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Abstract

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LYAPUNOV NORMS IN LINEAR SPACES

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MATHEMATICS

1°. Notation. Let us denote: A —a linear set, a —elements of A ; T —an automorphism of A ; B —an n -dimensional subspace of A ; b —elements of B ; $\beta \equiv (b^1, b^2, \dots, b^n)$ —a basis of B ; Δ —an ordered set; λ —a mapping of A into Δ ; c —a real number; $C \equiv (c_j^i)$ —an n -dimensional matrix (i —column number, j —row number).

2°. Definition of a Lyapunov norm. We shall say that λ normizes A in the sense of Lyapunov if, for any a, a', c :

- 1) $\lambda(ca) \preceq \lambda(a)$;
- 2) $\lambda(a + a') \preceq \max\{\lambda a, \lambda a'\}$.

The element $\lambda a \in \Delta$ will be called the Lyapunov norm λ (or the λ -norm) of the element $a \in A$.

3°. Properties of the Lyapunov norm. From the definition of the Lyapunov norm it follows:

- a) $c \neq 0 \rightarrow \lambda(ca) = \lambda a$;
- b) $\lambda a \succeq \lambda 0$;
- c) $\lambda(c_1 a^1 + c_2 a^2 + \dots + c_m a^m) = \preceq \max(\lambda a^1, \lambda a^2, \dots, \lambda a^m)$;
- d) $c \neq 0, \lambda a \succ \lambda a^i (i = 1, 2, \dots, m) \rightarrow \lambda(ca + c_1 a^1 + \dots + c_m a^m) = \lambda a$;
- e) $\lambda a^i \neq \lambda a^j, i \neq j, a^i \neq 0 (i, j = 1, 2, \dots, m) \rightarrow a^1, a^2, \dots, a^m$ are linearly independent.

4°. The Lyapunov norm in a finite-dimensional linear space. Any m ($m > n$) elements of B are linearly dependent, and therefore (see 3°, e)) the set $\{\lambda b\}$, where b is any nonzero element of B , has no more than n pairwise distinct elements.

5°. Definition of a λ -basis. A basis β of the set B will be called a λ -basis if every linear combination of the elements of β has a λ -norm equal to the greatest of the λ -norms of those elements of β which enter into the combination with coefficients different from 0.

6°. Existence of a λ -basis. Let β be a basis of B . Then there exists a triangular matrix C with unit diagonal elements such that $\beta_1 = \beta_2 C$ is a λ -basis of B . The proof of the statement just made is carried out in the same way as the proof of Lyapunov's theorem on the existence of a triangular matrix C transforming a given fundamental system of solutions of a system of homogeneous linear differential equations into a normal system of solutions (1).

7°. Properties of a λ -basis. Here and in the remaining paragraphs let β_1 denote a λ -basis of B ; β_2 a basis of B , with any basis assumed to be written so that $\lambda b_i^j \preceq \lambda b_i^l$, if $j < l$ ($i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$). Then:

- a) $0 \neq b \in B \rightarrow \lambda b \in \{\lambda b_1^1, \lambda b_1^2, \dots, \lambda b_1^n\}$;
- b) $\lambda b \preceq \lambda b_1^i \rightarrow b = c_1 b_1^1 + c_2 b_1^2 + \dots + c_{i-1} b_1^{i-1}$;
- c) in order that the basis β_2 be a λ -basis of B , it is necessary and sufficient that $\lambda b_2^i = \lambda b_1^i$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

8°. The number of elements of a basis with one and the same λ -norm. Let k denote the number of mutually distinct values λb_1^i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$). Suppose that these values are $\delta_1, \delta_2, \dots, \delta_k$, with $\delta_i \succ \delta_j$ for $i < j$. Suppose further that n_i is the greatest possible number of linearly independent elements of B with Lyapunov norm not exceeding δ_i . Denote by $N_i(\beta_2)$ the number of elements of β_2 with λ -norm δ_i . Then:

- a) $N_1(\beta_2) + N_2(\beta_2) + \dots + N_k(\beta_2) = n$;
- b) $n_k = n$, $n_i < n_j$, if $i < j$;
- c) $N_1(\beta_2) + N_2(\beta_2) + \dots + N_i(\beta_2) \leq n_i$;
- d) $N_1(\beta_1) = n_1$, $N_i(\beta_1) = n_i - n_{i-1}$ ($i = 2, 3, \dots, k$).

9°. Step matrices. A matrix $C \equiv (c_j^i)$ will be called m_l ; r -step if $c_j^i = 0$ for $i \leq m_l < j$ for any $l = 1, 2, \dots, r$; $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ($m_r = n$). A triangular matrix is, evidently, l ; n -step. All nonsingular m_l ; r -step matrices (for fixed m_l) form a group with respect to multiplication in the usual sense for matrices.

10°. Transformation of a λ -basis. The basis β_2 , like any other system of n elements of B , can be represented in the form $\beta_2 = \beta_1 C$, where C is a real matrix. The basis β_2 will be a λ -basis if and only if C is an n_i ; k -step nonsingular matrix. This can be proved by the same arguments by which the validity of the corresponding proposition is established for a normal system of solutions (2).

11°. The sets M_i . Denote by M_i the set of all elements of B with λ -norm δ_i , where 0 is not included in M_1 , even if $\lambda 0 = \delta_1$. In addition, put $M_0 \equiv 0$. Then:

- a) $M_i \cap M_j$ for $i \neq j$;
- b) $M_0 \cup M_1 \cup \dots \cup M_k = B$.

12°. **The structure of M_i .** Each M_i is an n_i -dimensional hyperplane with the n_{i-1} -dimensional hyperplane removed. Indeed,

$$M_0 \cup M_1 \cup \dots \cup M_i = \bigcup (c_1 b_1^1 + c_2 b_1^2 + \dots + c_{n_i} b_1^{n_i})$$

(the last sum is taken over all $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_{n_i} \in (-\infty, \infty)$). The converse assertion is also true: if B is represented as the sum of hyperplanes $P_0 \equiv 0; P_1, P_2, \dots, P_m$, each of which strictly contains the preceding ones, then one can indicate a Lyapunov norm λ such that the decomposition of the space B into the sets M_1, M_2, \dots, M_k effected by it has the property: $k = m; M_i = P_i - P_{i-1}$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, k$).

13°. **λ -similar transformations of A .** An automorphism T of the linear set $A: TA = A$, will be called a λ -similar transformation if

$$\lambda a \preceq \max\{\lambda T a, \lambda T^{-1} a\}.$$

In order that T be a λ -similar transformation, it is necessary and sufficient that

$$\lambda a = \lambda T a = \lambda T^{-1} a$$

(a , as always, is any element of A).

14°. **Invariants of λ -similar transformations.** Under an automorphism T of the linear set A , an n -dimensional linear subset $B \subset A$ is transformed into an n -dimensional linear subset $\widetilde{B} \subset A$. It is not difficult to show (based, for example, on 7°, c)) that if T is a λ -similar transformation, then the λ -basis β_1 of the linear subset B under T passes into the λ -basis $\widetilde{\beta}_1$ of the linear subset \widetilde{B} , and moreover $\lambda_1 b_1^i = \widetilde{\lambda} \widetilde{b}_1^i$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$). Thus the numbers n_i (see 8°) are invariants of all λ -similar transformations.

15°. **Examples.** The first example of a Lyapunov norm on the set of solutions of all possible systems of homogeneous linear differential equations specified for $t \geq t_0$ is the Lyapunov characteristic number ⁽³⁾, taken with the opposite sign. As a second example one may point to the aggregate (characteristic exponent, type of solution) considered by L. Markus ⁽⁴⁾. In this case the second $[\lambda'']$ -norm refines the first $\{\lambda'\}$, i.e.,

$$\lambda'' a \supseteq \lambda'' a' \rightarrow \lambda' a \supseteq \lambda' a', \quad \lambda'' a \subseteq \lambda'' a' \rightarrow \lambda' a = \lambda' a'.$$

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