

Stability and Transient Dynamics for Linearized Reduced Order Models

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Move the nonlinearity to the second component, and adjust the off-diagonal, and drop the input:

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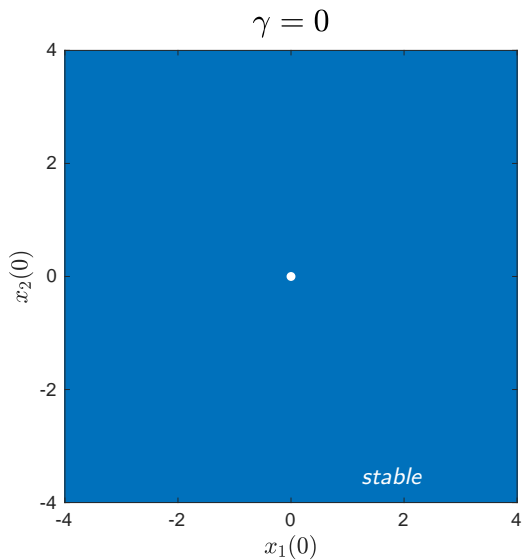
Linear stability analysis: linearize about $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ to get $\dot{\boldsymbol{\xi}} = \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\xi}$,

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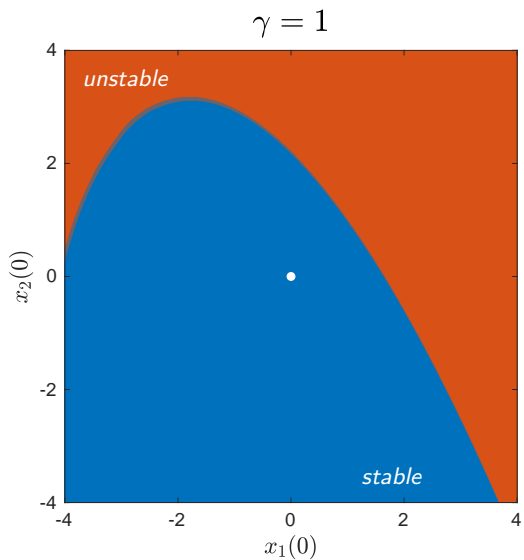
and note that \mathbf{A} has negative eigenvalues: therefore, $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ is stable.

What is the basin of attraction? Does it depend on γ ?

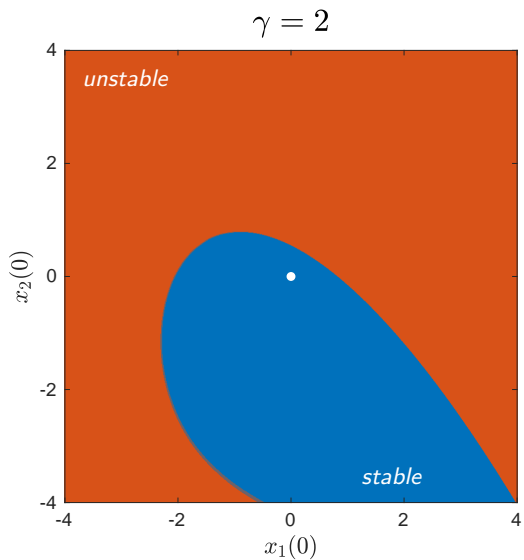
Let's use numerical simulations to assess the stability. . . .



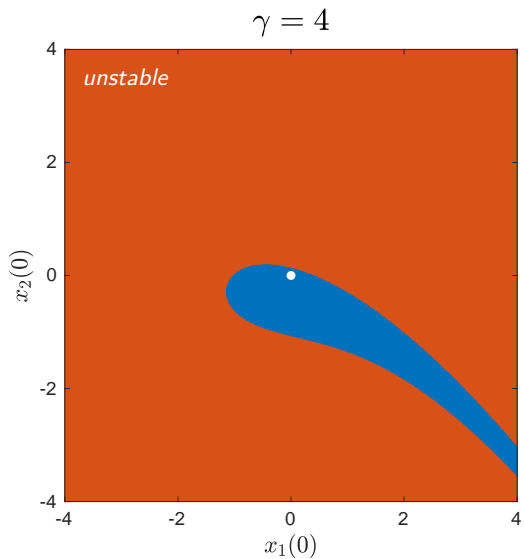
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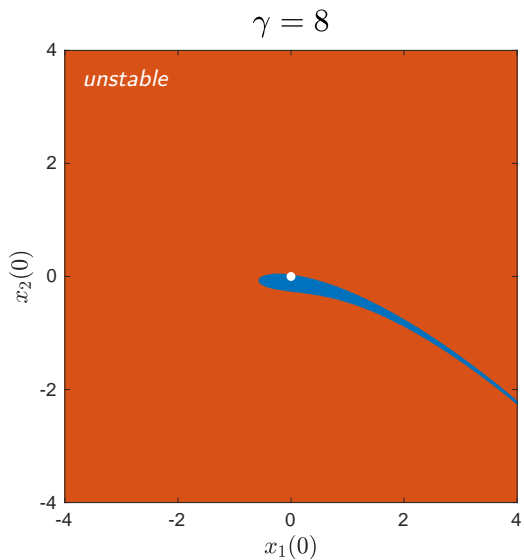
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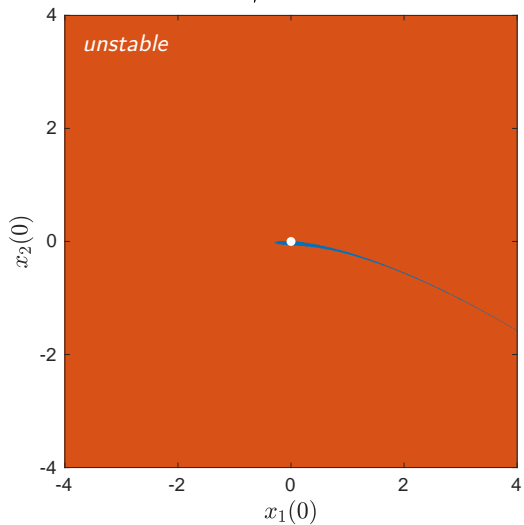


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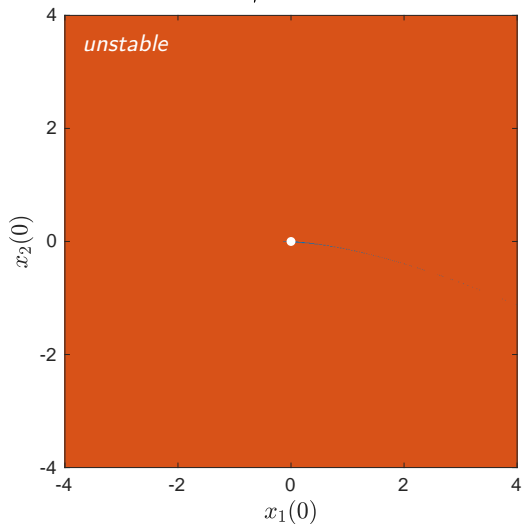
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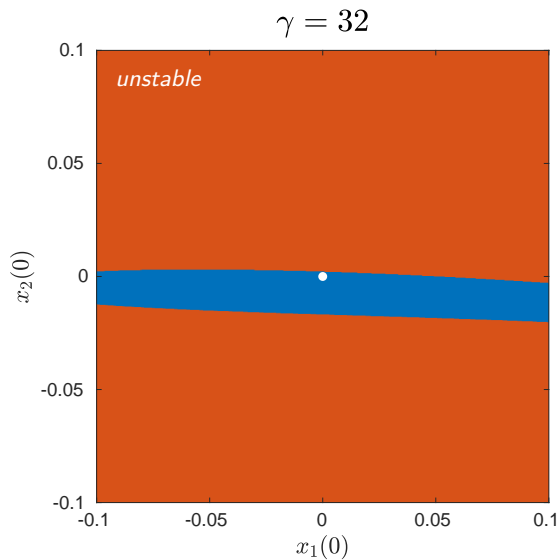


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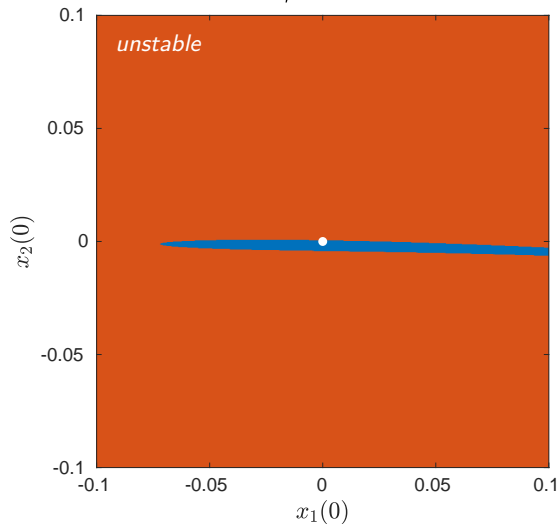


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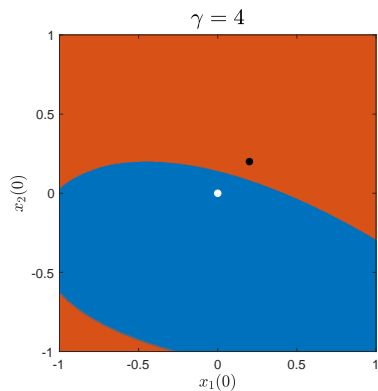
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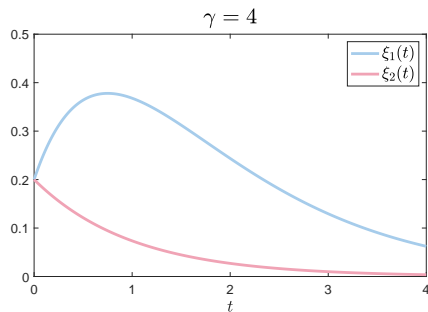


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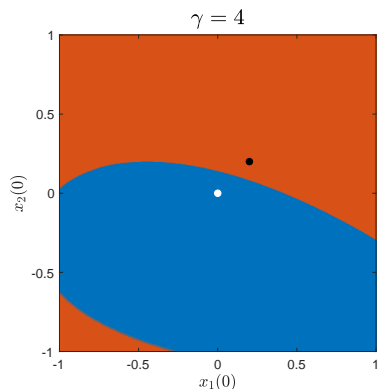


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transient growth of a linearized system

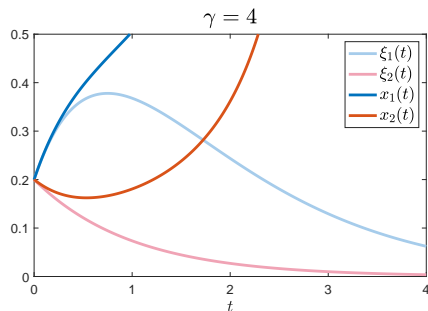
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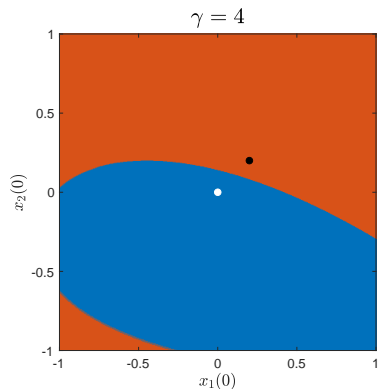
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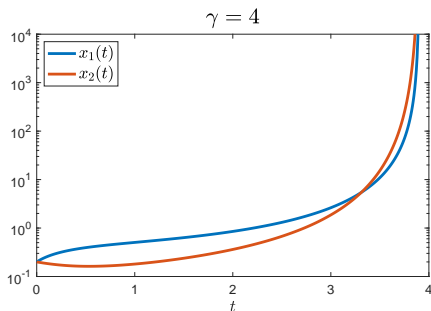
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The Mechanism Behind Transient Growth

Consider the (diagonalizable) example

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 100 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

with eigenvalues and (*nearly aligned*) eigenvectors

$$\lambda_1 = -1, \quad \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/100 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_2 = -2, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Expand the initial condition in this basis (*much cancellation*):

$$\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 100 \begin{bmatrix} 1/100 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 99 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now evolve the system in time:

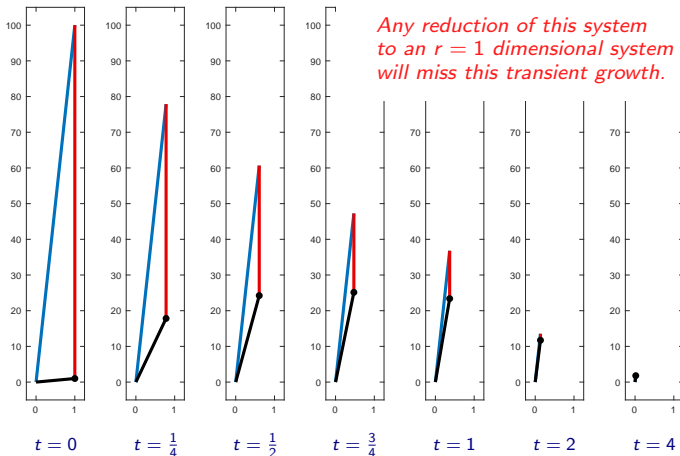
$$\mathbf{x}(t) = e^{t\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{x}(0) = 100e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} 1/100 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 99e^{-2t} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The exponentials decay at different rates, breaking the cancellation.

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Seven snapshots of the state vector

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- ▶ Solutions $e^{t\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{x}(0)$ to $\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t)$ can transiently grow only if $\omega(\mathbf{A}) > 0$.
- ▶ Potentially $\omega(\mathbf{A}) > 0$ even if all eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are in the left-half plane.

Projection Methods for Model Reduction

Let $\mathbf{V} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times r}$ have orthonormal columns, $\mathbf{V}^* \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{I}$.

To compute eigenvalues and to reduce models, we can restrict

$$\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} \quad \text{down to} \quad \mathbf{V}^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V} \in \mathbb{C}^{r \times r}.$$

For the bulk of this talk we focus on *Galerkin* projection of a SISO system

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{b} u(t)$$

$$y(t) = \mathbf{c}^* \mathbf{x}(t),$$

e.g., as generated by the *Arnoldi process* applied to (\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b}) , or POD:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}_r(t) = (\mathbf{V}^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}) \mathbf{x}_r(t) + (\mathbf{V}^* \mathbf{b}) u(t)$$

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- ▶ The eigenvalues of $\mathbf{V}^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}$ are in the numerical range $W(\mathbf{A})$:

$$(\mathbf{V}^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}) \boldsymbol{\xi} = \theta \boldsymbol{\xi} \quad \implies \quad \frac{(\mathbf{V} \boldsymbol{\xi})^* \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{V} \boldsymbol{\xi})}{(\mathbf{V} \boldsymbol{\xi})^* (\mathbf{V} \boldsymbol{\xi})} = \theta.$$

- ▶ When $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^*$, the *Cauchy Interlacing Theorem* describes precisely how the eigenvalues of $\mathbf{V}^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}$ distribute amongst the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} .
- ▶ For nonnormal \mathbf{A} , very little is understood about the eigenvalues of $\mathbf{V}^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}$.

Eigenvalues of Galerkin Projections for Non-Hermitian Matrices

Does there exist some notion of “interlacing” for non-Hermitian matrices?

Consider an extreme example:

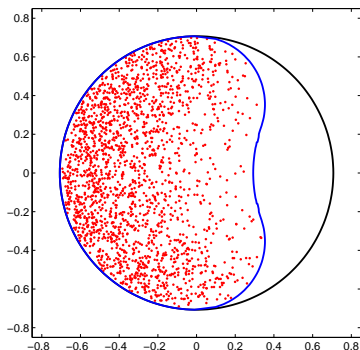
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Repeat the following experiment many times:

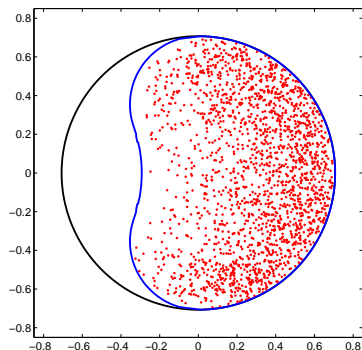
- ▶ Generate random two dimensional subspaces, $\mathcal{V} = \text{Ran } \mathbf{V}$, where $\mathbf{V}^* \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{I}$.
- ▶ Form $\mathbf{V}^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V} \in \mathbb{C}^{2 \times 2}$ and compute its eigenvalues: θ_1, θ_2 .
- ▶ Sort by real part: $\text{Re } \theta_1 \geq \text{Re } \theta_2$.
- ▶ Since \mathbf{A} has eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$, “interlacing” is meaningless here. . . .

Two Dimensional Reduction of a Three-Dimensional Jordan Block

Eigenvalues of $\mathbf{V}^*\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}$



leftmost eigenvalue



rightmost eigenvalue

Eigenvalues of $\mathbf{V}^*\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}$ for random (complex) two dimensional subspaces

Black circle shows boundary of $W(\mathbf{A}) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| \leq \sqrt{2}/2\}$

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Then for $k = 1, \dots, r$,

$$\frac{\mu_{n-r+k} + \cdots + \mu_n}{r - k + 1} \leq \text{Re } \theta_k \leq \frac{\mu_1 + \cdots + \mu_k}{k}.$$

- ▶ Ky Fan similarly bounded the real parts of the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} [Fan 1950].
- ▶ The fact that $\theta_j \in W(\mathbf{A})$ gives the well-known bound

$$\mu_n \leq \text{Re } \theta_j \leq \mu_1, \quad j = 1, \dots, r.$$

The theorem provides sharper bounds for interior eigenvalues of $\mathbf{V}^*\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}$.

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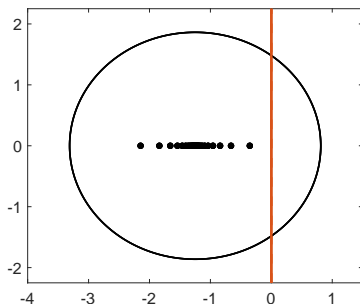
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Bounds on the Number of Unstable Modes: Example

$$\mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{8} \begin{bmatrix} -10 & 32\rho & & & & & & & & \\ & 1 & -10 & 32\rho^2 & & & & & & \\ & & 1 & \ddots & \ddots & & & & & \\ & & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & & & \\ & & & & \ddots & -10 & 32\rho^{n-1} & & & \\ & & & & & 1 & -10 & & & \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{array}{l} \rho = 3/4 \\ n = 128 \end{array}$$

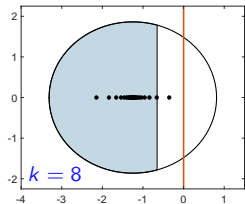
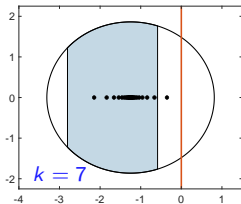
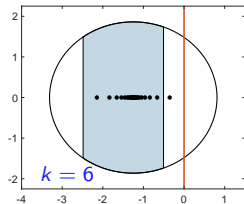
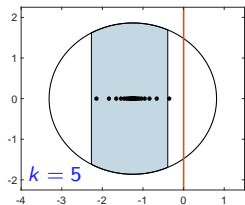
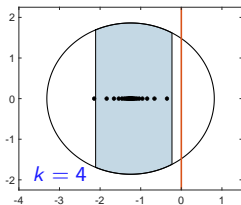
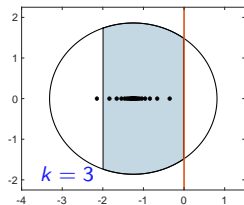
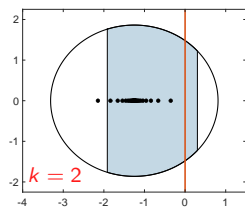
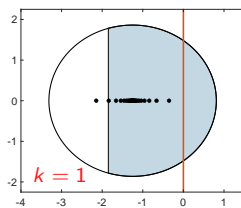


\mathbf{A} is stable, but $W(\mathbf{A})$
extends into the RHP.

*How many unstable modes
can $\mathbf{V}^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}$ have?*

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The containment regions for θ_k for $r = 8$ guarantee that $\mathbf{V}_r^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_r$ has at most two unstable modes.



possibly unstable

guaranteed stable

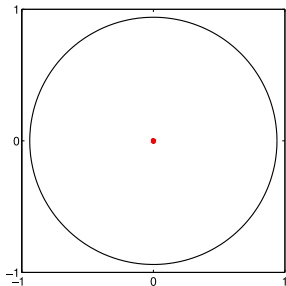
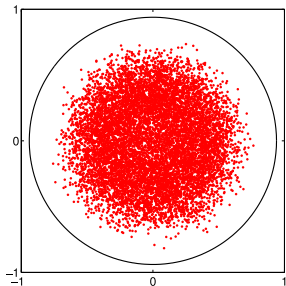
Two Matrices with Identical $W(\mathbf{A})$

Compute $r = 4$ eigenvalues of $\mathbf{V}^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}$ for these 8×8 matrices \mathbf{A} :

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

$$\gamma \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \rho^1 & & & & & & \\ & 0 & \rho^2 & & & & & \\ & & 0 & \rho^3 & & & & \\ & & & 0 & \rho^4 & & & \\ & & & & 0 & \rho^5 & & \\ & & & & & 0 & \rho^6 & \\ & & & & & & 0 & \rho^7 \\ & & & & & & & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(Choose γ to give the same $W(\mathbf{A})$ for both examples; $\rho = 1/8$.)



Smallest *magnitude* eigenvalue of $\mathbf{V}^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}$, 10,000 random complex subspaces.

Eigenvalues of Galerkin Projections (Sorted by Magnitude)

Now sort the eigenvalues of $\mathbf{V}^*\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}$ by magnitude: $|\theta_1| \geq |\theta_2| \geq \dots \geq |\theta_r|$.

- ▶ For any $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$, the product of eigenvalues is *log-majorized* by the product of singular values; see, e.g., [Marshall, Olkin, Arnold 2011].

Sort the eigenvalues and singular values of \mathbf{A} by magnitude, $|\lambda_1| \geq |\lambda_2| \geq \dots \geq |\lambda_n|$ and $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_n$. Then

$$\prod_{j=1}^k |\lambda_j| \leq \prod_{j=1}^k \sigma_j.$$

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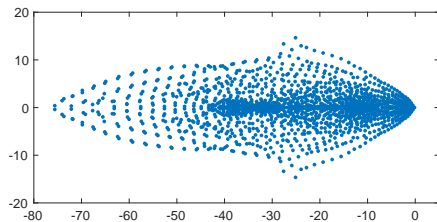
Illustration for a Fluid Dynamics Problem

Lid driven cavity fluid stability problem from IFISS [Elman, Ramage Silvester].
Q2-Q1 elements, 32×32 mesh, viscosity $\nu = 0.01$, dimension $n = 2178$.

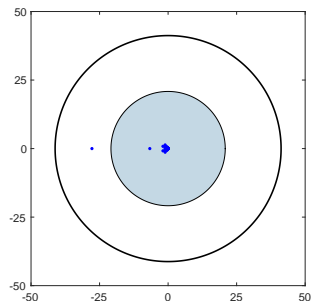
We seek the rightmost eigenvalue of a generalized eigenvalue problem.

Compute eigenvalues via shift-invert Arnoldi: $\mathbf{A}_\gamma := (\mathbf{A} - \gamma\mathbf{B})^{-1}\mathbf{B}$.

We now seek the largest magnitude eigenvalue of \mathbf{A}_γ .



finite eigenvalues of $\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{B}$



eigenvalues of \mathbf{A}_γ

By the theorem, at least $r - 1$
eigenvalues of $\mathbf{V}^*\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}$ are
located in the blue disk

How many unstable modes can $\mathbf{V}^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}$ have when \mathbf{A} is stable?

Theorem (Duintjer Tebbens & Meurant 2012)

Specify the following complex scalars:

- ▶ $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$;
- ▶ $\theta_1^{(1)}$;
- ▶ $\theta_1^{(2)}, \theta_2^{(2)}$;
- ▶ \vdots ;
- ▶ $\theta_1^{(n-1)}, \theta_2^{(n-1)}, \dots, \theta_{n-1}^{(n-1)}$.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

This construction allows you to specify the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} , but you cannot specify $W(\mathbf{A})$.

There exists $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ such that

- ▶ \mathbf{A} has the specified eigenvalues: $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$;
- ▶ $\mathbf{V}_r^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_r$ has the specified eigenvalues: for $r = 1, \dots, n-1$,

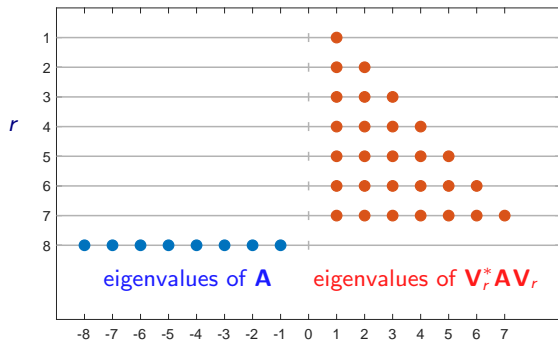
$$\text{eigenvalues of } \mathbf{V}_r^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_r = \{\theta_1^{(r)}, \dots, \theta_r^{(r)}\}$$

when the columns of \mathbf{V}_r are an orthonormal basis for the Krylov subspace

$$\mathcal{K}_r(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b}) = \text{span}\{\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{b}, \dots, \mathbf{A}^{r-1}\mathbf{b}\}.$$

Adversarial Construction for Galerkin Reduction

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -362880 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1451520 \\ & 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1693440 \\ & & 1 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -846720 \\ & & & 1 & 5 & 0 & 0 & -211680 \\ & & & & 1 & 6 & 0 & -28224 \\ & & & & & 1 & 7 & -2016 \\ & & & & & & 1 & -64 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



All modes of $\mathbf{V}_r^ \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_r$ are unstable for $1 \leq r < n$.*

Petrov–Galerkin Projection

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{b}u(t)$$

$$y(t) = \mathbf{c}^* \mathbf{x}(t).$$

Thus far we have focused on *Galerkin* projection, $\mathbf{V}_r^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_r$ with $\mathbf{V}_r^* \mathbf{V}_r = \mathbf{I}$, e.g., as generated by the *Arnoldi process* applied to (\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b}) .

The resulting model will match r moments of the transfer function at $z = \infty$:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}_r(t) = (\mathbf{V}_r^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_r) \mathbf{x}_r(t) + (\mathbf{V}_r^* \mathbf{b}) u(t)$$

$$y_r(t) = (\mathbf{c}^* \mathbf{V}_r) \mathbf{x}_r(t).$$

We briefly consider *Petrov–Galerkin* projection, $\mathbf{W}_r^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_r$ with $\mathbf{W}_r^* \mathbf{V}_r = \mathbf{I}$, e.g., as generated by the *bi-Lanczos process* applied to $(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c})$.

The resulting model will match $2r$ moments of the transfer function at $z = \infty$:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}_r(t) = (\mathbf{W}_r^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_r) \mathbf{x}_r(t) + (\mathbf{W}_r^* \mathbf{b}) u(t)$$

$$y_r(t) = (\mathbf{c}^* \mathbf{V}_r) \mathbf{x}_r(t).$$

What are the stability properties of this Petrov–Galerkin reduced order model?

Can W^*AV have unstable modes when A is stable?

Theorem (Greenbaum 1998)

Let $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$, and suppose $1 \leq r \leq n/2$. Specify:

- ▶ $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r \in \mathbb{C}$ and $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{r-1} \in \mathbb{C}$;
- ▶ nonzero starting vector, $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ with $\mathbf{v}_1 := \mathbf{b}/\|\mathbf{b}\|$;
- ▶ vectors $\mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{r+1}$ and scalars $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{r-1} \in \mathbb{C}$ generated by:

$$\widehat{\mathbf{v}}_{j+1} := A\mathbf{v}_j - \alpha_j\mathbf{v}_j - \beta_{j-1}\mathbf{v}_{j-1}$$

$$\gamma_j := \|\widehat{\mathbf{v}}_{j+1}\|$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{j+1} := \widehat{\mathbf{v}}_{j+1}/\gamma_j$$

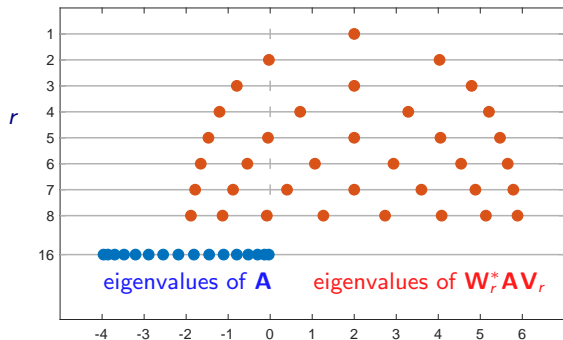
- ▶ vector $\mathbf{c} \perp \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{r+1}, A\mathbf{v}_{r+1}, \dots, A^{r-1}\mathbf{v}_{r+1}\}$.

Then r steps of the bi-Lanczos process applied to $(A, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c})$ either breaks down, or generates

$$W_r^*AV_r = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & \beta_1 & & & \\ \gamma_1 & \alpha_2 & \ddots & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \beta_{r-1} & \\ & & \gamma_{r-1} & \alpha_r & \end{bmatrix}.$$

Adversarial Construction for Petrov–Galerkin Reduction

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & & & \\ 1 & -2 & \ddots & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^{16 \times 16} \quad \mathbf{W}_r^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_r = \begin{bmatrix} +2 & 1 & & & \\ \gamma_1 & +2 & \ddots & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & & \gamma_{r-1} & \\ & & & & +2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^{r \times r}$$



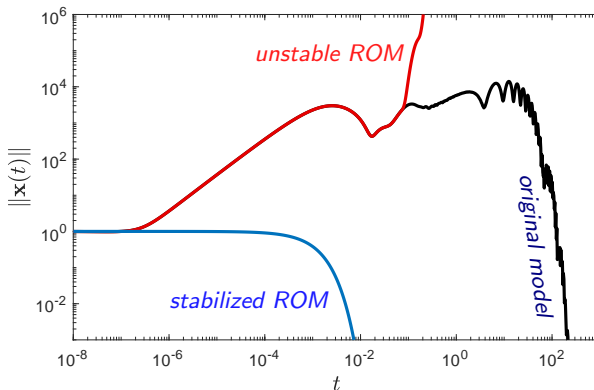
All modes of $\mathbf{W}_r^ \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_r$ are unstable for $1 \leq r \leq n/2$ here, despite the fact that \mathbf{A} is a stable Hermitian matrix.*

What Can We Learn From an Unstable ROM?

Unstable ROMs for stable systems are distasteful. One might go to lengths to *suppress the instability*; see, e.g., [Grimme, Sorensen, van Dooren 1995].

However, an unstable ROM might better capture transient dynamics than a stabilized version.

Boeing 767 example: stable linear system, $n = 55$; reduce to dimension $r = 20$ [Anderson, Ly, Liu 1990; Burke, Lewis, Overton 2003]



What Can We Learn From an Unstable ROM?

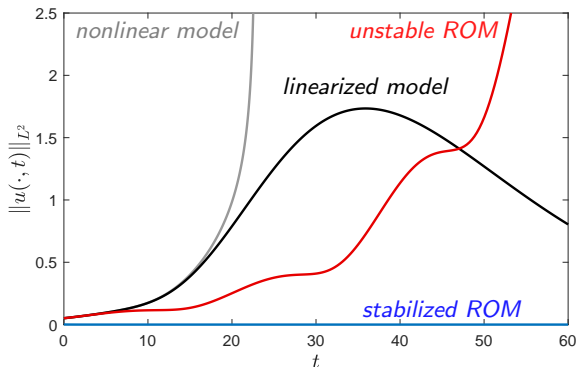
On the domain $x \in (0, \ell)$, $t > 0$, consider the *nonlinear heat equation*

$$u_t(x, t) = u_{xx}(x, t) + u_x(x, t) + \frac{1}{8}u(x, t) + u(x, t)^3,$$

with Dirichlet boundary conditions: $u(0, t) = u(\ell, t) = 0$.

[Sandsted & Scheel, 2005], [Galkowski, 2012] consider stability of this equation with small initial data, as a function of ℓ .

We take $\ell = 30$ and $u_0(x) = 10^{-5}x(x - \ell)(x - \ell/2)$ and reduce to $r = 40$.



Concluding Thoughts

- ▶ The interplay of linear transient growth and nonlinearity requires care.
- ▶ Reduction methods that preserve structure, nonlinearity, energy provide a major step in the right direction.

- ▶ Use a physically relevant inner product / norm.

Eigenvalues (and the transfer function) are independent of the state-space representation, but $W(\mathbf{A})$ depends highly on the choice of coordinates. It is possible that $W(\mathbf{A})$ extends into the right-half plane in the Euclidean (vector) inner product, but not in the “energy inner product” motivated by the application.

- ▶ We still have much to learn about the eigenvalues of $\mathbf{V}^*\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}$.

Insight about these eigenvalues informs both model reduction and algorithms for solving large-scale eigenvalue problems.

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