# Homework 1

## **Problem 1-3a: Similarity Transforms:**

**Question:** Two square-matrices A and C are called similar if there exists an invertible square matrix P such that.

$$C = P^{-1}AP$$

The transformation  $P^{-1}AP$  is also called similarity or conjugation of A. We will encounter this form of equation when we do transformation of variables in a linear system.

- 1. Show that A and C have same eigen values.
- 2. Do A and C have the same eigen vectors?
- 3. Consider the dynamic system given by  $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}$ . Apply a transformation  $\mathbf{P}$  such that the transformed variable  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P}\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ .
- 4. What will happen in the special case where **P** is the vector of eigen values? What can you say about the stability and controlability of the tranformed system by looking at the new dynamics equations?
- 5. Consider the system given below, and transform it such that **P** is the vector of eigen values. Confirm your predictions from part 4.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & .5 \\ -2 & -3 & 4 \\ 1 & 8 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

#### **Problem 4**

1) Given

$$C = P^{-1}AP$$

$$\Rightarrow PCP^{-1} = A$$

Since

$$Av = \lambda v$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 PCP<sup>-1</sup> $\nu$  =  $\lambda \nu$ 

Therefore

$$\Rightarrow$$
 CP<sup>-1</sup> $\nu = \lambda P^{-1}\nu$ 

by letting  $P^{-1}v = \mu$  we have

$$C\mu = \lambda\mu$$

Proving that eigenvalues of A are also eigen values of C

- 2) A and C do not have the same eigenvectors since v is not necessarily equal to  $P^{-1}v$
- 3) With  $x = P\hat{x}$ , we apply our transformation and have

$$P^{-1}\dot{x} = P^{-1}AP\hat{x} + P^{-1}B$$

4) In the special case where P is the vecctor of eigen values then **A** will transform into the matrix of eigenvalues along the diagnal since

$$AP = P\Lambda$$

$$\rightarrow P^{-1}AP = \Lambda$$

5)

$$B = 3x1 double$$

0 1 1

$$[V, D] = eig(A)$$

 $V = 3x3 \ double$   $-0.0600 \ 0.9274 \ 0.1509$ 

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\begin{array}{ccccc} 0.7321 & -0.1970 & 0.3884 \\ -0.6785 & 0.3179 & 0.9090 \\ D = 3x3 \ double & & & & & & & & \\ & -6.5432 & 0 & 0 & & & & \\ & 0 & -0.0411 & 0 & & & & & \\ & 0 & 0 & 5.5843 & & & & & \end{array}
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## inv(V)\*A\*V

## inv(V)\*B

ans = 3x1 double 0.4889 -0.2193 1.5417

Since one of the eigenvalues of **A** has a positive real part, we know that this system is unstable, as **A** will eventually drive the output to infinity along the third eigenvector.