

# Diagonalization (Part 1)

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## LAST TIME

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu \quad \leftarrow \text{model of all dynamics we care about}$$

$$u = -Kx \quad \leftarrow \text{model of all controllers we care about}$$

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$$\dot{x} = (A - BK)x \quad \leftarrow \text{closed-loop system}$$

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$$x(t) = e^{(A - BK)t} x(0) \quad \leftarrow \text{solution (by matrix exponential)}$$

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⋮  
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$$x(t) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

if and only if all eigenvalues of  $A - BK$  have negative real part

} asymptotic stability

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OUR GOAL IS TO PROVE THIS

$\dot{x} = Fx$  ← for which  $F$  does  $x(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  ???

## STRATEGY

- ① Answer this question in the special case when  $F$  is diagonal
- ② Show how to rewrite (almost) any  $F$  as diagonal
- ③ Answer this question for (almost) any  $F$

suppose  $F$  is diagonal

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & 0 \\ 0 & s_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} s_1 t & 0 \\ 0 & s_2 t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s_1 t & 0 \\ 0 & s_2 t \end{bmatrix}$$

then:  $\leftarrow$  if  $\dot{x} = Fx$  then  $x(t) = e^{Ft} x(0)$

$$e^{Ft} = I + Ft + \frac{1}{2!}(Ft)^2 + \dots$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} s_1 t & 0 \\ 0 & s_2 t \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(s_1 t)^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2}(s_2 t)^2 \end{bmatrix} + \dots$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 + (s_1 t) + \frac{1}{2}(s_1 t)^2 + \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 + s_2 t + \frac{1}{2}(s_2 t)^2 + \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} e^{s_1 t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{s_2 t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\leftarrow$  when  $F$  is diagonal,  $e^{Ft}$  is easy to find

# coordinate invariance

solve for  $x(t)$  with matrix exponential

$$\dot{x} = Fx$$

plug in  $x = Vz$  for some invertible  $V$

$$V\dot{z} = FVz$$

solve for  $\dot{z}$

$$\dot{z} = (V^{-1}FV)z$$

solve for  $z(t)$  with matrix exponential

$$z(t) = e^{(V^{-1}FV)t} z(0)$$

plug in  $z = V^{-1}x$  and solve for  $x$

$$V^{-1}x(t) = e^{(V^{-1}FV)t} V^{-1}x(0)$$

$$x(t) = V e^{(V^{-1}FV)t} V^{-1}x(0)$$

$$x(t) = e^{Ft} x(0)$$

old coordinates  $\downarrow$   $\begin{bmatrix} q \\ v \end{bmatrix}$   $\uparrow$   $x = Vz$

new coordinates  $\downarrow$   $\begin{bmatrix} q+v \\ q-v \end{bmatrix}$   $\uparrow$   $z$

EXAMPLE OF COORDINATE TRANSFORMATION

$$\begin{bmatrix} q \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & -1/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} q+v \\ q-v \end{bmatrix}$$

THESE MUST BE EQUAL!  
 $V e^{(V^{-1}FV)t} V^{-1} x(0) = e^{Ft} x(0)$   
 for any invertible  $V$