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HOMEWORK 3



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Let  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{0}$ . A *Householder* matrix  $H_{\mathbf{u}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is defined by

$$H_{\mathbf{u}} = I - \frac{2\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2}.$$

(a) Show that  $H_{\mathbf{u}}$  is both symmetric and orthogonal.

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\mathbf{u}}^\top &= \left( I - \frac{2\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} \right)^\top \\ &= I^\top - \left( \frac{2\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} \right)^\top \\ &= I - \frac{2(\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top)^\top}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} \\ &= I - \frac{2\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} \\ &= H_{\mathbf{u}}, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,  $H_{\mathbf{u}}$  is symmetric.

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\mathbf{u}}^\top H_{\mathbf{u}} &= \left( I - \frac{2\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} \right)^2 \\ &= I - \frac{4\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} + \frac{2\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} \cdot \frac{2\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} \\ &= I - \frac{4\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} + \frac{4\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} \\ &= I, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,  $H_{\mathbf{u}}$  is orthogonal. □

(b) Show that for any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\alpha \neq 0$ ,

$$H_{\alpha\mathbf{u}} = H_{\mathbf{u}}.$$

In other words,  $H_{\mathbf{u}}$  only depends on the ‘direction’ of  $\mathbf{u}$  and not on its ‘magnitude’.

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\alpha\mathbf{u}} &= I - \frac{2(\alpha\mathbf{u})(\alpha\mathbf{u})^\top}{\|\alpha\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} \\ &= I - \frac{2\alpha^2\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top}{\alpha^2\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} \\ &= H_{\mathbf{u}} \end{aligned}$$

□

(c) In general, given a matrix  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and a vector  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , computing the matrix-vector product  $M\mathbf{x}$  requires  $n$  inner products — one for each row of  $M$  with  $\mathbf{x}$ . Show that  $H_{\mathbf{u}}\mathbf{x}$  can be computed using only two inner products.

*Proof.* Since

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\mathbf{u}}\mathbf{x} &= \left( I - \frac{2\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} \right) \mathbf{x} \\ &= \mathbf{x} - \frac{2\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{x}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2}, \end{aligned}$$

it can be computed using only two inner products  $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{x} \rangle$  and  $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle$ . □

- (d) Given  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  where  $\mathbf{a} \neq \mathbf{b}$  and  $\|\mathbf{a}\|_2 = \|\mathbf{b}\|_2$ . Find  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{0}$  such that

$$H_{\mathbf{u}}\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}.$$

Since  $\mathbf{a} \neq \mathbf{b}$  and

$$H_{\mathbf{u}}\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a} - \frac{2\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{a}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} = \mathbf{b},$$

we have

$$\frac{2\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{a}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b} \neq \mathbf{0}.$$

Notice that  $\frac{2\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{a}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2}$  is a scalar, we must have  $\mathbf{u} = c(\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b})$  for some  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $c \neq 0$ . Also,  $\frac{2\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{a}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} \mathbf{u}$  is invariant for  $c\mathbf{u}$ ,  $\forall c \neq 0$ . So  $\mathbf{u} = c(\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b})$  for all  $c \neq 0$  satisfies  $H_{\mathbf{u}}\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}$ .

The condition  $\|\mathbf{a}\|_2 = \|\mathbf{b}\|_2$  insures that such  $\mathbf{u}$  must exist. To see this, since

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b})^\top \mathbf{a} &= \|\mathbf{a}\|_2^2 - \mathbf{b}^\top \mathbf{a} \\ &= \|\mathbf{b}\|_2^2 - \mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{b} \\ &= (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b})^\top (-\mathbf{b}) \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} H_{c(\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{b})}\mathbf{a} &= \mathbf{a} - \frac{2(\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{b})^\top \mathbf{a}}{\|\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{b}\|_2^2} (\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{b}) \\ &= \mathbf{a} - \frac{(\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{b})^\top \mathbf{a} + (\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{b})^\top (-\mathbf{b})}{\|\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{b}\|_2^2} (\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{b}) \\ &= \mathbf{a} - (\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{b}) \\ &= \mathbf{b} \end{aligned}$$

- (e) Show that  $\mathbf{u}$  is an eigenvector of  $H_{\mathbf{u}}$ . What is the corresponding eigenvalue?

*Proof.* Since

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\mathbf{u}}\mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{u} - \frac{2\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{u}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} \\ &= \mathbf{u} - 2\mathbf{u} \\ &= -\mathbf{u}, \end{aligned}$$

we know that  $\mathbf{u}$  is an eigenvector of  $H_{\mathbf{u}}$  with respect to eigenvalue  $-1$ . □

- (f) Show that every  $\mathbf{v} \in \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}\}^\perp$  (cf. orthogonal complement in Homework 1) is an eigenvector of  $H_{\mathbf{u}}$ . What are the corresponding eigenvalues? What is  $\dim(\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}\}^\perp)$ ?

*Proof.*  $\forall \mathbf{v} \in \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}\}^\perp, \mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{v} = 0$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{v} &= \mathbf{v} - \frac{2\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2} \\ &= \mathbf{v}, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,  $\mathbf{v}$  is an eigenvector of  $H_{\mathbf{u}}$  with respect to eigenvalue 1.

$$\begin{aligned} \dim(\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}\}^\perp) &= \dim(\mathbb{R}^n) - \dim(\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}\}) \\ &= n - 1 \end{aligned}$$

□

- (g) Find the eigenvalue decomposition of  $H_{\mathbf{u}}$ , i.e., find an orthogonal matrix  $Q$  and a diagonal matrix  $\Lambda$  such that

$$H_{\mathbf{u}} = Q\Lambda Q^\top.$$

Let  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{n-1}\}$  be the orthonormal basis of  $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}\}^\perp$ . Then  $\{\frac{\mathbf{u}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2}, \mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{n-1}\}$  form the orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\mathbf{u}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|_2} & \mathbf{v}_1 & \cdots & \mathbf{v}_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\Lambda = \text{diag}(-1, 1, \dots, 1)$ , then the columns of  $Q$  are eigenvectors of  $H_{\mathbf{u}}$ ,  $Q$  is unitary and  $H_{\mathbf{u}} = Q\Lambda Q^\top$ .

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and suppose its complete orthogonal decomposition is given by

$$A = Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top,$$

where  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are orthogonal, and  $L$  is an nonsingular lower triangular matrix. Recall that  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  is the unique pseudo-inverse of  $A$  if the following Moore–Penrose conditions hold:

- (i)  $AXA = A$ ,
- (ii)  $XAX = X$ ,
- (iii)  $(AX)^\top = AX$ ,
- (iv)  $(XA)^\top = XA$

and in which case we write  $X = A^\dagger$ .

(a) Let

$$A^- = Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} L^{-1} & Y \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top, \quad Y \neq 0.$$

Which of the four conditions (i)–(iv) are satisfied?

Since

$$\begin{aligned} AA^- &= Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} L^{-1} & Y \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top \\ &= Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} I & LY \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top \\ A^-A &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} L^{-1} & Y \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top \\ &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} AA^-A &= Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} I & LY \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top \\ &= Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top = A \\ A^-AA^- &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} L^{-1} & Y \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top \\ &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} L^{-1} & Y \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top = A^- \\ (AA^-)^\top &= Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ Y^\top L^\top & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top \neq AA^- \\ (A^-A)^\top &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top = A^-A, \end{aligned}$$

**Solution (cont.)**

i.e.  $A^-$  satisfies condition (i) (ii) and (iv).

(b) Prove that

$$A^\dagger = Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} L^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top$$

by letting

$$A^\dagger = Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top$$

and by completing the following steps:

- Using (i), prove that  $X_{11} = L^{-1}$ .
- Using the symmetry conditions (iii) and (iv), prove that  $X_{12} = 0$  and  $X_{21} = 0$ .
- Using (ii), prove that  $X_{22} = 0$ .

*Proof.* Since  $AA^\dagger A = A$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} AA^\dagger A &= Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top \\ &= Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} LX_{11} & LX_{12} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top \\ &= Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} LX_{11}L & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top \\ &= Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are orthonormal matrix, we have  $LX_{11}L = L$ . Also,  $L$  is nonsingular, so  $X_{11} = L^{-1}$ .

Since  $(A^\dagger A)^\top = A^\dagger A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} A^\dagger A &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} L^{-1} & X_{12} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top \\ &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ X_{21}L & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top \\ (A^\dagger A)^\top &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} I & L^{-1}X_{21}^\top \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2 \end{aligned}$$

we have  $X_{21}L = 0$ , i.e.  $X_{21} = 0$ .

Since  $(AA^\dagger)^\top = AA^\dagger$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} AA^\dagger &= Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} L^{-1} & X_{12} \\ 0 & X_{22} \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top \\ &= Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} I & LX_{12} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top \\ (AA^\dagger)^\top &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ X_{12}^\top L^{-1} & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_1 \end{aligned}$$

**Solution (cont.)**

we have  $X_{12}L = 0$ , i.e.  $X_{12} = 0$ .

Since  $A^\dagger AA^\dagger = A^\dagger$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} A^\dagger AA^\dagger &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} L^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & X_{22} \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top Q_1 \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} L^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & X_{22} \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top \\ &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} L^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top \\ A^\dagger &= Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} L^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & X_{22} \end{bmatrix} Q_2^\top, \end{aligned}$$

we have  $X_{22} = 0$ .

Therefore,  $A^\dagger = Q_2 \begin{bmatrix} L^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q_1^\top$ .

□

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , and  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . We are interested in the least squares problem

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2. \quad (1)$$

(a) Show that  $\mathbf{x}$  is a solution to (1) if and only if  $\mathbf{x}$  is a solution to the *augmented system*

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & A \\ A^\top & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r} \\ \mathbf{x} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}. \quad (2)$$

*Proof.* Since

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2 &= \|\mathbf{Ax} - P_{\text{im}(A)}\mathbf{b} - P_{\text{im}(A)^\perp}\mathbf{b}\|_2^2 \\ &= \|\mathbf{Ax} - P_{\text{im}(A)}\mathbf{b}\|_2^2 + \|P_{\text{im}(A)^\perp}\mathbf{b}\|_2^2 \\ &\geq \|P_{\text{im}(A)^\perp}\mathbf{b}\|_2^2 \\ &= \|P_{\ker(A^\top)}\mathbf{b}\|_2^2 \end{aligned}$$

and the equality holds when  $\mathbf{Ax} = P_{\text{im}(A)}\mathbf{b}$ , which is attainable since  $P_{\text{im}(A)}\mathbf{b} \in \text{im}(A)$ . So  $\mathbf{x}$  is the solution if and only if

$$A^\top(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{Ax}) = \mathbf{0}$$

which is equal to

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b} \\ A^\top \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{0} \end{cases}$$

by setting  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{Ax}$ , i.e.,

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & A \\ A^\top & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r} \\ \mathbf{x} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}.$$

□

(b) Show that the  $(m+n) \times (m+n)$  matrix in (2) is nonsingular if and only if  $A$  has full column rank.

*Proof.* Let  $B = \begin{bmatrix} I & A \\ A^\top & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_i$  be the  $i$ th column of  $A$ .

$\Rightarrow$

Suppose that  $A$  does not have full column rank, then there exists  $c_1, \dots, c_n$  such that at least one  $c_i$  is nonzero and  $\sum_{i=1}^n c_i \mathbf{a}_i = \mathbf{0}_m$ . Then  $\sum_{i=1}^n c_i \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_i \\ \mathbf{0}_n \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}_{m+n}$ , which means that the last  $n$  columns of  $B$  are linear dependent. Since  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{(m+n) \times (m+n)}$  is nonsingular, all columns of  $B$  should be linear independent. Contradiction. So  $A$  has full column rank.

$\Leftarrow$

Since  $A$  has full column rank,  $A^\top A$  also has full rank and thus invertible. By elementary row transfor-



**Solution (cont.)**

mation,

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & A \\ A^\top & 0 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} I & A \\ 0 & -A^\top A \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & -A^\top A \end{bmatrix}$$

rank of these matrices remains the same. While the diagonal block matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & A^\top A \end{bmatrix}$  has rank  $\text{rank}(I) + \text{rank}(A^\top A) = m + n$ , so does  $B$ . So  $\begin{bmatrix} I & A \\ A^\top & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is nonsingular. □

(c) Suppose  $A$  has full column rank and the QR decomposition of  $A$  is

$$A = Q \begin{bmatrix} R \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Show that the solution to the augmented system

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & A \\ A^\top & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{x} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{c} \end{bmatrix}$$

can be computed from

$$\mathbf{z} = R^{-\top} \mathbf{c}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{d}_1 \\ \mathbf{d}_2 \end{bmatrix} = Q^\top \mathbf{b},$$

and

$$\mathbf{x} = R^{-1}(\mathbf{d}_1 - \mathbf{z}), \quad \mathbf{y} = Q \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{z} \\ \mathbf{d}_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

*Proof.* Since

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} Q^\top & \\ & R^{-\top} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & A \\ A^\top & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{x} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} Q^\top & \\ & R^{-\top} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{x} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} Q^\top & \\ & R^{-\top} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{c} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{d}_1 \\ \mathbf{d}_2 \\ \mathbf{z} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{cases} Q^\top \mathbf{y} + \begin{bmatrix} R \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{d}_1 \\ \mathbf{d}_2 \end{bmatrix} & (1) \\ \begin{bmatrix} I_n & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q^\top \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{d}_1 \\ \mathbf{d}_2 \end{bmatrix} & (2) \end{cases}$$

Multiplying  $\begin{bmatrix} I_n & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  on (1), we have

$$R\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{d}_1 - \begin{bmatrix} I_n & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q^\top \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{d}_1 - \mathbf{z}.$$

**Solution (cont.)**

Since  $A$  has full column rank,  $R$  also has full column rank and is invertible. So

$$\mathbf{x} = R^{-1}(\mathbf{d}_1 - \mathbf{z}).$$

Then

$$Q^\top \mathbf{y} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{d}_1 - \mathbf{z} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{d}_1 \\ \mathbf{d}_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

i.e.

$$\mathbf{y} = Q \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{z} \\ \mathbf{d}_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

□

(d) Hence deduce that if  $A$  has full column rank, then

$$A^\dagger = R^{-1}Q_1^\top$$

where  $Q = [Q_1, Q_2]$  with  $Q_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $Q_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times (m-n)}$ . Check that this agrees with the general formula derived for a rank-retaining factorization  $A = GH$  in the lectures.

*Proof.* Since  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & Q_2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{d}_1 \\ \mathbf{d}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1^\top \\ Q_2^\top \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1^\top \mathbf{b} \\ Q_2^\top \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix}.$$

For  $\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0}_n$  in (c), we have that

$$\mathbf{x} = R^{-1}\mathbf{d}_1 = R^{-1}Q_1^\top \mathbf{b}$$

so  $A^\dagger = R^{-1}Q_1^\top$ .

Since  $A = Q_1 R$  is the rank retaining decomposition of  $A$ , we have that the minimum length solution is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x} &= R^\top (RR^\top)^{-1} (Q_1^\top Q_1)^{-1} Q_1^\top \mathbf{b} \\ &= R^\top R^{-\top} R^{-1} Q_1^\top \mathbf{b} \\ &= R^{-1} Q_1^\top \mathbf{b}. \end{aligned}$$

□

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ . Suppose we apply QR with column pivoting to obtain the decomposition

$$A = Q \begin{bmatrix} R & S \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Pi^\top$$

where  $Q$  is orthogonal and  $R$  is upper triangular and invertible. Let  $\mathbf{x}_B$  be the *basic solution*, i.e.,

$$\mathbf{x}_B = \Pi \begin{bmatrix} R^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q^\top \mathbf{b},$$

and let  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = A^\dagger \mathbf{b}$ . Show that

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{x}_B - \hat{\mathbf{x}}\|_2}{\|\hat{\mathbf{x}}\|_2} \leq \|R^{-1}S\|_2.$$

(Hint: If

$$\Pi^\top \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad Q^\top \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{c} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix},$$

consider the associated linearly constrained least-squares problem

$$\min \|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|_2^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad R\mathbf{u} + S\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{c}$$

and write down the augmented system for the constrained problem.)

*Proof.* Suppose  $\text{rank}(A) = r$ . Since  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  equals to  $Q \begin{bmatrix} R & S \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Pi^\top \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ , i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} R & S \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Pi^\top \mathbf{x} = Q^\top \mathbf{b}$ . Let  $\Pi^\top \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{bmatrix}$  and  $Q^\top \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{c} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix}$  where  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^r$  and  $\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{d} \in \mathbb{R}^{n-r}$ , then  $\begin{bmatrix} R\mathbf{u} + S\mathbf{v} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{c} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix}$ . So the optimization problem  $\min_{\mathbf{x}} \|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2$  equals to

$$\begin{aligned} & \min \|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|_2^2 \\ & \text{s.t.} \quad R\mathbf{u} + S\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{c} \end{aligned}$$

Also, the solution to these two problems is  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \Pi \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{u}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{v}} \end{bmatrix} = A^\dagger \mathbf{b}$ .

Let  $f(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \lambda) = \|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|_2^2 - 2\lambda^\top (R\mathbf{u} + S\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{c})$ , and set

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{u}} f = 2\mathbf{u} - 2R^\top \lambda = 0$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{v}} f = 2\mathbf{v} - 2S^\top \lambda = 0,$$

**Solution (cont.)**

we have  $\lambda = R^{-\top} \hat{\mathbf{u}}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{v}} = S^\top R^{-\top} \hat{\mathbf{u}} = (R^{-1}S)^\top \hat{\mathbf{u}}$ . So

$$\begin{aligned}\|\mathbf{x}_B - \hat{\mathbf{x}}\|_2^2 &= \|\Pi^\top \mathbf{x}_B - \Pi^\top \hat{\mathbf{x}}\|_2^2 \\&= \left\| \begin{bmatrix} R^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{c} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{u}} \\ (R^{-1}S)^\top \hat{\mathbf{u}} \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2^2 \\&= \left\| \begin{bmatrix} R^{-1}\mathbf{c} - \hat{\mathbf{u}} \\ -(R^{-1}S)^\top \hat{\mathbf{u}} \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2^2 \\&= \left\| \begin{bmatrix} R^{-1}(R\hat{\mathbf{u}} + S\hat{\mathbf{v}}) - \hat{\mathbf{u}} \\ -(R^{-1}S)^\top \hat{\mathbf{u}} \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2^2 \\&= \left\| \begin{bmatrix} R^{-1}S\hat{\mathbf{v}} \\ -(R^{-1}S)^\top \hat{\mathbf{u}} \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2^2 \\&= \|R^{-1}S\hat{\mathbf{v}}\|_2^2 + \|(R^{-1}S)^\top \hat{\mathbf{u}}\|_2^2 \\&\leq \|R^{-1}S\|_2^2 \|\hat{\mathbf{v}}\|_2^2 + \|(R^{-1}S)^\top\|_2^2 \|\hat{\mathbf{u}}\|_2^2 \\&= \|R^{-1}S\|_2^2 (\|\hat{\mathbf{v}}\|_2^2 + \|\hat{\mathbf{u}}\|_2^2)\end{aligned}$$

where the last equality comes from the fact that  $\|R^{-1}S\|_2 = \|(R^{-1}S)^\top\|_2$  since the maximal singular values of these two matrices are the same.

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\|\mathbf{x}_B - \hat{\mathbf{x}}\|_2}{\|\hat{\mathbf{x}}\|_2} &\leq \frac{\|R^{-1}S\|_2 \sqrt{\|\hat{\mathbf{v}}\|_2^2 + \|\hat{\mathbf{u}}\|_2^2}}{\sqrt{\|\hat{\mathbf{v}}\|_2^2 + \|\hat{\mathbf{u}}\|_2^2}} \\&= \|R^{-1}S\|_2\end{aligned}$$

□

Given a symmetric  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{0} \neq \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Let

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{b} - A\mathbf{x}$$

Consider the QR decomposition

$$[\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{r}] = QR$$

and observe that if  $E\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{r}$ , then

$$(Q^\top EQ)(Q^\top \mathbf{x}) = Q^\top \mathbf{r}.$$

Show how to compute a symmetric  $E \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  so that it attains

$$\min_{(A+E)\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}} \|E\|_F,$$

where the minimum is taken over all symmetric  $E$  (Note: The point here is that one must usually take into account that errors occurring in symmetric matrices must also be symmetric).

*Proof.* Since  $Q$  is unitary,  $(A+E)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  equals to  $(Q^\top EQ)(Q^\top \mathbf{x}) = Q^\top \mathbf{r}$  and  $Q^\top EQ$  is also symmetric. Also,

$$Q^\top \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} & \mathbf{r} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Q^\top \mathbf{x} & Q^\top \mathbf{r} \end{bmatrix} = R = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} \\ 0 & r_{22} \\ 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $r_{11} \neq 0$  since  $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$ . Let  $F = Q^\top EQ$ , then the optimization problem is equal to  $\min \|F\|_F$ , s.t.  $(A+E)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  and  $F^\top F$ . Since

$$\begin{bmatrix} f_{11} & \cdots & f_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ f_{1n} & \cdots & f_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{12} \\ r_{22} \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$\begin{cases} f_{11}r_{11} = r_{12} \\ f_{12}r_{11} = r_{22} \end{cases} \implies \begin{cases} f_{11} = \frac{r_{12}}{r_{11}} \\ f_{12} = \frac{r_{22}}{r_{11}} \end{cases}$$

Let  $F_0 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{r_{12}}{r_{11}} & \frac{r_{22}}{r_{11}} & \cdots & 0 \\ \frac{r_{22}}{r_{11}} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . So  $\|E\|_F = \|F\|_F \geq \|F_0\|_F = \sqrt{\frac{r_{12}^2 + 2r_{22}^2}{r_{11}^2}}$ . We conclude that the solution to

$\min_E \|E\|_F$  s.t.  $(A+E)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  and  $E^\top = E$ , is  $\sqrt{\frac{r_{12}^2 + 2r_{22}^2}{r_{11}^2}}$  and the minimum is achieved at  $E_0 = QF_0Q^\top$ .  $\square$

In this exercise, we will implement and compare Gram–Schmidt and Householder QR. Your implementation should be tailored to the program you are using for efficiency (e.g. vectorize your code in Matlab/Octave/Scilab). Assume in the following that the input is a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  with  $\text{rank}(A) = n \leq m$  and we want to find its full QR decomposition  $A = QR$  where  $Q \in O(m)$  and  $R \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is upper-triangular.

- (a) Implement the (classical) Gram–Schmidt algorithm to obtain  $Q$  and  $R$ .

For solving  $A = QR$  by the Gram–Schmidt algorithm, suppose we have get the first  $k - 1$  columns of  $Q$  and  $R$ , denoted by  $Q_{k-1} = [\mathbf{q}_1 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{q}_{k-1}]$  and  $R_{k-1} = [\mathbf{r}_1 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{r}_{k-1}]$  where  $\mathbf{r}_{(i+1):m}$ , the subvector of  $\mathbf{r}_i$ , are  $\mathbf{0}$ . For  $\mathbf{q}_k$  and  $\mathbf{r}_k$ , notice that

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{k-1}^\top \mathbf{q}_k &= \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{a}_k &= Q_k \mathbf{r}_{k,1:k} \\ &= Q_{k-1} \mathbf{r}_{k,1:(k-1)} + \mathbf{q}_k r_{kk} \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$Q_{k-1}^\top \mathbf{a}_k = Q_{k-1}^\top Q_{k-1} \mathbf{r}_{k,1:(k-1)} + Q_{k-1}^\top \mathbf{q}_k r_{kk} = \mathbf{r}_{k,1:(k-1)}$$

which can use to solve  $\mathbf{r}_{k,1:(k-1)}$ . Then  $\mathbf{q}_k r_{kk} = \mathbf{a}_k - Q_{k-1} \mathbf{r}_{k,1:(k-1)}$ . Since  $\mathbf{q}_k$  is a unit vector, we have

$$\begin{aligned} r_{kk} &= \|\mathbf{a}_k - Q_{k-1} \mathbf{r}_{k,1:(k-1)}\|_2 \\ \mathbf{q}_k &= \frac{\mathbf{a}_k - Q_{k-1} \mathbf{r}_{k,1:(k-1)}}{r_{kk}}. \end{aligned}$$

```
function [Q, R] = GramSchmidt_QR(A)
    % Input: A, m by n matrix with full column rank
    [m, n] = size(A);
    Q = zeros(m,m);
    R = zeros(m,n);

    % Gram-Schmidt
    R(1,1) = norm(A(:,1),'fro');
    Q(:,1) = A(:,1)/R(1,1);

    for i=2:n
        R(1:i-1,i) = Q(:,1:(i-1))'*A(:,i);
        Q(:,i) = A(:,i) - Q(:,1:(i-1))*R(1:(i-1),i);
        R(i,i) = norm(Q(:,i),'fro');
        Q(:,i) = Q(:,i)/R(i,i);
    end
```

Solution (cont.)

```
% fill bank columns of Q if m>n
for i=(n+1):m
    for j=i-n:m
        ej = zeros(m,1);
        ej(j) = 1;
        Q(:,i) = ej - Q(:,1:i)*(ej'*Q(:,1:i))';
        if sum(abs(Q(:,i)))==0
            continue
        end
    end
end
end
end
```

- (b) Implement the Householder QR algorithm to obtain  $Q$  and  $R$ . You should (i) store  $Q$  implicitly, taking advantage of the fact that it can be uniquely specified by a sequence of vectors of decreasing dimensions; (ii) choose  $\alpha$  in your Householder matrices to have the opposite sign of  $x_1$  to avoid cancellation in  $v_1$  (cf. notations in lecture notes).

Suppose there is  $H_1 = I - 2\mathbf{u}_1\mathbf{u}_1^\top$  such that  $H_1\mathbf{a}_1 = \alpha\mathbf{e}_1$ . Since  $H_1$  is a reflection matrix,  $H_1^\top = H_1$  and  $H_1^\top H_1 = I$ . From the relations  $\|H_1\mathbf{a}_1\|_2 = \|\mathbf{a}_1\|_2$  and  $\|\alpha\mathbf{e}_1\|_2 = |\alpha|\|\mathbf{e}_1\| = |\alpha|$ , we obtain  $\alpha = \pm\|\mathbf{a}_1\|_2$ . Since  $\mathbf{x} = P^{-1}(\alpha\mathbf{e}_1) = \alpha P\mathbf{e}_1 = \alpha(\mathbf{e}_1 - 2\mathbf{u}_1\mathbf{u}_1^\top\mathbf{e}_1) = \alpha(\mathbf{e}_1 - 2\mathbf{u}_1u_{11})$ , we obtain  $u_{11} = \pm\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}\left(1 - \frac{a_{11}}{\alpha}\right)} = \pm\sqrt{\frac{1}{2\alpha}(\alpha - a_{11})}$  and  $u_{i1} = -\frac{a_{i1}}{2\alpha u_{11}}$  ( $i = 2, \dots, m$ ). If we choose  $u_{11} > 0$ ,  $\alpha = -\text{sign}(a_{11})\|\mathbf{a}_1\|_2$ , and  $\tau = \frac{-\text{sign}(a_{11})(\alpha - a_{11})}{\|\mathbf{a}\|_2} > 0$ , then  $H_1 = I - \tau\mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^\top$  where  $v_{11} = 1$ ,  $v_{i1} = \frac{a_{i1}}{\alpha - a_{11}}$  ( $i = 2, \dots, m$ ) and  $\sqrt{\tau}\mathbf{v} = \sqrt{2}\mathbf{u}$ .

```
function [A, tau, varargout] = Householder_QR(A)
    [m, n] = size(A);
    tau = zeros(n,1);
    if nargin==4
        Q = eye(m);
    end

    % Householder
    for j=1:n
        normx = norm(A(j:end,j));
        s = -sign(A(j,j));
        u1 = A(j,j) - s*normx;
        w = A(j:end,j)/u1;
        w(1) = 1;
```

**Solution (cont.)**

```
A(j+1:end,j) = w(2:end);
A(j,j) = s*normx;
tau(j) = -s*u1/normx;

A(j:end,j+1:end) = A(j:end,j+1:end)-(tau(j)*w)*(w'*A(j:end,j+1:end));

if nargout==4
    Q(:,j:end) = Q(:,j:end)-(Q(:,j:end)*w) * (tau(j)*w)';
end
end

if nargout==4
    R = triu(A);
    varargout1 = Q;
    varargout2 = R;
end
end
```

- (c) Implement an algorithm for forming the product  $Q\mathbf{x}$  and another for forming the product  $Q^T\mathbf{y}$  when  $Q$  is stored implicitly as in (b).

```
function z = Qx(QR, tau, x)
    [~, n] = size(QR);
    QR(logical(eye(n))) = 1;

    z = x;
    for j=n:-1:1
        z(j:end,:) = z(j:end,:) - tau(j) * QR(j:end,j)*(QR(j:end,j)' * z(j:end,:));
    end
end

function z = QTy(QR, tau, y)
    [~, n] = size(QR);
    QR(logical(eye(n))) = 1;

    z = y;
    for j=1:n
        z(j:end,:) = z(j:end,:) - tau(j) * QR(j:end,j)*(QR(j:end,j)' * z(j:end,:));
    end
end
```



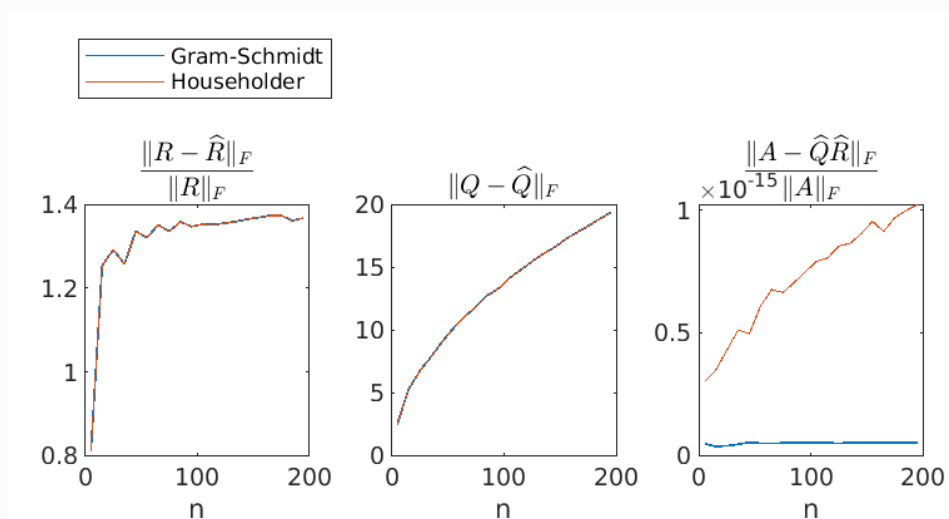
- (d) For increasing values of  $n$ , generate an upper triangular  $R \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and a  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , both with random standard normal entries. Use your program's built-in function for QR factorization to obtain a random<sup>1</sup>  $Q \in O(n)$  from the QR factorization of  $B$ . Now form  $A = QR$  and apply your algorithms in (a) and (b) to find the QR factors of  $A$  — let these be  $\hat{Q}$  and  $\hat{R}$ . Tabulate (using graphs with appropriate scales) the relative errors

$$\frac{\|R - \hat{R}\|_F}{\|R\|_F}, \quad \|Q - \hat{Q}\|_F, \quad \frac{\|A - \hat{Q}\hat{R}\|_F}{\|A\|_F},$$

for various values of  $n$  and for each method. Scale  $Q, R, \hat{Q}, \hat{R}$  appropriately so that  $R$  and  $\hat{R}$  have positive diagonal elements.

- (i) Comment on the relative errors in  $\hat{Q}$  and  $\hat{R}$  (these are called forward errors) versus the relative error in  $\hat{Q}\hat{R}$  (this is called backward error).
- (ii) Comment on the relative error in  $\hat{Q}\hat{R}$  computed with Gram-Schmidt versus that computed with Householder QR.

- (i) As we can see from the following plots, the backward errors are much smaller than the forward errors. As  $n$  increases, both forward errors and backward errors tend to increase.
- (ii) The forward errors of these two methods are similar, while the backward error of Householder algorithm is much larger than that of Gram-Schmidt algorithm.



```
n_list = 5:10:200;
result = zeros(2,length(n_list),3);
for i = 1:length(n_list)
    n = n_list(i);
    pd = makedist('Normal');
    R = random(pd,[n,n]);
    B = random(pd,[n,n]);
    [Q, ~] = qr(B);
    Q(:,diag(R)<0) = -Q(:,diag(R)<0);
    R(diag(R)<0,:) = -R(diag(R)<0,:);
    A = Q * R;
```

<sup>1</sup>This is usually how one would generate a random orthogonal matrix.

### Solution (cont.)

```

[Q_G, R_G] = GramSchmidt_QR(A);
Q_G(:,diag(R_G)<0) = -Q_G(:,diag(R_G)<0);
R_G(diag(R_G)<0,:) = -R_G(diag(R_G)<0,:);

[~, ~, Q_H, R_H] = Householder_QR(A);
Q_H(:,diag(R_H)<0) = -Q_H(:,diag(R_H)<0);
R_H(diag(R_H)<0,:) = -R_H(diag(R_H)<0,:);

result(1,i,1) = norm(R-R_G,"fro")/norm(R,"fro");
result(1,i,2) = norm(Q-Q_G,"fro");
result(1,i,3) = norm(A-Q_G*R_G,"fro")/norm(A,"fro");
result(2,i,1) = norm(R-R_H,"fro")/norm(R,"fro");
result(2,i,2) = norm(Q-Q_H,"fro");
result(2,i,3) = norm(A-Q_H*R_H,"fro")/norm(A,"fro");
end

title_list = {'$$\frac{\| \widehat{R} \|_F}{\| R \|_F}$$',
              '$$\| \widehat{Q} \|_F$$',
              '$$\frac{\| A - \widehat{Q} \widehat{R} \|_F}{\| A \|_F}$$'};
figure();
for i=1:3
    subplot(2,3,i);
    h1 = plot(n_list, result(1,:,i), 'LineWidth', 0.8);
    hold on
    h2 = plot(n_list, result(2,:,i));
    title(title_listi,'interpreter','latex') ;
    xlabel('n');
end
% Construct a Legend with the data from the sub-plots
hL = legend([h1, h2], 'Gram-Schmidt', 'Householder');
% Programatically move the Legend
newPosition = [0.2 0.4 0.12 0.06];
newUnits = 'normalized';
set(hL, 'Position', newPosition, 'Units', newUnits);
saveas(gcf, 'result1.png')

```

(e) Generate a *Vandermonde matrix* and a vector,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \alpha_0 & \alpha_0^2 & \dots & \alpha_0^{n-1} \\ 1 & \alpha_1 & \alpha_1^2 & \dots & \alpha_1^{n-1} \\ 1 & \alpha_2 & \alpha_2^2 & \dots & \alpha_2^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \alpha_{m-1} & \alpha_{m-1}^2 & \dots & \alpha_{m-1}^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} \exp(\sin 4\alpha_0) \\ \exp(\sin 4\alpha_1) \\ \exp(\sin 4\alpha_2) \\ \vdots \\ \exp(\sin 4\alpha_{m-1}) \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^m,$$

where  $\alpha_i = i/(m-1)$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$ . This arises when we try to do polynomial fitting

$$e^{\sin 4x} \approx c_0 + c_1x + c_2x^2 + \dots + c_{n-1}x^{n-1}$$

over the interval  $[0, 1]$  at discrete points  $x = 0, \frac{1}{m-1}, \frac{2}{m-1}, \dots, \frac{m-2}{m-1}, 1$ . For  $n = 15$  and  $m = 100$ , solve the least squares problem  $\min \|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2$  and state your value of  $c_{14}$  using each of the following methods:

- (i) Applying QR factorization to  $A$ .
- (ii) Applying QR factorization to the augmented matrix  $[A, \mathbf{b}] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times (n+1)}$ .
- (iii) Solving the normal equations  $A^\top A\mathbf{x} = A^\top \mathbf{b}$ .

For (i) and (ii), your code should show how the respective QR factors are used in obtaining a solution of the least squares problem. You are free to use your program's built-in functions (e.g.  $A \setminus \mathbf{b}$  in Matlab/Octave/Scilab) for solving linear systems but for other things, use what you have implemented in (a), (b), (c). The true value of  $c_{14}$  is 2006.787453080206.... Comment on the accuracy of each method and algorithm.

For Householder algorithm, (i) and (ii) give best solutions. While Gram-Schmidt algorithm fails in (i) and (ii), which causes very large errors. Also, solving the normal equation yields largest error.

```
m=100; n=15;
alpha = (0:(m-1))/(m-1);
A = fliplr(vander(alpha));
A = A(:,1:n);
b = exp(sin(4*alpha))';

x=A\b;
x(15)

ans = 2.0068e+03

% Applying QR factorization to A
[Q, R] = GramSchmidt_QR(A);
x = R\ (Q'*b);
x(15)

ans = 1.1833

[~, ~, Q, R] = Householder_QR(A);
x = R\ (Q'*b);
x(15)

ans = 2.0068e+03

% Applying QR factorization to [A, b]
[~, Ra] = GramSchmidt_QR([A, b]);
R = Ra(1:m,1:n);
QTb = Ra(1:m,n+1);
x = R\QTb;
x(15)
```

**Solution (cont.)**

```
ans = 1.1833
```

```
[~, ~, ~, Ra] = Householder_QR([A, b]);
```

```
R = Ra(1:m, 1:n);
```

```
QTb = Ra(1:m, n+1);
```

```
x = R\QTb;
```

```
x(15)
```

```
ans = 2.0068e+03
```

```
% Solving the normal equations
```

```
x = A'*A\'(A'*b);
```

```
x(15)
```

```
ans = -310.2727
```