

**On Lidskii's algorithm to quantify the first  
order terms in the asymptotics of a defective  
eigenvalue. Part II**

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## Abstract

This report is a follow-up for [3]. Part II addresses a question left open in Part I: it consists in the analysis of the computation which can be realised at step  $j + 1$  of Lidskii's algorithm when step  $j$  is non generic. This question is examined in the context of an appropriate modification of the existing Homotopic Deviation theory [1, 2]. Connections are made with the theory of square matrix pencils [9, 10].

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# 1. Introduction

## 1.1. Presentation

This report aims at answering the question left open in [3], whose notation is kept.  $\deg P$  denotes the degree of the polynomial  $z \mapsto P(z)$ .

We present below the algebraic problem which underlies the question: what happens at step  $j + 1$  of Lidskii's algorithm when  $\phi_j$  is singular, hence the Schur complement  $\Omega_{j+1}$  does not exist, yet  $j < q$ ?

The analysis that we propose here is related to the theory of Homotopic Deviation. We introduce a new viewpoint deriving from the existence of at least one rational form for  $\det \phi_{j+1}(z)$  when  $f_j$  and  $r_{j+1} \geq 2$ , and possibly two. These forms arise from computing  $\det \phi_{j+1}(z)$  by partitioning.

## 1.2. The basic algebraic problem

Let  $\phi_j$  be singular,  $j < q$ . At step  $j + 1$ , we face the following problem: find  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $\det \phi_{j+1}(z) = 0$  with

$$\phi_{j+1}(z) = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_j & R_{j+1} \\ L_{j+1} & \Delta_{j+1} - zI_{r_{j+1}} \end{pmatrix},$$

where the  $2 \times 2$  block representation corresponds to the splitting

$$f_{j+1} = f_j + r_{j+1}.$$

We drop the subscripts  $j$  and  $j + 1$  below, and write generically

$$\phi(z) = \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma & R \\ L & \Delta - zI_r \end{pmatrix},$$

where the  $\Gamma$  represents  $\phi_j$ .  $Z(\det \phi)$  is the set of zeros of  $\det \phi$ .

1. When  $\Gamma$  is invertible, the determination of  $Z(\det \phi)$  is classical [3, 6]:  $Z(\det \phi) = \sigma(\Omega)$  where

$$\Omega - zI_r = \Delta - L\Gamma^{-1}R - zI_r$$

represents the Schur complement of  $\Gamma$  in  $\phi(z)$ . Therefore

$$\det \phi(z) = \det(\Gamma) \det(\Omega - zI_r).$$

2. When  $\Gamma$  is singular, a direct application of Laplace's theorem [5] to compute  $\det \phi(z)$  shows that the coefficient of  $z^r$  is  $\det \Gamma$ . This is done by considering the partitioning  $f+r$ . Therefore  $\det \phi(z)$  is a polynomial in  $z$  of degree  $< r$  when  $\det \Gamma = 0$ : it has at most  $r - 1$  roots. At least one root is missing to obtain the  $r$  roots required to apply the Lidskii algorithm, when  $\Gamma$  is singular.

What light is shed on this difficulty by an application of the alternative Schur formula? Let us assume that  $z \notin \sigma(\Delta)$ . Then

$$\det \phi(z) = \det(\Delta - zI_r) \det(\Gamma - R(\Delta - zI_r)^{-1}L).$$

The zeros of  $\det \phi(z) = 0$  not in  $\sigma(\Delta)$  are given by the second factor. We assume that  $L$  and  $R$  are nonzero. If either  $R$  or  $L$  is 0, the second factor reduces to  $\det \Gamma = 0$ , hence  $\det \phi(z) \equiv 0$  for  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .

We set

$$W_z = R(zI - \Delta)^{-1}L :$$

this matrix of order  $f$  defined for  $z \notin \sigma(\Delta)$  plays for  $(\Delta, LR)$  the role played by

$$M_z = V^H(zI - A)^{-1}U$$

for  $(A, E = UV^H)$ . However, the equation  $\det(\Gamma + W_z) = 0$  differs from  $\det(I + M_z) = 0$  previously encountered in Homotopic Deviation: the **identity** matrix  $I$  is replaced by a possibly **rank-deficient** matrix  $\Gamma$ , which may even be 0.

In Section 2, we extend the *simple* Homotopic Deviation (HD) theory which deals with an identity matrix to take into account the case of a possibly rank-deficient matrix. This variant of HD is called *augmented* HD because we are interested in the roots of  $\det \phi(z)$  where  $\phi(z)$  is an *augmented* matrix.

## 2. A modification of Homotopic Deviation by augmentation

### 2.1. Simple HD and Schur complement

We recall that the classical Homotopic Deviation theory for  $(A, E)$  is related to the notion of Schur complement in an augmented matrix  $\hat{A}(z, t)$  of order

$N = n + r$ ,  $1 \leq r < n$  such that

$$\hat{A}(z, t) = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} zI_n - A & tU \\ \hline V^H & I_r \end{array} \right), \quad E = UV^H,$$

and  $\text{rank } E = \text{rank } U = \text{rank } V = r$ .  $\hat{A}(z, t)$  has the two equivalent forms given below which are both block-diagonal, for any  $z \in \text{re}(A)$ :

$$\left( \begin{array}{c|c} zI_n - A & 0 \\ \hline 0 & I_r - tM_z \end{array} \right) \quad \text{or} \quad \left( \begin{array}{c|c} zI_n - A - tE & 0 \\ \hline 0 & I_r \end{array} \right).$$

The matrix  $M_z = V^H(zI - A)^{-1}U$  plays an essential role in the analyticity of

$$t \longmapsto R(t, z) = (A + tE - zI)^{-1}$$

derived from the Sherman-Morrison formula. It is the *coupling matrix* of order  $r \leq n$  which expresses algebraically the intimate connection between  $A$  and  $E$  realised by the coupling  $A + tE$ . It plays a role similar to that of the transfer matrix in Linear Systems Theory [4, 5]. It is equal to the  $W_z$  matrix of Section 1 when  $A$ ,  $E = UV^H$  are replaced by  $\Delta$ ,  $LR$  respectively.

The equation  $\det(I_r - tM_z) = 0$  plays also an important role for getting the eigenvalues in  $\sigma(A(t))$ :  $z$  in  $\text{re}(A)$  is an eigenvalue of  $A + tE$  iff  $t\mu_z = 1$  for  $\mu_z \in \sigma(M_z) \setminus \{0\}$ . See [1, 2] for more. In the Appendix, the set

$$\{t = 1/\mu_z, \mu_z \in \sigma(M_z) \setminus \{0\}\}$$

is interpreted as the set of *finite* eigenvalues for the regular pencil  $A - zI + tE$ ,  $z$  given in  $\text{re}(A)$ .

## 2.2. Augmented HD

In this variant of Homotopic Deviation,  $I_r$  is replaced by a matrix  $\Gamma$  of order  $r$  ( $0 \leq \text{rank } \Gamma \leq r$ ) and  $n$  and  $r$  are not necessarily constrained by  $r \leq n$ . In particular,  $n = 1$  together with  $r > 1$  is possible since this has a meaning in the context of Lidskii's algorithm (corresponding to  $r = 1$  and  $f > 1$ ) [3, 6]. We assume that  $U, V$  are nonzero in  $\mathbb{C}^{n \times r}$ , but  $U, V$  have a rank between 1 and  $\min(n, r)$ . We set  $r_0 = \min(\text{rank } U, \text{rank } V) \geq 1$ . It is important to keep in mind that  $r$  now denotes a size (and not a rank, as it did in the case of simple HD).

$E = UV^H$  and  $G = V^H U$  of respective order  $n$  and  $r$  have a rank  $\leq \min(n, r)$ . They share the same spectrum, plus  $\{0\}$  as the case may be:  $0$  lies in  $\sigma(E)$  (resp.  $\sigma(G)$ ) for  $r < n$  (resp.  $r > n$ ). Observe that  $G = 0$  implies  $E^2 = U(V^H U)V^H = 0$ : if  $E \neq 0$ , it is nilpotent so that  $E^2 = 0$ . Similarly,  $E = 0$  implies  $G^2 = 0$ .

The assumption that  $U, V \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times r}$  are nonzero entails that when  $r = 1$  (resp.  $n = 1$ )  $E = UV^H$  (resp.  $G = V^H U$ ) has rank 1 and is  $\neq 0$ . This need not be true for  $r$  and  $n \geq 2$ . The condition  $\det G = \det V^H U \neq 0$  may hold only if  $r_0 = r \leq n$ .  $\det G \neq 0$  is then equivalent to the condition  $(\Sigma)$  in simple HD ( $0 \in \sigma(E)$  is semi-simple).

Another important consequence of  $\Gamma \neq I$  for the augmented matrix

$$\hat{A}(z, t) = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} zI - A & tU \\ \hline V^H & \Gamma \end{array} \right)$$

is that the *second* equivalent block-diagonal form, which is now

$$\left( \begin{array}{c|c} zI - A - tU\Gamma^{-1}V^H & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \Gamma \end{array} \right), \quad \text{for } z \in \text{re}(A),$$

exists iff  $\det \Gamma \neq 0$ . Accordingly, the *first* equivalent block-diagonal form becomes

$$\left( \begin{array}{c|c} zI - A & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \Gamma - tM_z \end{array} \right) \quad \text{for } z \in \text{re}(A).$$

**Proposition 2.1.** *A necessary condition for  $M_z$  to be invertible for some  $z$  in  $\text{re}(A)$  is that  $r_0 = r \leq n$ .*

*Proof.* We write  $M_z = \frac{1}{\pi(z)}Q(z)$ , with  $\pi(z) = \det(zI - A)$ , and  $Q(z) = V^H \text{adj}(zI - A)U \in \mathbb{C}^{r \times r}$ . When  $r > n$ ,  $\text{rank } Q(z) \leq n < r$ . When  $r = n$ ,  $\det Q(z) = \det U \det V^H \det \text{adj}(zI - A)$ . Therefore when  $r > n$  or  $r_0 < r \leq n$ ,  $\det Q(z) \equiv 0$ . Conversely  $\det Q(z) \neq 0$  implies  $r_0 = r \leq n$ .  $\square$

When  $\det Q(z) \neq 0$ , the set of zeros  $Z(\det Q)$  for  $\det Q$  is discrete. In this case, we define  $F(A, E) = Z(\det Q) \cap \text{re}(A)$  to be the set of frontier points [1], which are the points  $z$  in  $\text{re}(A)$  where  $M_z$  is not invertible. In order to maintain the possibility that  $F$  is discrete, we assume below that  $r_0 = r \leq n$ . We observe that the condition  $r_0 = r \leq n$  (which holds in simple

HD) does not guarantee that  $F$  is discrete. See Example 3.1 in [4] where  $r_0 = r = 2 < 3 = n$ , and  $F(A, E) = \text{re}(A)$ . However the additional condition  $\det G \neq 0$  implies that  $Z(\det Q)$ , hence  $F$ , are discrete [1]. In particular,  $r_0 = r = n$  implies that  $F(A, E) = \emptyset$ . More generally,  $F$  is discrete iff there exists  $z_0$  in  $\text{re}(A)$  such that  $M_z$  is invertible [1]. When  $M_z$  is invertible ( $z \in \text{re}(A) \setminus F(A, E)$  [1, 2, 3]) then

$$\Gamma - tM_z = t(s\Gamma M_z^{-1} - I_r)M_z, \quad s = \frac{1}{t},$$

and

$$(\Gamma - tM_z)^{-1} = -sM_z^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (s\Gamma M_z^{-1})^k$$

converges for

$$|s| < \frac{1}{\rho(\Gamma M_z^{-1})},$$

that is

$$|t| > \rho(\Gamma M_z^{-1}).$$

Analyticity of the resolvent  $R(t, z)$  is preserved around  $|t| = \infty$  ( $|s| \sim 0$ ). But there is *no* analyticity for  $|t|$  small when  $\Gamma$  is singular, which is the case which motivates this report. The rate of convergence of the analytic representation at  $\infty$  is not given by the frontier portrait  $z \mapsto \rho(M_z^{-1})$ , but rather, by the *resultant* portrait  $z \mapsto \rho(\Gamma M_z^{-1})$ . We observe also that the notion of criticality vanishes:  $R(t, z)$  cannot be represented as a polynomial in  $t$  for certain critical points  $z$  in  $\text{re}(A)$ .

### 2.3. The equation $\det \hat{A}(z, t) = 0$ for $n$ and $r \geq 2$ resolved by using the Schur formulae

We set  $\Delta(z, t) = \det \hat{A}(z, t)$ : this is a polynomial in  $z$  of degree at most  $n$ , as well as a polynomial in  $t$  of degree at most  $r$ . The coefficient of  $z^n$  is  $\det \Gamma$ : it is nonzero iff  $\det \Gamma \neq 0$ .

We want to compare the direct evaluation  $\Delta(z, t)$  of  $\det \hat{A}(z, t)$  with the computation by means of the partitioning  $N = n + r$  realised by the Schur formulae when at least one of the diagonal blocks  $zI_n - A$  or  $\Gamma$  is invertible.

- First, when  $\det \Gamma \neq 0$ ,

$$\text{(S1)} \quad \Delta(z, t) = (\det \Gamma) \det(zI - A - tU\Gamma^{-1}V^H)$$

for any  $z, t$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

- Second, for  $z \in \text{re}(A)$ ,  $\pi(z) = \det(zI - A) \neq 0$ , then

$$\text{(S2)} \quad \Delta(z, t) = \pi(z) \det(\Gamma - tM_z)$$

is valid for  $z \notin \sigma(A)$  and  $t \neq 0$ .

We remark that  $\Delta(z, 0) = (\det \Gamma)\pi(z)$  for any  $z$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Let  $Var$  be the algebraic manifold in  $\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$  defined by

$$Var = \{(z, t), \Delta(z, t) = 0\}.$$

What is the description of  $Var$  provided by **(S1)** or **(S2)**? We analyse this question by distinguishing whether  $\det \Gamma$  is 0 or not.

#### 2.4. $\det \Gamma \neq 0$

We set  $E_1 = U\Gamma^{-1}V^H$ , and  $A_1(t) = A + tE_1$ . Then it is plain that  $\Delta(z, t) = 0$  iff  $\det(zI - A - tE_1) = 0$ .  $Var$  can be fully described by the  $n$  spectral rays:

$$t \longmapsto \lambda_i(t) \in \sigma(A_1(t)), \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

when one uses **(S1)** with  $\det \Gamma \neq 0$ . This represents the map

$$\text{(a):} \quad t \in \mathbb{C} \longmapsto \sigma(A_1(t)) \in \mathbb{C}^n.$$

We turn to **(S2)**:  $\det(\Gamma - tM_z) = \det \Gamma \det(I_r - tM_{1z})$  with  $M_{1z} = V^H(zI - A)U\Gamma^{-1} = M_z\Gamma^{-1}$ , for any  $z \notin \sigma(A)$ . Observe that  $F(A, E) = F(A, E_1)$ .

Any point in  $Var$  such that  $z \notin \sigma(A)$  can be obtained by solving  $\det(I_r - tM_{1z}) = 0$ . This defines the vector map

$$\text{(b):} \quad z \in \text{re}(A) \longmapsto t(z),$$

where  $\frac{1}{t} \in \sigma(M_{1z}) \setminus \{0\}$ .

The values  $t(z)$  are the finite eigenvalues of the regular pencil  $A - zI + tE_1$ , for  $z$  given in  $\text{re}(A)$ . There are at most  $r$  such  $t$ , and at least 1, unless  $M_z$  is nilpotent [1]. For  $z \in F(A, E) = F(A, E_1)$ , let  $p_z$ ,  $0 < p_z \leq r$ , be the

algebraic multiplicity of  $0 \in \sigma(M_{1z})$ . There are exactly  $q_z = r - p_z$  nonzero eigenvalues with  $q_z > 0 \iff p_z < r$  and  $q_z = 0 \iff p_z = r \iff M_{1z}$  is nilpotent. The latter happens for  $z \in C(A, E_1)$ , the set of critical points for  $(A, E_1)$  [1]. Any  $z$  in  $C(A, E_1)$  has no image by **(b)**: the pencil  $A - zI + tE_1$  has no finite eigenvalue.

How is the information given by **(b)** related to the spectral information  $\sigma(A_1(t))$  given by **(a)**? We write

$$zI_n - A - tE_1 = (I_n - tE_1(zI_n - A)^{-1})(zI_n - A)$$

for  $z \notin \sigma(A)$ .  $z$  in  $\text{re}(A)$  is an eigenvalue of  $A_1(t)$  iff  $t$  is such that

$$\frac{1}{t} \in \sigma(E_1(zI_n - A)^{-1}) \setminus \{0\}.$$

And the nonzero elements of the spectra of  $U\Gamma^{-1}V^H(zI - A)^{-1}$  and of  $M_{1z} = V^H(zI_n - A)^{-1}U\Gamma^{-1}$  are identical.

We readily conclude that the map **(b)**:  $z \in \text{re}(A) \mapsto t(z)$  represents the backward (vector) distance to singularity of  $z$  in  $\text{re}(A)$ :  $A + t(z)E_1 - zI_n$  is singular, iff  $M_{1z}$  is not nilpotent. When  $M_{1z}$  is nilpotent, the map **(b)** is not defined at  $z$ , and  $(A + tE_1 - zI_n)^{-1}$  is a polynomial in  $t$  for this  $z$ : it exists for any  $t$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

The formulae **(S1)** and **(S2)** give *two* different and complementary descriptions of  $\text{Var}$ : one description is *forward*, the second is *backward*.

A simplification may occur when  $G = \Gamma$ .

## 2.5. $G = \Gamma$ is invertible

When  $G = \Gamma$ , one can factor  $G - tM_z$  for  $z \in \text{re}(A)$ :

$$G - tM_z = V^H(zI_n - A)^{-1}[(z - t)I_n - A]U.$$

We assume that  $\det \Gamma = \det G \neq 0$ : this requires that  $r_0 = r \leq n$ , hence  $\text{rank } E = \text{rank } E_1 = r \leq n$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** *When  $G = \Gamma$  is invertible,  $E_1$  is a projection. Moreover,  $I_n - E_1$  is the eigenprojection for  $E = UV^H$  associated with 0 when  $r < n$ , or  $E_1 = I_n$  for  $r = n$ .*

*Proof.*  $E_1 = UG^{-1}V^H$  satisfies  $E_1^2 = E_1$ . By assumption,  $0 \in \sigma(E)$  has algebraic and geometric multiplicity  $g = n - r$  for  $n > r$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.2.** *When  $G = \Gamma$  is invertible, if there exists  $\lambda \in \sigma(A)$  with geometric multiplicity  $g_\lambda$  such that  $g_\lambda > g$ , then, for any  $z \in \text{re}(A)$ ,  $t = z - \lambda \neq 0$  satisfies  $\det(G - tM_z) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* This follows from the factorization for  $G - tM_z$ : for  $r_0 = r \leq n$ ,

$$\text{rank}(G - tM_z) \leq \text{rank}((z - t)I_n - A) < r$$

is equivalent to

$$\dim \text{Ker}((z - t)I - A) > n - r.$$

This is, for  $z - t = \lambda \in \sigma(A)$ , the condition  $g_\lambda > g$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 2.3.** *When  $r_0 = r = n$  and  $G = \Gamma$ , the two maps **(a)** and **(b)**:  $\mathbb{C} \mapsto \mathbb{C}^n$  reduce to the linear translation  $z = \lambda + t$ ,  $\lambda \in \sigma(A)$ .*

*Proof.* When  $r = n$ , and  $G$  is invertible,  $E_1 = I_n$  and  $A(t) = A + tI$  has the eigenvalues  $z(t) = \lambda + t$  for  $t \in \mathbb{C}$ .  $\square$

We introduce the condition on  $A$ :

- **(H)**: there exists at least one eigenvalue  $\lambda \in \sigma(A)$  such that

$$g_\lambda > g = n - r \geq 1 \quad \text{for } n > r.$$

When **(H)** holds,  $g_\lambda \geq 2$  and there exists a component of **(b)** which takes the linear form:  $z \in \text{re}(A) \mapsto t = z - \lambda \neq 0$ . The analogue does not necessarily hold for **(a)** when  $r < n$ . Indeed,  $A + (t - z)I$  singular for  $t - z = -\lambda$  does not necessarily imply  $A + tE_1 - zI$  singular, when  $E_1 \neq I$ .

The following is immediate:

**Lemma 2.4.** **(H)** *cannot be satisfied by a nonderogatory matrix.*

The proof is obvious since  $g_\lambda = 1$  for a non derogatory  $A$ . When  $r = 1 < n$ , **(H)** can hold only if  $g_\lambda = n$  hence  $A = \lambda I_n$ . More precisely, one has the

**Lemma 2.5.** *When  $A = \lambda I_n$ , the matrix  $A_1(t) - zI$  (resp.  $G - tM_z$ ) is singular (resp. zero) for  $t = z - \lambda \neq 0$ .*

*Proof.* From

$$I - t(zI - A)^{-1} = I - \frac{t}{z - \lambda} I = 0$$

for  $t = z - \lambda \neq 0$ , we conclude that  $G - tM_z = 0$ , whether  $\det G \neq 0$  or not. When  $\det G \neq 0$ ,  $A_1(t) - zI$  is singular (resp. 0) for  $z = t + \lambda \neq \lambda$  (resp.  $z = \lambda$ ) by **(S1)**.  $\square$

## 2.6. $\det \Gamma = 0$ and $\Gamma \neq 0$

When  $\Gamma \neq 0$  is not invertible,  $E_1$  does not exist and computation by **(S1)** is impossible. However computation is still possible by means of **(S2)**, that is, by solving  $\det(\Gamma - tM_z) = 0$  for any  $z$  in  $\text{re}(A)$ , when the pencil  $\Gamma - tM_z$  is not singular [10], see Appendix.  $\det \Gamma = 0$  and  $\det M_z = 0$  are necessary conditions under which  $\det(\Gamma - tM_z) \equiv 0$  for  $z$  given in  $F$ , that is, the pencil is singular.

When  $F$  is discrete, then for  $z \in \text{re}(A) \setminus F$ , **(S2)** leads to

$$\text{(c): } z \mapsto t \in \sigma(\Gamma M_z^{-1}) \in \mathbb{C}^r.$$

**(c)** would be equivalent to **(b)** if  $\Gamma$  were invertible. But now that  $\Gamma$  is not invertible, there is no obvious interpretation for **(c)** in terms of  $A$  and  $E$ . Observe that  $0 \in \sigma(\Gamma M_z^{-1})$ .

What are the modifications provided by the particular case  $G = \Gamma$  singular?

1. Firstly, the pencil  $G - tM_z$  is singular when  $1 \leq r_0 < r$  or  $1 \leq n < r$ . This requires  $r \geq 2$ .
2. Second, for  $1 \leq r_0 = r < n$ , **(H)** implies the linearisation of at least two (identical) components of **(c)**:  $z \in \text{re}(A) \mapsto t = z - \lambda$ , with  $g_\lambda \geq 2$  since  $n > r$ .

**Example 2.1.** For  $r = 1 < n$ ,  $g_\lambda = n$  implies  $A = \lambda I_n$ . Therefore, when  $\gamma = v^H u$ ,

$$\det \hat{A}(z, t) = (z - \lambda)^{n-1} v^H u (z - \lambda - t) = 0$$

yields either  $z = \lambda$ ,  $t$  arbitrary, or  $z = \lambda + t$  if  $v^H u \neq 0$ , and  $z, t$  arbitrary in  $\mathbb{C}$  if  $v^H u = 0$ .  $\triangle$

This analysis shows that the complex dimension of the manifold  $Var$  in  $\mathbb{C}^2$  takes the generic value 1. The value 2 is possible non generically, as illustrated by Example 2.1.

## 2.7. $\Gamma = 0$

When  $\Gamma = 0$ ,

$$\det(-tM_z) = (-t)^r \det M_z.$$

We set

$$\hat{\pi}(z) = \Delta_0(z, -1) = \det \hat{A}_0(z, -1)$$

for  $\Gamma = 0$ , that is

$$\hat{A}_0(z, -1) = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} zI - A & -U \\ \hline V^H & 0 \end{array} \right) = \hat{A}(z).$$

For  $z \in \text{re}(A)$ ,

$$\hat{\pi}(z) = \pi(z) \det M_z,$$

by (S2) for  $t = -1$ , and

$$\Delta(z, t) = (-t)^r \hat{\pi}(z)$$

for any  $z$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

### Corollary 2.6.

$$\det Q(z) = (\pi(z))^{r-1} \hat{\pi}(z)$$

with

$$\hat{\pi}(z) = \det \hat{A}(z),$$

and

$$\hat{A}(z) = \left( \begin{array}{cc} zI - A & -U \\ V^H & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

of order  $n + r$ .

*Proof.* For  $y \in \text{re}(A)$ , one has the relations:

$$\begin{aligned} \det Q(z) &= (\pi(z))^r \det M_z, \\ \hat{\pi}(z) &= \pi(z) \det M_z. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\det Q(z) = (\pi(z))^{r-1} \hat{\pi}(z)$$

holds for  $z \in \text{re}(A)$ . The relation extends to  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  by continuity of polynomials.  $\square$

It is remarkable that the influence of  $U$  and  $V$  on  $\det Q(z)$  is limited, for  $r \geq 2$ , to the factor  $\hat{\pi}(z)$ .

We recall that  $G = V^H U$ .

**Corollary 2.7.** *The following equivalences hold:*

- i)*  $\det Q \neq 0 \iff \hat{\pi}(z) \neq 0$ ,
- ii)*  $\deg \det Q(z) = (n-1)r \iff \deg \det \hat{\pi}(z) = n-r \iff \det G \neq 0$ .

*Proof.*

- i)* Clear by Corollary 2.6.
- ii)*

$$Q(z) = V^H \text{adj}(zI - A) U = z^{n-1} V^H U + \dots$$

Hence

$$\det Q(z) = z^{(n-1)r} \det V^H U + \dots$$

And

$$(n-1)r = n(r-1) + n - r.$$

$\square$

## 2.8. Summary

Of the two Schur computing formulas, the second one **(S2)** has a larger domain of validity, but gives less information.

1. When  $\det \Gamma \neq 0$ , **(S2)** gives only the finite eigenvalues of the regular pencil  $A - zI + tE_1$ , for  $z$  in  $\text{re}(A)$ . Whereas **(S1)** gives the complete spectrum of the matrix  $A + tE_1$ , for  $t \in \mathbb{C}$ .

2. When  $\det \Gamma = 0$  with  $\Gamma \neq 0$ , **(S1)** cannot be used, but **(S2)** gives the finite eigenvalues of the pencil  $\Gamma - tM_z$ , which is certainly regular for  $z$  in  $\text{re}(A) \setminus F(A, E)$ .

We leave for a future paper the analysis of the case when  $\Gamma - tM_z$  is singular, which may happen for  $z \in F(A, E)$ .

3. When  $\Gamma = 0$ ,  $\Delta(z, t) = (-1)^r \hat{\pi}(z)$  for  $z, t \in \mathbb{C}$ .

We continue our investigation of the role of the second formula **(S2)** in the next Section.

### 3. The role of **(S2)** in the computation of the zeros of $\Delta(z, t)$

#### 3.1. $\det \Gamma \neq 0$

The manifold  $V$  is described directly by **(a)** which gives the  $n$  spectral rays contained in  $\sigma(A_1(t))$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{C}$ . For  $z \in \text{re}(A) \setminus F$ , **(b)** provides a restriction of **(a)** to the values of  $z$  not in  $\sigma(A)$  such that  $\det M_z \neq 0$  and  $t \neq 0$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

When  $z \in F$ , the pencil  $\Gamma - tM_z$  has at least one infinite eigenvalue that is not accessible, since **(S2)** gives only the finite eigenvalues. If moreover  $z \in C(A, E_1) \neq \emptyset$  is a critical point,  $\Gamma - tM_z$  has *no* finite eigenvalue. When  $\text{card } C(A, E_1) \geq n$ , a direct approach shows that  $\sigma(A_1(t)) = \sigma(A)$  for any  $t$ : the  $n$  spectral rays reduce to the  $n$  invariant eigenvalues in  $\sigma(A)$ . Such information cannot be delivered by **(b)**.

This discussion shows that, even in the most favorable case where  $\det \Gamma \neq 0$ , the backward information given by **(b)** is *incomplete*, when compared with the forward formulation given by **(a)**.

#### 3.2. $\det \Gamma = 0$

To assess the information given by **(S2)**, one should compare it directly to the zeros of  $\Delta(z, t)$  since computation **(S1)** is now impossible.

If one has no access to this direct information, one *cannot* assess the validity of the information delivered by **(S2)**, unless  $\Gamma = 0$ .

Let us suppose that  $(z_0, t_0) \in \text{re}(A) \times \mathbb{C}$  satisfies  $\det \hat{A}(z_0, t_0) = 0$ . If  $z_0 \notin F(A, E)$ , then  $t_0 \in \sigma(\Gamma M_{z_0}^{-1})$ , and there exists  $u \neq 0$  in  $\mathbb{C}^r$  such that  $\Gamma u = t_0 M_{z_0} u \neq 0$ . If  $z_0 \in F(A, E)$ , then  $\Gamma u = t M_{z_0} u = 0$  for any  $t \in \mathbb{C}$  is possible iff  $u \in \text{Ker } \Gamma \cap \text{Ker } M_{z_0}$ . Then the pencil  $\Gamma - t M_{z_0}$  is singular:  $\det(\Gamma - t M_{z_0}) \equiv 0$  for  $t \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $(z_0, t)$  satisfies **(S2)** for any  $t$ . However, as we know,  $(z_0, 0)$  cannot be a root of  $\det \hat{A}(z, t)$  when  $z_0 \notin \sigma(A)$ .

This shows that the information delivered by **(S2)** may also not be reliable when  $\det \Gamma = 0$ , if, for example, the pencil  $\Gamma - t M_z$  is singular. The case  $\Gamma = 0$  is an exception: a factorization occurs, and  $\Delta(z, t) = (-t)^r \hat{\pi}(z)$  (see Proposition 4.3).

## 4. The rational forms associated with $\det(\Gamma - t M_z)$

We consider the following two ways to associate a rational form with

$$\det(\Gamma - t M_z) = \Theta(z, t)$$

when  $\Theta \neq 0$ . We assume that  $0 \leq \text{rank } \Gamma \leq r$ .

1. For  $z \in \text{re}(A)$ ,

$$\det(\Gamma - t M_z) = \frac{1}{\pi^r} \det(\pi \Gamma - t Q(z)).$$

Then **(S2)** yields for  $z \in \text{re}(A)$ :

$$\Delta = \Delta(z, t) = \pi \det(\Gamma - t M_z) = \frac{1}{\pi^{r-1}} \det(\pi \Gamma - t Q).$$

We write

$$\mathcal{R}_1 = \frac{\mathcal{N}_1}{\mathcal{D}_1}$$

with  $\mathcal{N}_1 = \det(\pi \Gamma - t Q)$  and  $\mathcal{D}_1 = \pi^{r-1}$ .

2. We suppose that  $r_0 = r \leq n$  and  $F(A, E)$  is discrete, therefore  $\det Q \neq 0$ . For  $z \in \text{re}(A) \setminus F(A, E)$

$$\det(\Gamma - t M_z) = \det M_z \det(\Gamma M_z^{-1} - t I_r)$$

and

$$\Delta = \pi \det(\Gamma - tM_z) = \frac{1}{(\pi \det Q)^{r-1}} \det(\pi \Gamma \operatorname{adj} Q - t \det Q I_r).$$

We set  $\mathcal{N}_2 = \det P$  with

$$P(z, t) = \pi(z) \Gamma \operatorname{adj} Q(z) - t \det Q(z) I_r,$$

$$\mathcal{D}_2 = (\pi \det Q)^{r-1} \text{ and } \mathcal{R}_2 = \mathcal{N}_2 / \mathcal{D}_2.$$

The equalities  $\Delta = \mathcal{R}_1$  or  $\mathcal{R}_2$  are conditional to  $z \in \operatorname{re}(A)$ , or  $z \in \operatorname{re}(A) \setminus F$ . It is not evident that they should hold for all  $z$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

We look at this question by considering first the particular cases  $r \geq n = 1$  or  $n \geq r = 1$ , which can be treated by a direct approach.

#### 4.1. The special cases $r \geq n = 1$ , or $n \geq r = 1$

The first case ( $n = 1$ ) corresponds to  $A$  being the scalar  $a$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ , then  $(zI - A)^{-1}$  becomes  $\frac{1}{z-a}$  for  $z \neq a$ , and

$$M_z = \frac{1}{z-a} V^H U$$

is a rank 1 matrix of order  $r$ , with  $U \in \mathbb{C}^{1 \times r}$  and  $V^H \in \mathbb{C}^r = \mathbb{C}^{r \times 1}$  being  $\neq 0$ .

$Q(z) \equiv V^H U$  is a *constant* polynomial of order  $r$  and rank 1. There are only two possibilities, depending on  $r$ , for  $Z(\det Q)$ :

1. either the scalar  $E = UV^H = 0$  and  $Z(\det Q) = \mathbb{C}$  for  $r \geq 2$ ,
2. or  $E = UV^H \neq 0$  and  $Z(\det Q) = \mathbb{C}$  (resp.  $\emptyset$ ) for  $r \geq 2$  (resp.  $r = 1$ ).

When  $n = 1 \leq r$ ,

$$\det \hat{A}(z, t) = \det \begin{pmatrix} z-a & tU \\ V^H & \Gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

can be computed directly for any  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  as  $(z-a) \det \Gamma - tU \operatorname{adj} \Gamma V^H$  [5, p. 65]. The term  $(a-z) \det \Gamma$  cancels itself when  $\det \Gamma = 0$ .

1. For  $r \geq 2$  and  $\det \Gamma \neq 0$ ,  $z = a + tU\Gamma^{-1}V^H$ . When  $\det \Gamma = 0$ ,

$$\det \hat{A}(z, t) = tU(\operatorname{adj} \Gamma)V^H$$

is a scalar independent of  $z$ . The solutions are either  $\mathbb{C}$  (for  $U(\operatorname{adj} \Gamma)V^H = 0$ ) or  $\emptyset$  (for  $U(\operatorname{adj} \Gamma)V^H \neq 0$ ), when  $t \neq 0$ . When  $t = 0$ , then

$$\det \hat{A}(z, 0) \equiv 0.$$

2. For  $r = 1$ ,

$$\hat{A}(z, t) = \begin{pmatrix} z - a & tu \\ v & \gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

is  $2 \times 2$ , where  $U, V$  are now the scalars  $u, v \in \mathbb{C}$  respectively. By assumption  $u$  and  $v$  are nonzero. Therefore

$$\det \hat{A}(z, t) = (z - a)\gamma - tuv = 0$$

yields  $t = \frac{\gamma}{uv}(z - a)$ . When  $\gamma = uv \neq 0$ ,  $t = z - a$ .

The second case ( $r = 1$ ) is treated similarly: for  $r = 1 \leq n$  we get

$$\hat{A}(z, t) = \begin{pmatrix} zI_n - A & tU \\ V^H & \gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $U, V \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times 1} = \mathbb{C}^n$ , and  $V^H U$  is a scalar. Therefore

$$\det \hat{A}(z, t) = \gamma\pi(z) - tQ(z).$$

For  $\gamma = 0$ ,

$$\det \hat{A}(z, t) = -tV^H \operatorname{adj}(zI - A)U = -tQ(z)$$

where  $Q(z)$  is a scalar polynomial ( $r = 1$ ) of degree at most  $n - 1$ : it has at most  $n - 1$  roots for  $n \geq 2$  and none for  $n = 1$ , assuming that  $U$  and  $V$  are nonzero scalars. When  $\gamma = V^H U = 0$ ,  $Q(z)$  of degree  $\leq n - 2$  has no root in  $z$  if  $n = 2$  and  $V^H \operatorname{adj} A U \neq 0$ . This gives  $\operatorname{Var} = \mathbb{C} \times \{0\}$  of dimension 1. Moreover, if  $A = \lambda I_n$ , we get  $\operatorname{Var} = \mathbb{C}^2$  of dimension 2. See Example 2.1.

## 4.2. An application to Krylov methods

The case  $r = 1$  is computationally significant since rank 1 deviation matrices of the type  $E = UV^H$ ,  $U, V \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times 1} = \mathbb{C}^n$  are ubiquitous in numerical algorithms.

As an example we reexamine now Krylov methods, as they are presented in [2, 7]. The reader is referred to [7] for a presentation of the incomplete Arnoldi method in the framework of simple HD. We keep the notation of [7]. The deviation matrix  $E$  has rank  $r = 1$ , it is nilpotent so that  $E^2 = 0$ . It has a unique Jordan block of size 2, the others being trivial Jordan blocks.

Proposition 5.2 [7] specifies  $\text{Lim} = \sigma(\Omega)$  under the Lidskii assumption that  $a_{n-1n}$  (which plays the role of  $\Gamma$  of order 1) is  $\neq 0$ .  $\Omega$  is the Schur complement of  $a_{n-1n}$  of order  $n - 2$ , and  $l_* = \text{card Lim} = n - 2$ . We left open, in [7], the characterisation of  $\text{Lim}$  when  $a_{n-1n} = 0$ . We assume that  $n \geq 3$ .

The sizes  $r = 1, n$  should be replaced respectively by  $f = 1, g' = n - 2$  [7]. The generic case  $a_{n-1n} \neq 0$  yields  $l_* = g'$  as expected: two eigenvalues escape to  $\infty$ . When  $a_{n-1n} = 0$ ,  $\text{Lim}$  consists of the zeros of the scalar polynomial  $v^T \text{adj}(zI_{g'} - A_{n-2})u$  of degree at most  $g' - 1$  (notation of [7], p. 11). We get  $l_* = g' - 1 = n - 3$  (resp.  $l_* \leq g' - 2 = n - 4$ ) when  $v^T u \neq 0$  (resp.  $= 0$ ), with  $v^T u = a_{n-1n-2} a_{n-2n}$  when  $A$  is in upper Hessenberg form, hence  $A \neq \lambda I$ . At least three eigenvalues escape to  $\infty$  (with orders  $< 1$  for  $\nu(s)$ ).

Numerical experiments are performed by M. Ahmadnasab to examine how the transition from 2 to  $\geq 3$  eigenvalues escaping to  $\infty$  occurs in finite precision as  $a_{n-1n} \rightarrow 0$ .

This is easily recast in the context of the Lidskii process with 2 steps  $j = 1, 2$ . The first step  $j = 1$  is non generic with  $\det \phi_1 = a_{n-1n} = 0$ .

1. At least one of the  $g' = n - 2$  eigenvalues  $\nu(s)$ , which generically should converge with order 1, actually does converge with order  $< 1$ .
2. No eigenvalue converges with order 1 ( $l_* = 0$ ) when  $n = 3$  (resp.  $n \leq 4$ ) and  $v^T u \neq 0$  (resp.  $= 0$ ).

### 4.3. The rational forms $\mathcal{R}_i$ when $r, n \geq 2$

#### 4.3.1. $\mathcal{R}_1 = \mathcal{N}_1/\mathcal{D}_1$

We recall that

$$\mathcal{N}_1 = \det(\pi\Gamma - tQ) = (-t)^r \det Q + \cdots + \pi^r \det \Gamma,$$

and  $\mathcal{D}_1 = \pi^{r-1}$ .  $\deg \det Q \leq (n-1)r$ . In what follows,  $\deg$  denotes the degree in  $z$  for polynomials in  $z$  and  $t$ .

**Lemma 4.1.** *When  $\det \Gamma \neq 0$ ,  $\deg \mathcal{N}_1 = nr$  and  $\deg \mathcal{R}_1 = \deg \mathcal{N}_1 - \deg \mathcal{D}_1 = n$ .*

**Proposition 4.2.** *When  $\det \Gamma \neq 0$ , the rational form  $\mathcal{R}_1$  reduces to the polynomial  $\Delta(z, t) = \Delta$ .*

*Proof.* For  $z \in \text{re}(A)$ ,  $t \neq 0$ ,  $\mathcal{R}_1(z, t) = \Delta(z, t)$ . For  $t = 0$ ,  $\mathcal{R}_1(z, 0) = \pi \det \Gamma = \Delta(z, 0)$  for any  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ . The conclusion follows by continuity.  $\square$

The situation is more complex when  $\det \Gamma = 0$ . We know from Section 3 that the reduction of  $\mathcal{R}_1$  to  $\Delta$  need not take place. We defer to a future report a more complete analysis of the case  $\Gamma \neq 0$ .

The case  $\Gamma = 0$  is easily treated by the

**Proposition 4.3.** *When  $\Gamma = 0$ , the rational form  $\mathcal{R}_1$  reduces to the factored polynomial  $\Delta(z, t) = (-t)^r \hat{\pi}(z)$ .*

*Proof.* For  $\Gamma = 0$ ,  $\mathcal{N}_1 = (-t)^r \det Q$ . Hence

$$\frac{\mathcal{N}_1}{\mathcal{D}_1} = \mathcal{R}_1 = (-t)^r \hat{\pi}(z) = \Delta(z, t).$$

$\square$

We observe that the two situations where the polynomial reduction is easy to establish are the two extreme cases: either  $\det \Gamma \neq 0$ , or  $\Gamma = 0$ .

#### 4.3.2. $\mathcal{R}_2 = \mathcal{N}_2/\mathcal{D}_2$

$\mathcal{D}_2 = (\pi \det Q)^{r-1} = (\pi^r \hat{\pi})^{r-1}$  has a degree which depends not only on  $A$ , but on  $U$  and  $V$  as well.

**Lemma 4.4.** *The leading coefficient in  $Q(z)$  (resp.  $\det Q(z)$ ) is  $V^H U$  (resp.  $\det V^H U$ ).*

*Proof.* Simple calculation (see Corollary 2.7).

$Q(z)$  is a matrix polynomial of degree  $n - 1$  iff  $V^H U \neq 0$ , that is  $E^2 \neq 0$ ,  $E = UV^H$ .  $\det Q(z)$  is a scalar polynomial of degree  $r(n - 1)$  iff  $\det V^H U \neq 0$ . This is condition  $(\Sigma)$ :  $0 \in \sigma(E)$  is semi-simple.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.5.** *The leading coefficient in  $P(z, 1)$  is*

$$C = \Gamma \operatorname{adj}(V^H U)$$

*iff  $V^H U \neq 0$ .*

*Proof.*  $\operatorname{adj}(V^H U) \neq 0 \iff V^H U \neq 0$ .

The leading coefficient for  $\pi(z) \Gamma \operatorname{adj} Q(z)$  is  $\Gamma \operatorname{adj}(V^H U)$  when  $C$  is nonzero. When  $V^H U$  and  $\Gamma$  are  $\neq 0$ ,

$$\deg P = n + (n - 1)(r - 1) = r(n - 1) + 1 \geq \deg \det Q + 1.$$

When  $V^H U = 0$ ,  $\Gamma \neq 0$ ,

$$\deg P \leq n + (n - 2)(r - 1).$$

$\square$

**Lemma 4.6.**  *$\det P(z, 1)$  is a scalar polynomial of degree  $r^2(n - 1) + r$  when  $\det \Gamma \det G \neq 0$ .*

*Proof.* By Lemma 4.5, the coefficient of  $z^{r^2(n-1)+r}$  in  $\det P(z, 1)$  is

$$\det(\Gamma \operatorname{adj}(V^H U)) = \det \Gamma (\det G)^{r-1}.$$

The conclusion follows.  $\square$

One writes

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}_2(z, t) &= \det(\pi \Gamma \operatorname{adj} Q - t \det Q I) \\ &= (-t)^r (\det Q)^r + \cdots + \pi^r \det \Gamma (\det Q)^{r-1} \end{aligned}$$

as a polynomial in  $t$  with coefficients depending on  $z$ .

**Lemma 4.7.**  $z_0 \in Z(\det Q)$  is a necessary condition for  $\mathcal{N}_2(z_0, t)$  to be identically 0 in  $t$ .

*Proof.* Clear from the expansion above. □

Lemmas 4.6 and 4.7 show that an analogue of Proposition 4.2 need not hold for  $\mathcal{R}_2$  when  $\det \Gamma \neq 0$  alone.

**Proposition 4.8.** If  $\det \Gamma \det G \neq 0$ , the rational form  $\mathcal{R}_2$  reduces to  $\Delta$ .

*Proof.* When  $\det G \neq 0$ ,  $Z(\det Q)$  is finite. When  $\det \Gamma \neq 0$ , for  $z \in \text{re}(A) \setminus F$ ,  $t \neq 0$ ,  $\mathcal{R}_2(z, t) = \Delta(z, t)$ . For  $t = 0$ ,  $\mathcal{N}_2(z, 0) = \pi^r \det \Gamma (\det Q)^{r-1}$  hence  $\mathcal{R}_2(z, 0) = \pi \det \Gamma = \Delta(z, 0)$  for any  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ . The conclusion follows by continuity. □

A more complete analysis is beyond reach at the moment when  $\Gamma \neq 0$ .

**Proposition 4.9.** When  $\Gamma = 0$ , the rational form  $\mathcal{R}_2$  reduces to  $\Delta = (-t)^r \hat{\pi}(z)$ .

*Proof.* Easy calculation. □

## 5. Application to Lidskii's algorithm

We go back to the question asked in Section 1: How can we compute the coefficients  $\xi$  of the eigenvalues converging with order  $1/n_{j+1}$ , when  $\det \phi_j = 0$ , hence  $\Omega_{j+1}$  does not exist?

The reasoning of Lidskii is based on the existence of the polynomial form for

$$\det \phi_{j+1}(z) = \det \phi_j \cdot \det (\Omega_{j+1} - zI_{r_{j+1}})$$

with

$$\Omega_{j+1} = \Delta_{j+1} - L_{j+1} \phi_j^{-1} R_{j+1},$$

and

$$z = \xi^{n_{j+1}}, \quad \xi \in \sigma(\Omega_{j+1}).$$

When  $\det \phi_j = 0$ , the reasoning breaks down. The difficulty can be analysed, but not resolved, by augmented HD. There are fewer solutions  $z$  for  $\det \phi_{j+1}(z) = 0$  than the generic value  $r_{j+1}$ , which holds when  $\det \phi_j \neq 0$ .

We drop the subscript  $j + 1$  and use the results of Sections 2 and 3, together with the change of notation:

$$\Downarrow \frac{r \quad n \quad A \quad U \quad V^H \quad \Gamma \quad \det \hat{A}(z, 1)}{f \quad r \quad \Delta \quad L \quad R \quad \Gamma \quad \det \phi(z)}.$$

We first review the special cases  $f = 1 \leq r$ , or  $r = 1 \leq f$  at step  $j + 1$ , when step  $j$  is non generic ( $\det \phi_j = 0$ ).

### 5.1. The special cases at step $j + 1$ when step $j$ is non generic

$f = 1$  is possible for  $j = 1$  only: this happens if there is a unique Jordan block of maximal size  $n_1$  (see Section 3.4). There are always fewer solutions than  $r$ , the generic value.

$r = 1$  is satisfied at step  $j + 1$  whenever there is a *unique* block of order  $n_{j+1}$ . For  $f \geq 2$ , the number of zeros for  $\det \phi(z) = 0$  is  $\infty$  or 0, depending on whether the scalar product  $L(\text{adj } \Gamma)R$  is zero or not.

### 5.2. $r$ and $f \geq 2$ at step $j + 1$

$r \geq 2$  requires that there be *several* Jordan blocks of order  $n_{j+1}$ . At least  $n_{j+1}$  eigenvalues (out of  $n_{j+1} r_{j+1}$ ) remain unclassified at step  $j + 1$ .

### 5.3. Consequence for the Lidskii algorithm

We have seen in Part I [3] that, when the Lidskii process hits the first singular step  $j$  for  $1 \leq j < q$ , then only  $n_j(r_j - \omega_j)$  eigenvalues are classified at step  $j$ , with  $\omega_j =$  the algebraic multiplicity of  $0 \in \sigma(\Omega_j)$ . Classification at step  $j + 1$  is also difficult for the Lidskii process because there are *too few* solutions. We have access only to at most  $r_{j+1} - 1$  solutions  $z = \xi^{n_{j+1}}$  (instead of  $r_{j+1}$ , the generic value). This means that  $n_{j+1}\delta_{j+1}$  eigenvalues converge with unknown orders smaller than  $1/n_j$ .

In summary, when step  $j$  is singular we are unable to classify  $n_j \omega_j$  eigenvalues at step  $j$  and  $n_{j+1}\delta_{j+1}$  eigenvalues at step  $j + 1$ . The two question marks displayed on Figure 2 of [3] for the Lidskii algorithm cannot be removed by a direct computation of  $\det \phi_{j+1}(z)$ .

When the step  $j$  is generic, then  $\det \phi_{j+1}(z)$  has a polynomial form in  $z$ , and the classification is straightforward. But when step  $j$  is *non generic*,  $\det \phi_{j+1}(z)$  evaluated by the only possible Schur formula can be written as a *rational fraction*. This leads to an incomplete classification. This may also lead to computational difficulties when *finite precision arithmetic* is used.

## 6. Conclusion

Our analysis of the algorithmic consequences of the event  $\det \phi_j = 0$  points to a new difficulty arising from the rational form for  $\det \phi_{j+1}(z)$ . The use of the dual Schur complement of order  $f_j$  yields either too few (exact arithmetic) or too many (inexact arithmetic) solutions for  $\det \phi_{j+1}(z) = 0$ , instead of the generic value  $r_{j+1}$ . One way to progress in this uncharted territory has been to explore numerically the case in which  $\Gamma$  is invertible. In this situation, we have the two Schur complements of order  $r_{j+1}$  and  $f_j$  at our disposal simultaneously. It is therefore possible to compare the solutions for  $\det \phi_{j+1}(z) \neq 0$  given by each Schur complement, all the more that there are *two* rational forms (one based on  $\Gamma W_z^{-1}$ , and the other on  $\Gamma^{-1} W_z$  associated with the dual Schur complement of order  $f_j$ ) [8].

## Appendix

### A1. Simple Homotopic Deviation [1, 4]

Let  $E \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  be given of rank  $r < n$ . By SVD, it can always be written as  $E = UV^H$ , where  $U, V \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times r}$  have rank  $r$ . 0 is an eigenvalue of  $E$  with algebraic (resp. geometric) multiplicity  $m$  (resp.  $g = n - r \leq m$ ).  $(\Sigma)$  is the condition that  $0 \in \sigma(E)$  is semi-simple, that is,  $m = g = n - r$ .

We consider the pencil  $A - zI + tE$  for  $z$  given in  $\text{re}(A)$ : it is a *regular* pencil, its determinant is nonzero for  $t = 0$ .

What is the structure of the pencil as  $z$  varies in  $\text{re}(A)$ ?

**Lemma A1.** For  $z \in \text{re}(A) \setminus F(A, E)$ , the pencil  $A - zI + tE$  is strictly equivalent to the  $2 \times 2$  block matrix

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & t\varepsilon & 0 & & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & & & \\ & & 1 & & & \\ \hline & & & \frac{1}{\mu_{1z}} & \varepsilon & 0 \\ & & & & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & & & \frac{1}{\mu_{rz}} \end{array} \right)$$

corresponding to the partition  $n = g + r$ , where  $\varepsilon$  represents 0 or 1 and  $\mu_{iz} \in \sigma(M_z)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, r$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{C}$ .

*Proof.* For any  $z$  such that  $M_z$  is invertible,  $\det(A - zI + tE) = 0$  iff  $t \in \sigma(M_z^{-1})$ .  $\square$

The structure of the pencil is given by the partition  $n = g + r$  for any  $z \notin F(A, E)$ : it depends only on  $r = \text{rank } E$  and *not* on  $A$ . This is the generic situation when  $F$  is a discrete set. When  $z$  is close to being a frontier point, then some of the finite eigenvalues of the pencil are large.

When  $z \in F(A, E)$  there is an abrupt change. Let  $p_z$ ,  $1 \leq p_z \leq r$  be the algebraic multiplicity of  $0 \in \sigma(M_z)$ , for  $z \in F(A, E)$ .

**Lemma A2.** For  $z \in F(A, E)$ , the structure of the pencil  $A - zI + tE$  is determined by the partition  $n = (g + p_z) + (r - p_z)$  which depends on  $z$  in  $F(A, E)$ .

For example, if the critical set  $C(A, E)$  is not empty and  $z \in C(A, E)$ , then  $p_z = r$  and the pencil has *no* finite eigenvalues.

When the frontier set is discrete, there are at most  $(n - 1)r$  frontier points  $z$  in  $\text{re}(A)$  where the *structure* of the pencil depends on  $A$ . In particular, the number of finite eigenvalues  $r - p_z$  for the regular pencil is always smaller than the generic value  $r$ , the rank of  $E$ .

These frontier points signal a tight algebraic coupling between  $A$  and  $E$  such that  $R(\infty, z)$  does not exist (there is no analyticity at  $\infty$ ).

## A2. Limit and frontier points in $\text{re}(A)$

As remarked in [4], not all the frontier points are realized as  $\lim_{|t| \rightarrow \infty} \lambda(t)$ . In general, only the inclusion  $\text{Lim} \subset Z(\det Q)$  is valid in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Equality holds for  $r = 1$  and  $g = n - 1 = m$ . That is, under  $(\Sigma)$  with  $r = 1$ ,  $\text{Lim} = \sigma(\Pi) = Z(\det Q)$  [1]. For  $n > r \geq 2$ , the strict inclusion holds under  $(\Sigma)$ , with

$$\frac{1}{r^2} \leq \frac{\text{card Lim}}{\text{card } Z(\det Q)} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{n-r}{n-1} < \frac{1}{r}.$$

$\xi \in \text{Lim}$  iff  $\nu = 0$  and  $\xi = \nu'(0)$  is finite. This direct analytic interpretation:  $\nu(s) \rightarrow 0$  with order  $\geq 1$  for  $\nu(s) \in E(s) = E + sA$  is not possible for the frontier points  $z$  which are not in  $\text{Lim}$ . They are characterized by the algebraic condition  $0 \in \sigma(M_z)$  for  $z \in \text{re}(A)$ .

The factorization

$$\det Q(z) = (\pi(z))^{r-1} \hat{\pi}(z),$$

proved in Corollary 2.6, shows that the only zeros of  $\det Q$  which may not be eigenvalues of  $A$  are among the roots of  $\hat{\pi}(z) = 0$ . For  $\hat{\pi} \not\equiv 0$  we set  $\hat{Z} = Z(\hat{\pi}(z))$ . Hence  $Z = Z(\det Q) = (\sigma(A))^{r-1} \cup \hat{Z}$  and  $F(A, E) = \hat{Z} \cap \text{re}(A)$ , with  $\text{card } F \leq n - r$ . And  $\text{card } \hat{Z} = n - r \iff (\Sigma)$  (Corollary 2.7).

The matrix

$$\tilde{\Pi}(z) = \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma & R \\ L & \Pi' - zI_{g'} \end{pmatrix}$$

of order  $g = f + g'$  has been defined in [1, 3]. By Lidskii's theory,  $\tilde{Z} = Z(\det \tilde{\Pi}(z)) \subset \text{Lim}$ . When  $\det \Gamma \neq 0$ ,  $\tilde{Z} = \sigma(\Omega)$  where  $\Omega = \Pi' - L\Gamma^{-1}R$  is the Schur complement of  $\Gamma$  in  $\tilde{\Pi}(0)$ .

Moreover,  $\text{Lim} = \sigma(\Omega)$  under the condition that certain quantities are nonzero:  $\det \Gamma$ , and also certain specific principal minors of  $\Gamma$ , deriving from the Jordan structure of the defective eigenvalue  $0 \in \sigma(E)$  [3].

### Proposition A3.

i) When  $\hat{\pi} \not\equiv 0$ , the following inclusions hold

$$\tilde{Z} \subset \text{Lim} \subset (\sigma(A))^{r-1} \cup \hat{Z}.$$

ii) When  $\hat{\pi} \equiv 0$ , then  $\hat{Z} = \mathbb{C}$ .

*Proof.* See [3]. □

We observe readily that  $\hat{\pi}(z)$  is easily defined, whereas  $\tilde{\Pi}(z)$  and  $\Omega$  entangle  $E$  and  $A$  nonlinearly [1].

**Proposition A4.** For  $z \in re(A) \setminus F(A, E)$

$$M_z^{-1} = \frac{1}{(\pi(z))^{r-2} \hat{\pi}(z)} \text{adj } Q(z).$$

*Proof.* We set

$$\alpha(z) = \frac{\pi(z)}{\det Q(z)} = \frac{1}{(\pi(z))^{r-2} \hat{\pi}(z)}$$

by Corollary 2.6. And

$$M_z^{-1} = \alpha(z) \text{adj } Q(z).$$

Observe that for  $\lambda \in \sigma(A)$ ,  $\pi(\lambda) = 0$  and  $\alpha(\lambda)$  is not defined for  $r > 2$ .

On the other hand, if  $\hat{\pi}(\lambda) \neq 0$ , then  $\alpha(\lambda) = 0$  (resp.  $\frac{1}{\hat{\pi}(\lambda)}$ ) for  $r = 1$  (resp. 2). □

**Remark.** In view of Proposition A4, the discussion of [4, Section 5.2] should be modified.

Various illustrations are provided in [4], with  $r = 2$ .

### A3. Singular square pencils [9, 10]

A square pencil  $A + \lambda B$  is singular iff  $\det(A + \lambda B) \equiv 0$  for any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . The structure of singular pencils has been established by Kronecker ([10], Chapter 12 in Volume II), following the work of Weierstrass and Jordan on regular pencils ([10], Chapter 6 in Volume I).

A necessary condition for  $A + \lambda B$  to be singular is that both  $A$  and  $B$  are singular. If  $A$  and  $B$  have a common null space ( $\text{Ker } A \cap \text{Ker } B \neq \{0\}$ ) then the generalized eigenproblem is *ill-posed*: the solutions are not continuous functions of the data. Such degenerate singular pencils represent a formidable computational challenge [9].

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