

## A novel and computationally efficient algorithm for stability analysis of multi input-multi output process control systems

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**Abstract**—An efficient method based on the Faddeev-Leverrier algorithm combined with the Adomian decomposition method is devised to facilitate the stability analysis of multi-input multi-output control systems. In contrast to prior eigenvalue algorithms, our method affords all eigenvalues of the state matrix, either real or complex. Specifically, the calculation of the complex eigenvalues is made possible through special canonical forms, mainly involving square root operators, of the characteristic equation of the state matrix. Moreover, the proposed method does not require an initial guess, which is often a matter of concern since an inappropriate guess can cause failure in such available schemes. For the sake of illustration, a number of numerical examples, including chemical reaction processes, are also provided that demonstrate the efficiency of our new technique.

**Keywords:** Control System, Stability Analysis, State-space Model, Adomian Decomposition Method, Adomian Polynomials

### INTRODUCTION

Control systems are ubiquitous in chemical plants, where complex reactions are involved. Stability, on the other hand, is a basic requirement in the design of any control system. In fact, the stability of a control system is often critically important and is justifiably regarded as a safety issue. An example would be the control of a nuclear reactor, where an instability could cause a dreadful catastrophe. In general, the stability of a system is related to its response to external inputs or disturbances. Several well-known techniques for stability analysis of linear time invariant systems include the Routh-Hurwitz stability criterion, the root locus method, the Jury stability criterion, the Nyquist stability criterion and the Bistritz stability criterion [1-8].

The state-space representation of a linear dynamic system can provide insight into its stability status. This is possible by performing an eigenvalue analysis of the state matrix of the system under investigation. The problem of finding the eigenvalues of a specified matrix has been addressed, but not completely satisfactorily, for years. Several eigenvalue algorithms, namely the power method, the matrix squaring method, the Rayleigh quotient iteration method,

and the Arnoldi iteration method, have appeared in the literature. Unfortunately, all of the aforementioned methods suffer from various drawbacks [9-12]. One of their principal demerits is their inability to compute complex eigenvalues of matrices. In addition, most of the available algorithms are incapable of affording all eigenvalues of a given matrix, besides depending upon the unreliable assumption of an initial guess.

We propose a new method to facilitate the stability analysis of dynamic control systems through the study of eigenvalues. Our new approach is based on the Faddeev-Leverrier algorithm combined with the Adomian decomposition method (ADM). In expansion of the concept first considered in [13], our proposed method is capable of efficiently computing complex eigenvalues and hence offers a complete stability analysis. For a better illustration, we present several examples in the sequel.

### PRELIMINARIES

#### 1. Theorem

A linear time invariant (LTI) multi input-multi output (MIMO) system characterized by the following state-space representation

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \\ y = Cx + Du, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

is BIBO stable if all eigenvalues of the matrix  $A$ , denoted by  $\lambda_i$ , are

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contained in the open left half-plane (LHP), i.e.,  $\text{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0 \forall i$ . A matrix  $A$  with such a property is called stable or Hurwitz stable.

**Proof.** See [14].

## 2. The Faddeev-Leverrier Algorithm

Faddeev-Leverrier's algorithm is a powerful iterative tool for calculation of the characteristic polynomial of matrices [15,16]. Let  $A$  be an  $n$ -by- $n$  matrix, then this algorithm consists of the following computational steps:

$$\begin{cases} A_1 = A, \\ A_{i+1} = A(A_i + a_i I), \text{ for } 1 \leq i < n, \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where

$$\begin{cases} a_0 = 1, \\ a_i = -\frac{\text{trace}(A_i)}{i}, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n. \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

In this way, all of the  $n+1$  coefficients of  $\phi(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^{n-i}$ , i.e., the characteristic polynomial of  $A$ , are found recursively through Eqs. (2) and (3).

As an additional benefit of the Faddeev-Leverrier algorithm, the inverse matrix  $A^{-1}$  can be obtained at no extra computational expense by  $A^{-1} = -(1/a_n)(A_{n-1} + a_{n-1}I)$ .

Before proceeding, we present a brief review of the basics of the ADM for the convenience of the reader.

## 3. Fundamentals of the ADM

Consider, without loss of generality, the following functional equation,

$$u - N(u) = f, \quad (4)$$

where  $N$  is a nonlinear operator on a Banach space  $E$ , the system input  $f$  is a specified element of  $E$  and we are seeking the system output  $u \in E$ , which satisfies Eq. (4). Assuming that Eq. (4) has a unique solution for every  $f \in E$ , then the ADM decomposes the solution  $u$  as an infinite series  $u = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} u_i$  and the nonlinearity as  $N(u) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} A_i$ , where the  $A_i$  are called the Adomian polynomials and are defined as [17,18]

$$A_i = A_i(u_0, u_1, \dots, u_i) = \frac{1}{i!} \frac{d^i}{d\lambda^i} N \left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} u_k \lambda^k \right) \bigg|_{\lambda=0}. \quad (5)$$

By selecting the initial solution component as  $u_0 = f$ , the classic ADM uses the following Adomian recursion relation to generate components of the solution as

$$\begin{cases} u_0 = f, \\ u_{i+1} = A_i, \text{ for } i \geq 0. \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

The convergence and reliability of the ADM have been ascertained in prior research; e.g., see [19-23].

Previously, Fatoorehchi and Abolghasemi [24] developed a new improved algorithm to rapidly generate the Adomian polynomials of any desired analytic nonlinear operator. The algorithm primarily relies on string functions and symbolic programming. By setting the symbolic variable  $\text{NON} = u_0 + u_1 + u_2 + \dots + u_n$  and a suffi-

ciently large integer  $n$ , the following function in MATLAB can return the Adomian polynomial components of a nonlinear operator acting upon  $\text{NON}$ .

**Program AdomPoly: An alternative MATLAB code for calculation of the Adomian polynomials**

```
function sol=AdomPoly(expression,nth)
Ch=char(expand(expression));
s=strread(Ch, '%s', 'delimiter', '+');
for i=1:length(s)
t=strread(char(s(i)), '%s', 'delimiter', '*()expUlogsinh');
t=strrep(t, '^', '*');
if length(t)~=2
p=str2num(char(t));
sumindex=sum(p)-p(1);
else
sumindex=str2num(char(t));
end
list(i)=sumindex;
end
A='';
for j=1:length(list)
if nth==list(j)
A=strcat(A,s(j),'+');
end
end
N=length(char(A))-1;
F=strcat('%%',num2str(N),'c%n');
sol=sscanf(char(A),F);
```

Other techniques for calculation of the Adomian polynomials are available in the literature [25-29]. There is also an extensive literature concerning the theory and application of the ADM in various science and engineering fields; e.g., see [30-64].

## OUR PROPOSED METHOD

Let the following equation,

$$x^n + c_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots + c_2x^2 + c_1x + c_0 = 0, \quad (7)$$

be the characteristic equation of an  $n$ -by- $n$  matrix, namely  $A$ . Once written in Adomian's operator-theoretic notation, Eq. (7) becomes

$$Lx + Nx =, \quad (8)$$

where  $L = c_1$ ,  $Nx = x^n + c_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots + c_2x^2$  and  $g = -c_0$ .

Provided that  $c_1 \neq 0$ , we can choose  $L^{-1} = (1/c_1)$ , and hence

$$L^{-1}Lx = L^{-1}g - L^{-1}Nx. \quad (9)$$

Thus,

$$x = -\frac{1}{c_1}(c_0) - \frac{1}{c_1}(x^n + c_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots + c_2x^2), \quad (10)$$

or

$$x = -\frac{c_0}{c_1} - \frac{1}{c_1}x^n - \frac{c_{n-1}}{c_1}x^{n-1} - \dots - \frac{c_2}{c_1}x^2. \quad (11)$$

Now, we calculate the first real root of Eq. (7), or, in other words, one real eigenvalue of the matrix  $A$  as  $\mu_1 = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x_i$ , or approximately as  $\mu_1 \approx \sum_{i=0}^m x_i$ , where

$$\begin{cases} x_0 = -\frac{c_0}{c_1}, \\ x_{i+1} = -\frac{1}{c_1} \mathcal{O}_{(n,i)} - \frac{c_{n-1}}{c_1} \mathcal{O}_{(n-1,i)} - \dots - \frac{c_2}{c_1} \mathcal{O}_{(2,i)}, \text{ for } i \geq 0. \end{cases} \quad (12)$$

where the  $\mathcal{O}_{(n,i)}$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_{(n-1,i)}$ , ...,  $\mathcal{O}_{(2,i)}$  denote the Adomian polynomials

als decomposing the nonlinear terms  $x^n, x^{n-1}, \dots, x^2$  in Eq. (11), respectively.

As discussed in [13,51], other real roots of Eq. (7), or real eigenvalues of the matrix  $A$ , can be found by successively eliminating the previously calculated roots through appropriate synthetic division followed by reapplying the ADM. For instance, the following equation

$$\frac{x^n + c_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots + c_2x^2 + c_1x + c_0}{x - \mu_1} = 0 \quad (13)$$

$$= x^{n-1} + b_{n-2}x^{n-2} + \dots + b_2x^2 + b_1x + b_0,$$

can be investigated for the remaining real eigenvalues of the matrix  $A$ . This is usually referred to as polynomial deflation in mathematical terminology [65]; in this regard, see Appendix A.

Also, in the case of a diverging series generated by the recurrence relation (12), which may indicate the presence of at least two complex conjugate roots [35], the change of variable  $z = x - \alpha$  may enable calculation of the real-valued roots. As a systematic way, we select  $\alpha$  such that it is located in one of the Gershgorin disks of the

matrix  $A$ . Note that  $A$  can be either the original state matrix of the problem, when we face a diverging sequence in search of the first eigenvalue, or the companion matrix of the deflated polynomial obtained from Eq. (13), while we are after other eigenvalues (second, third, and so on).

**Definition:** Let the complex-valued matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  have entries denoted by  $a_{ij}$ . Let  $R_i = \sum_{j \neq i}^n |a_{ij}|$ , for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , be the sum of absolute values of the non-diagonal entries in the  $i$ -th row of  $A$ . The closed disk  $D(a_{ii}, R_i)$ , which is centered at the point on the real axis, is called a Gershgorin of the matrix  $A$ .

The Gershgorin circle theorem guarantees that the eigenvalues of  $A$  lie in its Gershgorin disks. More theoretical foundations, theorems and their proofs, in case of diverging series yielded from recurrence (12) are presented in [51].

Complex eigenvalues of the matrix  $A$  can be calculated in a similar way via the ADM, but through the use of other equivalent canonical forms of Eq. (7), which involve even-root expressions and the choice of zero for the first solution component. Specifically, one canonical form of Eq. (10), presuming that  $c_2 \neq 0$ , is

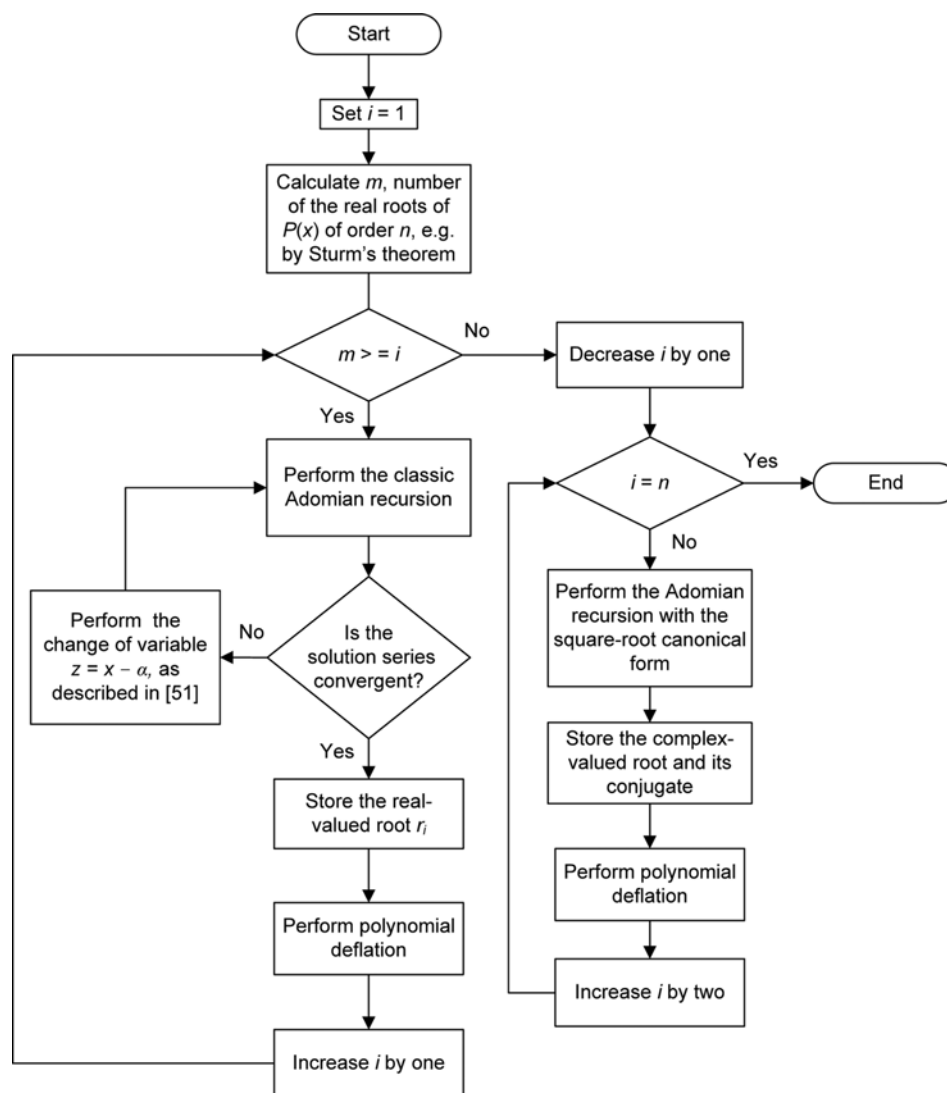


Fig. 1. Flowchart for the general algorithm of polynomial root-finding based on the ADM.

$$x = \sqrt{-\frac{1}{c_2}x^n - \frac{c_{n-1}}{c_2}x^{n-1} - \dots - \frac{c_3}{c_2}x^3 - \frac{c_1}{c_2}x - \frac{c_0}{c_2}}. \quad (14)$$

Consequently, the classic ADM generates the solution components by the recurrence relation as

$$\begin{cases} x_0 = 0, \\ x_{i+1} = \Phi_i, \quad i \geq 0. \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

where the  $\Phi_i$  are the Adomian polynomials, which decompose the square-root term on the right-hand side of Eq. (14). Accordingly,  $\mu_2 = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x_i$ , or its truncated approximation  $\tilde{\mu}_2 = \sum_{i=0}^m x_i$ , corresponds to one, if any, of the complex eigenvalues of the matrix **A**. Appendix B provides a more general formula for obtaining the complex roots of the polynomial equation  $P(z)=0$  via its square-root type canonical form by the ADM. Finally, Fig. 1 depicts the flowchart for our new scheme, which is able to systematically calculate all the roots of a polynomial, either real or complex.

In view of the described procedure, it is clear that the sequence  $(U_i = \sum_{j=0}^i x_j)_{i=0}^N$ , where the  $x_j$  values are either obtained from Eq. (12) or Eq. (15), converges to an eigenvalue of the matrix **A** as  $N$  increases. Optionally, we can enhance the convergence rate of  $(U_i)_{i=0}^N$  by employing a nonlinear sequence-to-sequence transformation proposed by Shanks [66]. The Shanks transform of the mentioned sequence is defined by

$$\text{Sh}(U_i) = \frac{U_{i+1}U_{i-1} - U_i^2}{U_{i+1} - 2U_i + U_{i-1}}. \quad (16)$$

Successive implementation of the Shanks transforms, i.e.,  $\text{Sh}^2(U_i) = \text{Sh}(\text{Sh}(U_i))$ ,  $\text{Sh}^3(U_i) = \text{Sh}(\text{Sh}(\text{Sh}(U_i)))$ , etc., will lead to further speed-up. The computational advantage of the Shanks transform technique, as a post-treatment, when combined with the ADM has been demonstrated previously; in this regard see e.g. [49,52,54].

## ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

For the reader's convenience, we have listed the first few components of the Adomian polynomials, which appear in the following examples in Appendix C.

### 1. Example 1

Consider a linear time invariant system described by

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0650 & -3.1057 & 1.6992 \\ 0.2525 & -5.9760 & 3.2666 \\ 1.2884 & -8.0607 & 4.0740 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} -1.1210 \\ 0 \\ 0.5 \end{bmatrix} u, \\ y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1.2750 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} x. \end{cases} \quad (17)$$

By virtue of Faddeev-Leverrier's algorithm, we obtain the characteristic equation of the state matrix as

$$P(\lambda) = \lambda^3 + 1.837\lambda^2 + 0.4557\lambda + 0.1224 = 0. \quad (18)$$

The simplest canonical form of Eq. (18) is

$$\lambda = -\frac{0.1224}{0.4557} - \frac{1}{0.4557}\lambda^3 - \frac{1.837}{0.4557}\lambda^2. \quad (19)$$

The ADM suggests the following recurrence relation for a solution to Eq. (18) as

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_0 = -\frac{0.1224}{0.4557}, \\ \lambda_{i+1} = -\frac{1}{0.4557}A_i(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_i) - \frac{1.837}{0.4557}B_i(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_i), \quad \text{for } i \geq 0, \end{cases} \quad (20)$$

where the  $A_i$  and  $B_i$  are the Adomian polynomials that decompose the nonlinear terms  $\lambda^3$  and  $\lambda^2$ , respectively.

By the recurrence relation (20), we calculate the first several solution components as

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_0 &= -0.2686, \lambda_1 = -0.2483, \lambda_2 = -0.4198, \lambda_3 = -0.8492, \lambda_4 = -1.8737, \\ \lambda_5 &= -4.3503, \lambda_6 = -10.4408, \lambda_7 = -25.6431, \lambda_8 = -64.0497, \\ \lambda_9 &= -162.0213, \dots \end{aligned}$$

which is a diverging series, again possibly indicating the existence of at least two complex conjugate roots.

To circumvent this problem, we introduce the change of variable  $\lambda = z - 2$  to obtain

$$P(z) = z^3 - 4.1630z^2 + 5.1077z - 1.4410 = 0, \quad (21)$$

or, in canonical form,

$$z = \frac{1.4410}{5.1077} - \frac{1}{5.1077}z^3 + \frac{4.1630}{5.1077}z^2. \quad (22)$$

Now, the ADM generates a convergent sequence for a solution of Eq. (21) as  $z_0 = 0.2821$ ,  $z_1 = 0.0605$ ,  $z_2 = 0.0250$ ,  $z_3 = 0.0127$ ,  $z_4 = 0.0072$ ,  $z_5 = 0.0043$ ,  $z_6 = 0.0027$ ,  $z_7 = 0.0018$ ,  $z_8 = 0.0012$ ,  $z_9 = 7.8493 \times 10^{-4}$ .

Hence, the first eigenvalue of the state matrix is found to be  $\mu_1 \approx \sum_{i=0}^9 z_i - 2 = -1.6018$ .

In search for the other two remaining eigenvalues, we remove the root  $\mu_1 \approx -1.6018$  from the polynomial Eq. (18) by synthetic division as:

$$\begin{aligned} Q(\lambda) &= \frac{\lambda^3 + 1.837\lambda^2 + 0.4557\lambda + 0.1224}{\lambda + 1.6018} \\ &\approx 0.9990\lambda^2 + 0.2368\lambda + 0.0764, \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

Next, we construct a pair of canonical forms from the equation  $Q(\lambda)$  as

$$\lambda = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{0.2368}{0.9990}\lambda - \frac{0.0764}{0.9990}}. \quad (24)$$

Through the canonical equation  $\lambda = \sqrt{-\frac{0.2368/0.9990}{-0.0764/0.9990}\lambda}$ , it is straightforward to calculate the solution components as

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_0 = 0, \\ \lambda_{i+1} = C_i(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_i), \quad \text{for } i \geq 0, \end{cases} \quad (25)$$

where the  $C_i$  denotes the Adomian polynomials representing the radical term. Recurrence relation (25) yields the second eigenvalue of the state matrix as

$$\mu_2 \approx \sum_{i=0}^9 \lambda_i = -0.1185 + 0.2499i. \quad (26)$$

A decomposition solution to the other canonical equation, namely  $\lambda = -\sqrt{-0.2368/0.9990\lambda - 0.0764/0.9990}$ , is given by  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \lambda_i$  with

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_0 = 0, \\ \lambda_{i+1} = D_i(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_i), \text{ for } i \geq 0, \end{cases} \quad (27)$$

where the  $D_i$  are the Adomian polynomials for the negative radical term. Hence,

$$\mu_3 \approx \sum_{i=0}^9 \lambda_i = -0.1185 - 0.2499i. \quad (28)$$

In view of the values of  $\mu_1$ ,  $\mu_2$  and  $\mu_3$ , we deduce that system (17) is BIBO stable since  $\text{Re}(\mu_i) < 0$  for  $i=1, 2, 3$ .

We remark that the well-known fixed-point iteration scheme fails to correctly calculate any of the complex roots, i.e., by Eq. (24), and returns grossly erroneous imaginary parts. For example, in this numerical example, the aforementioned method yields  $0.1185 - 0.3444i$ , which is a misleading result for the designer.

## 2. Example 2. The Hydrolysis of Propylene Oxide in a CSTR

Bakošová et al. [67] provided an LTI model for the hydrolysis of propylene oxide to propylene glycol, according to the reaction  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{O} \rightarrow \text{C}_3\text{H}_8\text{O}_2$ , in a continuously stirred tank reactor.

The model has a state-space representation at the reaction temperature of  $T_r = 343.1$  K as follows [67]:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.0664 & 0 & -0.0001 & 0 \\ 0.0365 & -0.0299 & 0.0001 & 0 \\ 54.9420 & 0 & 0.1329 & 0.0138 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.0144 & -0.3297 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ + \begin{bmatrix} 0.0188 & 0 \\ -0.0188 & 0 \\ -18.3005 & 0 \\ 0 & -1.1978 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}, \\ y = [0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0] \mathbf{x}. \end{cases} \quad (29)$$

The characteristic equation of the system matrix is readily obtained by the Faddeev-Leverrier algorithm as

$$P(\lambda) = \lambda^4 + 0.2931\lambda^3 - 0.0176\lambda^2 - 0.0019\lambda - 0.3322 \times 10^{-4} = 0, \quad (30)$$

which is equivalent to the canonical form

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{0.0019}\lambda^4 + \frac{0.2931}{0.0019}\lambda^3 - \frac{0.0176}{0.0019}\lambda^2 - \frac{0.3322 \times 10^{-4}}{0.0019}. \quad (31)$$

Applying the ADM, we come up with the following recurrence relation

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_0 = -\frac{0.3322 \times 10^{-4}}{0.0019}, \\ \lambda_{i+1} = \frac{1}{0.0019} A_i(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_i) + \frac{0.2931}{0.0019} B_i(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_i) \\ - \frac{0.0176}{0.0019} C_i(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_i), \text{ for } i \geq 0, \end{cases} \quad (32)$$

where the  $A_i$ ,  $B_i$  and  $C_i$  are the Adomian polynomials that decompose the quartic, cubic and quadratic nonlinearities in Eq. (31), respectively. By virtue of Eq. (32), we compute the solution components as  $\lambda_0 = -0.0175$ ,  $\lambda_1 = -0.0036$ ,  $\lambda_2 = -0.0016$ ,  $\lambda_3 = -9.5717 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\lambda_4 = -6.3388 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\lambda_5 = -4.5244 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\lambda_6 = -3.3945 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\lambda_7 = -2.6391 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\lambda_8 = -2.1072 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\lambda_9 = -1.7179 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\lambda_{10} = -1.4239 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\lambda_{11} = -1.1964 \times 10^{-4}$ .

Hence, we approximate  $\mu_1 \approx \sum_{i=0}^{11} \lambda_i = -0.0260$ . According to the flowchart shown in Fig. 1, we perform a polynomial deflation to yield

$$\begin{aligned} Q(\lambda) &= \frac{\lambda^4 + 0.2931\lambda^3 - 0.0176\lambda^2 - 0.0019\lambda - 0.3322 \times 10^{-4}}{\lambda + 0.0260} \\ &\approx 1.9019\lambda^3 + 0.2436\lambda^2 - 0.0239\lambda - 0.0013 = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

or equivalently,

$$\lambda = \frac{1.9019}{0.0239}\lambda^3 + \frac{0.2436}{0.0239}\lambda^2 - \frac{0.0013}{0.0239}. \quad (34)$$

Applying the ADM, it is easy to solve Eq. (34) for another eigenvalue as  $\mu_2 \approx \sum_{i=0}^{11} \lambda_i = -0.0422$ .

We have to perform a second polynomial deflation, see Fig. 1, in pursuit of the third eigenvalue of the state matrix. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} R(\lambda) &= \frac{1.9019\lambda^3 + 0.2436\lambda^2 - 0.0239\lambda - 0.0013}{\lambda + 0.0422} \\ &\approx 1.8947\lambda^2 + 0.1636\lambda - 0.0308 = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

or, in the canonical form,

$$\lambda = -\frac{1.8947}{0.1636}\lambda^2 + \frac{0.0308}{0.1636}. \quad (36)$$

It is straightforward to verify that the ADM leads to a diverging sequence in the case of Eq. (36). To remedy this situation, a change of variable  $\lambda = z + 0.5$  is necessary as described in Section 3. Hence, Eq. (36) is converted to

$$z = -\frac{1.8947}{2.0583}z^2 - \frac{0.5247}{2.0583}. \quad (37)$$

Now, the classic ADM provides the following solution components as  $z_0 = -0.2549$ ,  $z_1 = -0.0598$ ,  $z_2 = -0.0281$ ,  $z_3 = -0.0165$ ,  $z_4 = -0.0108$ ,  $z_5 = -0.0076$ ,  $z_6 = -0.0056$ ,  $z_7 = -0.0043$ ,  $z_8 = -0.0034$ ,  $z_9 = -0.0027$ ,  $z_{10} = -0.0022$ ,  $z_{11} = -0.0018$ .

Consequently, we approximate the third eigenvalue as  $\mu_3 \approx 0.5 + \sum_{i=0}^{11} z_i = 0.1024$ . Since  $\text{Re}(\mu_3) > 0$ , we conclude that the system is unstable as a direct corollary of Theorem 2.1. This is in complete agreement with the results in [67].

## 3. Example 3

Analyze the stability of an LTI system, whose state matrix is

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -8.5295 & -5.6879 & -8.0877 & -3.2082 \\ 21.7054 & 14.6472 & 21.7202 & 8.7086 \\ -5.3731 & -3.7067 & -5.8512 & -2.1293 \\ -4.7866 & -3.0641 & -3.7794 & -2.6665 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (38)$$

We first compute the characteristic equation of the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  via the Faddeev-Leverrier algorithm as

$$P(\lambda) = \lambda^4 + 2.4\lambda^3 + 2.3528\lambda^2 + 0.9503\lambda + 0.0738 = 0. \quad (39)$$

Writing Eq. (41) in its canonical form, we obtain

$$\lambda = -\frac{0.0738}{0.9503} - \frac{1}{0.9503}\lambda^4 - \frac{2.4}{0.9503}\lambda^3 - \frac{2.3528}{0.9503}\lambda^2. \quad (40)$$

According to the methodology of the ADM, the following recurrence relation provides the components of one root of the four possible roots of Eq. (39):

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_0 = -\frac{0.0738}{0.9503}, \\ \lambda_{i+1} = -\frac{1}{0.9503}A_i(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_i) - \frac{2.4}{0.9503}B_i(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_i) \\ \quad - \frac{2.3528}{0.9503}C_i(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_i), \text{ for } i \geq 0, \end{cases} \quad (41)$$

where the  $A_i$ ,  $B_i$  and  $C_i$  are the Adomian polynomials for the nonlinear terms  $\lambda^4$ ,  $\lambda^3$  and  $\lambda^2$ , respectively.

By the recurrence relation (41), we easily obtain the following converging solution sequence  $\lambda_0 = -0.0777$ ,  $\lambda_1 = -0.0138$ ,  $\lambda_2 = -0.0047$ ,  $\lambda_3 = -0.0020$ ,  $\lambda_4 = -9.1434 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\lambda_5 = -4.5276 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\lambda_6 = -2.3404 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\lambda_7 = -1.2480 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\lambda_8 = -6.8134 \times 10^{-5}$ ,  $\lambda_9 = -3.7891 \times 10^{-5}$ ,  $\lambda_{10} = -2.1389 \times 10^{-5}$ .

So, it yields  $\mu_1 \approx \sum_{i=0}^{10} \lambda_i = -0.1000$ .

We need to eliminate the prior root from  $P(\lambda) = 0$  in order to enable the calculation of additional roots. So, we let

$$Q(\lambda) = \frac{P(\lambda)}{\lambda + 0.1000} = \lambda^3 + 2.3\lambda^2 + 2.1225\lambda + 0.7380. \quad (42)$$

To facilitate the solution of  $Q(\lambda) = 0$  by the ADM, we let  $\lambda = z - 1$  and thus obtain

$$Q(z) = z^3 - 0.7z^2 + 0.5225z - 0.0845 = 0. \quad (43)$$

The simplest equivalent canonical form to Eq. (43) is

$$z = \frac{0.0845}{0.5225} - \frac{1}{0.5225}z^3 + \frac{0.7}{0.5225}z^2. \quad (44)$$

In accordance with the principles of the ADM, we calculate the first several solution components as  $z_0 = 0.1617$ ,  $z_1 = 0.0269$ ,  $z_2 = 0.0076$ ,  $z_3 = 0.0025$ ,  $z_4 = 8.2782 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $z_5 = 2.8101 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $z_6 = 9.4085 \times 10^{-5}$ ,  $z_7 = 3.0442 \times 10^{-5}$ ,  $z_8 = 9.2587 \times 10^{-6}$ ,  $z_9 = 2.5096 \times 10^{-6}$ .

Therefore, we find  $\mu_2 \approx \sum_{i=0}^9 z_i - 1 = -0.8000$ .

In pursuit of another eigenvalue for the state matrix, we remove the root  $\mu_2 \approx -0.8000$  by calculating

$$R(\lambda) = \frac{Q(\lambda)}{\lambda + 0.8000} = \lambda^2 + 1.5\lambda + 0.9225. \quad (45)$$

To solve  $R(\lambda) = 0$ , we propose the following two canonical equations

$$\lambda = \pm \sqrt{-1.5\lambda - 0.9225} \quad (46)$$

For the equation  $\lambda = \sqrt{-1.5\lambda - 0.9225}$ , we can set the following recurrence relation

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_0 = 0, \\ \lambda_{i+1} = D_i(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_i), \text{ for } i \geq 0, \end{cases} \quad (47)$$

where the  $D_i$  are the Adomian polynomials pertaining to the positive radical term  $\sqrt{-1.5\lambda - 0.9225}$ .

Consequently, we calculate  $\mu_3 \approx \sum_{i=0}^{13} \lambda_i = -0.7500 + 0.6010i$ .

In a similar manner, we seek the fourth eigenvalue of the state matrix through the following recurrence relation

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_0 = 0, \\ \lambda_{i+1} = E_i(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_i), \text{ for } i \geq 0, \end{cases} \quad (48)$$

where the  $E_i$  designate the Adomian polynomials for the nonlinear term  $-\sqrt{-1.5\lambda - 0.9225}$ .

We calculate  $\mu_4 \approx \sum_{i=0}^{13} \lambda_i = -0.7500 + 0.6010i$  by the recurrence relation (48).

Finally, since all of the four eigenvalues of the state matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  have negative real parts, we promptly conclude that the system under investigation is BIBO stable.

#### 4. Example 4

We next investigate the stability of a LTI system, whose state matrix is given by

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 27.3367 & 3.3851 & -2.2051 & 34.5790 \\ -11.4310 & -2.1338 & 0.8211 & -13.7734 \\ 5.7529 & 0.6751 & -2.3469 & 5.1798 \\ -19.9133 & -1.6767 & 2.6499 & -24.8560 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (49)$$

As the first step, we apply Faddeev-Leverrier's algorithm to provide the characteristic equation of the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  as

$$P(\lambda) = \lambda^4 + 2\lambda^3 + 17\lambda^2 + 0.75\lambda + 1 = 0, \quad (50)$$

whose two possible canonical forms are

$$\lambda = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{1}{17}\lambda^4 - \frac{2}{17}\lambda^3 - \frac{0.75}{17}\lambda - \frac{1}{17}}. \quad (51)$$

Following the ADM procedure, similarly to our previous examples, we compute  $\mu_1 \approx \sum_{i=0}^{10} \lambda_i = -0.0188 + 0.2428i$  and  $\mu_2 \approx \sum_{i=0}^{10} \lambda_i = -0.0188 - 0.2428i$  from the preceding two canonical equations.

Removing the previous two roots from the characteristic polynomial by synthetic division yields

$$\begin{aligned} Q(\lambda) &= \frac{\lambda^4 + 2\lambda^3 + 17\lambda^2 + 0.75\lambda + 1}{(-0.0188 + 0.2428i)(-0.0188 + 0.2428i)} \\ &\approx 1.0885\lambda^2 + 1.9559\lambda + 16.8619 = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (52)$$

To proceed, we convert Eq. (52) to its two equivalent canonical forms as

$$\lambda = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{1.9559}{1.0885}\lambda - \frac{16.8619}{1.0885}}. \quad (53)$$

Once again, we invoke the ADM to calculate the remaining eigenvalues as  $\mu_3 \approx \sum_{i=0}^{10} \lambda_i = -0.8984 + 3.8319i$  and  $\mu_4 \approx -0.8984 - 3.8319i$ .

We have shown that the state matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  has four complex eigenvalues with negative real parts. Therefore, according to Theorem 2.1, the system under investigation is BIBO stable.

#### 5. Example 5

Given the state matrix of a LTI system as

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 12.1954 & 0.2474 & -1.9275 & -4.5238 \\ 29.7155 & 0.9292 & -5.2313 & -11.2493 \\ 35.6798 & 1.9861 & -6.9074 & -14.3038 \\ 20.0776 & -0.2431 & -3.0188 & -7.0183 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (54)$$

determine whether it is BIBO stable or not.

We compute the characteristic equation of the matrix **A** by the Faddeev-Leverrier algorithm as

$$P(\lambda) = \lambda^4 + 0.8011\lambda^3 - 6.2342\lambda^2 + 1.3810\lambda - 0.7686 = 0. \quad (55)$$

Let us first search for complex eigenvalues of the state matrix, if any. For this purpose, we construct the two equivalent canonical radical forms of Eq. (55) as

$$\lambda = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{6.2342}\lambda^4 + \frac{0.8011}{6.2342}\lambda^3 + \frac{1.3810}{6.2342}\lambda - \frac{0.7686}{6.2342}}, \quad (56)$$

Choosing the one with the positive sign, the following recurrence relation gives the solution components of a complex root to Eq. (55) as

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_0 = 0, \\ \lambda_{i+1} = A_i(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_i), \text{ for } i \geq 0, \end{cases} \quad (57)$$

where the  $A_i$  are the Adomian polynomials replacing the radical term.

By Eq. (57), we rapidly obtain  $\mu_1 \approx \sum_{i=0}^{10} \lambda_i = 0.1020 + 0.3383i$ . Since the real part of one eigenvalue of the state matrix is positive, we can deduce that at least one of the system poles is located in the right-half of the  $s$ -plane and hence the system is not stable.

## 6. Example 6. The Pottmann and Seborg CSTR Problem

Pottmann and Seborg [68] proposed a mathematical model for the analysis of a CSTR involving a single exothermic irreversible reaction,  $A \rightarrow B$ . The reactor is equipped with an internal cooling coil. Fig. 2 illustrates a schematic layout of the CSTR. The dynamics of this nonlinear system, at its nominal conditions, can be modeled as

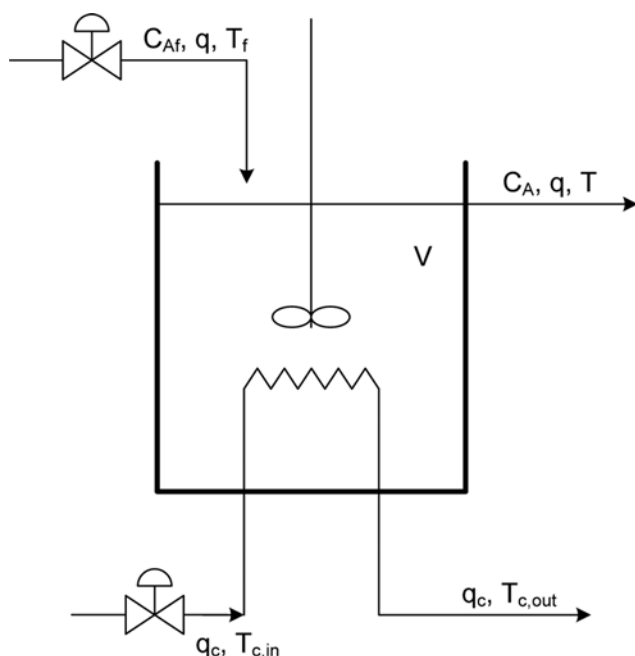


Fig. 2. The schematic layout of the chemical reactor system of Example 6.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = \frac{u}{100}(1-x_1) - 7.2 \times 10^{10} x_1 \exp\left(-\frac{9.98 \times 10^3}{x_2}\right) \\ \dot{x}_2 = \frac{u}{100}(350-x_2) + 14.4 \times 10^{12} x_1 \exp\left(-\frac{9.98 \times 10^3}{x_2}\right) \\ \quad + 0.9991(350-x_2) \\ y = x_1 \end{cases} \quad (58)$$

where  $x_1$  denotes the effluent concentration of species A,  $x_2$  is the reactor temperature and  $u$  is the feed flow rate [68]. With the aid of linearization, we obtain the state matrix of system (58) as follows:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{u}{100} - 7.2 \times 10^{10} \exp\left(-\frac{9.98 \times 10^3}{x_2}\right) & 0 \\ 1.44 \times 10^{13} \exp\left(-\frac{9.98 \times 10^3}{x_2}\right) & 0.9991 \\ -7.1856 \times 10^{14} \frac{x_1}{x_2^2} \exp\left(-\frac{9.98 \times 10^3}{x_2}\right) & 0 \\ -\frac{u}{100} + 1.43712 \times 10^{17} \frac{x_1}{x_2^2} \exp\left(-\frac{9.98 \times 10^3}{x_2}\right) - 0.9991 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (59)$$

Repeating our proposed procedure for any discretized point of the operating space  $x_1 \in [0, 1]$ ,  $x_2 \in [370, 450]$ ,  $u \in [50, 150]$  by a simple code in MATLAB, we can determine the stability regions for the Pottmann and Seborg CSTR problem, similarly to Examples 1 to 5 in concept, as showed in Fig. 3.

## ANALYSIS OF THE COMPUTATIONAL EFFICIENCY

In this section we compare the computational performance of our method with one of the most credited eigenvalue-finding algorithms known as the shifted QR algorithm [69,70]. The reason for choosing this specific algorithm is two-fold: 1) the shifted QR algorithm, like our proposed algorithm, can be applied to any matrices in general, and 2) the shifted QR algorithm, similar to our algorithm, furnishes all the real and complex eigenvalues of its input matrix. The shifted QR algorithm is briefly described as follows:

### The Shifted QR Algorithm

- I) Set the entry on the last row and last column of the matrix **A** as  $\omega$
- II) Decompose the matrix  $\mathbf{A} - \omega \mathbf{I}$  as  $\mathbf{A} - \omega \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{OR}$ , where **R** is an upper triangular matrix (**I** is the identity matrix).
- III) Substitute  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{RQ} + \omega \mathbf{I}$ .
- IV) Repeat steps I to II until **A** converges to one of the following types:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{S} & \mathbf{T} \\ \hline 0 & 0 \cdots 0 \mid a \end{array} \right] \text{ or } \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{U} & \mathbf{V} \\ \hline 0 & 0 \cdots 0 \mid b \ c \\ 0 & 0 \cdots 0 \mid d \ e \end{array} \right].$$

Either {keep  $a$  as an eigenvalue, substitute  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{S}$ }, or {solve the equation  $\lambda^2 - (b+e)\lambda + (be - cd) = 0$  for  $\lambda$  to obtain two eigenvalues, then substitute  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}$ }. If **A** is two-by-two, then compute its eigenvalues according to the latter equation and terminate the algorithm otherwise go to step I.

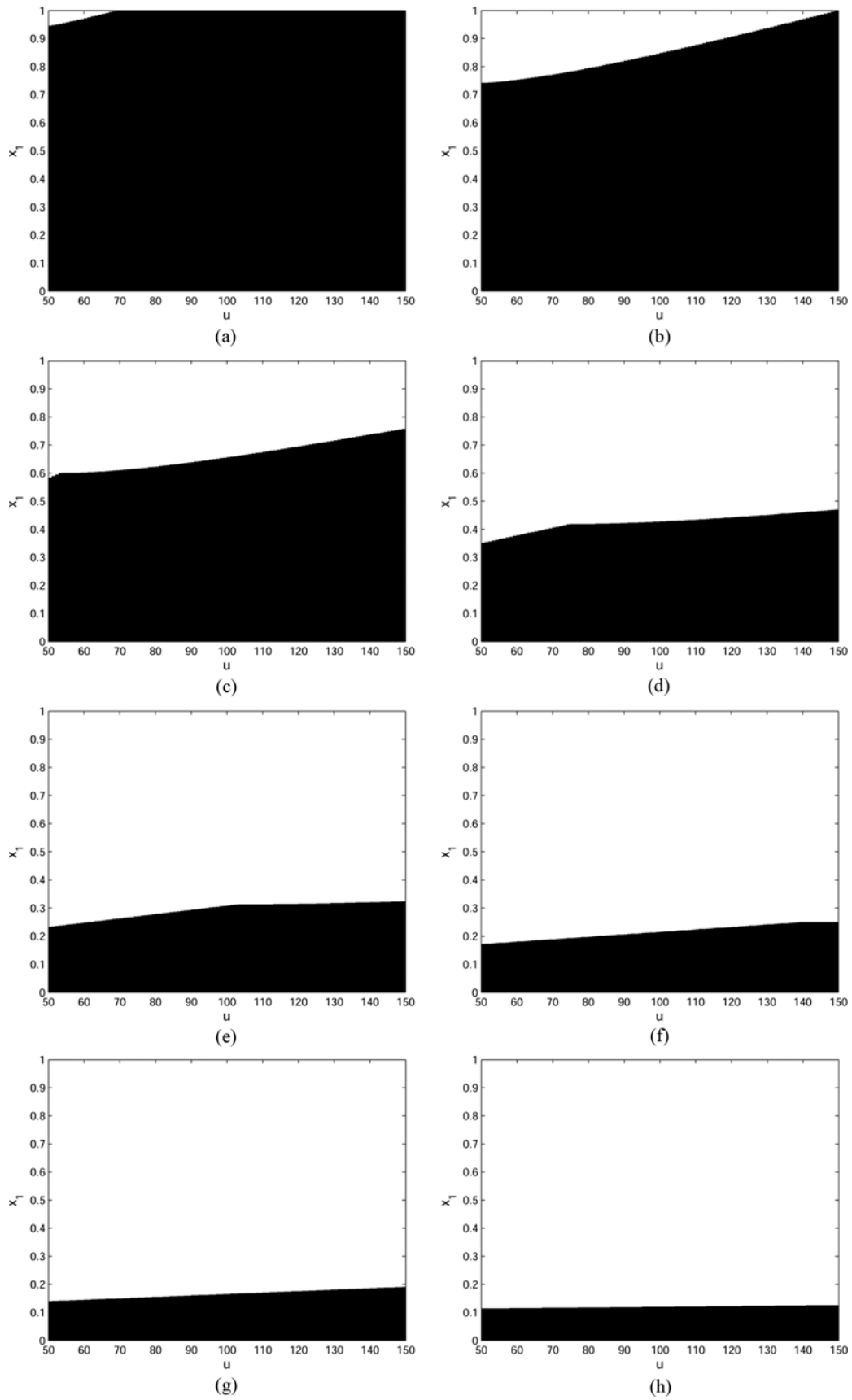


Fig. 3. Stability regions of the Pottmann and Seborg CSTR system at (a)  $x_2=370$ , (b)  $x_2=375$ , (c)  $x_2=380$ , (d)  $x_2=390$ , (e)  $x_2=400$ , (f)  $x_2=410$ , (g)  $x_2=420$ , and (h)  $x_2=450$ .

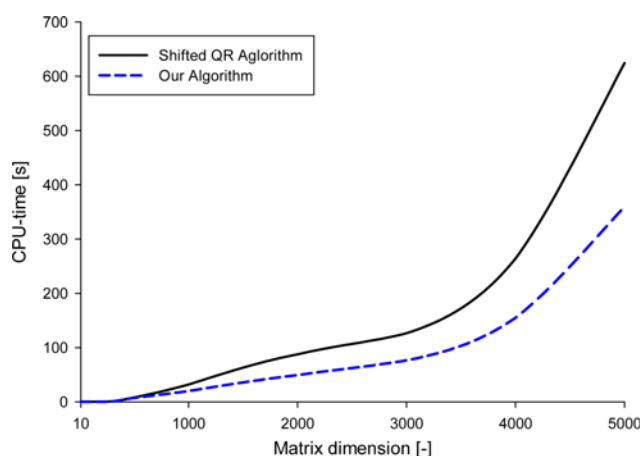


Fig. 4. The required CPU-times for calculation of all eigenvalues of randomly-generated matrices by the two algorithms. Iterations were terminated after a convergence tolerance of  $10^{-10}$  was met.

Fig. 4 depicts the results of a comparative CPU-time analysis performed on randomly generated square matrices of different sizes using the MATLAB software package on a personal computer with a 2.66 GHz processor and 2 GB of RAM. As it can be seen in Fig. 4, our algorithm outperforms the shifted QR eigenvalue algorithm, particularly as the size of the input matrix enlarges, in terms of the required CPU-time. This can be justified by considering two facts: 1) The second step of the shifted QR algorithm entails an external QR decomposition algorithm, which adds up the computational burden of the Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization process. 2) There is no a priori knowledge about the computational speed of the fourth step of the shifted QR algorithm. In other words, this step involves a large number of matrix multiplications and tends to be remarkably time-consuming.

Finally, the idea of combining the Newton-Raphson algorithm with Faddeev-Leverrier's algorithm for the stability assessment of control systems is impractical because, in that way, the complex eigenvalues cannot be achieved. Moreover, the often disproportionate sensitivity of the Newton-Raphson algorithm to the initial guess values makes the hybrid approach unreliable and less robust.

## CONCLUSION

An efficient scheme combining the Faddeev-Leverrier algorithm with the ADM was proposed to evaluate the stability of model-based control systems through an eigenvalue approach. Unlike the previous eigenvalue algorithms, our new method provides all eigenvalues of the state matrix, whether real or complex. In fact, the complex eigenvalue calculation ability is a novel and significant contribution of our paper in extending the technique described in [13]. Furthermore, as an additional advantage, our method obviates the need for an initial guess, which constitutes an intrinsic source of potential error in many previous solution strategies. Additionally, relatively simple programs can be coded to automate our new method to enable efficient, rapid calculation of state matrix eigenvalues, and hence expedite the stability analysis of large matrices representing state-

space control models, where each requires a large number of variables.

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## APPENDIX A. POLYNOMIAL DEFLATION BY SYNTHETIC DIVISION BASED ON THE FUNDAMENTAL THEOREM OF ALGEBRA

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_n(z) &= \prod_{j=1}^n (z - r_j) = 0, \\
 P_{n-1}(z) &= \frac{P_n(z)}{(z - r_1)} = \prod_{j=2}^n (z - r_j) = 0, \\
 &\vdots \\
 P_{n-k}(z) &= \frac{P_{n-k+1}(z)}{(z - r_k)} = \frac{P_n(z)}{(z - r_1) \cdots (z - r_k)} = \frac{P_n(z)}{\prod_{j=1}^k (z - r_j)} \\
 &= \prod_{j=k+1}^n (z - r_j) = 0, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq k < n-1, \\
 &\vdots \\
 P_2(z) &= \frac{P_3(z)}{(z - r_{n-2})} = \frac{P_n(z)}{(z - r_1) \cdots (z - r_{n-2})} = \prod_{j=n-1}^n (z - r_j) = 0, \\
 P_1(z) &= \frac{P_2(z)}{(z - r_{n-1})} = \frac{P_n(z)}{(z - r_1) \cdots (z - r_{n-1})} = \prod_{j=n}^n (z - r_j) = (z - r_n) = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_n(z) &= \prod_{j=1}^n (z - r_j) = \sum_{j=0}^n c_{0,n-j} z^{n-j} = \sum_{j=0}^n c_{0,j} z^j = 0, \\
 P_{n-1}(z) &= \prod_{j=2}^n (z - r_j) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} c_{1,n-1-j} z^{n-1-j} = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} c_{1,j} z^j = 0, \\
 &\vdots \\
 P_{n-k}(z) &= \prod_{j=k+1}^n (z - r_j) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-k} c_{k,n-k-j} z^{n-k-j} \\
 &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-k} c_{k,j} z^j = 0, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq k \leq n-1, \\
 &\vdots \\
 P_2(z) &= \prod_{j=n-1}^n (z - r_j) = \sum_{j=0}^2 c_{n-2,2-j} z^{2-j} = \sum_{j=0}^2 c_{n-2,j} z^j = 0, \\
 P_1(z) &= \prod_{j=n}^n (z - r_j) = \sum_{j=0}^1 c_{n-1,1-j} z^{1-j} = \sum_{j=0}^1 c_{n-1,j} z^j = (z - r_n) = 0,
 \end{aligned}$$

## APPENDIX B. GENERAL FORMULA FOR CALCULATION OF THE COMPLEX ROOTS OF A POLYNOMIAL BY THE ADM

$$P_n(z) = 0 \Rightarrow z = \pm \sqrt[n]{-\frac{c_{0,0}}{c_{0,2}} - \frac{c_{0,1}}{c_{0,2}} z - \sum_{j=3}^n \frac{c_{0,j}}{c_{0,2}} z^j}$$

$$z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z_n, \quad z^j = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_{j,n}, \quad A_{j,n} = A_{j,n}(z_0, \dots, z_n), \text{ and}$$

$$\sqrt{-\frac{c_{0,0}}{c_{0,2}} - \frac{c_{0,1}}{c_{0,2}} z - \sum_{j=3}^n \frac{c_{0,j}}{c_{0,2}} z^j} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_{\frac{1}{2},n}, \quad A_{\frac{1}{2},n} = A_{\frac{1}{2},n}(z_0, \dots, z_n),$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z_n = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{c_{0,0}}{c_{0,2}} - \frac{c_{0,1}}{c_{0,2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z_n - \sum_{j=3}^n \frac{c_{0,j}}{c_{0,2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_{j,n}} = \pm \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_{\frac{1}{2},n},$$

$$\begin{cases} z_0 = 0, \\ z_{n+1} = \pm A_{\frac{1}{2},n}, \quad n \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

Therefore,

$$z_1 = A_{\frac{1}{2},0} = Z_{\frac{1}{2},0}(z_0) = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{c_{0,0}}{c_{0,2}}} = \pm i \sqrt{\frac{c_{0,0}}{c_{0,2}}},$$

since  $z_0=0$  and  $A_{j,n} = A_{j,n}(z_0) = Z_{j,n}^0=0$ , etc.

### APPENDIX C. THE FIRST FIVE COMPONENTS OF THE ADOMIAN POLYNOMIALS FOR THE NONLINEARITIES APPEARED IN SECTION 4

Note that the calculations are done by Eq. (5).

$$N(u) = u^2 = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} A_i(u_0, \dots, u_i)$$

$$A_0(u_0) = u_0^2, \quad A_1(u_0, u_1) = 2u_0u_1, \quad A_2(u_0, \dots, u_2) = u_1^2 + 2u_0u_2,$$

$$A_3(u_0, \dots, u_3) = 2u_1u_2 + 2u_0u_3, \quad A_4(u_0, \dots, u_4) = u_2^2 + 2u_1u_3 + 2u_0u_4.$$

$$N(u) = u^3 = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} A_i(u_0, \dots, u_i)$$

$$A_0(u_0) = u_0^3, \quad A_1(u_0, u_1) = 3u_0^2u_1, \quad A_2(u_0, \dots, u_2) = 3u_0u_1^2 + 3u_0^2u_2,$$

$$A_3(u_0, \dots, u_3) = u_1^3 + 6u_0u_1u_2 + 3u_0^2u_3,$$

$$A_4(u_0, \dots, u_4) = 3u_1^2u_2 + 3u_0u_2^2 + 6u_0u_1u_3 + 3u_0^2u_4.$$

$$N(u) = u^4 = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} A_i(u_0, \dots, u_i)$$

$$A_0(u_0) = u_0^4, \quad A_1(u_0, u_1) = 4u_0^3u_1, \quad A_2(u_0, \dots, u_2) = 6u_0^2u_1^2 + 4u_0^3u_2,$$

$$A_3(u_0, \dots, u_3) = 4u_0u_1^3 + 12u_0^2u_1u_2 + 4u_0^3u_3,$$

$$A_4(u_0, \dots, u_4) = u_1^4 + 12u_0u_1^2u_2 + 6u_0^2u_2^2 + 12u_0^2u_1u_3 + 4u_0^3u_4.$$

$$N(u) = \sqrt{au+b} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} A_i(u_0, \dots, u_i)$$

$$A_0(u_0) = \sqrt{au_0+b}, \quad A_1(u_0, u_1) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{au_1}{\sqrt{au_0+b}},$$

$$A_2(u_0, \dots, u_2) = -\frac{1}{8} \frac{a^2u_1^2}{\sqrt{(au_0+b)^3}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{au_2}{\sqrt{au_0+b}},$$

$$A_3(u_0, \dots, u_3) = \frac{1}{16} \frac{a^3u_1^3}{\sqrt{(au_0+b)^5}} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{a^2u_1u_2}{\sqrt{(au_0+b)^3}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{au_3}{\sqrt{au_0+b}},$$

$$A_4(u_0, \dots, u_4) = -\frac{5}{128} \frac{a^4u_1^4}{\sqrt{(au_0+b)^7}} + \frac{3}{16} \frac{a^3u_1^2u_2}{\sqrt{(au_0+b)^5}} - \frac{1}{8} \frac{a^2u_2^2 + 2a^2u_1u_3}{\sqrt{(au_0+b)^3}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{au_4}{\sqrt{(au_0+b)}}.$$

$$N(u) = \sqrt{au^4 + bu^3 + cu + d} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} A_i(u_0, \dots, u_i)$$

$$A_0(u_0) = \sqrt{f}, \quad A_1(u_0, u_1) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{g}{\sqrt{f}},$$

$$A_2(u_0, \dots, u_2) = -\frac{1}{8} \frac{(g)^2}{\sqrt{f^3}} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{(12au_0^2u_1^2 + 8au_0^3u_2 + 6bu_0u_1^2 + 6bu_0^2u_2 + 2cu_2)}{\sqrt{f}}$$

$$A_3(u_0, \dots, u_3) = \frac{1}{16} \frac{(g)^3}{\sqrt{f^5}} - \frac{1}{8} \frac{(g)(12au_0^2u_1^2 + 8au_0^3u_2 + 6bu_0u_1^2 + 6bu_0^2u_2 + 2cu_2)}{\sqrt{f^3}}$$

$$(24au_0u_1^3 + 72au_0^2u_1u_2 + 24au_0^3u_3 + 6bu_1^3 + \frac{1}{12} \frac{36bu_0u_1u_2 + 18bu_0^2u_3 + 6cu_3)}{\sqrt{f}},$$

$$A_4(u_0, \dots, u_4) = -\frac{5}{128} \frac{g^2}{\sqrt{f^7}}$$

$$+ \frac{3}{32} \frac{g^2(12au_0^2u_1^2 + 8au_0^3u_2 + 6bu_0u_1^2 + 6bu_0^2u_2 + 2cu_2)}{\sqrt{f^5}}$$

$$(24au_0u_1^3 + 72au_0^2u_1u_2 + 24au_0^3u_3 + 6bu_1^3 - \frac{g + 36bu_0u_1u_2 + 18bu_0^2u_3 + 6cu_3)}{24 \sqrt{f^3}}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{48} \frac{\left( 24au_1^4 + 288au_0u_1^2u_2 + 144au_0^2u_2^2 + 288au_0^2u_1u_3 + 96au_0^3u_4 + 72bu_1^2u_2 + 72bu_0u_2^2 + 144bu_0u_1u_3 + 72bu_0^2u_4 + 24cu_4 \right)}{\sqrt{f}},$$

where  $f = au_0^4 + bu_0^3 + cu_0 + d$ ,  $g = 4au_0^3u_1 + 3bu_0^2u_1 + cu_1$ .