

QR Decomposition with Gram-Schmidt

The QR decomposition also called QR factorization is a decomposition of matrix into an orthogonal matrix and an upper triangular matrix.

A QR decomposition of a real square matrix ^{rectangular matrix} A is a decomposition of A as

$$A = QR$$

where Q is an orthogonal matrix

$$\text{ie } Q^T Q = I$$

and R is an upper triangular matrix. If A is non-singular then this factorization is unique

Gram-Schmidt process

Consider the Gram-Schmidt procedure with the vectors to be considered in the process as columns of the matrix A . That is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ or } A = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & \dots & v_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Then } u_1 = v_1 \quad e_1 = \frac{u_1}{\|u_1\|}$$

$$u_2 = v_2 - \text{proj}_{u_1} v_2 = v_2 - \frac{(u_1 \cdot v_2)}{\|u_1\|^2} u_1 \quad ; \quad e_2 = \frac{u_2}{\|u_2\|}$$

$$\text{or } u_2 = v_2 - (v_2 \cdot e_1) e_1$$

$$u_3 = v_3 - \text{proj}_{u_1} v_3 - \text{proj}_{u_2} v_3 = v_3 - \frac{(u_1 \cdot v_3)}{\|u_1\|^2} u_1 - \frac{(u_2 \cdot v_3)}{\|u_2\|^2} u_2$$

$$\text{or } u_3 = v_3 - (v_3 \cdot e_1) e_1 - (v_3 \cdot e_2) e_2$$

$$\text{Hly } u_4 = v_4 - (v_4 \cdot e_1) e_1 - (v_4 \cdot e_2) e_2 - (v_4 \cdot e_3) e_3$$

The resulting QR factorization is

$$A = [v_1 | v_2 | v_3] = [e_1 | e_2 | e_3] \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \cdot e_1 & v_2 \cdot e_1 & v_3 \cdot e_1 \\ 0 & v_2 \cdot e_2 & v_3 \cdot e_2 \\ 0 & 0 & v_3 \cdot e_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that once we find e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n it is not hard to write the QR factorization

Example: Consider the matrix
problem $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ decompose it into QR

factorization
 let $v_1 = (1 \ 1 \ 0)^T$, $v_2 = (1 \ 0 \ 1)^T$, $v_3 = (0 \ 1 \ 1)^T$
 performing the Gram-Schmidt procedure, we obtain

$$u_1 = v_1 = (1, 1, 0)$$

$$e_1 = \frac{u_1}{\|u_1\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (1, 1, 0) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_2 &= v_2 - (v_2 \cdot e_1) e_1 = (1, 0, 1) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0\right) \\ &= (1, 0, 1) - \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0\right) \\ u_2 &= \left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, 1\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$e_2 = \frac{u_2}{\|u_2\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3/2}} \left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, 1\right) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_3 &= v_3 - (v_3 \cdot e_1) e_1 - (v_3 \cdot e_2) e_2 \\ &= (0, 1, 1) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0\right) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}\right) \\ &= (0, 1, 1) - \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0\right) - \left(\frac{1}{6}, -\frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{6}\right) \\ &= \left(0 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{6}, 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6}, 1 - 0 - \frac{2}{6}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{-3-1}{6}, \frac{6-3+1}{6}, \frac{6-2}{6}\right) = \left(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$u_3 = \left(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_3\| &= \sqrt{\frac{4}{9} + \frac{4}{9} + \frac{4}{9}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{12}{9}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{4}{3}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \end{aligned}$$

$$e_3 = \frac{u_3}{\|u_3\|} = \frac{\left(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right)}{\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}} = \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right)$$

$$\text{Thus } Q = [e_1 | e_2 | e_3] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 & \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \cdot e_1 & v_2 \cdot e_1 & v_3 \cdot e_1 \\ 0 & v_2 \cdot e_2 & v_3 \cdot e_2 \\ 0 & 0 & v_3 \cdot e_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} (1, 1, 0) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & (1, 0, 1) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & (0, 1, 1) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ 0 & (1, 0, 1) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & (0, 1, 1) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ 0 & 0 & (0, 1, 1) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \end{pmatrix}$$

2) Consider the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 18 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

find its QR Decomposition

The Gram Schmidt process on the matrix A proceeds as follows

$$u_1 = v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad e_1 = \frac{u_1}{\|u_1\|} = \frac{\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}{\sqrt{4+4+1}} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_2 &= v_2 - (v_2 \cdot e_1) e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \left(\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 & 2/3 & 1/3 \end{pmatrix} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \left(-4/3 + 2/3 + 2/3 \right) \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - 0 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ e_2 &= \frac{u_2}{\|u_2\|} = \frac{\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}}{\sqrt{4+1+4}} = \begin{pmatrix} -2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 2/3 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_3 &= v_3 - (v_3 \cdot e_1) e_1 - (v_3 \cdot e_2) e_2 \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 18 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \left(\begin{pmatrix} 18 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 & 2/3 & 1/3 \end{pmatrix} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\quad - \left(\begin{pmatrix} 18 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -2/3 & 1/3 & 2/3 \end{pmatrix} \right) \begin{pmatrix} -2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 2/3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 18 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - 12 \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix} + 12 \begin{pmatrix} -2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 2/3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 18 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 8 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ 4 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$e_3 = \frac{u_3}{\|u_3\|} = \frac{\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}}{\sqrt{4+16+16}} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$e_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 \\ -2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus the orthogonalized matrix resulting from Gram-Schmidt process is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2/3 & -2/3 & 1/3 \\ 2/3 & 1/3 & -2/3 \\ 1/3 & 1/3 & 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The Component R of the QR decomposition can also be found from the calculations made in Gram-Schmidt process as defined

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \cdot e_1 & u_2 \cdot e_1 & u_3 \cdot e_1 \\ 0 & u_2 \cdot e_2 & u_3 \cdot e_2 \\ 0 & 0 & u_3 \cdot e_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 & 2/3 & 1/3 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 & 2/3 & 1/3 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 18 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 & 2/3 & 1/3 \end{pmatrix} \\ 0 & \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2/3 & 1/3 & 2/3 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 18 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2/3 & 1/3 & 2/3 \end{pmatrix} \\ 0 & 0 & \begin{pmatrix} 18 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 & -2/3 & 2/3 \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 12 \\ 0 & 3 & -12 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore Q \cdot R = A$$

3 Find the QR decomposition (Gram Schmidt process)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 \\ 4 & -8 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q = [u_1, u_2]$$

$$u_1 = v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad e_1 = \frac{u_1}{\|u_1\|} = \frac{\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}{\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2 + 0^2}} = \frac{\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}{5}$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3/5 \\ 4/5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$u_2 = v_2 - (v_2 \cdot e_1) e_1$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ -8 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \left(\begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ -8 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3/5 & 4/5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 3/5 \\ 4/5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ -8 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \left(\begin{pmatrix} -18/5 & -32/5 \end{pmatrix} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 3/5 \\ 4/5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ -8 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 10 \begin{pmatrix} 3/5 \\ 4/5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ -8 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 8 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -6+6 \\ -8+8 \\ 1+0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \cdot e_1 & v_2 \cdot e_1 \\ 0 & v_2 \cdot e_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3/5 & 4/5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \\ 0 & \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{25}{5} & \\ 0 & \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ -8 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3/5 & 4/5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ -8 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ -\frac{18-32}{5} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -10 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = Q \cdot R$$

4. find the QR decomposition (Gram Schmidt process)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Sol } A = [v_1, v_2, v_3] \quad v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$u_1 = v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad e_1 = \frac{u_1}{\|u_1\|} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_2 &= v_2 - (v_2 \cdot e_1) e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \left[\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \cdot (1, 0, 0) \right] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \left(2 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$e_2 = \frac{u_2}{\|u_2\|} = \frac{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}}{3} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$u_3 = v_3 - (v_3 \cdot e_1) e_1 - (v_3 \cdot e_2) e_2$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} - \left(\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \cdot (1, 0, 0) \right) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \left(\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \cdot (0, 0, 1) \right) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} - \left(4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) - 6 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4-4 \\ 5-0 \\ 6-6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|u_3\| = \sqrt{0+25+0} = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

$$e_3 = \frac{u_3}{\|u_3\|} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\dot{R} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \cdot e_1 & v_2 \cdot e_1 & v_3 \cdot e_1 \\ 0 & v_2 \cdot e_2 & v_3 \cdot e_2 \\ 0 & 0 & v_3 \cdot e_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot (100) & \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} (100) & \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} (010) \\ 0 & \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} (001) & \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} (001) \\ 0 & 0 & \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} (010) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = Q \cdot R$$