

**LINEAR ALGEBRA. VASILY KRYLOV. RECITATION 11:  
SOLUTIONS.**

1. PROBLEM 1

Find  $CR$  decomposition for a matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Solution:**

The first two columns  $c_1, c_2$  of  $A$  are linearly independent, the third one  $c_3$  is equal to  $2c_1 + c_2$ . We conclude that:

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

2. PROBLEM 2

$A$  and  $B$  are symmetric across the diagonal. Find their triple factorizations  $LDU$  and say how  $U$  is related to  $L$  for these symmetric matrices:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 4 & 11 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 4 & 12 & 4 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

*Remark 2.1. Recall that  $LDU$  factorization is the factorization into lower triangular matrix  $L$  with 1's on the diagonal, diagonal matrix  $D$  and upper triangular matrix  $U$  with 1's on the diagonal.*

**Solution:**

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \right) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

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

We see that  $L = U^T$ .

For the matrix  $B$  we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We conclude that

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We see that  $L = U^T$ .

Note now that if  $A$  is any symmetric matrix (i.e.  $A^T = A$ ) and  $A = LDU$  is its LDU decomposition, then  $L = U^T$ . To see that, note that  $A^T = U^T D L^T$  is the LDU decomposition of  $A^T$ . From the uniqueness of LDU decompositions (together with  $A = A^T$ ) it follows that  $L = U^T$ .

### 3. PROBLEM 3

Find the height  $C$  of the best *horizontal line* to fit  $\mathbf{b} = (0, 8, 8, 20)$ . An exact fit would solve the unsolvable equations  $C = 0, C = 8, C = 8, C = 20$ . Find the 4 by 1 matrix  $A$  in these equations and solve  $A^T A \hat{x} = A^T \mathbf{b}$ . Draw the horizontal line at height  $\hat{x} = C$  and the four errors in  $\mathbf{e}$ .

**Solution:**

The unsolvable equations  $C = 0, C = 8, C = 8, C = 20$  are equivalent to  $\begin{bmatrix} C \\ C \\ C \\ C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 8 \\ 8 \\ 20 \end{bmatrix}$  i.e. that

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} [C] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 8 \\ 8 \\ 20 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We see that  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $A^T A = 4$  and  $A^T \mathbf{b} = 36$ . It remains to solve the equation

$$4C = 36. \text{ We see that } C = 9 \text{ so } A[C] = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 9 \\ 9 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The error  $\mathbf{e}$  is equal to

$$\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{b} - A[C] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 8 \\ 8 \\ 20 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 9 \\ 9 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}.$$

#### 4. PROBLEM 4

(a) Find orthonormal vectors  $\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2, \mathbf{q}_3$  such that  $\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2$  span the column space of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Solution:**

We use the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process. Start from  $x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $x_2 =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We get

$$q_1 = \frac{x_1}{\|x_1\|} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad q'_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + 3q_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad q_2 = \frac{q'_2}{\|q'_2\|} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

To find  $q_3$ , note that we can apply Gram-Schmidt to the basis  $q_1, q_2, x_3$ , where

$$x_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{note that } \det(q_1 \ q_2 \ x_3) \neq 0 \text{ so } q_1, q_2, x_3 \text{ indeed form a basis of } \mathbb{R}^3).$$

We have

$$q'_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{2}{3}q_1 - \frac{2}{3}q_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2}{9} \\ \frac{2}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad q_3 = \frac{q'_3}{\|q'_3\|} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(b) Which of the four fundamental spaces contains  $\mathbf{q}_3$ ?

Recall that  $C(A)^\perp = N(A^T)$  so  $q_3 \in N(A^T)$ .

**Solution:**

(c) Solve  $A\mathbf{x} = (1, 2, 7)$  by least squares.

**Solution:**

$$\text{We need to solve the equation } A^T A \hat{x} = A^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 27 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let us write a  $QR$ -decomposition of the matrix  $A$ : it follows from (a) that we have

$$A = QR = \left( \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We have  $A^T A = R^T Q^T Q R = R^T R = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & -9 \\ -9 & 18 \end{bmatrix}$ .

So we are solving the equation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 9 & -9 \\ -9 & 18 \end{bmatrix} \hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 27 \end{bmatrix}$$

i.e.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We have

$$\hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$