# The QR iteration method for quasiseparable matrices

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#### 1 Introduction

#### 2 Definitions

Let  $\{a_k\}, k=1,\ldots,N$  be a family of matrices of sizes  $r_k \times r_{k-1}$ . For positive integers  $i,j,\ i>j$  define the operation  $a_{ij}^{\times}$  as follows:  $a_{ij}^{\times}=a_{i-1}\cdots a_{j+1}$  for  $i>j+1,\ a_{j+1,j}^{\times}=I_{r_j}$ . Let  $\{b_k\}, k=1,\ldots,N$  be a family of matrices of sizes  $r_{k-1}\times r_k$ . For positive integers  $i,j,\ j>i$  define the operation  $b_{ij}^{\times}$  as follows:  $b_{ij}^{\times}=b_{i+1}\cdots b_{j-1}$  for  $j>i+1,\ b_{i,i+1}^{\times}=I_{r_i}$ . It is easy to see that

$$a_{ik}^{\times} = a_{ij}^{\times} a_{j+1,k}^{\times}, \quad i > j \ge k \tag{2.1}$$

and

$$b_{kj}^{\times} = b_{k,i+1}^{\times} b_{i,j}^{\times}, \quad k \le i < j.$$
 (2.2)

Let  $R = \{R_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^N$  be a matrix with block entries  $R_{ij}$  of sizes  $m_i \times n_j$ . Assume that the entries of this matrix are represented in the form

$$R_{ij} = \begin{cases} p_i a_{ij}^{\times} q_j, & 1 \le j < i \le N, \\ d_i, & 1 \le i = j \le N, \\ g_i b_{ij}^{\times} h_j, & 1 \le i < j \le N. \end{cases}$$
(2.3)

Here  $p_i$   $(i=2,\ldots,N)$ ,  $q_j$   $(j=1,\ldots,N-1)$ ,  $a_k$   $(k=2,\ldots,N-1)$  are matrices of sizes  $m_i \times r'_{i-1}$ ,  $r'_j \times n_j$ ,  $r'_k \times r'_{k-1}$  respectively; these elements are said to be lower generators of the matrix R with orders  $r'_k$   $(k=1,\ldots,N-1)$ . The elements  $g_i$   $(i=1,\ldots,N-1)$ 

1),  $h_j$  (j = 2, ..., N),  $b_k$  (k = 2, ..., N-1) are matrices of sizes  $m_i \times r_i''$ ,  $r_{j-1}'' \times n_j$ ,  $r_{k-1}'' \times r_k''$  respectively; these elements are said to be upper generators of the matrix R with orders  $r_k''$ , (k = 1, ..., N-1). The matrices  $d_k$  (k = 1, ..., N) of sizes  $m_k \times n_k$  are said to be diagonal entries of the matrix R. We define also orders of generators  $r_k'$ ,  $r_k''$  for k = 0, N setting them to be zeros. For scalar matrices the generators  $p_i$ ,  $g_i$  and  $q_j$ ,  $h_j$  are rows and columns of the corresponding sizes. Set  $n_L = \max_{1 \le k \le N-1} r_k'$ ,  $n_U = \max_{1 \le k \le N-1} r_k''$ , the matrix R is said to be lower quasiseparable of order  $n_L$  and upper quasiseparable of order  $n_U$  or quasiseparable of order  $(n_L, n_U)$ .

Formally, we use some calculation rules with matrices that have blocks with dimension zero. Aside from obvious rules, the product of an "empty" matrix of dimension  $m \times 0$  and an empty matrix of dimension  $0 \times n$  is a matrix of dimension  $m \times n$  with all elements equal to 0. All further rules of block matrix multiplication remain consistent. Such operations are used in MATLAB.

### 3 The QR factorization

Let  $R = \{R_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^N$  be a matrix with entries from  $\mathbb{C}$  with given generators. We present here an algorithm for computing generators and diagonal entries of unitary matrix Q and upper triangular matrix S such that R = QS. The main part of the algorithm is based on the following result from [1].

**Theorem 3.1** Let  $R = \{R_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^{N}$  be a scalar matrix with lower generators  $p_i$  (i = 2, ..., N),  $q_j$  (j = 1, ..., N-1),  $a_k$  (k = 2, ..., N-1) of orders  $r'_k$  (k = 1, ..., N-1), upper generators  $g_i$  (i = 1, ..., N-1),  $h_j$  (j = 2, ..., N),  $b_k$  (k = 2, ..., N-1) of orders  $r''_k$  (k = 1, ..., N-1) and diagonal entries  $d_k$  (k = 1, ..., N). Let us define the numbers  $\rho_k$  via recursive relations  $\rho_N = 0$ ,  $\rho_{k-1} = \min\{1 + \rho_k, r'_{k-1}\}$ , k = N, ..., 2,  $\rho_0 = 0$  and the numbers  $m_k = 1, n_k = 1, \nu_k = 1 + \rho_k - \rho_{k-1}$ ,  $\rho'_k = r''_k + \rho_k$ , k = 1, ..., N.

The matrix R admits the factorization

$$R = VUS$$
.

where V is a unitary matrix represented in the block lower triangular form with blocks of sizes  $m_i \times \nu_j$  (i, j = 1, ..., N), lower generators  $(p_V)_i$  (i = 2, ..., N),  $(q_V)_j$  (j = 1, ..., N-1),  $(a_V)_k$  (k = 2, ..., N-1) of orders  $\rho_k$  (k = 1, ..., N-1) and diagonal entries  $(d_V)_k$  (k = 1, ..., N), U is a unitary matrix represented in the block upper triangular form with blocks of sizes  $\nu_i \times n_j$  (i, j = 1, ..., N), upper generators  $(g_U)_i$  (i = 1, ..., N-1),  $(h_U)_j$  (j = 2, ..., N),  $(b_U)_k$  (k = 2, ..., N-1) of orders  $\rho_k$  (k = 1, ..., N-1) and diagonal entries  $(d_U)_k$  (k = 1, ..., N) and S is an upper triangular matrix with upper generators  $(g_S)_i$  (i = 1, ..., N-1),  $(h_S)_j$  (j = 2, ..., N),  $(b_S)_k$  (k = 2, ..., N-1) of orders  $\rho'_k$  (k = 1, ..., N-1) and diagonal entries  $(d_S)_k$  (k = 1, ..., N).

The generators and the diagonal entries of the matrices V, U, S are determined using the following algorithm.

1.1. If  $r'_{N-1} > 0$  set

$$X_N = p_N, \quad (p_V)_N = 1, \quad (h_S)_N = \begin{bmatrix} h_N \\ d_N \end{bmatrix},$$

 $(d_v)_N$  to be  $1 \times 0$  empty matrix,  $\Delta_N$  to be  $0 \times 1$  empty matrix; if  $r'_{N-1} = 0$  set  $X_N$  to be  $0 \times 0$  empty matrix,  $(p_V)_N$  to be  $1 \times 0$  empty matrix,

$$(d_V)_N = 1$$
,  $(h_S)_N = h_N$ ,  $\Delta_N = d_N$ .

1.2. For k = N - 1, ..., 2 perform the following. Compute the QR factorization

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} p_k \\ X_{k+1}a_k \end{array}\right] = V_k \left(\begin{array}{c} X_k \\ 0 \end{array}\right),$$

where  $V_k$  is a unitary matrix of sizes  $(1 + \rho_k) \times (1 + \rho_k)$ ,  $X_k$  is a matrix of sizes  $\rho_{k-1} \times r'_{k-1}$ . Determine matrices  $(p_V)_k$ ,  $(a_V)_k$ ,  $(d_V)_k$ ,  $(q_V)_k$  of sizes  $1 \times \rho_{k-1}$ ,  $\rho_k \times \rho_{k-1}$ ,  $1 \times \nu_k$ ,  $\rho_k \times \nu_k$  from the partition

$$V_k = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} (p_V)_k & (d_V)_k \\ (a_V)_k & (q_V)_k \end{array} \right].$$

Compute

$$h'_{k} = (p_{V})_{k}^{*} d_{k} + (a_{V})_{k}^{*} X_{k+1} q_{k}, \quad (h_{S})_{k} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{k} \\ h'_{k} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (b_{S})_{k} = \begin{pmatrix} b_{k} & 0 \\ (p_{V}^{*})_{k} g_{k} & (a_{V})_{k}^{*} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\Theta_{k} = \begin{bmatrix} (d_{V})_{k}^{*} g_{k} & (q_{V})_{k}^{*} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Delta_{k} = (d_{V})_{k}^{*} d_{k} + (q_{V})_{k}^{*} X_{k+1} q_{k}.$$

1.3. Set  $V_1 = I_{\nu_1}$  and define matrices  $(d_V)_1$ ,  $(q_V)_1$  of sizes  $1 \times \rho_1$ ,  $\rho_1 \times \nu_1$  from the partition

$$V_1 = \left[ \begin{array}{c} (d_V)_1 \\ (q_V)_1 \end{array} \right];$$

compute

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 \\ X_2 q_1 \end{pmatrix}, \ \Theta_1 = \begin{pmatrix} g_1 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{\rho_1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus we have computed generators and diagonal entries of the natrix V and generators  $(b_S)_k$ ,  $(h_S)_k$  of the matrix S.

2.1. Compute the QR factorization

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} \Delta_1 & \Theta_1 \end{array}\right] = U_1 \left[\begin{array}{cc} (d_S)_1 & (g_S)_1 \\ 0 & Y_1 \end{array}\right],$$

where  $U_1$  is a unitary matrix of sizes  $\nu_1 \times \nu_1$ ,  $(d_S)_1$  is a number,  $(g_S)_1$  is a row of size  $\rho'_1$ ,  $Y_1$  is a matrix of sizes  $\rho_1 \times \rho'_1$ . Determine matrices  $(d_U)_1$ ,  $(g_U)_1$  of sizes  $\nu_1 \times 1$ ,  $\nu_1 \times \rho'_1$  from the partition

$$U_1 = \left[ (d_U)_1 (g_U)_1 \right].$$

2.2. For k = 2, ..., N-1 perform the following. Compute the QR factorization

$$\begin{bmatrix} Y_{k-1}(h_S)_k & Y_{k-1}(b_S)_k \\ \Delta_k & \Theta_k \end{bmatrix} = U_k \begin{bmatrix} (d_S)_k & (g_S)_k \\ 0 & Y_k \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $U_k$  is a unitary matrix of sizes  $(1 + \rho_k) \times (1 + \rho_k)$ ,  $(d_S)_k$  is a number,  $(g_S)_k$  is a row of size  $\rho'_k$ ,  $Y_k$  is a matrix of sizes  $\rho_k \times \rho'_k$ .

2.3. If  $r'_{N-1} > 0$  set  $(d_U)_N = 1$  and  $(h_U)_N$  to be  $0 \times 1$  empty matrix; if  $r'_{N-1} = 0$  set  $(h_U)_N = 1$  and  $(d_U)_N$  to be  $0 \times 1$  empty matrix; compute

$$(d_S)_N = \left[ \begin{array}{c} Y_{N-1}(h_S)_N \\ \Delta_N \end{array} \right].$$

Thus we have computed generators and diagonal entries of the matrix U and generators  $(g_S)_k$  and diagonal entries  $(d_S)_k$  of the matrix S.

Theorem 3.1 yields the QR-factorization of the matrix R, i.e. representation of R in the form R = QS with the unitary matrix Q = UV and the upper triangular matrix S. For the next considerations we should obtain generators of the matrix Q explicitly.

**Theorem 3.2** Let  $R = \{R_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^{N}$  be a scalar matrix with lower generators  $p_i$  (i = 2, ..., N),  $q_j$  (j = 1, ..., N-1),  $a_k$  (k = 2, ..., N-1) of orders  $r'_k$  (k = 1, ..., N-1), upper generators  $g_i$  (i = 1, ..., N-1),  $h_j$  (j = 2, ..., N),  $b_k$  (k = 2, ..., N-1) of orders  $r''_k$  (k = 1, ..., N-1) and diagonal entries  $d_k$  (k = 1, ..., N). Let us define the numbers  $\rho_k$  via recursive relations  $\rho_N = 0$ ,  $\rho_{k-1} = \min\{1 + \rho_k, r'_{k-1}\}$ , k = N, ..., 2,  $\rho_0 = 0$  and the numbers  $\rho'_k = r''_k + \rho_k$ , k = 1, ..., N.

The matrix R admits the factorization

$$R = QS$$
,

where Q is a unitary matrix with lower generators  $(p_Q)_i$  (i = 2, ..., N),  $(q_Q)_j$  (j = 1, ..., N-1),  $(a_Q)_k$  (k = 2, ..., N-1) of orders  $\rho_k$  (k = 1, ..., N-1), upper generators  $(g_Q)_i$  (i = 1, ..., N-1),  $(h_Q)_j$  (j = 2, ..., N),  $(b_Q)_k$  (k = 2, ..., N-1) of orders  $\rho_k$  (k = 1, ..., N-1) also and diagonal entries  $(d_Q)_k$  (k = 1, ..., N) and S is an upper triangular matrix with upper generators  $(g_S)_i$  (i = 1, ..., N-1),  $(h_S)_j$  (j = 2, ..., N),  $(b_S)_k$  (k = 2, ..., N-1) of orders  $\rho'_k$  (k = 1, ..., N-1) and diagonal entries  $(d_S)_k$  (k = 1, ..., N).

The generators and the diagonal entries of the matrices Q and S are determined using the following algorithm.

- 1. Using the algorithm from Theorem 3.1 compute generators and diagonal entries of the upper triangular matrix S and of the unitary block triangular matrices V and U such that R = VUS.
- 2. Compute generators and diagonal entries of the matrix Q = VU using generators and diagonal entries of the matrices V, U as follows.
  - 2.1. Compute

$$z_1 = (q_V)_1(g_U)_1,$$

$$(q_Q)_1 = (q_V)_1 (d_U)_1, \quad \alpha_1 = (a_V)_2 z_1,$$
 (3.1)

$$(d_O)_1 = (d_V)_1(d_U)_1, \quad \beta_1 = z_1,$$
 (3.2)

$$(g_Q)_1 = (d_V)_1(g_U)_1, \quad \gamma_1 = z_1(b_U)_2.$$
 (3.3)

Set  $(a_V)_N = 0_{0 \times \rho_{N-1}}, (b_V)_N = 0_{\rho_{N-1} \times 0}.$ 

2.2. For i = 2, ..., N-1 perform the following. Set

$$(p_Q)_i = (p_V)_i, \quad (a_Q)_i = (a_V)_i, \quad (b_Q)_i = (b_U)_i, \quad (h_Q)_i = (h_U)_i.$$

Compute

$$z_i = (q_V)_i (g_U)_i,$$

$$(q_Q)_i = (q_V)_i (d_U)_i + \alpha_{i-1}(h_U)_i, \quad \alpha_i = (a_V)_{i+1} [z_i + \alpha_{i-1}(b_U)_i], \tag{3.4}$$

$$(d_Q)_i = (d_V)_i (d_U)_i + (p_V)_i \beta_{i-1} (h_U)_i, \quad \beta_i = z_i + (a_V)_i \beta_{i-1} (b_U)_i, \tag{3.5}$$

$$(g_Q)_i = (d_V)_i (g_U)_i + (q_V)_i \gamma_{i-1}, \quad \gamma_i = [z_i + (a_V)_i \gamma_{i-1}](b_U)_{i+1}.$$
 (3.6)

2.3. Set  $(p_Q)_N = (p_V)_N$ ,  $(h_Q)_N = (h_U)_N$ . Compute

$$(d_Q)_N = (d_V)_N (d_U)_N + (p_V)_N \beta_{N-1}(h_U)_N.$$
(3.7)

*Proof.* We should justify the second stage of the algorithm. Let  $Q = \{Q_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^N$ ,  $V = \{V_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^N$ ,  $U = \{U_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^N$ . For  $N \ge i > j \ge 1$  since U is an upper triangular matrix and  $(p_V)_i$  (i = 2, ..., N),  $(q_V)_j$  (j = 1, ..., N-1),  $(a_V)_k$  (k = 2, ..., N-1) are lower generators of the matrix V we have

$$Q_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{j} V_{ik} U_{kj} = \sum_{k=1}^{j} (p_V)_i (a_V)_{ik}^{\times} (q_V)_k U_{kj}.$$

Using the equality (2.1) we obtain

$$Q_{ij} = (p_V)_i (a_V)_{ij}^{\times} (q_Q)_j, \quad 1 \le j < i \le N$$

where

$$(q_Q)_j = \sum_{k=1}^j (a_V)_{j+1,k}^{\times} (q_V)_k U_{kj}, \quad j = 1, \dots, N-1.$$
 (3.8)

This implies that the matrix Q has the lower generators  $(p_Q)_i = (p_V)_i$  (i = 2, ..., N),  $(a_Q)_k = (a_V)_k$  (k = 2, ..., N - 1) and  $(q_Q)_j$  (j = 1, ..., N - 1) defined in (3.8). This in particular means that the orders  $\rho_k$  (k = 1, ..., N - 1) of these generators are the same as for the matrix V. Now we must check that the generators  $(q_Q)_j$  satisfy the relations (3.1), (3.4). Indeed for j = 1 we have

$$(q_Q)_1 = (a_V)_{2,1}^{\times} (q_V)_1 U_{11} = (q_V)_1 (d_U)_1$$

and for  $j=2,\ldots,N-1$  using  $U_{jj}=(d_U)_j$  and the fact that  $(g_U)_i$   $(i=1,\ldots,N-1)$ ,  $(h_U)_j$   $(j=2,\ldots,N)$ ,  $(b_U)_k$   $(k=2,\ldots,N-1)$  are the upper generators of the matrix U we get

$$(q_Q)_j = \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} (a_V)_{j+1,k}^{\times} (q_V)_k (g_U)_k (b_U)_{kj}^{\times} (h_U)_j + (a_V)_{j+1,j}^{\times} (q_V)_j (d_U)_j = \alpha_{j-1} (h_U)_j + (q_V)_j (d_U)_j,$$

where

$$\alpha_{j-1} = \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} (a_V)_{j+1,k}^{\times} (q_V)_k (g_U)_k (b_U)_{kj}^{\times}.$$

We have

$$\alpha_1 = (a_V)_{3,1}^{\times}(q_V)_1(g_U)_1(b_U)_{2,1}^{\times} = (a_V)_2(q_V)_1(g_U)_1$$

and using the relations (2.1), (2.2) we obtain

$$\alpha_{j} = \sum_{k=1}^{j} (a_{V})_{j+2,k}^{\times}(q_{V})_{k}(g_{U})_{k}(b_{U})_{k,j+1}^{\times}$$

$$= (a_{V})_{j+2,j}^{\times}(q_{V})_{j}(g_{U})_{j}(b_{U})_{j,j+1}^{\times} + (a_{V})_{j+1}(\sum_{k=1}^{j-1} (a_{V})_{j+1,k}^{\times}(q_{V})_{k}(g_{U})_{k}(b_{U})_{kj}^{\times})(b_{U})_{j}$$

$$= (a_{V})_{j+1}(q_{V})_{j}(g_{U})_{j} + (a_{V})_{j+1}\alpha_{j-1})(b_{U})_{j}$$

which completes the proof of (3.1), (3.4).

For diagonal entries of the matrix Q we have

$$(d_Q)_1 = Q_{11} = V_{11}U_{11} = (d_V)_1(d_U)_1$$

and for  $i = 2, \ldots, N$ 

$$Q_{ii} = \sum_{k=1}^{i} V_{ik} U_{ki} = V_{ii} U_{ii} + \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} V_{ik} U_{ki} = (d_V)_i (d_U)_i + (p_V)_i \beta_{i-1} (h_U)_i,$$

where

$$\beta_{i-1} = \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} (a_V)_{ik}^{\times} (q_V)_k (g_U)_k (b_U)_{ki}^{\times}$$

We have  $\beta_1 = (q_V)_1(g_U)_1$  and using the relations (2.1), (2.2) we obtain

$$\beta_{i} = \sum_{k=1}^{i} (a_{V})_{i+1,k}^{\times}(q_{V})_{k}(g_{U})_{k}(b_{U})_{k,i+1}^{\times}$$

$$= (a_{V})_{i+1,i}^{\times}(q_{V})_{i}(g_{U})_{i}(b_{U})_{i,i+1}^{\times} + (a_{V})_{i}(\sum_{k=1}^{j-1} (a_{V})_{ik}^{\times}(q_{V})_{k}(g_{U})_{k}(b_{U})_{ki}^{\times})(b_{U})_{i}$$

$$= (q_{V})_{i}(g_{U})_{i} + (a_{V})_{i}\beta_{i-1})(b_{U})_{i}$$

which completes the proof of (3.2), (3.5), (3.7).

The proof of the relations (3.3), (3.6) is performed in the same way as the proof of (3.1), (3.4).  $\Box$ 

**Corollary 3.3** Let R be a quasiseparable of order  $(n_L, n_U)$  matrix with scalar entries and let R = QS be the factorisation obtained in Theorem 3.2. Then the unitary matrix Q is quasiseparable of order  $(n_L, n_L)$  at most and the upper triangular matrix S is upper quasiseparable of order  $n_L + n_U$  at most.

*Proof.* By Theorem 3.2 the matrix Q has lower and upper generators of the orders  $\rho_k$  (k = 1, ..., N-1) defined by the relations

$$\rho_N = 0, \ \rho_{k-1} = \min\{1 + \rho_k, \ r'_{k-1}\}, \ k = N, \dots, 2$$
(3.9)

and by Theorem 3.1 the matrix S has upper generators of orders

$$\rho_k' = r_k'' + \rho_k, \ k = 1, \dots, N - 1. \tag{3.10}$$

From the inequalities  $r'_k \leq n_L \ (k=1,\ldots,N-1)$  and the relations 3.9 it follows that

$$\rho_k \le r_k' \le n_L, \quad k = 1, \dots, N - 1$$
(3.11)

and hence the maximal order of generators of the matrix Q is not greater than  $n_L$ . Next from (3.10) and (3.11) we conclude that the maximal order of upper generators of the matrix S is not greater than  $n_L + n_U$ .  $\square$ 

### 4 The QR iteration

We consider the QR iteration algorithm for matrices defined via generators. In each iteration step for a given matrix R and for a given real number  $\sigma$  the new iterant  $R_1$  is obtained by the rule

$$\begin{cases} R - \sigma I = QS, \\ R_1 = \sigma I + QR, \end{cases}$$

where Q is a unitary matrix and S is an upper triangular matrix. We show that the matrix  $R_1$  has lower generators with the same order as the lower generators of the matrix Q and hence these orders are not greater that the corresponding generators of the matrix R and obtain an algorithm for computation of these generators and the diagonal entries of the matrix  $R_1$ .

**Theorem 4.1** Let  $R = \{R_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^{N}$  be a scalar matrix with lower generators  $p_i$  (i = 2, ..., N),  $q_j$  (j = 1, ..., N-1),  $a_k$  (k = 2, ..., N-1) of orders  $r'_k$  (k = 1, ..., N-1), upper generators  $g_i$  (i = 1, ..., N-1),  $h_j$  (j = 2, ..., N),  $b_k$  (k = 2, ..., N-1) of orders  $r''_k$  (k = 1, ..., N-1) and diagonal entries  $d_k$  (k = 1, ..., N) and  $\sigma$  be a real number. Let us define the numbers

 $\rho_k \text{ via recursive relations } \rho_N = 0, \ \rho_{k-1} = \min\{1 + \rho_k, \ r'_{k-1}\}, \ k = N, \dots, 2, \ \rho_0 = 0. \ Define the matrix <math>R_1$  by the rule

$$\begin{cases} R - \sigma I = QS, \\ R_1 = \sigma I + QR, \end{cases}$$

where Q is a unitary matrix and S is an upper triangular matrix.

The matrix  $R_1$  has lower generators of orders  $\rho_k$  (k = 1, ..., N - 1). These lower generators  $p_i^{(1)}$  (i = 2, ..., N),  $q_j^{(1)}$  (j = 1, ..., N - 1),  $a_k^{(1)}$  (k = 2, ..., N - 1) and the diagonal entries  $d_k^{(1)}$  (k = 1, ..., N) of the matrix R are determined using the following algorithm.

- 1. Apply to the matrix  $R \sigma I$ , which has the same lower and upper generators as the matrix R and the diagonal entries  $d_k \sigma$  (k = 1, ..., N), the algorithm from Theorem 3.2, to compute the lower generators  $(p_Q)_i$  (i = 2, ..., N),  $(q_Q)_j$  (j = 1, ..., N 1),  $(a_Q)_k$  (k = 2, ..., N 1) and the diagonal entries  $(d_Q)_k$  (k = 1, ..., N) of the matrix Q and the upper generators  $(g_S)_i$  (i = 1, ..., N 1),  $(h_S)_j$  (j = 2, ..., N),  $(b_S)_k$  (k = 2, ..., N 1) and the diagonal entries  $(d_S)_k$  (k = 1, ..., N) of the matrix S.
  - 2. Compute the lower generators and the diagonal entries of the matrix Q as follows.
  - 2.1. Compute

$$z_N = (h_S)_N (p_Q)_N,$$

$$p_N^{(1)} = (d_S)_N(p_Q)_N, \quad \alpha_N = z_N(a_Q)_{N-1},$$
 (4.1)

$$d_N^{(1)} = (d_S)_N (d_Q)_N, \quad \beta_N = z_N, \tag{4.2}$$

 $Set (a_Q)_1 = 0_{\rho_1 \times 0}.$ 

2.2. For i = N - 1, ..., 2 perform the following. Set

$$q_i^{(1)} = (q_Q)_i, \quad a_i^{(1)} = (a_Q)_i.$$

Compute

$$z_i = (h_S)_i (p_Q)_i,$$

$$p_i^{(1)} = (d_S)_i(p_Q)_i + (g_S)_i\alpha_{i+1}, \quad \alpha_i = [(h_S)_i(p_Q)_i + (b_S)_i\alpha_{i+1}](a_Q)_{i-1}, \tag{4.3}$$

$$d_i^{(1)} = (d_S)_i (d_Q)_i + (g_S)_i \beta_{i+1} (q_Q)_i, \quad \beta_i = z_i + (b_S)_i \beta_{i+1} (a_Q)_i. \tag{4.4}$$

2.3. Set  $q_1^{(1)} = (q_Q)_1$ . Compute

$$d_1^{(1)} = (d_S)_1(d_Q)_1 + (g_S)_1\beta_2(q_Q)_1. \tag{4.5}$$

*Proof.*We should justify the second stage of the algorithm. Let  $Q = \{Q_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^N$ ,  $S = \{S_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^N$  and  $R_1 = \{R_{ij}^{(1)}\}_{i,j=1}^N$ . For  $N \ge i > j \ge 1$  using the fact S is an upper triangular matrix and  $(p_Q)_i$  (i = 2, ..., N),  $(q_Q)_j$  (j = 1, ..., N-1),  $(a_Q)_k$  (k = 2, ..., N-1) are lower generators of the matrix Q we have

$$R_{ij}^{(1)} = \sum_{k=i}^{N} S_{ik} Q_{kj} = \sum_{k=i}^{N} S_{ik} (p_Q)_k (a_Q)_{kj}^{\times} (q_Q)_j.$$

Using the equality (2.1) we obtain

$$R_{ij}^{(1)} = p_i^{(1)}(a_Q)_{ij}^{\times}(q_Q)_j, \quad 1 \le j < i \le N$$

where

$$p_i^{(1)} = \sum_{k=i}^{N} S_{ik}(p_Q)_k(a_Q)_{k,i-1}^{\times}, \quad i = 2, \dots, N.$$
(4.6)

This implies that the matrix  $R^{(1)}$  has the lower generators  $a_k^{(1)} = (a_Q)_k$  (k = 2, ..., N - 1),  $q_j^{(1)} = (q_Q)_j$  (j = 1, ..., N - 1) and  $p^{(1)}$  (i = 2, ..., N) defined in (4.6). This in particular means that the orders  $\rho_k$  (k = 1, ..., N - 1) of these generators are the same as for the matrix Q. Now we must check that the generators  $p_i^{(1)}$  satisfy the relations (4.1), (4.3). Indeed for i = N we have

$$p_N^{(1)} = S_{NN}(p_Q)_N(a_Q)_{N,N-1}^{\times} = (d_S)_N(p_Q)_N$$

and for  $i=N-1,\ldots,2$  using  $S_{jj}=(d_S)_j$  and the fact that  $(g_S)_i$   $(i=1,\ldots,N-1)$ ,  $(h_S)_j$   $(j=2,\ldots,N)$ ,  $(b_S)_k$   $(k=2,\ldots,N-1)$  are the upper generators of the matrix S we get

$$p_i^{(1)} = (g_S)_i \sum_{k=i+1}^N (b_S)_{ik}^{\times}(h_S)_k (p_Q)_k (a_Q)_{k,i-1}^{\times} + (d_S)_i (p_Q)_i (a_Q)_{i,i-1}^{\times} = (d_S)_i (p_Q)_i + (g_S)_i \alpha_{i+1},$$

where

$$\alpha_{i+1} = \sum_{k=i+1}^{N} (b_S)_{ik}^{\times} (h_S)_k (p_Q)_k (a_Q)_{k,i-1}^{\times}.$$

We have

$$\alpha_N = (b_S)_{N-1,N}^{\times}(h_S)_N(p_Q)_N(a_Q)_{N,N-2}^{\times} = (h_S)_N(p_Q)_N(a_Q)_{N-1}$$

and using the relations (2.1), (2.2) we obtain

$$\alpha_{i} = \sum_{k=i}^{N} (b_{S})_{i-1,k}^{\times}(h_{S})_{k}(p_{Q})_{k}(a_{Q})_{k,i-2}^{\times}$$

$$= (b_{S})_{i-1,i}^{\times}(h_{S})_{i}(p_{Q})_{i}(a_{Q})_{i,i-2}^{\times} + (b_{S})_{i}(\sum_{k=i+1}^{N} (b_{S})_{ik}^{\times}(h_{S})_{k}(p_{Q})_{k}(a_{Q})_{k,i-1}^{\times})(a_{Q})_{i-1}$$

$$= [(h_{S})_{i}(p_{Q})_{i} + (b_{S})_{i}\alpha_{i+1}](a_{Q})_{i-1}$$

which completes the proof of (4.1), (4.3).

For diagonal entries of the matrix S we have

$$d_N^{(1)} = R_{NN}^{(1)} = S_{NN}Q_{NN} = (d_S)_N(d_Q)_N$$

and for i = N - 1, ..., 1

$$R_{ii}^{(1)} = \sum_{k=i}^{N} S_{ik} Q_{ki} = S_{ii} Q_{ii} + \sum_{k=i+1}^{N} S_{ik} Q_{ki} = (d_S)_i (d_Q)_i + (g_S)_i \beta_{i+1} (h_S)_i,$$

where

$$\beta_{i+1} = \sum_{k=i+1}^{N} (b_S)_{ik}^{\times} (h_S)_k (p_Q)_k (a_Q)_{ki}^{\times}$$

We have  $\beta_1 = (q_V)_1(g_U)_1$  and using the relations (2.1), (2.2) we obtain

$$\beta_{i} = \sum_{k=i}^{N} (b_{S})_{i-1,k}^{\times}(h_{S})_{k}(p_{Q})_{k}(a_{Q})_{k,i-1}^{\times}$$

$$= (b_{S})_{i-1,i}^{\times}(h_{S})_{i}(p_{Q})_{i}(a_{Q})_{i,i-1}^{\times} + (b_{S})_{i}(\sum_{k=i+1}^{N} (b_{S})_{ik}^{\times}(h_{S})_{k}(p_{Q})_{k}(a_{Q})_{ki}^{\times})(a_{Q})_{i} =$$

$$(h_{S})_{i}(p_{Q})_{i} + (b_{S})_{i}\beta_{i+1})(a_{Q})_{i}$$

which completes the proof of (4.2), (4.4), (4.5).  $\square$ 

**Corollary 4.2** Let R be a lower quasiseparable of order  $n_L$  matrix with scalar entries and let  $R_1$  be the matrix obtained in Theorem 3.2. Then the unitary matrix Q is quasiseparable of order  $(n_L, n_L)$  at most and the upper triangular matrix S is upper quasiseparable of order  $n_L + n_U$  at most.

Proof follows directly from Theorem 4.1 and Corollary 3.3.

Now assume that the matrix R is Hermitian. Then the new iterant  $R_1$  is a Hermitian matrix which is quasiseparable of the same order as the matrix R. This means that for a quasiseparable of a given order Hermitian matrix, the result of QR iteration has the same structure as the original matrix. Moreover an algorithm for computation of this structure is given.

**Theorem 4.3** Let  $R = \{R_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^{N}$  be a scalar Hermitian quasiseparable of order (n,n) matrix with lower generators  $p_i$   $(i=2,\ldots,N)$ ,  $q_j$   $(j=1,\ldots,N-1)$ ,  $a_k$   $(k=2,\ldots,N-1)$  of orders  $r'_k$   $(k=1,\ldots,N-1)$ , upper generators  $q_i^*$   $(i=1,\ldots,N-1)$ ,  $p_j^*$   $(j=2,\ldots,N)$ ,  $a_k^*$   $(k=2,\ldots,N-1)$  and diagonal entries  $d_k$   $(k=1,\ldots,N)$  and  $\sigma$  be a real number. Define the matrix  $R_1$  by the rule

$$\begin{cases} R - \sigma I = QS, \\ R_1 = \sigma I + QR, \end{cases}$$

where Q is a unitary matrix and S is an upper triangular matrix.

Then  $R_1$  is a Hermitian quasiseparable of order (n, n) at most matrix and generators and diagonal entries of this matrix are obtained using the algorithm from Theorem 4.1.

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