## ON THE ESTIMATIONS OF BOUNDS FOR DETERMINANT OF HADAMARD PRODUCT OF H-MATRICES $^{*1}$ )

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## Abstract

In this paper, some estimations of bounds for determinant of Hadamard product of H-matrices are given. The main result is the following: if  $A=(a_{ij})$  and  $B=(b_{ij})$  are nonsingular H-matrices of order n and  $\prod_{i=1}^n a_{ii}b_{ii}>0$ , and  $A_k$  and  $B_k$ ,  $k=1,2,\cdots,n$ , are the  $k\times k$  leading principal submatrices of A and B, respectively, then

$$\det\left(A \circ B\right) \geq |a_{11}b_{11}| \prod_{k=2}^{n} \left[ |b_{kk}| \frac{\det \mathcal{M}(A_k)}{\det \mathcal{M}(A_{k-1})} + \frac{\det \mathcal{M}(B_k)}{\det \mathcal{M}(B_{k-1})} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \left| \frac{a_{ik}a_{ki}}{a_{ii}} \right| \right) \right],$$

where  $\mathcal{M}(A_k)$  denotes the comparison matrix of  $A_k$ .

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $R^{m \times n}$  denote the set of  $m \times n$  real matrices,  $S_n^+$  denote the set of  $n \times n$  positive definite real symmetric matrices. For  $A = (a_{ij})$  and  $B = (b_{ij}) \in R^{m \times n}$ , the Hadamard product of A and B is defined as an  $m \times n$  matrix denoted by  $A \circ B : (A \circ B)_{ij} = a_{ij}b_{ij}$ .

We write  $A \geq B$  if  $a_{ij} \geq b_{ij}$  for all i, j. A real  $n \times n$  matrix A is called a nonsingular M-matrix if A = sI - B satisfied:  $s > 0, B \geq 0$  and  $s > \rho(B)$ , the spectral radius of B, let  $M_n$  denote the set of all  $n \times n$  nonsingular M-matrices. Suppose  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , its comparison matrix  $\mathcal{M}(A) = (m_{ij})$  is defined by the following:

$$m_{ij} = \begin{cases} |a_{ij}|, & \text{if } i = j\\ -|a_{ij}|, & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$
 (1)

A real (or complex)  $n \times n$  matrix A is called an H-matrix if its comparison matrix  $\mathcal{M}(A)$  is a nonsingular M-matrix, let  $H_n$  denote the set of all  $n \times n$  nonsingular H-matrices.

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On the estimations of bounds for determinant of Hadamard product of matrices, we have the following well-known result.

Oppenheim's inequality: If  $A = (a_{ij})$  and  $B = (b_{ij}) \in S_n^+$  then

$$\det (A \circ B) \ge \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n} a_{ii}\right) \cdot \det (B) \tag{2}$$

Lynn<sup>[2]</sup> had proved that inequality (2) holds for M-matrices and Fielder and Ptak<sup>[3]</sup> given a similar result when A is an M-matrix and B is a weakly diagonally dominant matrix. Jianzhou Liu and Li Zhu<sup>[1]</sup> improved Oppenheim's inequality recently as following theorem:

**Theorem 1**<sup>[1]</sup>. If  $A = (a_{ij})$  and  $B = (b_{ij})$  are nonsingular M-matrices,  $A_k$  and  $B_k$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ , are the  $k \times k$  leading principal submatrices of A and B, respectively, then

$$\det(A \circ B) \ge a_{11}b_{11} \prod_{k=2}^{n} \left[ b_{kk} \frac{\det(A_k)}{\det(A_{k-1})} + \frac{\det(B_k)}{\det(B_{k-1})} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{a_{ik}a_{ki}}{a_{ii}} \right) \right]$$
(3)

In this paper, we shall generalize Jianzhou Liu's results and give an inequality similar to (3) for nonsingular H-matrices.

## 2. Some Lemmas

In this section, we shall give some lemmas which shall be used in the following.

**Lemma 1**<sup>[4]</sup>. If A and  $B \in M_n$  then  $\mathcal{M}(A \circ B) \in M_n$ .

**Lemma 2.** If A and  $B \in H_n$  then  $A \circ B \in H_n$ .

*Proof.* By the definition of Hadamard product and the definition of comparison matrix, we can easily obtain the following equality:

$$\mathcal{M}(A \circ B) = \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{M}(A) \circ \mathcal{M}(B)) \tag{4}$$

If A and  $B \in H_n$  then  $\mathcal{M}(A)$  and  $\mathcal{M}(B) \in M_n$  and  $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{M}(A) \circ \mathcal{M}(B)) \in M_n$  by Lemma 1, that is:  $\mathcal{M}(A \circ B) \in M_n$ . So  $A \circ B \in H_n$ .

**Lemma 3**<sup>[5]</sup>. Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in R^{n \times n}$  with  $a_{ij} \leq 0$  for all  $i \neq j; i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , then the following conditions are equivalent:

- 1. A is a nonsingular M-matrix.
- 2. A has all positive diagonal elements, and there exists a positive diagonal matrix D such that AD is strictly diagonally dominant.
  - 3. All of the leading principal minors of A are positive.

From the definition of H-matrix and Lemma 3, we can easily prove the following result.

**Lemma 4.** A matrix A is nonsingular H-matrix if and only if there exists a positive diagonal matrix D such that AD is strictly diagonally dominant.

**Lemma 5**<sup>[1]</sup>. If A is a strictly diagonally dominant matrix with  $a_{ii} > 0$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , then

$$det A > det \mathcal{M}(A) > 0$$