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The discrete-time para-Hermitian rational eigenvalue problem

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Abstract:

Strongly minimal linearizations of rational matrices [1] are linear polynomial system matrices of the form:

$$L(z) := \begin{bmatrix} zA_1 - A_0 & zB_1 - B_0 \\ -zC_1 + C_0 & zD_1 - D_0 \end{bmatrix},$$

where $zA_1 - A_0$ is regular, and the pencils $\begin{bmatrix} zA_1 - A_0 & zB_1 - B_0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} zA_1 - A_0 \\ -zC_1 + C_0 \end{bmatrix}$ have no finite or infinite eigenvalues. Strongly minimal linearizations contain the complete information about the zeros, poles and minimal indices of the corresponding rational matrix R(z) and allow to recover very easily its eigenvectors and minimal bases. Therefore, they can be combined with algorithms for the generalized eigenvalue problem for computing the complete spectral information of R(z).

Rational matrices play a fundamental role in systems and control theory [2], and in some important applications they can have a particular selfconjugate structure. In [1] it is shown how to construct strongly minimal linearizations that preserve it for Hermitian and skew-Hermitian rational matrices, with respect to the real line, and for para-Hermitian and paraskew-Hermitian rational matrices, with respect to the imaginary axis. In this talk we describe the solution for discrete-time para-Hermitian rational matrices. These are rational matrices that are para-Hermitian on the unit circle. However, a linearization can not be discrete-time para-Hermitian. Therefore, given a discrete-time para-Hermitian rational matrix R(z), we instead construct a palindromic linearization for (1 + z)R(z), whose eigenvalues that are not on the unit circle preserve the symmetries of the zeros and poles of R(z). This can be solved via Möbius transformations. We also give a constructive method that is based on an additive decomposition into the stable and anti-stable parts of R(z).

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