

AN IMPROVEMENT FOR THE AREA OF CONVERGENCE
OF THE ACCELERATED OVERRELAXATION ITERATIVE
METHOD

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1. Introduction

After the introduction of the Accelerated Overrelaxation Iterative Method (ADR), by Hadjidimos, in 1979

$$(1.1) \quad x^{(i+1)} = (I - rE)^{-1}[(1 - w)I + (w - r)E + wF]x^{(i)} + w(I - rE)^{-1}b \\ i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

many improvements on the corresponding convergence have appeared. As, for different values of the parameters w , r , this method includes other known methods (Jacobi method for $r = 0$, $w = 1$; Gauss-Seidel method for $r = w = 1$, Successive Overrelaxation method (SOR) for $r = w$ and Simultaneous Overrelaxation (JOR) for $r = 0$) it is of large use for computing the solution of a linear system

$$(1.2) \quad Ax = b$$

Here, $A = I - E - F$ is a real $n \times n$ matrix, b a real, known, n column vector and x the unknown n column vector.

Papers [1], [2], [3] give some results on the convergence of this iterative method. Such results have been improved for strictly diagonally dominant matrices in [5], [6].

Later, we took the idea of generalized diagonal dominance (see definition 3 of [4]) and improved the last results for various types of matrices (see [7]). In this paper we generalize the theorem 2 of [5]: "If A of

(1.2) is a strictly diagonally dominant matrix and $w > r > 0$, then a sufficient condition for the convergence of the (AOR) method is

$$0 < w < \frac{2}{1 + \max_i (e_i + f_i)}.$$

With this generalization we improve the results of [5], [6] and [7].

2. Convergence's Conditions of the AOR method

THEOREM 1. — If A of (1.2) is a strictly diagonally dominant $n \times n$ matrix and $w < r$, then the AOR method is convergent, for:

$$(2.1) \quad (i) \quad 0 < r < q \quad \text{and} \quad f(r) < w < 1$$

or

$$(2.2) \quad (ii) \quad 1 < w < m \quad \text{and} \quad w < r < s(w),$$

where

$$q = \min_i \frac{1 + e_i - f_i}{2e_i}, \quad f(r) = \max_i \frac{2e_i r}{1 + e_i - f_i},$$

$$m = \min_i \frac{2 - 2e_i}{1 - e_i + f_i} \quad \text{and} \quad s(w) = \min_i \frac{2 - w(1 - e_i + f_i)}{2e_i}$$

where e_i and f_i are respectively the i -row sums of the moduli of the entries of E and F , respectively

Proof. Bearing in mind Theo. 1 of [5] and considering $w < r$, we can define the function:

$$g(\lambda) = (r - \lambda)e_i + \lambda f_i + |1 - \lambda| + re_i$$

If $0 < \lambda < 1$, $g(\lambda)$ is a decreasing function and $g(0) = 2re_i + 1 > 1$ with $g(\lambda) < 1$ if $\lambda > \frac{2e_i r}{1 + e_i - f_i}$. As $\lambda \leq 1$ we see that $\frac{2e_i r}{1 + e_i - f_i} < 1$ or equivalently $r < \frac{1 + e_i - f_i}{2e_i}$.

For $\lambda > 1$, we have $g(\lambda) = (r - \lambda)e_i + \lambda f_i + \lambda - 1 + re_i$. Now, $g(\lambda)$ is an increasing function and $g(\lambda) < 1$ if $r < \frac{1}{e_i} - \frac{\lambda(1 - e_i + f_i)}{2e_i}$.

As $r > \lambda > 1$, we must have $\frac{1}{e_i} - \frac{\lambda(1 - e_i + f_i)}{2e_i} > 1$ or $\lambda < \frac{2 - 2e_i}{1 - e_i + f_i}$.

With this conditions we conclude that the AOR method is convergent for w and r given by (2.1) and (2.2).

THEOREM 2. If A of (1.2) is a strictly diagonally dominant matrix, then the AOR method is convergent, $\rho(L_{r,w}) < 1$, for:

$$(i) \quad 0 < r < q \quad \text{and} \quad f(r) < w < 1$$

or

$$(ii) \quad 1 < w < m \quad \text{and} \quad w < r < s(w)$$

if

$$w < r$$

or

$$(iii) \quad 0 < r < w \quad \text{and} \quad 0 < w < t$$

with

$$t = \frac{2}{1 + \max_i (e_i + f_i)}$$

Proof. This result comes immediately from the preceding theorem and from theorem 2 of [5], and is a generalization of this one.

We give a geometric interpretation of th. 2 of [5] (fig. 1) and the theorem 2 (fig. 2). We can see that the area of convergence given by (fig. 2) is larger than that which is given by fig. 1.

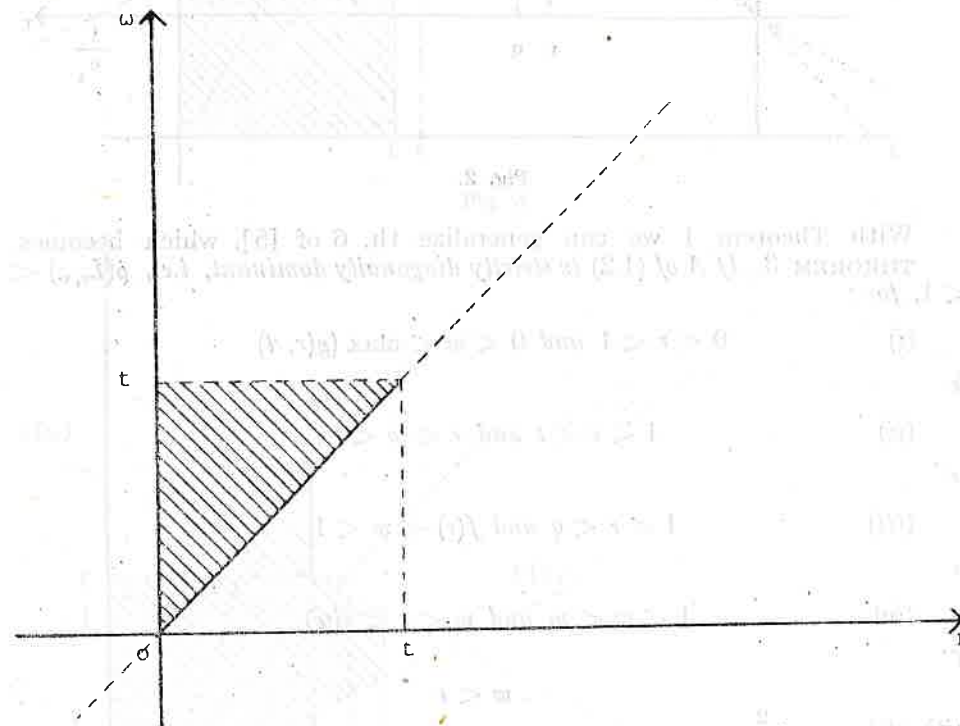


Fig. 1.

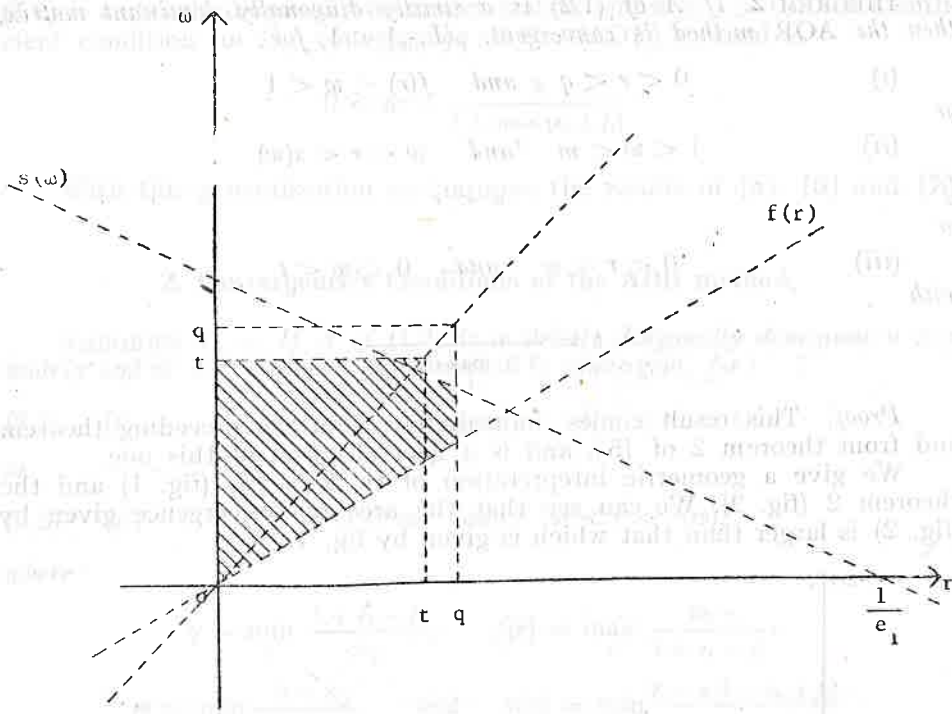


Fig. 2.

With Theorem 1 we can generalize th. 6 of [5], which becomes.
THEOREM 3. *If A of (1.2) is strictly diagonally dominant, i.e., $\rho(L_{r,w}) < 1$, for:*

(i) $0 < r < 1$ and $0 < w < \max(g(r), t)$

or

(ii) $1 < r < t$ and $r < w < t$

or

(iii) $1 < r < q$ and $f(r) < w < 1$

or

(iv) $1 < w < m$ and $w < r < s(w)$

if

$$w < r$$

with $q(r) = \frac{2}{1 + \rho(L_{r,r})}$

It is evident that this result is an improvement on th. 6 of [5], as we can see from the fig. 4. for the theorem 3 and from fig. 3 for the th. 6 of [5].

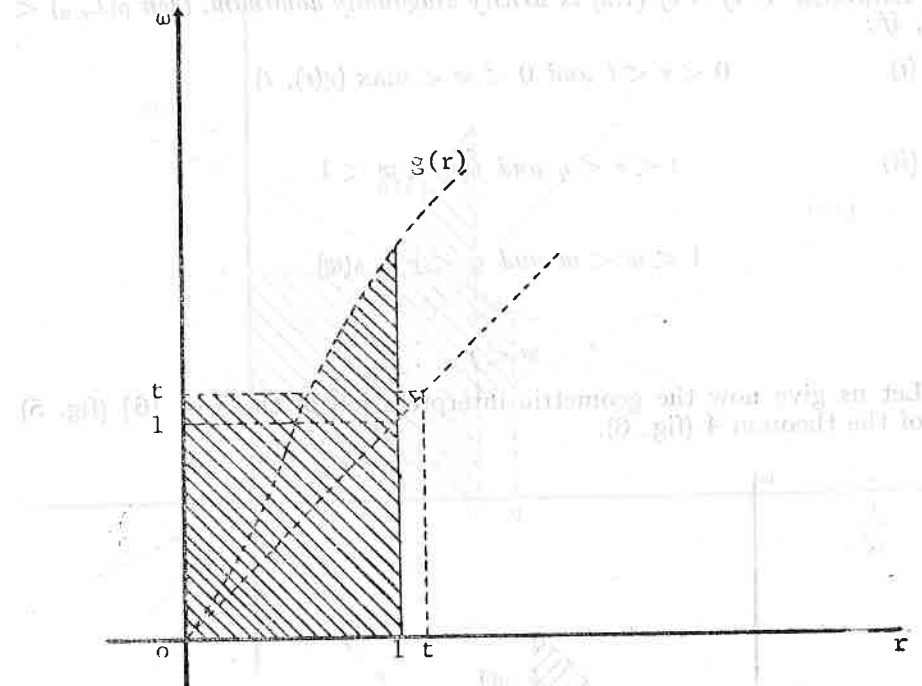


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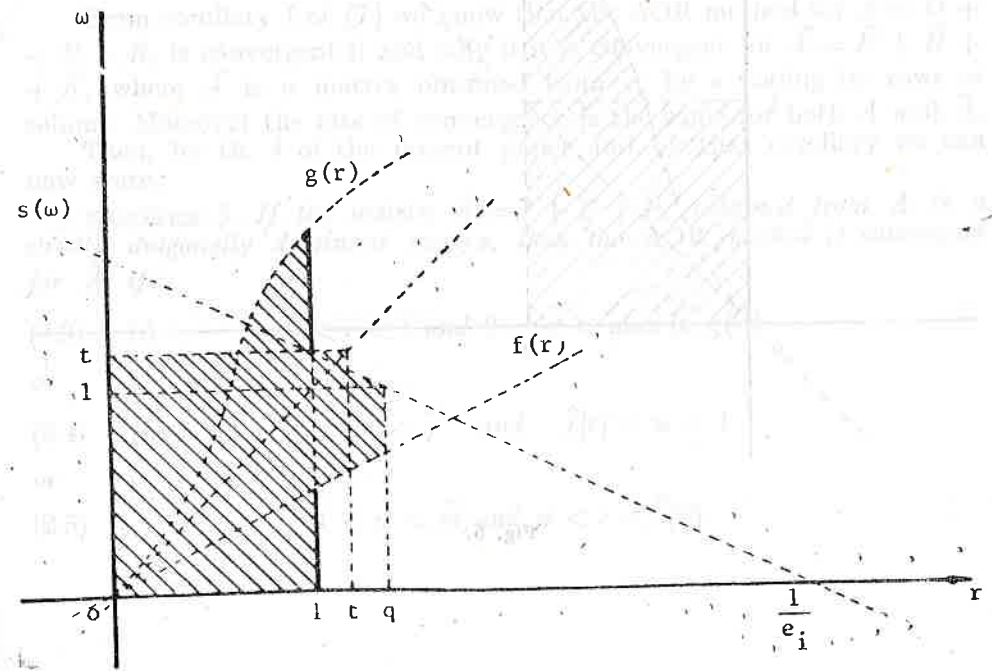


Fig. 4.

The Theorem 6 of [5] as improved by theorem 5 of [6], which can be stated now, in a generalized form.

THEOREM 4. *If A of (1.2) is strictly diagonally dominant, then $\rho(L_{r,w}) < 1$, if:*

$$(i) \quad 0 < r < t \text{ and } 0 < w < \max(g(r), t)$$

or

$$(ii) \quad t < r < q \text{ and } f(r) < w < 1$$

or

$$1 < w < m \text{ and } w < r < s(w)$$

if

$$w < r.$$

Let us give now the geometric interpretation of th. 5 of [6] (fig. 5) and of the theorem 4 (fig. 6).

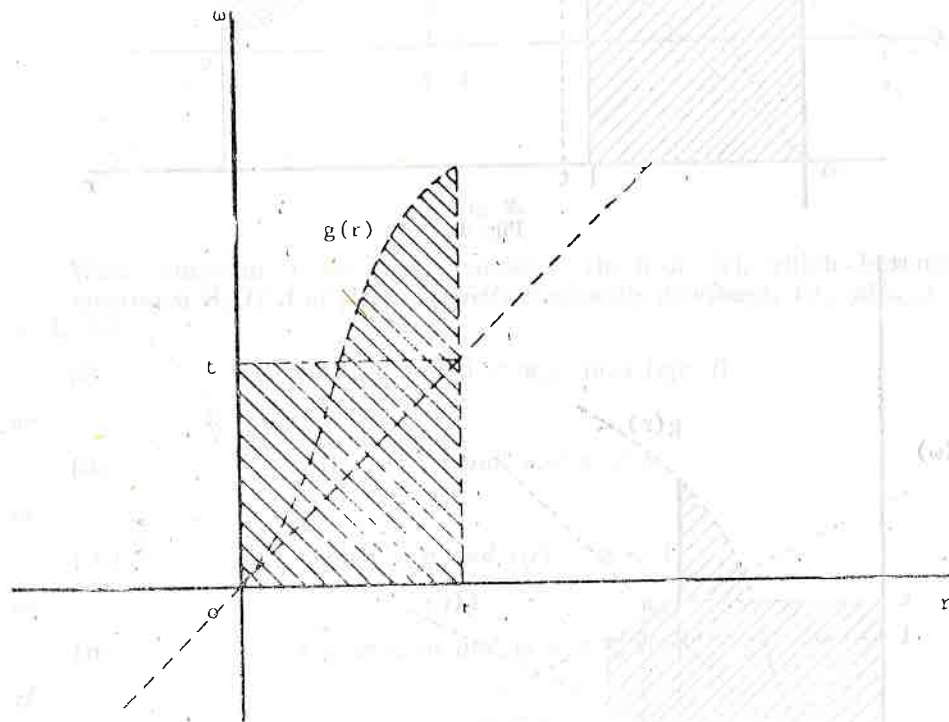


Fig. 5.

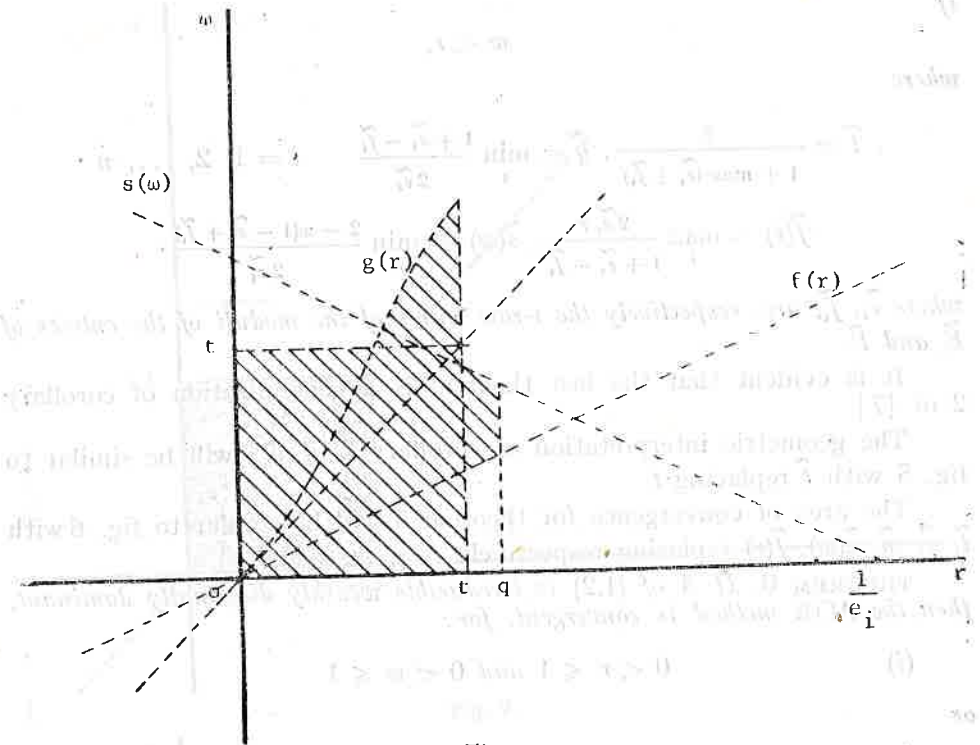


Fig. 6.

From corollary 1 of [7] we know that the AOR method for $A = D + H + K$, is convergent if and only if it is convergent for $\tilde{A} = \tilde{D} + \tilde{H} + \tilde{K}$, where \tilde{A} is a matrix obtained from A by a scaling by rows or columns. Moreover the rate of convergence is the same for both A and \tilde{A} .

Then, by th. 4 of the present paper and by that corollary we can now state:

THEOREM 5. *If the matrix $\tilde{A} = I + \tilde{E} + \tilde{F}$, obtained from A is a strictly diagonally dominant matrix, then the AOR method is convergent for \tilde{A} , if:*

$$(2.3) \quad (i) \quad 0 < r < \tilde{t} \text{ and } 0 < w < \max(\tilde{t}, g(r))$$

or

$$(2.4) \quad (ii) \quad \tilde{t} \leq r < \tilde{q} \text{ and } \tilde{f}(r) < w < 1$$

or

$$(2.5) \quad 1 < w < \tilde{m} \text{ and } w < r < \tilde{s}(w)$$

if

$$w < r,$$

where

$$\tilde{t} = \frac{2}{1 + \max_i (\tilde{e}_i + \tilde{f}_i)}, \quad \tilde{q} = \min_i \frac{1 + \tilde{e}_i - \tilde{f}_i}{2\tilde{e}_i} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\tilde{f}(r) = \max_i \frac{2\tilde{e}_i r}{1 + \tilde{e}_i - \tilde{f}_i}, \quad \tilde{s}(w) = \min_i \frac{2 - w(1 - \tilde{e}_i + \tilde{f}_i)}{2\tilde{e}_i},$$

where \tilde{e}_i, \tilde{f}_i are, respectively the i -row sums of the moduli of the entries of \tilde{E} and \tilde{F} .

It is evident that the last theorem is a generalization of corollary 2 of [7].

The geometrical interpretation of corollary 2 of [7] will be similar to fig. 5 with \tilde{t} replacing t .

The area of convergence for theorem 5 will be similar to fig. 6 with $\tilde{t}, \tilde{q}, \tilde{m}, \tilde{s}(w), \tilde{f}(r)$ replacing respectively $t, q, m, s(w), f(r)$.

THEOREM 6. *If A of (1.2) is irreducible weakly diagonally dominant, then the AOR method is convergent, for:*

(i) $0 < r \leq 1$ and $0 < w \leq 1$

or

(ii) $1 < r \leq q$ and $f(r) \leq w \leq 1$

or

$1 < w < m$ and $w < r < s(w)$

if

$$w < r.$$

Proof. This result comes from th. 1 and Corollary 1 of [6] and from last th. 1, applied to this type of matrices.

If we consider the geometrical meaning of the Corollary of [6] (Fig. 7) we see that its area of convergence is larger than that which is given by theo. 6 (Fig. 8).

THEOREM 7. *If A of (1.2) is an irreducible weakly diagonally dominant matrix, then the AOR method is convergent for w and r given by (2.3), (2.4) and (2.5).*

Proof. This result is obtained from the theorem 6 and from the considerations of Walter [10] about irreducible weakly diagonally dominant matrices.

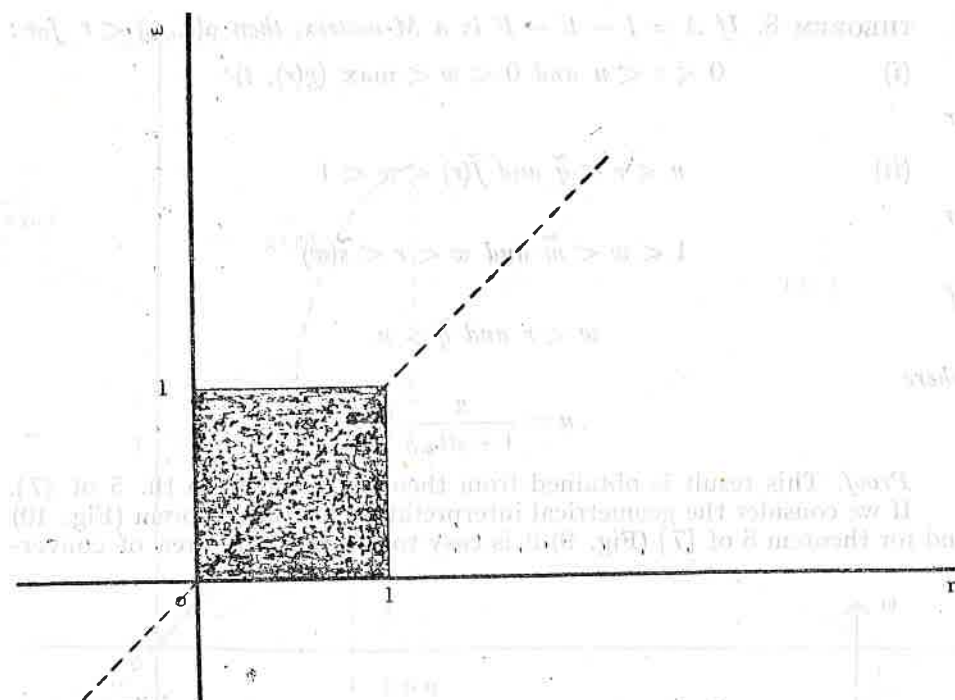


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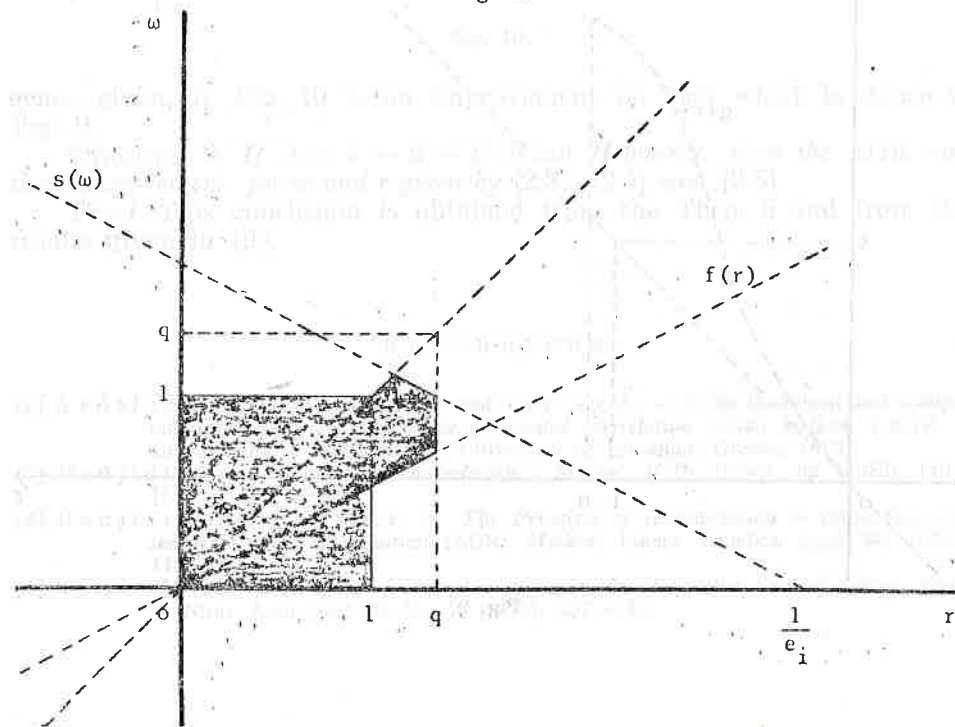


Fig. 8.

THEOREM 8. If $A = I - E - F$ is a M -matrix, then $\rho(L_{r,w}) < r$ for:

(i) $0 \leq r < n$ and $0 < w < \max(g(r), t)$

or

(ii) $n \leq r < \tilde{q}$ and $\tilde{f}(r) < w < 1$

or

$1 < w < \tilde{m}$ and $w < r < \tilde{s}(w)$

if

$w < r$ and $\tilde{q} > n$.

where

$$n = \frac{2}{1 + \rho(L_{0,1})}$$

Proof. This result is obtained from theorem 5 and from th. 5 of [7]. If we consider the geometrical interpretation for this theorem (Fig. 10) and for theorem 5 of [7] (Fig. 9) it is easy to see that the area of conver-

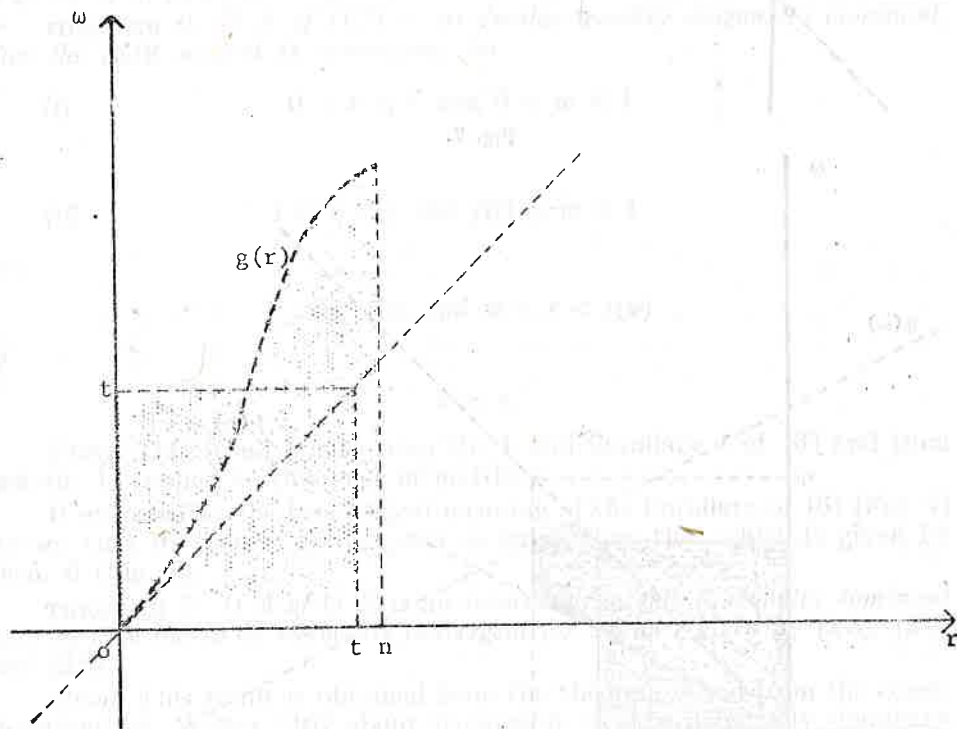


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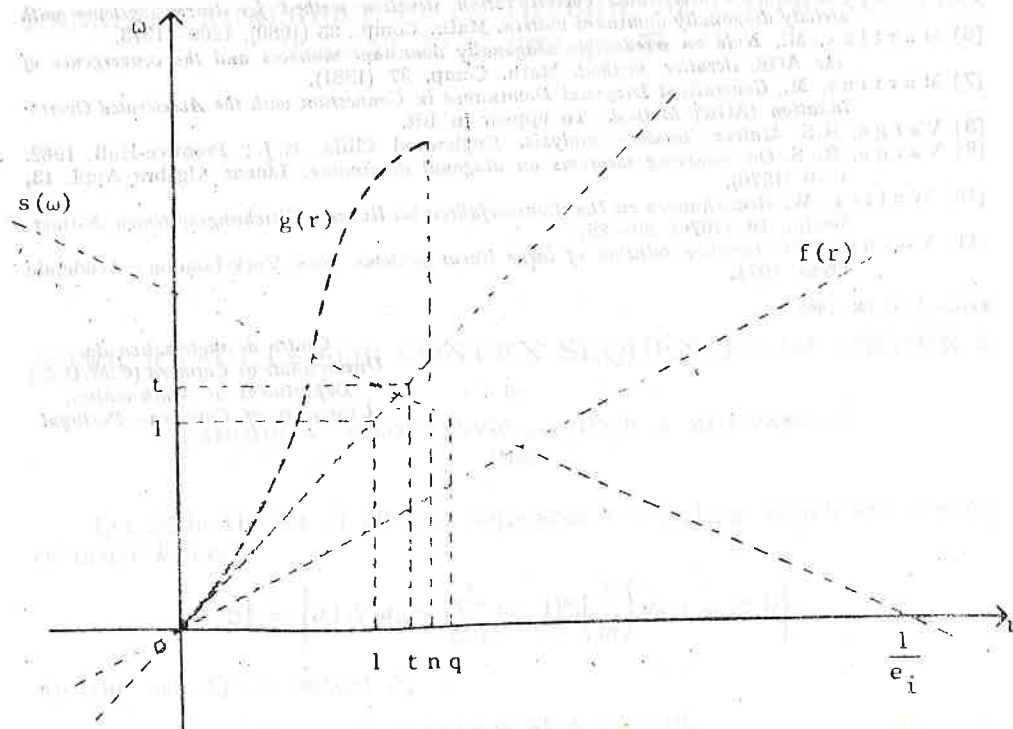


Fig. 10.

gence given by Fig. 10 is an improvement on that which is shown in Fig. 9.

THEOREM 9. If $A = I - E - F$ is an H -matrix, then the AOR method is convergent for w and r given by (2.3), (2.4) and (2.5).

Proof. This conclusion is obtained from the Theo. 5 and from the results given in [9].

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