

Orthogonal decomposition of A:

$$A = P \begin{bmatrix} \hat{A} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q^T$$

need to determine  $\perp P$ ,  $\perp Q$  so:

$$P^T A Q = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{A} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We will illustrate algorithm on:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & 0 \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ \square & * & * \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 3}$$

where:

- \* denotes arbitrary value
- $\square$  -11- non-zero value
- 0 -11- zero value

Decomposition alg. starts by finding an  $\perp P$  so:

$$P^T A = \text{an echelon matrix}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 3}}$   
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4}}$

Echelon matrices

Staircase for a matrix

start of stair-case

$$M_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \boxed{0} & * & * & * & * \\ & 0 & * & * & * \\ & & \square & 0 & * \\ & & & 0 & \square \\ & & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Rules:

staircase never goes up  
goes down just enough so all  
entries below it, if any, are zero

Echelon matrix: has a staircase

with

all steps (if any) = 1 row

e.g.

$M_1 \neq \text{echelon}$

$M_2 = \text{echelon}$

$$M_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \square & * & * & * & * \\ & 0 & 0 & \square & * \\ & & 0 & 0 & \square \\ & & & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

1 Transformation to echelon form

based on introducing zeros in columns

Putting a zero in a columnCan choose  $\perp H$ , so

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & \delta \\ c & \delta & \epsilon \\ f & \epsilon & \epsilon \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & \delta \\ c & \delta & \epsilon \\ f & \epsilon & \epsilon \end{bmatrix} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{unchanged} \\ \text{non-zero} \\ \text{unchanged} \end{array} \right.$$

$0 \neq$

$a, b, c, f$   
unchanged  
but  
 $\epsilon$  changed  
to zero

H has structure

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \bar{H}_{2 \times 2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\bar{H}$  is the part of  $H$  which does the job of transforming  $(\delta)$  into  $(\epsilon)$ . The identity matrices on the block diagonal of  $H$  are there so  $(a, b, c)^T$  and  $f$  are unchanged by  $H$ .

Take:

$$\bar{H}_{2 \times 2} = I_{2 \times 2} - \frac{2uu^T}{\|u\|^2}$$

with

$$u \triangleq \begin{pmatrix} \delta \\ \epsilon \end{pmatrix} + e^1 \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \delta \\ \epsilon \end{pmatrix} \right\| \text{sign}(\delta)$$

this is a so-called  
Givens rotation  
matrix

$$e^1 \triangleq \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} ; \quad \text{sign}(\delta) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \delta \geq 0 \\ -1 & \text{if } \delta < 0 \end{cases}$$

Does it zero the  $\epsilon$ -element?

Check by direct calculation:

$$uu^T = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\delta} \\ \epsilon \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\delta} & \epsilon \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\delta}^2 & \epsilon \tilde{\delta} \\ \epsilon \tilde{\delta} & \epsilon^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

notation:  
 $a \triangleq \begin{pmatrix} \delta \\ \epsilon \end{pmatrix}$   
 $\tilde{\delta} \triangleq \delta + \|a\| \text{sign}(\delta)$

$$\|u\|^2 = \tilde{\delta}^2 + \epsilon^2 + 2|\delta| \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \delta \\ \epsilon \end{pmatrix} \right\| + \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \delta \\ \epsilon \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2$$

$$= 2(\|a\|^2 + |\delta| \|a\|)$$

$$\bar{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\delta}^2 & \epsilon \tilde{\delta} \\ \epsilon \tilde{\delta} & \epsilon^2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{\|a\|^2 + |\delta| \|a\|}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{H}(\delta) \triangleq \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{h}_{*1} \\ \bar{h}_{*2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \delta \\ \varepsilon \end{pmatrix}$$

second row of  $\bar{H}$ 

$$\Rightarrow v_2 = \bar{h}_{*2} \begin{pmatrix} \delta \\ \varepsilon \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\|a\|^2 + |\delta| \|a\|} (-\varepsilon \tilde{\delta}, \|a\|^2 + |\delta| \|a\| - \varepsilon^2) \begin{pmatrix} \delta \\ \varepsilon \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{-\varepsilon \delta (\delta + \|a\| \operatorname{sign}(\delta)) + \varepsilon \|a\|^2 + \varepsilon |\delta| \|a\| - \varepsilon^3}{\|a\|^2 + |\delta| \|a\|}$$

$$\|a\|^2 + |\delta| \|a\|$$

$$= \frac{-\varepsilon \delta^2 - \varepsilon |\delta| \|a\| + \varepsilon \delta^2 + \varepsilon^3 + \varepsilon |\delta| \|a\| - \varepsilon^3}{\|a\|^2 + |\delta| \|a\|}$$

$$\equiv 0!$$

YES

Is  $\bar{H}$  an orthogonal matrix?

$$\bar{H}^T = I^T - \frac{2}{\|u\|^2} (uu^T)^T = I - \frac{2}{\|u\|^2} uu^T = \bar{H}$$

 $\Downarrow$ 

$$\bar{H}^T \bar{H} = \left( I - \frac{2}{\|u\|^2} uu^T \right) \left( I - \frac{2}{\|u\|^2} uu^T \right)$$

$$= I - \frac{2}{\|u\|^2} uu^T - \frac{2}{\|u\|^2} uu^T + \frac{4}{\|u\|^2} (uu^T)(uu^T)$$

$$= I$$

$$= 0$$

YES

Algorithm for  $\perp$  transformation to echelon form

e.g.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ \square & * & * & * \end{bmatrix}$

† echelon matrix because of the 4-row step for column 1

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fix column 1:

 $\vdots$ 

choose  $H_1$   
 $\perp H_1$   
 so

$$H_1 \begin{pmatrix} * \\ * \\ * \\ \square \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} * \\ * \\ * \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

column 1 of  $A$ 

$$H_1 = \begin{bmatrix} I_{2 \times 2} & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{H} \end{bmatrix}$$

for the appropriate  $\bar{H}$ 

Then

$$H_1 A = H_1 [a_{*1} \ a_{*2} \ a_{*3}]$$

$$= [H_1 a_{*1} \ H_1 a_{*2} \ H_1 a_{*3}]$$

# by reducing the 4-row step for column 1 to a 1-row step, using a sequence of  $\perp$  transformations  $H_i$  to zap to zero the bottom 3 entries in column 1

$$\Downarrow \quad H_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ 0 & \square & * & * \end{bmatrix} \triangleq A_1 \neq \text{echelon matrix}$$

changed

[may be changed]

choose  
 $\perp H_2$   
so

$$H_2 \begin{pmatrix} * \\ * \\ \square \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} * \\ * \\ \square \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{H} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

for the appropriate  $\bar{H}$

Then

$$H_2 A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ 0 & \square & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * \end{bmatrix} \triangleq A_2 \neq \text{echelon matrix}$$

choose  
 $\perp H_3$   
so

$$H_3 \begin{pmatrix} * \\ * \\ \square \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \square \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{H} & 0 \\ 0 & I_{2 \times 2} \end{bmatrix}$$

} indicates those entries which are changed  
by the orthogonal transformation concerned.

So that:

$$H_3 A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \square & * & * & * \\ 0 & * & * & * \\ 0 & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * \end{bmatrix} \triangleq A_3$$

Suppose actually that:

$$A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \square & * & * & * \\ 0 & * & * & * \\ 0 & \square & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\neq$  echelon matrix  
zero by chance

because  
of 2-row  
step  
for  
col. 2

fix column 2

choose  
 $\perp H_4$   
so

$$H_4 \begin{pmatrix} * \\ * \\ \square \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} * \\ \square \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then

$$H_4 A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \square & * & * & * \\ 0 & \square & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \triangleq A_4$$

still OK, as zeros induced by  
by earlier  $H_i$  not destroyed  
by later  $H_i$ .

Suppose, actually that:

$$A_4 = \begin{bmatrix} \square & * & * \\ 0 & \square & \square \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{echelon matrix}$$

if not use extra  $H_i$  to zap the offending non-zero entries

Then

$$A_4 = \text{echelon matrix}$$

$$\underbrace{H_4 A_3}_{H_4 A_3} \underbrace{H_3 A_2}_{H_3 A_2} \underbrace{H_2 A_1}_{H_2 A_1} \parallel H_1 A$$

i.e.

$$H_4 H_3 H_2 H_1 A = \text{echelon matrix}$$

would be OK if this matrix is orthogonal

$$(H_4 H_3 H_2 H_1)^T (H_4 H_3 H_2 H_1) = H_1^T H_2^T H_3^T H_4^T H_4 H_3 H_2 H_1 = I$$



because  $H_i, i=1, \dots, 4$  are all  $\perp$

$\Rightarrow$  YES,  $H_4 H_3 H_2 H_1 \stackrel{\Delta}{=} P$  is  $\perp$   
end of alg. for  $\perp$  transf. to echelon form

$\perp$  Decomposition of  $A$

e.g.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ \square & * & * \end{bmatrix}$$

① Apply to  $A$  the Alg. for  $\perp$  transf. to echelon form.

Finds  $\perp P$  so  $P^T A = \text{e.g.}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \square & * & * \\ 0 & \square & \square \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \bar{A}$$

② Consider

$$\bar{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} \square & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & \square & 0 & 0 \\ * & \square & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

③ Apply to  $\bar{A}^T$ : Alg. for  $\perp$  transf. to echelon form

Finds  $\perp Q$  so

$$Q^T \bar{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} \boxed{1} & * & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \boxed{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

this occurs because the  $\perp$  transformation alg. first zeroes the bottom 2 entries in column 1 of  $\bar{A}^T$ , giving rise to  $\boxed{1}$  in  $Q^T \bar{A}^T$ . Then it zeroes the resulting bottom entry of column 2, giving rise to  $\boxed{2}$ . The zeros on the right of  $\bar{A}^T$  are not destroyed by those transformations, and so appear in  $Q^T \bar{A}^T$

④ Transposing

$$\begin{matrix} \bar{A}^T Q \\ P^T A \end{matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boxed{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & \boxed{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So

$$P^T A Q = \begin{bmatrix} \boxed{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & \boxed{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \hat{A} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$\hat{A}$  = invertible as :  $\det[\hat{A}] = \boxed{1} \cdot \boxed{2} \neq 0$

Hence : have found  $\perp P$ ,  $\perp Q$  so

$$A = P \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \hat{A} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] Q^T \quad \xrightarrow{\text{invertible}} \quad \text{as required.}$$

The method presented here works for any non-zero  $A$ , but two or more of the zero sub-matrices in  $\left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \hat{A} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$  may be absent, depending on the particular  $A$  considered.