

Section 1.1

$$A = QR$$

$$A_1 = RQ$$

Q is an orthogonal matrix
since A is a square matrix

since Q is orthogonal and

hence invertible

We can write

$$Q^T A = R$$

Then, we get

$$A_1 = (Q^T A) Q$$

Let $P = Q$, then

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= P^T A P \\ &= P^{-1} A P \end{aligned}$$

since Q is an orthogonal
matrix as A is square

Hence, A_1 is similar to A .

Let λ be an eigenvalue of A with corresponding eigenvector v . we have

$$A_1 = P^T A P$$

$$A_1 - \lambda I = P^T A P - \lambda I$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 - \lambda I &= P^{-1} A P - \lambda P^{-1} P \\ &= P^{-1} (A P - \lambda P) \\ &= P^{-1} (A - \lambda I) P \end{aligned}$$

$$\det(A_1 - \lambda I) = \det[P^{-1} (A - \lambda I) P]$$

$$= \det(P^{-1}) \det(A - \lambda I) \det(P)$$

using properties of
determinants.

Since $\det(P^{-1}) \det(P) = \det(P^{-1} P) = \det(I) = 1$, we have
$$\det(A_1 - \lambda I) = \det(A - \lambda I)$$

which proves that they have the same eigenvalues.