



## LEFT-STAR AND RIGHT-STAR PARTIAL ORDERING OF S-UNITARY MATRICES

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**ABSTRACT** Some results relating to left-star, right-star partial ordering of s-unitary matrices are obtained. Based on these results, theorems relating to several characterizations of left-star partial ordering between right-star partial ordering of s-unitary matrices are derived.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The relationship between the star and minus partial ordering was settled by Baksalary [3]. Hartwig and Styan [4] developed some characterization of the star partial ordering for matrices and rank subtractivity. Jürgen Grob observed some remarks on partial ordering of hermitian matrices in [7]. Liu and Yang [11] have shown some results on the partial ordering of block matrices. In [6] Jorma.K.Merikoski and Xiaogi Liu have developed star partial ordering on normal matrices. Krishnamoorthy and Govindarasu derived theorems relating to lowener partial ordering and star partial ordering [10]. The concept of 'θ' partial ordering [Theta partial ordering] of s-unitary matrices was also introduced by Krishnamoorthy and Govindarasu [9]. Some characterizations of the left-star, right-star and star partial ordering between matrices of the same size are obtained Hongxing Wang and Jin Xu [5].

### 2. PRELIMINARIES

Let  $C_{n \times n}$  be the space of  $n \times n$  complex matrices of order  $n$ . Let  $A^T, \bar{A}, A^*, A^S, \bar{A}^S (= A^\theta)$  denote transpose, conjugate, conjugate transpose, secondary transpose, conjugate secondary transpose of a matrix  $A$  respectively. Anna Lee [1] has initiated the study of secondary symmetric matrices. Also she has shown that for a complex matrix  $A$ , the usual transpose  $A^T A^T$  and secondary transpose  $A^S$  are related as  $A^S = VA^T V$   $A^S = VA^T V$  where 'V' is the associated permutation matrix whose elements on the sec-

ondary diagonal are 1 and other elements are zero. Also  $\bar{A}^S$  denotes the conjugate secondary transpose of  $A$ . i.e  $\bar{A}^S = (c_{ij})$  where  $c_{ij} = a_{n-j+1, n-i+1}$  [2] and  $\bar{A}^S = VA^* V = A^\theta$ . Also 'V' satisfies the following properties.  $V^T = V^\theta = \bar{V} = V^* = V$  and  $V^2 = I$ .

#### Definition 2.1

A matrix  $A \in C_{n \times n}$  is said to be s-unitary (Secondary unitary) if  $A^\theta A = AA^\theta = I$  [8].

#### Definition 2.2 Star partial ordering

Let  $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  
 $A \leq_*^* B$  iff  $A^* A = A^* B$  and  $AA^* = BA^*$ .

### 3. LEFT-STAR AND RIGHT-STAR PARTIAL ORDERING

#### Definition 3.1 Left-Star partial ordering

Let  $A, B \in C_{n \times n}$ ,  
 $A^* \leq B$  iff  $A^* A = A^* B$  and  $R(A) \subseteq R(B)$ .

#### Definition 3.2 Right-Star partial ordering

Let  $A, B \in C_{n \times n}$ ,  $A \leq^* B$  iff  $AA^* = BA^*$  and  $R(A^*) \subseteq R(B^*)$

**Theorem 3.3** Let  $AV^* \leq VA$ . If  $A$  is unitary then  $A$  is s-unitary.

**Proof :** Let  $AV^* \leq VA$ .

$$AV^* \leq VA \Rightarrow (AV)^* AV = (AV)^* VA \text{ and}$$

$$R(AV) \subseteq R(VA)$$

$$\Rightarrow V^* A^* AV = V^* A^* VA$$

$$\Rightarrow VIV = VA^* VA$$

[since  $A$  is unitary.]

$$\Rightarrow I = VA^* VA$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = VA^*V$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = A^\theta$$

Therefore  $A$  is s-unitary.

**Theorem 3.4** Let  $VA^* \leq AV$ . If  $A$  is unitary then  $A$  is s-unitary.

**Proof:** Let  $VA^* \leq AV$

$$VA^* \leq AV \Rightarrow (VA)^*VA = (VA)^*AV \quad \text{and} \quad R(VA) \subseteq R(AV)$$

$$\Rightarrow A^*V^*VA = A^*V^*AV$$

$$\Rightarrow A^*VVA = A^*VAV$$

$$\Rightarrow A^*A = A^*VAV$$

$$\Rightarrow I = A^*VAV \quad [\text{Since } A \text{ is unitary}]$$

$$\Rightarrow VI = (VA^*V)AV \Rightarrow V = A^\theta AV$$

$$\Rightarrow V^2 = A^\theta AV^2$$

$$\Rightarrow I = AA^\theta \quad [\text{Since } V^2 = I]$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = A^\theta$$

Therefore  $A$  is s-unitary.

**Theorem 3.5** Let  $AV \leq *VA$ . If  $A$  is unitary then  $A$  is s-unitary.

**Proof:** Let  $AV \leq *VA$ .

$$AV \leq *VA \Rightarrow AV(AV)^* = VA(AV)^* \quad \text{and}$$

$$R((AV)^*) \subseteq R((VA)^*)$$

$$\Rightarrow AVV^*A^* = VAV^*A^* \Rightarrow AVVA^* = VAVA^*$$

$$\Rightarrow AIA^* = VAVA^* \quad \Rightarrow A^*A = VAVA^*$$

$$\Rightarrow I = VAVA^* \quad \Rightarrow IV = VA(VA^*V)$$

$$\Rightarrow V = VAA^\theta \Rightarrow V^2 = V^2AA^\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow I = AA$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = A^\theta$$

Therefore  $A$  is s-unitary.

**Theorem 3.6** Let  $VA \leq *AV$ . If  $A$  is unitary then  $A$  is s-unitary.

**Proof:** Let  $VA \leq *AV$ .

$$VA \leq *AV \Rightarrow VA(VA)^* = AV(VA)^* \quad \text{and}$$

$$R((VA)^*) \subseteq R((AV)^*)$$

$$\Rightarrow VAA^*V^* = AVA^*V^*$$

$$\Rightarrow VIV = A(VA^*V) = AA^\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow I = AA^\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = A^\theta$$

Therefore  $A$  is s-unitary.

**4. RELATION BETWEEN LEFT-STAR AND RIGHT-STAR PARTIAL ORDERING**

**Theorem 4.1** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be s-unitary matrices and if

$$R(A) = R(A^*), R(B) = R(B^*) \quad \text{then} \\ A^* \leq B \Rightarrow A^{-1} \leq *B^{-1}$$

**Proof:**

$$A^* \leq B \Rightarrow A^*A = A^*B \quad \text{and} \quad R(A) \subseteq R(B).$$

$$\Rightarrow VA^*AV = VA^*BV$$

$$\Rightarrow VA^*VAV = VA^*VVB \quad [\text{Since } V^2 = I]$$

$$\Rightarrow (VA^*V)(VAV) = (VA^*V)(VBV)$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1}(VAV) = A^{-1}(VBV)$$

Taking conjugate transpose of the above equation we get

$$(VAV)^*(A^{-1})^* = (VBV)^*(A^{-1})^*$$

$$\Rightarrow (V^*A^*V^*)(A^{-1})^* = (V^*B^*V^*)(A^{-1})^*$$

$$\Rightarrow (VA^*V)(A^{-1})^* = (VB^*V)(A^{-1})^*$$

$$\Rightarrow (A^{-1})(A^{-1})^* = (B^{-1})(A^{-1})^* \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Given  $R(A) = R(A^*), R(B) = R(B^*)$

Therefore  $R(A^*) \subseteq R(B^*) \quad \text{--- (2)}$

From (1) and (2) we get

$$A^* \leq B \Rightarrow A^{-1} \leq *B^{-1}$$

**Theorem 4.2** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be s-unitary matrices and if

$$R(A) = R(A^*), R(B) = R(B^*) \quad \text{then} \\ A \leq *B \Rightarrow A^{-1*} \leq B^{-1}$$

**Proof:**

$$A \leq *B \Rightarrow AA^* = BA^* \quad \text{and} \\ R(A^*) \subseteq R(B^*)$$

$$\Rightarrow VAA^*V = VAB^*V$$

$$\Rightarrow VAVVA^*V = VAVVB^*V \quad [\text{since } V^2 = I]$$

$$\Rightarrow (VAV)(VA^*V) = (VAV)(VB^*V)$$

$$\Rightarrow (VAV)A^{-1} = (VAV)(B^{-1})$$

Taking conjugate transpose of above equation we get

$$\Rightarrow (A^{-1})^*(VAV)^* = (B^{-1})^*(VAV)^*$$

$$\Rightarrow (A^{-1})^*(V^*A^*V^*) = (V^*A^*V^*)(B^{-1})^*$$

$$\Rightarrow (A^{-1})^*(VA^*V) = (VA^*V)(B^{-1})^*$$

$$\Rightarrow (A^{-1})^*(A^{-1}) = (A^{-1})^*(B^{-1})^* \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Given  $R(A) = R(A^*), R(B) = R(B^*)$

Therefore  $R(A) \subseteq R(B) \quad \text{--- (2)}$

From (1) and (2) we get  $A \leq *B \Rightarrow A^{-1*} \leq B^{-1}$

**Theorem 4.2** Let  $A$  and  $B$  s-unitary matrices.

$$A^* \leq B \quad B^* \leq C \Rightarrow A^* \leq C$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^* \leq B &\Rightarrow A^* A = A^* B \text{ and } R(A) \subseteq R(B) \\
 B^* \leq C &\Rightarrow B^* B = B^* C \text{ and } R(B) \subseteq R(C) \\
 B^* \leq C &\Rightarrow B^* B = B^* C \\
 \Rightarrow B^* A A^* B &= B^* C \text{ since } A A^* = I \\
 \Rightarrow B^* A (A A^*) &= B^* C \\
 \Rightarrow (B^*)^{-1} B^* A A^* A &= (B^*)^{-1} B^* C \\
 \Rightarrow A A^* A = C &\Rightarrow A^* A = A C \\
 \Rightarrow A^* A = A^* C &\text{---(1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Given  $R(A) \subseteq R(B)$  and  $R(B) \subseteq R(C)$

Therefore  
 $R(A) \subseteq R(B), R(B) \subseteq R(C) \Rightarrow R(A) \subseteq R(C)$   
 ---(2)

From (1) and (2) we get  $A^* \leq C$   
 $A^* \leq B, B^* \leq C \Rightarrow A^* \leq C$

**Theorem 4.3** If  $A$  be any matrix and  $B$  be hermitian matrices then

$$A^* \leq B \Rightarrow A^* \leq *B^*$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^* \leq B &\Rightarrow A^* A = A^* B \text{ and } R(A) \subseteq R(B) \\
 A^* A = A^* B &\Rightarrow A^* (A^*)^* = (A^*)^* B \\
 \Rightarrow A^* (A^*)^* &= (A^*)^* B^* \\
 \text{Since } B^* &= B \Rightarrow A^* \leq *B^* \\
 \text{and } R(A) \subseteq R(B) &\Rightarrow R(A^*) \subseteq R(B^*) \\
 \text{Therefore } A^* \leq B &\Rightarrow A^* \leq *B^*
 \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 4.5** If  $A$  be any matrix and  $B$  be hermitian matrices then  $A \leq *B \Rightarrow A^* \leq B^*$

**Proof:** Similar to previous one.

**CONCLUSIONS**

The above study has clearly indicated the relationship between left-star partial ordering and right-star partial ordering of s-unitary matrices. Also shown some results of left-star partial ordering and right-star partial ordering of s-unitary matrices.

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