

1 Problem 1

Consider a linear time invariant system $\dot{x} = Ax$, $x(0) = [0, 1, 1]^T \in \mathbb{R}^3$ with

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

1. Find the Jordan canonical form of A and give the transformation matrix.

Answer: The rank of the matrix is 3

Step 1: computing Eigenvalues

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} -1-\lambda & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2-\lambda \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \det(A - \lambda I) = (-1-\lambda) \cdot [(-1-\lambda) \cdot (-2-\lambda) - (0 \cdot 1)]$$

Step 2: find Eigenvectors

$$\lambda_1 = -2 \quad A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{from row 3}]{\text{subtract row 2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{from row 1}]{\text{subtract } 2(\text{row 2})} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{so we have } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

same procedure for $\lambda_2 = -1$, we have Eigenvector $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

and we need to find the generalized vector, $\Rightarrow v = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

so our matrix in basis $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

Jordan form is computed by $A = S \cdot J \cdot S^{-1}$, we have $S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{and } S^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad J = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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2. Find the solution of the differential equation under given initial conditions.

Answer:

To solve the initial problem, we have to find general solution:

$$x(t) = C_1 v_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + C_2 v_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \text{ ~~from question 1~~}$$

From question 1, we know $\lambda_1 = -1$, $\lambda_2 = -2$
When $\lambda_1 = -1$ $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

When $\lambda_2 = -2$ $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Substitute the value to the $x(t)$

$$x(t) = C_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t} + C_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t}$$

$$x(0) = [0, 1, 1]^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x(0) = C_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + C_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} C_1 + C_2 = 0 \\ C_2 = 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} C_2 = 1 \\ C_1 = -1 \end{cases}$$

So we have $x(t) = - \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t}$

3. Let A be perturbed by a constant $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and

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

Find the possible values of a such that the system $\dot{x} = Ax$ is asymptotically stable.

Answer: This equilibrium is said to be Lyapunov stable. If, for every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a $\delta > 0$, such that if $\|x(0) - x_e\| < \delta$, then for every $t \geq 0$ we have $\|x(t) - x_e\| < \epsilon$.

$$\text{let } \det(sI - A) = 0$$

$$sI - A = \begin{bmatrix} s+1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & s+1 & -a \\ 0 & -1 & s+2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(sI - A) = (s+1)[(s^2+3s+2)-a] = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} s_1 = -1 \\ s^2+3s+2 = a \end{cases}$$

$$\text{we can get } s_2 = \frac{-3 - \sqrt{1+4a}}{2} \quad s_3 = \frac{-3 + \sqrt{1+4a}}{2}$$

$$\text{so } -3 + \sqrt{1+4a} < 0 \quad \text{and } 1+4a \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{4} \leq a < 2$$

so when $\text{Re}\{\lambda_i\} < 0$ for all λ_i
then we called A is Hurwitz

we can see the real part of each
eigenvalue is strictly negative

if $-\frac{1}{4} \leq a < 2$, the system is asymptotically stable

2 Problem 2

Are the following statements true or false? If true, prove the statement. If false, give a counterexample.

1. Assume $X, Y \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ satisfying $XY = YX$ and x is a generalized eigenvector of X . Then, Yx is also a generalized eigenvector of X .

Answer: True

let assume $X, Y \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ satisfying $XY = YX$

we know that $(X - \lambda I)^p y_x = 0$ for some p and eigenvalue λ .
If x is an $n \times n$ matrix, a generalized eigenvector of a corresponding to the eigenvalue λ is nonzero vector.

y_x satisfying $(X - \lambda I)^p y_x = 0$ for some positive integer p .

Equivalently, it is a nonzero element of the null space of $(X - \lambda I)^p$.

$$\text{now } (X - \lambda I)^p y_x = y_x (X - \lambda I)^p x = 0$$

Since y_x is also generalized eigenvector of X .

Hence proved!

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2. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$. Then, $\text{rank}(AA^T) = \text{rank}(A)$.

Answer: True

The null space $N(A^T)$ of A^T contains vectors x which satisfies the equation $A^T \cdot x = 0$. These vectors ~~can~~ then will also satisfy the equation $AA^T \cdot x = 0$ which implies that $N(A^T) \subset N(AA^T)$. To prove that $N(A^T) = N(AA^T)$, we now need to show that $N(AA^T) \subset N(A^T)$. In order to do that, let's pick any vector $x \in N(AA^T)$. So,
 $AA^T \cdot x = 0 \Rightarrow x^T \cdot AA^T \cdot x = 0 \Rightarrow \|A^T \cdot x\|^2 = 0 \Rightarrow A^T \cdot x = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x \in N(A)$,

So from the above implication we can say that $N(AA^T) \subset N(A^T)$. So $N(AA^T) = N(A^T)$
and $\dim(N(AA^T)) = \dim(N(A))$

$$\Rightarrow \text{rank}(AA^T) = \text{rank}(A)$$

3. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 6}$, and its null space is 3-dimensional. Then, for any $b \in \mathbb{R}^4$, the equation $Ax = b$ has a solution.

Answer: False

Since A has 6 columns and the nullity of A is 3, the rank of A is $6 - 3 = 3$. Thus the dimension of the column space of A is 3.

if $Ax = b$ has solution, $\dim -b \leq 3$

counter Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

we can see that $Ax = b$ doesn't have solution.

3 Problem 3

Suppose there are three birds flying in the sky and assume the birds' speeds are $v_1(k)$, $v_2(k)$ and $v_3(k)$ at moment k , respectively. Each bird will adjust its speed based on the average of the other two birds' speeds, i.e. at moment $k+1$, the birds' speeds are

$$v_1(k+1) = \frac{v_2(k) + v_3(k)}{2}, \quad v_2(k+1) = \frac{v_1(k) + v_3(k)}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad v_3(k+1) = \frac{v_1(k) + v_2(k)}{2},$$

respectively. Assume the initial speeds are $v_1(0) = 8 \text{ m/s}$, $v_2(0) = 9 \text{ m/s}$ and $v_3(0) = 13 \text{ m/s}$.

1. What are the speeds of the birds at moment $k=1$?

Answer:

$$V_1(1) = \frac{V_2(0) + V_3(0)}{2} = \frac{9 + 13}{2} = 11 \text{ m/s}$$

$$V_2(1) = \frac{V_1(0) + V_3(0)}{2} = \frac{8 + 13}{2} = 10.5 \text{ m/s}$$

$$V_3(1) = \frac{V_1(0) + V_2(0)}{2} = \frac{8 + 9}{2} = 8.5 \text{ m/s}$$

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2. Assume we lump the speeds into a vector as $x(k) = [v_1(k), v_2(k), v_3(k)]^T \in \mathbb{R}^3$, then the relation between $x(k+1)$ and $x(k)$ can be described as $x(k+1) = Ax(k)$ with $A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$. Find the A matrix.

Answer: $x(k) = [v_1(k), v_2(k), v_3(k)]^T = \begin{bmatrix} v_1(k) \\ v_2(k) \\ v_3(k) \end{bmatrix}$

$$x(k+1) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{v_2(k) + v_3(k)}{2} \\ \frac{v_1(k) + v_3(k)}{2} \\ \frac{v_1(k) + v_2(k)}{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{assume } A = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_2 & A_3 \\ A_4 & A_5 & A_6 \\ A_7 & A_8 & A_9 \end{bmatrix}$$

So we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{v_2(k) + v_3(k)}{2} \\ \frac{v_1(k) + v_3(k)}{2} \\ \frac{v_1(k) + v_2(k)}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_2 & A_3 \\ A_4 & A_5 & A_6 \\ A_7 & A_8 & A_9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1(k) \\ v_2(k) \\ v_3(k) \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} A_1 v_1(k) + A_2 v_2(k) + A_3 v_3(k) \\ = \frac{v_2(k) + v_3(k)}{2} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

$$A_4 v_1(k) + A_5 v_2(k) + A_6 v_3(k) = \frac{v_1(k) + v_3(k)}{2} \quad (2)$$

$$A_7 v_1(k) + A_8 v_2(k) + A_9 v_3(k) = \frac{v_1(k) + v_2(k)}{2} \quad (3)$$

Combine (1), (2), (3), we get $A_1 = 0, A_2 = \frac{1}{2}, A_3 = \frac{1}{2}, A_4 = \frac{1}{2}, A_5 = 0$
 $A_6 = \frac{1}{2}, A_7 = \frac{1}{2}, A_8 = \frac{1}{2}, A_9 = 0$

So $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

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3. Find a canonical diagonal matrix similar to A , and give the orthogonal transformation matrix.

Answer:

step 1: find eigenvalue

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\lambda & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0 = -\lambda[(-\lambda)(-\lambda) - (\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2})] - \frac{1}{2}[(\frac{1}{2} \cdot -\lambda) - (\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2})] + \frac{1}{2}[\frac{1}{4} - (\frac{1}{2} \cdot -\lambda)]$$

$$= \frac{3\lambda}{4} - \lambda^3 + \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 1 \quad \lambda_2 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

step 2: find eigenvectors

$$\lambda_1 = 1 \text{ Eigenvectors } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ Eigenvectors } \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

orthogonal transformation matrix

$$O = P^{-1}AP = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix} P = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{6} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \#$$

4. Find the speeds of the birds when $k \rightarrow \infty$, i.e. $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(k)$.

Answer:

when $k \rightarrow \infty$ $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(k)$

from 3.3, we have eigenvalue $\lambda_1 = 1$

and the Correspondant Vector $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

the initial speed is $v_1(0) + v_2(0) + v_3(0) = 8 + 9 + 13 = 30$.

So ~~the~~ it will be $\begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 10 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$

Thus $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(k) = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 10 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$ #