

ONE NEW TYPE OF INTERLEAVED ITERATIVE ALGORITHM FOR H -MATRICES

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ABSTRACT. In the theory and the applications of Numerical Linear Algebra, the class of H -matrices is very important. In recent years, many appeared works have proposed iterative criterion for H -matrices. In this paper, we provide a new type of interleaved iterative algorithm, which is always convergent in finite steps for H -matrices and needs fewer iterations than those proposed in the related works, and a corresponding algorithm for general matrix, which eliminates the redundant computations when the given matrix is not an H -matrix. Finally, several numerical examples are presented to show the effectiveness of the proposed algorithms.

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1. Introduction

H -matrices play a vital role in both the theory and the applications of Numerical Linear Algebra. Many appeared works have proposed various criteria(algorithms) that identify whether a matrix to be solved is an H -matrix or not^[1-9]. At first, we give notations and definitions as follows:

In this paper, $C^{n \times n}(R^{n \times n})$ will be used to denote the set of all $n \times n$ complex(real) matrices. $N = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$. Let $A = (a_{ij}) \in C^{n \times n}$, and

$$R_i(A) = \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|, \quad i \in N, \quad N_0(A) = \{i \mid |a_{ii}| = R_i(A), i \in N\},$$

$$N_1(A) = \{i \mid |a_{ii}| > R_i(A), i \in N\}, \quad N_2(A) = \{i \mid 0 < |a_{ii}| < R_i(A), i \in N\}.$$

If $|a_{ii}| > R_i(A), \forall i \in N$, then A is called a strictly diagonally dominant matrix. And if there exists a positive diagonal matrix D such that AD is strictly diagonally dominant, then A is called a generalized diagonally dominant matrix

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(GDDM), we denote this by $A \in \tilde{D}$. It is well known that A is a GDDM if and only if A is a nonsingular H -matrix.

Matrix A is called a reducible matrix, if there exists a subset $K: \emptyset \neq K \subset N$, satisfies

$$a_{ij} = 0, \text{ for any } i \in K, j \in N \setminus K.$$

If A is not a reducible matrix, we call A is an irreducible matrix.

Definition 1. We define the comparison matrix of A , $\mu(A) = (\alpha_{ij})$, by

$$\alpha_{ij} = \begin{cases} |a_{ii}|, & i = j, \\ -|a_{ij}|, & i \neq j. \end{cases}$$

If the eigenvalues of $\mu(A)$ have positive real parts, we call $\mu(A)$ an M -matrix. We say that A is an H -matrix if and only if $\mu(A)$ is an M -matrix.

It is obvious that, as defined above, every H -matrix is nonsingular.

Definition 2. Let A be an irreducible matrix, if for all $i \in N$,

$$|a_{ii}| \geq R_i(A), \quad (1)$$

and there exists at least one strict inequality in (1), then A is called an irreducible diagonally dominant matrix.

Lemma 1[10]. *Let A is an irreducible matrix. If for all $i \in N$,*

$$|a_{ii}| \geq R_i(A), \quad (2)$$

and there exists at least one strict inequality in (2), then A is an H -matrix.

We know that A is an H -matrix if $N_0(A) \cup N_2(A) = \emptyset$, and A is not an H -matrix if $N_1(A) = \emptyset$. So in this paper, set $N_0(A) \cup N_2(A) \neq \emptyset$, and $N_1(A) \neq \emptyset$.

Because it is difficult to find a proper D for an H -matrix such that AD is strictly diagonally dominant, an efficient iterative algorithm is required. Recently, Li *et al.* in [2] have proposed a non-parameter iterative method for generalized diagonally dominant matrices, and T. Kohno *et al.* in [3] gave an algorithmic procedure to eliminate redundant computations of iterations when A is not an H -matrix. Liu and He in [1] provide two improved algorithm by means of interleaved iteration, which need fewer iterations than that of Li *et al.* in [1] and T. Kohno *et al.* in [3], and other methods show in [4-9].

In this paper, we provide an interleaved iterative algorithms for H -matrices, which is always convergent in finite steps and needs fewer iterations than those in [1-3], and then give a corresponding algorithm for general matrix to eliminate redundant iterations when the given matrix is not an H -matrix. Finally, several numerical examples are presented to show the effectiveness of the proposed algorithms.

2. The algorithms

First, set $A = (a_{ij}) \in C^{n \times n}$, satisfying $a_{ii} \neq 0$, for all $i \in N$, we will use the notations as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_i &= \sum_{j \in N_0(A), j \neq i} |a_{ij}|, \text{ and if } N_0(A) = \{i\} \text{ or } N_0(A) = \phi, \text{ we set } \gamma_i = 0, \\ \alpha_i &= \sum_{j \in N_1(A), j \neq i} |a_{ij}|, \text{ and if } N_1(A) = \{i\} \text{ or } N_1(A) = \phi, \text{ we set } \alpha_i = 0, \\ \beta_i &= \sum_{j \in N_2(A), j \neq i} |a_{ij}|, \text{ and if } N_2(A) = \{i\} \text{ or } N_2(A) = \phi, \text{ we set } \beta_i = 0, \\ r_0 &= \max_{i \in N_1(A)} \left(\frac{\gamma_i + \beta_i}{|a_{ii}| - \alpha_i} \right), \quad P_i = \gamma_i + r_0 \alpha_i + \beta_i, \quad \forall i \in N_1(A), \\ h &= \max_{i \in N_1(A)} \left(\frac{\gamma_i + \beta_i}{P_i - \sum_{t \in N_1(A), t \neq i} |a_{it}| \frac{P_t}{|a_{it}|}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Algorithm A(L. Li et al. in [2]). Suppose $A = (a_{ij}) \in C^{n \times n}$, $a_{ii} \neq 0$, is an irreducible matrix. Let $N_1(A) \neq \phi$.

(A) $N_1(A) = 0$, $N_2(A) = 0$. For $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, do {

(A1) Compute $R_i(A) = \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|$,

(A2) If $|a_{ii}| > R_i(A)$, then $\{ N_1(A) = 1, \quad d_i = \frac{R_i(A)}{|a_{ii}|},$

$$a_{ji} = a_{ji} * d_i, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

else if $|a_{ii}| < R_i(A)$, then $N_2(A) = 1$,

else, }

(B) If $N_1(A) = 0$, then print 'A is not a GDDM', go to (C).

else if $N_2(A) = 0$, then print 'A is a GDDM', go to (C).

else return to (A).

(C) End.

Algorithm A'(Liu and He in [1]). Input: a given irreducible matrix $A = (a_{ij}) \in C^{m \times n}$.

Output: $D = D^{(1)}D^{(2)} \dots D^{(m)} \in \mathcal{D}_A$ if A is an H -matrix.

1. if $N_1(A) = \phi$ or $a_{ii} = 0$ for some $i \in N$, 'A is not an H -matrix', stop; otherwise,

2. set $m = 1$, $A^{(0)} = A$, $D^{(0)} = I$,

3. compute $A^{(m)} = A^{(m-1)}D^{(m-1)} = (a_{ij}^{(m)})$,

4. if $N_1(A^{(m)}) = \phi$, 'A is not an H -matrix', stop; if $N_1(A^{(m)}) \cup N_0(A^{(m)}) = N$, 'A is an

H -matrix', stop; otherwise,

5. compute $\alpha_i^{(m)}$, $\beta_i^{(m)}$, $\gamma_i^{(m)}$, $i \in N$,

6. set $r_2 = \max_{i \in N_1(A^{(m)})} \frac{\beta_i^{(m)} + \gamma_i^{(m)}}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}| - \alpha_i^{(m)}}$,

7. set $d = (d_i)$, where

If m is an odd number, then $d_i = \begin{cases} \frac{R_i(A^{(m)})}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}|}, & \text{if } i \in N_1(A^{(m)}), \\ 1, & \text{if } i \in N_0(A^{(m)}) \cup N_2(A^{(m)}). \end{cases}$

If m is an even number, then $d_i = \begin{cases} r_2, & \text{if } i \in N_1(A^{(m)}), \\ 1, & \text{if } i \in N_0(A^{(m)}) \cup N_2(A^{(m)}). \end{cases}$

8. set $D^{(m)} = \text{diag}(d)$, $m = m + 1$, go to step 3.

Next, we provide a new improved interleaved iteration algorithm.

Algorithm I. Input: a given irreducible matrix $A = (a_{ij}) \in C^{n \times n}$.

Output: $D = D^{(1)}D^{(2)} \dots D^{(m)} \in \mathcal{D}_A$ if A is an H -matrix.

1. if $N_1(A) = \emptyset$ or $a_{ii} = 0$ for some $i \in N$, ' A is not an H -matrix', stop; otherwise,

2. set $m = 1$, $A^{(0)} = A$, $D^{(0)} = I$,

3. compute $A^{(m)} = A^{(m-1)}D^{(m-1)} = (a_{ij}^{(m)})$,

4. if $N_1(A^{(m)}) = \emptyset$, ' A is not an H -matrix', stop; if $N_1(A^{(m)}) \cup N_0(A^{(m)}) = N$, ' A is an

H -matrix', stop; otherwise,

5. compute $\alpha_i^{(m)}$, $\beta_i^{(m)}$, $\gamma_i^{(m)}$, $\forall i \in N$,

6. compute $r_0^{(m)}$, $P_i^{(m)}$, $h^{(m)}$, $\forall i \in N_1(A^{(m)})$,

7. set $r_i = \frac{h^{(m)} P_i^{(m)}}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}|}$,

8. set $d = (d_i)$, where

If m is an odd number, then $d_i = \begin{cases} \frac{R_i(A^{(m)})}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}|}, & \text{if } i \in N_1(A^{(m)}), \\ 1, & \text{if } i \in N_0(A^{(m)}) \cup N_2(A^{(m)}). \end{cases}$

If m is an even number, then $d_i = \begin{cases} r_i, & \text{if } i \in N_1(A^{(m)}), \\ 1, & \text{if } i \in N_0(A^{(m)}) \cup N_2(A^{(m)}). \end{cases}$

9. set $D^{(m)} = \text{diag}(d)$, $m = m + 1$, go to step 3.

Remark 1. In Algorithm I, A is an irreducible matrix, so for all $i \in N_1(A^{(m)})$, we have

$$0 < r_0^{(m)} < 1, \quad 0 < \frac{P_i^{(m)}}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}|} < 1,$$

and

$$r_0^{(m)} \geq \frac{\gamma_i^{(m)} + \beta_i^{(m)}}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}| - \alpha_i^{(m)}},$$

$$r_0^{(m)} |a_{ii}^{(m)}| \geq \gamma_i^{(m)} + r_0^{(m)} \alpha_i^{(m)} + \beta_i^{(m)} = P_i^{(m)}, \quad r_0^{(m)} \geq \frac{P_i^{(m)}}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}|},$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\gamma_i^{(m)} + \beta_i^{(m)}}{P_i^{(m)} - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(m)}), t \neq i} |a_{it}^{(m)}| \frac{P_t^{(m)}}{|a_{it}^{(m)}|}} &= \frac{P_i^{(m)} - r_0^{(m)} \alpha_i^{(m)}}{P_i^{(m)} - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(m)}), t \neq i} |a_{it}^{(m)}| \frac{P_t^{(m)}}{|a_{it}^{(m)}|}} \\ &\leq \frac{P_i^{(m)} - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(m)}), t \neq i} |a_{it}^{(m)}| \frac{P_t^{(m)}}{|a_{it}^{(m)}|}}{P_i^{(m)} - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(m)}), t \neq i} |a_{it}^{(m)}| \frac{P_t^{(m)}}{|a_{it}^{(m)}|}} = 1, \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < h^{(m)} &\leq 1, \\ 0 < \frac{h^{(m)} P_i^{(m)}}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}|} = r_i &\leq \frac{P_i^{(m)}}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}|} \leq r_0^{(m)} = r_2 < 1, \quad \forall i \in N_1(A^{(m)}). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have that this algorithm needs fewer number of iterations than Algorithm A and A'. The theoretical analysis of Algorithm I as a characterization of H -matrices is presented by the following theorem:

Theorem 1. $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ is an irreducible H -matrix if and only if Algorithm I stops after a finite number of iterations by producing a strictly diagonally dominant matrix.

Proof. Sufficiency: Suppose that Algorithm I stops after m iterations. That means, we have obtained a strictly diagonally dominant matrix $A^{(m)} = A^{(0)}D^{(1)}D^{(2)} \dots D^{(m-1)} = AD$, where $D = D^{(0)}D^{(1)} \dots D^{(m-1)}$ is a positive diagonal matrix. Thus, A is an irreducible H -matrix.

Necessity: Let A be an irreducible H -matrix. For notational convenience, we assume A is a nonnegative matrix. By using way of contradiction, suppose that Algorithm I doesn't stop after a finite number of iterations. From Algorithm I, we have $A^{(m)} = A^{(1)}D^{(1)}D^{(2)} \dots D^{(m-1)} = AD$, where $D = D^{(1)}D^{(2)} \dots D^{(m-1)}$ is a positive diagonal matrix, then it is obvious that

$$A = A^{(1)} \geq \dots \geq A^{(m)} \geq \dots \geq 0.$$

The infinite matrix sequence $\{A^{(m)}\}$ is bounded and monotone decreasing, then we have

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} A^{(m)} = B \geq 0,$$

where $B = AF$, $F = D^{(1)}D^{(2)} \dots D^{(m)} \dots$ is a positive diagonal matrix.

Next, we want to prove

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} N_1(A^{(m)}) = N_1(B) = \phi.$$

By using way of contradiction again, we assume $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} N_1(A^{(m)}) \neq \phi$, then $1 - r_i > 0$, $\forall i \in N_1(A^{(m)})$ and there exist some i and $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2$ such that

$$a_{ii}^{(m)} - R_i(A^{(m)}) > \varepsilon_1, \quad a_{ii}^{(m)}(1 - r_i) > \varepsilon_2, \quad m = 1, 2, \dots$$

We set $\varepsilon_0 = \min\{\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2\}$.

When m is an odd number, from Algorithm I, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < a_{ii}^{(m+1)} &= a_{ii}^{(m)} \frac{R_i(A^{(m)})}{a_{ii}^{(m)}} \\ &= a_{ii}^{(m)} - \left(a_{ii}^{(m)} - R_i(A^{(m)}) \right) \\ &< a_{ii}^{(m)} - \varepsilon_0. \end{aligned}$$

When m is an even number, from Algorithm I, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < a_{ii}^{(m+1)} &= a_{ii}^{(m)} r_i \\ &< a_{ii}^{(m)} - \varepsilon_2 \\ &< a_{ii}^{(m)} - \varepsilon_0. \end{aligned}$$

Note that ε_0 is positive and therefore

$$a_{ii}^{(0)} = a_{ii}^{(1)} > a_{ii}^{(2)} + \varepsilon_0 > \dots > a_{ii}^{(m)} + (m-1)\varepsilon_0.$$

Let $m \rightarrow \infty$. Then $a_{ii}^{(0)} \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain a contradiction. Thus,

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} N_1(A^{(m)}) = N_1(B) = \phi.$$

That means B is not an H -matrix. On the other hand there exists a positive diagonal matrix E such that $AE = B(F^{-1}E)$ is strictly diagonally dominant. We know that $F^{-1}E$ is still a positive diagonal matrix, so B is an H -matrix. Then we obtain another contradiction, completing the proof of this theorem. \square

The drawback of Algorithms I is that when A is not an H -matrix, it requires a large number of iterations. Kohno *et al.* in [3] proposed a new algorithmic procedure to conquer this drawback, and Liu *et al.* in [1] have improved it.

Algorithm B(T. Kohno *et al.* in [3]). Input: a given matrix $A = (a_{ij}) \in C^{n \times n}$. Output: $D = D^{(1)}D^{(2)} \dots D^{(m)} \in \mathcal{D}_A$ if A is an H -matrix.

1. if $N_1(A) = \phi$ or $a_{ii} = 0$ for some $i \in N$, ‘ A is not an H -matrix’, stop; otherwise,
2. set $m = 1$, $A^{(0)} = A$, $D^{(0)} = I$,
3. compute $A^{(m)} = A^{(m-1)}D^{(m-1)} = (a_{ij}^{(m)})$,
4. compute

$$d_i^{(m)} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}^{(m)}|}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}|}, \quad i \in N.$$

5. if $d_i^{(m)} < 2$ for all i , ‘ A is an H -matrix’, stop;
if $d_i^{(m)} \geq 2$ for all i , ‘ A is not an H -matrix’, stop; otherwise,
6. set $D^{(m)} = \text{diag}(d_i^{(m)})$, $m = m + 1$, go to step 3.

Algorithm B’ (Liu and He in [1]). Input: a given irreducible matrix $A = (a_{ij}) \in C^{n \times n}$.

Output: $D = D^{(1)}D^{(2)} \dots D^{(m)} \in \mathcal{D}_A$ if A is an H -matrix.

1. if $N_1(A) = \phi$ or $a_{ii} = 0$ for some $i \in N$, ‘ A is not an H -matrix’, stop; if $N_2(A) = \phi$, ‘ A is an H -matrix’, stop; otherwise,
2. set $m = 1$, $A^{(0)} = A$, $D^{(0)} = I$,
3. compute $A^{(m)} = A^{(m-1)}D^{(m-1)} = (a_{ij}^{(m)})$,
4. compute $\alpha_i^{(m)}$, $\beta_i^{(m)}$, $\gamma_i^{(m)}$, $i \in N$,
5. set $r_1 = \min_{i \in N_0(A^{(m)}) \cup N_1(A^{(m)})} \frac{\beta_i^{(m)}}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}| - \alpha_i^{(m)} - \gamma_i^{(m)}}$,
6. if $|a_{ii}^{(m)}| \leq r_1 \alpha_i^{(m)} + \beta_i^{(m)} + r_1 \gamma_i^{(m)}$ for all $i \in N_2(A^{(m)})$, ‘ A is not an H -matrix’, stop; otherwise,
7. set $r_2 = \max_{i \in N_1(A^{(m)})} \frac{\beta_i^{(m)} + \gamma_i^{(m)}}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}| - \alpha_i^{(m)}}$,
8. if $N_0(A^{(m)}) \cup N_1(A^{(m)}) = N$ or $|a_{ii}^{(m)}| > r_2 \alpha_i^{(m)} + \beta_i^{(m)} + \gamma_i^{(m)}$ for all $i \in N_0(A^{(m)}) \cup N_2(A^{(m)})$, ‘ A is an H -matrix’, stop; otherwise,
9. set $d = (d_i)$, where

$$\text{If } m \text{ is an odd number, then } d_i = \begin{cases} \frac{R_i(A^{(m)})}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}|}, & \text{if } i \in N_1(A^{(m)}), \\ 1, & \text{if } i \in N_0(A^{(m)}) \cup N_2(A^{(m)}). \end{cases}$$

$$\text{If } m \text{ is an even number, then } d_i = \begin{cases} r_2, & \text{if } i \in N_1(A^{(m)}), \\ 1, & \text{if } i \in N_0(A^{(m)}) \cup N_2(A^{(m)}). \end{cases}$$

10. set $D^{(m)} = \text{diag}(d)$, $m = m + 1$, go to step 3.

Next, we give a new improved algorithm for general irreducible matrices on the basis of Algorithm B and B’.

Algorithm II. Input: a given irreducible matrix $A = (a_{ij}) \in C^{n \times n}$.

Output: $D = D^{(1)}D^{(2)} \dots D^{(m)} \in \mathcal{D}_A$ if A is an H -matrix.

1. if $N_1(A) = \phi$ or $a_{ii} = 0$ for some $i \in N$, ‘ A is not an H -matrix’, stop; if $N_2(A) = \phi$, ‘ A is an H -matrix’, stop; otherwise,
2. set $m = 1$, $A^{(0)} = A$, $D^{(0)} = I$,
3. compute $A^{(m)} = A^{(m-1)}D^{(m-1)} = (a_{ij}^{(m)})$,
4. compute $\alpha_i^{(m)}$, $\beta_i^{(m)}$, $\gamma_i^{(m)}$, $i \in N$,
5. compute $r_0^{(m)}$, $P_i^{(m)}$, $h^{(m)}$, $\forall i \in N_1(A^{(m)})$,
6. set $r'_1 = \min_{i \in N_0(A^{(m)}) \cup N_1(A^{(m)})} \frac{\beta_i^{(m)}}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}| - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(m)}), t \neq i} \frac{|a_{it}^{(m)}| \frac{P_t^{(m)}}{|a_{tt}^{(m)}|} - \gamma_i^{(m)}}$,

7. if $|a_{ii}^{(m)}| \leq r'_1 \alpha_i^{(m)} + \beta_i^{(m)} + r'_1 \gamma_i^{(m)}$ for all $i \in N_2(A^{(m)})$, 'A is not an H-matrix', stop;
 otherwise,
 8. set $r_i = \frac{h^{(m)} P_i^{(m)}}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}|}$,
 9. if $N_0(A^{(m)}) \cup N_1(A^{(m)}) = N$ or $|a_{ii}^{(m)}| > \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(m)}), t \neq i} |a_{it}^{(m)}| \frac{h^{(m)} P_t^{(m)}}{|a_{tt}^{(m)}|} + \beta_i^{(m)} + \gamma_i^{(m)}$ for all $i \in N_0(A^{(m)}) \cup N_2(A^{(m)})$, 'A is an H-matrix', stop; otherwise,
 10. set $d = (d_i)$, where

$$\text{If } m \text{ is an odd number, then } d_i = \begin{cases} \frac{R_i(A^{(m)})}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}|}, & \text{if } i \in N_1(A^{(m)}), \\ 1, & \text{if } i \in N_0(A^{(m)}) \cup N_2(A^{(m)}). \end{cases}$$

$$\text{If } m \text{ is an even number, then } d_i = \begin{cases} r_i, & \text{if } i \in N_1(A^{(m)}), \\ 1, & \text{if } i \in N_0(A^{(m)}) \cup N_2(A^{(m)}). \end{cases}$$

11. set $D^{(m)} = \text{diag}(d)$, $m = m + 1$, go to step 3.

We prove the following theorem for Algorithm II.

Theorem 2. Let $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ be an irreducible matrix, if Algorithm II stops after k iterations,

- (1) When $|a_{ii}^{(k)}| \leq r'_1 \alpha_i^{(k)} + \beta_i^{(k)} + r'_1 \gamma_i^{(k)}$, where $r'_1 = \frac{\beta_i^{(k)}}{|a_{ii}^{(k)}| - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(k)}), t \neq i} |a_{it}^{(k)}| \frac{P_t^{(k)}}{|a_{tt}^{(k)}|} - \gamma_i^{(k)}}$, then A is not an H-matrix;
 (2) When $N_0(A^{(k)}) \cup N_1(A^{(k)}) = N$ or $|a_{ii}^{(k)}| > \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(k)}), t \neq i} r_t |a_{it}^{(k)}| + \beta_i^{(k)} + \gamma_i^{(k)}$ for all $i \in N_0(A^{(k)}) \cup N_2(A^{(k)})$, where $r_i = \frac{h^{(k)} P_i^{(k)}}{|a_{ii}^{(k)}|}$, then A is an H-matrix.

Proof. For $\forall i \in N_1(A^{(m)})$, when m is an odd number, from Algorithm II, as $\frac{R_i(A^{(m)})}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}|} < 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |a_{ii}^{(m+1)}| - R_i(A^{(m+1)}) \\ &= |a_{ii}^{(m)}| \frac{R_i(A^{(m)})}{|a_{ii}^{(m)}|} - \sum_{j \in N_1(A^{(m)})} |a_{ij}^{(m)}| \frac{R_j(A^{(m)})}{|a_{jj}^{(m)}|} - \beta_i^{(m)} - \gamma_i^{(m)} \\ &\geq R_i(A^{(m)}) - \alpha_i^{(m)} - \beta_i^{(m)} - \gamma_i^{(m)} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

When m is an even number, from Algorithm II, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |a_{ii}^{(m+1)}| - R_i(A^{(m+1)}) \\ &= r_i |a_{ii}^{(m)}| - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(m)}), t \neq i} r_t |a_{it}^{(m)}| - \beta_i^{(m)} - \gamma_i^{(m)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= h^{(m)} \left(P_i^{(m)} - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(m)}), t \neq i} |a_{it}^{(m)}| \frac{P_t^{(m)}}{|a_{tt}^{(m)}|} \right) - \beta_i^{(m)} - \gamma_i^{(m)} \\
&\geq \frac{\beta_i^{(m)} + \gamma_i^{(m)}}{P_i^{(m)} - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(m)}), t \neq i} |a_{it}^{(m)}| \frac{P_t^{(m)}}{|a_{tt}^{(m)}|}} \left(P_i^{(m)} - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(m)}), t \neq i} |a_{it}^{(m)}| \frac{P_t^{(m)}}{|a_{tt}^{(m)}|} \right) \\
&\quad - \beta_i^{(m)} - \gamma_i^{(m)} = (\beta_i^{(m)} + \gamma_i^{(m)}) - \beta_i^{(m)} - \gamma_i^{(m)} = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus $(N_0(A^{(1)}) \cup N_1(A^{(1)})) \subseteq (N_0(A^{(2)}) \cup N_1(A^{(2)})) \subseteq \dots \subseteq (N_0(A^{(k)}) \cup N_1(A^{(k)}))$. This means that multiplication with $D^{(m-1)}$ from the right doesn't change the diagonally dominant rows of $A^{(m-1)}$. Then,

(1) First we denote $\tilde{N}_0(A) = \{i \in N_1(A) \mid \beta_i = 0\}$, $\xi_i = \sum_{j \in \tilde{N}_0, j \neq i} |a_{ij}|$, and if $\tilde{N}_0(A) = \{i\}$ or $\tilde{N}_0(A) = \emptyset$, we set $\xi_i = 0$.

If $N_1(A^{(k)}) = \emptyset$, then $r'_1 = 1$. Furthermore $|a_{ii}^{(k)}| \leq \beta_i^{(k)} + \gamma_i^{(k)} = R_i(A^{(k)})$ for all $i \in N_2(A^{(k)})$, it is obvious that A is not an H -matrix, then we always assume $N_1(A^{(k)}) \neq \emptyset$ in the following.

When $N_1(A^{(k)}) \neq \emptyset$ and $\tilde{N}_0(A^{(k)}) = \emptyset$, then $r'_1 > 0$. We construct a positive diagonal matrix $\tilde{D} = \text{diag}\{\tilde{d}_i \mid \tilde{d}_i = r'_1, i \in N_0(A^{(k)}) \cup N_1(A^{(k)}); \tilde{d}_i = 1, i \in N_2(A^{(k)})\}$, and write $\tilde{A} = A^{(k)} \tilde{D} = (\tilde{a}_{ij})$.

For $i \in N_0(A^{(k)}) \cup N_1(A^{(k)})$, as $\frac{P_i^{(k)}}{|a_{ii}^{(k)}|} < 1, i \in N_1(A^{(k)})$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&|\tilde{a}_{ii}| - \tilde{\alpha} - \tilde{\beta} - \tilde{\gamma} \\
&= r'_1 |a_{ii}^{(k)}| - r'_1 \alpha_i^{(k)} - \beta_i^{(k)} - r'_1 \gamma_i^{(k)} \\
&= r'_1 (|a_{ii}^{(k)}| - \alpha_i^{(k)} - \gamma_i^{(k)}) - \beta_i^{(k)} \\
&\leq \frac{\beta_i^{(k)}}{|a_{ii}^{(k)}| - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(k)}), t \neq i} |a_{it}^{(k)}| \frac{P_t^{(k)}}{|a_{tt}^{(k)}|} - \gamma_i^{(k)}} (|a_{ii}^{(k)}| - \alpha_i^{(k)} - \gamma_i^{(k)}) - \beta_i^{(k)} \\
&< \frac{\beta_i^{(k)}}{|a_{ii}^{(k)}| - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(k)}), t \neq i} |a_{it}^{(k)}| \frac{P_t^{(k)}}{|a_{tt}^{(k)}|} - \gamma_i^{(k)}} (|a_{ii}^{(k)}| \\
&\quad - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(k)}), t \neq i} |a_{it}^{(k)}| \frac{P_t^{(k)}}{|a_{tt}^{(k)}|} - \gamma_i^{(k)}) - \beta_i^{(k)} = \beta_i^{(k)} - \beta_i^{(k)} = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

For $i \in N_2(A^{(k)})$, we have

$$|\tilde{a}_{ii}| - \tilde{\alpha} - \tilde{\beta} - \tilde{\gamma} = |a_{ii}^{(k)}| - r'_1 \alpha_i^{(k)} - \beta_i^{(k)} - r'_1 \gamma_i^{(k)} \leq 0.$$

So \tilde{A} has no diagonally dominant row. From Algorithm II, we obtain $\tilde{A} = A^{(k)}\tilde{D} = AD^{(1)}D^{(2)} \dots D^{(k-1)}\tilde{D}$, where $D^{(1)}D^{(2)} \dots D^{(k-1)}\tilde{D}$ is a positive diagonal matrix, thus A is not an H -matrix.

When $N_1(A^{(k)}) \neq \emptyset$ and $\tilde{N}_0(A^{(k)}) \neq \emptyset$, then $r'_1 = 0$. Furthermore,

$$|a_{ii}^{(k)}| \leq r'_1 \alpha_i^{(k)} + \beta_i^{(k)} + r'_1 \gamma_i^{(k)} = \beta_i^{(k)}, \quad \forall i \in N_2(A^{(k)}),$$

thus for any positive number d , we have

$$d|a_{ii}^{(k)}| \leq d\beta_i^{(k)}, \quad \forall i \in N_2(A^{(k)}).$$

Notice that $\beta_i^{(k)} \neq 0$, $i \in (N_0(A^{(k)}) \cup N_1(A^{(k)})) \setminus \tilde{N}_0(A^{(k)})$, we construct a positive diagonal matrix $\hat{D} = \text{diag}\{\hat{d}_i \mid \hat{d}_i = c, i \in (N_0(A^{(k)}) \cup N_1(A^{(k)})) \setminus \tilde{N}_0(A^{(k)}); \hat{d}_i = 1, i \in \tilde{N}_0(A^{(k)}); \hat{d}_i = d, i \in N_2(A^{(k)})\}$, where

$$c = \max_{i \in N_0(A^{(k)}) \cup N_1(A^{(k)})} \frac{|a_{ii}^{(k)}| - \xi_i^{(k)}}{\alpha_i^{(k)} + \gamma_i^{(k)} - \xi_i^{(k)}} \geq 1,$$

$$d = \max_{i \in (N_0(A^{(k)}) \cup N_1(A^{(k)})) \setminus \tilde{N}_0(A^{(k)})} \frac{c(|a_{ii}^{(k)}| - \alpha_i^{(k)} - \gamma_i^{(k)} + \xi_i^{(k)}) - \xi_i^{(k)}}{\beta_i^{(k)}} > 0,$$

and write $\hat{A} = A^{(k)}\hat{D} = (\hat{a}_{ij})$.

For $i \in \tilde{N}_0(A^{(k)})$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |\hat{a}_{ii}| - \hat{\alpha} - \hat{\beta} - \hat{\gamma} \\ &= |a_{ii}^{(k)}| - c(\alpha_i^{(k)} + \gamma_i^{(k)} - \xi_i^{(k)}) - \xi_i^{(k)} - d\beta_i^{(k)} \\ &= |a_{ii}^{(k)}| - \xi_i^{(k)} - c(\alpha_i^{(k)} + \gamma_i^{(k)} - \xi_i^{(k)}) \\ &\leq |a_{ii}^{(k)}| - \xi_i^{(k)} - \frac{|a_{ii}^{(k)}| - \xi_i^{(k)}}{\alpha_i^{(k)} + \gamma_i^{(k)} - \xi_i^{(k)}}(\alpha_i^{(k)} + \gamma_i^{(k)} - \xi_i^{(k)}) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

For $i \in (N_0(A^{(k)}) \cup N_1(A^{(k)})) \setminus \tilde{N}_0(A^{(k)})$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |\hat{a}_{ii}| - \hat{\alpha} - \hat{\beta} - \hat{\gamma} \\ &= c|a_{ii}^{(k)}| - c(\alpha_i^{(k)} + \gamma_i^{(k)} - \xi_i^{(k)}) - \xi_i^{(k)} - d\beta_i^{(k)} \\ &\leq c(|a_{ii}^{(k)}| - \alpha_i^{(k)} - \gamma_i^{(k)} + \xi_i^{(k)}) - \xi_i^{(k)} \\ &\quad - \frac{c(|a_{ii}^{(k)}| - \alpha_i^{(k)} - \gamma_i^{(k)} + \xi_i^{(k)}) - \xi_i^{(k)}}{\beta_i^{(k)}}\beta_i^{(k)} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

For $i \in N_2(A^{(k)})$, as $c(\alpha_i^{(k)} + \gamma_i^{(k)} - \xi_i^{(k)}) + \xi_i^{(k)} \geq \alpha_i^{(k)} + \gamma_i^{(k)} > 0$, and $d|a_{ii}^{(k)}| \leq d\beta_i^{(k)}$, we have

$$|\hat{a}_{ii}| - \hat{\alpha} - \hat{\beta} - \hat{\gamma} = d|a_{ii}^{(k)}| - c(\alpha_i^{(k)} + \gamma_i^{(k)} - \xi_i^{(k)}) - \xi_i^{(k)} - d\beta_i^{(k)} < 0.$$

So \hat{A} has no diagonally dominant row. From Algorithm II, we obtain $\hat{A} = A^{(k)}\hat{D} = AD^{(1)}D^{(2)} \dots D^{(k-1)}\hat{D}$, where $D^{(1)}D^{(2)} \dots D^{(k-1)}\hat{D}$ is a positive diagonal matrix, thus A is not an H -matrix.

(2) We construct a positive diagonal matrix $D = \text{diag}\{d_i \mid d_i = r_i, i \in N_1(A^{(k)}); d_i = 1, i \in N_0(A^{(k)}) \cup N_2(A^{(k)})\}$, and write $A' = A^{(k)}D = (a'_{ij})$.

For $i \in N_1(A^{(k)})$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |a'_{ii}| - \alpha' - \beta' - \gamma' &= r_i |a_{ii}^{(k)}| - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(k)}), t \neq i} r_t |a_{it}^{(k)}| - \beta_i^{(k)} - \gamma_i^{(k)} \\ &= h^{(k)} \left(P_i^{(k)} - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(k)}), t \neq i} |a_{it}^{(k)}| \frac{P_t^{(k)}}{|a_{tt}^{(k)}|} \right) - \beta_i^{(k)} - \gamma_i^{(k)} \\ &\geq (\beta_i^{(k)} + \gamma_i^{(k)}) - \beta_i^{(k)} - \gamma_i^{(k)} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

For $i \in N_0(A^{(k)}) \cup N_2(A^{(k)})$, we have

$$|a'_{ii}| - \alpha' - \beta' - \gamma' = |a_{ii}^{(k)}| - \sum_{t \in N_1(A^{(k)}), t \neq i} r_t |a_{it}^{(k)}| - \beta_i^{(k)} - \gamma_i^{(k)} > 0.$$

So A' is an irreducibly diagonally dominant matrix. From Algorithm II, we obtain $A' = A^{(k)}D = AD^{(1)}D^{(2)} \dots D^{(k-1)}D$, where $D^{(1)}D^{(2)} \dots D^{(k-1)}D$ is a positive diagonal matrix, thus A is an H -matrix. \square

3. Examples

We give the following examples to show the effectiveness of the proposed algorithms:

Example 1. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 3 & 1 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 0.25 & 3 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 4 & 0 & 20 \end{pmatrix},$$

we have that Algorithm I needs only one iteration for identifying A is an H -matrix, while both Algorithm A and Algorithm A' require three iterations.

Example 2. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.1 & 0.05 & 0 \\ 0.3 & 1 & 0 & 0.05 \\ 0 & 0.05 & 1 & 1.05 \\ 0.05 & 0.1 & 1.05 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

we have that Algorithm II needs only one iteration for identifying A is not an H -matrix, while Algorithm B requires eleven iterations.

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