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Preliminaries

Theorem

If C is nonnegative square matrix, then the following holds.

The spectral radius $\rho(C)$ is an eigenvalue of C with a corresponding nonnegative right eigenvector and a corresponding nonnegative left eigenvector.

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The following theorem is from [].

Theorem

Let $C = (c_{ij})$, $C' = (c'_{ij})$, P and Q be $n \times n$ matrices. Assume that

- (i) $PCQ \leq PC'Q$;
- (ii) there exist a nonnegative column vector $u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)^T$ and a scalar $\lambda' \in \mathbb{R}$ such that λ' is an eigenvalue of C' with associated eigenvector Qu ;
- (iii) there exist a nonnegative row vector $v^T = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ and a scalar $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ such that λ is an eigenvalue of C with associated left eigenvector $v^T P$; and
- (iv) $v^T P Q u > 0$.

Then $\lambda \leq \lambda'$. Moreover, $\lambda = \lambda'$ if and only if

$$(PC'Q)_{ij} = (PCQ)_{ij} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i, j \leq n \text{ with } v_i \neq 0 \text{ and } u_j \neq 0.$$

Proof

Multiplying the nonnegative vector u in (ii) to the right of both terms of (i),

$$PCQu \leq PC'Qu = \lambda' PQu. \quad (1)$$

Multiplying the nonnegative left eigenvector v^T of C for λ in assumption (iii) to the left of all terms in (1), we have

$$\lambda v^T PQu = v^T PCQu \leq v^T PC'Qu = \lambda' v^T PQu. \quad (2)$$

Now delete the positive term $v^T PQu$ by assumption (iv) to obtain $\lambda \leq \lambda'$ and finish the proof of the first part.

Proof (Continue)

Assume that $\lambda = \lambda'$, so the inequality in (2) is an equality.
Especially $(PCQu)_i = (PC'Qu)_i$ for any i with $v_i \neq 0$. Hence,
 $(PCQ)_{ij} = (PC'Q)_{ij}$ for any i with $v_i \neq 0$ and any j with $u_j \neq 0$.
Conversely, (0.2) implies

$$v^T PCQu = \sum_{i,j} v_i (PCQ)_{ij} u_j = \sum_{i,j} v_i (PC'Q)_{ij} u_j = v^T PC'Qu,$$

so $\lambda = \lambda'$ by (2).

Our Method

Throughout fix $k \in [n - 1]$. Let E_{kn} denote the $n \times n$ binary matrix with a unique 1 appearing in the position k, n of E_{kn} . We will apply the previous theorem with $P = I$ and

$$Q = I + E_{kn} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & 0 \\ & 1 & & \\ & & \ddots & 1 \\ & & & 1 \\ 0 & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

k -rooted vector

Definition

A column vector $v' = (v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n)^T$ is called k -rooted if $v'_j \geq 0$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$ and $v'_k \geq v'_n$.

The following Lemma is immediate from the above definition.

Lemma

vector rooted lemma If $u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)^T$ and $v' = (v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n) := Qu = (u_1, \dots, u_{k-1}, u_k + u_n, u_{k+1}, \dots, u_n)^T$, then

- (i) v' is k -rooted if and only if u is nonnegative;
- (ii) $u_k > 0$ if and only if $v'_k > v'_n$.



Our first result

Theorem

Let $C = (c_{ij})$, $C' = (c'_{ij})$ be $n \times n$ matrices. Assume that

- (i) $C[-|n) \leq C'[-|n)$ and $c_{ik} + c_{in} \leq c'_{ik} + c'_{in}$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n$;
- (ii) there exist a k -rooted vector $v' = (v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n)^T$ and a scalar $\lambda' \in \mathbb{R}$ such that λ' is an eigenvalue of C' with associated eigenvector v' ;
- (iii) there exists a nonnegative vector $v^T = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ and a scalar $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ such that λ is an eigenvalue of C with associated left eigenvector v^T ;
- (iv) $v^T v' > 0$.

Then $\lambda \leq \lambda'$. Moreover, $\lambda = \lambda'$ if and only if

- (a) $c_{ik} + c_{in} = c'_{ik} + c'_{in}$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$ with $v_i \neq 0$ and $v'_n \neq 0$;
- (b) $c'_{ij} = c_{ij}$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$, $1 \leq j \leq n-1$ with $v_i \neq 0$ and $v'_j > v'_n$.



k -rooted matrix

Definition ((k,n)-sum)

For a matrix $C' = (c'_{ij})$ of n columns, the (k, n) -sum vector of C' is the vector of the sum of the k -th and n -th columns of C' , where $k \leq n - 1$.

Definition (k -rooted matrix)

A matrix $C' = (c'_{ij})$ is called k -rooted if its columns and its (k, n) -sum vector are all k -rooted except the last column of C' .

Theorem

- (i) C' is a k -rooted matrix, if and only if, $Q^{-1}C'Q$ is nonnegative.
- (ii) C' has a k -rooted eigenvector $v' = Qu$ for $\rho(C')$ as an eigenvalue. u is a nonnegative eigenvector of $Q^{-1}C'Q$ for $\rho(C')$.
- (iii) $\rho(C') = \rho(Q^{-1}C'Q)$

Remark

$$Q^{-1} = I - E_{kn} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & 0 \\ & 1 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & -1 \\ & & & & 1 \\ 0 & & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The matrix $Q^{-1}C'Q$ is

$$\begin{pmatrix} c'_{11} & c'_{12} & \cdots & c'_{1\ n-1} & c'_{1k} + c'_{1n} \\ \vdots & & & & \\ c'_{k-11} & c'_{k-12} & \cdots & c'_{k-1\ n-1} & c'_{k-1k} + c'_{k-1n} \\ c'_{k1} - c'_{n1} & c'_{k2} - c'_{n2} & \cdots & c'_{kn-1} - c'_{nk-1} & c'_{kk} + c'_{kn} - c'_{nk} - c'_{nn} \\ c'_{k+11} & c'_{k+12} & \cdots & c'_{k+1\ n-1} & c'_{k+1k} + c'_{k+1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ c'_{n1} & c'_{n2} & \cdots & c'_{n\ n-1} & c'_{nk} + c'_{nn} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof.

For (i), the form of $Q^{-1}C'Q$ in last page shows that $Q^{-1}C'Q \geq 0$ if and only if C' is k -rooted. For (ii), C' is k -rooted and it has an k -rooted eigenvector Qu . And base on (i), $Q^{-1}C'Q$ is nonnegative implies that it has an eigenvector corresponding to spectral radius of $Q^{-1}C'Q$

$$(i) \quad C' * Qu = \lambda * Qu = Q * \lambda u \quad \dots \text{times } Q^{-1} \text{ to the left}$$

$$(ii) \quad Q^{-1}C'Q * u = \lambda * u$$

where λ is the spectral radius of C' , so it is necessary that (iii) holds.



Lemma

If a square matrix C' has a rooted eigenvector for λ' , then $C' + dI$ also has the same rooted eigenvector for $\lambda' + d$, where d is a constant and I is the identity matrix with the same size of C' .

Theorem

Let C be an $n \times n$ nonnegative matrix. For $1 \leq i \leq n$ and $1 \leq j \leq n-1$, choose c'_{ij} such that $c'_{ij} \geq c_{ij}$, and then choose r'_i such that $r'_i \geq c_{ik} + c_{in}$ and $c'_{kj} \geq c'_{nj} > 0$, and let $c'_{in} := r'_i - c'_{ik}$ with $r'_k \geq r'_n$. Whereas $c'_{kk} \geq c'_{nk}$ is not necessary. Then the $n \times n$ matrix $C' = (c'_{ij})$ has a positive k -rooted eigenvector for $\rho(C')$ and $\rho(C) \leq \rho(C')$.

Proof

The assumptions are necessary that $PCQ \leq PC'Q$, and C' is k -rooted, by 0.9, For certain d , if $C' + d * I$ is k -rooted, then it has a k -rooted eigenvector with its spectral radius $\lambda + d$. C' would share the same eigenvector with $C' + d * I$ and has eigenvalue λ . So $C' + d * I$ and $C + d * I$ meet the conditions of 0.5, and we can show that $\rho(C' + d * I) \geq \rho(C + d * I)$ and then $\rho(C') \geq \rho(C)$ \square

Example

For the following 4×4 matrix

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

we choose

$$C' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then $\rho(C) \leq \rho(C')$ by previous theorem.

Counterexample

For the following two 4×4 matrices

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

we have $CQ \leq C'Q$, but $\rho(C) = 2.234 \not\leq 2.148 = \rho(C')$. This is because $c'_{33} + c'_{34} \not\leq c'_{43} + c'_{44}$.