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Analysis in time of linear stationary systems in state-space representation

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Representation and analysis

Consider a linear and stationary system of order n

- Let p be the number of outputs
- Let r be the number of inputs

The **state-space** representation of the system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t) \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

- $\mathbf{x}(t)$ is the **state vector** (n components)
- $\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t)$ is the derivative of the state vector (n components)
- $\mathbf{u}(t)$ is the **input vector** (r components)
- $\mathbf{y}(t)$ is the **output vector** (p components)

\mathbf{A} ($n \times n$), \mathbf{B} ($n \times r$), \mathbf{C} ($p \times n$) and \mathbf{D} ($p \times r$) are matrices

- The elements are not function of time

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The analysis problem

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Determine the behaviour of state $\mathbf{x}(t)$ and output $\mathbf{y}(t)$ for $t \geq t_0$

- We are given the input function $\mathbf{u}(t)$, for $t \geq t_0$
- We are given the initial state $\mathbf{x}(t_0)$

The solution

- The **Lagrange formula**
- We discuss it at length

We first introduce the state transition matrix

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The state transition matrix

Consider some square matrix \mathbf{A}

Its exponential $e^{\mathbf{A}}$ is a matrix

$$\rightsquigarrow e^{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^2}{2!} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^3}{3!} + \cdots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}^k}{k!}$$

The **state transition matrix** $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$ is a matrix exponential

\rightsquigarrow Its elements are functions of time

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The state transition matrix (cont.)

The exponential function

Let z be some scalar, by definition its exponential is a scalar

$$e^z = 1 + z + \frac{z^2}{2!} + \frac{z^3}{3!} + \cdots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{k!}$$

The series always converges

The matrix exponential

Let \mathbf{A} be a $(n \times n)$ matrix, by definition its exponential is a $(n \times n)$ matrix

$$e^{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^2}{2!} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^3}{3!} + \cdots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}^k}{k!}$$

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The scalar-matrix product

Let $s \in \mathcal{R}$ and let $\mathbf{A} = \{a_{i,j}\}$ be a $(m \times n)$ matrix

$$\mathbf{B} = s\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} s \cdot a_{1,1} & \cdots & s \cdot a_{1,j} & \cdots & s \cdot a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ s \cdot a_{i,1} & \cdots & s \cdot a_{i,j} & \cdots & s \cdot a_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ s \cdot a_{m,1} & \cdots & s \cdot a_{m,j} & \cdots & s \cdot a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

The product of \mathbf{A} and s is defined as the $(m \times n)$ matrix $\mathbf{B} = \{b_{i,j}\}$

$$\mathbf{B} = \{b_{i,j} = s \cdot a_{i,j}\}$$

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$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{1,1} & \cdots & c_{1,j} & \cdots & c_{1,p} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{i,1} & \cdots & c_{i,j} & \cdots & c_{i,p} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{m,1} & \cdots & c_{m,j} & \cdots & c_{m,p} \end{bmatrix}$$

Element $c_{i,j}$ of matrix \mathbf{C} is given by the dot product between \mathbf{a}'_i and \mathbf{b}_j

$$c_{i,j} = \mathbf{a}'_i \mathbf{b}_j = \begin{bmatrix} a_{i,1} & a_{i,2} & \cdots & a_{i,k} & \cdots & a_{i,n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,j} \\ b_{2,j} \\ \vdots \\ b_{k,j} \\ \vdots \\ b_{n,j} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= a_{i,1} b_{1,j} + a_{i,2} b_{2,j} + \cdots + a_{i,n} b_{n,j} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{i,k} b_{k,j}$$

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The matrix product

Let $\mathbf{A} = \{a_{i,j}\}$ be a $(m \times n)$ matrix and let $\mathbf{B} = \{b_{i,j}\}$ be a $(n \times p)$ matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{1,k} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{i,1} & \cdots & a_{i,k} & \cdots & a_{i,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & \cdots & a_{m,k} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,1} & \cdots & b_{1,j} & \cdots & b_{1,p} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{k,1} & \cdots & b_{k,j} & \cdots & b_{k,p} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{n,1} & \cdots & b_{n,j} & \cdots & b_{n,p} \end{bmatrix}$$

The product between \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} is defined as a $(m \times p)$ matrix $\mathbf{C} = \{c_{i,j}\}$

$$\mathbf{C} = \{c_{i,j} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{i,k} b_{k,j}\}$$

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For every $(m \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A} , we have

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{I}_m}_{(m \times m)} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}}_{(m \times n)} = \underbrace{\mathbf{A}}_{(m \times n)} \underbrace{\mathbf{I}_n}_{(n \times n)} = \underbrace{\mathbf{A}}_{(m \times n)}$$

Right- and left-multiplication of matrix \mathbf{A} by an identity matrix (\mathbf{I}_n or \mathbf{I}_m)

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Matrix product is not necessarily commutative, $\mathbf{AB} \neq \mathbf{BA}$

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{A}}_{(m \times n)} \underbrace{\mathbf{B}}_{(n \times p)} = \underbrace{\mathbf{C}}_{(m \times p)}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & \cdots & a_{1,k} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{i,1} & \cdots & a_{i,k} & \cdots & a_{i,n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & \cdots & a_{m,k} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,1} & \cdots & b_{1,j} & \cdots & b_{1,p} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ b_{k,1} & \cdots & b_{k,j} & \cdots & b_{k,p} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ b_{n,1} & \cdots & b_{n,j} & \cdots & b_{n,p} \end{bmatrix}$$

The product \mathbf{BA} is not even defined

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For $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BA}$, \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} must be both square and of the same order

- (necessary condition)

A $(n \times n)$ diagonal matrix \mathbf{D} commutes with any $(n \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{DA} = \mathbf{AD}$$

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The product of several matrices

The product of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} is only possible when the matrixes are compatible

- Number of columns of \mathbf{A} must equal the number of rows of \mathbf{B}

The same applies to the product of several matrixes

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{M}}_{(m \times n)} = \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_1}_{(n \times m_1)} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_2}_{(m_1 \times m_2)} \cdots \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_{k-1}}_{(m_{k-2} \times m_{k-1})} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_k}_{(m_{k-1} \times n)}$$

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Powers of a matrix

Let \mathbf{A} be an order- n square matrix

The k -th power of matrix \mathbf{A} is defined as the n -order matrix \mathbf{A}^k

$$\mathbf{A}^k = \underbrace{\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A} \cdots \mathbf{A}}_{k \text{ times}}$$

Special cases,

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A}^{k=0} = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A}^{k=1} = \mathbf{A}$$

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The *state transition matrix* is the $(n \times n)$ matrix $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}^k t^k}{k!} \quad (2)$$

The state transition matrix is well defined for any square matrix \mathbf{A}

- (The series always converges)

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Not convenient to determine the state transition matrix from its definition

- ↪ There are more efficient procedures for the task
- ↪ One exception, when \mathbf{A} is (block-)diagonal

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The matrix exponential of block-diagonal matrixes

Consider any block-diagonal matrix \mathbf{A} , we have

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_1 & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{A}_q \end{bmatrix} \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad e^{\mathbf{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\mathbf{A}_1} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & e^{\mathbf{A}_2} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & e^{\mathbf{A}_q} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Proof

For all $k \in \mathcal{N}$, we have

$$\mathbf{A}^k = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_1^k & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{A}_2^k & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \mathbf{A}_q^k \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}^k t^k}{k!} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}_1^k t^k}{k!} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}_2^k t^k}{k!} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}_q^k t^k}{k!} \end{bmatrix}$$

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The matrix exponential of diagonal matrixes

For any diagonal ($n \times n$) matrix \mathbf{A} , we have

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\lambda_2 t} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & e^{\lambda_n t} \end{bmatrix}$$

The result is a special case of the previous proposition

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Proposition

Consider the state-space model with ($n \times n$) diagonal matrix \mathbf{A}

We have,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\lambda_2 t} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & e^{\lambda_n t} \end{bmatrix}$$

Proof

We have,

$$\mathbf{A}t = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 t & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 t & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n t \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\lambda_2 t} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & e^{\lambda_n t} \end{bmatrix}$$

This matrix is diagonal, we used the result from the previous proposition

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Example

Consider the state-space model with (2×2) diagonal matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

We are interested in the corresponding state transition matrix

We have,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{(-1)t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{(-2)t} \end{bmatrix}$$

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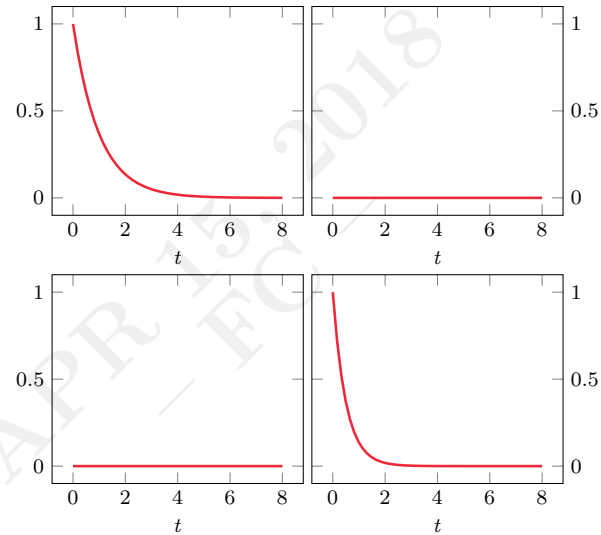
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Properties

We present some fundamental results about the state transition matrix e^{At}

↪ They are needed to derive Lagrange formula

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Proposition

Derivative of the state transition matrix

Consider the state transition matrix e^{At}

We have,

$$\frac{d}{dt}e^{At} = Ae^{At} = e^{At}A$$

Proof

To prove the first equality, we differentiate $e^{At} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^k t^k}{k!}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}e^{At} &= \frac{d}{dt} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^k t^k}{k!} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{d}{dt} \frac{A^k t^k}{k!} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{A^k k t^{k-1}}{k!} \\ &\rightsquigarrow = A \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{A^{k-1} t^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} = A \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^k t^k}{k!} = Ae^{At} \end{aligned}$$

The second equality is obtained by collecting A on the right

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Properties (cont.)

By using the derivative property, we have that \mathbf{A} commutes with $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$

\leadsto That is, $\mathbf{A}e^{\mathbf{A}t} = e^{\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{A}$

\mathbf{A} and $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$ commute (this result is important)

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Proof

We expand both exponentials in their corresponding series and multiply

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t}e^{\mathbf{A}\tau} = \left(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A}t + \frac{\mathbf{A}^2 t^2}{2!} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^3 t^3}{3!} + \dots \right) \left(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A}\tau + \frac{\mathbf{A}^2 \tau^2}{2!} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^3 \tau^3}{3!} + \dots \right)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I} & + & \mathbf{A}\tau & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^2 \tau^2}{2!} & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^3 \tau^3}{3!} & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^4 \tau^4}{4!} & \dots \\ & + & \mathbf{A}t & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^2 t\tau}{2!} & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^3 t\tau^2}{3!} & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^4 t\tau^3}{4!} & \dots \\ & & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^2 t^2}{2!} & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^3 t^2\tau}{3!} & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^4 t^2\tau^2}{4!} & \dots \\ & & & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^3 t^3}{3!} & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^4 t^3\tau}{4!} & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^5 t^4}{5!} & \dots \\ & & & & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^4 t^4}{4!} & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^5 t^4\tau}{5!} & \dots \\ & & & & & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^5 t^5}{5!} & + & \frac{\mathbf{A}^6 t^5\tau}{6!} & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A}(t + \tau) + \frac{\mathbf{A}^2}{2!}(t^2 + 2t\tau + \tau^2) + \frac{\mathbf{A}^3}{3!}(t^3 + 3t^2\tau + 3t\tau^2 + \tau^3) + \frac{\mathbf{A}^4}{4!}(t^4 + 4t^3\tau + 6t^2\tau^2 + 4t\tau^3 + \tau^4) + \dots$$

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Proposition

Composition of two state transition matrices

Consider the two state transition matrices $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$ and $e^{\mathbf{A}\tau}$

We have,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t}e^{\mathbf{A}\tau} = e^{\mathbf{A}(t+\tau)}$$

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$$e^{\mathbf{A}t}e^{\mathbf{A}\tau} = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A}(t + \tau) + \frac{\mathbf{A}^2(t + \tau)^2}{2!} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^3(t + \tau)^3}{3!} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^4(t + \tau)^4}{4!} + \dots$$

$$\leadsto = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}^k(t + \tau)^k}{k!} = e^{\mathbf{A}(t + \tau)}$$

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The previous result is not trivial

In the scalar case, we always have $e^{at}e^{a\tau} = e^{a(t+\tau)}$ or $e^{at}e^{bt} = e^{(a+b)t}$

In the matrix case, it is not necessarily true that $e^{At}e^{Bt} = e^{(A+B)t}$

↪ Equality holds if and only if $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BA}$

↪ (If the matrices commute)

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Properties (cont.)

A state transition matrix e^{At} is always invertible (non-singular)

- Even if \mathbf{A} were singular

The result follows from the previous proposition

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Proposition

Inverse of the state transition matrix

Let e^{At} be a state transition matrix

Its inverse $(e^{At})^{-1}$ is matrix e^{-At}

$$e^{At}e^{-At} = e^{-At}e^{At} = \mathbf{I}$$

Proof

Based on the previous proposition, we have

$$e^{At}e^{-At} = e^{A(t-t)} = e^{A \cdot 0} = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A} \cdot 0 + \frac{\mathbf{A}^2 \cdot 0^2}{2!} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^3 \cdot 0^3}{3!} + \dots = \mathbf{I}$$

Properties (cont.)

Matrix inverse

Consider a square matrix \mathbf{A} of order n

We define the **inverse** of \mathbf{A} the square matrix of order n , \mathbf{A}^{-1}

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$$

The inverse of matrix \mathbf{A} exists if and only if \mathbf{A} is non-singular

- When the inverse exists it is unique

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Matrix minors

Consider a square matrix \mathbf{A} of order $n \geq 2$

The **minor** (i, j) of matrix \mathbf{A} is a square matrix $\mathbf{A}_{i,j}$ of order $(n-1)$

$$\mathbf{A}_{i,j} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & \cancel{a_{1,j}} & \cdots & a_{1,p} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & \cancel{a_{2,j}} & \cdots & a_{2,p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \cancel{a_{i,1}} & \cancel{a_{i,2}} & \cdots & \cancel{a_{i,j}} & \cdots & \cancel{a_{i,p}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \cdots & \cancel{a_{m,j}} & \cdots & a_{m,p} \end{bmatrix}$$

It is obtained from \mathbf{A} by deleting the i -th row and the j -th column

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Matrix determinant

Consider a square matrix \mathbf{A} of order n

The determinant of \mathbf{A} is a real number

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = |\mathbf{A}|$$

- For $n = 1$, let $\mathbf{A} = [a_{1,1}]$, we have

$$\leadsto \det(\mathbf{A}) = a_{1,1}$$

- For $n \geq 2$, we have

$$\leadsto \det(\mathbf{A}) = a_{1,1} \hat{a}_{1,1} + a_{2,1} \hat{a}_{2,1} + \cdots + a_{n,1} \hat{a}_{n,1} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{i,1} \hat{a}_{i,1}$$

$\hat{a}_{i,j}$ denotes the **cofactor** of element (i, j) , it is a scalar

- It is equal to the determinant of minor $\mathbf{A}_{i,j}$ multiplied by $(-1)^{i+j}$

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Sylvester expansion

We determine the analytical expression of the state transition matrix $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$

- (without necessarily calculating the infinite expansion)

The procedure is known as **Sylvester expansion**

- There are also other procedures
- (We discuss them later on)

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Proposition

The Sylvester expansion

Let \mathbf{A} be a $(n \times n)$ matrix

The corresponding state transition matrix is $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$

We have,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \beta_i(t) \mathbf{A}^i = \beta_0(t) \mathbf{I} + \beta_1(t) \mathbf{A} + \beta_2(t) \mathbf{A}^2 + \cdots + \beta_{n-1}(t) \mathbf{A}^{n-1} \quad (3)$$

The coefficients of the expansion β_i are appropriate functions of time

~> They can be determined by solving a set of linear equations



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We discuss how to determine the coefficients of the expansion

We individually consider several cases

- ~> Eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} have multiplicity one
- ~> Eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} have multiplicity larger than one
- ~> Matrix \mathbf{A} has complex eigenvalues (with multiplicity one)

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Eigenvalues and eigenvectors

Let $\lambda \in \mathcal{R}$ be some scalar and let $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$ be a $(n \times 1)$ column vector

Consider a square matrix \mathbf{A} of order n

Suppose that the identity holds

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$$

The scalar λ is called an **eigenvalue** of \mathbf{A}

The vector \mathbf{v} is called the associated **eigenvector**

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Consider a square matrix \mathbf{A} of order n whose elements are real numbers

Matrix \mathbf{A} has n (not necessarily distinct) eigenvectors $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$

- They can be real numbers or conjugate-complex pairs

If $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$ for $i \neq j$, we say that matrix \mathbf{A} has multiplicity one

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Eigenvalues of triangular and diagonal matrices

Let matrix $\mathbf{A} = \{a_{i,j}\}$ be triangular or diagonal

The eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are the n diagonal elements $\{a_{i,i}\}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

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Proof

An eigenvalue λ and an eigenvector \mathbf{v} must satisfy

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$$

$(\lambda\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ follows from this identity

The non-trivial solution $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$ is admissible iff matrix $(\lambda\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})$ is singular

$$\rightsquigarrow \det(\lambda\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = 0$$

Thus, λ is root to the characteristic polynomial of matrix \mathbf{A}



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Characteristic polynomial

The **characteristic polynomial** of a square matrix \mathbf{A} of order n

- The n -order polynomial in the variable s

$$P(s) = \det(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})$$

Computing eigenvalues and eigenvectors

The eigenvalues of matrix \mathbf{A} of order n solve its characteristic polynomial

$$\rightsquigarrow \text{The roots of the equation } P(s) = \det(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = 0$$

Let λ be an eigenvalue of matrix \mathbf{A}

Each eigenvector \mathbf{v} associated to it is a non-trivial solution to the system

$$(\lambda\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$$

$\mathbf{0}$ is a $(n \times 1)$ column-vector whose elements are all zero

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Systems of linear equations

Consider a system of n linear equations in n unknowns

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A}$ is a $(n \times n)$ matrix of **coefficients**

$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{b}$ is a $(n \times 1)$ vector of **known terms**

$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{x}$ is a $(n \times 1)$ vector of **unknowns**

If matrix \mathbf{A} is non-singular, the system admits one and only one solution

If \mathbf{A} is singular, let $\mathbf{M} = [\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}]$ be a $[n \times (n + 1)]$ matrix

- If $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{M})$, system has infinite solutions
- If $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) < \text{rank}(\mathbf{M})$, system has no solutions

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Matrix rank

The **rank** of a $(m \times n)$ matrix **A** is equal to the number of columns (or rows) of the matrix that are linearly independent

$$\text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$$

Define the minors of matrix **A** as any matrix obtained from **A** by deleting an arbitrary number of rows and columns

- $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$ equals the order of the largest non-singular square minor

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Or, equivalently,

$$\mathbf{V}\boldsymbol{\beta} = \boldsymbol{\eta} \quad (5)$$

- The vector of unknowns

$$\rightsquigarrow \boldsymbol{\beta} = [\beta_0(t) \quad \beta_1(t) \quad \dots \quad \beta_{n-1}(t)]^T$$

- The coefficients matrix¹

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \lambda_1 & \lambda_1^2 & \dots & \lambda_1^{n-1} \\ 1 & \lambda_2 & \lambda_2^2 & \dots & \lambda_2^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \lambda_n & \lambda_n^2 & \dots & \lambda_n^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

- The known vector

$$\rightsquigarrow \boldsymbol{\eta} = [e^{\lambda_1 t} \quad e^{\lambda_2 t} \quad \dots \quad e^{\lambda_n t}]^T$$

¹A matrix in this form is known as Vandermonde matrix.

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Eigenvalues with multiplicity one

Let matrix **A** have distinct eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \beta_i(t) \mathbf{A}^i = \beta_0(t) \mathbf{I} + \beta_1(t) \mathbf{A} + \beta_2(t) \mathbf{A}^2 + \dots + \beta_{n-1}(t) \mathbf{A}^{n-1}$$

The n unknown functions $\beta_i(t)$ are those that solve the system

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} 1\beta_0(t) + \lambda_1\beta_1(t) + \lambda_1^2\beta_2(t) + \dots + \lambda_1^{n-1}\beta_{n-1}(t) = e^{\lambda_1 t} \\ 1\beta_0(t) + \lambda_2\beta_1(t) + \lambda_2^2\beta_2(t) + \dots + \lambda_2^{n-1}\beta_{n-1}(t) = e^{\lambda_2 t} \\ \dots \\ 1\beta_0(t) + \lambda_n\beta_1(t) + \lambda_n^2\beta_2(t) + \dots + \lambda_n^{n-1}\beta_{n-1}(t) = e^{\lambda_n t} \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

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$$\boldsymbol{\eta} = [e^{\lambda_1 t} \quad e^{\lambda_2 t} \quad \dots \quad e^{\lambda_n t}]^T$$

The components of vector $\boldsymbol{\eta}$ are functions of time, $e^{\lambda t}$

\rightsquigarrow Functions $e^{\lambda t}$ are the **modes** of matrix **A**

\rightsquigarrow Mode $e^{\lambda t}$ associates with eigenvalue λ

Each element of $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$ is a linear combination of such modes

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Example

Consider the (2×2) matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

We want to determine $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$

Matrix \mathbf{A} is triangular, the eigenvalues correspond to the diagonal elements

Matrix \mathbf{A} has 2 distinct eigenvalues

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_1 = -1$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_2 = -2$$

To determine $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$, we write the system

$$\begin{cases} \beta_0(t) + \lambda_1 \beta_1(t) = e^{\lambda_1 t} \\ \beta_0(t) + \lambda_2 \beta_1(t) = e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{cases} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} \beta_0(t) - \beta_1(t) = e^{-t} \\ \beta_0(t) - 2\beta_1(t) = e^{-2t} \end{cases}$$

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$$\begin{cases} \beta_0(t) = 2e^{-t} - e^{-2t} \\ \beta_1(t) = e^{-t} - e^{-2t} \end{cases}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} e^{\mathbf{A}t} &= \beta_0(t)\mathbf{I}_2 + \beta_1(t)\mathbf{A} \\ &= (2e^{-t} - e^{-2t}) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + (e^{-t} - e^{-2t}) \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t} & (e^{-t} - e^{-2t}) \\ 0 & e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Each element of matrix $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$ is a linear combination of the two modes

$$\rightsquigarrow e^{-t}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow e^{-2t}$$

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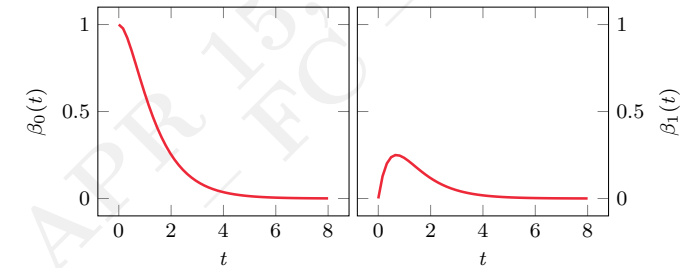
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By simple manipulation, we get

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} \beta_0(t) = 2e^{-t} - e^{-2t} \\ \beta_1(t) = e^{-t} - e^{-2t} \end{cases}$$



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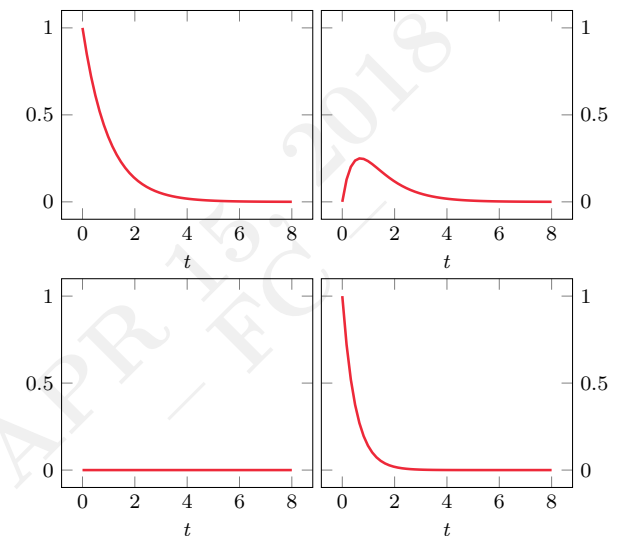
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Eigenvalues with multiplicity larger than one

Let matrix \mathbf{A} have eigenvalues with multiplicity larger than one

As in the previous case, we build a system of equations

Eigenvalues λ of multiplicity ν associate to ν equations

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} \left[\beta_0(t) + \lambda \beta_1(t) + \dots + \lambda^{n-1} \beta_{n-1}(t) \right] = e^{\lambda t} \\ \frac{d}{d\lambda} \left[\beta_0(t) + \lambda \beta_1(t) + \dots + \lambda^{n-1} \beta_{n-1}(t) \right] = \frac{d}{d\lambda} e^{\lambda t} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{d^{\nu-1}}{d\lambda^{\nu-1}} \left[\beta_0(t) + \lambda \beta_1(t) + \dots + \lambda^{n-1} \beta_{n-1}(t) \right] = \frac{d^{\nu-1}}{d\lambda^{\nu-1}} e^{\lambda t} \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

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That is,

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} 1\beta_0(t) + \lambda\beta_1(t) + \dots + \lambda^{n-1}\beta_{n-1}(t) = e^{\lambda t} \\ 1\beta_1(t) + 2\lambda\beta_2(t) + \dots + (n-1)\lambda^{n-2}\beta_{n-1}(t) = te^{\lambda t} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{(\nu-1)!}{0!}\beta_{\nu-1}(t) + \dots + \frac{(n-1)!}{(n-\nu)!}\lambda^{n-\nu}\beta_{n-1}(t) = t^{\nu-1}e^{\lambda t} \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

It is again possible to re-write the linear system in compact form

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{V}\boldsymbol{\beta} = \boldsymbol{\eta}$$

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$$\mathbf{V}\boldsymbol{\beta} = \boldsymbol{\eta}$$

Consider the eigenvalues λ with multiplicity ν

- They are associated with ν rows in the coefficient matrix² \mathbf{V}

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \lambda & \lambda^2 & \dots & \lambda^{\nu-1} & \dots & \lambda^{n-1} \\ 0 & 1 & 2\lambda & \dots & (\nu-1)\lambda^{\nu-2} & \dots & (n-1)\lambda^{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & (\nu-1)! & \dots & \frac{(n-1)!}{(n-\nu)!}\lambda^{n-\nu} \end{bmatrix}$$

- They are associated with ν rows in the vector of known terms $\boldsymbol{\eta}$

$$\rightsquigarrow \boldsymbol{\eta} = [e^{\lambda t} \quad te^{\lambda t} \quad \dots \quad t^{\nu-1}e^{\lambda t}]^T$$

- The vector of unknowns

$$\rightsquigarrow \boldsymbol{\beta} = [\beta_0(t) \quad \beta_1(t) \quad \dots \quad \beta_{n-1}(t)]^T$$

²A matrix of this form is known as confluent Vandermonde matrix.

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Example

Consider the (3×3) matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 1.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

We want to determine $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$

The characteristic polynomial of matrix \mathbf{A}

$$P(s) = (s-3)^2(s+1)$$

Matrix \mathbf{A} has two eigenvalues

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_1 = +3 \text{ (multiplicity 2)}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_2 = -1 \text{ (multiplicity 1)}$$

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We can write the system

$$\begin{cases} \beta_0(t) + \lambda_1\beta_1(t) + \lambda_1^2\beta_2(t) = e^{\lambda_1 t} \\ \beta_1(t) + 2\lambda_1\beta_2(t) = te^{\lambda_1 t} \\ \beta_0(t) + \lambda_2\beta_1(t) + \lambda_2^2\beta_2(t) = e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{cases} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} \beta_0(t) + 3\beta_1(t) + 9\beta_2(t) = e^{3t} \\ \beta_1(t) + 6\beta_2(t) = te^{3t} \\ \beta_0(t) - \beta_1(t) + \beta_2(t) = e^{-t} \end{cases}$$

We get,

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} \beta_0(t) = 1/16(7e^{3t} - 12te^{3t} + 9e^{-t}) \\ \beta_1(t) = 1/8(3e^{3t} - 4te^{3t} - 3e^{-t}) \\ \beta_2(t) = 1/16(-e^{3t} + 4te^{3t} + e^{-t}) \end{cases}$$

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Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} e^{\mathbf{A}t} &= \beta_0(t)\mathbf{I}_3 + \beta_1(t)\mathbf{A} + \beta_2(t)\mathbf{A}^2 \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} e^{3t} & 0 & 0 \\ (0.5e^{3t} - 0.5e^{-t}) & e^{-t} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & (0.25e^{3t} + 0.5te^{3t} - 0.25e^{-t}) \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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Complex eigenvalues

Let matrix \mathbf{A} have complex eigenvalues

We can still determine the coefficients β of the Sylvester expansion

It is convenient to modify the procedure

\rightsquigarrow To avoid computations that involve complex numbers

We only discuss only the case of eigenvalues with multiplicity one

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Let matrix \mathbf{A} have distinct eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$

The n unknown functions $\beta_i(t)$ are those that solve the system

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} \beta_0(t) + \lambda_1\beta_1(t) + \lambda_1^2\beta_2(t) + \dots + \lambda_1^{n-1}\beta_{n-1}(t) = e^{\lambda_1 t} \\ \beta_0(t) + \lambda_2\beta_1(t) + \lambda_2^2\beta_2(t) + \dots + \lambda_2^{n-1}\beta_{n-1}(t) = e^{\lambda_2 t} \\ \vdots \\ \beta_0(t) + \lambda_n\beta_1(t) + \lambda_n^2\beta_2(t) + \dots + \lambda_n^{n-1}\beta_{n-1}(t) = e^{\lambda_n t} \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

Suppose that two of the n eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are complex-conjugate

$\rightsquigarrow \lambda, \lambda' = \alpha \pm j\omega$

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In the resulting system, there should appear the two equations

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} 1\beta_0(t) + \lambda\beta_1(t) + \lambda^2\beta_2(t) + \dots + \lambda^{n-1}\beta_{n-1}(t) \\ = e^{\lambda t} = e^{\alpha t} e^{j\omega t} \\ 1\beta_0(t) + \lambda'\beta_1(t) + (\lambda')^2\beta_2(t) + \dots + (\lambda')^{n-1}\beta_{n-1}(t) \\ = e^{\lambda' t} = e^{\alpha t} e^{-j\omega t} \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

We can substitute these equations with two equivalent ones

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} \beta_0(t) + \operatorname{Re}(\lambda)\beta_1(t) + \operatorname{Re}(\lambda^2)\beta_2(t) + \dots + \operatorname{Re}(\lambda^{n-1})\beta_{n-1}(t) \\ = e^{\alpha t} \cos(\omega t) \\ \operatorname{Im}(\lambda)\beta_1(t) + \operatorname{Im}(\lambda^2)\beta_2(t) + \dots + \operatorname{Im}(\lambda^{n-1})\beta_{n-1}(t) \\ = e^{\alpha t} \sin(\omega t) \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) = \alpha$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \operatorname{Im}(\lambda) = \omega$$

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Sine and cosine terms on the RHS are from Euler formulæ

As λ and λ' are conjugate-complex, so are λ^k and $(\lambda')^k$

Thus,

$$\lambda^k + (\lambda')^k = 2\operatorname{Re}(\lambda^k)$$

$$\lambda^k - (\lambda')^k = 2j\operatorname{Im}(\lambda^k)$$

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$$\begin{cases} 1\beta_0(t) + \lambda\beta_1(t) + \lambda^2\beta_2(t) + \dots + \lambda^{n-1}\beta_{n-1}(t) \\ = e^{\lambda t} = e^{\alpha t} e^{j\omega t} \\ 1\beta_0(t) + \lambda'\beta_1(t) + (\lambda')^2\beta_2(t) + \dots + (\lambda')^{n-1}\beta_{n-1}(t) \\ = e^{\lambda' t} = e^{\alpha t} e^{-j\omega t} \end{cases}$$

The first equation, is obtained by summing the two equations above

- Then, by dividing by 2

The second one, by subtracting the second equation from the first one

- Then, by dividing by $2j$

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} \beta_0(t) + \operatorname{Re}(\lambda)\beta_1(t) + \operatorname{Re}(\lambda^2)\beta_2(t) + \dots + \operatorname{Re}(\lambda^{n-1})\beta_{n-1}(t) \\ = e^{\alpha t} \cos(\omega t) \\ \operatorname{Im}(\lambda)\beta_1(t) + \operatorname{Im}(\lambda^2)\beta_2(t) + \dots + \operatorname{Im}(\lambda^{n-1})\beta_{n-1}(t) \\ = e^{\alpha t} \sin(\omega t) \end{cases}$$

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Example

Consider a state-space system with (2×2) matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \omega \\ -\omega & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

We are interested in the state transition matrix $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$

Matrix \mathbf{A} has characteristic polynomial

$$P(s) = s^2 - 2\alpha s + (\alpha^2 + \omega^2)$$

Matrix \mathbf{A} has distinct eigenvalues

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda, \lambda' = \alpha \pm j\omega$$

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To determine the state-transition matrix $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$, we write the system

$$\begin{cases} \beta_0(t) + \operatorname{Re}(\lambda)\beta_1(t) = e^{\alpha t} \cos(\omega t) \\ \operatorname{Im}(\lambda)\beta_1(t) = e^{\alpha t} \sin(\omega t) \end{cases} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} \beta_0(t) + \alpha\beta_1(t) = e^{\alpha t} \cos(\omega t) \\ \omega\beta_1(t) = e^{\alpha t} \sin(\omega t) \end{cases}$$

We obtain,

$$\begin{cases} \beta_0(t) = e^{\alpha t} \cos(\omega t) - \frac{\alpha e^{\alpha t}}{\omega} \sin(\omega t) \\ \beta_1(t) = \frac{e^{\alpha t}}{\omega} \sin(\omega t) \end{cases}$$

Thus,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \beta_0(t)\mathbf{I}_2 + \beta_1(t)\mathbf{A} = e^{\alpha t} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\omega t) & \sin(\omega t) \\ -\sin(\omega t) & \cos(\omega t) \end{bmatrix}$$

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We can now prove the solution to the analysis problem for MIMO systems

- **Lagrange formula**

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Theorem

Lagrange formula

Consider the SS representation of a stationary linear system of order n

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t) \end{cases}$$

- $\mathbf{x}(t)$, state vector (n components)
- $\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t)$, derivative of the state vector (n components)
- $\mathbf{u}(t)$, input vector (r components)
- $\mathbf{y}(t)$, output vector (p components)

The solution for $t \geq t_0$, for an initial state $\mathbf{x}(t_0)$ and an input $\mathbf{u}(t|t \geq t_0)$

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{x}(t) = e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)}\mathbf{x}(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau)d\tau \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)}\mathbf{x}(t_0) + \mathbf{C} \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau)d\tau + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t) \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

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Proof

Multiply the state equation $\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t)$ by $e^{-\mathbf{A}t}$

We get,

$$e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t)$$

The resulting state equation can be rewritten,

$$e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) - e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) = e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t)$$

Then, by using the result on the derivative of the state transition matrix³,

$$\frac{d}{dt}\left[e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{x}(t)\right] = e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t)$$

³Derivative of the state transition matrix

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt}\left[e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{x}(t)\right] &= e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\left[\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{x}(t)\right] + \left[\frac{d}{dt}e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\right]\mathbf{x}(t) \\ &= e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) - e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t)\end{aligned}\quad (12)$$

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Lagrange formula (cont.)

$$\frac{d}{dt}\left[e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{x}(t)\right] = e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t)$$

By integrating between t_0 and t , we obtain

$$\left[e^{-\mathbf{A}\tau}\mathbf{x}(\tau)\right]_{t_0}^t = \int_{t_0}^t e^{-\mathbf{A}\tau}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau)d\tau$$

That is,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{x}(t) - e^{-\mathbf{A}t_0}\mathbf{x}(t_0) = \int_{t_0}^t e^{-\mathbf{A}\tau}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau)d\tau$$

Thus,

$$e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{x}(t) = e^{-\mathbf{A}t_0}\mathbf{x}(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t e^{-\mathbf{A}\tau}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau)d\tau$$

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$$e^{-\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{x}(t) = e^{-\mathbf{A}t_0}\mathbf{x}(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t e^{-\mathbf{A}\tau}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau)d\tau$$

The first Lagrange formula is obtained by multiplying both sides by $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{x}(t) = e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)}\mathbf{x}(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau)d\tau$$

The second formula is obtained by substituting $\mathbf{x}(t)$ in the output equation

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{y}(t) &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t) \\ &\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{C}\left[e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)}\mathbf{x}(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau)d\tau\right] + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t)\end{aligned}$$

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Force-free and forced evolution

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \underbrace{e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)}\mathbf{x}(t_0)}_{\mathbf{x}_u(t)} + \underbrace{\int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau)d\tau}_{\mathbf{x}_f(t)}$$

We can write the state solution (for $t \geq t_0$) as the sum of two terms

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{x}_u(t) + \mathbf{x}_f(t)$$

~> The **force-free evolution** of the state, $\mathbf{x}_u(t)$

~> The **forced evolution** of the state, $\mathbf{x}_f(t)$

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Force-free and forced evolution (cont.)

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \underbrace{e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)}\mathbf{x}(t_0)}_{\text{force-free evolution } \mathbf{x}_u(t)} + \underbrace{\int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau)d\tau}_{\text{forced evolution } \mathbf{x}_f(t)}$$

The **force-free evolution** of the state, from the initial condition $\mathbf{x}(t_0)$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{x}_l(t) = e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)}\mathbf{x}(t_0) \quad (13)$$

~> $e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)}$ indicates the transition from $\mathbf{x}(t_0)$ to $\mathbf{x}(t)$

~> In the absence of contribution from the input

The **forced evolution** of the state

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{x}_f(t) = \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau)d\tau = \int_0^{t-t_0} e^{\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t-\tau)d\tau \quad (14)$$

~> The contribution of $\mathbf{u}(\tau)$ to state $\mathbf{x}(t)$

~> Thru a weighting function, $e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)}\mathbf{B}$

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$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \underbrace{\mathbf{C}e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)}\mathbf{x}(t_0)}_{\text{force-free evolution } \mathbf{y}_u(t)} + \underbrace{\mathbf{C} \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau)d\tau + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t)}_{\text{forced evolution } \mathbf{y}_f(t)}$$

We can write the output solution (for $t \geq t_0$) as the sum of two terms

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{y}_l(t) + \mathbf{y}_f(t)$$

~> The **force-free evolution** of the output, $\mathbf{y}_u(t)$

~> The **forced evolution** of the output, $\mathbf{y}_f(t)$

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Free and forced evolution (cont.)

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \underbrace{\mathbf{C}e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)}\mathbf{x}(t_0)}_{\text{free evolution } \mathbf{y}_u(t)} + \underbrace{\mathbf{C} \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau)d\tau + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t)}_{\text{forced evolution } \mathbf{y}_f(t)}$$

The **force-free evolution** of the output, from initial condition $\mathbf{y}(t_0) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t_0)$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{y}_u(t) = \mathbf{C}e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)}\mathbf{x}(t_0) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}_u(t) \quad (15)$$

The **forced-evolution** of the output

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{y}_f(t) = \mathbf{C} \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau)d\tau + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}_f(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t) \quad (16)$$

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Free and forced evolution (cont.)

Note that for $t_0 = 0$, we have

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{x}(t) = e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{x}(0) + \int_0^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C} e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{x}(0) + \mathbf{C} \int_0^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau + \mathbf{D} \mathbf{u}(t) \end{cases}$$

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The state transition matrix for this SS representation,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t} & (e^{-t} - e^{-2t}) \\ 0 & e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

We computed it earlier

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Example

Consider a system with the SS representation,

$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t) \\ y(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} \end{cases} \quad (17)$$

We want to determine the state and the output evolution for $t \geq 0$

We consider the input signal $u(t)$

$$u(t) = 2\delta_{-1}(t)$$

We consider the initial state $\mathbf{x}(0)$

$$\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

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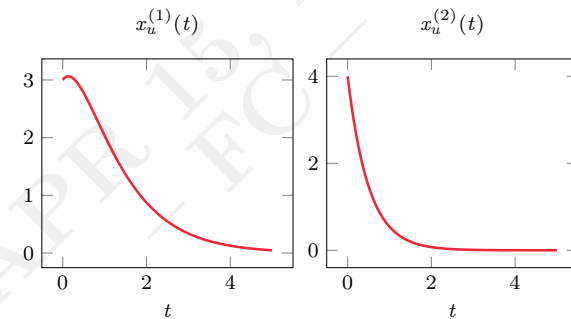
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Free and forced evolution (cont.)

The force-free evolution of the state, for $t \geq 0$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{x}_u(t) = e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t} & (e^{-t} - e^{-2t}) \\ 0 & e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7e^{-t} - 4e^{-2t} \\ 4e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix}$$



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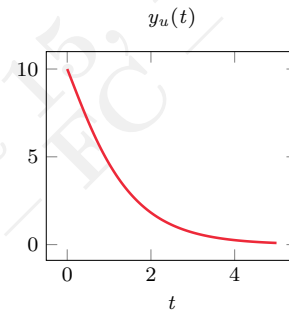
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The force-free evolution of the output, for $t \geq 0$

$$\rightsquigarrow y_u(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}_u(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7e^{-t} - 4e^{-2t} \\ 4e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix} = 14e^{-t} - 4e^{-2t}$$



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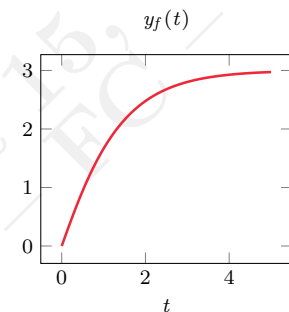
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Free and forced evolution (cont.)

Since $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{0}$, the forced evolution of the output for $t \geq 0$

$$\rightsquigarrow y_f(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}_f(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 2e^{-t} + e^{-2t} \\ 1 - e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix} = 3 - 4e^{-t} + e^{-2t}$$



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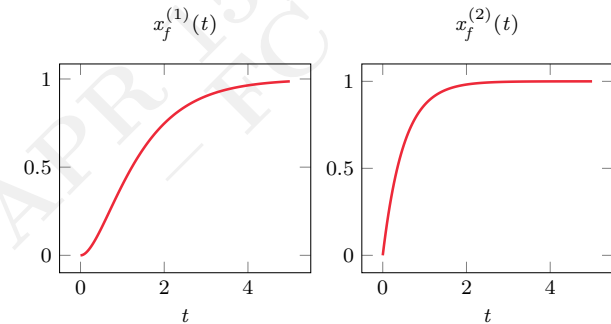
Free and forced evolution (cont.)

The forced evolution of the state, for $t \geq 0$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{x}_f(t) = \int_0^t e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{B}u(t-\tau) d\tau = \int_0^t \begin{bmatrix} e^{-\tau} & (e^{-\tau} - e^{-2\tau}) \\ 0 & e^{-2\tau} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} 2d\tau$$

$$= 2 \int_0^t \begin{bmatrix} (e^{-\tau} - e^{-2\tau}) \\ e^{-2\tau} \end{bmatrix} d\tau = 2 \begin{bmatrix} \int_0^t (e^{-\tau} - e^{-2\tau}) d\tau \\ \int_0^t e^{-2\tau} d\tau \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 2 \begin{bmatrix} (1 - e^{-t}) - 1/2(1 - e^{-2t}) \\ 1/2(1 - e^{-2t}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (1 - 2e^{-t} + e^{-2t}) \\ (1 - e^{-2t}) \end{bmatrix}$$



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We discussed the impulse response for systems in IO representation

- The forced response due to a unit impulse

We complete the presentation for systems in SS representation

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Impulse response (cont.)

Consider a continuous function f of t

By the properties of the Dirac function, we have that $f(t-\tau)\delta(\tau) = f(t)\delta(\tau)$

Thus, we have

$$w(t) = \mathbf{C} \int_0^t e^{\mathbf{A}\tau} \mathbf{B} \delta(\tau) d\tau + D\delta(t) = \mathbf{C} e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{B} \underbrace{\int_0^t \delta(\tau) d\tau}_1 + D\delta(t)$$

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Proposition

Impulse response

Consider the SS representation of a SISO system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}u(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + D u(t) \end{cases}$$

The *impulse response*

$$w(t) = \mathbf{C} e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{B} + D\delta(t) \quad (18)$$

Proof

The impulse response is the forced response due to a unit impulse

Let $u(t) = \delta(t)$ and substitute it in the Lagrange formula

$$w(t) = \mathbf{C} \int_0^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)} \mathbf{B} \delta(\tau) d\tau + D\delta(t)$$

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$$w(t) = \mathbf{C} e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{B} + D\delta(t)$$

If the system is strictly proper, we have that $D = 0$

- $w(t)$ is a linear combination of modes
- Through matrix $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$

If the system is not strictly proper, we have $D \neq 0$

- $w(t)$ is a linear combination of modes
- Plus, an impulse term

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The **forced response** can be calculated using Lagrange formula

It corresponds to the what derived by the Durham's integral

$$\begin{aligned} \rightsquigarrow y_f(t) &= \int_0^t w(t-\tau)u(\tau)d\tau = \int_0^t [Ce^{A(t-\tau)}B + D\delta(t-\tau)]u(\tau)d\tau \\ &= \int_0^t Ce^{A(t-\tau)}Bu(\tau)d\tau + \int_0^t D\delta(\tau-t)u(\tau)d\tau \\ &= C \int_0^t e^{A(t-\tau)}Bu(\tau)d\tau + Du(t) \end{aligned}$$

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The form of the state space representation depends on the choice of states

- The choice is not unique

There is an infinite number of different representations of the same system

- They are all related by a **similarity transformation**

We define the concept of similarity transformation

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The main advantage of the similarity transformation procedure is flexibility

- We can change to easier system representations

The state matrix can be set in **canonical form**

\rightsquigarrow **Diagonal form**

\rightsquigarrow **Jordan form**

There are other canonical forms

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Definition

Similarity transformation

Consider the SS representation of a linear stationary system of order n

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t) \end{cases}$$

- $\mathbf{x}(t)$, state vector (n components)
- $\mathbf{u}(t)$, input vector (r components)
- $\mathbf{y}(t)$, output vector (p components)

Let vector $\mathbf{z}(t)$ be related to $\mathbf{x}(t)$ by a linear transformation \mathbf{P}

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{z}(t) \quad (19)$$

\mathbf{P} is any $(n \times n)$ non-singular matrix of constants

- Thus, the inverse of \mathbf{P} always exists
- We have $\mathbf{z}(t) = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{x}(t)$

Transformation/matrix \mathbf{P} is called **similarity transformation/matrix**



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Proposition

Similar representation

Consider the SS representation of a linear stationary system of order n

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t) \end{cases} \quad (20)$$

Let \mathbf{P} be some transformation matrix such that $\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{z}(t)$

Vector $\mathbf{z}(t)$ satisfies the new SS representation

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{z}}(t) = \mathbf{A}'\mathbf{z}(t) + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{u}(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}'\mathbf{z}(t) + \mathbf{D}'\mathbf{u}(t) \end{cases} \quad (21)$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{B}' = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{B}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{C}' = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{P}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{D}' = \mathbf{D}$$

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Proof

Take the time-derivative of $\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{z}(t)$

We get,

$$\rightsquigarrow \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{P}\dot{\mathbf{z}}(t) \quad (22)$$

Substitute $\mathbf{x}(t)$ and $\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t)$ into the SS representation

We get,

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{P}\dot{\mathbf{z}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}\mathbf{z}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{P}\mathbf{z}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t) \end{cases}$$

Pre-multiply the state equation by \mathbf{P}^{-1} , to complete the proof



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$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{z}}(t) = \mathbf{A}'\mathbf{z}(t) + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{u}(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}'\mathbf{z}(t) + \mathbf{D}'\mathbf{u}(t) \end{cases}$$

We obtained a different SS representation of the same system

- Input $\mathbf{u}(t)$ and output $\mathbf{y}(t)$ are unchanged
- The new state is indicated by $\mathbf{z}(t)$

There is an infinite number of non-singular matrixes \mathbf{P}

\rightsquigarrow An infinite number of equivalent representations

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Example

Consider a system with SS representation $\{\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{D}\}$

$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{A}} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{B}} u(t) \\ \begin{bmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{C}} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1.5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{D}} u(t) \end{cases}$$

Consider the similarity transformation

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P}} \begin{bmatrix} z_1(t) \\ z_2(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

What is the $\{\mathbf{A}', \mathbf{B}', \mathbf{C}', \mathbf{D}'\}$ SS representation corresponding to state $\mathbf{z}(t)$

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In addition,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}' &= \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{B}' &= \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{C}' &= \mathbf{C} \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{D}' &= \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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We have,

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \mathbf{P}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since $\mathbf{z}(t) = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{x}(t)$, we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} z_1(t) \\ z_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_2(t) \\ x_1(t) - x_2(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

- ↪ The first component of $\mathbf{z}(t)$ is the second component of $\mathbf{x}(t)$
- ↪ The second component of $\mathbf{z}(t)$ is the difference between the first and the second component of $\mathbf{x}(t)$

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Similarity and state transition matrix

Consider the matrix $\mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P}$

The state transition matrix,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}'t} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{P}$$

Proof

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{A}')^k &= \underbrace{(\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P}) \cdot (\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P}) \cdots (\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P})}_{k \text{ times}} \\ &= \mathbf{P}^{-1} \underbrace{\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A} \cdots \mathbf{A}}_{k \text{ times}} \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A}^k \mathbf{P} \end{aligned}$$

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Thus, by definition

$$e^{\mathbf{A}'t} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\mathbf{A}')^k t^k}{k!} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A}^k \mathbf{P}) t^k}{k!}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}^k t^k}{k!} \right) \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{P}$$



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We show how two similar representations describe the same IO relation

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Proposition

Invariance of the IO relationship by similarity

Consider two similar SS representations of the same LTI system

$$\rightsquigarrow \{\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{D}\} \text{ and } \{\mathbf{A}', \mathbf{B}', \mathbf{C}', \mathbf{D}'\}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{P} \text{ is the transformation matrix}$$

Let the system be subjected to some input $\mathbf{u}(t)$

The two representations produce the same forced response

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{y}_f(t)$$

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Proof

Consider the SS representation of the system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t) \end{cases}$$

Consider the SS representation of the system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{z}}(t) = \mathbf{A}'\mathbf{z}(t) + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{u}(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}'\mathbf{z}(t) + \mathbf{D}'\mathbf{u}(t) \end{cases}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{B}' = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{B}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{C}' = \mathbf{C} \mathbf{P}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{D}' = \mathbf{D}$$

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Consider the Lagrange formula

The forced response of the second representation due to input $\mathbf{u}(t)$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{y}_f(t) &= \mathbf{C}' \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}'(t-\tau)} \mathbf{B}' \mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau + \mathbf{D} \mathbf{u}(t) \\ &= \mathbf{C} \mathbf{P} \int_{t_0}^t \mathbf{P}^{-1} e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau + \mathbf{D} \mathbf{u}(t) \\ &= \mathbf{C} \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau + \mathbf{D} \mathbf{u}(t)\end{aligned}$$

This response corresponds to that of the first SS representation

$$\mathbf{y}_f(t) = \mathbf{C} \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau + \mathbf{D} \mathbf{u}(t)$$

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Two similar SS representations have the same modes

- The modes characterise the dynamics

The modes are independent of the representation

↪ This is important

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Proposition

Invariance of the eigenvalues under similarity transformations

Matrix \mathbf{A} and $\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}$ have the same characteristic polynomial

Proof

The characteristic polynomial of matrix \mathbf{A}'

$$\begin{aligned}\det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}') &= \det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}) = \det(\lambda \underbrace{\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{P}}_{\mathbf{I}} - \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}) \\ &= \det[\mathbf{P}^{-1}(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{P}] = \det(\mathbf{P}^{-1}) \det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \det(\mathbf{P}) \\ &= \det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\end{aligned}$$

The last equality is obtained from $\det(\mathbf{P}^{-1})\det(\mathbf{P}) = 1$

\mathbf{A} and \mathbf{A}' share the same characteristic polynomial

↪ Thus, also the eigenvalues are the same

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Similarity transformation (cont.)

Example

Consider two similar SS representations of the same LTI system

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A} &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{A}' &= \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

The similarity transformation matrix

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We are interested in the eigenvalues and modes of the system

Matrix \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{A}' have two eigenvectors

- $\lambda_1 = -1$ and $\lambda_2 = -2$

The system modes are e^{-t} and e^{-2t}

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Diagonalisation

We consider a special similarity transformation \mathbf{P}

- We seek for a diagonal matrix \mathbf{A}'

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P}$$

A SS representation with diagonal state matrix

- **Diagonal canonical form**

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Consider a SISO LTI system characterised by the following state equation

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ \dot{x}_n(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$

The evolution of the i -th component of the state vector

$$\rightsquigarrow \dot{x}_i(t) = \lambda_i x_i(t) + b_i u(t)$$

State derivatives are not related to other components

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Diagonalisation (cont.)

We think of a system with diagonal matrix \mathbf{A} as a collection of sub-systems

- \rightsquigarrow Each sub-system is described by a single state component
- \rightsquigarrow Each state component evolves independently
- \rightsquigarrow The representation is **decoupled**
- \rightsquigarrow n first-order subsystems

The characteristic polynomial of the system for the i -th component

$$\rightsquigarrow P_i(s) = (s - \lambda_i)$$

This subsystem has mode $e^{-\lambda_i t}$

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A special similarity transformation to get a representation in diagonal form

- A special similarity matrix

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Example

Consider the state-space representation of a system with matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

We are interested in the modal matrix \mathbf{V} of \mathbf{A}

The eigenvalues and eigenvectors of \mathbf{A}

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_1 = 1 \text{ and } \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_2 = 5 \text{ and } \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

The modal matrix \mathbf{V} ,

$$\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{v}_1 | \mathbf{v}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Diagonalisation (cont.)

Definition

Modal matrix

Consider a system in state space representation with $(n \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A}

- Let $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ be a set of the eigenvectors of matrix \mathbf{A}
- Suppose that they correspond to eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$

Suppose that eigenvectors in this set are linearly independent

We define the **modal matrix** of \mathbf{A} as the $(n \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{V}

$$\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{v}_1 | \mathbf{v}_2 | \dots | \mathbf{v}_n]$$

Diagonalisation (cont.)

The eigenvectors are determined up to a scaling constant

- (Plus, the ordering of the eigenvalues is arbitrary)

It is clear that there can be more than one modal matrix

These two modal matrices of matrix \mathbf{A} are equivalent

$$\mathbf{V}' = [\mathbf{v}_2 | \mathbf{v}_1] = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -2 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{V}'' = [2\mathbf{v}_1 | 3\mathbf{v}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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If a matrix \mathbf{A} has n distinct eigenvalues, then its modal matrix exists

- As its n eigenvectors are linearly independent

Distinct eigenvalues

Let \mathbf{A} be a n -order matrix whose n eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ are distinct

Then, there is a set of n linearly independent eigenvectors

- $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$, they form a basis for \mathcal{R}^n

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Consider a matrix whose eigenvalues have multiplicity larger than one

- The modal matrix exists if and only if to each eigenvalue with multiplicity ν is possible to associate ν linearly independent eigenvectors

$$\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$$

This is not necessarily always possible

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Example

Consider the state space representation of a system with matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Its eigenvalue $\lambda = 2$ has multiplicity $\nu = 2$

Its eigenvectors are obtained by solving the system $[\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}] \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$

$$[2\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}] \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} 0 = 0 \\ 0 = 0 \end{cases}$$

We can choose any two linearly independent eigenvectors for λ

- As the equation is satisfied for any value of a and b

The modal matrix by choosing the eigenvectors from the canonical basis

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{v}_1 | \mathbf{v}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$[2\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}] \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} -b = 0 \\ 0 = 0 \end{cases}$$

As $b = 0$, we can choose only one linearly independent eigenvector for λ

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix \mathbf{A} does not admit a modal matrix

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But, ...

If a matrix admits a modal matrix, then it can be diagonalised

- (This is what matters to us)

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Proof

$$\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{v}_1 | \mathbf{v}_2 | \cdots | \mathbf{v}_n]$$

Note that the modal matrix is non-singular and can be inverted

- Its columns are linearly independent, by definition

By the definition of eigenvalue and eigenvector, we have

$$\lambda_i \mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_i, \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, n$$

By combining these expressions, we have

$$\rightsquigarrow [\lambda_1 \mathbf{v}_1 | \lambda_2 \mathbf{v}_2 | \cdots | \lambda_n \mathbf{v}_n] = [\mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_1 | \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_2 | \cdots | \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_n]$$

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Proposition

Diagonalisation

Consider the state space representation of a system with matrix \mathbf{A}

Let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ be its eigenvalues

Let $\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{v}_1 | \mathbf{v}_2 | \cdots | \mathbf{v}_n]$ be one of its modal matrices

Matrix \mathbf{A} from this similarity transformation is diagonal

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}$$

Diagonalisation (cont.)

We can rewrite this identity,

$$[\mathbf{v}_1 | \mathbf{v}_2 | \cdots | \mathbf{v}_n] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{A} [\mathbf{v}_1 | \mathbf{v}_2 | \cdots | \mathbf{v}_n]$$

That is,

$$\mathbf{V} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}$$

By left-multiplying both sides by \mathbf{V}^{-1} , we have

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}$$

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Example

Consider a system with SS representation $\{\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{D}\}$

$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t) \\ \begin{bmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u(t) \end{cases}$$

We are interested in a diagonal representation by similarity

The eigenvalues and eigenvectors of \mathbf{A}

- $\lambda_1 = -1$ and $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- $\lambda_2 = -2$ and $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

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The modal matrix and its inverse

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{V}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}' &= \mathbf{\Lambda} = \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{B}' &= \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{C}' &= \mathbf{C} \mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{D}' &= \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$



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An alternative to Sylvester expansion to compute the state transition matrix

We consider a SS representation whose matrix \mathbf{A} can be diagonalised

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Transition matrix by diagonalisation (cont.)

Proposition

State transition matrix by diagonalisation

Consider a $(n \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A} and let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ be the eigenvalues

Suppose that \mathbf{A} admits the modal matrix \mathbf{V}

We have, the state transition matrix

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \mathbf{V} e^{\mathbf{\Lambda}t} \mathbf{V}^{-1} = \mathbf{V} \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\lambda_2 t} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & e^{\lambda_n t} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{V}^{-1} \quad (23)$$

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Proof

We have shown (similarity and state transition matrices⁴) that,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \mathbf{V}^{-1} e^{\mathbf{\Lambda}t} \mathbf{V}$$

We multiply both sides by \mathbf{V} on the left and by \mathbf{V}^{-1} on the right

⁴Given $\mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P}$, we have $e^{\mathbf{A}'t} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{P}$.

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We are interested in the state transition matrix $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$

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State transition matrix by diagonalisation (cont.)

We already computed the modal matrix and its inverse

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{V}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} e^{\mathbf{A}t} &= \mathbf{V} \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{V}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t} & e^{-t} \\ 0 & -e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t} & (e^{-t} - e^{-2t}) \\ 0 & e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

This is the same expression we determined by using the Sylvester expansion

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The diagonalisation procedure applies to matrices with complex eigenvalues

- ↪ The corresponding eigenvectors are conjugate-complex
- ↪ The modal matrix and the state matrix are complex

We prefer to choose a similarity matrix that differs from the modal matrix

- The objective is a real canonical form
- With some desirable properties

To each pair of conjugate-complex eigenvalues associates a order 2 real block

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Complex eigenvalues (cont.)

Consider a system with state space representation with matrix **A**

Suppose that **A** has a pair of complex conjugate eigenvalues

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda, \lambda' = \alpha \pm j\omega$$

Suppose that the remaining eigenvalues are real and distinct

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_R$$

The eigenvectors **v** and **v'** associated to λ and λ'

$$\mathbf{v} = \text{Re}(\mathbf{v}) + j\text{Im}(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{u} + j\omega$$

$$\mathbf{v}' = \text{Re}(\mathbf{v}') + j\text{Im}(\mathbf{v}') = \mathbf{u} - j\omega$$

They are also conjugate complex

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We want to show that **u** and ω are linearly independent

- They are also linearly independent of other eigenvectors
- Those associated to the other eigenvalues

By the definition of eigenvalue/eigenvector, we have

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$$

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{u} + j\omega) = (\alpha + j\omega)(\mathbf{u} + j\omega)$$

We consider the real and the imaginary part individually

We have,

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = (\alpha\mathbf{u} - \omega\omega)$$

$$\mathbf{A}\omega = (\omega\mathbf{u} + \alpha\omega)$$

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Choose a particular similarity matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}$

Columns associated to real eigenvalues are the corresponding eigenvectors

- (as with the modal matrix)

We associate columns \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} to the pair of conjugate complex eigenvalues

$$[\lambda_1 \mathbf{v}_1 | \dots | \lambda_R \mathbf{v}_R | \alpha \mathbf{u} - \omega \omega | \omega \mathbf{u} + \alpha \omega] = [\mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_1 | \dots | \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_R | \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{A} \omega]$$

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We can re-write this equation,

$$\rightsquigarrow [\mathbf{v}_1 | \dots | \mathbf{v}_R | \mathbf{u} | \omega] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \lambda_R & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \alpha & \omega \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & -\omega & \alpha \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{A} [\mathbf{v}_1 | \dots | \mathbf{v}_R | \mathbf{u} | \omega]$$

That is,

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \tilde{\mathbf{V}} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \lambda_{n-2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \alpha & \omega \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & -\omega & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

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We associated to the pair of eigenvalues $\lambda, \lambda' = \alpha \pm j\omega$ to a block

The block represents the eigenvalues in matrix form

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \omega \\ -\omega & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

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Consider a matrix \mathbf{A} that has R distinct real roots ($\lambda_i, i = 1, \dots, R$) and S pairs of distinct conjugate complex roots ($\lambda, \lambda', i = R+1, \dots, R+S$)

Matrix \mathbf{A} can be written in a canonical quasi-diagonal form using matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{V}} = \mathbf{V}^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \tilde{\mathbf{V}} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \dots & 0 & \mathbf{0} & \dots & \dots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \lambda_R & \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{H}_{R+1} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{H}_{R+S} \end{bmatrix} \quad (24)$$

To pairs of conjugate complex roots $\lambda, \lambda' = \alpha \pm j\omega$ associates a real block

The block that represents the pair in matrix form

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{H}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_i & \omega_i \\ -\omega_i & \alpha_i \end{bmatrix}$$

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Example

Consider a system in state-space representation with matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & 0 \\ -3 & -2 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

We are interested in a (quasi-) diagonal representation

The characteristic polynomial of matrix \mathbf{A}

$$P(s) = s^3 + 6s^2 + 13s + 20$$

The eigenvalues and the eigenvectors

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_1 = -4 \text{ and } \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_2, \lambda'_2 = 1 \pm j2 \text{ and } \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}'_2 = \mathbf{u}_2 \pm j\omega_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \pm j \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\tilde{\mathbf{V}} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \cdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \lambda_R & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \mathbf{H}_{R+1} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \mathbf{H}_{R+S} \end{bmatrix}$$

Computing the matrix exponential of a matrix in this form is straightforward

- (We derived a proposition)
- $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}$ is a block-matrix

$$e^{\tilde{\mathbf{A}}t} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \cdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & e^{\lambda_R t} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & e^{\mathbf{H}_{R+1} t} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \cdots & e^{\mathbf{H}_{R+S} t} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Complex eigenvalues (cont.)

Consider the matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{V}} = [\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{u}_2 \quad \omega_2]$

We have,

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \tilde{\mathbf{V}} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Complex eigenvalues (cont.)

Let $\lambda_i, \lambda'_i = \alpha_i \pm j\omega_i$ be a pair of complex-conjugate roots

For each, there is a canonical block

$$\mathbf{H}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_i & \omega_i \\ -\omega_i & \alpha_i \end{bmatrix}$$

\mathbf{H}_i represents the pair λ, λ' in matrix form

The matrix exponential for this specific matrix,

$$\rightsquigarrow e^{\mathbf{H}_i t} = e^{\alpha_i t} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\omega_i t) & \sin(\omega_i t) \\ -\sin(\omega_i t) & \cos(\omega_i t) \end{bmatrix}$$

The state transition matrix for matrix \mathbf{A} ,

$$\rightsquigarrow e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}} e^{\tilde{\mathbf{A}}t} \tilde{\mathbf{V}}^{-1}$$

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Example

Consider a system with SS representation with matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & 0 \\ -3 & -2 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

We are interested in its (quasi-) diagonal form $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}$

Matrix \mathbf{A} can be written in quasi-diagonal form

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \tilde{\mathbf{V}} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Thus, we obtain

$$e^{\tilde{\mathbf{A}}t} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-4t} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t} \cos(2t) & e^{-t} \sin(2t) \\ 0 & -e^{-t} \sin(2t) & e^{-t} \cos(2t) \end{bmatrix}$$

We also have,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}} e^{\tilde{\mathbf{A}}t} \tilde{\mathbf{V}}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t} \cos(2t) & e^{-t} \sin(2t) & 0 \\ -e^{-t} \sin(2t) & e^{-t} \cos(2t) & 0 \\ e^{-4t} - e^{-t} \cos(2t) & -e^{-t} \sin(2t) & e^{-t} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Consider a state-space representation of a system with $(n \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A}

Let its eigenvalues have multiplicity larger than one

The existence of n linearly independent eigenvectors cannot be guaranteed

~ Needed for the construction of the modal matrix

We cannot necessarily go to a diagonal form by similarity transformation

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We can still find a set of n linearly independent **generalised eigenvectors**

- We need to extend the concept of eigenvector

Generalised eigenvectors are used to build a **generalised modal matrix**

- By similarity, we obtain $\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}$
- A block-diagonal canonical form
- A **Jordan form**

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Definition

Jordan block of order p

Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ be a complex number and let $p \geq 1$ be a integer number

The $(p \times p)$ matrix is a order p **Jordan block** associated to λ

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

Diagonal entries equal λ , entries of the first upper band equal 1

- (All the other entries are zero)

λ is an eigenvalue (multiplicity p) of this Jordan block

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Definition

Jordan form

Matrix \mathbf{J} is said to be in **Jordan form** if it is in block-diagonal form

$$\mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{J}_1 & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{J}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{J}_p \end{bmatrix}$$

Each block \mathbf{J}_i along the diagonal is a Jordan block

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More than one Jordan block can be associated to the same eigenvalue

The Jordan form generalises the conventional diagonal form

- (With order 1 blocks along the diagonal)

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Example

Matrix \mathbf{J}_1 , \mathbf{J}_2 and \mathbf{J}_3 are all in Jordan form

$$\mathbf{J}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{J}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{J}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = 2$ (multiplicity 4) and $\lambda_2 = 3$ (multiplicity 2)

$$\mathbf{J}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\lambda_1 = 2$ associates with two Jordan blocks (order 3 and 1)

$\lambda_2 = 3$ associates with a single Jordan block (order 2)

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Eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = 2$ (multiplicity 2) and $\lambda_2 = 3$ (multiplicity 1)

$$\mathbf{J}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\lambda_1 = 2$ associates with two Jordan blocks (order 1)

$\lambda_2 = 3$ associates with a single Jordan block (order 1)

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Eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = 2$ (multiplicity 2) and $\lambda_2 = 0$ (multiplicity 1)

$$\mathbf{J}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\lambda_1 = 2$ associates with a single Jordan blocks (order 2)

$\lambda_2 = 0$ associates with a single Jordan block (order 1)

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Proposition

Jordan form

A square matrix \mathbf{A} can always be written in a Jordan canonical form \mathbf{J}

- This can be done by using a similarity transformation

The resulting form is unique, up to block permutations

Proposition

Jordan form

Let λ be an eigenvalue with multiplicity ν for \mathbf{A}

- Let μ be its geometric multiplicity⁵
- Let p_i be the order of i -th block

We have,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\mu} p_i = \nu$$

⁵The number of linearly independent eigenvectors associated to it ($1 \leq \mu \leq \nu$).

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Definition

Eigenvalue index

Let \mathbf{A} be a matrix that can be written in Jordan form \mathbf{J}

Let λ be an eigenvalue with multiplicity ν

Let π be the order of the Jordan block in \mathbf{J} associated with eigenvalue λ

$\rightsquigarrow \pi$ is the **eigenvalue index** of λ

$$1 \leq \pi \leq \nu$$

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Knowledge of eigenvalues and their algebraic and geometric multiplicity

- It is sufficient to determine the Jordan form
- (And, thus the index of the eigenvalues)

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Example

Consider the 3-order matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -2 \\ -2 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We are interested in its Jordan form

The characteristic polynomial

$$P(s) = s^3 - 4s^2 + 4s = s(s-2)^2$$

Its eigenvalues and eigenvectors

$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_1 = 0$, multiplicity $\nu_1 = 1$

$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_2 = 2$, multiplicity $\nu_2 = 2$

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Eigenvalue with multiplicity one has unit geometric multiplicity and index

$$\rightsquigarrow (\lambda_1, \text{ with } \nu_1 = 1)$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mu_1 = 1$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \pi_1 = 1$$

λ_1 associates with a single 1-order block

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The resulting Jordan form,

$$\mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Equivalently, by block-permutation

$$\mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



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As for the geometric multiplicity of the second eigenvalue, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_2 &= \text{null}(\lambda_2 \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = n - \text{rank}(\lambda_2 \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \\ &= 3 - \text{rank} \left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= 3 - 2 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

λ_2 associates with a single 2-order block

$$\rightsquigarrow \pi_2 = 2$$

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There are cases eigenvalues and their algebraic and geometric multiplicity is not sufficient to characterise neither the Jordan form nor eigenvalues' index

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Example

Consider some (5×5) matrix \mathbf{A}

Let λ_1 and λ_2 be its eigenvalues

$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_1$, multiplicity $\nu_1 = 4$

$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_2$, multiplicity $\nu_2 = 1$

We are interested in its Jordan form

Let eigenvalue λ_2 associate to a Jordan block of order 1

To eigenvalue λ_1 can be associated one or more blocks

- Depending on its geometric multiplicity
- $\mu_1 \leq \nu_1 = 4$

We can consider four possible cases

Jordan form (cont.)

$$\mu_1 = 4$$

The eigenvalue associates with as many Jordan blocks as its multiplicity

- Each of which has order 1

The index of eigenvalue is $\pi_1 = 1$

The resulting diagonalisable form

$$\mathbf{J}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\mu_1 = 3$$

The eigenvalue associates with three Jordan blocks

- The order of the blocks is $p_1 = 2, p_2 = 1, p_3 = 1$
- (As $p_1 + p_2 + p_3 = \nu_1 = 4$)

The index of eigenvalue is $\pi_1 = 2$

The resulting form

$$\mathbf{J}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Jordan form (cont.)

$$\mu_1 = 2$$

The eigenvalue associates with two Jordan blocks

- The order of the blocks is p_1, p_2
- (As $p_1 + p_2 = \nu_1 = 4$)

Two resulting Jordan structures are possible

- The index of eigenvalue is $\pi_1 = 2$

$$\mathbf{J}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The index of eigenvalue is $\pi_1 = 3$

$$\mathbf{J}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\mu_1 = 1$$

The eigenvalue associates with a single Jordan block of order 4

The index of eigenvalue is $\pi_1 = 4$

The resulting (non-derogatory) form

$$\mathbf{J}_5 = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$



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The general way to determine the Jordan form \mathbf{J} of a matrix \mathbf{A}

- We must compute the generalised modal matrix
- It generates the Jordan form, by similarity

We describe this procedure (not a fundamental read)

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We have introduced informally the concept of generalised eigenvector

- We provide a formal definition

We determine a set of n linearly independent generalised eigenvectors

- A set that is a basis for \mathcal{R}

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Definition

Generalised eigenvector

Consider a $(n \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A}

Let \mathbf{v} be vector in \mathcal{R}^n

Suppose that the following holds true

$$\begin{cases} (\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^k \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0} \\ (\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{k-1} \mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0} \end{cases} \quad (25)$$

\mathbf{v} is a **generalised eigenvector** of order k associated to eigenvalue λ

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An eigenvector is thus a special generalised eigenvector

$$\rightsquigarrow k = 1$$

That is,

$$\begin{aligned} (\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{v} &= \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{v} &\neq \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$$

The equations are satisfied by \mathbf{v} and λ

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Example

Consider the matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We are interested in the existence of a generalised eigenvector

The characteristic polynomial

$$P(s) = \det(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = (s - 3)^4$$

One eigenvalue $\lambda = 3$

- Multiplicity $\nu = 4$

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We have,

$$(3\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 & -4 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Moreover,

$$(3\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$(3\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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For $\mathbf{v} = [a \quad b \quad c \quad d]^T$ be a generalised eigenvector, we must have

$$(3\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^3 \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$(3\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^2 \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ a + 2d \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq \mathbf{0}$$

↪ The first system is satisfied for any a, b, c, d

↪ The second system is satisfied by $a + 2d \neq 0$

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$$a + 2d \neq 0$$

Let $a = 1$ and $d = 0$, we have

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = [1 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0]^T$$

Let $a = 0$ and $d = 1$, we have

$$\mathbf{v}'_3 = [0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 1]^T$$

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Proposition

Chain of generalised eigenvectors

Consider a square matrix \mathbf{A}

Let \mathbf{v}_k be a k -order generalised eigenvector associated to eigenvalue λ

For $j = 1, \dots, k-1$, the j -order generalised eigenvector

$$\mathbf{v}_j = -(\lambda\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{v}_{j+1} = (\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})\mathbf{v}_{j+1} \quad (26)$$

The k -long chain of generalised eigenvectors

$$\mathbf{v}_k \rightarrow \mathbf{v}_{k-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \mathbf{v}_1$$

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Proof

We need to show that each vector in the chain is a generalised eigenvector

If $\mathbf{v}_j = (\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})\mathbf{v}_{j+1}$, for $j = 1, \dots, k-1$, then we have

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{v}_j = (\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})^{\mathbf{v}_{k-j}} \mathbf{v}_k$$

If \mathbf{v}_k is a k -order generalised eigenvector, then we have

$$\begin{cases} (\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})^k \mathbf{v}_k = \mathbf{0} \\ (\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})^{k-1} \mathbf{v}_k \neq \mathbf{0} \end{cases} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} (\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})^j \mathbf{v}_j = \mathbf{0} \\ (\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})^{j-1} \mathbf{v}_j \neq \mathbf{0} \end{cases}$$

Vector \mathbf{v}_k is thus a j -order generalised eigenvector

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$\mathbf{v}_3 = [1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]^T$ is a generalised eigenvector of order 3

We can construct the chain of length 3

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \mathbf{v}_2 = (\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \mathbf{v}_1 = (\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We have that \mathbf{v}_1 is an eigenvector of \mathbf{A}

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$\mathbf{v}'_3 = [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1]^T$ is a generalised eigenvector of order 3

We can construct the chain of length 3

$$\mathbf{v}'_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \mathbf{v}'_2 = (\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})\mathbf{v}'_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \mathbf{v}'_1 = (\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})\mathbf{v}'_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We have that \mathbf{v}'_1 is an eigenvector of \mathbf{A}

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\mathbf{v}_3 and \mathbf{v}'_3 are linearly independent, \mathbf{v}_2 and \mathbf{v}'_2 (and \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}'_1) are not

- They differ by a multiplicative constant



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Proposition

The structure of generalised eigenvectors

Consider a $(n \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A}

Let λ be an eigenvalue with multiplicity ν and geometric multiplicity μ

It is possible to assign to such an eigenvalue λ a **structure** of ν linearly independent eigenvectors consisting of μ chains

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{v}_{p_1}^{(1)} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \mathbf{v}_2^{(1)} \rightarrow \mathbf{v}_1^{(1)}, \quad \text{chain 1} \\ \mathbf{v}_{p_2}^{(2)} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \mathbf{v}_2^{(2)} \rightarrow \mathbf{v}_1^{(2)}, \quad \text{chain 2} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{v}_{p_\mu}^{(\mu)} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \mathbf{v}_2^{(\mu)} \rightarrow \mathbf{v}_1^{(\mu)}, \quad \text{chain } \mu \end{array} \right.$$

Let p_i be the length of the generic chain i

We have,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\mu} p_i = \nu$$

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Example

Consider the matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

One eigenvalue $\lambda = 3$, multiplicity $\nu = 4$

We have,

$$\alpha_1 = n - \text{rank}(3\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = 4 - 2 = 2$$

$$\alpha_2 = n - \text{rank}(3\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^2 = 4 - 1 = 3$$

$$\alpha_3 = n - \text{rank}(3\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^3 = 4 - 0 = 4$$

As $\alpha_3 = 4 = \nu$, we have $h = 3$

We can build the table

i	1	2	3
α_i	2	3	4
β_i	2	1	1
γ_i	1	0	1

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Proof

The theorem can be proved in a constructive way

- An algorithmic to determine the structure
- (For a specific eigenvalue)



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As $\gamma_3 = 1$, we must choose a generalised eigenvector of order 3

- It will generate a chain of length 3

We denote by (1) at the exponent all vectors belonging to such a chain

Choose the generalised eigenvector of order 3, $\mathbf{v}_3^{(1)} = [1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]^T$

We get,

$$\mathbf{v}_3^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \mathbf{v}_2^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \mathbf{v}_1^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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As $\gamma_2 = 0$, we do not determine other generalised eigenvectors of order 2

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Proposition

The generalised eigenvectors associated to distinct eigenvalues are linearly independent

Proposition

A $(n \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A} possesses n linearly independent generalised eigenvectors

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As $\gamma_1 = 1$, we must choose a generalised eigenvector of order 1

- A conventional eigenvector

This is the forth vector we get

We denote by (2) at the exponent only vector belonging to such a chain of length 1

Choose the eigenvector $\mathbf{v} = [a \quad b \quad c \quad d]^T \neq \mathbf{0}$

We get,

$$(3\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -2a - 4d \\ -a - d \\ a + 2d \\ a + d \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

We have that $a = d = 0$

We could choose $b = 1$ and $c = 0$ or $b = 0$ and $c = 1$

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Suppose we have determined n linearly independent generalised eigenvectors

We can use them to build a non-singular matrix

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Consider the definition of generalised modal matrix \mathbf{V}

- The ordering of the chain is not essential
- The choice is arbitrary

It is important however that the columns that are associated to the generalised eigenvectors belonging to the same chain are positioned side-by-side

- Moreover, they must ordered
- From the eigenvector to the generalised eigenvector of maximum order

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Definition

Generalised modal matrix

Consider a $(n \times n)$ matrix \mathbf{A}

Consider a set of linearly independent generalised eigenvectors of \mathbf{A}

Suppose that to eigenvalue λ correspond μ chains of generalised eigenvectors

\rightsquigarrow Lengths p_1, p_2, \dots, p_μ

We can sort the generalised eigenvectors of λ and build a matrix \mathbf{V}_λ

$$\left[\underbrace{[\mathbf{v}_1^{(1)} | \mathbf{v}_2^{(1)} | \dots | \mathbf{v}_{p_1}^{(1)}]}_{\text{chain 1}} \quad \underbrace{[\mathbf{v}_1^{(2)} | \mathbf{v}_2^{(2)} | \dots | \mathbf{v}_{p_2}^{(2)}]}_{\text{chain 2}} \quad \dots \quad \underbrace{[\mathbf{v}_1^{(\mu)} | \mathbf{v}_2^{(\mu)} | \dots | \mathbf{v}_{p_\mu}^{(\mu)}]}_{\text{chain } \mu} \right]$$

Suppose that matrix \mathbf{A} has r distinct eigenvalues λ_i ($i = 1, \dots, r$)

We define the $(n \times n)$ **generalised modal matrix** of \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{V}_{\lambda_1} | \mathbf{V}_{\lambda_2} | \dots | \mathbf{V}_{\lambda_r}]$$

Generalised modal matrix (cont.)

Proposition

Consider a square matrix \mathbf{A} and let \mathbf{V} be its generalised modal matrix

Matrix \mathbf{J} from similarity transformation $\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}$ is in Jordan form

There are μ chains of generalised eigenvectors correspond to eigenvalue λ

\rightsquigarrow Lengths p_1, p_2, \dots, p_μ

Thus, μ Jordan blocks of order p_1, p_2, \dots, p_μ

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Proof

The columns of the generalised modal matrix are linearly independent

- The generalised modal matrix is non-singular
- It can be inverted

Consider the j -th chain of length p associated to λ

By definition,

$$\lambda \mathbf{v}_1^{(j)} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_1^{(j)}$$

For the i -th (generalised eigen-) vector (of order $i > 1$) $\mathbf{v}_i^{(j)}$

$$\mathbf{v}_{i-1}^{(j)} = (\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{v}_i^{(j)}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda \mathbf{v}_i^{(j)} + \mathbf{v}_{i-1}^{(j)} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_i^{(j)}$$

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By combining equations, let the j -th chain contributes the first p columns

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda \mathbf{v}_1^{(j)} & \lambda \mathbf{v}_2^{(j)} + \mathbf{v}_1^{(j)} & \cdots & \lambda \mathbf{v}_p^{(j)} + \mathbf{v}_{p-1}^{(j)} & \cdots \end{bmatrix} \\ = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_1^{(j)} & \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_2^{(j)} & \cdots & \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_p^{(j)} & \cdots \end{bmatrix}$$

That is,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1^{(j)} & \mathbf{v}_2^{(j)} & \cdots & \mathbf{v}_{p-1}^{(j)} & \mathbf{v}_p^{(j)} & \cdots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & \lambda & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda & 1 & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \lambda & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \\ = \mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1^{(j)} & \mathbf{v}_2^{(j)} & \cdots & \mathbf{v}_{p-1}^{(j)} & \mathbf{v}_p^{(j)} & \cdots \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & \lambda & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda & 1 & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \lambda & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

That is, we have

$$\mathbf{V} \mathbf{J} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}$$

The chain of length p associates to a block of order p in \mathbf{J}

To complete the proof, left-multiply this equation by \mathbf{V}^{-1}

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Let \mathbf{J}_i be the generic block of order p

$$\mathbf{J}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

Its matrix exponential

$$e^{\mathbf{J}_i t} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda t} & te^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^2}{2!}e^{\lambda t} & \cdots & \frac{t^{p-3}}{(p-3)!}e^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^{p-2}}{(p-2)!}e^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^{p-1}}{(p-1)!}e^{\lambda t} \\ 0 & e^{\lambda t} & te^{\lambda t} & \cdots & \frac{t^{p-4}}{(p-4)!}e^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^{p-3}}{(p-3)!}e^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^{p-2}}{(p-2)!}e^{\lambda t} \\ 0 & 0 & e^{\lambda t} & \cdots & \frac{t^{p-5}}{(p-5)!}e^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^{p-4}}{(p-4)!}e^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^{p-3}}{(p-3)!}e^{\lambda t} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & e^{\lambda t} & te^{\lambda t} & \frac{t^2}{2!}e^{\lambda t} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & e^{\lambda t} & te^{\lambda t} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & e^{\lambda t} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Proposition

Consider a matrix in Jordan form

$$\text{color AaltoBlue} \mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{J}_1 & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{J}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{J}_q \end{bmatrix}$$

Its matrix exponential

$$e^{\mathbf{J}t} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\mathbf{J}_1 t} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & e^{\mathbf{J}_2 t} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & e^{\mathbf{J}_q t} \end{bmatrix}$$

Transition matrix by Jordan (cont.)

Proof

Matrix \mathbf{J} is in block-diagonal form, hence its exponential

For the second result, determine the k -th power of block \mathbf{J}_i

- λ is the associated eigenvalue

We have,

$$\mathbf{J}_i^k = \begin{bmatrix} \binom{k}{0}\lambda^k & \binom{k}{1}\lambda^{k-1} & \binom{k}{2}\lambda^{k-2} & \cdots & \binom{k}{k-p+2}\lambda^{k-p+2} & \binom{k}{p-1}\lambda^{k-p+1} \\ 0 & \binom{k}{0}\lambda^k & \binom{k}{1}\lambda^{k-1} & \cdots & \binom{k}{k-p+3}\lambda^{k-p+2} & \binom{k}{p-2}\lambda^{k-p+2} \\ 0 & 0 & \binom{k}{0}\lambda^k & \cdots & \binom{k}{k-p+4}\lambda^{k-p+4} & \binom{k}{p-3}\lambda^{k-p+3} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \binom{k}{0}\lambda^k & \binom{k}{1}\lambda^{k-1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \binom{k}{0}\lambda^k \end{bmatrix}$$

We used the definition of binomial coefficient

$$\binom{k}{j} = \frac{k!}{j!(k-j)!}, \text{ for } j \leq k$$

$$\binom{k}{j} = 0, \text{ for } j > k$$

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The generic element of matrix $e^{\mathbf{J}_i t}$ is on the upper-diagonal

- Starting from element $1, j + 1$, for $j = 0, \dots, p - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^k}{k!} \binom{k}{j} \lambda^{k-j} &= \sum_{k=j}^{\infty} \frac{t^k}{j!(k-j)!} \lambda^{k-j} = \frac{t^j}{j!} \left(\sum_{k=j}^{\infty} \frac{t^{k-j}}{(k-j)!} \lambda^{k-j} \right) \\ &= \frac{t^j}{j!} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^k}{k!} \lambda^k \right) = \frac{t^j}{j!} e^{\lambda t} \end{aligned}$$

This is because we have

$$e^{\mathbf{J}_i t} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^k}{k!} \mathbf{J}_i^k$$

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Example

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$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider the generalised modal matrix \mathbf{V}

$$\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{v}_1^{(1)} \quad \mathbf{v}_2^{(1)} \quad \mathbf{v}_3^{(1)} \quad \mathbf{v}_1^{(2)}] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We can write \mathbf{A} in Jordan form

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Proposition

Consider a matrix \mathbf{A} of order n and eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$

Let \mathbf{V} be a generalised modal matrix to get a Jordan form

$$\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}$$

We have,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \mathbf{V} e^{\mathbf{J}t} \mathbf{V}^{-1} \quad (27)$$

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Transition matrix by Jordan (cont.)

We have,

$$e^{\mathbf{J}t} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{3t} & te^{3t} & \frac{t^2}{2}e^{3t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{3t} & te^{3t} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{3t} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e^{3t} \end{bmatrix}$$

We thus have,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \mathbf{V} e^{\mathbf{J}t} \mathbf{V}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{3t} + 2e^{3t} & 0 & 0 & 4te^{3t} \\ te^{3t} + 0.5t^2e^{3t} & e^{3t} & 0 & te^{3t} + t^2e^{3t} \\ -te^{3t} & 0 & e^{3t} & -2te^{3t} \\ -te^{3t} & 0 & 0 & e^{3t} - 2te^{3t} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Consider a matrix \mathbf{A} with conjugate complex eigenvalues

↪ Its Jordan form is not real

We can modify the diagonalisation procedure

- A modified modal matrix

We get a real canonical quasi Jordan form

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The modes are function that characterise the dynamical behaviour

- We studied them for IO representations

We establish a similar concept also for SS representations

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Consider a matrix \mathbf{J} in Jordan canonical form

- Let $e^{\mathbf{J}t}$ be the state transition matrix

Consider a given block of order p associated to eigenvalue λ

$$\mathbf{J}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

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In the block of the matrix exponential, we will have the functions

$$e^{\lambda t}, te^{\lambda t}, \dots, t^{p-1}e^{\lambda t}$$

Functions of time to be multiplied by appropriate coefficients

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Definition

Minimum polynomial

Consider a matrix \mathbf{A} with r distinct eigenvalues λ_i

- Let π_i be the indexes of the eigenvalues

We define the **minimum polynomial**

$$P_{\min}(s) = \prod_{i=1}^r (s - \lambda_i)^{\pi_i}$$

Consider the roots λ_i of the minimum polynomial of multiplicity π_i

- To them we can associate the π_i functions of time
- We call them **modes**

$$e^{\lambda_i t}, te^{\lambda_i t}, \dots, t^{\pi_i-1}e^{\lambda_i t}$$

Each element of state transition matrix is a linear combination of modes

$$\rightsquigarrow e^{\mathbf{A}t}$$

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Minimum and characteristic polynomial coincide in nonderogatory matrices

\rightsquigarrow (Special case of eigenvalues with multiplicity one)

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Example

Consider a system with SS representation

$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t) \\ y(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} \end{cases}$$

The state matrix \mathbf{A} has two eigenvalues, both with multiplicity one

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_1 = -1$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_2 = -2$$

The index is unitary, too

The minimum polynomial of \mathbf{A} and the characteristic polynomial match

$$P_{\min}(s) = P(s) = (s + 1)(s + 2)$$

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Minimum polynomial and modes (cont.)

The modes are e^{-t} and e^{-2t}

We have,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t} & (e^{-t} - e^{-2t}) \\ 0 & e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

Each element is a linear combination of the modes



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Example

Consider the matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

One eigenvalue $\lambda = 3$, multiplicity $\nu = 4$, index $\pi = 3$

The characteristic and the minimum polynomial

$$P(s) = (s - \lambda)^\nu = (s - 3)^4$$

$$P_{\min}(s) = (s - \lambda)^\pi = (s - 3)^3$$

The modes

$$e^{3t}, te^{3t}, t^2e^{3t}$$

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The generalised modal matrix \mathbf{V}

$$\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{v}_1^{(1)} \quad \mathbf{v}_2^{(1)} \quad \mathbf{v}_3^{(1)} \quad \mathbf{v}_1^{(2)}] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The Jordan form of matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Each element of matrix $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$ is a linear combination of the modes

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \mathbf{V}e^{\mathbf{J}t}\mathbf{V}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{3t} + 2e^{3t} & 0 & 0 & 4te^{3t} \\ te^{3t} + 0.5t^2e^{3t} & e^{3t} & 0 & te^{3t} + t^2e^{3t} \\ -te^{3t} & 0 & e^{3t} & -2te^{3t} \\ -te^{3t} & 0 & 0 & e^{3t} - 2te^{3t} \end{bmatrix}$$

There is no mode in the form $t^{\nu-1}e^{\lambda t} = t^3e^{3t}$

- Though there is a $\lambda = 3$, with $\nu = 4$



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On the eigenvectors

Consider the state-space representation of a system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t) \end{cases}$$

We give an interpretation to the real eigenvectors of \mathbf{A}

We start with a general result, valid for all eigenvectors

- Both real and complex eigenvectors

On the eigenvectors (cont.)

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Proposition

Let \mathbf{v} be an eigenvector of matrix \mathbf{A}

- λ is the associated eigenvalue

We have,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{v} = e^{\lambda t}\mathbf{v}$$

That is, \mathbf{v} is an eigenvector of matrix $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$

$\rightsquigarrow e^{\lambda t}$ is the associated eigenvalue

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Proof

Let \mathbf{v} be an eigenvector of matrix \mathbf{A}

- λ is the associated eigenvalue

We thus have,

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$$

By pre-multiplying both sides by \mathbf{A} , we get

$$\mathbf{A}^2\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \lambda^2\mathbf{v}$$

The operation can be repeated, we get

$$\mathbf{A}^k\mathbf{v} = \lambda^k\mathbf{v}, \text{ for } k \in \mathcal{N}$$

We obtain,

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{v} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^k}{k!} \mathbf{A}^k \mathbf{v} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^k}{k!} \lambda^k \mathbf{v} = e^{\lambda t} \mathbf{v}$$

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Consider a linear system with SS representation

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t) \end{cases}$$

We are interested in its time evolution, from different initial conditions

Consider the initial state $\mathbf{x}(t_0)$ at time t_0 , we have

- $\mathbf{x}_u(t)$ defines a parameterised curve
- The curve lies in the state space
- Time t is the parameter of $\mathbf{x}_u(t)$

The curve is called **state evolution**

The set of points along the curve defines the **trajectory** of the evolution

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We can embed a physical interpretation to the real eigenvectors of \mathbf{A}

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On the eigenvectors (cont.)

Suppose that \mathbf{x}_0 corresponds to an eigenvector of matrix \mathbf{A}

- (λ is the associated eigenvalue)

By using Lagrange formula and $e^{\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{v} = e^{\lambda t}\mathbf{v}$, we have

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{x}_u(t) = e^{\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{x}_0 = e^{\lambda t}\mathbf{x}_0$$

The state vector $\mathbf{x}_u(t)$ keeps in time the direction of \mathbf{x}_0

\rightsquigarrow Its magnitude changes according to the mode $e^{\lambda t}$

- (It goes with the associated eigenvalue)

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On the eigenvectors (cont.)

Suppose that the system has a state matrix \mathbf{A} of order n

Suppose that \mathbf{A} has n linearly independent eigenvectors

$$\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$$

- (The associated eigenvalues are $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$)

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Suppose that \mathbf{x}_0 does not coincide with \mathbf{v}_i

We can always write,

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathbf{x}_0 = \alpha_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \alpha_n \mathbf{v}_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \mathbf{v}_i$$

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The initial condition is a linear combination of the basis of eigenvectors

- Through appropriate coefficients α_i

We have,

$$\mathbf{x}_u(t) = e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{x}_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{v}_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i e^{\lambda_i t} \mathbf{v}_i$$

Time evolution is a linear combination of evolutions, along eigenvectors

- Through the same coefficients α_i

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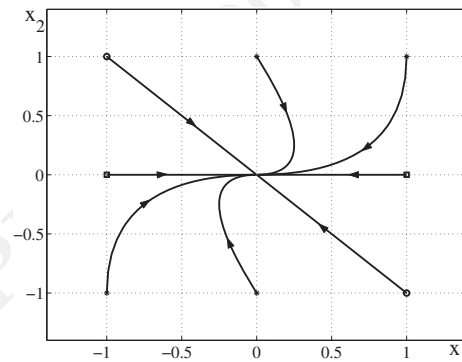
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On the eigenvectors (cont.)

The force-free evolution on the (x_1, x_2) -plane for different cases

Each trajectory corresponds to a different initial condition

- t increases according to the arrow



Two initial conditions are placed along the eigenvector \mathbf{v}_1

- $\mathbf{x}_u(t)$ keeps the same direction
- Its modulo decreases, e^{-t} is stable

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Example

Consider a system with state-space representation $\{\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{D}\}$

$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t) \\ \begin{bmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u(t) \end{cases}$$

The state matrix \mathbf{A} has the eigenvalues and eigenvectors

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_1 \text{ and } \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda_2 \text{ and } \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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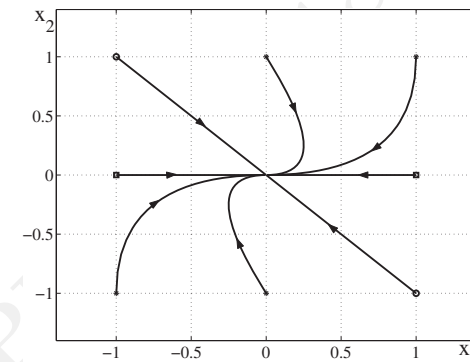
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- $\mathbf{x}_u(t)$ keeps the same direction
- Its modulo decreases, e^{-2t} is stable

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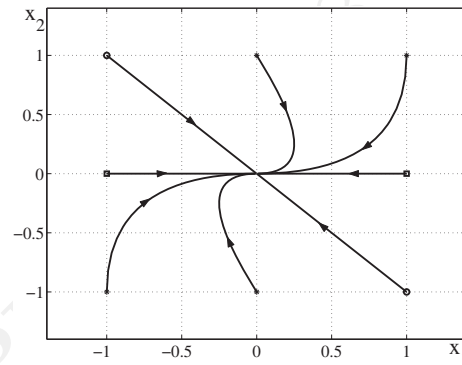
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Two initial conditions are placed along a combination of eigenvectors

- ~> $\mathbf{x}_u(t)$ keeps a curved direction, tend to zero
- ~> Components evolve along different modes
- ~> e^{-2t} is (extinguishes) faster



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We have,

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t} \cos(2t) \\ -e^{-t} \sin(2t) \end{bmatrix}$$

The solution determines a vector in the (x_1, x_2) plane

- The vector rotates clockwise
- The angular speed $\omega = 2$

The magnitude decreases according to mode e^{-t}

- A spiral

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Example

Consider the SS representation of a system with state matrix \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The eigenvalues

$$\rightsquigarrow \lambda, \lambda' = \alpha \pm j\omega = -1 \pm j2$$

We have,

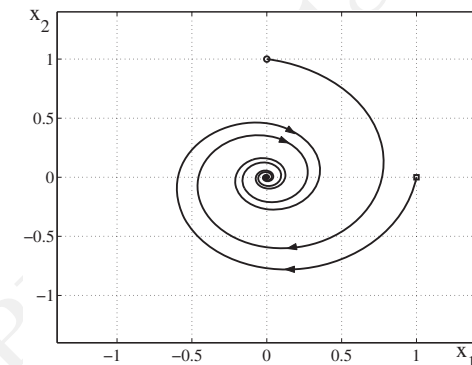
$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(2t) & \sin(2t) \\ -\sin(2t) & \cos(2t) \end{bmatrix}$$

We want to study the force-free evolution

- From initial condition $\mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

On the eigenvectors (cont.)

The trajectory is the spiral starting at \square , $\mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$



All trajectories have qualitatively similar behaviour

- Whatever the initial condition

$$\rightsquigarrow \text{Starting at } \bigcirc, \mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

