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# Some new bounds for the minimum eigenvalue of the Hadamard product of an $M$ -matrix and an inverse $M$ -matrix

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## Abstract

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be nonsingular  $M$ -matrices. Several new bounds on the minimum eigenvalue for the Hadamard product of  $B$  and the inverse matrix of  $A$  are given. These bounds can improve considerably some previous results.

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $\mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  ( $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ) denote the set of all  $n \times n$  complex (real) matrices,  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ ,  $N = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . We write  $A \geq 0$  if  $a_{ij} \geq 0$  for any  $i, j \in N$ . If  $A \geq 0$ ,  $A$  is called a nonnegative matrix. The spectral radius of  $A$  is denoted by  $\rho(A)$ .

We denote by  $Z_n$  the class of all  $n \times n$  real matrices, whose off-diagonal entries are non-positive. A matrix  $A = (a_{ij}) \in Z_n$  is called a nonsingular  $M$ -matrix if there exist a nonnegative matrix  $B$  and a nonnegative real number  $s$  such that  $A = sI - B$  with  $s > \rho(B)$ , where  $I$  is the identity matrix.  $M_n$  will be used to denote the set of all  $n \times n$  nonsingular  $M$ -matrices. Let us denote  $\tau(A) = \min\{\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) : \lambda \in \sigma(A)\}$ , where  $\sigma(A)$  denotes the spectrum of  $A$ .

The Hadamard product of two matrices  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  and  $B = (b_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is the matrix  $A \circ B = (a_{ij}b_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ . If  $A, B \in M_n$ , then  $B \circ A^{-1}$  is also an  $M$ -matrix (see [1]).

Let  $A = (a_{ij})$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix with all diagonal entries being nonzero throughout. For  $i, j, k \in N$ ,  $i \neq j$ , denote

$$\begin{aligned} R_i &= \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|, & d_i &= \frac{R_i}{|a_{ii}|}; \\ r_{ji} &= \frac{|a_{ji}|}{|a_{ij}| - \sum_{k \neq j, i} |a_{jk}|}, & r_i &= \max_{j \neq i} \{r_{ji}\}; \\ m_{ji} &= \frac{|a_{ji}| + \sum_{k \neq j, i} |a_{jk}| r_i}{|a_{ij}|}, & m_i &= \max_{j \neq i} \{m_{ji}\}; \\ u_{ji} &= \frac{|a_{ji}| + \sum_{k \neq j, i} |a_{jk}| m_{ki}}{|a_{ij}|}, & u_i &= \max_{j \neq i} \{u_{ji}\}. \end{aligned}$$

In 2013, Zhou *et al.* [2] obtained the following result: If  $A = (a_{ij}) \in M_n$  is a strictly row diagonally dominant matrix,  $B = (b_{ij}) \in M_n$  and  $A^{-1} = (\alpha_{ij})$ , then

$$\tau(B \circ A^{-1}) \geq \min_{i \in N} \left\{ \frac{b_{ii} - m_i \sum_{j \neq i} |b_{ji}|}{a_{ii}} \right\}. \tag{1}$$

In 2013, Cheng *et al.* [3] presented the following result: If  $A = (a_{ij}) \in M_n$  and  $A^{-1} = (\alpha_{ij})$  is a doubly stochastic matrix, then

$$\tau(A \circ A^{-1}) \geq \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left\{ \frac{a_{ii} - u_i \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ji}|}{1 + \sum_{j \neq i} u_{ji}} \right\}. \tag{2}$$

In this paper, we present some new lower bounds of  $\tau(B \circ A^{-1})$  and  $\tau(A \circ A^{-1})$ , which improve (1) and (2).

## 2 Main results

In this section, we present our main results. Firstly, we give some lemmas.

**Lemma 1** [4] *Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . If  $A$  is a strictly row diagonally dominant matrix, then  $A^{-1} = (\alpha_{ij})$  satisfies*

$$|\alpha_{ji}| \leq d_j |\alpha_{ii}|, \quad j, i \in N, j \neq i.$$

**Lemma 2** *Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . If  $A$  is a strictly row diagonally dominant  $M$ -matrix, then  $A^{-1} = (\alpha_{ij})$  satisfies*

$$\alpha_{ji} \leq w_{ji} \alpha_{ii}, \quad j, i \in N, j \neq i,$$

where

$$w_{ji} = \frac{|a_{ji}| + \sum_{k \neq j, i} |a_{jk}| m_{ki} h_i}{|a_{jj}|}, \quad h_i = \max_{j \neq i} \left\{ \frac{|a_{ji}|}{|a_{jj}| m_{ji} - \sum_{k \neq j, i} |a_{jk}| m_{ki}} \right\}.$$

*Proof* This proof is similar to the one of Lemma 2.2 in [3]. □

**Lemma 3** *If  $A = (a_{ij}) \in M_n$  and  $A^{-1} = (\alpha_{ij})$  is a doubly stochastic matrix, then*

$$\alpha_{ii} \geq \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{j \neq i} w_{ji}}, \quad i \in N,$$

where  $w_{ji}$  is defined as in Lemma 2.

*Proof* This proof is similar to the one of Lemma 3.1 in [3]. □

**Lemma 4** [4] *If  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is a strictly row diagonally dominant  $M$ -matrix, then, for  $A^{-1} = (\alpha_{ij})$ ,*

$$\alpha_{ii} \geq \frac{1}{a_{ii}}, \quad i \in N.$$

**Lemma 5** [5] *If  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  and  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  are positive real numbers, then all the eigenvalues of  $A$  lie in the region*

$$\bigcup_{i \neq j} \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - a_{ii}| \leq x_i \sum_{k \neq i} \frac{1}{x_k} |a_{ki}|, i \in N \right\}.$$

**Lemma 6** [6] *If  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  and  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  are positive real numbers, then all the eigenvalues of  $A$  lie in the region*

$$\bigcup_{i \neq j} \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - a_{ii}| |z - a_{jj}| \leq \left( x_i \sum_{k \neq i} \frac{1}{x_k} |a_{ki}| \right) \left( x_j \sum_{k \neq j} \frac{1}{x_k} |a_{kj}| \right), i, j \in N \right\}.$$

**Theorem 1** *If  $A = (a_{ij}), B = (b_{ij}) \in M_n$  and  $A^{-1} = (\alpha_{ij})$ , then*

$$\tau(B \circ A^{-1}) \geq \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left\{ \frac{b_{ii} - w_i \sum_{j \neq i} |b_{ji}|}{a_{ii}} \right\}, \tag{3}$$

where  $w_i = \max_{j \neq i} \{w_{ij}\}$  and  $w_{ij}$  is defined as in Lemma 2.

*Proof* It is evident that the result holds with equality for  $n = 1$ .

We next assume that  $n \geq 2$ .

Since  $A$  is an  $M$ -matrix, there exists a positive diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $D^{-1}AD$  is a strictly row diagonally dominant  $M$ -matrix, and

$$\tau(B \circ A^{-1}) = \tau(D^{-1}(B \circ A^{-1})D) = \tau(B \circ (D^{-1}AD)^{-1}).$$

Therefore, for convenience and without loss of generality, we assume that  $A$  is a strictly row diagonally dominant matrix.

(i) First, we assume that  $A$  and  $B$  are irreducible matrices. Then, for any  $i \in N$ , we have  $0 < w_i < 1$ . Since  $\tau(B \circ A^{-1})$  is an eigenvalue of  $B \circ A^{-1}$ , then by Lemma 2 and Lemma 5, there exists an  $i$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} |\tau(B \circ A^{-1}) - b_{ii}\alpha_{ii}| &\leq w_i \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{1}{w_j} |b_{ji}\alpha_{ji}| \leq w_i \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{1}{w_j} |b_{ji}| w_{ji} |\alpha_{ii}| \\ &\leq w_i \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{1}{w_j} |b_{ji}| w_j |\alpha_{ii}| = w_i |\alpha_{ii}| \sum_{j \neq i} |b_{ji}|. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 4, the above inequality and  $0 \leq \tau(B \circ A^{-1}) \leq b_{ii}\alpha_{ii}$ , for any  $i \in N$ , we obtain

$$|\tau(B \circ A^{-1})| \geq b_{ii}\alpha_{ii} - w_i |\alpha_{ii}| \sum_{j \neq i} |b_{ji}| \geq \frac{b_{ii} - w_i \sum_{j \neq i} |b_{ji}|}{a_{ii}} \geq \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left\{ \frac{b_{ii} - w_i \sum_{j \neq i} |b_{ji}|}{a_{ii}} \right\}.$$

(ii) Now, assume that one of  $A$  and  $B$  is reducible. It is well known that a matrix in  $Z_n$  is a nonsingular  $M$ -matrix if and only if all its leading principal minors are positive (see [7]). If we denote by  $T = (t_{ij})$  the  $n \times n$  permutation matrix with  $t_{12} = t_{23} = \dots = t_{n-1,n} = t_{n1} = 1$ , the remaining  $t_{ij}$  zero, then both  $A - \epsilon T$  and  $B - \epsilon T$  are irreducible nonsingular  $M$ -matrices for any chosen positive real number  $\epsilon$  sufficiently small such that all the leading principal

minors of both  $A - \epsilon T$  and  $B - \epsilon T$  are positive. Now, we substitute  $A - \epsilon T$  and  $B - \epsilon T$  for  $A$  and  $B$ , respectively, in the previous case, and then letting  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ , the result follows by continuity.  $\square$

From Lemma 3 and Theorem 1, we can easily obtain the following corollaries.

**Corollary 1** *If  $A = (a_{ij}), B = (b_{ij}) \in M_n$  and  $A^{-1} = (\alpha_{ij})$  is a doubly stochastic matrix, then*

$$\tau(B \circ A^{-1}) \geq \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left\{ \frac{b_{ii} - w_i \sum_{j \neq i} |b_{ji}|}{1 + \sum_{j \neq i} w_{ji}} \right\}.$$

**Corollary 2** *If  $A = (a_{ij}) \in M_n$  and  $A^{-1} = (\alpha_{ij})$  is a doubly stochastic matrix, then*

$$\tau(A \circ A^{-1}) \geq \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left\{ \frac{a_{ii} - w_i \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ji}|}{1 + \sum_{j \neq i} w_{ji}} \right\}. \tag{4}$$

**Remark 1** We next give a simple comparison between (3) and (1), (4) and (2), respectively. Since  $m_{ji}h_i \leq r_i$ ,  $0 \leq h_i \leq 1$ ,  $j, i \in N$ ,  $j \neq i$ , then  $w_{ji} \leq m_{ji}$ ,  $w_i \leq m_i$  and  $w_{ji} \leq u_{ji}$ ,  $w_i \leq u_i$  for any  $j, i \in N$ ,  $j \neq i$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \tau(B \circ A^{-1}) &\geq \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left\{ \frac{b_{ii} - w_i \sum_{j \neq i} |b_{ji}|}{a_{ii}} \right\} \geq \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left\{ \frac{b_{ii} - m_i \sum_{j \neq i} |b_{ji}|}{a_{ii}} \right\}, \\ \tau(A \circ A^{-1}) &\geq \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left\{ \frac{a_{ii} - w_i \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ji}|}{1 + \sum_{j \neq i} w_{ji}} \right\} \geq \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left\{ \frac{a_{ii} - u_i \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ji}|}{1 + \sum_{j \neq i} u_{ji}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

So, the bound in (3) is bigger than the bound in (1) and the bound in (4) is bigger than the bound in (2).

**Theorem 2** *If  $A = (a_{ij}), B = (b_{ij}) \in M_n$  and  $A^{-1} = (\alpha_{ij})$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} \tau(B \circ A^{-1}) &\geq \min_{i \neq j} \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \alpha_{ii}b_{ii} + \alpha_{jj}b_{jj} - \left[ (\alpha_{ii}b_{ii} - \alpha_{jj}b_{jj})^2 \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + 4 \left( w_i \sum_{k \neq i} |b_{ki}| \alpha_{ii} \right) \left( w_j \sum_{k \neq j} |b_{kj}| \alpha_{jj} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $w_i$  ( $i \in N$ ) is defined as in Theorem 1.

*Proof* It is evident that the result holds with equality for  $n = 1$ .

We next assume that  $n \geq 2$ . For convenience and without loss of generality, we assume that  $A$  is a strictly row diagonally dominant matrix.

(i) First, we assume that  $A$  and  $B$  are irreducible matrices. Let  $R_j^\sigma = \sum_{k \neq j} |a_{jk}| m_{ki} h_i$ ,  $j, i \in N$ ,  $j \neq i$ . Then, for any  $j, i \in N$ ,  $j \neq i$ , we have

$$R_j^\sigma = \sum_{k \neq j} |a_{jk}| m_{ki} h_i \leq |a_{ji}| + \sum_{k \neq j, i} |a_{jk}| m_{ki} h_i \leq R_j < a_{jj}.$$

Therefore, there exists a real number  $z_{ji}$  ( $0 \leq z_{ji} \leq 1$ ) such that

$$|a_{ji}| + \sum_{k \neq j,i} |a_{jk}| m_{ki} h_i = z_{ji} R_j + (1 - z_{ji}) R_j^\sigma, \quad j, i \in N, j \neq i.$$

Hence,

$$w_{ji} = \frac{z_{ji} R_j + (1 - z_{ji}) R_j^\sigma}{a_{jj}}, \quad j \in N.$$

Let  $z_j = \max_{i \neq j} z_{ji}$ . Obviously,  $0 < z_j \leq 1$  (if  $z_j = 0$ , then  $A$  is reducible, which is a contradiction). Let

$$w_j = \max_{i \neq j} \{w_{ji}\} = \frac{z_j R_j + (1 - z_j) R_j^\sigma}{a_{jj}}, \quad j \in N.$$

Since  $A$  is irreducible, then  $R_j > 0$ ,  $R_j^\sigma \geq 0$ , and  $0 < w_j < 1$ . Let  $\tau(B \circ A^{-1}) = \lambda$ . By Lemma 6, there exist  $i_0, j_0 \in N$ ,  $i_0 \neq j_0$  such that

$$|\lambda - \alpha_{i_0 i_0} b_{i_0 i_0}| |\lambda - \alpha_{j_0 j_0} b_{j_0 j_0}| \leq \left( w_{i_0} \sum_{k \neq i_0} \frac{1}{w_k} |\alpha_{k i_0} b_{k i_0}| \right) \left( w_{j_0} \sum_{k \neq j_0} \frac{1}{w_k} |\alpha_{k j_0} b_{k j_0}| \right).$$

And by Lemma 2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( w_{i_0} \sum_{k \neq i_0} \frac{1}{w_k} |\alpha_{k i_0} b_{k i_0}| \right) \left( w_{j_0} \sum_{k \neq j_0} \frac{1}{w_k} |\alpha_{k j_0} b_{k j_0}| \right) \\ & \leq \left( w_{i_0} \sum_{k \neq i_0} |b_{k i_0} \alpha_{i_0 i_0}| \right) \left( w_{j_0} \sum_{k \neq j_0} |b_{k j_0} \alpha_{j_0 j_0}| \right). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$|\lambda - \alpha_{i_0 i_0} b_{i_0 i_0}| |\lambda - \alpha_{j_0 j_0} b_{j_0 j_0}| \leq \left( w_{i_0} \sum_{k \neq i_0} |b_{k i_0} \alpha_{i_0 i_0}| \right) \left( w_{j_0} \sum_{k \neq j_0} |b_{k j_0} \alpha_{j_0 j_0}| \right).$$

Furthermore, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda \geq & \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \alpha_{i_0 i_0} b_{i_0 i_0} + \alpha_{j_0 j_0} b_{j_0 j_0} - \left[ (\alpha_{i_0 i_0} b_{i_0 i_0} - \alpha_{j_0 j_0} b_{j_0 j_0})^2 \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. + 4 \left( w_{i_0} \sum_{k \neq i_0} |b_{k i_0} \alpha_{i_0 i_0}| \right) \left( w_{j_0} \sum_{k \neq j_0} |b_{k j_0} \alpha_{j_0 j_0}| \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$\begin{aligned} & \tau(B \circ A^{-1}) \\ & \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \alpha_{i_0 i_0} b_{i_0 i_0} + \alpha_{j_0 j_0} b_{j_0 j_0} - \left[ (\alpha_{i_0 i_0} b_{i_0 i_0} - \alpha_{j_0 j_0} b_{j_0 j_0})^2 \right. \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + 4 \left( w_{i_0} \sum_{k \neq i_0} |b_{ki_0}| \alpha_{i_0 i_0} \right) \left( w_{j_0} \sum_{k \neq j_0} |b_{kj_0}| \alpha_{j_0 j_0} \right) \Big]^{1/2} \Big\} \\
 & \geq \min_{i \neq j} \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \alpha_{ii} b_{ii} + \alpha_{jj} b_{jj} - \left[ (\alpha_{ii} b_{ii} - \alpha_{jj} b_{jj})^2 + 4 \left( w_i \sum_{k \neq i} |b_{ki}| \alpha_{ii} \right) \left( w_j \sum_{k \neq j} |b_{kj}| \alpha_{jj} \right) \right]^{1/2} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Now, assume that one of  $A$  and  $B$  is reducible. We substitute  $A - \epsilon T$  and  $B - \epsilon T$  for  $A$  and  $B$ , respectively, in the previous case, and then letting  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ , the result follows by continuity.  $\square$

**Corollary 3** *If  $A = (a_{ij}) \in M_n$  and  $A^{-1} = (\alpha_{ij})$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tau(A \circ A^{-1}) \geq \min_{i \neq j} \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \alpha_{ii} a_{ii} + \alpha_{jj} a_{jj} - \left[ (\alpha_{ii} a_{ii} - \alpha_{jj} a_{jj})^2 \right. \right. \\
 \left. \left. + 4 \left( w_i \sum_{k \neq i} |a_{ki}| \alpha_{ii} \right) \left( w_j \sum_{k \neq j} |a_{kj}| \alpha_{jj} \right) \right]^{1/2} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

**Example 1** Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 39 & -16 & -2 & -3 & -2 & -5 & -2 & -3 & -5 & 0 \\ -26 & 44 & -2 & -4 & -2 & -1 & 0 & -2 & -3 & -3 \\ -1 & -9 & 29 & -3 & -4 & 0 & -5 & -4 & -1 & -1 \\ -2 & -3 & -10 & 36 & -12 & 0 & -5 & -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -1 & -9 & 44 & -16 & -3 & -4 & -4 & -3 \\ -3 & -4 & -3 & -4 & -12 & 48 & -18 & -1 & 0 & -2 \\ -2 & -1 & -4 & -3 & -4 & -16 & 45 & -9 & -4 & -1 \\ -1 & -2 & -2 & -2 & -3 & -1 & -5 & 38 & -20 & -1 \\ -2 & -1 & 0 & -3 & -4 & -5 & -2 & -10 & 47 & -19 \\ -1 & -4 & -4 & -4 & 0 & -3 & -4 & -3 & -7 & 31 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 90 & -3 & -2 & -7 & -4 & -7 & -6 & -3 & -9 & -3 \\ -4 & 100 & -5 & -4 & -8 & -7 & -1 & -9 & -8 & -8 \\ -5 & -9 & 62 & -4 & -7 & -9 & -9 & -1 & -4 & -8 \\ -8 & -8 & -10 & 99 & 0 & -6 & -8 & -9 & -3 & -6 \\ -3 & -8 & -10 & -6 & 62 & -3 & -6 & -7 & -5 & -1 \\ -2 & -3 & -5 & -10 & -6 & 55 & -5 & -1 & -3 & -10 \\ -8 & -5 & -8 & -8 & -3 & -3 & 52 & -6 & -1 & -4 \\ -4 & -5 & -8 & -4 & -1 & -1 & -6 & 57 & -7 & -7 \\ -2 & -1 & -6 & -10 & -2 & -6 & -5 & -9 & 86 & -5 \\ -5 & -7 & -3 & -9 & -5 & -7 & -9 & -5 & -9 & 72 \end{pmatrix}.$$

It is easily proved that  $A$  and  $B$  are nonsingular  $M$ -matrices and  $A$  is a doubly stochastic matrix.

(i) If we apply Theorem 4.8 of [2], we have

$$\tau(B \circ A^{-1}) \geq \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left\{ \frac{b_{ii} - m_i \sum_{j \neq i} |b_{ji}|}{a_{ii}} \right\} = 0.0027.$$

If we apply Theorem 2.4 of [8], we have

$$\tau(B \circ A^{-1}) \geq (1 - \rho(J_A)\rho(J_B)) \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \frac{a_{ii}}{b_{ii}} = 0.3485.$$

But, if we apply Theorem 1, we have

$$\tau(B \circ A^{-1}) \geq \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left\{ \frac{b_{ii} - w_i \sum_{j \neq i} |b_{ji}|}{a_{ii}} \right\} = 0.0435.$$

If we apply Corollary 1, we have

$$\tau(B \circ A^{-1}) \geq \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left\{ \frac{b_{ii} - w_i \sum_{j \neq i} |b_{ji}|}{1 + \sum_{j \neq i} w_{ji}} \right\} = 0.2172.$$

If we apply Theorem 2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tau(B \circ A^{-1}) &\geq \min_{i \neq j} \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \alpha_{ii} b_{ii} + \alpha_{jj} b_{jj} - \left[ (\alpha_{ii} b_{ii} - \alpha_{jj} b_{jj})^2 \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + 4 \left( w_i \sum_{k \neq i} |b_{ki}| \alpha_{ii} \right) \left( w_j \sum_{k \neq j} |b_{kj}| \alpha_{jj} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\} \\ &= 0.7212. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) If we apply Theorem 3.2 of [3], we get

$$\tau(A \circ A^{-1}) \geq \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left\{ \frac{a_{ii} - u_i \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ji}|}{1 + \sum_{j \neq i} u_{ji}} \right\} = 0.3269.$$

But, if we apply Corollary 2, we get

$$\tau(A \circ A^{-1}) \geq \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left\{ \frac{a_{ii} - w_i \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ji}|}{1 + \sum_{j \neq i} w_{ji}} \right\} = 0.3605.$$

If we apply Corollary 3, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \tau(A \circ A^{-1}) &\geq \min_{i \neq j} \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \alpha_{ii} a_{ii} + \alpha_{jj} a_{jj} - \left[ (\alpha_{ii} a_{ii} - \alpha_{jj} a_{jj})^2 \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + 4 \left( w_i \sum_{k \neq i} |b_{ki}| \alpha_{ii} \right) \left( w_j \sum_{k \neq j} |b_{kj}| \alpha_{jj} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\} \\ &= 0.4072. \end{aligned}$$

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