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## Lecture 6

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# 6.1 Modal Decomposition of State-Space Models

## 6.1.1 Zero Input Response

Let's consider autonomous LTI CT and DT state-space models

$$\dot{x} = Ax$$
$$x[k+1] = Ax[k]$$

Let  $x_0 = \alpha v_i$ , where  $v_i$  is an eigenvector of A associated with eigenvalue  $\lambda_i$ , we can then find the solution for both systems

$$x(t) = e^{At}x_0 = \alpha e^{\lambda_i t} v_i$$
  
$$x[k] = A^k x_0 = \alpha \lambda_i^k v_i$$

Now let's assume that A is diagonalizable, then we now that there exist a set of n linearly independent eigenvectors  $\mathcal{V} = \{v_i, \dots, v_n\}$ . Thus, we can write any initial condition,  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , as a linear combination of eigenvectors, i.e.

$$x_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i v_i$$

if we use this (modal) decomposition we can find the solutions of DT and CT equations as

$$x(t) = e^{At}x_0 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i e^{\lambda_i t} v_i$$

$$x[k] = A^k x_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \lambda_i^k v_i$$

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where  $e^{\lambda_i t} v_i$  ( $\lambda_i^k v_i$  in DT case) is called a "mode" of the system. Now let's try to find  $\{\alpha_i, \dots, \alpha_n\}$  via diagonalization of A

$$A = V\Lambda V^{-1} = V \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & 0 \\ & & \ddots & \\ & 0 & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} V^{-1} \text{ , where }$$

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & \cdots & v_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ , where } Av_i = \lambda_i v_i$$

$$V^{-1} = \bar{V} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{v}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \bar{v}_n^T \end{bmatrix} \text{ , where } \bar{v}_i^T A = \lambda_i \bar{v}_i^T$$

$$\bar{V}V = V\bar{V} = I \text{ , } \bar{v}_i^T v_i = 1 \text{ , } \bar{v}_i^T v_j = 0 \text{ for } i \neq j$$

Now let's compute the zero-input responses for an arbitrary  $x_0$ 

$$x(t) = e^{At}x_0 = Ve^{\Lambda t}V^{-1}x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & \cdots v_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} \overline{v}_1^T x_0 \\ \vdots \\ e^{\lambda_n t} \overline{v}_n^T x_0 \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i e^{\lambda_i t} \left( \overline{v}_i^T x_0 \right) \rightarrow \alpha_i = \overline{v}_i^T x_0$$

$$x[k] = V\Lambda^k V^{-1}x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & \cdots v_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^k \overline{v}_1^T x_0 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_n^k \overline{v}_n^T x_0 \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i \lambda_i^k \left( \overline{v}_i^T x_0 \right) \rightarrow \alpha_i = \overline{v}_i^T x_0$$

Based on these results, we can see that in order to excite the  $i^{th}$  mode the system, we need  $\bar{v}_i^T x_0 \neq 0$ . If we treat initial conditions as inputs this generates a reachability/controllability argument. Let's also analyze the output response

$$y(t) = Cx(t) = Ce^{At}x_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n (Cv_i)e^{\lambda_i t} \left(\bar{v}_i^T x_0\right)$$
$$y[k] = Cx[k] = \sum_{i=1}^n (Cv_i)\lambda_i^k \left(\bar{v}_i^T x_0\right)$$

We can see that if  $Cv_i = 0$ , then we can not observe the  $i^{th}$  mode at the output  $\forall x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Thus we can conclude that in order to have a fully observable system all modes needs to be observable, i.e. i.e.  $Cv_i \neq 0 \ \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

Now let's try to find a similar solution for systems where matrix A can not be diagonalizable. For the sake of clarity let's focus on matrices that is composed of a single Jordan block

$$A = GJG^{-1} = G \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 & 0 & \cdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & \\ & & & \ddots & 1 \\ 0 & & & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} G^{-1}$$

where

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} g_1 & \cdots & g_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Ag_1 = \lambda g_1 \rightarrow (A - \lambda I)g_1 = 0$$

$$Ag_2 = \lambda g_2 + g_1 \rightarrow (A - \lambda I)g_2 = g_1 \text{ , note } (A - \lambda I)^2 g_2 = 0 \& (A - \lambda I)g_2 \neq 0$$

$$Ag_3 = \lambda g_3 + g_2 \rightarrow (A - \lambda I)g_3 = g_2 \text{ , note } (A - \lambda I)^3 g_3 = 0 \& (A - \lambda I)^2 g_3 \neq 0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$Ag_n = \lambda g_n + g_{n-1} \rightarrow (A - \lambda I)g_n = g_{n-1} \text{ , note } (A - \lambda I)^n g_n = 0 \& (A - \lambda I)^{n-1} g_n \neq 0$$

and we also know that

$$G^{-1} = \bar{G} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{g}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \bar{g}_n^T \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\bar{G}G = G\bar{G} = I , \ \bar{g}_i^T g_i = 1 , \ \bar{g}_i^T g_j = 0 \text{ for } i \neq j$$

Let  $x_0 = \alpha_1 g_1$ , i.e. the eigenvector of A, then we can find the responses as

$$x(t) = e^{At}g_1 = Ge^{Jt}G^{-1}g_1\alpha_1$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda t} & te^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^2}{2!}e^{\lambda t} & \cdots & \frac{t^{n-2}}{(n-2)!}e^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}e^{\lambda t} \\ 0 & e^{\lambda t} & te^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^2}{2!}e^{\lambda t} & \cdots & \frac{t^{n-2}}{(n-2)!}e^{\lambda t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ e^{\lambda t} & te^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^2}{2!}e^{\lambda t} \\ \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & e^{\lambda t} & te^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^2}{2!}e^{\lambda t} \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & e^{\lambda t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \alpha_1 e^{\lambda t} g_1$$

$$x[k] = GJ^k G^{-1} x_0 = \alpha_1 \lambda^k g_1$$

the format of the solution associated with  $g_1$  seems to be exactly same with diagonal case (since  $g_1$  is an eigenvector). This implies that, if we choose an initial condition inside the eigenvector space, the response stays in this space and acts like a "first-order" system. Now, let  $x_0 = \alpha_2 g_2$ , i.e. a first order generalized eigenvector of A, then we can find the responses as

$$x(t) = Ge^{Jt}G^{-1}g_{2}\alpha_{2}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} g_{1} & g_{2} & \cdots & g_{n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda t} & te^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^{2}}{2!}e^{\lambda t} & \cdots & \frac{t^{n-2}}{(n-2)!}e^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}e^{\lambda t} \\ 0 & e^{\lambda t} & te^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^{2}}{2!}e^{\lambda t} & \cdots & \frac{t^{n-2}}{(n-2)!}e^{\lambda t} \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & e^{\lambda t} & te^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^{2}}{2!}e^{\lambda t} \\ 0 & \cdots & e^{\lambda t} & te^{\lambda t} & te^{\lambda t} \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & e^{\lambda t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \alpha_{2} \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} g_{1} & g_{2} & \cdots g_{n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{2}te^{\lambda t} \\ \alpha_{2}e^{\lambda t} \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \alpha_{2} \left( te^{\lambda t}g_{1} + e^{\lambda t}g_{2} \right)$$

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$$z[k] = GJ^kG^{-1}g_2\alpha_2$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \lambda^k & \binom{k}{1}\lambda^{k-1} & \binom{k}{2}\lambda^{k-2} & \cdots & \binom{k}{n-2}\lambda^{k-n+2} & \binom{k}{n-1}\lambda^{k-n+1} \\ 0 & \lambda^k & \binom{k}{1}\lambda^{k-1} & \binom{k}{2}\lambda^{k-2} & \cdots & \binom{k}{n-2}\lambda^{k-n+2} \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \lambda^k & \binom{k}{1}\lambda^{k-1} & \binom{k}{2}\lambda^{k-2} & \vdots \\ 0 & \ddots & & \lambda^k & \binom{k}{1}\lambda^{k-1} & \binom{k}{2}\lambda^{k-2} \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda^k & \binom{k}{1}\lambda^{k-1} \\ 0 & \cdots & \lambda^k & \binom{k}{1}\lambda^{k-1} \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \lambda^k & \binom{k}{1}\lambda^{k-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} g_1 & g_2 & \cdots g_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_2k\lambda^{k-1} \\ \alpha_2\lambda^k \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \alpha_2\left(k\lambda^{k-1}g_1 + \lambda^kg_2\right)$$

$$\vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & \vdots &$$

We can observe that the response acts like a "second-order" (critically-damped) response. Moreover, the response does not stays inside the span of the generalized eigenvector, i.e.  $\mathrm{Span}\{g_2\}$ , instead it navigates inside the span of the eigenvector and  $g_2$ , i.e.  $\mathrm{Span}\{g_1, g_2\} = \mathcal{N}(A - \lambda I)^2$ . Now, let  $x_0 = \alpha_i g_i$ ,  $0 \le i \le n$ , i.e. order generalized eigenvector of order i, then we can find the responses as

$$x(t) = Ge^{Jt}G^{-1}g_2\alpha_2 = \alpha_i e^{\lambda t} \sum_{j=1}^i g_j \frac{t^{i-j}}{(i-j)!}$$
$$x[k] = GJ^kG^{-1}g_i\alpha_i = \alpha_i \sum_{j=1}^i g_j \binom{k}{i-j} \lambda^{k-i+j}$$

Similar to the second-order case, we can see that response acts like an  $i^{th}$  order dynamical system, and trajectories stays inside,  $\operatorname{Span}\{g_1, \operatorname{cdots} g_i\} = \mathcal{N}(A-\lambda I)^i$ . In this context, in order to excite all higher order modes of the system projection of the initial condition to the sub-space spanned highest order generalized eigenvector has to be non-zero. Now, let's try to find general solution for an arbitrary  $x_0$ . We can write any  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  as a linear combination of  $\mathcal{G} = \{g_1, g_2, \cdots, g_n\}$ , thus we have

$$x_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i g_i$$

$$x(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i e^{\lambda t} \sum_{j=1}^i g_j \frac{t^{i-j}}{(i-j)!}$$

$$x[k] = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \sum_{j=1}^i g_j \binom{k}{i-j} \lambda^{k-i+j}$$

where

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix} = G^{-1}x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{g}_1^T \\ \bar{g}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \bar{g}_n^T \end{bmatrix} x_0 \rightarrow \alpha_i = \bar{g}_i^T x_0$$

Based on these results, we can see that in order to excite all of the modes associated with a Jordan block of size n, we need  $\alpha_n \bar{g}_n^T x_0 \neq 0$ . If we treat initial conditions as inputs this generates a reachability/controllability argument. Thus in order for this Jordan block to be reachable/controllable, we need to excite highest order mode (generalized eigenvector).

#### **Ex 6.1** *Let*

$$\dot{x} = Ax \text{ where } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

derive the solution of x(t) using modal decomposition for an arbitrary  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^3$ 

**Solution:** We know that Jordan canonical form of matrix A has the form

$$J = \left[ \begin{array}{rrr} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

and the transformation matrices that leads to this Jordan form are

$$G = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} g_1 & g_2 & v \end{array} \right] \; , \; G = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \; , \; G^{-1} = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

where  $g_1$  and v are eigenvectors and  $g_2$  is the single generalized eigenvector associated with  $g_1$ . If we follow the derivation in this lecture note, we can first find all individual components of the responses as

$$x_{g_1}(t) = \alpha_{g_1} e^t g_1$$
  

$$x_{g_2}(t) = \alpha_{g_2} \left( t e^t g_1 + e^t g_2 \right)$$
  

$$x_v(t) = \alpha_v e^t v$$

where the combined solution and  $\alpha_*$ 's can be derived using

$$x(t) = x_{g_1}(t) + x_{g_2}(t) + x_v(t) = e^t \left( (\alpha_{g_1} + t\alpha_{g_2})g_1 + \alpha_{g_2}g_2 + \alpha_v v \right)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{g_1} \\ \alpha_{g_2} \\ \alpha_v \end{bmatrix} = G^{-1}x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x_0$$

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#### 6.1.2 Zero State Response & Modal Decomposition

Let's consider input driven LTI CT and DT state-space models where  $x_0 = 0$ 

$$x(t) = \int_{0}^{t} e^{A(t-\tau)} Bu(\tau) d\tau$$

$$y(t) = \int_{0}^{t} Ce^{A(t-\tau)} Bu(\tau) d\tau + Du(t)$$

$$x[k] = \begin{bmatrix} A^{k-1}B \mid A^{k-2}B \mid \cdots \mid AB \mid B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u[0] \\ u[1] \\ \vdots \\ u[k-2] \\ u[k-1] \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} A^{k-j-1} Bu[j]$$

$$y[k] = \begin{bmatrix} CA^{k-1}B \mid CA^{k-2}B \mid \cdots \mid CAB \mid CB \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u[0] \\ u[1] \\ \vdots \\ u[k-2] \\ u[k-1] \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} CA^{k-j-1} Bu[j]$$

Now let's assume that A is diagonalizable,

$$A = V\Lambda V^{-1} = V \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & 0 \\ & & \ddots & \\ & 0 & & \ddots \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} V^{-1} \text{ ,where }$$

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & \cdots & v_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ , where } Av_i = \lambda_i v_i$$

$$V^{-1} = \bar{V} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{v}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \bar{v}_n^T \end{bmatrix} \text{ , where } \bar{v}_i^T A = \lambda_i \bar{v}_i^T$$

$$\bar{V}V = V\bar{V} = I \text{ , } \bar{v}_i^T v_i = 1 \text{ , } \bar{v}_i^T v_j = 0 \text{ for } i \neq j$$

and derive the zero-state responses in modal coordinates (for CT systems first)

$$x(t) = \int_{0}^{t} e^{A(t-\tau)} Bu(\tau) d\tau = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & \cdots v_n \end{bmatrix} \int_{0}^{t} \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1(t-\tau)} \bar{v}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ e^{\lambda_n(t-\tau)} \bar{v}_n^T \end{bmatrix} Bu(\tau) d\tau$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & \cdots v_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \int_{0}^{t} e^{\lambda_1(t-\tau)} \bar{v}_1^T Bu(\tau) d\tau \\ \vdots \\ \int_{0}^{t} e^{\lambda_n(t-\tau)} \bar{v}_n^T Bu(\tau) d\tau \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} v_i \int_{0}^{t} e^{\lambda_i(t-\tau)} \beta_i u(\tau) d\tau \text{ where } \beta_i = \bar{v}_i^T B$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} v_i \beta_i \int_{0}^{t} e^{\lambda_i(t-\tau)} u(\tau) d\tau$$

$$y(t) = Cx(t) + Du(t) = \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{n} Cv_i \beta_i \int_{0}^{t} e^{\lambda_i(t-\tau)} u(\tau) d\tau \right] + Du(t)$$

$$= \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \gamma_i \beta_i \int_{0}^{t} e^{\lambda_i(t-\tau)} u(\tau) d\tau \right] + Du(t) \text{ where } \gamma_i = Cv_i$$

We can see that in order to observe & excite a mode associated with  $\lambda_i$ , we need  $\gamma_i = Cv_i \neq 0$  and  $\beta_i = \bar{v}_i^T B \neq 0$  (only necessary conditions).

**Ex 6.2** Derive x[k] and y[k] using modal decomposition following the derivation details explained for CT systems. (Take-home example)

Now let's try to find a similar solution for systems where matrix A can not be diagonalizable. For the sake of clarity let's focus on  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4}$  matrices that is composed of a single Jordan block

$$A = GJG^{-1} = G \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} G^{-1}$$

where

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} g_1 & \cdots & g_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Ag_1 = \lambda g_1 \rightarrow (A - \lambda I)g_1 = 0$$

$$Ag_2 = \lambda g_2 + g_1 \rightarrow (A - \lambda I)g_2 = g_1 \text{, note } (A - \lambda I)^2 g_2 = 0 \& (A - \lambda I)g_2 \neq 0$$

$$Ag_3 = \lambda g_3 + g_2 \rightarrow (A - \lambda I)g_3 = g_2 \text{, note } (A - \lambda I)^3 g_3 = 0 \& (A - \lambda I)^2 g_3 \neq 0$$

$$Ag_4 = \lambda g_4 + g_3 \rightarrow (A - \lambda I)g_4 = g_3 \text{, note } (A - \lambda I)^4 g_4 = 0 \& (A - \lambda I)^3 g_4 \neq 0$$

and we also know that

$$G^{-1} = \bar{G} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{g}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \bar{g}_n^T \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\bar{G}G = G\bar{G} = I , \ \bar{g}_i^T g_i = 1 , \ \bar{g}_i^T g_j = 0 \text{ for } i \neq j$$

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$$\begin{split} x(t) &= \int\limits_0^t e^{A(t-\tau)} Bu(\tau) d\tau \\ &= \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} g_1 & \cdots g_n \end{array} \right] \int\limits_0^t \left[ \begin{array}{c} e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} & (t-\tau)e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} & \frac{(t-\tau)^2}{2!} e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} & \frac{(t-\tau)^3}{3!} e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} \\ 0 & e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} & (t-\tau)e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} & \frac{(t-\tau)^2}{2!} e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} \\ 0 & 0 & e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} & (t-\tau)e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{c} \bar{g}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \bar{g}_4^T \end{array} \right] Bu(\tau) d\tau \\ &= \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} g_1 & \cdots g_n \end{array} \right] \int\limits_0^t e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 & (t-\tau) & \frac{(t-\tau)^2}{2!} & \frac{(t-\tau)^3}{2!} \\ 0 & 1 & (t-\tau) & \frac{(t-\tau)^3}{2!} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & (t-\tau) \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{c} \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_4 \end{array} \right] u(\tau) d\tau \;, \; \beta_i = \bar{g}_i^T B \\ &= \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} g_1 & \cdots g_n \end{array} \right] \int\limits_0^t \left[ \begin{array}{c} \beta_1 + \beta_2(t-\tau) + \beta_3 \frac{(t-\tau)^2}{2!} + \beta_4 \frac{(t-\tau)^3}{3!} \\ \beta_2 + \beta_3(t-\tau) + \beta_4 \frac{(t-\tau)^2}{2!} \end{array} \right] e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} u(\tau) d\tau \\ &= \int\limits_0^t g_1 \left( \beta_1 + \beta_2(t-\tau) + \beta_3 \frac{(t-\tau)^2}{2!} + \beta_4 \frac{(t-\tau)^3}{3!} \right) e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} u(\tau) d\tau \\ &+ \int\limits_0^t g_2 \left( \beta_2 + \beta_3(t-\tau) + \beta_4 \frac{(t-\tau)^2}{2!} \right) e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} u(\tau) d\tau \\ &+ \int\limits_0^t g_3 \left( \beta_3 + \beta_4(t-\tau) \right) e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} u(\tau) d\tau \\ &+ \int\limits_0^t g_4 \left( \beta_4 \right) e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} u(\tau) d\tau \end{array} \\ &+ \int\limits_0^t g_4 \left( \beta_4 \right) e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} u(\tau) d\tau \end{aligned}$$

whereas the output equation takes the form

$$\begin{split} y(t) = & Cx(t) + Du(t) \\ = & \int_{0}^{t} (Cg_{1}) \left( \beta_{1} + \beta_{2}(t-\tau) + \beta_{3} \frac{(t-\tau)^{2}}{2!} + \beta_{4} \frac{(t-\tau)^{3}}{3!} \right) e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} u(\tau) d\tau \\ & + \int_{0}^{t} (Cg_{2}) \left( \beta_{2} + \beta_{3}(t-\tau) + \beta_{4} \frac{(t-\tau)^{2}}{2!} \right) e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} u(\tau) d\tau \\ & + \int_{0}^{t} (Cg_{3}) \left( \beta_{3} + \beta_{4}(t-\tau) \right) e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} u(\tau) d\tau \\ & + \int_{0}^{t} (Cg_{4}) \left( \beta_{4} \right) e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} u(\tau) d\tau \\ & + Du(t) \end{split}$$

We can see that in order to observe & excite all of the modes associated with  $\lambda$ , we need  $\gamma_1 = Cg_1 \neq 0$  and  $\beta_4 = \bar{g}_4^T B \neq 0$ .

**Ex 6.3** Derive x[k] and y[k] using modal decomposition for a  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4}$  matrice that is composed of a single Jordan block following the derivation details explained for CT systems. (Take-home example)