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ABSTRACT

Let  $B$  and  $T$  be  $n \times n$  real matrices and  $r$  an  $n$ -vector and consider the system  $u = BTu + r$ . A new sufficient condition is given for the existence of a solution and convergence of a monotone process to a solution. The monotone process is a generalization of the Collatz-Schröder procedure.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Collatz- Schröder [1] consider the system

$$(1.1) \quad u = Tu + r$$

where  $T$  is a given  $n \times n$  real matrix and  $r$  a given  $n$ -vector and prescribe the monotone iterative process

$$(1.2) \quad \begin{bmatrix} v^{i+1} \\ w^{i+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & -T_2 \\ -T_2 & T_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v^i \\ w^i \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} r \\ r \end{bmatrix} \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

where  $T = T_1 - T_2$ ,  $T_1 \geq 0$  and  $T_2 \geq 0$ . A sufficient condition for the monotonicity and convergence of the above process is the existence of initial  $v^0, w^0$  satisfying

$$(1.3) \quad v^0 \leq v^1, \quad w^1 \leq w^0, \quad v^0 \leq w^0,$$

where  $v^1, w^1$  are computed from (1.2). Condition (1.3) guarantees that (1.1) has a solution  $u$  such that

$$(1.4) \quad v^0 \leq v^1 \leq \dots \leq v^i \leq \dots \leq u \leq \dots \leq w^i \leq \dots \leq w^1 \leq w^0$$

$$\text{and } u = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{v^i + w^i}{2}.$$

In this work we consider the system

$$(1.5) \quad u = BTu + r$$

where  $B$  is some  $n \times n$  real nonsingular matrix and prescribe the iterative process (2.3). Here however the splitting  $T = T_1 - T_2$  is not monotonic with respect to the nonnegative orthant but with respect to the dual cone generated by the rows of  $B^{-1}$ , that is:

$$B^{-1}y \geq 0 \implies T_1 y \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad T_2 y \geq 0.$$

In Collatz-Schröder [1],  $B^{-1} = I$ . A sufficient condition for the monotonicity and convergence of the iteration (2.3) is the existence of  $v^0, w^0$  satisfying (2.5). Condition (2.5) guarantees that (1.5) has a solution satisfying  $B^{-1}v^i \leq B^{-1}u \leq B^{-1}w^i$  and  $u = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{v^i + w^i}{2}$ .

By using Motzkin's theorem of the alternative for linear inequalities [4, 3] a sufficient condition for (2.5) can be obtained, condition (3.2). This condition insures the existence of a solution  $u$  to (1.5) and the convergence and monotonicity of the iterative process (2.3). When applied to  $Au = b$ , condition (3.2) gives existence results such as (3.6): If  $A \geq -I$ , and  $A'x \geq 0, x \geq 0$  implies that  $bx = 0$ , then  $Au = b$  has a solution. (Here and throughout a prime denotes the transpose.)

## 2. THE MONOTONE SPLITTING AND ITS CONVERGENCE

We consider here the problem

$$(2.0) \quad u = BTu + r$$

where  $B$  and  $T$  are given  $n \times n$  real matrices with  $B$  nonsingular, and  $r$  is a given  $n$ -vector. We split the matrix  $T$  as follows

$$(2.1) \quad T = T_1 - T_2$$

and require that

$$(2.2a) \quad B^{-1}y \geq 0 \implies T_1 y \geq 0 \text{ and } T_2 y \geq 0,$$

or equivalently [2] we require that

$$(2.2b) \quad T_1 B \geq 0 \text{ and } T_2 B \geq 0$$

(To see the equivalence of (2.2a) and (2.2b) we note that if (2.2b) holds then  $B^{-1}y \geq 0$  implies  $T_1 B B^{-1}y = T_1 y \geq 0$ . Conversely if (2.2a) holds then  $B^{-1}B = I \geq 0$  implies  $T_1 B \geq 0$ .)

We consider the iteration

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{bmatrix} v^{i+1} \\ w^{i+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & -T_2 \\ -T_2 & T_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v^i \\ w^i \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} r \\ r \end{bmatrix}$$

and begin by establishing the following result.

(2.4) Convergence and Existence Theorem Let (2.1) and (2.2)

hold. If there exist  $v^0, w^0$  in  $R^n$  such that

$$(2.5) \quad \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v^1 & -v^0 \\ w^0 & -w^1 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0, \quad B^{-1}(w^0 \ -v^0) \geq 0,$$

with  $v^1, w^1$  computed from (2.3), then

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v^{i+1} & -v^i \\ w^i & -w^{i+1} \end{bmatrix} \geq 0, \quad B^{-1}(w^i \ -v^i) \geq 0$$

for  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . In addition to system  $u = BTu + r$  has a solution  $u$  such that  $B^{-1}v^i \leq B^{-1}u \leq B^{-1}w^i$  and  $u = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{v^i + w^i}{2}$ .

Remark If we set  $B = I$ , then we obtain the results of Collatz-Schröder [1].

Proof We first establish (2.6) by induction. Because of (2.5), (2.6) holds for  $i = 0$ . Assume now that (2.6) holds for  $i$  and proceed to show that it also holds for  $i + 1$ .



$$\begin{aligned}
& \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & -B^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v^{i+2} - v^{i+1} \\ w^{i+2} - w^{i+1} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & T_2 \\ T_2 & T_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v^{i+1} \\ -w^{i+1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r \\ -r \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v^{i+1} \\ -w^{i+1} \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{by 2.3}) \\
&\cong \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & T_2 \\ T_2 & T_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v^i \\ -w^i \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r \\ -r \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v^{i+1} \\ -w^{i+1} \end{bmatrix} \\
&\hspace{15em} (\text{by 2.6 and 2.2a}) \\
&= 0 \hspace{15em} (\text{by 2.3})
\end{aligned}$$

We also have

$$\begin{aligned}
B^{-1}(w^{i+1} - v^{i+1}) &= (T_1 + T_2)(w^i - v^i) && (\text{by 2.3}) \\
&\geq 0 && (\text{by 2.6 and 2.2a})
\end{aligned}$$

Hence (2.6) holds for  $i + 1$  and the induction is complete. We now have from (2.6) that

$$B^{-1}v^0 \cong B^{-1}v^1 \cong \dots \cong B^{-1}v^i \cong \dots \cong B^{-1}w^i \cong \dots \cong B^{-1}w^1 \cong B^{-1}w^0.$$

Hence the monotone sequences  $\{B^{-1}v_k^i\}$  and  $\{B^{-1}w_k^i\}$  have limits  $a_k^*$  and  $b_k^*$ , so that also the vector sequences  $\{B^{-1}v^i\}$  and  $\{B^{-1}w^i\}$

have limits  $a^*$  and  $b^*$ . From the continuity of the linear operator  $B$  we have also that the vector sequences  $\{v^i\}$  and  $\{w^i\}$  converge to  $v = Ba^*$  and  $w = Bb^*$ . Hence from (2.3)

$$\begin{aligned} B^{-1}v &= T_1 v - T_2 w + B^{-1}r \\ B^{-1}w &= -T_2 v + T_1 w + B^{-1}r \end{aligned}$$

By letting  $u = \frac{v+w}{2}$  we have that

$$B^{-1}u = (T_1 - T_2)u + B^{-1}r = Tu + B^{-1}r.$$

That  $B^{-1}v^i \leq B^{-1}u \leq B^{-1}w^i$  follows from

$$B^{-1}u = B^{-1}\left(\frac{v+w}{2}\right) = \frac{a^* + b^*}{2}. \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

### 3. SUFFICIENT CONDITIONS FOR SOLVING $u = BTu + r$

By using Motzkin's theorem of the alternative [4,3] we give now a sufficient condition for the existence of  $v^0, w^0$  satisfying (2.5) and hence for the existence of a solution of  $u = BTu + r$  and the convergence of the iterative process (2.3).

(3.1) Convergence and Existence Theorem Theorem (2.4) holds

with assumption (2.5) replaced by

$$(3.2) \quad \left\langle \begin{array}{l} (-I + T_1 B)'x + (T_2 B)'y \geq 0 \\ (T_2 B)'x + (-I + T_1 B)'y \geq 0 \\ x, y \geq 0 \end{array} \right\rangle \implies xB^{-1}r = 0$$

Proof We have to show that (3.2) implies (2.5). Now (3.2) implies that

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (-I + T_1 B)' x + (T_2 B)' y \cong 0 \\ (T_2 B)' x + (-I + T_1 B)' y \cong 0 \\ -xB^{-1}r + yB^{-1}r > 0 \\ x, y \cong 0 \end{array} \right\} \text{has no solution } (x, y)$$

which implies that

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (-B^{-1} + T_1)' x + T_2' y - (B^{-1})' z = 0 \\ -T_2' x - (-B^{-1} + T_1)' y + (B^{-1})' z = 0 \\ (B^{-1}r)' x - (B^{-1}r)' y + \eta = 0 \\ x, y, z \cong 0 \\ \eta > 0 \end{array} \right\} \text{has no solution } (x, y, z, \eta)$$

which by Motzkin's theorem is equivalent to

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (-B^{-1} + T_1)v^0 - T_2w^0 + B^{-1}r\zeta \cong 0 \\ T_2v^0 - (-B^{-1} + T_1)w^0 - B^{-1}r\zeta \cong 0 \\ -B^{-1}v^0 + B^{-1}w^0 \cong 0 \\ \zeta > 0 \end{array} \right\} \text{has a solution } (v^0, w^0, \zeta)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\left\langle \begin{array}{l} T_1 v^0 - T_2 w^0 + B^{-1} r - B^{-1} v^0 \cong 0 \\ B^{-1} w^0 + T_2 v^0 - T_1 w^0 - B^{-1} r \cong 0 \\ B^{-1}(w^0 - v^0) \cong 0 \end{array} \right\rangle \text{ has a solution } (v^0, w^0)$$

which is equivalent to (2.5) having a solution.

Q.E.D.

By observing that if the system  $u = BTu + r$  has a solution  $\bar{u}$  then the system  $-u = -BTu + r$  has a solution  $-\bar{u}$  we obtain the following result from Theorem (3.1) by appropriate modifications.

(3.3) Convergence and Existence Theorem Let (2.1), (2.2) and

(3.2) hold. Then there exist  $v^0, w^0$  such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v^1 - v^0 \\ w^0 - w^1 \end{bmatrix} \cong 0, \quad B^{-1}(w^0 - v^0) \cong 0$$

where  $v^1, w^1$  are computed from the iteration

$$\begin{bmatrix} v^{i+1} \\ w^{i+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & -T_2 \\ -T_2 & T_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v^i \\ w^i \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} r \\ r \end{bmatrix}, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

which produces  $v^i, w^i$  satisfying

$$\begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v^{i+1} - v^i \\ w^i - w^{i+1} \end{bmatrix} \cong 0, \quad B^{-1}(w^i - v^i) \cong 0.$$

In addition the system  $-u = -BTu + r$  has a solution  $u$  such that  $B^{-1}v^i \cong B^{-1}u \cong B^{-1}w^i$  and  $u = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{v^i + w^i}{2}$ .

The following convergence and existence result for  $Au = b$  is obtained from Theorem (3.3) above by setting  $T_2 = 0$ ,  $A = -B^{-1} + T_1$  and  $b = B^{-1}r$ .

(3.4) Convergence and Existence for  $Au = b$  Consider the system  $Au = b$  where  $A$  is a given  $n \times n$  matrix and  $b$  is a given vector. Assume that  $AB + I \cong 0$  for some nonsingular  $n \times n$  matrix  $B$ . If

$$\left\langle \begin{array}{l} (AB)'x \cong 0 \\ x \cong 0 \end{array} \right\rangle \implies bx = 0$$

then  $Au = b$  has a solution  $u$ . This solution can be obtained from the iteration

$$\begin{bmatrix} v^{i+1} \\ w^{i+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B(T_1 v^i - b) \\ B(T_1 w^i - b) \end{bmatrix}, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

starting with  $v^0, w^0$  which exist and satisfy

$$B^{-1}(v^1 - v^0) \leq 0, \quad B^{-1}(w^0 - w^1) \leq 0, \quad B^{-1}(w^0 - v^0) \leq 0.$$

This iterative process produces  $v^i, w^i$  satisfying

$$B^{-1}(v^{i+1} - v^i) \leq 0, \quad B^{-1}(w^i - w^{i+1}) \leq 0, \quad B^{-1}(w^i - v^i) \leq 0$$

$$B^{-1}v^i \geq B^{-1}u \geq B^{-1}w^i$$

and  $u = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{v^i + w^i}{2}$  .

(3.5) Remark If  $A$  is nonsingular, then by taking  $B = -A^{-1}$  we conclude from the above that  $Au = b$  has a solution for any  $b$ .

(3.6) Corollary If we take  $B = I$  in (3.4) we have that for  $A \geq -I$ , if  $A'x \geq 0$ ,  $x \geq 0$  implies  $bx = 0$ , then  $Au = b$  has a solution, and the iteration and monotonicity relations of (3.4) simplify accordingly. Similarly if we take  $B = -I$  we have that for  $A \leq I$ , if  $A'x \leq 0$ ,  $x \geq 0$  implies  $bx = 0$  then  $Au = b$  has a solution.

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