

Householder's matrices & Givens' matrices (for QR factorization).

Idea of Householder's method:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (m \geq n) \quad & \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n} \xrightarrow{Q_1} \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ 0 & * & * & * \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & * & * & * \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{Q_2} \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ 0 & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & * & * \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} * & * & & \\ 0 & * & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & & * \end{bmatrix} \\
 & A \quad A_1 = Q_1 A \quad A_2 = Q_2 A_1 \quad \dots \quad R \\
 & \underbrace{Q_n \dots Q_1}_{Q^{-1}} A = R \text{ (upper triangular)} \\
 & A = QR.
 \end{aligned}$$

Each Q_k is a unitary $m \times m$ matrix of the form-

$$Q_k = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} I_{k-1} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & F \end{array} \right]$$

where F is
($m-k+1$) \times ($m-k+1$)
unitary matrix.

F must be such that premultiplication by F induces zeroes below diagonal in the k^{th} column of $A_{k-1} = Q_{k-1} \dots Q_1 A$.

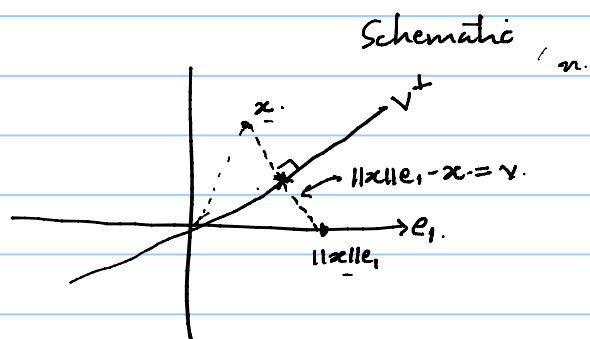
$$A_{k-1} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & \dots & * \\ 0 & * & \dots & * \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & * \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n}$$

(Note: The k^{th} column is highlighted with a blue box in the original image.)

For $x \in \mathbb{C}^{m-k+1}$, F is such that
 $x \xrightarrow{F} \|x\| e_1 \in \mathbb{C}^{m-k+1}$.

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} * \\ * \\ \vdots \\ * \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} \|x\| \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Householder's idea was to choose a vector v such that the reflection across $H = v^\perp$ maps x to $\|x\| e_1$.



The projection $P_{1v} = I - \frac{vv^*}{v^*v}$

maps any vector onto H ; to reflect across H we must go twice that length in the same direction.

reflection across H .



You can check that $F = I - \frac{2vv^*}{v^*v}$ achieves this reflection.

F is called a "Householder matrix".

Note that F is unitary $\left[F^* = \left(I - \frac{2vv^*}{v^*v} \right)^* = I - \frac{2vv^*}{v^*v} = F \right]$
& hence full rank. $\left[\text{So } FF^* = F^*F = F^2 = I \right]$

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$$F^2 = \left(I - \frac{2vv^*}{v^*v} \right)^2 = I - 2 \left(\frac{2vv^*}{v^*v} + \frac{4(v^*)^2}{(v^*v)^2} \right)$$

We could choose v to be $\|x\|e_1 - x$ where z is any scalar with $|z|=1$.

For numerical purposes, we choose z such that $z \cdot \|x\|e_1$ is not too close to x (for if it is, then it is possible to get cancellation errors when calculating v).

We choose $z = -\text{sign}(x_1)$

(we could've chosen $-\text{sign}(x_i)$ for any component x_i)

$$\therefore -v = -\text{sign}(x_1) \cdot \|x\|e_1 - x$$

$$\text{or } v = \text{sign}(x_1) \|x\|e_1 + x \quad (\text{since } v^+ \& -v^+ \text{ are the same hyperplane.})$$

Example: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 \\ 4 & 8 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Find Q_1 such that $Q_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & * \\ 0 & * \\ 0 & * \end{bmatrix}$

Here, $x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$, want Q_1 s.t. $Q_1(x) = \|x\|_2 e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1+4^2+4^2+4^2} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$v = \text{sign}(x_1) \cdot \|x\| e_1 + x = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Q_1 = I - \frac{2vv^*}{v^*v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{2}{v^*v} \begin{bmatrix} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \end{bmatrix}$$

(left as exercise). $= \dots = \begin{bmatrix} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \end{bmatrix}$

$$Q_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & * \\ 0 & * \\ 0 & * \end{bmatrix}$$

Operation counts -

Using A-S: The operation count is dominated by the inner loop which requires $(m \text{ multi.} + (m-1) \text{ additions for } v_{ij})$

$$\sim \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n 4m \sim \sum_{i=1}^n 4mi \sim \underline{2mn^2} \text{ flops.}$$

For Householders matrix:

The operation count is dominated by the innermost loop.

Let l denote $(m-k+1)$

• for dot product & scalar product:

$$l \text{ multi.} + (l-1) \text{ additions} + l \text{ multi.} = 3l-1 \text{ flops.}$$

Algorithm:

for $k = 1$ to n

$$x = A_{k:m, k}$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} a_{kk} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mk} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_k = \text{sign}(x_1) \cdot \|x\|_2 e_1 + x$$

$$v_k = v_k / \|v_k\|_2$$

$$A_{k:m, k:n} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{kk} & \dots & a_{kn} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{mk} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for } j = k \text{ to } n$$

$$A_{k:m, j} = A_{k:m, j} -$$

$$2v_k(v_k^* A_{k:m, j})$$

• for subtraction : l flops. first step : $4mn$
second step : $4(m-1)(n-1)$
 Total $\sim 4l$ flops.

Summing over 2 for loops:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{j=k}^n 4l$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} 4(m-k)(n-k) + 4mn$$

$$= 2mn^2 - \frac{2n^3}{3}$$

Givens' matrices

A Givens' rotation $R(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$ rotates any vector $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$ counterclockwise by θ .

$$R(i, j, \theta) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \cos\theta & -\sin\theta & \\ & & \sin\theta & \cos\theta & \\ & & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ * & * \\ * & * \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R} \begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & * \\ 0 & * \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R} \begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & * \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = R$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_i \\ x_j \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{x_i^2 + x_j^2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

ie. $\cos\theta = \frac{x_i}{\sqrt{x_i^2 + x_j^2}}$, $\sin\theta = \frac{-x_j}{\sqrt{x_i^2 + x_j^2}}$

Illustration:

$$\begin{pmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ 0 & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & c & -s \\ & & s & c \end{pmatrix}} \begin{pmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ 0 & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & * \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & c' & -s' \\ & & s' & c' \end{pmatrix}} \begin{pmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ 0 & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & * \end{pmatrix}$$

