

Welcome to Ma221! Lecture 12, Fall 24

Solving  $\operatorname{argmin}_x \|Ax - b\|_2$   $A^{m \times n}$   $m \geq n$   
full rank

Normal Equations:  $A^T A x = A^T b$

QR :  $A = QR$  cols of  $Q$  orthonormal  
 $\square^{\nabla}$   
 $x = R^{-1} Q^T b$

lots of variants: differ in stability

2 goals  
 $\frac{\|A - QR\|}{\|A\|} = O(\epsilon)$   
 $\|Q^T Q - I\| = O(\epsilon)$

SVD:  $A^{m \times n} = U^{m \times m} \cdot \Sigma \cdot V^T$   $n \times n$   $U, V$  orthonormal  
 $= \begin{matrix} n & m-n \\ U_1 & U_2 \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} n \\ \Sigma \\ m-n \end{matrix} \hat{=} \begin{matrix} n \\ V^T \end{matrix}$

$$x = V \hat{\Sigma}^{-1} U^T b$$

Moore-Penrose pseudo inverse

$$A^+ = V \hat{\Sigma}^{-1} U^T$$

# Perturbation Theory for LS

How much can  $x$  change  
when  $A$  and  $b$  change?

When  $m=n$ , same as  $A^{-1}b$   
so expect  $\kappa(A)$  to appear

Another source of ill conditioning

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad x = A^+ b = [1, 0] \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

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so large relative change

In general, ill-conditioned if

$b$  (nearly) orthogonal to  $\text{span}(A)$

$$x+e = \arg \min \| (A+\delta A)(x+e) - (b+\delta b) \|_2$$

$$x = \arg \min \| Ax - b \|_2$$

$$e = (x+e) - x = ((A+\delta A)^T(A+\delta A))^{-1} (A+\delta A)(b+\delta b) - (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

$$(A^T A + \Delta)^{-1} = \left[ (A^T A) (I + (A^T A)^{-1} \Delta) \right]^{-1}$$

$$= \underbrace{(I + (A^T A)^{-1} \Delta)^{-1}}_{I - X} (A^T A)^{-1}$$

$$(I - X)^{-1} = I + X + \|X\|^2$$

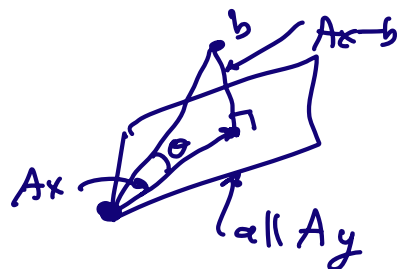
and only keeps terms with one small factor  $\delta A$ ,  $\delta b$

$$\text{Def: } \varepsilon = \max\left(\frac{\|\delta A\|_2}{\|A\|_2}, \frac{\|\delta b\|_2}{\|b\|_2}\right)$$

$$\frac{\|e\|}{\|x\|} \leq \varepsilon \left(2 \cdot k(A) \cdot \frac{1}{\cos \theta} + \tan \theta \cdot k^2(A)\right) + O(\varepsilon^2)$$

$\theta = \text{angle}(b, Ax)$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{\|Ax - b\|_2}{\|b\|_2}$$



$\theta = 0 \Rightarrow$  solve  $Ax = b$  exactly

$$\frac{\|e\|}{\|x\|} \leq \varepsilon \cdot (2 \cdot k(A))$$

when is error large?

(1)  $k(A)$  large

(2)  $\theta$  near  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \sim \tan \theta \sim \infty$

(3) error like  $k^2(A)$  when  $\theta$  not near 0

Stable algorithms for QR

MG-S and CG-S not stable

$\|Q^T Q - I\|$  can be close to 1

Need Householder factorisation (or Givens)

also basis for  $\text{eig}(C)$ ,  $\text{svd}(C)$

Idea: represent  $Q$  as product

$Q = Q_1 \cdot Q_2 \cdots Q_n$  of "simple"  
orthogonal matrices, chosen to  
make progress in reducing  $A$  to  $R$ .  
since each  $Q_i$  orthogonal, so is  $Q$

2 kinds of "simple"  $Q_i$ 's

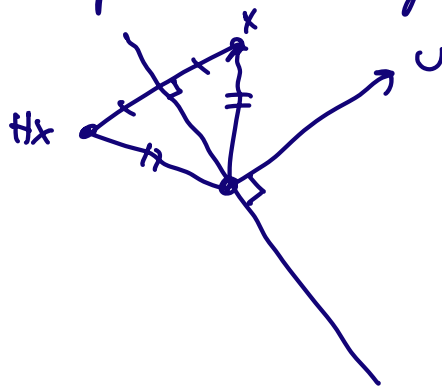
Householder Transforms ("reflections")

Givens Rotations

Householder reflection  $H = I - 2uu^T$   
 $\|u\|_2 = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} HH^T &= (I - 2uu^T)(I - 2uu^T) \\ &= I - 4uu^T + 4\underbrace{uu^T uu^T}_I \\ &= I \end{aligned}$$

Reflection:  $Hx$  is reflection of  $x$   
in plane orthogonal to  $u$



Given  $x$ , want to choose  $u$  so  $Hx$  has zeros in certain locations

$$Hx = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = c \cdot e_1 \Rightarrow c = \pm \|x\|_2$$

$$\|Hx\|_2 = |c| = \|x\|_2$$

$$Hx = (\mathbf{I} - 2uu^T)x = x - 2u(u^T x) = c \cdot e_1$$

$$u = \frac{x - ce_1}{2u^T x}$$

denominator scalar, choose it so  $\|u\|_2 = 1$ :

$$y = x - ce_1 = x \mp \|x\|_2 e_1$$

$$u = \frac{y}{\|y\|_2} = \text{House}(x)$$

How to pick sign: choose sign to avoid cancellation, which could cause numerical instability:

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + \text{sign}(x_1) \cdot \|x\|_2 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c|c} I_3 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & H^{2 \times 2} \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} I_2 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & H^{3 \times 3} \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & H^{4 \times 4} \end{array} \right] H^{5 \times 5} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} x & x & x & x \\ \otimes & x & x & x \\ \otimes & \otimes & x & x \\ \otimes & \otimes & \otimes & x \\ \otimes & \otimes & \otimes & \otimes \end{array} \right] = R$$

product of orthogonal matrices  
so orthogonal!

$$Q^T \cdot A = R$$

for  $i = 1$  to  $\min(m-1, n)$  ... only need to  
do last column if  $m > n$

$$u(i) = \text{House}(A(i:m, i))$$

$$A(i:m, i:n) = (I - 2u(i)u(i)^T) \cdot A(i:m, i:n)$$

$$= A(i:m, i:n) -$$

$$2u(i) \underbrace{(u(i)^T A(i:m, i:n))}_{\text{vector matrix product}}$$

vector matrix  
product

rank 1 update

never form  $H = I - 2u^T$  or multiply them  
to get  $Q$ , represent  $Q$  implicitly by  
 $u$  vectors

Same trick as GE:  $R$  overwrites  $A$ ,  
 $u(i)$  vectors overwrite "zero entries"

below diagonal

$$\text{Cost} = \sum_{i=1}^n 4(m-i+1)(n-i+1) = 2n^2 m - \frac{2}{3}n^3 + \text{lower order terms}$$

$m \gg n$ : dominated by  $2n^2 m$

$m = n$ : cost =  $\frac{4}{3}n^3$ , twice GF

Implicit representation of  $Q$

$$Q_n \dots Q_2 Q_1 A = R$$

$$A = Q_1^T Q_2^T \dots Q_n^T R$$

$$= Q_1 Q_2 \dots Q_n R$$

$$= QR$$

Solve LS problem:  $x = R^{-1} Q^T b$

for  $i = 1$  to  $n$

$$b = Q_i b = (I - 2v(i)v(i)^T) b$$

$$= b + \underbrace{(-2v(i)^T b)}_{\text{dot product}} \cdot v(i)$$

saxpy

$x = R^{-1} b$  by substitution

cost =  $O(m \cdot n)$ , much less than  $QR$

# Optimizing QR

so far: simple BLAS2 + BLAS1 version  
use same optimizations as for LU + Cholesky:

$$\text{Goal: } \# \text{ words moved} = \Omega \left( \frac{\# \text{ flops}}{\sqrt{\text{cache size}}} \right)$$

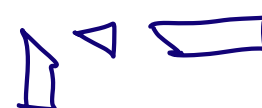
- ① do QR on left part of matrix  
(could be block of  $b$  columns,  
or left half, if recursive)
- ② update right part using  $Q$  from  
left part
- ③ do QR on right part

Need to do ② using matmul

Need to multiply  $Q = Q_b Q_{b-1} \dots Q_1$   
using a few matmuls

Thm (see Q3.17 for details)

if  $Q_i = I - 2u_i u_i^T$ , then

$$Q_b \dots Q_1 = Q = I - \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} n \times b & b \times b & b \times n \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} n \times n \end{matrix} & Y & T & Y^T \end{matrix}$$


$$Y = [u_1, \dots, u_b]$$

$T$  can be computed from  $u_i$



One more case to optimize

"Tall Skinny QR" TSQR  $m \gg n$   
 $n^2 \leq \text{cache size} = M$

$$\text{lower bound} = O\left(\frac{\# \text{ flops}}{\sqrt{M}}\right) = O\left(\frac{mn^2}{\sqrt{M}}\right) \\ \leq O\left(\frac{mn^2}{n}\right) = O(m \cdot n) = O(\text{size of input})$$

can't do better than  $mn$ , need to read whole input

New goal: read data once, get QR

Ex: suppose we can fit  $\frac{1}{3}$  of  $A$  into cache

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \\ A_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} n \\ m/3 \\ m/3 \\ m/3 \end{matrix}$$

... read  $A_1$  into cache, do QR

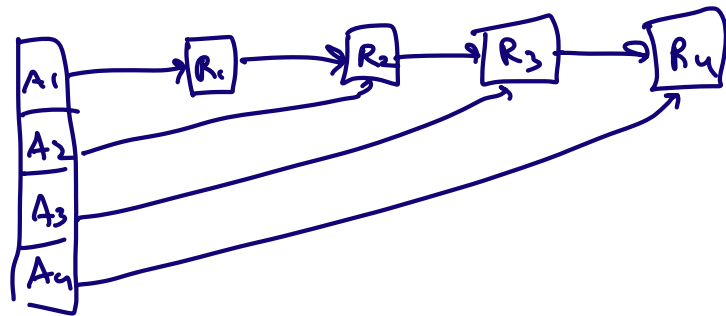
$$= \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 R_1 \\ A_2 \\ A_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & & \\ & I & \\ & & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ A_2 \\ A_3 \end{bmatrix} = \hat{Q}_1 \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ A_2 \\ A_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

... read  $A_2$  into cache, do QR on  $\begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ A_2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \hat{Q}_1 \begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ A_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ A_3 \end{bmatrix} = \hat{Q}_1 \begin{bmatrix} Q_2 R_2 \\ A_3 \end{bmatrix} = \hat{Q}_1 \begin{bmatrix} Q_2 & \\ & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_2 \\ A_3 \end{bmatrix} \\ = \hat{Q}_1 \hat{Q}_2 \begin{bmatrix} R_2 \\ A_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

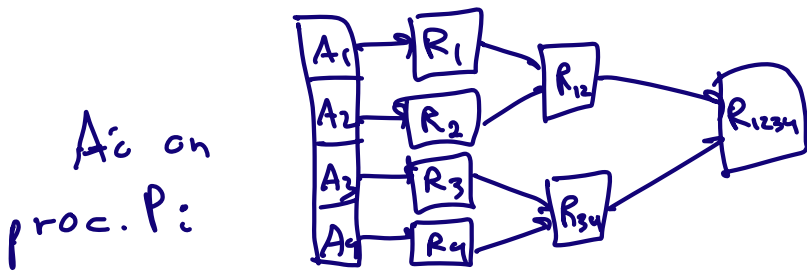
... read  $A_3$  into cache, do QR on  $\begin{bmatrix} R_2 \\ A_3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \hat{Q}_1 \hat{Q}_2 \hat{Q}_3 R_3$$



sequential QR

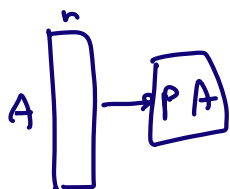
Same idea for parallel TSQR



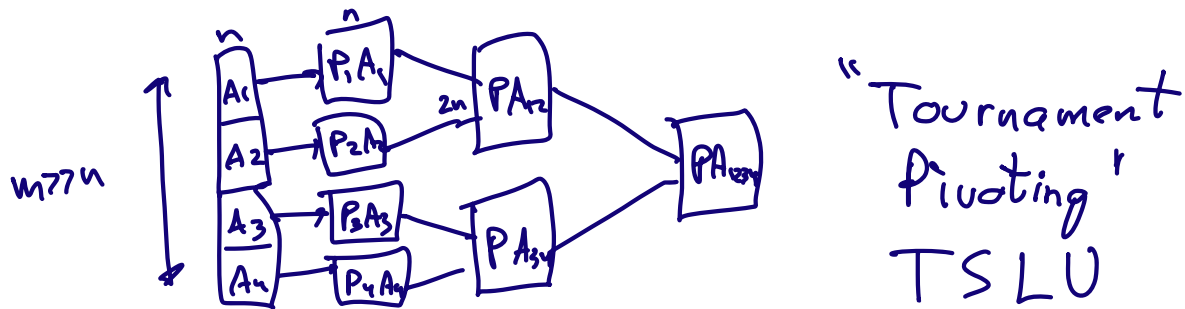
"map reduce"  
in cloud

Same idea for partial pivoting  
on a Tall Skinny matrix (TSLU)  
one communication for many columns  
versus finding max in column by column

Basis operation



select subset of rows of  $A$   
by usual partial pivoting  
"most linearly independent rows  
of subset of  $A$  it owns"

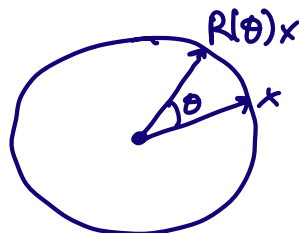


Given rotations:

simple orthogonal transform

$$R(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$R(\theta)x$



$R(i, j, \theta)x$  applies rotation to  $x_i$  and  $x_j$

$$\begin{matrix} i & & & & \\ & \dots & & & \\ & & \cos \theta & & -\sin \theta \\ & & & \dots & \\ & & \sin \theta & & \cos \theta \\ & & & & \dots & \\ j & & & & & \dots & \end{matrix}$$

How to pick  $\theta$  to zero out  $x_j$

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

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

Can use Givens to do QR, no advantage over Householder in dense, maybe less fill-in in sparse case

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## Stability of Applying Orthogonal Matrices

Summary: Any algorithm that only multiplies by orthogonal matrices is backward stable

proof sketch: use basic rule  $fl(a \text{ op } b) = (a \text{ op } b)(1 + \delta)$   
 $|\delta| \leq \epsilon$

to show that applying one Householder or one Givens rotation gets small error

$$fl(Q' \cdot A) = Q' \cdot A + E, \quad \|E\| = O(\epsilon) \|A\|$$

$Q'$  "nearly orthogonal" ( $\|u\|_2$  close to 1)

$$\Rightarrow Q' = Q + F, \quad \|F\| = O(\epsilon), \quad Q^T Q = I$$

$$\begin{aligned} fl(Q' \cdot A) &= Q' \cdot A + E \\ &= (Q + F) \cdot A + E \\ &= Q \cdot A + F \cdot A + E \\ &= QA + G \end{aligned}$$

= exact orthog transform of  $A$   
+ error  $G$

$$\|G\| = \|FA + E\| \leq \|FA\| + \|E\|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \|F\| \cdot \|A\| + \|E\| \\
&= O(\epsilon) \cdot \|A\| + O(\epsilon) \|A\| \\
&= O(\epsilon) \cdot \|A\|
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
fl(Q'A) &= QA + G \\
&= Q(A + Q^T G) \\
&= Q(A + G') \\
\|G'\| &= \|Q^T G\| = \|G\|
\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  multiplication by  $Q'$  backward stable  
 What if we multiply by many  $Q'$ s?