

## $\gamma_{\delta}\Phi$ -TYPE INCLUSION SET FOR EIGENVALUES OF A TENSOR\*

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**Abstract.** In this paper, a new  $\gamma_{\delta}\Phi$ -type eigenvalue inclusion set for tensors is given, and some inclusion relations between this new inclusion set and other ones are presented. In addition, a new sufficient criterion for identifying nonsingular tensors is also provided by using the new  $\gamma_{\delta}\Phi$ -type eigenvalue inclusion set. Some numerical results are reported to show the superiority of the results.

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**1. Introduction.** We first recall some definitions for tensors.  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 \dots i_m})_{\mathbf{n}}$  is called a tensor of order  $m$  and dimension  $\mathbf{n} = n_1 \times \dots \times n_m$  over the field  $\mathbb{F}$  if

$$\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 \dots i_m})_{\mathbf{n}} = (a_{i_1 \dots i_m})_{n_1 \times \dots \times n_m} \in \mathbb{F}^{[m, \mathbf{n}]} = \mathbb{F}^{n_1 \times \dots \times n_m}.$$

When  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  is called a complex tensor; when  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  is called a real tensor; when  $n_1 = \dots = n_m = n$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  is simply called a tensor of order  $m$  and dimension  $n$  over the field  $\mathbb{F}$ , and we denote  $\mathbb{F}^{[m, \mathbf{n}]}$  by  $\mathbb{F}^{[m, n]}$  if there is no danger of confusion. If the entries  $a_{i_1 \dots i_m}$  are invariant under any permutation of their indices, then  $\mathcal{A}$  is called a symmetric tensor.

In 2005, Qi [14] and Lim [12] independently introduced the notion of eigenvalues of tensors. For  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 \dots i_m})_{n \times \dots \times n} \in \mathbb{C}^{[m, n]}$ ,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^{\top} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ ,  $\mathcal{A}x^{m-1}$  is a dimension  $n$  column vector with entries

$$(\mathcal{A}x^{m-1})_i = \sum_{(i_2, \dots, i_m) \in N^{m-1}} a_{ii_2 \dots i_m} x_{i_2} \cdots x_{i_m}, \quad i \in N = \{1, \dots, n\}.$$

If there exists a nonzero vector  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^{\top} \in \mathbb{C}^n$  and a number  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$\mathcal{A}x^{m-1} = \lambda x^{[m-1]},$$

then  $\lambda$  is called an eigenvalue of  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $x$  is called an eigenvector of  $\mathcal{A}$  corresponding to  $\lambda$ , where

$$x^{[m-1]} = (x_1^{m-1}, \dots, x_n^{m-1})^{\top}.$$

Let  $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$  denote the set of all eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{A}$ , and  $\rho(\mathcal{A}) = \max\{|\lambda| : \lambda \in \sigma(\mathcal{A})\}$  be the spectral radius of  $\mathcal{A}$ . A complex tensor  $\mathcal{A}$  is called nonsingular if  $0 \notin \sigma(\mathcal{A})$ , otherwise it is called singular.

In recent years, the spectral theory of tensors has attracted much attention [7]. Although the eigenvalues of tensors have many applications in numerical multilinear algebra [13, 18, 19], their computation is, like most tensor problems, NP-hard [4]. Hence efficient algorithms to (approximately) locate all eigenvalues of a given tensor have become increasingly important.

In 2005, Qi [14] gave a Geršgorin-type eigenvalue inclusion set for a real symmetric tensor  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 \dots i_m})$  in the following form:

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Gamma(\mathcal{A}) = \bigcup_{i \in N} \Gamma_i(\mathcal{A}),$$

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where

$$\Gamma_i(\mathcal{A}) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - a_{i\dots i}| \leq R_i(D_i)\}, \quad D_i = N^{m-1} \setminus \{(i, \dots, i)\},$$

$$R_i(E) = \sum_{(j_2, \dots, j_m) \in E} |a_{ij_2 \dots j_m}|, \quad \forall E \subseteq N^{m-1}.$$

This result also holds for  $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{[m, n]}$  [10, 18]. In 2014, Li et al. [10] and in 2016, Li et al. [9] gave two variations of Brauer-type eigenvalue inclusion sets for a tensor  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 \dots i_m})$  as follows:

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Phi(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Gamma(\mathcal{A}),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(\mathcal{A}) &= \bigcup_{(i, j) \in N \times N_i} \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}), \\ \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) &= \{z \in \mathbb{C} : (|z - a_{i\dots i}| - R_i(S_i))|z - a_{j\dots j}| \leq R_i(N_i^{m-1})R_j(D_j)\}, \\ S_i &= \{(j_2, \dots, j_m) \in N^{m-1} : i \in \{j_2, \dots, j_m\} \neq \{i\}\}, \\ \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{A}) &= \bigcup_{(i, j) \in N \times N_i} \mathcal{K}_{ij}(\mathcal{A}), \\ \mathcal{K}_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) &= \{z \in \mathbb{C} : (|z - a_{i\dots i}| - R_i(D_{ij}))|z - a_{j\dots j}| \leq |a_{ij\dots j}|R_j(D_j)\}, \\ D_{ij} &= D_i \setminus \{(j, \dots, j)\}, \quad N_i = N \setminus \{i\}. \end{aligned}$$

In 2017, Sang et al. [15] gave another variation of Brauer-type eigenvalue inclusion sets for a tensor  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 \dots i_m})$ :

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Omega(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Gamma(\mathcal{A}),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(\mathcal{A}) &= \bigcup_{(i, j) \in N \times N_i} \Omega_{ij}(\mathcal{A}), \\ \Omega_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) &= \{z \in \mathbb{C} : (|z - a_{i\dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \omega_i))|z - a_{j\dots j}| \leq R_i(\omega_i)R_j(D_j)\}, \\ \omega_i &= \{(k, \dots, k) \in N^{m-1} : k \in N_i\}. \end{aligned}$$

In addition, several other eigenvalue inclusion sets for tensors were derived in [2, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 15], and relations between some of them were given.

In this paper, we introduce a new eigenvalue inclusion set,  $\gamma\Phi(\mathcal{A})$ , for a tensor  $\mathcal{A}$ . Moreover, the inclusion relation between  $\gamma\Phi(\mathcal{A})$  and other eigenvalue inclusion sets is discussed. As an application, a new criterion for identifying nonsingular tensors [14, 17] is provided. In order to show the superiority of the new results, numerical examples are given in Section 3.

**2. A new  $\gamma\Phi$ -type eigenvalue inclusion set for tensors.** In this section, we first establish a new  $\gamma\Phi$ -type eigenvalue inclusion set for tensors, then point out some relations between several eigenvalue inclusion sets including the  $\gamma\Phi$ -type one, followed up with a new sufficient condition for a tensor to be nonsingular.

The main theorem of this section reads as follows:

**THEOREM 2.1.** *Let  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 \dots i_m}) \in \mathbb{C}^{[m,n]}$  with  $m, n \geq 2$ . Then*

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \gamma_{\delta} \Phi(\mathcal{A}) = \bigcup_{(i,j) \in N \times N_i} \gamma_{\delta} \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{\delta} \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) &= \gamma_{\delta} \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) \cup \delta \Gamma_{ji}(\mathcal{A}), \\ \gamma_{\delta} \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) &= \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : (|z - a_{i \dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij}))(|z - a_{j \dots j}| - R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij})) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \leq R_i(\Gamma_{ij})R_j(\Delta_{ij}) \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \Gamma_{ji}(\mathcal{A}) &= \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - a_{j \dots j}| \leq R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij})\}, \\ \Gamma_{ij} &= N_i \times \gamma_{ij}, \quad \Delta_{ij} = (L_i \cup (N_i \times \delta_{ij})) \setminus \{(j, \dots, j)\}, \\ \gamma_{ij} &\subseteq N_i^{m-2}, \quad \delta_{ij} \subseteq N_i^{m-2}, \\ L_i &= \{(j_2, \dots, j_m) \in N^{m-1} : i \in \{j_2, \dots, j_m\}\}, \quad N_i = N \setminus \{i\}, \\ \gamma_{\delta} \Phi(\mathcal{A}) &= \gamma_{\delta} \Phi(\mathcal{A}) \cup \delta \Gamma(\mathcal{A}), \\ \gamma_{\delta} \Phi(\mathcal{A}) &= \bigcup_{(i,j) \in N \times N_i} \gamma_{\delta} \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}), \quad \delta \Gamma(\mathcal{A}) = \bigcup_{(i,j) \in N \times N_i} \delta \Gamma_{ji}(\mathcal{A}). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda \in \sigma(\mathcal{A})$  and  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^{\top} \in \mathbb{C}^n \setminus \{0\}$  be an associated eigenvector, namely,

$$(2.1) \quad \mathcal{A}x^{m-1} = \lambda x^{[m-1]}.$$

Let  $|x_{\mu_1}| \geq |x_{\mu_2}| \geq \dots \geq |x_{\mu_n}|$ . Then  $|x_{\mu_1}| \neq 0$ .

From (2.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\lambda - a_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_1})x_{\mu_1}^{m-1} &= \sum_{(i_2, \dots, i_m) \in \Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2}} a_{\mu_1 i_2 \dots i_m} x_{i_2} \cdots x_{i_m} \\ &\quad + \sum_{(i_2, \dots, i_m) \in D_{\mu_1} \setminus \Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2}} a_{\mu_1 i_2 \dots i_m} x_{i_2} \cdots x_{i_m}, \end{aligned}$$

hence,

$$\begin{aligned} |\lambda - a_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_1}| |x_{\mu_1}|^{m-1} &\leq \sum_{(i_2, \dots, i_m) \in \Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2}} |a_{\mu_1 i_2 \dots i_m}| |x_{i_2}| \cdots |x_{i_m}| \\ &\quad + \sum_{(i_2, \dots, i_m) \in D_{\mu_1} \setminus \Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2}} |a_{\mu_1 i_2 \dots i_m}| |x_{i_2}| \cdots |x_{i_m}| \\ &\leq \sum_{(i_2, \dots, i_m) \in \Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2}} |a_{\mu_1 i_2 \dots i_m}| |x_{\mu_2}|^{m-1} \\ &\quad + \sum_{(i_2, \dots, i_m) \in D_{\mu_1} \setminus \Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2}} |a_{\mu_1 i_2 \dots i_m}| |x_{\mu_1}|^{m-1} \\ &= R_{\mu_1}(\Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2}) |x_{\mu_2}|^{m-1} + R_{\mu_1}(D_{\mu_1} \setminus \Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2}) |x_{\mu_1}|^{m-1}, \end{aligned}$$

which is equivalent to

$$(2.2) \quad (|\lambda - a_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_1}| - R_{\mu_1}(D_{\mu_1} \setminus \Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2})) |x_{\mu_1}|^{m-1} \leq R_{\mu_1}(\Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2}) |x_{\mu_2}|^{m-1}.$$

If  $|x_{\mu_2}| = 0$ , then  $|\lambda - a_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_1}| - R_{\mu_1}(D_{\mu_1} \setminus \Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2}) \leq 0$  as  $|x_{\mu_1}| > 0$ , and it is obvious that

$$\lambda \in \gamma\Phi_{\mu_1 \mu_2}(\mathcal{A}) = \gamma\Phi_{\mu_1 \mu_2}(\mathcal{A}) \cup \delta\Gamma_{\mu_2 \mu_1}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \gamma\Phi(\mathcal{A}) = \gamma\Phi(\mathcal{A}) \cup \delta\Gamma(\mathcal{A}).$$

If  $|x_{\mu_2}| > 0$ , then from (2.1), we obtain

$$(2.3) \quad (|\lambda - a_{\mu_2 \dots \mu_2}| - R_{\mu_2}(D_{\mu_2} \setminus \Delta_{\mu_1 \mu_2})) |x_{\mu_2}|^{m-1} \leq R_{\mu_2}(\Delta_{\mu_1 \mu_2}) |x_{\mu_1}|^{m-1}.$$

If  $|\lambda - a_{\mu_2 \dots \mu_2}| - R_{\mu_2}(D_{\mu_2} \setminus \Delta_{\mu_1 \mu_2}) \leq 0$ , then  $\lambda \in \delta\Gamma_{\mu_2 \mu_1}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \gamma\Phi(\mathcal{A})$ . If, on the other hand,  $|\lambda - a_{\mu_2 \dots \mu_2}| - R_{\mu_2}(D_{\mu_2} \setminus \Delta_{\mu_1 \mu_2}) > 0$ , by multiplying (2.2) with (2.3), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & (|\lambda - a_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_1}| - R_{\mu_1}(D_{\mu_1} \setminus \Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2})) \times \\ & \quad (|\lambda - a_{\mu_2 \dots \mu_2}| - R_{\mu_2}(D_{\mu_2} \setminus \Delta_{\mu_1 \mu_2})) |x_{\mu_1}|^{m-1} |x_{\mu_2}|^{m-1} \\ & \leq R_{\mu_1}(\Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2}) R_{\mu_2}(\Delta_{\mu_1 \mu_2}) |x_{\mu_2}|^{m-1} |x_{\mu_1}|^{m-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $|x_{\mu_1}|^{m-1} |x_{\mu_2}|^{m-1} > 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & (|\lambda - a_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_1}| - R_{\mu_1}(D_{\mu_1} \setminus \Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2})) (|\lambda - a_{\mu_2 \dots \mu_2}| - R_{\mu_2}(D_{\mu_2} \setminus \Delta_{\mu_1 \mu_2})) \\ & \leq R_{\mu_1}(\Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2}) R_{\mu_2}(\Delta_{\mu_1 \mu_2}). \end{aligned}$$

This implies  $\lambda \in \gamma\Phi_{\mu_1 \mu_2}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \gamma\Phi(\mathcal{A})$ . Therefore,  $\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \gamma\Phi(\mathcal{A})$ .  $\square$

REMARK 2.2. (i) The set  $\gamma\Phi(\mathcal{A})$  in Theorem 2.1 is called a  $\gamma\Phi$ -region of  $\mathcal{A}$  or a  $(\gamma, \delta)$ -doubly diagonally inclusion set  $((\gamma, \delta)$ -DDIS) of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

(ii) If  $\delta_{ij} = N_i^{m-2}$  for all  $(i, j) \in N \times N_i$ , then  $\gamma\Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) = \gamma\Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$  due to the fact that

$$\Delta_{ij} = (L_i \cup (N_i \times \delta_{ij})) \setminus \{(j, \dots, j)\} = D_j,$$

which implies

$$R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij}) = 0.$$

This means

$$\delta\Gamma_{ji}(\mathcal{A}) = \{a_{j \dots j}\} \subseteq \gamma\Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}).$$

In this case, we denote  $\gamma\Phi(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $\gamma\Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$  by  $\gamma\Phi(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $\gamma\Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$ , respectively.

(iii) If  $\gamma_{ij} = N_i^{m-2}$  for all  $(i, j) \in N \times N_i$ , we denote  $\delta\Phi(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $\delta\Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$  by  $\delta\Phi(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $\delta\Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$ , respectively.

(iv) If  $\gamma_{ij} = N_i^{m-2}$ ,  $\delta_{ij} = N_i^{m-2}$  for all  $(i, j) \in N \times N_i$ , we denote  $\gamma\Phi(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $\gamma\Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$  by  $\Phi(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $\Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$ , respectively.

(v) If  $m = 2$ , noting that

$$\Gamma_{ij} = N_i \times \gamma_{ij} = N_i = D_i, \quad \Delta_{ij} = (L_i \cup (N_i \times \delta_{ij})) \setminus \{(j, \dots, j)\} = N_j = D_j,$$

then the set  $\gamma\Phi(\mathcal{A})$  reduces to the Brauer set of matrices; see [1].

From Theorem 2.1, several corollaries follow. As shown below, the inclusion sets  $\Phi(\mathcal{A})$  in [9, Theorem 2.1],  $\Gamma(\mathcal{A})$  in [7, 10, 14, 18],  $\Theta(\mathcal{A})$  in Corollary 2.5 below, and  $\Omega(\mathcal{A})$  in [15, Theorem 2.1] can be viewed as results of the application of Theorem 2.1 for special cases.

COROLLARY 2.3 ([9, Theorem 2.1]). Let  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 \dots i_m}) \in \mathbb{C}^{[m,n]}$  with  $m, n \geq 2$ . Then

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Phi(\mathcal{A}) = \bigcup_{(i,j) \in N \times N_i} \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) &= \{z \in \mathbb{C} : (|z - a_{i \dots i}| - R_i(S_i))|z - a_{j \dots j}| \leq R_i(N_i^{m-1})R_j(D_j)\}, \\ S_i &= \{(j_2, \dots, j_m) \in N^{m-1} : i \in \{j_2, \dots, j_m\} \neq \{i\}\}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Let  $\gamma_{ij} = N_i^{m-2}$ ,  $\delta_{ij} = N_i^{m-2}$  for all  $(i, j) \in N \times N_i$ . From Theorem 2.1, the conclusion follows easily.  $\square$

COROLLARY 2.4 ([7, 10, 14, 18]). Let  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 \dots i_m}) \in \mathbb{C}^{[m,n]}$  with  $m \geq 2, n \geq 1$ . Then

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Gamma(\mathcal{A}) = \bigcup_{i \in N} \Gamma_i(\mathcal{A}),$$

where

$$\Gamma_i(\mathcal{A}) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - a_{i \dots i}| \leq R_i(D_i)\}.$$

*Proof.* If  $n = 1$ , the conclusion is obviously correct. Now, assume  $n > 1$ . Let  $\gamma_{ij} = \emptyset$  for all  $(i, j) \in N \times N_i$ . From Theorem 2.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (|z - a_{i \dots i}| - R_i(D_i))(|z - a_{j \dots j}| - R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij})) &\leq 0, \quad \text{i.e.,} \\ |z - a_{j \dots j}| &\leq R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij}). \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\mathfrak{F}_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) = \Gamma_i(\mathcal{A}) \cup \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - a_{j \dots j}| \leq R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij})\},$$

that is,

$$\mathfrak{F}(\mathcal{A}) = \Gamma(\mathcal{A}). \quad \square$$

COROLLARY 2.5. Let  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 \dots i_m}) \in \mathbb{C}^{[m,n]}$  with  $m, n \geq 2$ . Then

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Theta(\mathcal{A}) = \bigcup_{(i,j) \in N \times N_i} \Theta_{ij}(\mathcal{A}),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) &= \{z \in \mathbb{C} : (|z - a_{i \dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \theta_i))|z - a_{j \dots j}| \leq R_i(\theta_i)R_j(D_j)\}, \\ \theta_i &= N_i \times \{(k, \dots, k) \in N^{m-2} : k \in N_i\}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Let  $\gamma_{ij} = \{(k, \dots, k) \in N^{m-2} : k \in N_i\}$ ,  $\delta_{ij} = N_i^{m-2}$  for all  $(i, j) \in N \times N_i$ . From Theorem 2.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (|z - a_{i \dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \theta_i))|z - a_{j \dots j}| &\leq R_i(\theta_i)R_j(D_j), \quad \text{or,} \\ |z - a_{j \dots j}| &\leq 0, \quad \text{or equivalently,} \quad z = a_{j \dots j}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\mathfrak{F}_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) = \Theta_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) \cup \{a_{j \dots j}\} = \Theta_{ij}(\mathcal{A}),$$

that is,

$$\gamma_{\Phi}(\mathcal{A}) = \Theta(\mathcal{A}). \quad \square$$

COROLLARY 2.6 ([15, Theorem 2.1]). *Let  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 \dots i_m}) \in \mathbb{C}^{[m, n]}$  with  $m, n \geq 2$ . Then*

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Omega(\mathcal{A}) = \bigcup_{(i, j) \in N \times N_i} \Omega_{ij}(\mathcal{A}),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) &= \{z \in \mathbb{C} : (|z - a_{i \dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \omega_i))|z - a_{j \dots j}| \leq R_i(\omega_i)R_j(D_j)\}, \\ \omega_i &= \{(k, \dots, k) \in N^{m-1} : k \in N_i\}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Let  $\Gamma_{ij} = \omega_i, \delta_{ij} = N_i^{m-2}$  for all  $(i, j) \in N \times N_i$ . From Theorem 2.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (|z - a_{i \dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \omega_i))|z - a_{j \dots j}| &\leq R_i(\omega_i)R_j(D_j), \quad \text{or,} \\ |z - a_{j \dots j}| &\leq 0, \quad \text{or equivalently, } z = a_{j \dots j}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\gamma_{\Phi_{ij}}(\mathcal{A}) = \Omega_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) \cup \{a_{j \dots j}\} = \Omega_{ij}(\mathcal{A}),$$

that is,

$$\gamma_{\Phi}(\mathcal{A}) = \Omega(\mathcal{A}). \quad \square$$

The next proposition shows that the eigenvalue inclusion sets  $\gamma_{\Phi}(\mathcal{A})$  in Theorem 2.1 and  $\Gamma(\mathcal{A})$  [10, 14, 18] in Corollary 2.4 have an inclusion relationship.

PROPOSITION 2.7. *Let  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 \dots i_m}) \in \mathbb{C}^{[m, n]}$  with  $m, n \geq 2$ . Then*

$$\gamma_{\Phi_{ij}}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Gamma_i(\mathcal{A}) \cup \Gamma_j(\mathcal{A}).$$

Hence,

$$\gamma_{\Phi}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Gamma(\mathcal{A}).$$

*Proof.* Let  $z \in \gamma_{\Phi_{ij}}(\mathcal{A}) = \Omega_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) \cup \delta_{ij} \Gamma_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$ . Then  $z$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} (|z - a_{i \dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij}))(|z - a_{j \dots j}| - R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij})) &\leq R_i(\Gamma_{ij})R_j(\Delta_{ij}), \quad \text{or} \\ |z - a_{j \dots j}| &\leq R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij}). \end{aligned}$$

- If  $|z - a_{j \dots j}| \leq R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij})$ , then  $z \in \Gamma_j(\mathcal{A})$ .
  - If  $|z - a_{j \dots j}| > R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij})$ , then  $z \in \delta_{ij} \Gamma_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$ .
  - If  $R_i(\Gamma_{ij})R_j(\Delta_{ij}) = 0$ , then  $|z - a_{i \dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij}) \leq 0$ , consequently,  $z \in \Gamma_i(\mathcal{A})$ .
- Now, assume that  $R_i(\Gamma_{ij})R_j(\Delta_{ij}) > 0$ .

- If  $|z - a_{i \dots i}| \leq R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij})$ , then  $z \in \Gamma_i(\mathcal{A})$ .
- If  $|z - a_{i \dots i}| > R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij})$ , then, from  $z \in \delta_{ij} \Gamma_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$ , we have

$$(2.4) \quad \frac{|z - a_{i \dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij})}{R_i(\Gamma_{ij})} \frac{|z - a_{j \dots j}| - R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij})}{R_j(\Delta_{ij})} \leq 1.$$

Hence, from (2.4), we obtain

$$\frac{|z - a_{i\dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij})}{R_i(\Gamma_{ij})} \leq 1 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{|z - a_{j\dots j}| - R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij})}{R_j(\Delta_{ij})} \leq 1,$$

namely,  $z \in \Gamma_i(\mathcal{A}) \cup \Gamma_j(\mathcal{A})$ . Thus,  $\gamma_{\delta}^1 \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Gamma_i(\mathcal{A}) \cup \Gamma_j(\mathcal{A})$ . Hence,  $\gamma_{\delta}^1 \Phi(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Gamma(\mathcal{A})$ . The proof is completed.  $\square$

To compare the sets  $\Phi(\mathcal{A})$  [9, Theorem 2.1] in Corollary 2.3,  $\gamma_{\delta}^1 \Phi(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $\gamma_{\delta}^2 \Phi(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $\gamma_{\delta}^1 \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$  in Theorem 2.1,  $\Theta(\mathcal{A})$  in Corollary 2.5,  $\Omega(\mathcal{A})$  [15, Theorem 2.1] in Corollary 2.6,  $\mathcal{K}(\mathcal{A})$  in [10, Theorem 2.1], and  $\Gamma(\mathcal{A})$  [10, 14, 18] in Corollary 2.4, we need the following lemma provided in [9].

LEMMA 2.8 ([9, Lemmas 2.2 and 2.3]). *Let  $a, b, c \geq 0$ , and  $d > 0$ .*

(I) *If  $\frac{a}{b+c+d} \leq 1$ , then*

$$\frac{a - (b + c)}{d} \leq \frac{a - b}{c + d} \leq \frac{a}{b + c + d}.$$

(II) *If  $\frac{a}{b+c+d} \geq 1$ , then*

$$\frac{a - (b + c)}{d} \geq \frac{a - b}{c + d} \geq \frac{a}{b + c + d}.$$

Now, a comparison of  $\gamma_{\delta_1}^1 \Phi(\mathcal{A})$  and  $\gamma_{\delta_1}^2 \Phi(\mathcal{A})$  is established as follows.

PROPOSITION 2.9. *Let  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 \dots i_m}) \in \mathbb{C}^{[m, n]}$  with  $m, n \geq 2$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{ij}^1 &= N_i \times \gamma_{ij}^1, \quad \Delta_{ij}^1 = (L_i \cup (N_i \times \delta_{ij}^1)) \setminus \{(j, \dots, j)\}, \quad \gamma_{ij}^1 \subseteq N_i^{m-2}, \quad \delta_{ij}^1 \subseteq N_i^{m-2}, \\ \Gamma_{ij}^2 &= N_i \times \gamma_{ij}^2, \quad \Delta_{ij}^2 = (L_i \cup (N_i \times \delta_{ij}^2)) \setminus \{(j, \dots, j)\}, \quad \gamma_{ij}^2 \subseteq N_i^{m-2}, \quad \delta_{ij}^2 \subseteq N_i^{m-2}, \\ \Gamma_{ij}^1 &\supseteq \Gamma_{ij}^2, \quad \Delta_{ji}^1 \supseteq \Gamma_{ij}^1, \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta_{ij}^1 \supseteq \Gamma_{ji}^2, \end{aligned}$$

for all  $(i, j) \in N \times N_i$ . Then for all  $(i, j) \in N \times N_i$ ,

$$\gamma_{\delta_1}^1 \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \gamma_{\delta_1}^2 \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) \cup \gamma_{\delta_1}^2 \Phi_{ji}(\mathcal{A}).$$

Hence,

$$\gamma_{\delta_1}^1 \Phi(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \gamma_{\delta_1}^2 \Phi(\mathcal{A}).$$

Thus,

$$\gamma^1 \Phi(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \gamma^2 \Phi(\mathcal{A}), \quad \Phi(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Theta(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Omega(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Gamma(\mathcal{A}).$$

*Proof.* Let  $z \in \gamma_{\delta_1}^1 \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$ . Then either

$$(2.5) \quad (|z - a_{i\dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij}^1))(|z - a_{j\dots j}| - R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij}^1)) \leq R_i(\Gamma_{ij}^1)R_j(\Delta_{ij}^1)$$

or

$$|z - a_{j\dots j}| \leq R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij}^1),$$

is fulfilled.

- If  $z \in \delta_{ji}^1 \Gamma_{ji}(\mathcal{A})$ , then  $z \in \gamma_{\delta_1}^2 \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$ .
- If  $z \notin \delta_{ji}^1 \Gamma_{ji}(\mathcal{A})$ , then  $z \in \gamma_{\delta_1}^1 \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$ .

- If  $R_i(\Gamma_{ij}^1)R_j(\Delta_{ij}^1) = 0$ , then by  $z \notin \delta^1\Gamma_{ji}(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $\Gamma_{ij}^1 \supseteq \Gamma_{ij}^2$ , and (2.5), we obtain

$$(|z - a_{i\dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij}^2))(|z - a_{j\dots j}| - R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij}^1)) \leq 0 \leq R_i(\Gamma_{ij}^2)R_j(\Delta_{ij}^1),$$

which implies that  $z \in \gamma_{\delta_1}^2\Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$ .

- If  $R_i(\Gamma_{ij}^1)R_j(\Delta_{ij}^1) > 0$ , then from (2.5), we obtain

$$(2.6) \quad \frac{|z - a_{i\dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij}^1)}{R_i(\Gamma_{ij}^1)} \frac{|z - a_{j\dots j}| - R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij}^1)}{R_j(\Delta_{ij}^1)} \leq 1,$$

which implies

$$(2.7) \quad \frac{|z - a_{i\dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij}^1)}{R_i(\Gamma_{ij}^1)} \leq 1,$$

or

$$(2.8) \quad \frac{|z - a_{j\dots j}| - R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij}^1)}{R_j(\Delta_{ij}^1)} \leq 1.$$

Let  $a = |z - a_{i\dots i}|$ ,  $b = R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij}^1)$ ,  $c = R_i(\Gamma_{ij}^1 \setminus \Gamma_{ij}^2)$  and  $d = R_i(\Gamma_{ij}^2)$ . If (2.7) holds, then when  $d > 0$ , we obtain from (2.6),  $z \notin \delta^1\Gamma_{ji}(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $\Gamma_{ij}^1 \supseteq \Gamma_{ij}^2$ , and Lemma 2.8.(I) that

$$\frac{|z - a_{i\dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij}^2)}{R_i(\Gamma_{ij}^2)} \frac{|z - a_{j\dots j}| - R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij}^1)}{R_j(\Delta_{ij}^1)} \leq 1,$$

which implies that  $z \in \gamma_{\delta_1}^2\Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$ . When  $d = 0$ , from (2.7), we easily obtain that

$$|z - a_{i\dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij}^2) \leq R_i(\Gamma_{ij}^2) = 0.$$

Thus,

$$(|z - a_{i\dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij}^2))(|z - a_{j\dots j}| - R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij}^1)) \leq 0 \leq R_i(\Gamma_{ij}^2)R_j(\Delta_{ij}^1),$$

which also implies  $z \in \gamma_{\delta_1}^2\Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$ . If (2.7) does not hold, namely,

$$\frac{|z - a_{i\dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij}^1)}{R_i(\Gamma_{ij}^1)} > 1,$$

then (2.8) holds. When  $R_j(\Gamma_{ji}^2) > 0$ , we obtain from (2.6),  $\Delta_{ji}^1 \supseteq \Gamma_{ij}^1$ ,  $\Delta_{ij}^1 \supseteq \Gamma_{ji}^2$ , and Lemma 2.8 (I), (II) that

$$\frac{|z - a_{i\dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Delta_{ji}^1)}{R_i(\Delta_{ji}^1)} \frac{|z - a_{j\dots j}| - R_j(D_j \setminus \Gamma_{ji}^2)}{R_j(\Gamma_{ji}^2)} \leq 1.$$

This means that  $z \in \gamma_{\delta_1}^2\Phi_{ji}(\mathcal{A})$ . When  $R_j(\Gamma_{ji}^2) = 0$ , from (2.8), we easily obtain

$$|z - a_{j\dots j}| - R_j(D_j \setminus \Gamma_{ji}^2) \leq R_j(\Gamma_{ji}^2) = 0.$$

- If  $z \in \delta^1\Gamma_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$ , then  $z \in \gamma_{\delta_1}^2\Phi_{ji}(\mathcal{A})$ .



• If  $z \notin \delta^1 \Gamma_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$ , then

$$(|z - a_{j\dots j}| - R_j(D_j \setminus \Gamma_{ji}^2))(|z - a_{i\dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Delta_{ji}^1)) \leq 0 \leq R_j(\Gamma_{ji}^2)R_i(\Delta_{ji}^1),$$

which also implies  $z \in \gamma_{\delta^1}^2 \Phi_{ji}(\mathcal{A})$ .

Therefore,

$$\gamma_{\delta^1}^1 \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \gamma_{\delta^1}^2 \Phi_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) \cup \gamma_{\delta^1}^2 \Phi_{ji}(\mathcal{A}).$$

Hence,

$$\gamma_{\delta^1}^1 \Phi(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \gamma_{\delta^1}^2 \Phi(\mathcal{A}).$$

Thus,

$$\gamma^1 \Phi(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \gamma^2 \Phi(\mathcal{A}).$$

From the above result, and the selection of  $\gamma_{ij}, \delta_{ij}$  in the proofs of Corollaries 2.3, 2.5, 2.6, and 2.4, we obtain

$$\Phi(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Theta(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Omega(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Gamma(\mathcal{A}).$$

From [15, Theorem 2.2], we have

$$\Omega(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{A}).$$

From [10, Theorem 2.3], we get

$$\mathcal{K}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Gamma(\mathcal{A}). \quad \square$$

REMARK 2.10. From Proposition 2.9, we have

$$\Phi(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \gamma \Phi(\mathcal{A}), \quad \forall \gamma_{ij} \subseteq N_i^{m-2}, \quad \forall (i, j) \in N \times N_i.$$

Based on Theorem 2.1, we can easily establish the following criterion to discern nonsingular tensors.

COROLLARY 2.11. *Let  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1 \dots i_m}) \in \mathbb{C}^{[m, n]}$  with  $m, n \geq 2$ . If for all  $(i, j) \in N \times N_i$ ,*

$$(|a_{i\dots i}| - R_i(D_i \setminus \Gamma_{ij}))(|a_{j\dots j}| - R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij})) > R_i(\Gamma_{ij})R_j(\Delta_{ij})$$

and

$$|a_{j\dots j}| > R_j(D_j \setminus \Delta_{ij})$$

are fulfilled, then  $\mathcal{A}$  is nonsingular, i.e.,  $0 \notin \sigma(\mathcal{A})$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be singular. Then  $0 \in \sigma(\mathcal{A})$ . From Theorem 2.1, we have

$$0 \in \gamma \Phi(\mathcal{A}) = \gamma \Phi(\mathcal{A}) \cup \delta \Gamma(\mathcal{A}).$$

Then there exists  $(\mu_1, \mu_2) \in N \times N_{\mu_1}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} & (|a_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_1}| - R_{\mu_1}(D_{\mu_1} \setminus \Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2}))(|a_{\mu_2 \dots \mu_2}| - R_{\mu_2}(D_{\mu_2} \setminus \Delta_{\mu_1 \mu_2})) \\ & \leq R_{\mu_1}(\Gamma_{\mu_1 \mu_2})R_{\mu_2}(\Delta_{\mu_1 \mu_2}) \end{aligned}$$

or

$$|a_{\mu_2 \dots \mu_2}| \leq R_{\mu_2}(D_{\mu_2} \setminus \Delta_{\mu_1 \mu_2}),$$

which is a contradiction. So,  $\mathcal{A}$  is nonsingular. The proof is completed.  $\square$

REMARK 2.12. The tensor in Corollary 2.11 is called a  $\mathfrak{F}$ -tensor or a  $(\gamma, \delta)$ -doubly strictly diagonally dominant  $((\gamma, \delta)$ -DSDD) tensor, and the conditions are called  $\mathfrak{F}$ -conditions or  $(\gamma, \delta)$ -doubly strictly diagonally dominant  $((\gamma, \delta)$ -DSDD) conditions. The nonstrict conditions are called  $\mathfrak{F}_0$ -conditions or  $(\gamma, \delta)$ -doubly diagonally dominant  $((\gamma, \delta)$ -DDD) conditions, and the tensor which satisfy the nonstrict conditions is called a  $\mathfrak{F}_0$ -tensor or a  $(\gamma, \delta)$ -doubly diagonally dominant  $((\gamma, \delta)$ -DDD) tensor.

**3. Numerical examples.** In this section, in order to demonstrate the superiority of Theorem 2.1 and Proposition 2.9, in particular  $\Theta(\mathcal{A})$  in Corollary 2.5 and  $\Phi(\mathcal{A})$  in Corollary 2.3, we present two numerical examples.

EXAMPLE 3.1. Consider the tensor  $\mathcal{A}_1 = (a_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4}) \in \mathbb{C}^{[4,4]}$  with

$$a_{1444} = 8, a_{2333} = \mathbf{i}, a_{3222} = 2, a_{3333} = 4\mathbf{i}, a_{4111} = 1, a_{1233} = 3, a_{1234} = 4,$$

and all other entries  $a_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} = 0$ . By using Mathematica, the set  $\Theta(\mathcal{A}_1)$  and the set  $\Omega(\mathcal{A}_1)$  are displayed in Figure 3.1. By noting that  $(\pm 5, -5) \in \Omega(\mathcal{A}_1) \setminus \Theta(\mathcal{A}_1)$ , we know that  $\Theta(\mathcal{A}_1)$  is a proper subset of  $\Omega(\mathcal{A}_1)$ . Thus,  $\Theta(\mathcal{A}_1)$  provides more precise information about the location of the eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{A}_1$  than  $\Omega(\mathcal{A}_1)$  does.

EXAMPLE 3.2. Consider the tensor  $\mathcal{A}_2 = (a_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4}) \in \mathbb{C}^{[4,4]}$  with

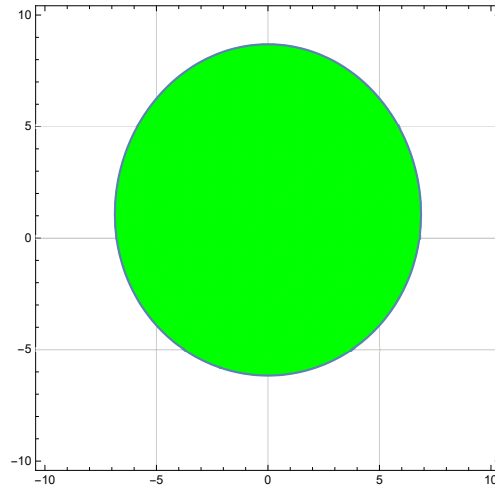
$$a_{1111} = \mathbf{i}, a_{1222} = 1, a_{1444} = 8, a_{2333} = \mathbf{i}, a_{3333} = 2\mathbf{i}, a_{4333} = 1, a_{4444} = 4, \\ a_{1233} = 2, a_{1234} = 3,$$

and  $a_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} = 0$  otherwise. By using Mathematica, the set  $\Phi(\mathcal{A}_2)$  and the set  $\Theta(\mathcal{A}_2)$  are displayed in Figure 3.2. By noting that  $(0, 5) \in \Theta(\mathcal{A}_2) \setminus \Phi(\mathcal{A}_2)$ , we know that  $\Phi(\mathcal{A}_2)$  is a proper subset of  $\Theta(\mathcal{A}_2)$ . Thus,  $\Phi(\mathcal{A}_2)$  provides a tighter bound for the eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{A}_2$  than  $\Theta(\mathcal{A}_2)$  does.

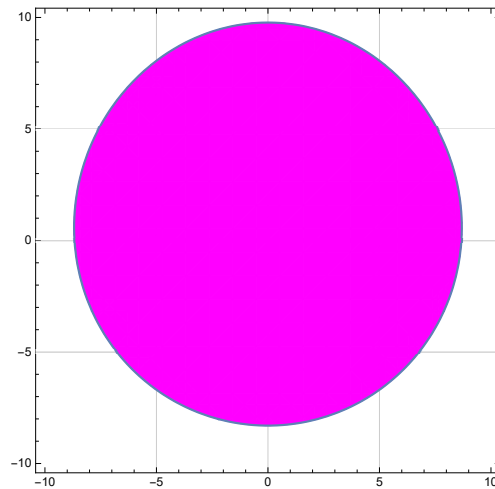
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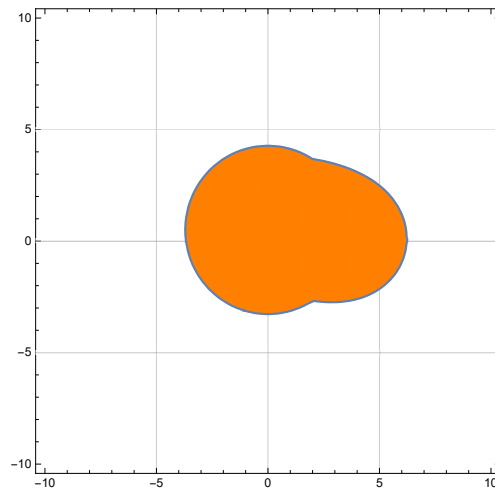
(a) The set  $\Theta(\mathcal{A}_1)$ .



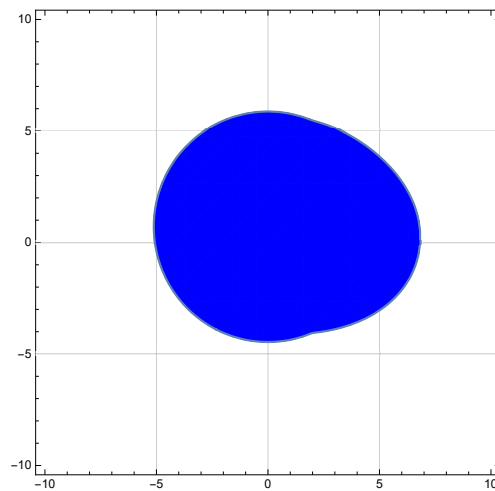
(b) The set  $\Omega(\mathcal{A}_1)$ .

FIG. 3.1. Comparison between  $\Theta(\mathcal{A}_1)$  and  $\Omega(\mathcal{A}_1)$  for  $\mathcal{A}_1$  specified in Example 3.1.

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(a) The set  $\Phi(\mathcal{A}_2)$ .



(b) The set  $\Theta(\mathcal{A}_2)$ .

FIG. 3.2. Comparison between  $\Phi(\mathcal{A}_2)$  and  $\Theta(\mathcal{A}_2)$  for  $\mathcal{A}_2$  specified in Example 3.2.

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