## ON THE SPLITTINGS FOR RECTANGULAR SYSTEMS\*

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#### Abstract

Recently , M. Hanke and M. Neumann<sup>[4]</sup> have derived a necessary and sufficient condition on a splitting of A=U-V, which leads to a fixed point system , such that the iterative sequence converges to the least squares solution of minimum 2-norm of the system Ax=b. In this paper, we give a necessary and sufficient condition on the splitting such that the iterative sequence converges to the weighted Moore-Penrose solution of the system Ax=b for every  $x_0\in C^n$  and every  $b\in C^m$ . We also provide a necessary and sufficient condition such that the iterative sequence is convergent for every  $x_0\in C^n$ .

### 1. Introduction

It is well-known that the most prevalent approach for obtaining a fixed point system of the following system

$$Ax = b, \qquad A \in C^{m \times n} \tag{1.1}$$

is via a splitting of the coefficient matrix A into

$$A = U - V. (1.2)$$

If m = n and U is nonsingular, we present the equivalent formulation of (1.1) by

$$x = U^{-1}Vx + U^{-1}b. (1.3)$$

If  $m \neq n$  or if U is not invertible, we can, by taking a generalized inverse  $U^-$  of U (instead of  $U^{-1}$ ), extend (1.3) by considering the fixed point system

$$x = U^{-}Vx + U^{-}b. (1.4)$$

Generalized inverses of matrices play a key role in our present work. It is instructive for our purposes to think of reflexive inverses as weighted Moore-Penrose inverses and to call the corresponding solution which induce weighted Moore-Penrose solution. In section 2, we summarize preliminary results from the literature on generalized inverses

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which are most relevant to this paper briefly. In section 3, we derive a necessary and sufficient condition for a splitting (1.2) to yield a fixed point iterative scheme such that the limit point  $\bar{x}$  is a weighted Moore-Penrose solution to (1.1). In section 4, we provide a necessary and sufficient condition such that the iterative sequence is convergent for every  $x_0 \in C^n$  and every  $b \in C^m$ . In section 5, a numerical experiment is presented to illustrate the performance of the splitting.

## 2. Preliminary and Background Results

Let  $A \in C^{m \times n}$  and suppose  $X \in C^{n \times m}$ . Then X is called a reflexive inverse of A if

$$AXA = A$$
 and  $XAX = X$ . (2.1)

Given a subspace  $R \subseteq C^n$  which is complementary to N(A) and a subspace  $N \subseteq C^m$  which is complementary to R(A), then there exists a unique reflexive inverse X of A such that

$$R(X) = R$$
 and  $N(X) = N$  (2.2)

and conversely, if X is a reflexive inverse of A, then R(X) and N(X) are complementary subspace of N(A) and R(A). In the following we shall use R(A) and N(A) to denote the range and the nullspace of a matrix A. Accordingly we write  $A_{R,N}^- := X$ . It is known that

$$A_{R,N}^{-}A = P_{R,N(A)}$$
 and  $AA_{R,N}^{-} = P_{R(A),N}$ , (2.3)

where  $P_{R,N(A)}$  and  $P_{R(A),N}$  denote the projectors on R along N(A) and on R(A) along N, respectively.

With any reflexive inverse X of A one can associate two vector norms, one in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  and one in  $\mathbb{C}^m$ , as follows:

$$||x||_{R,N(A)} := (||P_{R,N(A)}x||_2^2 + ||(I - P_{R,N(A)})x||_2^2)^{1/2}, \forall x \in \mathbb{C}^n$$

and

$$||y||_{R(A),N} := (||P_{R(A),N}y||_2^2 + ||(I - P_{R(A),N})y||_2^2)^{1/2}, \forall y \in C^m.$$

Due to the finite dimensional setting which we work in, for any vector  $b \in \mathbb{C}^m$  the set

$$\delta_b := \{ \bar{x} \in C^n : \|b - A\bar{x}\|_{R(A),N} = \inf_{x \in C^n} \|b - Ax\|_{R(A),N} \} \neq \phi$$
 (2.4)

and the vector  $\bar{z}:=A_{R.N}^-b$  has the following properties:

$$\bar{z} \in \delta_b \text{ and } \|\bar{z}\|_{R,N(A)} = \min_{\bar{x} \in \delta_b} \|\bar{x}\|_{R,N(A)}.$$
 (2.5)

Therefore we can interpret any reflexive inverse as a weighted Moore-Penrose inverse and vice versa  $\bar{z}$  as a weighted Moore-Penrose solution to the system Ax = b.

We next mention some choices of R and N which correspond to reflexive inverses that are frequently used in applications and in the literature. First, suppose that N =

 $N(A^*)=R(A)^\perp$  and  $R=R(A^*)=N(A)^\perp$ , then  $\bar{z}=A^-_{R(A^*),N(A^*)}b$  is the least-squares solution of minimum 2-norm of the system Ax=b and  $A^-_{R(A^*),N(A^*)}$  is the familiar Moore-Penrose inverse of A which is usually denoted by  $A^+$ . Let  $P,\ Q$  are definite matrices of order m and order n, respectively. If  $N=P^{-1}N(A^*)$  and  $R=Q^{-1}R(A^*)$ , then  $\bar{z}=A^-_{Q^{-1}R(A^*),P^{-1}N(A^*)}b$  is the least-squares (P) solution of minimum-norm (Q) of the system Ax=b and  $A^-_{Q^{-1}R(A^*),P^{-1}N(A^*)}$  is always denoted as  $A^+_{P,Q}$ .

A more specialized generalized inverse for a matrix can be defined when the matrix is square.

Let  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  and let index(A) be the smallest nonnegative integer l such that  $N(A^l) = N(A^{l+1})$ . Then there exists a unique matrix  $X \in C^{n \times n}$ , called the Drazin inverse of A and represented as  $A^D$ , that satisfies the following matrix equations

$$XAX = X$$
,  $AX = XA$  and  $XA^{j+1} = A$ ,  $\forall j \ge \text{index}(A)$ . (2.6)

When index $(A) \leq 1$ , or, equivalently, when  $R(A) \bigoplus N(A) = C^n$ , then  $A^D$  is a reflexive inverse of A. This reflexive inverse is called in the literature the group inverse of A and denoted by  $A_g$ . It should be noted that  $A_g$  is simply  $A_{R(A),N(A)}^-$ .

**Definition 2.1.** Let A have a splitting (1.2). Given subspaces  $T, \widetilde{T} \subseteq C^n$  and subspaces  $\widetilde{S} \subseteq C^m$ , such that  $T \bigoplus R(A) = C^m, \widetilde{T} \bigoplus R(U) = C^m, S \bigoplus N(A) = C^n$  and  $\widetilde{S} \bigoplus N(U) = C^n$ . Then the splitting (1.2) is called subproper if

$$T \subseteq \widetilde{T}, \widetilde{S} \subseteq S \tag{2.7}$$

and it is called proper if equalities hold in (2.7).

## 3. Proper Splitting

In this section we are interested in semiiterative methods which converge to the weighted Moore-Penrose solution to the system (1.1). The following theorem forms the main result of this section.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $A \in C^{m \times n}$  have a splitting (1.2). Given subspaces  $T, \widetilde{T} \subseteq C^n$  and subspaces  $S, \widetilde{S} \subseteq C^m$  such that  $T \bigoplus R(A) = C^m$ ,  $\widetilde{T} \bigoplus R(U) = C^m$ ,  $S \bigoplus N(A) = C^n$  and  $\widetilde{S} \bigoplus N(U) = C^n$ . Then the sequence of iterates

$$x_k = U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^- V x_{k-1} + U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^- b \tag{3.1}$$

converges to the weighted Moore-Penrose solution  $A_{T,S}^-b \in C^n$  for every  $x_0 \in C^n$  and every  $b \in C^m$  if and only if

$$\rho(U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^{-}V) < 1 \tag{3.2}$$

holds and the splitting (1.2) is proper.

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*Proof.* Assume (3.2) holds. Since  $\rho(U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^-V) < 1$ , then  $I - U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^-V$  is nonsingular. Since  $T = \widetilde{T}, S = \widetilde{S}$ , then

$$\begin{split} (I - U_{\widetilde{T}\widetilde{S}}^- V) A_{T,S}^- &= A_{T,S}^- - U_{\widetilde{T}\widetilde{S}}^- V A_{T,S}^- \\ &= A_{T,S}^- - U_{\widetilde{T}\widetilde{S}}^- U A_{T,S}^- + U_{\widetilde{T}\widetilde{S}}^- A A_{T,S} \\ &= A_{T,S}^- - A_{T,S}^- + U_{\widetilde{T}\widetilde{S}}^- \\ &= U_{\widetilde{T}\widetilde{S}}^- \end{split}$$

Thus

$$(I - U_{\widetilde{T}\widetilde{S}}^{-}V)^{-1}U_{\widetilde{T}\widetilde{S}}^{-} = A_{T,S}^{-}$$
(3.3)

From (3.1)it is easily proven by induction that

$$x_k = (U_{\widetilde{T}\widetilde{S}}^- V)^k x_0 + \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} (U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^- V)^j U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^- b.$$
 (3.4)

From  $\rho(U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^-V)<1$  and (3.4), it follows that  $(U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^-V)^k\to 0$  and

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} x_k = (I - U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^- V)^{-1} U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^- b = A_{T,S}^- b.$$

Assume the sequence  $\{x_k\}_0^{\infty}$  with respect to (3.1) converges to the weighted Moore-Penrose solution  $A_{T,S}^-b$  independently of the initial vector  $x_0$  and b, we must have  $\rho(U_{T,\widetilde{S}}^-V) < 1$  and

$$A_{T,S}^{-} = (I - U_{\widetilde{T}S}^{-}V)^{-1}U_{\widetilde{T}S}^{-}.$$
(3.5)

Since

$$(I-U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^{-}V)U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^{-}=U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^{-}(I-VU_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^{-})$$

then

$$A_{T,S}^{-} = (I - U_{T\widetilde{S}}^{-}V)^{-1}U_{T\widetilde{S}}^{-} = U_{T\widetilde{S}}^{-}(I - VU_{T\widetilde{S}}^{-})^{-1}.$$
(3.6)

From (3.6), it immediately follows that

$$T = R(A_{T,S}^{-}) = R(U_{\widetilde{T}\widetilde{S}}^{-}) = \widetilde{T},$$

$$S = N(A_{T,S}^-) = N(U_{\widetilde{T}\widetilde{S}}^-) = \widetilde{S}.$$

This completes the proof of this theorem.

Corollary 3.2.<sup>[4]</sup> Let A = U - V be a splitting of  $A \in C^{m \times n}$ . Then the sequence of iterates

$$x_k = U^+ V x_{k-1} + U^+ b (3.7)$$

converges to  $A^+b$  for every  $b \in C^m$  and from every  $x_o \in C^n$  if and only if

$$\rho(U^+V) < 1, \quad N(A) = N(U) \quad and \quad R(A) = R(U).$$
 (3.8)

**Corollary 3.3.** Let A = U - V be a splitting for  $A \in C^{m \times n}$ . Let P and Q be definite matrices with order m and order n, respectively. Then the following sequence of iterates

$$x_k = U_{PO}^+ V x_{k-1} + U_{PO}^+ b (3.9)$$

converges to  $A_{P,Q}^+b$  for every  $b \in C^m$  and from every  $x_o \in C^n$  if and only if

$$\rho(U_{P,Q}^+V) < 1, \quad R(A) = R(U) \quad and \quad N(A) = N(U).$$
 (3.10)

**Corollary 3.4.** Let A = U - V be a splitting for  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  with index(A) = 1. Then the sequence of iterates

$$x_k = U_g V x_{k-1} + U_g b (3.11)$$

converges to  $A_gb$  for every  $b \in C^n$  and from every  $x \in C^n$  if and only if

$$\rho(U_g V) < 1, \quad R(A) = R(U) \quad and \quad N(A) = N(U).$$
(3.12)

# 4. Subproper Splitting

In this section we will discuss the convergence of (3.1) in the case when (1.2) is a subsplitting.

**Theoremm 4.1.** Let (1.2) be subproper as Definition 2.1. Then the iterative sequence  $\{x_k\}_0^{\infty}$  generated by (3.1) is convergent for every  $x_0 \in C^n$  if and only if the iteration matrix  $U_{\widetilde{TS}}^-V$  is semiconvergent, i.e.

$$\rho(U_{\widetilde{T}\widetilde{S}}^-V) \le 1,\tag{i}$$

$$\lambda \in \delta(U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^-V)$$
 and  $|\lambda|=1 \Longrightarrow \lambda=1$  and (ii)

$$\mathrm{index}(I-U_{\widetilde{T}\;\widetilde{S}}^{-}V)\leq 1. \tag{iii}$$

*Proof.* From (3.1), we have

$$x_k = (U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^- V)^k x_0 + \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} (U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^- V)^j U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^- b.$$

Since  $T \subseteq \widetilde{T}$  and  $\widetilde{S} \subseteq S$ , then  $(I - U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^- V) A_{T,S}^- = U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^-$ . Thus

$$\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} (U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^{-}V)^{j} U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^{-}b = \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} (U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^{-}V)^{j} (I - U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^{-}V) A_{T,S}^{-}b$$

$$= (I - (U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^{-}V)^{k}) A_{T,S}^{-}b. \tag{4.1}$$

Therefore

$$x_k - A_{T,S}^- b = (U_{\widetilde{T}S}^- V)^k (x_0 - A_{T,S}^- b).$$
(4.2)

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It follows that, from (4.2), a necessary and sufficient condition for the scheme (3.1) to converge from any initial vector  $x_0$  is that the iteration matrix  $U_{\widetilde{T}\widetilde{S}}^-V$  is semiconvergent.

If the splitting (1.2) is subproper and the iteration matrix is semiconvergent, then the iteration (3.1) will converge to

$$(I - U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^- V)_g U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^- b + [I - (I - U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^- V)(I - U_{\widetilde{T},\widetilde{S}}^- V)_g] x_0.$$

# 5. Numerical Experiment

We illustrate the performance of the splitting with respect to the minimum-norm (Q) least-squares (P) solution to (1.1). Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ -1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \ b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \ Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

In this case the minimum-norm (Q) least-squares (P) solution of the system Ax = b is

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{10}{3} \\ \frac{26}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

Let

$$A = U - V = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

be a splitting for A. Using this splitting, after k = 150 iterative computations, we obtain the computed result

$$x_k = \begin{bmatrix} 0.33333332E + 01\\ 0.66666667E + 01 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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