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# ON s-k –Tripotent Matrices

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**Abstract:** The concept of s-k-tripotent is introduced. Some basic results in s-k-tripotent matrices and their properties are given.

**Keywords:** Tripotent matrices, k-tripotent matrices.

## I. INTRODUCTION

A Matrix ‘A’ that satisfies  $A^3=A$  is called a tripotent matrix. In this paper basic concept of s-k- tripotent matrices are introduced. A Theory of k-real and k-Hermitian matrices as a generalization of secondary real and secondary Hermitian Matrices was developed by hill and waters[2]. The secondary symmetric and secondary orthogonal matrices have been analysed by Ann lee [1] in the year 1976. The secondary k-Hermitian matrices are introduced in 2009 by Meenakshi, krishnamoorthy and Ramesh[3]. S. Krishnamoorthy and P.S Meenakshi have studied the basic concepts of k-tripotent matrices as generalization of k-tripotent matrices. The sum and products of k- tripotent matrices are introduced in 2013 by S. Krishnamoorthy and P.S. Meenakshi[4]. Let ‘K’ be the associated permutation matrix of K and let V be the permutation matrix with unit in the secondary diagonal. Clearly K & V satisfies the following properties:

$$K = K^T = \overline{K} = K^*, K^2 = I$$

$$V = V^T = V^{-1} = V^* \text{ and } V^2 = I$$

## II. S-K-TRIPOTENT MATRICES

### A. Definition

A matrix  $A = a_{ij}$  in  $C_{n \times n}$  is said to be s-k-tripotent if  $\sum_{t=1}^n a_{n-k(i)t} \left[ \sum_{m=1}^n a_{tm} a_{m(n-k)t} \right] = a_{ij}$

This equivalent to  $KVA^3VK=A$ .

It is easy to see that  $KVA^3VK=A$

$$KVAVK = A^3$$

$$VKA^3KV = A$$

$$VKAKV = A^3$$

### 1) Example

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}, K = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ \& } V = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$KVA^3VK = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$KVA^3VK = A$$

Therefore A is s-k-tripotent matrix.

## 2) Theorem

If  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  be a s-k-tripotent matrix then

- $A^T, \bar{A}, A^*$  and  $A^{-1}$  are also s-k-tripotent
- $A^n$  is s-k-tripotent for all positive integers 'n'
- A is periodic with period 9
- $A^3$  is s-k-tripotent

## 3) Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} a) A^T &= (KVA^3VK)^T \\ &= KV A^T A^T A^T VK \\ A^T &= KV(A^T)^3VK \\ \therefore A^T &\text{ is s-k-tripotent} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{KVA^3VK} &= KV(\bar{A}^3)VK \\ &= KV(\bar{A})^3VK \\ &= \bar{A} \\ \therefore \bar{A} &\text{ is s-k-tripotent} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} KVA^3VK &= A^* \\ &= KVA^{3*}VK \\ &= KVA^{*3}VK \\ &= A^* \\ \therefore A^* &\text{ is s-k-tripotent.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} KV A^3VK^{-1} &= KV A^{3^{-1}}VK \\ &= KV(A^{-1})^3VK \\ &= A^{-1} \\ \therefore A^{-1} &\text{ is s-k-tripotent.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b) A^n &= (KVA^3VK)^n \\ &= KVA^3VK \text{ KVA}^3VK \dots \dots \dots n \text{ times} \\ &= KVA^{3n}VK \\ &= KV(A^n)^3VK \\ \therefore A^n &\text{ is s-k-tripotent.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} c) A^9 &= A^3 A^3 A^3 \\ &= (KVAVK) (KVAVK) (KVAVK) \\ &= KVAAAVK \\ &= KVA^3VK \\ A^9 &= A \\ \therefore A^9 &\text{ is period with 9.} \end{aligned}$$

## d) Theorem

If  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  be a s-k-tripotent matrix then  $-A$  is s-k-tripotent.

$$\begin{aligned} a) \text{ Proof: Let s-k-tripotent matrix } KVA^3VK &= A \\ -(KVA^3VK) & \\ \Rightarrow (KV-(A^3)VK) & \\ \Rightarrow (KV(-A^3)VK) & \end{aligned}$$

$$-(KVA^3VK) = -A$$

Hence  $-A$  is s-k-tripotent.

e) *Theorem*

Let  $A, B \in C^{n \times n}$  be two s-k-tripotent matrices,  $A+B$  is s-k-tripotent matrices if and only if  $A = -B$ .

a) *Proof:* Let  $A$  and  $B$  are two s-k-tripotent matrices

$$\therefore KVA^3VK=A \text{ and } KVB^3VK=B$$

Assume  $A = -B$

$$A+B = KVA^3VK + KVB^3VK$$

$$= KV(A^3+B^3)VK$$

$$= KV(A+B)^3VK$$

$$\therefore A+B = KV(A+B)^3VK$$

i.e.,  $A+B$  is s-k-tripotent.

Conversely,

$A+B$  is s-k-tripotent.

$$A+B = KV(A+B)^3VK$$

$$= KV(A^3+B^3+3AB^2+3A^2B)VK$$

$$= KV(A^3+B^3+3AB[A+B])VK$$

$$= KVA^3VK + KVB^3VK + KV(3AB[A+B])VK$$

$$= A+B + KV(3AB[A+B])VK$$

Hence  $KV(3AB[A+B])VK = 0$  if  $A = -B$ .

f) *Theorem*

If  $A^9 = A^*$  then  $A$  reduces to orthogonal projection.

$$AB = BA$$

$$AB = KVA^3VK + KVB^3VK$$

$$= KVA^3AA^3VK + KVB^3BB^3VK$$

$$= KVA^3AA^3BB^3VK$$

$$= KVAABABBBVK$$

$$= KVABABABVK$$

$$\therefore AB = KV(AB)^3VK$$

Hence  $AB$  is s-k-tripotent.

B. Generalization

If  $A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$  are s-k-tripotent belongs to a commuting family of matrices then  $\prod_{i=1}^n A_i$  is s-k-tripotent.

1) *Proof*

Let  $A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$  s-k-tripotent.

$$KV \left( \prod_{i=1}^n A_i \right)^3 VK = KV [A_1 A_2 \dots A_n] VK$$

$$= KV [A_1 A_2 \dots A_n] VK$$

$$= KV [A_1^3 A_2^3 A_3^3 \dots A_n^3] VK$$

$$= KVA_1^3 A_2^3 A_3^3 \dots A_n^3 VK$$

$$= A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n A_i$$

Therefore s-k-tripotent.

### C. Theorem

If  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  then any two of the following statements implies the other one.

- 1) A is s-k-tripotent
- 2) A is s-k-symmetric
- 3) A is cube symmetric
- 4) Proof:

a) And (b) implies that (c)

$$KVA^3VK = A \text{ and } KVA^T VK = A$$

$$KVA^3VK = KVA^T VK$$

$$A^3 = A^T$$

$\therefore$  A is cube symmetric.

b) And (c) implies that (a)

$$KV A^T VK = A \text{ and } A^3 = A^T \text{ substitute } A^3 = A^T \text{ in } KVA^T VK = KVA^3 VK = A.$$

$\therefore$  A is s-k-tripotent.

c) And (a) implies that (b)

$$A^3 = A^T \text{ substitute } A^3 = A^T \text{ in } KVA^3 VK = A.$$

$$KVA^T VK = A.$$

$\therefore$  A is s-k-symmetric.

### D. Theorem

If  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  then any two of the following statements implies the other one.

- 1) A is s-k-tripotent
- 2) A is symmetric
- 3) A is s-k cube symmetric
- 4) Proof:

a) And (b) implies that (c)

$$A = A^T \text{ and } KVA^3VK = A \text{ implies that } KVA^3VK = A^T$$

Therefore A is k-cube symmetric.

b) And (c) implies that (a)

$$A = A^T \text{ and } KVA^3VK = A^T \text{ implies that } KVA^3VK = A$$

Therefore A is s-k-tripotent.

c) And (a) implies that (b)

$$KVA^3VK = A^T \text{ and } KVA^3VK = A \Rightarrow A^T = A$$

Therefore A is symmetric.

### E. Theorem

If  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  then any two of the following statements implies the other one.

- 1) A is s-k-tripotent
- 2) A is s-k-Hermitian
- 3) A is s-k-cube Hermitia
- 4) Proof

a) And (b) implies that (c)

$$KVA^3VK = A \quad \text{and} \quad KVA^*VK = A$$

$$KVA^3VK = KVA^*VK$$

$$A^3 = A$$

A is cube Hermitian.

b) And (c) implies that (a)

$$KVA^*VK = A \quad \text{and} \quad A^3 = A^*$$

$$\text{Substitute } A^3 = A^* \text{ in } KVA^*VK = A$$

$$\Rightarrow KVA^3VK = A$$

Hence A is s-k-tripotent.

c) And (a) implies that (b)

$$A^3 = A \quad \text{and} \quad KVA^3VK = A$$

$$\text{Substitute } A^3 = A^* \text{ in } KVA^3VK = A \Rightarrow KVA^*VK = A.$$

Hence A is s-k-tripotent

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