

A Note on the Inclusion Sets for Tensors

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Abstract

In this paper, we give a note on the eigenvalue localization sets for tensors. We show that these sets are tighter than those provided by Li *et al.* (2014) [1].

Keywords

Tensor Eigenvalue, Localization Set, Tensor

1. Introduction

Eigenvalue problems of higher order tensors have become an important topic of study in a new applied mathematics branch, numerical multilinear algebra, and they have a wide range of practical applications [2]-[9].

First, we recall some definitions on tensors. Let \mathbb{R} be the real field. An m -th order n dimensional square tensor \mathcal{A} consists of nm entries in \mathbb{R} , which is defined as follows:

$$\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_m}), \quad a_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_m} \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 1 \leq i_1, i_2, \dots, i_m \leq n.$$

To an n -vector x , real or complex, we define the n -vector:

$$\mathcal{A}x^{m-1} = \left(\sum_{i_2, \dots, i_m=1}^n a_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_m} x_{i_2} \dots x_{i_m} \right)_{1 \leq i_1 \leq n}.$$

and

$$x^{[m-1]} = (x_i^{m-1})_{1 \leq i \leq n}.$$

If $\mathcal{A}x^{m-1} = \lambda x^{[m-1]}$, x and λ are all real, then λ is called an H-eigenvalue of \mathcal{A} and x an H-eigenvector of \mathcal{A} associated with λ [10] [11].

Qi [10] generalized Geršgorin eigenvalue inclusion theorem from matrices to real supersymmetric tensors, which can be easily extended to generic tensors; see [1].

Theorem 1. Let $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_m})$ be a complex tensor of order m dimension

n . Then

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Gamma(\mathcal{A}) = \bigcup_{i \in N} \Gamma_i(\mathcal{A})$$

where $\tau(\mathcal{A})$ is the set of all the eigenvalues of \mathcal{A} and

$$\Gamma_i(\mathcal{A}) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - a_{i \dots i}| \leq r_i(\mathcal{A})\},$$

where

$$\delta_{i_1 \dots i_m} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i_1 = \dots = i_m \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and

$$r_i(\mathcal{A}) = \sum_{\delta_{i_2 \dots i_m} = 0} |a_{i i_2 \dots i_m}|.$$

Recently, Li et al. [1] obtained the following result, which is also used to identify the positive definiteness of an even-order real supersymmetric tensor.

Theorem 2. Let $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_m})$ be a complex tensor of order m dimension n . Then

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{A}) = \bigcup_{i, j \in N, i \neq j} \mathcal{K}_{i, j}(\mathcal{A})$$

where $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$ is the set of all the eigenvalues of \mathcal{A} and

$$\mathcal{K}_{i, j}(\mathcal{A}) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : (|z - a_{i \dots i}| - r_i^j(\mathcal{A}))|z - a_{j \dots j}| \leq |a_{ij \dots j}| r_j(\mathcal{A})\},$$

where

$$r_i^j(\mathcal{A}) = \sum_{\substack{\delta_{i_2 \dots i_m} = 0, \\ \delta_{j_2 \dots j_m} = 0}} |a_{i i_2 \dots i_m}| = r_i(\mathcal{A}) - |a_{ij \dots j}|.$$

In this paper, we give some new eigenvalue localization sets for tensors, which are tighter than those provided by Li et al. [1].

2. New Eigenvalue Inclusion Sets

Theorem 3. Let $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_m})$ be a complex tensor of order m dimension n . Then

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Delta(\mathcal{A}) = \bigcap_{i \in N} \bigcup_{j \in N, j \neq i} \Delta_{i, j}(\mathcal{A})$$

where $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$ is the set of all the eigenvalues of \mathcal{A} and

$$\Delta_{i, j}(\mathcal{A}) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - a_{i \dots i}| (|z - a_{j \dots j}| - r_j^i(\mathcal{A})) \leq |a_{ji \dots i}| r_i(\mathcal{A})\},$$

where

$$r_j^i(\mathcal{A}) = \sum_{\substack{\delta_{j_2 \dots j_m} = 0, \\ \delta_{i_2 \dots i_m} = 0}} |a_{j j_2 \dots j_m}| = r_j(\mathcal{A}) - |a_{ji \dots i}|.$$

Proof. Let $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^T$ be an eigenvector of \mathcal{A} corresponding to $\lambda(\mathcal{A})$, that is,

$$\mathcal{A}x^{m-1} = \lambda x^{[m-1]}. \tag{1}$$

Let

$$|x_p| = \max \{ |x_i|, i \in N \}.$$

Obviously, $|x_p| > 0$. For any $q \neq p$, from equality (1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\lambda - a_{p \dots p}| |x_p|^{m-1} &\leq \sum_{\delta_{p i_2 \dots i_m} = 0} |a_{p i_2 \dots i_m}| |x_{i_2}| \dots |x_{i_m}| \\ &\leq \sum_{\substack{\delta_{q i_2 \dots i_m} = 0, \\ \delta_{p i_2 \dots i_m} = 0}} |a_{p i_2 \dots i_m}| |x_{i_2}| \dots |x_{i_m}| + |a_{p q \dots q}| |x_q|^{m-1} \\ &\leq \sum_{\substack{\delta_{q i_2 \dots i_m} = 0, \\ \delta_{p i_2 \dots i_m} = 0}} |a_{p i_2 \dots i_m}| |x_p|^{m-1} + |a_{p q \dots q}| |x_q|^{m-1} \\ &\leq r_p^q(\mathcal{A}) |x_p|^{m-1} + |a_{p q \dots q}| |x_q|^{m-1}. \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

That is,

$$\left(|\lambda - a_{p \dots p}| - r_p^q(\mathcal{A}) \right) |x_p|^{m-1} \leq |a_{p q \dots q}| |x_q|^{m-1}. \tag{3}$$

If $|x_q| = 0$ for all $q \neq p$, then $|\lambda - a_{p \dots p}| - r_p^q(\mathcal{A}) \leq 0$, and $\lambda \in \Delta(\mathcal{A})$. If $|x_q| > 0$, from equality (1), we have

$$|\lambda - a_{q \dots q}| |x_q|^{m-1} \leq r_q(\mathcal{A}) |x_p|^{m-1}. \tag{4}$$

Multiplying inequalities (3) with (4), we have

$$|\lambda - a_{q \dots q}| \left(|\lambda - a_{p \dots p}| - r_p^q(\mathcal{A}) \right) \leq r_q(\mathcal{A}) |a_{p q \dots q}|, \tag{5}$$

which implies that $\lambda \in \Delta_{p,q}(\mathcal{A})$. From the arbitrariness of q , we have $\lambda \in \Delta(\mathcal{A})$. \square

Remark 1. Obviously, we can get $\mathcal{K}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Delta(\mathcal{A})$. That is to say, our new eigenvalue inclusion sets are always tighter than the inclusion sets in Theorem 2.

Remark 2. If the tensor \mathcal{A} is nonnegative, from (5), we can get

$$(\lambda - a_{q \dots q})(\lambda - a_{p \dots p} - r_p^q(\mathcal{A})) \leq r_q(\mathcal{A}) a_{p q \dots q}.$$

Then, we can get,

$$\lambda \leq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ a_{p \dots p} + a_{q \dots q} + r_p^q(\mathcal{A}) + \Theta_{p,q}^{\frac{1}{2}}(\mathcal{A}) \right\}$$

where

$$\Theta_{p,q}(\mathcal{A}) = (a_{p \dots p} - a_{q \dots q} + r_p^q(\mathcal{A}))^2 + 4a_{p q \dots q} r_q(\mathcal{A}).$$

From the arbitrariness of q , we have

$$\lambda \leq \max_{i \in N} \min_{j \in N, j \neq i} \frac{1}{2} \left\{ a_{j \dots j} + a_{i \dots i} + r_j^i(\mathcal{A}) + \Theta_{j,i}^{\frac{1}{2}}(\mathcal{A}) \right\}.$$

That is to say, from Theorem 3, we can get another proof of the result in Theorem 13 in [12].

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