

Matrix pencils

Definition: Matrix pencil

$A + xB$, with $A, B \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$, x indeterminate.

A pencil is called **regular** if $n = m$ and $\det(A + xB)$ does not vanish identically, i.e., if there is $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ for which it is square invertible.

An **eigenvalue** λ is a value for which $\det(A + \lambda B) = 0$.

Eigenvector, Jordan chains...

If $\det(A + xB)$ has degree less than n , the 'missing' eigenvalues are said to be "at infinity".

Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} x + 1 & x \\ x & x + 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigenvalues of singular pencils

Can be defined via 'unusual rank drop'. For instance:

$$A + xB = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & x & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ x & x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

has typical rank 2. More formally, $\text{rank}_{\mathbb{C}(x)}(A + xB) = 2$.
But $A + 2B$ has rank 1.

Canonical form

Equivalence relation \sim : for each two square $P \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$, $Q \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ square invertible, $A + xB$ and $P(A + xB)Q$ are said to be equivalent.

Equivalent \implies same eigenvalues, singularity. . .

If B is square nonsingular, there is little new in this theory:

$A + xB \sim J - xI$, where J is the Jordan canonical form of $-B^{-1}A$ (or $-AB^{-1}$).

Computing eigenvalues of $A + xB \iff$ computing eigenvalues of $-B^{-1}A$

Theorem (Weierstrass canonical form)

For a **regular** matrix pencil $A + xB \in \mathbb{C}[x]^{n \times n}$, there are nonsingular $P, Q \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ such that $P(A + xB)Q$ is the direct sum (blkdiag) of blocks of the forms

$$J_\lambda(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 & & \\ & \lambda & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & 1 \\ & & & \lambda \end{bmatrix} - xI, \quad J_\infty(x) = I - x \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & & \\ & 0 & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & 1 \\ & & & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Proof (sketch):

- ▶ Take c such that $A + cB$ is invertible;
- ▶ $A + xB \sim I + (x - c)(A + cB)^{-1}B$;
- ▶ $A + xB \sim I + (x - c) \text{blkdiag}(J_1, \dots, J_s)$,
- ▶ Consider separately each $I + (x - c)J_i = I + (x - c)(\lambda I + N)$.
- ▶ If $\lambda = 0$, block $\sim I - xM$, where $M = \text{toeplitztriu}(0, 1, \dots)$.
- ▶ If $\lambda \neq 0$, block $\sim M - xI$, where $M = \text{toeplitztriu}(\frac{c\lambda - 1}{\lambda}, \frac{1}{\lambda^2}, \dots)$.

One can define Jordan chains:

$$P(A+xB)Q = \lambda I + N - xI$$

at λ : $-Av_0 = \lambda Bv_0$, $-Av_1 = \lambda Bv_1 + Bv_0, \dots$

at ∞ : $-Bv_0 = 0$, $-Bv_1 = Av_0, \dots$

Such blocks:

$$* \quad PAQ = \lambda I + N$$

$$(A \text{ finite}) \quad PBQ = -I$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AQ = P^{-1}(\lambda I + N) = \underline{BQ(\lambda I + N)}$$

$$A[v_0 \ v_1 \ \dots \ v_k] = B[v_0 \ v_1 \ \dots \ v_k] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ 0 & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Av_0 = \lambda Bv_0 \quad \& \text{ 1}^{\text{e}} \text{ columna}$$

$$Av_1 = -Bv_0 - \lambda Bv_1$$

$$Av_2 = -Bv_1 - \lambda Bv_2 \quad \dots$$

Theorem (Kronecker canonical form)

For a **regular** matrix pencil $A + xB \in \mathbb{C}[x]_{-}^{m \times n}$, there are nonsingular $\underline{P} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$, $\underline{Q} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ such that $\underline{P}(A + xB)\underline{Q}$ is the direct sum (blkdiag) of blocks of the form $\underline{J}_\lambda(x)$, $\underline{J}_\infty(x)$, and

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & & & & \\ & 1 & x & & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & & 1 & x & \\ & & & & & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}[x]^{k \times (k+1)}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ x & 1 & & & \\ & x & \ddots & & \\ & & \ddots & 1 & \\ & & & & x \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}[x]^{(k+1) \times k},$$

$\swarrow_{k \times (k+1)}(x)$ $\swarrow_{(k+1) \times k}(x)$
 $\uparrow_{(k, k+1)}$

(This includes 1×0 and 0×1 empty blocks).

$$\mathbb{R}^5 \sim \{0\}$$

$$\text{--- } 0 \times 5$$

$$\begin{matrix} \text{---} & [x] & [1 \ x] \\ \uparrow & & [1 \ x] \\ 0 \times 1 & & \end{matrix}$$

Examples

①

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

②

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

③

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x \\ 1 & x \end{bmatrix}$$

④

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & x \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ x & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \dots$$

⑤

$$\begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ * & * \\ * & * \end{bmatrix}$$

↓
(deve avere un
↳ $k+1, k$)

① "
blkdiag($0 \times 1, 0 \times 1, 1 \times 0, 1 \times 0$)

② non in forma can.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \overset{P}{=} \overset{A+B}{=} \overset{Q}{=} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \boxed{1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Forma canonica
di ②:

blkdiag($L \times 1, L \times 0, J_{\infty}$)

$J_{\infty}(x)$ blocchi di Jordan
all'infinito

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ P \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x \\ 1 & x \end{bmatrix} \\ (Ax+B) \\ Q \end{matrix} \cdot I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \text{blkdiag}(L_{1 \times 2}, L_{1 \times 0})$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & x \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ x & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & x \end{bmatrix} = \text{blkdiag}(L_{1 \times 2}, L_{2 \times 1})$$

(Falsa credenza:

se $A+xB$ singolare, allora $\exists v \neq 0: Av = Bv = 0$
oppure $\exists w$ t.c. $w^T A = w^T B = 0$.)

(Controesempio: $\textcircled{4}$)

Proof (sketch): [Gantmacher book '59]

- ▶ Suppose $(A + xB)v(x) = 0$ for some $v \in \mathbb{C}(x)^n$
- ▶ We may assume $v = v_0 + v_1x + \cdots + v_dx^d \in \mathbb{C}[x]^n$, clearing denominators.

- ▶ Remark: singularity of $(d + 1) \times d$
$$\begin{bmatrix} A & & & & \\ B & A & & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & B & A & \\ & & & B & \end{bmatrix}.$$

- ▶ Assume d minimal.
- ▶ We wish to show that the v_i are linearly independent. Suppose they are not so; then one can choose $\alpha(x) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1x + \cdots + \alpha_ex^e$ (of minimal degree $e \leq d$) such that $w(x) = \alpha(x)v(x)$ has a zero coefficient w_e . But then $Aw_0 = 0$, $Aw_1 + Bw_0 = 0$, \dots , $Bw_{e-1} = 0$, which contradicts minimality of d .

(cont.)

se $A+Bx$ singolare, allora $\exists v(x) \neq 0$ t.c. $(A+Bx)v(x)=0$
oppure $w^T(x) \neq 0$ t.c. $w^T(x)(A+Bx)=0$

Supponiamo che $\exists v(x) \in \mathbb{C}(x)^n$ t.c.

$$(A+Bx) \cdot v(x) = 0$$

Posso prendere $v(x) \in \mathbb{C}[x]^n$ (levo denominat.)

Qss: se $v(x) = v_0 + v_1 x + \dots + v_d x^d$, allora

$$\begin{matrix} (d+2)m \\ \left[\begin{array}{c} A \\ B \quad A \\ \quad BA \\ \quad \quad \ddots \\ \quad \quad \quad A \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad B \end{array} \right] \begin{bmatrix} v_0 \\ v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_d \end{bmatrix} = 0 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} Av_0 = 0 \\ Bv_d = 0 \end{matrix}$$

$(d+1)n$

Lemma: v_0, \dots, v_d sono lin. indipendenti
 (se prendo il minimo)

Prendiamo una base che comincia con
 $[v_d, v_{d+1}, \dots, v_0]$ e una base che comincia con $[Av_d, Av_{d+1}, \dots, Av_i]$

$$A+Bx \sim \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \begin{array}{cccc} 1-x & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1-x & & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1-x \end{array} & M(x) \\ \hline \bigcirc & N(x) \end{array} \right]$$

$L_{d \times (d+1)}$

(elimino i zeri moltiplicando per $\text{blkdiag}(1, -1, 1, -1, \dots)$)

Lemma 2: $A+Bx \sim \left[\begin{array}{c|c} L_{d \times d+1} & M(x) \\ \hline \bigcirc & N(x) \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{c|c} L_{d \times d+1} & \bigcirc \\ \hline \bigcirc & N(x) \end{array} \right]$

A questo punto ripeto il ragionamento
su $N(x)$: tre casi:

1) $N(x)N(x) = 0$ ~~no~~ ripeto

2) $W^T(x)N(x) = 0$ ~~no~~ ripeto su $N(x)^T$

3) $N(x)$ è regolare ~~no~~ forma can. di Weierstrass

Lemma 1: $[v_d, v_{d-1}, \dots, v_0]$ e $[Av_d, \dots, Av_1]$

sono lin. ind.

Mi basta dimostrarlo sugli Av_i : infatti se

$$\alpha_0 v_0 + \alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_d v_d = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 Av_1 + \alpha_2 Av_2 + \dots + \alpha_d Av_d = 0$$

(se la rel. di sx è non banale, lo è anche quella di dx , a meno che $\alpha_0 \neq 0, \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \dots = \alpha_d = 0$
 $\Rightarrow v_0 = 0$ che contraddice scelta di $v(x)$
come poly. di grado minimo in $\text{Ker}_{\mathbb{C}(x)}(A+Bx)$)

Supponiamo che esista una rel. di dip. lineare tra gli Av_i . Allora prendo
 $\alpha_1 Av_1 + \dots + \alpha_d Av_d = 0$

$$w(x) = (\alpha_d + \alpha_{d-1}x + \dots + \alpha_1 x^{d-1}) (v_0 + v_1 x + \dots + v_d x^d) =$$

$$= w_0 + w_1 x + \dots + w_d x^d + w_{d+1} x^{d+1} + \dots$$

$$Aw_d = 0$$

- ▶ Take a basis that starts with the v_i ; this block-triangularizes the pencil: $\begin{bmatrix} K(x) & L(x) \\ 0 & M(x) \end{bmatrix}$, where $K(x)$ is a Kronecker block.
- ▶ By the minimality of d , $M(x)$ is such that $d \times (d - 1)$

$$\begin{bmatrix} M_0 & & & & \\ M_1 & M_0 & & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & M_1 & M_0 & \\ & & & M_1 & \end{bmatrix} \text{ is nonsingular.}$$

- ▶ Using this nonsingularity, one can prove that the system of Sylvester-like equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & E \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K(x) & L(x) \\ 0 & M(x) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & F \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} K(x) & 0 \\ 0 & M(x) \end{bmatrix}$$

is solvable (some work needed — details not given).

Kernel in $\mathbb{C}(x)$

The $(k \times (k + 1))$ Kronecker blocks have kernel

$$\left[(-1)^k x^k \quad (-1)^{k-1} x^{k-1} \quad \dots \quad -x \quad 1 \right]^T.$$

The other blocks have full column rank in $\mathbb{C}(x)$.

This can be used to characterize $\ker_{\mathbb{C}(x)}(A + Bx)$, using the fact that $\ker \text{blkdiag}(C, D) = \text{blkdiag}(\ker C, \ker D)$.

Remark: this gives a **minimal** basis, i.e., all other polynomial bases of $\ker_{\mathbb{C}(x)}(A + Bx)$ have higher degrees.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & & & \\ & 1 & x & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & 1 & x \\ & & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -x^k \\ \vdots \\ x^2 \\ -x \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad \text{Se } A+Bx \sim \text{blkdiag}(L_{k_1 \times k_1+1},$$

$k \times k+1$

$L_{k_2 \times k_2+1}, \dots, L_{k_s \times k_s+1}, \dots \rightsquigarrow$ tutti blocchi non-L)

$$\text{ker} \left(\begin{array}{c} \boxed{1 \ x} \\ \boxed{1 \ x} \\ \boxed{1 \ x} \\ \vdots \\ \boxed{1 \ x} \\ \boxed{1 \ x} \end{array} \right) = \text{Span} \left(\begin{array}{c} \boxed{1} \\ \boxed{-x} \\ \boxed{1} \\ \vdots \\ \boxed{x^2} \\ \boxed{-x} \\ \boxed{1} \end{array} \right) \quad (*)$$

Ci sono altre basi: ad es.

$$\dots \left(\begin{array}{c} \boxed{1 \ 3x^3} \\ \boxed{0 \ -x} \\ \vdots \\ \boxed{0} \end{array} \right) \dots$$

$(0, 1, 2)$
 minimal indices
 (caratteristici
 dello spazio)

Quella in cima, (*), ha i gradi minori colonna per colonna (tra tutte le basi polinomiali)

(stessa cosa funziona per il kernel sinistro,
vettori w h.c. $w^T(A+Bx) = 0$.)