

Matrix theory Assignment 8

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Abstract—This document explains QR decomposition of a matrix with an example

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1 PROBLEM

Find the QR decomposition of

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

2 SOLUTION

If $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbf{R}^{m \times n}$ has linearly independent columns then it can be factored as

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{R}$$

where \mathbf{Q} is a orthogonal matrix and \mathbf{R} is a upper triangular matrix with non zero diagonal elements

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.1)$$

The column vectors of \mathbf{A} are,

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.2)$$

(2.0.1) can be written as,

$$\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{R} = (\mathbf{p}_1 \quad \mathbf{p}_2) \begin{pmatrix} u_1 & u_3 \\ 0 & u_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.3)$$

Now,

$$u_1 = \|\mathbf{a}\| = \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{25} \quad (2.0.4)$$

$$\mathbf{q}_1 = \frac{\mathbf{a}}{u_1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{5} \\ \frac{3}{5} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.5)$$

$$u_3 = \frac{\mathbf{q}_1^T \mathbf{b}}{\|\mathbf{q}_1\|^2} = \left(\frac{4}{5} \quad \frac{3}{5} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{27}{5} \quad (2.0.6)$$

$$\mathbf{q}_2 = \frac{\mathbf{b} - u_3 \mathbf{q}_1}{\|\mathbf{b} - u_3 \mathbf{q}_1\|} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{7}{\sqrt{65}} \\ -\frac{4}{\sqrt{65}} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.7)$$

$$u_2 = \mathbf{q}_2^T \mathbf{b} = \left(\frac{7}{\sqrt{65}} \quad -\frac{4}{\sqrt{65}} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{65}} \quad (2.0.8)$$

Substituting (2.0.4) to (2.0.8) in (2.0.3),

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{5} & \frac{7}{\sqrt{65}} \\ \frac{3}{5} & -\frac{4}{\sqrt{65}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{25} & \frac{27}{\sqrt{65}} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{65}} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.9)$$

Which can also be written as,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{4}{\sqrt{65}} & -\frac{7}{\sqrt{65}} \\ \frac{4}{\sqrt{65}} & \frac{7}{\sqrt{65}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -\sqrt{25} & -\frac{27}{\sqrt{65}} \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{65}} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.10)$$