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**Abstract.** In this paper, some sequences of matrices for matrix pencils are considered. Properties of small singular values of these matrices are investigated. Estimates for singular values are obtained. The result of computer calculations is given.

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## INTRODUCTION

Matrix pencils play important role in numerical linear algebra, control systems and signal processing (see, for example [1–9] and the references therein). In [4], authors revalued the relation between the critical points of approximating the eigenvalues of matrix pencils and pseudospectra of perturbed pencils. Matrix pencils are also important tools in signal processing [6].

Let  $C$  be an  $r \times s$  matrix. Decomposition  $C$  as with orthogonal matrices  $U, V$  and diagonal matrix  $K$  with nonnegative real diagonal elements is called the singular decomposition of matrix  $C$  [10]:

$$C = VKU^*. \quad (1)$$

The diagonal elements of the matrix  $K$  are called the singular values of matrix  $C$  and are denoted by

$$\sigma_1(C) = k_{11}, \sigma_2(C) = k_{22}, \dots, \sigma_r(C) = k_{rr}.$$

Singular values of the matrix  $C$  are nonnegative square roots of the eigenvalues of the symmetric matrices  $CC^*$  or  $C^*C$ . Usually, singular values are thought to be ordered, i.e.,

$$0 \leq \sigma_1(C) \leq \sigma_2(C) \leq \dots \leq \sigma_r(C).$$

Let  $(A, B)$  be a pair of  $m \times n$  matrices. For all  $k = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$ , we consider the following sequence of matrices [1]

$$F_0 = \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix}, F_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ B & A \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix}, F_2 = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 & 0 \\ B & A & 0 \\ 0 & B & A \\ 0 & 0 & B \end{bmatrix},$$
$$F_k = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ B & A & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \ddots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & B & A \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & B \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

which play important roles in construction of Kronecker canonical form of matrix pencils. This canonical form provides many applications in control systems (see [2–9] and references therein).

In this work, we obtain estimates for singular values of sequences of matrices (2). We investigate the properties of small singular values of these matrices. Furthermore, results of computer calculations are given.

The rest of this paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we present estimates for singular values of  $F_1$ . In Section 3, we obtain estimates for singular values of  $F_l$ . Section 4 is conclusion.

## PROPERTY OF SMALL SINGULAR VALUES OF $F_1$

We investigate small singular values of  $F_0, F_1$  and define relations between counter of small singular values of these matrices. From definition it follows that

$$F_0^* F_0 = [A^* A + B^* B], F_1^* F_1 = \begin{bmatrix} F_0^* F_0 & B^* A \\ A^* B & F_0^* F_0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Denote that  $N_0 = \min\{n, 2m\}$ ,  $N_1 = \min\{2n, 3m\}$ .

**Theorem 1.** Assume that  $\sigma_k(F_0)$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, N_0$  and  $\tau_i(F_1)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N_1$  are the ordered singular values of  $F_0$  and  $F_1$ , respectively. Let the following inequalities

$$0 \leq \sigma_1(F_0) \leq \sigma_2(F_0) \leq \dots \leq \sigma_{\rho_0}(F_0) \leq \delta \quad (3)$$

hold for singular values of  $F_0$ , where  $\delta \geq 0$  is a small number and  $\rho_0$  is a natural number such that  $\rho_0 \leq N_0$ . Then, for first  $2\rho_0$  singular values of  $F_1$  the inequalities

$$0 \leq \tau_1(F_1) \leq \tau_2(F_1) \leq \dots \leq \tau_{\rho_0}(F_1) \leq \dots \leq \tau_{2\rho_0}(F_1) \leq \sqrt{2\rho_0} \delta \quad (4)$$

are satisfied.

*Proof.* Denote

$$H = F_1^* F_1 = \begin{bmatrix} H_{11} & H_{12} \\ H_{12}^* & H_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \bar{H} = \begin{bmatrix} H_{11} & 0_{m \times m} \\ 0_{m \times m} & H_{22} \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $H_{11} = H_{22} = F_0^* F_0$ ,  $H_{12} = B^* A$ ,  $0_{m \times m}$  is  $m \times m$  matrix with zero elements.

Let  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_{2n}$  be the eigenvalues of the matrix  $H$  and  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_{2n}$  be the eigenvalues of the matrix  $\bar{H}$ , here  $\mu_1 \geq \mu_2 \geq \dots \geq \mu_{2n} \geq 0, s_1 \geq s_2 \geq \dots \geq s_{2n} \geq 0$ . By using K. Fan's theorem [11, 12], we get

$$\sum_{i=1}^k s_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^k \mu_i \quad (5)$$

for each  $1 \leq k \leq 2n$  and

$$\sum_{i=1}^{2n} s_i = \sum_{i=1}^{2n} \mu_i. \quad (6)$$

Subtracting (5) from (6) for fixed  $k$ , we obtain

$$\sum_{i=k+1}^{2n} s_i \geq \sum_{i=k+1}^{2n} \mu_i. \quad (7)$$

From (7) it follows that the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{2n} &\leq s_{2n}, \\ \mu_{2n-1} &\leq \mu_{2n-1} + \mu_{2n} \leq s_{2n} + s_{2n-1}, \\ &\vdots \\ \mu_{2n-2\rho_0+1} &\leq \sum_{i=2\rho_0+1}^{2n} \mu_{2n-i+1}. \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

are valid.

First, suppose that  $m \geq n$ . By using definitions of eigenvalues and singular values, we have that

$$s_1 = \lambda_1, s_2 = \lambda_1, s_3 = \lambda_2, s_4 = \lambda_2, \dots, s_{2n-1} = \lambda_n, s_{2n} = \lambda_n, \quad (9)$$

and

$$\lambda_1 = \sigma_n^2(F_0), \lambda_2 = \sigma_{n-1}^2(F_0), \dots, \lambda_n = \sigma_1^2(F_0), \quad (10)$$

$$\mu_1 = \tau_{2n}^2(F_1), \mu_2 = \tau_{2n-1}^2(F_1), \dots, \mu_n = \tau_{n+1}^2(F_1), \dots, \mu_{2n} = \tau_1^2(F_1). \quad (11)$$

Applying (3), (7), and (9)-(11), we have

$$\tau_1^2(F_1) \leq \sigma_1^2(F_0) \leq \delta^2,$$

$$\tau_2^2(F_1) \leq \sigma_1^2(F_0) + \sigma_1^2(F_0) \leq 2\delta^2,$$

$$\tau_3^2(F_1) \leq \sigma_1^2(F_0) + \sigma_1^2(F_0) + \sigma_2^2(F_0) \leq 3\delta^2, \dots,$$

$$\tau_{2\rho_0}^2(F_1) \leq \sigma_1^2(F_0) + \sigma_1^2(F_0) + \sigma_2^2(F_0) + \sigma_2^2(F_0) + \dots + \sigma_{\rho_0-1}^2(F_0) + \sigma_{\rho_0-1}^2(F_0) + \sigma_{\rho_0}^2(F_0) + \sigma_{\rho_0}^2(F_0) \leq 2\rho_0\delta^2.$$

Hence, from these inequalities the required inequalities (4) follows for the case  $m \geq n$ .

Second, suppose that  $m < n$ . There are three subcases:

$$2m < n; \quad (12)$$

$$2m \geq n \text{ and } 3m < n; \quad (13)$$

$$2m \geq n \text{ and } 3m \geq n. \quad (14)$$

Let us consider subcase (12). We have  $3m < n$ . From definition of singular values it follows that formula (9) is valid. Hence, we get

$$\lambda_n = \lambda_{n-1} = \dots = \lambda_{2m-1} = 0,$$

$$\lambda_{2m} = \sigma_1^2(F_0), \lambda_{2m+1} = \sigma_2^2(F_0), \dots, \lambda_1 = \sigma_{2m}^2(F_0), \quad (15)$$

$$\mu_{2n} = \mu_{2n-1} = \dots = \mu_{3m+1} = 0, \mu_{3m} = \tau_1^2(F_1), \quad (16)$$

$$\mu_{3m-1} = \tau_2^2(F_1), \dots, \mu_1 = \tau_{3m}^2(F_1).$$

Applying (7) for  $k = 2n - 1, 2n - 2, \dots, 3m - 2\rho_0 - 1$  and inequalities (9), (15), (16), we have that inequalities (4) are valid.

Now, we consider subcase (13). By using definition of singular values, we have (9), (10), (15). Applying (7) for  $k = 2n - 1, 2n - 2, \dots, 3m - 2\rho_0 - 1$  and inequalities (3), (9), (10), (15), we get (4).

Finally, we consider subcase (14). By using definition of singular values, we obtain (9)-(11). In a similar manner as case  $m \geq n$ , we can get (4). The proof of Theorem 1 is completed.  $\square$

## PROPERTY OF SMALL SINGULAR VALUES OF $F_l$

Consider  $F_l, 1 < l < m$ . Denote  $N_l = \min \{(l+1)n, (l+2)m\}$ . It is easy to get

$$F_l^* F_l = \begin{bmatrix} F_{l-1}^* F_{l-1} & Q_l \\ Q_l^* & F_0^* F_0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad Q_l = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{nl \times n} \\ B^* A \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $0_{nl \times n}$  is  $nl \times n$  matrix with zero elements.

**Theorem 2.** Suppose that  $\sigma_i(F_{l-1})$  ( $i = 1, \dots, N_{l-1}$ ),  $\eta_k(F_0)$  ( $k = 1, \dots, N_0$ ), and  $\tau_j(F_l)$  ( $j = 1, \dots, N_l$ ) are the ordered singular values of  $F_{l-1}$  and  $F_l$ , respectively. Let the following inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq \sigma_1(F_{l-1}) \leq \sigma_2(F_{l-1}) \leq \dots \leq \sigma_{\rho_{l-1}}(F_{l-1}) \leq \delta, \\ 0 \leq \eta_1(F_0) \leq \eta_2(F_0) \leq \dots \leq \eta_{\rho_0}(F_0) \leq \delta \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

be satisfied for singular values of  $F_{l-1}$  and  $F_0$  where  $\delta \geq 0$  is a small number and  $\rho_{l-1}$  is a natural number such that  $\rho_{l-1} \leq N_{l-1}$ . Then,  $(\rho_{l-1} + \rho_0)$  first singular values of  $F_l$  are small and the inequalities

$$0 \leq \tau_1(F_l) \leq \tau_2(F_l) \leq \dots \leq \tau_{\rho_{l-1}}(F_l) \leq \dots \leq \tau_{\rho_{l-1} + \rho_0}(F_l) \leq \sqrt{\rho_{l-1} + \rho_0} \delta$$

are valid.

Consider  $F_k$ ,  $2 < k < m$ . Denote  $N_k = \min\{(k+1)n, (k+2)m\}$ . Let  $0 \leq l, q < m$ , such that  $l+q < m$ . We can obtain

$$F_{l+q+1}^* F_{l+q+1} = \begin{bmatrix} F_l^* F_l & P_{lq} \\ P_{lq}^* & F_q^* F_q \end{bmatrix}, P_{lq} = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{n(l+1) \times n} & 0_{n(l+1) \times n(q+1)} \\ B^* A & 0_{n \times n(q+1)} \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $0_{n(l+1) \times n(q+1)}$  is  $n(l+1) \times n(q+1)$  matrix with zero elements.

**Theorem 3.** Assume that  $\sigma_i(F_l)$  ( $i = 1, \dots, N_l$ ),  $\eta_k(F_q)$  ( $k = 1, \dots, N_q$ ), and  $\tau_j(F_{l+q+1})$ , ( $j = 1, \dots, N_{l+q+1}$ ) are the ordered singular values of  $F_l$ ,  $F_q$  and  $F_{l+q+1}$ , respectively. Let the following inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sigma_1(F_l) \leq \sigma_2(F_l) \leq \dots \leq \sigma_{\rho_l}(F_l) \leq \delta, \\ 0 &\leq \eta_1(F_q) \leq \eta_2(F_q) \leq \dots \leq \eta_{\rho_q}(F_q) \leq \delta \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

be satisfied for singular values of  $F_l$  and  $F_q$ , where  $\delta \geq 0$  is a small number and  $\rho_l$  is a natural number such that  $\rho_l \leq N_l$ . Then  $(\rho_l + \rho_q)$  first singular values of  $F_{l+q+1}$  are small and the inequalities

$$0 \leq \tau_1(F_{l+q+1}) \leq \tau_2(F_{l+q+1}) \leq \dots \leq \tau_{\rho_l}(F_{l+q+1}) \leq \dots \leq \tau_{\rho_l + \rho_q}(F_{l+q+1}) \leq \sqrt{\rho_l + \rho_q} \delta$$

are satisfied.

Now, we shall consider the following example:

$$n = 4, m = 5, A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Matlab software is used to calculate the singular values of sequence matrices. Table 1 presents singular values of  $F_0, F_1, F_2, F_3$ .

**TABLE 1.** Singular values of matrices

<b>Singular values of <math>F_0</math></b>	0	1	1	1.4142	1.4142
<b>Singular values of <math>F_1</math></b>	0	0	0.61803	1	1
	1	1	1.4142	1.618	1.7321
<b>Singular values of <math>F_2</math></b>	0	0	0	0.44504	0.61803
	1	1	1	1	1
	1.247	1.4142	1.618	1.7321	1.8019
<b>Singular values of <math>F_3</math></b>	0	0	0	1.282e-016	0.44504
	0.44504	0.61803	1	1	1
	1	1	1	1.247	1.247
	1.4142	1.618	1.7321	1.8019	1.8019

For small number  $\delta = 1.3 \cdot 10^{-16}$  we have  $\rho_0 = 1, \rho_1 = 2, \rho_2 = 3, \rho_3 = 4$ . As it can be seen from Table 1, numbers of small singular values for matrices  $F_0, F_1, F_2, F_3$  are 1, 2, 3, 4, respectively.

## CONCLUSION

We consider some sequences of matrices for matrix pencils. Properties of small singular values of these matrices are investigated. Estimates for singular values are obtained. Example with computer calculations is given.

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