

# Improving AOR Iterative Methods For Irreducible L-matrices

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*Abstract*—A preconditioned AOR iterative method is proposed with the preconditioner  $I + S_{\alpha\beta}^*$ . Some comparison theorems are given when the coefficient matrix of linear system  $A$  is an irreducible  $L$ -matrix. The convergence rate of AOR iterative method with the preconditioner  $I + S_{\alpha\beta}^*$  is faster than the convergence rate with the preconditioner  $I + S_{\alpha}$  by Li et al. Numerical example verifies comparison theorems. *Keywords:* Preconditioner, AOR iterative method, irreducible  $L$ -matrix

## 1 Introduction

For a linear system

$$Ax = b \tag{1}$$

where  $A \in R^{n \times n}$ ,  $b \in R^n$  are given and  $x \in R^n$  is unknown.

For simplicity, we let  $A = I - L - U$ , where  $I$  is the identity matrix,  $L$  and  $U$  are strictly lower and strictly upper triangular matrices, respectively. Then the iteration matrix of the AOR iterative method [1] for solving the linear system (1) is

$$L_{\gamma,\omega} = (I - \gamma L)^{-1}[(1 - \omega)I + (\omega - \gamma)L + \omega U] \tag{2}$$

where  $\omega$  and  $\gamma$  are real parameters with  $\omega \neq 0$ .

The preconditioned methods are often used to accelerate the convergence of iterative method solving the linear system (1). Recently, in Evans et al.[2] provided a preconditioner and improved the convergence rate of AOR iteration methods for the original linear system. In [3], a preconditioned Jacobi method was proposed for non-negative matrix with  $P' = I + S'$ , where  $S' = (s_{ij})_{n \times n}$ ,  $S'_{rt} = c (r \neq t)$  is the unique one nonzero entry in the  $r$ th row and the  $t$ th column of matrix  $S'$ . In [4], the author considered a generalization preconditioned iterative method for solving linear system (1). In [5], L.Wang et al proposed a new preconditioner  $P = (p_{ij})$  and showed the preconditioned AOR iterative method is asymptotically faster convergent than the original AOR iterative method when  $A$  is an  $M$ -matrix or  $H$ -matrix. In [6],

B.Zheng et al.proposed two new preconditioners and obtained the convergence and comparison theorems of the modified Gauss-Seidel methods with the two preconditioners. we consider a preconditioned system of (1)

$$PAx = Pb \tag{3}$$

where  $P$  is a nonsingular matrix.

In [7], the author proposed the preconditioner  $P = I + \hat{S}_{\alpha}$ , where

$$\hat{S}_{\alpha} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & -\frac{a_{1n}}{\alpha} \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\alpha$  is a real parameter.

Now, we consider the preconditioned linear system

$$\hat{A}x = \hat{b} \tag{4}$$

where  $\hat{A} = (I + \hat{S}_{\alpha})A$  and  $\hat{b} = (I + \hat{S}_{\alpha})b$

We express the coefficient matrix  $\hat{A}$  of (4) as

$$\hat{A} = \hat{D} - \hat{L} - \hat{U}$$

where  $\hat{D}$ ,  $-\hat{L}$  and  $-\hat{U}$  are diagonal, strictly lower and strictly upper triangular matrices of  $\hat{A}$ , respectively.

$$\hat{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{a_{1n}a_{n1}}{\alpha} & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & \ddots \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{L} = L = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & & \\ -a_{21} & 0 & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ -a_{n1} & -a_{n2} & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{U} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{a_{1n}a_{n2}}{\alpha} - a_{12} & \cdots & (\frac{1}{\alpha} - 1)a_{1n} \\ & 0 & \cdots & -a_{2n} \\ & & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Therefore, the preconditioned AOR iterative matrix is

$$\widehat{L}_{\gamma,\omega} = (\widehat{D} - \gamma\widehat{L})^{-1}[(1 - \omega)\widehat{D} + (\omega - \gamma)\widehat{L} + \omega\widehat{U}] \quad (5)$$

In [8], H.J.Wang et al. proposed the preconditioned AOR iterative method with the preconditioner  $I + S'_{\alpha\beta}$ . In this paper, we propose the preconditioned AOR iterative method with  $I + S^*_{\alpha\beta}$  and give some comparison theorems.

## 2 Preliminaries

In this paper,  $\rho(\cdot)$  denotes the spectral radius of a matrix.

**Definition 2.1**([9]). For  $A = (a_{ij}), B = (b_{ij}) \in R^{n \times n}$ , we write  $A \geq B$  if  $a_{ij} \geq b_{ij}$  holds for all  $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Calling  $A$  nonnegative matrix if  $A \geq 0$  ( $a_{ij} \geq 0, i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ).

**Definition 2.2**([10]). A matrix  $A$  is a  $L$ -matrix if  $a_{ii} \geq 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $a_{ij} \leq 0$  for all  $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n, i \neq j$ .

**Definition 2.3**([9]). A matrix  $A$  is irreducible if the directed graph associated to  $A$  is strongly connected.

**Lemma 2.1**([9]). Let  $A$  be a nonnegative  $n \times n$  nonzero matrix. Then

- (a)  $\rho(A)$ , the spectral radius of  $A$ , is an eigenvalue;
- (b)  $A$  has a nonnegative eigenvector corresponding to  $\rho(A)$ ;
- (c)  $\rho(A)$  is a simple eigenvalue of  $A$ ;
- (d)  $\rho(A)$  increases when any entry of  $A$  increases.

**Lemma 2.2**([7]). Let  $A$  be an irreducible  $L$ -matrix with  $0 < a_{1n}a_{n1} < \alpha$  ( $\alpha > 1$ ), If  $0 \leq \gamma \leq \omega \leq 1$  ( $\omega \neq 0, \gamma \neq 1$ ), then  $L_{\gamma,\omega}$  by (2) is nonnegative and irreducible.

**Lemma 2.3**([11]). Let  $A$  be a nonnegative matrix. Then

- (1) If  $\alpha x \leq Ax$  for some nonnegative vector  $x, x \neq 0$ , then  $\alpha \leq \rho(A)$ .
- (2) If  $Ax \leq \beta x$  for some positive vector  $x$ , then  $\rho(A) \leq \beta$ .

## 3 Preconditioned AOR iterative method

We consider the preconditioned linear system

$$A^*x = b^* \quad (6)$$

where  $A^* = (I + S^*_{\alpha\beta})A$  and  $b^* = (I + S^*_{\alpha\beta})b$

$$S^*_{\alpha\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & -\frac{a_{1n}}{\alpha} - \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are real parameters.

If  $\beta$  is equal to zero, then  $S^*_{\alpha\beta} = \widehat{S}_\alpha$

We express the coefficient matrix  $A^*$  of (6) as

$$A^* = D^* - L^* - U^*$$

where  $D^*, -L^*$  and  $-U^*$  are diagonal, strictly lower and strictly upper triangular matrices of  $A^*$ , respectively, where

$$D^* = \begin{pmatrix} (-\frac{a_{1n}}{\alpha} - \beta)a_{n1} + 1 & & & & \\ & 1 & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$L^* = L = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & & & \\ -a_{21} & 0 & & & \\ -a_{31} & -a_{32} & 0 & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ -a_{n1} & -a_{n2} & -a_{n3} & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$U^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (\frac{a_{1n}}{\alpha} + \beta)a_{n2} - a_{12} & \dots & (\frac{a_{1n}}{\alpha} + \beta) - a_{1n} & \\ & 0 & \dots & -a_{2n} & \\ & & \ddots & \vdots & \\ & & & 0 & \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the preconditioned AOR iteration matrix is

$$L^*_{\gamma,\omega} = (D^* - \gamma L^*)^{-1}[(1 - \omega)D^* + (\omega - \gamma)L^* + \omega U^*] \quad (7)$$

where  $\gamma$  and  $\omega$  are real parameters.

## 4 Comparison theorems

**Lemma 4.1**([12]). Let  $A, \widehat{A}$  and  $A^*$  be the coefficient matrices of the linear system (1), (4) and (6), respectively. Let  $A$  be an irreducible  $L$ -matrix with  $0 < a_{1n}a_{n1} < \alpha$  ( $\alpha > 1$ ), Assume that  $L_{\gamma,\omega}, \widehat{L}_{\gamma,\omega}$  and  $L^*_{\gamma,\omega}$  are defined by (2), (5) and (7), respectively. If  $0 \leq \gamma \leq \omega \leq 1, (\gamma \neq 1, \omega \neq 0)$  and  $\beta \in (-\frac{a_{1n}}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{a_{n1}}, -\frac{a_{1n}}{\alpha}) \cap ((1 - \frac{1}{\alpha})a_{1n}, \frac{a_{1n}}{\alpha})$ , then  $L_{\gamma,\omega}, \widehat{L}_{\gamma,\omega}$  and  $L^*_{\gamma,\omega}$  are nonnegative and irreducible.

**Proof.** The proof of  $L_{\gamma,\omega}$  and  $\widehat{L}_{\gamma,\omega}$  have been given in [7].

Now, we prove that  $L^*_{\gamma,\omega}$  is nonnegative and irreducible.

$$\begin{aligned} L^*_{\gamma,\omega} &= (D^* - \gamma L^*)^{-1}[(1 - \omega)D^* + (\omega - \gamma)L^* + \omega U^*] \\ &= (I - \gamma D^{*-1}L^*)^{-1}[(1 - \omega)I + (\omega - \gamma)D^{*-1}L^* \\ &\quad + \omega D^{*-1}U^*] \\ &= [I + \gamma D^{*-1}L^* + (\gamma D^{*-1}L^*)^2 + (\gamma D^{*-1}L^*)^3 \\ &\quad + \dots][(1 - \omega)I + (\omega - \gamma)D^{*-1}L^* + \omega D^{*-1}U^*] \\ &= (1 - \omega)I + (\omega - \gamma)D^{*-1}L^* + \omega D^{*-1}U^* \\ &\quad + [\gamma D^{*-1}L^* + (\gamma D^{*-1}L^*)^2 + (\gamma D^{*-1}L^*)^3 + \dots] \\ &\quad [(1 - \omega)I + (\omega - \gamma)D^{*-1}L^* + \omega D^{*-1}U^*] \end{aligned}$$

If  $\beta \in (-\frac{a_{1n}}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{a_{n1}}, -\frac{a_{1n}}{\alpha}) \cap ((1 - \frac{1}{\alpha})a_{1n}, \frac{a_{1n}}{\alpha})$  and  $0 < a_{1n}a_{n1} < \alpha$ , then  $L_{\gamma,\omega}^* \geq 0$ . If  $A$  is irreducible and  $0 \leq \gamma \leq \omega \leq 1$ , then  $(1-\omega)I + (\omega-\gamma)D^{*-1}L^* + \omega D^{*-1}U^*$  is irreducible. Thus,  $L_{\gamma,\omega}^*$  is irreducible. This completes the proof.

**Theorem 4.1** Let  $A$  is an irreducible  $L$ -matrix with  $0 < a_{1n}a_{n1} < \alpha$  ( $\alpha > 1$ ), Assume that  $L_{\gamma,\omega}$ ,  $\widehat{L}_{\gamma,\omega}$  and  $L_{\gamma,\omega}^*$  are defined by (2), (5) and (7), respectively. If  $\beta \in (-\frac{a_{1n}}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{a_{n1}}, 0) \cap ((1 - \frac{1}{\alpha})a_{1n}, 0)$  and  $0 \leq \gamma \leq \omega \leq 1$ , ( $\omega \neq 0, \gamma \neq 1$ ), then  $\rho(L_{\gamma,\omega}^*) \leq \rho(\widehat{L}_{\gamma,\omega}) < \rho(L_{\gamma,\omega})$  ( If  $\rho(L_{\gamma,\omega}) < 1$ )

**Proof.** When  $\rho(L_{\gamma,\omega}) < 1$ , the proof of  $\rho(\widehat{L}_{\gamma,\omega}) < \rho(L_{\gamma,\omega})$  has been given in [2].

Now we prove that  $\rho(L_{\gamma,\omega}^*) \leq \rho(\widehat{L}_{\gamma,\omega})$

$\widehat{L}_{\gamma,\omega}$  and  $L_{\gamma,\omega}^*$  are nonnegative and irreducible matrices from Lemma 4.1. We know that there exists a nonnegative eigenvector  $x$ , such that  $\widehat{L}_{\gamma,\omega}x = \lambda x$  from Lemma 2.1.

Assume  $\lambda = \rho(\widehat{L}_{\gamma,\omega})$

From (5), we have

$$[(1-\omega)\widehat{D} + (\omega-\gamma)\widehat{L} + \omega\widehat{U}]x = \lambda(\widehat{D} - \gamma\widehat{L})x \quad (8)$$

From (8), we have

$$[(1-\omega)\widehat{D} + (\omega-\gamma+\lambda\gamma)\widehat{L} + \omega\widehat{U} - \lambda\widehat{D}]x = 0$$

It is easy to see that

$$L^* = L$$

$$D^* - U^* = \widehat{D} - \widehat{U} - S\widehat{L} + S \quad (9)$$

where

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & -\beta \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

If  $\beta \in (-\frac{a_{1n}}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{a_{n1}}, 0) \cap ((1 - \frac{1}{\alpha})a_{1n}, 0)$

From (8) and (9), we have

$$\begin{aligned} L_{\gamma,\omega}^*x - \lambda x &= (D^* - \gamma L^*)^{-1}[(1-\omega)D^* + (\omega-\gamma)L^* + \omega U^* - \lambda(D^* - \gamma L^*)]x \\ &= (D^* - \gamma L^*)^{-1}[(1-\omega)D^* + (\omega-\gamma)\widehat{L} + \omega(D^* - \widehat{D} + \widehat{U} + S\widehat{L} - S) - \lambda(D^* - \gamma L^*)]x \\ &= (D^* - \gamma L^*)^{-1}[(1-\lambda)D^* - \omega\widehat{D} + (\omega-\gamma)\widehat{L} + \omega S\widehat{L} + \omega\widehat{U} - \omega S + \lambda\gamma\widehat{L}]x \\ &= (D^* - \gamma L^*)^{-1}[(1-\lambda)D^* - \omega\widehat{D} + (\omega-\gamma+\lambda\gamma)\widehat{L} + \omega S\widehat{L} + \omega\widehat{U} - \omega S]x \\ &= (D^* - \gamma L^*)^{-1}[(1-\lambda)D^* - \omega\widehat{D} - (1-\omega-\lambda)\widehat{D} + \omega S\widehat{L} - \omega S]x \\ &= (D^* - \gamma L^*)^{-1}[(1-\lambda)D^* - (1-\lambda)\widehat{D} + \omega(S\widehat{L} - S)]x \\ &= (D^* - \gamma L^*)^{-1}[(1-\lambda)(D^* - \widehat{D}) + \omega(S\widehat{L} - S)]x \end{aligned}$$

From (8), we have

$$[(1-\omega)\widehat{D} + (\omega-\gamma)\widehat{L} + \omega\widehat{U}]x = \lambda(\widehat{D} - \gamma\widehat{L})x$$

Thus,

$$(\omega-\gamma+\lambda\gamma)\widehat{L}x = [(\lambda-1+\omega)\widehat{D} - \omega\widehat{U}]x$$

We know that  $S\widehat{D} = S$ ,  $D^* - \widehat{D} \leq 0$  and  $S\widehat{L}x = [\frac{\lambda-1+\omega}{\omega-\gamma+\lambda\gamma}S\widehat{D} - \frac{\omega}{\omega-\gamma+\lambda\gamma}S\widehat{U}]x = [\frac{\lambda-1+\omega-(\omega-\gamma+\lambda\gamma)}{\omega-\gamma+\lambda\gamma}S - \frac{\omega}{\omega-\gamma+\lambda\gamma}S\widehat{U}]x$

Since  $S\widehat{U} = 0$ , We obtain

$$(S\widehat{L} - S)x = [\frac{(1-\gamma)(\lambda-1)}{\omega-\gamma+\lambda\gamma}S - \frac{\omega}{\omega-\gamma+\lambda\gamma}S\widehat{U}]x = \frac{(1-\gamma)(\lambda-1)}{\omega-\gamma+\lambda\gamma}Sx$$

Since  $(D^* - \gamma L^*)^{-1} \geq 0$ , if  $\lambda < 1, 0 \leq \gamma \leq \omega \leq 1$ , then  $L_{\gamma,\omega}^*x - \lambda x \leq 0$ . From Lemma 2.3, we have  $\rho(L_{\gamma,\omega}^*) \leq \lambda$ . Therefore,  $\rho(L_{\gamma,\omega}^*) \leq \rho(\widehat{L}_{\gamma,\omega})$ . This completes the proof.

**Remark 4.1** If  $\gamma = \omega$ , AOR iterative method becomes SOR iterative method. Thus, we obtain the comparison theorem of the preconditioned SOR iterative method.

**Corollary 4.1** Let  $L_\omega$ ,  $\widehat{L}_\omega$  and  $L_\omega^*$  be the iterative matrices of the SOR iterative method associated to (1), (4) and (6), respectively. If the matrix  $A$  of (1) is an irreducible  $L$ -matrix with  $0 < a_{1n}a_{n1} < \alpha$  ( $\alpha > 1$ ) and  $\beta \in (-\frac{a_{1n}}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{a_{n1}}, 0) \cap ((1 - \frac{1}{\alpha})a_{1n}, 0)$ , and  $0 < \omega < 1$ , then  $\rho(L_\omega^*) \leq \rho(\widehat{L}_\omega) < \rho(L_\omega)$  ( If  $\rho(L_\omega) < 1$ )

**Remark 4.2** Let  $\gamma = 0$  and  $\omega = 1$ , AOR iterative method becomes Jacobi iterative method. Thus, we obtain the comparison theorem of the preconditioned Jacobi iterative method.

**Corollary 4.2** Let  $L_{0,1}$ ,  $\widehat{L}_{0,1}$  and  $L_{0,1}^*$  be the iterative matrices of the Jacobi iterative method associated to (1), (4) and (6), respectively. If the matrix  $A$  of (1) is an irreducible  $L$ -matrix with  $0 < a_{1n}a_{n1} < \alpha$  ( $\alpha > 1$ ) and  $\beta \in (-\frac{a_{1n}}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{a_{n1}}, 0) \cap ((1 - \frac{1}{\alpha})a_{1n}, 0)$ , then  $\rho(L_{0,1}^*) \leq \rho(\widehat{L}_{0,1}) < \rho(L_{0,1})$  ( If  $\rho(L_{0,1}) < 1$ )

## 5 Numerical example

In this section, we give the following example to illustrate the results obtained in section 4.

**Example** The coefficient matrix  $A$  of (1) is given by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -0.2 & -0.3 & -0.1 & -0.2 \\ -0.1 & 1 & -0.1 & -0.3 & -0.1 \\ -0.2 & -0.1 & 1 & -0.1 & -0.2 \\ -0.2 & -0.1 & -0.1 & 1 & -0.3 \\ -0.1 & -0.2 & -0.2 & -0.1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Table 1 The comparison of the spectral radius of AOR iterative matrix**

$\gamma$	$\omega$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\rho(L_{\gamma,\omega})$	$\rho(\widehat{L}_{\gamma,\omega})$	$\rho(L_{\gamma,\omega}^*)$
0.8	0.9	2	-0.05	0.5735	0.5699	0.5681
0.7	0.8	2	-0.05	0.6400	0.6363	0.6345
0.6	0.7	4	-0.05	0.6994	0.6976	0.6958
0.5	0.6	4	-0.05	0.7531	0.7515	0.7498
0.1	0.2	5	-0.1	0.9288	0.9283	0.9270
0.9	0.9	2	-0.05	0.5476	0.5447	0.5433
0.5	0.5	2	-0.1	0.7943	0.7932	0.7904
0	1	2	-0.05	0.6551	0.6484	0.6449
0	1	5	-0.1	0.6551	0.6525	0.6456

From Table 1, we know that when  $\rho(L_{\gamma,\omega}) < 1$ ,  $\rho(L_{\gamma,\omega}^*) < \rho(\widehat{L}_{\gamma,\omega}) < \rho(L_{\gamma,\omega})$

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