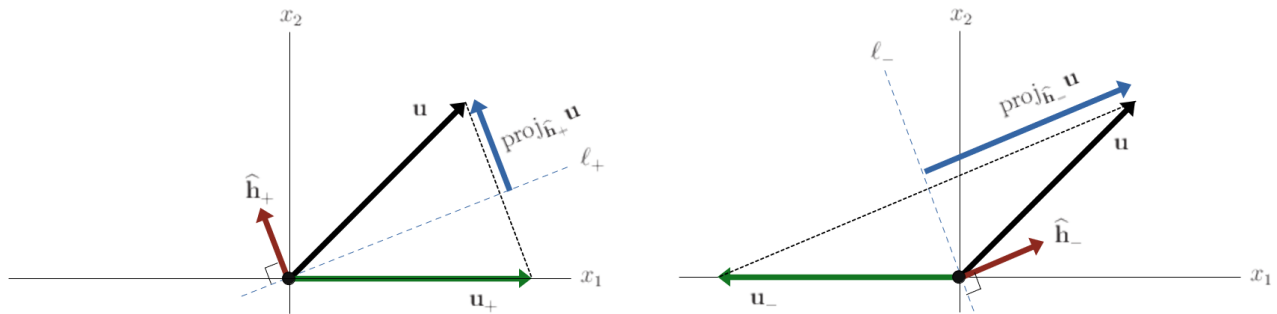
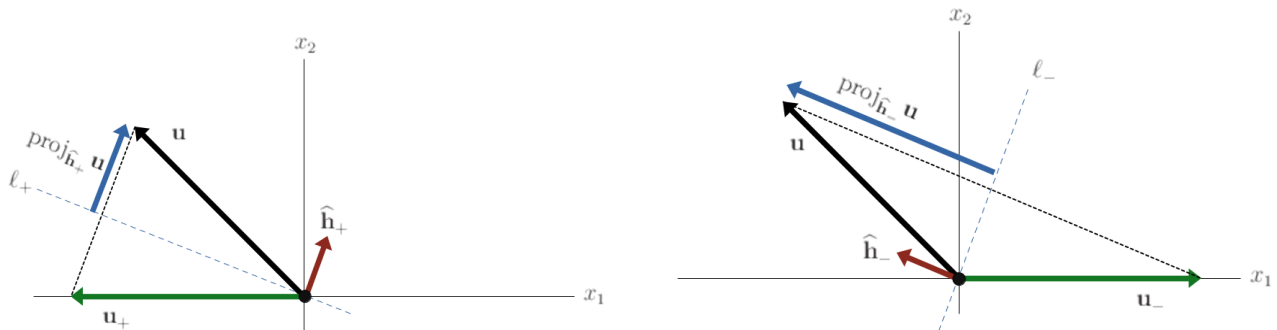


# HOUSEHOLDER REFLECTORS OF VECTORS IN $\mathbb{R}^2$

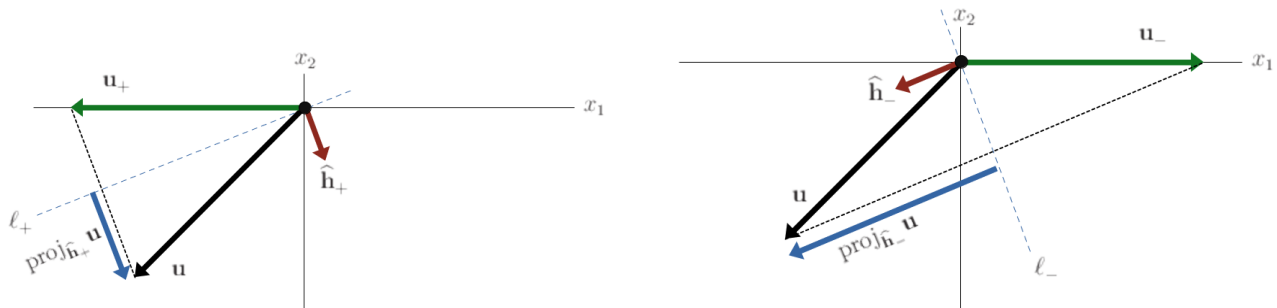
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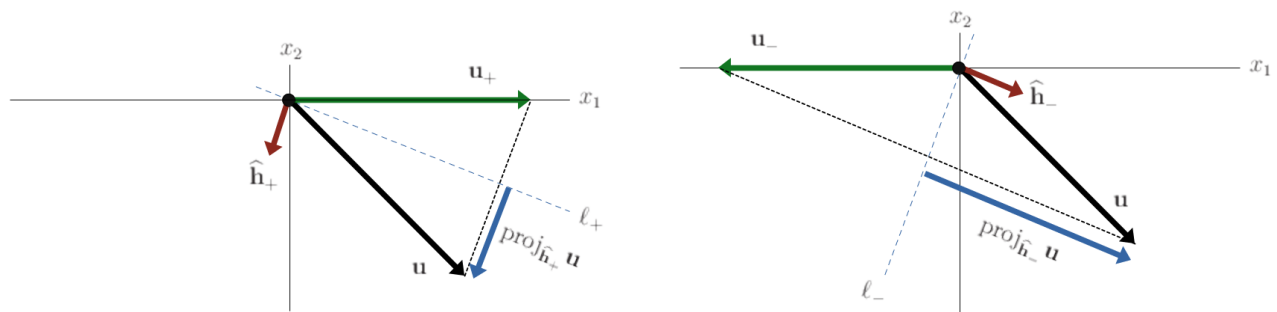
## • HOUSEHOLDER REFLECTORS OF 2D VECTORS IN (QUADRANT II) (VISUALLY):



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## • HOUSEHOLDER REFLECTORS OF 2D VECTORS IN (QUADRANT IV) (VISUALLY):



How to reflect a non-zero vector  $\mathbf{u}$  onto the same / other  $x_1$ -semiaxis, denoted as  $\mathbf{u}_+$  /  $\mathbf{u}_-$ :

1. Observe that  $\mathbf{u}_+ / \mathbf{u}_- = \pm \|\mathbf{u}\|_2 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1$  since reflections do not alter magnitude.
2. Form bisecting ray,  $\ell_+ / \ell_-$ , from origin outward into the same / other  $x_1$ -halfplane.
3. Form & normalize vector  $\mathbf{h}_+ / \mathbf{h}_-$  orthogonal to  $\ell_+ / \ell_-$  and pointing toward same  $x_2$ -halfplane as  $\mathbf{u}$ .
4. Project vector  $\mathbf{u}$  onto unit vector  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_+ / \hat{\mathbf{h}}_-$ .
5. Subtract twice this projection from vector  $\mathbf{u}$ , resulting in  $\mathbf{u}_+ = \mathbf{u} - 2 \cdot \text{proj}_{\hat{\mathbf{h}}_+} \mathbf{u}$  /  $\mathbf{u}_- = \mathbf{u} - 2 \cdot \text{proj}_{\hat{\mathbf{h}}_-} \mathbf{u}$ .

# HOUSEHOLDER REFLECTORS IN $\mathbb{R}^n$

- SIGNUM FUNCTION (DEFINITION):

$$\text{sign}(x) := \begin{cases} +1 & , \text{ if } x > 0 \\ 0 & , \text{ if } x = 0 \\ -1 & , \text{ if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

- UPPER-SIGNUM FUNCTION (DEFINITION):

$$\overline{\text{sign}}(x) := \begin{cases} +1 & , \text{ if } x \geq 0 \\ -1 & , \text{ if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

- LOWER-SIGNUM FUNCTION (DEFINITION):

$$\underline{\text{sign}}(x) := \begin{cases} +1 & , \text{ if } x > 0 \\ -1 & , \text{ if } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

- SAME-SEMIAXIS HOUSEHOLDER REFLECTORS IN  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (PROCEDURE): Let vector  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then:

(1)  $\mathbf{h}_+ = \mathbf{u} - \overline{\text{sign}}(u_1) \cdot \|\mathbf{u}\|_2 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1$

(2)  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_+ = \mathbf{h}_+ / \|\mathbf{h}_+\|_2$

(3)  $\ell_+ = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{h}_+ \cdot \mathbf{x} = 0\}$

(4)  $\bar{P}_+ = \hat{\mathbf{h}}_+ \hat{\mathbf{h}}_+^T$

(5)  $H_+ = I - 2\bar{P}_+$

(6)  $\mathbf{u}_+ = H_+ \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} - 2 \cdot \text{proj}_{\hat{\mathbf{h}}_+} \mathbf{u}$

- OTHER-SEMIAXIS HOUSEHOLDER REFLECTORS IN  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (PROCEDURE): Let vector  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then:

(1)  $\mathbf{h}_- = \mathbf{u} + \overline{\text{sign}}(u_1) \cdot \|\mathbf{u}\|_2 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1$

(2)  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_- = \mathbf{h}_- / \|\mathbf{h}_-\|_2$

(3)  $\ell_- = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{h}_- \cdot \mathbf{x} = 0\}$

(4)  $\bar{P}_- = \hat{\mathbf{h}}_- \hat{\mathbf{h}}_-^T$

(5)  $H_- = I - 2\bar{P}_-$

(6)  $\mathbf{u}_- = H_- \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} - 2 \cdot \text{proj}_{\hat{\mathbf{h}}_-} \mathbf{u}$

- HOUSEHOLDER REFLECTORS (PROPERTIES): Let  $H := \hat{\mathbf{h}}\hat{\mathbf{h}}^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a Householder Reflector matrix.

Then:

(1)  $H$  is symmetric:  $H^T = H$

(2)  $H$  is orthogonal:  $H^{-1} = H^T$

(3)  $H$  is involutory:  $H^2 = I$

(4)  $H\hat{\mathbf{h}} = -\hat{\mathbf{h}}$

(5)  $H\mathbf{h}_\perp = \mathbf{h}_\perp \forall \mathbf{h}_\perp \in \{\hat{\mathbf{h}}\}^\perp$

(6) The eigenvalues of  $H$  are:  $-1; \underbrace{1, 1, \dots, 1}_{n-1}$

(7)  $\det(H) = -1$

# FULL QR FACTORIZATION VIA HOUSEHOLDER REFLECTORS

Suppose  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ . Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}_1 &:= (a_{11}, a_{21})^T \implies \mathbf{h}_1 = \mathbf{a}_1 \pm \overline{\text{sign}}(a_{11}) \cdot \|\mathbf{a}_1\|_2 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \implies \hat{\mathbf{h}}_1 = \mathbf{h}_1 / \|\mathbf{h}_1\|_2 \\ \implies H'_1 &= I - 2\hat{\mathbf{h}}_1\hat{\mathbf{h}}_1^T \implies H_1 = \begin{bmatrix} I_{0 \times 0} & \\ & H'_1 \end{bmatrix} = H'_1 \implies H_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} a'_{11} & a'_{12} \\ 0 & a'_{22} \end{bmatrix} = R \\ \implies Q &= (H_1)^{-1} = H_1^{-1} \stackrel{ORTH}{=} H_1^T \stackrel{SYM}{=} H_1 \end{aligned}$$

Suppose  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{bmatrix}$ . Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}_1 &:= (a_{11}, a_{21}, a_{31})^T \implies \mathbf{h}_1 = \mathbf{a}_1 \pm \overline{\text{sign}}(a_{11}) \cdot \|\mathbf{a}_1\|_2 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \implies \hat{\mathbf{h}}_1 = \mathbf{h}_1 / \|\mathbf{h}_1\|_2 \\ \implies H'_1 &= I - 2\hat{\mathbf{h}}_1\hat{\mathbf{h}}_1^T \implies H_1 = \begin{bmatrix} I_{0 \times 0} & & \\ & H'_1 & \\ & & \end{bmatrix} = H'_1 \implies H_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} a'_{11} & a'_{12} \\ 0 & a'_{22} \\ 0 & a'_{32} \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{a}'_1 &:= (a'_{22}, a'_{32})^T \implies \mathbf{h}_2 = \mathbf{a}'_1 \pm \overline{\text{sign}}(a'_{22}) \cdot \|\mathbf{a}'_1\|_2 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \implies \hat{\mathbf{h}}_2 = \mathbf{h}_2 / \|\mathbf{h}_2\|_2 \\ \implies H'_2 &= I - 2\hat{\mathbf{h}}_2\hat{\mathbf{h}}_2^T \implies H_2 = \begin{bmatrix} I_{1 \times 1} & \\ & H'_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \\ & H'_2 \end{bmatrix} \implies H_2 H_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} a'_{11} & a'_{12} \\ 0 & a''_{22} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = R \\ \implies Q &= (H_2 H_1)^{-1} = H_1^{-1} H_2^{-1} \stackrel{ORTH}{=} H_1^T H_2^T \stackrel{SYM}{=} H_1 H_2 \end{aligned}$$

- **WHICH HOUSEHOLDER REFLECTOR???**: Given the Householder Reflector with  $\pm$  symbol, which sign to pick:

$$\mathbf{h}_1 = \mathbf{a}_1^{(1)} \pm \overline{\text{sign}}(a_{11}^{(1)}) \cdot \|\mathbf{a}_1^{(1)}\|_2 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1$$

If computing by hand (using exact arithmetic), either  $+$  or  $-$  is fine, so pick one.

If computing by computer, always pick the  $+$  (i.e. always pick  $\mathbf{h}_-$ ) because the result will be more accurate.

- **FULL QR FACTORIZATION VIA HOUSEHOLDER REFLECTORS (PROCEDURE)**:

GIVEN: Tall or square ( $m \geq n$ ) full column rank matrix  $A_{m \times n}$  with columns  $\mathbf{a}_k$ .

TASK: Factor  $A = QR$  where  $Q_{m \times m}$  has orthonormal columns  $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_k$  and  $R_{m \times n}$  is upper triangular.

(0) For each upcoming  $\pm$ : by computer, always pick  $+$ ; by hand, either  $+$  or  $-$  is fine, so pick one.

(1) Build Householder Reflector,  $H_1$ , that nullifies sub-diagonal  $1^{st}$  column of  $A$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}_1^{(1)} &:= (a_{11}, \dots, a_{m1})^T \implies \mathbf{h}_1 = \mathbf{a}_1^{(1)} \pm \overline{\text{sign}}(a_{11}^{(1)}) \cdot \|\mathbf{a}_1^{(1)}\|_2 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \implies \hat{\mathbf{h}}_1 = \mathbf{h}_1 / \|\mathbf{h}_1\|_2 \\ \implies H'_1 &= I - 2\hat{\mathbf{h}}_1\hat{\mathbf{h}}_1^T \implies H_1 = \begin{bmatrix} I_{0 \times 0} & \\ & H'_1 \end{bmatrix} = H'_1 \end{aligned}$$

(2) For each  $j = 2, \dots, n$ :

Build Householder Reflector,  $H_j$ , that nullifies sub-diagonal  $j^{th}$  column of  $H_j H_{j-1} \dots H_2 H_1 A := C_j$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{c}_1^{(j)} &:= (c_{jj}^{(j)}, \dots, c_{mj}^{(j)})^T \implies \mathbf{h}_j = \mathbf{c}_1^{(j)} \pm \overline{\text{sign}}(c_{jj}^{(j)}) \cdot \|\mathbf{c}_1^{(j)}\|_2 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \implies \hat{\mathbf{h}}_j = \mathbf{h}_j / \|\mathbf{h}_j\|_2 \\ \implies H'_j &= I - 2\hat{\mathbf{h}}_j\hat{\mathbf{h}}_j^T \implies H_j = \begin{bmatrix} I_{(j-1) \times (j-1)} & \\ & H'_j \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(3)  $R = H_n H_{n-1} \dots H_2 H_1 A$

(4)  $Q = H_1 H_2 \dots H_{n-1} H_n$

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# FULL QR FACTORIZATION VIA HOUSEHOLDER REFLECTORS

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \implies H_1 = \begin{bmatrix} I_{0 \times 0} & \\ & H'_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} H'_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\implies H_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} a'_{11} & a'_{12} \\ 0 & a'_{22} \end{bmatrix} = R$$

$$\implies Q = (H_1)^{-1} = H_1^{-1} \stackrel{ORTH}{=} H_1^T \stackrel{SYM}{=} H_1$$


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$$\implies H_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} a'_{11} & a'_{12} \\ 0 & a'_{22} \\ 0 & a'_{32} \end{bmatrix} \implies H_2 = \begin{bmatrix} I_{1 \times 1} & \\ & H'_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \\ & H'_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\implies H_2 H_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} a'_{11} & a'_{12} \\ 0 & a''_{22} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = R$$

$$\implies Q = (H_2 H_1)^{-1} = H_1^{-1} H_2^{-1} \stackrel{ORTH}{=} H_1^T H_2^T \stackrel{SYM}{=} H_1 H_2$$


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$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \\ a_{41} & a_{42} & a_{43} \end{bmatrix} \implies H_1 = \begin{bmatrix} I_{0 \times 0} & \\ & H'_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} H'_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\implies H_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} a'_{11} & a'_{12} & a'_{13} \\ 0 & a'_{22} & a'_{23} \\ 0 & a'_{32} & a'_{33} \\ 0 & a'_{42} & a'_{43} \end{bmatrix} \implies H_2 = \begin{bmatrix} I_{1 \times 1} & \\ & H'_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \\ & H'_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\implies H_2 H_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} a'_{11} & a'_{12} & a'_{13} \\ 0 & a''_{22} & a''_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & a''_{33} \\ 0 & 0 & a''_{43} \end{bmatrix} \implies H_3 = \begin{bmatrix} I_{2 \times 2} & \\ & H'_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & H'_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\implies H_3 H_2 H_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} a'_{11} & a'_{12} & a'_{13} \\ 0 & a''_{22} & a''_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & a'''_{33} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = R$$

$$\implies Q = (H_3 H_2 H_1)^{-1} = H_1^{-1} H_2^{-1} H_3^{-1} \stackrel{ORTH}{=} H_1^T H_2^T H_3^T \stackrel{SYM}{=} H_1 H_2 H_3$$

**EX H.1.1:** Let vector  $\mathbf{u} := (3, -1)^T \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

- (a) Find the same-semiaxis Householder reflector  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_+$  for vector  $\mathbf{u}$ .
- (b) Find the same-semiaxis Householder reflector hyperplane  $\ell_+$  for vector  $\mathbf{u}$ .
- (c) Reflect  $\mathbf{u}$  about the same-semiaxis Householder reflector  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_+$  to produce snapped vector  $\mathbf{u}_+$ .
- (d) Find the same-semiaxis Householder reflector matrix  $H_+$  corresponding to  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_+$ .

**EX H.1.2:** Let vector  $\mathbf{u} := (3, -1)^T \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

- (a) Find the other-semiaxis Householder reflector  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_-$  for vector  $\mathbf{u}$ .
- (b) Find the other-semiaxis Householder reflector hyperplane  $\ell_-$  for vector  $\mathbf{u}$ .
- (c) Reflect  $\mathbf{u}$  about the other-semiaxis Householder reflector  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_-$  to produce snapped vector  $\mathbf{u}_-$ .
- (d) Find the other-semiaxis Householder reflector matrix  $H_-$  corresponding to  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_-$ .

**EX H.1.3:** Let vector  $\mathbf{v} := (-4, 4, 7)^T \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .

- (a) Find the same-semiaxis Householder reflector  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_+$  for vector  $\mathbf{v}$ .
- (b) Find the same-semiaxis Householder reflector hyperplane  $\ell_+$  for vector  $\mathbf{v}$ .
- (c) Reflect  $\mathbf{v}$  about the same-semiaxis Householder reflector  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_+$  to produce snapped vector  $\mathbf{v}_+$ .
- (d) Find the same-semiaxis Householder reflector matrix  $H_+$  corresponding to  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_+$ .

**EX H.1.4:** Let vector  $\mathbf{v} := (-4, 4, 7)^T \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .

(a) Find the other-semiaxis Householder reflector  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_-$  for vector  $\mathbf{v}$ .

(b) Find the other-semiaxis Householder reflector hyperplane  $\ell_-$  for vector  $\mathbf{v}$ .

(c) Reflect  $\mathbf{v}$  about the other-semiaxis Householder reflector  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_-$  to produce snapped vector  $\mathbf{v}_-$ .

(d) Find the other-semiaxis Householder reflector matrix  $H_-$  corresponding to  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_-$ .



**EX H.1.5:** Given the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -2 \\ 6 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} | & | \\ \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 \\ | & | \end{bmatrix}$ .

Perform the Full QR Factorization of  $A$  by constructing and applying appropriate Householder reflectors.

**EX H.1.6:** Given the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} | & | \\ \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 \\ | & | \end{bmatrix}$ .

Perform the Full QR Factorization of  $A$  by constructing and applying appropriate Householder reflectors.