

# Coupled Sylvester-type Matrix Equations and Block Diagonalization

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# Generalized Roth's Theorem I (D. & Kågström, 2015)

System of the Sylvester matrix equations

$$A_i \mathbf{X}_k - \mathbf{X}_j B_i = C_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

has a solution  $\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_m$ .

$\Updownarrow$

There exist non-singular matrices  $P_1, \dots, P_m$  such that

$$P_j^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_i & C_i \\ 0 & B_i \end{bmatrix} P_k = \begin{bmatrix} A_i & 0 \\ 0 & B_i \end{bmatrix}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$$

## Roth's Theorem I, 1952

The Sylvester-type matrix equation

$$AX - XB = C, \quad A \text{ is } m \times m, \quad B \text{ is } n \times n, \quad \text{and} \quad C \text{ is } m \times n,$$

has a solution.

$\Updownarrow$

There exists a non-singular matrix  $P$  such that

$$P^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} P = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix}.$$

## Roth's Theorem II, 1952

The Sylvester-type matrix equation

$$AX_1 - X_2B = C,$$

has a solution.

$\Updownarrow$

There exist non-singular matrices  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  such that

$$P_2^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix}.$$

## Roth's Theorem III, 1994 (2 papers), 1996

The system of Sylvester-type matrix equations

$$A_1 \textcolor{red}{X}_1 - \textcolor{blue}{X}_2 B_1 = C_1,$$

$$A_2 \textcolor{red}{X}_1 - \textcolor{blue}{X}_2 B_2 = C_2$$

has a solution.



There exist non-singular matrices  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  such that

$$\textcolor{blue}{P}_2^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & C_1 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{bmatrix} \textcolor{red}{P}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\textcolor{blue}{P}_2^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_2 & C_2 \\ 0 & B_2 \end{bmatrix} \textcolor{red}{P}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A_2 & 0 \\ 0 & B_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

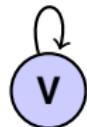
## Change of basis in a vector space

We have  $\begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} x = y$ .

We change the basis in  $V$  :  $Px' = x$  and  $Py' = y$ .

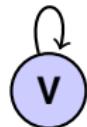
We obtain  $\begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} Px' = Py'$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix}$$



'old basis'

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix}$$



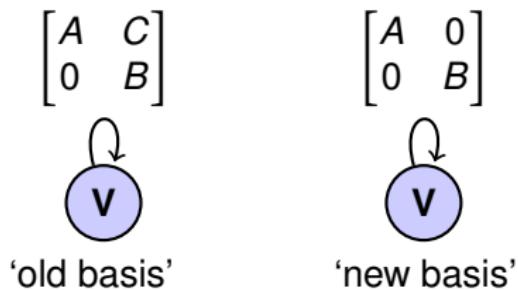
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# Graphs associated with Roth's Theorems

$$AX - XB = C \quad \xrightleftharpoons{',52, ',77} \quad P^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} P = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} \quad \Leftrightarrow$$

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$$AX_1 - X_2B = C \quad \xrightleftharpoons{',52, ',77} \quad P_2^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} \quad \Leftrightarrow$$

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$$\begin{aligned} A_1 X_1 - X_2 B_1 &= C_1 & \xrightleftharpoons{',94, ',96} & P_2^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & C_1 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{bmatrix} P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \Leftrightarrow \\ A_2 X_1 - X_2 B_2 &= C_2 & \xrightleftharpoons{} & P_2^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_2 & C_2 \\ 0 & B_2 \end{bmatrix} P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A_2 & 0 \\ 0 & B_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \Leftrightarrow \end{aligned}$$

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# Graphs associated with Roth's Theorems

$$A_i X - X B_i = C_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n \quad \xrightleftharpoons{r_{85}, r_{12}} \quad P^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_i & C_i \\ 0 & B_i \end{bmatrix} P = \begin{bmatrix} A_i & 0 \\ 0 & B_i \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Rightarrow$$

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$$\begin{aligned} A_1 X_1 - X_2 B_1 &= C_1 \\ A_2 X_3 - X_2 B_2 &= C_2 \end{aligned} \quad \xrightleftharpoons{r_{12}} \quad P_2^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & C_1 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{bmatrix} P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \Rightarrow$$

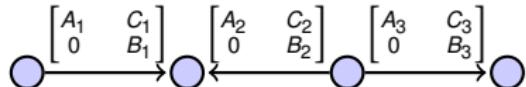
$$P_2^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_2 & C_2 \\ 0 & B_2 \end{bmatrix} P_3 = \begin{bmatrix} A_2 & 0 \\ 0 & B_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \Rightarrow$$

# Graphs associated with Roth's Theorems, 2014

$$A_1 X_1 - X_2 B_1 = C_1$$

$$A_2 X_3 - X_2 B_2 = C_2 \iff$$

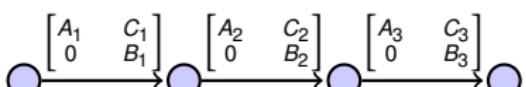
$$A_3 X_3 - X_4 B_3 = C_3$$



$$A_1 X_1 - X_2 B_1 = C_1$$

$$A_2 X_2 - X_3 B_2 = C_2 \iff$$

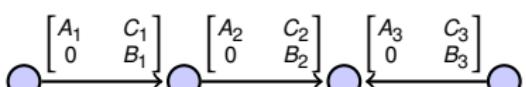
$$A_3 X_3 - X_4 B_3 = C_3$$



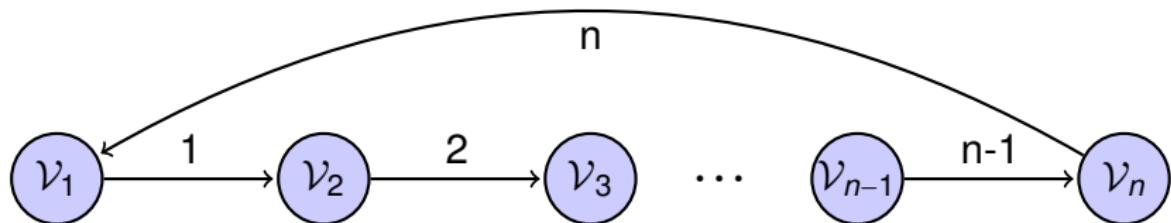
$$A_1 X_1 - X_2 B_1 = C_1$$

$$A_2 X_2 - X_3 B_2 = C_2 \iff$$

$$A_3 X_4 - X_3 B_3 = C_3$$



## Cyclic graphs (Periodic eigenvalue problem)



System of matrix equations is consistent  $\Leftrightarrow$  Relation on matrices

$$1 : A_1 X_1 - X_2 B_1 = C_1, \quad P_2^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & C_1 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{bmatrix} P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$2 : A_2 X_2 - X_3 B_2 = C_2, \quad P_3^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_2 & C_2 \\ 0 & B_2 \end{bmatrix} P_2 = \begin{bmatrix} A_2 & 0 \\ 0 & B_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

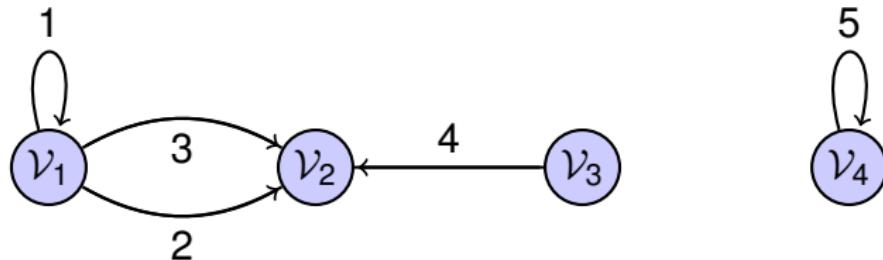
$$3 : A_3 X_3 - X_4 B_3 = C_3, \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad P_4^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_3 & C_3 \\ 0 & B_3 \end{bmatrix} P_3 = \begin{bmatrix} A_3 & 0 \\ 0 & B_3 \end{bmatrix},$$

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$$n : A_n X_n - X_1 B_n = C_n, \quad P_1^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_n & C_n \\ 0 & B_n \end{bmatrix} P_n = \begin{bmatrix} A_n & 0 \\ 0 & B_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

# Graphs associated with Generalized Roth's Theorem I



System of matrix equations is consistent  $\Leftrightarrow$  Relation on matrices

$$\begin{aligned} 1 : \quad A_1 X_1 - X_1 B_1 &= C_1, & P_1^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & C_1 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{bmatrix} P_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ 2 : \quad A_2 X_1 - X_2 B_2 &= C_2, & P_2^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_2 & C_2 \\ 0 & B_2 \end{bmatrix} P_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} A_2 & 0 \\ 0 & B_2 \end{bmatrix}, \\ 3 : \quad A_3 X_1 - X_2 B_3 &= C_3, & \Leftrightarrow P_2^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_3 & C_3 \\ 0 & B_3 \end{bmatrix} P_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} A_3 & 0 \\ 0 & B_3 \end{bmatrix}, \\ 4 : \quad A_4 X_3 - X_2 B_4 &= C_4, & P_2^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_4 & C_4 \\ 0 & B_4 \end{bmatrix} P_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} A_4 & 0 \\ 0 & B_4 \end{bmatrix}, \\ 5 : \quad A_5 X_4 - X_4 B_5 &= C_5, & P_4^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_5 & C_5 \\ 0 & B_5 \end{bmatrix} P_4 &= \begin{bmatrix} A_5 & 0 \\ 0 & B_5 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

## Generalized Roth's Theorem II (D. & Kågström, 2015)

System of the Sylvester and  $\star$ -Sylvester matrix equations

$$\begin{aligned} A_i \mathbf{X}_k - \mathbf{X}_j B_i &= C_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_1 \\ F_{i'} \mathbf{X}_{k'} - \mathbf{X}_{j'}^* G_{i'} &= H_{i'}, \quad i' = 1, \dots, n_2 \end{aligned}$$

has a solution  $\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_m$ .



There exist non-singular matrices  $P_1, \dots, P_m$  such that

$$P_j^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_i & C_i \\ 0 & B_i \end{bmatrix} P_k = \begin{bmatrix} A_i & 0 \\ 0 & B_i \end{bmatrix}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_1,$$

$$P_{j'}^* \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G_{i'} \\ F_{i'} & H_{i'} \end{bmatrix} P_{k'} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G_{i'} \\ F_{i'} & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad i' = 1, \dots, n_2.$$

# Graphs associated with Roth's Theorems

$$FX - X^*G = H \iff {}'_{94}, {}'_{11} \quad P^* \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G \\ F & H \end{bmatrix} P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G \\ F & 0 \end{bmatrix} \iff v \text{ (purple circle)} \text{ with self-loop} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G \\ F & H \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} F_i X - X^* G_i = H_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n \iff {}'_{14} \quad P^* \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G_i \\ F_i & H_i \end{bmatrix} P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G_i \\ F_i & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \iff \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G_n \\ F_n & H_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G_1 \\ F_1 & H_1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \dots \quad \dots \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G_{n-1} \\ F_{n-1} & H_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \quad v \text{ (purple circle)} \text{ with } n \text{ edges} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G_2 \\ F_2 & H_2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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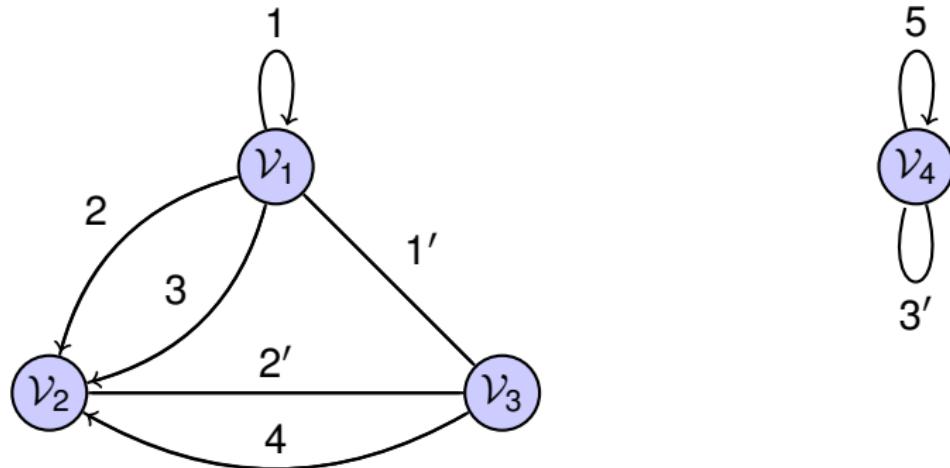

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$$\begin{aligned} AX - XB = C, \quad X - X^* = 0 \iff {}'_{94} \quad P^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_i & C_i \\ 0 & B_i \end{bmatrix} P = \begin{bmatrix} A_i & 0 \\ 0 & B_i \end{bmatrix}, \iff \\ P^* \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -I \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix} P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -I \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix} \iff \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -I \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} \\ \xrightarrow{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -I \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix}} \quad \xrightarrow{\begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix}} \end{aligned}$$

## Graphs associated with Generalized Roth's Theorem II



System of matrix equations is consistent  $\Leftrightarrow$  Relation on matrices

## Particular case of Generalized Roth's Theorem II

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 1: & A_1 X_1 - X_1 B_1 = C_1, \quad P_1^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & C_1 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{bmatrix} P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{bmatrix}, \\
 2: & A_2 X_1 - X_2 B_2 = C_2, \quad P_2^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_2 & C_2 \\ 0 & B_2 \end{bmatrix} P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A_2 & 0 \\ 0 & B_2 \end{bmatrix}, \\
 3: & A_3 X_1 - X_2 B_3 = C_3, \quad P_2^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_3 & C_3 \\ 0 & B_3 \end{bmatrix} P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A_3 & 0 \\ 0 & B_3 \end{bmatrix}, \\
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 5: & A_5 X_4 - X_4 B_5 = C_5, \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad P_4^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_5 & C_5 \\ 0 & B_5 \end{bmatrix} P_4 = \begin{bmatrix} A_5 & 0 \\ 0 & B_5 \end{bmatrix}, \\
 1': & F_1 X_3 + X_1^* G_1 = H_1, \quad P_1^* \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G_1 \\ F_1 & H_1 \end{bmatrix} P_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G_1 \\ F_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\
 2': & F_2 X_2 + X_3^* G_2 = H_2, \quad P_3^* \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G_2 \\ F_2 & H_2 \end{bmatrix} P_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G_2 \\ F_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\
 3': & F_3 X_4 + X_4^* G_3 = H_3, \quad P_4^* \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G_3 \\ F_3 & H_3 \end{bmatrix} P_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & G_3 \\ F_3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.
 \end{array}$$

## Systems of Stein and $\star$ -Stein matrix equations

$$A_i \mathcal{X}_k K_i - L_i \mathcal{X}_j B_i = C_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_1$$

$$F_{i'} \mathcal{X}_{k'} M_{i'} - N_{i'} \mathcal{X}_{j'}^* G_{i'} = H_{i'}, \quad i' = 1, \dots, n_2$$

with unknown matrices  $\mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_m$ .

A. Dmytryshyn and B. Kågström, [Coupled Sylvester-type matrix equations and block diagonalization](#), SIAM J. Matrix Anal. Appl., 36(2) (2015) 580–593.

**Thank you!**