

# Homework #6

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**Problem 1:** Consider the system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & t \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ t \end{pmatrix} u, \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^2, \quad u, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

- a) Compute its state transition matrix.
- b) Compute the system's output to the constant input  $u(t) = 1, \forall t \geq 0$ , for an arbitrary initial condition  $x(0) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(0) \\ x_2(0) \end{pmatrix}$ .

**Solution:**

- a) Want to find  $\Phi(t, s)$ .

$$\vec{x}(t) = \Phi(t, t_0)\vec{x}(0) + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, s)\vec{B}(s)u(s)ds$$

$$\dot{x}_1(t) = tx_2(t)$$

$$\dot{x}_2(t) = 2x_2(t)$$

So,

$$x_2(t) = x_{2,0}e^{2t-t_0}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_1(t) &= x_{1,0} + x_{2,0} \int_{t_0}^t (s - t_0 + t_0) e^{2(s-t_0)} ds \\
 &= x_{1,0} + x_{2,0} \int_0^{t-t_0} (u + t_0) e^{2u} du \\
 &= x_{1,0} + x_{2,0} \left( \frac{u + t_0}{2} e^{2u} \right)_0^{t-t_0} - x_{2,0} \int_0^{t-t_0} \frac{1}{2} e^{2u} du \\
 &= x_{1,0} + x_{2,0} \left( \frac{t - t_0 + t_0}{2} e^{2(t-t_0)} - \frac{t_0}{2} \right) - x_{2,0} \left( \frac{1}{4} e^{2(t-t_0)} - \frac{1}{4} \right) \\
 &= x_{1,0} + x_{2,0} \left( \frac{t}{2} e^{2(t-t_0)} - \frac{t_0}{2} - \frac{1}{4} e^{2(t-t_0)} + \frac{1}{4} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \Phi(t, t_0) \\ 0 & e^{2(t-t_0)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{1,0} \\ x_{2,0} \end{pmatrix}$$

So,

$$\Phi(t, s) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{t}{2} e^{2(t-s)} - \frac{s}{2} - \frac{1}{4} e^{2(t-s)} + \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & e^{2(t-s)} \end{pmatrix}$$

b) part b

The solution is

$$\vec{x}(t) = \Phi(t, t_0) \vec{x}(0) + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, s) \vec{B}(s) u(s) ds$$

Here,  $u(s) = 1$ , so

$$\vec{x}(t) = \Phi(t, t_0) \vec{x}(0) + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, s) \vec{B}(s) ds$$

It is given that  $B(s) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ s \end{pmatrix}$ , so

$$\vec{x}(t) = \Phi(t, t_0) \vec{x}(0) + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, s) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ s \end{pmatrix} ds$$

So,

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{t}{2} e^{2(t-t_0)} - \frac{s}{2} - \frac{1}{4} e^{2(t-t_0)} + \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & e^{2(t-t_0)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{1,0} \\ x_{2,0} \end{pmatrix} + \int_{t_0}^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{s}{2} e^{2(s-t_0)} - \frac{s}{2} - \frac{1}{4} e^{2(s-t_0)} + \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & e^{2(s-t_0)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ s \end{pmatrix} ds$$

Wolfram Alpha said this was too many characters when I put it in. So, here is ChatGPT's answer (probably wrong):

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{1,0} + \left( \frac{t}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \right) e^{2(t-t_0)} - \frac{t_0}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \\ \left( x_{2,0} + \frac{t_0}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \right) e^{2(t-t_0)} - \frac{t}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix}$$

**Problem 2:** Consider the homogeneous linear time-varying system

$$\dot{\vec{x}}(t) = A(t)\vec{x}(t), \quad \vec{x}(t_0) = \vec{x}_0$$

with state transition matrix  $\Phi(t, \tau)$ . Consider also the non-homogeneous system

$$\dot{\vec{z}}(t) = A(t)\vec{z}(t) + \vec{x}(t), \quad \vec{z}(t_0) = \vec{z}_0$$

- a) Compute  $\vec{x}(t)$  and  $\vec{z}(t)$  as a function of  $\vec{x}_0$ ,  $\vec{z}_0$ , and  $\Phi(t, \tau)$ . No integrals should appear in your answer.
- b) For a given time  $T > 0$ , how should  $x_0$  and  $z_0$  be related to have  $z(T) = 0$ ?

**Solution:**

- a) Start with  $\vec{x}(t)$

This has a straightforward solution:

$$\vec{x}(t) = \Phi(t, t_0)\vec{x}_0$$

Now for  $\vec{z}(t)$ :

$$\dot{\vec{z}}(t) = A(t)\vec{z}(t) + \vec{x}(t), \quad \vec{z}(t_0) = \vec{z}_0$$

Start with the solution with an integral and simplify:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{z}(t) &= \Phi(t, t_0)\vec{z}_0 + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, s)\vec{x}(s) ds \\ &= \Phi(t, t_0)\vec{z}_0 + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, s)\Phi(s, t_0)\vec{x}_0 ds \\ &= \Phi(t, t_0)\vec{z}_0 + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, t_0)\vec{x}_0 ds \\ &= \Phi(t, t_0)\vec{z}_0 + \Phi(t, t_0)\vec{x}_0 \int_{t_0}^t ds \\ &= \Phi(t, t_0)\vec{z}_0 + \Phi(t, t_0)\vec{x}_0(t - t_0) \end{aligned}$$

- b) To achieve  $\vec{z}(T) = 0$ , set the solution at  $t = T$  to zero:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{z}(T) &= \Phi(T, t_0)\vec{z}_0 + \Phi(T, t_0)\vec{x}_0(T - t_0) \\ &= \Phi(T, t_0)(\vec{z}_0 + \vec{x}_0(T - t_0)) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Assuming  $\Phi(T, t_0)$  is invertible (I think it has to be), we can solve for  $\vec{z}_0$ :

$$\vec{z}_0 + \vec{x}_0(T - t_0) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \vec{z}_0 = -\vec{x}_0(T - t_0)$$

Therefore, the initial conditions must satisfy

$$\vec{z}_0 = -(T - t_0)\vec{x}_0.$$

**Problem 3:** Compute  $A^n$  and  $e^{An}$  for the following matrices:

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= I + N \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$NI = IN$  because identity.

$$N^2 = \begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^2 & 0 \\ 0 & (0)^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Binomial theorem:

$$\begin{aligned} (I + N)^n &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} I^{n-k} N^k \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^1 \binom{n}{k} I^{n-k} N^k \\ &= I + nN \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & n & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Now  $A_2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} A_2 &= D + N \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$N^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$N^3 = 0$$

$$D^n = D$$

$$DN + ND = N$$

Look at the pattern:

$$\begin{aligned}(D + N)^2 &= D^2 + 2DN + N^2 = D + N + N^2 \\ (D + N)^3 &= D + N + N^2 + DN^2 = D + N + 2N^2\end{aligned}$$

Induction:

$$(D + N)^1 = D + N$$

Assume:

$$(D + N)^n = D + N + (n - 1)N^2$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned}(D + N)^{n+1} &= (D + N)^n + (D + N)N^2 \\ &= D + N + (n - 1)N^2 + DN^2 \\ &= D + N + nN^2\end{aligned}$$

Now  $A_3$ :

$$\begin{aligned}A_3^n &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^n \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^n & 0 \\ 0 & \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^n \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2^n \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^n & 0 \\ 0 & 3^n \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^n \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2^n \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ n & 1 \end{pmatrix} & 0 \\ 0 & 3^n \begin{pmatrix} 1 & n \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

Now  $e^{A_1 t}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}e^{A_1 t} &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(tA_1)^j}{j!} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^j (I + N)^j}{j!} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^j}{j!} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & j & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= e^t \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & j & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

For  $e^{A_2 t}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^{A_2 t} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(tA_2)^n}{n!} \\
 &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^j (D + N)^j}{j!} \\
 &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^j (D + N + (j-1)N^2)}{j!}
 \end{aligned}$$

For  $e^{A_3 t}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^{A_3 t} &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(tA_3)^j}{j!} \\
 &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^j}{j!} \begin{pmatrix} 2^j & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ j2^j & 2^j & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3^j & j3^j \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3^j \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= e^t \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} 2^j & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ j2^j & 2^j & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3^j & j3^j \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3^j \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 4:** Consider an upper triangular matrix  $A$ .

- a) Show that  $e^{At}$  is also upper triangular.
- b) Relate the diagonal elements of  $A$  with those of  $e^{At}$ .

**Solution:**

a) Suppose  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}.$

$$A = D + N$$

where  $D$  is diagonal and  $N$  is strictly upper triangular.

Put  $e^{At}$  in same form:

$$e^{At} = e^{Dt} e^{Nt} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(Dt)^j}{j!} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(Nt)^k}{k!} \right)$$

$D$  remains diagonal always, and  $N$  stays upper triangular. So,  $e^{At}$  is upper triangular.

- b) Relate the diagonal elements of  $A$  with those of  $e^{At}$ .

The diagonal elements of  $e^{At}$  are given by:

$$e^{Dt} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_{ii}t)^j}{j!} = e^{a_{ii}t}$$

Each diagonal element of  $e^{At}$  is the exponential of the corresponding diagonal element of  $A$  multiplied by  $t$ .

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & * & \cdots & * \\ 0 & a_{22} & \cdots & * \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$e^{At} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{a_{11}t} & * & \cdots & * \\ 0 & e^{a_{22}t} & \cdots & * \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & e^{a_{nn}t} \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Problem 5:** For  $n \times n$  matrices  $A, B$ , show that if  $AB = BA$ , then  $e^{A+B} = e^A e^B$ .

Using this result, show then that  $(e^A)^{-1} = e^{-A}$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^{A+B} &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(A+B)^j}{j!} \\
 &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\ell=0}^j \frac{1}{j!} \binom{j}{\ell} A^\ell B^{j-\ell} \\
 &= \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=\ell}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j!} \binom{j}{\ell} A^\ell B^{j-\ell} \\
 &= \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=\ell}^{\infty} \frac{j!}{j! \ell! (j-\ell)!} A^\ell B^{j-\ell} \\
 &= \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=\ell}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\ell! (j-\ell)!} A^\ell B^{j-\ell} \\
 &= \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j-\ell=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\ell! (j-\ell)!} A^\ell B^{j-\ell} \\
 &= \left( \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^\ell}{\ell!} \right) \left( \sum_{j-\ell=0}^{\infty} \frac{B^{j-\ell}}{(j-\ell)!} \right) \\
 &= e^A e^B
 \end{aligned}$$

Showing  $(e^A)^{-1} = e^{-A}$ :

$$e^A e^{-A} = e^{A+(-A)} = e^{A-A} = e^0 = I$$

Therefore,  $e^{-A}$  is the inverse of  $e^A$ :

$$e^{-A} = (e^A)^{-1}$$