# A new preconditioned AOR method for Z-matrices 

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Abstract-In this paper, we present a preconditioned AOR-type iterative method for solving the linear systems $A x=b$, where $A$ is a Z-matrix. And give some comparison theorems to show that the rate of convergence of the preconditioned AOR-type iterative method is faster than the rate of convergence of the AOR-type iterative method.

Keywords-Z-matrix, AOR-type iterative method, precondition, comparison.

## I. Introduction

FOR solving linear system

$$
\begin{equation*}
A x=b \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $A$ is an $n \times n$ square matrix, and $x$ and $b$ are ndimensional vectors, the basic iterative method is

$$
\begin{equation*}
M x^{k+1}=N x^{k}+b, k=0,1, \cdots \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $A=M-N$ and $M$ is nonsingular. Thus (2) can be written as

$$
x^{k+1}=T x^{k}+c, k=0,1, \ldots
$$

where $T=M^{-1} N, c=M^{-1} b$.
Assuming $A$ has unit diagonal entries and let $A=I-L-U$ where $I$ is the identity matrix, $-L$ and $-U$ are strictly lower and strictly upper triangular parts of $A$, respectively. Then, (I) the iteration matrix of the classical Gauss-Seidel-type method is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
T=(I-L)^{-1} U \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

(II) the iteration matrix of the classical SOR-type method is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{r}=(I-r L)^{-1}[(1-r) I+r U] \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $r \neq 0$ is a parameter called the relaxation parameter.
(III) the iteration matrix of the classical AOR-type method is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{r, w}=(I-L)^{-1}[(1-w) I+(w-r) L+w U] \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $w$ and $r$ are real parameters and $w \neq 0$.
Transform the original system (1) into the preconditioned form

$$
P A x=P b
$$

Then, we can define the basic iterative scheme:

$$
M_{p} x^{k+1}=N_{p} x^{k}+P b, k=0,1, \ldots
$$

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where $P A=M_{p}-N_{p}$ and $M_{p}$ is nonsingular. Thus the equation above can also be written as

$$
x^{k+1}=T x^{k}+c, k=0,1, \ldots
$$

where $T=M_{p}^{-1} N_{p}, c=M_{p}^{-1} P b$.
In paper [1], Meijun Wu et al. presented the preconditioned AOR-type iterative method with

$$
\begin{align*}
& P_{\alpha}=I+S_{\alpha} \\
& \left(\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & -\alpha_{1} a_{12} & & \\
& 1 & -\alpha_{2} a_{23} & \\
\\
& \ddots & \ddots & \\
& & & 1
\end{array}\right.  \tag{6}\\
& \\
&
\end{align*}
$$

and $\alpha_{i}(i=1,2, \cdots, n-1)$ are nonnegative real numbers, and obtained some comparison results.

In this paper, we will present the preconditioned AOR-type iterative method with

$$
\begin{align*}
& P_{\beta}=I+K_{\beta} \\
&  \tag{7}\\
& =\left(\begin{array}{ccccc}
1 & & & & \\
-\beta_{1} a_{12} & 1 & & & \\
& -\beta_{2} a_{23} & \ddots & & \\
& & \ddots & 1 & \\
& & & -\beta_{n-1} a_{n-1, n} & 1
\end{array}\right)
\end{align*}
$$

and $\beta_{i}(i=1,2, \cdots, n-1)$ are nonnegative real numbers.
In the following, we consider three splittings for $\tilde{A}$ :

$$
\tilde{A}=\left\{\begin{array}{l}
(\tilde{D}-\tilde{L})-\tilde{U}  \tag{8}\\
\frac{1}{r}(\tilde{D}-r \tilde{L})-\frac{1}{r}[(1-r) \tilde{D}+r \tilde{U}] \\
\frac{\tilde{D}-r \tilde{L}}{w}-\frac{1}{w}[(1-w) \tilde{D}+(w-r) \tilde{L}+w \tilde{U}]
\end{array}\right.
$$

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

In view of (8), the iteration matrices associated with $\tilde{A}$ are:

$$
\begin{align*}
\tilde{T} & =(\tilde{D}-\tilde{L})^{-1} \tilde{U}  \tag{9}\\
\tilde{L}_{r} & =(\tilde{D}-r \tilde{L})^{-1}[(1-r) \tilde{D}+r \tilde{U}]  \tag{10}\\
\tilde{L}_{r, w} & =(\tilde{D}-r \tilde{L})^{-1}[(1-w) \tilde{D}+(w-r) \tilde{L}+w \tilde{U}] \tag{11}
\end{align*}
$$

In this paper, we will discuss the preconditioned iterative methods with the preconditioner $P_{\beta}$ for solving Z-matrices linear systems and present comparison theorems of these methods.

## II. Comparison results of preconditioned

 AOR-TYPE METHODS WITH PRECONDITIONER $P_{\beta}$We need the following definitions and results.
Definition 2.1 (Young [3]). $A$ is a Z-matrix if $a_{i j} \leq 0$, for all $i, j=1,2, \ldots n, i \neq j$.

Lemma 2.2 (Young [3]). Let $A \geq 0$ be an irreducible matrix. Then
(1) $A$ has a positive real eigenvalue equals to its spectral radius;
(2) To $\rho(A)$ there corresponds an eigenvector $x>0$;
(3) $\rho(A)$ is a simple eigenvalue of $A$.

Lemma 2.3 (Varga [4]). Let $A$ be a nonnegative matrix. Then
(1) If $\alpha x \leq A x$ for some nonnegative vector $x, x \neq 0$, then $\alpha \leq \rho(A)$;
(2) If $A x \leq \beta x$ for some positive vector $x$, then $\rho(A) \leq \beta$. Moreover, if $A$ is irreducible and if $0 \neq \alpha x \leq A x \leq \beta x$ for some nonnegative vector $x$, then $\alpha \leq \rho(A) \leq \beta$ and $x$ is a positive vector.

Lemma 2.4 ([5]). Let $A=M-N$ be an M -splitting of $A$. Then $\rho\left(M^{-1} N\right)<1$ if and only if $A$ is a nonsingular M-matrix.

Lemma 2.5 ([6]). Let $A$ be a Z-matrix. Then $A$ is a nonsingular M-matrix if and only if there is a positive vector $x$ such that $A x \geq 0$.

For the linear system (1), we consider its preconditioned form

$$
P_{\beta} A x=P_{\beta} b
$$

with the preconditioner $P_{\beta}=I+K_{\beta}$ in this section.
We apply the AOR method to it and have the corresponding preconditioned AOR iteration matrix

$$
\begin{equation*}
\hat{L}_{r, w}=\left[D_{\beta}-r L_{\beta}\right]^{-1}\left[(1-w) D_{\beta}+(w-r) L_{\beta}+w U_{\beta}\right] \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $D_{\beta},-L_{\beta}$ and $-U_{\beta}$ are diagonal, strictly lower and strictly upper triangular parts of $A_{\beta}=P_{\beta} A$, respectively.
Now we give the main results as follows.
Theorem 2.1 Let $A=I-L-U \in R^{n \times n}$ be a nonsingular Z-matrix, $L_{r, w}$ and $\hat{L}_{r, w}$ be the iteration matrices given by (5) and (12). Assume that $0<r<w<1$, and $0<\beta_{i}<1$, $i=1,2, \ldots, n-1$.
(I) If $\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)<1$, then

$$
\rho\left(\hat{L}_{r, w}\right) \leq \rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)<1
$$

(II) Let $A$ be irreducible. Assume that

$$
a_{i, i-1} a_{i-1, i}<1, \quad i=2, \ldots, n
$$

then
(1) $\rho\left(\hat{L}_{r, w}\right)>\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)$ if $\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)>1$;
(2) $\rho\left(\hat{L}_{r, w}\right)=\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)$ if $\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)=1$;
(3) $\rho\left(\hat{L}_{r, w}\right)<\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)$ if $\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)<1$.

## Proof. Let

$$
\begin{aligned}
& M=\frac{1}{w}(I-r L) \\
& N=\frac{w}{w}[(1-w) I+(w-r) L+w U] \\
& E_{\beta}=\frac{1}{w}\left(D_{\beta}-r L_{\beta}\right) \\
& F_{\beta}=\frac{1}{w}\left[(1-w) D_{\beta}+(w-r) L_{\beta}+w U_{\beta}\right] \\
& M_{\beta}=\frac{1}{w}\left(I+K_{\beta}\right)(I-r L) \\
& N_{\beta}=\frac{w}{w}\left(I+K_{\beta}\right)[(1-w) I+(w-r) L+w U]
\end{aligned}
$$

Then, we have

$$
A=M-N, \quad A_{\beta}=E_{\beta}-F_{\beta}=M_{\beta}-N_{\beta}
$$

(I) Since $A$ is a nonsingular Z-matrix and $0<r<w<1$, $w \neq 0$, it is clear that $M=\frac{1}{w}(I-r L)$ is a nonsingular M-matrix and the splitting
$A=M-N=\frac{1}{w}(I-r L)-\frac{1}{w}[(1-w) I+(w-r) L+w U]$ is an M-splitting. Since $\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)<1$, it follows from Lemma 2.4 that $A$ is a nonsingular M-matrix. Then by Lemma 2.5, there is a positive vector $x$ such that $A x \geq 0$,
so $A_{\beta} x=\left(I+K_{\beta}\right) A x \geq 0$.
By Lemma 2.5, $A_{\beta}$ is also a nonsingular M-matrix.
Obviously, we can get $D_{\beta}$ is an positive diagonal matrix, and $L_{\beta}$ is nonnegative. From $r>0$ we know that $E_{\beta}$ is a Zmatrix. Since $r D_{\beta}^{-1} L_{\beta} \geq 0$ is a strictly lower triangular matrix so that $\rho\left(r D_{\beta}^{-1} L_{\beta}\right)=0<1$, we have $\left(I-r D_{\beta}^{-1} L_{\beta}\right)^{-1} \geq 0$. Then

$$
E_{\beta}=\left(I-r D_{\beta}^{-1} L_{\beta}\right)^{-1} D_{\beta}^{-1} \geq 0
$$

Hence $E_{\beta}$ is an nonsingular M-matrix.
By $F_{\beta} \geq 0$ we can prove that $A_{\beta}=E_{\beta}-F_{\beta}$ is an Msplitting. It follows from Lemma 2.4 that

$$
\rho\left(\hat{L}_{r, w}\right)=\rho\left(E_{\beta}^{-1} F_{\beta}\right)<1
$$

Since $A_{\beta}=E_{\beta}-F_{\beta}$ and $A=M-N$ are both M-splitting and $M_{\beta}^{-1} N_{\beta}=M^{-1} N$, two splittings $A_{\beta}=E_{\beta}-F_{\beta}=$ $M_{\beta}-N_{\beta}$ are nonnegative.

On the other hand,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& M_{\beta}-E_{\beta} \\
= & \frac{1}{w}\left(I+K_{\beta}\right)(I-r L)-\frac{1}{w}\left(D_{\beta}-r L_{\beta}\right) \\
= & \frac{1}{\psi}\left(I+K_{\beta}-r L-r K_{\beta} L-D_{\beta}+r L_{\beta}\right) \\
= & \frac{\psi}{w}\left(I+K_{\beta}-r L-r K_{\beta} L-D_{\beta}\right. \\
& \left.+r\left(D_{\beta}-I+L-K_{\beta}+K_{\beta} L\right)\right) \\
= & \frac{1}{w}\left(I+K_{\beta}-r L-r K_{\beta} L-D_{\beta}\right. \\
& \left.+r D_{\beta}-r I+r L-r K_{\beta}+r K_{\beta} L\right) \\
= & \frac{1}{w}\left(I+K_{\beta}-D_{\beta}+r D_{\beta}-r I-r K_{\beta}\right) \\
= & \frac{1}{w}\left[(I-r)\left(I-D_{\beta}\right)+(1-r) K_{\beta}\right] \\
\geq & 0
\end{aligned}
$$

which implies

$$
A_{\beta}^{-1} M_{\beta}-A_{\beta}^{-1} E_{\beta}=A_{\beta}^{-1}\left(M_{\beta}-E_{\beta}\right) \geq 0,
$$

Therefore, $A_{\beta}^{-1} M_{\beta} \geq A_{\beta}^{-1} E_{\beta} \geq 0$. So we have $\rho\left(E_{\beta}^{-1} F_{\beta}\right) \leq \rho\left(M_{\beta}^{-1} N_{\beta}\right)$, that is

$$
\rho\left(\hat{L}_{r, w}\right) \leq \rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)<1
$$

(II) Let $A=I-L-U$ be irreducible. Since

$$
\begin{aligned}
L_{r, w} & =(I-r L)^{-1}[(1-w) I+(w-r) L+w U] \\
& =(1-w) I+w(1-r) L+w U+Q
\end{aligned}
$$

with $Q=(I-r L)^{-1} r L[w(1-r) L+w U] \geq 0$
We have $L_{r, w}$ is a nonnegative and irreducible matrix. According to Lemma 2.2, there exits a positive vector $x$, such that

$$
L_{r, w} x=\lambda x
$$

From the expression of $L_{r, w}$ we obtain the following equality

$$
[(1-w) I+(w-r) L+w U] x=\lambda(I-r L) x
$$

which is equivalent to

$$
\begin{equation*}
[(1-w-r) I+(w-r+\lambda r) L+w U] x=0 \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
(\lambda-1)(I-r L) x w(L+U-I) x \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $K_{\beta} U=K_{1}+K_{2}$, where $K_{1}, K_{2}$ are the diagonal and lower triangular parts of $K_{\beta} U$, respectively. So

$$
\begin{aligned}
A_{\beta} & =D_{\beta}-L_{\beta}-U_{\beta} \\
& =\left(I-K_{1}\right)-\left(L-K_{\beta}+K_{\beta} L\right)-\left(U+K_{2}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

where $D_{\beta}=I-K_{1}, L_{\beta}=L-K_{\beta}+K_{\beta} L, U_{\beta}=U+K_{2}$
By (13) and (14), we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \hat{L}_{r, w} x-\lambda x \\
= & \left(D_{\beta}-r L_{\beta}\right)^{-1}\left[(1-w) D_{\beta}+(w-r) L_{\beta}+w U_{\beta}\right.
\end{aligned}
$$ $\left.-\lambda\left(D_{\beta}-r L_{\beta}\right)\right] x$

$=\left(D_{\beta}-r L_{\beta}\right)^{-1}\left[(1-w-\lambda) D_{\beta}\right.$

$$
\left.+(w-r+\lambda r) L_{\beta}+w U_{\beta}\right] x
$$

$=\left(D_{\beta}-r L_{\beta}\right)^{-1}\left[(1-w-\lambda)\left(I-K_{1}\right)\right.$

$$
\left.+(w-r+\lambda r)\left(L-K_{\beta}+K_{\beta} L\right)+w\left(U+K_{2}\right)\right] x
$$

$=\left(D_{\beta}-r L_{\beta}\right)^{-1}\{[(1-w-\lambda) I+(w-r+\lambda r) L+w U]$ $+\left[-(1-w-\lambda) K_{1}\right.$
$\left.\left.+(w-r+\lambda r)\left(-K_{\beta}+K_{\beta} L\right)+w K_{2}\right]\right\} x$
$=\left(D_{\beta}-r L_{\beta}\right)^{-1}\left[-(1-w-\lambda) K_{1}\right.$
$\left.+(w-r+\lambda r)\left(-K_{\beta}+K_{\beta} L\right)+w K_{2}\right] x$
$=\left(D_{\beta}-r L_{\beta}\right)^{-1}\left[(\lambda-1) K_{1}+r(\lambda-1)\left(K_{\beta} L-K_{\beta}\right)\right.$ $\left.+w K_{\beta}(L+U-I)\right] x$
$=\left(D_{\beta}-r L_{\beta}\right)^{-1}\left[(\lambda-1) K_{1}+r(\lambda-1)\left(K_{\beta} L-K_{\beta}\right)\right.$ $\left.+(\lambda-1)(I-r L) K_{\beta}\right] x$
$=\left(D_{\beta}-r L_{\beta}\right)^{-1}\left[(\lambda-1) K_{1}-r(\lambda-1) K_{\beta}+(\lambda-1) K_{\beta}\right] x$
$=(\lambda-1)\left(D_{\beta}-r L_{\beta}\right)^{-1}\left[K_{1}+(1-r) K_{\beta}\right] x$
Here $\left(D_{\beta}-r L_{\beta}\right)^{-1} \geq 0, \quad K_{1} \geq 0, \quad(1-r) K_{\beta} \geq 0$
(1) If $\lambda>1$, then $\hat{L}_{r, w} \geq 0$ but not equal to 0 . Therefore

$$
\hat{L}_{r, w} \geq \lambda x .
$$

By Lemma 2.3, we get $\rho\left(\hat{L}_{r, w}\right)>\lambda=\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)$.
(2) If $\lambda=1$, then $\hat{L}_{r, w}=0$ but not equal to 0 . Therefore

$$
\hat{L}_{r, w}=\lambda x .
$$

By Lemma 2.3, we get $\rho\left(\hat{L}_{r, w}\right)=\lambda=\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)$.
(3) If $\lambda<1$, then $\hat{L}_{r, w} \leq 0$ but not equal to 0 . Therefore

$$
\hat{L}_{r, w} \leq \lambda x .
$$

By Lemma 2.3, we get $\rho\left(\hat{L}_{r, w}\right)<\lambda=\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)$.
Corollary 2.2 Let $A=I-L-U \in R^{n \times n}$ be a nonsingular Z-matrix, $L_{r}$ and $\hat{L}_{r}$ be the iteration matrices of classical SORtype methods and preconditioned SOR-type methods with preconditioner $P_{\beta}$, respectively. Assume that $0<r<1$, and $0<\beta_{i}<1, i=1,2, \ldots, n-1$.
(I) If $\rho\left(L_{r}\right)<1$, then $\rho\left(\hat{L}_{r}\right) \leq \rho\left(L_{r}\right)<1$;
(II) Let $A$ be irreducible. Assume that $a_{i, i-1} a_{i-1, i}<1, i=$ $2, \ldots, n$, then
(1) $\rho\left(\hat{L}_{r, w}\right)>\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)$ if $\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)>1$;
(2) $\rho\left(\hat{L}_{r, w}\right)=\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)$ if $\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)=1$;
(3) $\rho\left(\hat{L}_{r, w}\right)<\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)$ if $\rho\left(L_{r, w}\right)<1$.

Corollary 2.3 Let $A=I-L-U \in R^{n \times n}$ be a nonsingular Z-matrix, $T$ and $\hat{T}$ be the iteration matrices of classical Gauss-Seidel-type methods and preconditioned Gauss-Seidel-type methods with preconditioner $P_{\beta}$, respectively. $0<\beta_{i}<1$, $i=1,2, \ldots, n-1$.
(I) If $\rho(T)<1$, then $\rho(\hat{T}) \leq \rho(T)<1$;
(II) Let $A$ be irreducible. Assume that $a_{i, i-1} a_{i-1, i}<1, i=$ $2, \ldots n$, then
(1) $\rho(\hat{T})>\rho(T)$ if $\rho(T)>1$;
(2) $\rho(\hat{T})=\rho(T)$ if $\rho(T)=1$;
(3) $\rho(\hat{T})<\rho(T)$ if $\rho(T)<1$.

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