

# FAST CONDITION ESTIMATION FOR A CLASS OF STRUCTURED EIGENVALUE PROBLEMS

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**Abstract.** We present a fast condition estimation algorithm for the eigenvalues of a class of structured matrices. These matrices are low rank modifications to Hermitian, skew-Hermitian, and unitary matrices. Fast structured operations for these matrices are presented, including Schur decomposition, eigenvalue block swapping, matrix equation solving, compact structure reconstruction, etc. Compact semiseparable representations of matrices are used in these operations. We use these operations in a new improved version of the statistical condition estimation method for eigenvalue problems. The estimation algorithm costs  $O(n^2)$  flops for all eigenvalues, instead of  $O(n^3)$  as in traditional algorithms, where  $n$  is the order of the matrix. The algorithm provides reliable condition estimates for both eigenvalues and eigenvalue clusters. The proposed structured matrix operations are also useful for additional eigenvalue problems and other applications. Numerical examples are used to illustrate the reliability and efficiency of the algorithm.

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**1. Introduction.** The condition number of an eigenvalue or eigenvalue cluster measures the sensitivity of the eigenvalue or eigenvalue cluster to small changes in the input matrix, and may be used to bound the error in the computed approximation. For a general order- $n$  matrix, it usually costs  $O(n^3)$  flops or more to estimate the sensitivity of all its eigenvalues, for example, by considering separations of eigenvalues, angles between left eigenvectors and right eigenvectors, and other methods [1], [2], [19], [21], [28]. For structured eigenvalue problems, on the one hand, it is important to capture the structures [13]. On the other hand, we can also take advantage of the structures to obtain fast condition estimation. In this paper, we consider condition estimation for the eigenvalues of a class of structured matrices, and present a reliable estimation scheme which costs only  $O(n^2)$  flops. The development of new fast structured algorithms for these matrices in recent years makes it possible to obtain fast condition estimation. This class of matrices has the following structures:

1. Low rank modifications to Hermitian and skew-Hermitian matrices. Examples include Frobenius matrices, diagonal plus rank one matrices, and arrow-head matrices which arise in applications such as bidiagonal SVD, divide-and-conquer algorithms for some eigenvalue problems [18], etc.
2. Low rank modifications to unitary matrices such as companion matrices which are closely related to the problems of finding polynomial roots and solving certain differential equations.

Any such matrix  $C \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is a low rank perturbation to a *rank symmetric* matrix [4] (a matrix  $\hat{C}$  is said to be rank symmetric if for any  $2 \times 2$  block partition of  $\hat{C} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{C}_{11} & \hat{C}_{12} \\ \hat{C}_{21} & \hat{C}_{22} \end{bmatrix}$  with  $\hat{C}_{11}$  and  $\hat{C}_{22}$  square, the ranks of  $\hat{C}_{12}$  and  $\hat{C}_{21}$  are equal).

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That is,

$$C = \hat{C} + xy^T, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$  with  $k \ll n$ , and  $\hat{C}$  is rank symmetric. Fast methods for finding the eigenvalues of these matrices have been proposed in recent years (see, e.g., [4], [5], [6], [11], [16]). These methods exploit certain rank structure of the QR iterates when using QR iterations to find the eigenvalues. We show that the rank structure can also be used to accelerate the condition estimation of the eigenvalues.

As an example, the following companion matrix

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} a_{n-1} & a_{n-2} & \cdots & a_0 \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (1.2)$$

can be written as

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \cdots & 0 & \pm 1 \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{n-1} & a_{n-2} & \cdots & a_0 \mp 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

To quickly find the eigenvalues of (1.2), the fast structured QR iteration algorithm in [11] computes structured QR iterates which are unitarily similar to  $C$ . The iterations are done via the Q and R factors of the QR iterates. It can be shown that the QR iterates have small off-diagonal ranks [4], [6], [11]. Thus the Q and R factors can be efficiently represented by rank structures called *sequentially semiseparable* (SSS) matrix forms, proposed in [7], [8], [9]. An SSS matrix looks like

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{D}_1 & \mathcal{U}_1 \mathcal{V}_2^T & \mathcal{U}_1 \mathcal{W}_2 \mathcal{V}_3^T & \mathcal{U}_1 \mathcal{W}_2 \mathcal{W}_3 \mathcal{V}_4^T \\ \mathcal{P}_2 \mathcal{Q}_1^T & \mathcal{D}_2 & \mathcal{U}_2 \mathcal{V}_3^T & \mathcal{U}_2 \mathcal{W}_3 \mathcal{V}_4^T \\ \mathcal{P}_3 \mathcal{R}_2 \mathcal{Q}_1^T & \mathcal{P}_3 \mathcal{Q}_2^T & \mathcal{D}_3 & \mathcal{U}_3 \mathcal{V}_4^T \\ \mathcal{P}_4 \mathcal{R}_3 \mathcal{R}_2 \mathcal{Q}_1^T & \mathcal{P}_4 \mathcal{R}_3 \mathcal{Q}_2^T & \mathcal{P}_4 \mathcal{Q}_3^T & \mathcal{D}_4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (1.3)$$

where the matrices  $\{\mathcal{D}_i\}$ ,  $\{\mathcal{U}_i\}$ ,  $\{\mathcal{W}_i\}$ ,  $\{\mathcal{V}_i\}$ ,  $\{\mathcal{P}_i\}$ ,  $\{\mathcal{R}_i\}$ ,  $\{\mathcal{Q}_i\}$  are called (SSS) generators. SSS structures are useful for problems where the off-diagonal blocks have small ranks (see, e.g., [10], [11]). When the off-diagonal ranks of an SSS matrix are small and the sizes of  $\{\mathcal{W}_i\}$  and  $\{\mathcal{R}_i\}$  are close to the off-diagonal ranks, the matrix is said to be in *compact* SSS form. In such a situation, the matrix can be represented by only a linear amount of data, and operations on the compact SSS matrices are very efficient. For example, it costs only linear time to solve compact SSS linear systems, and to multiply two compact SSS matrices with the same partition. More details can be found in [7], [8], [9], [10], [11]. The use of compact SSS matrices in the algorithm in [11] provides an  $O(n^2)$  cost eigensolver for companion matrices (and polynomial root problems).

**1.1. Main results.** This paper shows that we can also exploit the rank structure of the above class of eigenvalue problems (1.1) to provide efficient condition estimation for the eigenvalues. We use the *statistical condition estimation* (SCE) method by Kenney and Laub [23]. In [19], a perturbation analysis for the *average eigenvalues*

of a general matrix based on SCE has been given, and an SCE condition estimator is provided. The cost is  $O(n^3)$  flops for all eigenvalues. Here, we first improve the estimator in [19] from various points of view. Then we take into account the rank structure of the above class of matrices in SCE and extend the estimator in [19] to all the eigenvalues or eigenvalue clusters of these matrices. Given the facts that the related matrix computations become structured, and that SCE is good at respecting matrix structures, we can reduce the total condition estimation cost for all eigenvalues to  $O(n^2)$  (and the cost for each single individual eigenvalue to  $O(n)$ ).

We present the main idea based on the companion matrix (1.2). For convenience, we consider only real matrices, and maintain real arithmetic in this paper. Similar techniques can be easily extended to other matrices in the above class. This is discussed in Section 4. In this paper, the following new structured matrix algorithms are derived:

1. Compute a Schur decomposition of  $C$  such that the Schur form is in compact SSS representation.
2. For all the eigenvalues or eigenvalue clusters, swap the diagonal blocks of the Schur form in structured form so as to bring any desired block to any other position. Quickly update the initial Schur form to reconstruct a new compact Schur form.
3. Solve the structured Sylvester equation (2.4).
4. Use structured perturbation in SCE, and evaluate the condition estimates by taking advantage of matrix structures.

Our estimator works for both simple or multiple eigenvalues or eigenvalue clusters. The paper [26] presents some similar work. However, [26] requires that the eigenvalues of  $C$  are all distinct. The new operations here are more general, more efficient, and even simpler to implement than those in [26]. For example, after the diagonal block swapping, [26] uses SSS matrix multiplications to get the SSS form for the new Schur form. But when the matrix has multiple eigenvalues, many SSS multiplications may be needed and the SSS Schur form may not be compact any more. Instead, here we use a recovery strategy which always guarantees that the SSS Schur form is compact. As another example, here we simplify the reconstruction of the invariant subspace corresponding to an eigenvalue or eigencluster after the diagonal block swapping.

Similar techniques can also speed up the condition estimation for the eigenvectors of (1.1). We emphasize that the structured matrix operations in this paper are also useful in many other problems, in addition to condition estimation. Condition estimation for the eigenvalues of a companion matrix  $C$  can be used to assess the accuracy of polynomial roots including multiple or clustered roots.

**1.2. Overview and notation.** The rest of this paper is organized as follows. Section 2 reviews SCE for general eigenvalue problems and gives some new improvements. The fast structured condition estimation scheme is presented in Section 3 in detail. Related matrix algorithms are derived. We also briefly discuss the extension of the techniques to general matrices (1.1) in the above class. Section 4 provides the algorithm, detailed flop counts, and shows some numerical examples. We draw some concluding remarks in Section 6.

The following notation is used in this paper:

- The  $i$ -th row (or block row) and the  $j$ -th column (or block column) of  $A \equiv (A_{ij})_{n \times n}$  are denoted by  $A_{i,:}$  and  $A_{:,j}$ , respectively. Similarly,  $A_{1:i,1:j}$  denotes the submatrix of  $A$  at (block) rows 1 through  $i$  and (block) columns 1 through  $j$ .

- $\text{vec}(A)$  denotes the column vector formed by stacking the columns of  $A$  from left to right.
- If  $A$  is an SSS matrix,  $\mathcal{D}_i(A)$ ,  $\mathcal{U}_i(A)$ , etc. represent its SSS generators as in (1.3).
- $\delta A$  means the product of a small scalar  $\delta$  with  $A$ .
- If a vector  $u$  is selected uniformly and randomly from the unit  $n$ -sphere  $S_{n-1}$ , we write  $u \in U(S_{n-1})$ .

## 2. Condition estimation for general eigenvalue problems.

**2.1. General SCE scheme for average (mean) eigenvalues.** For a general  $n \times n$  real matrix  $C$ , Gudmundsson et al. derived an SCE condition estimator for its average or mean eigenvalues in the following way [19]. Assume we have a block Schur decomposition of  $C$

$$C = UTU^T, \quad U = [U_1, U_c], \quad T = \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & H \\ 0 & T_c \end{bmatrix}, \quad (2.1)$$

where  $U$  is orthogonal and  $T_1$  and  $T_c$  have orders  $n_1$  and  $n - n_1$ , respectively. The average eigenvalue of  $T_1$  is defined to be [1], [19]

$$\mu(T_1) = \frac{\text{trace}(T_1)}{n_1}.$$

If the spectra of  $T_1$  and  $T_c$  are well separated [22], [31], then the sensitivity of  $\mu(T_1)$  is well defined. A condition number  $\kappa$  for  $\mu(T_1)$  is given in [19].

In SCE, a condition estimate for  $\mu(T_1)$  can be obtained by perturbing  $C$  to  $C + \delta E$  with a relative perturbation matrix  $\delta E$ , where  $\delta$  is a small number, and  $E = (C_{ij}Z_{ij})_{n \times n}$  with  $Z = (Z_{ij})_{n \times n}$  satisfying that  $\text{vec}(Z) \in U(S_{n^2-1})$ . Accordingly,  $\Lambda(T_1)$  is perturbed to [19]

$$\Lambda(\tilde{T}_1) \approx \Lambda(T_1 + \delta B) = \Lambda(T_1) + \delta \Lambda(B), \quad (2.2)$$

where

$$B = U_1^T E U_1 + Y U_c^T E U_1, \quad (2.3)$$

and  $Y$  is an  $n_1 \times (n - n_1)$  matrix satisfying a Sylvester equation

$$T_1 Y - Y T_c = H. \quad (2.4)$$

Based on (2.2), SCE leads to a relative condition estimate to  $\mu(T_1)$  in the following form:

$$\nu = \frac{1}{\omega_p |\mu(T_1)|} |\mu(B)|, \quad (2.5)$$

where  $p$  is the number of parameters that define  $C$  (for a general  $n \times n$  matrix,  $p = n^2$ ; for the companion matrix (1.2),  $p = n$ ), and  $\omega_p$  is the Wallis factor which can be approximated by [23]

$$\omega_p \approx \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi(p - \frac{1}{2})}}.$$

The expected value of the estimate  $E(\nu)$  is equal to the exact condition number  $\kappa$  [19].

Multiple samples of  $Z$  can be used to increase the accuracy of the estimation. For example, assume we use  $m$  samples of  $Z$ , denoted  $Z^{(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ , which are properly orthonormalized [23], and accordingly,  $T_1$  is perturbed to  $T_1 + \delta B^{(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ . Then the  $m$ -sample condition estimator is defined as

$$\nu^{(m)} = \frac{1}{\omega_p |\mu(T_1)|} \sqrt{[\mu(B^{(1)})]^2 + \dots + [\mu(B^{(m)})]^2}.$$

The accuracy of this estimator is given by [19]

$$\Pr\left(\frac{\kappa}{\gamma} \leq \nu^{(m)} \leq \gamma\kappa\right) \geq 1 - \frac{1}{m!} \left(\frac{2m}{\gamma\pi}\right)^m + O\left(\frac{1}{\gamma^{m+1}}\right), \quad \gamma > 1.$$

For example, with  $m = 2$ , the probability of  $\nu^{(m)}$  being within a factor of  $\gamma = 10$  of the exact condition number  $\kappa$  is greater than 0.9919. Even with only one sample, this probability is greater than 0.9363.

**2.2. Improvements.** We make several improvements over Gudmundsson et al.'s general SCE estimator for average eigenvalues. First, for simple real eigenvalues and complex eigenpairs, more specific forms based on (2.3) and (2.5) can be derived. When  $T_1$  is a  $1 \times 1$  block (eigenvalue),  $B$  in (2.3) is reduced to a scalar which can be calculated by using  $Y$  (a vector) and the first row and the first column of  $U$ . When  $T_1$  is a  $2 \times 2$  block,  $T_1$  has a conjugate pair of complex eigenvalues. The condition number of this eigenpair is generally different from the condition number of their average. Thus, (2.5) may not precisely reflect the sensitivity of this eigenpair. In fact, by assuming

$$T_1 \equiv \begin{bmatrix} t_{11} & t_{12} \\ t_{21} & t_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \quad B \equiv \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix},$$

we can derive a more accurate estimator for the actual condition of the eigenpair [26]

$$\nu = \frac{1}{\omega_p \sqrt{\det(T_1)}} \sqrt{\frac{\alpha^2 \det(T_1) - \alpha\beta \text{trace}(T_1) + \beta^2}{[\text{trace}(T_1)]^2 - 4 \det(T_1)}},$$

where  $\alpha = b_{11} + b_{22}$ ,  $\beta = t_{11}b_{22} + t_{22}b_{11} - t_{12}b_{21} - t_{21}b_{12}$ .

The second improvement is that, for average eigenvalues corresponding to a diagonal block  $T_i$  other than  $T_1$ , we can employ diagonal block swapping techniques as in [1], [12], [27] to obtain a new Schur decomposition such that  $T_i$  (in its similar form) appears in the leading (upper left) position of the new Schur form

$$\tilde{T} = GTG^T, \tag{2.6}$$

where  $G$  is an orthogonal transformation matrix.

Another improvement is to rewrite (2.3) as

$$\begin{aligned} B &= \begin{bmatrix} I_{n_1} & Y \end{bmatrix} U^T E U_1 \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} I_{n_1} & Y \end{bmatrix} (U^T E U) \begin{bmatrix} I_{n_1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned} \tag{2.7}$$

where  $E$  is isolated from  $Y$ . The new representation (2.7) indicates that the operations involving  $E$  can be independent of different eigenvalues. In order to compute  $B$  for different eigenvalues, we can precompute the matrix  $U^T E U$  just once. Then for different eigenvalues we only need to solve for  $Y$  and then to compute the trace of the left  $n_1 \times n_1$  submatrix of

$$\hat{B} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{n_1} & Y \end{bmatrix} (U^T E U), \quad (2.8)$$

where appropriate transformations may be applied to  $U^T E U$  (see Section 4). On the other hand, if multiple samples of  $E$  are used, then we can reuse the matrices  $Y$  and  $U$ . This will be further discussed in Section 4.

Finally, for structured matrices  $C$ , the perturbation matrix  $E$  may also be structured, and it is also possible to compute  $Y$  and  $B$  quickly by taking advantage of the structure of  $C$ . The total cost of the condition estimation can then be less than  $O(n^3)$ . This is the actual situation for the class of matrices (1.1) where only  $O(n^2)$  flops are needed. We elaborate on this in the rest of this paper.

*Remark 1.* The algorithm in this paper can be used to estimate the condition of polynomial roots. For the companion matrix (1.2), it can be shown that the exact condition number  $\kappa$  for  $\mu(T_1)$  is actually the condition number defined in [15] for the roots of the polynomial  $\sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i$  (with  $a_n \equiv 1$ ), when all roots are distinct [26].

**3. Fast structured condition estimation.** For a structured matrix  $C$  in (1.1), the perturbation matrix  $E$  generally corresponds to the low rank modifications (see, e.g., [18] for an error analysis based on perturbing the low rank part of a diagonal plus rank one matrix). In such a situation, the relative perturbation matrix  $E$  has the form

$$E = x E_2^T + E_1 y^T = \begin{bmatrix} x & E_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_2^T \\ y^T \end{bmatrix} \equiv \hat{x} \hat{y}^T, \quad (3.1)$$

where  $E_1 = (x_{ij} Z_{ij}^x)_{n \times k}$ ,  $E_2 = (y_{ij} Z_{ij}^y)_{n \times k}$  with  $Z^x$  and  $Z^y$  random matrices satisfying  $\text{vec}([Z^x, Z^y]) \in U(S_{2nk-1})$ . For the example of the companion matrix (1.2),  $E$  can be further simplified to

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} e^T \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ n-1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (3.2)$$

where  $e^T = [a_{n-1} z_{n-1}, a_{n-2} z_{n-2}, \dots, (a_0 \mp 1) z_0]$  and  $[z_{n-1}, \dots, z_0]^T \in U(S_{n-1})$ . This is because, usually,  $a_{n-1}, a_{n-2}, \dots, z_0$  are the parameters of interest.

The special structure of  $E$  saves the cost for computing  $B$ . Moreover, based on the rank structure of  $C$  and its similarity transformations, all the major steps in the SCE scheme can be quickly done by structured matrix computations. They include:

1. Structured Schur decomposition in (2.1).
2. Structured diagonal block swapping in (2.6).
3. Structured Sylvester equation solver for (2.4).
4. Evaluation of  $\mu(B)$  in (2.5) using the low rank structure.

We discuss the details in the following subsections.

**3.1. Structured Schur decomposition.** We can find a structured Schur decomposition of  $C$  by using the fast structured eigensolver in [11]. The traditional Hessenberg QR iterations for the eigenvalues of  $C$  are

$$\begin{aligned} C^{(0)} &= C, \\ C^{(k)} &= Q^{(k)} R^{(k)}, \quad C^{(k+1)} = R^{(k)} Q^{(k)}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, any  $C^{(k)}$  is a rank-one update to an orthogonal matrix since  $C$  is. The QR algorithm in [11] is based on the result that each  $C^{(k)}$  actually has small off-diagonal ranks.

**THEOREM 3.1.** [4], [5], [11] *The ranks of all off-diagonal blocks  $C_{1:j,j+1:n}^{(k)}$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, n-1$  of  $C^{(k)}$  are no larger than 3.*

This result can be shown with the following lemma.

**LEMMA 3.2.** [4] *Assume  $\hat{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is rank symmetric, and  $L \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  has rank  $k$ . Partition  $\hat{C}$  as  $\hat{C} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{C}_{11} & \hat{C}_{12} \\ \hat{C}_{21} & \hat{C}_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $\hat{C}_{11}$  and  $\hat{C}_{22}$  are square. Also partition  $L$  conformally. Then*

$$|\text{rank}(\hat{C}_{12} + L_{12}) - \text{rank}(\hat{C}_{21} + L_{21})| \leq 2k.$$

The algorithm in [11] uses a sequence of Givens matrices for  $Q^{(k)}$  and an SSS form for  $R^{(k)}$ . When the algorithm converges, it yields a *quasitriangular* Schur form  $T$  (block upper triangular matrix with  $1 \times 1$  and/or  $2 \times 2$  diagonal blocks). Appropriate Givens matrices form an orthogonal matrix  $U$  such that  $C = UTU^T$  which is a structured form of (2.1). That is,  $U$  is a product of  $O(n^2)$  Givens matrices in general, and  $T$  is an SSS matrix. The matrix  $T$  also has small off-diagonal ranks.

**THEOREM 3.3.** *For any quasitriangular matrix orthogonally similar to  $C$ , its maximum off-diagonal rank is no larger than 2.*

*Proof.* Any matrix  $\tilde{C}$  orthogonally similar to  $C$  is also a rank-one update to an orthogonal matrix

$$\tilde{C} = P + \hat{L}.$$

In addition, it is quasitriangular. The direct application of Lemma 3.2 to  $\tilde{C}$  can only show that the maximum off-diagonal rank of  $\tilde{C}$  is no larger than 3. Thus, we further consider the QR factorization  $\tilde{C} = QR$ . Clearly,  $Q$  is a block diagonal matrix with  $1 \times 1$  or  $2 \times 2$  diagonal blocks. The matrix  $R$  is upper triangular and is also a rank one update to an orthogonal matrix

$$R = Q^T P + Q^T \hat{L}.$$

Thus, by Lemma 3.2, the maximum off-diagonal rank of  $R$  is no larger than 2. The multiplication of  $R$  by  $Q$  does not change the maximum off-diagonal rank.  $\square$

Theorem 3.3 indicates that the SSS form of  $T$  can be compact. The algorithm in [11] provides such a compact form.

**3.2. Structured Sylvester equation solver.** Notice that in the Sylvester equation (2.4),  $T_1$  and  $T_c$  are also SSS matrices. We use the Bartels-Stewart algorithm [3] to solve (2.4), and make use of the matrix structures in the meantime. Since  $T_1$  is block upper triangular, we employ a permutation matrix  $P$  such that

$$L \equiv PT_1P^T$$

is block lower triangular.  $P$  is simply the anti-identity matrix

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & 1 \\ & \ddots & \\ 1 & & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then (2.4) can be written as

$$L(PY) - (PY)T_c = PH. \quad (3.3)$$

It is clear that the SSS generators of  $L$  can be obtained directly from those of  $T_1$

$$\mathcal{D}_i(L) = \mathcal{D}_i(T_1)^T, \quad \mathcal{P}_i(L) = \mathcal{V}_i(T_1), \quad \mathcal{Q}_i(L) = \mathcal{U}_i(T_1), \quad \mathcal{R}_i(L) = \mathcal{W}_i(T_1)^T.$$

For notational convenience, we write (3.3) as the following SSS Sylvester equation

$$LX - XR = K, \quad (3.4)$$

where  $L$  is a block lower triangular compact SSS matrix with generators  $\{\mathcal{D}_i(L) \equiv L_{ii}\}_1^{l_1}$ ,  $\{\mathcal{P}_i\}_2^{l_1}$ ,  $\{\mathcal{Q}_i\}_1^{l_1-1}$ ,  $\{\mathcal{R}_i\}_2^{l_1-1}$ , and  $R$  is a block upper triangular compact SSS matrix with generators  $\{\mathcal{D}_i(R) \equiv R_{ii}\}_1^{l_2}$ ,  $\{\mathcal{U}_i\}_1^{l_2-1}$ ,  $\{\mathcal{V}_i\}_2^{l_2}$ ,  $\{\mathcal{W}_i\}_2^{l_2-1}$ . Here,  $l_1 + l_2 = l$  is the total number of diagonal blocks (eigenvalue clusters) in  $T$ . Since  $H$  is an off-diagonal block of  $T$ , we assume  $K = PH$  has the following form

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} K_{:,1} & K_{:,2} & \cdots & K_{:,l_2} \end{bmatrix} \\ = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 w_2 \cdots w_{l_1} v_{l_1+1}^T & u_1 w_2 \cdots w_{l_1+1} v_{l_1+2}^T & \cdots & u_1 w_2 \cdots w_{l_1-1} v_l^T \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ u_{l_1-1} w_{l_1} v_{l_1+1}^T & u_{l_1-1} w_{l_1} w_{l_1+1} v_{l_1+2}^T & \cdots & u_{l_1-1} w_{l_1} \cdots w_{l_1-1} v_l^T \\ u_{l_1} v_{l_1+1}^T & u_{l_1} w_{l_1+1} v_{l_1+2}^T & \cdots & u_{l_1} w_{l_1+1} \cdots w_{l_1-1} v_l^T \end{bmatrix}. \quad (3.5)$$

We also assume that all the matrices in (3.4) have conformal partitions. When we get the solution  $X$  of (3.4), the solution of (2.4) can be simply obtained by  $Y = P^T X$ .

The Bartels-Stewart algorithm solves (3.4) by successively solving

$$L_{ii} X_{ij} - X_{ij} R_{jj} = K_{ij} - \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} L_{ik} X_{kj} + \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} X_{ik} R_{kj}, \\ i = 1, 2, \dots, l_1, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, l_2,$$

where  $L_{ii}$  and  $R_{jj}$  are  $1 \times 1$  or  $2 \times 2$  blocks, and  $X_{ij}$  denotes the  $(i, j)$  block of  $X$  which is partitioned conformally according to the blocks of  $L$  and  $R$ . These equations can be rewritten as

$$LX_{:,j} - X_{:,j}R_{jj} = \hat{K}_j, \\ j = 1, 2, \dots, l_2, \quad (3.6)$$

where  $\hat{K}_j = K_{:,j} + X_{:,1:j-1}R_{1:j-1,j}$ . Assume that  $L$  has dimension  $n_1$ . Since  $L$  is an SSS matrix and  $R_{jj}$  is  $1 \times 1$  or  $2 \times 2$ , we can solve (3.6) for each  $j$  in  $O(n_1)$  flops, provided that the right-hand side  $\hat{K}_j$  can be evaluated in  $O(n_1)$  flops. In fact, the evaluation of both  $K_{:,j}$  and  $X_{:,1:j-1}R_{1:j-1,j}$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, l_2$  can be done successively as follows (when  $j = 1$ , let  $X_{:,1:j-1}R_{1:j-1,j} \equiv 0$ ).

For  $K_{:,j}$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, l_2$  in (3.5), introduce auxiliary matrices  $\Omega_k$  defined by

$$\Omega_{l_1} = I, \quad \Omega_k = w_{k+1}\Omega_{k+1}, \quad k = l_1 - 1, l_1 - 2, \dots, 2, 1. \quad (3.7)$$

Then compute each block  $K_{kj}$  by

$$K_{kj} = u_k \Omega_k v_j^T, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, l_1. \quad (3.8)$$

After the calculation of each  $K_{:,j}$ , replace all  $\Omega_k$  by

$$\hat{\Omega}_k = \Omega_k w_{l_1+j}. \quad (3.9)$$

For  $X_{:,1:j-1}R_{1:j-1,j}$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, l_2$ , notice that the block column  $R_{1:j-1,j}$  has the following form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{U}_1 \mathcal{W}_2 \cdots \mathcal{W}_{j-1} \mathcal{V}_j^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathcal{U}_{j-2} \mathcal{W}_{j-1} \mathcal{V}_j^T \\ \mathcal{U}_{j-1} \mathcal{V}_j^T \end{bmatrix}.$$

Introduce auxiliary matrices  $\Phi_j$  defined by

$$\Phi_0 = 0, \quad \Phi_j = \Phi_{j-1} \mathcal{W}_j + X_{:,j} \mathcal{U}_j, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, l_2 - 1. \quad (3.10)$$

Then clearly,

$$X_{:,1:j-1} R_{1:j-1,j} = \Phi_{j-1} \mathcal{V}_j^T, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, l_2. \quad (3.11)$$

It can be shown that the cost of evaluating  $\hat{K}_j$  in (3.6) for each  $j$  by (3.7)–(3.11) is  $O(n_1)$ .

Next, we consider the solution of (3.6). For each  $j$ , when  $R_{jj}$  is a scalar, (3.6) is an order- $n_1$  lower triangular SSS system

$$(L - R_{jj})X_{:,j} = \hat{K}_j^T.$$

The coefficient matrix  $L - R_{jj}$  has the same generators as  $L$  except that the  $\mathcal{D}_i$  generators are replaced by  $L_{ii} - R_{jj}$  or  $L_{ii} - R_{jj}I_2$ , depending on the size of  $L_{ii}$ . This system can be solved in linear time by the fast SSS system solver in [9], and the details are shown in [26].

When  $R_{jj}$  is  $2 \times 2$ , (3.6) is a simple Sylvester equation, which can be converted into an order- $2n$  lower triangular SSS system. Note that for this situation, the Bartels-Stewart algorithm does not apply to (3.6) any more since we want to maintain real arithmetic and  $R_{jj}$  does not have a real Schur form. However, we can rewrite (3.6) as a Sylvester equation in terms of  $X_{:,j}^T$

$$-R_{jj}^T X_{:,j}^T + X_{:,j}^T L^T = \hat{K}_j^T.$$

This equation can be converted into a lower triangular SSS system

$$(L \otimes I_2 - I_{n_1-2} \otimes R_{jj}^T) \text{vec}(X_{:,j}^T) = \text{vec}(\hat{K}_j^T).$$

The SSS generators of the coefficient matrix are given by those of  $L \otimes I_2$ , except the diagonal generators are  $\mathcal{D}_i(L \otimes I_2) - R_{jj}^T$  or  $\mathcal{D}_i(L \otimes I_2) - I_2 \otimes R_{jj}^T$ , depending on whether the order of  $\mathcal{D}_i(L)$  is 1 or 2. The generators of  $L \otimes I_2$  are listed in Table 3.1.

**3.3. Swapping the diagonal blocks of the Schur form  $T$ .** In order to use (2.5) to evaluate the condition of any eigenvalue cluster corresponding to diagonal blocks other than  $T_1$ , we can use a swapping procedure to bring those blocks to the leading upper left position of  $T$ . Assume that the eigenvalue cluster of interest corresponds to the diagonal blocks  $\{T_{i_1}, T_{i_2}, \dots, T_{i_k}\}$  of  $T$ . The matrix  $T$  will be transformed into  $\tilde{T}$  in (2.6) for which we will derive a new compact SSS form.

Order of $\mathcal{D}_i(L)$	$\mathcal{D}_i(L \otimes I_2)$	$\mathcal{P}_i(L \otimes I_2)$	$\mathcal{Q}_i(L \otimes I_2)$	$\mathcal{R}_i(L \otimes I_2)$
1	$\mathcal{D}_i(L) \otimes I_2$	$I_2 \otimes \mathcal{P}_i(L)$	$I_2 \otimes \mathcal{Q}_i(L)$	$I_2 \otimes \mathcal{R}_i(L)$
2	$\mathcal{D}_i(L) \otimes I_2$	$\begin{bmatrix} I_2 \otimes \mathcal{P}_{i,1}(L) \\ I_2 \otimes \mathcal{P}_{i,2}(L) \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} I_2 \otimes \mathcal{Q}_{i,1}(L) \\ I_2 \otimes \mathcal{Q}_{i,2}(L) \end{bmatrix}$	$I_2 \otimes \mathcal{R}_i(L)$

TABLE 3.1

SSS generators of  $L \otimes I_2$  in terms of the generators of  $L$ , where  $\mathcal{P}_i(L) \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{P}_{i,1}(L) \\ \mathcal{P}_{i,2}(L) \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathcal{Q}_i(L) \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{Q}_{i,1}(L) \\ \mathcal{Q}_{i,2}(L) \end{bmatrix}$ .

**3.3.1. Swapping procedure.** Consider a matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} T_i & H_i \\ 0 & T_j \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $T_i$  and  $T_j$  have orders  $n_i$  and  $n_j$ , respectively, and  $T_i$  and  $T_j$  have no eigenvalue in common. As discussed in [1], [12], [27] we find an orthogonal matrix  $G_i$  which is the product of some Givens matrices such that

$$G_i \begin{bmatrix} -X \\ I_{n_j} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} M_j \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (3.12)$$

where  $X$  is the unique solution to

$$T_i X - X T_j = H_i. \quad (3.13)$$

Then

$$G_i \begin{bmatrix} T_i & H_i \\ 0 & T_j \end{bmatrix} G_i^T = \begin{bmatrix} M_j T_j M_j^{-1} & \bar{H}_i \\ 0 & M_i T_i M_i^{-1} \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $M_i$  is the bottom  $n_j \times (n_i + n_j)$  submatrix of  $G_i \begin{bmatrix} I_{n_i} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Thus  $T_i$  and  $T_j$  have been swapped.

To bring the blocks  $\{T_{i_1}, T_{i_2}, \dots, T_{i_k}\}$  to the leading position, we partition  $T$  as

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{T}_1 & \hat{H}_1 & \cdots \\ 0 & \hat{T}_2 & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $\hat{T}_2$  has diagonal blocks  $T_{i_1}, T_{i_2}, \dots, T_{i_k}$ . We can apply the above swapping procedure to  $\begin{bmatrix} \hat{T}_1 & \hat{H}_1 \\ 0 & \hat{T}_2 \end{bmatrix}$  to bring  $\hat{T}_2$  to the leading position. However, the quasitriangular form of  $T$  will be destroyed. Thus, instead, we apply the above procedure to contiguous  $1 \times 1$  or  $2 \times 2$  diagonal blocks of  $T$  and bring each  $T_i$  to the leading position in one round of swapping. After each round of swapping,  $T$  is transformed into a new quasitriangular matrix  $\tilde{T} = G T G^T$  as in (2.6), where  $G$  is a product of Givens matrices. The number of Givens matrices depends the size of  $T_i$ . If  $T_i$  is  $1 \times 1$  then  $k_i - 1$  Givens matrices are needed, where  $k_i$  is the row or column index of  $T_i$  in  $T$ . The matrix  $G$  has the form

$$G = \prod_{j=1}^{k_i-1} \text{diag} \left[ I_{j-1}, \begin{bmatrix} c_j & s_j \\ -s_j & c_j \end{bmatrix}, I_{n-j-1} \right], \quad (3.14)$$

which is upper Hessenberg. If  $T_i$  is  $2 \times 2$  then  $2(k_i - 1)$  Givens matrices are needed, where  $k_i$  is the row or column index of the leading entry of  $T_i$  in  $T$ . Some of these Givens matrices commute, and after reordering the matrices, we have  $G = G_1 G_2$ , where each of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  has the form (3.14). See [26] for the details of the generation of  $G$ . Clearly,  $G$  in (3.14) is an SSS matrix with its generators given by Table 3.2 [11], [26].

$\mathcal{D}_j(G)$	$\mathcal{U}_j(G)$	$\mathcal{V}_j(G)$	$\mathcal{W}_j(G)$	$\mathcal{P}_j(G)$	$\mathcal{Q}_j(G)$	$\mathcal{R}_j(G)$
$c_{j-1}c_j$	$c_{j-1}s_j$	$c_j$	$s_j$	1	$-s_j$	0

TABLE 3.2

SSS generators of  $G$  in (3.14).

The matrix  $\tilde{T}$  is still quasitriangular. We can get its SSS form by multiplying three SSS matrices in (2.6) using the formulas for SSS matrix multiplications in [8]. This is the way used in [26] for the situation of simple eigenvalues. Notice that the off-diagonal generator sizes increase accumulatively with the multiplications in (2.6). If the  $\mathcal{W}_i(T)$  generators have sizes 2, then the  $\mathcal{W}_i(\tilde{T})$  generators have sizes up to 6, since the  $\mathcal{W}_i$  generators of  $G$  and  $G^T$  have sizes 1 or 2.

**3.3.2. Recovery of compact SSS representation of  $\tilde{T}$ .** Since here we are considering general eigenclusters instead of simple eigenvalues, the matrix multiplication technique in [26] is inefficient. For example, if the swapping process is applied to an eigencluster which has  $k$  multiple eigenvalues or eigenpairs, then  $\tilde{T}$  needs to be multiplied by up to  $O(kn)$  Givens matrices, and the off-diagonal generator sizes of  $\tilde{T}$  increase significantly. Therefore,  $\tilde{T}$  is generally not compact any more. On the other hand, the actual off-diagonal ranks of  $\tilde{T}$  do not increase, according to Theorem 3.3. Thus, we develop a recovery strategy to reconstruct a compact SSS form for  $\tilde{T}$ .

The matrix  $T$  is orthogonally similar to  $C$  and is obvious orthogonal plus rank one which we assume to be  $T \equiv P + uv^T$ . Also assume that  $\tilde{T}$  has a QR factorization  $\tilde{T} = \tilde{Q}\tilde{R}$ . The matrix  $\tilde{Q}$  is a block diagonal matrix with  $1 \times 1$  and/or  $2 \times 2$  diagonal blocks, since  $\tilde{T}$  is quasitriangular. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{R} &= \tilde{Q}^T \tilde{T} = \tilde{Q}^T G(P + uv^T)G^T \\ &= \tilde{Q}^T GPG^T + (\tilde{Q}^T Gu)(Gv)^T \equiv \tilde{P} + \tilde{u}\tilde{v}^T. \end{aligned}$$

There exists an orthogonal upper Hessenberg matrix  $P_1$  which is a product of Givens matrices such that

$$P_1 \tilde{u} = \|\tilde{u}\|_2 e_1, \quad (3.15)$$

where  $e_1$  is the first unit vector. Thus,

$$P_1 \tilde{R} = P_1 \tilde{P} + \|\tilde{u}\|_2 e_1 \tilde{v}^T.$$

This means that  $P_1 \tilde{P} = P_1 \tilde{R} - \|\tilde{u}\|_2 e_1 \tilde{v}^T$  is orthogonal and also upper Hessenberg. Therefore, there exists another orthogonal upper Hessenberg matrix  $P_2$  such that  $P_2^T (P_1 \tilde{R})$  is diagonal, and is thus the identity matrix. This means

$$P_2 = P_1 \tilde{P} = P_1 \tilde{R} - \|\tilde{u}\|_2 e_1 \tilde{v}^T, \quad (3.16)$$

$$\tilde{R} = P_1^T P_2 + \|\tilde{u}\|_2 P_1^T e_1 \tilde{v}^T = P_1^T P_2 + \tilde{u}\tilde{v}^T, \quad (3.17)$$

$$\tilde{T} = \tilde{Q}\tilde{R} = \tilde{Q}(P_1^T P_2 + \tilde{u}\tilde{v}^T). \quad (3.18)$$

Both  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are orthogonal upper Hessenberg and have maximum off-diagonal rank 1, and  $\|\tilde{u}\|_2 P_1^T e_1 \tilde{v}^T$  is a rank one matrix. Therefore,  $\tilde{R}$  has maximum off-diagonal rank no larger than 3. The left multiplication of  $\tilde{R}$  by  $\tilde{Q}$  does not increase the off-diagonal block ranks because  $\tilde{Q}$  is a block diagonal matrix with  $1 \times 1$  and/or  $2 \times 2$  diagonal blocks. Therefore,  $\tilde{T}$  has maximum off-diagonal rank no larger than 3. This construction process provides an alternative way of proving a weaker result for Theorem 3.3 (there is no substantial difference between 2 and 3 as the maximum generator size in real computations).

Therefore, we can use (3.16)–(3.18) to recover a compact SSS form for  $\tilde{T}$ . (A similar recovery technique is also used in [11].) After each round of swapping to bring a single eigenvalue or eigenpair to a desired position, we apply the recovery procedure to  $\tilde{T}$ . First, we form the redundant SSS form of  $\tilde{T}$  in (2.6) by SSS matrix multiplications, and compute the QR factorization  $\tilde{Q}\tilde{R}$  for  $\tilde{T}$ . The matrix  $\tilde{Q}$  can be obtained by computing the Givens QR factorization

$$\tilde{T}_i = \tilde{Q}_i \tilde{R}_i, \quad (3.19)$$

for any  $2 \times 2$  diagonal block  $\tilde{T}_i$  of  $T$ . The block diagonal matrix  $\tilde{Q}$  has each diagonal block being either 1 or  $\tilde{Q}_i$ . The matrix  $\tilde{R}$  is still an SSS matrix with the same generators as  $\tilde{T}$  except that for any  $i$  corresponding to a  $2 \times 2$  diagonal block,

$$\mathcal{D}_i(\tilde{R}) = \tilde{R}_i, \quad \mathcal{U}_i(\tilde{R}) = \tilde{Q}_i^T \mathcal{U}_i(\tilde{T}). \quad (3.20)$$

Next, we form  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ . The matrix  $P_1$  is an SSS matrix derived based on (3.15) and has a form similar to (3.14). Another SSS matrix multiplication yields the SSS form of  $P_1 \tilde{R}$  in (3.16). The matrix  $P_1 \tilde{R}$  is upper Hessenberg which we assume to be

$$P_1 \tilde{R} = \begin{bmatrix} \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & u_1 w_2 \cdots w_{i-2} v_{i-1}^T & u_1 w_2 \cdots w_{i-1} v_i^T & \cdots \\ \ddots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \\ & \ddots & d_{i-2} & h_{i-1} & u_{i-1} w_i v_i^T & \vdots \\ & & p_{i-1} q_{i-2}^T & d_{i-1} & h_i & \vdots \\ & & & p_i q_{i-1}^T & d_i & \vdots \\ 0 & & & & \ddots & \ddots \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $h_i = u_i v_{i+1}^T$  and each  $d_i$  is  $1 \times 1$ . In order to get an SSS form for  $P_2$ , we introduce another sequence of Givens matrices  $\hat{G}_i$  (applied on the right) to diagonalize  $P_1 \tilde{R} - \|\tilde{u}\|_2 e_1 \tilde{v}^T$ . These  $\hat{G}_i$  matrices form  $P_2$ . The matrices  $\hat{G}_i$  are obtained as follows. Let  $\hat{G}_i$  be such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} p_i q_{i-1}^T & d_i \end{bmatrix} \hat{G}_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \hat{d}_i \end{bmatrix}.$$

Note that  $\hat{d}_i \equiv 1$  since  $P_1 \tilde{R} - \|\tilde{u}\|_2 e_1 \tilde{v}^T$  is an orthogonal matrix. Apply  $\hat{G}_i$  to columns

$i$  and  $i + 1$  of  $P_1 \tilde{R}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} u_1 w_2 \cdots w_{i-2} v_{i-1}^T & u_1 w_2 \cdots w_{i-1} v_i^T \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ h_{i-1} & u_{i-1} w_{i-1} v_i^T \\ d_{i-1} & h_i \\ p_i q_{i-1}^T & d_i \end{bmatrix} \hat{G}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 w_2 \cdots w_{i-2} \\ \vdots \\ u_{k-2} w_{i-2} \\ u_{i-2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_{i-1}^T & w_{i-1} v_i^T \end{bmatrix} \hat{G}_i \\ \begin{bmatrix} d_{i-1} & h_i \\ p_i q_{i-1}^T & d_i \end{bmatrix} \hat{G}_i \end{bmatrix} \\ & = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 w_2 \cdots w_{i-2} \\ \vdots \\ u_{k-2} w_{i-2} \\ u_{i-2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{v}_{i-1}^T & w_{i-1} \hat{v}_i^T \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} \hat{d}_{i-1} & \hat{h}_i \\ 0 & \hat{d}_i \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 w_2 \cdots w_{i-2} \hat{v}_{i-1}^T & u_1 w_2 \cdots w_{i-1} \hat{v}_i^T \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \hat{h}_{i-1} & u_{i-1} w_{i-1} \hat{v}_i^T \\ \hat{d}_{i-1} & \hat{h}_i \\ 0 & \hat{d}_i \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\begin{bmatrix} \hat{v}_{i-1} \\ \hat{v}_i \end{bmatrix} = \hat{G}_i^T \begin{bmatrix} v_{i-1} \\ v_i w_{i-1}^T \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\hat{h}_{i-1} = u_{i-2} \hat{v}_{i-1}^T$ , and  $\hat{d}_{i-1}$  is the first entry of  $\begin{bmatrix} d_{i-1} & h_i \end{bmatrix} \hat{G}_i$ . Then  $\begin{bmatrix} p_{i-1} q_{i-2}^T & \hat{d}_{i-1} \end{bmatrix}$  will be used to provide  $\hat{G}_{i-1}$ , and the process repeats. All these  $\hat{G}_i$  matrices form  $P_2$  which has a form similar to (3.14). A similar technique has been used in [26] to produce  $G$  in (2.6). Note that we are not concerned about the matrix  $\|\tilde{u}\|_2 e_1 \tilde{v}^T$  in this process, since it only has its first row being nonzero and the generation of  $\hat{G}_i$  does not depend on it.

With  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  available in orthogonal upper Hessenberg SSS forms, we can get a compact SSS form of  $\tilde{R}$  in (3.17) with an SSS product and an SSS sum. The SSS form of  $\tilde{u} \tilde{v}^T$  is defined by the generators in Table 3.3. Then a new compact SSS form of  $\tilde{T}$  is straightforward according to (3.19) and (3.20).

$\mathcal{D}_i(\tilde{u} \tilde{v}^T)$	$\mathcal{U}_i(\tilde{u} \tilde{v}^T)$	$\mathcal{V}_i(\tilde{u} \tilde{v}^T)$	$\mathcal{W}_i(\tilde{u} \tilde{v}^T)$	$\mathcal{P}_i(\tilde{u} \tilde{v}^T)$	$\mathcal{Q}_i(\tilde{u} \tilde{v}^T)$	$\mathcal{R}_i(\tilde{u} \tilde{v}^T)$
$\tilde{u}_i \tilde{v}_i^T$	$\tilde{u}_i$	$\tilde{v}_i$	1	$\tilde{u}_i$	$\tilde{v}_i$	1

TABLE 3.3  
SSS generators of  $\tilde{u} \tilde{v}^T$ .

**3.4. Computing the condition estimate (2.5).** The major work in evaluating  $\nu$  in (2.5) is to compute  $\mu(B)$ , where  $B$  is given by (2.3). For companion matrices we can compute (2.5) using the way which will be presented in Section 4, in general. But since  $E$  has a special form (3.2) with only one nonzero row, an alternative way is to use (2.3) directly.

We first find  $U_{1,:}$ . Note that the fast eigensolver in [11] provides  $U$  in the form of a sequence of  $O(n^2)$  Givens rotation matrices. Thus, the application of these matrices on the right to  $e_1^T$ , the first unit vector of length  $n$ , yields the initial  $U_{1,:}$ . This costs  $O(n^2)$  operations. Later, for each cluster of diagonal blocks with size  $n_i$ , the row  $U_{1,:}$  needs to be updated when  $T$  is updated by the swapping process. According to the previous subsection,  $U$  is updated to  $UG^T$ , where  $G$  is also represented by Givens rotation matrices. Thus, the updated vector is

$$\tilde{U}_{1,:} = U_{1,:} G^T. \quad (3.21)$$

The computation of  $EU_1$  in (2.3) can be done by considering  $EU$ . If the diagonal blocks of  $T$  are swapped, then we compute  $E\tilde{U} \equiv EUG$ . Since  $U$  is represented by

$O(n^2)$  Givens matrices, the cost for computing  $EU$  is  $O(n^2)$ . The matrix  $EU_1$  has only one nonzero row which we assume to be  $u_1^T$ . Also, let  $U_{1,:} = \begin{bmatrix} U_{1:n_1,:} \\ U_{n_1+1:n,:} \end{bmatrix}$ . Then we have

$$B = U_{1:n_1,:}u_1^T + (YU_{n_1+1:n,:})u_1^T,$$

which is the sum of two rank one matrices. We first evaluate  $YU_{n_1+1:n,:}$  and then compute the diagonal entries of  $B$ .

**4. The case of general  $C$  in (1.1).** For a general  $C$  in (1.1) which is a low rank modification to a symmetric, skew-symmetric, or orthogonal matrix, the main operations in previous sections are similar. For example, we can quickly get an SSS form Schur decomposition. A major difference is that the computation of the condition estimate (2.5) can be done in a more general way.

For  $C$  in (1.1), the perturbation matrix  $E$  has the form (3.1). We can precompute

$$U^T E U = (U^T \hat{x})(U^T \hat{y})^T \equiv \tilde{x}\tilde{y}^T.$$

The computations of  $\tilde{x}$  and  $\tilde{y}$  cost  $O(n^2)$  flops, since  $U$  is a product of  $O(n^2)$  Givens rotation matrices and both  $\tilde{x}$  and  $\tilde{y}$  have a finite number of columns.

The direct computation of the trace of  $\hat{B}$  in (2.8) is thus straightforward. Since  $\hat{B} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{n_1} & Y \\ & \end{bmatrix} \hat{x} \hat{y}^T$ , we first form  $\begin{bmatrix} I_{n_1} & Y \\ & \end{bmatrix} \tilde{x}$ , and then compute the trace of the left  $n_1 \times n_1$  submatrix of  $\hat{B}$ . For different eigenvalues, permutations are applied to  $U$ , and  $\hat{B}$  now has the form

$$\hat{B} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{n_1} & Y \\ & \end{bmatrix} (G\tilde{x})(G\tilde{y})^T. \quad (4.1)$$

where  $G$  is a product of Givens rotation matrices. (Here,  $Y$  should also be different, but the same notation is used for convenience.) We form  $G\tilde{x}$  and  $G\tilde{y}$  first and the rest of the computations are similar.

**5. Algorithm, flop counts, and numerical experiments.** We outline the major steps in the following algorithm in terms of a companion matrix  $C$ .

*Algorithm 1.* (Condition estimation for the eigenvalues/eigenclusters of  $C$ )

1. Compute an initial structured Schur decomposition  $C = UTU^T$ .
2. Choose a perturbation matrix  $E$  as in (3.2) or (3.1). Precompute  $U^T E U$  as in Section 4.
3. Repeat for each eigenvalue cluster  $i$  corresponding to  $\{T_{i_1}, T_{i_2}, \dots\}$ .
  - (a) If  $i > 1$ , use the swapping technique in Section 3.3 to bring cluster  $i$  to the leading position, one block  $T_{i_j}$  per round.
  - (b) Solve the Sylvester equation (2.4) as in Section 3.2.
  - (c) Compute the condition estimate (2.5) via the diagonal entries of  $\hat{B}$  in (4.1).
4. If additional samples of  $E$  are used, repeat steps 2 and 3c for different samples.

**5.1. Flop counts.** To obtain detailed flop counts for a companion matrix  $C$ , we make the following assumptions:

- The number of iterations required for the Hessenberg QR iteration to converge is  $cn^2$  where  $c$  is a constant ( $c$  is usually small).
- Each compact SSS matrix  $A$  has maximum off-diagonal rank  $p$  which is 2 for  $T$  and is 1 for an orthogonal upper Hessenberg matrix. All  $\mathcal{W}_i$  and  $\mathcal{R}_i$  generators of  $A$  have dimension  $p$ .

- A simplified problem is considered where all diagonal blocks  $T_i$  of  $T$  are  $1 \times 1$ .
- The matrix  $T$  has  $m$  eigenvalue clusters and the  $i$ -th cluster has  $n_i$  eigenvalues  $\{T_{i_1}, T_{i_2}, \dots\}$ .

Step 1 costs about the same as the structured eigensolver in [11], and we do not look into the details here. Step 2 costs about  $6cn^2$  flops. The cost for computing the condition estimate of each cluster  $i$  in step 3 is as follows.

1. In step 3a, the operations and the required flops are given by:

- (a) Swapping the diagonals of  $T$  to bring  $T_{i_j}$  to the leading position and computing a redundant SSS form for  $\tilde{T}$  cost

$$(80p^3 + 122p^2 + 130p + 81)(i_j - j),$$

where we have used the result that it costs about  $40p^3(i_j - j)$  flops to multiply two order- $(i_j - j)$  SSS matrices whose maximum off-diagonal ranks are  $p$  [7].

- (b) Recovery of a compact SSS form for  $\tilde{T}$  costs

$$(40p^3 + 242p^2 + 498p + 415)(i_j - j).$$

The total cost for the entire cluster  $i$  is thus

$$(120p^3 + 364p^2 + 628p + 496) \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (i_j - j).$$

2. The cost for step 3b using the Bartels-Stewart algorithm is

$$(2p^3 + 8p^2 + 11p + 2)n_i(n - n_i).$$

3. Step 3c costs

$$2n_i(n - n_i) + 2n_i + 12 \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (i_j - j).$$

Therefore, the cost for all the eigenvalue clusters is

$$\begin{aligned} & (120p^3 + 364p^2 + 628p + 508) \sum_{i=2}^m \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (i_j - j) \\ & + (2p^3 + 8p^2 + 11p + 4) \sum_{i=1}^m n_i(n - n_i) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^m n_i. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\sum_{i=1}^m n_i = n$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=2}^m \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (i_j - j) &= \sum_{i=2}^m n_i(i_1 - 1) \leq n \sum_{i=2}^m n_i \leq n^2, \\ \sum_{i=1}^m n_i(n - n_i) &\leq n \sum_{i=1}^m n_i = n^2. \end{aligned}$$

The total cost is thus approximately bounded by

$$(122p^3 + 372p^2 + 639p + 512)n^2. \quad (5.1)$$

This bound can highly overestimate the cost. For example, when there are only two eigenvalue clusters with equal sizes  $n/2$ , the cost is only about

$$\left(31p^3 + 95p^2 + \frac{325}{2}p + 129\right)n^2.$$

If multiple samples are used, we only need to repeat steps 2 and 3c and the results from other steps can be reused. Since the total cost for steps 2 and 3c is bounded by  $26n^2$  which is much smaller than (5.1), the amount of work required for each additional sample of SCE is insignificant.

**5.2. Numerical examples.** We apply Algorithm 1 to some companion matrices and demonstrate the efficiency and accuracy. Note that [26] also includes some results with a different algorithm which requires all the eigenvalues to be distinct.

*Example 1.* Consider a companion matrix  $C$  whose eigenvalues are  $\lambda_i = i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . These eigenvalues are the roots of the Wilkinson polynomial. According to [26], the SCE estimator 2.5 is an estimate of the following exact condition number for  $\lambda_i$

$$\kappa_i = \|(k_{i,1}, k_{i,2}, \dots, k_{i,n})^T\|_2, \quad \kappa_{i,j} = \left| \frac{a_j \lambda_i^{j-1}}{\prod_{k \neq i} (\lambda_i - \lambda_k)} \right|, \quad (5.2)$$

where  $a_j$  is the coefficient of the  $\lambda^j$  term of the polynomial (see (1.2)).

For  $n = 15$ , we calculate the exact condition numbers  $\kappa_i$ , their 1-sample SCE estimates, and the estimates by the MATLAB routine `condeig` which computes the reciprocals of the cosines of the angles between the left and right eigenvectors of  $C$ . According to Figure 5.1, SCE provides favorable estimates, while `condeig` gives large estimates for nearly all eigenvalues except the first one.

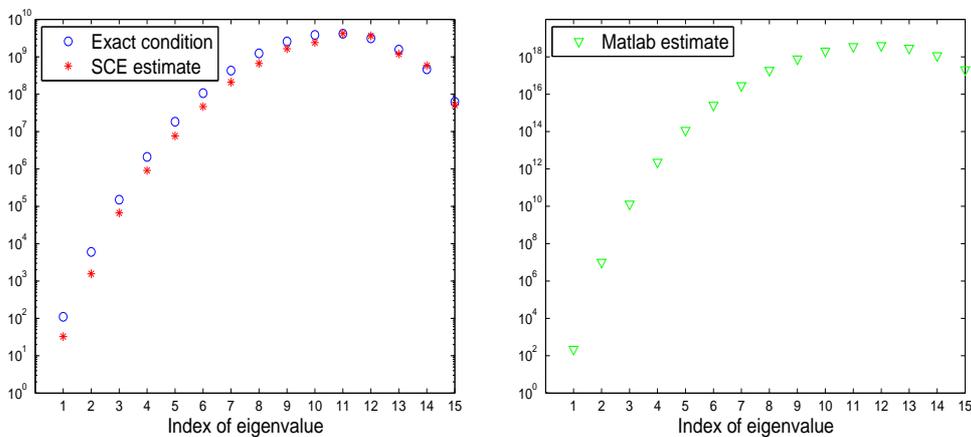


FIG. 5.1. Condition numbers and their estimates for Example 1.

*Example 2.* We consider a companion matrix  $C$  with multiple eigenvalues  $\{2^{-i}, 2^{-i}\}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

For  $n = 5$ , SCE gives five estimates for the five eigenvalue clusters  $\{2^{-i}, 2^{-i}\}$ :  $2.5E2$ ,  $9.9E2$ ,  $6.4E1$ ,  $3.4E2$ ,  $4.7E1$ . We see that the eigenvalue clusters are still

well conditioned. This somehow is consistent with the result that multiple roots of polynomials may be well conditioned if the multiplicities are preserved on a proper peyorative manifold [22], [32].

*Example 3.* We show the quadratic complexity of the estimator with an example where  $C$  in (1.2) has  $a_0 = -1$  and  $a_i = 0$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n - 1$ . This companion matrix has eigenvalues to be roots of unity. The eigenvalues are all well conditioned with  $\kappa_i$  in (5.2) given by  $1/n$  [15]. Our SCE estimator also reflects this fact. We run our algorithm for  $n$  ranging from 32 to 1024 and count the flops, denoted  $\text{flops}_n$ . Then we compute the flop ratios  $\frac{\text{flops}_n}{\text{flops}_{n/2}}$ . The numerical results show that the ratios are close to 4 which is consistent with the  $O(n^2)$  complexity.

$n$	32	64	128	256	512	1024
$\kappa_{\text{exact}}$	0.0313	0.0156	0.0078	0.0039	0.0020	0.0010
$\kappa_{\text{SCE}}$	0.0653	0.0205	0.0044	0.0070	0.0035	0.0005
$\frac{\text{flops}_n}{\text{flops}_{n-1}}$	4.9	4.4	4.2	4.1	4.0	4.0

TABLE 5.1  
SCE for Example 3 with different  $n$ .

**6. Conclusion.** We present a condition estimation scheme for the eigenvalues of a class of matrices which are low-rank perturbations to rank symmetric matrices. Rank structures of these matrices are exploited and fast structured matrix operations are developed, such as Schur decomposition, matrix equation solve, Schur form update, compact semiseparable form reconstruction, etc. These operations may be used in the condition estimation of other structured matrices and more general problems such as invariant subspace computations.

Similar techniques can also be used to estimate the condition of the eigenvectors. The information in the condition estimation for the eigenvalues can be reused. It is also possible to derive a condition estimate for the average eigenvalue of the block  $T_c$  in (2.1). In this way, we can save about 3/4 of the diagonal swapping work, on average, for all the eigenvalues. We also notice that the cost for the structured Sylvester solver can be possibly reduced further, since  $K$  in (3.4) is a low-rank matrix.

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