q^T QRx &= Q^T y \end{aligned}$$

$$Rx = Q^T y$$

Is can be easily solved because R is upper triangle
(If R is not invertible, it will be more involved, see least squares chapter)

There are at least 3 approaches to realise QR decomposition,
we will only introduce Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization to get Q first

<https://www.math.ucla.edu/~yanovsky/Teaching/Math151B/handouts/GramSchmidt.pdf>

<https://towardsdatascience.com/can-qr-decomposition-be-actually-faster-schwarz-rutishauser-algorithm-a32c0cde8b9b>

What does having same column space mean? $C(Q) == C(A)$

When we can convert

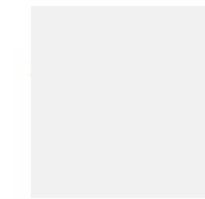
$$Ax = b$$

To

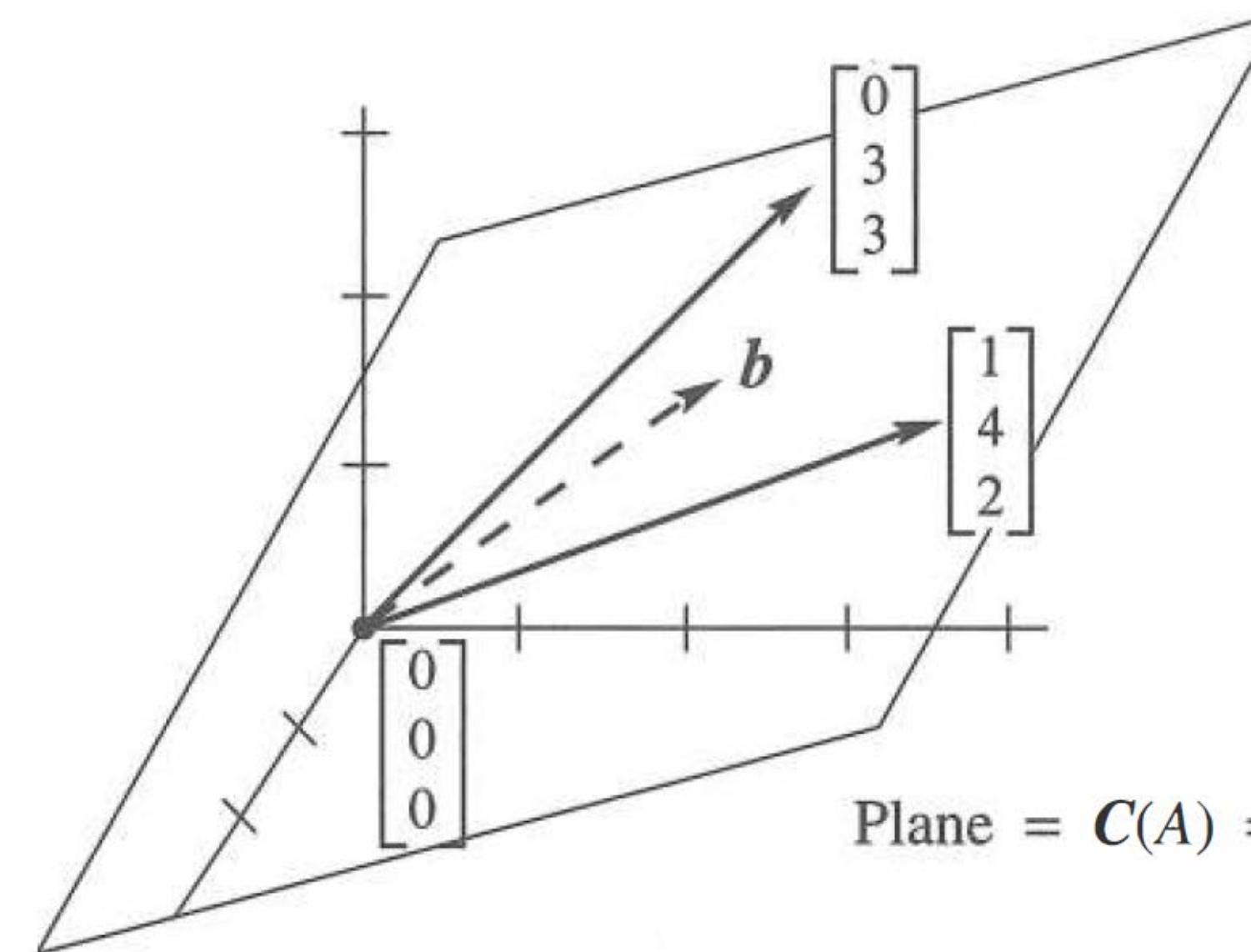
$$QRx = b$$

Then finding the solution x is easier and more efficient especially when A is large sized (e.g thousands of rows and columns)

The found solution x will be the same.



Chapter 3. Vector Spaces and Subspaces



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b = .4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + .3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Ax = b \text{ has } x = \begin{bmatrix} .4 \\ .3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Figure 3.2: The column space $C(A)$ is a plane containing the two columns. $Ax = b$ is solvable when b is on that plane. Then b is a combination of the columns.

Interpretation: since $C(Q) == C(A)$,

then Columns of Q are orthonormal basis for $\text{range}(A)$, since $Q^T Q = I$

Revision: Projecting y onto an orthogonal vs orthonormal basis

THEOREM 8

The Orthogonal Decomposition Theorem
Let W be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Then each \mathbf{y} in \mathbb{R}^n can be written uniquely in the form

$$\mathbf{y} = \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \mathbf{z} \tag{1}$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ is in W and \mathbf{z} is in W^\perp . In fact, if $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p\}$ is any orthogonal basis of W , then

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \frac{\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_1}{\mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathbf{u}_1} \mathbf{u}_1 + \dots + \frac{\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_p}{\mathbf{u}_p \cdot \mathbf{u}_p} \mathbf{u}_p \tag{2}$$

and $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}$.

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The vector $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ in (1) is called the **orthogonal projection of \mathbf{y} onto W** and often is written as $\text{proj}_W \mathbf{y}$. See Figure 2. When W is a one-dimensional subspace, the formula for $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ matches the formula given in Section 6.2.

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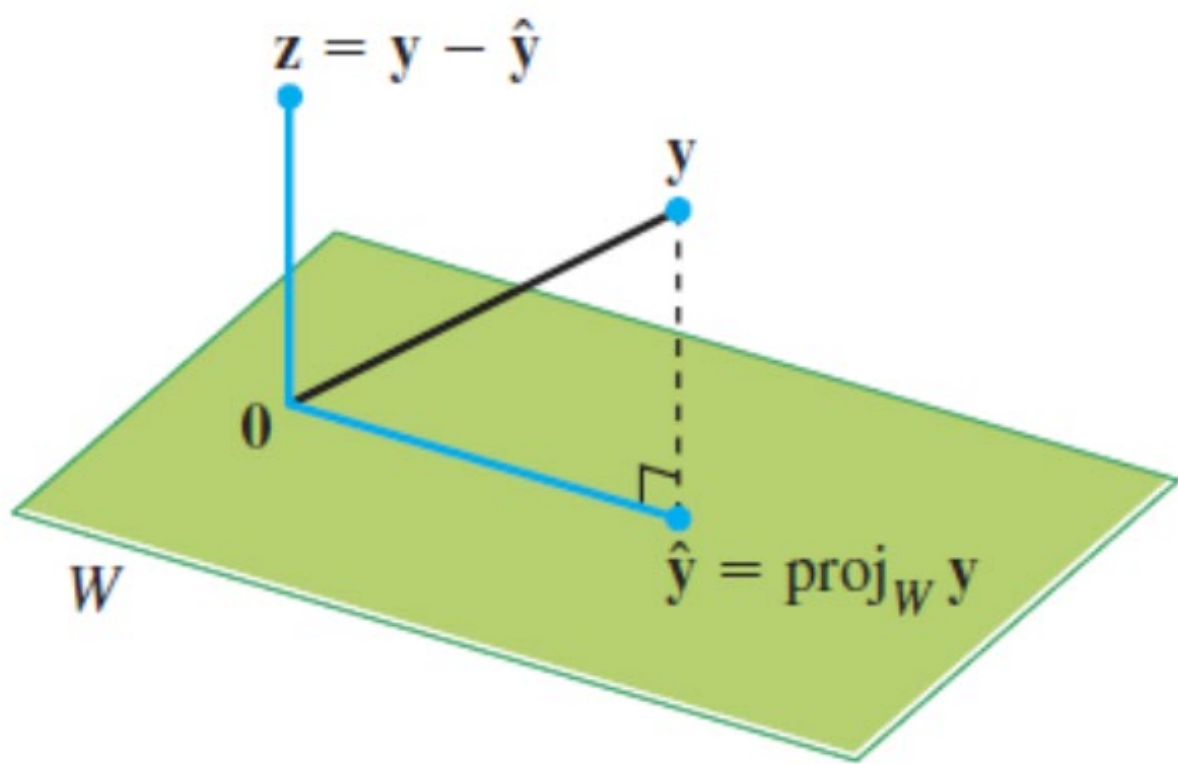


FIGURE 2 The orthogonal projection of \mathbf{y} onto W .

THEOREM 10

The final theorem in this section shows how formula (2) for $\text{proj}_W \mathbf{y}$ is simplified when the basis for W is an orthonormal set.

If $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p\}$ is an orthonormal basis for a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n , then

$$\text{proj}_W \mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_1) \mathbf{u}_1 + (\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_2) \mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + (\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_p) \mathbf{u}_p \tag{4}$$

If $U = [\mathbf{u}_1 \ \mathbf{u}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{u}_p]$, then

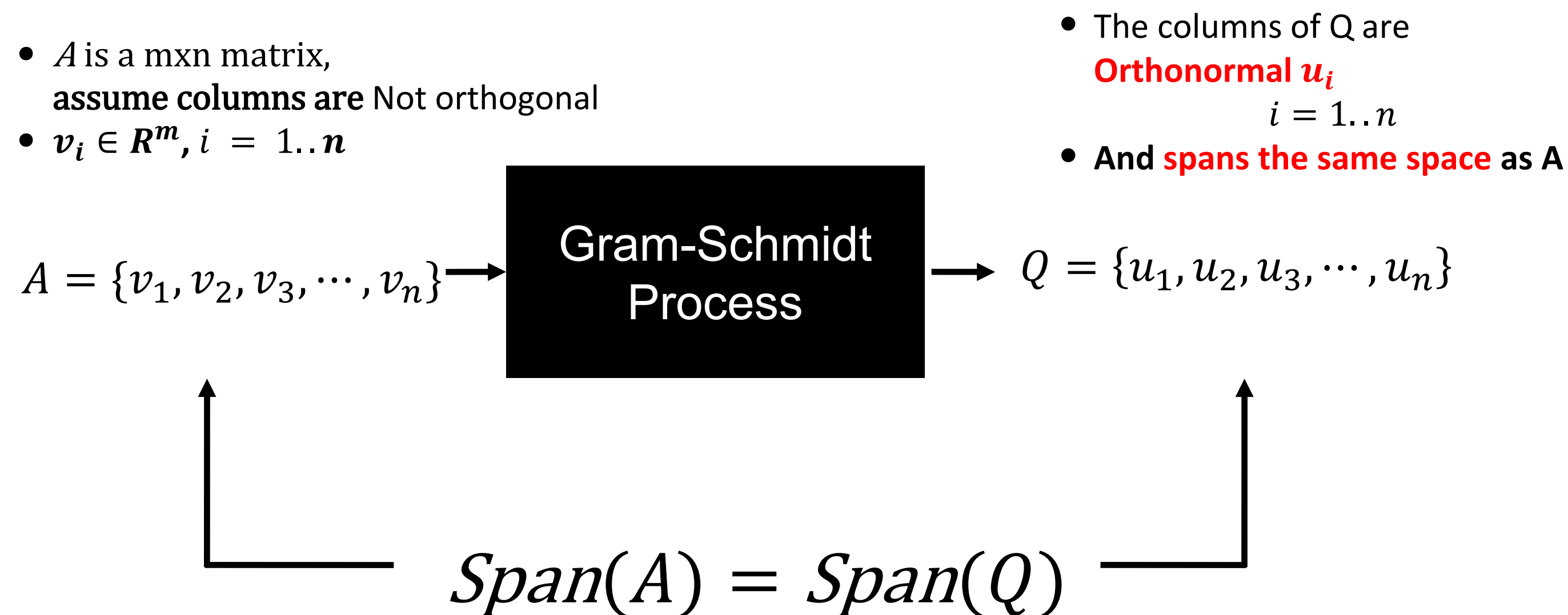
$$\text{proj}_W \mathbf{y} = U U^T \mathbf{y} \quad \text{for all } \mathbf{y} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^n \tag{5}$$

PROOF Formula (4) follows immediately from (2) in Theorem 8. Also, (4) shows that $\text{proj}_W \mathbf{y}$ is a linear combination of the columns of U using the weights $\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_p$. The weights can be written as $\mathbf{u}_1^T \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}_2^T \mathbf{y}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p^T \mathbf{y}$, showing that they are the entries in $U^T \mathbf{y}$ and justifying (5). ■

How to find Q from A?

What does Gram-Schmidt Process Do?

It **orthogonalises** a set of vectors!



Note: Q spans the same m -dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^m as that of A

Ref: <http://www.seas.ucla.edu/~vandenbe/133A/lectures/gr.pdf> Slide 6.7

See Matlab: <https://www.mathworks.com/help/matlab/ref/qr.html>

(economy QR factorization vs full QR decomposition)

More explanations of full vs economy qr : http://www.ece.northwestern.edu/local-apps/matlabhelp/techdoc/math_anal/mat_li23.html

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Chap. No : **6.3.2**

Lecture : **Orthogonality**

Topic : **Gram–Schmidt Process**

Concept : **Gram-Schmidt Process for QR decomposition**

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QR Factorisation revisited

The QR decomposition can be performed by Gram–Schmidt. Given a matrix A ($m \times n$ sized),

$$A = QR$$

$$A = [q_1 \quad q_2 \quad \dots \quad q_n] \begin{bmatrix} R_{11} & R_{12} & \dots & R_{1n} \\ 0 & R_{22} & \dots & R_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & R_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

The Q Factor (economy qr):

- Q is $m \times n$ with orthonormal columns and $Q^T Q = I$ dimension $n \times n$
- If A is square ($m = n$), then Q is orthogonal, i.e, $Q^T Q = Q Q^T = I$
- If A is tall ($m > n$), then $Q Q^T \neq I$,
The matrix $Q Q^T$ is a projection matrix of dimension $m \times m$, and it will project a vector R^m onto the columns space of A . In other words, $Q Q^T y = \hat{y}$, where \hat{y} is the least squares error approximation of y in the column space of A (see sec 7.1.4)

The R Factor:

- R is $n \times n$ upper triangular,
- If A has independent column, then R is invertible, else R is singular (not-invertible)

- Vectors q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n are orthonormal m -dimensional vectors: $\|q_i\| = 1$ and $q_i^T q_j = 0$ if $i \neq j$

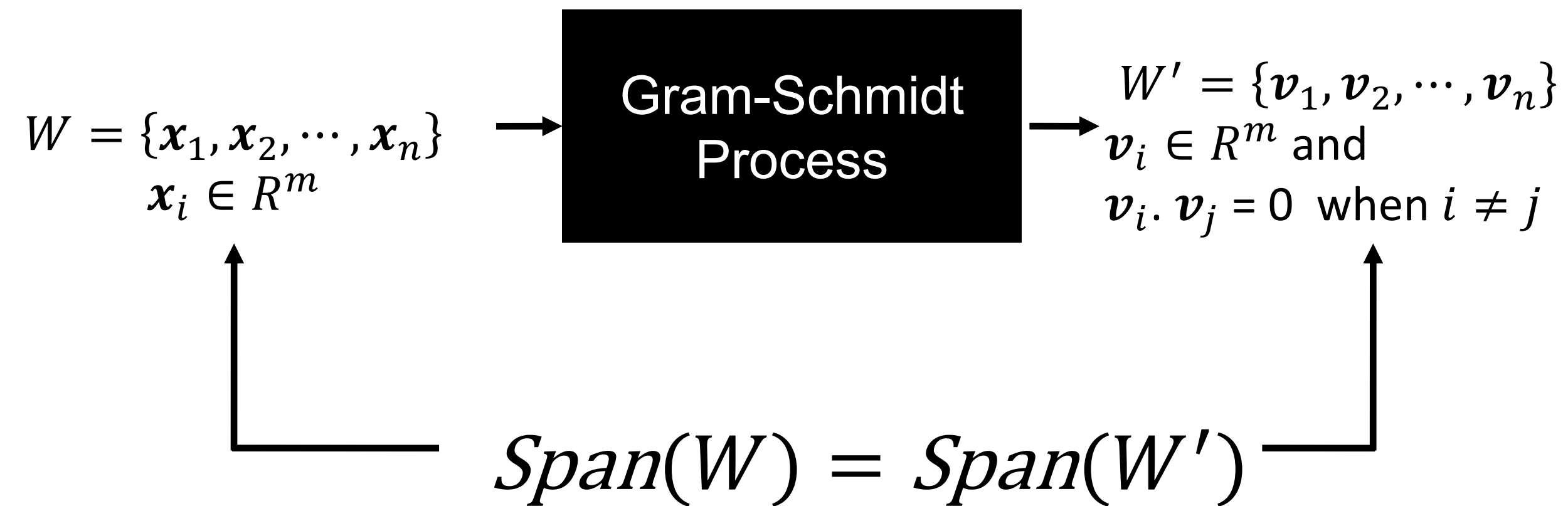
NOTE:

Q is obtained by performing GS Process on A

The Gram Schmidt Process

What does Gram-Schmidt Process Do?

It orthogonalises a set of vectors!



Typically, we are
give a matrix
 A , and these x_i are
columns of A .

The Gram Schmidt Process*****

In basic Gram-Schmidt, we assume that $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ are independent columns,

THEOREM 11

The Gram-Schmidt Process

Given a basis $\{x_1, \dots, x_p\}$ for a nonzero subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n , define

$$v_1 = x_1$$

$$v_2 = x_2 - \frac{x_2 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1$$

$$v_3 = x_3 - \frac{x_3 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 - \frac{x_3 \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} v_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$v_p = x_p - \frac{x_p \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 - \frac{x_p \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} v_2 - \dots - \frac{x_p \cdot v_{p-1}}{v_{p-1} \cdot v_{p-1}} v_{p-1}$$

Then $\{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$ is an orthogonal basis for W . In addition

$$\text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} = \text{Span}\{x_1, \dots, x_k\} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq p \quad (1)$$

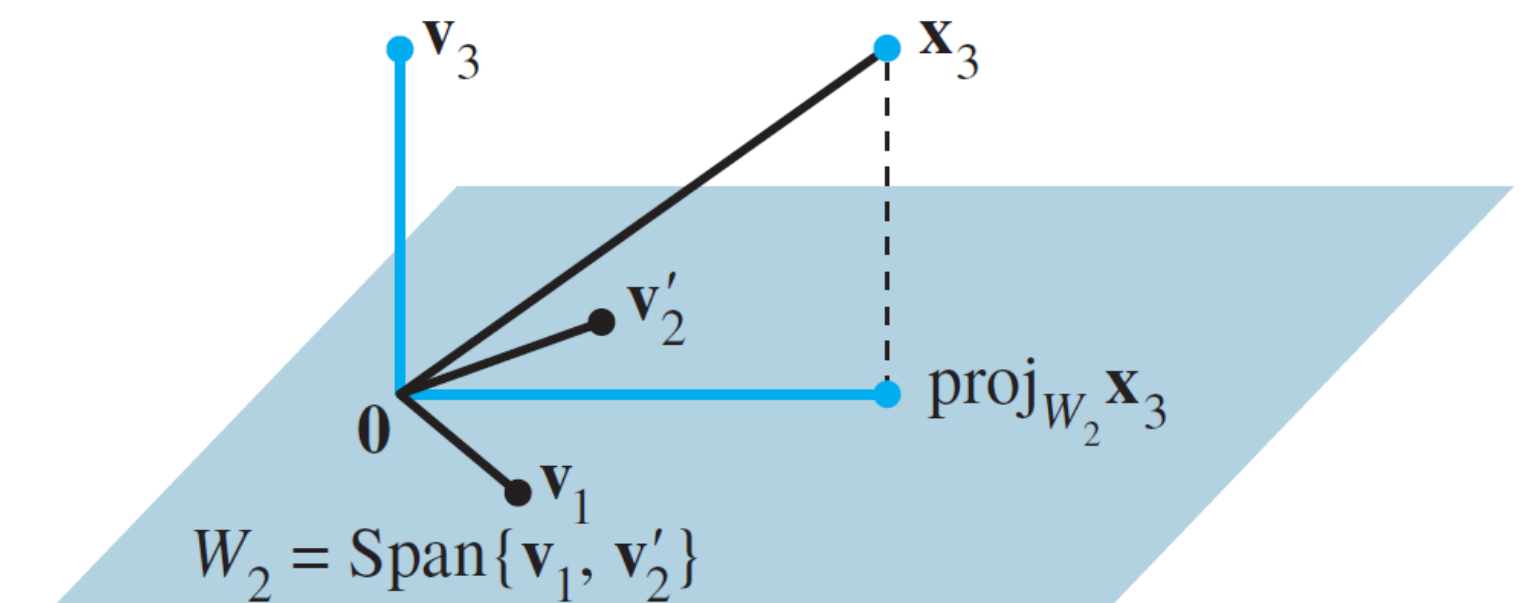


FIGURE 2 The construction of v_3 from x_3 and W_2 .

Watch these worked out examples:

1. GramSchmidt: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Aslf3KGq2UE>
2. QR: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6DybLNNkWyE>
3. MIT Gram Schmidt: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TRktLuAktBQ&t=17s>



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Proof Theorem 11: Span of vectors generated by GS is same as original set of vectors (proof not tested)

PROOF For $1 \leq k \leq p$, let $W_k = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k\}$. Set $\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{x}_1$, so that $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1\} = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{x}_1\}$. Suppose, for some $k < p$, we have constructed $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k$ so that $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$ is an orthogonal basis for W_k . Define

$$\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \text{proj}_{W_k} \mathbf{x}_{k+1} \quad (2)$$

By the Orthogonal Decomposition Theorem, \mathbf{v}_{k+1} is orthogonal to W_k . Note that $\text{proj}_{W_k} \mathbf{x}_{k+1}$ is in W_k and hence also in W_{k+1} . Since \mathbf{x}_{k+1} is in W_{k+1} , so is \mathbf{v}_{k+1} (because W_{k+1} is a subspace and is closed under subtraction). Furthermore, $\mathbf{v}_{k+1} \neq \mathbf{0}$ because \mathbf{x}_{k+1} is not in $W_k = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k\}$. Hence $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{k+1}\}$ is an orthogonal set of nonzero vectors in the $(k+1)$ -dimensional space W_{k+1} . By the Basis Theorem in Section 4.5, this set is an orthogonal basis for W_{k+1} . Hence $W_{k+1} = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{k+1}\}$. When $k+1 = p$, the process stops. ■

Theorem 11 shows that any nonzero subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n has an orthogonal basis, because an ordinary basis $\{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_p\}$ is always available (by Theorem 11 in Section 4.5), and the Gram–Schmidt process depends only on the existence of orthogonal projections onto subspaces of W that already have orthogonal bases.

Example: (must know how to compute)

EXAMPLE 2 Let $\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\mathbf{x}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Then $\{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3\}$ is clearly linearly independent and thus is a basis for a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^4 . Construct an orthogonal basis for W .

SOLUTION

Step 1. Let $\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{x}_1$ and $W_1 = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{x}_1\} = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1\}$.
Step 2. Let \mathbf{v}_2 be the vector produced by subtracting from \mathbf{x}_2 its projection onto the subspace W_1 . That is, let

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}_2 &= \mathbf{x}_2 - \text{proj}_{W_1} \mathbf{x}_2 \\ &= \mathbf{x}_2 - \frac{\mathbf{x}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \mathbf{v}_1 \quad \text{Since } \mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{x}_1 \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{3}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3/4 \\ 1/4 \\ 1/4 \\ 1/4 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

As in Example 1, \mathbf{v}_2 is the component of \mathbf{x}_2 orthogonal to \mathbf{x}_1 , and $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ is an orthogonal basis for the subspace W_2 spanned by \mathbf{x}_1 and \mathbf{x}_2 .

Note: $v'_2 = v_2 * 4$ to get rid of denominator in v_2

Step 3. Let \mathbf{v}_3 be the vector produced by subtracting from \mathbf{x}_3 its projection onto the subspace W_2 . Use the orthogonal basis $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}'_2\}$ to compute this projection onto W_2 :

Projection of
 \mathbf{x}_3 onto \mathbf{v}_1
↓

Projection of
 \mathbf{x}_3 onto \mathbf{v}'_2
↓

$$\text{proj}_{W_2} \mathbf{x}_3 = \frac{\mathbf{x}_3 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \mathbf{v}_1 + \frac{\mathbf{x}_3 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_2}{\mathbf{v}'_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_2} \mathbf{v}'_2 = \frac{2}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{2}{12} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then \mathbf{v}_3 is the component of \mathbf{x}_3 orthogonal to W_2 , namely,

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{x}_3 - \text{proj}_{W_2} \mathbf{x}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

See Slide 3 of Chapter 6.2.5 for explanation.

Example:

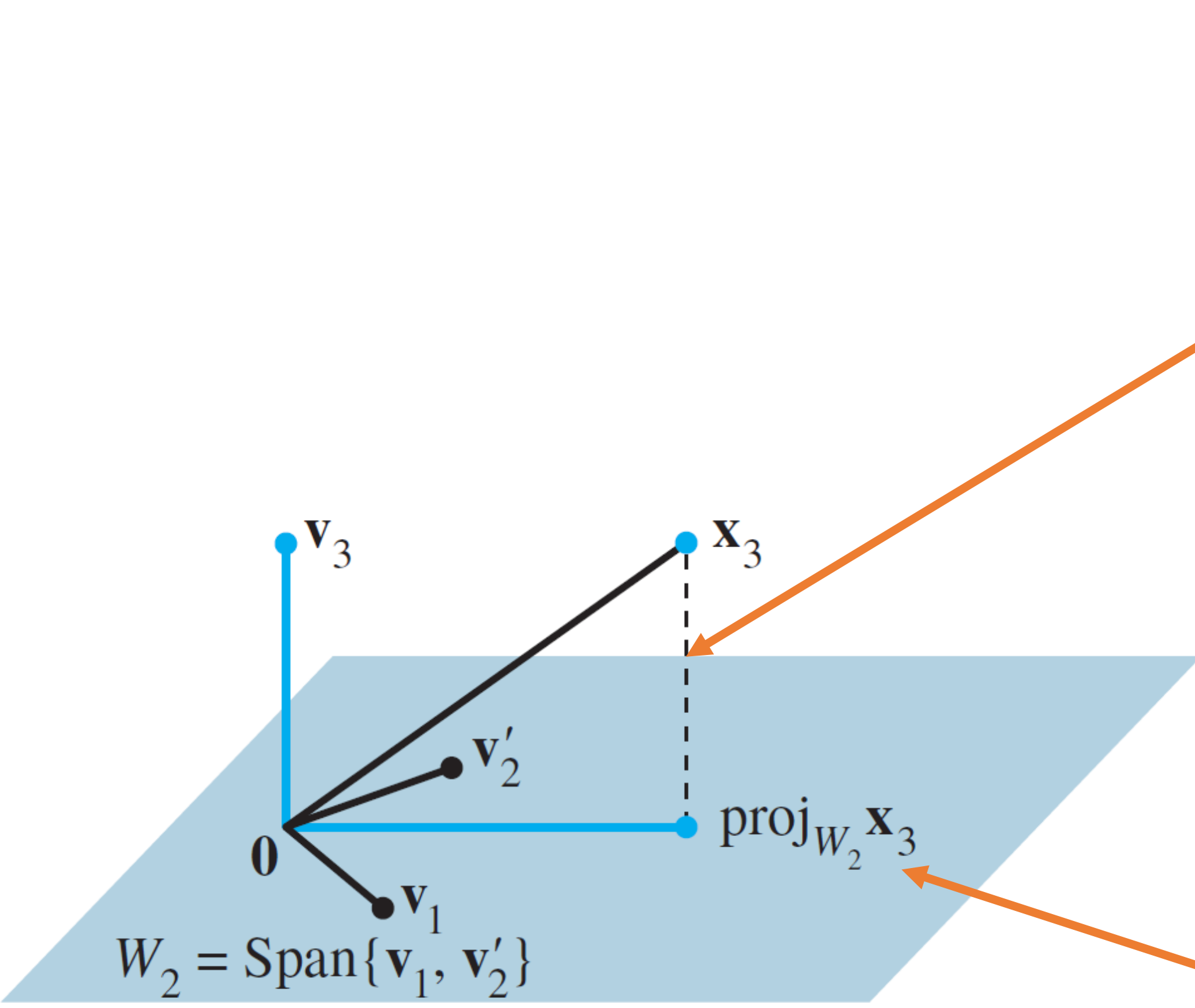


FIGURE 2 The construction of \mathbf{v}_3 from \mathbf{x}_3 and W_2 .

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{x}_3 - \text{proj}_{W_2} \mathbf{x}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

See Fig. 2 for a diagram of this construction. Observe that \mathbf{v}_3 is in W , because \mathbf{x}_3 and $\text{proj}_{W_2} \mathbf{x}_3$ are both in W . Thus $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}'_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ is an orthogonal set of nonzero vectors and hence a linearly independent set in W . Note that W is three-dimensional since it was defined by a basis of three vectors. Hence, by the Basis Theorem in Section 4.5, $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}'_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ is an orthogonal basis for W . ■

Projection of \mathbf{x}_3 onto \mathbf{v}_1

↓

$\frac{\mathbf{x}_3 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \mathbf{v}_1$

Projection of \mathbf{x}_3 onto \mathbf{v}'_2

↓

$\frac{\mathbf{x}_3 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_2}{\mathbf{v}'_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_2} \mathbf{v}'_2$

$$\text{proj}_{W_2} \mathbf{x}_3 = \frac{\mathbf{x}_3 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \mathbf{v}_1 + \frac{\mathbf{x}_3 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_2}{\mathbf{v}'_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_2} \mathbf{v}'_2 = \frac{2}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{2}{12} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The Basis Theorem
Let V be a p -dimensional vector space, $p \geq 1$. Any linearly independent set of exactly p elements in V is automatically a basis for V . Any set of exactly p elements that spans V is automatically a basis for V .

Orthogonal basis vs Orthonormal basis

The columns of Q
are orthogonal,
as well as orthonormal!

$$Q^T Q = I$$

Orthonormal == orthogonal +
(length of vector ==1)

Orthonormal Bases

An orthonormal basis is constructed easily from an orthogonal basis $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p\}$: simply normalize (i.e., “scale”) all the \mathbf{v}_k . When working problems by hand, this is easier than normalizing each \mathbf{v}_k as soon as it is found (because it avoids unnecessary writing of square roots).

EXAMPLE 3 Example 1 constructed the orthogonal basis

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

An orthonormal basis is

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{v}_1\|} \mathbf{v}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{45}} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{5} \\ 2/\sqrt{5} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{u}_2 = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{v}_2\|} \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



The entries of R matrix during GS

Consider A has independent col (mxn matrix)

$$A = [x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n]$$

Gram-Schmidt Process

$$\text{Proj}_v x = \frac{v \cdot x}{v \cdot v} v$$

$$v_1 = x_1$$

$$v_2 = x_2 - \text{Proj}_{v_1} x_2$$

$$v_3 = x_3 - \text{Proj}_{v_1} x_3 - \text{Proj}_{v_2} x_3$$

$$v_i = x_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \text{Proj}_{v_j} x_i$$

Ortho-normalization

$$u_1 = \frac{v_1}{||v_1||}$$

$$u_2 = \frac{v_2}{||v_2||}$$

$$u_i = \frac{v_i}{||v_i||}$$

We can now express the x_i over our newly computed orthonormal basis:

$$x_1 = u_1 \cdot x_1 u_1$$

$$x_2 = u_1 \cdot x_2 u_1 + u_2 \cdot x_2 u_2$$

$$x_3 = u_1 \cdot x_3 u_1 + u_2 \cdot x_3 u_2 + u_3 \cdot x_3 u_3$$

\vdots

$$x_n = \sum_{j=1}^n u_j \cdot x_n u_j$$

e_j

This can be written in matrix form:

$$A = QR$$

where:

$$Q = [u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n]$$

and

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \cdot x_1 & u_1 \cdot x_2 & u_1 \cdot x_3 & \dots \\ 0 & u_2 \cdot x_2 & u_2 \cdot x_3 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & u_3 \cdot x_3 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}.$$

Example: Gram–Schmidt on a 3x3 matrix

Example [[edit](#)]

Consider the decomposition of

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 12 & -51 & 4 \\ 6 & 167 & -68 \\ -4 & 24 & -41 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Recall that an orthonormal matrix Q has the property

$$Q^T Q = I.$$

Then, we can calculate Q by means of Gram–Schmidt as follows:

$$U = (\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \mathbf{u}_2 \quad \mathbf{u}_3) = \begin{pmatrix} 12 & -69 & -58/5 \\ 6 & 158 & 6/5 \\ -4 & 30 & -33 \end{pmatrix};$$
$$Q = \left(\frac{\mathbf{u}_1}{\|\mathbf{u}_1\|} \quad \frac{\mathbf{u}_2}{\|\mathbf{u}_2\|} \quad \frac{\mathbf{u}_3}{\|\mathbf{u}_3\|} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 6/7 & -69/175 & -58/175 \\ 3/7 & 158/175 & 6/175 \\ -2/7 & 6/35 & -33/35 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus, we have

$$Q^T A = Q^T Q R = R;$$
$$R = Q^T A = \begin{pmatrix} 14 & 21 & -14 \\ 0 & 175 & -70 \\ 0 & 0 & 35 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 12 & -51 & 4 \\ 6 & 167 & -68 \\ -4 & 24 & -41 \end{pmatrix} =$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 6/7 & -69/175 & -58/175 \\ 3/7 & 158/175 & 6/175 \\ -2/7 & 6/35 & -33/35 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 14 & 21 & -14 \\ 0 & 175 & -70 \\ 0 & 0 & 35 \end{pmatrix}$$

Q : Orthogonal Matrix

R : Upper Triangular Matrix

Warning: modify QR when A has dependent column! (X)

QR decomposition

From: pg 4-6 <http://ee263.stanford.edu/lectures/qr.pdf>

Note: here the columns of Q are denoted as q_i

written in matrix form: $A = QR$, where $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $R \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & \cdots & a_n \end{bmatrix}}_A = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} q_1 & q_2 & \cdots & q_n \end{bmatrix}}_Q \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & \cdots & r_{1n} \\ 0 & r_{22} & \cdots & r_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & r_{nn} \end{bmatrix}}_R$$

- ▶ in basic G-S we assume $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}^m$ are independent
- ▶ if a_1, \dots, a_n are dependent, we find $\tilde{q}_j = 0$ for some j , which means a_j is linearly dependent on a_1, \dots, a_{j-1}
- ▶ modified algorithm: when we encounter $\tilde{q}_j = 0$, skip to next vector a_{j+1} and continue:

$r = 0$

for $i = 1, \dots, n$

$\tilde{a} = a_i - \sum_{j=1}^r q_j q_j^\top a_i$

if $\tilde{a} \neq 0$

$r = r + 1$

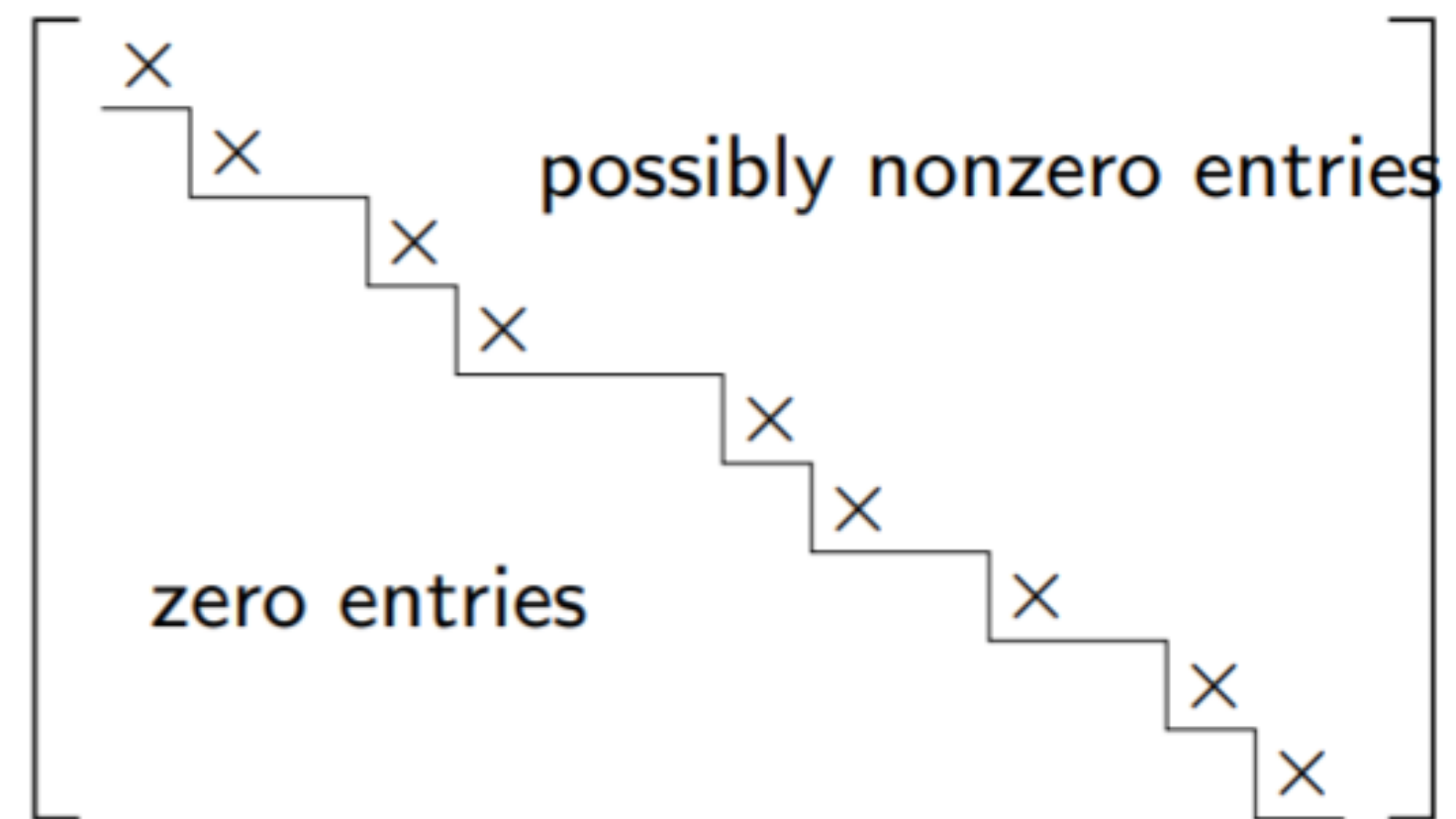
$q_r = \tilde{a} / \|\tilde{a}\|$

Warning: modify QR when A has dependent column!(X)

on exit,

- ▶ q_1, \dots, q_r is an orthonormal basis for **range**(A) (hence $r = \mathbf{Rank}(A)$)
- ▶ each a_i is linear combination of previously generated q_j 's

in matrix notation we have $A = QR$ with $Q^T Q = I$ and $R \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times n}$ in *upper staircase form*



'corner' entries (shown as \times) are nonzero

How to get **full** QR decomposition when A is tall and skinny? (X)

'Full' QR factorization

with $A = Q_1 R_1$ the QR factorization as above, write

$$A = [Q_1 \quad Q_2] \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where $[Q_1 \quad Q_2]$ is orthogonal, *i.e.*, columns of $Q_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times (m-r)}$ are orthonormal, orthogonal to Q_1

to find Q_2 :

- ▶ find any matrix \tilde{A} s.t. $[A \quad \tilde{A}]$ has rank m (*e.g.*, $\tilde{A} = I$)
- ▶ apply general Gram-Schmidt to $[A \quad \tilde{A}]$
- ▶ Q_1 are orthonormal vectors obtained from columns of A
- ▶ Q_2 are orthonormal vectors obtained from extra columns (\tilde{A})

i.e., any set of orthonormal vectors can be **extended** to an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^m

look ahead: QQ^T relationship to Least Squares

Ref: relating QQ^T to least squares solution (see Sec 7.1.4)

and Boyd's lecture:

<https://see.stanford.edu/materials/Isoeldsee263/05-ls.pdf> Pg 5-8

Least-squares via QR factorization

- $A \in \mathbf{R}^{m \times n}$ skinny, full rank
- factor as $A = QR$ with $Q^T Q = I_n$, $R \in \mathbf{R}^{n \times n}$ upper triangular, invertible
- pseudo-inverse is

$$(A^T A)^{-1} A^T = (R^T Q^T Q R)^{-1} R^T Q^T = R^{-1} Q^T$$

so $x_{ls} = R^{-1} Q^T y$

- projection on $\mathcal{R}(A)$ given by matrix

$$A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T = A R^{-1} Q^T = Q Q^T$$

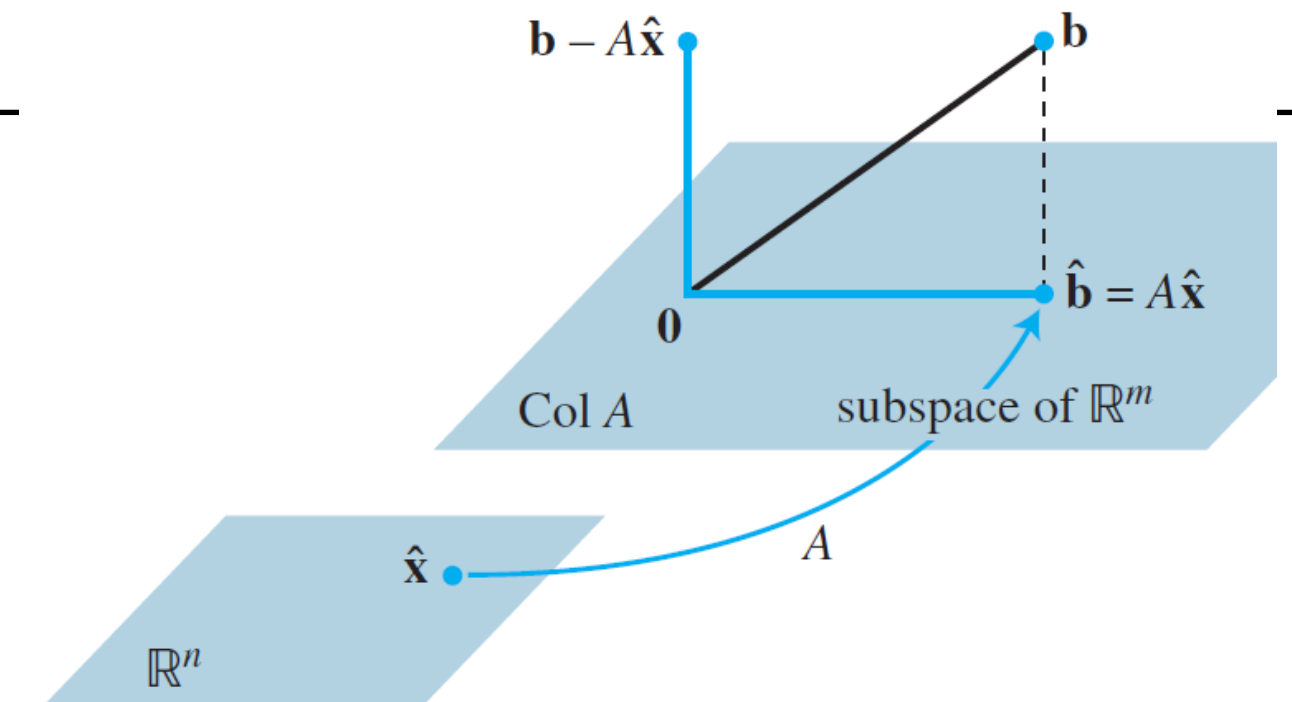


FIGURE 2 The least-squares solution $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ is in \mathbf{R}^n .

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Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. The following statements are logically equivalent:

- The equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has a unique least-squares solution for each \mathbf{b} in \mathbf{R}^m .
- The columns of A are linearly independent.
- The matrix $A^T A$ is invertible.

When these statements are true, the least-squares solution $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ is given by

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b} \quad (4)$$

Therefore if $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{b}} &= A\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \text{ means} \\ \hat{\mathbf{b}} &= A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b} \end{aligned}$$

And this matrix $A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$ is a projection matrix, projecting \mathbf{b} into the column space of A .

See 7.1.3 (pg 4) : projection matrix of least squares

Appendix: Proof that UU^T is a projection matrix (X)

2. (a) Let $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be of unit length. Argue that the matrix $\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T$ represents the projection on $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}\}$.

Let $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Observe then that

$$\begin{aligned}\text{proj}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{y}) &= \left(\frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{y}}{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}} \right) \mathbf{u} \\ &= (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{y}) \mathbf{u} \quad (\because \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 1) \\ &= \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{y}) \quad (\because \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}) \\ &= \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{y}) \\ &= (\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T) \mathbf{y}. \quad (\because \text{associativity of matrix multiplication})\end{aligned}$$

This shows that $\text{proj}_{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T$.

- (b) Let W be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n and let $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p\}$ be an orthonormal basis for W . Argue that the matrix

$$P = \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_1^T + \mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{u}_2^T + \dots + \mathbf{u}_p \mathbf{u}_p^T$$

is precisely the projection onto W .

In fact, if U is the matrix $(\mathbf{u}_1 \mid \mathbf{u}_2 \mid \dots \mid \mathbf{u}_p)$, then we can also write this projection as UU^T .

Let $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Replicating the steps in (a), we have

$$\begin{aligned}\text{proj}_W(\mathbf{y}) &= \left(\frac{\mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathbf{y}}{\mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathbf{u}_1} \right) \mathbf{u}_1 + \left(\frac{\mathbf{u}_2 \cdot \mathbf{y}}{\mathbf{u}_2 \cdot \mathbf{u}_2} \right) \mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + \left(\frac{\mathbf{u}_p \cdot \mathbf{y}}{\mathbf{u}_p \cdot \mathbf{u}_p} \right) \mathbf{u}_p \\ &= (\mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathbf{y}) \mathbf{u}_1 + (\mathbf{u}_2 \cdot \mathbf{y}) \mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + (\mathbf{u}_p \cdot \mathbf{y}) \mathbf{u}_p \\ &= \mathbf{u}_1 (\mathbf{u}_1^T \mathbf{y}) + \mathbf{u}_2 (\mathbf{u}_2^T \mathbf{y}) + \dots + \mathbf{u}_p (\mathbf{u}_p^T \mathbf{y}) \\ &= (\mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_1^T) \mathbf{y} + (\mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{u}_2^T) \mathbf{y} + \dots + (\mathbf{u}_p \mathbf{u}_p^T) \mathbf{y} \\ &= (\mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_1^T + \mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{u}_2^T + \dots + \mathbf{u}_p \mathbf{u}_p^T) \mathbf{y} \\ &= P \mathbf{y}.\end{aligned}$$

This proves that $\text{proj}_W = P$.

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$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & a_{m3} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}}_{A} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}}_{x} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}}_{b}$$

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Topic : **Gram–Schmidt Process**

Concept : **Using Matlab to get QR
and 4 cases of A**

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Using Matlab for QR

We will consider only the two common cases:

- i) A is a square matrix
- ii) A has dimension $m \times n$ ($m > n$)

Using Matlab, there are 2 options, complete (full) vs economy decomposition.

Matlab

```
qr      Orthogonal-triangular decomposition.  
[Q,R] = qr(A), where A is m-by-n, produces an m-by-n upper triangular  
matrix R and an m-by-m unitary matrix Q so that  $A = QR$ .  
  
[Q,R] = qr(A,0) produces the "economy size" decomposition.  
If  $m > n$ , only the first n columns of Q and the first n rows of R are  
computed. If  $m \leq n$ , this is the same as  $[Q,R] = \mathbf{qr}(A)$ .
```

numpy.linalg.qr

```
linalg.qr(a, mode='reduced')
```

Compute the qr factorization of a matrix.

Factor the matrix a as qr , where q is orthonormal and r is upper-triangular.

Parameters: a : *array_like, shape (M, N)*

Matrix to be factored.

$mode$: {'reduced', 'complete', 'r', 'raw'}, optional

If $K = \min(M, N)$, then

- 'reduced' : returns q, r with dimensions $(M, K), (K, N)$ (default)
- 'complete' : returns q, r with dimensions $(M, M), (M, N)$

Note: option for
numpy 'reduced' == matlab 'economy'
when performing QR

QR using Matlab and the 4 cases

We explore QR of A for the following 4 cases

1) Square A matrix (size 3×3)

Ex1) where A has 3 independent col

Ex2) where A has 2 independent col, and 1 dependent col

2) Tall A matrix (size 3×2)

Ex3) where A has 2 independent col

Ex4) where A col are dependent ($\text{col2} == 2 \times \text{col1}$)

Study the effect decomposition has on Q and R , as well
as selection of Matlab economy vs complete (full) QR decomposition.

Introducing $A = QR$ for Square A

Example 1: A is 3x3 square and has independent column

Square matrix [\[edit\]](#)

Any real square matrix A may be decomposed as

$$A = QR,$$

where Q is an orthogonal matrix (its columns are orthogonal unit vectors meaning $Q^T = Q^{-1}$) and R is an upper triangular matrix (also called right triangular matrix). If A is invertible, then the factorization is unique if we require the diagonal elements of R to be positive.

If instead A is a complex square matrix, then there is a decomposition $A = QR$ where Q is a unitary matrix (so $Q^* = Q^{-1}$).

If A has n linearly independent columns, then the first n columns of Q form an orthonormal basis for the column space of A . More generally, the first k columns of Q form an orthonormal basis for the span of the first k columns of A for any $1 \leq k \leq n$.^[1] The fact that any column k of A only depends on the first k columns of Q is responsible for the triangular form of R .^[1]

Matlab Notation:

$$Q' == Q^T$$

When A is square and has independent column, factorizing A to QR , then
 $Q' * Q == Q * Q' ==$ identity matrix
And R which is square is invertible!

```
>> A = [1 2 3; 1 2 1; 1 1 3]
```

```
A =
```

```
1     2     3
1     2     1
1     1     3
```

```
>> rank(A)
```

```
ans =
```

```
3
```

```
>> [Q,R] = qr(A)
```

```
Q =
```

```
-0.5774    -0.4082   -0.7071
-0.5774    -0.4082    0.7071
-0.5774     0.8165   -0.0000
```

```
R =
```

```
-1.7321    -2.8868   -4.0415
0         -0.8165    0.8165
0          0        -1.4142
```

```
>> rank(R)
```

```
ans =
```

```
3
```

```
>> Q*R
```

```
ans =
```

```
1.0000    2.0000    3.0000
1.0000    2.0000    1.0000
1.0000    1.0000    3.0000
```

```
>> Q'*Q
```

```
ans =
```

```
1.0000    0.0000    0.0000
0.0000    1.0000   -0.0000
0.0000   -0.0000    1.0000
```

```
>> Q*Q'
```

```
ans =
```

```
1.0000   -0.0000   -0.0000
-0.0000    1.0000   -0.0000
-0.0000   -0.0000    1.0000
```

Square A with dependent col

Example 2: A is 3x3 square and
A has 1 dependent column

```
>> A = [1 2 3; 1 2 3; 1 1 2]
```

A =

1	2	3
1	2	3
1	1	2

```
>> rank(A)
```

ans =

2

```
>> [Q,R] = qr(A)
```

Q =

-0.5774	-0.4082	-0.7071
-0.5774	-0.4082	0.7071
-0.5774	0.8165	-0.0000

R =

-1.7321	-2.8868	-4.6188
0	-0.8165	-0.8165
0	0	-0.0000

```
>> Q*R
```

ans =

1.0000	2.0000	3.0000
1.0000	2.0000	3.0000
1.0000	1.0000	2.0000

```
>> rank(R)
```

ans =

2

```
>> Q'*Q
```

ans =

1.0000	0.0000	0.0000
0.0000	1.0000	-0.0000
0.0000	-0.0000	1.0000

```
>> Q*Q'
```

ans =

1.0000	-0.0000	-0.0000
-0.0000	1.0000	-0.0000
-0.0000	-0.0000	1.0000

When A is square and has dependent column,
It still can be decomposed into QR, and
 $Q' * Q == Q * Q' ==$ identity matrix
BUT now, R which is square is NOT invertible!
R has rank 2 bcos A has 2 independent col.

Introducing $A = QR$ for Tall A ($m > n$)

Rectangular matrix [\[edit \]](#)

More generally, we can factor a complex $m \times n$ matrix A , with $m \geq n$, as the product of an $m \times m$ [unitary matrix](#) Q and an $m \times n$ upper triangular matrix R . As the bottom $(m-n)$ rows of an $m \times n$ upper triangular matrix consist entirely of zeroes, it is often useful to partition R , or both R and Q :

$$A = QR = Q \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = [Q_1 \quad Q_2] \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = Q_1 R_1,$$

where R_1 is an $n \times n$ upper triangular matrix, 0 is an $(m-n) \times n$ zero matrix, Q_1 is $m \times n$, Q_2 is $m \times (m-n)$, and Q_1 and Q_2 both have orthogonal columns.

[Golub & Van Loan \(1996, §5.2\)](#) call $Q_1 R_1$ the *thin QR factorization* of A ; [Trefethen and Bau](#) call this the *reduced QR factorization*.^[1] If A is of full [rank](#) n and we require that the diagonal elements of R_1 are positive then R_1 and Q_1 are unique, but in general Q_2 is not. R_1 is then equal to the upper triangular factor of the [Cholesky decomposition](#) of $A^* A$ ($= A^T A$ if A is real).

Note:

$\text{col}(Q_1) == \text{col}(A)$,
while
 $\text{col}(Q_2) = \text{orthogonal complement of col}(A)$

see example 3 and 4 (in next pages)

Tall A

$$A = QR = Q \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = [Q_1 \quad Q_2] \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = Q_1 R_1,$$

Example 3: A is tall (3x2) and
A has 2 independent column

```
A =  
  
     1     2  
     1     2  
     1     1  
  
>> [Q,R] = qr(A)  
  
Q =  
  
    -0.5774    -0.4082    -0.7071  
    -0.5774    -0.4082     0.7071  
    -0.5774     0.8165     -0.0000  
  
R =  
  
    -1.7321    -2.8868  
         0    -0.8165  
         0         0
```

```
>> Q'*Q  
  
ans =  
  
     1.0000     0.0000     0.0000  
     0.0000     1.0000    -0.0000  
     0.0000    -0.0000     1.0000  
  
>> Q*Q'  
  
ans =  
  
     1.0000    -0.0000    -0.0000  
    -0.0000     1.0000    -0.0000  
    -0.0000    -0.0000     1.0000
```

[Q,R] = qr(A) (complete decomposition)

- Complete Q has size == 3x3 (and it an orthogonal matrix even though A is 3x2).
- R is 3x2 (row 1 and 2 of R are non-zero bcos A has 2 independent col)

Q_1 is the first 2 columns of Q (bcos A has 2 independent col)

$\text{col}(Q_1) == \text{col}(A)$

Q_2 is the last column of Q

```
A =  
  
     1     2  
     1     2  
     1     1  
  
>> [Q,R] = qr(A,0)  
  
Q =  
  
    -0.5774    -0.4082  
    -0.5774    -0.4082  
    -0.5774     0.8165  
  
R =  
  
    -1.7321    -2.8868  
         0    -0.8165
```

```
>> Q'*Q  
  
ans =  
  
     1.0000     0.0000  
     0.0000     1.0000  
  
>> Q*Q'  
  
ans =  
  
     0.5000     0.5000    -0.0000  
     0.5000     0.5000     0.0000  
    -0.0000     0.0000     1.0000
```

[Q,R] = qr(A,0) (using economy decomposition)

reduced Q has size == 3x2.

Note that $Q'*Q = I$ (size (2x2))

While $Q*Q' = P$

a projection matrix size 3x3.

A projection matrix: see Strang lecture 16

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=osh80YCg_GM

Tall A

$$A = QR = Q \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = [Q_1 \quad Q_2] \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = Q_1 R_1,$$

Example 4: A is tall (3x2) and
A has **dependent** column

```
A =  
     1     2  
     1     2  
     1     2  
  
>> [Q,R] = qr(A)  
  
Q =  
  
    -0.5774    0.8165   -0.0000  
    -0.5774   -0.4082   -0.7071  
    -0.5774   -0.4082    0.7071  
  
R =  
  
    -1.7321   -3.4641  
         0   -0.0000  
         0         0
```

```
>> Q*R  
  
ans =  
  
     1.0000     2.0000  
     1.0000     2.0000  
     1.0000     2.0000
```

`[Q,R] = qr(A)` (**complete decomposition**)

Complete Q has size == 3x3 even though A is 3x2

And R is 3x2 (Only row 1 of R is non-zero, bcos there is ONLY 1 independent col in A)

Q_1 is ONLY the first column of Q (bcos A has ONLY 1 independent col), $col(Q_1) == col(A)$

Q_2 is the last 2 columns of Q

```
A =  
     1     2  
     1     2  
     1     2  
  
>> [Q,R] = qr(A,0)  
  
Q =  
  
    -0.5774    0.8165  
    -0.5774   -0.4082  
    -0.5774   -0.4082  
  
R =  
  
    -1.7321   -3.4641  
         0   -0.0000
```

```
>> Q*R  
  
ans =  
  
     1.0000     2.0000  
     1.0000     2.0000  
     1.0000     2.0000
```

`[Q,R] = qr(A,0)` (**economy decomposition**)

reduced Q has size == 3x2