

# Max algebraic powers of nonnegative matrices

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# INTRODUCTION

# General

- Consider nonnegative numbers  $\mathbb{R}_+$  equipped with

$$ab, a \oplus b := \max(a, b).$$

- Extension to matrices and vectors: For  $A = (a_{ij})$ ,  $B = (b_{ij})$ :

$$(A \oplus B)_{ij} := (a_{ij} \oplus b_{ij})$$

$$(A \otimes B)_{ij} := \bigoplus_k a_{ik} \otimes b_{kj}$$

$$A^k := \overbrace{A \otimes \cdots \otimes A}^k.$$

## Motivation: cyclicity theorem

### Theorem (Cyclicity Theorem)

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n \times n}$  be irreducible and  $\lambda(A) = 1$ , then

- $A, A^2, A^3 \dots$  is ultimately periodic:  
 $\exists T(A) \exists \gamma$  such that  $A^{r+\gamma} = A^r$  for  $r \geq T(A)$ .

~ Cohen, Dubois, Quadrat and Viot, 1984.

- It follows that the **orbits**  $\{A^l x\}$  are ultimately periodic.

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2. **CSR expansions**: generalization of Cyclicity Theorem to the **reducible case**.

# Literature

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# PRELIMINARIES



## Powers and paths

- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n \times n}$ . For a path  $P = i_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow i_k$ , denote the **weight** and the **length** of  $P$  by

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- Path sense** of matrix powers  $A^l = (a_{ij}^{(l)})$ :

$$a_{ij}^{(l)} = \max\{w(P) : i \xrightarrow{P} j, l(P) = l\}.$$

# Kleene star

- **Kleene star** is analogue of  $(I - A)^{-1}$

$$A^* := I \oplus A \oplus A^2 \oplus \dots$$

- **Converges**  $\Leftrightarrow$  no cycles  $P$  with  $w(P) > 1$ .

In this case,  $A^* = I \oplus A \oplus \dots \oplus A^{n-1}$ .

# Kleene star

- $a_{ij}^*$  is the **maximal weight of paths** connecting  $i$  to  $j$  (for  $i \neq j$ ).

## Maximal cycle geometric mean

- The **maximum cycle geometric mean** of  $A$  is

$$\lambda(A) := \max_{\text{cycles } P} \sqrt[l(P)]{w(P)}.$$

- $\lambda(\alpha A) = \alpha \lambda(A) \Rightarrow$  any matrix with  $\lambda(A) \neq 0$  can be “normalised”:

$$\lambda(A/\lambda(A)) = 1.$$

## Critical graph

- Cycles  $P$  where  $\lambda(A)$  is attained are called **critical**:

$$\sqrt[l(P)]{w(P)} = \lambda(A).$$

- The **critical graph** of  $A$ , denoted  $\mathcal{G}^c(A)$ , consists of all nodes and edges which belong to critical cycles.

## Cyclicity of critical graphs

- $\mathcal{G}^c(A)$  has  $n_c$  strongly connected components (s.c.c.)  $\mathcal{G}_\mu^c$ , for  $\mu = 1, \dots, n_c$ .
- The cyclicity of  $\mathcal{G}_\mu^c$ , denoted by  $\gamma_\mu$ , is the g.c.d. of the lengths of all simple cycles.
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## Critical matrix

- $A^{[C]} = (a_{ij}^{[C]}) \in \{1, 0\}^{n \times n}$ :

$$a_{ij}^{[C]} := \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } (i, j) \in \mathcal{G}^c(A), \\ 0, & \text{if } (i, j) \notin \mathcal{G}^c(A). \end{cases}$$

- $(A^k)^{[C]} = (A^{[C]})^k$ .



## Critical matrix (strongly connected case)

- Generally  $(A^{[C]})^{k+\gamma} = (A^{[C]})^k$  after  $k \sim n^2/\gamma + \gamma$ .  
 $\sim$  Š. Schwartz, On a sharp estimation in the theory of binary relations on a finite set, 1970.

## Critical matrix (strongly connected case)

- If  $\gamma = 1$  then  $(A^{[C]})^k$  becomes

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

after  $(n - 1)^2 + 1$ .

~ H. Wielandt, Unzerlegbare nichtnegative Matrizen, 1950.

# Visualization

- **Idea:** apply diagonal similarity scaling  $D^{-1}AD$  to **visualize** the critical matrix.

# Visualization

- For any  $A \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n \times n}$ , there exist diagonal  $D$  s.t.  $B = D^{-1}AD$  satisfies

$$b_{ij} \leq \lambda(A) \quad \forall i, j.$$

$$b_{ij} = \lambda(A) \quad \forall (i, j) \in \mathcal{G}^c(A) = \mathcal{G}^c(B).$$

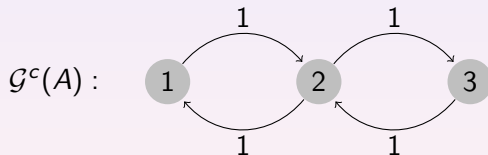
~ M. Fiedler and V. Pták, *Diagonally dominant matrices* (Czechoslovak Math. J.), 1967.

- Such matrix will be called **visualized**.

# Example

- Visualized matrix and its critical graph

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 & 1 & 0.5 \\ 1 & 0.5 & 1 \\ 0.5 & 1 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix},$$



# CYCLICITY THEOREM: IRREDUCIBLE CASE

## CSR-terms

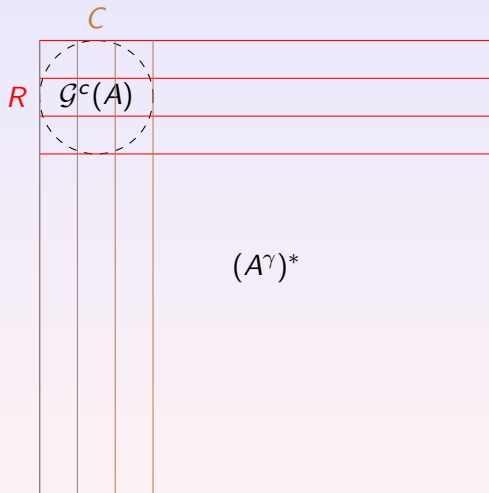
- Going to express the **cyclicity theorem** in terms of *CSR*-representation...

## CSR-terms

- Assume  $\lambda(A) = 1$  and  $A$  is visualized.
- Let  $C$ , resp.  $R$  be the matrices extracted from the critical columns, resp. rows, of  $(A^\gamma)^*$ .
- Let  $S := A^{[C]}$  (Boolean matrix).



# C and R terms



# Cyclicity Theorem

- New *CSR* formulation:

## Theorem (Cyclicity Theorem)

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n \times n}$  be irreducible and visualized,  $\lambda(A) = 1$ , then there exists  $T(A)$  such that  $A^l = CS^lR$  for all  $l \geq T(A)$ .

In particular:

- $A^{l+\gamma} = A^l$  for all  $l \geq T(A)$ .
- $S^lR$  yields critical rows of  $A^l$ ,  $l \geq T(A)$ .
- $CS^l$  yields critical columns of  $A^l$ ,  $l \geq T(A)$ .

# SYSTEM FOR ATTRACTION CONE

# Attraction cones

- **Attraction cone:**

$$\text{Attr}(A) = \{x : A^l x \text{ has ultimate period } 1\}.$$

- More formally,

$$\text{Attr}(A) := \{x : A^l x = A^{l+1} x \ \forall l \geq T(A)\}.$$

# Attraction cones

- Using  $CSR$ , we obtain

$$\text{Attr}(A) := \{x : Rx = SRx\}.$$

- $Rx = SRx$ :  
expressions on the l.h.s. = *permuted* expressions on the r.h.s.

# Attraction cones

- $Rx = SRx$  consists of **several chains**  $\Leftrightarrow$  **components** of  $\mathcal{G}^c(A)$ .

# Cancellation law

- Cancellation law:

$$ax \oplus b = cx \oplus d, \quad a < c \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad b = cx \oplus d,$$

## Example

- **Example:** Take a visualized matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0.6 & 1 & 0.7 & 0.1 & 0.7 & 0.5 \\ 0.3 & 0.7 & 1 & 0.4 & 0.2 & 0.1 \\ 1 & 0.1 & 0.2 & 0.9 & 0.5 & 0.1 \\ 0.1 & 0.4 & 0.6 & 0.3 & 1 & 0.2 \\ 0.4 & 0.4 & 0.6 & 0.5 & 0.8 & 1 \\ 0.3 & 0.6 & 0.1 & 1 & 0.9 & 0.2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\mathcal{G}^c(A)$  consists of cycles (123) and (456).



## Example

- The critical matrix  $S = A^{[C]}$ :

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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## Example

- Matrices  $R$  and  $C$  are precisely

$$A^9 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.9 & 0.81 & 0.73 \\ 0.7 & 1 & 0.7 & 0.73 & 0.9 & 0.81 \\ 0.7 & 0.7 & 1 & 0.81 & 0.73 & 0.9 \\ 0.6 & 0.6 & 0.54 & 1 & 0.9 & 0.81 \\ 0.54 & 0.6 & 0.6 & 0.81 & 1 & 0.9 \\ 0.6 & 0.54 & 0.6 & 0.9 & 0.81 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Example

- Take  $A^{10} = CSR$ :

$$A^{10} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.7 & 1 & 0.7 & 0.73 & 0.9 & 0.81 \\ 0.7 & 0.7 & 1 & 0.81 & 0.73 & 0.9 \\ 1 & 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.9 & 0.81 & 0.73 \\ 0.54 & 0.6 & 0.6 & 0.81 & 1 & 0.9 \\ 0.6 & 0.54 & 0.6 & 0.9 & 0.81 & 1 \\ 0.6 & 0.6 & 0.54 & 1 & 0.9 & 0.81 \end{pmatrix}$$

- obtained from  $A^9$  by permuting rows (123) and (456).

## Example

- Take  $A^{11} = CS^2R$ :

$$A^{11} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.7 & 0.7 & 1 & 0.81 & 0.73 & 0.9 \\ 1 & 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.9 & 0.81 & 0.73 \\ 0.7 & 1 & 0.7 & 0.73 & 0.9 & 0.81 \\ 0.6 & 0.54 & 0.6 & 0.9 & 0.81 & 1 \\ 0.6 & 0.6 & 0.54 & 1 & 0.9 & 0.81 \\ 0.54 & 0.6 & 0.6 & 0.81 & 1 & 0.9 \end{pmatrix}$$

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## Example

- System for attraction cone:  
two chains  $\Leftrightarrow \{1, 2, 3\}, \{4, 5, 6\}$ .

$$A_1^{11} \otimes x = A_2^{11} \otimes x = A_3^{11} \otimes x,$$

$$A_4^{11} \otimes x = A_5^{11} \otimes x = A_6^{11} \otimes x.$$

- After cancellation few terms survive:

$$x_3 \oplus 0.9x_6 = x_1 \oplus 0.9x_4 = x_2 \oplus 0.9x_5,$$

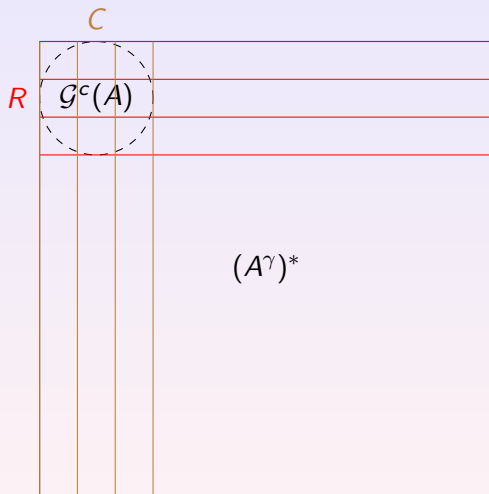
$$\begin{aligned} 0.6x_1 \oplus 0.6x_3 \oplus x_6 &= 0.6x_1 \oplus 0.6x_2 \oplus x_4 = \\ &= 0.6x_2 \oplus 0.6x_3 \oplus x_5. \end{aligned}$$

## REDUCIBLE CASE

## CSR terms

- $C$ ,  $S$  and  $R$  can be defined as before:  
 $C$  and  $R$  come from  $(A^\gamma)^*$ , and  $S = A^{[C]}$ .
- We do not hope for  $A' = CS'R$ .
- We can **approximate**  $A'$  by  $CS'R \Rightarrow$   
 $CSR$  expansions !

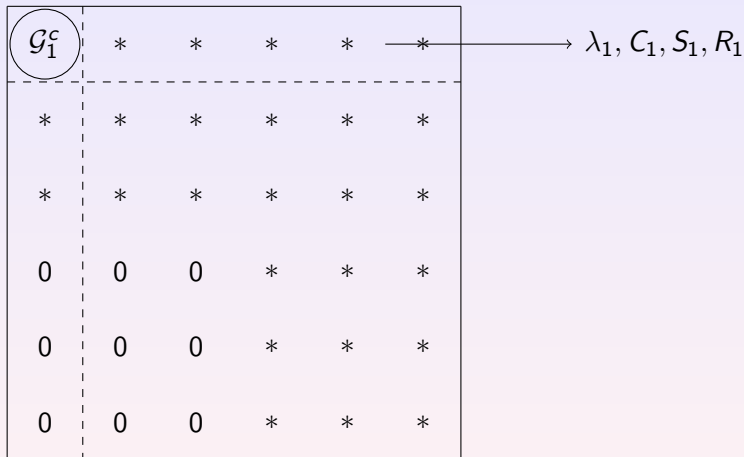
# C and R terms



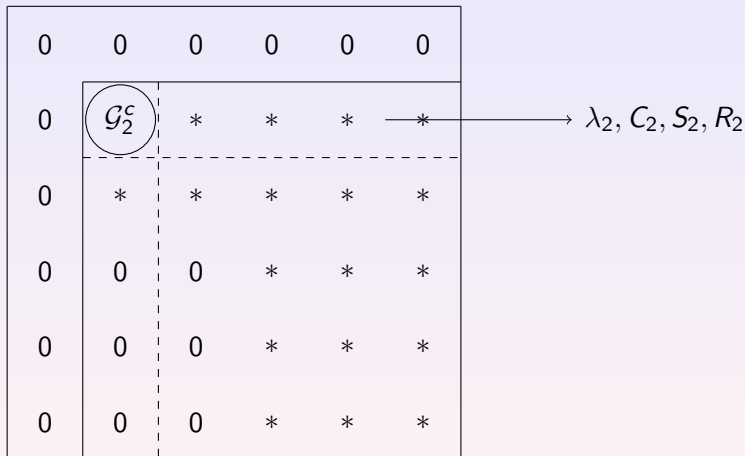


## CSR EXPANSIONS: I

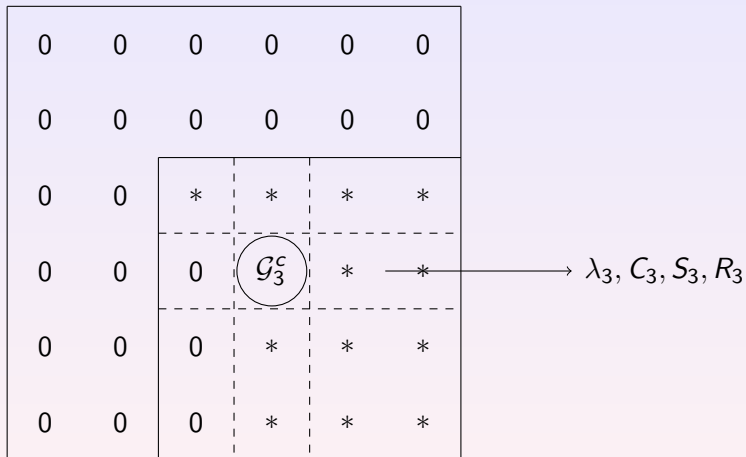
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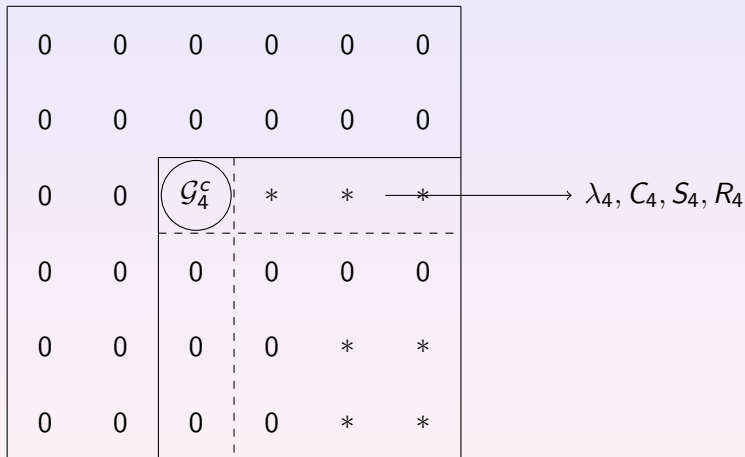
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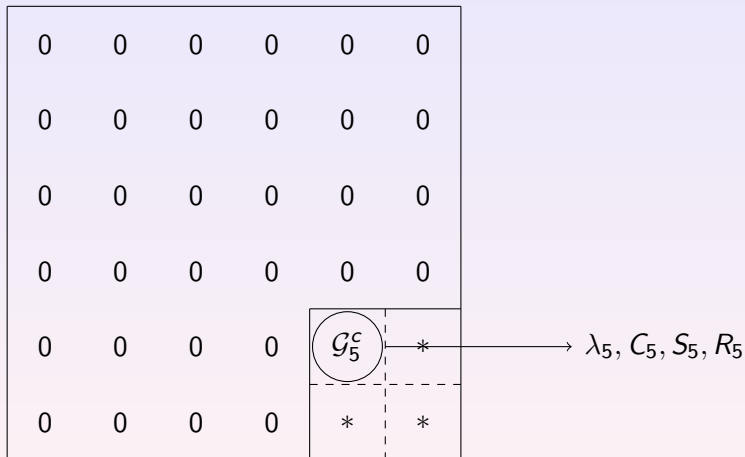
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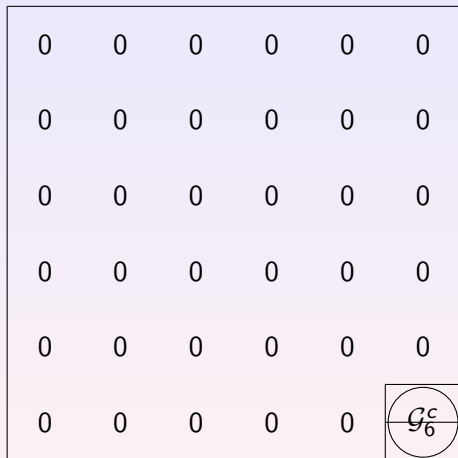
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→  $\lambda_6, C_6, S_6, R_6$

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## Theorem

For all  $l \geq 3n^2$

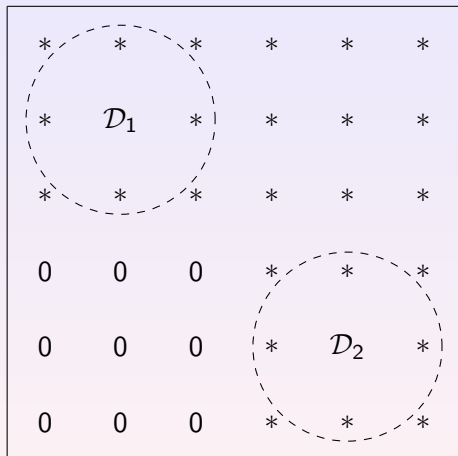
$$A^l = \bigoplus_{\mu} \lambda_{\mu}^l C_{\mu} S_{\mu}^l R_{\mu}.$$

- Yet not the generalization of the cyclicity theorem...

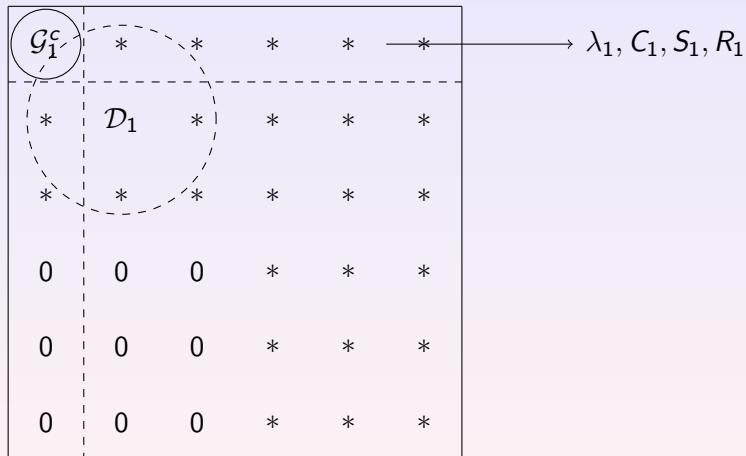


## CSR EXPANSIONS: II

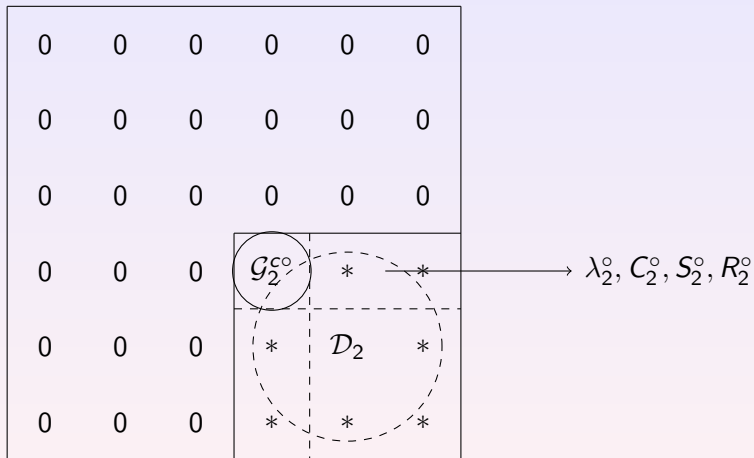
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## Theorem

*There is an integer  $T(A)$  such that for all  $l \geq T(A)$*

$$A^l = \bigoplus_{\mu} (\lambda_{\mu}^{\circ})^l C_{\mu}^{\circ} (S_{\mu}^{\circ})^l R_{\mu}^{\circ}.$$

- We recover cyclicity theorem if  $A$  **irreducible**.

## CSR expansions

- **Idea:** Expansion II is the **limit case** of Expansion I at  $I \geq T(A)$ .

## Conclusions

- We obtained *CSR* form of the Cyclicity Theorem,
- We described  $\text{Attr}(A) = \{x : Rx = SRx\}$ ,
- We obtained *CSR* expansions I and II  
(II is a generalization of Cyclicity Theorem).

## Further research

- in the **reducible case**, describe well-behaved matrices (e.g. such that  $\{A^t x\}$  is ultimately periodic for all  $x$ ).
- in the **reducible case**, describe initial vectors with well-behaved orbits (e.g. attraction cones in the reducible case).
- Wielandt-type bounds in max algebra (like  $(n - 1)^2 + 1$ ),
- Semigroups generated by several matrices



THANK YOU!