



ON THE ℓ_p NORM OF GCD AND RELATED MATRICES

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ABSTRACT. We estimate the ℓ_p norm of the $n \times n$ matrix, whose ij entry is $(i, j)^s / [i, j]^r$, where $r, s \in \mathbb{R}$, (i, j) is the greatest common divisor of i and j and $[i, j]$ is the least common multiple of i and j .

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ be a set of distinct positive integers, and let f be an arithmetical function. Let $(S)_f$ denote the $n \times n$ matrix having f evaluated at the greatest common divisor (x_i, x_j) of x_i and x_j as its ij entry, that is, $(S)_f = (f((x_i, x_j)))$. Analogously, let $[S]_f$ denote the $n \times n$ matrix having f evaluated at the least common multiple $[x_i, x_j]$ of x_i and x_j as its ij entry, that is, $[S]_f = (f([x_i, x_j]))$. The matrices $(S)_f$ and $[S]_f$ are referred to as the GCD and LCM matrix on S associated with f , respectively. H. J. S. Smith [7] calculated $\det(S)_f$ when S is a factor-closed set and $\det[S]_f$ in a more special case. Since Smith, a large number of results on GCD and LCM matrices have been presented in the literature. For general accounts see e.g. [3, 4, 5].

Norms of GCD matrices have not been studied much in the literature. Some results are obtained in [2, 8, 9, 10, 11]. In this paper we provide further results.

Let $p \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. The ℓ_p norm of an $n \times n$ matrix M is defined as

$$\|M\|_p = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n |m_{ij}|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

Let $r, s \in \mathbb{R}$. Let A denote the $n \times n$ matrix, whose i, j entry is given as

$$(1.1) \quad a_{ij} = \frac{(i, j)^s}{[i, j]^r},$$

where (i, j) is the greatest common divisor of i and j and $[i, j]$ is the least common multiple of i and j . For $s = 1, r = 0$ and $s = 0, r = -1$, respectively, the matrix A is the GCD and the LCM matrix on $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$. For $s = 1, r = 1$ the matrix A is the Hadamard product of the GCD matrix and the reciprocal LCM matrix on $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$. In this paper we estimate the ℓ_p norm of the matrix A given in (1.1) for all $r, s \in \mathbb{R}$ and $p \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

2. PRELIMINARIES

In this section we review the basic results on arithmetical functions needed in this paper. For more comprehensive treatments on arithmetical functions and their estimates we refer to [1] and [6].

The Dirichlet convolution $f * g$ of two arithmetical functions f and g is defined as

$$(f * g)(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)g(n/d).$$

Let $N^u, u \in \mathbb{R}$, denote the arithmetical function defined as $N^u(n) = n^u$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, and let E denote the arithmetical function defined as $E(n) = 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. The divisor function $\sigma_u, u \in \mathbb{R}$, is defined as

$$(2.1) \quad \sigma_u(n) = \sum_{d|n} d^u = (N^u * E)(n).$$

The Jordan totient function $J_k(n), k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, is defined as the number of k -tuples $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k \pmod{n}$ such that the greatest common divisor of a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k and n is 1. By convention, $J_k(1) = 1$. The Möbius function μ is the inverse of E under the Dirichlet convolution. It is well known that $J_k = N^k * \mu$. This suggests we define $J_u = N^u * \mu$ for all $u \in \mathbb{R}$. Since μ is the inverse of E under the Dirichlet convolution, we have

$$(2.2) \quad n^u = \sum_{d|n} J_u(d).$$

It is easy to see that

$$J_u(n) = n^u \prod_{p|n} (1 - p^{-u}).$$

We thus have

$$(2.3) \quad 0 \leq J_u(n) \leq n^u \text{ for } u \geq 0.$$

Lemma 2.1.

- (a) If $s > -1$, then $\sum_{k \leq n} k^s = O(n^{s+1})$.
- (b) $\sum_{k \leq n} k^{-1} = O(\log n)$.
- (c) If $s < -1$, then $\sum_{k \leq n} k^s = O(1)$.

Lemma 2.1 follows from the well-known asymptotic formulas for n^s , see [1, Chapter 3].

Lemma 2.2. Suppose that $t > 1$.

- (a) If $u - t > -1$, then $\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = O(n^{u-t+1})$.
- (b) If $u - t = -1$, then $\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = O(\log n)$.
- (b) If $u - t < -1$, then $\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = O(1)$.

Proof. For all u and t we have

$$(2.4) \quad \sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = \sum_{k \leq n} k^{-t} \sum_{d|k} d^u = \sum_{d \leq n} d^{u-t} q^{-t} = \sum_{d \leq n} d^{u-t} \sum_{q \leq n/d} q^{-t}.$$

Now, let $t > 1$. Then, by Lemma 2.1(c),

$$\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = O(1) \sum_{d \leq n} d^{u-t}.$$

If $u - t > -1$, then on the basis of Lemma 2.1(a)

$$\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = O(1)O(n^{u-t+1}).$$

If $u - t = -1$, then on the basis of Lemma 2.1(b)

$$\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = O(1)O(\log n).$$

If $u - t < -1$, then on the basis of Lemma 2.1(c)

$$\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = O(1)O(1).$$

□

Lemma 2.3.

- (a) If $u > 0$, then $\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k} = O(n^u \log n)$.
- (b) If $u = 0$, then $\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k} = O(\log^2 n)$.
- (c) If $u < 0$, then $\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k} = O(\log n)$.

Proof. According to (2.4) with $t = 1$ we have

$$\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k} = \sum_{d \leq n} d^{u-1} \sum_{q \leq n/d} q^{-1}.$$

Thus on the basis of Lemma 2.1(b)

$$\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k} = O(\log n) \sum_{d \leq n} d^{u-1}.$$

If $u > 0$, then on the basis of Lemma 2.1(a)

$$\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k} = O(\log n)O(n^u).$$

If $u = 0$, then on the basis of Lemma 2.1(b)

$$\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k} = O(\log n)O(\log n).$$

If $u < 0$, then on the basis of Lemma 2.1(c)

$$\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k} = O(\log n)O(1).$$

□

Lemma 2.4. *Suppose that $t < 1$.*

- (a) *If $u > 0$, then $\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = O(n^{1+u-t})$.*
 (b) *If $u = 0$, then $\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = O(n^{1-t} \log n)$.*
 (c) *If $u < 0$, then $\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = O(n^{1-t})$.*

Proof. According to (2.4) we have

$$\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = \sum_{d \leq n} d^{u-t} \sum_{q \leq n/d} q^{-t}.$$

Thus on the basis of Lemma 2.1(a)

$$\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = O(n^{1-t}) \sum_{d \leq n} d^{u-1}.$$

If $u > 0$, then on the basis of Lemma 2.1(a)

$$\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = O(n^{1-t}) O(n^u).$$

If $u = 0$, then on the basis of Lemma 2.1(b)

$$\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = O(n^{1-t}) O(\log n).$$

If $u < 0$, then on the basis of Lemma 2.1(c)

$$\sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\sigma_u(k)}{k^t} = O(n^{1-t}) O(1).$$

□

3. RESULTS

In Theorems 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3 we estimate the ℓ_p norm of the matrix A given in (1.1). Their proofs are based on the formulas in Section 2 and the following observations.

Since $(i, j)[i, j] = ij$, we have for all p, r, s

$$(3.1) \quad \|A\|_p^p = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(i, j)^{sp}}{[i, j]^{rp}} = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(i, j)^{(r+s)p}}{i^{rp} j^{rp}}.$$

From (2.2) we obtain

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \|A\|_p^p &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^{rp}} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{rp}} \sum_{d|(i,j)} J_{(r+s)p}(d) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^{rp}} \sum_{d|i} J_{(r+s)p}(d) \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ d|j}}^n \frac{1}{j^{rp}} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^{rp}} \sum_{d|i} \frac{J_{(r+s)p}(d)}{d^{rp}} \sum_{j=1}^{\lfloor n/d \rfloor} \frac{1}{j^{rp}}. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.1. *Suppose that $r > 1/p$.*

- (1) *If $s > r - 1/p$, then $\|A\|_p = O(n^{s-r+1/p})$.*
 (2) *If $s = r - 1/p$, then $\|A\|_p = O(\log^{1/p} n)$.*

(3) If $s < r - 1/p$, then $\|A\|_p = O(1)$.

Proof. Let $r > 1/p$ or $rp > 1$. Then, by (3.2) and Lemma 2.1(c),

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(1) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^{rp}} \sum_{d|i} \frac{|J_{(r+s)p}(d)|}{d^{rp}}.$$

Assume that $r + s \geq 0$. Then, by (2.3) and (2.1),

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(1) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\sigma_{sp}(i)}{i^{rp}}.$$

Case 1. Let $s > r - 1/p$ or $sp - rp > -1$. Then, by Lemma 2.2(a),

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(1)O(n^{sp-rp+1}) = O(n^{sp-rp+1}).$$

Case 2. Let $s = r - 1/p$ or $sp - rp = -1$. Then, by Lemma 2.2(b),

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(1)O(\log n) = O(\log n).$$

Case 3. Let $s < r - 1/p$ or $sp - rp < -1$. Then, by Lemma 2.2(c),

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(1)O(1) = O(1).$$

Now, assume that $r + s < 0$. Since $r > 1/p$, we have $s < r - 1/p$ and thus we consider Case 3. Since $r + s < 0$, then $(i, j)^{(r+s)p} \leq 1$ and thus on the basis of (3.1) we have

$$\|A\|_p^p \leq \sum_{i=1}^n i^{-rp} \sum_{j=1}^n j^{-rp}.$$

Since $rp > 1$, we obtain from Lemma 2.1(c)

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(1)O(1) = O(1).$$

□

Theorem 3.2. Suppose that $r = 1/p$.

- (1) If $s > 0$, then $\|A\|_p = O(n^s \log^{2/p} n)$.
- (2) If $s = 0$, then $\|A\|_p = O(\log^{3/p} n)$.
- (3) If $s < 0$, then $\|A\|_p = O(\log^{2/p} n)$.

Proof. From (3.2) with $rp = 1$ we obtain

$$\|A\|_p^p = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \sum_{d|i} \frac{J_{sp+1}(d)}{d} \sum_{j=1}^{[n/d]} \frac{1}{j}.$$

By Lemma 2.1(b),

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(\log n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \sum_{d|i} \frac{|J_{sp+1}(d)|}{d}.$$

Assume that $sp + 1 \geq 0$. Then, by (2.3) and (2.1),

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(\log n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\sigma_{sp}(i)}{i}.$$

Case 4. Assume that $s > 0$ or $sp > 0$. Then, by Lemma 2.3(a),

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(\log n)O(n^{sp} \log n) = O(n^{sp} \log^2 n).$$

Case 5. Assume that $s = 0$ or $sp = 0$. Then, by Lemma 2.3(b),

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(\log n)O(\log^2 n) = O(\log^3 n).$$

Case 6. Assume that $s < 0$ or $sp < 0$. Then, by Lemma 2.3(c),

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(\log n)O(\log n) = O(\log^2 n).$$

Now, assume that $sp + 1 < 0$. Then $s < 0$ and thus we consider Case 6. Since $sp + 1 < 0$ and $rp = 1$, then $(i, j)^{(r+s)p} \leq 1$ and thus on the basis of (3.1) we have

$$\|A\|_p^p \leq \sum_{i=1}^n i^{-rp} \sum_{j=1}^n j^{-rp}.$$

Since $rp = 1$, we obtain from Lemma 2.1(b)

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(\log n)O(\log n) = O(\log^2 n).$$

□

Theorem 3.3. Suppose that $r < 1/p$.

- (1) If $s > -r + 1/p$, then $\|A\|_p = O(n^{s-r+1/p})$.
- (2) If $s = -r + 1/p$, then $\|A\|_p = O(n^{-2r+2/p} \log^{1/p} n)$.
- (3) If $s < -r + 1/p$, then $\|A\|_p = O(n^{-2r+2/p})$.

Proof. Let $r < 1/p$ or $rp < 1$. By (3.2) and Lemma 2.1(a),

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(n^{1-rp}) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^{rp}} \sum_{d|i} \frac{|J_{(r+s)p}(d)|}{d}.$$

Assume that $r + s \geq 0$. Then, by (2.3) and (2.1),

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(n^{1-rp}) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\sigma_{(r+s)p-1}(i)}{i^{rp}}.$$

Case 7. Let $s > -r + 1/p$ or $(r + s)p - 1 > 0$. Then, by Lemma 2.4(a),

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(n^{1-rp})O(n^{1+(r+s)p-1-rp}) = O(n^{1+sp-rp}).$$

Case 8. Let $s = -r + 1/p$ or $(r + s)p - 1 = 0$. Then, by Lemma 2.4(b),

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(n^{1-rp})O(n^{1-rp} \log n) = O(n^{2-2rp} \log n).$$

Case 9. Let $s < -r + 1/p$ or $(r + s)p - 1 < 0$. Then, by Lemma 2.4(c),

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(n^{1-rp})O(n^{1-rp}) = O(n^{2-2rp}).$$

Now, assume that $r + s < 0$. Then $s < -r + 1/p$ and thus we consider Case 9. Since $r + s < 0$, then $(i, j)^{(r+s)p} \leq 1$ and thus on the basis of (3.1) we have

$$\|A\|_p^p \leq \sum_{i=1}^n i^{-rp} \sum_{j=1}^n j^{-rp}.$$

Since $rp < 1$, we obtain from Lemma 2.1(a)

$$\|A\|_p^p = O(n^{1-rp})O(n^{1-rp}) = O(n^{2-2rp}).$$

□

Corollary 3.4.

- (a) $\|(i, j)\|_p = O(n^{1+1/p})$ when $p \geq 2$.

- (b) $\|(i, j)\|_p = O(n^2 \log n)$ when $p = 1$.
- (c) $\|[i, j]\|_p = O(n^{2+2/p})$ when $p \geq 1$.
- (d) $\|(i, j)/[i, j]\|_p = O(n^{1/p})$ when $p \geq 2$.
- (e) $\|(i, j)/[i, j]\|_p = O(n \log^2 n)$ when $p = 1$.

Proof.

- (a) Take $r = 0, s = 1, p \geq 2$ in Case 7 of Theorem 3.3.
- (b) Take $r = 0, s = 1, p = 1$ in Case 8 of Theorem 3.3.
- (c) Take $r = -1, s = 0, p \geq 1$ in Case 9 of Theorem 3.3.
- (d) Take $r = s = 1, p \geq 2$ in Case 1 of Theorem 3.1.
- (e) Take $r = s = p = 1$ in Case 4 of Theorem 3.2.

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