

# Numerical Linear Algebra: Exam #1

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## Problem 1

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$  be a matrix that satisfies

$$\sup_{\|x\|_2=1} \|Ax\|_2 = 3, \quad \inf_{\|x\|_2=1} \|Ax\|_2 = 2.$$

What are the singular values of  $A$ ?

**Solution:**

*Proof.* By Theorem 4.1,  $A$  has an SVD. Let it be represented in the standard way,  $A = U\Sigma V^*$ . By Theorem 3.1, for any  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  and unitary  $Q \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$ ,  $\|QA\|_2 = \|A\|_2$ . Thus,  $\|A\|_2 = \|U\Sigma V^*\|_2 = \|\Sigma\|_2$ . Using these relationships we find that

$$\dagger \quad 3 = \sup_{\|x\|_2=1} \|Ax\|_2 = \sup_{\|x\|_2=1} \|\Sigma x\|_2 = \sup_{\|x\|_2=1} \sqrt{(\sigma_1 x_1)^2 + (\sigma_2 x_2)^2}.$$

By convention, singular values are arranged such that  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_n$ . Hence the quantity  $\sqrt{(\sigma_1 x_1)^2 + (\sigma_2 x_2)^2}$  is maximized for  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . But this means, completing the equalities in  $\dagger$ , we have

$$\sup_{\|x\|_2=1} \sqrt{(\sigma_1 x_1)^2 + (\sigma_2 x_2)^2} = \sqrt{(\sigma_1 \cdot 1)^2 + (\sigma_2 \cdot 0)^2} = \sigma_1,$$

and thus,  $\sigma_1 = 3$ .

By similar logic, we have that  $\sqrt{(\sigma_1 x_1)^2 + (\sigma_2 x_2)^2}$  is minimized for  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and thus,

$$2 = \inf_{\|x\|_2=1} \|Ax\|_2 = \inf_{\|x\|_2=1} \|\Sigma x\|_2 = \inf_{\|x\|_2=1} \sqrt{(\sigma_1 x_1)^2 + (\sigma_2 x_2)^2} = \sqrt{(\sigma_1 \cdot 0)^2 + (\sigma_2 \cdot 1)^2} = \sigma_2.$$

Thus, the singular values of  $A$  are  $\sigma_1 = 3$  and  $\sigma_2 = 2$ . □

**Problem 2**

Suppose  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$  has an SVD  $A = U\Sigma V^*$ . Find an eigenvalue decomposition (5.1) of the  $2m \times 2m$  hermitian matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & A^* \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Solution:**

*Proof.* I can't seem to figure this one out... I've tried a few things. The thing that seemed the most promising was observing that if  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & A^* \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

$$B^*B = BB^* = BB = \begin{bmatrix} V\Sigma^2V^* & 0 \\ 0 & U\Sigma^2U^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} V & 0 \\ 0 & U \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V^* & 0 \\ 0 & U^* \end{bmatrix} = Q\Sigma^2Q^*$$

In a typical SVD  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} V & 0 \\ 0 & U \end{bmatrix} = U_B$  would form the right singular vectors and  $V_B = Q^*$  the left singular vectors. However, I cannot verify this, unless it is the case that  $V = U$  in the SVD of  $A$ . If  $V = U$ , then

$$B = U_B\Sigma V_B^* = Q\Sigma Q^*$$

is an SVD of  $B$ . This would also be an eigenvalue decomposition of  $B$ .

□

### Problem 3

We have studied the  $QR$  and  $SVD$  decompositions. This problem develops a variant of the  $QR$  decomposition, the  $QL$  decomposition. An  $m \times m$  matrix of the form

$$K_m = \begin{bmatrix} & & & & 1 \\ & & & 1 & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & 1 & & & \\ 1 & & & & \end{bmatrix} = [k_{ij}],$$

where  $k_{i,m-i+1} = 1$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , and all other entries are zero is termed a *reversal matrix* and sometimes the *reverse identity matrix*.

(a) Show that  $K_m^2 = I$  (a very handy feature).

*Proof.* To avoid confusion in notation, for Part (a) we assume  $K$  is  $m \times m$  and refer to the matrix  $K_m$  as  $K$ . Singular subscripts on  $K$  will refer to a columns of  $K$ , e.g.,  $K_j$  is the  $j^{th}$  column of  $K$ . Double subscripts on  $K$  will refer to entries in  $K$ , i.e.,  $K_{ij}$  is the  $ij$ -entry of  $K$ . With that out of the way, let  $B = K^2$ . Then by (1.6) from the text we have that the  $j^{th}$  column of  $B$  is

$$\star \quad b_j = \sum_{k=1}^m K_{kj} K_k,$$

that is,  $b_j$  is a linear combination of the columns of  $K$  whose coefficients are the  $j^{th}$  columns of  $K$ . But  $K_{kj} = 0$  unless  $k = m - j + 1$ , in which case it equals 1. Thus, the formula  $\star$  selects the  $(m - j + 1)^{st}$  column of  $K_m$  for  $b_j$ . This selection effectively flips  $K_m$  across its ‘y-axis.’ That is,  $b_1 = K_{m-1+1} = K_m, b_2 = K_{m-2+1} = K_{m-2}, b_3 = K_{m-3+1} = K_{m-2}, \dots, b_m = K_{m-m+1} = K_1$ . The result is that

$$K_m^2 = I.$$

□

(b) If  $A$  is  $m \times n$  matrix,  $m \geq n$ , what is the action of  $K_m A$ ? What about  $A K_n$ ?

**Solution:**  $K_m A$  reflects  $A$  across its ‘x-axis.’ This can be seen by considering the formula  $\star$ . The  $j^{th}$  column of  $K_m A$  is given by  $\sum_{k=1}^m a_{kj} K_k$ , where again,  $K_j$  refers to the  $j^{th}$  column of  $K_m$ . Since the  $K_j$  column only has a one in its  $(m - j + 1)^{st}$  entry for  $j = 1, \dots, m$ , this selects  $a_{(m-k+1)j}$ , that is,  $b_j = a_{(m-k+1)j}$  for  $k = 1, \dots, m$ . As already stated, this is a reflection across  $A$ ’s ‘x-axis.’

(c) If  $R$  is an upper triangular  $n \times n$  matrix, what is the form of the product  $K_n R K_n$ ?

**Solution:** As shown in Part (a), right multiplication by  $K_n$  results in a reflection of  $K_n R$  across its ‘y-axis.’ Thus, in  $K_n R K_n$ , we have a reflection first across  $R$ ’s  $x$ -axis, then that result is reflected across its  $y$ -axis.

(d) Let  $A K_n = \hat{Q} \hat{R}$  be the reduced  $QR$  decomposition of  $A K_n$ ,  $m \geq n$ . Show that  $A = (\hat{Q} K_n)(K_n \hat{R} K_n)$ , and from that deduce the decomposition

$$A = QL,$$

where  $Q$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix with orthogonal columns, and  $L$  is an  $n \times n$  lower triangular matrix. This is a reduced  $QL$  decomposition.

**Solution:**

*Proof.* We are given  $AK_n = \hat{Q}\hat{R}$ . By Part (a),  $K_n^2 = I$ . Moreover, since  $K_n^* = K_n$ ,  $K_n$  is unitary. Using these facts, we have

$$AK_n = \hat{Q}\hat{R}$$

$$AK_n^2 = \hat{Q}\hat{R}\hat{R}K_n$$

$$A = \hat{Q}K_nK_n\hat{R}K_n$$

$$A = (\hat{Q}K_n)(K_n\hat{R}K_n)$$

By Part (c),  $K_n\hat{R}K_n = L$  and by Part (a),  $\hat{Q}K_n = Q$ . Therefore,

$$A = (\hat{Q}K_n)(K_n\hat{R}K_n) = QL.$$

□

## Problem 4

See attached code.

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In [ ]: # Import standard numeric and visualization libs
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Import my householder QR factorization implementation
import sys
# sys.path.insert(0, "/home/masvgp/dev/byu_num_lin_alg_2022/src/")
# from factorizations.householder import house, formQ
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In [ ]: # My implementation of householder factorization and it's associated utility functi
def e(i, length):
    """Generate a unit coordinate vector, i.e., Given an index i and a length, retu

    Args:
        i (int): Integer index in which 1.0 will be assigned
        length (int): Length of the desired output vector

    Returns:
        arr: Unit coordinate vector with 1.0 in the ith position
    """
    e_i = np.zeros(length, dtype=np.float64)
    e_i[i] = 1.0
    return e_i

def reflector(v):
    """Given a unit vector v, return the householder reflector  $I - 2 * \text{np.outer}(v,$ 

    Args:
        v (arr): Vector
    Returns:
        reflector (arr): A  $\text{len}(v) \times \text{len}(v)$  array representing a householder reflect
    """
    I = np.eye(len(v))
    outer = np.outer(v, v)

    return (I - 2 * outer)

def house(A, reduced=False):
    """Compute the factor R of a QR factorization of an  $m \times n$  matrix A with  $m \geq n$ .

    Args:
        A (arr): A numpy array of shape  $m \times n$ 
    Returns:
        R (arr): The upper diagonal matrix R in a QR factorization
    """
    m = A.shape[0] # Get row-dim of A
    n = A.shape[1] # Get col-dim of A
    W = np.zeros((m, n))
    #Q = np.eye(m, m)
    # V = np.zeros((m, n))

    # Cast A as type np.float64
    A = A.astype(np.float64)

    for k in range(n):
        # Get the first column of the  $(m-k+1, n-k+1)$  submatrix of A
        x = A[k:m, k]

        # Compute e_1, sign function, and the norm of x
        e_1 = e(0, len(x))
        sign = np.sign(x[0])
        norm_x = np.linalg.norm(x)

        # Compute vk, the vector reflected across the Householder hyperplane

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vk = (sign * norm_x * e_1) + x
vk = vk / np.linalg.norm(vk)

# Store vk in W
W[k:m, k] = vk

# Apply the reflector to the k:m, k:n submatrix of A to put
# zeros below the diagonal of the kth column of A
A[k:m, k:n] = reflector(vk) @ A[k:m, k:n]

if reduced == True:
    # return np.around(A[:n, :n], decimals=8), W
    return A[:n, :n], W
else:
    # Return full R
    return A, W
    # return np.around(A, decimals=8), W

def formQ(W, reduced=False):
    """Form Q from the lower diagonal vk's formed in the householder algorithm.

    Args:
        W (arr): An m x n matrix containing the vk in the kth column

    Returns:
        arr: Returns an m x m orthonormal matrix Q such that QR = A
    """
    m = W.shape[0]
    n = W.shape[1]
    Q = np.eye(m, m)
    for k in range(n):
        Qk = np.eye(m, m)
        Qk[k:m, k:m] = reflector(W[k:m, k])
        Q = Q @ Qk

    if reduced == True:
        # Return reduced Q
        return Q[:m, :n]
        # return np.around(Q[:m, :n], decimals=8)
    else:
        # Return full Q
        return Q
        # return np.around(Q, decimals=6)

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## Problem 4

Use the result of Problem 3 to develop a Python function `lq` that takes as input a matrix  $A$  and returns  $Q$  and  $L$  where  $A = QL$  is a  $QL$ -decomposition, and test it with random matrices of sizes  $10 \times 7$  and  $75 \times 50$ . Organize your code in a single Python notebook and include it in the PDF you turn in. By test your code, I mean that you compute the  $QL$  decomposition, that you verify  $Q$  has orthonormal columns, you verify that  $L$  is lower triangular, and that you compute  $\|A - QL\|_2$ , where  $A$  is a random matrix for which you

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compute the QL decomposition. I should be able to run your single file code and observe
In [ ]: def ql(A):
        """Compute the QL factorization of an m x n matrix A.

        Args:
            A (arr): An m x n matrix
        Return:
            Q (arr): a unitary matrix
            L (arr): A lower triangular matrix
        """
        # Get dims of A
        m = A.shape[0]
        n = A.shape[1]

        # Define the reversal matrix K_n
        Kn = np.flip(np.eye(n), axis=0)

        # Compute reduced QR(AK_n) - \hat{Q} is m x n, \hat{R} is n x n.
        Rhat, W = house(A @ Kn, reduced=True)
        Qhat = formQ(W, reduced=True)

        # Compute Q = \hat{Q}K_n
        Q = Qhat @ Kn

        # Compute L = K_n\hat{R}K_n
        L = Kn @ Rhat @ Kn

        # return Q, L
        return Q, L

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## Testing

1. Define matrices  $A$  and  $B$  of size  $10 \times 7$  and  $75 \times 50$ , respectively. Then do the following:
2. Compute  $QL(A)$  and  $QL(B)$
3. Verify that  $Q$  has orthonormal columns
4. Verify that  $L$  is lower triangular
5. Compute  $\|A - QL\|_2$  and  $\|B - QL\|_2$ , where  $A$  and  $B$  are the random matrices defined in (1).

### Testing for the $10 \times 7$ random matrix a

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In [ ]: # 1. Define random matrix of size 10 x 7
A = np.random.normal(loc=0.0, scale=1.0, size=(10, 7))

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In [ ]: # 2. Compute $QL(A)$
QA, LA = ql(A)

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In [ ]: # 3. Verify that $Q$ has orthonormal columns
# Compute $Q^T @ Q$
QATQA = QA.T @ QA

# Check the diagonals are 1.0
print(f"The dimensions of $Q^T @ Q$ are: {QATQA.shape[0]} x {QATQA.shape[1]}")
print(f"Check that the diagonal entries of $Q^T @ Q$ sum to {QATQA.shape[0]} by che

# Set diagonal entries to 0.0
for i in range(QATQA.shape[0]):
    QATQA[i, i] = 0.0

# Compute the max absolute value of the the array $Q^T @ Q$ with diagonal set to 0.0.
print("Check the max absolute value of the array after setting the diagonal entries
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The dimensions of  $Q^T @ Q$  are: 7 x 7  
 Check that the diagonal entries of  $Q^T @ Q$  sum to 7 by checking the sum of the diagonal entries.  
 The sum is equal to 7: True  
 Check the max absolute value of the array after setting the diagonal entries to 0.  
 0.  
 This effectively checks the max absolute value of the off-diagonal entries.  
 The max absolute value of the resulting array is: 3.2963142379103426e-16

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In [ ]: # 4. Verify that $L$ is Lower triangular
# Extract upper diagonal part of $L$
LA_upper_diag = [LA[i, j] for i in range(LA.shape[0]) for j in range(LA.shape[1]) if i < j]
# Extract the lower diagonal part of $L$
LA_lower_diag = [LA[i, j] for i in range(LA.shape[0]) for j in range(LA.shape[1]) if i > j]

print("The max absolute value of the upper diagonal entries of $L$ is: " + str(np.max(LA_upper_diag)))
print("The max absolute value of the lower diagonal entries of $L$ is: \n" + str(np.max(LA_lower_diag)))
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The max absolute value of the upper diagonal entries of  $L$  is: 4.2312988466972233e-16  
 The max absolute value of the lower diagonal entries of  $L$  is:  
 3.0734874283890266

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In [ ]: # 5. Compute $\|A - QL\|_2$, where $A$ is the random matrix
print("The L2-norm of $A - QL$ is: " + str(np.linalg.norm(A - QA @ LA)))
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The L2-norm of  $A - QL$  is: 3.831465111543962e-15

## Testing for the $75 \times 50$ random matrix $B$ .

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In [ ]: # 1. Define random matrix of size 75 x 50
B = np.random.normal(loc=0.0, scale=1.0, size=(75, 50))
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In [ ]: # Compute $QL$ for the 75 x 50 matrix $B$
QB, LB = ql(B)
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In [ ]: # 3. Verify that $Q$ has orthonormal columns
# Compute $Q^T @ Q$
QBTQB = QB.T @ QB

# Check the diagonals are 1.0
print(f"The dimensions of $QB.T @ QB$ are: {QBTQB.shape[0]} x {QBTQB.shape[1]}")
print(f"Check that the diagonal entries of $QB.T @ QB$ sum to {QBTQB.shape[0]} by che

# Set diagonal entries to 0.0
for i in range(QBTQB.shape[0]):
    QBTQB[i, i] = 0.0

# Compute the max absolute value of the the array $Q^T Q$ with diagonal set to 0.0.
print("Check the max absolute value of the array after setting the diagonal entries
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The dimensions of \$QB.T @ QB\$ are: 50 x 50

Check that the diagonal entries of \$QB.T @ QB\$ sum to 50 by checking the sum of the diagonal entries.

The sum is equal to 50: True

Check the max absolute value of the array after setting the diagonal entries to 0.0.

This effectively checks the max absolute value of the off-diagonal entries.

The max absolute value of the resulting array is: 8.721678135614107e-16

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In [ ]: # 4. Verify that $L$ is Lower triangular
# Extract upper diagonal part of $L$
LB_upper_diag = [LB[i, j] for i in range(LB.shape[0]) for j in range(LB.shape[1]) if i < j]
# Extract the lower diagonal part of $L$
LB_lower_diag = [LB[i, j] for i in range(LB.shape[0]) for j in range(LB.shape[1]) if i > j]

print("The max absolute value of the upper diagonal entries of $L$ is: " + str(np.max(LB_upper_diag)))
print("The max absolute value of the lower diagonal entries of $L$ is: \n" + str(np.max(LB_lower_diag)))
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The max absolute value of the upper diagonal entries of \$L\$ is: 2.9251450570491478e-15

The max absolute value of the lower diagonal entries of \$L\$ is:

9.757443792666914

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In [ ]: # 5. Compute $\|B - QL\|_2$ where $B$ is the random matrix
print("The L2-norm of $B - QL$ is: " + str(np.linalg.norm(B - QB @ LB)))
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The L2-norm of \$B - QL\$ is: 1.0843623836693697e-13