



# Constructing strong $\ell$ -ifications

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# Notation

$\mathbb{F}$  a field.

$\overline{\mathbb{F}}$ : algebraic closure of  $\mathbb{F}$ .

$\mathbb{F}[\lambda]^{m \times n}$ : ring of  $m \times n$  matrices whose entries are polynomials in  $\lambda$  with coefficients over  $\mathbb{F}$  (matrix polynomials).

$P(\lambda) = \lambda^d P_d + \lambda^{d-1} + \dots + \lambda P_1 + P_0 \in \mathbb{F}[\lambda]^{m \times n}$ : a given  $m \times n$  matrix polynomial of **degree  $d$**  ( $P_d \neq 0$ ).

**Reversal** polynomial of  $P(\lambda)$ :  $\text{rev } P := P_d + \lambda P_{d-1} + \dots + \lambda^{d-1} P_1 + \lambda^d P_0$



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An important feature of a minimal basis are its **row/column degrees**.

For instance, for minimal bases of the right (resp., left) nullspace of  $P(\lambda) \in \mathbb{F}[\lambda]^{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathcal{N}_r(P)$  (resp.  $\mathcal{N}_\ell(P)$ ):

$$\mathcal{N}_r(P) := \{x(\lambda) \in \mathbb{F}(\lambda)^{n \times 1} : P(\lambda)x(\lambda) \equiv 0\},$$

$$\mathcal{N}_\ell(P) := \{y(\lambda)^T \in \mathbb{F}(\lambda)^{1 \times m} : y(\lambda)^T P(\lambda) \equiv 0^T\},$$

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# Example

$P(\lambda)$  of size  $m \times 2$  and degree  $d = 3$ , and  $\ell = 2$ .

Following the **zigzag** construction for dual minimal bases  $\widehat{L}(\lambda), \widehat{N}(\lambda)$  in **Step 1**, and with an appropriate choice of  $\widetilde{L}_2$  in **Step 2**, we get the strong **quadratification**:

$$L(\lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} \widehat{L}(\lambda) \\ \widetilde{L}(\lambda) \end{bmatrix} = \lambda^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & P_3 e_1 & P_3 e_2 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ P_1 e_1 - P_0 e_2 & P_2 e_1 & P_2 e_2 - P_3 e_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ P_0 e_1 & P_0 e_2 & P_1 e_2 - P_2 e_1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

# Size

The **size** of the strong  $\ell$ -ifications we construct is:

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with

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or

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(Compare with the size of companion linearizations:

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## Theorem

When  $\ell|nd$ , the construction in **Steps 1** and **2** always provides a strong  $\ell$ -ification of  $m \times n$  matrix polynomials of degree  $d$ . Moreover:

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**Remark:** Similar result when  $\ell|md$ , replacing the roles of left/right minimal indices.



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and

$$\widetilde{L}_\ell = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 0 & \dots & 0 & P_d \end{array} \right] \in \mathbb{F}^{m \times nk},$$

to get:

$$L(\lambda) = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} \lambda^\ell I_n & -I_n & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda^\ell I_n & -I_n \\ D_0(\lambda) & \dots & D_{k-2}(\lambda) & D_{k-1}(\lambda) \end{array} \right],$$

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