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# Iterative Algorithm for Solving a System of Nonlinear Matrix Equations

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We discuss the positive definite solutions for the system of nonlinear matrix equations  $X - A^*Y^{-n}A = I$  and  $Y - B^*X^{-m}B = I$ , where  $n, m$  are two positive integers. Some properties of solutions are studied, and the necessary and sufficient conditions for the existence of positive definite solutions are given. An iterative algorithm for obtaining positive definite solutions of the system is proposed. Moreover, the error estimations are found. Finally, some numerical examples are given to show the efficiency of the proposed iterative algorithm.

## 1. Introduction

In this paper, we consider the system of nonlinear matrix equations that can be expressed in the form

$$\begin{aligned}X - A^*Y^{-n}A &= I, \\Y - B^*X^{-m}B &= I,\end{aligned}\tag{1.1}$$

where  $n, m$  are two positive integers,  $X, Y$  are  $r \times r$  unknown matrices,  $I$  is the  $r \times r$  identity matrix, and  $A, B$  are given nonsingular matrices. All matrices are defined over the complex field.

System of nonlinear matrix equations of the form of (1.1) is a special case of the system of algebraic discrete-type Riccati equations of the form

$$X_i = V_i^*X_iV_i + Q_i - (V_i^*X_iB_i + A_i)(R_i + B_i^*X_iB_i)^{-1}(B_i^*X_iV_i + A_i^*),\tag{1.2}$$

where  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$  [1, 2], when  $m = n = 1$ . It is well known that the algebraic Riccati equations often arise in control theory, stability theory, communication system, dynamic programming, signal processing, statistics, and so forth [1–3]. In the recent years, some special case of the system (1.2) has been studied in many papers [4–14]. For example, Costa and Marques [5] have studied the maximal and stabilizing hermitian solutions for discrete-time-coupled algebraic Riccati equations. Czornik and Świerniak [7, 8] have studied the lower and the upper bounds on the solution of coupled algebraic Riccati equation. In [13] Mukaidani et al. proposed a numerical algorithm for finding solution of cross-coupled algebraic Riccati equations. In [4] Aldubiban has studied the properties of special case of Sys. (1.2) and obtained the sufficient conditions for existence of a positive definite solution and proposed an iterative algorithm to calculate the solutions. In [10] Ivanov proposed a method to solve the discrete-time-coupled algebraic Riccati equations.

This paper is organized as following: in Section 2, we derive the necessary and sufficient conditions of existence solutions for the Sys. (1.1). In Section 3, we introduce an iterative algorithm to obtain the positive definite solutions of Sys. (1.1). We discuss the convergence of the proposed iterative algorithm and study the convergence of the algorithm. Some numerical examples are given to illustrate the efficiency for suggested algorithm in Section 4.

The following notations are used throughout the rest of the paper. The notation  $A \geq 0$  ( $A > 0$ ) means that  $A$  is a positive semidefinite (positive definite),  $A^*$  denotes the complex conjugate transpose of  $A$ , and  $I$  is the identity matrix. Moreover,  $A \geq B$  ( $A > B$ ) is used as a different notation for  $A - B \geq 0$  ( $A - B > 0$ ). We denote by  $\rho(A)$  the spectral radius of  $A$ ,  $\lambda_r(X)$ , and  $\mu_r(Y)$  mean the eigenvalues of  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively. The norm used in this paper is the spectral norm of the matrix  $A$ , that is,  $\|A\| = \sqrt{\rho(AA^*)}$  unless otherwise noted.

## 2. Conditions for Existence of the Solutions

In this section, we will discuss some properties of the solutions for the Sys. (1.1), and we obtain the necessary and sufficient conditions for the existence of the solutions of Sys. (1.1).

**Theorem 2.1.** *If  $\lambda_-, \lambda_+$  are the smallest and the largest eigenvalues of a solution  $X$  of Sys. (1.1), respectively, and  $\mu_-, \mu_+$  are the smallest and the largest eigenvalues of a solution  $Y$  of Sys. (1.1), respectively,  $\eta, \xi$  are eigenvalues of  $A, B$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{(\lambda_- - 1)\mu_-^n} \leq |\eta| \leq \sqrt{(\lambda_+ - 1)\mu_+^n}, \\ \sqrt{(\mu_- - 1)\lambda_-^m} \leq |\xi| \leq \sqrt{(\mu_+ - 1)\lambda_+^m}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

*Proof.* Let  $v$  be an eigenvector corresponding to an eigenvalue  $\eta$  of the matrix  $A$  and  $|v| = 1$ , and let  $\omega$  be an eigenvector corresponding to an eigenvalue  $\xi$  of the matrix  $B$  and  $|\omega| = 1$ . Since the solution  $(X, Y)$  of Sys. (1.1) is a positive definite solution then  $(\lambda_- - 1)I \leq X - I \leq (\lambda_+ - 1)I$  and  $(\mu_- - 1)I \leq Y - I \leq (\mu_+ - 1)I$ .

From the Sys. (1.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned}\langle Xv, v \rangle - \langle (A^*Y^{-n}A)v, v \rangle &= \langle Iv, v \rangle, \\ \langle Xv, v \rangle - \langle Iv, v \rangle &= \langle Y^{-n}Av, Av \rangle, \\ \langle (X - I)v, v \rangle &= |\eta|^2 \langle Y^{-n}v, v \rangle,\end{aligned}\tag{2.2}$$

that is

$$(\lambda_- - 1)\mu_-^n \leq |\eta|^2 \leq (\lambda_+ - 1)\mu_+^n.\tag{2.3}$$

Hence

$$\sqrt{(\lambda_- - 1)\mu_-^n} \leq |\eta| \leq \sqrt{(\lambda_+ - 1)\mu_+^n}.\tag{2.4}$$

Also, from the Sys. (1.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned}\langle Y\omega, \omega \rangle - \langle (B^*X^{-m}B)\omega, \omega \rangle &= \langle I\omega, \omega \rangle, \\ \langle Y\omega, \omega \rangle - \langle I\omega, \omega \rangle &= \langle X^{-m}B\omega, B\omega \rangle, \\ \langle (Y - I)\omega, \omega \rangle &= |\xi|^2 \langle X^{-m}\omega, \omega \rangle,\end{aligned}\tag{2.5}$$

that is

$$(\mu_- - 1)\lambda_-^m \leq |\xi|^2 \leq (\mu_+ - 1)\lambda_+^m.\tag{2.6}$$

Hence

$$\sqrt{(\mu_- - 1)\lambda_-^m} \leq |\xi| \leq \sqrt{(\mu_+ - 1)\lambda_+^m}.\tag{2.7}$$

□

**Theorem 2.2.** *If Sys. (1.1) has a positive definite solution  $(X, Y)$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned}I &< X < I + A^*A, \\ I &< Y < I + B^*B.\end{aligned}\tag{2.8}$$

*Proof.* Since  $(X, Y)$  is a positive definite solution of Sys. (1.1), then

$$X > I, \quad A^*Y^{-n}A > 0, \quad Y > I, \quad B^*X^{-m}B > 0.\tag{2.9}$$

From the inequality  $Y^{-1} < I$ , we have

$$A^*Y^{-n}A < A^*A, \quad (2.10)$$

that is

$$\begin{aligned} X &= I + A^*Y^{-n}A, \\ &< I + A^*A. \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

Hence

$$I < X < I + A^*A. \quad (2.12)$$

From the inequality  $X^{-1} < I$ , we have

$$B^*X^{-m}B < B^*B, \quad (2.13)$$

that is

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= I + B^*X^{-m}B, \\ &< I + B^*B. \end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

Hence

$$I < Y < I + B^*B. \quad (2.15)$$

□

**Theorem 2.3.** *Sys. (1.1) has a positive definite solution  $(X, Y)$  if and only if the matrices  $A, B$  have the factorization*

$$A = (P^*P)^{n/2}N, \quad B = (Q^*Q)^{m/2}M, \quad (2.16)$$

where  $P, Q$  are nonsingular matrices satisfying the following system:

$$\begin{aligned} Q^*Q - N^*N &= I, \\ P^*P - M^*M &= I. \end{aligned} \quad (2.17)$$

In this case the solution is  $(Q^*Q, P^*P)$ .

*Proof.* Let Sys. (1.1) have a positive definite solution  $(X, Y)$ ; then  $X = Q^*Q, Y = P^*P$ , where  $Q, P$  are nonsingular matrices. Then Sys. (1.1) can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} Q^*Q - A^*(P^*P)^{-n}A &= I, \\ P^*P - B^*(Q^*Q)^{-m}B &= I, \\ Q^*Q - A^*(P^*P)^{-n/2}(P^*P)^{-n/2}A &= I, \\ P^*P - B^*(Q^*Q)^{-m/2}(Q^*Q)^{-m/2}B &= I. \end{aligned} \tag{2.18}$$

Letting  $N = (P^*P)^{-n/2}A, M = (Q^*Q)^{-m/2}B$ , then  $A = (P^*P)^{n/2}N, B = (Q^*Q)^{m/2}M$ , then the Sys. (1.1) is an equivalent to Sys. (2.17).

Conversely, if  $A, B$  have the factorization (2.16) and satisfy Sys. (2.17), let  $X = Q^*Q, Y = P^*P$ , then  $X, Y$  are positive definite matrices, and we have

$$\begin{aligned} X - A^*Y^{-n}A &= Q^*Q - A^*(P^*P)^{-n}A \\ &= Q^*Q - A^*(P^*P)^{-n/2}(P^*P)^{-n/2}A \\ &= Q^*Q - N^*N \\ &= I, \end{aligned} \tag{2.19}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Y - B^*X^{-m}B &= P^*P - B^*(Q^*Q)^{-m}B \\ &= P^*P - B^*(Q^*Q)^{-m/2}(Q^*Q)^{-m/2}B \\ &= P^*P - M^*M \\ &= I. \end{aligned} \tag{2.20}$$

Hence Sys. (1.1) has a positive definite solution. □

### 3. Iterative Algorithm for Solving the System

In this section, we will investigate the iterative solution of the Sys. (1.1). From this section to the end of the paper we will consider that the matrices  $A, B$  are normal satisfying  $A^{-1}B = BA^{-1}$  and  $A^{-1}B^* = B^*A^{-1}$ .

Let us consider the following iterative algorithm.

*Algorithm 3.1.* Take  $X_0 = I, Y_0 = I$ .

For  $s = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  compute

$$\begin{aligned} X_{s+1} &= I + A^*Y_s^{-n}A, \\ Y_{s+1} &= I + B^*X_s^{-m}B. \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

**Lemma 3.2.** For the Sys. (1.1), we have

$$AX_s = X_s A, \quad BY_s = Y_s B, \quad AY_s^{-1} = Y_s^{-1} A, \quad BX_s^{-1} = X_s^{-1} B, \quad (3.2)$$

where  $\{X_s\}, \{Y_s\}$ ,  $s = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , are determined by Algorithm 3.1.

*Proof.* Since  $X_0 = Y_0 = I$ , then

$$AX_0 = X_0 A, \quad BY_0 = Y_0 B, \quad A^{-1}Y_0 = Y_0 A^{-1}, \quad B^{-1}X_0 = X_0 B^{-1}. \quad (3.3)$$

Using the conditions  $AA^* = A^*A, BB^* = B^*B$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} AX_1 &= A(I + A^*A) \\ &= A + AA^*A \\ &= A + A^*AA \\ &= (I + A^*A)A \\ &= X_1A. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

Also, we have

$$BY_1 = Y_1B. \quad (3.5)$$

Using the conditions  $A^{-1}B = BA^{-1}, A^{-1}B^* = B^*A^{-1}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} A^{-1}Y_1 &= A^{-1}(I + B^*B) \\ &= A^{-1} + A^{-1}B^*B \\ &= A^{-1} + B^*A^{-1}B \\ &= A^{-1} + B^*BA^{-1} \\ &= (I + B^*B)A^{-1} \\ &= Y_1A^{-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

By the same manner, we get

$$B^{-1}X_1 = X_1B^{-1}. \quad (3.7)$$

Further, assume that for each  $k$  it is satisfied that

$$AX_{k-1} = X_{k-1}A, \quad BY_{k-1} = Y_{k-1}B, \quad A^{-1}Y_{k-1} = Y_{k-1}A^{-1}, \quad B^{-1}X_{k-1} = X_{k-1}B^{-1}. \quad (3.8)$$

Now, by induction, we will prove

$$AX_k = X_k A, \quad BY_k = Y_k B, \quad A^{-1}Y_k = Y_k A^{-1}, \quad B^{-1}X_k = X_k B^{-1}. \quad (3.9)$$

Since the two matrices  $A, B$  are normal and using the equalities (3.8), therefor

$$\begin{aligned} AX_k &= A(I + A^*Y_{k-1}^{-n}A) \\ &= A + AA^*Y_{k-1}^{-n}A \\ &= A + A^*AY_{k-1}^{-n}A \\ &= A + A^*Y_{k-1}^{-n}AA \\ &= (I + A^*Y_{k-1}^{-n}A)A \\ &= X_k A. \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

Similarly

$$BY_k = Y_k B. \quad (3.11)$$

By using the conditions  $A^{-1}B = BA^{-1}$ ,  $A^{-1}B^* = B^*A^{-1}$  and the equalities (3.8), we have

$$\begin{aligned} A^{-1}Y_k &= A^{-1}(I + B^*X_{k-1}^{-m}B) \\ &= A^{-1} + A^{-1}B^*X_{k-1}^{-m}B \\ &= A^{-1} + B^*A^{-1}X_{k-1}^{-m}B \\ &= A^{-1} + B^*X_{k-1}^{-m}A^{-1}B \\ &= A^{-1} + B^*X_{k-1}^{-m}BA^{-1} \\ &= (I + B^*X_{k-1}^{-m}B)A^{-1} \\ &= Y_k A^{-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

Also, we can prove

$$B^{-1}X_k = X_k B^{-1}. \quad (3.13)$$

Therefore, the equalities (3.2) are true for all  $s = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  □

**Corollary 3.3.** *From Lemma 3.2, we have*

$$AY_s^{-n} = Y_s^{-n}A, \quad BX_s^{-m} = X_s^{-m}B, \quad (3.14)$$

where  $\{X_s\}, \{Y_s\}, s = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , are determined by Algorithm 3.1.

**Lemma 3.4.** For the Sys. (1.1), we have

$$X_s X_{s+1} = X_{s+1} X_s, \quad Y_s Y_{s+1} = Y_{s+1} Y_s, \quad (3.15)$$

where  $\{X_s\}, \{Y_s\}, s = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , are determined by Algorithm 3.1.

*Proof.* Since  $X_0 = Y_0 = I$ , then  $X_0 X_1 = X_1 X_0, Y_0 Y_1 = Y_1 Y_0$ .

By using the equalities (3.14), we have

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 X_2 &= (I + A^* A)(I + A^* Y_1^{-n} A) \\ &= I + A^* A + A^* Y_1^{-n} A + A^* A A^* Y_1^{-n} A \\ &= I + A^* A + A^* Y_1^{-n} A + A^* A Y_1^{-n} A^* A \\ &= I + A^* A + A^* Y_1^{-n} A + A^* Y_1^{-n} A A^* A \\ &= (I + A^* Y_1^{-n} A)(I + A^* A) \\ &= X_2 X_1. \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

Similarly we get

$$Y_1 Y_2 = Y_2 Y_1. \quad (3.17)$$

Further, assume that for each  $k$  it is satisfied that

$$X_{k-1} X_k = X_k X_{k-1}, \quad Y_{k-1} Y_k = Y_k Y_{k-1}. \quad (3.18)$$

Now, we will prove

$$X_k X_{k+1} = X_{k+1} X_k, \quad Y_k Y_{k+1} = Y_{k+1} Y_k. \quad (3.19)$$

From the equalities (3.18), we have

$$X_{k-1}^{-m} X_k^{-m} = X_k^{-m} X_{k-1}^{-m}, \quad Y_{k-1}^{-n} Y_k^{-n} = Y_k^{-n} Y_{k-1}^{-n}. \quad (3.20)$$



By using the equalities (3.14) and (3.20), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
X_k X_{k+1} &= (I + A^* Y_{k-1}^{-n} A)(I + A^* Y_k^{-n} A) \\
&= I + A^* Y_{k-1}^{-n} A + A^* Y_k^{-n} A + A^* Y_{k-1}^{-n} A A^* Y_k^{-n} A \\
&= I + A^* Y_{k-1}^{-n} A + A^* Y_k^{-n} A + A^* A Y_{k-1}^{-n} Y_k^{-n} A^* A \\
&= I + A^* Y_{k-1}^{-n} A + A^* Y_k^{-n} A + A^* A Y_k^{-n} Y_{k-1}^{-n} A^* A \\
&= I + A^* Y_{k-1}^{-n} A + A^* Y_k^{-n} A + A^* Y_k^{-n} A A^* Y_{k-1}^{-n} A \\
&= (I + A^* Y_k^{-n} A)(I + A^* Y_{k-1}^{-n} A) \\
&= X_{k+1} X_k.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.21}$$

By the same manner, we can prove

$$Y_k Y_{k+1} = Y_{k+1} Y_k. \tag{3.22}$$

Therefore, the equalities (3.15) are true for all  $s = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  □

**Theorem 3.5.** *If  $A, B$  are satisfying the following conditions:*

- (i)  $\|A\|^2(1 + \|A\|^2)^{m-1} < 1/m$ ,
- (ii)  $\|B\|^2(1 + \|B\|^2)^{n-1} < 1/n$ ,

then the Sys. (1.1) has a positive definite solution  $(X, Y)$ , which satisfy

$$\begin{aligned}
X_{2s} &< X < X_{2s+1}, \quad Y_{2s} < Y < Y_{2s+1}, \quad s = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \\
\max(\|X - X_{2s}\|, \|X_{2s+1} - X\|) &< q^s \|A\|^2, \\
\max(\|Y - Y_{2s}\|, \|Y_{2s+1} - Y\|) &< q^s \|B\|^2,
\end{aligned} \tag{3.23}$$

where  $q = nm\|A\|^2\|B\|^2(1 + \|A\|^2)^{m-1}(1 + \|B\|^2)^{n-1} < 1$ ,  $\{X_s\}, \{Y_s\}$ ,  $s = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , are determined by Algorithm 3.1.

*Proof.* For  $X_1, Y_1$  we have  $X_1 = I + A^* A > X_0$  and  $Y_1 = I + B^* B > Y_0$ .

Since  $X_1 > X_0, Y_1 > Y_0$  then  $X_1^{-m} < X_0^{-m}, Y_1^{-n} < Y_0^{-n}$  and  $B^* X_1^{-m} B < B^* X_0^{-m} B, A^* Y_1^{-n} A < A^* Y_0^{-n} A$ , hence  $I = X_0 < X_2 = I + A^* Y_1^{-n} A < I + A^* Y_0^{-n} A = X_1, I = Y_0 < Y_2 = I + B^* X_1^{-m} B < I + B^* X_0^{-m} B = Y_1$ , that is,

$$X_0 < X_2 < X_1, \quad Y_0 < Y_2 < Y_1. \tag{3.24}$$

We find the relation between  $X_2, X_3, X_4$ , and  $X_5$  and the relation between  $Y_2, Y_3, Y_4$ , and  $Y_5$ .

Since  $X_0 < X_2, Y_0 < Y_2$ , then  $X_3 = I + A^* Y_2^{-n} A < I + A^* Y_0^{-n} A = X_1, X_3 = I + A^* Y_2^{-n} A > I + A^* Y_1^{-n} A = X_2, Y_3 = I + B^* X_2^{-m} B < I + B^* X_0^{-m} B = Y_1, Y_3 = I + B^* X_2^{-m} B > I + B^* X_1^{-m} B = Y_2$ .

Since  $X_2 < X_3 < X_1, Y_2 < Y_3 < Y_1$ , then  $X_4 = I + A^*Y_3^{-n}A > I + A^*Y_1^{-n}A = X_2$ ,  
 $X_4 = I + A^*Y_3^{-n}A < I + A^*Y_2^{-n}A = X_3$ ,  $Y_4 = I + B^*X_3^{-m}B > I + B^*X_1^{-m}B = Y_2$ ,  $Y_4 = I + B^*X_3^{-m}B <$   
 $I + B^*X_2^{-m}B = Y_3$ .

Also since  $X_2 < X_4 < X_3, Y_2 < Y_4 < Y_3$ , then  $X_5 = I + A^*Y_4^{-n}A < I + A^*Y_2^{-n}A = X_3$ ,  
 $X_5 = I + A^*Y_4^{-n}A > I + A^*Y_3^{-n}A = X_4$ ,  $Y_5 = I + B^*X_4^{-m}B < I + B^*X_2^{-m}B = Y_3$ ,  $Y_5 = I + B^*X_4^{-m}B >$   
 $I + B^*X_3^{-m}B = Y_4$ .

Thus we get

$$X_0 < X_2 < X_4 < X_5 < X_3 < X_1, \quad Y_0 < Y_2 < Y_4 < Y_5 < Y_3 < Y_1. \quad (3.25)$$

So, assume that for each  $k$  it is satisfied that

$$\begin{aligned} X_0 < X_{2k} < X_{2k+2} < X_{2k+3} < X_{2k+1} < X_1, \\ Y_0 < Y_{2k} < Y_{2k+2} < Y_{2k+3} < Y_{2k+1} < Y_1. \end{aligned} \quad (3.26)$$

Now, we will prove  $X_{2k+2} < X_{2k+4} < X_{2k+5} < X_{2k+3}$  and  $Y_{2k+2} < Y_{2k+4} < Y_{2k+5} < Y_{2k+3}$ .

By using the inequalities (3.26) we have

$$\begin{aligned} X_{2k+4} &= I + A^*Y_{2k+3}^{-n}A > I + A^*Y_{2k+1}^{-n}A = X_{2k+2}, \\ X_{2k+4} &= I + A^*Y_{2k+3}^{-n}A < I + A^*Y_{2k+2}^{-n}A = X_{2k+3}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.27)$$

Also we have

$$\begin{aligned} Y_{2k+4} &= I + B^*X_{2k+3}^{-m}B > I + B^*X_{2k+1}^{-m}B = Y_{2k+2}, \\ Y_{2k+4} &= I + B^*X_{2k+3}^{-m}B < I + B^*X_{2k+2}^{-m}B = Y_{2k+3}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.28)$$

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} X_{2k+5} &= I + A^*Y_{2k+4}^{-n}A < I + A^*Y_{2k+2}^{-n}A = X_{2k+3}, \\ X_{2k+5} &= I + A^*Y_{2k+4}^{-n}A > I + A^*Y_{2k+3}^{-n}A = X_{2k+4}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.29)$$

Also we have

$$\begin{aligned} Y_{2k+5} &= I + B^*X_{2k+4}^{-m}B < I + B^*X_{2k+2}^{-m}B = Y_{2k+3}, \\ Y_{2k+5} &= I + B^*X_{2k+4}^{-m}B > I + B^*X_{2k+3}^{-m}B = Y_{2k+4}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.30)$$

Therefore, the inequalities (3.26) are true for all  $s = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ; consequently the subsequences  $\{X_{2s}\}, \{X_{2s+1}\}, \{Y_{2s}\}$ , and  $\{Y_{2s+1}\}$  are monotonic and bounded. therefore they are convergent

to positive definite matrices. To prove that the sequences  $\{X_{2s}\}, \{X_{2s+1}\}$  have a common limit, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|X_{2s+1} - X_{2s}\| &= \|A^*Y_{2s}^{-n}A - A^*Y_{2s-1}^{-n}A\| \\
&= \|A^*(Y_{2s}^{-n} - Y_{2s-1}^{-n})A\| \\
&\leq \|A\|^2 \|Y_{2s}^{-n}(Y_{2s-1}^n - Y_{2s}^n)Y_{2s-1}^{-n}\| \\
&\leq \|A\|^2 \|Y_{2s}^{-n}\| \|Y_{2s-1}^{-n}\| \|Y_{2s-1}^n - Y_{2s}^n\| \\
&= \|A\|^2 \|Y_{2s}^{-n}\| \|Y_{2s-1}^{-n}\| \left\| (Y_{2s-1} - Y_{2s}) \left( \sum_{i=1}^n Y_{2s-1}^{n-i} Y_{2s}^{i-1} \right) \right\|.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.31}$$

Since  $I < Y_s < I + B^*B$ , then we have

$$\|Y_s^{-n}\| < 1, \quad \|Y_s\| < 1 + \|B\|^2. \tag{3.32}$$

Consequently

$$\begin{aligned}
\|X_{2s+1} - X_{2s}\| &< \|A\|^2 \|Y_{2s-1} - Y_{2s}\| \sum_{i=1}^n \|Y_{2s-1}\|^{n-i} \|Y_{2s}\|^{i-1} \\
&< n \|A\|^2 (1 + \|B\|^2)^{n-1} \|Y_{2s-1} - Y_{2s}\|.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.33}$$

Also, to prove that the sequences  $\{Y_{2s}\}, \{Y_{2s+1}\}$  have a common limit, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|Y_{2s+1} - Y_{2s}\| &= \|B^*X_{2s}^{-m}B - B^*X_{2s-1}^{-m}B\| \\
&= \|B^*(X_{2s}^{-m} - X_{2s-1}^{-m})B\| \\
&\leq \|B\|^2 \|X_{2s}^{-m}(X_{2s-1}^m - X_{2s}^m)X_{2s-1}^{-m}\| \\
&\leq \|B\|^2 \|X_{2s}^{-m}\| \|X_{2s-1}^{-m}\| \|X_{2s-1}^m - X_{2s}^m\| \\
&= \|B\|^2 \|X_{2s}^{-m}\| \|X_{2s-1}^{-m}\| \left\| (X_{2s-1} - X_{2s}) \left( \sum_{i=1}^m X_{2s-1}^{m-i} X_{2s}^{i-1} \right) \right\|.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.34}$$

Since  $I < X_s < I + A^*A$ , then we have

$$\|X_s^{-m}\| < 1, \quad \|X_s\| < 1 + \|A\|^2. \tag{3.35}$$

Consequently

$$\begin{aligned} \|Y_{2s+1} - Y_{2s}\| &< \|B\|^2 \|X_{2s-1} - X_{2s}\| \sum_{i=1}^m \|X_{2s-1}\|^{m-i} \|X_{2s}\|^{i-1} \\ &< m \|B\|^2 (1 + \|A\|^2)^{m-1} \|X_{2s-1} - X_{2s}\|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.36)$$

By using (3.36) in (3.33) and (3.33) in (3.36), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|X_{2s+1} - X_{2s}\| &< nm \|A\|^2 \|B\|^2 (1 + \|A\|^2)^{m-1} (1 + \|B\|^2)^{n-1} \|X_{2s-1} - X_{2s-2}\|, \\ \|Y_{2s+1} - Y_{2s}\| &< nm \|A\|^2 \|B\|^2 (1 + \|A\|^2)^{m-1} (1 + \|B\|^2)^{n-1} \|Y_{2s-1} - Y_{2s-2}\|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.37)$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \|X_{2s+1} - X_{2s}\| &< q \|X_{2s-1} - X_{2s-2}\| < \cdots < q^s \|X_1 - X_0\|, \\ \|Y_{2s+1} - Y_{2s}\| &< q \|Y_{2s-1} - Y_{2s-2}\| < \cdots < q^s \|Y_1 - Y_0\|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.38)$$

Consequently the subsequences  $\{X_{2s}\}, \{X_{2s+1}\}$  are convergent and have a common positive definite limit  $X$ . Also, the subsequences  $\{Y_{2s}\}, \{Y_{2s+1}\}$  are convergent and have a common positive definite limit  $Y$ . Therefore  $(X, Y)$  is a positive definite solution of Sys. (1.1).  $\square$

#### 4. Numerical Examples

In this section the numerical examples are given to display the flexibility of the method. The solutions are computed for some different matrices  $A, B$  with different orders. In the following examples we denote by  $X, Y$  the solutions which are obtained by iterative Algorithm 3.1, and  $e_1(X) = \|X - X_s\|$ ,  $e_2(X) = \|X_s - A^* Y_s^{-n} A - I\|$ ,  $e_1(Y) = \|Y - Y_s\|$ , and  $e_2(Y) = \|Y_s - B^* X_s^{-m} B - I\|$ .

*Example 4.1.* Consider Sys. (1.1) with  $n = 5, m = 5$  and matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -2 & -6 \\ 8 & 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (4.1)$$

Table 1

$s$	$e_1(X)$	$e_1(Y)$	$e_2(X)$	$e_2(Y)$
0	51.0729	1.00002	69.0000	65.0000
1	17.9271	65.0000	59.7925	65.0000
2	41.8654	$1.91479E - 06$	41.8656	35.8160
3	$2.71389E - 04$	35.8160	42.8061	35.8160
4	42.8058	$8.21136E - 11$	42.8058	$5.46612E - 02$
5	$1.14466E - 08$	$5.46612E - 02$	6.06199	$5.46612E - 02$
6	6.06199	$4.79780E - 15$	6.06199	$4.90522E - 05$
7	$7.60281E - 13$	$4.90522E - 05$	$4.26692E - 03$	$4.90522E - 05$
8	$4.26692E - 03$	$2.70627E - 19$	$4.26692E - 03$	$1.10251E - 09$
9	0	$1.10251E - 09$	$1.51071E - 07$	$1.10251E - 09$
10	$1.51071E - 07$	0	$1.51071E - 07$	$4.69266E - 14$
11	0	$4.69266E - 14$	$7.73070E - 12$	$4.69266E - 14$

By computation, we get

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 19 & -5.99984 \\ 0 & -5.99984 & 52.0729 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2.49178 \times 10^{-7} & -1.30736 \times 10^{-6} \\ -2.49178 \times 10^{-7} & 2 & 1 \\ -1.30736 \times 10^{-6} & 1 & 2.00002 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (4.2)$$

$$\lambda_r(X) = \{53.1277, 17.9452, 1\}, \quad \mu_r(Y) = \{3.00002, 1.00001, 1\}.$$

The results are given in the Table 1.

*Example 4.2.* Consider Sys. (1.1) with  $n = 22$ ,  $m = 12$  and matrices

$$A = -0.1 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = -0.1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (4.3)$$

Table 2

$s$	$e_1(X)$	$e_1(Y)$	$e_2(X)$	$e_2(Y)$
0	1.24608E - 01	4.60012E - 02	2.10000E - 01	1.00000E - 01
1	8.55563E - 02	5.39988E - 02	9.70059E - 02	7.95578E - 02
2	1.14496E - 02	2.55590E - 02	2.74686E - 02	3.15318E - 02
3	1.60190E - 02	0.59728E - 02	1.68545E - 02	1.36886E - 02
4	8.35485E - 04	7.71578E - 03	0.28393E - 02	8.14852E - 03
5	2.00382E - 03	4.32737E - 04	2.01636E - 03	1.42354E - 03
6	4.29946E - 05	9.90806E - 04	1.08242E - 04	9.89517E - 04
7	9.56981E - 05	0.19967E - 04	1.00788E - 04	4.57126E - 05
8	1.02495E - 05	4.08207E - 05	0.22025E - 04	4.13549E - 05
9	1.17755E - 05	4.68667E - 06	0.12947E - 04	9.61810E - 06
10	3.60760E - 06	4.93143E - 06	6.08098E - 06	5.52865E - 06
11	2.47338E - 06	1.44559E - 06	3.22091E - 06	2.24954E - 06
12	7.47536E - 07	1.06400E - 06	1.70353E - 06	1.15972E - 06
13	9.55996E - 07	3.31722E - 07	1.01939E - 06	7.40346E - 07
14	6.33981E - 08	4.08624E - 07	2.03521E - 07	4.37652E - 07
15	1.40123E - 07	2.90281E - 08	1.38180E - 07	9.25059E - 08
16	3.56253E - 09	6.34778E - 08	8.08867E - 09	6.24061E - 08

By computation, we get

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 1.01717 & 0.0251093 & 0.008992 & 0.00481047 \\ 0.0251093 & 1.11444 & -0.0619579 & -0.0127646 \\ 0.008992 & -0.0619579 & 1.12461 & 0.0523216 \\ 0.00481047 & -0.0127646 & 0.0523216 & 1.02878 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} 1.046 & 0.00730832 & 0.016761 & 0.00876669 \\ 0.00730832 & 1.03404 & 0.0164278 & 0.0322775 \\ 0.016761 & 0.0164278 & 1.01605 & 0.0128431 \\ 0.00876669 & 0.0322775 & 0.0128431 & 1.0343 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\lambda_r(X) = \{1.19574, 1.07941, 1.00868, 1.00118\}, \quad \mu_r(Y) = \{1.08177, 1.04193, 1.0064, 1.0003\}. \quad (4.4)$$

The results are given in the Table 2.

## 5. Conclusion

In this paper we considered the system of nonlinear matrix equations (1.1) where  $n, m$  are two positive integers. We achieved the general conditions for the existence of a positive definite solution. Moreover, we discussed an iterative algorithm from which a solution can always be calculated numerically, whenever the system is solvable. The numerical examples included in this paper showed the efficiency of the iterative algorithm which is described.

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