Modified SSOR Modelling for Linear Complementarity Problems

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Abstract In this paper, we present an efficient numerical method for solving the linear complementarity problems based on preconditioning strategy. Furthermore, the convergence properties of the proposed method have been analyzed and compared with symmetric successive over-relaxation (SSOR) method. Finally, some numerical experiments are illustrated to show the efficiency of the proposed method.

Keywords: linear complementarity problem, preconditioning, iterative methods, SSOR method, comparison theorems, H -matrix

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1. Introduction

For a given real vector $q \in R^n$ and a given matrix $M \in R^{n \times n}$ the linear complementarity problem abbreviated as $LCP(M, q)$, consists in finding vectors $z \in R^n$ such that

$$\begin{cases} w = Mz + q, \\ z \geq 0, w \geq 0, \\ z^T w = 0. \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

Where, z^T denotes the transpose of the vector z . Many problems in operations research, management science, various scientific computing and engineering areas can lead to the solution of an LCP of the form (1.1). For more details (see, [1,2,3] and the references therein).

The early motivation for studying the $LCP(M, q)$ was because the KKT optimality conditions for linear and quadratic programs constitute an LCP of the form (1.1). However, the study of LCP really came into prominence since the 1960s and in several decades, many methods for solving the $LCP(M, q)$ have been introduced. Most of these methods originate from those for the system of the linear equations where these methods may be classified into two principal kinds, direct and iterative methods (see, [1,2,3]). Recently, various authors have suggested different model in the frame of the iterative methods for the above mentioned problem. For example, Yuan and Song in [4], based on the models in [5], proposed a class of modified accelerated over-relaxation (MAOR) methods

to solve $LCP(M, q)$. Furthermore, when the system matrix M is an H -matrix they proposed some sufficient conditions for convergence of the MAOR and modified successive over-relaxation (MSOR) methods. Under certain conditions, Li and Dai [6], Saberi Najafi and Edalatpanah [7] and Dehghan and Hajarian [8] also studied generalized accelerated over-relaxation (GAOR) and symmetric successive over-relaxation (SSOR) methods for solving $LCP(M, q)$, respectively. The case that M is Non-Hermitian, Saberi Najafi and Edalatpanah [8,9], proposed some new iterative methods for solving this class of LCP (to see that other iterative methods for $LCP(M, q)$ see [11-17] and the references therein).

In this paper, we will propose a modification of SSOR method for $LCP(M, q)$. To accomplish of this purpose, SSOR method is coupled with the preconditioning strategy. We also show that our method for solving LCP is superior to the basic SSOR method. Numerical experiments show that the new method is feasible and efficient for solving large sparse linear complementarity problems.

2. Prerequisite

We begin with some basic notation and preliminary results which we refer to later.

Definition 2.1 [18,19].

(a) The matrix $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ is nonnegative (positive) if $\forall i, j$ $a_{ij} \geq 0$ ($a_{ij} > 0$). In this case we write $A \geq 0$ ($A > 0$). Similarly, for n -dimensional vectors x , by identifying them with $n \times 1$ matrices, we can also define $x \geq 0$ ($x > 0$).

(b) The matrix $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ is called a *Z-matrix* if for any $i \neq j, a_{ij} \leq 0$.

(c) The square matrix $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ is called *M-matrix* if $A = \alpha I - B$; $B \geq 0$ and $\alpha > \rho(B)$; (we denote the spectral radius of B by $\rho(B)$).

(d) *Z-matrix* is *M-matrix*, if A is nonsingular, and if $A^{-1} \geq 0$.

(e) For any matrix $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ the comparison matrix $\langle A \rangle = (m_{ij}) \in R^{n \times n}$ is defined by:

$$m_{ii} = |a_{ii}|, \quad m_{ij} = -|a_{ij}|, \quad i \neq j, \quad 1 \leq i, j \leq n.$$

(f) The Matrix $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ is an *H-matrix* if and only if $\langle A \rangle$ is an *M-matrix*.

Definition 2.2 [5]. For $x \in R^n$, vector x_+ is defined such that $(x_+)_j = \max\{0, x_j\}$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Then, for any $x, y \in R^n$, the following facts hold:

1. $(x + y)_+ \leq x_+ + y_+$,
2. $x_+ - y_+ \leq (x - y)_+$,
3. $|x| = x_+ + (-x)_+$,
4. $x \leq y$ implies $x_+ \leq y_+$.

Definition 2.3 [18,19]. Let A be a real matrix. The splitting $A = M - N$ is called

- (a) Convergent if $\rho(M^{-1}N) < 1$.
- (b) Regular if $M^{-1} \geq 0$ and $N \geq 0$.
- (c) Weak regular if $M^{-1} \geq 0$ and $M^{-1}N \geq 0$.
- (d) *M-splitting* if M is *M-matrix* and $N \geq 0$.

Clearly, an *M-splitting* is regular and a regular splitting is weak regular.

Lemma 2.1 [18]. Let A be a *Z-matrix*. Then A is *M-matrix* if and only if there is a positive vector x such that $Ax > 0$.

Lemma 2.2 [18]. Let $A = M - N$ be an *M-splitting* of A . Then $\rho(M^{-1}N) < 1$ if and only if A is *M-matrix*.

Lemma 2.3 [20]. Let A, B be *Z-matrices* and A is an *M-matrix*, if $A \leq B$ then B is an *M-matrix* too.

Lemma 2.4 [19]. If $A \geq 0$, then

- (1) A has a nonnegative real eigenvalue equal to its spectral radius,
- (2) To $\rho(A) > 0$, there corresponds an eigenvector $x \geq 0$,
- (3) $\rho(A)$ does not decrease when any entry of A is increased.

Lemma 2.5 [18]. Let $T \geq 0$. If there exist $x > 0$ and a scalar $\alpha > 0$ such that

- i) $Tx \leq \alpha x$, then $\rho(T) \leq \alpha$. Moreover, if $Tx < \alpha x$, then $\rho(T) < \alpha$.
- ii) $Tx \geq \alpha x$, then $\rho(T) \geq \alpha$. Moreover, if $Tx > \alpha x$, then $\rho(T) > \alpha$.

Lemma 2.6 [5]. $LCP(M, q)$ can be equivalently transformed to a fixed-point system of equations

$$z = (z - \alpha E(Mz + q))_+, \quad (2.1)$$

where α is some positive constant and E is a diagonal matrix with positive diagonal elements.

Lemma 2.7 [5]. Let $M \in R^{n \times n}$ be an *H-matrix* with positive diagonal elements. Then the $LCP(M, q)$ has a unique solution $z^* \in R^n$.

Let the matrix M be split as;

$$M = D - L - U, \quad (2.2)$$

where D is diagonal, $-L$ and $-U$ are strictly lower and upper triangular matrices of M , respectively. Then by choosing of $\alpha E = D^{-1}$ and in view of Lemma 2.6 we have,

$$z = (z - D^{-1}(Mz + q))_+. \quad (2.3)$$

So, in order to solve $LCP(M, q)$, SSOR iterative method is defined in [8] as follows;

$$z^{k+1} = (z^k - D^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -wLz^{k+1} + (w(2-w)M - wL)z^k \\ +w(2-w)q \end{bmatrix})_+. \quad (2.4)$$

Also they proposed following model;

$$z^{k+1} = (z^k - D^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -wUz^{k+1} + (w(2-w)M - wU)z^k \\ +w(2-w)q \end{bmatrix})_+. \quad (2.5)$$

where $0 < w < 2$.

However, because of similarity we ignore this case.

The operator $f: R^n \rightarrow R^n$, is defined such that $f(z) = \xi$, where ξ is the fixed point of the system;

$$\xi = (z - D^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -wL\xi + (w(2-w)M - wL)z \\ +w(2-w)q \end{bmatrix})_+. \quad (2.6)$$

Let

$$Q = I - wD^{-1}|L|, \quad R = |I - D^{-1}(w(2-w)M - wL)|. \quad (2.7)$$

Then in next lemma we have the convergence theorem, proposed in [8] for the SSOR method.

Lemma 2.8 [8]. Let $M \in R^{n \times n}$ be an *H-matrix* with positive diagonal elements and $0 < w < 2$. Then, for any initial vector $z^0 \in R^n$, the iterative sequence $\{z^k\}$ generated by the SSOR method converges to the unique solution z^* of the $LCP(M, q)$ and $\rho(Q^{-1}R) < 1$

3. Preconditioning SSOR for LCP

The development of efficient and authentic preconditioned iterative methods is the key for the successful application of scientific computation to the solution of many large scale Problems. Since, the convergence rate of iterative methods depends on spectral properties of the coefficient matrix, in preconditioning schemes attempt to transform the original system into another one that has the same solution but more desirable properties for iterative solution. In this section, SSOR method for LCP and the effect of preconditioning for this method is coupled. In literature, various authors have suggested different models of (I+S)-type preconditioner for linear systems $A = I - L - U$; where I is the identity matrix and L, U are strictly lower and strictly upper triangular matrices of A , respectively; (see, [21-28] and the references therein). These preconditioners have reasonable

effectiveness and low construction cost. For example, Milaszewicz [21] presented the preconditioner of (I+S)-type, where the elements of the first column below the diagonal of A eliminate. Usui *et al.*[22] considered the alternative preconditioner, with the following form

$$\hat{P} = I + L.$$

In the present section, we will propose preconditioning methods for solving linear complementarity problem. Generally, we rewrite M to $(I+S)M$. So, let M in (2.2) be nonsingular. Then preconditioning in M is;

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{M} &= (I+S)M = D - L - U + SD - SL - SU \\ &= \bar{D} - \bar{L} - \bar{U}.\end{aligned}\quad (3.1)$$

Where $\bar{D}, \bar{L}, \bar{U}$ are diagonal, strictly lower and strictly upper triangular parts of $\bar{M}$, respectively. And,

$$\bar{q} = (I+S)q. \quad (3.2)$$

We consider Usui *et al.*'s preconditioner [22] as (I+S). Therefore we have,

$$P_0 = (I + K_0) = (I + S). \quad (3.3)$$

Where,

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ -\frac{m_{21}}{m_{11}} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -\frac{m_{31}}{m_{11}} & -\frac{m_{32}}{m_{22}} & 0 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{m_{n1}}{m_{11}} & -\frac{m_{n2}}{m_{22}} & \cdots & -\frac{m_{n,n-1}}{m_{n-1,n-1}} & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Note. We can also consider other (I+S)-type preconditioners but here, we use Usui *et al.*'s preconditioner, since convergence rate via using this preconditioner slightly is better than others; see, [24].

Now, we propose new preconditioners for M . Our preconditioners for LCP are;

$$P_1 = (I + K_1) = (I + S)\{2I - M(I + S)\}, \quad (3.4)$$

$$\begin{aligned}P_2 &= (I + K_2) \\ &= (I + S)\{3I - M(I + S)(3I - M(I + S))\}.\end{aligned}\quad (3.5)$$

And for $i = 0, 1, 2$, we have,

$$\begin{cases} \bar{M} = (I + K_i)M, \\ \bar{q} = (I + K_i)q. \end{cases}$$

Thus the preconditioned SSOR method for LCP is:

$$z^{k+1} = (z^k - \bar{D}^{-1} \left[-w\bar{L}z^{k+1} + (w(2-w)\bar{M} - w\bar{L})z^k \right] + w(2-w)\bar{q})_+. \quad (3.6)$$

Lemma 3.1. Let M be an H -matrix. Then the preconditioned $\bar{M} = (I + K_i)M$ also is H -matrix.

Proof. Let M be an H -matrix. Then $\langle M \rangle$ is M -matrix and by Lemma 2.1,

$$\exists x > 0 \text{ s.t. } \langle M \rangle x > 0.$$

Since $\langle \bar{M} \rangle = (I + |K_i|) \langle M \rangle$,

Then,

$$\langle \bar{M} \rangle x = (I + |K_i|) \langle M \rangle x > 0.$$

Therefore $\langle \bar{M} \rangle$ is M -matrix and the proof is completed.

Theorem 3.2. Let $M \in R^{n \times n}$ with positive diagonal elements be an H -matrix and $\bar{M} = (I + K_i)M$ is preconditioned form of M with preconditioners (3.3)-(3.5).

Then if $\bar{Q} = I - w\bar{D}^{-1}|\bar{L}|$ & $\bar{R} = |I - \bar{D}^{-1}(w(2-w)\bar{M} - w\bar{L})|$ we have,

$$\rho(\bar{Q}^{-1}\bar{R}) \leq \rho(Q^{-1}R) < 1.$$

Proof. By Lemma 3.1 $\bar{M}$ is an H -matrix. Hence $\langle \bar{M} \rangle = \bar{Q} - \bar{R}$ is M -matrix and by Lemma 2.2 $\rho(\bar{Q}^{-1}\bar{R}) < 1$. Since $\langle \bar{M} \rangle < \bar{Q}$, by Lemma 2.3 $\bar{Q}$ is M -matrix. As same demonstration Q is M -matrix too. Thus,

$$\begin{cases} \bar{Q}^{-1} \geq 0, \bar{Q}^{-1}\bar{R} \geq 0, \\ Q^{-1} \geq 0, Q^{-1}R \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

Then by Lemma 2.4 (Perron-Frobenius Theorem), there exist a positive vector x such that,

$$(Q^{-1}R)x = \rho(Q^{-1}R)x.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}(Q - R)x &= \langle M \rangle x = Q(I - Q^{-1}R)x \\ &= \frac{1 - \rho(Q^{-1}R)}{\rho(Q^{-1}R)} Rx \geq 0.\end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, for any P_i ($i=0, 1, 2$) we have;

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \bar{M} \rangle &= (I + |K_i|) \langle M \rangle = (I + |K_i|)(D - |L| - |U|) \\ &= D - |L| - |U| + |K_i|D - \underbrace{|K_i||L|}_{D_1 + L_1 + U_1} - |K_i||U| \\ &= (\bar{D} - |\bar{L}| - |\bar{U}|).\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} \bar{D} = D - D_1 \leq D \\ \Rightarrow |\bar{L}| = |L| + L_1 \geq |L| \\ |\bar{U}| = |U| + U_1 + |S||U| - |S|D \end{cases}$$

Thus, $\bar{Q} \leq Q$ and in view of the fact that both $\bar{Q}, Q$ are M -matrices, we have;

$$\bar{Q}^{-1}(I + K_i) \geq \bar{Q}^{-1} \geq Q^{-1}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}0 &\leq [\bar{Q}^{-1}(I + K_i) - Q^{-1}](Q - R)x \\ &= (I - \bar{Q}^{-1}\bar{R})x - (I - Q^{-1}R)x \\ &= Q^{-1}Rx - \bar{Q}^{-1}\bar{R}x = \rho(Q^{-1}R)x - \bar{Q}^{-1}\bar{R}x.\end{aligned}$$

And by Lemma 2.5 we have;

$$\rho(\bar{Q}^{-1}\bar{R}) \leq \rho(Q^{-1}R).$$

Therefore by Lemma 2.8, the proof is completed.

Now, we show that in LCP, the convergence rate of preconditioned SSOR methods is faster than of the SSOR method.

Theorem 3.3. Let $M \in R^{n \times n}$ with positive diagonal elements be an H -matrix, $0 < w < 2$. Also $\bar{M} = PM$ is preconditioned form of M with preconditioners (3.3)-(3.5). Then convergence rate of preconditioned SSOR methods is faster than of the SSOR method.

Proof. Let, iterative sequence $\{z^i\}$ $i=0,1,\dots$, generated by (3.6). From the assumption that M is an H -matrix, it follows, by Lemma 3.1 $\bar{M}$ is an H -matrix and therefore by Lemma 2.7, the vector sequence $\{z^i\}$ is uniquely defined and the LCP(M, q) has a unique solution $z^* \in R^n$.

Similar to (2.6), we define the operator $v: R^n \rightarrow R^n$, such that $v(z) = \bar{\xi}$, where $\bar{\xi}$ is the fixed point of the following system,

$$\bar{\xi} = (z - \bar{D})^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -w\bar{L}\bar{\xi} + (w(2-w)\bar{M} - w\bar{L})z \\ +w(2-w)\bar{q} \end{bmatrix}_+. \quad (3.7)$$

Let

$$\bar{\psi} = v(x) = (x - \bar{D})^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -w\bar{L}\bar{\psi} + (w(2-w)\bar{M} - w\bar{L})x \\ +w(2-w)\bar{q} \end{bmatrix}_+. \quad (3.8)$$

By subtracting (3.7) & (3.8), we get;

$$\begin{cases} \bar{\xi} - \bar{\psi} \leq ((z-x) - \bar{D})^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} w\bar{L}(\bar{\xi} - \bar{\psi}) \\ + (w(2-w)\bar{M} - w\bar{L})(z-x) \end{bmatrix}_+, \\ \bar{\psi} - \bar{\xi} \leq ((x-z) - \bar{D})^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} w\bar{L}(\bar{\psi} - \bar{\xi}) \\ + (w(2-w)\bar{M} - w\bar{L})(x-z) \end{bmatrix}_+. \end{cases}$$

Therefore, by above relations we have;

$$|\bar{\xi} - \bar{\psi}| = (\bar{\xi} - \bar{\psi})_+ + (\bar{\psi} - \bar{\xi})_+ \leq \bar{Q}^{-1}\bar{R}|z-x|. \quad (3.9)$$

Thus from the definition of the preconditioned SSOR method and (3.9) we can write

$$|z^{k+1} - z^*| = |f(z^k) - f(z^*)| \leq \bar{Q}^{-1}\bar{R}|z^k - z^*|.$$

Hence, the iterative sequence $\{z^k\}$, $k=0,1,\dots$, converges to z^* if $\rho(\bar{Q}^{-1}\bar{R}) \leq 1$ and since by Theorem 3.2, $\rho(\bar{Q}^{-1}\bar{R}) \leq \rho(Q^{-1}R)$ we conclude that for solving LCP, the preconditioned SSOR iterative methods is better

than of the SSOR method from point of view of the convergence speed and the proof is completed.

4. Numerical Results

In this section, we give examples to illustrate the results obtained in previous Sections. These examples computed with MATLAB7 on a personal computer Pentium 4.

Example 4.1. Consider LCP (M, q) with following system $M \in R^{N \times N}$ and $q \in R^N$

$$M = G \otimes I \otimes I + I \otimes F \otimes I + I \otimes I \otimes F \in R^{N \times N},$$

$$q = (-1, 1, \dots, (-1)^{n^3})^T \in R^N,$$

where $I \in R^{N \times N}$ and $\otimes$ denotes the Kronecker product. Also G and F are $n \times n$ tridiagonal

Matrices given by;

$$G = \text{tridiagonal}[-(\frac{2+2h}{12}), 1, -(\frac{2-2h}{12})],$$

$$F = \text{tridiagonal}[-(\frac{2+h}{12}), 0, -(\frac{2-h}{12})],$$

$$\&h = 1/n; N = n^3.$$

Evidently, M is an H -matrix with positive diagonal elements. Then LCP (M, q) has a unique solution. Then, we solved the $n^3 \times n^3$ H -matrix yielded by the iterative methods, and Preconditioned forms.

In this experiment, we choose Usui et al.'s model and our models (P_1, P_2) as preconditioners. The initial approximation of z is $z^0 = (1, 1, \dots, 1)^T \in R^N$ and as a stopping criterion we choose;

$$\begin{cases} \|\min(Mz^k + q, z^k)\|_\infty \leq 10^{-6} \\ \|\min(\bar{M}z^k + \bar{q}, z^k)\|_\infty \leq 10^{-6} \end{cases}$$

In Table 1, with several values we report the CPU time (CPU) and number of iterations (Iter) for the corresponding SSOR and preconditioned SSOR methods (when $N=1000$). Here, the preconditioned SSOR method with Usui et al.'s preconditioner is denoted by PREC(USUI), while PREC(P_1), PREC(P_2) corresponds to our preconditioners (P_i); $i=1,2$.

Table 1. The results of example 4.2 for SSOR

Method	SSOR		PREC(USUI)		PREC(P1)		PREC(P2)	
	Iter	CPU	Iter	CPU	Iter	CPU	Iter	CPU
w								
0.02	615	110.788	485	82.967	421	62.750	384	53.101
0.1	142	24.391	112	17.904	97	14.429	88	12.210
0.2	74	12.523	58	9.352	50	6.990	46	6.327
0.4	37	6.112	29	4.983	25	4.023	23	2.945
0.7	20	3.390	16	2.711	14	1.953	12	1.530
0.9	15	2.607	11	1.703	10	1.490	9	1.164
1.2	13	1.863	10	1.729	9	1.242	8	0.996

From the table, we can see that the preconditioned iterative methods are superior to the basic iterative methods and our preconditioners are better than Usui et al.'s preconditioner.

Example 4.2. Consider LCP (M, q) Where

$$M = \begin{cases} 10 & \text{if } i = j \\ 4 & \text{if } i = j + 1 \\ 2.4 & \text{if } i = j + 2 \\ 1.5 & \text{if } i = j + 3 \\ -1.2 & \text{if } i = j - 1 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases},$$

Figure 1. Spectral radius of iterative methods of example4.2 with some values of 'w', n=500

Furthermore, In Table 2, we report the CPU time of iterative methods for different values of n(when w=1).

Table 2. CPU time

n	SSOR	Usui et al.'s model	(I+K ₁)	(I+K ₂)
1000	0.8540	0.7906	0.5938	0.4173
1500	2.7935	2.5753	1.6991	1.4325
2000	5.9475	5.7435	4.4345	3.1512

5. Conclusion

In this paper, we have proposed the preconditioned SSOR method for linear complementarity problem and analyzed the convergence for these methods under certain conditions. We have also studied how the iterative method for LCP is affected if the system is preconditioned by our models.

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$$\begin{cases} q = (1, 1, \dots, 1)^T \in R^n \\ z^0 = (0.5, 0.5, \dots, 0.5)^T \in R^n \end{cases}$$

It is easy to see that, M is an H-matrix with positive diagonal elements. The spectral radius of the corresponding iterative matrix with different parameters w and above preconditioners(P₀,P₁,P₂) for N=500 in semi-logarithmic scale is given in the Figure 1. From the following figures, we can see that the preconditioned SSOR methods are superior to the classic SSOR.

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