



# A finite iterative algorithm for solving the generalized $(P, Q)$ -reflexive solution of the linear systems of matrix equations<sup>☆</sup>

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## ABSTRACT

In this paper, we proposed an algorithm for solving the linear systems of matrix equations

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^N A_i^{(1)} X_i B_i^{(1)} = C^{(1)}, \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{i=1}^N A_i^{(M)} X_i B_i^{(M)} = C^{(M)}. \end{cases} \quad \text{over the generalized } (P, Q)\text{-reflexive matrix } X_l \in R^{n \times m} (A_l^{(i)} \in$$

$R^{p \times n}, B_l^{(i)} \in R^{m \times q}, C^{(i)} \in R^{p \times q}, l = 1, 2, \dots, N, i = 1, 2, \dots, M)$ . According to the algorithm, the solvability of the problem can be determined automatically. When the problem is consistent over the generalized  $(P, Q)$ -reflexive matrix  $X_l$  ( $l = 1, \dots, N$ ), for any generalized  $(P, Q)$ -reflexive initial iterative matrices  $X_l(0)$  ( $l = 1, \dots, N$ ), the generalized  $(P, Q)$ -reflexive solution can be obtained within finite iterative steps in the absence of roundoff errors. The unique least-norm generalized  $(P, Q)$ -reflexive solution can also be derived when the appropriate initial iterative matrices are chosen. A sufficient and necessary condition for which the linear systems of matrix equations is inconsistent is given. Furthermore, the optimal approximate solution for a group of given matrices  $Y_l$  ( $l = 1, \dots, N$ ) can be derived by finding the least-norm generalized  $(P, Q)$ -reflexive solution of a new corresponding linear system of matrix equations. Finally, we present a numerical example to verify the theoretical results of this paper.

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## 1. Introduction

Throughout the paper,  $R^n$  will denote the complex  $n$ -vector space and the set of  $n \times m$  matrices by  $R^{n \times m}$ . For a matrix  $A \in R^{m \times n}$ ,  $\|A\|$  represents its Frobenius norm,  $R(A)$  represents its column space,  $tr(A)$  represents its trace and  $vec(\cdot)$  represents the  $vec$  operator, i.e.,  $vec(A) = (a_1^T, a_2^T, \dots, a_n^T)^T$  for the matrix  $A = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in R^{m \times n}$ ,  $a_i \in R^m$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .  $A \otimes B$  stands for the Kronecker product of matrices  $A$  and  $B$ . In [1], the definition and some properties of generalized reflexive (anti-reflexive) matrix have been presented.

In [2], Peng and Hu presented the conditions for the solvability of matrix equation  $AX = B$  over reflexive or anti-reflexive matrices and the conditions for the solvability of matrix equation  $AXB = C$  over reflexive matrices have been presented in [3]. The sufficient and necessary conditions for the solvability of matrix equation  $A^H X B = C$  over reflexive or anti-reflexive matrices were provided in [4]. By using the generalized singular value decomposition, a necessary and sufficient condition for the matrix equation  $AXB = D$  over generalized reflexive matrices was given and the solution set was constructed explicitly when it is nonempty in [5]. In [6], the authors considered the generalized reflexive solutions for a class of matrix equations

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