

Optimal State Estimation Kalman, H_∞ , and Nonlinear Approaches Solutions

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This is my personal attempt to the "digest" or "solve the end chapter problems in" the book "Simon, Dan. Optimal state estimation: Kalman, H infinity, and nonlinear approaches. John Wiley & Sons, 2006". This document is by no means a perfect solution manual for the said book, but was written simple for my personal enrichment.

1 Linear Systems Theory

1.4 Find the partial derivative of the trace of AB with respect to A .

$$\text{Tr}(AB) = B^T$$

1.5 Consider the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix}$. Recall that the eigenvalues of A are found by finding the roots of the polynomial $P(\lambda) = |\lambda I - A|$. Show that $P(A) = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} P(\lambda) &= \begin{bmatrix} \lambda - a & b \\ b & \lambda - c \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \lambda^2 - (a + c)\lambda + ac - b^2 \\ P(A) &= A^2 - (a + c)A + (ac - b^2)I \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} a^2 + b^2 & ab + bc \\ ab + bc & b^2 + c^2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} a^2 + ac & ab + bc \\ ab + bc & ac + c^2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} ac - b^2 & 0 \\ 0 & ac - b^2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

1.6 Suppose that A is invertible and $\begin{bmatrix} A & A \\ B & A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A \\ C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ I \end{bmatrix}$, Find B and C in terms of A [Lie67].

$$A^2 + AC = 0 \tag{1.1}$$

$$AC = -A^2 \tag{1.2}$$

$$C = -A \tag{1.3}$$

$$BA + AC = I \tag{1.4}$$

$$BA - AA = I \tag{1.5}$$

$$B - A = A^{-1} \tag{1.6}$$

$$B = A + A^{-1} \tag{1.7}$$

1.8 Consider the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix}$ where a , b , and c are real, and a and c are nonnegative.

a) Compute the solutions of the characteristic polynomial of A to prove that the eigenvalues of A are real.

$$\begin{aligned} P(\lambda) &= \lambda^2 - (a+c)\lambda + ac - b^2 \\ \lambda &= \frac{(a+c) \pm \sqrt{(a+c)^2 - 4(ac-b^2)}}{2} \\ &= \frac{(a+c) \pm \sqrt{(a-c)^2 + b^2}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

The value inside sqrt will always be positive, therefore λ will always be real.

b) For what values of b is A positive semidefinite?

$$\begin{aligned} x^T A x &\geq 0 \\ x_1^2 a + 2x_1 x_2 b + x_2^2 c &\geq 0 \\ b &\geq \frac{-(x_1^2 a + x_2^2 c)}{2x_1 x_2} \end{aligned}$$

1.10 Suppose that the matrix A has eigenvalues λ_i , and eigenvectors v_i ($i = 1, \dots, n$). What are the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of $-A$?

A can be diagonalized as $S\Lambda S^{-1}$. Consequently, $-A$ can be expressed as $S(-\Lambda)S^{-1}$, where we can observe that $-A$ has the same eigenvectors as A , but with all its eigenvalues multiplied by -1 .

1.11 Show that $|e^{At}| = e^{|A|t}$ for any square matrix A .

$$\begin{aligned} |e^{At}| &= |Q| * |e^{\hat{A}t}| * |Q^{-1}| \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} e^{\hat{A}_{11}t} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & e^{\hat{A}_{nn}t} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= e^{\hat{A}_{11}t + \dots + \hat{A}_{nn}t} = e^{Tr(A)t} \end{aligned}$$

I can show this, but I can't show $|e^{At}| = e^{|A|t}$.

1.12 Show that if $\dot{A} = BA$, then $\frac{d|A|}{dt} = Tr(B)|A|$.

Let $A = F(t)$, with zero input, we can obtain $F(t) = e^{Bt}F(0)$.

$$\begin{aligned} |F(t)| &= |e^{Bt}| |F(0)| \\ &= e^{Tr(B)t} |F(0)| \\ \frac{d|F(t)|}{dt} &= Tr(B)e^{Tr(B)t} |F(0)| \\ &= Tr(B)|F(t)| \\ \frac{d|A|}{dt} &= Tr(B)|A| \end{aligned}$$

1.13 The linear position p of an object under constant acceleration is $p = p_0 + \dot{p}t + \frac{1}{2}\ddot{p}t^2$ where p_0 is the initial position of the object.

a) Define a state vector as $x = [p \quad \dot{p} \quad \ddot{p}]^T$ and write the state space equation $\dot{x} = Ax$ for this

system.
$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{p} \\ \ddot{p} \\ \ddot{p} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p \\ \dot{p} \\ \ddot{p} \end{bmatrix}$$

b) Use all three expressions in Equation (1.71) to find the state transition matrix e^{At} for the system. I'll only use the first one. Note that $A^3 = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} e^{At} &= I + At/1! + A^2t^2/2! \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t & t^2/2 \\ 0 & 1 & t \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

c) Prove for the state transition matrix found above that $e^{A0} = I$. Direct substitution from the obtained e^{At} above does give us I .

1.14 Consider the following system matrix. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$. Show that $S(t) = \begin{bmatrix} e^t & 0 \\ 0 & 2e^{-t} \end{bmatrix}$ satisfies the relation $\dot{S}(t) = AS(t)$, but $S(t)$ is not the state transition matrix of the system.

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{S}(t) &= \begin{bmatrix} e^t & 0 \\ 0 & -2e^{-t} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= A * S(t) \\ e^{At} &= Qe^{\hat{A}t}Q^{-1} \\ &= I * \begin{bmatrix} e^t & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t} \end{bmatrix} * I \end{aligned}$$

1.16 Show (H, F) is an observable matrix pair if and only if (H, F^{-1}) is observable (assuming that F is nonsingular).

Note: $Rank(AB) = \min(Rank(A), Rank(B))$ Let the observability matrix of (H, F^{-1}) be G , then the observability matrix of (H, F) is GF^{n-1} (and some row swapping which should not affect rank). Assuming F must be rank n , then $Rank(GF^{n-1}) = \min(n, n) = n$.