## A CONSTRUCTING DATASETS FOR THE ACCURACY EXPERIMENT

The goal of this section is to show that given an upper-triangular matrix  $R_{\rm fixed}$  we can devise matrices S and T with arbitrary dimensions such that  $S \times T = QR$  for an upper-triangular  $R = \begin{bmatrix} R_{\rm fixed} & V \\ 0 & W \end{bmatrix}$ , for some matrices V, W.

We denote by  $\mathbf{1}_{m \times n}$  the  $m \times n$  matrix that consists entirely of 1s and by  $\mathbf{0}_{m \times n}$  the  $m \times n$  matrix that consists entirely of 0s.

We use the following two observations.

Lemma A.1 ([1]). For arbitrary real matrices A and B with respective QR decompositions  $A = Q_A R_A$  and  $B = Q_B R_B$  it holds

$$\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{Q}_A \otimes \mathbf{Q}_B)(\mathbf{R}_A \otimes \mathbf{R}_B).$$

LEMMA A.2. Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n_1}$  and  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n_2}$  be arbitrary and let  $A = Q_A R_A$  be the QR decomposition of A, where  $Q_A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n_1}$ ,  $R_A \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_1}$ . There is an orthogonal matrix  $Q' \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n_2}$  and matrices  $V \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2}$ ,  $W \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times n_2}$  such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_A & Q' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_A & V \\ \mathbf{0}_{n_2 \times n_1} & W \end{bmatrix}.$$

We revisit the notion of Kronecker products. For an  $m \times n$  matrix **A** and a  $p \times q$  matrix **B**, the Kronecker product  $\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B}$  is the  $mp \times nq$  matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} A[1:1]B & \cdots & A[1:n]B \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A[m:1]B & \cdots & A[m:n]B \end{bmatrix},$$

where each A[i:j]**B** is the matrix **B** multiplied by the scalar A[i:j]. Now observe that we can express a Cartesian products in terms of Kronecker products: for  $S \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1 \times n_1}$  and  $T \in \mathbb{R}^{m_2 \times n_2}$ , we have

$$S \times T = \begin{bmatrix} S \otimes 1_{m_2 \times 1} & 1_{m_1 \times 1} \otimes T \end{bmatrix}$$
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From Lemma A.1 it follows that for a matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  with QR decomposition  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{R}$  we have

$$\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{1}_{m \times 1} = (\mathbf{Q} \otimes \mathbf{Q}_1)(\mathbf{R}\sqrt{m})$$
$$\mathbf{1}_{m \times 1} \otimes \mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{Q}_1 \otimes \mathbf{Q})(\mathbf{R}\sqrt{m}),$$

where  $\mathbf{1}_{m\times 1} = \mathbf{Q}_1\left[\sqrt{m}\right]$  is the QR decomposition of  $\mathbf{1}_{m\times 1}$ ,  $\left[\sqrt{m}\right]$  is a  $1\times 1$  matrix with only entry  $\sqrt{m}$ , and  $\mathbf{R}\sqrt{m}$  is the multiplication  $\mathbf{R}$  with the scalar  $\sqrt{m}$ .

Together, this implies the following.

COROLLARY A.3. Let  $S \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1 \times n_1}$ ,  $T \in \mathbb{R}^{m_2 \times n_2}$  be arbitrary and let  $S = Q_S R_S$  be the QR decomposition of S, where  $Q_S \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1 \times n_1}$ ,  $R_S \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_1}$ . There is an orthogonal matrix  $Q' \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1 m_2 \times n_2}$  and matrices  $V \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2}$ ,  $W \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times n_2}$  such that

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{S} \times \mathbf{T} &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{S} \otimes \mathbf{1}_{m_2 \times 1} & \mathbf{1}_{m_1 \times 1} \otimes \mathbf{T} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}_S \otimes \mathbf{Q}_1 & \mathbf{Q}' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_S \sqrt{m_2} & \mathbf{V} \\ \mathbf{0}_{n_2 \times n_1} & \mathbf{W} \end{bmatrix}. \end{split}$$

Let  $\mathbf{R}_S \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_1}$  be an arbitrary given upper-triangular matrix. We arbitrarily choose a vector  $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, \dots, v_{m_1})^\mathsf{T} \in \mathbb{Q}^{m_1}$  with  $||\mathbf{v}||_2 = 1$  and a  $m_2 \times n_2$  matrix T of natural numbers, where  $m_2$  is

square, so  $\sqrt{m_2}$  is a natural number. We set  $Q_S$  to be the first  $n_1$  columns of the orthogonal matrix of rational numbers [2]

$$\hat{\mathbf{Q}} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & v_3 & \cdots & v_{n_1} \\ v_2 & \frac{v_2^2 - v_1 - 1}{v_1 + 1} & \frac{v_2 v_3}{v_1 + 1} & \cdots & \frac{v_2 v_{m_1}}{v_1 + 1} \\ v_3 & \frac{v_3 v_2}{v_1 + 1} & \frac{v_3^2 - v_1 - 1}{v_1 + 1} & \cdots & \frac{v_3 v_{m_1}}{v_1 + 1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ v_{m_1} & \frac{v_{m_1} v_2}{v_1 + 1} & \frac{v_{m_1} v_3}{v_1 + 1} & \cdots & \frac{v_{m_1}^2 - v_1 - 1}{v_1 + 1} \end{bmatrix},$$

so  $Q_S = \hat{Q}[: \{1, ..., n_1\}]$ . We obtain S as  $S = Q_S R_S$ .

It follows from Corollary A.3 that there is an orthogonal matrix Q as well as matrices V, W such that  $S \times T = Q \begin{bmatrix} R_S \sqrt{m_2} & V \\ 0 & W \end{bmatrix}$ , as desired. Furthermore, if  $R_S$  only consists of rational numbers then so do S, T and  $R_S \sqrt{m_2}$ . When computing the QR decomposition of  $S \times T$  we can compare the ground truth  $R_S \sqrt{m_2}$  with the corresponding part of the computed result.

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