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Read before you start:

- There are four questions.
- The examination is closed-book.
- No calculator is allowed.
- The duration of the examination is 100 minutes.
- PLEASE EXPLAIN ALL YOUR ANSWERS.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total

Q1.

Given two nonzero vectors $B, C^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$ consider the system

$$\dot{x} = BCx + Bu$$

$$y = Cx.$$

(a) Obtain the state transition matrix. Characterize stability in terms of $\lambda := CB$.

(b) Is this system zero state equivalent to $\begin{cases} \dot{z} = CBz + CBu \\ y = z \end{cases}$?

a)

$$\begin{aligned} e^{BCt} &= I + BCt + \frac{(BC)^2 t^2}{2} + \frac{(BC)^3 t^3}{3!} + \dots \\ &= I + BCt + \frac{BCBC t^2}{\lambda} + \frac{BCBCBC t^3}{\lambda^2} + \dots \\ &= I + BCt + BC \frac{\lambda t^2}{2} + BC \frac{\lambda^2 t^3}{3!} + \dots \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

If $\lambda = 0$ then (1) $\Rightarrow e^{BCt} = I + BCt$

If $\lambda \neq 0$, $e^{BCt} = I + \frac{BC}{\lambda} \left(\lambda t + \frac{\lambda^2 t^2}{2} + \frac{\lambda^3 t^3}{3!} + \dots \right)$
 $\underbrace{e^{\lambda t} - 1}$

Hence,

$$e^{BCt} = \begin{cases} I + BCt & \text{for } \lambda = 0 \\ I + \frac{e^{\lambda t} - 1}{\lambda} BC & \text{for } \lambda \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

Looking at e^{BCt} we can say

$\lambda \geq 0 \Rightarrow$ system unstable

$\lambda < 0 \Rightarrow$ system stable but not exp. stable (unless $n=1$)

b) YES. For the second system we can write

$$\dot{y} = CB y + CB u = \lambda y + \lambda u$$

$$\Rightarrow sY = \lambda Y + \lambda U \Rightarrow \frac{Y}{U} = \frac{\lambda}{s - \lambda} = G_2(s)$$

For the first system

$$\dot{y} = C \dot{x} = C \{ BCx + Bu \}$$

$$= CBCx + CBu = \lambda Cx + \lambda u$$

$$= \lambda y + \lambda u \Rightarrow \frac{Y}{U} = \frac{\lambda}{s - \lambda} = G_1(s)$$

Another way to obtain $G_1(s)$ is to use e^{BCt} :

$$\begin{aligned} G_1(s) &= C (sI - BC)^{-1} B \\ &= C \mathcal{L} \{ e^{BCt} \} B = C \mathcal{L} \left\{ I + \frac{e^{\lambda t} - 1}{\lambda} BC \right\} B \\ &= C \left\{ \frac{1}{s} I + \left(\frac{1}{s - \lambda} - \frac{1}{s} \right) \frac{BC}{\lambda} \right\} B \\ &= \frac{\lambda}{s} + \lambda \left(\frac{1}{s - \lambda} - \frac{1}{s} \right) = \frac{\lambda}{s - \lambda} \text{ as expected.} \end{aligned}$$

Q2.

For each of the below cases determine the stability of the system $x^+ = Ax$.

(a) $A^T A - I < 0$.

(b) $A^T A - I = 0$.

(c) $A^T A - I > 0$.

a) Let $P = I$ (which satisfies $P = P^T > 0$)

$$\Rightarrow A^T P A - P = A^T A - I < 0$$

By Lyapunov Thm. system is exp. stable

b) Let $V(x) := x^T x = \|x\|^2$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow V(x^+) - V(x) &= (Ax)^T (Ax) - x^T x \\ &= x^T A^T A x - x^T x = x^T (A^T A - I) x \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|x(k+1)\| = \|x(k)\| \Rightarrow \|x(k)\| = \|x(0)\| \text{ for all } k.$$

$\Rightarrow$ stable but not exp. stable

c) Let $\tilde{A} := A^{-1}$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{A}^T \tilde{A} - I = \tilde{A}^T \underbrace{(I - A^T A)}_{< 0} \tilde{A} < 0$$

$\Rightarrow$ By Lyapunov Thm. eigenvalues of $\tilde{A}$ satisfy $|\tilde{\lambda}_i| < 1$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Eigenvalues of } A \text{ satisfy } |\lambda_i| = |\tilde{\lambda}_i^{-1}| > 1$$

$\Rightarrow$ unstable

Q3.

For $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ consider the LTV system

$$\dot{x} = e^{-At} B e^{At} x.$$

(a) Obtain the state transition matrix $\Phi(t, \tau)$. *Hint: employ $z(t) := e^{At} x(t)$.*

(b) Find the solution $x(t)$ given that $Ax(0) = \alpha x(0)$ and $Bx(0) = \beta x(0)$ for some $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$\begin{aligned} a) \quad \dot{z} &= \frac{d}{dt} \{ e^{At} x \} = \frac{d}{dt} e^{At} x + e^{At} \dot{x} \\ &= A e^{At} x + e^{At} \{ e^{-At} B e^{At} \} x \\ &= A e^{At} x + B e^{At} x = (A+B) e^{At} x \\ &= (A+B) z \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow z(t) = e^{(A+B)(t-t_0)} z(t_0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } x(t) &= e^{-At} z(t) \\ &= e^{-At} e^{(A+B)(t-t_0)} z(t_0) \\ &= \underbrace{e^{-At} e^{(A+B)(t-t_0)}}_{\Phi(t, t_0)} e^{At_0} x(t_0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi(t, \tau) = e^{-At} e^{(A+B)(t-\tau)} e^{A\tau}$$

$$b) \quad \left. \begin{aligned} Ax(0) &= \alpha x(0) \\ Bx(0) &= \beta x(0) \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow x(0) \text{ is an eigenvector of both } A \text{ and } B.$$

$$\Rightarrow (A+B)x(0) = (\alpha+\beta)x(0) \Rightarrow x(0) \text{ is an eigenvector of } A+B$$

$$\Rightarrow x(0) \text{ is also an eigenvector of } e^{-At}, e^{(A+B)t} \text{ with eigenvalues } e^{-\alpha t}, e^{(\alpha+\beta)t}, \text{ resp.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } x(t) &= \Phi(t, 0) x(0) \\ &= e^{-At} e^{(A+B)t} x(0) \\ &= e^{-At} (e^{(\alpha+\beta)t} x(0)) \\ &= e^{-\alpha t} e^{(\alpha+\beta)t} x(0) = \boxed{e^{\beta t} x(0)} \end{aligned}$$

Q4.

For $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $Q = Q^T > 0$ consider the system

$$\ddot{y} + Q^{-1}y = 0.$$

(a) Obtain a state space representation $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = Ax \\ y = Cx \end{cases}$.

(b) Find a block diagonal $P = P^T > 0$ that satisfies $A^T P + P A = 0$.

(c) Can A have a 2×2 Jordan block?

a) Let $x_1 := y$ & $x_2 := \dot{y}$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{x}_1 = \dot{y} = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = \ddot{y} = -Q^{-1}y = -Q^{-1}x_1$$

Hence,

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ -Q^{-1} & 0 \end{bmatrix} x, \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \end{bmatrix} x$$

b) Let $P = \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & 0 \\ 0 & P_2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^T P + P A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -Q^{-1} \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & 0 \\ 0 & P_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & 0 \\ 0 & P_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ -Q^{-1} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -Q^{-1}P_2 \\ P_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & P_1 \\ -P_2Q^{-1} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -Q^{-1}P_2 + P_1 \\ P_1 - P_2Q^{-1} & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} P_1 - P_2Q^{-1} = 0 \\ P_1 - Q^{-1}P_2 = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{choose } P_1 = I \text{ & } P_2 = Q$$

$$\Rightarrow P = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & Q \end{bmatrix}$$

c) No. Let $V(x) := x^T P x$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{V} = \dot{x}^T P x + x^T P \dot{x} = x^T (A^T P + P A) x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow V(x(t)) = V(x(0))$$

Then

$$\|x(t)\|^2 \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_{\min}(P)} V(x(t)) = \frac{V(x(0))}{\lambda_{\min}(P)} \quad \text{for all } t.$$

$$\Rightarrow \|x(t)\| \not\rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \text{system } \dot{x} = Ax \text{ is stable.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{Re}\{\lambda_i\} \leq 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Also, } (-A)^T P + P(-A) = 0 \Rightarrow \dot{x} = -Ax \text{ is stable}$$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{Re}\{-\lambda_i\} \leq 0 \quad (2)$$

(1) & (2) $\Rightarrow \operatorname{Re}\{\lambda_i\} = 0$ for all i . Since system is stable this means all the Jordan blocks are of size 1×1 . $\square$