

## COMPARISON OF MATRIX DECOMPOSITION ALGORITHMS

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### ABSTRACT

*Due to the rapid advancement in the field of Mathematics and Computation in the last two decades various techniques have surfaced solving some of the most astounding problems in Mathematics leading to fruitful results such as decrease in computation time. One such difficult problem that has had an enormous impact in the field of Mathematics and Computation is "The problem of factorizing the Matrices" so as to decrease the Computation time in some of the most elegant algorithms used in Computer Science and the branch of Operating Systems. Some of the techniques such as The Gaussian Elimination, The LUP Decompositions, The Singular Value Decompositions (SVD), The QR factorizations, Graham-Schmidt Decompositions and many others some of these techniques and their comparisons in various applications will be discussed in this paper and will unearth some of the various elegant laws of Matrix Algebra and Numerical Analysis.*

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### I. INTRODUCTION

Matrix Decompositions are a very fundamental concept in linear algebra they are used for factorization of square or rectangular matrices. Besides factoring the matrix in different ways these decomposition schemes have their advantages and disadvantages our main interest here is to discuss a single but one fundamental kernel in dense linear algebra:- Matrix Decompositions. We consider performance effects of different decomposition algorithms applied to non-singular matrices (determinant not equal to 0) and show which outperforms which one.

### II. MATRIX DECOMPOSITION ALGORITHMS

#### A. GAUSSIAN ELIMINATION

Gaussian elimination is one of the most efficient methods to perform the matrix decompositions or factorizations. In this method of factorization of a matrix the matrix is expressed as an upper triangular matrix which is obtained through the methods of forward substitution and back substitution and converted into an upper triangular matrix as it is easier to solve than the original matrix this is called as the technique of triangular triangulization this technique takes effectively  $2n^3/3$  operations for an  $n \times n$  matrix.

#### B. QR DECOMPOSITION

In matrix decompositions a Q-R decomposition of a matrix is a decomposition of the matrix into an orthogonal ( $AAT=I$ ) and an upper triangular matrix it is the basis for all the eigenvalue algorithms. The Q-R decompositions are obtained using 3 methods Graham- Schmidt triangulizations, Householder triangulizations and Givens rotations in this paper we will only discuss the first two only.

### C. SINGULAR VALUE DECOMPOSITION (SVD)

This is also one of the matrix decomposition schemes. This is also applicable for complex rectangular matrices of the dimensions  $m \times n$ . further details are in the subsequent sections below along with comparisons.

## III. MATRIX DECOMPOSITION COMPARISON

### A. GAUSSIAN ELIMINATION

A matrix  $A=LU$  (where  $L$  is a unit lower triangular matrix and  $U$  is an upper triangular matrix) it is done by using the technique of triangular triangulizations which is done to reduce the matrix  $A$  into triangular systems which are easier to solve. The complexity of performing the LU decomposition of a matrix  $A$  which is  $n \times n$  is  $2n^3/3$  operations that is  $O(n^3)$ . But gaussian elimination is not an efficient method for performing the LU decompositions because in Gaussian elimination without pivoting it sometimes the upper leftmost entry of the schur complement is sometimes 0 which is not possible for which we introduce the technique of pivoting. But it is the most efficient algorithm for positive –definite matrices. But if the matrix is sparse then the running time is  $2n^3$  effectively  $O(n^3)$ . For tridiagonal sets, the procedures of LU decomposition, forward- and back substitution each take only  $O(N)$  operations, and the whole solution can be encoded very concisely.

### B. QR DECOMPOSITION

A matrix  $A=QR$  in linear algebra a QR decomposition or factorization of a matrix  $A$  is the decomposition of a matrix  $A$  into an orthogonal and right triangular matrix. The Q-R decompositions are generally used to solve the linear least squares problems. If the matrix  $A$  is non- singular then the Q-R factorization of  $A$  is a unique one if we want that the diagonal elements of  $R$  are positive. More generally we can factor a  $m \times n$  rectangular matrix into an  $m \times m$  unitary matrix and an  $m \times n$  upper triangular matrix. There are 2 standard methods to evaluate Q-R factorization of  $A$  such as Graham-Schmidt triangulations and Householder triangulations but Householder triangulations are much more efficient than Graham-Schmidt triangulations because of the following statistics involved. The number of operations at the  $k$ th step are multiplications= $2(n-k+1)^2$ , additions= $(n-k+1)^2 + (n-k+1)(n-k)+2$ , division=1 and square root=1. Summing all these operations over  $(n-1)$  steps we get the complexity as  $O(n^3)$  but this involves much less computation time than the other triangulization methods.

### C. SINGULAR VALUE DECOMPOSITION (SVD)

In linear algebra the single value decomposition is an important factorization technique of a rectangular  $m \times n$  matrix or a complex matrix it has many applications in the field of statistics and signal processing applications concerning SVD are pseudo inverse, least squares fitting, Matrix approximation. Suppose  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix whose entries come from a field  $K$  which may be a

field of real numbers or complex numbers. Then there exists a factorization as  $A=U\Sigma V^*$  called the single value decomposition of the matrix A. where U is the  $m \times m$  unitary matrix over the field K, the matrix  $\Sigma$  is the  $m \times n$  diagonal matrix with non negative real numbers on the diagonal and  $V^*$  is the conjugate transpose of V. A non- negative real number  $\sigma$  is a singular value for M if and only if there exist unit-length vectors u in  $K^m$  and v in  $K^n$  such that  $Mv=\sigma u$  and  $M^*u<\sigma v$  where u and v are left singular and right singular vectors for  $\sigma$  respectively. The SVD of a matrix M is computed as two step procedure in the first step the matrix is reduced to a bidiagonal matrix this work takes about  $O(mn^2)$  order time assuming that  $m \geq n$ . The second step is to compute the SVD of a bidiagonal matrix and this is an iterative step and can be computed in  $O(n)$  order time. The first step can be done in  $4mn^2-(4n^3/3)$  time assuming that only singular matrices are needed and not singular vectors otherwise if the matrix is very large then it can first be reduced to a triangular matrix using Q-R decompositions and then use Householder reflections to further reduce the matrix to bi-diagonal form and this can be done in  $2mn^2+2n^3$  time. Geometrically here the image of a unit sphere  $AxS$  has the geometry of an n dimensional hyperellipse. This decomposition scheme also makes use of the unitary matrix.

The graph below shows the comparison of all the three decomposition algorithms:

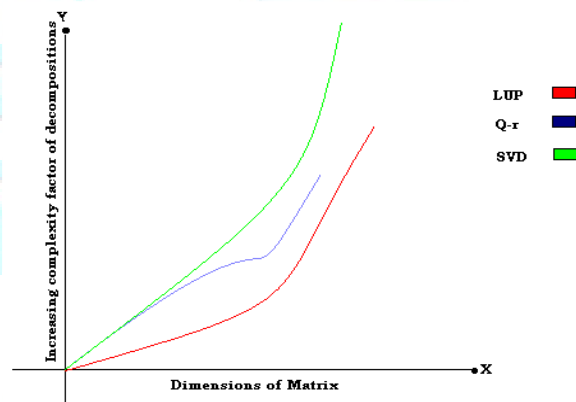


Fig 1: Comparison of all the Matrix Decomposition

#### IV. CONCLUSION

Seeing all the above comparisons we find that the LUP decompositions i.e Gaussian elimination with pivoting is the most efficient method of decomposition having the least computation cost of  $2n^3/3$  floating point operations and hence used widely in many different decomposition problems in statistics and inverse finding. Volker Strassen computed the inverse of a matrix using the LUP decomposition in  $<5.64n \log 7$  time and the square matrix multiplication product in  $<4.7n \log 27$  time using the same decomposition scheme.

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