



## On perturbations of some constrained subspaces<sup>☆</sup>

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### ABSTRACT

Perturbation bounds of subspaces, such as eigen-spaces, singular subspaces, and canonical subspaces, have been extensively studied in the literature. In this paper, we study perturbations of some constrained subspaces of  $1 \times 2$ ,  $2 \times 1$ , and  $2 \times 2$  block matrices, in which only one of the sub-matrices can be changed. Such problems rise from the least squares–total least squares problem, the constrained least squares problem, and the constrained total least squares problem.

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### 1. Introduction

In this paper we use the following conventional notation.

$\mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  denotes the set of all  $m \times n$  matrices, and  $\mathbb{C}_r^{m \times n}$  is the subset of  $\mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ , such that any matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}_r^{m \times n}$  has rank  $r$ .  $\mathbb{U}_n$  is the set of  $n \times n$  unitary matrices.

For any matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ ,  $\text{rank}(A)$ ,  $R(A)$ ,  $A^H$  and  $A^\dagger$  are the rank, the range, the conjugate transpose and the Moore–Penrose pseudo-inverse of  $A$ , respectively.  $\|\cdot\|$  is the Euclidian vector norm, or the corresponding subordinate matrix norm,  $\|\cdot\|_F$  is the Frobenius matrix norm.

For a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ , denote

$$P_A^\perp = I - AA^\dagger, \quad P_{A^H}^\perp = I - A^\dagger A.$$

In the literature, there have been many articles studying perturbations of subspaces, such as eigen-spaces, singular subspaces, and canonical subspaces, see, e.g., in [5,1,10,11,18–21,13–15,6,7,12,23,26].

In some generalized least squares problems, such as the least squares–total least squares problem (LS–TLS) [4,16,17,9,24], the equality constrained least squares problem (LSE) [3,22], and the constrained total least squares problem (CTLTS) [2,23], the situation becomes more complicated.

The idea of the LS–TLS problem [4,16,17,9,24] is as follows. For a given  $1 \times 2$  block matrix  $G_1 = (A, B)$  and an integer  $r$  with  $\text{rank}(A) \leq r \leq \text{rank}(G_1)$ , find a matrix  $\tilde{B}$  replacing  $B$  in  $G_1$ , such that  $\text{rank}(A, \tilde{B}) = r$  and

$$\|(A, B) - (A, \tilde{B})\|_F = \min_{\text{rank}(A, \tilde{B})=r} \|(A, B) - (A, \tilde{B})\|_F,$$

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which is equivalent to that, for the integer  $p_2 = r - \text{rank}(A)$ , find a matrix  $\bar{B}$  replacing  $B$ , such that  $\text{rank}(P_A^\perp \bar{B}) = p_2$  and

$$\|P_A^\perp B - P_A^\perp \bar{B}\|_F = \min_{\text{rank}(P_A^\perp \bar{B})=p_2} \|P_A^\perp B - P_A^\perp \tilde{B}\|_F. \quad (1.1)$$

Therefore, to obtain the matrix  $\bar{B}$ , we need to use the singular value decomposition (SVD) of the matrix  $P_A^\perp B$ , only retain  $p_2$  largest singular values and set all other small singular values zero to obtain  $P_A^\perp \bar{B}$ . To analyze the perturbation bounds of the LS-TLS problem, we need to study the perturbation bounds of the matrix  $P_A^\perp B$ , and the column and row subspaces of  $P_A^\perp \bar{B}$  which we call the constrained subspaces related to the matrix  $G_1$ . For detailed derivation of the LS-TLS problem, we refer to [4,16,9].

Similarly, the idea of the rank deficient LSE problem [22] is as follows. For a given  $2 \times 1$  block matrix  $G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} A \\ C \end{pmatrix}$  and an integer  $p_3$ , find a matrix  $\bar{C}$  replacing  $C$  in  $G_2$ , such that  $\text{rank}(\bar{C}P_{A^H}^\perp) = p_3$  and

$$\|CP_{A^H}^\perp - \bar{C}P_{A^H}^\perp\|_F = \min_{\text{rank}(\bar{C}P_{A^H}^\perp)=p_3} \|CP_{A^H}^\perp - \tilde{C}P_{A^H}^\perp\|_F. \quad (1.2)$$

Therefore, to obtain the matrix  $\bar{C}$ , we need to use the SVD of  $CP_{A^H}^\perp$ , only retain  $p_3$  largest singular values and set all other small singular values zero to obtain  $\bar{C}P_{A^H}^\perp$ . To analyze the perturbation bounds of the rank deficient LSE problem, we need to study the perturbation bounds of the matrix  $CP_{A^H}^\perp$ , and the column and row subspaces of  $\bar{C}P_{A^H}^\perp$  which we call the constrained subspaces related to the matrix  $G_2$ . For detailed derivation of the rank deficient LSE problem, we refer to [22].

The idea of the CTLS problem [2,23] is as follows. For a given  $2 \times 2$  block matrix  $G_3 = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$  and an integer  $p$ , find a matrix  $\bar{D}$  replacing  $D$  in  $G_3$ , such that  $\text{rank}(P_N^\perp \bar{S}_A P_{M^H}^\perp) = p$  and

$$\|P_N^\perp S_A P_{M^H}^\perp - P_N^\perp \bar{S}_A P_{M^H}^\perp\|_F = \min_{\text{rank}(P_N^\perp \bar{S}_A P_{M^H}^\perp)=p} \|P_N^\perp S_A P_{M^H}^\perp - P_N^\perp \tilde{S}_A P_{M^H}^\perp\|_F, \quad (1.3)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} M &= P_A^\perp B, & N &= CP_{A^H}^\perp, & P_N^\perp &= I - NN^\dagger, & P_{M^H}^\perp &= I - M^\dagger M, \\ S_A &= D - CA^\dagger B, & \bar{S}_A &= \bar{D} - CA^\dagger B, & \tilde{S}_A &= \tilde{D} - CA^\dagger B. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, to obtain the matrix  $\bar{D}$ , we need to use the SVD of  $P_N^\perp S_A P_{M^H}^\perp$ , only retain  $p$  largest singular values and set all other small singular values zero to obtain  $P_N^\perp \bar{S}_A P_{M^H}^\perp$ . To analyze the perturbation bounds of the CTLS problem, we need to study the perturbation bounds of the matrix  $P_N^\perp S_A P_{M^H}^\perp$ , and the column and row subspaces of  $P_N^\perp \bar{S}_A P_{M^H}^\perp$  which we call the constrained subspaces related to the matrix  $G_3$ . For detailed derivation of the CTLS problem, we refer to [2,23].

Perturbation estimates for the above generalized LS problems have been discussed, but to our knowledge, in the literature there has been no article discussing perturbations for the constrained subspaces of the above mentioned problems.

In this paper we will study the perturbations for the constrained subspaces. The paper is arranged as follows. In Section 2, we provide some preliminary results which are needed for our analysis; Section 3, we derive the perturbation bounds of constrained subspaces for  $1 \times 2$  and  $2 \times 1$  block matrices; in Section 4, we derive the perturbation bounds of constrained subspaces for an  $2 \times 2$  block matrix; finally in Section 5, we conclude the paper with some remarks.

## 2. Preliminaries

In this section we mention the following results which are needed for our further discussion.

**Lemma 2.1** (CSD [8]). Suppose  $W \in \mathbb{U}_n$ . Partition  $W$  as

$$W = \begin{pmatrix} W_{11} & W_{12} \\ W_{21} & W_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ c_1 & c_2 \end{matrix} \quad (2.1)$$

with  $r_1 + r_2 = c_1 + c_2 = n$ . Then

$$W = \begin{pmatrix} U_1 & 0 \\ 0 & U_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} D_{11} & D_{12} \\ D_{21} & D_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V_1^H & 0 \\ 0 & V_2^H \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.2)$$

$$U_1 \in \mathbb{U}_{r_1}, U_2 \in \mathbb{U}_{r_2}, V_1 \in \mathbb{U}_{c_1}, V_2 \in \mathbb{U}_{c_2},$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{c|c} D_{11} & D_{12} \\ \hline D_{21} & D_{22} \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} I & & 0_S^H & \\ & C & & S \\ & & 0_C & I \\ \hline & S & I & -C \\ & & & 0_C^H \end{array} \right), \quad (2.3)$$

where  $0_C$  and  $0_S$  are zero matrices with appropriate sizes,

$$C = \text{diag}(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_l), \quad 1 > c_1 \geq c_2 \geq \dots \geq c_l > 0,$$

$$S = \text{diag}(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_l), \quad 0 < s_1 \leq s_2 \leq \dots \leq s_l < 1,$$

and  $C, S$  satisfy

$$C^2 + S^2 = I_l.$$

By applying the CSD in Lemma 2.1, one can easily have the following assertions [11,20,25].

**Lemma 2.2.** Suppose that  $A, \hat{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ .

(1) If  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(\hat{A})$ , then  $P_A P_{\hat{A}}^\perp$  and  $P_{\hat{A}}^\perp P_A$  have the same singular values, thus

$$\|P_A P_{\hat{A}}^\perp\| = \|P_{\hat{A}}^\perp P_A\|. \quad (2.4)$$

(2) If  $\|P_A - P_{\hat{A}}\| < 1$ , then  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(\hat{A})$ , and

$$\|P_A - P_{\hat{A}}\| = \|P_A P_{\hat{A}}^\perp\| = \|P_{\hat{A}}^\perp P_A\|. \quad (2.5)$$

(3) If  $\text{rank}(A) > \text{rank}(\hat{A})$ , then

$$\|P_A P_{\hat{A}}^\perp\| \geq \|P_{\hat{A}}^\perp P_A\|. \quad (2.6)$$

### 3. Perturbation analysis for the constrained subspaces of $1 \times 2$ and $2 \times 1$ block matrices

Consider the perturbation between constrained subspaces of the  $1 \times 2$  block matrices

$$G_1 = (A, B), \quad \hat{G}_1 = (\hat{A}, \hat{B}), \quad (3.1)$$

where  $A, \hat{A} = A + \Delta A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n_1}$ ,  $B, \hat{B} = B + \Delta B \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n_2}$ . We first take the SVD of  $A$ , then take the SVD of  $M = P_A^\perp B$ . For a chosen integer  $p_2 \leq \text{rank}(M)$  we obtain the decomposition of  $G_1$  as

$$G_1 = U_1 \left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} A_{11} & 0 & B_{11} & B_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & B_{21} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & B_{32} \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} V_1^H & 0 \\ 0 & V_2^H \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.2)$$

where  $U_1 \in \mathbb{U}_m$ ,  $V_1 \in \mathbb{U}_{n_1}$ ,  $V_2 \in \mathbb{U}_{n_2}$ ,  $A_{11} = \text{diag}(\sigma_1(A), \sigma_2(A), \dots, \sigma_{p_1}(A))$ , with  $\sigma_1(A) \geq \sigma_2(A) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{p_1}(A)$  the nonzero singular values of  $A$ ,  $B_{21} = \text{diag}(\sigma_1(M), \dots, \sigma_{p_2}(M))$ ,  $B_{32} = \text{diag}(\sigma_{p_2+1}(M), \dots, \sigma_l(M))$ , with  $\sigma_1(M) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{p_2}(M) > \sigma_{p_2+1}(M) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_l(M)$  ( $l = \min\{m - p_1, n_2\}$ ) the singular values of  $M$ .

Similarly, we have

$$\hat{G}_1 = \hat{U}_1 \left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} \hat{A}_{11} & 0 & \hat{B}_{11} & \hat{B}_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & \hat{B}_{21} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \hat{B}_{32} \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} \hat{V}_1^H & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{V}_2^H \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.3)$$

where  $\hat{U}_1, \hat{V}_1, \hat{V}_2$  are unitary matrices,  $\hat{A}_{11} = \text{diag}(\sigma_1(\hat{A}), \sigma_2(\hat{A}), \dots, \sigma_{p_1}(\hat{A}))$ , with  $\sigma_1(\hat{A}) \geq \sigma_2(\hat{A}) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{p_1}(\hat{A})$  the nonzero singular values of  $\hat{A}$ ,  $\hat{B}_{21} = \text{diag}(\sigma_1(\hat{M}), \dots, \sigma_{p_2}(\hat{M}))$ ,  $\hat{B}_{32} = \text{diag}(\sigma_{p_2+1}(\hat{M}), \dots, \sigma_l(\hat{M}))$ , with  $\sigma_1(\hat{M}) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_l(\hat{M})$  the singular values of  $\hat{M}$ .

For  $i = 1, 2$ , partition  $U_i, \hat{U}_i$  and  $V_i, \hat{V}_i$  as follows,

$$\begin{aligned} U_i &= (U_{i1}, U_{i2}, U_{i3}), \quad V_i = (V_{i1}, V_{i2}), \quad V_i = (V_{i1}, V_{i2}), \\ \hat{U}_i &= (\hat{U}_{i1}, \hat{U}_{i2}, \hat{U}_{i3}), \quad \hat{V}_i = (\hat{V}_{i1}, \hat{V}_{i2}), \quad \hat{V}_i = (\hat{V}_{i1}, \hat{V}_{i2}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

$p_1, p_2, \bar{m} \qquad p_1, \bar{n}_1, \qquad p_2, \bar{n}_2$

where  $\bar{m} = m - p_1 - p_2$ ,  $\bar{n}_1 = n_1 - p_1$ , and  $\bar{n}_2 = n_2 - p_2$ . Then

$$A = U_{11}A_{11}V_{11}^H, \quad M = (U_{12}, U_{13})\text{diag}(B_{21}, B_{32})V_2^H, \\ \widehat{M} = (\widehat{U}_{12}, \widehat{U}_{13})\text{diag}(\widehat{B}_{21}, \widehat{B}_{32})\widehat{V}_2^H,$$

and

$$\bar{B} = AA^\dagger B + U_{12}B_{21}V_{21}^H, \quad \widetilde{B} = \widehat{A}\widehat{A}^\dagger \widehat{B} + \widehat{U}_{12}\widehat{B}_{21}\widehat{V}_{21}^H, \\ P_A^\perp \bar{B} = U_{12}B_{21}V_{21}^H, \quad P_{\widehat{A}}^\perp \widetilde{B} = \widehat{U}_{12}\widehat{B}_{21}\widehat{V}_{21}^H. \quad (3.5)$$

In order to derive the perturbation bounds for the constrained subspaces,  $\|U_{12}U_{12}^H - \widehat{U}_{12}\widehat{U}_{12}^H\|$  and  $\|V_{21}V_{21}^H - \widehat{V}_{21}\widehat{V}_{21}^H\|$ , we first need to derive the perturbation bounds of the subspaces for the matrix  $A$ , as mentioned below.

**Lemma 3.1.** Suppose that the matrices  $G_1 = (A, B)$ ,  $\widehat{G}_1 = (\widehat{A}, \widehat{B}) \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times (n_1 + n_2)}$  are defined in (3.1) with  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(\widehat{A}) = p_1$ , the decompositions of  $G_1$ ,  $\widehat{G}_1$  are in (3.2)–(3.3). Then

$$\text{dist}(R(A), R(\widehat{A})) \leq \min \left\{ \frac{\|(\widehat{U}_{12}, \widehat{U}_{13})^H \Delta A V_{11}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(A)}, \frac{\|(U_{12}, U_{13})^H \Delta \widehat{A} \widehat{V}_{11}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(\widehat{A})} \right\}, \\ \text{dist}(R(A^H), R(\widehat{A}^H)) \leq \min \left\{ \frac{\|U_{11}^H \Delta A \widehat{V}_{12}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(A)}, \frac{\|\widehat{U}_{11}^H \Delta A V_{12}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(\widehat{A})} \right\}. \quad (3.6)$$

**Proof.** From (3.2)–(3.3), the SVD of  $A$  and  $\widehat{A}$  have the following forms,

$$A = U_1 \text{diag}(A_{11}, 0, 0) V_1^H = U_{11} A_{11} V_{11}^H, \\ \widehat{A} = \widehat{U}_1 \text{diag}(\widehat{A}_{11}, 0, 0) \widehat{V}_1^H = \widehat{U}_{11} \widehat{A}_{11} \widehat{V}_{11}^H,$$

so  $\text{dist}(R(A), R(\widehat{A})) = \|U_{11}U_{11}^H - \widehat{U}_{11}\widehat{U}_{11}^H\|$ . Therefore,

$$\text{dist}(R(A), R(\widehat{A})) = \|U_1^H (U_{11}U_{11}^H - \widehat{U}_{11}\widehat{U}_{11}^H) \widehat{U}_1\| \\ = \left\| \begin{pmatrix} 0 & U_{11}^H \widehat{U}_{12} & U_{11}^H \widehat{U}_{13} \\ -U_{12}^H \widehat{U}_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ -U_{13}^H \widehat{U}_{11} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\| \\ = \max \{ \|U_{11}^H (\widehat{U}_{12}, \widehat{U}_{13})\|, \|(U_{12}, U_{13})^H \widehat{U}_{11}\| \} \\ = \|U_{11}^H (\widehat{U}_{12}, \widehat{U}_{13})\| = \|(U_{12}, U_{13})^H \widehat{U}_{11}\|. \quad (3.7)$$

From the identities

$$\Delta A = \widehat{A} - A = \widehat{U}_{11} \widehat{A}_{11} \widehat{V}_{11}^H - U_{11} A_{11} V_{11}^H, \\ (\widehat{U}_{12}, \widehat{U}_{13})^H \Delta A V_{11} = -(\widehat{U}_{12}, \widehat{U}_{13})^H U_{11} A_{11}, \\ (U_{12}, U_{13})^H \Delta A \widehat{V}_{11} = (U_{12}, U_{13})^H \widehat{U}_{11} \widehat{A}_{11},$$

we observe that

$$(\widehat{U}_{12}, \widehat{U}_{13})^H U_{11} = -(\widehat{U}_{12}, \widehat{U}_{13})^H \Delta A V_{11} A_{11}^{-1}, \\ (U_{12}, U_{13})^H \widehat{U}_{11} = (U_{12}, U_{13})^H \Delta A \widehat{V}_{11} \widehat{A}_{11}^{-1}. \quad (3.8)$$

From the above equalities, we obtain the first estimate in (3.6). The second inequality in (3.6) can be derived similarly.  $\square$

We now derive perturbation bounds for the constrained subspaces of the matrix  $P_A^\perp \bar{B}$  defined in (3.5).

**Theorem 3.2.** Under the conditions of Lemma 3.1, if furthermore, for a chosen integer  $p_2 \leq \text{rank}(M)$ ,  $\sigma_{p_2}(M) - \sigma_{p_2+1}(M) > 2\|\Delta M\|$  ( $\Delta M = \widehat{M} - M$ ), then for the matrices  $\bar{B}$  and  $\widetilde{B}$  defined in (3.5),  $\text{rank}(P_A^\perp \bar{B}) = \text{rank}(P_{\widehat{A}}^\perp \widetilde{B}) = p_2$ , and we have the following estimates,

$$\|U_{12}U_{12}^H - \widehat{U}_{12}\widehat{U}_{12}^H\| \leq \min \left\{ \frac{\|\widehat{U}_{12}^H \Delta A V_{11}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(A)} + \frac{\eta_1}{\sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M}) - \sigma_{p_2+1}(M)}, \frac{\|U_{12}^H \Delta \widehat{A} \widehat{V}_{11}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(\widehat{A})} + \frac{\eta_2}{\sigma_{p_2}(M) - \sigma_{p_2+1}(\widehat{M})} \right\}, \\ \|V_{21}V_{21}^H - \widehat{V}_{21}\widehat{V}_{21}^H\| \leq \min \left\{ \frac{\eta_1}{\sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M}) - \sigma_{p_2+1}(M)}, \frac{\eta_2}{\sigma_{p_2}(M) - \sigma_{p_2+1}(\widehat{M})} \right\}, \quad (3.9)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\eta_1 &= \max \left\{ \left( \|U_{13}^H \Delta B \widehat{V}_{21}\| + \frac{\|\widehat{B}_{11}\| \|U_{13}^H \Delta A \widehat{V}_{11}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(\widehat{A})} \right), \left( \|\widehat{U}_{12}^H \Delta B V_{22}\| + \frac{\|B_{12}\| \|\widehat{U}_{12}^H \Delta A V_{11}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(A)} \right) \right\}, \\ \eta_2 &= \max \left\{ \left( \|\widehat{U}_{13}^H \Delta B V_{21}\| + \frac{\|B_{11}\| \|\widehat{U}_{13}^H \Delta A V_{11}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(A)} \right), \left( \|U_{12}^H \Delta B \widehat{V}_{22}\| + \frac{\|\widehat{B}_{12}\| \|U_{12}^H \Delta A \widehat{V}_{11}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(\widehat{A})} \right) \right\}.\end{aligned}\quad (3.10)$$

**Proof.** By the perturbation analysis of the singular values,

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M}) - \sigma_{p_2+1}(M) &\geq \sigma_{p_2}(M) - \sigma_{p_2+1}(M) - \|\Delta M\| > 0, \\ \sigma_{p_2}(M) - \sigma_{p_2+1}(\widehat{M}) &\geq \sigma_{p_2}(M) - \sigma_{p_2+1}(M) - \|\Delta M\| > 0, \\ \sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M}) - \sigma_{p_2+1}(\widehat{M}) &\geq \sigma_{p_2}(M) - \sigma_{p_2+1}(M) - 2\|\Delta M\| > 0.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, both  $B_{21}$  and  $\widehat{B}_{21}$  are nonsingular,  $\text{rank}(P_A^\perp \bar{B}) = \text{rank}(P_{\widehat{A}}^\perp \widehat{\bar{B}}) = p_2$ . Notice that

$$\|U_{12} U_{12}^H - \widehat{U}_{12} \widehat{U}_{12}^H\| = \|U_1^H (U_{12} U_{12}^H - \widehat{U}_{12} \widehat{U}_{12}^H) \widehat{U}_1\|,$$

therefore, by applying Lemma 2.2 we observe that

$$\begin{aligned}\|U_{12} U_{12}^H - \widehat{U}_{12} \widehat{U}_{12}^H\| &= \left\| \begin{pmatrix} -U_{11}^H \widehat{U}_{12} & 0 & 0 \\ -U_{13}^H \widehat{U}_{12} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & U_{12}^H \widehat{U}_{11} & U_{12}^H \widehat{U}_{13} \end{pmatrix} \right\| \\ &= \|(U_{11}, U_{13})^H \widehat{U}_{12}\| = \|U_{12}^H (\widehat{U}_{11}, \widehat{U}_{13})\|.\end{aligned}\quad (3.11)$$

Also,

$$\|V_{21} V_{21}^H - \widehat{V}_{21} \widehat{V}_{21}^H\| = \|V_{21}^H \widehat{V}_{22}\| = \|V_{22}^H \widehat{V}_{21}\|. \quad (3.12)$$

From (3.8) we can derive

$$\|\widehat{U}_{1i}^H U_{11}\| \leq \frac{\|\widehat{U}_{1i}^H \Delta A V_{11}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(A)}, \quad \|U_{1i}^H \widehat{U}_{11}\| \leq \frac{\|U_{1i}^H \Delta A \widehat{V}_{11}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(\widehat{A})}, \quad i = 2, 3. \quad (3.13)$$

From the identity  $\Delta B = \widehat{B} - B$  and (3.2)–(3.5),

$$\begin{aligned}B &= U_{11} B_{11} V_{21}^H + U_{12} B_{21} V_{21}^H + U_{11} B_{12} V_{22}^H + U_{13} B_{32} V_{22}^H, \\ \widehat{B} &= \widehat{U}_{11} \widehat{B}_{11} \widehat{V}_{21}^H + \widehat{U}_{12} \widehat{B}_{21} \widehat{V}_{21}^H + \widehat{U}_{11} \widehat{B}_{12} \widehat{V}_{22}^H + \widehat{U}_{13} \widehat{B}_{32} \widehat{V}_{22}^H,\end{aligned}$$

we observe that

$$\begin{aligned}U_{13}^H \Delta B \widehat{V}_{21} &= U_{13}^H \widehat{U}_{11} \widehat{B}_{11} + U_{13}^H \widehat{U}_{12} \widehat{B}_{21} - B_{32} V_{22}^H \widehat{V}_{21}, \\ \widehat{U}_{12}^H \Delta B V_{22} &= \widehat{B}_{21} \widehat{V}_{21}^H V_{22} - \widehat{U}_{12}^H U_{11} B_{12} - \widehat{U}_{12}^H U_{13} B_{32}.\end{aligned}$$

Combining the above equalities and (3.8), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}U_{13}^H \widehat{U}_{12} \widehat{B}_{21} &= U_{13}^H \Delta B \widehat{V}_{21} - U_{13}^H \Delta A \widehat{V}_{11} \widehat{A}_{11}^{-1} \widehat{B}_{11} + B_{32} V_{22}^H \widehat{V}_{21}, \\ \widehat{B}_{21} \widehat{V}_{21}^H V_{22} &= \widehat{U}_{12}^H \Delta B V_{22} - \widehat{U}_{12}^H \Delta A V_{11} \widehat{A}_{11}^{-1} B_{12} + \widehat{U}_{12}^H U_{13} B_{32}.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we observe that

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M}) \|U_{13}^H \widehat{U}_{12}\| &\leq \eta_1 + \sigma_{p_2+1}(M) \|V_{22}^H \widehat{V}_{21}\|, \\ \sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M}) \|\widehat{V}_{21}^H V_{22}\| &\leq \eta_1 + \sigma_{p_2+1}(M) \|\widehat{U}_{12}^H U_{13}\|.\end{aligned}\quad (3.14)$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}\|U_{13}^H \widehat{U}_{12}\| &\leq \frac{1}{\sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M})} \left( \eta_1 + \frac{\sigma_{p_2+1}(M)}{\sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M})} (\eta_1 + \sigma_{p_2+1}(M) \|U_{13}^H \widehat{U}_{12}\|) \right), \\ \|\widehat{V}_{21}^H V_{22}\| &\leq \frac{1}{\sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M})} \left( \eta_1 + \frac{\sigma_{p_2+1}(M)}{\sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M})} (\eta_1 + \sigma_{p_2+1}(M) \|\widehat{V}_{21}^H V_{22}\|) \right),\end{aligned}$$

and from above inequalities we have that

$$\begin{aligned}\|U_{13}^H \widehat{U}_{12}\| &\leq \frac{\eta_1}{\sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M}) - \sigma_{p_2+1}(M)}, \\ \|\widehat{V}_{21}^H V_{22}\| &\leq \frac{\eta_1}{\sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M}) - \sigma_{p_2+1}(M)}.\end{aligned}\quad (3.15)$$

In a similar manner, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\|\widehat{U}_{13}^H U_{12}\| &\leq \frac{\eta_2}{\sigma_{p_2}(M) - \sigma_{p_2+1}(\widehat{M})}, \\ \|V_{21}^H \widehat{V}_{22}\| &\leq \frac{\eta_2}{\sigma_{p_2}(M) - \sigma_{p_2+1}(\widehat{M})}.\end{aligned}\quad (3.16)$$

From the inequalities derived in (3.11)–(3.13) and (3.15)–(3.16), we obtain the desired estimates of the theorem.  $\square$

**Remark 3.1.** From (3.9)–(3.10) we observe that, the perturbation bounds for the constrained subspaces of the matrix  $P_A^\perp \bar{B}$  are more complicated than those for the matrix  $A$ . Also, these bounds are realistic in the sense that, one can find a example that the true perturbations are close to these perturbation bounds.

The following corollary is the direct conclusion of Theorem 3.2.

**Corollary 3.3.** Under the notation and the conditions of Theorem 3.2, if furthermore,  $\text{rank}(\widehat{M}) = \text{rank}(M) = p_2$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}\text{dist}(R(M), R(\widehat{M})) &\leq \min \left\{ \frac{\|\widehat{U}_{12}^H \Delta A V_{11}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(A)} + \frac{\eta_1}{\sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M})}, \frac{\|U_{12}^H \Delta A \widehat{V}_{11}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(\widehat{A})} + \frac{\eta_2}{\sigma_{p_2}(M)} \right\}, \\ \text{dist}(R(M^H), R(\widehat{M}^H)) &\leq \min \left\{ \frac{\eta_1}{\sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M})}, \frac{\eta_2}{\sigma_{p_2}(M)} \right\}.\end{aligned}\quad (3.17)$$

**Proof.** We only need to set  $\sigma_{p_2+1}(M) = \sigma_{p_2+1}(\widehat{M}) = 0$  in (3.9).  $\square$

**Remark 3.2.** When considering the LS-TLS problem, we suppose  $\widehat{A}$  is the perturbation of  $A$ . If  $\text{rank}(\widehat{A}) \neq \text{rank}(A)$ , then small perturbation in  $A$  can cause very large errors of the LS-TLS solutions. So we need to enforce the condition  $\text{rank}(\widehat{A}) = \text{rank}(A)$ . The perturbation bounds derived in Theorem 3.2 and Corollary 3.3 can be applied to estimate the perturbations in the LS-TLS problem and the CTLS problem.

Now we consider the perturbation bounds of the constrained subspaces of

$$G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} A \\ C \end{pmatrix}, \quad \widehat{G}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{A} \\ \widehat{C} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.18)$$

where  $A, \widehat{A} = A + \Delta A \in \mathbb{C}^{m_1 \times n}$ ,  $C, \widehat{C} = C + \Delta C \in \mathbb{C}^{m_2 \times n}$ ,  $N = C(I - A^\dagger A)$ ,  $\widehat{N} = \widehat{C}(I - \widehat{A}^\dagger \widehat{A})$ . Then similar to the analysis for  $G_1$  and  $\widehat{G}_1$ , we have the following decompositions of  $G_2$  and  $\widehat{G}_2$ ,

$$G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} U_1 & 0 \\ 0 & U_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ C_{11} & C_{12} & 0 \\ C_{21} & 0 & C_{23} \end{pmatrix} V_1^H, \quad (3.19)$$

where  $U_1, U_2, V_1$  are unitary matrices,  $A_{11} = \text{diag}(\sigma_1(A), \sigma_2(A), \dots, \sigma_{p_1}(A))$ , with  $\sigma_1(A) \geq \sigma_2(A) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{p_1}(A)$  the nonzero singular values of  $A$ ,  $C_{12} = \text{diag}(\sigma_1(N), \dots, \sigma_{p_3}(N))$ ,  $C_{23} = \text{diag}(\sigma_{p_3+1}(N), \dots, \sigma_l(N))$ , with  $\sigma_1(N) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_l(N)$  the singular values of  $N$ ,

$$\widehat{G}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{U}_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \widehat{U}_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{A}_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \widehat{C}_{11} & \widehat{C}_{12} & 0 \\ \widehat{C}_{21} & 0 & \widehat{C}_{23} \end{pmatrix} \widehat{V}_1^H, \quad (3.20)$$

where  $\widehat{U}_1, \widehat{U}_2, \widehat{V}_1$  are unitary matrices,  $\widehat{A}_{11} = \text{diag}(\sigma_1(\widehat{A}), \sigma_2(\widehat{A}), \dots, \sigma_{p_1}(\widehat{A}))$ , with  $\sigma_1(\widehat{A}) \geq \sigma_2(\widehat{A}) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{p_1}(\widehat{A})$  the nonzero singular values of  $\widehat{A}$ ,  $\widehat{C}_{12} = \text{diag}(\sigma_1(\widehat{N}), \dots, \sigma_{p_3}(\widehat{N}))$ ,  $\widehat{C}_{23} = \text{diag}(\sigma_{p_3+1}(\widehat{N}), \dots, \sigma_l(\widehat{N}))$ , with  $\sigma_1(\widehat{N}) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_l(\widehat{N})$  the singular values of  $\widehat{N}$ . For  $i = 1$ , partition  $U_i$ ,  $\widehat{U}_i$  and  $V_i$ ,  $\widehat{V}_i$  as follows,

$$\begin{aligned} U_1 &= (U_{11}, U_{12}), \quad U_2 = (U_{21}, U_{22}), \quad V_1 = (V_{11}, V_{12}, V_{13}), \\ \widehat{U}_1 &= (\widehat{U}_{11}, \widehat{U}_{12}), \quad \widehat{U}_2 = (\widehat{U}_{21}, \widehat{U}_{22}), \quad \widehat{V}_1 = (\widehat{V}_{11}, \widehat{V}_{12}, \widehat{V}_{13}), \\ &\quad p_1, \bar{m}_1 \quad p_3, \bar{m}_2 \quad p_1, p_3, \bar{m} \end{aligned} \quad (3.21)$$

where  $\bar{m}_1 = m_1 - p_1$ ,  $\bar{m}_2 = m_2 - p_3$ , and  $\bar{m} = m - p_1 - p_3$ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rank}(G_2) &= \text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(N), \quad \text{rank}(\widehat{G}_2) = \text{rank}(\widehat{A}) + \text{rank}(\widehat{N}), \\ A &= U_{11}A_{11}V_{11}^H, \quad N = U_2 \text{diag}(C_{12}, C_{23})(V_{12}, V_{13})^H, \\ \widehat{N} &= \widehat{U}_2 \text{diag}(\widehat{C}_{12}, \widehat{C}_{23})(\widehat{V}_{12}, \widehat{V}_{13})^H, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{C} &= CA^\dagger A + U_{21}C_{12}V_{12}^H, \quad \bar{\widehat{C}} = \widehat{C}\widehat{A}^\dagger \widehat{A} + \widehat{U}_{21}\widehat{C}_{12}\widehat{V}_{12}^H, \\ \bar{C}P_{A^H}^\perp &= U_{21}C_{12}V_{12}^H, \quad \bar{\widehat{C}}P_{\widehat{A}^H}^\perp = \widehat{U}_{21}\widehat{C}_{12}\widehat{V}_{12}^H. \end{aligned} \quad (3.22)$$

Notice that  $G_2^H$  and  $\widehat{G}_2^H$  are  $1 \times 2$  block matrices. Therefore, by using exactly the same procedure, we have the following results.

**Theorem 3.4.** Suppose that the matrices  $G_2, \widehat{G}_2$  are defined in (3.18), the decompositions of  $G_1, \widehat{G}_1$  are in (3.19)–(3.21). Suppose that  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(\widehat{A}) = p_1$ , and a chosen integer  $p_3$  satisfying  $p_3 \leq \text{rank}(N)$ . If  $\sigma_{p_3}(N) - \sigma_{p_3+1}(N) > 2\|\Delta N\|$  ( $\Delta N = N - \widehat{N}$ ), then  $\text{rank}(\bar{C}P_{A^H}^\perp) = \text{rank}(\bar{\widehat{C}}P_{\widehat{A}^H}^\perp) = p_3$ , and we have the following estimates,

$$\begin{aligned} \|V_{12}V_{12}^H - \widehat{V}_{12}\widehat{V}_{12}^H\| &\leq \min \left\{ \frac{\|U_{11}^H \Delta A \widehat{V}_{12}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(A)} + \frac{\eta_3}{\sigma_{p_3}(\widehat{N}) - \sigma_{p_3+1}(N)}, \frac{\|\widehat{U}_{11}^H \Delta A V_{12}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(\widehat{A})} + \frac{\eta_4}{\sigma_{p_3}(N) - \sigma_{p_3+1}(\widehat{N})} \right\}, \\ \|U_{21}U_{21}^H - \widehat{U}_{21}\widehat{U}_{21}^H\| &\leq \min \left\{ \frac{\eta_3}{\sigma_{p_3}(\widehat{N}) - \sigma_{p_3+1}(N)}, \frac{\eta_4}{\sigma_{p_3}(N) - \sigma_{p_3+1}(\widehat{N})} \right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.23)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_3 &= \max \left\{ \left( \|\widehat{U}_{21}^H \Delta C V_{13}\| + \frac{\|\widehat{C}_{11}\| \|\widehat{U}_{11}^H \Delta A V_{13}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(\widehat{A})} \right), \left( \|U_{22}^H \Delta C \widehat{V}_{12}\| + \frac{\|C_{21}\| \|U_{11}^H \Delta A \widehat{V}_{12}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(A)} \right) \right\}, \\ \eta_4 &= \max \left\{ \left( \|U_{21}^H \Delta C \widehat{V}_{13}\| + \frac{\|C_{11}\| \|U_{11}^H \Delta A \widehat{V}_{13}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(A)} \right), \left( \|\widehat{U}_{22}^H \Delta C V_{12}\| + \frac{\|\widehat{C}_{21}\| \|\widehat{U}_{11}^H \Delta A V_{12}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(\widehat{A})} \right) \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.24)$$

Furthermore, when  $\text{rank}(\widehat{N}) = \text{rank}(N) = p_3$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{dist}(R(N), R(\widehat{N})) &\leq \min \left\{ \frac{\eta_3}{\sigma_{p_3}(\widehat{N})}, \frac{\eta_4}{\sigma_{p_3}(N)} \right\}, \\ \text{dist}(R(N^H), R(\widehat{N}^H)) &\leq \min \left\{ \frac{\|U_{11}^H \Delta A \widehat{V}_{12}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(A)} + \frac{\eta_3}{\sigma_{p_3}(\widehat{N})}, \frac{\|\widehat{U}_{11}^H \Delta A V_{12}\|}{\sigma_{p_1}(\widehat{A})} + \frac{\eta_4}{\sigma_{p_3}(N)} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.25)$$

**Remark 3.3.** For the rank deficient LSE problem, we suppose that  $\widehat{A}$  is the perturbation of  $A$ . If  $\text{rank}(\widehat{A}) \neq \text{rank}(A)$ , even when the perturbations are very small, the perturbation of the LSE solution will be very large [22,25]. Therefore, we need to enforce the condition  $\text{rank}(\widehat{A}) = \text{rank}(A)$ .

#### 4. Perturbation analysis for the constrained subspaces of $2 \times 2$ block matrix

Demmel [2], Wei [23] studied the perturbations of the  $2 \times 2$  block matrix

$$G_3 = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \end{matrix}, \quad \begin{matrix} n_1, & n_2 \end{matrix} \quad (4.1)$$

in which only the sub-matrix  $D$  can be changed. let

$$M = P_A^\perp B, \quad N = CP_{A^H}^\perp, \quad (4.2)$$

and suppose that

$$p_1 = \text{rank}(A), \quad p_2 = \text{rank}(M) \quad \text{and} \quad p_3 = \text{rank}(N). \quad (4.3)$$

It can be shown [2,23] that there exist unitary matrices  $U_1, U_2, V_1$  and  $V_2$ , such that

$$\begin{aligned} G_3 &= \left( \begin{array}{c|c} A & B \\ \hline C & D \end{array} \right) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} U_1 & 0 \\ 0 & U_2 \end{pmatrix} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} A_{11} & 0 & 0 & B_{11} & B_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & B_{21} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline C_{11} & C_{12} & 0 & D_{11} & D_{12} \\ C_{21} & 0 & 0 & D_{21} & D_{22} \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} V_1^H & 0 \\ 0 & V_2^H \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_{11} &= \text{diag}(\sigma_1(A), \sigma_2(A), \dots, \sigma_{p_1}(A)), \\ B_{21} &= \text{diag}(\sigma_1(M), \sigma_2(M), \dots, \sigma_{p_2}(M)), \\ C_{12} &= \text{diag}(\sigma_1(N), \sigma_2(N), \dots, \sigma_{p_3}(N)), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_1(A) &\geq \sigma_2(A) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{p_1}(A) > 0, \\ \sigma_1(M) &\geq \sigma_2(M) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{p_2}(M) > 0, \\ \sigma_1(N) &\geq \sigma_2(N) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{p_3}(N) > 0, \end{aligned}$$

are respectively the nonzero singular values of  $A, M$  and  $N$ . Partition  $U_i, V_i$  as follows for  $i = 1, 2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} U_1 &= (U_{11}, U_{12}, U_{13}), \quad U_2 = (U_{21}, U_{22}), \\ &\quad p_1, p_2, \bar{m}_1 \quad p_3, \bar{m}_2 \\ V_1 &= (V_{11}, V_{12}, V_{13}), \quad V_2 = (V_{21}, V_{22}), \\ &\quad p_1, p_3, \bar{n}_1 \quad p_2, \bar{n}_2 \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

where  $\bar{m}_1 = m_1 - p_1 - p_2, \bar{m}_2 = m_2 - p_3, \bar{n}_1 = n_1 - p_1 - p_3, \bar{n}_2 = n_2 - p_2$ . Then from (4.3)–(4.5), one has that [23]

$$\begin{aligned} A &= U_{11}A_{11}V_{11}^H, \quad P_A^\perp = I - U_{11}U_{11}^H, \quad P_{N(A^H)} = I - V_{11}V_{11}^H, \\ M &= P_A^\perp B = U_{12}B_{21}V_{21}^H, \quad I - M^\dagger M = I - V_{21}V_{21}^H = V_{22}V_{22}^H, \\ N &= CP_{N(A^H)}^\perp = U_{21}C_{12}V_{22}^H, \quad I - NN^\dagger = I - U_{21}U_{21}^H = U_{22}U_{22}^H. \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

So one carries out from (4.3)–(4.6) that

$$B(I - M^\dagger M) = U_{11}B_{12}V_{22}^H, \quad (I - NN^\dagger)C = U_{22}C_{21}V_{11}^H. \quad (4.7)$$

Let  $\hat{G}_3 = G_3 + \Delta G_3$  be the perturbed version of  $G_3$ , with  $\hat{A} = A + \Delta A, \hat{B} = B + \Delta B, \hat{C} = C + \Delta C, \hat{D} = D + \Delta D$ . We now enforce the conditions

$$p_1 = \text{rank}(\hat{A}), \quad p_2 = \text{rank}(\hat{M}) \quad \text{and} \quad p_3 = \text{rank}(\hat{N}). \quad (4.8)$$

Then  $\hat{G}_3$  has the following decomposition

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{G}_3 &= \left( \begin{array}{c|c} \hat{A} & \hat{B} \\ \hline \hat{C} & \hat{D} \end{array} \right) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \hat{U}_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{U}_2 \end{pmatrix} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} \hat{A}_{11} & 0 & 0 & \hat{B}_{11} & \hat{B}_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \hat{B}_{21} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline \hat{C}_{11} & \hat{C}_{12} & 0 & \hat{D}_{11} & \hat{D}_{12} \\ \hat{C}_{21} & 0 & 0 & \hat{D}_{21} & \hat{D}_{22} \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} \hat{V}_1^H & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{V}_2^H \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.9)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{A}_{11} &= \text{diag}(\sigma_1(\hat{A}), \sigma_2(\hat{A}), \dots, \sigma_{p_1}(\hat{A})), \\ \hat{B}_{21} &= \text{diag}(\sigma_1(\hat{M}), \sigma_2(\hat{M}), \dots, \sigma_{p_2}(\hat{M})), \\ \hat{C}_{12} &= \text{diag}(\sigma_1(\hat{N}), \sigma_2(\hat{N}), \dots, \sigma_{p_3}(\hat{N})), \end{aligned}$$



and

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_1(\widehat{A}) &\geq \sigma_2(\widehat{A}) \geq \cdots \geq \sigma_{p_1}(\widehat{A}) > 0, \\ \sigma_1(\widehat{M}) &\geq \sigma_2(\widehat{M}) \geq \cdots \geq \sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M}) > 0, \\ \sigma_1(\widehat{N}) &\geq \sigma_2(\widehat{N}) \geq \cdots \geq \sigma_{p_3}(\widehat{N}) > 0,\end{aligned}$$

are respectively the nonzero singular values of  $\widehat{A}$ ,  $\widehat{M}$  and  $\widehat{N}$ . For  $i = 1, 2$ , partition  $\widehat{U}_i, \widehat{V}_i$  as follows,

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{U}_1 &= (\widehat{U}_{11}, \widehat{U}_{12}, \widehat{U}_{13}), & \widehat{U}_2 &= (\widehat{U}_{21}, \widehat{U}_{22}) \\ & \quad p_1, p_2, \overline{m}_1 & \quad p_3, \overline{m}_2 \\ \widehat{V}_1 &= (\widehat{V}_{11}, \widehat{V}_{12}, \widehat{V}_{13}), & \widehat{V}_2 &= (\widehat{V}_{21}, \widehat{V}_{22}). \\ & \quad p_1, p_3, \overline{n}_1 & \quad p_2, \overline{n}_2\end{aligned}\tag{4.10}$$

Then from (4.8)–(4.10), one has that

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{A} &= \widehat{U}_{11}\widehat{A}_{11}\widehat{V}_{11}^H, & P_{\widehat{A}}^\perp &= I - \widehat{U}_{11}\widehat{U}_{11}^H, & P_{\widehat{A}^H}^\perp &= I - \widehat{V}_{11}\widehat{V}_{11}^H, \\ \widehat{M} &= P_{\widehat{A}}^\perp \widehat{B} = \widehat{U}_{12}\widehat{B}_{21}\widehat{V}_{21}^H, & I - \widehat{M}^\dagger \widehat{M} &= I - \widehat{V}_{21}\widehat{V}_{21}^H = \widehat{V}_{22}\widehat{V}_{22}^H, \\ \widehat{N} &= \widehat{C}P_{\widehat{A}^H}^\perp = \widehat{U}_{21}\widehat{C}_{12}\widehat{V}_{22}^H, & I - \widehat{N}\widehat{N}^\dagger &= I - \widehat{U}_{21}\widehat{U}_{21}^H = \widehat{U}_{22}\widehat{U}_{22}^H.\end{aligned}\tag{4.11}$$

Therefore,

$$\widehat{B}(I - \widehat{M}^\dagger \widehat{M}) = \widehat{U}_{11}\widehat{B}_{12}\widehat{V}_{22}^H, \quad (I - \widehat{N}\widehat{N}^\dagger)\widehat{C} = \widehat{U}_{22}\widehat{C}_{21}\widehat{V}_{11}^H.\tag{4.12}$$

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $G_3$  and  $\widehat{G}_3$  and their decompositions be in (4.4) and (4.8), respectively, with  $\widehat{A} = A + \Delta A$ ,  $\widehat{B} = B + \Delta B$ ,  $\widehat{C} = C + \Delta C$ ,  $\widehat{D} = D + \Delta D$ . Let

$$\begin{aligned}D_1 &= (I - NN^\dagger)(D - CA^\dagger B)(I - M^\dagger M), \\ \widehat{D}_1 &= (I - \widehat{N}\widehat{N}^\dagger)(\widehat{D} - \widehat{C}\widehat{A}^\dagger \widehat{B})(I - \widehat{M}^\dagger \widehat{M}).\end{aligned}\tag{4.13}$$

If

$$\begin{aligned}\text{rank}(A) &= \text{rank}(\widehat{A}), & \text{rank}(M) &= \text{rank}(\widehat{M}), \\ \text{rank}(N) &= \text{rank}(\widehat{N}),\end{aligned}\tag{4.14}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}\|D_1 - \widehat{D}_1\| &\leq \|\widehat{U}_{22}^H \Delta D V_{22}\| + \|\widehat{U}_{22}^H \widehat{C} \widehat{A}^\dagger \Delta B V_{22}\| + \|\widehat{U}_{22}^H \widehat{C} \widehat{A}^\dagger \Delta A A^\dagger B V_{22}\| + \|\widehat{U}_{22}^H \Delta C A^\dagger B V_{22}\| \\ &\quad + \omega_1 \|\widehat{U}_{22}^H (\widehat{D} - \widehat{C} \widehat{A}^\dagger \widehat{B})\| + \omega_2 \|(D - CA^\dagger B) V_{22}\|,\end{aligned}\tag{4.15}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\omega_1 &= \min \left\{ \frac{\eta_1}{\sigma_{p_2}(\widehat{M})}, \frac{\eta_2}{\sigma_{p_2}(M)} \right\}, \\ \omega_2 &= \min \left\{ \frac{\eta_3}{\sigma_{p_3}(\widehat{N})}, \frac{\eta_4}{\sigma_{p_3}(N)} \right\},\end{aligned}\tag{4.16}$$

$\eta_1, \eta_2$  are defined in Theorem 3.2, and  $\eta_3, \eta_4$  are defined in Theorem 3.4.

**Proof.** From the formulations of  $D_1$  and  $\widehat{D}_1$  in (4.13),

$$\begin{aligned}\|D_1 - \widehat{D}_1\| &\leq \|(I - \widehat{N}\widehat{N}^\dagger)(\Delta D - \widehat{C} \widehat{A}^\dagger \Delta B - \widehat{C}(\widehat{A}^\dagger - A^\dagger)B - \Delta C A^\dagger B)(I - M^\dagger M)\| \\ &\quad + \|(I - \widehat{N}\widehat{N}^\dagger)(\widehat{D} - \widehat{C} \widehat{A}^\dagger \widehat{B})(M^\dagger M - \widehat{M}^\dagger \widehat{M})\| + \|(NN^\dagger - \widehat{N}\widehat{N}^\dagger)(D - CA^\dagger B)(I - M^\dagger M)\|.\end{aligned}\tag{4.17}$$

Notice that [19]

$$\widehat{A}^\dagger - A^\dagger = -\widehat{A}^\dagger \Delta A A^\dagger + \widehat{A}^\dagger (I - A A^\dagger) - (I - \widehat{A}^\dagger \widehat{A}) A^\dagger,$$

so

$$(I - \widehat{N}\widehat{N}^\dagger)\widehat{C}(\widehat{A}^\dagger - A^\dagger)B(I - M^\dagger M) = -(I - \widehat{N}\widehat{N}^\dagger)\widehat{C} \widehat{A}^\dagger \Delta A A^\dagger B(I - M^\dagger M),$$

because  $(I - AA^\dagger)B = M$  and  $\widehat{C}(I - \widehat{A}^\dagger\widehat{A}) = \widehat{N}$ . Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} I - M^\dagger M &= I - V_{21}V_{21}^H = V_{22}V_{22}^H, & I - NN^\dagger &= I - U_{21}U_{21}^H = U_{22}U_{22}^H \\ I - \widehat{M}^\dagger\widehat{M} &= I - \widehat{V}_{21}\widehat{V}_{21}^H = \widehat{V}_{22}\widehat{V}_{22}^H, & I - \widehat{N}\widehat{N}^\dagger &= I - \widehat{U}_{21}\widehat{U}_{21}^H = \widehat{U}_{22}\widehat{U}_{22}^H. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, in (4.17) by applying Corollary 3.3 and Theorem 3.4, we obtain the desired estimates of the theorem.  $\square$

**Remark 4.1.** Obviously, the estimates derived in Theorem 4.1 is sharper than that in Theorem 3.1 of [23]. In Remark 3.2 of [23] Wei mentioned that Demmel in formula (\*), p. 206 of [2] just considered the simplest case that both  $G_3$  and  $\widehat{G}_3$  can be transformed into the standard forms as in (4.4) and (4.9) with the same pairs of unitary matrices  $\begin{pmatrix} U_1 & U_2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} V_1 & V_2 \end{pmatrix}$ . In this case  $M^\dagger M = \widehat{M}^\dagger\widehat{M}$  and  $NN^\dagger = \widehat{N}\widehat{N}^\dagger$ , and the estimate in Theorem 3.1 of [23] reduces to that obtained in p. 206 of [2]. In Example 3.1 of [23] it is obvious that the estimates in [2] is not valid in general case.

**Theorem 4.2.** Under the notation and conditions in Theorem 4.1, furthermore, suppose that the SVD of  $D_1$  and  $\widehat{D}_1$  are respectively

$$\begin{aligned} D_1 &= (Z_1, Z_2)\text{diag}(T_1, T_2)(W_1, W_2)^H, \\ \widehat{D}_1 &= (\widehat{Z}_1, \widehat{Z}_2)\text{diag}(\widehat{T}_1, \widehat{T}_2)(\widehat{W}_1, \widehat{W}_2)^H, \end{aligned} \quad (4.18)$$

where  $l_1 = \min\{m_2 - p_3, n_2 - p_2\}$ ,  $Z, \widehat{Z}, W, \widehat{W}$  are unitary matrices,  $Z_1, \widehat{Z}_1, W_1, \widehat{W}_1$  are respectively the first  $p$  columns of  $Z, \widehat{Z}, W, \widehat{W}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 &= \text{diag}(\sigma_1(D_1), \dots, \sigma_p(D_1)), & T_2 &= \text{diag}(\sigma_{p+1}(D_1), \dots, \sigma_{l_1}(D_1)), \\ \widehat{T}_1 &= \text{diag}(\sigma_1(\widehat{D}_1), \dots, \sigma_p(\widehat{D}_1)), & \widehat{T}_2 &= \text{diag}(\sigma_{p+1}(\widehat{D}_1), \dots, \sigma_{l_1}(\widehat{D}_1)), \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma_1(D_1) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_p(D_1) > \sigma_{p+1}(D_1) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{l_1}(D_1)$$

$$\sigma_1(\widehat{D}_1) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_p(\widehat{D}_1) \geq \sigma_{p+1}(\widehat{D}_1) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{l_1}(\widehat{D}_1)$$

are the singular values of  $D_1$  and  $\widehat{D}_1$ , respectively. If  $\sigma_p(D_1) - \sigma_{p+1}(D_1) > 2\|\Delta D_1\|$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \|Z_1 Z_1^H - \widehat{Z}_1 \widehat{Z}_1^H\| &\leq \min \left\{ \frac{\eta^{(1)}}{\sigma_p(\widehat{D}_1) - \sigma_{p+1}(D_1)}, \frac{\eta^{(2)}}{\sigma_p(D_1) - \sigma_{p+1}(\widehat{D}_1)} \right\}, \\ \|W_1 W_1^H - \widehat{W}_1 \widehat{W}_1^H\| &\leq \min \left\{ \frac{\eta^{(1)}}{\sigma_p(\widehat{D}_1) - \sigma_{p+1}(D_1)}, \frac{\eta^{(2)}}{\sigma_p(D_1) - \sigma_{p+1}(\widehat{D}_1)} \right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.19)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \eta^{(1)} &= \max \{ \|\widehat{Z}_1^H \Delta D_1 W_2\|, \|Z_2^H \Delta D_1 \widehat{W}_1\| \}, \\ \eta^{(2)} &= \max \{ \|Z_1^H \Delta D_1 \widehat{W}_2\|, \|\widehat{Z}_2^H \Delta D_1 W_1\| \}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.20)$$

**Proof.** From the perturbation analysis of the singular values, with the conditions of the theorem, we have  $\sigma_p(D_1) - \sigma_{p+1}(\widehat{D}_1) > 0$  and  $\sigma_p(\widehat{D}_1) - \sigma_{p+1}(D_1) > 0$ . Furthermore, from the formulas in (4.18),

$$\begin{aligned} Z_2^H \Delta D_1 \widehat{W}_1 &= Z_2^H \widehat{Z}_1 \widehat{T}_1 - T_2 W_2^H \widehat{W}_1, \\ \widehat{Z}_1^H \Delta D_1 W_2 &= \widehat{T}_1 \widehat{W}_1^H W_2 - \widehat{Z}_1^H Z_2 T_2. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \|Z_2^H \widehat{Z}_1\| &\leq \frac{1}{\sigma_p(\widehat{D}_1)} [\|Z_2^H \Delta D_1 \widehat{W}_1\| + \sigma_{p+1}(D_1) \|W_2^H \widehat{W}_1\|], \\ \|\widehat{Z}_1^H W_2\| &\leq \frac{1}{\sigma_p(\widehat{D}_1)} [\|\widehat{Z}_1^H \Delta D_1 W_2\| + \sigma_{p+1}(D_1) \|\widehat{Z}_1^H Z_2\|], \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|Z_2^H \widehat{Z}_1\| &\leq \frac{1}{\sigma_p(\widehat{D}_1)} \left\{ \|Z_2^H \Delta D_1 \widehat{W}_1\| + \frac{\sigma_{p+1}(D_1)}{\sigma_p(\widehat{D}_1)} [\|\widehat{Z}_1^H \Delta D_1 W_2\| + \sigma_{p+1}(D_1) \|\widehat{Z}_1^H Z_2\|] \right\}, \\ \frac{\sigma_p(\widehat{D}_1)^2 - \sigma_{p+1}(D_1)^2}{\sigma_p(\widehat{D}_1)^2} \|Z_2^H \widehat{Z}_1\| &\leq \frac{\sigma_p(\widehat{D}_1) + \sigma_{p+1}(D_1)}{\sigma_p(\widehat{D}_1)^2} \eta_1, \end{aligned}$$

so  $\|Z_2^H \widehat{Z}_1\| \leq \frac{\eta_1}{\sigma_p(\widehat{D}_1) - \sigma_{p+1}(D_1)}$ . In a similar manner, we also have  $\|\widehat{Z}_2^H Z_1\| \leq \frac{\eta_2}{\sigma_p(D_1) - \sigma_{p+1}(\widehat{D}_1)}$ . Notice that from Lemma 2.2,  $\|Z_2^H \widehat{Z}_1\| = \|\widehat{Z}_2^H Z_1\|$ , we then obtain the first inequality in (4.19). The second one in (4.19) can be derived similarly.  $\square$

## 5. Concluding remarks

In this paper, we have deduced the perturbation bounds of some constrained subspaces that relate to the matrices  $G_1$ ,  $G_2$  and  $G_3$ . In a separate paper, we will study the perturbation analysis of the LS–TLS, LSE, and CTLS problems using the bounds obtained in this paper.

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