

Recitation 9: Higher Order ODE (2)

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Exercise 1. In this question, we study the long time behavior of higher order system and the norm of matrix. Recall that the norm of a vector $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ is $\|\mathbf{x}\| = (\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i)^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and the norm of a matrix $\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{A}_{i,j})_{1 \leq i,j \leq d} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ is defined as

$$\|\mathbf{A}\| := \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{0\}} \frac{\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|}{\|\mathbf{x}\|}.$$

1. Some elementary properties of norm.

(a) Prove that $\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|\|\mathbf{x}\|$.

(b) Prove that, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\|\mathbf{A}^n\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|^n$.

(c) Justify the triangle inequality that for any two matrix $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$

$$\|\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| + \|\mathbf{B}\|.$$

2. Comparison with the norm and elements in matrix.

(a) Prove that $\max_{i,j} |\mathbf{A}_{i,j}| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| \leq \sqrt{d} \max_{i,j} |\mathbf{A}_{i,j}|$.

(b) In the course, we define that $\exp(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}^n}{n!}$, which is well-defined because $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\|\mathbf{A}\|^n}{n!}$ converges. Prove that in the sum, the element $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\mathbf{A}^n)_{i,j}}{n!}$ also converges.

3. In this question, we suppose that \mathbf{A} is symmetric matrix with d different real eigenvalues $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \dots > \lambda_d$, and associated eigenvector $\mathbf{A}\xi_i = \lambda_i \xi_i$. We would like to study the long time behavior of the higher order system

$$\mathbf{x}'(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t), \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0.$$

(a) Prove that $(\xi_i)_{1 \leq i \leq d}$ are orthogonal, i.e. $\xi_i \cdot \xi_j = 0$ for $i \neq j$.

(b) Prove that $\|\mathbf{A}\| = \max_{1 \leq i \leq d} |\lambda_i|$.

(c) Write down the expression of $\mathbf{x}(t)$ in function of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{x}_0 .

(d) Suppose that $\mathbf{x}_0 = \sum_{i=1}^d c_i \xi_i$, then prove that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{-\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 \xi_1. \tag{1}$$

(e) Is (1) valid if \mathbf{A} is a general matrix of real eigenvalues? If it is true, prove it. Otherwise, find a counter example.