

Problem 1

Solve for the eigenvectors of A,

$$|\lambda I - A| = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \lambda - 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & \lambda - 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & \lambda + 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad (1)$$

We have $\lambda_1 = -1, \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = \lambda_4 = 1$. For the first eigenvalue, solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} v_1 = \mathbf{0} \quad (2)$$

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

For the second eigenvalue (with algebraic multiplicity 3), solve for the generalized eigenvectors

$$|A - \lambda I|^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

$$|A - \lambda I|^3 v = 0 \quad (5)$$

The solutions are

$$v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

For the columns of a fundamental matrix,

$$y_i(t) = e^t \left\{ v_i + t(A - I)v_i + \frac{t^2}{2}(A - I)^2 v_i \right\} \quad (7)$$

Note that

$$|A - I| v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad |A - I| v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -4 \\ -8 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad |A - I| v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 8 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

and

$$|A - I|^2 v_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (i = 2, 3, 4) \quad (9)$$

Summing up, the fundamental matrix of A is

$$\Phi(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & (4 - 4t)e^t & 4te^t & 0 \\ 0 & -4te^t & (4 + 4t)e^t & 0 \\ e^t & -8te^t & 8te^t & 0 \\ 0 & (1 - 2t)e^t & (1 - 2t)e^t & e^{-t} \end{bmatrix} \quad (10)$$

Problem 2

Recall the proof for the lemma, we apply Jordan Decomposition $A = TJT^{-1}$

$$|e^{tA}| \leq |T| |T^{-1}| |diag \{e^{tJ_1}, e^{tJ_2}, \dots, e^{tJ_s}\}| = |diag \{e^{tJ_1}, e^{tJ_2}, \dots, e^{tJ_s}\}| \quad (11)$$

Within a Jordan block,

$$e^{tJ_i} = e^{\lambda[J_i]t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t & \frac{t^2}{2} & \dots & \frac{t^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} \\ 0 & 1 & t & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & & t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (12)$$

Generally, the norm of $|e^{tJ_i}| = p_i(t)e^{Re\lambda[J_i]t}$, where $p_i(t)$ is a polynomial, is larger than $e^{Re\lambda[J_i]t}$. The key for the proof is that when t approaches infinity, the polynomial is bounded by any exponential functions $e^{\delta t}$. Rigorously speaking, $\forall \delta > 0, \exists N > 0$ s.t. if $t > N$, $p_i(t) < e^{\delta t}$. However, the inequality, won't hold if $\delta = 0$. A typical counter example will be:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad |e^{tA}| = e^t(2 + t) \quad (13)$$

The maximum of eigenvalue is $\rho = 1$, when $k \rightarrow \infty$, however, we cannot find such k that $|e^{tA}| \leq ke^t$

Problem 3

By the same procedure as Problem 2, we apply Jordan Decomposition $A = TJT^{-1}$

$$|e^{tA}| \leq |T| |T^{-1}| |diag \{e^{tJ_1}, e^{tJ_2}, \dots, e^{tJ_s}\}| = |diag \{e^{tJ_1}, e^{tJ_2}, \dots, e^{tJ_s}\}| \quad (14)$$

Within a Jordan block,

$$e^{tJ_i} = e^{\lambda[J_i]t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t & \frac{t^2}{2} & \cdots & \frac{t^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} \\ 0 & 1 & t & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & & t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (15)$$

For those with real-part-zero (non-complex) eigenvalues, $|e^{tJ_i}| = n_i$, where λ_i has multiplicity n_i . Assume the all such n_i adds up to N .

For those negative-real-part eigenvalues, apply the theory in the lemma, and choose $\rho \in (\max\{\operatorname{Re}\lambda_i \setminus \{0\}\}, 0)$, we have $|\sum e^{tJ_i}| \leq 0$, when $t \rightarrow \infty$.

The sum of them ($|e^{tA}|$) is bounded by N , hence every solution of $y' = Ay$ is bounded on $(0, +\infty)$

Problem 4

If $\exists M > 0, T > 0, a \in \mathbb{R}$, s.t. $|g(t)| \leq Me^{at}, \forall t \geq T$

By the variation of constant formula,

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(t) &= e^{tA}y_0 + \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A}g(s)ds \\ &= e^{tA}y_0 + \int_0^T e^{(t-s)A}g(s)ds + \int_T^t e^{(t-s)A}g(s)ds \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi(t)| &\leq |e^{tA}| |y_0| + \int_0^T |e^{(t-s)A}| |g(s)| ds + \int_T^t |e^{(t-s)A}| |g(s)| ds \\ &\leq ke^{\rho t} |y_0| + \int_0^T ke^{\rho(t-s)} N ds + \int_T^t ke^{\rho(t-s)} Me^{as} ds \\ &= ke^{\rho t} |y_0| + Nke^{\rho t} \frac{1}{\rho} (1 - e^{-\rho T}) + Mke^{\rho t} \frac{1}{a - \rho} [e^{(a-\rho)t} - e^{(a-\rho)T}] \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

where N is the upper bound for $|g(t)|$, $t \in [0, T]$

We also have

$$\phi'(t) = A\phi(t) + g(t) \quad (18)$$

So the explicit estimate for $\phi'(t)$ is

$$|\phi'(t)| \leq |A| ke^{\rho t} |y_0| + |A| Nke^{\rho t} \frac{1}{\rho} (1 - e^{-\rho T}) + |A| Mke^{\rho t} \frac{1}{a - \rho} [e^{(a-\rho)t} - e^{(a-\rho)T}] + |g(t)| \quad (19)$$

which can be simplified as

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi'(t)| &\leq |A| C_1 e^{at} + |A| C_2 e^{\rho t} + Me^{at} \quad t \geq T \\ &\leq Ke^{\max(a, \rho)t} \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Rmk: If $a < 0$ and $\operatorname{Re}\lambda_i < 0$, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \phi'(t) = 0$

Problem 5

Consider the partition of matrix, for the upper-left submatrix,

$$\det|\lambda I - A_1| = 0 \iff \lambda_1 = -1, \lambda_2 = -\pi \quad (21)$$

The solutions of the eigenvectors are

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 - \pi \end{bmatrix} \quad (22)$$

For the bottom-right submatrix,

$$\det|\lambda I - A_1| = 0 \iff \lambda_1 = -2 + \sqrt{7}i, \lambda_2 = -2 - \sqrt{7}i \quad (23)$$

The solutions of the eigenvectors are

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \sqrt{7}i \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \sqrt{7}i \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (24)$$

The fundamental matrix for A is

$$\phi(t) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t} & e^{-\pi t} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-\pi t}(1 - \pi) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & (1 - \sqrt{7}i)e^{(-2+\sqrt{7}i)t} & (1 + \sqrt{7}i)e^{(-2-\sqrt{7}i)t} \\ 0 & 0 & -4e^{(-2+\sqrt{7}i)t} & -4e^{(-2-\sqrt{7}i)t} \end{bmatrix} \quad (25)$$

Note that $e^{it} = \cos(t) + i\sin(t)$, hence $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{it} = 1$, and all real parts of the exponential parts are negative.

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \phi(t) = \mathbf{0} \quad (26)$$

If $g(t) = e^{-t}$, using the theorem in class, we can show that $g(t)$ grows no faster than an exponential function. (i.e. Take $M = 1, T \in \mathbb{R}^+, a = -1, |g(t)| \leq Me^{at}, \forall t \geq T$)

$a < 0, \rho < 0$, so the norm of the solution is bounded by $Ke^{max(a, \rho)t}$. When $t \rightarrow \infty$, $Ke^{max(a, \rho)t} \rightarrow 0$. Hence the following equation still holds.

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \phi(t) = \mathbf{0} \quad (27)$$