

On first order asymptotic expansions for multiplicative perturbation of eigenvalues

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Abstract.

Let A be a complex matrix with arbitrary Jordan structure, and λ an eigenvalue of A whose largest Jordan block has size n . Based on the use of the Newton diagram, it has been shown that for a small multiplicative perturbation $\hat{A} = (I + \varepsilon C) A (I + \varepsilon B)$ of matrix A , the splitting of λ under this perturbation is, generically, of order $\varepsilon^{1/n}$ if $\lambda \neq 0$. Explicit formulas for the leading coefficients are obtained, involving the perturbation matrices B and C and the eigenvectors of A . In the special case of $\lambda = 0$, similar results has been found for leading coefficients in the splitting of λ in this case the splitting of λ is generically, of order $\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{n+1}}$.