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# Regularizing algorithm for mixed matrix pencils

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# Abstract

P. Van Dooren (1979) constructed an algorithm for computing all singular summands of Kronecker's canonical form of a matrix pencil. His algorithm uses only unitary transformations, which improves its numerical stability. We extend Van Dooren's algorithm to square complex matrices with respect to consimilarity transformations  $A \mapsto SA\overline{S}^{-1}$  and to pairs of  $m \times n$  complex matrices with respect to transformations  $(A, B) \mapsto (SAR, SB\overline{R})$ , in which S and R are nonsingular matrices.

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## **1** Introduction

Van Dooren [7] gave an algorithm that for each pair (A,B) of complex matrices of the same size constructs its *regularizing decomposition*; that is, it constructs a matrix pair that is simultaneously equivalent to (A,B) and has the form

$$(A_1, B_1) \oplus \cdots \oplus (A_t, B_t) \oplus (\underline{A}, \underline{B})$$

in which  $(\underline{A}, \underline{B})$  is a pair of nonsingular matrices and each other summand has one of the forms:

$$(F_n, G_n), (F_n^T, G_n^T), (I_n, J_n(0)), (J_n(0), I_n),$$

where  $J_n(0)$  is the singular Jordan block and

$$F_n := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \ddots \\ & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad G_n := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots \\ & \ddots & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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are  $n \times (n-1)$  matrices;  $n \ge 1$ . Note that  $(F_1, G_1) = (0_{10}, 0_{10})$ ; we denote by  $0_{mn}$  the zero matrix of size  $m \times n$ , where  $m, n \in \{0, 1, 2, ...\}$ . The algorithm uses only unitary transformations, which improves its computational stability.

We extend Van Dooren's algorithm to square complex matrices up to consimilarity transformations  $A \mapsto SA\bar{S}^{-1}$  and to pairs of  $m \times n$  matrices up to transformations  $(A,B) \mapsto (SAR, SB\bar{R})$ , in which S and R are nonsingular matrices.

A regularizing algorithm for matrices of undirected cycles of linear mappings was constructed by Sergeichuk [6] and, independently, by Varga [8]. A regularizing algorithm for matrices under congruence was constructed by Horn and Sergeichuk [5].

All matrices that we consider are complex matrices.

#### 2 Regularizing unitary algorithm for matrices under consimilarity

Two matrices A and B are *consimilar* if there exists a nonsingular matrix S such that  $SA\overline{S}^{-1} = B$ . Two matrices are consimilar if and only if they represent the same semilinear operator, but in different bases. Recall that a mapping  $\mathscr{A} : U \to V$  between complex vector spaces is *semilinear* if

$$\mathscr{A}(au_1 + bu_2) = \bar{a}\mathscr{A}u_1 + \bar{b}\mathscr{A}u_2$$

for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $u_1, u_2 \in U$ .

The canonical form of a matrix under consimilarity is the following (see [3] or [4]): Each square complex matrix is consimilar to a direct sum, uniquely determined up to permutation of direct summands, of matrices of the following types:

- a Jordan block  $J_k(\lambda)$  with  $\lambda \ge 0$ , and
- $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \mu & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  with  $\mu \notin \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mu < 0$ .

Thus, each square matrix A is consimilar to a direct sum

$$J_{n_1}(0) \oplus \cdots \oplus J_{n_k}(0) \oplus \underline{A}$$

in which  $\underline{A}$  is nonsingular and is determined up to consimilarity; the other summands are uniquely determined up to permutation. This sum is called a *regularizing decomposition* of A. The following algorithm admits to construct a regularizing decomposition using only unitary transformations.

**Algorithm 1.** Let A be a singular  $n \times n$  matrix. By unitary transformations of rows, we reduce it to the form

$$S_1A = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{r_1n} \\ A' \end{bmatrix}, \qquad S_1 \text{ is unitary,}$$

in which the rows of A' are linearly independent. Then we make the coninverse transformations of columns and obtain

$$S_1 A \bar{S_1}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{r_1} & 0 \\ \star & A_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We apply the same procedure to  $A_1$  and obtain

$$S_2 A_1 \bar{S_2}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{r_2} & 0 \\ \star & A_2 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad S_2 \text{ is unitary,}$$

in which the rows of  $[\star A_2]$  are linearly independent.

We repeat this procedure until we obtain

$$S_t A_{t-1} \bar{S_t}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{r_t} & 0 \\ \star & A_t \end{bmatrix}, \qquad S_t \text{ is unitary,}$$

in which  $A_t$  is nonsingular. The result of the algorithm is the sequence  $r_1, r_2, \ldots, r_t, A_t$ .

For a matrix A and a nonnegative integer n, we write

$$A^{(n)} := \begin{cases} 0_{00}, & \text{if } n = 0; \\ A \oplus \dots \oplus A \ (n \text{ summands}), & \text{if } n \ge 1. \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 1.** Let  $r_1, r_2, ..., r_t, A_t$  be the sequence obtained by applying Algorithm 1 to a square complex matrix *A*. Then

$$r_1 \ge r_2 \ge \cdots \ge r_t$$

and A is consimilar to

$$J_1^{(r_1-r_2)} \oplus J_2^{(r_2-r_3)} \oplus \dots \oplus J_{t-1}^{(r_{t-1}-r_t)} \oplus J_t^{(r_t)} \oplus A_t$$
(1)

in which  $J_k := J_k(0)$  and  $A_t$  is determined by A up to consimilarity and the other summands are uniquely determined.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathscr{A} : V \to V$  be a semilinear operator whose matrix in some basis is A. Let  $W := \mathscr{A}V$  be the image of  $\mathscr{A}$ . Then the matrix of the restriction  $\mathscr{A}_1 : W \to W$  of  $\mathscr{A}$  on W is  $A_1$ . Applying Algorithm 1 to  $A_1$ , we get the sequence  $r_2, \ldots, r_t, A_t$ . Reasoning by induction on the length t of the algorithm, we suppose that  $r_2 \ge r_3 \ge \cdots \ge r_t$  and that  $A_1$  is consimilar to

$$J_1^{(r_2-r_3)} \oplus \cdots \oplus J_{t-2}^{(r_{t-1}-r_t)} \oplus J_{t-1}^{(r_t)} \oplus A_t.$$

$$\tag{2}$$

Thus,  $\mathscr{A}_1: W \to W$  is given by the matrix (2) in some basis of W.

The direct sum (2) defines the decomposition of W into the direct sum of invariant subspaces

$$W = (W_{21} \oplus \cdots \oplus W_{2,r_2-r_3}) \oplus \cdots \oplus (W_{t1} \oplus \cdots \oplus W_{tr_t}) \oplus W'.$$

Each  $W_{pq}$  is generated by some basis vectors  $e_{pq2}, e_{pq3}, \ldots, e_{pqp}$  such that

$$\mathscr{A}: e_{pq2} \mapsto e_{pq3} \mapsto \cdots \mapsto e_{pqp} \mapsto 0.$$

For each  $W_{pq}$ , we choose  $e_{pq1} \in V$  such that  $\mathscr{A}e_{pq1} = e_{pq2}$ . The set

$$\{e_{pqp} \mid 2 \le p \le t, \ 1 \le q \le r_p - r_{p+1}\} \quad (r_{t+1} := 0)$$

consists of  $r_2$  basis vectors belonging to the kernel of  $\mathscr{A}$ ; we supplement this set to a basis of the kernel of  $\mathscr{A}$  by some vectors  $e_{111}, \ldots, e_{1,r_1-r_2,1}$ .

The set of vectors  $e_{pqs}$  supplemented by the vectors of some basis of W' is a basis of V. The matrix of  $\mathscr{A}$  in this basis has the form (1) because

$$\mathscr{A}: e_{pq1} \mapsto e_{pq2} \mapsto e_{pq3} \mapsto \dots \mapsto e_{pqp} \mapsto 0$$

for all p = 1, ..., t and  $q = 1, ..., r_p - r_{p+1}$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

**Example 1.** Let a square matrix A define a semilinear operator  $\mathscr{A} : V \to V$  and let the singular part of its regularizing decomposition be  $J_2 \oplus J_3 \oplus J_4$ . This means that V possesses a set of linear independent vectors forming the Jordan chains

$$\mathscr{A}: \quad e_1 \mapsto e_2 \mapsto e_3 \mapsto e_4 \mapsto 0$$

$$f_1 \mapsto f_2 \mapsto f_3 \mapsto 0$$

$$g_1 \mapsto g_2 \mapsto 0$$
(3)

Applying the first step of Algorithm 1, we get  $A_1$  whose singular part corresponds to the chains

$$\mathscr{A}: \quad e_2 \mapsto e_3 \mapsto e_4 \mapsto 0$$
$$f_2 \mapsto f_3 \mapsto 0$$
$$g_2 \mapsto 0$$

On the second step, we delete  $e_2, f_2, g_2$  and so on. Thus,  $r_i$  is the number of vectors in the *i*th column of (3):  $r_1 = 3, r_2 = 3, r_3 = 2, r_4 = 1$ . We get the singular part of regularizing decomposition of A:

$$J_1^{(r_1-r_2)} \oplus \dots \oplus J_{t-1}^{(r_{t-1}-r_t)} \oplus J_t^{(r_t)} = J_1^{(3-3)} \oplus J_2^{(3-2)} \oplus J_3^{(2-1)} \oplus J_4^{(1)} = J_2 \oplus J_3 \oplus J_4$$

In particular, if

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline e_{l} & e_{2} & e_{3} & e_{4} & f_{l} & f_{2} & f_{3} & g_{l} & g_{2} \end{bmatrix}$$
(4)

then we can apply Algorithm 1 using only transformations of permutational similarity and obtain

0	0	0							$e_{I}$
0	0	0							$f_I$
0	0	0							<i>g</i> 1
1	0	0	0	0	0				$e_2$
0	1	0	0	0	0				$f_2$
0	0	1	0	0	0				<i>g</i> 2
			1	0	0	0	0		e3
			0	1	0	0	0		f3
						1	0	0	e4
$e_1$	f1	$g_1$	$e_2$	.f2	<i>g</i> <sub>2</sub>	e3	f3	<i>e</i> <sub>4</sub>	-

(all unspecified blocks are zero), which is the Weyr canonical form of (4), see [4].

### **3** Regularizing unitary algorithm for matrix pairs under mixed equivalence

We say that pairs of  $m \times n$  matrices (A, B) and (A', B') are *mixed equivalent* if there exist nonsingular S and R such that

$$(SAR, SB\overline{R}) = (A', B')$$

The *direct sum* of matrix pairs (A, B) and (C, D) is defined as follows:

$$(A,B) \oplus (C,D) = \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & C \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

The canonical form of a matrix pair under mixed equivalence was obtained by Djoković [2] (his result was extended to undirected cycles of linear and semilinear mappings in [1]):

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Each pair (A,B) of matrices of the same size is mixed equivalent to a direct sum, determined uniquely up to permutation of summands, of pairs of the following types:

$$(I_n, J_n(\lambda)), (I_n, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \mu & 0 \end{pmatrix}), (J_n(0), I_n), (F_n, G_n), (F_n^T, G_n^T),$$

in which  $\lambda \geq 0$  and  $\mu \notin \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mu < 0$ .

Thus, (A, B) is mixed equivalent to a direct sum of a pair  $(\underline{A}, \underline{B})$  of nonsingular matrices and summands of the types:

$$(I_n, J_n(0)), (J_n(0), I_n), (F_n, G_n), (F_n^T, G_n^T),$$

in which  $(\underline{A}, \underline{B})$  is determined up to mixed equivalence and the other summands are uniquely determined up to permutation. This sum is called a *regularizing decomposition* of (A, B). The following algorithm admits to construct a regularizing decomposition using only unitary transformations.

**Algorithm 2.** Let (A,B) be a pair of matrices of the same size in which the rows of A are linearly dependent. By unitary transformations of rows, we reduce A to the form

$$S_1A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ A' \end{bmatrix}, \qquad S_1 \text{ is unitary,}$$

in which the rows of A' are linearly independent. These transformations change B:

$$S_1B = \begin{bmatrix} B'\\B'' \end{bmatrix}.$$

By unitary transformations of columns, we reduce B' to the form  $[B'_1 \ 0]$  in which the columns of  $B'_1$  are linearly independent, and obtain

$$BR_1 = \begin{bmatrix} B'_1 & 0 \\ \star & B_1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad R_1 \text{ is unitary.}$$

These transformations change A:

$$S_1 A \bar{R_1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{k_1 l_1} & 0 \\ \star & A_1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We apply the same procedure to  $(A_1, B_1)$  and obtain

$$(S_2A_1\bar{R_2}, S_2B_1R_2) = \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0_{k_2l_2} & 0 \\ \star & A_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} B'_2 & 0 \\ \star & B_2 \end{bmatrix} \right),$$

in which the rows of  $[\star A_2]$  are linearly independent,  $S_2$  and  $R_2$  are unitary, and the columns of  $B'_2$  are linearly independent.

We repeat this procedure until we obtain

$$(S_t A_{t-1} \bar{R}_t, S_t B_{t-1} R_t) = \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0_{k_t l_t} & 0 \\ \star & A_t \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} B'_t & 0 \\ \star & B_t \end{bmatrix} \right),$$

in which the rows of  $A_t$  are linearly independent. The result of the algorithm is the sequence

$$(k_1, l_1), (k_2, l_2), \ldots, (k_t, l_t), (A_t, B_t).$$

For a matrix pair (A, B) and a nonnegative integer *n*, we write

$$(A,B)^{(n)} := \begin{cases} (0_{00}, 0_{00}), & \text{if } n = 0; \\ (A,B) \oplus \dots \oplus (A,B) \text{ ($n$ summands), $$if } n \ge 1. \end{cases}$$

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**Theorem 2.** Let (A,B) be a pair of complex matrices of the same size. Let us apply Algorithm 2 to (A,B) and obtain

$$(k_1, l_1), (k_2, l_2), \ldots, (k_t, l_t), (A_t, B_t).$$

Let us apply Algorithm 2 to  $(\underline{A}, \underline{B}) := (B_t^T, A_t^T)$  and obtain

$$(\underline{k}_1,\underline{l}_1), (\underline{k}_2,\underline{l}_2), \ldots, (\underline{k}_t,\underline{l}_t), (\underline{A}_t,\underline{B}_t).$$

Then (A, B) is mixed equivalent to

$$(F_{1},G_{1})^{(k_{1}-l_{1})} \oplus \cdots \oplus (F_{t-1},G_{t-1})^{(k_{t-1}-l_{t-1})} \oplus (F_{t},G_{t})^{(k_{t}-l_{t})} \\ \oplus (J_{1},I_{1})^{(l_{1}-k_{2})} \oplus \cdots \oplus (J_{t-1},I_{t-1})^{(l_{t-1}-k_{t})} \oplus (J_{t},I_{t})^{(l_{t})} \\ \oplus (F_{1}^{T},G_{1}^{T})^{(\underline{k}_{1}-\underline{l}_{1})} \oplus \cdots \oplus (F_{\underline{t}-1}^{T},G_{\underline{t}-1}^{T})^{(\underline{k}_{t-1}-l_{t-1})} \oplus (F_{\underline{t}}^{T},G_{\underline{t}}^{T})^{(k_{\underline{t}}-l_{\underline{t}})} \\ \oplus (I_{1},J_{1})^{(l_{1}-\underline{k}_{2})} \oplus \cdots \oplus (I_{\underline{t}-1},J_{\underline{t}-1})^{(l_{\underline{t}-1}-\underline{k}_{\underline{t}})} \oplus (I_{\underline{t}},J_{\underline{t}})^{(l_{\underline{t}})} \\ \oplus (\underline{B}_{\underline{t}}^{T},\underline{A}_{\underline{t}}^{T})$$

(all exponents in parentheses are nonnegative). The pair  $(\underline{B}_{\underline{t}}^T, \underline{A}_{\underline{t}}^T)$  consists of nonsingular matrices; it is determined up to mixed equivalence. The other summands are uniquely determined by (A, B).

The rows of  $A_t$  in Theorem 2 are linearly independent, and so the columns of  $\underline{B} := A_t^T$  are linearly independent. As follows from Algorithm 2, the columns of  $\underline{B}_t$  are linearly independent too. Since the rows of  $\underline{A}_t$  are linearly independent and the columns of  $\underline{B}_t$  are linearly independent, we have that the matrices in  $(\underline{A}_t, \underline{B}_t)$  have the same size, these matrices are square, and so they are nonsingular. The pairs  $(I_n, J_n^T)$  and  $(G_n^T, F_n^T)$  are permutationally equivalent to  $(I_n, J_n)$  and  $(F_n^T, G_n^T)$ . Therefore, the following lemma implies Theorem 2.

**Lemma 1.** Let (A,B) be a pair of complex matrices of the same size. Let us apply Algorithm 2 to (A,B) and obtain

$$(k_1, l_1), (k_2, l_2), \ldots, (k_t, l_t), (A_t, B_t).$$

Then (A, B) is mixed equivalent to

$$(F_{1},G_{1})^{(k_{1}-l_{1})} \oplus \cdots \oplus (F_{t-1},G_{t-1})^{(k_{t-1}-l_{t-1})} \oplus (F_{t},G_{t})^{(k_{t}-l_{t})} \oplus (J_{1},I_{1})^{(l_{1}-k_{2})} \oplus \cdots \oplus (J_{t-1},I_{t-1})^{(l_{t-1}-k_{t})} \oplus (J_{t},I_{t})^{(l_{t})} \oplus (A_{t},B_{t})$$
(5)

(all exponents in parentheses are nonnegative). The rows of  $A_t$  are linearly independent. The pair  $(A_t, B_t)$  is determined up to mixed equivalence. The other summands are uniquely determined by (A, B).

Proof. We write

$$(A,B) \Longrightarrow (k_1,l_1,(A_1,B_1))$$

if  $k_1, l_1, (A_1, B_1)$  are obtained from (A, B) in the first step of Algorithm 2.

First we prove two statements.

Statement 1: If

$$(A,B) \Longrightarrow (k_1, l_1, (A_1, B_1)), (\widetilde{A}, \widetilde{B}) \Longrightarrow (\widetilde{k}_1, \widetilde{l}_1, (\widetilde{A}_1, \widetilde{B}_1)),$$

$$(6)$$

and (A,B) is mixed equivalent to  $(\widetilde{A},\widetilde{B})$ , then  $k_1 = \widetilde{k}_1$ ,  $l_1 = \widetilde{l}_1$ , and  $(A_1,B_1)$  is mixed equivalent to  $(\widetilde{A}_1,\widetilde{B}_1)$ . Let *m* be the number of rows in *A*. Then

$$k_1 = m - \operatorname{rank} A = m - \operatorname{rank} A = \tilde{k}_1$$

Since (A,B) and  $(\widetilde{A},\widetilde{B})$  are mixed equivalent and they are reduced by mixed equivalence transformations to

$$\left( \begin{bmatrix} 0_{k_1 l_1} & 0 \\ X & A_1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} B'_1 & 0 \\ Y & B_1 \end{bmatrix} \right), \quad \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0_{k_1 \tilde{l}_1} & 0 \\ \widetilde{X} & \widetilde{A}_1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \widetilde{B}'_1 & 0 \\ \widetilde{Y} & \widetilde{B}_1 \end{bmatrix} \right), \tag{7}$$

there exist nonsingular S and R such that

$$\left(S\begin{bmatrix}0_{k_1l_1} & 0\\ X & A_1\end{bmatrix}, S\begin{bmatrix}B'_1 & 0\\ Y & B_1\end{bmatrix}\right) = \left(\begin{bmatrix}0_{k_1\tilde{l}_1} & 0\\ \widetilde{X} & \widetilde{A}_1\end{bmatrix}R, \begin{bmatrix}\widetilde{B}'_1 & 0\\ \widetilde{Y} & \widetilde{B}_1\end{bmatrix}\bar{R}\right).$$
(8)

Equating the first matrices of these pairs, we find that S has the form

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & 0 \\ S_{21} & S_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \qquad S_{11} \text{ is } k_1 \times k_1.$$

Equating the second matrices of the pairs (8), we find that

$$S_{11}[B'_1 \ 0] = [\tilde{B}'_1 \ 0]\bar{R},\tag{9}$$

and so

$$l_1 = \operatorname{rank}[B'_1 \ 0] = \operatorname{rank}[\widetilde{B'_1} \ 0] = \widetilde{l}_1$$

Since  $B'_1$  and  $\widetilde{B}'_1$  are  $k_1 \times l_1$  and have linearly independent columns, (9) implies that R is of the form

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} R_{11} & 0 \\ R_{21} & R_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \qquad R_{11} \text{ is } l_1 \times l_1.$$

Equating the (2,2) entries in the matrices (8), we get

$$S_{22}A_1 = \widetilde{A}_1 R_{22}, \qquad S_{22}B_1 = \widetilde{B}_1 \overline{R}_{22},$$

hence  $(A_1, B_1)$  and  $(\widetilde{A}_1, \widetilde{B}_1)$  are mixed equivalent, which completes the proof of Statement 1.

Statement 2: If (6), then

$$(A,B) \oplus (\widetilde{A},\widetilde{B}) \Longrightarrow (k_1 + \widetilde{k}_1, l_1 + \widetilde{l}_1, (A_1 \oplus \widetilde{A}_1, B_1 \oplus \widetilde{B}_1)).$$

Indeed, if (A,B) and  $(\widetilde{A},\widetilde{B})$  are reduced to (7), then  $(A,B) \oplus (\widetilde{A},\widetilde{B})$  is reduced to

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix}0_{k_1l_1}\oplus 0_{\tilde{k}_1\tilde{l}_1} & 0\oplus 0\\ X\oplus \widetilde{X} & A_1\oplus \widetilde{A}_1\end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix}B'_1\oplus \widetilde{B}'_1 & 0\oplus 0\\ Y\oplus \widetilde{Y} & B_1\oplus \widetilde{B}_1\end{bmatrix}\right),$$

which is permutationally equivalent to

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0_{k_1l_1} & 0 \\ X & A_1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} B'_1 & 0 \\ Y & B_1 \end{bmatrix}\right) \oplus \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0_{\tilde{k}_1\tilde{l}_1} & 0 \\ \widetilde{X} & \widetilde{A}_1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \widetilde{B'_1} & 0 \\ \widetilde{Y} & \widetilde{B}_1 \end{bmatrix}\right).$$

We are ready to prove Lemma 1 for any pair (A,B). Due to Statement 1, we can replace (A,B) by any mixed equivalent pair. In particular, we can take

$$(A,B) = (F_1,G_1)^{(r_1)} \oplus \dots \oplus (F_t,G_t)^{(r_t)} \oplus (J_1,I_1)^{(s_1)} \oplus \dots \oplus (J_t,I_t)^{(s_t)} \oplus (C,D)$$
(10)

for some nonnegative  $t, r_1, \ldots, r_t, s_1, \ldots, r_t$  and some pair (C, D) in which C has linearly independent rows.

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Clearly,

$$(J_i, I_i) \Longrightarrow \begin{cases} (1, 1, (J_{i-1}, I_{i-1})), & \text{if } i \neq 1; \\ (1, 1, (0_{00}, 0_{00})), & \text{if } i = 1, \end{cases}$$

and

$$(F_i, G_i) \Longrightarrow \begin{cases} (1, 1, (F_{i-1}, G_{i-1})), & \text{if } i \neq 1; \\ (1, 0, (0_{00}, 0_{00})), & \text{if } i = 1. \end{cases}$$

Due to Statement 2,

- $k_1 = m \operatorname{rank} A$  is the number of all summands of the types  $(J_i, I_i)$  and  $(F_i, G_i)$ ,
- $l_1$  is the number of all summands of the types  $(J_i, I_i)$  and  $(F_i, G_i)$ , except for  $(F_1, G_1)$ ,
- and

$$(A_1, B_1) = (F_1, G_1)^{(r_2)} \oplus \dots \oplus (F_{t-1}, G_{t-1})^{(r_t)} \oplus (J_1, I_1)^{(s_2)} \oplus \dots \oplus (J_{t-1}, I_{t-1})^{(s_t)} \oplus (C, D).$$
(11)

We find that  $k_1 - l_1$  is the number of summands of the type  $(F_1, G_1)$ .

Applying the same reasoning to (11) instead of (10) we get that

- $k_2$  is the number of all summands of the types  $(J_i, I_i)$  and  $(F_i, G_i)$  with  $i \ge 2$ ,
- $l_1$  is the number of all summands of the types  $(J_i, I_i)$  with  $i \ge 2$  and  $(F_i, G_i)$  with  $i \ge 3$ ,
- $(A_2, B_2) = (F_1, G_1)^{(r_3)} \oplus \dots \oplus (F_{t-2}, G_{t-2})^{(r_t)} \oplus (J_1, I_1)^{(s_3)} \oplus \dots \oplus (J_{t-2}, I_{t-2})^{(s_t)} \oplus (C, D).$

We find that  $k_2 - l_2$  is the number of summands of the type  $(F_2, G_2)$ , and that  $l_1 - k_2$  is the number of summands of the type  $(J_1, I_1)$ , and so on, until we obtain (5).

The fact that the pair  $(A_t, B_t)$  in (5) is determined up to mixed equivalence and the other summands are uniquely determined by (A, B) follows from Statement 1 (or from the canonical form of a matrix pair up to mixed equivalence). This concludes the proof of Lemma 1 and Theorem 1.

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