# THE REFLEXIVE RE-NONNEGATIVE DEFINITE SOLUTION TO A QUATERNION MATRIX EQUATION* 

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#### Abstract

In this paper a necessary and sufficient condition is established for the existence of the reflexive re-nonnegative definite solution to the quaternion matrix equation $A X A^{*}=B$, where * stands for conjugate transpose. The expression of such solution to the matrix equation is also given. Furthermore, a necessary and sufficient condition is derived for the existence of the general re-nonnegative definite solution to the quaternion matrix equation $A_{1} X_{1} A_{1}^{*}+A_{2} X_{2} A_{2}^{*}=B$. The representation of such solution to the matrix equation is given.


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