# Parallel multisplitting methods for singular linear systems

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Abstract—In this paper, we discuss convergence of the extrapolated iterative methods for linear systems with the coefficient matrices are singular H-matrices. And we present the sufficient and necessary conditions for convergence of the extrapolated iterative methods. Moreover, we apply the results to the GMAOR methods. Finally, we give one numerical example.

*Keywords*—singular H-matrix, linear systems, extrapolated iterative method, GMAOR method, convergence.

### I. INTRODUCTION

ET us consider a system of n equations

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

where  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  is singular,  $b, x \in C^n$  with b known and x unknown. We assume that the system (??) is solvable, i.e., it has at least one solution. In order to solve the system (??) with parallel multi-splitting iterative methods, we assume that

(1) 
$$A = M_k - N_k, \ k = 1, 2, \cdots, \alpha,$$

where  $M_k$  is a nonsingular matrix;

(2) 
$$\sum_{k} E_k = I \ (I \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}),$$

where  $E_k$  are diagonal and  $E_k \ge 0$ .

Then a parallel multi-splitting iterative method for solving (??) can be described as follows

$$x^{m+1} = Tx^m + Sb, \ m = 0, 1, 2, \cdots,$$
 (2)

where  $T = \sum_{k} E_k M_k^{-1} N_k$  is the iteration matrix,  $S = \sum E_k M_k^{-1}$ .

<sup> $\kappa$ </sup> It is well known that for singular systems the iterative method (??) is convergent if and only if the associated convergence factor

$$\vartheta(T) \equiv max\{|\mu|, \mu \in (\sigma(T) \setminus \{1\})\} < 1$$

and the elementary divisors associated with  $\mu = 1 \in \sigma(T)$  are linear, i.e.,

$$index(I-T) = 1,$$

where  $\sigma(T)$  denotes the spectrum of T and index(B) denotes the index of the matrix B, i.e., the smallest nonnegative integer

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k such that  $rank(B^{k+1}) = rank(B^k)$ . In this case, T is called a semi-convergent matrix. In the extrapolated case, the method (??) can be defined by

$$x^{k+1} = T_{\omega}x^k + \omega M^{-1}b, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$
(3)

where

$$T_{\omega} = (1 - \omega)I + \omega T, \tag{4}$$

is the iteration matrix and  $\omega \in R$  is called the extrapolated parameter([1]). Clearly, if  $\omega = 0$  then  $T_0 = I$  and the extrapolated method (??) becomes

$$x^{k+1} = x^k, \ k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Thus we assume that  $\omega \neq 0$  in further considerations.

Now we assume that

 $(1)A = D - L_k - U_k$ ,  $k = 1, 2, ..., \alpha$ , where diag(D) = diag(A), D is a nonsingular matrix,  $L_k$  and  $U_k$  are matrices with zeros in the diagonal, where  $L_k = (l_{ij})_k$ ,  $U_k = (u_{ij})_k$ . In general, we don't assume that  $L_k$  and  $U_k$  are triangular matrices;

(2) 
$$\sum_{k} E_k = I$$
, where  $E_k$  are diagonal and  $E_k \ge 0$ .

Then the collection of triples  $(D - L_k, U_k, E_k), k = 1, 2, ..., \alpha$ , is called a multi-splitting of A.

We introduce the operators  $F_k$  by

$$F_k(\gamma, \omega, x) = (D - \gamma L_k)^{-1} \times [(1 - \omega)D + (\omega - \gamma)L_k + \omega U_k]x + \omega b,$$
  
$$\gamma \ge 0, \ \omega > 0, \ k = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha.$$

Algorithm: Choose  $x^0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  arbitrarily. For m = 0, 1, 2, ... until convergence,

$$x^{m+1} = \sum_{k} E_k F_k(\gamma, \omega, x^m),$$

If we define the matrix

$$\ell_{GMAOR}(\gamma,\omega) = \sum_{k} E_k (D - \gamma L_k)^{-1} \times [(1-\omega)D + (\omega - \gamma)L_k + \omega U_k]$$

and the vector

$$b_{GMAOR}(\gamma,\omega) = \sum_{k} E_k (D - \gamma L_k)^{-1} (\omega b),$$

then from Algorithm we get

$$x^{m+1} = \ell_{GMAOR}(\gamma, \omega) x^m + b_{GMAOR}(\gamma, \omega), m = 0, 1, \dots$$

Obviously, if D is diagonal,  $L_k$  are strictly lower triangular matrices and  $U_k$  are matrices with zeros in the diagonal, then

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the above algorithm will reduce to the well-known MAOR algorithm (parallel multi-splitting AOR algorithm [2]). Hence we call Algorithm a parallel generalized multi-splitting AOR algorithm (GMAOR). Furthermore, we observe that when  $(\gamma, \omega)$  is equal to  $(\omega, \omega), (1, 1), (0, \omega)$  and (0, 1) the GMAOR method reduces to the GMSOR, GMGS, GMJOR and GMJ iterative methods, respectively, with the iteration matrices  $\ell_{GMSOR}(\gamma), \ell_{GMGS}, \ell_{GMJOR}$  and  $\ell_{GMJ}$ .

It should be noted that, if  $\gamma \neq 0$ , the GMAOR method is an extrapolated method of the GMSOR method with the relaxation factor  $\gamma$  and the extrapolated parameter  $\frac{\omega}{\gamma}$ , namely

$$\ell_{GMAOR}(\gamma,\omega) = (1-\frac{\omega}{\gamma})I + \frac{\omega}{\gamma}\ell_{GMSOR}(\gamma).$$

In this paper, we discuss convergence of the extrapolated iterative methods for solving singular linear systems with the coefficient matrices are singular H-matrices. In Section 2 some sufficient and necessary conditions for convergence of the extrapolated iterative methods are presented. In Section 3 we apply the results of Section 2 to the GMAOR method, which are the extrapolated methods of the GMSOR method.

**Definition 1.1**([3]) A matrix  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is called a singular M-matrix if A can be expressed in the form

$$A = sI - B, \ s > 0, B \ge 0,$$
(5)

and

$$s = \rho(B).$$

**Definition 1.2**([4]) A matrix  $A = (a_{ij}) \in C^{n \times n}$  is called a singular H-matrix if its comparison matrix  $M(A) = (\tilde{a}_{ij})$  is a singular M-matrix, where

$$\tilde{a}_{ij} = \begin{cases} ||a_{ii}|, ||i| = j \\ -||a_{ij}|, ||i| \neq j \end{cases}$$

**Definition 1.3**([5]) Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .  $A = M - N(M, N \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$  is called as an H-splitting if M(M) - |N| is an M-matrix. If M(A) = M(M) - |N|, then A = M - N is called as an H-compatible splitting.

## II. SUFFICIENT AND NECESSARY CONDITIONS FOR CONVERGENCE

Lemma 2.1([6]) The extrapolated method

$$x^{(m+1)} = [(1-\omega)I + \omega M^{-1}N]x^{(m)} + \omega M^{-1}b_{2}$$

 $m = 0, 1, 2, \cdots$ , is convergent if and only if index(I - T) = 1and one of the following conditions is satisfied.

(1)  $Re\mu < 1$ , for all  $\mu \in \sigma(T) \setminus \{1\}$ , and

$$0 < \omega < \min_{\mu \in \sigma(T) \setminus \{1\}} \frac{2(1 - Re\mu)}{1 - 2Re\mu + |\mu|^2};$$

(2) 
$$Re\mu > 1$$
, for all  $\mu \in \sigma(T) \setminus \{1\}$ , and

$$0 > \omega > \max_{\mu \in \sigma(T) \setminus \{1\}} \frac{2(1 - Re\mu)}{1 - 2Re\mu + |\mu|^2}$$

**Theorem 2.1** The extrapolated method (??) is convergent if and only if index(I - T) = 1 and one of the following conditions is satisfied.

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Proof: By Lemma 1 we know that Theorem 1 holds obviously.

Now we denote

$$\tau(T) = \min_{\mu \in \sigma(T) \setminus \{1\}} \frac{2(1 - Re\mu)}{1 - 2Re\mu + |\mu|^2}.$$

**Corollary 2.1** If  $\rho(T) = 1$ , then the following statements are true.

(1) The extrapolated iterative method is convergent if and only if index(I - T) = 1 and  $0 < \omega < \tau(T)$ .

(2) The inequalities

$$\tau(T) \geq \frac{2}{1+\vartheta(T)} \geq 1$$

hold.

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Proof: (1) Since  $\rho(T) = 1$ , we have  $Re\mu < 1$  for  $\mu \in \sigma(T) \setminus \{1\}$ . Thus by Theorem 1 it follows that (??) is convergent if and only if index(I-T) = 1 and  $0 < \omega < \tau(T)$ . (2) For  $\mu \in \sigma(T) \setminus \{1\}$ , we have

$$\frac{(1 - Re\mu)}{1 - 2Re\mu + |\mu|^2} \ge \frac{1}{1 + |\mu|}$$

if  $|\mu|<1.$  And if  $|\mu|=1$  then  $Re\mu<1,$  hence

$$\frac{(1 - Re\mu)}{1 - 2Re\mu + |\mu|^2} = \frac{1}{1 + |\mu|} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Correspondingly, we have

$$\tau(T) \ge \min_{\mu \in \sigma(T) \setminus \{1\}} \frac{2}{1 + |\mu|} = \frac{2}{1 + \vartheta(T)}$$

thus (2) follows immediately.

**Lemma 2.2**([7]) Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a irreducible singular Hmatrix. Further, assume that the splitting  $A = M_k - N_k (k = 1, 2, ..., \alpha)$  is an H-compatible splitting, then  $\rho(T) = 1$  and index(I - T) = 1.

**Lemma 2.3**([7]) Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a singular H-matrix. Further, assume that the splitting  $A = M_k - N_k(k = 1, 2, ..., \alpha)$  is an H-compatible splitting and  $ind_0(A) = inf\{k : ker(A^k) = ker(A^{k+1})\} = 1$ , then  $\rho(T) = 1$  and index(I - T) = 1, where kerA is the kernel of the linear transformation A.

**Theorem 2.2** Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a irreducible singular Hmatrix. Further, assume that the splitting  $A = M_k - N_k, k = 1, 2, \ldots, \alpha$  is an H-compatible splitting. Then the extrapolated method (??) is convergent if and only if  $0 < \omega < \tau(T)$ .

Proof: From Lemma 2 we know that  $\rho(T) = 1$  and index(I-T) = 1. From Corollary 1 we know that the extrapolated method (??) is convergent if and only if  $0 < \omega < \tau(T)$ . **Theorem 2.3** Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a singular H-matrix. Further, assume that the splitting  $A = M_k - N_k, k = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha$  is an H-compatible splitting and  $ind_0(A) = 1$ . Then the extrapolated method (??) is convergent if and only if  $0 < \omega < \tau(T)$ .

Proof: From Lemma 3 we know that  $\rho(T) = 1$  and index(I-T) = 1. From Corollary 1 we know that the extrapolated method (??) is convergent if and only if  $0 < \omega < \tau(T)$ .

### **III.** APPLICATIONS

**Theorem 3.1** Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a irreducible singular Hmatrix,  $d_{ij} - \gamma(l_{ij})_k \geq 0, (1 - \gamma)d_{ij} + \gamma(u_{ij})_k \geq 0$  or  $d_{ij} - \gamma(l_{ij})_k \leq 0, (1 - \gamma)d_{ij} + \gamma(u_{ij})_k \leq 0$ . If  $0 < \gamma \leq 1$ , then the GMAOR method is convergent if and only if  $0 < \frac{\omega}{\gamma} < \tau(\ell_{GMSOR}(\gamma))$ .

Proof: Let  $M_k = \frac{1}{\gamma}(D - \gamma L_k)$  and  $N_k = \frac{1}{\gamma}[(1 - \gamma)D + \gamma U_k]$ , so the iterative matrix of GMSOR method is  $\ell_{GMSOR}(\gamma) = \sum E_k M_k^{-1} N_k$ .

From hypothesis we have

$$M(A) = M(\frac{1}{\gamma}(D - \gamma L_k)) - \left|\frac{1}{\gamma}[(1 - \gamma)D + \gamma U_k]\right|,$$

so  $A = \frac{1}{\gamma}(D - \gamma L_k) - \frac{1}{\gamma}[(1 - \gamma)D + \gamma U_k]$  is an H-compatible splitting. Hence Theorem 3.1 follows by Theorem 2.2 immediately.

**Corollary 3.1** Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a irreducible singular Hmatrix,  $(l_{ij})_k \geq 0, (u_{ij})_k \geq 0$  or  $(l_{ij})_k \leq 0, (u_{ij})_k \leq 0$ . If  $0 < \gamma \leq 1$ , then the MAOR method is convergent if and only if  $0 < \frac{\omega}{\gamma} < \tau(\ell_{MSOR}(\gamma))$ .

**Theorem 3.2** Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a singular H-matrix,  $d_{ij} - \gamma(l_{ij})_k \geq 0, (1 - \gamma)d_{ij} + \gamma(u_{ij})_k \geq 0$  or  $d_{ij} - \gamma(l_{ij})_k \leq 0, (1 - \gamma)d_{ij} + \gamma(u_{ij})_k \leq 0$ . Further, assume that  $ind_0(A) = 1$ ,  $0 < \gamma \leq 1$ , then the GMAOR method is convergent if and only if  $0 < \frac{\omega}{\gamma} < \tau(\ell_{GMSOR}(\gamma))$ .

Proof: Let  $M_k = \frac{1}{\gamma}(D - \gamma L_k)$  and  $N_k = \frac{1}{\gamma}[(1 - \gamma)D + \gamma U_k]$ , so the iterative matrix of GMSOR method is  $\ell_{GMSOR}(\gamma) = \sum_k E_k M_k^{-1} N_k$ .

From hypothesis we have

$$M(A) = M(\frac{1}{\gamma}(D - \gamma L_k)) - |\frac{1}{\gamma}[(1 - \gamma)D + \gamma U_k]|,$$

so  $A = \frac{1}{\gamma}(D - \gamma L_k) - \frac{1}{\gamma}[(1 - \gamma)D + \gamma U_k]$  is an H-compatible splitting. Hence Theorem 3.2 follows by Theorem 2.3 immediately.

**Corollary 3.2** Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a singular H-matrix,  $(l_{ij})_k \geq 0$ ,  $(u_{ij})_k \geq 0$  or  $(l_{ij})_k \leq 0$ ,  $(u_{ij})_k \leq 0$ . Further, assume that  $ind_0(A) = 1$ . If  $0 < \gamma \leq 1$ , then the MAOR method is convergent if and only if  $0 < \frac{\omega}{\gamma} < \tau(\ell_{MSOR}(\gamma))$ .

# IV. NUMERICAL EXAMPLE

Consider Ax = b, where

	3	-1	0	-1	0	-1
A =	0	2	-1	0	-1	0
	-1	0	3	-1	0	-1
	0	-1	0	2	-1	0
	-1	0	-1	0	3	-1
	0	-1	0	-1	0	$     \begin{array}{c}       -1 \\       0 \\       -1 \\       0 \\       -1 \\       2     \end{array} $

We choose D = diag(A),  $n = 6, p = 3, \gamma = 0.5$ ,

 $A = D - L_i - U_i, \ i = 1, 2, 3.$ 

It's easy to know that A is an irreducible H-matrix and  $D, L_i, U_i$  satisfy the conditions of Theorem 1.

We choose  $E_1 = diag(1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0), E_2 = diag(0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0), E_3 = diag(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1)$ , then

$$\ell_{GMSOR}(0.5) = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/6 & 0 & 1/6 & 0 & 1/6 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 1/4 & 0 & 1/4 & 0 \\ 1/12 & \frac{23}{768} & \frac{2309}{4608} & \frac{113}{576} & \frac{1}{512} & 3/16 \\ 0 & 1/8 & 1/16 & 1/2 & \frac{5}{16} & 0 \\ \frac{7}{72} & \frac{931}{27648} & \frac{4643}{55296} & \frac{47}{768} & \frac{3079}{6144} & \frac{385}{1728} \\ 0 & \frac{5}{32} & \frac{5}{64} & 1/8 & \frac{9}{64} & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tau(\ell_{GMSOR}(0.5)) = \frac{5902206365182033}{2251799813685248}$$

From Theorem 1 we know that the GMAOR method is convergent when

$$0 < \omega < 0.5\tau(\ell_{GMSOR}(0.5)) = \frac{5902206365182033}{4503599627370496}$$

For example we choose  $\omega = 1.25 < \frac{5902206365182033}{4503599627370496},$  then

 $\ell_{GMAOR}(0.5, 1.25) =$ 

Γ	-1/4	$\frac{5}{12}$	0	$\frac{5}{12}$	0	$\frac{5}{12}$
	0	-1/4	5/8	0	5/8	0
	$\frac{5}{24}$	$\frac{115}{1536}$	$-\frac{2279}{9216}$	$\frac{565}{1152}$	$\frac{5}{1024}$	$\frac{15}{32}$
	0	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{5}{32}$	-1/4	$\frac{25}{32}$	0
	$\frac{35}{144}$	$\tfrac{4655}{55296}$	0.2099	$\frac{235}{1536}$	$-\frac{3037}{12288}$	$\frac{1925}{3456}$
L	0	$\frac{25}{64}$	$\frac{25}{128}$	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{45}{128}$	-1/4

 $\vartheta(\ell_{GMAOR}(0.5, 1.25)) = \frac{4136045821846107}{4503599627370496} < 1, index(I - \ell_{GMAOR}(0.5, 1.25)) = 1.$  That's the GMAOR method is convergent.

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