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## Relationships between Invariant Subspaces and Deflating Subspaces of a Regular Pair $(F, G)$

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For a regular pair  $(F, G)$  the relationship between the deflating subspaces [1] and  $\Phi$ - $(F, G)$ -invariant subspaces [2] [3] of the domain of  $(F, G)$  is established. The characterization of deflating subspaces by invariants allows the extension of perturbation results to the case of  $\Phi$ - $(F, G)$ -invariant subspaces.

### 1. Introduction

In the study of perturbation theory of the generalised eigenvalue eigenvector problem defined on a regular pair  $(F, G) \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}^r$  a key notion has emerged: the notion of the deflating subspace introduced by W. Stewart [1]. The aim of this paper is to establish the links between the invariant subspaces of a regular pair of matrices [2], [3] and the notion of deflating subspaces. For a regular pair  $(F, G) \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}^r$  a  $d$ -dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathcal{U}$ , is defined as a deflating subspace iff  $\dim(F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U}) \leq \dim \mathcal{U} = d$ . It will be shown that a  $d$ -dimensional subspace  $\mathcal{U}$  is a deflating subspace of the regular pair  $(F, G) \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}^r$  iff  $\mathcal{U}$  is a  $\Phi$ - $(F, G)$  elementary divisor subspace (i. e., the set of strict equivalence invariants of the restriction pencil  $(F, G)/\mathcal{U}$  [4] is characterised by elementary divisors and possibly zero row minimal indices). Our analysis also demonstrates that in the definition of deflating subspaces given by Stewart [1] the equality sign should be used instead of " $\leq$ " since there is no subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  for which strict inequality of the " $<$ " holds true.

So, the perturbation results established by Stewart for this case may be transferred to the invariant subspaces of a regular pair  $(F, G) \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}^r$ . The results presented here for regular pairs extend to the more general case of entirely right regular pairs.

### 2. Characterization of invariant subspaces of a regular pair

**Definition (2.1) [5]:** The pair  $(F, G)$ ,  $F, G \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is said to be regular if  $p = \text{rank}_{\mathbb{R}(s, \hat{s})} \{sF - \hat{s}G\} = n$ , where  $sF - \hat{s}G$  is the associated homogeneous matrix pencil. ■

Note that the terms given for the pencils will also be used for the pairs  $(F, G)$  which “generate” the pencil  $sF - \hat{s}G$ . By factorising the invariant polynomials  $f_i(s, \hat{s})$  of the Smith form into powers of homogeneous polynomials irreducible over  $\mathbb{C}$  we obtain the set of elementary divisors (e. d.) of the pencil  $sF - \hat{s}G$ ; these are of the following type:  $s^p, \hat{s}^q$ , and pairs of complex conjugate e. d.  $(s - a\hat{s})^r, (s - \bar{a}\hat{s})^r$ ,  $a, \bar{a} \in \mathbb{C}$ . For the pair  $(F, G)$  we define: e. d. of the type  $\hat{s}^q$  are called infinite elementary divisors (i. e. d.), e. d. of the type  $s^p$  are called zero elementary divisors (z. e. d.), and e. d. of the type  $(s - a\hat{s})^r$  are called non zero finite elementary divisors (nz. f. e. d.). Elementary divisors of the type  $s^p, (s - a\hat{s})^r, a \neq 0$  will be referred to as finite elementary divisors (f. e. d.). In the following  $\mathcal{L}_{n,n}^r$  shall denote the set of regular pairs of dimensions  $n \times n$ .

The classical theory of matrix pencils deals with the study of invariants and canonical forms of the strict equivalence classes [5]  $\mathcal{E}_s(L)$  when  $L \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}^r$ . The map  $f : \mathcal{L}_{n,n}^r \rightarrow \{\text{f. e. d.}\} \times \{\text{i. e. d.}\}$  is a complete invariant for  $\mathcal{E}_s(L)$ . The existence of a complete set of invariants for pairs  $L \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}^r$  implies the existence of a canonical form known as Weirstrass canonical form [5].

**Definition (2.2):** A pair  $(F, G) \in \mathcal{L}_{m,n}^r, m \geq n$ , will be called entirely right regular (e. r. r.) iff  $sF - \hat{s}G$  is characterized by e. d. and possibly zero row minimal indices (r. m. i.). ■

For a given e. r. r. pair  $(F, G)$  the types of invariants of  $sF - \hat{s}G$  will be denoted in short by  $D_0, D_\infty, D_x$ , where  $D_0$  is the set of z. e. d. of the pair  $(F, G)$ ,  $D_\infty$  is the set of infinite e. d., and  $D_x$  is the set of finite and non zero e. d.

The key tool in our study of invariant subspaces is the notion of the  $\mathcal{U}$ -restricted ordered pair. This definition is stated next.

**Definition (2.3), [2]:** Let  $(F, G) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \times \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $V$  a basis matrix of  $\mathcal{U}$ . The pair  $(FV, GV)$  will be called a  $\mathcal{U}$ -restricted ordered pair; the associated pencil  $sFV - \hat{s}GV$  will be termed  $(F, G) - \mathcal{U}$  restriction pencil and shall be denoted by  $(F, G)/\mathcal{U}$ . ■

Note that for a given  $\mathcal{U}$  the pair  $(FV, GV)$  or the pencil  $sFV - \hat{s}GV$  is not uniquely defined since the definition involves a particular choice of basis matrix for  $\mathcal{U}$ ; it is clear, however, that for a given  $\mathcal{U}$  all restriction pencils are strict equivalent [5] and thus they are characterized by the same set of strict equivalence invariants. It is due to this fact that the algebraic structure of  $\mathcal{U}$  with respect to the pair  $(F, G)$  is independent of the particular choice of basis.

**Definition (2.4):** Let  $(F, G) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \times \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ , be a subspace,  $I_{\mathcal{U}}$  be the set of strict equivalence invariants of  $(F, G)/\mathcal{U}$ , and let  $\Phi$  be the root range of  $(F, G)/\mathcal{U}$  (i. e., the set of all roots of elementary divisors of the associated pencil  $sFV - \hat{s}GV$ ). The subspace  $\mathcal{U}$  will be called  $\Phi - (F, G)$ -elementary divisor subspace ( $\Phi - (F, G)$ -e. d. s.) if  $I_{\mathcal{U}} = \{D_{\alpha_i}, \forall \alpha_i \in \Phi\} \cup I_r^0$ , where  $I_r^0$  denotes the set of zero row minimal indices of the pencil  $sFV - \hat{s}GV$ . ■



Because of the block diagonal structure in (3.1) the independent columns in  $[RE\tilde{V} : RG\tilde{V}]$  may be found block by block. Thus, by inspection:

(i)  $\left\{ \begin{matrix} [I_\zeta : 0] \\ [0^t : I_\zeta] \end{matrix} \right\}$  has  $\zeta + 1$  independent columns  $\forall \zeta \in \mathbb{N}$ .

(ii)  $[I_\tau : J_\tau(\alpha)]$  has  $\tau$  independent columns  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{C}, \tau \in \mathbb{N}$ .

(iii)  $[H_q : I_q]$  has  $q$  independent columns  $\forall q \in \mathbb{N}$ , and the  $\dim(F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U}) = \text{rank}[FV : GV] = \text{rank}[RF\tilde{V} : RG\tilde{V}] = \sum_{i=1}^t (\zeta_i + 1) + \sum_{i=1}^\rho t_i + \sum_{i=1}^\mu q_i$ , where  $t$  is the total number of non-zero r. m. i.,  $\rho$  is the total number of f. e. d., and  $\mu$  is the total number of infinite el. div.

By setting  $g = \sum_{i=1}^t \zeta_i + \sum_{i=1}^\rho \tau_i + \sum_{i=1}^\mu q_i$  we have that

$$(3.2) \quad \dim(F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U}) = g + t.$$

However, it is clear from (3.1) that

$$(3.3) \quad d = \dim \mathcal{U} = \sum_{i=1}^t \zeta_i + \sum_{i=1}^\rho \tau_i + \sum_{i=1}^\mu q_i = g.$$

By (3.2) and (3.3) we have that  $\dim(F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U}) = g + t \geq g = d = \dim \mathcal{U}$  and equality holds if and only if there are no non-zero r. m. i. in  $I_{\mathcal{U}}$  (zero r. m. i. do not affect the above inequality).

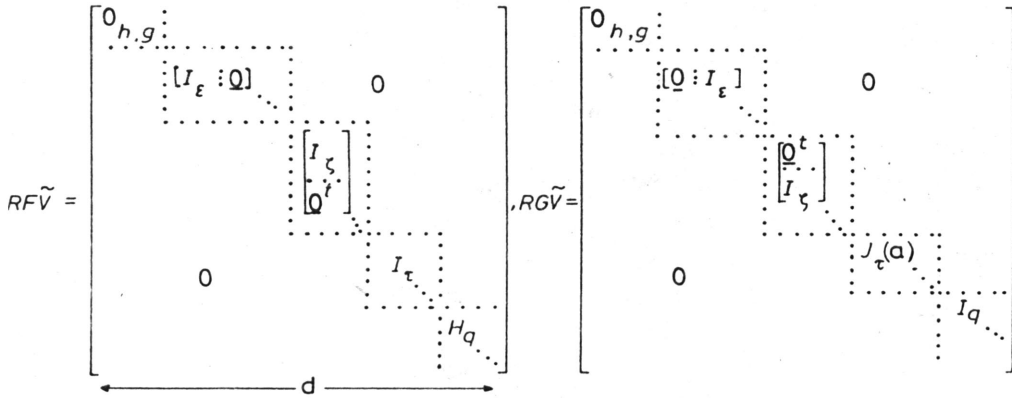
Now if  $\mathcal{U}$  is deflating, then for  $\dim(F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U}) = d$  all r. m. i. must be zero, and, thus,  $\mathcal{U}$  is a  $\Phi - (F, G) - \text{e. d. s.}$  Conversely, if  $\mathcal{U}$  is a  $\Phi - (F, G) - \text{e. d. s.}$ , then all  $\zeta_i$  are zero and  $\dim(F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U}) = \dim \mathcal{U}$ , i. e.,  $\mathcal{U}$  is deflating subspace.  $\blacksquare$

**Remark (3.1):** Let  $(F, G) \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}^r$  and  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be a  $d$ -dimensional subspace. Then  $\dim(F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U}) \geq \dim \mathcal{U} = d$  and equality holds true iff  $\mathcal{U}$  is a  $\Phi - (F, G) - \text{e. d. s.}$

The above remark demonstrates that in the definition of deflating subspaces given by Stewart the equality sign should be used instead of " $\leq$ " since there is no subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  for which strict inequality " $<$ " holds true. However, the " $<$ " inequality sign may hold true if the pair  $(F, G)$  is not right regular.

**Theorem (3.2):** Let  $(F, G) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \times \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a matrix pair (not necessarily regular), and let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a  $d$ -dimensional subspace. Then,  $\dim(F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U}) \leq \dim \mathcal{U}$  iff the total number of non zero row minimal indices is less than total number of column minimal indices of the restriction pair  $(F, G)|_{\mathcal{U}}$ .

**Proof.** By choosing a special basis  $\tilde{V}$  of  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $R \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, |R| \neq 0$ , such that  $(RF\tilde{V}, RG\tilde{V})$  is in Kronecker form, we have that  $\dim(F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U}) = \text{rank}_R[RF\tilde{V} : RG\tilde{V}]$ . The typical blocks in  $(RF\tilde{V}, RG\tilde{V})$  are:



where  $([I_\epsilon : 0], [0 : I_\epsilon], ([\begin{smallmatrix} I_z \\ \cdot \end{smallmatrix} : \cdot], [\begin{smallmatrix} \cdot \\ I_z \end{smallmatrix}]), (I_\tau, J_\tau(\alpha), (H_q, I_q)$  are typical blocks associated with a col. m. i.  $\epsilon$ , a r. m. i.  $\zeta$ , a f. e. d.  $(s - \alpha)^r$ , and an inf. e. d.  $\hat{s}^q$ . Following the same arguments as in the theorem (3.1) we have by inspection

$$(3.5) \quad \dim \mathcal{U} = d = g + \sum_{i=1}^p (\epsilon_i + 1) + \sum_{j=1}^l \zeta_j + \sum_{\kappa=1}^p \tau_\kappa + \sum_{v=1}^\mu q_v = g + p + r,$$

where  $r = \sum_{i=1}^p \epsilon_i + \sum_{j=1}^l \zeta_j + \sum_{\kappa=1}^p \tau_\kappa + \sum_{v=1}^\mu q_v$ , however, it is clear from (3.4) that

$$(3.6) \quad \dim (F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U}) = \sum_{j=1}^l (\zeta_j + 1) + \sum_{i=1}^p \epsilon_i + \sum_{\kappa=1}^p \tau_\kappa + \sum_{v=1}^\mu q_v = t + r.$$

So,  $\dim (F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U}) \leq \dim \mathcal{U}$  iff  $t + r \leq g + p + r \leftrightarrow t \leq g + p$ .

#### 4. Perturbation analysis for $\Phi$ -(F, G) – invariant subspaces

Given that deflating subspaces of a regular pair  $(F, G)$  may also be expressed for  $\Phi$ -(F, G)-e. d. subspaces. Thus, following the results of Stewart we may state:

**Proposition (4.1):** *Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a  $\Phi$ -(F, G)-e. d. subspace. Then, there are orthogonal matrices  $K$  and  $L$  such that the first  $d$  columns of  $L$  span  $\mathcal{U}$  and*

$$K^t FL = \begin{bmatrix} G_{11} & G_{12} \\ 0 & G_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \quad K^t FL = \begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} \\ 0 & F_{22} \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $G_{11}$  and  $F_{11}$  are  $d \times d$  matrices.

**Proof.** Let  $L = [L_1 : L_2]$ , where  $L_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$  with orthonormal columns such that  $\text{colspan } L_1 = \mathcal{U}$ , and  $L_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (n-d)}$  such that  $L = [L_1 : L_2]$  be orthogonal. Also, let  $K_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (n-d)}$  have orthonormal columns lying in the orthogonal complement of  $F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U}((F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U})^\perp)$  and  $K_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$  be chosen such that  $K = [K_1 : K_2]$  is orthogonal.

Since  $\text{colspan } L_1 = \mathcal{U} \Rightarrow \text{colspan}(GL_1) \subseteq G\mathcal{U} \subseteq F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U}$ , and because  $K_2$  is lying in the orthogonal complement of  $F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U}$  we have that  $K_2^+(GL_1) = 0$ . Following the same arguments we have that  $K_2^+(FL_1) = 0$ . So,

$$K^t GL = \begin{bmatrix} K_1^t \\ K_2^t \end{bmatrix} G[L_1 : L_2] = \begin{bmatrix} K_1^t GL_1 & K_1^t GL_2 \\ K_2^t GL_1 & K_2^t GL_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} G_{11} & G_{12} \\ 0 & G_{22} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and}$$

$$K^t FL = \begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} \\ 0 & F_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ thus } K^t (sF - G)L = s \begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} \\ 0 & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} G_{11} & G_{12} \\ 0 & G_{22} \end{bmatrix}. \blacksquare$$

Also if  $\lambda \in \sigma(F_{11}, G_{11})$  with corresponding eigenvector  $\underline{z}$ , then  $\lambda \in \sigma(F, G)$  with corresponding eigenvector  $L_1 \underline{z} \in \mathcal{U}$ . Next, we shall define an operator which plays an important role in deriving the error bounds in the perturbation analysis discussed next.

**Definition (4.1), (1):** Let  $G_1, F_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{l \times l}$  and  $G_2, F_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  are fixed matrices. For any  $X = [P : Q] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 2l}$ ,  $P, Q \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times l}$  we define the operator  $T$  on  $\mathbb{R}^{m \times 2l}$  as follows:

$$(4.1) \quad T: \mathbb{R}^{m \times 2l} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m \times 2l} : \forall X = [P : Q] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 2l}$$

$$\rightarrow T(X) := [PG_1 - G_2Q : PF_1 - F_2Q] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 2l} \blacksquare$$

**Lemma (4.1):** The operator  $T$  is linear.  $\blacksquare$

**Lemma (4.2), 1:** The operator  $T$  is non-singular if and only if:  $\sigma(F_1, G_1) \cap \sigma(F_2, G_2) = \emptyset$ .

The spectrum above is defined on the associated pencils  $sF_1 - G_1, sF_2 - G_2$  in the usual manner.

**Remark (4.1):**  $T$  is non singular is equivalent that,  $\forall [R : S] = Y \in \mathbb{R}^{l \times m \times 2l} \exists X = [P : Q] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 2l}$  such that:

$$T(X) = Y \leftrightarrow (PG_1 - G_2Q = R \text{ and } PF_1 - F_2Q = S). \blacksquare$$

Now we define two norms on  $\mathbb{R}^{m \times 2l}$  as follows:

**Definition (4.2), [1]:**  $\forall R = [P : Q] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 2l}$ , where  $P, Q \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times l}$  we define

$$(4.2) \quad \|R\|_2' = \max \{ \|P\|_2, \|Q\|_2 \} \text{ and } \|R\|_F' = \max \{ \|P\|_F, \|Q\|_F \}. \blacksquare$$

We can easily see that  $\|R\|_2, \|R\|_F$  are norms on  $\mathbb{R}^{m \times 2l}$ . As we have seen before the operator  $T$  is determined by the fixed matrices  $F_1, G_1, F_2, G_2$ . Let

$$(4.3) \quad \text{dif}(F_1, G_1; F_2, G_2) \triangleq \|\inf T(X)\|_F.$$

$$\|X\|_F = 1$$

Then  $\text{dif}(F_1, G_1; F_2, G_2) = 0$  iff  $T$  is non-singular, that is, iff  $\sigma(F_1, G_1) \cap \sigma(F_2, G_2) = \emptyset$ , [1].

Also if  $T$  is non singular and  $T(X) = Y$ , then

$$(4.4) \quad \|X\|_F \leq \|Y\|_F / \text{dif}(F_1, G_1; F_2, G_2).$$

The topic examined next is the study of perturbation properties of  $\Phi$ -( $F, G$ )-e. d. s., when there is uncertainty in the parameters of the pair ( $F, G$ ). The following analysis is based on the work of Stewart for deflating subspaces.

Let  $L = [L_1; L_2]$  and  $K = [K_1; K_2]$  be orthogonal matrices with  $L_1, K_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times l}$ . Then if  $F_{21} = K_2^t F L_1 = 0$  and  $G_{21} = K_2^t G L_1 = 0$ , the columns of  $L_1$  span a  $\Phi$ -( $F, G$ )-e. d. s. for  $sF - G$ . If  $F_{21}$  and  $G_{21}$  are small but not exactly zero, it is reasonable to ask whether there exists orthogonal matrices  $K' = [K'_1; K'_2]$  and  $L' = [L'_1; L'_2]$  near  $K$  and  $L$ , respectively, such that  $K_2^t F L'_1 = K_2^t G L'_1 = 0$ . We select  $K'$  and  $L'$  in the form  $K' = [K_1; K_2]P$ ,  $L' = [L_1; L_2]Q$ , where

$$(4.5) \quad K'_1 = (K_1 + K_2 P)(I + P^t P)^{-1/2}, \quad K'_2 = (K_2 - K_1 P^t)(I + P P^t)^{-1/2}$$

$$L'_1 = (L_1 + L_2 Q)(I + Q^t Q)^{-1/2}, \quad L'_2 = (L_2 - L_1 Q^t)(I + Q Q^t)^{-1/2},$$

where  $P, Q \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-l) \times l}$ . It is easy shown that  $K', L'$  are orthogonal.

By setting  $G_{ij} = K_i^t G L_j$ ,  $F_{ij} = K_i^t F L_j$ ,  $\forall i, j = 1, 2$ , then conditions  $K_2^t F L'_1 = K_2^t G L'_1 = 0$  leads to the following system:

$$(4.6) \quad \{PG_{11} - G_{22}Q = G_{21} - PG_{12}Q, \quad PF_{11}F_{22}Q = F_{21} - PF_{21}Q\}.$$

If we define as before  $T([P; Q]) = [PG_{11} - G_{22}Q; PF_{11} - F_{22}Q]$ , the system (4.6) becomes:

$$(4.7) \quad T([P; Q]) = [G_{21} - PG_{12}Q; F_{21} - PF_{12}Q].$$



Thus the problem of perturbing  $K, L$  into the (deflating) matrices  $(K', L')$  is reduced to the following equivalent problem: determine under what conditions the non linear equation (4.7) has a solution. Such conditions are given next.

**Proposition (4.2), [1]:** Let  $K=[K_1; K_2], L=[L_1; L_2]$  be orthogonal matrices with  $K_1, L_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times l}$ . Let also  $G_{ij}, F_{ij}$  be defined as before. Let us also define:

$$(4.8) \quad \gamma = \|G_{21}; \dot{F}_{21}\|_F, \quad \eta = \|G'_{12}; \dot{F}'_{12}\|_2, \quad \delta = \text{dif}(F_{11}, G_{11}; F_{22}, G_{22}).$$

If  $\varkappa_1 = \gamma\eta/\delta^2$ , then there are orthogonal matrices  $P, Q \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-l) \times l}$  satisfying  $\|P; Q\|_F \leq \gamma/\delta(1+\varkappa) = \gamma/\delta$ .  $(1 + \sqrt{1-4\varkappa_1}/1-2\varkappa_1 + \sqrt{1-4\varkappa_1}) < 2\gamma/\delta$  such that  $\text{colspan}(L_1 + L_2Q)$  is a deflating and thus a  $\Phi-(F, G)$ -e. d. s. for the regular pair  $(F, G)$ .

**Proposition (4.3):** If  $F_1, G_1, E_1, E'_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{l \times l}, F_2, G_2, E_2, E'_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ , then  $\text{dif}(G_1 + E_1, F_1 + E'_1; G_2 + E_2, F_2 + E'_2) \geq \text{dif}(G_1, F_1; G_2, F_2) - \max\{\|E_1\|_2 + \|E_2\|_2; \|E'_1\|_2 + \|E'_2\|_2\}$ .

**Proof.** By definition,  $\text{dif}(G_1 + E_1, F_1 + E'_1; G_2 + E_2, F_2 + E'_2) = \inf \| [P(G_1 + E_1) - (G_2 + E_2)Q, P(F_1 + E'_1) - (F_2 + E'_2)Q] \|_F, \| [P; Q] \|_F = 1$ . Let the infimum be obtained for  $X = [P; Q]$ , then  $\|P\|_F, \|Q\|_F \leq 1$ . Hence,  $\text{dif}(G_1 + E_1, F_1 + E'_1; G_2 + E_2, F_2 + E'_2) = \| [P(G_1 + E_1) - (G_2 + E_2)Q, P(F_1 + E'_1) - (F_2 + E'_2)Q] \|_F = \max\{\|P(G_1 + E_1) - (G_2 + E_2)Q\|_F, \|P(F_1 + E'_1) - (F_2 + E'_2)Q\|_F\} \geq \max\{\|PG_1 - G_2Q\|_F - \|E_1\|_2 - \|E_2\|_2, \|PF_1 - F_2Q\|_F - \|E'_1\|_2 - \|E'_2\|_2\} \geq \max\{\|PG_1 - G_2Q\|_F, \|PF_1 - F_2Q\|_F\} - \max\{\|E_1\|_2 + \|E_2\|_2, \|E'_1\|_2 + \|E'_2\|_2\} \geq \text{dif}(G_1, F_1; G_2, F_2) - \max\{\|E_1\|_2 + \|E_2\|_2; \|E'_1\|_2 + \|E'_2\|_2\}$ . ■

The question that arises is to investigate whether there exists a  $\mathcal{W}' \Phi-(F', G')$ -e. d. s. of the perturbed pair  $(F', G') = (F + E_1, G + E'_1)$  which is close to  $\mathcal{W}$ . Of course, the essential question is how close such a subspace may be found with respect to the given perturbation  $(E_1, E'_1)$ . The answer to this is given next.

**Theorem (4.1):** Let  $K=[K_1; K_2], L=[L_1; L_2]$  be orthogonal matrices with  $K_1, L_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times e}, G_{ij} = K_i^t G L_j, F_{ij} = K_i^t F L_j \forall i, j = 1, 2$ , and suppose that  $G_{21} = F_{21} = 0$ . In that case  $\mathcal{W} = \text{colspan } L_1$  is an  $\Phi-(F, G)$ -e. d. s. of the pair  $(F, G)$ . Assume that  $E_1, E'_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $E'_{ij} = K_i^t E'_1 L_j, E_{ij} = K_i^t E_1 L_j \forall i, j = 1, 2, \varepsilon_{ij} = \max\{\|E'_{ij}\|_F, \|E_{ij}\|_F\}$ . Let us also assume that  $\gamma = \varepsilon_{21}, \eta = \|[G'_{12}; F'_{12}]\|_2 + \varepsilon_{12}, \delta = \text{dif}(G_{11}, F_{11}; G_{22}, F_{22}) - \varepsilon_{11} - \varepsilon_{12}$ . If  $\gamma\eta/\delta^2 < 1/4$ , then, there are matrices  $P, Q \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-l) \times l}$  satisfying  $\|[P; Q]\|_F < 2\gamma/\delta$  such that  $\text{colspan}(L_1 + L_2Q)$  is a  $\Phi-(F, G)$ -e. d. s. for  $s(F + E_1) - (G + E'_1)$ .

**Proof.** We will give the proof by using the previous proposition to the problem stated on  $s(F + E_1) - (G + E'_1)$ . If we now denote by  $\tilde{G}_{ij}, \tilde{F}_{ij}$ , it has been denoted by  $G_{ij}, F_{ij}$  in the proposition (4.2), then,

$$(4.9) \quad \begin{aligned} \tilde{G}_{ij} &= K_i^t(G + E'_1)L_j = K_i^tGL_j + K_i^tE'_1L_j = G_{ij} + E'_{ij} \\ \tilde{F}_{ij} &= K_i^t(F + E_1)L_j = K_i^tFL_j + K_i^tE_1L_j = F_{ij} + E_{ij} \end{aligned} \quad , \quad i, j = 1, 2$$

So  $\tilde{G}_{21} = G_{21} + E'_{21} = E'_{21}$ ,  $\tilde{F}_{21} = F_{21} + E_{21} = E_{21}$  and  $\tilde{\gamma} = \|[\tilde{G}_{21} : \tilde{F}_{21}]\|_F = \|[E'_{21} : E_{21}]\|_F = \max\{\|E'_{21}\|_F, \|E_{21}\|_F\} = \varepsilon_{21}$ . Also  $\tilde{\eta} = \|[\tilde{G}'_{12} : \tilde{F}'_{12}]\|_2 = \max\{\|G'_{12}\|_2, \|F'_{12}\|_2\} = \max\{\|G'_{12} + E'_{12}\|_2, \|F'_{12} + E'_{12}\|_2\} \leq \max\{\|G'_{12}\|_2 + \|E'_{12}\|_2, \|F'_{12}\|_2 + \|E'_{12}\|_2\} \leq \max\{\|G'_{12}\|_2, \|F'_{12}\|_2\} + \max\{\|E'_{12}\|_2, \|E'_{12}\|_2\} = \max\{\|G'_{12}\|_2, \|F'_{12}\|_2\} + \varepsilon_{12}$ .  $\delta = \text{dif}(\tilde{F}_{11}, \tilde{G}_{11}; \tilde{F}_{22}, \tilde{G}_{22}) = \text{dif}(F_{11} + E_{11}, G_{11} + E'_{11}; F_{22} + E_{22}, G_{22} + E'_{22}) \geq \text{dif}(G_{11}, F_{11}; G_{22}, F_{22}) - \max\{\|E_{11}\|_2 + \|E_{22}\|_2, \|E'_{11}\|_2 + \|E'_{22}\|_2\} \geq \text{dif}(G_{11}, F_{11}; G_{22}, F_{22}) - \max\{\|E_{11}\|_2, \|E'_{11}\|_2\} - \max\{\|E_{22}\|_2, \|E'_{22}\|_2\} = \text{dif}(G_{11}, F_{11}; G_{22}, F_{22}) - \varepsilon_{11} - \varepsilon_{12}$ .

If we set now:

$$\gamma = \varepsilon_{21}, \quad \eta = \| [G'_{12} : F'_{12}] \|_2 + \varepsilon_{12}, \quad \delta = \text{dif}(G_{11}, F_{11}; G_{22}, F_{22}) - \varepsilon_{11} - \varepsilon_{12},$$

then we have  $(\tilde{\gamma} = \gamma, \tilde{\eta} \leq \eta, \tilde{\delta} \geq \delta) \Rightarrow \tilde{\gamma} \cdot \tilde{\eta} / \tilde{\delta}^2 < \gamma \cdot \eta / \delta^2$ . So if we suppose now that  $\gamma \cdot \eta / \delta^2 < 1/4$ , then  $\tilde{\gamma} \cdot \tilde{\eta} / \tilde{\delta}^2 < 1/4$  and the theorem (4.1) is valid for the pencil  $s(F + E_1) - (G + E'_1)$ ; that means that there are matrices  $P, Q \in \mathbb{R}^{(n \times h) \times l}$  such that the subspace  $\mathcal{U}' = \text{colspan}(L_1 + L_2Q)$  is a  $\Phi - (F, G)$ -e. d. s. for  $s(F + E_1) - (G + E'_1)$ , which of course is a subspace close to the  $\Phi - (F, G)$ -e. d. s.  $\mathcal{U} = \text{colspan } L_1$ . The closeness can be measured by the gap  $(\mathcal{U} \oslash \mathcal{U}') = \text{gap}(\text{colspan } L_1, \text{colspan}(L_1 + L_2Q))$ .

## 5. Conclusions

In this paper was shown that for a regular matrix pair  $(F, G)$  a  $d$ -dimensional subspace  $\mathcal{U}$  ( $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ ) is a deflating subspace iff  $\mathcal{U}$  is a  $\Phi - (F, G)$ -elementary divisor subspace (i.e., the set of strict equivalence invariants of the restriction pencil  $(F, G)/\mathcal{U}$  is characterized by elementary divisors and possibly zero row minimal indices). It was seen that in the definition of deflating subspaces given by Stewart [1] the equality sign should be used instead of " $\leq$ ", since there is no subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  for which " $\leq$ " holds true. When the pair  $(F, G)$  is not regular it was shown that  $\dim(F\mathcal{U} + G\mathcal{U}) \leq \dim \mathcal{U}$  iff the total number of non zero row minimal indices is less than total number of column minimal indices of the restriction pencil  $(F, G)/\mathcal{U}$ . Finally, it was shown that for a regular pair  $(F, G)$  and for a  $\mathcal{U} \Phi - (F, G)$ -e. d. s. there exists a  $\mathcal{U}' \Phi - (F', G')$ -e. d. s. of the perturbed pair  $(F', G') = (F + E_1, G + E'_1)$  which is close to  $\mathcal{U}$ .

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