

Linear Transformations on Two Dimensions Delays Differential Equations Preserving Dynamics

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Abstract: Let R be the real field. We consider the two dimension systems: $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bx(t-\tau)$ where $A, B \in R^{2\times 2}$, $\tau > 0$. The characteristic polynomial of above system is $\det(\lambda I - A - Be^{-\lambda \tau})$, we determine the form of linear map $\phi: R^{2\times 2} \to R^{2\times 2}$ preserving the characteristic polynomial. **Keywords:** delays differential equations, linear preserver problem, linear map

1. INTRODUCTION

Let *R* be the real field. We consider the two dimension systems: $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bx(t - \tau)$ (1) where $A, B \in R^{2\times 2}, \tau > 0$. The characteristic polynomial of (1) is $det(\lambda I - A - Be^{-\lambda \tau})$

In this paper, we determine the form of linear map $\phi: \mathbb{R}^{2\times 2} \to \mathbb{R}^{2\times 2}$ preserving the characteristic equation of (1).

Theorem 1. ([1,2,3]) Suppose $\phi : \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \to \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is a linear map. Then $\det(\lambda I - A) = \det(\lambda I - \phi(A))$ for all $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ if and only if ϕ is of the form

 $X \mapsto PXP^{-1}$, or $X \mapsto PX^TP^{-1}$, $\forall X \in R^{n \times n}$ where *P* is a nonsingular matrix.

Theorem 2. Suppose $\phi : \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \to \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is a linear map. Then

$$\det\left(\lambda I - Be^{-\lambda\tau}\right) = \det\left(\lambda I - \phi(B)e^{-\lambda\tau}\right) \text{ for all } B \in R^{n \times n}$$

if and only if ϕ is of the form

 $X \mapsto PXP^{-1}$, or $X \mapsto PX^TP^{-1}$, $\forall X \in R^{n \times n}$ where *P* is a nonsingular matrix.

Proof. Let $E_r(X)$ is the sum of all principal $r \times r$ sub determinants of X. It is easy to see

$$\det(\lambda I - Be^{-\lambda \tau}) = \sum_{r} (-1)^{r} E_{r}(B) \lambda^{n-r} e^{-r\lambda \tau}.$$

By
$$\det(\lambda I - Be^{-\lambda \tau}) = \det(\lambda I - \phi(B)e^{-\lambda \tau}), \text{ we obtain } E_{r}(B) = E_{r}(\phi(B)). \text{ Hence}$$
$$\det(\lambda I - B) = \sum_{r} (-1)^{r} E_{r}(B) \lambda^{n-r} = \sum_{r} (-1)^{r} E_{r}(\phi(B)) \lambda^{n-r} = \det(\lambda I - \phi(B)),$$

That is ϕ preserving ordinary characteristic polynomial.

Theorem 3. Suppose $\phi: \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \to \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is a linear map and $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is nonzero matrix. Then

$$\det\left(\lambda I - A - Be^{-\lambda \tau}\right) = \det\left(\lambda I - \phi(A) - \phi(B)e^{-\lambda \tau}\right) \text{ for all } A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

if and only if ϕ is of the form

 $X \mapsto PXP^{-1}$, or $X \mapsto PX^TP^{-1}$, $\forall X \in R^{n \times n}$

where P is a nonsingular matrix.

Proof. Setting A = 0, we obtain

 $\det\left(\lambda I - Be^{-\lambda\tau}\right) = \det\left(\lambda I - \phi(B)e^{-\lambda\tau}\right).$

Hence, B and $\phi(B)$ have the same characteristic polynomial, so are the eigenvalues. Without loss of generality, we may assume that B and $\phi(B)$ are already in their canonical form.

We next assume n = 2.

Case 1. B has mutually different eigenvalues. In this case, *B* and $\phi(B)$ has the common canonical form, say $B = \phi(B) = b_1 \oplus b_2$. We assume $\phi(E_{11}) = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ in each determine. By

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda - b_1 e^{-\lambda \tau} - 1 & 0\\ 0 & \lambda - b_2 e^{-\lambda \tau} \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda - b_1 e^{-\lambda \tau} - x_{11} & -x_{12}\\ -x_{21} & \lambda - b_2 e^{-\lambda \tau} - x_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

that is

$$\begin{split} \left(\lambda - b_{1}e^{-\lambda\tau} - 1\right) & \left(\lambda - b_{2}e^{-\lambda\tau}\right) = \lambda^{2} - \lambda - \left(b_{1} + b_{2}\right)\lambda e^{-\lambda\tau} + b_{2}e^{-\lambda\tau} + b_{1}b_{2}e^{-2\lambda\tau} \\ & = \lambda^{2} - \left(x_{11} + x_{22}\right)\lambda - \left(b_{1} + b_{2}\right)\lambda e^{-\lambda\tau} + \left(x_{22}b_{1} + x_{11}b_{2}\right)e^{-\lambda\tau} \\ & + b_{1}b_{2}e^{-2\lambda\tau} + x_{11}x_{22} - x_{12}x_{21} \end{split}$$

Hence,

$$(x_{11}+x_{22}-1)\lambda + (x_{22}b_1+x_{11}b_2-b_2)e^{-\lambda\tau} + (x_{11}x_{22}-x_{12}x_{21}) = 0$$

We have $x_{11} = 1$, $x_{22} = 0$ and $x_{12}x_{21} = 0$. Similarly, we can obtain $\phi(E_{22}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & y_{12} \\ y_{21} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, with $y_{12}y_{21} = 0$. $\phi(E_{12}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & z_{12} \\ z_{21} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, with $z_{12}z_{21} = 0$, $\phi(E_{21}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & w_{12} \\ w_{21} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, with $w_{12}w_{21} = 0$. We assume $z_{12} \neq 0$, then $z_{21} = 0$. It is easy to see $w_{12} = 0$, and $w_{21} \neq 0$, and $z_{12}w_{21} = 1$. Thus, we can obtain $x_{12} = 0$, $x_{21} = 0$, $y_{12} = 0$, $y_{21} = 0$, hence, $\phi(E_{11}) = E_{11}$, and $\phi(E_{22}) = E_{22}$. Let

$$P = 1 \oplus z_{12}^{-1}$$
, then $\phi(X) = PXP^{-1}$.

Case 2. $B = \mu I_2$. Then $\phi(B) = \mu I_2$, or $\phi(B) = \mu I_2 + E_{12}$.

Subcase I. $B = \phi(B) = \mu I_2$. Similar as Case 1, we can see det $\phi(E_{11}) = 0$, and $tr\phi(E_{11}) = 1$, without loss of generality, we can assume $\phi(E_{11}) = E_{11}$. By $B = \phi(B) = \mu I_2$, we can obtain $\phi(E_{22}) = E_{22}$. Using the similar method as Case 1, we see the result holds.

Subcase II. $B = \mu I_2$ and $\phi(B) = \mu I_2 + E_{12}$. we will prove this case cannot appear.

Noting that

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda - \mu e^{-\lambda\tau} - a & -b \\ -c & \lambda - \mu e^{-\lambda\tau} - d \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda - \mu e^{-\lambda\tau} - x & e^{-\lambda\tau} - y \\ -z & \lambda - \mu e^{-\lambda\tau} - u \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence $\lambda^2 - (a+d)\lambda + (a+d-2)\mu e^{-\lambda\tau} + \mu^2 e^{-2\lambda\tau} + ad - bc$ and
 $\lambda^2 - (x+u)\lambda + (x+u-2)\mu e^{-\lambda\tau} + ze^{-\lambda\tau} + \mu^2 e^{-2\lambda\tau} + xu - yz$. Thus $a+d = x+u$,

 $(a+d-2)\mu = (x+u-2)\mu + z, ad-bc = xu - yz.$

This implies z = 0, i.e. $\phi(M_2) \subset T_2$ (the up triangle matrix set), and det $X = \det \phi(X)$, which is a contradiction.

Case III. $B = \mu I_2 + E_{12}$, similar to the above, and then we complete the proof.

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