

# On $n$ -Widths for Some CVD Matrices\*

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**Abstract** In this paper we prove that  $d_{2k} = \delta_{2k} = d^{2k} \geq b_{2k}$ , where  $d_{2k}$ ,  $\delta_{2k}$ ,  $b_{2k}$  denote the Kolmogorov, linear, Bernstein  $2k$ -widths of  $A(B l_p^M)$  in  $l_q^N$ ,  $d^{2k}$  denotes the Gelfand  $2k$ -width of  $A^T(B l_q^N)$  in  $l_p^M$ , respectively.  $B l_p^M$  denotes the unit ball of  $l_p^M$ .  $A$  is a  $N \times M$  CVD matrix ( $N > M = \text{rank } A$ ,  $M$  is odd).  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p} = 1$ ,  $\frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  ( $1 \leq q \leq p < +\infty$ ,  $p = 1$ ).

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $A$  be an  $N \times M$  matrix, abbreviated as  $A \in \mathbf{M}^{N \times M}$  with column vectors  $a^1, \dots, a^M$ . For  $1 \leq p, q < +\infty$ , set

$$l_p^M := \{x \in \mathbf{R}^M : \|x\|_p = (\sum_{i=1}^M |x_i|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} < +\infty\},$$

$$l_q^N := \{x \in \mathbf{R}^N : \|x\|_q = (\sum_{i=1}^N |x_i|^q)^{\frac{1}{q}} < +\infty\},$$

$$B l_p^M := \{x \in l_p^M : \|x\|_p \leq 1\}.$$

The  $n$ -width, in the sense of Kolmogorov, of  $A(B l_p^M)$  in  $l_q^N$  is given by

$$d_n(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) := \inf_{L_n} \sup_{\|x\|_p \leq 1} \inf_{y \in L_n} \|A(x - y)\|_q,$$

where  $L_n$  is any subspace of  $l_q^N$  of dimension  $n$ .

The linear  $n$ -width of  $A(B l_p^M)$  in  $l_q^N$  is given by

$$\delta_n(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) := \inf_{P_n} \sup_{\|x\|_p \leq 1} \|A(x - P_n x)\|_q,$$

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where  $P_n$  runs over all  $N \times M$  matrices of rank  $n$ .

The  $n$ -width of  $A$  ( $B$ ) with respect to  $l_q^N$ , in the sense of Gelfand, is defined by

$$d^n(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) := \inf_{X_n} \sup_{\substack{x \\ \|x\|_p \leq 1 \\ x \in X_n}} \|A x\|_q,$$

where  $X_n$  is any subspace of  $l_p^M$  of dimension  $n$ .

The  $n$ -width of  $A$  ( $B$ ) in  $l_p^N$ , in the sense of Bernstein, is given by

$$b_n(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) := \sup_{X_{n+1}} \inf_{\substack{x \\ \|x\|_p \leq 1 \\ x \in X_{n+1}}} \|A x\|_q,$$

where  $X_{n+1}$  is any subspace of  $l_p^M$  of dimension  $n+1$ .

For  $A \in S T P_l(N \times M)$ ,  $l = \min(N, M)$ , and  $1 \leq q \leq p < +\infty$ ,  $p \neq 1$ , Buslaev<sup>[1]</sup> proved that

$$d_n(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) = \delta_n(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) = d^n(A^T, l_q^N, l_p^M) \geq b_n(A, l_p^M, l_q^N).$$

In this paper, for  $A \in C V D(N \times M)$  ( $N > M = \text{rank } A$ ,  $M$  is odd), and  $1 \leq q \leq p < +\infty$ ,  $p \neq 1$ , we present the corresponding results (for 2k-widths).

## 2 Preliminaries

**Definition 1**<sup>[2]</sup> Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbf{M}^{N \times M}$ . If all nonzero  $k \times k$  minors of  $A$  have the same sign,  $A$  is said to be sign-consistent of order  $k$ , abbreviated by  $A \in S C_k(N \times M)$ . If all  $k \times k$  minors of  $A$  are nonzero and have the same sign,  $A$  is said to be strictly sign-consistent of order  $k$ , abbreviated by  $A \in S S C_k(N \times M)$ .

Let  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_M) \in \mathbf{R}^M$ . Denote by  $S^-(x)$  the number of sign changes in the sequence obtained from  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_M$  by deleting all zero terms, by  $S^+(x)$  the maximum numbers of sign changes possible in the vector  $x$  by allowing each zero to be replaced by  $+1$  or  $-1$ . We define that

$$S_c^+(x) := \max_k S^+(x_k, x_{k+1}, \dots, x_M, x_1, \dots, x_k),$$

$$S_c^-(x) := \max_k S^-(x_k, x_{k+1}, \dots, x_M, x_1, \dots, x_k).$$

**Definition 2**<sup>[2]</sup> Let  $A \in \mathbf{M}^{N \times M}$ . If for any  $y \in \mathbf{R}^M$ ,  $S_c^-(A y) \leq S_c^-(y)$ , then  $A$  is said to be cyclic variation-diminishing, abbreviated by  $A \in C V D(N \times M)$ .

**Lemma 1**<sup>[2]</sup> Let  $A \in \mathbf{M}^{N \times M}$ ,  $M = 2k-1$ ,  $N > M = \text{rank } A$ . Then

- (i)  $A \in C V D(N \times M) \Leftrightarrow A \in S C_{2r-1}$ ,  $r = 1, 2, \dots, k$ ;
- (ii)  $A \in S S C_{2r-1} \Leftrightarrow S_c^+(A y) \leq S_c^-(y)$ ,  $\forall y \in \mathbf{R}^M$

**Lemma 2**<sup>[2]</sup> If  $A \in S C_k(N \times M)$ ,  $0 < k \leq m \min(N, M)$ ,  $\text{rank } A \geq k$ , then there exists

$\{A_\sigma\}_{\sigma \geq 0} \subset SSSC_k$  such that  $A_\sigma - A$  ( $\sigma$  +  $\cdot$ ).

**Lemma 3** Let  $A \in \mathbf{M}^{N \times M}$ . If  $\{A_\sigma\}_{\sigma \geq 0}^+ \subset \mathbf{M}^{N \times M}$  and  $A_\sigma - A$  ( $\sigma$  +  $\cdot$ ), then

$$\begin{aligned} d_n(A_\sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N) &= d_n(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) (\sigma + \cdot), \\ \delta_n(A_\sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N) &= \delta_n(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) (\sigma + \cdot), \\ d^n(A_\sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N) &= d^n(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) (\sigma + \cdot), \\ b_n(A_\sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N) &= b_n(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) (\sigma + \cdot). \end{aligned}$$

**Proof** We only prove that  $d_n(A_\sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N) = d_n(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) (\sigma + \cdot)$ , the proof for the others are similar. By the definition and the duality theorem of the best approximation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_n(A_\sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N) &:= \inf_{L_n} \sup_{\|x\|_p \leq 1} \inf_{y \in L_n} \|A_\sigma x - y\|_q \\ &= \inf_{L_n} \sup_{\|x\|_p \leq 1} \sup_{f \in L_n} |(f, A_\sigma x)| \left( \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{q} \right) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$d_n(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) = \inf_{L_n} \sup_{\|x\|_p \leq 1} \sup_{f \in L_n} |(f, A x)|$$

We only need to prove that

$$\sup_{\|x\|_p \leq 1} \sup_{f \in L_n} |(f, A_\sigma x)| = \sup_{\|x\|_p \leq 1} \sup_{f \in L_n} |(f, A x)| (\sigma + \cdot)$$

holds uniformly for  $L_n$ .

Since

$$\begin{aligned} |(f, A_\sigma x)| &\leq |(f, (A_\sigma - A)x)| + |(f, A x)| \leq \|f\|_q \|(A_\sigma - A)x\|_q + |(f, A x)| \\ |(f, A x)| &\leq \|f\|_q \|(A_\sigma - A)x\|_q + |(f, A x)|, \end{aligned}$$

so  $\forall x \in B l_p^M$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{f \in L_n} |(f, A_\sigma x)| &\leq \|(A_\sigma - A)x\|_q + \sup_{f \in L_n} |(f, A x)|, \\ \sup_{f \in L_n} |(f, A x)| &\leq \|(A_\sigma - A)x\|_q + \sup_{f \in L_n} |(f, A_\sigma x)|, \end{aligned}$$

thus

$$\begin{aligned} &|\sup_{\|x\|_p \leq 1} \sup_{f \in L_n} |(f, A_\sigma x)| - \sup_{\|x\|_p \leq 1} \sup_{f \in L_n} |(f, A x)|| \\ &\leq \sup_{\|x\|_p \leq 1} \|(A_\sigma - A)x\|_q - 0 (\sigma - \cdot + \cdot). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\left\| \frac{\sup_{\|k\|_p \leq 1} \sup_{f \in L_p^n} |(f, A \alpha x)|}{\|k\|_q = 1} \right\|_p \leq 1 \quad \left\| \frac{\sup_{\|k\|_p \leq 1} \sup_{f \in L_p^n} |(f, A x)|}{\|k\|_q = 1} \right\|_p \leq 1$$

holds uniformly for  $L_n$ .

So

$$d_n(A \sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N) = d_n(A, L_p^M, l_q^N) (\sigma + \dots).$$

### 3 The main results

**Definition 3<sup>[1]</sup>** Let  $A \in \mathbf{M}^{N \times M}$ ,  $z \in \mathbf{R}^M$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $1 \leq p, q < +\infty$ . If

$$A^T (A z)_{(q)} = \lambda^q (z)_{(p)}, \quad \|k\|_p = 1,$$

then we say that  $(z, \lambda)$  is a  $(p, q)$  spectrum couple of  $A$ , denoted by  $(z, \lambda) \in SP(A, p, q)$ . where  $(a)_{(s)} = |a|^{s-1} \operatorname{sgn} a$  for real numbers  $a$  and  $s$ ,

$$(z)_{(s)} = (|z_1|^{s-1} \operatorname{sgn} z_1, |z_2|^{s-1} \operatorname{sgn} z_2, \dots, |z_M|^{s-1} \operatorname{sgn} z_M)$$

for vector  $z = (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_M)$ .  $z$  is called a spectrum vector of  $A$ ,  $\lambda$  is a spectrum number of  $A$ .

**Theorem 1** For  $A \in \mathbf{M}^{N \times M}$ ,  $M$  is odd,  $\operatorname{rank} A = M$ , if  $A \in SSC_{2r-1}$ ,  $r = 1, 2, \dots, \frac{M+1}{2}$ ,  $\kappa_{[0, \frac{M+1}{2}]} \in \mathbf{Z}$ ,  $1 < p, q < +\infty$ , then

$$SP_{2k}(A, p, q) := \{(z, \lambda) \in SP(A, p, q) : S_c(z) = k\} \neq \emptyset,$$

where  $S_c(z)$  denotes  $S_c^+(z) = S_c^-(z)$ .

**Proof** For  $k = 0$ , the proof is easy (see [1]). We only prove the case of  $k \geq 1$ .

Let

$$O^{2k} := \{y \in \mathbf{R}^{2k+1} : y = (y_1, \dots, y_{2k+1}), \sum_{i=1}^{2k+1} |y_i| = 1\}.$$

For any  $y \in O^{2k}$ , set

$$\begin{aligned} u(t, y) &:= \{\operatorname{sgn} y_1, 0 \leq t < |y_1|; \dots, \operatorname{sgn} y_{2k+1}, \\ &\quad |y_1| + |y_2| + \dots + |y_{2k}| \leq t \leq |y_1| + |y_2| + \dots + |y_{2k+1}|\}, \\ z(y) &:= (z_1(y), \dots, z_M(y)), \end{aligned}$$

where  $z_i(y) = M - \frac{i-1}{M} u(t, y) dt$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, M$ . We easily see that  $S_c^-(z(y)) \leq 2k$ .

Define

$$Z_0(k) := \{z(y) : y \in O^{2k}\}, \quad Z_s(k) := \{z = z_s(y) : y \in O^{2k}\} \subset l_p^M,$$

where  $z_s(y)$  satisfies  $A^T(A z_s(y)) \cdot q = \mu_{s+1}^q(y) (z_{s+1}(y)) \cdot p$  with  $\mu_{s+1}(y)$  such that  $\|z_s(y)\|_p = 1$ ,  $z_0(y) = z(y)$ .

It is easily known that  $Z_s(k)$  is an odd, continuous correspondence of  $O^{2k}$ . Thus,  $\forall s \in \mathbf{Z}^+$ , from Borsuk Theorem<sup>[1]</sup>, there exists  $z \in Z_s(k)$  such that  $S_c^+(z) \geq 2k$ . Set

$$Y_s(k) := \{y \in O^{2k} : S_c^+(z_s(y)) \geq 2k\} \neq \emptyset.$$

Then  $Y_s(k)$  is a closed subset of  $O^{2k}$ . Furthermore,  $Y_s(k)$  is a compact subset. Obviously,  $Y_0(k) \supset Y_1(k) \supset \dots \supset Y_s(k) \supset \dots$ , so that there exists  $y_0 \in \bigcap_{s=0}^{\infty} Y_s(k)$ . By similar proof of the [1, Lemma 1], there exists subsequence  $\{z_{s_i}(y_0)\}_{s_i} \subset \{z_s(y_0)\}_{s \in \mathbf{Z}^+}$  such that  $z_{s_i}(y_0)$  converges to a spectrum vector  $x$  of  $A$ ,  $\mu_{s_i}$  converges to the correspence spectrum number  $\lambda$  and

$$\forall s \in \mathbf{Z}^+, S_c^+(z_s(y_0)) \geq 2k \Rightarrow S_c^+(x) \geq 2k.$$

By Lemma 1, for any  $y \in O^{2k}$ , we also have

$$\begin{aligned} S_c^+(z_s(y)) &= S_c^+(A^T(A z_{s-1}(y))) \cdot q \leq S_c^-(A z_{s-1}(y)) \\ &\leq S_c^+(A z_{s-1}(y)) \leq S_c^-(z_{s-1}(y)) \leq \dots \\ &\leq S_c^-(z_0(y)) = S_c^-(z(y)) \leq 2k. \end{aligned}$$

So

$$S_c^+(z_{s+1}(y_0)) \leq S_c^-(z_s(y_0)) \leq 2k \Rightarrow S_c^+(x) \leq S_c^-(x) \leq 2k.$$

Therefore  $S_c^-(x) = S_c^+(x) = S_c(x) = 2k$ , i.e.  $(x, \lambda) \in \text{SP}_{2k}(A, p, q)_c$ . This proves Theorem 1.

Let

$$\lambda_k := \inf\{\lambda | (z, \lambda) \in \text{SP}_{2k}(A, p, q)_c\}.$$

**Theorem 2** If  $p \geq q$ , then under the same hypothesis in Theorem 1

$$d_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) = \delta_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) = \lambda_k = d^{2k}(A^T, l_q^N, l_p^M) \geq b_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N)$$

and the characteristics of the optimal subspace for  $d_{2k}$  (with the optimal matrix for  $\delta_{2k}$ ) are given.

By the similar proof of [1, Theorem 2], we may easily prove that  $d_{2k} \geq \lambda_k$ . For proving that  $\delta_{2k} \leq \lambda_k$ , we need the following lemma

**Lemma 4** Under the assumption of Theorem 2, we have that for any  $\forall (z, \lambda) \in \text{SP}_{2k}(A, p, q)_c$ , there exists  $L_{2k} \subset l_q^N$ , dim  $L_{2k} \leq 2k$  such that

$$d(A(B l_p^M), L_{2k}, l_q^N) := \sup_{y \in L_{2k}} \inf_{x \in B l_p^M} \|A x - y\|_q \leq \lambda$$

**Proof**  $\forall (z, \lambda) \in \text{SP}_{2k}(A, p, q)_c = \{(x, \lambda) \in \text{SP}(A, p, q) : S_c(x) = 2k\}$ . By Definition 3 and Lemma 1, we have  $S_c(A z) = S_c(z) = 2k$ . Without loss of generality, we only consider the case of  $S_c^+(A z) = S_c^-(z) = 2k$ .

From  $S_c(z) = 2k$  and  $S_c^+(z) = 2k$ , there exists  $0 = i_0 < i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_{2k} < i_{2k+1} = M$

such that  $z_j(-1)^{r+1} \geq 0$  (or  $\leq 0$ ),  $i_{r-1} + 1 \leq j \leq i_r$ ,  $r = 1, \dots, 2k+1$ , with the additional proviso that  $z_j = 0$  implies  $j = i_r$  for some  $r$  (If  $z_{2k+1} = 0$  then  $z_{2k} \neq 0$  and  $i_{2k+1} = i_{2k} + 1 = M$ ). Thus for  $r = 1, \dots, 2k$ , either (a).  $z_{i_r} z_{i_{r+1}} < 0$ , or (b).  $z_{i_r} = 0, z_{i_{r-1}} z_{i_{r+1}} < 0$

We define vectors  $\{e^r\}_{r=1}^{2k} \subset \mathbf{R}^M$ , where

$$(e^r)_i = \begin{cases} |z_i|^{-\frac{1}{(p-1)}}, & i = i_l, i_l + 1 \text{ if } z_{i_l} z_{i_{l+1}} < 0; \\ 0, & \text{others } i \end{cases}$$

$$(e^r)_i = \delta_{i_l} \text{ if } z_{i_l} = 0$$

$i = 1, \dots, 2k$ , then we have  $(e^r, (z)_{(p)}) = 0, r = 1, \dots, 2k$

Similarly, we can construct  $\{f^r\}_{r=1}^{2k} \subset \mathbf{R}^M$  such that  $(f^r, A z) = 0, r = 1, \dots, 2k$

Set

$$\vdots = \begin{vmatrix} (f^1, A e^1) & (f^1, A e^2) & \dots & (f^1, A e^{2k}) \\ (f^2, A e^1) & (f^2, A e^2) & \dots & (f^2, A e^{2k}) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ (f^{2k}, A e^1) & (f^{2k}, A e^2) & \dots & (f^{2k}, A e^{2k}) \end{vmatrix}.$$

If  $\epsilon = 0$ , then, for  $\epsilon > 0$  small enough we have

$$\epsilon = \begin{vmatrix} (f^1, A e^1) + \epsilon & (f^1, A e^2) & \dots & (f^1, A e^{2k}) \\ (f^2, A e^1) & (f^2, A e^2) + \epsilon & \dots & (f^2, A e^{2k}) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ (f^{2k}, A e^1) & (f^{2k}, A e^2) & \dots & (f^{2k}, A e^{2k}) + \epsilon \end{vmatrix} = 0,$$

since  $\epsilon$  is a polynomial with respect to  $\epsilon$  with the root 0

Without loss of generality, we can assume that  $\epsilon \geq 0$ , and  $\epsilon > 0$  as  $\epsilon = 0$

Now, we construct the  $N \times M$  matrix  $D = (d_{ij}) \in \mathbf{M}^{N \times M}$ , by

1) If  $\epsilon = 0$ , then

$$d_{ij} := \begin{vmatrix} (f^1, A e^1) & \dots & (f^1, A e^{2k}) & (f^1, a^j) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ (f^{2k}, A e^1) & \dots & (f^{2k}, A e^{2k}) & (f^{2k}, a^j) \\ (A e^1)_i & \dots & (A e^{2k})_i & a_{ij} \end{vmatrix}.$$

2) If  $\epsilon \neq 0$ , then

$$d_{ij} := \begin{vmatrix} (f^1, A e^1) + \epsilon & (f^1, A e^2) & \dots & (f^1, A e^{2k}) & (f^1, a^j) \\ (f^2, A e^1) & (f^2, A e^2) + \epsilon & \dots & (f^2, A e^{2k}) & (f^2, a^j) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ (f^{2k}, A e^1) & (f^{2k}, A e^2) & \dots & (f^{2k}, A e^{2k}) + \epsilon & (f^{2k}, a^j) \\ (A e^1)_i & (A e^2)_i & \dots & (A e^{2k})_i & a_{ij} \end{vmatrix}.$$

where  $a^j$  denotes the  $i$ th column of  $A$ ,  $(A e^l)_i$  denotes the  $i$ th component of  $A e^l$ . Thus  $\forall y \in \mathbf{R}^M$  we have

$$Dy = \begin{vmatrix} (f^1, A e^1) & \dots & (f^1, A e^{2k}) & (f^1, A y) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ (f^{2k}, A e^1) & \dots & (f^{2k}, A e^{2k}) & (f^{2k}, A y) \\ A e^1 & \dots & A e^{2k} & A y \end{vmatrix}.$$

or

$$Dy = \begin{vmatrix} (f^1, A e^1) + \epsilon & (f^1, A e^2) & \dots & (f^1, A e^{2k}) & (f^1, A y) \\ (f^2, A e^1) & (f^2, A e^2) + \epsilon & \dots & (f^2, A e^{2k}) & (f^2, A y) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ (f^{2k}, A e^1) & (f^{2k}, A e^2) & \dots & (f^{2k}, A e^{2k}) + \epsilon & (f^{2k}, A y) \\ A e^1 & A e^2 & \dots & A e^{2k} & A y \end{vmatrix}.$$

Let  $Dy = Ay - P_{2k}y$ . Then  $P_{2k} = (p_{ij}) \in \mathbf{M}^{N \times M}$ , rank  $P_{2k} = 2k$ ,

$$p_{ij} = a_{ij} - d_{ij} = \sum_{r=1}^{2k} b_{rj} (A e^r)_i \quad i = 1, \dots, N, j = 1, \dots, M,$$

where  $b_{rj}$  is constant ( $r = 1, \dots, 2k$ ;  $j = 1, \dots, M$ ).

We may easily prove some properties of  $D$  as follows (see [3]).

- 1)  $\text{range } P_{2k} \leq 2k$ ,  $\text{range } P_{2k}$  denotes the dimension of range of  $P_{2k}$ ;
- 2)  $Dz = Az$ , i.e.,  $P_{2k}z = 0$ ;
- 3)  $\text{sgn}(Az) \cdot d_{ij} \text{sgn} z_j \geq 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, N, j = 1, \dots, M$ ;
- 4)  $\sum_{i=1}^N d_{is} |(Dz)_i|^{q-1} \text{sgn } (Dz)_i = \lambda^q |z_s|^{p-1} \text{sgn} z_s, s = 1, \dots, M$ .

Set  $D_+ = (|d_{ij}|) \in \mathbf{M}^{N \times M}$ . By 3), we have

$$\max_{\|y\|_p=1} \|Dy\|_q = \max_{\|y\|_p=1} \|D_+ y\|_q = \mu$$

then there exists  $z^* \in \mathbf{R}^M$  such that  $\mu = \|D_+ z^*\|_q$ ,  $\|z^*\|_p = 1$ .

Since  $D_+ \geq 0$  ( $i.e.$   $|d_{ij}| \geq 0$ ), we obtain  $z^* = (z_1^*, \dots, z_M^*) \geq 0$  ( $or \leq 0$ ) i.e.  $z_i^* \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, M$  keep the same sign. We only consider the case of  $z^* \geq 0$ , then  $(z^*, \mu)$  is a spectrum couple of  $D_+$ , i.e.

$$\sum_{i=1}^N |d_{ir}| |(D_+ z^*)_i|^{q-1} = \mu^q (z_r^*)^{p-1}, r = 1, \dots, M. \quad (1)$$

From 3) and 4), for  $u = (|z_1|, \dots, |z_M|)$ , we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^N |d_{ir}| |(D_+ u)_i|^{q-1} = \lambda^q |z_r|^{q-1}, r = 1, \dots, M. \quad (2)$$

Thus  $\lambda = \|D_+ u\|_q$  i.e.  $\lambda \leq \mu$

We shall prove  $\lambda \geq \mu$

By the definition of  $d_{ij}$ , we have

(i) when  $z_r = 0$ , if  $z_r = 0$ , then  $|d_{ir}| = 0$   $i = 1, \dots, N$ . From (1) we have  $z_r^* = 0$

(ii) When  $z_r = 0$ , for sufficient small  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ , we have  $|d_{ij}| \neq 0$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, M$ .

Also, because  $\|u\|_p = \|x\|_p = 1$ , therefore  $(D_+ u)_i > 0$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, M$ . From (2), we have  $|z_s| \neq 0$ ,  $s = 1, \dots, M$ .

By the above discussions, there exists a smallest number  $\gamma (\gamma \text{finite})$  such that  $\gamma |z_s| \geq z_s^*$  for all  $s$  (From  $\|u\|_p = \|z^*\|_p = 1 \Rightarrow \gamma \geq 1$ ). Thus

$$\gamma^{q-1} |(D_+ u)_i|^{q-1} \geq |(D_+ z^*)_i|^{q-1}, \quad i = 1, \dots, N,$$

and therefore  $\gamma^{q-1} \sum_{i=1}^N |d_{is}| |(D_+ u)_i|^{q-1} \geq \sum_{i=1}^N |d_{is}| |(D_+ z^*)_i|^{q-1}$ .

From (1) and (2) we obtain

$$\gamma^{q-1} \lambda^q |z_s|^{q-1} \geq \mu^q (z_s^*)^{p-1}, \quad s = 1, \dots, M.$$

Thus

$$\gamma \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu}\right)^{\frac{q}{p-1}} |z_s| \geq z_s^*, \quad s = 1, \dots, M.$$

From the definition of  $\gamma$ , it follows that  $\lambda \geq \mu$ . Thus  $\lambda = \mu$

Set  $L_{2k} = \text{span}\{A e^1, A e^2, \dots, A e^{2k}\}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} d(A(B l_p^M), L_{2k}, l_q^N) &= \sup_{x \in A(B l_p^M)} \inf_{y \in L_{2k}} \|x - y\|_q \leq \sup_{z \in B l_p^M} \|A z - P_{2k} z\|_q (P_{2k} z - L_{2k}) \\ &= \sup_{z \in B l_p^M} \|D z\|_q = \max_{\|z\|_p=1} \|D_+ z\|_q = \lambda \end{aligned}$$

This proves Lemma 4

**The Proof of Theorem 2** By Lemma 4 and the definition of  $d_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N)$ ,  $\forall (z, \lambda) \in \text{SP}_{2k}(A, p, q)_c$ , we have

$$d_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) \leq d(A(B l_p^M), L_{2k}, l_q^N) \leq \lambda$$

From the proof of Lemma 4 and the definition of  $\delta_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N)$ , we obtain

$$\delta_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) \leq \sup_{z \in B l_p^M} \|A z - P_{2k} z\|_q \leq \lambda$$

Thus

$$d_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) \leq \lambda_{2k} \text{ and } \delta_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) \leq \lambda_{2k},$$

where  $\lambda_{2k} = \inf\{\lambda \mid (x, \lambda) \in \text{SP}_{2k}(A, p, q)_c\}$ .

From [4], we have

$$\delta_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) \geq d_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N), \quad d^{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) \geq b_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N);$$

and  $d^{2k}(A^T, l_q^N, l_p^M) = d_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N)$ , where  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p} = 1$ ,  $\frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ ,  $A^T$  is the transpose of  $A$ . And we have already known that  $d_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) \geq \lambda_{2k}$ . Hence

$$d_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) = \delta_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) = \lambda_{2k} = d^{2k}(A^T, l_q^N, l_p^M) \geq b_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N).$$

Since  $SP_{2k}(A, p, q)_c$  is a closed subset, therefore

$$\lambda_{2k} \in \{\lambda(x, \lambda) \mid SP_{2k}(A, p, q)_c\}.$$

Let  $x^*$  is the corresponding spectrum vector, then for  $(x^*, \lambda_{2k})$ , in the proof of Lemma 4 the corresponding linear subspace  $L_{2k}^* = \text{span}\{Ae_1^1, \dots, Ae_{2k}^*\}$  and the matrix  $P_{2k}^* = (p_{ij}^*)_{N \times M}$  (where  $p_{ij}^* = \sum_{r=1}^{2k} b_{rj}^*(Ae_r^*)_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, M$ ) are the optimal subspace for  $d_{2k}$  and the optimal matrix for  $\delta_{2k}$ , respectively. This proves Theorem 2

**Remark 1** The result of Theorem 2 holds for  $q = 1$ ,  $1 < p < +\infty$ , too (see [5]).

**Theorem 3** Let  $A \in \mathbf{M}^{N \times M}$ ,  $M$  is odd,  $N > M = \text{rank } A$ ,  $1 \leq q \leq p < +\infty$  ( $p \neq 1$ ). If  $A$  CVD ( $N \times M$ ), then

$$d_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) = \delta_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) = d^{2k}(A^T, l_q^N, l_p^M) \geq b_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N).$$

**Proof** By Lemma 1, we need only to prove the results for  $A \in SC_{2r-1}(N \times M)$ ,  $r = 1, \dots, \frac{M+1}{2}$ .

From Lemma 2, there exists  $\{A_\sigma\} \subset SSC_{2r-1}(N \times M)$ ,  $r = 1, \dots, \frac{M+1}{2}$ , such that  $\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} A_\sigma = A$ .

By Theorem 2 and Remark 1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d_{2k}(A_\sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N) &= \delta_{2k}(A_\sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N) = d^{2k}(A_\sigma^T, l_q^N, l_p^M) \geq b_{2k}(A_\sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N), \\ 1 \leq q &\leq p < +\infty \quad (p \neq 1). \end{aligned}$$

From Lemma 3, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} d_{2k}(A_\sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N) &- d_{2k}(A_\sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N)(\sigma) \\ \delta_{2k}(A_\sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N) &- \delta_{2k}(A_\sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N)(\sigma) \\ d^{2k}(A_\sigma^T, l_q^N, l_p^M) &- d^{2k}(A_\sigma^T, l_q^N, l_p^M)(\sigma) \\ b_{2k}(A_\sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N) &- b_{2k}(A_\sigma, l_p^M, l_q^N)(\sigma) \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$d_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) = \delta_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N) = d^{2k}(A^T, l_q^N, l_p^M) \geq b_{2k}(A, l_p^M, l_q^N).$$

This proves Theorem 3.

**Remark 2** For  $p = +\infty$ ,  $1 \leq q \leq +\infty$ , we can obtain the following result

$$d_{2k}(A, l^M, l^N) = d^{2k}(A, l^M, l^N) = \delta_{2k}(A, l^M, l^N).$$

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## 关于 CVD 矩阵的 $n$ - 宽度

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### 摘要

本文证明了  $d_{2k} = \delta_{2k} = d^{2k} \geq b_{2k}$ , 其中  $d_{2k}, \delta_{2k}, b_{2k}$  分别表示  $A$  ( $B l_p^M$ ) 在  $l_q^N$  下的 Kolmogorov, 线性, Bernstein  $2k$ -宽度,  $d^{2k}$  表示  $A^T$  ( $B l_q^N$ ) 在  $l_p^M$  下的 Gelfand  $2k$ -宽度,  $A$  是一个  $N \times M$  的 CVD 矩阵 ( $N > M = \text{rank } A$ ,  $M$  是奇数),  $B l_p^M$  表示  $l_p^M$  中的单位球,  $A^T$  是  $A$  的转置,  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p} = 1, \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  ( $1 \leq q \leq p < +\infty, p \geq 1$ ).