

## HAUSDORFF MATRICES AS BOUNDED OPERATORS OVER $l$

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**ABSTRACT.** A necessary and sufficient condition is obtained for an arbitrary Hausdorff matrix to belong to  $B(l)$ . It is then shown that every conservative quasi-Hausdorff matrix is of type  $M$ .

Let  $(H, \mu)$  denote the Hausdorff method with generating sequence  $\mu = \{\mu_n\}$ ,  $l = \{\{x_n\} \mid \sum_n |x_n| < \infty\}$ ,  $B(l)$  the algebra of bounded linear operators on  $l$ . A necessary and sufficient condition is obtained for an arbitrary Hausdorff method to belong to  $B(l)$ . It is then shown that every conservative quasi-Hausdorff matrix is of type  $M$ .

An infinite matrix is called triangular if it has only zeros above the main diagonal. Let  $B(c)$  denote the algebra of bounded linear operators in  $c$ , the space of convergent sequences.

**LEMMA.** *Let  $A$  be a triangular matrix satisfying:*

- (1)  $A \in B(l)$ ,
- (2)  $t_n^* = \sum_{k=0}^n |a_{nk}|$  is monotone increasing in  $n$ ,
- (3)  $\lim_n t_n$  exists, where  $t_n = \sum_{k=0}^n a_{nk}$ .

*Then  $A \in B(c)$ .*

**PROOF.** Condition (1) is equivalent to  $\sup_k \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} |a_{nk}| < \infty$ , which implies  $\sum_{n=k}^N |a_{nk}| < M$  for every  $N > k$ , where  $M$  is independent of  $N$  and  $k$ . Summing  $k$  over  $[0, N]$  yields  $\sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{n=k}^N |a_{nk}| < M(N+1)$ . Interchanging the order of summation gives

$$\sum_{n=0}^N t_n^* / (N+1) \leq M. \quad (4)$$

The left-hand side of (4) is the  $N$ th term of the Cesàro transform of order one,  $(C, 1)$ , of the sequence  $\{t_n^*\}$ . Since  $\{t_n^*\}$  is monotone increasing, the norm of  $A$  in  $B(c)$  is  $\|A\|_c = \lim_n t_n^*$ . If  $\|A\|_c = \infty$ , then the total regularity of  $(C, 1)$  implies that the l.h.s. of (4) tends to  $\infty$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , a contradiction. Therefore  $\|A\|_c$  is finite. Condition (1) implies  $A$  has zero column limits and (3) assures the existence of the limit of the row sums. Therefore  $A \in B(c)$ .

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**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $H$  be a Hausdorff matrix. Then  $H \in B(l)$  if and only if  $\mu$  is a moment sequence satisfying*

$$\int_0^1 |d\beta(t)|/t < \infty. \quad (5)$$

**PROOF.** In [3, p. 279] it is shown that, if  $\mu$  is a moment sequence, then  $H \in B(l)$  if and only if  $\mu$  satisfies (5). The theorem in Hardy actually treats conservative quasi-Hausdorff methods  $(H^*, \mu)$ , but  $(H^*, \mu)$  is merely the matrix transpose of  $(H, \mu)$ , so that the norm condition for the regularity of  $H^*$  is the same as the norm condition for  $H \in B(l)$ .

It remains to show that, if  $H \in B(l)$ , then  $\mu$  is a moment sequence.

From [3, p. 254] or [4, Lemma 2, p. 177],  $\{t_n^*\}$  is monotone increasing in  $n$ . Each row sum of  $H$  adds up to  $\mu_0$ , so (3) of the Lemma is satisfied. Applying the Lemma,  $H \in B(c)$ , which by [3, p. 260] is equivalent to  $\mu$  being a moment sequence.

Let  $A \in B(c)$ ,  $A$  a matrix. Then  $A$  is said to be of type  $M$  if the only solution of  $tA = 0$ ,  $t \in l$ , is  $t = 0$ .

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $(H^*, \mu) \in B(c)$ . Then  $(H^*, \mu)$  is of type  $M$ .*

In [5] it was shown that  $H^*$  is of type  $M$ , provided at most a finite number of the  $\mu_n$  are zero. We now provide a different proof, which removes that restriction.

Since  $H^*$  is the matrix transpose of  $H$ , the condition  $H^* \in B(c)$  is equivalent to  $H \in B(l)$ . By Theorem 1,  $\mu$  is a moment sequence. Thus there exists a function  $\beta(t) \in BV[0, 1]$  such that  $\mu_n = \int_0^1 t^n d\beta(t)$ . Define

$$F(z) = \int_0^1 t^z d\beta(t).$$

Then  $F$  is analytic in  $\operatorname{Re} z > 0$  and continuous on  $\operatorname{Im} z = 0$ . Moreover, if  $b_i$  denote the real zeros of  $F$  in  $\operatorname{Re} z > 0$ , they satisfy  $\sum 1/b_i < \infty$ , by a result of Carleman [1]. To say that  $H^*$  is of type  $M$  is equivalent to saying that  $H$  is 1-1 on  $l$ .

Since  $H = \delta\mu\delta$ , where  $\delta$  is the triangular matrix of signed binomial coefficients and  $\mu$  is a diagonal matrix with diagonal entries  $\mu_n$ , we may use associativity of multiplication and the fact that  $\delta$  is its own inverse, to obtain  $\mu\delta t = 0$ ; i.e.,  $\mu_n \Delta^n t_0 = 0$  for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . Now appeal to [2, Theorem 1] to conclude that  $t$  is a constant sequence. The result follows, since the only constant sequence in  $l$  is the zero sequence.

Theorems 1 and 2 are also true for generalized Hausdorff matrices of the form

$$h_{nk} = \binom{n+\alpha}{n-k} \Delta^{n-k} \mu_k, \quad \text{with } \alpha > 0.$$

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