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EECS 16B    Designing Information Devices and Systems II  
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Homework 4

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**This homework is due on Friday, February 12, 2021, at 11:00PM. Self-grades and HW Resubmission are due on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, at 11:00PM.**

### 1. Reading Lecture Notes

Staying up to date with lectures is an important part of the learning process in this course. Here are links to the notes that you need to read for this week: Note 3A

- (a) Explain the process to solve a general vector differential equation  $\frac{d}{dt}\vec{x} = A\vec{x}$  where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\vec{x}(t_0) = \vec{x}_0$ , including any necessary conditions.

### 2. Tracking Terry

Terry is a mischievous child, and his mother is interested in tracking him.

For this problem, the  $\mathbb{R}^2$  standard basis vectors will be denoted by

$$\vec{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Terry texts his current location  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  with these coordinates in the basis  $[\vec{v}_1 \ \vec{v}_2]$ . Write Terry's location in the standard basis in terms of  $\vec{v}_1$  and  $\vec{v}_2$ .
- (b) Terry's friend tells you that Terry's location in the standard basis is  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$ . Determine the basis vectors he is using, or if it is impossible, explain why.
- (c) Terry's basis vectors get leaked to his mom on accident, so she knows they are

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

To hide his location, Terry wants to switch to a new coordinate system with the basis vectors

$$\vec{p}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \vec{p}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

In order to do this, he needs a way to convert coordinates from the  $V$  basis to the  $P$  basis. Thus, find the matrix  $T$  such that if  $\vec{x}_v$  is a location in  $V$  coordinates and  $\vec{x}_p$  is the same location in  $P$  coordinates, then  $\vec{x}_p = T\vec{x}_v$ .

### 3. Eigenvectors and Diagonalization

- (a) Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix with  $n$  linearly independent eigenvectors  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ , and corresponding eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ . Define  $V$  to be a matrix with  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n$  as its columns,  $V = [\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n]$ .
- (i) Show that  $AV = V\Lambda$ , where  $\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$ , a diagonal matrix with the eigenvalues of  $A$  as its diagonal entries.
- (ii) Argue that  $V$  is invertible, and therefore,  $A = V\Lambda V^{-1}$ .
- (b) For a matrix  $A$  and a positive integer  $k$ , we define the exponent to be

$$A^k = \underbrace{A * A * \dots * A * A}_{k \text{ times}} \quad (1)$$

Let's assume that matrix  $A$  is diagonalizable with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ , and corresponding eigenvectors  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n$  (i.e. the  $n$  eigenvectors are all linearly independent).

Show that  $A^k$  has eigenvalues  $\lambda_1^k, \lambda_2^k, \dots, \lambda_n^k$  and eigenvectors  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ . Conclude that  $A^k$  is diagonalizable.

#### 4. Vector Differential Equations

In this problem, we consider ordinary differential equations which can be written in the following form

$$\frac{d}{dt}\vec{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{d}{dt}x_1(t) \\ \frac{d}{dt}x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = A\vec{x} \quad (2)$$

where  $x_1, x_2$  are variables depending on time  $t$ , and  $A$  is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix with constant coefficients. We call (2) a vector differential equation.

- (a) Suppose we have a system of ordinary differential equations

$$\frac{dx_1}{dt} = 7x_1 - 8x_2 \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{dx_2}{dt} = 4x_1 - 5x_2 \quad (4)$$

Write this in the form of (2) and compute the eigenvalues of the  $A$  matrix.

- (b) Compute the eigenvectors of the matrix  $A$ . For consistency, assume that the smaller eigenvalue is  $\lambda_1$  and the larger is  $\lambda_2$ .
- (c) We now want to transform our current system to a new coordinate system in order to simplify our differential equation. What basis  $B$  should we use so that in the new coordinates  $\vec{z} = B^{-1}\vec{x}$ , the new  $A$  matrix is diagonal? Write out what this new system becomes in the  $z$  coordinates.
- (d) Solve the new system in the  $z$  coordinates, using the initial conditions that  $x_1(0) = 1, x_2(0) = -1$ .
- (e) Now convert your solution from the  $z$  coordinates back to the original  $x$  coordinates.
- (f) It turns out that all 2nd order linear differential equations with distinct eigenvalues will have this common form

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_0 e^{\lambda_1 t} + c_1 e^{\lambda_2 t} \\ c_2 e^{\lambda_1 t} + c_3 e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $c_0, c_1, c_2, c_3$  are constants, and  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  are the eigenvalues of  $A$  (this can be proven by just repeating the same steps in the previous parts and using the fact that distinct eigenvalues implies linearly independent eigenvectors). Thus, an alternate way of solving this type of differential equation in the future is to now use your knowledge that the solution is of this form and just solve for the constants  $c_i$ .

We will use this method to solve a different system. Consider another second-order ordinary differential equation

$$\frac{d^2y(t)}{dt^2} - 5\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + 6y(t) = 0, \quad (5)$$

First to make the problem familiar, write the system in the form of (2), by choosing appropriate variables  $x_1(t)$  and  $x_2(t)$ .

- (g) Now solve the system in (5) with the initial conditions  $y(0) = 1, \frac{dy}{dt}(0) = 1$ , using the method from part (f).

### 5. Op-Amp Integrators: A continuation from the previous HW

In this question we will continue on from our analysis in Homework 3 and look at the eigenvalues of the integrator circuit (refer to Figure 3) in both non-ideal and ideal situations.

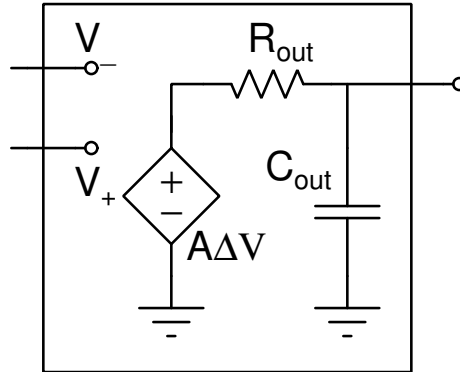


Figure 1: Op-amp model:  $\Delta V = V_+ - V_-$

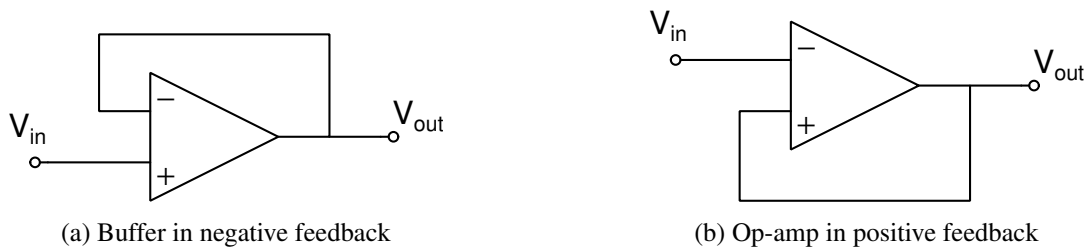


Figure 2: Op-amp in positive and negative feedback

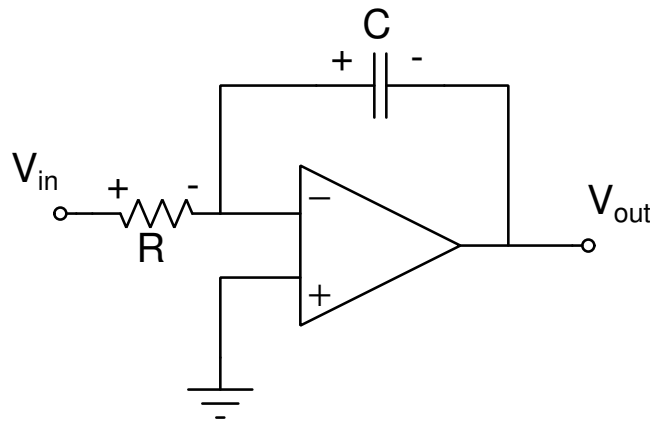


Figure 3: Integrator circuit

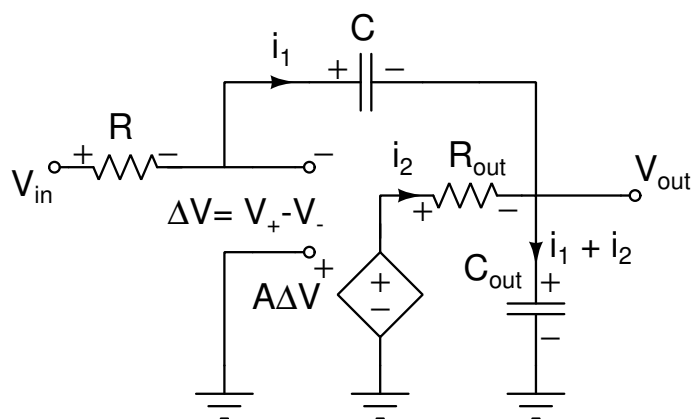


Figure 4: Integrator circuit with Op-amp model

- (a) Recall from Homework 3 we had the following analysis to the integrator circuit shown in Figure 4.

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} V_{out} \\ V_C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\left(\frac{A+1}{R_{out}C_{out}} + \frac{1}{RC_{out}}\right) & -\left(\frac{1}{RC_{out}} + \frac{A}{R_{out}C_{out}}\right) \\ -\frac{1}{RC} & -\frac{1}{RC} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_{out} \\ V_C \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{RC_{out}} \\ \frac{1}{RC} \end{bmatrix} V_{in} \quad (6)$$

**Solve for the eigenvalues for the matrix/vector differential equation in Eq. (6).**

For simplicity, assume  $C_{out} = C = 0.01F$  and  $R = 1\Omega$  and looking at the datasheet for the TI LMC6482 (the op-amps used in lab), we have  $A = 10^6$  and  $R_{out} = 100\Omega$ .

Feel free to assume  $A + 1 \approx 10^6$  when you finally need to plug in values, but do not make any other approximations. (Of course, such an approximation is not valid if you have a  $A + 1 - A$  term showing up somewhere.) Feel free to use a scientific calculator or Jupyter to find the eigenvalues.

You should see that one eigenvalue corresponds to a slowly dying exponential and is close to 0. The other corresponds to a much faster dying exponential. The very slowly dying exponential is what corresponds to the desired integrator-like behavior. This is what lets it “remember.” (If you don’t understand why, think back to the HW problem you saw in a previous HW where you proved the uniqueness of the integral-based solution to a scalar differential equation with an input waveform.)

- (b) Again, assume we have an ideal op-amp, *i.e.*,  $A \rightarrow \infty$ . **Find the eigenvalues under this limit.** Feel free to make any reasonable approximations.

Here, you should see that the eigenvalue that used to be a slowly dying exponential stops dying out at all — corresponding to the ideal integrator’s behavior of remembering forever.

## 6. Multi-Capacitor Circuit

Consider the circuit below

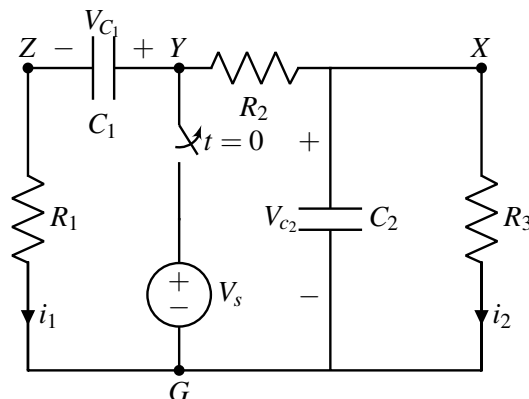


Figure 5: Circuit with multiple capacitors.

The resistors shown in the circuit have the same value  $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = R$ . Capacitors  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  have the same capacitance  $C_1 = C_2 = C$ . Further,  $RC = 1$  s.

- Assume that the switch shown in Figure 5 was held in the closed position for a long time before  $t = 0$ . At  $t = 0$ , immediately after the switch is opened, what are the capacitor voltages  $V_{C_1}(0)$  and  $V_{C_2}(0)$ ?
- How are  $i_2$  and  $V_{C_2}$  related? Using this, how are  $i_1$  and  $V_{C_2}$  related?
- Using KVL on the loop comprising of both capacitors  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , find a relationship between  $V_{C_1}$ ,  $V_{C_2}$  and  $i_1$ .
- Rewrite the equations derived above, eliminating the current  $i_1$  to obtain a system of differential equations involving  $V_{C_1}$  and  $V_{C_2}$ . Write this system of equations in a matrix form

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} V_{C_1} \\ V_{C_2} \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} V_{C_1} \\ V_{C_2} \end{bmatrix}$$

What is the matrix  $A$  and what are its eigenvalues?

*Hint: You can use the relation  $i_1 = C_1 \frac{d}{dt} V_{C_1}$  in addition to the relations we have derived so far.*

- In order to solve for the capacitor voltages, we need the initial values of the voltage derivatives. Immediately after the switch is opened, what are the voltage derivatives for the two capacitors,  $\frac{dV_{C_1}}{dt}(0)$  and  $\frac{dV_{C_2}}{dt}(0)$ ?

*Hint: Calculate the currents  $i_1$  and  $i_2$  immediately after the switch is opened at  $t = 0$ . While the capacitor voltages do not change immediately, the current through them will change.*

## 7. Homework Process and Study Group

Citing sources and collaborators are an important part of life, including being a student!

We also want to understand what resources you find helpful and how much time homework is taking, so we can change things in the future if possible.

(a) **What sources (if any) did you use as you worked through the homework?**

(b) **If you worked with someone on this homework, who did you work with?**

List names and student ID's. (In case of homework party, you can also just describe the group.)

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