# Primer to Complex Linear Algebra

# Complex Conjugates and Adjoints

The complex conjugate of a complex number  $z = a + bj = re^{j\theta}$  is defined as

$$z^* = z^H = a - bj = re^{-j\theta}$$

Let  $\vec{z} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ .

$$\vec{z} = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 & z_2 & \dots & z_n \end{bmatrix}^T$$

The conjugate transpose (or adjoint, or Hermitian transpose) of  $\vec{z}$  is defined as

$$\vec{z}^* = \vec{z}^H = \begin{bmatrix} z_1^* & z_2^* & \dots & z_n^* \end{bmatrix}$$

### Inner Product Properties

An inner product on a complex vector space  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is a function such that the following all hold for  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ 

$$\begin{split} \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle &= \langle \vec{v}, \vec{u} \rangle^* \\ \langle \vec{u} + \vec{v}, \vec{w} \rangle &= \langle \vec{u}, \vec{w} \rangle + \langle \vec{v}, \vec{w} \rangle \\ \langle \alpha \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle &= \alpha \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle \\ \langle \vec{u}, \vec{u} \rangle &\geq 0 \\ \langle \vec{u}, \vec{u} \rangle &= 0 \implies \vec{u} = \vec{0} \end{split}$$

### Questions

#### 1. Controls

Consider the following system:

$$\frac{dx_1(t)}{dt} = -x_1(t)^2 + x_2(t)u(t)$$
$$\frac{dx_2(t)}{dt} = 2x_1(t) - 2x_2(t)u(t)$$

- (a) Choose states and write a state space model for the system in the form  $\frac{d\vec{x}(t)}{dt} = f(\vec{x}(t), u(t))$ .
- (b) Find the equilibrium  $\vec{x}^*$  and input  $u^*$  when  $x_2^* = 1$  and  $u^* = 1$ .
- (c) Linearize the system around the equilibrium state and input from the previous part. Your answer should be in the form  $\frac{d\vec{x}(t)}{dt} = A\vec{x}(t) + B\tilde{u}(t)$ .
- (d) Is this system controllable? Is it stable?
- (e) Find a state feedback controller K to place both system eigenvalues at  $\lambda = -1$ , where  $\tilde{u}(t) = K\vec{\tilde{x}}(t)$ .

## Extra Practice

#### 1. Feedback Design

Consider the following system:

$$\vec{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{f}(\vec{x}, u) = \begin{bmatrix} f_1(t) \\ f_2(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dx_1(t)}{dt} = f_1(\vec{x}, u) = x_1(t)^2 x_2(t) - 4x_2(t) + u(t)x_2(t)$$

$$\frac{dx_2(t)}{dt} = f_2(\vec{x}, u) = 2x_2(t) - 3x_1(t) - x_1(t)u(t)$$

- (a) Find the equilibrium points of  $\vec{x}$  when u(t) = 0.
- (b) Linearize the system around  $\vec{x}^* = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^T$ , and  $u^*(t) = 0$ .
- (c) Is the linearized system stable?
- (d) Is the linearized system controllable?
- (e) Using state feedback with  $\tilde{u} = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \vec{\tilde{x}}$ , find  $k_1$  and  $k_2$  to make the system stable with  $\lambda = -1, -9$ .