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# On the Solution of the Nonsymmetric T-Riccati Equation

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T-Riccati equations arise in

- solving large-scale **Dynamic Stochastic General Equilibrium (DSGE)** models;
- designing  $H_\infty$  controllers for descriptor systems (with additional constraints not considered here);
- special cases appear in Hamiltonian dynamics, queuing theory, etc.
- ...

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## Corollary

The **T-Sylvester operator**

$$\mathcal{S}_T : \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, \quad \mathcal{S}_T(X) := DX + X^T A,$$

has a nonnegative inverse, i.e.,  $\mathcal{S}_T^{-1}(X) \geq 0$  for  $X \geq 0$ .

As a consequence, the **T-Sylvester equation**  $\mathcal{S}_T(X) + C = 0$  has a unique solution which is nonnegative.



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## Theorem ([B./PALITTA 2019])

In addition to given assumptions, suppose  $\exists Y \geq 0: \mathcal{R}_T(Y) \geq 0$ . Then,

- (i) the iterates computed by the fixed-point iteration (1) form an increasing sequence, bounded from above by  $Y$ :

$$Y \geq X_{k+1} \geq X_k \text{ for all } k \geq 0;$$

- (ii)  $\{X_k\}_{k \geq 0}$  converges (from below) to the minimal nonnegative solution  $X_{\min}$  of the T-Riccati equation.

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- Total complexity depends on choice of T-Sylvester solver:
  - **Small-scale, dense case:** solver based on generalized Schur decomposition of  $(A, D^T)$  [DE TERÁN/DOPICO 2011].
  - **Large-scale, sparse/low-rank case:** (extended) block-Krylov subspace-type solver [DOPICO/GONZÁLEZ/KRESSNER/SIMONCINI 2016].



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- The resulting method is analogous to the **Newton-Kleinman method** for standard algebraic Riccati equations.

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**Conjecture:**  $\mathcal{R}_T(\bar{Y}) > 0$  can be replaced by  $\mathcal{R}_T(\bar{Y}) \geq 0$ .

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### Implementation details:

- Need to solve a T-Sylvester equation in each step — we use generalized Schur approach from [DE TERÁN/DOPICO 2011].
- Local convergence is quadratic in all experiments, as expected.
- Initial convergence can be accelerated by exact line search as suggested in [B./BYERS 1998] for continuous-time symmetric algebraic Riccati equations:
  - use Newton direction  $S_k := X_{k+1} - X_k$  as a descent direction;
  - minimize  $\|\mathcal{R}_T(X_k + \lambda_k S_k)\|_F$  — optimizer  $\lambda_k^{\text{opt}} \in [0, 2]$  can be computed analytically;
  - set  $X_{k+1} := X_k + \lambda_k^{\text{opt}} S_k$ .
- Stop when  $\|\mathcal{R}_T(X_{k+1})\|_F \leq \varepsilon \|C\|_F$  for user-specified tolerance  $\varepsilon > 0$ .





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- The solution of large-scale T-Sylvester equation can then be approximated in low-rank format by (extended) block-Krylov subspace-type solver [DOPICO/GONZÁLEZ/KRESSNER/SIMONCINI 2016].

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- To ensure convergence, enforce **sufficient decrease condition (Armijo rule)** by line search

$$\|\mathcal{R}_T(X_k + \lambda_k S_k)\|_F \leq (1 - \lambda_k \alpha) \|\mathcal{R}_T(X_k)\|_F, \quad \alpha > 0.$$

### Theorem ([B./PALITTA 2019])

Under the assumptions for convergence of the exact Newton-Kleinman iteration, suppose that furthermore, for all  $k \geq 0$ ,  $\exists \tilde{X}_{k+1}$  satisfying

$$(D - X_k^T B_1 B_2^T) \tilde{X}_{k+1} + \tilde{X}_{k+1}^T (A - B_1 B_2^T X_k) = -X_k^T B_1 B_2^T X_k - C_1^T C_2 + L_{k+1}$$

where  $\|L_{k+1}\|_F \leq \eta_k \|\mathcal{R}_T(X_k)\|_F$ . Then:

- (i) If the step size parameters  $\lambda_k$  are bounded away from zero, i.e.,  $\lambda_k \geq \lambda_{\min} > 0$  for all  $k$ , then  $\|\mathcal{R}_T(X_k)\|_F \rightarrow 0$ .
- (ii) If, in addition to (i), the matrices  $L_{k+1}$  are nonnegative for all  $k \geq 0$ , then the sequence  $\{X_k\}_{k \geq 0}$  generated by the inexact Newton-Kleinman method with  $X_0 = 0$  is well-defined and  $X_k \leq X_{k+1} \leq X_{\min}$ . Moreover,

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- We use the same coefficient matrices as in "Numerical test 7.1" from [DOPICO ET AL. 2016]:  $D, A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  represent the finite difference discretization on the unit square of the 2-dimensional differential operators

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_D(u) &= -u_{xx} - u_{yy} + y(1-x)u_x + 10^4 u, \\ \mathcal{L}_A(u) &= -u_{xx} - u_{yy} = -\Delta u\end{aligned}$$

with homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions.

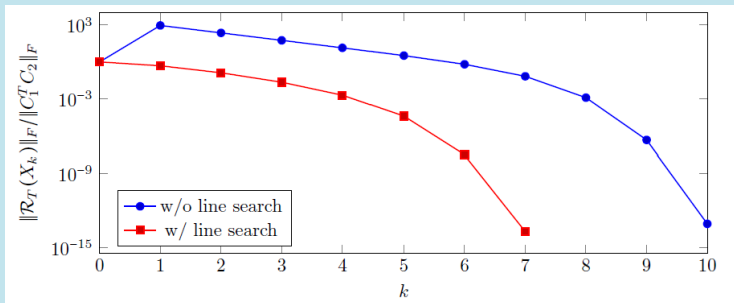
- For **small-scale tests**,  $B, C \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  are full random matrices.
- For **large-scale tests**, we consider low-rank matrices
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such that  $B_i, C_i$  have unit norm and random entries for  $i = 1, 2$ .

### Results for small-scale / "exact" Newton-Kleinman

	$n$	Its	Rel. Res	Time (secs)
w/o line search	324	8	9.0e-15	11.28
w/ line search		5	1.1e-14	7.54
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w/ line search		7	2.4e-14	73.73

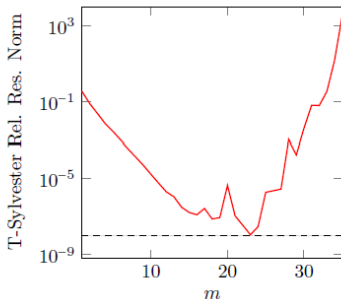
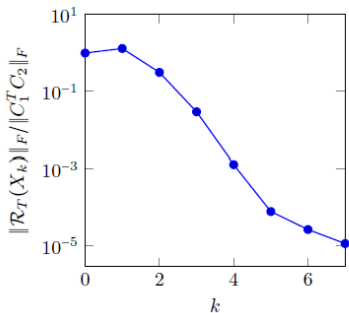
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$n$	$p$	$q$	Its (inner)	Mem.	Rank( $X$ )	Rel. Res.	Time (s)
10,000	1	1	13 (7.46)	192	24	6.7e-7	15.65
	1	5	8 (8.5)	672	93	6.3e-7	52.15
	5	10	6 (6.3)	1560	213	4.5e-7	110.12
22,500	1	1	14 (9.86)	256	30	5.9e-7	69.19
	1	5			no convergence		
	5	10			no convergence		
32,400	1	1	10 (10.6)	384	26	6.8e-7	127.61
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### Results for large-scale / "inexact" Newton-Kleinman



Similar to Example 6.1 in [GUO 2001], define

$$R = \text{rand}(2n, 2n) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n \times 2n},$$

$$W = \text{diag}(R\mathbf{1}) - R, \text{ where } \mathbf{1} = (1, \dots, 1)^T \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}.$$

$A, D \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  are chosen according to the partition

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} D & M \\ N & A \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{while } B = -N/\|N\|_F.$$

Then define  $X_{\text{exact}}$  with uniformly distributed random entries and unit norm, and compute

$$C := DX_{\text{exact}} + X_{\text{exact}}^T A - X_{\text{exact}}^T B X_{\text{exact}}.$$

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	$n$	Its	Rel. Res.	Rel. Err.	Time (s)
w/o line search	500	3	1.0e-14	1.1e-10	10.80
w/ line search		3	1.1e-14	7.6e-11	10.84
w/o line search	1,000	4	1.5e-14	2.2e-9	78.59
w/ line search		4	1.5e-14	4.2e-9	78.99

Here, line search brings no advantage.

- Compute two sparse nonnegative matrices  $F, G \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  with random entries.
- Define

$$D := F + (\rho(F) + 1)I,$$

$$A := G + (\rho(G) + 20)I.$$

- Construct low-rank matrices
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	1	5	5 (2.2)	192	36	5.5e-9	1.11
	5	10	5 (2)	360	76	4.9e-9	3.27
50,000	1	1	4 (1.5)	32	6	9.7e-8	0.79
	1	5	5 (2)	192	36	5.5e-9	5.44
	5	10	5 (2)	360	76	3.8e-9	14.88
100,000	1	1	4 (1.5)	32	6	5.8e-8	1.48
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Numerical results confirm **linear complexity** of inexact Newton-Kleinman-Krylov solver!




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- Convergence analysis of (extended) Krylov-type solvers for T-Sylvester equations?
- Alternative solvers for T-Sylvester equations, e.g. of ADI-type, possible?
- Projection techniques working directly on the T-Riccati equations?
- Other (than nonnegative matrix) settings for T-Riccati equations?


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