

## Volterra Integral Equation of Hermite Matrix Polynomials

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**Abstract.** The primary purpose of this paper is to present the Volterra integral equation of the two-variable Hermite matrix polynomials. Moreover, a new representation of these matrix polynomials are established here.

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### 1 Introduction

In [9], the Laguerre and Hermite matrix polynomials are introduced as examples of right orthogonal matrix polynomial sequences for appropriate right matrix moment functionals of integral type. The Hermite matrix polynomials  $H_n(x, A)$ , have been introduced and studied in [7, 8], where  $H_n(x, A)$  involves a parameter  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$ . Indeed, all eigenvalues of the matrix  $A$  lie on the open right-hand half of the complex plane.

Some properties of series expansions and the bounds of the  $H_n(x, A)$  are given in [3–5]. Moreover, two generalizations of  $H_n(x, A)$  are given in [2, 12]. Recently, an efficient method for computing matrix exponentials based on Hermite matrix polynomial expansions has been presented in [11].

The aim of this paper is to provide some results on the two-variable Hermite matrix polynomials and introduce the Volterra integral equation of these matrix polynomials. The structure of this paper is the following. Section 2 summarizes previous results of the two-variable Hermite matrix polynomials and includes a new property of these matrix polynomials. In Section 3, we construct the Volterra integral equation of the two-variable Hermite matrix polynomials.

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Throughout this paper, for a matrix  $A$  in  $\mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$ , we denote by  $\sigma(A)$  the spectrum of  $A$  or the set of all eigenvalues of  $A$ . If  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  are holomorphic functions of the complex variable  $z$ , which are defined in an open set  $\Omega$  of the complex plane and  $A$  is a matrix in  $\mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$  with  $\sigma(A) \subset \Omega$ , then from the property of the matrix functional calculus [6, p. 558], it follows that

$$f(A)g(A) = g(A)f(A). \quad (1.1)$$

In what follows, the matrices  $I$  and  $\theta$  in  $\mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$  denote the matrix identity and the zero matrix of order  $N$ , respectively.

## 2 The two-variable Hermite matrix polynomials

In this section, for the sake of clarity in the presentation of the following results we recall some properties of the two-variable Hermite matrix polynomials which have been established in [2]. Moreover, some new properties concerning these matrix polynomials are given here.

If  $D_0$  is the complex plane cut along the negative real axis and  $\text{Log}(z)$  denotes the principle logarithm of  $z$ , then  $z^{1/2}$  represents  $\exp(\frac{1}{2}\text{Log}(z))$ . If  $A$  is a matrix in  $\mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$  with  $\sigma(A) \subset D_0$ , then  $A^{1/2} = \sqrt{A}$  denotes the image by  $z^{1/2}$  of the matrix functional calculus acting on the matrix  $A$ . Let  $A$  be a matrix in  $\mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$  such that

$$\text{Re}(\lambda) > 0 \quad \text{for all } \lambda \in \sigma(A). \quad (2.1)$$

Then the two-variable Hermite matrix polynomial [2VHMPs] are defined in [2, p. 84] by

$$H_n(x, y, A) = n! \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \frac{(-1)^k y^k}{k!(n-2k)!} (x\sqrt{2A})^{n-2k}, \quad (2.2)$$

where  $\lfloor a \rfloor$  is the standard floor function which maps a real number  $a$  to its next smallest integer. According to [2, Theorem 7], it follows that

$$(x\sqrt{2A})^n = \exp\left(y(2A)^{-1} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}\right) H_n(x, z, A). \quad (2.3)$$

Note that the 2VHMPs are the solutions of the following matrix differential equation:

$$\left[ y \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} - xA \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + nA \right] H_n(x, y, A) = \theta; \quad n \geq 0, \quad (2.4)$$

and satisfy the three terms recurrence relationship:

$$H_n(x, y, A) = x\sqrt{2A}H_{n-1}(x, y, A) - 2(n-1)yH_{n-2}(x, y, A); \quad n \geq 2 \quad (2.5)$$