## GEOMETRIC PROPERTIES OF DOMAINS RELATED TO $\mu$ -SYNTHESIS

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We study the geometric properties of a large family of domains, called the generalized tetrablocks, related to the  $\mu$ -synthesis, containing both the family of the symmetrized polydiscs and the family of the  $\mu_{1,n}$ quotients  $\mathbb{E}_n$ ,  $n \geq 2$ , introduced recently in [2]. It is proved that the generalized tetrablock cannot be exhausted by domains biholomorphic to convex ones. Moreover, it is shown that the Carathéodory distance and the Lempert function are not equal on a large subfamily of the generalized tetrablocks, containing i.a.  $\mathbb{E}_n$ ,  $n \geq 4$ . We also derive a number of geometric properties of the generalized tetrablocks as well as the  $\mu_{1,n}$ -quotients. As a by-product, we get that the pentablock, another domain related to the  $\mu$ -synthesis problem introduced recently in [1], cannot be exhausted by domains biholomorphic to convex ones.

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