
LOWER BOUNDS FOR THE MODULE OF DETERMINANTS OF BLOCK DIAGONALLY MATRICES

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Джума Зарнан, Милко Петков. ОЦЕНКИ СНИЗУ ДЛЯ ДЕТЕРМИНАНТ КЛЕТОЧНЫХ МАТРИЦ С ДОМИНИРУЮЩЕЙ КВАЗИДИАГОНАЛЬЮ

Получены новые оценки снизу для детерминант клеточных матриц с доминирующей квазидиагональю, которые обобщают соответствующие результаты для скалярных матриц.

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In the present paper a lower bounds for the module of block matrices with strongly dominant diagonal and one-sided dominant diagonal have been obtained.

1. DEFINITIONS

Let

$$(1) \quad A = (A_{ij})$$

be a $p \times p$ block ($n \times n$ scalar) matrix, where A_{ij} are $\alpha_i \times \alpha_j$ scalar matrices and $\|\cdot\|$ is a matrix norm defined in advance.

Definition 1. Matrix (1) will be called a matrix with a dominant diagonal if at least one of the following two conditions is satisfied:

$$(2) \quad \|A_{ii}^{-1}\|^{-1} \geq \sum_{j \neq i} \|A_{ij}\| \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, p)$$

$$(3) \quad \|A_{jj}^{-1}\|^{-1} \geq \sum_{i \neq j} \|A_{ij}\| \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, p).$$

If (2) holds, then matrix A will be a matrix with a dominant diagonal by rows, and if condition (3) is satisfied, then A will be called a matrix with a dominant diagonal by columns.

Next we are going to study only matrices with a dominant diagonal by rows.

Definition 2. If for every i we have strong inequality in (2), then A will be called a matrix with strong dominant diagonal.

Definition 3. A block matrix P of type $p \times p$ ($n \times n$ scalar), which has a block structure analogous to that of A , will be called a permutational matrix if the n -th columns of P are columns of the identity $n \times n$ matrix chosen in an arbitrary order.

Definition 4. Each matrix of type (1) will be called a reducible matrix if there exists a permutational matrix P such that

$$P^T A P = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{A}_{11} & \hat{A}_{12} \\ 0 & \hat{A}_{22} \end{pmatrix},$$

where with P^T the transpose of P is denoted, and \hat{A}_{11} and \hat{A}_{22} are square matrices.

When a matrix of type (1) is not reducible, then it is called a irreducible matrix.

Definition 5. Matrix $A = (A_{ij})$ of type (1) will be called a matrix with irreducible dominant diagonal if (2) holds for at least one inequality and if A is irreducible.

Definition 6. Each matrix A of type (1) will be called a matrix with a left (right) dominant diagonal if it has a dominant diagonal and if

$$\|A_{ii}^{-1}\|^{-1} > \sum_{j < i} \|A_{ij}\| \quad (\|A_{ii}^{-1}\|^{-1} > \sum_{j > i} \|A_{ij}\|).$$

2. LOWER BOUNDS FOR $|\det A|$

The following criterion for the nonsingularity of a matrix A of type (1) is known:

Theorem 1 [1, 4]. *If a matrix of type (1) is with a strong dominant diagonal or with a reducible dominant diagonal, then A is nonsingular, i. e. $\det A \neq 0$.*

The following theorems are also known:

Theorem 2 [1, 4]. *Let $A = (a_{ij})$ be an $n \times n$ scalar matrix with a strong dominant diagonal. Then the following inequality holds:*

$$(4) \quad |\det A| \geq \prod_{i=1}^n \Delta_i,$$

where

$$\Delta_i = |a_{ii}| - \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, n).$$

Theorem 3 [3]. Let $A = (a_{ij})$ be an $n \times n$ scalar matrix with a left dominant diagonal. Then the following inequality holds:

$$(5) \quad |\det A| \geq \prod_{i=1}^n \delta_i,$$

where

$$\delta_i = |a_{ii}| - \sum_{j < i} |a_{ij}|.$$

Next we are going to obtain some generalizations for the inequalities (4) and (5).

For that purpose let us assume that a block variant of the Gauss method (without choosing the pivot block and with reserving the leading diagonal block) may be applied to the $n \times n$ linear system with a nonsingular block matrix of type (1), and let the matrix obtained after the k -th step be $A_k = (A_{ij}(k))$. Also let

$$\Delta_i^{(k)} = \|A_{ii}^{-1}(k)\|^{-1} - \sum_{j \neq i} \|A_{ij}(k)\|,$$

$$\delta_i^{(k)} = \|A_{ii}^{-1}(k)\|^{-1} - \sum_{j < i} \|A_{ij}(k)\|$$

be defined for every $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$ and for every $k = 0, 1, \dots, p-1$.

Thus the following lemma is valid.

Lemma 1. If A is a matrix with a strong dominant diagonal, then

$$\Delta_i^{(k)} \leq \Delta_i^{(k+1)} \quad (k = 0, 1, \dots, p-2; i = 1, 2, \dots, p),$$

where the used matrix norm is such that its value for an arbitrarily chosen identity matrix is equal to 1.

Proof. It is sufficient to prove that $\Delta_i^{(1)} \geq \Delta_i^{(0)}$. Let us point out also that the matrices $A_{ii}(1)$ are invertible and

$$\|A_{ii}^{-1}\| \|A_{i1}\| \|A_{11}^{-1}\| \|A_{1i}\| < 1 \quad \text{for } i \neq 1.$$

Next we have ($i > 1$)

$$\Delta_i^{(1)} = \|A_{ii}^{-1}(1)\|^{-1} - \sum_{j \neq 1, i} \|A_{ij}(1)\| =$$

$$= \|(A_{ii} - A_{i1}A_{11}^{-1}A_{1i})^{-1}\|^{-1} - \sum_{j \neq 1, i} \|A_{ij} - A_{i1}A_{11}^{-1}A_{1j}\| =$$

$$= \|A_{ii}^{-1}(I - A_{ii}^{-1}A_{i1}A_{11}^{-1}A_{1i})^{-1}\|^{-1} - \sum_{j \neq 1, i} \|A_{ij} - A_{i1}A_{11}^{-1}A_{1j}\| \geq$$

$$\geq \|A_{ii}^{-1}\|^{-1} \|(I - A_{ii}^{-1}A_{i1}A_{11}^{-1}A_{1i})^{-1}\|^{-1} - \sum_{j \neq 1, i} \|A_{ij}\| - \sum_{j \neq 1, i} \|A_{i1}A_{11}^{-1}A_{1j}\| \geq$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\geq \|A_{ii}^{-1}\|^{-1} (1 - \|A_{ii}^{-1}\| \|A_{i1}\| \|A_{11}^{-1}\| \|A_{1i}\|) - \\
&\quad - \sum_{j \neq 1, i} \|A_{ij}\| - \sum_{j \neq 1, i} \|A_{i1}\| \|A_{11}^{-1}\| \|A_{1j}\| = \\
&= \|A_{ii}^{-1}\|^{-1} - \|A_{i1}\| \|A_{11}^{-1}\| \|A_{1i}\| - \sum_{j \neq 1, i} \|A_{ij}\| - \sum_{j \neq 1, i} \|A_{i1}\| \|A_{11}^{-1}\| \|A_{1j}\| = \\
&= \|A_{ii}^{-1}\|^{-1} - \sum_{j \neq 1} \|A_{i1}\| \|A_{11}^{-1}\| \|A_{1j}\| - \sum_{j \neq 1, i} \|A_{ij}\| \geq \\
&\geq \|A_{ii}^{-1}\|^{-1} - \|A_{i1}\| - \sum_{j \neq 1, i} \|A_{ij}\| = \\
&= \|A_{ii}^{-1}\|^{-1} - \sum_{j \neq i} \|A_{ij}\| = \Delta_i^{(0)}.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus the proof is completed.

After a number of $p - 1$ steps of forward Gaussian elimination we obtain the right quasi-triangular matrix

$$A_{p-1} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11}(p-1) & \dots & \dots & A_{1p}(p-1) \\ 0 & A_{22}(p-1) & \dots & A_{2p}(p-1) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & A_{pp}(p-1) \end{pmatrix}$$

for which the following conditions hold:

$$\Delta_i \leq \Delta_i^{(p-1)} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, p).$$

If we accomplish the backward of the Gaussian method with retaining the diagonal blocks $A_{ii}(p-1)$ of A_{p-1} , we obtain the quasi-diagonal matrix

$$D = \text{diag}(D_1, D_2, \dots, D_p),$$

where $D_i = A_{ii}(p-1)$ and $\Delta_i \leq \Delta_i^{(p-1)} \leq \Delta_i(D) = \|D_i^{-1}\|^{-1}$

From Lemma 1 and the assertions made afterwards we have

Theorem 4. *If the matrix $A = (A_{ij})$ from (1) has a strong dominant diagonal, then*

$$|\det A| \geq \prod_{i=1}^p \left(\|A_{ii}^{-1}\|^{-1} - \sum_{j \neq i} \|A_{ij}\| \right)^{\alpha_i},$$

where the order of the diagonal matrix A_{ii} is denoted by α_i and the used matrix norm takes the value of 1 for an identity matrix of an arbitrary order.

Proof. If D_i has eigen values λ_{is} ($s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha_i$), then

$$\begin{aligned}
|\det A| &= \prod_{i=1}^p |\det D_i| = \prod_{i=1}^p \prod_{s=1}^{\alpha_i} |\lambda_{is}| \geq \\
&\geq \prod_{i=1}^p \prod_{s=1}^{\alpha_i} \|D_i^{-1}\|^{-1} = \prod_{i=1}^p (\|D_i^{-1}\|^{-1})^{\alpha_i} \geq \prod_{i=1}^p \left(\|A_{ii}^{-1}\|^{-1} - \sum_{j \neq i} \|A_{ij}\| \right)^{\alpha_i}.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus the theorem is proved.

Lemma 2. If $A = (A_{ij})$ from (1) is with a left dominant diagonal and

$$\delta_i^{(k)} = \|A_{ii}^{-1}(k)\|^{-1} - \sum_{j < i} \|A_{ij}(k)\|,$$

then

$$\delta_i^{(k)} \leq \delta_i^{(k+1)} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, p; k = 0, 1, \dots, p-2).$$

The proof is similar to that of Lemma 1.

Theorem 5. If the matrix A from (1) is with a left dominant diagonal, then

$$|\det A| \geq \prod_{i=1}^p \left(\|A_{ii}^{-1}\|^{-1} - \sum_{j < i} \|A_{ij}\| \right)^{\alpha_i}$$

with the same assumptions made for the matrix norm.

The proof is similar to that of Theorem 4.



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