

**On the Hadamard product of GCD and LCM matrices
associated with semi-multiplicative functions**

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Abstract

Let $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ be an ordered set of distinct positive integers with $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$ ($n > 1$). We provide some properties for the $n \times n$ matrix $(G)_f \circ [L]_f$ on S , where $(G)_f$ denotes the $n \times n$ GCD matrix on S associated with f , $[L]_f$ denotes the $n \times n$ LCM matrix on S associated with f and \circ denotes the Hadamard product.

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1. Introduction

Let $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ be an ordered set of distinct positive integers with $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$ ($n > 1$) and let f be an arithmetical function. The $n \times n$ matrix $(G)_f$ is called the GCD matrix on S associated with f , where the i, j -entry is f evaluated at the greatest common divisor of x_i and x_j , that is, the i, j -entry of $(G)_f$ is $f(\gcd(x_i, x_j))$. The $n \times n$ matrix $[L]_f$ is called the LCM matrix on S associated with f , where the i, j -entry is f evaluated at the least common multiple of x_i and x_j , that is, the i, j -entry of $[L]_f$ is $f(\text{lcm}(x_i, x_j))$.

H. J. S. Smith [7] calculated the determinant of the GCD and LCM matrices under certain conditions. Since Smith a large number of results on GCD and LCM

matrices have been presented in the literature. For general accounts see e.g. [2], [3] and [5].

Beslin [1] studies the determinant of the LCM matrix and the reciprocal GCD matrix on S , that is, the determinant of the matrices, whose i, j -entries are $[x_i, x_j]$ and $1/(x_i, x_j)$, respectively. Tuglu and Tasci [8] study the determinant, the trace and the inverse of the Hadamard product of the LCM matrix and the reciprocal GCD matrix on S .

In this paper we study basic properties of the Hadamard product $(G)_f \circ [L]_f$ of the GCD and LCM matrix on S associated with a semi-multiplicative function f . We show that $\det((G)_f \circ [L]_f) \neq 0$, determine the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of $(G)_f \circ [L]_f$ and evaluate certain norms of $(G)_f \circ [L]_f$.

2. Results

Let f be a real-valued arithmetical function. Then f is said to be semi-multiplicative if $f(r)f(s)=f((r, s))f([r, s])$ for all positive integers r and s . Semi-multiplicative functions f with $f(1) \neq 0$ are quasi-multiplicative functions, and quasi-multiplicative functions f with $f(1)=1$ are the usual multiplicative functions. Multiplicative functions f with $f(p^e)=f(p)^e$ for all prime powers p^e are completely multiplicative functions. See [3, 6].

Throughout this section let $S = \{ x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \}$ be an ordered set of distinct positive integers with $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$ ($n > 1$) and let f be a semi-multiplicative function.

The Hadamard product of the $n \times n$ matrix $(G)_f$ and the $n \times n$ matrix $[L]_f$ on S is defined as $(G)_f \circ [L]_f = (f((x_i, x_j))f([x_i, x_j]))$. Since f is a semi-multiplicative function, we have

$$(G)_f \circ [L]_f = (f(x_i)f(x_j)). \quad (2.1)$$

Note that the $n \times n$ matrix $(G)_f \circ [L]_f$ on S is symmetric.

Theorem 2.1. $\det((G)_f \circ [L]_f) = 0$.

Proof. From (2.1) we obtain

$$\det((G)_f \circ [L]_f) = f(x_1) f(x_2) \dots f(x_n) \det \begin{bmatrix} f(x_1) & f(x_1) & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & f(x_1) \\ f(x_2) & f(x_2) & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & f(x_2) \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ f(x_n) & f(x_n) & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & f(x_n) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus $\det((G)_f \circ [L]_f) = 0$. This completes the proof.

Corollary. The $n \times n$ matrix $(G)_f \circ [L]_f$ on S is always singular.

Theorem 2.2. Let f be a semi-multiplicative function with $f(r) \neq 0$ for all r . The eigenvalues of the $n \times n$ matrix $(G)_f \circ [L]_f$ on S are

$$\lambda_1 = \text{tr}((G)_f \circ [L]_f), \lambda_{2,3,\dots,n} = \det((G)_f \circ [L]_f) = 0.$$

Proof. Let $\lambda_i, i=1, 2, \dots, n$, denote the eigenvalues of the $n \times n$ matrix $(G)_f \circ [L]_f$. Let $\text{alg}(\lambda_i)$ denote the algebraic multiplicity of λ_i , that is, $\text{alg}(\lambda_i)$ is the multiplicity of λ_i as a zero of the characteristic polynomial of $(G)_f \circ [L]_f$, and let $\text{geom}(\lambda_i)$ denote the geometric multiplicity of λ_i , that is, $\text{geom}(\lambda_i)$ is the dimension of the eigenspace of $(G)_f \circ [L]_f$ corresponding to the eigenvalue λ_i (see [4]). Since the matrix $(G)_f \circ [L]_f$ is symmetric, it is diagonalizable. Thus $\text{alg}(\lambda_i) = \text{geom}(\lambda_i)$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$. Since the matrix $(G)_f \circ [L]_f$ is singular, $\lambda_i = 0$ for some $i=1, 2, \dots, n$, say $\lambda_n = 0$. Then $\text{alg}(\lambda_n) = \text{geom}(\lambda_n) = \text{geom}(0) = n - \text{rank}((G)_f \circ [L]_f) = n-1$. This means that the multiplicity of λ_n as a zero of the characteristic polynomial is equal to $n-1$. We thus may denote $\lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = \dots = \lambda_n = 0$. Since the sum of eigenvalues is equal to $\text{tr}((G)_f \circ [L]_f)$, we have $\lambda_1 = \text{tr}((G)_f \circ [L]_f)$. This completes the proof.

Theorem 2.3. Let f be a semi-multiplicative function with $f(r) \neq 0$ for all r . Then eigenvectors corresponding to the eigenvalues of the $n \times n$ matrix $(G)_f \circ [L]_f$ on S are

$$y_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{f(x_1)}{f(x_n)} \\ \cdot \\ \frac{f(x_{n-1})}{f(x_n)} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, y_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{f(x_2)}{f(x_1)} \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, y_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{f(x_3)}{f(x_1)} \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \cdot \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, y_4 = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{f(x_4)}{f(x_1)} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \cdot \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \dots, y_n = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{f(x_n)}{f(x_1)} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Proof. If λ_i is an eigenvalue of the $n \times n$ matrix $(G)_f \circ [L]_f$, the corresponding eigenvectors Y_i are the solutions of

$$(\lambda_i I - (G)_f \circ [L]_f) Y_i = 0. \quad (2.2)$$

We first calculate the eigenvector corresponding to $\lambda_1 = \text{tr}((G)_f \circ [L]_f)$. From (2.2),

$$\left((f(x_1)^2 + f(x_2)^2 + \dots + f(x_n)^2) I - (G)_f \circ [L]_f \right) Y_1 = 0. \quad (2.3)$$

If we denote unknown vectors Y_1 by $[y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n]^T$, then (2.3) becomes

$$\begin{bmatrix} f(x_2)^2 + \dots + f(x_n)^2 & -f(x_1)f(x_2) & \dots & -f(x_1)f(x_n) \\ -f(x_2)f(x_1) & f(x_1)^2 + f(x_3)^2 + \dots + f(x_n)^2 & \dots & -f(x_2)f(x_n) \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ -f(x_n)f(x_1) & -f(x_n)f(x_2) & \dots & f(x_1)^2 + f(x_2)^2 + \dots + f(x_{n-1})^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

By using elementary row operations, the coefficient matrix of this homogeneous system becomes

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{-f(x_1)f(x_2)}{f(x_2)^2 + \dots + f(x_n)^2} & \dots & \frac{-f(x_1)f(x_p)}{f(x_2)^2 + \dots + f(x_n)^2} & \dots & \frac{-f(x_1)f(x_{n-1})}{f(x_2)^2 + \dots + f(x_n)^2} & \frac{-f(x_1)f(x_n)}{f(x_2)^2 + \dots + f(x_n)^2} \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & \frac{-f(x_2)f(x_p)}{f(x_3)^2 + \dots + f(x_n)^2} & \dots & \frac{-f(x_2)f(x_{n-1})}{f(x_3)^2 + \dots + f(x_n)^2} & \frac{-f(x_2)f(x_n)}{f(x_3)^2 + \dots + f(x_n)^2} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \dots & \cdot & \dots & \cdot & \cdot \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & \dots & \frac{-f(x_p)f(x_{n-1})}{f(x_{p+1})^2 + \dots + f(x_n)^2} & \frac{-f(x_p)f(x_n)}{f(x_{p+1})^2 + \dots + f(x_n)^2} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \dots & \cdot & \dots & \cdot & \cdot \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 1 & -\frac{f(x_{n-1})}{f(x_n)} \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 1 & -\frac{f(x_{n-1})}{f(x_n)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the rank of the coefficient matrix of this homogeneous system is equal to $n-1$, there exist infinitely many solutions dependent on one parameter. The solution to this set of equations is

$$y_1 = \frac{f(x_1)}{f(x_n)}t, y_2 = \frac{f(x_2)}{f(x_n)}t, \dots, y_{n-1} = \frac{f(x_{n-1})}{f(x_n)}t, y_n = t,$$

where t is arbitrary. In this case, linearly independent eigenvector corresponding to $\lambda_1 = \text{tr}((G)_f \circ [L]_f)$ is equal to

$$\left[\frac{f(x_1)}{f(x_n)}, \frac{f(x_2)}{f(x_n)}, \dots, \frac{f(x_{n-1})}{f(x_n)}, 1 \right]^T.$$

Now we calculate the eigenvectors corresponding to $\lambda_{2,3,\dots,n} = 0$. From (2.2),

$$\begin{bmatrix} -f(x_1)^2 & -f(x_1)f(x_2) & \dots & -f(x_1)f(x_{n-1}) & -f(x_1)f(x_n) \\ -f(x_2)f(x_1) & -f(x_2)^2 & \dots & -f(x_2)f(x_{n-1}) & -f(x_2)f(x_n) \\ \cdot & \cdot & \dots & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \dots & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \dots & \cdot & \cdot \\ -f(x_n)f(x_1) & -f(x_n)f(x_2) & \dots & -f(x_n)f(x_{n-1}) & -f(x_n)^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

By using elementary row operations, the coefficient matrix of this homogeneous system becomes

$$\begin{bmatrix} -f(x_1)^2 & -f(x_1)f(x_2) & \dots & -f(x_1)f(x_{n-1}) & -f(x_1)f(x_n) \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \dots & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \dots & \cdot & \cdot \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since the rank of the coefficient matrix of this homogeneous system is equal to 1, there exist infinitely many solutions dependent on $n-1$ parameters. The solution to this set of equations is

$$y_1 = -\frac{f(x_2)}{f(x_1)}t_2 - \frac{f(x_3)}{f(x_1)}t_3 - \dots - \frac{f(x_n)}{f(x_1)}t_n, y_2 = t_2, y_3 = t_3, \dots, y_n = t_n,$$

where t_2, t_3, \dots, t_n are arbitrary. In this case, linearly independent eigenvectors corresponding to $\lambda_{2,3,\dots,n} = 0$ are

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{f(x_2)}{f(x_1)} \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{f(x_3)}{f(x_1)} \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \cdot \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{f(x_4)}{f(x_1)} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \dots, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{f(x_n)}{f(x_1)} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

This completes the proof.

Remark Since the matrix $(G)_f \circ [L]_f$ is symmetric, it is diagonalizable. In view of Theorems 2.2 and 2.3 we write

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{f(x_1)}{f(x_n)} & -\frac{f(x_2)}{f(x_1)} & -\frac{f(x_3)}{f(x_1)} & \dots & -\frac{f(x_{n-1})}{f(x_1)} & -\frac{f(x_n)}{f(x_1)} \\ \frac{f(x_2)}{f(x_n)} & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \cdot & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \cdot & \cdot & 0 & \dots & \cdot & \cdot \\ \frac{f(x_{n-1})}{f(x_n)} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{f(x_n)}{f(x_n)} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

to obtain

$$P^{-1} ((G)_f \circ [L]_f) P = \text{diag}(f(x_1)^2 + f(x_2)^2 + \dots + f(x_n)^2, 0, 0, \dots, 0).$$

Definition [4] Let M_n denote the class of complex $n \times n$ matrices. The maximum column sum matrix norm on M_n is defined by

$$\|A\|_1 = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sum_{i=1}^n |a_{ij}|$$

and the maximum row sum matrix norm on M_n is defined by

$$\|A\|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}|.$$

The ℓ_1 norm on M_n is defined by

$$\|A\|_1 = \sum_{i,j=1}^n |a_{ij}|$$

and the Euclidean norm or ℓ_2 norm on M_n is defined by

$$\|A\|_2 = \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^n |a_{ij}|^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

Theorem 2.4

(i) $\|(G)_f \circ [L]_f\|_1 = \|(G)_f \circ [L]\|_\infty = |f(x_n)| (|f(x_1)| + |f(x_2)| + \dots + |f(x_n)|)$

if $|f|$ is increasing.

(ii) $\|(G)_f \circ [L]_f\|_1 = (f(x_1) + f(x_2) + \dots + f(x_n))^2.$

(iii) $\|(G)_f \circ [L]_f\|_2 = \text{tr}((G)_f \circ [L]_f).$

Theorem 2.4 follows easily from the definition of the norms.

Remark. The results of this paper can be generalized as follows. Let (P, \leq) be a lattice. Let $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ be a subset of P , and let f be a real-valued function on P . Then the $n \times n$ matrix $(G)_f = (f(x_i \wedge x_j))$ is called the meet matrix on S associated with f and the $n \times n$ matrix $[L]_f = (f(x_i \vee x_j))$ is called the join matrix on S associated with f . If $(P, \leq) = (\mathbf{Z}^+, |)$, then meet and join matrices, respectively, become GCD and LCM matrices, and if $(P, \leq) = (\mathbf{Z}^+, ||)$, then meet and join matrices, respectively, become GCUD and LCUM matrices. See [3, 5].

We say that f is a semi-multiplicative function if $f(x)f(y) = f(x \wedge y)f(x \vee y)$ for all $x, y \in P$. See [5]. If f is a semi-multiplicative function, then the Haramard product of the meet matrix $(G)_f$ and the join matrix $[L]_f$ is given as $(G)_f \circ [L]_f = (f(x_i \wedge x_j)f(x_i \vee x_j)) = (f(x_i)f(x_j))$. Thus our results hold for the Haramard product of meet and join matrices.

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