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## New criteria for nonsingular $H$ -matrices

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**Abstract:** In this paper, according to the theory of two classes of  $\alpha$ -diagonally dominant matrices, the row index set of the matrix is divided properly, and then some positive diagonal matrices are constructed. Furthermore, some new criteria for nonsingular  $H$ -matrix are obtained. Finally, numerical examples are given to illustrate the effectiveness of the proposed criteria.

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  be the set of  $n$  order complex matrices and  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ . For any  $i, j \in N = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , denote

$$R_i(A) = \sum_{j \in N, j \neq i} |a_{ij}|, C_i(A) = \sum_{j \in N, j \neq i} |a_{ji}|.$$

Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ . If  $|a_{ii}| \geq R_i(A) (i \in N)$ , then  $A$  is called a diagonally dominant matrix, and denoted by  $A \in D_0$ . If  $|a_{ii}| > R_i(A) (i \in N)$ , then  $A$  is called a strictly diagonally dominant matrix and denoted by  $A \in D$ .

If there is a positive diagonal matrix  $X$  such that  $AX \in D$ , then  $A$  is called a generalized strictly diagonally dominant matrix, denoted by  $A \in D^*$ , and also called a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix.

A matrix  $A$  is said to be an  $H$ -matrix if its comparison matrix is an  $M$ -matrix. Throughout this paper, we are working with  $H$ -matrices such that their comparison matrices are nonsingular. These matrices are called invertible class of  $H$ -matrices in [1].

As a result of that a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix has nonzero diagonal entries, we always assume that  $a_{ii} \neq 0 (i \in N)$ .

The nonsingular  $H$ -matrix is a kind of special matrix that is widely used in matrix theory. Many practical problems can usually be attributed to the problems of solving one or a group of linear algebraic equations for large sparse matrices. In the process of solving linear equations, it is often necessary to assume that the coefficient matrix is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix. At the same time, nonsingular  $H$ -matrix has important practical value in many fields, such as economic mathematics, electric system theory, control theory and computational mathematics [2, 3]. However, it is very difficult to determine the nonsingular  $H$ -matrix in practice. So the determination of nonsingular  $H$ -matrix is a very meaningful topic in the study of matrix theory. Many scholars have conducted in-depth research on its sufficient conditions, and have further given many simple and practical results [4–16].

In this paper, we introduce two different classes of  $\alpha$ -diagonally dominant matrices defined in [6, 7]. In order to avoid confusion, they are called  $\alpha_1$ -diagonally dominant matrix and  $\alpha_2$ -diagonally dominant matrix respectively.

**Definition 1.** [6] Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ . If  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  exists, making

$$|a_{ii}| \geq \alpha[R_i(A)] + (1 - \alpha)[C_i(A)], \quad i \in N,$$

then  $A$  is called an  $\alpha_1$ -diagonally dominant matrix, and denoted by  $A \in D_{\alpha_{10}}$ . If  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  exists, making

$$|a_{ii}| > \alpha[R_i(A)] + (1 - \alpha)[C_i(A)], \quad i \in N, \quad (1.1)$$

then  $A$  is called a strictly  $\alpha_1$ -diagonally dominant matrix, and denoted by  $A \in D_{\alpha_1}$ .

**Definition 2.** [7] Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ . If  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  exists, making

$$|a_{ii}| \geq [R_i(A)]^\alpha [C_i(A)]^{1-\alpha}, \quad i \in N,$$

then  $A$  is called an  $\alpha_2$ -diagonally dominant matrix, and denoted by  $A \in D_{\alpha_{20}}$ . If  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  exists, making

$$|a_{ii}| > [R_i(A)]^\alpha [C_i(A)]^{1-\alpha}, \quad i \in N, \quad (1.2)$$

then  $A$  is called a strictly  $\alpha_2$ -diagonally dominant matrix, and denoted by  $A \in D_{\alpha_2}$ .

At present, many scholars have studied the properties and determination methods of  $\alpha_1$ - (and  $\alpha_2$ -) diagonally dominant matrices, see [5–11, 17].  $\alpha_2$ -diagonally dominant matrix is called geometrically  $\alpha$ -diagonally dominant matrix in [8],  $\alpha$ -chain diagonally dominant matrix in [9], and product  $\alpha$ -diagonally dominant matrix in [17].

In Definitions 1 and 2, if  $\alpha = 1$ , we can know  $|a_{ii}| > R_i(A)$ ,  $\forall i \in N$ , by (1.1) and (1.2), that is,  $A \in D$ . If  $\alpha = 0$ , we can know  $|a_{ii}| > C_i(A)$ ,  $\forall i \in N$ , by (1.1) and (1.2), that is,  $A^T \in D$ . Therefore, if  $\alpha = 0$  or 1,  $A$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix, so only the case of  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  is considered in this paper.

If  $A$  is an  $\alpha_1$ - (or  $\alpha_2$ -) diagonally dominant matrix, then  $A \in D^*$  [6, 7]. So  $\alpha_1$ - (or  $\alpha_2$ -) diagonally dominant matrix is also a class of nonsingular  $H$ -matrix. These two classes are both subclasses of nonsingular  $H$ -matrix, and they have their equivalent theorems in the field of eigenvalue localization. It is easy to see that the class of  $\alpha_1$ -diagonally dominant matrix is contained in that of  $\alpha_2$ -diagonally dominant matrix [18].

In this paper, by using the properties of  $\alpha_1$ - (or  $\alpha_2$ -) diagonally dominant matrix, we give some criteria for determining nonsingular  $H$ -matrix. Finally, numerical examples are used to compare the criteria obtained in this paper with the existing results.

## 2. Preliminaries

Some relevant concepts and important conclusions are given in this section.

**Definition 3.** [9] Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ . If there is a positive diagonal matrix  $X$  such that  $AX \in D_{\alpha_1}$ , then  $A$  is called a generalized  $\alpha_1$ -diagonally dominant matrix, which is denoted by  $A \in D_{\alpha_1}^*$ .

**Definition 4.** [7] Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ . If there is a positive diagonal matrix  $X$  such that  $AX \in D_{\alpha_2}$ , then  $A$  is called a generalized  $\alpha_2$ -diagonally dominant matrix, which is denoted by  $A \in D_{\alpha_2}^*$ .

**Definition 5.** [10] Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  be an irreducible matrix. If there exists  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  such that  $|a_{ii}| \geq \alpha[R_i(A)] + (1 - \alpha)[C_i(A)]$ ,  $\forall i \in N$ , and at least one strict inequality holds, then  $A$  is said to be an irreducible  $\alpha_1$ -diagonally dominant matrix.

Here, similar to irreducible  $\alpha_1$ -diagonally dominant matrix, we give the definition of irreducible  $\alpha_2$ -diagonally dominant matrix.

**Definition 6.** Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  be an irreducible matrix. If there exists  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  such that  $|a_{ii}| \geq [R_i(A)]^\alpha [C_i(A)]^{1-\alpha}$ ,  $\forall i \in N$ , and at least one strict inequality holds, then  $A$  is said to be an irreducible  $\alpha_2$ -diagonally dominant matrix.

**Lemma 1.** [9] Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ . If  $A$  is a generalized  $\alpha_1$ -diagonally dominant matrix, then  $A$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix.

**Lemma 2.** [7] Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ . Then  $A$  is a generalized strictly diagonally dominant matrix if and only if  $A$  is a generalized  $\alpha_2$ -diagonally dominant matrix.

**Lemma 3.** [10] Let  $A \in D_{\alpha_{10}}$  be an irreducible matrix, and there is at least one  $i \in N$  to make  $|a_{ii}| > \alpha[R_i(A)] + (1 - \alpha)[C_i(A)]$  hold, then  $A \in D^*$ .

**Lemma 4.** [11] Let  $A \in D_{\alpha_{20}}$  be an irreducible matrix, and there is at least one  $i \in N$  to make  $|a_{ii}| > [R_i(A)]^\alpha [C_i(A)]^{1-\alpha}$  hold, then  $A \in D^*$ .

**Lemma 5.** [3] Suppose  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ , if  $AX$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix, with  $X = \text{diag}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  ( $x_i > 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ), then  $A$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix.

## 3. Criteria based on $\alpha_1$ -diagonally dominant matrix

Denote

$$M_1(\alpha) = \{i \in N \mid |a_{ii}| = \Lambda_i(A)\}, M_2(\alpha) = \{i \in N \mid 0 < |a_{ii}| < \Lambda_i(A)\}, M_3(\alpha) = \{i \in N \mid |a_{ii}| > \Lambda_i(A)\}.$$

It is obvious that  $M_i(\alpha) \cap M_j(\alpha) = \emptyset (i \neq j)$  and  $M_1(\alpha) \cup M_2(\alpha) \cup M_3(\alpha) = N$ . We denote  $\sum_{i \in \emptyset} \cdot = 0$  and

$$\Lambda_i(A) = \alpha R_i(A) + (1 - \alpha)C_i(A), \alpha \in (0, 1),$$

$$r = \max_{i \in M_3(\alpha)} \left\{ \frac{\alpha \left( \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \right)}{|a_{ii}| - \alpha \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| - (1 - \alpha)C_i(A)} \right\}, s = \max_{i \in M_2(\alpha)} \left\{ \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} \right\}, \delta = \max\{r, s\},$$

$$T_{i,r}(A) = \alpha \left( \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + r \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \right) + (1 - \alpha) r C_i(A), \quad i \in M_3(\alpha),$$

$$h = \max_{i \in M_3(\alpha)} \left\{ \frac{\delta \alpha \left( \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \right)}{T_{i,r}(A) - \alpha \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} - (1 - \alpha) C_i(A) \frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|}} \right\}.$$

**Theorem 1.** Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ . If there is  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ , such that for any  $i \in M_2(\alpha)$ ,

$$|a_{ii}| \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} > \alpha \left( \delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_j(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_j(A)} + h \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} \right) + (1 - \alpha) C_i(A) \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} \quad (3.1)$$

holds, then  $A$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix.

*Proof.* We are going to prove the following inequality for all indices in each set  $M_1(\alpha)$ ,  $M_2(\alpha)$  and  $M_3(\alpha)$ .

$$|b_{ii}| > \Lambda_i(B) = \alpha R_i(B) + (1 - \alpha) C_i(B), \quad i \in M_1(\alpha) \cup M_2(\alpha) \cup M_3(\alpha) = N.$$

It can be seen from the previous denotions that  $0 \leq r < 1$ ,  $0 < \delta < 1$ . From the definition of  $T_{i,r}(A)$ , we can get that for any  $i \in M_3(\alpha)$ ,

$$r|a_{ii}| \geq \alpha \left( \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + r \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \right) + (1 - \alpha) r C_i(A)$$

holds, that is,  $T_{i,r}(A) \leq r|a_{ii}|$ ,  $i \in M_3(\alpha)$ . Therefore

$$0 \leq \frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} \leq r \leq \delta < 1, \quad i \in M_3(\alpha).$$

Furthermore, according to the definition of  $T_{i,r}(A)$ , for any  $i \in M_3(\alpha)$ ,

$$\alpha \left( \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \right) = T_{i,r}(A) - r \left\{ \alpha \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| + (1 - \alpha) r C_i(A) \right\}.$$

So

$$\frac{\delta \alpha \left( \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \right)}{T_{i,r}(A) - \alpha \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} - (1 - \alpha) C_i(A) \frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|}} < \frac{T_{i,r}(A) - r \left( \alpha \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| + (1 - \alpha) r C_i(A) \right)}{T_{i,r}(A) - \alpha \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} - (1 - \alpha) C_i(A) \frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|}} \leq 1.$$

According to the definition of  $h$ , we can get  $0 \leq h < 1$ , and for all  $i \in M_3(\alpha)$ ,

$$h T_{i,r}(A) \geq \alpha \left( \delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \delta \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + h \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} + (1 - \alpha) h C_i(A) \frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} \right). \quad (3.2)$$

By (3.1), for all  $i \in M_2(\alpha)$ , we can get

$$|a_{ii}| \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} - \left( \alpha \delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} + h \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} \right) + (1 - \alpha) C_i(A) \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} > 0.$$

Let

$$k_i = |a_{ii}| \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} - \left( \alpha \delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} + h \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} \right) + (1 - \alpha) C_i(A) \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)}$$

and

$$w_i = \frac{k_i}{\alpha \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}|}, i \in M_2(\alpha). \quad (3.3)$$

In particular, if  $\sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| = 0$ , then denote  $w_i = +\infty$ , according to (3.3),  $w_i > 0, i \in M_2(\alpha)$ . Notice that

$$0 \leq \frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} h < \frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} \leq \delta < 1, i \in M_3(\alpha).$$

Thus, take a sufficiently small positive number  $\eta$  to make it meet both

$$0 < \eta < \min_{i \in M_2(\alpha)} \{w_i\} \leq +\infty$$

and

$$\max_{i \in M_3(\alpha)} \left\{ \frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} h + \eta \right\} < \delta < 1.$$

Construct a positive diagonal matrix  $X = \text{diag}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ , where

$$x_i = \begin{cases} \delta, & i \in M_1(\alpha), \\ \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)}, & i \in M_2(\alpha), \\ \frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} h + \eta, & i \in M_3(\alpha). \end{cases}$$

And let  $B = AX = (b_{i,j})$ .

For any  $i \in M_1(\alpha)$ , it can be obtained from  $0 < \delta < 1, 0 < \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} \leq \delta < 1 (i \in M_2(\alpha))$ , and  $0 < \frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} h + \eta < \delta < 1 (i \in M_3(\alpha))$  that

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_i(B) &= \alpha \delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{\Lambda_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \left( \frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} h + \eta \right) + (1 - \alpha) \delta C_i(A) \\ &< \alpha \delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| + \delta \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \delta \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + (1 - \alpha) \delta C_i(A) \\ &= \delta (\alpha R_i(A) + (1 - \alpha) C_i(A)) = \delta \Lambda_i(A) = \delta |a_{ii}| = |b_{ii}|. \end{aligned}$$

For any  $i \in M_2(\alpha)$ , if  $\sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| = 0$ , it can be deduced from (3.1) that

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_i(B) &= \alpha(\delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{\Lambda_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| (\frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} h + \eta)) + (1 - \alpha)C_i(A) \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} \\ &= \alpha(\delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{\Lambda_j(A)}) + (1 - \alpha)C_i(A) \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} \\ &< |a_{ii}| \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} = |b_{ii}|. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \neq 0$ , it can be obtained from (3.3) that

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_i(B) &= \alpha(\delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{\Lambda_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| (\frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} h + \eta)) + (1 - \alpha)C_i(A) \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} \\ &= \alpha(\eta \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{\Lambda_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| (\frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|})) \\ &\quad + (1 - \alpha)C_i(A) \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} \\ &= \eta\alpha \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \alpha(\delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{\Lambda_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| (\frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|})) \\ &\quad + (1 - \alpha)C_i(A) \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} \\ &< w_i\alpha \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \alpha(\delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{\Lambda_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| (\frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|})) \\ &\quad + (1 - \alpha)C_i(A) \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} \\ &= |a_{ii}| \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} = |b_{ii}|. \end{aligned}$$

For any  $i \in M_3(\alpha)$ , it can be deduced from  $0 < \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} \leq \delta < 1 (i \in M_2(\alpha))$  and (3.2) that

$$\begin{aligned}
\Lambda_i(B) &= \alpha[\delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{\Lambda_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| (\frac{T_{jr}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} h + \eta)] + (1 - \alpha)C_i(A) (\frac{T_{ir}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} h + \eta) \\
&= \eta\alpha \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| + \alpha(\delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{\Lambda_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{T_{jr}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} h) \\
&\quad + (1 - \alpha)C_i(A) \frac{T_{ir}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} h + \eta(1 - \alpha)C_i(A) \\
&= \eta[\alpha \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| + (1 - \alpha)C_i(A)] + \alpha(\delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{\Lambda_j(A)} + h \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{T_{jr}(A)}{|a_{jj}|}) \\
&\quad + (1 - \alpha)hC_i(A) \frac{T_{ir}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} \\
&\leq \eta[\alpha \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| + (1 - \alpha)C_i(A)] + \alpha(\delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \delta \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + h \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{T_{jr}(A)}{|a_{jj}|}) \\
&\quad + (1 - \alpha)hC_i(A) \frac{T_{ir}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} \\
&\leq \eta[\alpha \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| + (1 - \alpha)C_i(A)] + hT_{i,r}(A) \\
&\leq \eta[\alpha R_i(A) + (1 - \alpha)C_i(A)] + hT_{i,r}(A) \\
&< \eta|a_{ii}| + hT_{i,r}(A) \\
&= \eta|a_{ii}| + |a_{ii}| \frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} h = |a_{ii}| (\frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} h + \eta) = |b_{ii}|.
\end{aligned}$$

In conclusion, the following inequalities are always valid

$$|b_{ii}| > \Lambda_i(B) = \alpha R_i(B) + (1 - \alpha)C_i(B), i \in M_1(\alpha) \cup M_2(\alpha) \cup M_3(\alpha) = N.$$

By Definition 1, matrix  $B$  is a strictly  $\alpha_1$ -diagonally dominant matrix, so matrix  $A$  is a generalized  $\alpha_1$ -diagonally dominant matrix. According to Lemma 1,  $A$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix.  $\square$

**Remark 1.** If  $\alpha = 1$ , Theorem 1 is equivalent to Theorem 4 in [12]. At the same time, in Theorem 1, we improve the conditions of the theorems in [13–15]. So Theorem 1 in this paper is a further supplement to the determination methods of nonsingular  $H$ -matrices.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  be an irreducible matrix. If there is  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ , such that for any  $i \in M_2(\alpha)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
|a_{ii}| \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} &\geq \alpha[\delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{\Lambda_j(A)} + h \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{T_{jr}(A)}{|a_{jj}|}] \\
&\quad + (1 - \alpha)C_i(A) \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)},
\end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

and at least one strict inequality in (3.4) holds, then matrix  $A$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix.

*Proof.* We are going to prove the following inequality for all indices in each set  $M_1(\alpha)$ ,  $M_2(\alpha)$  and  $M_3(\alpha)$ .

$$|b_{ii}| \geq \Lambda_i(B) = \alpha R_i(B) + (1 - \alpha)C_i(B), i \in M_1(\alpha) \cup M_2(\alpha) \cup M_3(\alpha) = N.$$

Construct a positive diagonal matrix  $X = \text{diag}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ , where

$$x_i = \begin{cases} \delta, & i \in M_1(\alpha), \\ \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)}, & i \in M_2(\alpha), \\ \frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} h, & i \in M_3(\alpha). \end{cases}$$

And denote  $B = AX = (b_{ij})$ . Similar to the proof process of Theorem 1, for any  $i \in M_1(\alpha)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_i(B) &= \alpha \left[ \delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{\Lambda_j(A)} + h \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} \right] + (1 - \alpha) \delta C_i(A) \\ &\leq \delta [\alpha R_i(A) + (1 - \alpha) C_i(A)] = \delta \Lambda_i(A) = \delta |a_{ii}| = |b_{ii}|. \end{aligned}$$

For any  $i \in M_2(\alpha)$ , it can be obtained from (3.4) that

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_i(B) &= \alpha \left[ \delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{\Lambda_j(A)} + h \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} \right] + (1 - \alpha) C_i(A) \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} \\ &\leq |a_{ii}| \frac{\Lambda_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{\Lambda_i(A)} = |b_{ii}|. \end{aligned}$$

For any  $i \in M_3(\alpha)$ , by (3.2) we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_i(B) &= \alpha \left[ \delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{\Lambda_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{\Lambda_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} h \right] + (1 - \alpha) C_i(A) \frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} h \\ &\leq \alpha \left[ \delta \sum_{j \in M_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \delta \sum_{j \in M_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + h \sum_{j \in M_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{T_{j,r}(A)}{|a_{jj}|} \right] + (1 - \alpha) C_i(A) \frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} h \\ &< h T_{i,r}(A) = |a_{ii}| \frac{T_{i,r}(A)}{|a_{ii}|} h = |b_{ii}|. \end{aligned}$$

To sum up, we can always get the following inequalities

$$|b_{ii}| \geq \Lambda_i(B) = \alpha R_i(B) + (1 - \alpha) C_i(B), \quad i \in M_1(\alpha) \cup M_2(\alpha) \cup M_3(\alpha) = N.$$

Notice that there is at least one  $i_0 \in M_3(\alpha)$ , such that  $|b_{i_0, i_0}| > \Lambda_{i_0}(B)$ , so  $B$  is an irreducible  $\alpha_1$ -diagonally dominant matrix. According to Lemma 3,  $B$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix. Therefore,  $A$  is also a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix by Lemma 5.  $\square$

#### 4. Criteria based on $\alpha_2$ -diagonally dominant matrix

Let

$$Q_i(A) = (R_i(A))^\alpha (C_i(A))^{1-\alpha}, \quad \alpha \in (0, 1).$$

$$N_1(\alpha) = \{i \in N \mid 0 < |a_{ii}| < Q_i(A)\}, \quad N_2(\alpha) = \{i \in N \mid |a_{ii}| = Q_i(A) > 0\},$$

$$N_3(\alpha) = \{i \in N \mid |a_{ii}| > Q_i(A)\}.$$

It is obvious that  $N_i(\alpha) \cap N_j(\alpha) = \emptyset (i \neq j)$  and  $N_1(\alpha) \cup N_2(\alpha) \cup N_3(\alpha) = N$ .



For any  $i \in N_3(\alpha)$ , denote

$$P_i(A) = \left( \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{R_j(A)(C_j(A))^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}}}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right) (C_i(A))^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}}.$$

Obviously,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{P_i(A)}{|a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} &= \left( \frac{P_i(A)^\alpha}{|a_{ii}|} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \\ &= \left( \frac{\sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \left( \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{R_j(A)(C_j(A))^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}}}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right)^\alpha (C_i(A))^{1-\alpha}}{|a_{ii}|} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \\ &< \left( \frac{(R_i(A))^\alpha (C_i(A))^{1-\alpha}}{|a_{ii}|} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} < 1. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.** Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ . If there exists  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ , such that

$$|a_{ii}| \frac{Q_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)} > \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right]^\alpha \cdot [C_i(A) \frac{Q_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)}]^{1-\alpha} \quad (4.1)$$

holds for any  $i \in N_1(\alpha)$ , then the matrix  $A$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix.

*Proof.* We are going to proof the following inequality for all indices in each set  $N_1(\alpha)$ ,  $N_2(\alpha)$  and  $N_3(\alpha)$ .

$$|b_{ii}| > (R_i(B))^\alpha (C_i(B))^{1-\alpha}, \quad i \in N_1(\alpha) \cup N_2(\alpha) \cup N_3(\alpha) = N.$$

For any  $i \in N_1(\alpha)$ , denote

$$\begin{aligned} g_i(A) &= \left( \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right) (C_i(A) \frac{Q_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)})^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}}, \\ G_i(A) &= \frac{(|a_{ii}| \frac{Q_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)})^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} - g_i(A)}{\left( \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \right) [C_i(A) \frac{Q_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)}]^{1-\frac{\alpha}{\alpha}}}. \end{aligned}$$

It is known by (4.1) that  $G_i(A) > 0$ ,  $i \in N_1(\alpha)$ . In particular, if  $\sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| = 0$  ( $i \in N_1(\alpha)$ ),  $G_i(A) = +\infty$  is denoted. Take a sufficiently small positive number  $\varepsilon$  to satisfy

$$0 < \varepsilon < \min\{G_j(A) \ (j \in N_1(\alpha)), \ 1 - \frac{P_i(A)}{|a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \ (i \in N_3(\alpha))\}. \quad (4.2)$$

Construct a positive diagonal matrix  $X = \text{diag}(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n)$ , where

$$d_i = \begin{cases} \frac{Q_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)}, & \forall i \in N_1(\alpha), \\ 1, & \forall i \in N_2(\alpha), \\ \frac{P_i(A)}{|a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} + \varepsilon, & \forall i \in N_3(\alpha). \end{cases}$$

It is proved below that  $B = AX = (b_{ij}) \in D_{\alpha_2}$ . For any  $i \in N_1(\alpha)$ , according to (4.1) and (4.2),

$$\begin{aligned} & R_i(B)(C_i(B))^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} \\ &= \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \left( \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} + \varepsilon \right) \right] [C_i(A) \frac{Q_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)}]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} \\ &= \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right] [C_i(A) \frac{Q_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)}]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} + \varepsilon \left( \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \right) [C_i(A) \frac{Q_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)}]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} \\ &< \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right] [C_i(A) \frac{Q_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)}]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} + G_i(A) \left( \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \right) [C_i(A) \frac{Q_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)}]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} \\ &= \left( |a_{ii}| \frac{Q_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} = |b_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}, \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $|b_{ii}| > R_i(B)^\alpha (C_i(B))^{1-\alpha}$ ,  $i \in N_1(\alpha)$ .

For any  $i \in N_2(\alpha)$ , because  $\frac{Q_i(A) - |a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)} < 1$ ,  $i \in N_1(\alpha)$ , and  $\frac{P_i(A)}{|a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} + \varepsilon < 1$ ,  $i \in N_3(\alpha)$ , obtained by (4.2), so,

$$\begin{aligned} (R_i(B))^\alpha (C_i(B))^{1-\alpha} &= \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \left( \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} + \varepsilon \right) \right]^\alpha [C_i(A)]^{1-\alpha} \\ &< \left( \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \right)^\alpha (C_i(A))^{1-\alpha} \\ &= (R_i(A))^\alpha (C_i(A))^{1-\alpha} = |a_{ii}| = |b_{ii}|. \end{aligned}$$

For any  $i \in N_3(\alpha)$ , obviously

$$\begin{aligned} |a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} &> R_i(A) (C_i(A))^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} \\ &= \left( \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \right) (C_i(A))^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} \\ &> \left( \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \right) (C_i(A))^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}}, \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} & |a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \left( \frac{P_i(A)}{|a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} + \varepsilon \right) = P_i(A) + \varepsilon |a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \\ &> \left( \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{R_j(A)(C_j(A))^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}}}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right) (C_i(A))^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} + \varepsilon \left( \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \right) (C_i(A))^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} \\ &= \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \left( \frac{R_j(A)(C_j(A))^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}}}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} + \varepsilon \right) \right] [C_i(A)]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} \\ &\geq \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \left( \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} + \varepsilon \right) \right] [C_i(A)]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}}. \end{aligned}$$

Take the two sides of the inequality to the power of  $\alpha$  respectively, we can get

$$|a_{ii}| \left( \frac{P_i(A)}{|a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} + \varepsilon \right)^\alpha > \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \left( \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} + \varepsilon \right) \right]^\alpha [C_i(A)]^{1-\alpha}.$$

Further multiply both sides of the inequality by  $\left( \frac{P_i(A)}{|a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} + \varepsilon \right)^{1-\alpha}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} |b_{ii}| &= |a_{ii}| \left( \frac{P_i(A)}{|a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} + \varepsilon \right) \\ &> \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \left( \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} + \varepsilon \right) \right] [C_i(A) \left( \frac{P_i(A)}{|a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} + \varepsilon \right)]^{1-\alpha} \\ &= \left( \sum_{j \neq i} (b_{ij})^\alpha \right) \left( \sum_{j \neq i} (b_{ji}) \right)^{1-\alpha}, \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $|b_{ii}| > (R_i(B))^\alpha (C_i(B))^{1-\alpha}$ . To sum up, the following inequality is always true.

$$|b_{ii}| > (R_i(B))^\alpha (C_i(B))^{1-\alpha}, \quad i \in N_1(\alpha) \cup N_2(\alpha) \cup N_3(\alpha) = N,$$

that is,  $B \in D_{\alpha_2}$ . Therefore, we know that  $A \in D_{\alpha_2}^*$ , and according to Lemma 2,  $A$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix.  $\square$

**Remark 2.** According to (4.1) in Theorem 3, for any  $i \in N_1(\alpha)$ , the following inequality is always true.

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{Q_i(A)}{Q_i(A)-|a_{ii}|} \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A)-|a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right]^\alpha [C_i(A) \frac{Q_i(A)-|a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)}]^{1-\alpha} \\ & \leq \frac{Q_i(A)}{Q_i(A)-|a_{ii}|} \left[ \alpha \left( \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A)-|a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right) + (1-\alpha) C_i(A) \frac{Q_i(A)-|a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)} \right] \\ & \leq \frac{Q_i(A)}{Q_i(A)-|a_{ii}|} \alpha \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A)-|a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right] + (1-\alpha) C_i(A). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, for Theorem 3 in this paper, we improve Theorem 1 in [10] and Theorem 1 in [16].

**Theorem 4.** Let  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  be an irreducible matrix. If there exists  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ , such that

$$|a_{ii}| \frac{Q_i(A)-|a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)} \geq \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A)-|a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right]^\alpha \cdot [C_i(A) \frac{Q_i(A)-|a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)}]^{1-\alpha} \quad (4.3)$$

is true for any  $i \in N_1(\alpha)$ , then the matrix  $A$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix.

*Proof.* We are going to proof the following inequality for all indices in each set  $N_1(\alpha)$ ,  $N_2(\alpha)$  and  $N_3(\alpha)$ .

$$|b_{ii}| \geq (R_i(B))^\alpha (C_i(B))^{1-\alpha}, \quad i \in N_1(\alpha) \cup N_2(\alpha) \cup N_3(\alpha) = N.$$

Construct a positive diagonal matrix  $X = \text{diag}(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n)$ , where

$$d_i = \begin{cases} \frac{Q_i(A)-|a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)}, & \forall i \in N_1(\alpha), \\ 1, & \forall i \in N_2(\alpha), \\ \frac{P_i(A)}{|a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}}, & \forall i \in N_3(\alpha). \end{cases}$$

Let  $B = AX = (b_{ij})$ . For any  $i \in N_1(\alpha)$ , it can be obtained from (4.3) that

$$\begin{aligned} (R_i(B))^\alpha (C_i(B))^{1-\alpha} &= \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A)-|a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right]^\alpha \cdot [C_i(A) \frac{Q_i(A)-|a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)}]^{1-\alpha} \\ &\leq |a_{ii}| \frac{Q_i(A)-|a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)} = |b_{ii}|, \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $|b_{ii}| \geq (R_i(B))^\alpha (C_i(B))^{1-\alpha}$ ,  $i \in N_1(\alpha)$ .

For any  $i \in N_2(\alpha)$ , because  $\frac{Q_i(A)-|a_{ii}|}{Q_i(A)} < 1$ ,  $i \in N_1(\alpha)$ , and  $\frac{P_i(A)}{|a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} < 1$ ,  $i \in N_3(\alpha)$ , we can obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} (R_i(B))^\alpha (C_i(B))^{1-\alpha} &= \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A)-|a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right]^\alpha [C_i(A)]^{1-\alpha} \\ &\leq \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \right]^\alpha [C_i(A)]^{1-\alpha} \\ &= (R_i(A))^\alpha (C_i(A))^{1-\alpha} = |a_{ii}| = |b_{ii}|, \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $|b_{ii}| > (R_i(B))^\alpha (C_i(B))^{1-\alpha}$ ,  $i \in N_2(\alpha)$ .

For any  $i \in N_3(\alpha)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \left( \frac{P_i(A)}{|a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right) &= P_i(A) \\ &= \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{R_j(A)(C_j(A))^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}}}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right] (C_i(A))^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} \\ &> \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right] (C_i(A))^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}}. \end{aligned}$$

Take the power  $\alpha$  on both sides and multiply by  $\left(\frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}}\right)^{1-\alpha}$  at the same time, then

$$\begin{aligned} |b_{ii}| &= |a_{ii}| \left( \frac{P_i(A)}{|a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right) \\ &> \left[ \sum_{j \in N_1(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| \frac{Q_j(A) - |a_{jj}|}{Q_j(A)} + \sum_{j \in N_2(\alpha)} |a_{ij}| + \sum_{j \in N_3(\alpha), j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \left( \frac{P_j(A)}{|a_{jj}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \right) \right]^\alpha \left[ (C_i(A))^{\frac{P_i(A)}{|a_{ii}|^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}}} \right]^{1-\alpha} \\ &= (R_i(B))^\alpha (C_i(B))^{1-\alpha}, \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $|b_{ii}| > (R_i(B))^\alpha (C_i(B))^{1-\alpha}$ ,  $i \in N_3(\alpha)$ .

In conclusion, the following inequalities are always valid.

$$|b_{ii}| \geq (R_i(B))^\alpha (C_i(B))^{1-\alpha}, \quad i \in N_1(\alpha) \cup N_2(\alpha) \cup N_3(\alpha) = N.$$

Thus,  $B$  is an irreducible  $\alpha_2$ -diagonally dominant matrix. According to Lemma 4,  $B$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix. Therefore,  $A$  is also a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix by Lemma 5.  $\square$

## 5. Numerical examples

**Example 1.** Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{18}{19} & 0 & \frac{1}{19} & 0 \\ \frac{412}{475} & 4 & \frac{58}{19} & 1 & 17.08 \\ \frac{13}{475} & \frac{20}{19} & 7.76 & 8 & 0.92 \\ \frac{1}{19} & 0 & \frac{18}{19} & 10 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{19} & 0 & 0 & \frac{18}{19} & \frac{23}{9} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Taking  $\alpha = \frac{19}{20}$ , we will show that

(1) The matrix  $A$  satisfies the conditions of Theorem 1 in this paper, so we can determine that  $A$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix according to Theorem 1.

(2)  $A$  does not meet the criteria in [13–15], so it cannot be determined by applying the methods in these papers.

In fact, for (1), it can be obtained through calculation that

$$R_1(A) = C_1(A) = |a_{11}| = 1 = \alpha R_1(A) + (1 - \alpha)C_1(A) = \Lambda_1(A),$$

$$R_2(A) = 22, C_2(A) = 2,$$

$$|a_{22}| = 4 < \alpha R_2(A) + (1 - \alpha)C_2(A) = \Lambda_2(A) = \frac{19}{20} \times 22 + \frac{1}{20} \times 2 = 21.$$

$$R_3(A) = 10, C_3(A) = 4,$$

$$|a_{33}| = 7.76 < \alpha R_3(A) + (1 - \alpha)C_3(A) = \Lambda_3(A) = \frac{19}{20} \times 10 + \frac{1}{20} \times 4 = 9.7.$$

$$R_4(A) = 1, C_4(A) = 10,$$

$$|a_{44}| = 10 > \alpha R_4(A) + (1 - \alpha)C_4(A) = \Lambda_4(A) = \frac{19}{20} \times 1 + \frac{1}{20} \times 10 = 1.45.$$

$$R_5(A) = 1, C_5(A) = 18,$$

$$|a_{55}| = 2.825 > \alpha R_5(A) + (1 - \alpha)C_5(A) = \Lambda_5(A) = \frac{19}{20} \times 1 + \frac{1}{20} \times 18 = 1.85.$$

So,  $M_1(\alpha) = \{1\}$ ,  $M_2(\alpha) = \{2, 3\}$ ,  $M_3(\alpha) = \{4, 5\}$ . And then

$$\begin{aligned} r &= \max\left\{\frac{\frac{19}{20}(|a_{41}| + |a_{42}| + |a_{43}|)}{|a_{44}| - \frac{19}{20}|a_{45}| + \frac{1}{20}C_4(A)}, \frac{\frac{19}{20}(|a_{51}| + |a_{52}| + |a_{53}|)}{|a_{55}| - \frac{19}{20}|a_{54}| - \frac{1}{20}C_5(A)}\right\} \\ &= \max\left\{\frac{\frac{19}{20}(\frac{1}{19} + 0 + \frac{18}{19})}{10 - \frac{19}{20} \times 0 + \frac{1}{20} \times 10}, \frac{\frac{19}{20}(\frac{1}{19} + 0 + 0)}{\frac{23}{9} - \frac{19}{20} \times \frac{18}{19} - \frac{1}{20} \times 18}\right\} = \max\left\{\frac{1}{10}, \frac{9}{136}\right\} = \frac{1}{10}, \\ s &= \max\left\{\frac{\Lambda_2(A) - |a_{22}|}{\Lambda_2(A)}, \frac{\Lambda_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{\Lambda_3(A)}\right\} = \max\left\{\frac{21 - 4}{21}, \frac{9.7 - 7.76}{9.7}\right\} = \frac{17}{21}, \\ \delta &= \max\{r, s\} = \max\left\{\frac{1}{10}, \frac{17}{21}\right\} = \frac{17}{21}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{4,r}(A) &= \alpha(|a_{41}| + |a_{42}| + |a_{43}| + r|a_{45}|) + (1 - \alpha)rC_4(A) \\ &= \frac{19}{20}\left(\frac{1}{19} + 0 + \frac{18}{19} + \frac{1}{10} \times 0\right) + \frac{1}{20} \times \frac{1}{10} \times 10 = \frac{19}{20} + \frac{1}{20} = 1, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{5,r}(A) &= \alpha(|a_{51}| + |a_{52}| + |a_{53}| + r|a_{54}|) + (1 - \alpha)rC_5(A) \\ &= \frac{19}{20}\left(\frac{1}{19} + 0 + 0 + \frac{1}{10} \times \frac{18}{19}\right) + \frac{1}{20} \times \frac{1}{10} \times 18 = \frac{23}{100} = 0.23. \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\delta\alpha(|a_{41}| + |a_{42}| + |a_{43}|)}{T_{4,r}(A) - \alpha|a_{45}| \frac{T_{5,r}(A)}{|a_{55}|} - (1 - \alpha)C_4(A) \frac{T_{4,r}(A)}{|a_{44}|}} = \frac{\frac{17}{21} \times \frac{19}{20}(\frac{1}{19} + 0 + \frac{18}{19})}{1 - \frac{19}{20} \times 0 \times \frac{0.23}{23/9} - \frac{1}{20} \times 10 \times \frac{1}{10}} = \frac{17}{21},$$

$$\frac{\delta\alpha(|a_{51}| + |a_{52}| + |a_{53}|)}{T_{5,r}(A) - \alpha|a_{54}| \frac{T_{4,r}(A)}{|a_{44}|} - (1 - \alpha)C_5(A) \frac{T_{5,r}(A)}{|a_{55}|}} = \frac{\frac{17}{21} \times \frac{19}{20}(\frac{1}{19} + 0 + 0)}{0.23 - \frac{19}{20} \times \frac{18}{19} \times \frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{20} \times 18 \times \frac{0.23}{23/9}} = \frac{850}{1239}.$$

Therefore,  $h = \max\{\frac{17}{21}, \frac{850}{1239}\} = \frac{17}{21}$ . And notice that

$$|a_{22}| \frac{\Lambda_2(A) - |a_{22}|}{\Lambda_2(A)} = 4 \times \frac{21 - 4}{21} = \frac{68}{21} = 3.2381,$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\alpha[\delta|a_{21}| + |a_{23}| \frac{\Lambda_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{\Lambda_3(A)} + h(|a_{24}| \frac{T_{4,r}(A)}{|a_{44}|} + |a_{25}| \frac{T_{5,r}(A)}{|a_{55}|})] + (1 - \alpha)C_2(A) \frac{\Lambda_2(A) - |a_{22}|}{\Lambda_2(A)} \\ &= \frac{19}{20} \times \left[\frac{17}{21} \times \frac{412}{475} + \frac{58}{19} \times \frac{1}{5} + \frac{17}{21} \times (1 \times \frac{1}{10} + 17.08 \times \frac{0.23}{23/9})\right] + \frac{1}{20} \times 2 \times \frac{17}{21} = 2.5871, \end{aligned}$$

$$|a_{22}| \frac{\Lambda_2(A) - |a_{22}|}{\Lambda_2(A)} > \alpha[\delta|a_{21}| + |a_{23}| \frac{\Lambda_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{\Lambda_3(A)} + h(|a_{24}| \frac{T_{4,r}(A)}{|a_{44}|} + |a_{25}| \frac{T_{5,r}(A)}{|a_{55}|})] + (1 - \alpha)C_2(A) \frac{\Lambda_2(A) - |a_{22}|}{\Lambda_2(A)}.$$

$$|a_{33}| \frac{\Lambda_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{\Lambda_3(A)} = 7.76 \times \frac{1}{5} = 1.5520,$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha[\delta|a_{31}| + |a_{32}| \frac{\Lambda_2(A) - |a_{22}|}{\Lambda_2(A)} + h(|a_{34}| \frac{T_{4,r}(A)}{|a_{44}|} + |a_{35}| \frac{T_{5,r}(A)}{|a_{55}|})] + (1 - \alpha)C_3(A) \frac{\Lambda_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{\Lambda_3(A)} \\ &= \frac{19}{20} \times [\frac{17}{21} \times \frac{13}{475} + \frac{20}{19} \times \frac{17}{21} + \frac{17}{21} \times (8 \times \frac{1}{10} + 0.92 \times \frac{0.23}{23/9})] + \frac{1}{20} \times 4 \times \frac{1}{5} = 1.5495, \end{aligned}$$

$$|a_{33}| \frac{\Lambda_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{\Lambda_3(A)} > \alpha[\delta|a_{31}| + |a_{32}| \frac{\Lambda_2(A) - |a_{22}|}{\Lambda_2(A)} + h(|a_{34}| \frac{T_{4,r}(A)}{|a_{44}|} + |a_{35}| \frac{T_{5,r}(A)}{|a_{55}|})] + (1 - \alpha)C_3(A) \frac{\Lambda_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{\Lambda_3(A)}.$$

To sum up, the conditions of Theorem 1 in this paper are satisfied. So we can determine that  $A$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix.

For (2), it is calculated that

$$|a_{22}| = 4,$$

$$\frac{R_2(A)}{|a_{22}|} (|a_{21}| \frac{a_{11}}{R_1(A)} + |a_{23}| \frac{a_{33}}{R_3(A)} + \frac{R_4(A)}{|a_{44}|} + \frac{R_5(A)}{|a_{55}|}) = \frac{22}{4} (\frac{412}{475} \times \frac{1}{1} + \frac{58}{19} \times \frac{7.76}{10} + \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{23/9}) = 20.2622,$$

$$|a_{22}| < \frac{R_2(A)}{|a_{22}|} (|a_{21}| \frac{a_{11}}{R_1(A)} + |a_{23}| \frac{a_{33}}{R_3(A)} + \frac{R_4(A)}{|a_{44}|} + \frac{R_5(A)}{|a_{55}|}).$$

Then the conditions of the decision theorem in [13] are not satisfied.

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{R_2(A)}{R_2(A) - |a_{22}|} (|a_{21}| + |a_{23}| \frac{R_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{R_3(A)} + |a_{24}| \frac{R_4(A)}{|a_{44}|} + |a_{25}| \frac{R_5(A)}{|a_{55}|}) \\ &= \frac{22}{22 - 4} (\frac{412}{475} + \frac{58}{19} \times \frac{10 - 7.76}{10} + 1 \times \frac{1}{10} + 17.08 \times \frac{1}{23/9}) = 9.2791, \end{aligned}$$

$$|a_{22}| < \frac{R_2(A)}{R_2(A) - |a_{22}|} (|a_{21}| + |a_{23}| \frac{R_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{R_3(A)} + |a_{24}| \frac{R_4(A)}{|a_{44}|} + |a_{25}| \frac{R_5(A)}{|a_{55}|}).$$

So the conditions of the decision theorem in [14] are also not satisfied.

Further calculation shows that

$$r = \max\{\frac{|a_{41}| + |a_{42}| + |a_{43}|}{|a_{44}| - |a_{45}|}, \frac{|a_{51}| + |a_{52}| + |a_{53}|}{|a_{55}| - |a_{54}|}\} = \max\{\frac{\frac{1}{19} + 0 + \frac{18}{19}}{10 - 0}, \frac{\frac{1}{19} + 0 + 0}{\frac{23}{9} - \frac{18}{19}}\} = \frac{1}{10},$$

$$P_4(A) = |a_{41}| + |a_{42}| + |a_{43}| + r \times |a_{45}| = \frac{1}{19} + 0 + \frac{18}{19} + \frac{1}{10} \times 0 = 1,$$

$$P_5(A) = |a_{51}| + |a_{52}| + |a_{53}| + r \times |a_{54}| = \frac{1}{19} + 0 + 0 + \frac{1}{10} \times \frac{18}{19} = \frac{14}{95}.$$

$$|a_{33}| = 7.76,$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{R_3(A)}{R_3(A) - |a_{33}|} (|a_{31}| + |a_{32}| \frac{R_2(A) - |a_{22}|}{R_2(A)} + |a_{34}| \frac{P_4(A)}{|a_{44}|} + |a_{35}| \frac{P_5(A)}{|a_{55}|}) \\ &= \frac{10}{10 - 7.76} \times (\frac{13}{475} + \frac{20}{19} \times \frac{22 - 4}{22} + 8 \times \frac{1}{10} + 0.92 \times \frac{14/95}{23/9}) = 7.7753, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
|a_{33}| &< \frac{R_3(A)}{R_3(A) - |a_{33}|} (|a_{31}| + |a_{32}| \frac{R_2(A) - |a_{22}|}{R_2(A)} + |a_{34}| \frac{P_4(A)}{|a_{44}|} + |a_{35}| \frac{P_5(A)}{|a_{55}|}). \\
|a_{22}| &= 4, \\
\frac{R_2(A)}{R_2(A) - |a_{22}|} (|a_{21}| + |a_{23}| \frac{R_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{R_3(A)} + |a_{24}| \frac{P_4(A)}{|a_{44}|} + |a_{25}| \frac{P_5(A)}{|a_{55}|}) \\
&= \frac{22}{22 - 4} \times (\frac{412}{475} + \frac{58}{19} \times \frac{10 - 7.76}{10} + 1 \times \frac{1}{10} + 17.08 \times \frac{14/95}{23/9}) = 3.0881, \\
|a_{22}| &> \frac{R_2(A)}{R_2(A) - |a_{22}|} (|a_{21}| + |a_{23}| \frac{R_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{R_3(A)} + |a_{24}| \frac{P_4(A)}{|a_{44}|} + |a_{25}| \frac{P_5(A)}{|a_{55}|}).
\end{aligned}$$

The conditions of the decision theorem in [15] are not satisfied.

Therefore, we know that the matrix  $A$  does not meet the criteria in [13–15], so it cannot be determined by these existing methods.

**Example 2.** Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.1 & -0.1 & -0.1 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0.1 & 0.6 & 0 & 0 & -0.2 & 0.3 \\ 0.1 & 0 & 0.4 & -0.1 & 0 & -0.3 \\ -0.1 & 0 & -0.1 & 0.3 & 0 & 0.2 \\ 0.1 & 0.1 & -0.1 & -0.1 & 0.5 & 0.1 \\ 0 & -0.4 & 0.1 & 0 & -0.2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Taking  $\alpha = \frac{1}{4}$ , we will show that

(1) The matrix  $A$  satisfies the conditions of Theorem 3 in this paper, so we can get that  $A$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix.

(2)  $A$  does not meet the criteria in [10, 16], so it cannot be determined by applying the methods in [10, 16].

In fact, for (1), it is calculated that

$$\begin{aligned}
R_1(A) &= 0.4, C_1(A) = 0.4, |a_{11}| = 1 > Q_1(A) = 0.4^{\frac{1}{4}} \times 0.4^{\frac{3}{4}} = 0.4, \\
R_2(A) &= 0.6, C_2(A) = 0.6, |a_{22}| = 0.6 = Q_2(A) = 0.6^{\frac{1}{4}} \times 0.6^{\frac{3}{4}} = 0.6, \\
R_3(A) &= 0.5, C_3(A) = 0.4, |a_{33}| = 0.4 < Q_3(A) = 0.5^{\frac{1}{4}} \times 0.4^{\frac{3}{4}} = 0.4229, \\
R_4(A) &= 0.4, C_4(A) = 0.3, |a_{44}| = 0.3 < Q_4(A) = 0.4^{\frac{1}{4}} \times 0.3^{\frac{3}{4}} = 0.3224, \\
R_5(A) &= 0.5, C_5(A) = 0.5, |a_{55}| = 0.5 = 0.5^{\frac{1}{4}} \times 0.5^{\frac{3}{4}} = 0.5, \\
R_6(A) &= 0.7, C_6(A) = 0.9, |a_{66}| = 2 > 0.7^{\frac{1}{4}} \times 0.9^{\frac{3}{4}} = 0.8452.
\end{aligned}$$

So  $N_1(\alpha) = \{3, 4\}$ ,  $N_2(\alpha) = \{2, 5\}$ ,  $N_3(\alpha) = \{1, 6\}$ , and then calculate

$$\begin{aligned}
P_1(A) &= [|a_{13}| \frac{Q_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{Q_3(A)} + |a_{14}| \frac{Q_4(A) - |a_{44}|}{Q_4(A)} + |a_{12}| + |a_{15}| + |a_{16}| \frac{R_6(A)(C_6(A))^3}{|a_{66}|^4}] (C_1(A))^3 \\
&= [0.1 \times \frac{0.2295}{0.4229} + 0.1 \times \frac{0.0224}{0.3224} + 0.1 + 0.1 + 0 \times \frac{0.7 \times (0.9)^3}{2^4}] \times 0.4^3 = 0.0136, \\
P_6(A) &= [|a_{63}| \frac{Q_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{Q_3(A)} + |a_{64}| \frac{Q_4(A) - |a_{44}|}{Q_4(A)} + |a_{62}| + |a_{65}| + |a_{61}| \frac{R_1(A)(C_1(A))^3}{|a_{11}|^4}] (C_6(A))^3 \\
&= [0.1 \times \frac{0.2295}{0.4229} + 0.1 \times \frac{0.0224}{0.3224} + 0.4 + 0.2 + 0 \times \frac{0.4 \times (0.4)^3}{1^4}] \times 0.9^3 = 0.4414.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& |a_{33}| \frac{Q_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{Q_3(A)} = 0.4 \times \frac{0.2295}{0.4229} = 0.0217 \\
& > [|a_{34}| \frac{Q_4(A) - |a_{44}|}{Q_4(A)} + |a_{32}| + |a_{35}| + |a_{31}| \frac{P_1(A)}{|a_{11}|^4} + |a_{36}| \frac{P_6(A)}{|a_{66}|^4}]^{\frac{1}{4}} [C_3(A) \frac{Q_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{Q_3(A)}]^{\frac{3}{4}} \\
& = [0.1 \times \frac{0.0224}{0.3224} + 0 + 0 + 0.1 \times \frac{0.0136}{1^4} + 0.3 \times \frac{0.4414}{2^4}]^{\frac{1}{4}} \times [0.4 \times \frac{0.0229}{0.4229}]^{\frac{3}{4}} \\
& = (0.0166)^{\frac{1}{4}} \times (0.2173)^{\frac{3}{4}} = 0.0203,
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& |a_{44}| \frac{Q_4(A) - |a_{44}|}{Q_4(A)} = 0.3 \times \frac{0.0224}{0.3224} = 0.0208 \\
& > [|a_{43}| \frac{Q_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{Q_3(A)} + |a_{42}| + |a_{45}| + |a_{41}| \frac{P_1(A)}{|a_{11}|^4} + |a_{46}| \frac{P_6(A)}{|a_{66}|^4}]^{\frac{1}{4}} [C_4(A) \frac{Q_4(A) - |a_{44}|}{Q_4(A)}]^{\frac{3}{4}} \\
& = [0.1 \times \frac{0.2295}{0.4229} + 0 + 0 + 0.1 \times \frac{0.0136}{1^4} + 0.2 \times \frac{0.4414}{2^4}]^{\frac{1}{4}} \times [0.3 \times \frac{0.0224}{0.3224}]^{\frac{3}{4}} \\
& = (0.0123)^{\frac{1}{4}} \times (0.0208)^{\frac{3}{4}} = 0.0183.
\end{aligned}$$

So the conditions of Theorem 3 in this paper are satisfied, thus we can determine that  $A$  is a nonsingular  $H$ -matrix.

For (2), using Theorem 3 in [16], we can get

$$\begin{aligned}
E_1(A) &= \frac{1}{4}R_1(A) + \frac{3}{4}C_1(A) = \frac{1}{4} \times 0.4 + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.4 = 0.4 < |a_{11}| = 1, \\
E_2(A) &= \frac{1}{4}R_2(A) + \frac{3}{4}C_2(A) = \frac{1}{4} \times 0.6 + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.6 = 0.6 = |a_{22}|, \\
E_3(A) &= \frac{1}{4}R_3(A) + \frac{3}{4}C_3(A) = \frac{1}{4} \times 0.5 + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.4 = 0.425 > |a_{33}| = 0.4, \\
E_4(A) &= \frac{1}{4}R_4(A) + \frac{3}{4}C_4(A) = \frac{1}{4} \times 0.4 + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.3 = 0.325 > |a_{44}| = 0.3, \\
E_5(A) &= \frac{1}{4}R_5(A) + \frac{3}{4}C_5(A) = \frac{1}{4} \times 0.5 + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.5 = 0.5 = |a_{55}|, \\
E_6(A) &= \frac{1}{4}R_6(A) + \frac{3}{4}C_6(A) = \frac{1}{4} \times 0.7 + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.9 = 0.85 < |a_{66}| = 2.
\end{aligned}$$

It can be obtained through calculation that

$$\begin{aligned}
P_1(A) &= \frac{1}{4}(|a_{13}| \frac{E_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{E_3(A)} + |a_{14}| \frac{E_4(A) - |a_{44}|}{E_4(A)} + |a_{12}| + |a_{15}| + |a_{16}| \frac{E_1(A)}{|a_{66}|}) + \frac{3}{4}C_1(A) \frac{E_1(A)}{|a_{11}|} \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \times (0.1 \times \frac{0.425 - 0.4}{0.425} + 0.1 \times \frac{0.325 - 0.3}{0.325} + 0.1 + 0.1 + 0 \times \frac{0.85}{2}) + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.4 \times \frac{0.4}{1} \\
&= 0.0534 + 0.12 = 0.1734,
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P_6(A) &= \frac{1}{4}(|a_{63}| \frac{E_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{E_3(A)} + |a_{64}| \frac{E_4(A) - |a_{44}|}{E_4(A)} + |a_{62}| + |a_{65}| + |a_{61}| \frac{E_1(A)}{|a_{11}|}) + \frac{3}{4}C_6(A) \frac{E_6(A)}{|a_{66}|} \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \times (0.1 \times \frac{0.425 - 0.4}{0.425} + 0.1 \times \frac{0.325 - 0.3}{0.325} + 0.4 + 0.2 + 0 \times \frac{0.4}{1}) + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.9 \times \frac{0.85}{2} \\
&= 0.1515 + 0.2869 = 0.4383.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& |a_{33}| \frac{E_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{E_3(A)} = 0.4 \times \frac{0.425 - 0.4}{0.425} = 0.0235 \\
& < \frac{1}{4}(|a_{34}| \frac{E_4(A) - |a_{44}|}{E_4(A)} + |a_{32}| + |a_{35}| + |a_{31}| \frac{P_1(A)}{|a_{11}|} + |a_{36}| \frac{P_6(A)}{|a_{66}|}) + \frac{3}{4}C_3(A) \frac{E_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{E_3(A)} \\
& = \frac{1}{4}(0.1 \times \frac{0.325 - 0.3}{0.325} + 0 + 0 + 0.1 \times \frac{0.1734}{1} + 0.3 \times \frac{0.4383}{2}) + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.4 \times \frac{0.425 - 0.4}{0.425} \\
& = 0.0227 + 0.0176 = 0.0403,
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
& |a_{44}| \frac{E_4(A) - |a_{44}|}{E_4(A)} = 0.3 \times \frac{0.325 - 0.3}{0.325} = 0.0231 \\
& < \frac{1}{4} (|a_{43}| \frac{E_3(A) - |a_{33}|}{E_3(A)} + |a_{42}| + |a_{45}| + |a_{41}| \frac{P_1(A)}{|a_{11}|} + |a_{46}| \frac{P_6(A)}{|a_{66}|}) + \frac{3}{4} C_4(A) \frac{E_4(A) - |a_{44}|}{E_4(A)} \\
& = \frac{1}{4} (0.1 \times \frac{0.425 - 0.4}{0.425} + 0 + 0 + 0.1 \times \frac{0.1734}{1} + 0.2 \times \frac{0.4383}{2}) + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.3 \times \frac{0.325 - 0.4}{0.325} \\
& = 0.0168 + 0.0173 = 0.0341.
\end{aligned}$$

So the matrix  $A$  does not satisfy the conditions of the theorem in [16], thus it cannot be judged using the method in [16].

Using Theorem 3 in [10], we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1 &= \frac{\frac{1}{4}R_1(A) + \frac{3}{4}C_1(A)}{|a_{11}|} = \frac{\frac{1}{4} \times 0.4 + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.4}{1} = 0.4, \\
x_2 &= \frac{\frac{1}{4}R_2(A) + \frac{3}{4}C_2(A)}{|a_{22}|} = \frac{\frac{1}{4} \times 0.6 + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.6}{0.6} = 1, \\
x_3 &= \frac{\frac{1}{4}R_3(A) + \frac{3}{4}C_3(A)}{|a_{33}|} = \frac{\frac{1}{4} \times 0.5 + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.4}{0.5} = \frac{0.425}{0.4} = 1.0625, \\
x_4 &= \frac{\frac{1}{4}R_4(A) + \frac{3}{4}C_4(A)}{|a_{44}|} = \frac{\frac{1}{4} \times 0.4 + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.3}{0.3} = 1.0833, \\
x_5 &= \frac{\frac{1}{4}R_5(A) + \frac{3}{4}C_5(A)}{|a_{55}|} = \frac{\frac{1}{4} \times 0.5 + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.5}{0.5} = 1, \\
x_6 &= \frac{\frac{1}{4}R_6(A) + \frac{3}{4}C_6(A)}{|a_{66}|} = \frac{\frac{1}{4} \times 0.7 + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.9}{21} = \frac{0.85}{2} = 0.425.
\end{aligned}$$

It is known by calculation that

$$\begin{aligned}
|a_{33}| &= 0.4 \\
&< \frac{x_3}{x_3 - 1} \frac{1}{4} [|a_{32}| + |a_{35}| + (1 - \frac{1}{x_4})|a_{34}| + x_1|a_{31}| + x_6|a_{36}|] + \frac{3}{4} C_3(A) \\
&< \frac{1.0625}{1.0625 - 1} \times \frac{1}{4} \times [0 + 0 + (1 - \frac{0.3}{0.325}) \times 0.1 + 0.4 \times 0.1 + 0.425 \times 0.3] \\
&= 0.7446 + 0.3 = 1.0446.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
|a_{44}| &= 0.3 \\
&< \frac{x_4}{x_4 - 1} \frac{1}{4} [|a_{42}| + |a_{45}| + (1 - \frac{1}{x_3})|a_{43}| + x_1|a_{41}| + x_6|a_{46}|] + \frac{3}{4} C_4(A) \\
&< \frac{0.3}{\frac{0.325}{0.3} - 1} \times \frac{1}{4} \times [0 + 0 + (1 - \frac{0.4}{0.425}) \times 0.1 + 0.4 \times 0.1 + 0.425 \times 0.2] + \frac{3}{4} \times 0.4 \\
&= 0.4254 + 0.225 = 0.6504.
\end{aligned}$$

Through calculation, we know that the matrix  $A$  also does not meet the criteria in [10], so it also cannot be determined by applying the method in [10].

## 6. Conclusions

In this paper, based on the relevant properties of two classes of  $\alpha$ -diagonally dominant matrices, we obtain several sufficient conditions to determine nonsingular  $H$ -matrix, which improves the existing results and also extends the determination theory of nonsingular  $H$ -matrix.

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## Conflict of interest

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