

Dynamics via Nonlinear Pseudospectra

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The NEP Picture

$$T(\lambda)v = 0, \quad v \neq 0.$$

where

- $T : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ analytic, $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ simply connected
- Regularity: $\det(T) \neq 0$

Nonlinear spectrum: $\Lambda(T) = \{z \in \Omega : T(z) \text{ singular}\}$.

What do we want?

- Qualitative information (e.g. no eigenvalues in RHP)
- Error bounds on computed/estimated eigenvalues
- Control on *all* eigenvalues in some region

Why? Because of dynamics connections!

Why Eigenvalues?

$$y' - Ay = 0 \xrightarrow{y(t)=e^{\lambda t}v} (\lambda I - A)v = 0$$
$$y_{k+1} - Ay_k = 0 \xrightarrow{y_k=\lambda^k v} (\lambda I - A)v = 0$$

One standard use: analyze dynamics of LTI systems

- Special solutions characterizing full system
- General: linear combinations of special solutions
- *Asymptotic* stability analysis and decay rates

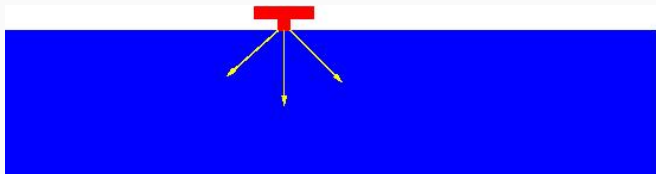
Why Nonlinear Eigenvalues?

We want special solutions and asymptotic decay rates for

$$y'' + By' + Ky = 0 \xrightarrow{y=e^{\lambda t}v} (\lambda^2 I + \lambda B + K)v = 0$$
$$y' - Ay - By(t-1) = 0 \xrightarrow{y=e^{\lambda t}v} (\lambda I - A - Be^{-\lambda})v = 0$$
$$T(d/dt)y = 0 \xrightarrow{y=e^{\lambda t}v} T(\lambda)v = 0$$

- Higher-order ODEs
- Delay differential equations
- Boundary integral equation eigenproblems
- Radiation boundary conditions
- Dynamic element formulations

My Motivation



$$T(\omega)v \equiv (K - \omega^2 M + G(\omega))v = 0$$

Hidden Variables

Many real NEPs come from a decision to “hide” some state by dealing with it semi-analytically:

- Higher-order ODEs —
hide extra derivatives
- Delay differential equations —
hide lagged state (e.g. in delay lines)
- Boundary integral equation eigenproblems —
hide domain unknowns
- Radiation boundary conditions —
hide behavior outside computational domain

Linearization

Ex: Second-order ODE and quadratic eigenvalue problem

$$y'' + Dy' + Ky = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} y \\ y' \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ -K & -D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 y + \lambda Dy + Ky = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \lambda \begin{bmatrix} y \\ \lambda y \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ -K & -D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y \\ \lambda y \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

Trade **nonlinearity vs size** more generally:

$$T \left(\frac{d}{dt} \right) y = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{du}{dt} - \mathcal{A}u = 0 \text{ and } y = Cu$$

$$T(\lambda)y = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \lambda u - \mathcal{A}u = 0 \text{ and } y = Cu$$

... but u may be infinite dimensional (e.g. DDE case).

Exact Dynamics

Laplace transforms:

$$\mathcal{T} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \right) y = f \quad \longrightarrow \quad T(z)Y(z) = F(z) + \text{I.C. terms}$$

$$y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}[Y](t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} Y(z)e^{zt} dz$$

or first-order connection:

$$\mathcal{T} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \right) y = f \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{du}{dt} - \mathcal{A}u = Bf, \quad y = Cu$$

$$y(t) = C \exp(t\mathcal{A})u_0 + \int_0^t [C \exp((t-s)\mathcal{A})B] f(s) ds$$

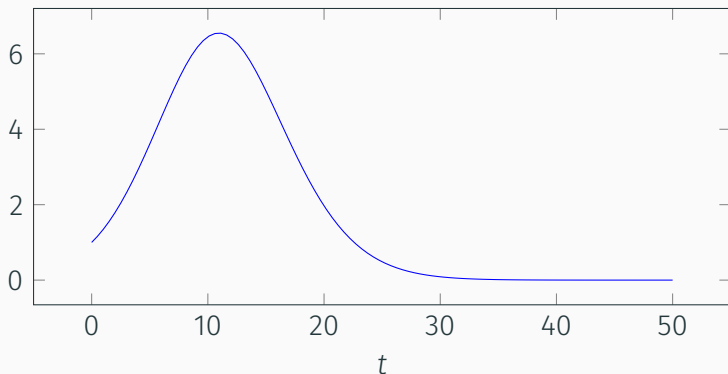
But what do I do if I'm too lazy and ignorant to solve exactly?

First approach:

- Observe $y(t) \sim \exp(\alpha t)$ where $\alpha \equiv \max_{\lambda \in \Lambda(T)} \operatorname{Re}(\lambda)$.
- Bound α somehow.
- Go explore Valencia.

But this approach hides too much...

Beyond (Before?) Asymptotics



But this long run is a misleading guide to current affairs. In the long run we are all dead.

— John Maynard Keynes
A Tract on Monetary Reform (1923)

Asymptotic Behavior and First-Order IVPs

Consider a first-order problem:

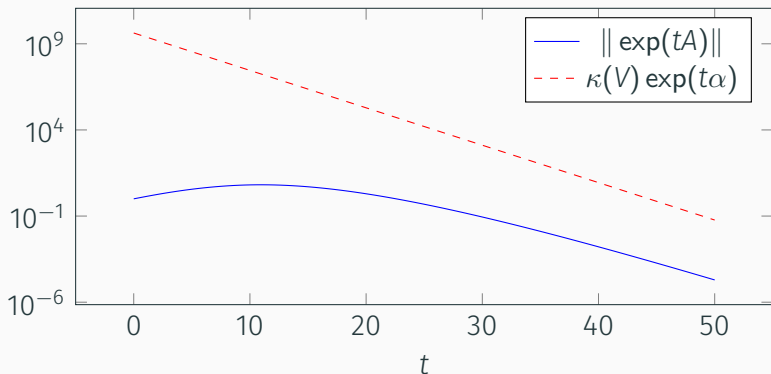
$$y' = Ay + f, \quad y(0) = y_0$$
$$y(t) = \exp(tA)y_0 + \int_0^t \exp((t-s)A)f(s) ds$$

Bounds if $A = V\Lambda V^{-1}$ and $\|f(t)\| \leq \gamma$:

$$\|\exp(tA)\| = \|V \exp(t\Lambda) V^{-1}\| \leq \kappa(V) \exp(t\alpha)$$
$$\|y(t)\| \leq \kappa(V) \left(\exp(t\alpha) \|y_0\| + \frac{\gamma}{-\alpha} (1 - \exp(t\alpha)) \right)$$

where $\alpha = \max \operatorname{Re}(\lambda)$ is the spectral abscissa.

Pre-Asymptotic Behavior for IVP *aka* the Hump



Simple bounds if $A = V\Lambda V^{-1}$

$$\|\exp(tA)\| = \|V\exp(t\Lambda)V^{-1}\| \leq \kappa(V)\exp(t\alpha)$$

where $\alpha = \max \operatorname{Re}(\lambda)$. Nothing says V need be well-conditioned!

The Complex Connection

General solutions to LTI problems via Laplace transforms

$$(zI - A)^{-1} = \mathcal{L} [e^{tA}] = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-zt} e^{tA} dt$$
$$\exp(tA) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} [(zI - A)^{-1}] = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} (zI - A)^{-1} e^{zt} dz$$

for large enough $\text{Re}(z)$ and for appropriate Γ , e.g.:

- Γ a closed contour surrounding spectrum.
- Γ a vertical line to the right of the spectrum.

Begin from the contour integral representation:

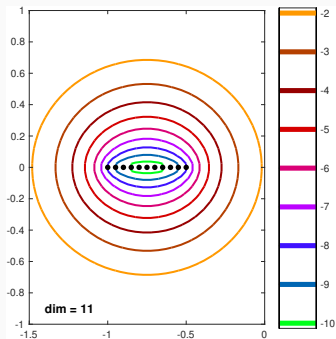
$$\exp(tA) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} (zI - A)^{-1} e^{zt} dz$$

Convert bounds on resolvent to bounds on $\exp(tA)$

$$\|\exp(tA)\| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Gamma} \|(zI - A)^{-1}\| |e^{zt}| d\Gamma.$$

We need “only” summarize how $\|(zI - A)^{-1}\|$ behaves.

Pseudospectra



Summarize $\|(zI - A)^{-1}\|$ with

$$\begin{aligned}\Lambda_\epsilon(A) &\equiv \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \|(zI - A)^{-1}\| > \epsilon^{-1}\} \\ &= \bigcup_{\|E\| < \epsilon} \Lambda(A + E)\end{aligned}$$

Pseudospectral abscissa is

$$\alpha_\epsilon(A) \equiv \max_{z \in \Lambda_\epsilon(A)} \operatorname{Re}(z)$$

[Trefethen and Embree, 2005]

Pseudospectral Bounds

Set $\Gamma = \partial\Lambda_\epsilon(A)$ and L_ϵ the length of Γ . Then:

$$\|\exp(tA)\| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Gamma} \|(zI - A)^{-1}\| |e^{zt}| d\Gamma \leq \frac{L_\epsilon}{2\pi\epsilon} \exp(t\alpha_\epsilon).$$

NB: If eigenvectors (columns of V) are normalized,

$$\kappa(V) \leq \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{L_\epsilon}{2\pi\epsilon} = \sum_j \|V^{-1}e_j\| \leq \sqrt{n}\kappa(V)$$

Can also get a lower bound: for any $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\epsilon > 0$,

$$\sup_{t \geq 0} \|\exp(-\omega t) \exp(tA)\| \geq \frac{\alpha_\epsilon - \omega}{\epsilon}.$$

Beyond First-Order Systems

Approach: Exploit same Laplace transform pairing as before

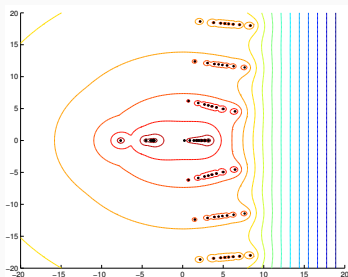
$$\begin{aligned}\exp(tA) &\xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} (zI - A)^{-1} \\ \Psi(t) &\xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} T(z)^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

Here $\Psi(t) = C \exp(tA)B$ and $T(z)^{-1} = C(zI - A)^{-1}B$.

As before, to control behavior of $\Psi(t)$:

- Asymptotic stability / decay: look at spectral abscissa
- Pre-asymptotic: consider “resolvent” norm $\|T(z)^{-1}\|$

Nonlinear Pseudospectra



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Pseudospectral abscissa

$$\alpha_\epsilon(T) \equiv \max_{z \in \Lambda_\epsilon(T)} \operatorname{Re}(z)$$

[Bindel and Hood, 2015]

Aside: Comparing Pseudospectra

Suppose $T, \hat{T} : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ and

$$\|T(z) - \hat{T}(z)\| \leq \eta, \quad \forall z \in \Omega.$$

Then

$$\Lambda_\epsilon(T) \subset \Lambda_{\epsilon+\eta}(\hat{T}).$$

Can approximate $T \approx \hat{T}$ polynomial locally and bound pseudospectra (for example)... but usually won't get all of \mathbb{C} .

Or use easier-to-compute sets (e.g. Gershgorin regions).

Pseudospectral Bounds

Set $\Gamma = \partial\Lambda_\epsilon(A)$ and L_ϵ the length of Γ . Then:

$$\|\Psi(t)\| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Gamma} \|T(z)^{-1}\| |e^{zt}| d\Gamma \leq \frac{L_\epsilon}{2\pi\epsilon} \exp(t\alpha_\epsilon).$$

But this may be useless (e.g. $L_\epsilon = \infty$) – need to be careful!

Can also get a lower bound: for any $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\epsilon > 0$,

$$\sup_{t \geq 0} \|\exp(-\omega t)\Psi(t)\| \geq \frac{\alpha_\epsilon - \omega}{\epsilon}.$$

Example: Delay Differential Equation

DDE is

$$u'(t) = Au(t) + Bu(t - \tau)$$

Characteristic function:

$$T(z) = zI - A - Be^{-\tau z}$$

Assume A symmetric, $\alpha(A) < 0$, and $\alpha(T) < 0$.

Problem: Infinitely many eigenvalues! Have to be more clever.

Sketch of Approach

- Seek a simpler reference problem ($\hat{u}' = A\hat{u}$).
- Split into reference + difference term.
- Choose a congenial contour right of both spectra.
- Bound contour integral involving difference term.

Reference Comparison

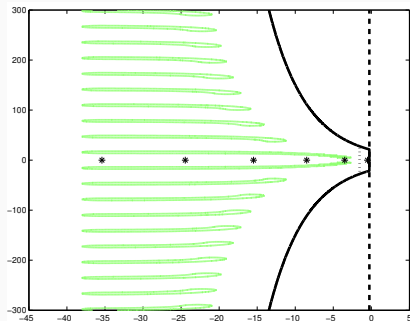
Define $R(z) = (zI - A)^{-1}$; for proper choices of Γ ,

$$\Psi(t) = \exp(tA) + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} [T(z)^{-1} - R(z)] e^{zt} dz$$

Could choose difference reference (e.g. from a PEP).

Still need: Control of $\|T(z)^{-1} - R(z)\|$ on a contour.

Choice of Contour



Choose Γ right of $\Lambda(T)$ and $\Lambda(A)$ but in LHP:

$$\Gamma = \Gamma_\infty \cup \Gamma_0 \quad \Gamma_\infty = \{x(y) + iy : |y| > y_0\}$$

$$x(y) = -\frac{1}{\tau} \log(|y|\eta) \quad \Gamma_0 = \{x_0 + iy : |y| \leq y_0, x_0 = x(y_0)\}.$$

Control on Contour

Let $E(z) = T(z)^{-1} - R(z)$, contour as before:

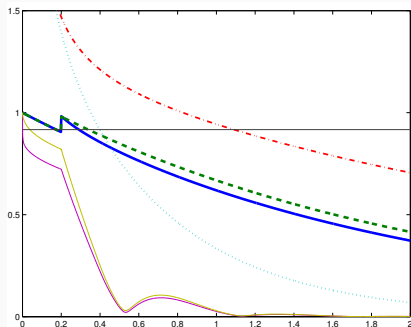
$$\int_{\Gamma_0} \|E(z)\| |e^{zt}| d\Gamma \leq 2 \exp(x_0 t) \int_0^{y_0} \|E(x_0 + iy)\| dy$$
$$\int_{\Gamma_\infty} \|E(z)\| |e^{zt}| d\Gamma \leq \exp(x_0 t) \frac{C\tau}{t}$$

using boundedness of $\|E(z)\|$ on Γ + curvature into RHP.

Bound:

$$\|\Psi(t)\| \leq \|\exp(tA)\| + e^{x_0 t} \left(I_0 + \frac{C\tau}{t} \right)$$

Choices



- Vertical contour loses $1/t$ factor in second term
- Drop R (bigger constants, but faster decay)
- Probably many more options!

The other type of nonlinearity

Slightly nonlinear / time-varying problems? Simple case:

$$\dot{x} = (A + E(x, t))x$$

where $\|E\| \leq \epsilon$. Standard (?) approach:

- Find M associated with quadratic Lyapunov function for A :

$$AM + MA = -I.$$

- Look at dynamics of $x^T M x$ for $A + E$ (pessimize w.r.t. E):

$$\begin{aligned} 2x^T M \dot{x} &= -\|x\|^2 + 2x^T (ME)x \\ &\leq -\|x\|^2 + 2\epsilon \|Mx\| \|x\| \end{aligned}$$

- Gronwall-type bound

$$\|x(t)\|_M \leq \exp\left(-\frac{t}{2} \|M^{-1}\| (1 - 2\epsilon \|M\|)\right) \|x(0)\|_M$$

Stability of slightly nonlinear / time-varying DDE, damped, etc:

- Consider structured real perturbations E
- Replace Lyapunov-style bounds with ℓ^2 bounds via NLPS (or be more clever about RHS of Lyapunov equation?)

Still figuring this out — pointers welcome!

For both first-order systems and more complex problems:

- Eigenvalues describe asymptotic dynamics
- Pre-asymptotic behavior requires more information:
 - Complete eigendecomposition: Nice if you can get it.
 - Conditioning of V : A blunt tool for blunt bounds.
 - Pseudospectra, etc: A sharper tool for complex bounds.
- Pseudospectra alone don't suffice — choices of contours, comparison problems, *etc* make a difference.

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