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## **Review text:**

The paper is motivated by a quadratic optimization problem specified as a minimization of a quadratic, admittedly non-convex and non-concave polynomial f(x) in n variables x considered on a certain r-parametric set K [cf. eq. (5.1)]. Assuming that f(x) is not unbounded from below on K, this problem is re-phrased as a search for the minimal parameter h=h(threshold) at which a certain r-dimensional "parametral matrix" A(h) (which is linear in h) ceases to be CP (= copositive, meaning that the mean value  $z - A - z_i$  stays nonnegative for all the non-negative r-plets z). An algorithm which finds the value of h(threshold) is then developed for the solution of the problem but, before all that is done, we are presented with the detailed survey/completion of the underlying perturbed-matrix-inversion theory (cf. the title).