

# Numerical Methods of Linear Algebra for Sparse Matrices

## Lecture 3

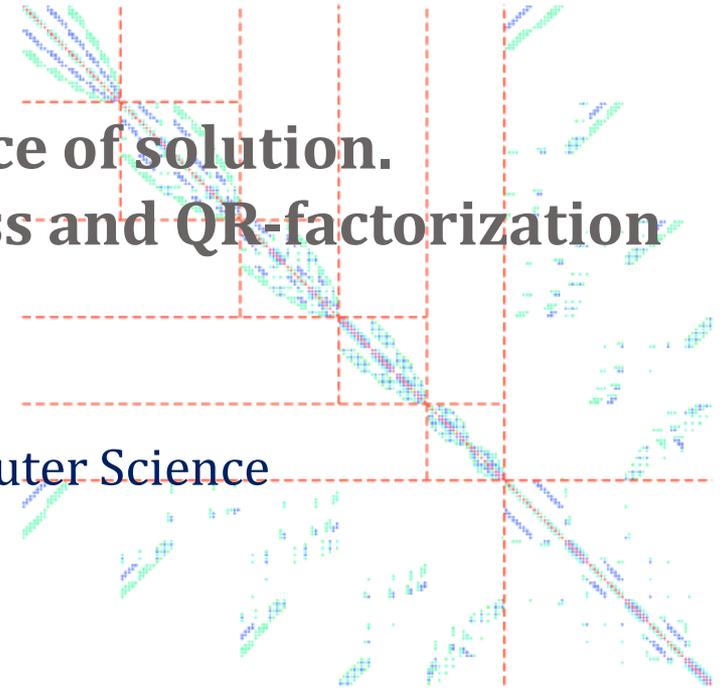
Subspace, range and kernel. Existence of solution.  
Orthogonality, Gram-Schmidt process and QR-factorization

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# Outline

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- Subspace, range and kernel.
- Existence of solution.
- Orthogonality of vectors and subspaces.
- Gram-Schmidt process
- QR-factorization

# Subspace and linear independence

- Subspace  $S \subset \mathbb{C}^n$

$S$  is called the subspace of the complex linear vector space  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , if  $S$  is the subset of  $\mathbb{C}^n$  and also a vector space

- Linear combination of vectors

$z = \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_k v_k$ , where  $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\{v_i\}_{i=1}^k \in \mathbb{C}^n$

Consider a vector set  $G = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\} \subset \mathbb{C}^n$

- Linear span of the vector set  $G$  is the set all linear combinations:

$$\text{span}(G) = \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C}^n \mid z = \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i v_i \right\} \text{ where } \alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}, \{v_i\}_{i=1}^k \in \mathbb{C}^n$$

- Linear independent vector set  $G = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\} \subset \mathbb{C}^n$

$$\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_k v_k = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \dots = \alpha_k = 0$$

- Linear dependent vector set  $\Rightarrow$  otherwise

# Basis and dimension of a subspace

- **Basis of a subspace** is the vector set of linear independent vectors that spans this subspace (every vector of the subspace can be uniquely represented as a linear combination of the basis vectors)

The vector set  $G$  is the basis of  $\text{span}(G)$ , if  $G$  is linear independent

- **Dimension of a subspace**  $S$  is the number of vectors in its basis

If  $S \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  and  $G = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$  is the basis in  $S$ , then  $\dim(S) = k$

For the whole space  $\mathbb{C}^n$   $\dim(\mathbb{C}^n) = n$

Important: we can define different bases in  $S$ , but every basis of  $S$  will have **the same** number of vectors

# Sum and direct sum of subspaces

- **Sum of two subspaces**

$S = S_1 + S_2$  is the sum of  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ , if

$$\forall v \in S \ v = v_1 + v_2, \ v_1 \in S_1, \ v_2 \in S_2$$

- **Direct sum of two subspaces**

$S = S_1 \oplus S_2$  is the direct sum of  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ , if

1)  $\forall v \in S \ v = v_1 + v_2, \ v_1 \in S_1, \ v_2 \in S_2$

2) Intersection  $S_1 \cap S_2 = \{0\}$ , otherwise the sum is not direct

If  $S = \mathbb{C}^n \Rightarrow \exists! v_1 \in S_1, v_2 \in S_2 : v = v_1 + v_2$

$\exists$  stands for "exists",  $\exists!$  stands for "exists unique"

# Range and kernel of matrix

- **Range of a matrix**  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$

$$\text{Ran}(A) = \{Ax \mid x \in \mathbb{C}^m\}, \text{Ran}(A) \subset \mathbb{C}^n$$

Range is the linear span of matrix columns:

$$\text{Ran}(A) = \text{span}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m), \text{ where } A = \begin{pmatrix} | & | & & | \\ a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_m \\ | & | & & | \end{pmatrix}$$

$\dim(\text{Ran}(A))$  is the number of linear independent columns

- **Kernel (null space) of a matrix**  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$

$$\text{Null}(A) = \{x \in \mathbb{C}^m \mid Ax = 0\}, \text{Null}(A) \subset \mathbb{C}^m$$

## Properties

- 1)  $\mathbb{C}^n = \text{Ran}(A) \oplus \text{Null}(A^T)$
- 2)  $\mathbb{C}^m = \text{Ran}(A^T) \oplus \text{Null}(A)$

# Rank and invariant subspace of matrix

- **Rank of a matrix**  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$  is the number of linear independent columns:  $rank(A) = \dim(Ran(A))$

Column rank is equal to row rank (the number of linear independent rows)

- Matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$  is the **matrix of full rank**, if  $rank(A) = \min\{m, n\}$

## Rank - nullity theorem

For a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$   $\dim(Ran(A)) + \dim(Null(A)) = m$

- **Invariant subspace of a matrix**  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$

If  $AS \subset S$ , then  $S$  is called invariant subspace of  $A$

**Property.**  $Null(A - \lambda I)$  is invariant subspace of  $A$  for any eigenvalue  $\lambda$

- **Eigenspace of a matrix**  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$

$Null(A - \lambda I)$  is called eigensubspace of  $A$

# Existence of solution for a linear system

Consider a linear system  $Ax = b$  for a square matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$

$b \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is the right-hand side vector

$x \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is the vector of unknowns

$r = b - Ax$  is called **residual vector**

Usually we need residual norm  $\|r\|_2$  for estimation.

$x$  is **exact solution**  $\Leftrightarrow r = 0$ ,  $x$  is **approximate solution**  $\Leftrightarrow r \approx 0$

- The system is called **consistent**, if it has a least one solution.
- The system is called **inconsistent**, if it has no solutions.

There are three cases of the solution existence:

- 1) unique solution
- 2) many solutions
- 3) no solutions

# Existence of solution: unique solution

## 1) unique solution

when  $A$  is nonsingular ( $\exists A^{-1}$ ,  $\det(A) \neq 0$ )

$\exists!$   $x = A^{-1}b$  is the solution

**Example of consistent system with unique solution.**

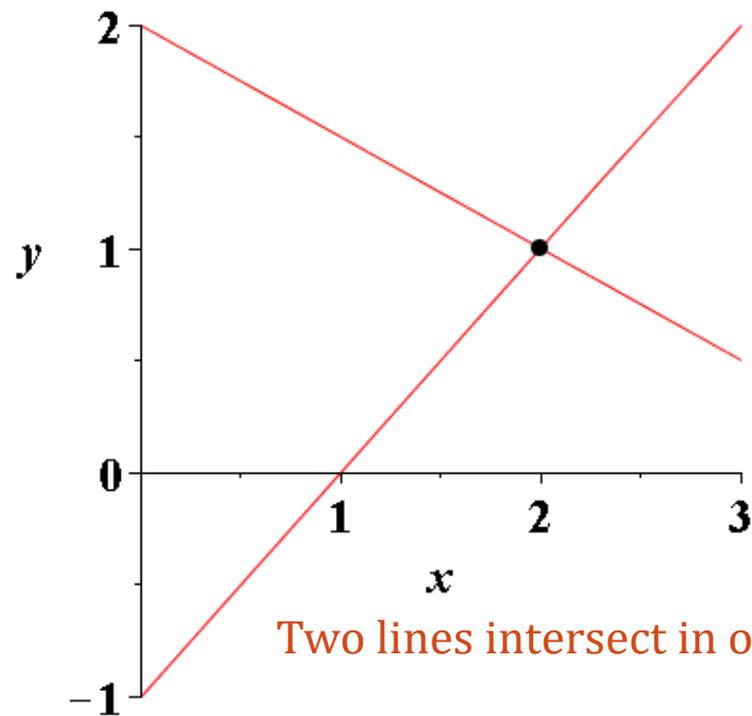
$$\begin{cases} x - y = 1 \\ x + 2y = 4 \end{cases}$$

$x = 2$ ;  $y = 1$  is the solution

Matrix form:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ is the solution}$$



# Existence of solution: many solutions

## 2) infinitely many solutions

when  $A$  is singular ( $\det(A) = 0$ ) and  $b \in \text{Ran}(A) = \{Au \mid u \in \mathbb{C}^n\}$

$\exists x_0 : Ax_0 = b \Rightarrow x_0 + v$  is also the solution for  $\forall v \in \text{Null}(A) = \{u \in \mathbb{C}^n \mid Au = 0\}$

$\dim(\text{Null}(A)) \geq 1$

**Example of consistent system with many solutions.**

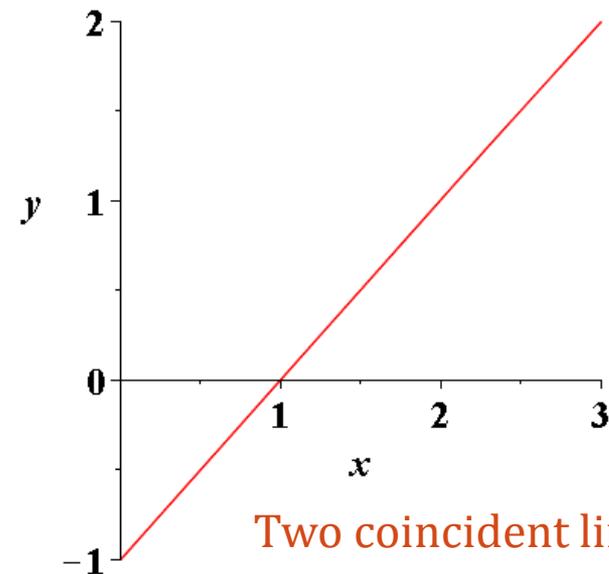
$$\begin{cases} x - y = 1 \\ -2x + 2y = -2 \end{cases}$$

$y = x - 1$  is the solution

Matrix form:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ x - 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ is the solution}$$



# Existence of solution: no solutions

## 3) no solutions (inconsistent system)

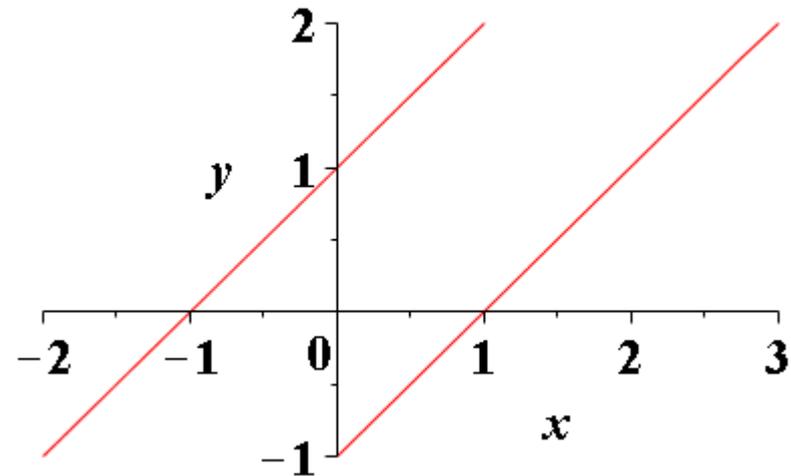
when  $A$  is singular ( $\det(A) = 0$ ) and  $b \notin \text{Ran}(A) = \{Au \mid u \in \mathbb{C}^n\}$

### Example of inconsistent system (no solutions).

$$\begin{cases} x - y = 1 \\ x - y = -1 \end{cases}$$

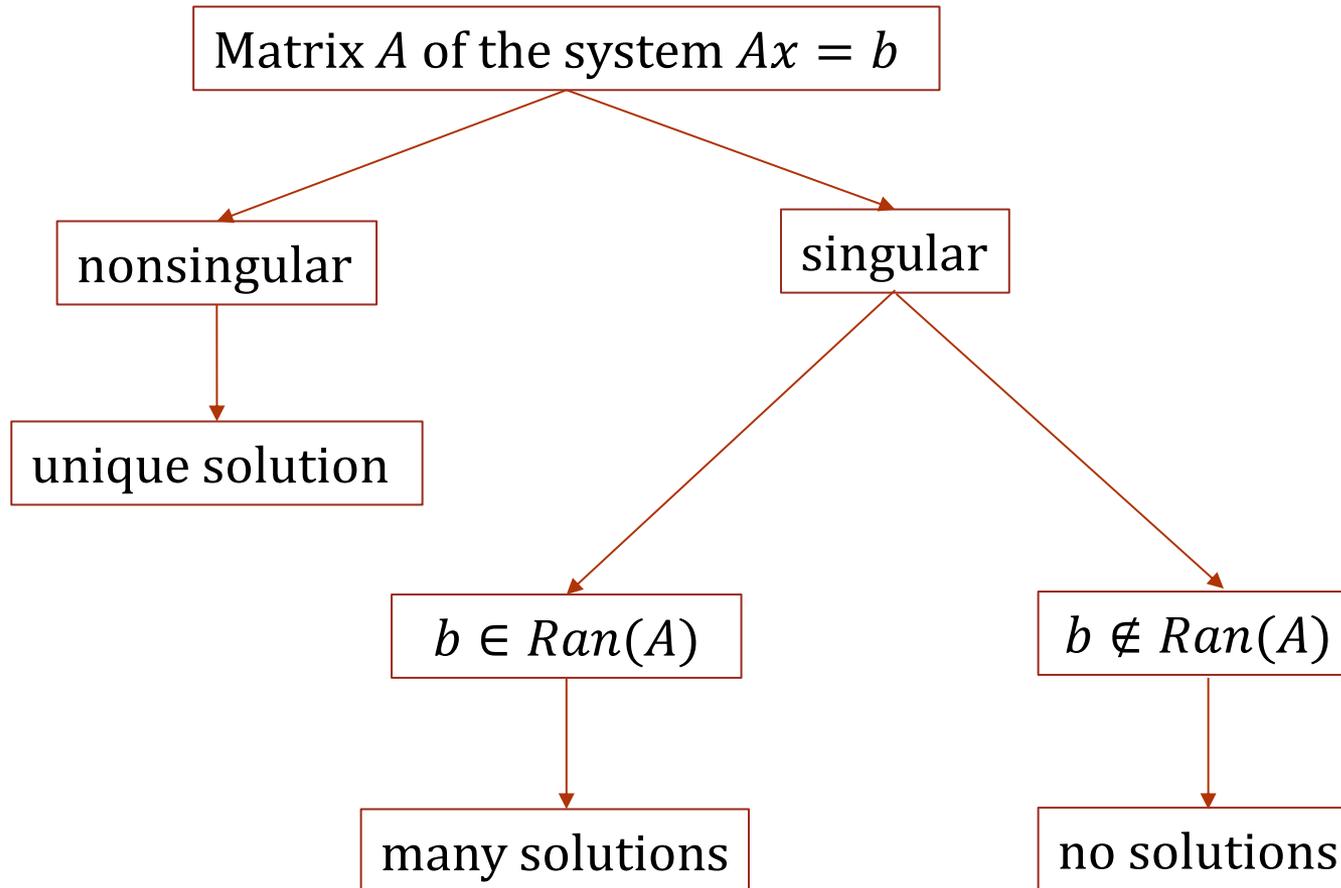
Matrix form:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Two parallel lines

# Existence of solution: summary



# Existence of solution for a system with rectangular matrix

Consider a linear system  $Ax = b$  for *rectangular* matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$

$b \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is the right-hand side vector

$x \in \mathbb{C}^m$  is the vector of unknowns

$n$  rows  $\Rightarrow n$  equations

$m$  columns  $\Rightarrow m$  unknowns

- The system is called **overdefined**, if  $n > m$ .
- The system is called **underdefined**, if  $n < m$ .

For the case  $n > m$  we can find solutions of a least square problem:

find  $x \in \mathbb{C}^m$  :  $\|r\|_2 = \|b - Ax\|_2 \rightarrow \min$  (minimize the residual norm)

# Orthogonality of vectors and subspaces

- orthogonal vectors

The set of vectors  $G = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\} \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  is called *orthogonal*, if  $(v_i, v_j) = 0 \quad \forall i \neq j$ .

Notation:  $v_i \perp v_j$

- orthonormal vectors

$$(v_i, v_j) = \begin{cases} 0, & i \neq j \\ 1, & i = j \end{cases}$$

$\|v_i\|_2 = 1$  (the Euclidean norm of every vector equals one)  $\|v_i\|_2 = \sqrt{(v_i, v_i)}$

- orthogonality of vector to a subspace  $x \perp S$

$$\forall s \in S \quad x \perp s \Leftrightarrow (x, s) = 0$$

- orthogonal complement

$$S^\perp = \{x \mid x \perp s \quad \forall s \in S\}$$

**Property.**  $\mathbb{C}^n = S \oplus S^\perp$

- orthogonal projector

is the mapping  $S \rightarrow S^\perp$

- normalization of a vector

$$\frac{v}{\|v\|_2} = q, \quad \text{where } \|q\|_2 = 1$$

# Gram-Schmidt process

This is a process of **orthonormalization** for a set of vectors.

Consider a set of vectors  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k\} \in \mathbb{C}^n$

The goal is to build an *orthonormal* set of vectors

$$\{q_1, q_2, \dots, q_k\} \in \mathbb{C}^n, \text{ where } (q_i, q_j) = \begin{cases} 0, & i \neq j \\ 1, & i = j \end{cases}$$

If  $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^k$  contains *linear dependent* vectors, then the resulting orthonormal set will have less number of vectors:  $\{q_i\}_{i=1}^p, p < k$

Get the formulas to compute  $q_i$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = r_{11}q_1 \\ x_2 = r_{12}q_1 + r_{22}q_2 \\ \dots \\ x_k = r_{1k}q_1 + r_{2k}q_2 + \dots + r_{kk}q_k \end{cases}$$

# Gram-Schmidt process

Form matrices that contain the columns of initial and resulting vectors

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} | & | & & | \\ x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_k \\ | & | & & | \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} | & | & & | \\ q_1 & q_2 & \dots & q_k \\ | & | & & | \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & \dots & r_{1k} \\ 0 & r_{22} & & r_{2k} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & r_{kk} \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $R \in \mathbb{C}^{k \times k}$ ,  $R$  is upper triangular

The entries of  $R$  are computed as  $r_{ij} = (x_j, q_i)$

1) Take  $x_1 \Rightarrow q_1 = \frac{x_1}{\|x_1\|_2}$

2) Take  $x_2 \Rightarrow x_2 := x_2 - (x_2, q_1)q_1;$

$$q_2 = \frac{x_2}{\|x_2\|_2}$$

i) Take  $x_i := x_i - (x_i, q_{i-1})q_{i-1} =$

$$= x_i - r_{i-1,i}q_{i-1}; \quad q_i = \frac{x_i}{\|x_i\|_2}$$

This process gives  $X = QR$

# Classic Gram-Schmidt algorithm

1)  $r_{11} := \|x_1\|_2$ . If  $r_{11} = 0 \Rightarrow$  stop, else  $q_1 := \frac{x_1}{r_{11}}$

2) Loop for  $j$  from 2 to  $k$ .

2.1)  $r_{ij} := (x_j, q_i)$ ,  $i = \overline{1, j-1}$

2.2)  $q := x_j - \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} r_{ij} q_i$

$q$  is auxiliary vector orthogonal to all previous vectors

2.3)  $r_{jj} := \|q\|_2$ . If  $r_{jj} = 0 \Rightarrow$  stop, else

2.4)  $q_j := \frac{q}{r_{jj}}$

Note that in this algorithm all diagonal entries  $r_{jj}$  of  $R$  are computed as norms. Therefore  $r_{jj} \geq 0$

# Modified Gram-Schmidt algorithm

For actual programming use modified G-S algorithm

- In modified G-S the sum at step 2.2 is computed in iterative process
- Modified G-S is more stable than classic G-S when initial set of vectors is almost linear dependent

1)  $r_{11} := \|x_1\|_2$ . If  $r_{11} = 0 \Rightarrow$  stop, else  $q_1 := \frac{x_1}{r_{11}}$

2) Loop for  $j$  from 2 to  $k$ .

2.1)  $q := x_j$

2.2) Loop for  $i$  from 1 to  $j-1$   $r_{ij} := (q, q_i)$ ,  $q := q - r_{ij}q_i$

2.3)  $r_{jj} := \|q\|_2$ . If  $r_{jj} = 0 \Rightarrow$  stop, else

2.4)  $q_j := \frac{q}{r_{jj}}$

# QR-factorization

- **Factorization** of a matrix is its representation as a product of several matrices, usually two or three

- **QR-factorization** of a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$ ,  $n \geq m$

$A = QR$ , where  $Q$  is unitary and  $R$  is upper triangular

The sizes of these two matrices can be different

- **Thin (reduced) QR-factorization** is

$A = QR$ , where  $Q \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$  and  $R \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$

- **Full QR-factorization** is

$A = QR$ , where  $Q \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  and  $R \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$

- G-S process applied to the columns of  $A$  gives a thin QR-factorization

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} | & | & \dots & | \\ a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_m \\ | & | & \dots & | \end{pmatrix}, a_j \in \mathbb{C}^n, j = \overline{1, m}$$