

1. FINDING  $\mathbf{Q}_j$  SUCH THAT  $\|\mathbf{Q}_j\mathbf{Q}_j^*\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}\| < \epsilon$  IS GUARANTEED

A shortcoming of the last algorithm discussed in the previous lecture is that the resulting matrix  $\mathbf{Q}$  is not *guaranteed* to satisfy  $\|\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^*\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}\| < \epsilon$ ; it merely achieves this requirement with a high degree of probability. In the case that we require certainty in our result, another approach is required. One such approach is given by the following algorithm:

• **Algorithm 1**

- Given inputs  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ , set  $\mathbf{A}_0 = \mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}_0 = [ \ ]$ ,  $\mathbf{Q}_0 = [ \ ]$ .
- for  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ 
  - \* Choose an i.i.d.  $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , set  $\mathbf{q}_j = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{w}/\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{w}\|$ .
  - \* Set  $\mathbf{b}_j = \mathbf{q}_j^*\mathbf{A}_{j-1}$ .
  - \* Set  $\mathbf{Q}_j = [\mathbf{Q}_{j-1} \ \mathbf{q}_j]$ .
  - \* Set  $\mathbf{B}_j = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_{j-1} \\ \mathbf{b}_j \end{bmatrix}$ .
  - \* Set  $\mathbf{A}_j = \mathbf{A}_{j-1} - \mathbf{q}_j\mathbf{b}_j = \mathbf{A}_{j-1} - \mathbf{q}_j\mathbf{q}_j^*\mathbf{A}_{j-1}$ .
  - \* If  $\|\mathbf{A}_j\| < \epsilon$ , exit.

We will next show that the algorithm “works,” that is, we will show that  $\mathbf{A}_j = \mathbf{Q}_j\mathbf{Q}_j^*\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}$ , so when we terminate the routine (i.e. when  $\|\mathbf{A}_j\| < \epsilon$ ), we also have  $\|\mathbf{Q}_j\mathbf{Q}_j^*\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}\| < \epsilon$ . We will do this by induction.

**Iteration 1.** Here we have  $\mathbf{Q}_1 = [\mathbf{q}_1]$  and  $\mathbf{A}_0 = \mathbf{A}$ , so

$$\mathbf{A}_1 = \mathbf{A}_0 - \mathbf{q}_1\mathbf{q}_1^*\mathbf{A}_0 = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Q}_1\mathbf{Q}_1^*)\mathbf{A}.$$

**Iteration  $j$ /Induction Step.** Assume we have  $\mathbf{A}_j = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Q}_j\mathbf{Q}_j^*)\mathbf{A}$ .

$$\mathbf{A}_{j+1} = \mathbf{A}_j - \mathbf{q}_{j+1}\mathbf{q}_{j+1}^*\mathbf{A}_j = (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{Q}_j\mathbf{Q}_j^*\mathbf{A}) - \mathbf{q}_{j+1}\mathbf{q}_{j+1}^*(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{Q}_j\mathbf{Q}_j^*\mathbf{A}).$$

Now since  $\mathbf{q}_{j+1}$  is orthogonal to the columns of  $\mathbf{Q}_j$ ,  $\mathbf{q}_{j+1}^*\mathbf{Q}_j = \mathbf{0}$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{Q}_j\mathbf{Q}_j^*\mathbf{A}) - \mathbf{q}_{j+1}\mathbf{q}_{j+1}^*(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{Q}_j\mathbf{Q}_j^*\mathbf{A}) &= \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{Q}_j\mathbf{Q}_j^*\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{q}_{j+1}\mathbf{q}_{j+1}^*\mathbf{A} \\ &= (\mathbf{I} - (\mathbf{Q}_j\mathbf{Q}_j^* + \mathbf{q}_{j+1}\mathbf{q}_{j+1}^*))\mathbf{A}. \end{aligned}$$

Then since

$$\mathbf{Q}_{j+1}\mathbf{Q}_{j+1}^* = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}_j \\ \mathbf{q}_{j+1} \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{Q}_j^* \ \mathbf{q}_{j+1}^*] = \mathbf{Q}_j\mathbf{Q}_j^* + \mathbf{q}_{j+1}\mathbf{q}_{j+1}^*,$$

we have that

$$(1) \quad \mathbf{A}_{j+1} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Q}_{j+1}\mathbf{Q}_{j+1}^*)\mathbf{A}.$$

## 2. BLOCKING ALGORITHM 1

One disadvantage of Algorithm 1 is that the matrix  $\mathbf{Q}$  is updated one vector at a time, so the algorithm relies mostly on matrix-vector products rather than the more efficient matrix-matrix products. The following modification of Algorithm 1 remedies this problem.

• **Algorithm 2**

- Set  $\mathbf{A}_0 = \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}_0 = [ \ ], \mathbf{Q}_0 = [ \ ]$ .
- for  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ 
  - \* Set  $\hat{\mathbf{Q}}_j = \text{qr}(\mathbf{A}_{j-1}\mathbf{\Omega}_{j-1}, 0)$ , where  $\mathbf{\Omega} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times b}$  matrix whose entries are i.i.d. Gaussian random variables, where  $b$  is some block size.
  - \* Set  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}_j = \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_j^* \mathbf{A}_{j-1}$ .
  - \* Set  $\mathbf{A}_j = \mathbf{A}_{j-1} - \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_j \hat{\mathbf{B}}_j$ .
  - \* Set  $\mathbf{B}_j = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_{j-1}^* & \hat{\mathbf{B}}_j^* \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{Q}_j = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}_{j-1} & \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_j \end{bmatrix}$ .
  - \* If  $\|\mathbf{A}_j\| < \epsilon$ , exit.

We would again like to show that the algorithm gives the expected result, which means we must show that  $\mathbf{A}_j = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Q}_j \mathbf{Q}_j^*) \mathbf{A}$ .

We will first demonstrate that  $\hat{\mathbf{Q}}_j^* \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_k = \mathbf{0}$  for  $k = 1, \dots, j - 1$ . The desired result will then follow. We have that  $\text{Ran}(\hat{\mathbf{Q}}_j) = \text{Ran}(\mathbf{A}_{j-1} \mathbf{\Omega}) \subseteq \text{Ran}(\mathbf{A}_{j-1}) = \text{Ran}((\mathbf{I} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_k \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_k^*) \mathbf{A}) \subseteq \text{Ran}(\mathbf{I} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_k \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_k^*) = \text{Ran}(\sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_k \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_k^*)^\perp$ . Thus  $\hat{\mathbf{Q}}_j^* \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_k = \mathbf{0}$  for  $k = 1, \dots, j - 1$ .

Now we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{A}_j &= (\mathbf{I} - \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_j \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_j^*) \mathbf{A}_{j-1} \\
 &= (\mathbf{I} - \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_j \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_j^*) (\mathbf{I} - \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{j-1} \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{j-1}^*) \mathbf{A}_{j-2} \\
 &= \dots = (\mathbf{I} - \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_j \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_j^* - \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{j-1} \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{j-1}^* - \dots - \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_1 \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_1^*) \mathbf{A} \\
 &= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Q}_j \mathbf{Q}_j^*) \mathbf{A}.
 \end{aligned}$$