

# LECTURE 15

Return to usual participation policy starting next Monday, 5/8. (Week 6)

Review of LU decomposition (§3.1)

Gaussian elimination: you are modifying the bases so that the matrix becomes more "compact" (eg. diagonal or triangular).

Review: Gauss Elimination (w/ partial pivoting)

difference: Minimize the # calculations you do like

$$1000 + 0.0001 \quad (\approx 1000 - 0.0001!)$$

ie try to do meaningful, robust arith. operations

eg. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 300 & -200 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 400 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 300 & -200 & 400 \end{array} \right)$$

↓  $|300| > |1|$  pivot

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 300 & -200 & 400 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right)$$

↓ GE  $r_2 \rightsquigarrow r_2 - \frac{r_1}{300}$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 300 & -200 & 400 \\ 1-1 & 1+\frac{200}{300} & 3-\frac{400}{300} \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 300 & -200 & 400 \\ 0 & 5/3 & 5/3 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x_2 = 1},$$

$$300x_1 - 200x_2 = 400$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x_1 = 2}$$

In small example, we humans may see that you could just multiply the top row by  $10^2$ . But we have checked that the magnitudes across the whole row are  $\sim 1$ ! For large matrix, just want an algorithm to run in every scenario!

We used:

① pivoting  $\Rightarrow$  achieved by permutation matrix

$$P_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

② Subtracted multiple of first row from second (and in general, all other rows):

$$L_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{300} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \text{note: } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ m & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -m & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

In general:

$$L_i = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline m_i & I \end{array} \right) \text{ where } m = \begin{pmatrix} m_{21} \\ m_{31} \\ \vdots \\ m_{n1} \end{pmatrix}$$

These are all lower triangular.

then (LU decomposition)

Any nonsingular  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  can be decomposed into

$$PA = LU$$

permutation  $\nearrow$  lower  $\Delta$   $\nearrow$  upper  $\Delta$ .

eg. In our example,

$$A \longrightarrow PA \longrightarrow L^{-1}PA = A^{(1)}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 300 & -200 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 300 & -200 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 300 & -200 \\ -1+1 & \frac{2}{3}+1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{300} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 300 & -200 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 300 & -200 \\ -1+1 & \frac{2}{3}+1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We now have better operation than just row ops:

- Givens rotations
- Householder reflections

We'll use this to factor any matrix.  $A$  into  $QR$

$\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \begin{pmatrix} R \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \downarrow \\ \text{orthogonal} \end{matrix}$ 

 $\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \text{(upper) triangular, rectangular!} \end{matrix}$

\* This is the difference b/w solving the exactly determined linear system  $Ax=b$  where  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

and solving the least squares problem for overdetermined " $Ax=b$ " where  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  where  $n < m$ .

Let's first state the theorem and see how this is useful:

thm (QR decomp) Any matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  ( $m \geq n$ ) can be transformed into upper triangular form by an orthogonal matrix. The transformation is equiv to a decomposition

$$A = Q \begin{pmatrix} R \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \boxed{A} = \boxed{Q} \begin{matrix} \boxed{R} \\ \boxed{0} \end{matrix}$$

Moreover, if  $A$  is full col rank, then  $R$  is also! (This should be clear from linear transformation perspective)

invertible! (b/c square)

Since the last  $m-n$  cols of  $Q$  will be multiplied by 0,

$$A = (Q_1, Q_2) \begin{pmatrix} R \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = Q_1 R \quad \text{we can also define:}$$

The thin QR decomp of  $A$  is  $Q_1 R$ .

$$\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} A \end{bmatrix} \\ \downarrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} R \end{bmatrix} \\ \downarrow \\ \text{coordinates } a_j \text{ in the ortho basis.} \end{matrix}$$

orthogonal basis for the range (A).

We'll use QR decomposition to solve least squares without forming the normal equations

This answers the question: why is the shortest residual vector the normal one?

Problem:  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $n \leq m$ , full rank. Find  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that the residual vector  $r = b - Ax$  ( $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ) is minimized.

Solution: Suppose we have the QR decomp of  $A$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \|r\|_2^2 &= \|b - Ax\|_2^2 \\ &= \|b - Q \begin{pmatrix} R \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} x\|_2^2 && \text{by QR-decomp. of } A \\ &= \|QQ^T(b - Q \begin{pmatrix} R \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} x)\|_2^2 && QQ^T = \text{Id}_m \\ &= \|Q(Q^T b - Q^T Q \begin{pmatrix} R \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} x)\|_2^2 && \text{distribute} \\ &= \|Q^T b - \begin{pmatrix} R \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} x\|_2^2 && \|Qy\|_2 = \|y\|_2 \quad \forall y \in \mathbb{R}^m \\ &= \left\| \begin{pmatrix} Q_1^T b \\ Q_2^T b \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} Rx \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\|_2^2 && \text{rewrite} \\ &= \|Q_1^T b - Rx\|_2^2 + \|Q_2^T b\|_2^2 && \sum_{i=1}^m y_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 + \sum_{j=n+1}^m y_j^2 \end{aligned}$$

This is minimized when  $\|Q_1^T b - Rx\|_2^2$  is minimized

$\|Q_2^T b\|$  is non-negotiable as it doesn't change as we change  $x$ .

This is actually the portion of  $b$  normal to  $\text{colspace}(A)$ .

Since  $R$  is invertible, we can actually achieve  $Q_1^T b - Rx = 0$ :

$$x = R^{-1} Q_1^T b.$$

Next time: The algorithm for obtaining the QR decomp