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We prove a generalization of a well known upper bound on the independence number due to Hoffman to weighted matrices of graphs. (Received February 27, 2007)