

1. Consider an LTI system that has the following properties. When the input is zero and the initial state is given by

$$x(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix},$$

then

$$x(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t}.$$

And when the input is zero and the initial state is given by

$$x(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

then

$$x(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^t.$$

- (a) Write an explicit expression (not the infinite series) for the matrix exponential  $e^{At}$ .  
 (b) Suppose that  $u(t) = 0$  for all  $t \geq 0$ , and that

$$x(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find  $x(t)$  for all  $t \geq 0$ .

- (c) Find the matrix  $A$ .  
 (d) Now suppose that

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = [0 \quad 1], \quad D = 0,$$

and

$$u(t) = 1 \quad \text{for all } t \geq 0,$$

and

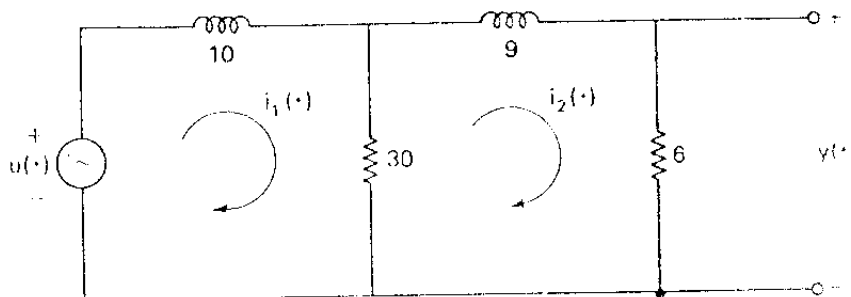
$$x(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then show that the output is zero for all time, i.e.,

$$y(t) = 0 \quad \text{for all } t \geq 0.$$

2. Kailath, Exercise 2.5-9:

- (a) Write state equations for the network shown in the figure.  
 (b) Assume that the input  $u$  is turned off at  $t = 0$ . Show how to choose  $i_1(0)$ ,  $i_2(0)$ , subject to the constraint  $i_1(0)^2 + i_2(0)^2 = 1$ , so that the systems returns to rest at the fastest possible rate.  
 [By 'returning to rest at the fastest possible rate' we mean that the states  $i_1$  and  $i_2$  of the system converge to zero as fast as possible.]



3. Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  invertible matrix. Use the Taylor series definition of the matrix exponential to show that

$$\int_0^t e^{A\sigma} d\sigma = (e^{At} - I) A^{-1}.$$

Using this result, obtain the solution to the linear time-invariant system

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \quad x(0) = x_0,$$

when the input  $u$  is a *constant*  $r \times 1$  vector (and  $B$  is an  $n \times r$  matrix).

4. Consider the zero-input linear time-varying system

$$\dot{x}(t) = e^{-Rt} S e^{Rt} x(t),$$

with  $R$  and  $S$  constant square matrices. Show that the state transition matrix of the system is

$$\Phi(t, t_0) = e^{-Rt} e^{(R+S)(t-t_0)} e^{Rt_0},$$

i.e.,  $x(t) = \Phi(t, t_0) x(t_0) = e^{-Rt} e^{(R+S)(t-t_0)} e^{Rt_0} x(t_0)$ .

Hint: Just use the definition of the state transition matrix,  $\frac{d}{dt} \Phi(t, t_0) = A(t) \Phi(t, t_0)$  and  $\Phi(t_0, t_0) = I$ .