

$F(G) = V_T$ , there exists an element  $y$  of  $G$  such that  $Fy = x'$ . Thus the distinct elements  $x, y$  of  $H$  are mapped by  $F$  into the same element  $x'$  of  $V_T$ , contrary to condition (ii).

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### A NOTE ON A RECENT RESULT IN SUMMABILITY THEORY

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In a recent paper<sup>1</sup> by A. Mary Tropper, the following theorem is given:

**THEOREM.** *In order that the regular<sup>2</sup> normal<sup>3</sup> matrix  $A$  shall sum a bounded divergent sequence, it is sufficient that*

- (a) *its unique reciprocal  $B$  shall not be regular and*
- (b) *there exists a normal matrix  $Q$  with<sup>4</sup>  $\|Q\| < \infty$  whose columns are all null sequences, such that the matrix  $C = BQ$  has bounded columns and  $\|C\| = \infty$ .*

The author points out that (a) is also a necessary condition, but does not prove the necessity of condition (b); the object of this note is to prove that condition (b) is necessary.

The proof given of the theorem quoted above holds if the  $K_r$

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<sup>1</sup> Proc. Amer. Math. Soc. vol. 4 (1953) pp. 671-677.

<sup>2</sup> A regular matrix is one which satisfies  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{n,k} x_k = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k$ , whenever the latter limit exists.

<sup>3</sup> A normal matrix is a lower-semi matrix which has no zero elements in the leading diagonal. Such a matrix has a unique two-sided reciprocal; see e.g., R. G. Cooke, *Infinite matrices and sequence spaces*, Macmillan, 1950, p. 19.

<sup>4</sup> For an infinite matrix  $M$ ,  $\|M\| \equiv \sup_n \sum_k |m_{n,k}|$  is called the  $K_r$  bound of the matrix; a matrix whose  $K_r$  bound is finite is called a  $K_r$  matrix (ibid. pp. 25, 29).

matrix  $Q$  of condition (b) is required to be a lower-semi, but not necessarily a normal, matrix; the necessity of condition (b) will first be proved under these conditions, and then it will be shown that the existence of a *normal*  $K_r$  matrix  $Q$  is also necessary.

Suppose, therefore, that  $A$  sums the bounded divergent sequence  $\{x_i\}$  to  $x$ . Without loss of generality, we may suppose  $x=0$ , since, if  $x \neq 0$ ,  $A$  sums the bounded divergent sequence  $\{x_i - x\}$  to 0.

Let  $C^{(1)}$  be the normal matrix defined by

$$c_{i,j}^{(1)} = x_i \ (j < i); \quad c_{i,i}^{(1)} = 1; \quad c_{i,j}^{(1)} = 0 \ (j > i).$$

Any given column of  $C^{(1)}$  is thus the sum of  $\{x_i\}$  and a null sequence; hence its  $A$ -transform tends to 0, i.e., the columns of  $Q^{(1)} \equiv AC^{(1)}$  all form null sequences.

Also,

$$(1) \quad |q_{r,s}^{(1)}| = \left| \sum_{t=1}^r a_{r,t} c_{t,s}^{(1)} \right| \leq \sup_t |c_{t,s}^{(1)}| \sup_r \sum_{t=1}^r |a_{r,t}| < K \quad \text{for all } r, s.$$

Now a diagonal matrix  $D$ , whose diagonal elements are all either 0 or 1, can be chosen in such a way that  $D$  contains an infinity of 1's and  $Q=Q^{(1)}D$  is a  $K_r$  matrix. For, to choose such a matrix, let the values of  $n$  for which  $d_n=1$  be denoted by  $n_1, n_2, \dots$ , and suppose that  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_p$  have been chosen such that

$$(2) \quad \sum_{s=1}^{n_\nu} |q_{r,s}| = \sum_{k=1}^p |q_{r,n_k}^{(1)}| \leq 2K \text{ whenever } r \geq n_\nu \ (\nu = 1, 2, \dots, p).$$

Since the columns of  $Q^{(1)}$  tend to 0, we may choose  $n_{p+1} > n_p$  such that

$$\sum_{k=1}^p |q_{r,n_k}^{(1)}| \leq K \quad (r \geq n_{p+1}),$$

and hence, by (1),

$$\sum_{s=1}^{n_{p+1}} |q_{r,s}| \leq 2K \quad (r \geq n_{p+1}).$$

We may begin this construction by taking  $n_1=1$ , and it continues indefinitely, so that  $D$  contains an infinity of 1's.

We now show that with  $D$  so defined,  $\|Q\| < \infty$ . Given any value of  $r$ , there exists  $p$  such that  $n_p \leq r < n_{p+1}$ ; then

$$\sum_{s=1}^r |q_{r,s}| = \sum_{k=1}^p |q_{r,n_k}^{(1)}| \leq 2K,$$

by (2), which is what is required.

Also, the columns of  $Q$  form null sequences, since they are either columns of  $Q^{(1)}$ , or they consist entirely of zeros.

Again  $C = BQ = BQ^{(1)}D = BAC^{(1)}D = C^{(1)}D$ , where  $B$  is the unique two-sided reciprocal of  $A$ . (The products are associative, since the matrices are all lower-semi.) Hence,

$$\sum_{j=1}^i |c_{i,j}| = \sum_{k=1}^{\lambda_i} |c_{i,n_k}^{(1)}|,$$

where  $\lambda_i$  is the number of 1's in the first  $i$  columns of  $D$ ; thus

$$\sum_{j=1}^i |c_{i,j}| \geq (\lambda_i - 1) |x_i|.$$

But  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_i = \infty$ , and  $\limsup_{i \rightarrow \infty} |x_i| > 0$ , since  $\{x_i\}$  is divergent. Hence  $\limsup_{i \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^i |c_{i,j}| = \infty$ , so that  $\|C\| = \infty$ .

Moreover, the columns of  $C$  are bounded, for they are either columns of  $C^{(1)}$ , or they consist entirely of zeros.

This completes the proof in the case where  $Q$  is required to be a lower-semi, but not necessarily normal, matrix.

To show that a normal matrix  $Q$  also exists, we note that  $C^{(1)}$  and  $Q^{(1)}$  are normal matrices, and that  $I - D$  is a diagonal matrix of 0's and 1's whose nonzero elements occur only in those columns of  $D$  which consist entirely of zeros. Hence  $\bar{C} \equiv C + I - D = C^{(1)}D + I - D$  is a normal matrix with bounded columns, and  $\|\bar{C}\| = \infty$ .

The corresponding  $Q$ , i.e.,  $\bar{Q} = A\bar{C}$ , is normal (being the product of normal matrices), and, since  $\bar{Q} = AC^{(1)}D + A(I - D) = Q^{(1)}D + A(I - D)$ , we have  $\|\bar{Q}\| \leq \|Q\| + \|A\| < \infty$ ; also the columns of  $\bar{Q}$ , which are all either columns of  $Q^{(1)}$  or columns of  $A$ , form null sequences.

Hence the existence of a normal matrix  $Q$  with the required properties is proved.

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