

# The Conditions for the Convergence of Power Scaled Matrices and Applications

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## Abstract

For an invertible diagonal matrix  $D$ , the convergence of the power scaled matrix sequence  $D^{-N}A_N$  is investigated. As a special case, necessary and sufficient conditions are given for the convergence of  $D^{-N}T^N$ , where  $T$  is triangular. These conditions involve both the spectrum as well as the digraph of the matrix  $T$ . The results are then used to provide a new proof for the convergence of subspace iteration.

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## 1. Introduction

The aim of iterative methods both in theory as well as in numerical settings, is to produce a sequence of matrices  $A_0, A_1, \dots$ , that converges to hopefully, something useful. When this sequence diverges, the natural question is how to produce a new converging sequence from this data. One of these convergence producing methods is to diagonally scale the numbers  $A_N$  and form the sequence  $\{D_N A_N\}$ . Examples of this are numerous, such as the Krylov sequence  $(x, Ax, A^2x, \dots)$ , which when divergent can be suitably scaled to yield a dominant eigenvector.

The convergence of power scaled iterative methods and more general power scaled Cesaro sums were studied by Chen and Hartwig [4,6]. In this paper, we continue our investigation of this iteration and derive a formula for the powers of an upper triangular matrix, and use this to investigate the convergence of the sequence  $\{D_n^{-N}T^N\}$ .

We also investigate the subspace iterations, which has been started by numerous authors [1,3,10,11,15], and turn our attention to the case of repeated eigenvalues.

The main contributions of this paper are:

- We present the necessary and sufficient conditions for convergence of power scaled triangular matrices  $\{D_n^{-N}T^N\}$ . We prove that these conditions involve both the spectrum as well as the digraph induced by the matrix  $T$ .

- We apply the the convergence of power scaled

triangular matrices with the explicit expression for the G-S factors of  $D^{-N}T^N$  [3] and present a new proof of the convergence of simultaneous iteration for the case where the eigenvalues of the matrix  $A$  satisfy

$$|\lambda_1| \geq |\lambda_2| \geq \dots \geq |\lambda_r| > |\lambda_{r+1}| \geq \dots \geq |\lambda_n|$$

and  $|\lambda_i| = |\lambda_j| \Rightarrow \lambda_i = \lambda_j$ .

Because of the explicit expression for the GS factors, and the exact convergence results, our discussion is more precise than that given previously [12,17].

One of the needed steps in our investigation is the derivation a formula for the powers of a triangular matrix  $T$ , which in turn will allow us to analyze the convergence of  $D_T^{-N}T^N$ .

Throughout this note all our matrices will be complex and, as always, we shall use  $\|\cdot\|$  and  $\rho(\cdot)$  to denote the Euclidean norm and spectral radius of  $(\cdot)$ .

This paper is arranged as follows. As a preliminary result, a formula for the power of an upper triangular matrix is presented in Section 2. It is shown in Section 3 that the convergence of  $D_T^{-N}T^N$  is closely related to the digraph induced by  $T$ . Section 4 is the main section in which convergence of general power scaled sequence  $D^{-N}A_N$  is investigated and this, combined with path conditions in Section 3, is then used to discuss the convergence of  $D^{-N}T^N$ . As an application we analyze the convergence results for subspace iterations, in which the eigenvalues are repeated, but satisfy a peripheral constraint.

### 2. Preliminary Results

We first need a couple of preliminary results.

**Lemma 2.1.** If  $\rho(A) < 1$  and  $0 < \varepsilon_i < 1$ , then

$$\sum_{k=0}^N A^k \varepsilon_k \tag{1}$$

converges.

*Proof.* For  $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \varepsilon_k z^k$ , we have

$$|f(z)| = \left| \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \varepsilon_k z^k \right| \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |z|^k.$$

As the geometric summation on the right-hand side has radius of convergence 1,  $f(z)$  converges for all  $z$  such that  $|z| < 1$ , which in turn tells us that the radius of convergence of  $f(z)$  is no less than 1. Therefore, from Theorem 6.2.8. of [8],  $f(A)$  converges.

Next consider the triangular matrix

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 & u_{12} & \cdots & u_{1n} \\ 0 & \mu_2 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & u_{n-1,n} \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \mu_n \end{bmatrix}, \tag{2}$$

which is used in the following characterization of the powers of a triangular matrix.

**Lemma 2.2.** Let  $T = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & a^T & \beta \\ 0 & U & c \\ 0 & 0 & \nu \end{bmatrix}$  where  $a$  and  $c$

are column vectors and suppose that

$$T^N = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda^N & a_N^T & \beta_N \\ 0 & U^N & c_N \\ 0 & 0 & \nu^N \end{bmatrix}. \tag{3}$$

then

$$\beta_N = \beta \left( \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \lambda^{N-k-1} \nu^k \right) + \sum_{k=0}^{N-2} (a^T U^k c) \left( \sum_{i=0}^{N-k-2} \lambda^{N-k-i-2} \nu^i \right). \tag{4}$$

in particular,

1) if  $\lambda = 0$ , then

$$\beta_N = \beta \nu^{N-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{N-2} (a^T U^k c) \nu^{N-k-2}, \tag{5}$$

2) if  $\nu = 0$ , then

$$\beta_N = \beta \lambda^{N-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{N-2} (a^T U^k c) \lambda^{N-k-2}, \tag{6}$$

3) if  $\lambda \neq 0$  and  $\lambda \neq \nu$ , then

$$\beta_N = \lambda^N \beta \left( \frac{1 - (\nu / \lambda)^N}{\lambda - \nu} \right) + \lambda^{N-1} \sum_{k=0}^{N-2} a^T \left( \frac{U}{\lambda} \right)^k c \left( \frac{1 - (\nu / \lambda)^{N-k-1}}{\lambda - \nu} \right), \tag{7}$$

4) if  $\lambda \neq 0$  and  $\lambda = \nu$ , then

$$\beta_N = N \beta \lambda^{N-1} + \lambda^{N-2} \sum_{k=0}^{N-2} a^T \left( \frac{U}{\lambda} \right)^k c (N - k - 1) \tag{8}$$

5) if  $\lambda = \nu = 0$ , then

$$\beta_N = a^T U^{N-2} c. \tag{9}$$

*Proof.* It is easily verified by induction that  $T^N =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} T_1^N & y_N \\ 0 & \nu^N \end{bmatrix}, \text{ where}$$

$$T_1^k = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & a^T \\ 0 & U \end{bmatrix}^k = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda^k & \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \lambda^{k-j-1} a^T U^j \\ 0 & U^k \end{bmatrix} \tag{10}$$

and

$$y_N = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_N \\ c_N \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} T_1^{N-k-1} \begin{bmatrix} \beta \\ c \end{bmatrix} \nu^k. \tag{11}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} y_N &= \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda^{N-k-1} & \sum_{j=0}^{N-k-2} \lambda^{N-k-j-2} a^T U^j \\ 0 & U^{N-k-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta \\ c \end{bmatrix} \nu^k \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \begin{bmatrix} \beta \lambda^{N-k-1} + \sum_{j=0}^{N-k-2} \lambda^{N-k-j-2} a^T U^j c \\ U^{N-k-1} c \end{bmatrix} \nu^k \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \beta \lambda^{N-k-1} \nu^k + \sum_{k=0}^{N-2} \sum_{j=0}^{N-k-2} \lambda^{N-k-j-2} a^T U^j c \nu^k \\ \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} U^{N-k-1} c \nu^k \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_N &= \beta \left( \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \lambda^{N-k-1} \nu^k \right) + \sum_{k=0}^{N-2} \sum_{j=0}^{N-k-2} \lambda^{N-k-j-2} a^T U^j c \nu^k \\ &= \beta \left( \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \lambda^{N-k-1} \nu^k \right) + \sum_{k=0}^{N-2} (a^T U^k c) \left( \sum_{j=0}^{N-k-2} \lambda^{N-k-j-2} \nu^j \right), \\ &= \beta \left( \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \lambda^{N-k-1} \nu^k \right) + \sum_{j=0}^{N-2} (a^T U^j c) \left( \sum_{k=0}^{N-j-2} \lambda^{N-k-j-2} \nu^k \right) \end{aligned}$$

completing the proof of (4). The special cases (1) - (5) are easy consequences of (4).

Let us now illustrate how the power of  $T$  are related to its graph.

### 3. The Digraph of $T$

Suppose  $T = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & a^T & \beta \\ O & U & c \\ 0 & O & \nu \end{bmatrix}$  is an  $(n+2) \times (n+2)$

upper triangular matrix. Correspondingly we select  $n+2$  nodes  $S_0, S_1, \dots, S_n, S_{n+1}$ , and consider the assignment

$$\begin{matrix} & S_0 & S_1 & \cdots & \cdots & S_n & S_{n+1} \\ S_0 & \left[ \begin{array}{cccccc} \lambda & & & & a^T & \beta \\ & \mu_1 & u_{12} & \cdots & u_{1n} & \\ \vdots & 0 & \mu_2 & & \vdots & \\ \vdots & O & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & u_{n-1,n} & c \\ S_n & & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \mu_n & \\ S_{n+1} & & 0 & & O & & \nu \end{array} \right] & \end{matrix} \quad (12)$$

with  $a = [a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n]^T$  and  $c = [c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n]^T$ .

We next introduce the digraph induced by  $T$ , i.e.  $G = (V, E)$  where  $V = \{S_0, S_1, \dots, S_{n+1}\}$  is the vertex set and  $E = \{(S_i, S_j) | t_{ij} \neq 0\}$  is the edge set. As usual we say  $(S_i, S_j) \in E$  if and only if  $t_{ij} \neq 0$ . A path from  $S_j$  to  $S_k$  in  $G$  is a sequence of vertices  $S_j = S_{r_1}, S_{r_2}, \dots, S_{r_l} = S_k$  with  $(S_{r_i}, S_{r_{i+1}}) \in E$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, l-1$ , for some  $l$ . If there is a path from  $S_j$  to  $S_k$ , we say that  $S_j$  has access to  $S_k$  and  $S_k$  can be reached from  $S_j$ . We write

$$\begin{aligned} S_i &\rightarrow S_j && \text{if } (S_i, S_j) \in E, \\ S_i &\rightarrow\rightarrow S_j && \text{if there is a path from } S_i \text{ to } S_j, \\ S_i &\leftrightarrow\leftrightarrow S_j && \text{if } S_i \rightarrow\rightarrow S_j \text{ and } S_j \rightarrow\rightarrow S_i \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\pi = \langle S_0, S_{n+1} \rangle = \{S_{p_1}, \dots, S_{p_t}\}$  be the sandwich set of  $S_0$  and  $S_{n+1}$ , i.e.,  $\{S_{p_1}, \dots, S_{p_t}\}$  is the set of all the nodes from  $\{S_1, \dots, S_n\}$  such that  $S_0 \rightarrow\rightarrow S_{p_i} \rightarrow\rightarrow S_{n+1}$ , i.e.,  $S_{p_i}$  can be reached from  $S_0$  and has access to  $S_{n+1}$ . Let us now introduce the notation

$$\begin{aligned} a &= [a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_t}]^T, \\ \hat{U} &= U \begin{pmatrix} p_1 & \cdots & p_t \\ p_1 & \cdots & p_t \end{pmatrix}, \\ c &= [c_{p_1}, \dots, c_{p_t}]^T. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have the following result.

**Lemma 3.1.**  $a^T U c = a^T \hat{U} c$ .

**Proof.** If  $a_i u_{ij} c_j \neq 0$ , then  $(S_0, S_i), (S_i, S_j), (S_j, S_{n+1}) \in E$ , thus  $S_i, S_j \in \pi$ , which implies that

$$a^T U c = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_i u_{ij} c_j = \sum_{i \in \pi} \sum_{j \in \pi} a_i u_{ij} c_j.$$

This completes the proof.  $\square$

This following corollaries are the direct consequences of the above lemma.

**Corollary 3.2.** If  $S_0 \rightarrow\rightarrow S_{n+1}$  and there is no intermediate node that lies in  $\{S_1, \dots, S_n\}$  on any path from  $S_0$  to  $S_{n+1}$ , then

- 1)  $S_0 \rightarrow S_{n+1}$ , i.e.  $\beta \neq 0$ ,
- 2)  $a^T U^i c = a^T \hat{U}^i c = 0$

**Corollary 3.3.**  $a^T U^i c = a^T \hat{U}^i c$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots$ .

We now turn to the main theorem of this section.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $T = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & t_{12} & \cdots & t_{1n} \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & t_{n-1,n} \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$  be

nonsingular and  $D_T = \text{diag}(T) = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$ . Then, the following statement are equivalent

- 1)  $D_T^{-N} T^N$  converges.
- 2) if  $S_i \rightarrow\rightarrow S_j$ , then  $|\lambda_i| > |\lambda_j|$ , i.e. if there is a path from  $S_i$  to  $S_j$ , then  $|\lambda_i| > |\lambda_j|$ .

*Proof.* We prove the theorem by induction on  $n$ . For  $n = 2$ ,

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \beta \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad M_2^{(N)} = D_T^{-N} T^N = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \beta_N / \lambda_1^N \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$\frac{\beta_N}{\lambda_1^N} = \begin{cases} \beta [1 - (\lambda_2 / \lambda_1)^N] / (\lambda_1 - \lambda_2) & \text{if } \lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2 \\ \beta \cdot N / \lambda_1 & \text{if } \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 \end{cases}$$

It is easily seen that the convergence of  $M^{(2)}$  implies that of  $\frac{\beta_N}{\lambda_1^N}$ . Hence if  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$ , then  $\beta = 0$ . Conversely,

if  $\beta \neq 0$ , then  $|\lambda_2 / \lambda_1| < 1$  which implies that  $M^{(2)}$  converges.

Next, assume that the result holds for all triangular matrices of size  $n+1$  or less. Let  $T$  be defined as in (12) and set  $D_T := \text{diag}(\lambda, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_n, \nu) = \text{diag}(\lambda, \Delta, \nu)$  which is nonsingular. Consider the vertex set  $V = \{S_0, \dots, S_{n+1}\}$  and the assignment

$$M_{n+2}^{(N)} = \begin{matrix} & S_0 & S_1 & \cdots & S_n & S_{n+1} \\ S_0 & \left[ \begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & a^T / \lambda^N & \beta_N / \lambda^N & & & \\ \vdots & O & \Delta^{-N} U^N & \Delta^{-N} c^N & & \\ S_{n+1} & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 0 & O & 1 \end{array} \right] \end{array} \right] & \end{matrix} \quad (13)$$

1)  $\Rightarrow$  2). Assume that  $M_{n+2}^{(N)}$  converges. Then by

induction, both  $\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & a^T \\ O & U \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} U & c \\ O & \nu \end{bmatrix}$  obey the

theorem. Suppose  $S_i \rightarrow\rightarrow S_j$  in  $V$ . If  $|i-j| < n+1$  we are done since then both endpoints lie in  $\{S_0, \dots, S_n\}$  or  $\{S_1, \dots, S_{n+1}\}$ . So we only need to consider the case where  $S_i = S_0$  and  $S_j = S_{n+1}$ , i.e.  $S_0 \rightarrow\rightarrow S_{n+1}$ .

*Subcase (a):* There is an intermediate node from

$\{S_1, \dots, S_n\}$ , say  $S_0 \rightarrow S_p \rightarrow S_{n+1}$  ( $1 \leq p \leq n$ ). Then by the induction hypothesis  $|\lambda| > |\mu_p| > |\nu|$ , and we are done.

Subcase (b): There is no intermediate node between  $S_0$  and  $S_{n+1}$ . In this case  $S_0 \rightarrow S_{n+1}$ , and by Corollary 3.2.,  $\beta \neq 0$  and  $a^T U^i c = a^T \hat{U}^i c = 0$  for arbitrary  $i$ . Since the sandwich set  $\pi$  is empty, we see from Lemma 2.2., that

$$\lambda^{-N} \cdot \beta_N = \begin{cases} \beta[1 - (\nu/\lambda)^N]/(\lambda - \nu) & \text{if } \lambda \neq \nu \\ \beta \cdot N / \lambda & \text{if } \lambda = \nu \end{cases} \quad (14)$$

Now because we are given that  $\lambda^{-N} \beta_N$  converges and  $\beta \neq 0$ , we must have  $|\nu/\lambda| < 1$ .

Conversely, assume that  $S_i \rightarrow S_j \Rightarrow |\lambda_i| > |\lambda_j|$  and assume that the hypothesis holds for matrices of size  $n+1$  or less. Since the graph condition also hold for  $\{S_0, \dots, S_n\}$  and  $\{S_1, \dots, S_{n+1}\}$ , it follows by the hypothesis that all the entries in  $M_{n+2}^{(N)}$  converges, with the possible exception of  $\beta_N/\lambda^N$ . Consequently, all we have to show is that  $\lambda^{-N} \beta_N$  also converges, given the path conditions. Consider

$$\lambda^{-N} \beta_N = \begin{cases} \beta \frac{1 - (\nu/\lambda)^N}{\lambda - \nu} + \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^{N-2} a^T \left(\frac{U}{\lambda}\right)^i c \left(\frac{1 - (\nu/\lambda)^{N-i-1}}{\lambda - \nu}\right) & \text{if } \lambda \neq \nu \\ \beta N / \lambda + \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \sum_{i=0}^{N-2} a^T \left(\frac{U}{\lambda}\right)^i c(N-i-1) & \text{if } \lambda = \nu \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

If  $S_0 \nrightarrow S_{n+1}$ , then  $S_0 \rightarrow S_{n+1}$  and therefore  $\beta = 0$ . Moreover,  $\pi$  is empty and the right hand side of (15) is zero, i.e.  $\lambda^{-N} \beta_N = 0$  and we are done. So suppose  $S_0 \rightarrow S_{n+1}$  and thus  $|\lambda| > |\nu|$ . In this case

$\beta \frac{1 - (\nu/\lambda)^N}{\lambda - \nu}$  converges (possibly to 0 when  $\beta = 0$ ).

Now if  $\pi = \emptyset$  then the second term of (15) vanishes by Lemma 2.2. Lastly suppose  $\pi \neq \emptyset$ , i.e. there are intermediate nodes  $S_{p_1}, \dots, S_{p_t}$ . From Lemma 2.2., we recall that  $a^T U^i c = a^T \hat{U}^i c$  where

$$\hat{U} = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_{p_1} & & * \\ & \ddots & \\ O & & \mu_{p_t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} S_{p_1} \\ \vdots \\ S_{p_t} \end{matrix} \quad (16)$$

Since for each  $i$ ,  $S_0 \rightarrow S_{p_i} \rightarrow S_{n+1}$ , we know that  $|\lambda| > |\mu_{p_i}| > |\nu|$  and thus  $|\lambda| > \rho(U)$ . Hence  $\rho(\hat{U}/\lambda) < 1$  which implies that

$$a^T \sum_{i=0}^{N-2} \left(\frac{\hat{U}}{\lambda}\right)^i c \rightarrow a^T \left(I - \frac{\hat{U}}{\lambda}\right)^{-1} c.$$

To complete the proof we observe that

$$\sum_{i=0}^{N-2} \left(\frac{\hat{U}}{\lambda}\right)^i \left(\frac{\nu}{\lambda}\right)^{N-i-1}$$

also converges because of Lemma 2.1. with  $A = \hat{U}/\lambda$  and  $\varepsilon_i = (\nu/\lambda)^{N-i}$ .

We at once have, as seen in [3].

**Corollary 3.5.** Let  $T$  be an upper triangular matrix and  $D_T = \text{diag}(T) = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$ . If

$$|\lambda_1| > |\lambda_2| > \dots > |\lambda_n|,$$

then  $D_T^{-N} T^N$  converges to an upper triangular matrix of diagonal 1.

We now turn to the main result in this paper. Our aim is to characterize the convergence of  $D^{-N} A_N$  in terms of the GS factorization of  $A_N$ .

### 4. Main Theorem

Let us denote the set of increasing sequences of  $p$  elements taken from  $(1, 2, \dots, m)$  by

$$Q_{p,m} = \{I = (i_1, \dots, i_p) \mid 1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_p \leq m\}$$

and assume this set  $Q_{p,m}$  is ordered lexicographically. Suppose  $\langle s:t \rangle := (s, s+1, \dots, t)$  is a subsequence of  $(1, 2, \dots, m)$  and we define

$$Q_p \langle s:t \rangle = \{U = (u_1, \dots, u_p) \mid s < u_1 < \dots < u_p < t\}.$$

Clearly,  $Q_{p,m} = Q_p \langle 1:m \rangle$ .

Suppose  $B$  is  $m \times n$  matrix of rank  $r$ . The determinant of a  $p \times p$  submatrix of  $A$  ( $1 \leq p \leq \min(m, n)$ ), obtained from  $A$  by striking out  $m-p$  rows and  $n-p$  columns, is called a minor of order  $p$  of  $A$ . If the rows and columns retained are given by subscripts (see Householder [9])  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_p) \in Q_{p,m}$  and  $J = (j_1, \dots, j_p) \in Q_{p,n}$  respectively, then the corresponding  $p \times p$  submatrix and minor are respectively denoted by  $A^I_J$  and  $\det(A^I_J)$ .

The minors for which  $I = J$  are called the principal minors of  $A$  of order  $p$ , and the minors with  $I = J = (1, 2, \dots, p)$  are referred to as the leading principal minors of  $A$ .

Let  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_p) \in Q_{p,m}$  and  $J = (j_1, \dots, j_q) \in Q_{q,m}$ . For convenience, we denote by  $I[i_k] \in Q_{p-1,m}$  the sequences of  $p-1$  elements obtained by striking out the  $k$ th element  $i_k$ ; while  $I(j)$  denotes the sequences of  $p+1$  elements obtained by adding a new element  $j$  after  $i_k$ , i.e.,  $I(j) = (i_1, \dots, i_k, j)$ . Note that if  $i_p > j$ , then  $I(j)$  is not an element of  $Q_{p+1,m}$  because it is no longer an increasing sequence. If  $p+q \leq m$ , we denote the concatenation  $(i_1, \dots, i_p, j_1,$

$\dots, j_q)$  of  $I$  and  $J$  by  $IJ$ . It has  $p+q$  elements. Again,  $IJ$  may not be an element of  $\mathcal{Q}_{p+q, m}$ .

Since the natural sequence  $(1, 2, \dots, p)$  of  $p$  elements will be used frequently, we particularly denote this sequence by  $\langle p \rangle = (1, 2, \dots, p)$ ; while  $\langle p \rangle [t] = (1, \dots, t-1, t+1, \dots, p)$  is simply denoted by  $\langle p \setminus t \rangle$ .

Next recall [2] that the volume  $Vol(B)$  of a real matrix  $B$ , is defined as the product of all the nonzero singular values of  $B$ . It is known [2] that

$$Vol(B) = \sqrt{\sum |\det(B_j^t)|^2}, \tag{17}$$

where  $B_j^t$  are all  $r \times r$  submatrices of  $B$ . In particular, if  $B$  has full column rank, then

$$Vol(B) = \sqrt{\det(B^*B)}. \tag{18}$$

Lastly, suppose  $A = [a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r]$  is an  $n \times r$  matrix of full column rank and

$$A = YG \tag{19}$$

is its GS factorization so that the columns of  $Y = [y_1, y_2, \dots, y_r]$  are orthogonal and  $G$  is  $r \times r$  upper triangular matrix of diagonal 1. For  $k \leq r$ , we define  $A_k = [a_1, \dots, a_k]$  and

$$V_k = Vol(A_k). \tag{20}$$

It follows directly that

$$V_k = \sqrt{\sum_{I \in \mathcal{Q}_{k, m}} |\det(A_{(I)}^t)|^2} = \sqrt{\det(A_k^* A_k)}. \tag{21}$$

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times r$  matrix of rank  $r$  and let  $A = YG$  be its GS factorization. Then

$$y_{kl} = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{Q}_{l-1, n}} \det(A_{(I)}^t) \cdot \overline{\det(A_{(I-1)}^t)} / V_{l-1}^2 \tag{22}$$

and

$$g_{jk} = \frac{\det(A^* A)_{(j-1)(k)}^{(j)}}{V_j^2}. \tag{23}$$

**Proof.** The result of (22) follows from Theorem 2.1. in [3], while on account of Corollary 2.1. in [3],  $G = (Y^* Y)^{-1} Y^* A$ . Hence we arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} g_{jk} &= \frac{V_{j-1}^2}{V_j^2} \cdot y_j^* a_k = \frac{V_{j-1}^2}{V_j^2} \sum_{l=1}^n \overline{y_{lj}} a_{lk} \\ &= \sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{t=1}^j (-1)^{j+t} \overline{a_{lt}} a_{lk} \det(A^* A)_{(j-1)}^{(j+t)} / V_j^2 \end{aligned}$$

Because  $\sum_{l=1}^n \overline{a_{lt}} a_{lk}$  is just the  $(t, k)$  element of matrix  $A^* A$ , we see that

$$g_{jk} = \sum_{t=1}^j (-1)^{j+t} \left( \sum_{l=1}^n \overline{a_{lt}} a_{lk} \right) \det(A^* A)_{(j-1)}^{(j+t)} / V_j^2,$$

which is the Laplace expansion along column  $j$  of  $\det(A^* A)_{(j-1)(k)}^{(j)}$ . Thus

$$g_{jk} = \frac{\det(A^* A)_{(j-1)(k)}^{(j)}}{V_j^2},$$

completing the proof.

*Remark:* A different proof of (23) was given in [9, § 1.4].

For a diagonal matrix  $D = \text{diag}(d_1, \dots, d_n)$ , we say that  $D$  is *decreasing*, if

$$|d_1| \geq \dots \geq |d_n|. \tag{24}$$

Moreover,  $D$  is called *locally primitive*, if it is decreasing and

$$d_i | = |d_j| \Rightarrow d_i = d_j. \tag{25}$$

It is obvious that we can partition a decreasing matrix  $D$  as

$$D = \text{diag}(D^{(1)}, \dots, D^{(t)})_{(s)} \tag{26}$$

where each  $D^{(s)} = \delta_s \text{diag}(e^{i\theta_1^{(s)}}, \dots, e^{i\theta_{p_s}^{(s)}})$  with  $|\delta_1| > |\delta_2| > \dots > |\delta_t|$ . As a special case, if  $D$  is locally primitive, then  $D$  can be written as

$$D = \text{diag}(\delta_1 I_{p_1}, \dots, \delta_t I_{p_t}). \tag{27}$$

Now let us define  $q_s = \sum_{j=0}^s p_j$  ( $s = 1, \dots, t$ ,  $q_0 = p_0 = 0$ ) and  $Q_u \langle q_{i-1} : q_i \rangle = \{\Omega_u = (\omega_1, \dots, \omega_u) \mid q_{i-1} \omega_1 < \dots < \omega_u < q_i\}$ . Next, suppose  $A_N = [a_{ij}^{(N)}]_{n \times r}$  is a sequence of  $n \times r$  matrices and let

$$A_N = Y_N G_N = [y_{ij}^{(N)}]_{n \times r} [g_{ij}^{(N)}]_{r \times r} \tag{28}$$

be their GS factorization. Suppose  $B$  is a  $n \times r$  matrix, we can partition  $B$  conformally as  $D$  in (26). It is easily verified that the  $(u, v)$  element of  $(i, j)$  block  $B_{ij}$  of  $B$  is exactly the  $(q_{i-1} + u, q_{j-1} + v)$  element of the whole matrix  $B$ .  $B$  is said to satisfy condition  $(\beta)$  if for each  $k = q_{i-1} + u$  there exists  $\Omega_u \in Q_u \langle q_{i-1} : q_i \rangle$  such that

$$\det B_{(k)}^{q_{i-1} + \Omega_u} \neq 0.$$

We now have the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $A_N$  be a sequence of  $n \times r$  matrices of full column rank with GS factor  $A_N = Y_N G_N$ . Also suppose  $D$  is a diagonal matrix and  $D_r$  is  $r \times r$  leading submatrix of  $D$ . Then

1)  $D^{-N} A_N$  converges to  $\tilde{B}$  which satisfies condition  $(\beta) \Leftrightarrow G_N$  converges and  $D^{-N} Y_N$  converges to  $Z$  which satisfies condition  $(\beta)$

2) If in addition  $D$  is decreasing, i.e.  $D$  satisfies (26), then for  $k = q_{i-1} + u$  and  $l = q_{j-1} + v$  ( $i \leq j-1$ )

$$\frac{y_{kl}^{(N)}}{d_k^N} = O\left(\left|\frac{\delta_j}{\delta_i}\right|^{2N}\right). \tag{29}$$

*Proof.* 1) The sufficiency is obvious. So let us turn to the necessary part. For  $D = \text{diag}(d_1, \dots, d_n)$ , there exists a permutation  $Q$  such that  $\hat{D} = Q^* D Q$  is decreasing. Meanwhile, by hypothesis and the fact that  $D^{-N} A_N = Q$

$(Q^* D^{-N} Q)(Q^* A_N) = Q \hat{D}^{-N} \hat{A}_N$  with  $\hat{A}_N = Q^* A_N$ , it follows that  $\hat{D}^{-N} \hat{A}_N$  converges. So without loss of generality, we assume that  $D$  is decreasing and partition  $D$  as (26) and simply consider  $D^{-N} A_N$ . We shall now, without risk of confusion, abbreviate the set  $Q_u \langle q_{i-1} : q_i \rangle = \{\Omega_u = (\omega_1, \dots, \omega_u) \mid q_{i-1} < \omega_1 < \dots < \omega_u < q_i\}$  to  $Q_u$  and for  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_s)$  set  $\pi_I = d_{i_1} \dots d_{i_s}$ . It at once follows that

$$|\pi_{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u}| = |\pi_{\langle k \rangle}|. \tag{30}$$

We now have from (23)

$$\begin{aligned} g_{kl}^{(N)} &= \det(A_N^* A_N)_{\langle k-1 \rangle(l)}^{(k)} / V_k^2 \\ &= \frac{\sum_{I \in Q_{k,n}} \overline{\det(A_N)_{\langle k \rangle}^I} \cdot \det(A_N)_{\langle k-1 \rangle(l)}^I}{\sum_{I \in Q_{k,n}} |\det((A_N)_{\langle k \rangle}^I)|^2} \quad (\text{from Cauchy-Binet}) \\ &= \frac{(\sum_{I \in \langle q_{i-1} \rangle Q_u} + \sum_{I \notin \langle q_{i-1} \rangle Q_u}) \overline{\det(A_N)_{\langle k \rangle}^I} \cdot \det(A_N)_{\langle k-1 \rangle(l)}^I}{(\sum_{I \in \langle q_{i-1} \rangle Q_u} + \sum_{I \notin \langle q_{i-1} \rangle Q_u}) |\det(A_N)_{\langle k \rangle}^I|^2} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{\Omega_u \in Q_u} \overline{\det(A_N)_{\langle k \rangle}^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u}} \cdot \det(A_N)_{\langle k-1 \rangle(l)}^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u} + \sum_{I \notin \langle q_{i-1} \rangle Q_u}}{\sum_{\Omega_u \in Q_u} |\det((A_N)_{\langle k \rangle}^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u})|^2 + \sum_{I \notin \langle q_{i-1} \rangle Q_u}} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{\Omega_u \in Q_u} \left( \frac{\overline{\det(A_N)_{\langle k \rangle}^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u}}}{(\pi_{\langle k \rangle})^N} \right) \cdot \frac{\det(A_N)_{\langle k-1 \rangle(l)}^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u}}{(\pi_{\langle k \rangle})^N} + o\left(\left|\frac{\delta_{i+1}}{\delta_i}\right|^{2N}\right)}{\sum_{\Omega_u \in Q_u} \left| \frac{\det(A_N)_{\langle k \rangle}^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u}}{(\pi_{\langle k \rangle})^N} \right|^2 + o\left(\left|\frac{\delta_{i+1}}{\delta_i}\right|^{2N}\right)}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{y_{kl}^{(N)}}{d_k^N} &= \frac{1}{d_k^N} \cdot \frac{\sum_{I \in Q_{l-1,n}} \det(A_N)_{\langle l \rangle}^{I(k)} \cdot \det(A_N)_{\langle l-1 \rangle}^I}{V_{l-1}^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{d_k^N} \cdot \frac{(\sum_{I \in \langle q_{j-1} \setminus k \rangle Q_v} + \sum_{I \notin \langle q_{j-1} \setminus k \rangle Q_v}) \det(A_N)_{\langle l \rangle}^{I(k)} \cdot \det(A_N)_{\langle l-1 \rangle}^I}{(\sum_{I \in \langle q_{j-1} \rangle Q_{v-1}} + \sum_{I \notin \langle q_{j-1} \rangle Q_{v-1}}) |\det(A_N)_{\langle k-1 \rangle}^I|^2} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{\Omega_v \in Q_v} \det(A_N)_{\langle l \rangle}^{\langle q_{j-1} \setminus k \rangle \Omega_v(k)} \overline{\det(A_N)_{\langle l-1 \rangle}^{\langle q_{j-1} \setminus k \rangle \Omega_v}} + \sum_{I \notin \langle q_{j-1} \setminus k \rangle Q_v}}{d_l^N (\sum_{\Omega_{v-1} \in Q_{v-1}} |\det((A_N)_{\langle l-1 \rangle}^{\langle q_{j-1} \rangle \Omega_{v-1}})|^2 + \sum_{I \notin \langle q_{j-1} \rangle Q_{v-1}})} \\ &= \frac{1}{d_k^N} \cdot \frac{\sum_{\Omega_v \in Q_v} \frac{\det(A_N)_{\langle l \rangle}^{\langle q_{j-1} \setminus k \rangle \Omega_v(k)}}{(\pi_{\langle l-1 \rangle})^N} \left( \frac{\overline{\det(A_N)_{\langle l-1 \rangle}^{\langle q_{j-1} \setminus k \rangle \Omega_v}}}{(\pi_{\langle l-1 \rangle})^N} \right) + \sum_{I \notin \langle q_{j-1} \setminus k \rangle Q_v}}{\sum_{\Omega_{v-1} \in Q_{v-1}} \left| \frac{\det((A_N)_{\langle l-1 \rangle}^{\langle q_{j-1} \rangle \Omega_{v-1}})}{\pi_{\langle l-1 \rangle}} \right|^2 + \sum_{I \notin \langle q_{j-1} \rangle Q_{v-1}}} \end{aligned}$$

On account of (30), this is equal to

$$\frac{\sum_{\Omega_u \in Q_u} \left( \frac{\overline{\det(A_N)_{\langle k \rangle}^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u}}}{(\pi_{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u})^N} \right) \cdot \frac{\det(A_N)_{\langle k-1 \rangle(l)}^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u}}{(\pi_{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u})^N} + o\left(\left|\frac{\delta_{i+1}}{\delta_i}\right|^{2N}\right)}{\sum_{\Omega_u \in Q_u} \left| \frac{\det(A_N)_{\langle k \rangle}^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u}}{(\pi_{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u})^N} \right|^2 + o\left(\left|\frac{\delta_{i+1}}{\delta_i}\right|^{2N}\right)} \tag{31}$$

Since  $D^{-N} A_N$  convergence, so does the submatrices  $(D^{-N} A_N)_{\langle i-1 \rangle \Omega_u}^{(q_{i-1}) \Omega_u}$  and their determinant and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\det(A_N)_I^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u}}{(\pi_{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u})^N} &= \det[(D_{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u}^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u})^{-N} (A_N)_I^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u}] \\ &= \det(D^{-N} A_N)_I^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u} \end{aligned}$$

converges, say, to  $\det(\tilde{A}_N)_I^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u}$ . We have that consequently (31) converges to

$$\frac{\sum_{\Omega_u \in Q_u} \overline{\det(\tilde{A}_{\langle k \rangle}^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u})} \cdot \det(\tilde{A}_{\langle k-1 \rangle(l)}^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u})}{\sum_{\Omega_u \in Q_u} |\det(\tilde{A}_{\langle k \rangle}^{\langle q_{i-1} \rangle \Omega_u})|^2},$$

in which the denominator is nonzero as  $\tilde{A}$  satisfies condition  $(\beta)$ . Hence  $G_N$  converges and this implies that  $D^{-N} Y_N = D^{-N} A_N G_N^{-1}$  also converges.

2) Lastly, what remains is to show that  $Y_N D_r^{-N}$  converges if  $D$  is decreasing, *i.e.*  $D$  satisfies (26). Now for  $k = q_{i-1} + u$ ,  $l = q_{j-1} + v$  ( $i \leq j-1$ ), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{|d_j|^{2N}}{|d_k|^{2N}} \cdot \frac{\sum_{\Omega_v \in \Omega_v} \frac{\det(A_N)_{(l)}^{(q_{j-1} \setminus k) \Omega_v (k)}}{(\pi_{(l)})^N} \left( \frac{\det(A_N)_{(l-1)}^{(q_{j-1} \setminus k) \Omega_v}}{(\pi_{(l \setminus k)})^N} \right) + o\left(\left(\frac{\delta_{j+1}}{\delta_{i+1}}\right)^{2N}\right)}{\sum_{\Omega_{v-1} \in \Omega_{v-1}} \left| \frac{\det((A_N)_{(l-1)}^{(q_{j-1}) \Omega_{v-1}})}{(\pi_{(q_{j-1}) \Omega_{v-1}})^N} \right|^2 + o\left(\left(\frac{\delta_{j+1}}{\delta_j}\right)^{2N}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{|d_j|^{2N}}{|d_i|^{2N}} \cdot \frac{\sum_{\Omega_v \in \Omega_v} \frac{\det(A_N)_{(l)}^{(q_{j-1} \setminus k) \Omega_v (k)}}{(\pi_{(q_{j-1} \setminus k) \Omega_v (k)})^N} \left( \frac{\det(A_N)_{(l-1)}^{(q_{j-1} \setminus k) \Omega_v}}{(\pi_{(q_{j-1} \setminus k) \Omega_v})^N} \right) + o\left(\left(\frac{\delta_{j+1}}{\delta_{i+1}}\right)^{2N}\right)}{\sum_{\Omega_{v-1} \in \Omega_{v-1}} \left| \frac{\det((A_N)_{(l-1)}^{(q_{j-1}) \Omega_{v-1}})}{(\pi_{(q_{j-1}) \Omega_{v-1}})^N} \right|^2 + o\left(\left(\frac{\delta_{j+1}}{\delta_j}\right)^{2N}\right)} = O\left(\left|\frac{\delta_j}{\delta_i}\right|^{2N}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of 2).

As a consequence of the above theorem we have

**Corollary 4.3.** Suppose  $D$  is decreasing and  $A_N$ 's have orthogonal columns. If  $D^{-N} A_N$  converges to  $\tilde{B}$  which satisfies condition  $(\beta)$ , then for  $k = q_{i-1} + u$  and  $l = q_{j-1} + v$  ( $i \leq j-1$ )

$$\frac{a_{kl}^{(N)}}{d_k^N} = O\left(\left|\frac{\delta_j}{\delta_i}\right|^{2N}\right)$$

*Proof.* In this case the GS factorization of  $A_N$  are  $A_N = A_N I_r$ . So the result is the direct consequence of Theorem 4.2.

**Lemma 4.4.** Suppose  $D$  is decreasing and  $A_N$ 's are of full column rank. If  $B_N = [B_{pq}^{(N)}] = D^{-N} A_N$  converges, say, to  $\tilde{B}$ , then  $A_N D_r^{-N}$  converges iff

- 1)  $(\tilde{B}_{ij})_{u,v} = \tilde{B}_{q_{j-1}+u, q_{j-1}+v} \neq 0 \Rightarrow \theta_u^{(i)} = \theta_v^{(j)}$  ( $j=1, \dots, t$ )
- 2) If  $i < j$ , then

$$\left(\frac{\delta_i}{\delta_j}\right)^N B_{q_{i-1}+u, q_{j-1}+v}^{(N)} e^{iN(\theta_u^{(i)} - \theta_v^{(j)})}$$

converges.

*Proof.* It is not difficult to see that the  $(q_{i-1} + u, q_{j-1} + v)$  element of  $A_N D_r^{-N}$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(A_N D_r^{-N})_{q_{i-1}+u, q_{j-1}+v} \\
 &= \left(\frac{\delta_i}{\delta_j}\right)^N B_{q_{i-1}+u, q_{j-1}+v}^{(N)} e^{iN(\theta_u^{(i)} - \theta_v^{(j)})}. \tag{32}
 \end{aligned}$$

As  $B_{q_{i-1}+u, q_{j-1}+v}^{(N)}$  converges and  $\left|\frac{\delta_i}{\delta_j}\right| < 1$  for  $i > j$ ,

it follows that (32) converges to zero in this case. Hence  $A_N D_r^{-N}$  converges iff i) and ii) hold.

Suppose  $B$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix and correspondingly there are  $n$  nodes  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n$ . We say that  $B$  is

*indecomposable* if for every  $i$  and  $j$

either  $S_i \rightarrow \rightarrow S_j$  or  $S_j \rightarrow \rightarrow S_i$ .

Next we have

**Theorem 4.5.** Let  $A_N$  be of full column rank and  $A_N = Y_N G_N$  be its GS factorization. Suppose  $D^{-N} A_N$  converges, say, to  $\tilde{B}$  which satisfies  $(\beta)$ . Then the following statement are true

1) If  $Y_N D_r^{-N}$  converges to  $\tilde{Z} = \text{diag}(\tilde{Z}_1, \dots, \tilde{Z}_s)$  in which each block  $\tilde{Z}_i$  ( $i=1, \dots, s$ ) is indecomposable, then  $D^{(s)} = \delta_s I_{p_s}$ ,  $s=1, \dots, t$

2) If  $D^{(s)} = \delta_s I_{p_s}$ ,  $s=1, \dots, t$ , then  $Y_N D_r^{-N}$  converges.

*Proof.* From Theorem 4.2., the convergence of  $B_N = D^{-N} A_N$  implies the convergence of  $G_N$  and  $D^{-N} Y_N$ . Suppose  $D^{-N} Y_N \rightarrow \tilde{Z}$ . Then it follows, on account of Lemma 4.4, that  $Y_N D_r^{-N}$  converges to  $\tilde{Z} = \text{diag}(\tilde{Z}_1, \dots, \tilde{Z}_s)$  if

- a)  $(\tilde{Z}_j)_{u,v} = \tilde{Z}_{q_{j-1}+u, q_{j-1}+v} \neq 0 \Rightarrow \theta_u^{(j)} = \theta_v^{(j)}$ , and
- b) if  $i < j$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(Y_N D_r^{-N})_{q_{i-1}+u, q_{j-1}+v} \\
 &= \left(\frac{\delta_i}{\delta_j}\right)^N (D^{-N} Y_N)_{q_{i-1}+u, q_{j-1}+v} e^{iN(\theta_u^{(i)} - \theta_v^{(j)})}
 \end{aligned}$$

converges to zero. Now Corollary 4 says that for  $i < j$

$$(D^{-N} Y_N)_{q_{i-1}+u, q_{j-1}+v} = \frac{Y_{q_{i-1}+u, q_{j-1}+v}^{(N)}}{d_{q_{i-1}+u}^N} = O\left(\left|\frac{\delta_j}{\delta_i}\right|^{2N}\right)$$

and so b) is automatically satisfied in this case. Therefore  $Y_N D_r^{-N}$  converges iff a) holds. Since each  $\tilde{Z}_i$  is indecomposable, for arbitrary  $(u, v)$  there exists a path either from  $S_{q_{i-1}+u}$  to  $S_{q_{i-1}+v}$  or vice verse. In either case this implies that  $\theta_u^{(i)} = \theta_v^{(i)}$  for any  $u$  and  $v$ . We complete the proof of 1).

2) This time  $D$  is locally primitive, so we have  $\theta_u^{(j)} = \theta_v^{(j)}$  ( $j=1, \dots, t$ ) and hence

$$(Y_N D_r^{-N})_{q_{i-1}+u, q_{j-1}+v} = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{\delta_i}{\delta_j}\right)^N (D^{-N} Y_N)_{q_{i-1}+u, q_{j-1}+v} e^{iN(\theta_u^{(i)} - \theta_v^{(j)})} & \text{if } i \neq j \\ (D^{-N} Y_N)_{q_{j-1}+u, q_{j-1}+v} & \text{if } j = i \end{cases}$$

By hypothesis, the above converges for  $j = i$ . The convergence for  $i > j$  is obvious; while the convergence for  $i < j$  can be easily achieved by noticing that

$$(D^{-N} Y_N)_{q_{i-1}+u, q_{j-1}+v} = \frac{Y^{(N)}_{q_{i-1}+u, q_{j-1}+v}}{d_{q_{i-1}+u}^N} = O\left(\left|\frac{\delta_j}{\delta_i}\right|^{2N}\right).$$

*Remark.* From Theorem 4.5. we know that in the case of multiple eigenvalues, if  $k = q_{i-1} + u$ , then

$$\frac{y_k^{(N)}}{d_i^N} \rightarrow [0, \dots, 0, \overbrace{\tilde{p}_{q_{i-1}+1}, \dots, \tilde{p}_{q_i}}^{(q_{i-1}+1) \cdots q_i}, 0, \dots, 0]^T.$$

Let us now turn to the applications of this theorem. Our first application is the following result gives the general convergence result of power scaled triangular matrix.

**Corollary 4.6.** Let  $D$  be diagonal and  $T$  be upper triangular. Then  $D^{-N} T^N$  converges if and only if

- 1) Either  $|\lambda_i/d_i| < 1$  or  $\lambda_i = d_i$  for each  $i$
- 2) If  $S_i \rightarrow S_j \Rightarrow |\lambda_i| > |\lambda_j|$ .

*Proof.* Let  $A_N = T^N$ . This time the  $GS$  factorization for  $A_N = T^N$  becomes  $D_T^N (D_T^{-N} T^N)$  and from Theorem 4.2.,  $D^{-N} T^N$  converges if and only if both  $G_N = D_T^{-N} T^N$  and  $D^{-N} D_T^N$  converge.

The convergence of  $D^{-N} D_T^N$  is equivalent to 1); while the convergence of  $G_N = D_T^{-N} T^N$ , on account of Theorem 3.4., is exactly the same as the path condition 2).

A relevant application of Theorem 3.4. is to the question of subspace iteration. Armed with Theorem 3.4. we can get a sharper theoretical result than was previously given.

### 5. Application to the Subspace Iteration

Next, suppose  $T$  is an block upper diagonal matrix of the form

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 I_{p_1} & T_{12} & \cdots & T_{1r} \\ 0 & \lambda_2 I_{p_2} & \cdots & T_{2r} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \lambda_r I_{p_r} \end{bmatrix}, \tag{33}$$

where  $|\lambda_1| > |\lambda_2| > \cdots > |\lambda_r|$ . Let  $D_T = \text{diag}(T) = \text{diag}(\lambda_1 I_{p_1}, \dots, \lambda_r I_{p_r})$  and denote  $D_{T_r} = (D_T)_{(r)}^{(r)}$ . Then from

Theorem 3.4. it follows that  $D_T^{-N} T^N$  converges.

Assume  $B$  is  $n \times r$  matrix of full column rank.

Therefore  $r \leq n = \sum_{i=1}^r p_i$  and without loss of generality

we can write  $r = \sum_{i=1}^s p_i + w$  for some  $w \leq p_{s+1}$ . Thus

we can write  $T_r = \text{diag}(\lambda_1 I_{p_1}, \dots, \lambda_s I_{p_s}, \lambda_{s+1} I_w)$ . We now

have

**Corollary 5.1.** Let  $T$  be  $n \times n$  upper triangular matrix defined as in (33), and let  $B$  be  $n \times r$  matrix whose columns are linearly independent. If

$$T^N B = Y_N G_N$$

is its  $GS$  factorization, then the followings hold

- 1)  $D_T^{-N} T^N B$  converges, say, to a limit  $\tilde{A}$ .
- 2)  $Y_N D_{T_r}^{-N}$  converges to  $\begin{bmatrix} P \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $P = \text{diag}(P_1,$

$\dots, P_s, \tilde{P})$  and each  $P_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, s$ ) is a  $p_i \times p_i$  matrix and  $\tilde{P}$  is a  $p_{s+1} \times w$  matrix.

*Proof.* The result follows by simply choosing  $A_N = T^N B$  in Theorem 4.2.

Let us now turn to the question of subspace iteration for a restricted class of matrices. Suppose that

$$A = VTV^* \tag{34}$$

is  $n \times n$  matrix, where  $V$  is unitary and  $T$  is as in (33). Then using the same  $P_i$  as above we have

**Corollary 5.2.** Suppose that  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix which satisfies (34). let  $Y_0$  be an  $n \times r$  matrix whose columns are linearly independent and  $\{Y_N\}$  be sequence of matrices defined by the following factorization

$$A^N Y_0 = Y_N G_N.$$

Then

$$Y_N D_{T_r}^{-N} \rightarrow [V_1 P_1, \dots, V_s P_s, V_{s+1} \tilde{P}]. \tag{35}$$

*Proof.* Since

$$A^N Y_0 = Y_N G_N,$$

it follows that

$$VT^N (V^* Y_0) = Y_N G_N.$$

Partition  $V = [V_1, \dots, V_r]$  conformally to that of  $T$  in (33) and set  $B = V^* Y_0$ , then

$$T^N B = (V^* Y_N) G_N. \tag{36}$$

It is easily seen that the columns of  $V^* Y_N$  are orthogonal. Therefore (36) can be regarded as the  $GS$  factorization of  $T^N B$ . From Corollary 5.1., we have that for  $V = [V_1, \dots, V_r]$

$$V^* Y_N D_{T_r}^{-N} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} P \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

which is equivalent to



$$Y_N D_{T_r}^{-N} \rightarrow V \begin{bmatrix} P \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = V_r P = [V_1 P_1, \dots, V_s P_s, V_{s+1} \tilde{P}].$$

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