

New Bounds for the Numerical Radius of a Matrix in Terms of Its Entries

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ABSTRACT. In this work we give new upper and lower bounds for the numerical radius of a complex square matrix A using the entries and the trace of A .

1. Introduction

The numerical range of a complex $n \times n$ matrix A is the set defined as

$$W(A) = \{\langle Ax, x \rangle, x \in \mathbb{C}^n, \|x\| = 1\},$$

where $\langle x, y \rangle$ is the usual inner product of elements x and y in \mathbb{C}^n . The numerical range of the matrix A localizes its spectrum i.e $\Lambda(A) \subseteq W(A)$, where $\Lambda(A)$ denotes the spectrum of A . The numerical range has several properties.

The numerical radius $\omega(A)$ is defined by

$$\omega(A) = \sup_{\lambda \in W(A)} |\lambda| \quad \text{or} \quad \omega(A) = \max_{\|x\|=1} |\langle Ax, x \rangle|.$$

Numerous contributions related to numerical radius were made by various people including M. Goldberg, E. Tadmor and G. Zwas [1], also J. Merikoski and R. Kumar [4]. We cite here some properties of the numerical radius which are well known see [2]. Let A, B be two complex matrices and $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$,

1. $\omega(A + B) \leq \omega(A) + \omega(B)$,
2. $\omega(\alpha A) = |\alpha|\omega(A)$,
3. $\omega(A) = \omega(A^*)$,

where A^* is the conjugate transpose of A .

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If M is any principle submatrix of A , then

$$\omega(M) \leq \omega(A).$$

In this paper, without knowing the numerical radius of the matrix A , we can estimate it by giving some upper and lower bounds using the entries and the trace of A .

Let A be a complex $n \times n$ matrix with eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$, the *spectral radius* of A is defined by

$$\rho(A) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |\lambda_i|.$$

It is well known, see [1], that

$$\rho(A) \leq \omega(A) \leq \|A\| \leq 2\omega(A),$$

where $\|A\| = \max_{\|x\|=1} \|Ax\|$ is the *spectral norm*.

Let $tr(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$ denote the *trace* of A and let $su(A) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}$ denote the *sum* of A .

Let e_i be the column vector whose i -th component is equal to 1 while all the remaining components are 0.

Let $R(A)$ and c denote the radius and center of the smallest disc \mathcal{D} which contains all eigenvalues of A .

In [3] C. R. Johnson gave an upper bound for the numerical radius

$$\omega(A) \leq \max_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{|a_{ij}| + |a_{ji}|}{2} \right).$$

J. K. Merikoski and R. Kumar [4] gave some lower bounds for the numerical radius $\omega(A)$ for example :

$$\max_i |a_{ii}| \leq \omega(A)$$

and

$$\left| \frac{su(A)}{n} \right| \leq \omega(A).$$

2. Bounds For the Numerical Radius

In this section, we give some upper and lowers bounds for the numerical radius of a given complex $n \times n$ matrix.

Proposition 2.1. *For any matrix A , we have*

$$R(A) \leq \omega(A).$$

Theorem 2.2. *Let $A = (a_{ij})$ be a normal $n \times n$ matrix, we have*

$$\max_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}| \leq \omega(A).$$

Proof. Let z be any complex number. For $i \neq j$,

$$\begin{aligned} |a_{ij}| &= |e_i^*(A - zI)e_j| \leq \|e_i\| \cdot \|(A - zI)e_j\| = \|(A - zI)e_j\| \\ &\leq \sup_{\|u\|=1} \|(A - zI)u\| = \max_i |\lambda_i - z|. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\inf_z \max_i |\lambda_i - z| = R(A)$, then $\max_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}| \leq \omega(A)$. □

Corollary 2.3. *Let $A = (a_{ij})$ be a normal $n \times n$ matrix, we have*

$$\frac{1}{2} \max_{i \neq j} (|a_{ij}| + |a_{ji}|) \leq \omega(A).$$

Proof. Applying the result of the above theorem to the matrix $\frac{zA + \bar{z}A^*}{2}$, where $z \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|z| = 1$, it follows that $\frac{1}{2} \max_{i \neq j} |za_{ij} + \bar{z}a_{ji}| \leq \omega(A)$. Since $\max_{|z|=1} |za_{ij} + \bar{z}a_{ji}| = |a_{ij}| + |a_{ji}|$, then the required result is obtained. □

Theorem 2.4. *Let $A = (a_{ij})$ be a complex $n \times n$ matrix, we have*

$$\omega(A) \leq \max_i |a_{ii}| + (n - 1) \max_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}|.$$

Proof. Write $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ and let $\lambda \in W(A)$ then $\lambda = xAx^*$ with $\|x\| = 1$. Hence $\lambda = \sum_{i,j} a_{ij}x_jx_i^*$, thus $|\lambda| \leq \sum_{i,j} |a_{ij}|\xi_i\xi_j$ where $\xi_i = |x_i|$. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} |\lambda| &\leq \sum_i |a_{ii}|\xi_i^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}|\xi_j\xi_i \\ &\leq \max_i |a_{ii}| + \max_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}| \left(\sum_{i < j} 2\xi_i\xi_j \right) \\ &\leq \max_i |a_{ii}| + \max_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}| \left((n - 1) \sum_i \xi_i^2 \right) \\ &= \max_i |a_{ii}| + (n - 1) \max_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}|. \end{aligned}$$

We have used the fact that $2\xi_i\xi_j \leq \xi_i^2 + \xi_j^2$. Since $\omega(A) = \max_{\lambda \in W(A)} |\lambda|$, then this completes the proof. □

Corollary 2.5. Let $A = (a_{ij})$ be a complex $n \times n$ matrix, we have

$$\omega(A) \leq n \max_{i,j} |a_{ij}|.$$

Theorem 2.6. Let $A = (a_{ij})$ be a complex $n \times n$ matrix, we have

$$\omega(A) \leq \max_i |a_{ii}| + \left(\sum_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}|^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

Proof. Let $\lambda \in W(A)$ then $\lambda = \sum_{i,j} a_{ij} x_j x_i^*$. Hence $|\lambda| \leq \sum_{i,j} |a_{ij}| \xi_i \xi_j$ where $\xi_i = |x_i|$. It follows that $|\lambda| \leq \sum_i |a_{ii}| \xi_i^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}| \xi_j \xi_i$. Rewriting $|a_{ij}| \xi_j \xi_i$ as $|a_{ij}| \times \xi_j \xi_i$ and applying the Cauchy Schwarz's inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |\lambda| &\leq \max_i |a_{ii}| + \left(\sum_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i \neq j} \xi_i^2 \xi_j^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq \max_i |a_{ii}| + \left(\sum_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_i \xi_i^2 \cdot \sum_j \xi_j^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq \max_i |a_{ii}| + \left(\sum_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}|^2 \right)^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\omega(A) = \max_{\lambda \in W(A)} |\lambda|$, then the desired result is obtained. \square

Let $A = (a_{ij})$ be a complex $n \times n$ matrix and let $L_i = \sum_j |a_{ij}| - |a_{ii}|$, $C_j = \sum_i |a_{ij}| - |a_{jj}|$.

Theorem 2.7. Let $A = (a_{ij})$, L_i and C_j be as described above and let $L = \max(L_i)$, $C = \max(C_j)$. Then

$$\omega(A) \leq \max_i |a_{ii}| + (LC)^{1/2}.$$

Proof. Let $\lambda \in W(A)$ then $\lambda = \sum_{i,j} a_{ij} x_j x_i^*$. Hence $|\lambda| \leq \sum_{i,j} |a_{ij}| \xi_i \xi_j$ where $\xi_i = |x_i|$. Thus $|\lambda| \leq \sum_i |a_{ii}| \xi_i^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}| \xi_j \xi_i$.

Rewriting $|a_{ij}| \xi_j \xi_i$ as $|a_{ij}|^{1/2} \xi_i \times |a_{ij}|^{1/2} \xi_j$ and applying the Cauchy Schwarz's in-

equality, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\lambda| &\leq \max_i |a_{ii}| + \left(\sum_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}| \xi_i^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}| \xi_j^2 \right)^{1/2} \\
 &= \max_i |a_{ii}| + \left(\sum_i L_i \xi_i^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_j C_j \xi_j^2 \right)^{1/2} \\
 &\leq \max_i |a_{ii}| + \left(L \sum_i \xi_i^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(C \sum_j \xi_j^2 \right)^{1/2} \\
 &= \max_i |a_{ii}| + (LC)^{1/2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since $\omega(A) = \max_{\lambda \in W(A)} |\lambda|$, then the assertion follows immediately. □

Theorem 2.8. *Let $A = (a_{ij})$, L_i and C_i be as described above and let $S_i = \frac{L_i + C_i}{2}$, $S = \max_i S_i$. Then*

$$\omega(A) \leq \max_i |a_{ii}| + S.$$

Proof. Let $\lambda \in W(A)$ then $\lambda = \sum_{i,j} a_{ij} x_j x_i^*$. Hence $|\lambda| \leq \sum_{i,j} |a_{ij}| \xi_i \xi_j$ where $\xi_i = |x_i|$. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\lambda| &\leq \sum_i |a_{ii}| \xi_i^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}| \xi_j \xi_i \\
 &\leq \max_i |a_{ii}| + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}| (\xi_i^2 + \xi_j^2) \\
 &= \max_i |a_{ii}| + \frac{1}{2} \sum_i L_i \xi_i^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_j C_j \xi_j^2 \\
 &= \max_i |a_{ii}| + \sum_i S_i \xi_i^2 \\
 &\leq \max_i |a_{ii}| + S.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since $\omega(A) = \max_{\lambda \in W(A)} |\lambda|$, then the result follows directly. □

Lemma 2.9. *If z_1, \dots, z_n are complex numbers, then*

$$\left| \frac{z_1 + \dots + z_n}{n} \right| \leq \max_i |z_i|.$$

Corollary 2.10. *Let A be a complex $n \times n$ matrix with eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$. Then*

$$\left| \frac{\operatorname{tr}(A)}{n} \right| \leq \omega(A).$$

Proof. Using the previous lemma, $z_i = \lambda_i$, it follows that $\left| \frac{\operatorname{tr}(A)}{n} \right| \leq \rho(A) \leq \omega(A)$. \square

Theorem 2.11. *Let $A = (a_{ij})$ be a complex $n \times n$ matrix. Then*

$$\max_{i \neq j} \left| \frac{a_{ii} + a_{jj} - a_{ij} - a_{ji}}{2} \right| \leq \omega(A).$$

Proof. For $i \neq j$, we have $\left| \frac{(e_i - e_j)^* A (e_i - e_j)}{2} \right| = \left| \frac{a_{ii} + a_{jj} - a_{ij} - a_{ji}}{2} \right| \leq \omega(A)$.
 \square

Theorem 2.12. *Let $A = (a_{ij})$ be a complex $n \times n$ matrix. Then*

$$\frac{n}{n-1} \left| \frac{\operatorname{tr}(A)}{n} - \frac{\operatorname{su}(A)}{n^2} \right| \leq \omega(A).$$

Proof. Using Lemma 2.9. where the z 's are the $n(n-1)$ numbers

$$z_{ij} = \frac{a_{ii} + a_{jj} - a_{ij} - a_{ji}}{2}, i \neq j, \text{ thus}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{i \neq j} \left| \frac{a_{ii} + a_{jj} - a_{ij} - a_{ji}}{2} \right| &\geq \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \left| \sum_i \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{a_{ii} + a_{jj} - a_{ij} - a_{ji}}{2} \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \left| n \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii} - \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij} \right| \\ &= \frac{n}{n-1} \left| \frac{\operatorname{tr}(A)}{n} - \frac{\operatorname{su}(A)}{n^2} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Using the previous theorem then the required statement follows immediately. \square

Theorem 2.13. *Let A be a complex $n \times n$ matrix with eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$. Then*

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|^2 - \frac{|\operatorname{tr}(A)|^2}{n} \right)}^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \omega(A).$$

Proof. We have

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i - c|^2 \leq nR^2(A),$$

where c and $R(A)$ are the center and the radius of the smallest disc \mathcal{D} , respectively. On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i - c|^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n (|\lambda_i|^2 - c\bar{\lambda}_i - \bar{c}\lambda_i + |c|^2) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|^2 - \frac{|tr(A)|^2}{n} + n \left| c - \frac{tr(A)}{n} \right|^2. \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that the choice $c = tr(A)/n$ gives the smallest possible value for this last expression. Hence $\frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|^2 - \frac{|tr(A)|^2}{n} \right) \leq R^2(A) \leq \omega^2(A)$. □

Corollary 2.14. *Let A be a normal $n \times n$ matrix. Then*

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \left(\|A\|_{Fr}^2 - \frac{|tr(A)|^2}{n} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \leq \omega(A),$$

where $\|A\|_{Fr}^2 = \sum_{i,j=1}^n |a_{ij}|^2 = tr AA^*$ is the Frobenius norm.

Proof. Since A is normal, then $\sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|^2 = \|A\|_{Fr}^2$. Hence the desired result follows. □

Theorem 2.15. *Let $A = (a_{ij})$ be a Hermitian $n \times n$ matrix. Then*

$$\frac{1}{2} \max_{i \neq j} \left\{ a_{ii} + a_{jj} + \sqrt{(a_{ii} - a_{jj})^2 + 4|a_{ij}|^2} \right\} \leq \omega(A).$$

Proof. Let M be any principal submatrix of A . Let $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ and

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a_{ii} & a_{ij} \\ a_{ji} & a_{jj} \end{pmatrix},$$

then

$$\rho(M) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ a_{ii} + a_{jj} + \sqrt{(a_{ii} - a_{jj})^2 + 4|a_{ij}|^2} \right\} \leq \omega(M) \leq \omega(A).$$

□

3. The Areal Numerical Radius of Matrices

Let $\Gamma(A)$ denotes the area of the smallest disc \mathcal{D} which contains all eigenvalues of the matrix A .

R. A. Smith and L. Mirsky in [5] called areal spread of the matrix A the ratio $\frac{\sigma(A)}{\|A\|^2}$ where $\sigma(A)$ is the minimal area in the complex plane and $\|\cdot\|$ is the euclidean

matrix norm. In analogy with this concept, let $\frac{\Gamma(A)}{\omega^2(A)}$ be the areal numerical radius of A . In the following theorem we give an estimate to the supremum of the areal numerical radius of A as A ranges over all nonzero $n \times n$ matrices.

Theorem 3.1. *Let A be a complex $n \times n$ matrix and let $\Gamma(A)$ be as described above. Then*

$$\sup \left(\frac{\Gamma(A)}{\omega^2(A)} \right) = \pi,$$

where the supremum is taken over all nonzero $n \times n$ matrices A .

Proof. Since $\Gamma(A) = \pi R^2(A)$, it is sufficient to prove that $\sup \frac{R(A)}{\omega(A)} = 1$. We have $R(A) \leq \rho(A) \leq \omega(A)$, on the other hand, taking $A = \text{diag}(-1, 0, \dots, 0, 1)$, it follows that $R(A) = 1$ and $\omega(A) = 1$. Hence $\sup \frac{R(A)}{\omega(A)} = 1$, this completes the proof. \square

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