

**Two-parameters formulas for general solution to planar weakly delayed linear discrete systems with multiple delays, equivalent non-delayed systems, and conditional stability**

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# Abstract

Weakly delayed planar linear discrete systems with multiple delays

$$x(k+1) = Dx(k) + \sum_{l=1}^n H^l x(k - m_l), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots$$

are considered where  $0 < m_1 < m_2 < \dots < m_n$  are fixed integers,  $D$ ,  $H^1, \dots, H^n$  are nonzero  $2 \times 2$  real constant matrices and  $x: \{-m_n, -m_n + 1, \dots\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ .

Formulas for general solutions are found and simplified, equivalent non-delayed planar linear discrete systems are constructed and conditional stability is analyzed.

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# Introduction

The notation used throughout the paper is the following:  $\Theta$  is the zero  $2 \times 2$  matrix,  $E$  is the unit  $2 \times 2$  matrix,  $\theta$  is the zero  $2 \times 1$  vector and, for integers  $s, q$ ,  $s \leq q$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_s^q = \{s, s + 1, \dots, q\}$ . The set  $\mathbb{Z}_s^\infty$  is defined in much the same way.

In the paper, **weakly delayed** (WD) discrete planar systems with multiple delays

$$x(k+1) = Dx(k) + \sum_{l=1}^n H^l x(k - m_l) \quad (1)$$

are considered, where  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n$  are fixed integer delays,  $0 < m_1 < m_2 < \dots < m_n$  (in the sequel, we will write  $m$  for short rather than  $m_n$  if this does not cause ambiguity),  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_0^\infty$ ,

$D, H^1, \dots, H^n$  are constant  $2 \times 2$  matrices,  $D = \{d_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^2$ ,  $\det D \neq 0$ ,  $H^l = \{h_{ij}^l\}_{i,j=1}^2 \neq \Theta$ ,  $l = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , and  $x: \mathbb{Z}_{-m}^\infty \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ .

The function  $x$  in (1) is called a solution if the equation holds for every  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_0^\infty$ . A unique solution of (1) can be determined by an initial problem

$$x(k) = \xi(k), \quad k = -m, -m + 1, \dots, 0 \quad (2)$$

with given function  $\xi: \mathbb{Z}_{-m}^0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ .

# WD systems

The system (1) is a WD system if, for every  $\mu \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ ,

$$\mathcal{D}(\mu) \equiv \det(D - \mu E), \quad (3)$$

where

$$\mathcal{D}(\mu) := \det\left(D + \sum_{l=1}^n \mu^{-m_l} H^l - \mu E\right).$$

If we look for a solution of (1) in the form  $x(k) = \chi \mu^k$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{-m}^{\infty}$ , where  $\mu = \text{const}$ ,  $\mu \neq 0$  and  $\chi$  is a nonzero constant vector, then the characteristic equations  $\mathcal{D}(\mu) = 0$  to system (1) and

$$x(k+1) = Dx(k)$$

are equivalent. Since the value  $\mu = 0$  is excluded, throughout the paper we assume that no eigenvalue of  $D$  equals zero. This is guaranteed by the assumption  $\det D \neq 0$ . WD systems are invariant to nonsingular transformations.

From formula (3), the following criterion can be derived.

# Theorem

System (1) is a WD system if and only if

$$h'_{11} + h'_{22} = 0, \quad \begin{vmatrix} h'_{11} & h'_{12} \\ h^v_{21} & h^v_{22} \end{vmatrix} = 0, \quad \begin{vmatrix} d_{11} & d_{12} \\ h'_{21} & h'_{22} \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} h'_{11} & h'_{12} \\ d_{21} & d_{22} \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad (4)$$

where  $l, v = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

# Coefficient criteria for WD systems

Assume that, after a suitable transformation,

$$x(k) = \mathcal{T}y(k) \quad (5)$$

with  $2 \times 2$  regular matrix  $\mathcal{T}$ , WD system (1) is transformed to a new WD system

$$y(k+1) = \mathcal{J}(D)y(k) + \sum_{l=1}^n H^{*l}y(k-m_l), \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}_0^\infty, \quad (6)$$

where  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{T}^{-1}D\mathcal{T}$  is the Jordan form of  $D$  and  $H^{*l} = \mathcal{T}^{-1}H^l\mathcal{T}$ ,  $H^{*l} = \{h_{ij}^{*l}\}_{i,j=1}^2$ ,  $l = 1, \dots, n$ .

Initial data to (6) can be derived from (2) and (5) by the formula

$$y(k) = \eta(k) := \mathcal{T}^{-1}\xi(k), \quad k = -m, -m+1, \dots, 0. \quad (7)$$

In the following, we will use the notation

$$\omega_i^l(s) := h_{i1}^{*l}\eta_1(s) + h_{i2}^{*l}\eta_2(s), \quad (8)$$

where  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $s = -m, \dots, 0$ ,  $l = 1, \dots, n$ .



Coefficient criteria for detecting a WD system for every possible Jordan form can be deduced.

If the characteristic equation  $\mathcal{D}(\mu) = 0$  has two real distinct roots  $\mu_1, \mu_2$ , then

$$\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_1 := \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \mu_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

in the case of one double real root  $\mu$ , we have either

$$\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_2 := \begin{pmatrix} \mu & 0 \\ 0 & \mu \end{pmatrix}$$

if  $\mu$  has geometrical multiplicity 2 or

$$\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_3 := \begin{pmatrix} \mu & 1 \\ 0 & \mu \end{pmatrix}$$

if  $\mu$  has geometrical multiplicity 1, and, finally, if the roots are complex conjugate, i.e.  $\mu_{1,2} = \alpha \pm i\beta$  with  $\beta \neq 0$ , then

$$\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_4 := \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}.$$

If  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_1$ , the necessary and sufficient conditions (4) for system (6) are reduced to

$$h_{11}^{*l} = h_{22}^{*l} = 0, \quad h_{12}^{*l} h_{21}^{*v} = 0, \quad (9)$$

where  $l, v = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Condition  $H^l \neq \Theta$ ,  $l = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and (9) imply the following. If  $h_{12}^{*l} = 0$  for a value  $l$ , then  $h_{21}^{*v} \neq 0$  for all  $v = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

If  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_2$ , the necessary and sufficient conditions (4) for system (6) are reduced to

$$h_{11}^{*l} + h_{22}^{*l} = 0, \quad h_{11}^{*l} h_{22}^{*v} - h_{12}^{*l} h_{21}^{*v} = 0, \quad (10)$$

where  $l, v = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

If  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_3$ , the necessary and sufficient conditions (4) for system (6) are reduced to

$$h_{11}^{*l} = h_{22}^{*l} = h_{21}^{*l} = 0, \quad l = 1, 2, \dots, n. \quad (11)$$

Then,  $h_{12}^{*l} \neq 0$ ,  $l = 1, 2, \dots, n$  since, in the opposite case,  $H^l = \Theta$ ,  $l = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , and this is a contradiction with our assumptions.

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_4$ . Then, there exists no WD system (1). The necessary and sufficient conditions (4) imply  $h_{11}^{*l} = h_{22}^{*l} = h_{21}^{*l} = h_{12}^{*l} = 0$ ,  $l = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

This is a contradiction with the assumption  $H^l \neq \Theta$ ,  $l = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

# General Solutions of WD Systems

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_1$ . Then, the problem (1), (2) has a solution

$$x(k) = \mathcal{T}y(k), \quad y(k) = (y_1(k), y_2(k))^T, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}_{-m}^{\infty}$$

and, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_0^{\infty}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} y_1(k) = & \mu_1^k \eta_1(0) + \frac{\eta_2(0)}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \binom{k - m_l}{0} \left[ \mu_1^{k-m_l} - \mu_2^{k-m_l} \right] \\ & + \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \eta_2(-m_l - 1 + s) \binom{k - s}{0} \mu_1^{k-s}, \quad (12) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_2(k) = & \mu_2^k \eta_2(0) + \frac{\eta_1(0)}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} \sum_{l=1}^n h_{21}^{*l} \binom{k - m_l}{0} \left[ \mu_1^{k-m_l} - \mu_2^{k-m_l} \right] \\ & + \sum_{l=1}^n h_{21}^{*l} \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \eta_1(-m_l - 1 + s) \binom{k - s}{0} \mu_2^{k-s}. \quad (13) \end{aligned}$$

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_2$ . Then, the problem (1), (2) has a solution

$$x(k) = \mathcal{T}y(k), \quad y(k) = (y_1(k), y_2(k))^T, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}_{-m}^{\infty}$$

and, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_0^{\infty}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} y_1(k) = & \mu^k \eta_1(0) + \sum_{l=1}^n \left[ \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \omega_1^l(-m_l - 1 + s) \binom{k-s}{0} \mu^{k-s} \right] \\ & + \sum_{l=1}^n (k - m_l) \binom{k - m_l}{0} \omega_1^l(0) \mu^{k-m_l-1}, \quad (14) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_2(k) = & \mu^k \eta_2(0) + \sum_{l=1}^n \left[ \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \omega_2^l(-m_l - 1 + s) \binom{k-s}{0} \mu^{k-s} \right] \\ & + \sum_{l=1}^n (k - m_l) \binom{k - m_l}{0} \omega_2^l(0) \mu^{k-m_l-1}. \quad (15) \end{aligned}$$

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_3$ . Then, the problem (1), (2) has a solution

$$x(k) = \mathcal{T}y(k), \quad y(k) = (y_1(k), y_2(k))^T, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}_{-m}^{\infty}$$

and, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_0^{\infty}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} y_1(k) &= \mu^k \eta_1(0) + k \mu^{k-1} \eta_2(0) \\ &+ \sum_{l=1}^n \left[ \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \omega_1^l(-m_l - 1 + s) \binom{k-s}{0} \mu^{k-s} \right] \\ &+ \sum_{l=1}^n (k - m_l) \binom{k - m_l}{0} \omega_1^l(0) \mu^{k-m_l-1} \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

and

$$y_2(k) = \mu^k \eta_2(0). \quad (17)$$

# Simple Formulas for General Solutions

The case  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_1$

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 &:= \eta_1(0) + \frac{\eta_2(0)}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \mu_1^{-m_l} \\ &+ \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \eta_2(-m_l - 1 + s) \mu_1^{-s}, \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

$$\begin{aligned} C_2 &:= \eta_2(0) - \frac{\eta_1(0)}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} \sum_{l=1}^n h_{21}^{*l} \mu_2^{-m_l} \\ &+ \sum_{l=1}^n h_{21}^{*l} \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \eta_1(-m_l - 1 + s) \mu_2^{-s}. \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_1$ . Then, the problem (1), (2) has a solution  $x(k) = \mathcal{T}y(k)$ ,  $y(k) = (y_1(k), y_2(k))^T$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{-m}^\infty$  and, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_m^\infty$ ,

$$y_1(k) = C_1 \mu_1^k - C_2 \frac{\mu_2^k}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \mu_2^{-m_l}, \quad (20)$$

$$y_2(k) = C_1 \frac{\mu_1^k}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} \sum_{l=1}^n h_{21}^{*l} \mu_1^{-m_l} + C_2 \mu_2^k, \quad (21)$$

where  $C_1, C_2$  are arbitrary parameters connected with arbitrary initial values (2) through formulas (7), (18), (19).



# The case $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_2$

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_2$ . Assume  $h_{11}^{*1} \neq 0$ . Then, the problem (1), (2) has a solution  $x(k) = \mathcal{T}y(k)$ ,  $y(k) = (y_1(k), y_2(k))^T$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{-m}^\infty$  and, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_m^\infty$ ,

$$y_1(k) = C_1 \mu^k + C_2 \left( \sum_{l=1}^n h_{11}^{*l} \mu^{-m_l-1} \right) k \mu^k, \quad (22)$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_2(k) &= (h_{11}^{*1}/h_{12}^{*1}) (-C_1 + C_2) \mu^k \\ &\quad - (h_{11}^{*1}/h_{12}^{*1}) C_2 \left( \sum_{l=1}^n h_{11}^{*l} \mu^{-m_l-1} \right) k \mu^k, \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

where  $C_1, C_2$  are arbitrary parameters.

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_2$ . Assume  $h_{11}^{*1} = 0$ . Then, the problem (1), (2) has a solution  $x(k) = \mathcal{T}y(k)$ ,  $y(k) = (y_1(k), y_2(k))^T$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{-m}^\infty$  and, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_m^\infty$ ,

$$y_1(k) = C_1\mu^k + C_2k\mu^k \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l}\mu^{-m_l-1},$$
$$y_2(k) = C_2\mu^k + C_1k\mu^k \sum_{l=1}^n h_{21}^{*l}\mu^{-m_l-1},$$

where  $C_1, C_2$  are arbitrary parameters.

# The case $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_3$

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_3$ . Then, the problem (1), (2) has a solution  $x(k) = \mathcal{T}y(k)$ ,  $y(k) = (y_1(k), y_2(k))^T$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{-m}^\infty$  and, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_m^\infty$ ,

$$y_1(k) = C_1\mu^k + C_2k\mu^{k-1} \left[ 1 + \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \mu^{-m_l} \right],$$

$$y_2(k) = C_2\mu^k,$$

where  $C_1, C_2$  are arbitrary parameters.

# Merging of solutions

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_1$ . Let constants  $C_1 := C_1^*$  and  $C_2 := C_2^*$  be fixed. If the initial values (7) satisfy

$$\eta_1(0) + \frac{\eta_2(0)}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \mu_1^{-m_l} + \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \eta_2(-m_l - 1 + s) \mu_1^{-s} = C_1^*,$$

$$\eta_2(0) - \frac{\eta_1(0)}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} \sum_{l=1}^n h_{21}^{*l} \mu_2^{-m_l} + \sum_{l=1}^n h_{21}^{*l} \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \eta_1(-m_l - 1 + s) \mu_2^{-s} = C_2^*,$$

then these initial values define, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_m^\infty$ , the same solutions of (1).

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_2$ . Assume  $h_{11}^{*1} \neq 0$ . Let constants

$$C_1 := C_1^*, \quad C_2 := C_2^*$$

be fixed. If the initial values (7) satisfy

$$\eta_1(0) + \sum_{l=1}^n \left[ -m_l \omega_1^l(0) \mu^{-m_l-1} + \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \omega_1^l(-m_l - 1 + s) \mu^{-s} \right] = C_1^*,$$

$$\omega_1^l(0)/h_{11}^{*1} = C_2^*,$$

then these initial values define, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_m^\infty$ , the same solutions of (1).

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_2$ . Assume  $h_{11}^{*1} = 0$ . Let constants

$$C_1 := C_1^*, \quad C_2 := C_2^*$$

be fixed. If the initial values (7) satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_1(0) + \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \left[ -m_l \eta_2(0) \mu^{-m_l-1} + \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \eta_2(-m_l-1+s) \mu^{-s} \right] \\ = C_1^*, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_2(0) + \sum_{l=1}^n h_{21}^{*l} \left[ -m_l \eta_1(0) \mu^{-m_l-1} + \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \eta_1(-m_l-1+s) \mu^{-s} \right] \\ = C_2^*, \end{aligned}$$

then these initial values define, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_m^\infty$ , the same solutions of (1).

# Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_3$ . Let constants

$$C_1 := C_1^*, \quad C_2 := C_2^*$$

be fixed. If initial values (7) satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} & \eta_1(0) \\ & + \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \left[ \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \eta_2(-m_l - 1 + s) \mu^{-s} - \eta_2(0) \sum_{l=1}^n m_l \mu^{-m_l - 1} \right] \\ & = C_1^*, \end{aligned}$$

$$\eta_2(0) = C_2^*,$$

then these initial values define, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_m^\infty$ , the same solutions of (1).

# Non-delayed Systems Equivalent to WD Systems

Consider a non-delayed planar linear discrete system

$$w(k+1) = Gw(k), \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}_m^\infty \quad (24)$$

where  $G = \{g_{ij}\}_{i,j=1,2}^2$ .

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_1$ . Then, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_m^\infty$ , the general solution of the problem (1) is given by the formula  $x(k) = \mathcal{T}w(k)$ , where  $w(k) = (w_1(k), w_2(k))^T$  is the general solution of non-delayed system (24) and  $G$  is concretized as follows,

$$G := \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 & \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \mu_2^{-m_l} \\ \sum_{l=1}^n h_{21}^{*l} \mu_1^{-m_l} & \mu_2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (25)$$



## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_2$ . Assume  $h_{11}^{*1} \neq 0$ . Then, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_m^\infty$ , the general solution of the problem (1) is given by the formula  $x(k) = \mathcal{T}w(k)$ , where  $w(k) = (w_1(k), w_2(k))^T$  is the general solution of non-delayed system (24) and  $G$  is concretized as follows,

$$G := \begin{pmatrix} \mu + \sum_{l=1}^n h_{11}^{*l} \mu^{-m_l} & h_{12}^{*1} (h_{11}^{*1})^{-1} \sum_{l=1}^n h_{11}^{*l} \mu^{-m_l} \\ h_{11}^{*1} (h_{12}^{*1})^{-1} \sum_{l=1}^n h_{22}^{*l} \mu^{-m_l} & \mu + \sum_{l=1}^n h_{22}^{*l} \mu^{-m_l} \end{pmatrix}.$$

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_2$ . Assume  $h_{11}^{*1} = 0$ . Then, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_m^\infty$ , the general solution of the problem (1) is given by formula  $x(k) = \mathcal{T}w(k)$ , where  $w(k) = (w_1(k), w_2(k))^T$  is the general solution of non-delayed system (24) and  $G$  is concretized as follows,

$$G := \begin{pmatrix} \mu & \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \mu^{-m_l} \\ \sum_{l=1}^n h_{21}^{*l} \mu^{-m_l} & \mu \end{pmatrix}.$$

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_3$ . Then, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_m^\infty$ , the general solution of the problem (1) is given by the formula  $x(k) = \mathcal{T}w(k)$ , where  $w(k) = (w_1(k), w_2(k))^T$  is the general solution of non-delayed system (24) and  $G$  is concretized as follows,

$$G := \begin{pmatrix} \mu & 1 + \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \mu^{-m_l} \\ 0 & \mu \end{pmatrix}.$$

# Conditional Stability

## Definition

An *unstable* trivial solution of (1) is said to be *conditionally stable* (CS) if, given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that every initial function  $\xi(k)$ ,  $k \in Z_{-m}^0$  where  $\|\xi(r)\| < \delta$ ,  $r = -m, \dots, 0$  defines a solution  $x$  to (1) satisfying  $\|x(k)\| < \varepsilon$  for all  $k > 0$ , provided that the coordinates

$$(\xi(-m), \xi(-m+1), \dots, \xi(0)) \in \mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{R}^{2(m+1)},$$

where  $\mathcal{M}$  is a set of the initial values and  $1 \leq \dim \mathcal{M} < 2(m+1)$ . If, moreover,  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x(k)\| = 0$ , we say that the trivial solution is *conditionally asymptotically stable* (CAS).

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_1$ .

(i) If

$$\eta_1(0) + \frac{\eta_2(0)}{(\mu_1 - \mu_2)} \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \mu_1^{-m_l} + \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \eta_2(-m_l - 1 + s) \mu_1^{-s} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (26)$$

then, the trivial solution is CS if  $|\mu_2| \leq 1$  and CAS if  $|\mu_2| < 1$ .

(ii) If

$$\eta_2(0) - \frac{\eta_1(0)}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} \sum_{l=1}^n h_{21}^{*l} \mu_2^{-m_l} + \sum_{l=1}^n h_{21}^{*l} \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \eta_1(-m_l - 1 + s) \mu_2^{-s} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (27)$$

then the trivial solution is CS if  $|\mu_1| \leq 1$  and CAS if  $|\mu_1| < 1$ .

(iii) If (26) and (27) both hold, then the trivial solution is CAS.

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_2$ . Assume  $h_{11}^{*1} \neq 0$ .

(i) If

$$\eta_1(0) + \sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \omega_1^l(-m_l - 1 + s) \mu^{-s} = 0, \quad (28)$$

$$\omega_1^1(0) = 0, \quad (29)$$

then, the trivial solution is CAS.

(ii) If  $|\mu| = 1$  and (29) holds, then the trivial solution is CS.

(iii) If  $|\mu| = 1$  and  $\sum_{l=1}^n h_{11}^{*l} \mu^{-m_l-1} = 0$ , then the trivial solution is stable.

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_2$ . Assume  $h_{11}^{*1} = h_{12}^{*1} = 0$ .

(i) If

$$\eta_1(0) = 0, \quad (30)$$

$$\eta_2(0) + \sum_{l=1}^n h_{21}^{*l} \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \eta_1(-m_l - 1 + s) \mu^{-s} = 0,$$

then, the trivial solution is CAS.

(ii) If  $|\mu| = 1$  and (30) holds, then the trivial solution is CS.

(iii) If  $|\mu| = 1$  and  $\sum_{l=1}^n h_{21}^{*l} \mu^{-m_l} = 0$ , then the trivial solution is stable.

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_2$ . Assume  $h_{11}^{*1} = h_{21}^{*1} = 0$ .

(i) If

$$\eta_1(0) + \sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \sum_{s=1}^{m_l} \eta_2(-m_l - 1 + s) \mu^{-s} = 0, \quad (31)$$

$$\eta_2(0) = 0, \quad (32)$$

then, the trivial solution is CAS.

(ii) If  $|\mu| = 1$  and (32) holds, then the trivial solution is CS.

(iii) If  $|\mu| = 1$  and  $\sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \mu^{-m_l} = 0$ , then the trivial solution is stable.

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_3$ .

(i) If (31), (32) both hold, then the trivial solution is CAS.

(ii) If  $|\mu| = 1$  and (32) holds, then, the trivial solution is CS.

(iii) If  $|\mu| = 1$  and  $\sum_{l=1}^n h_{12}^{*l} \mu^{-m_l} = -1$ , then the trivial solution is stable.

# Example

Let a system (1), where  $n = 3$ ,  $m_1 = 1$ ,  $m_2 = 2$  and  $m = m_3 = 3$ , be of the form

$$\begin{aligned}x_1(k+1) = & 3x_1(k) + x_2(k) + x_1(k-1) + x_2(k-1) \\ & + 2x_1(k-2) + 2x_2(k-2) + 3x_1(k-3) \\ & + 3x_2(k-3),\end{aligned}\tag{33}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x_2(k+1) = & -2x_1(k) - x_1(k-1) - x_2(k-1) \\ & - 2x_1(k-2) - 2x_2(k-2) - 3x_1(k-3) - 3x_2(k-3).\end{aligned}\tag{34}$$

We have

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad H^1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad H^2 = 2H^1, \quad H^3 = 3H^1$$

and  $\mu_1 = 2$ ,  $\mu_2 = 1$ .



Transforming (33), (34) by (5) where

$$\mathcal{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{T}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

we derive a system of the type (6)

$$y_1(k+1) = 2y_1(k) + y_2(k-1) + 2y_2(k-2) + 3y_2(k-3), \quad (35)$$

$$y_2(k+1) = y_2(k) \quad (36)$$

where

$$\mathcal{J}(D) = \mathcal{J}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad H^{*1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad H^{*2} = 2H^{*1}, \quad H^{*3} = 3H^{*1}.$$

System (12), (13) reduces, for  $k \geq m = 3$ , to

$$y_1(k) = 2^k \left[ \eta_1(0) + \frac{11}{8}\eta_2(0) + \frac{11}{8}\eta_2(-1) + \frac{7}{4}\eta_2(-2) + \frac{3}{2}\eta_2(-3) \right] - 6\eta_2(0), \quad (37)$$

$$y_2(k) = \eta_2(0). \quad (38)$$

We can write (37), (38) in the form

$$y_1(k) = C_1 2^k - 6C_2, \quad y_2(k) = C_2 \quad (39)$$

where  $C_1, C_2$  are arbitrary parameters defined by (37), (38) as

$$C_1 = \eta_1(0) + \frac{11}{8}\eta_2(0) + \frac{11}{8}\eta_2(-1) + \frac{7}{4}\eta_2(-2) + \frac{3}{2}\eta_2(-3),$$
$$C_2 = \eta_2(0)$$

and  $\eta_1(0), \eta_2(k), k = -3, -2, -1, 0$  are connected with initial data (2) through formula (7), i.e.,

$$\eta(k) = \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1(k) \\ \eta_2(k) \end{pmatrix} := \mathcal{T}^{-1}\xi(k)$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1(k) \\ \xi_2(k) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\xi_1(k) + \xi_2(k) \\ \xi_1(k) + \xi_2(k) \end{pmatrix}. \quad (40)$$

If  $k \geq 3$  from (5) and (39), we derive

$$x_1(k) = C_1 2^k - 7C_2, \quad x_2(k) = -C_1 2^k + 8C_2 \quad (41)$$

and arbitrary parameters  $C_1, C_2$  can be expressed through the initial values (2) as

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 = & \frac{27}{8} \xi_1(0) + \frac{19}{8} \xi_2(0) + \frac{11}{8} (\xi_1(-1) + \xi_2(-1)) \\ & + \frac{7}{4} (\xi_1(-2) + \xi_2(-2)) \\ & + \frac{3}{2} (\xi_1(-3) + \xi_2(-3)), \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

$$C_2 = \xi_1(0) + \xi_2(0). \quad (43)$$

Some of the initial values given by  $C_1 = C_2 = 0$  are shown in Table 1 with the solutions  $x(k) = (x_1(k), x_2(k))^T$  defined by them being visualized in Figure 1 by a sequence of points  $(k, x_1(k), x_2(k))$ , where  $k \geq -3$ , fitted with a line (represented by a suitable spline with the corresponding colour).

Table: 1

Initial values given by  $C_1 = C_2 = 0$ .

colouring	$\xi_1(-3)$	$\xi_2(-3)$	$\xi_1(-2)$	$\xi_2(-2)$	$\xi_1(-1)$	$\xi_2(-1)$	$\xi_1(0)$	$\xi_2(0)$
red	1	-3	0	-1	14/11	0	3	-3
blue	1	-3	1	0	0	-14/11	3	-3
green	1	-3	0	-2	28/11	0	3	-3
yellow	1	-3	0	2	0	-28/11	3	-3

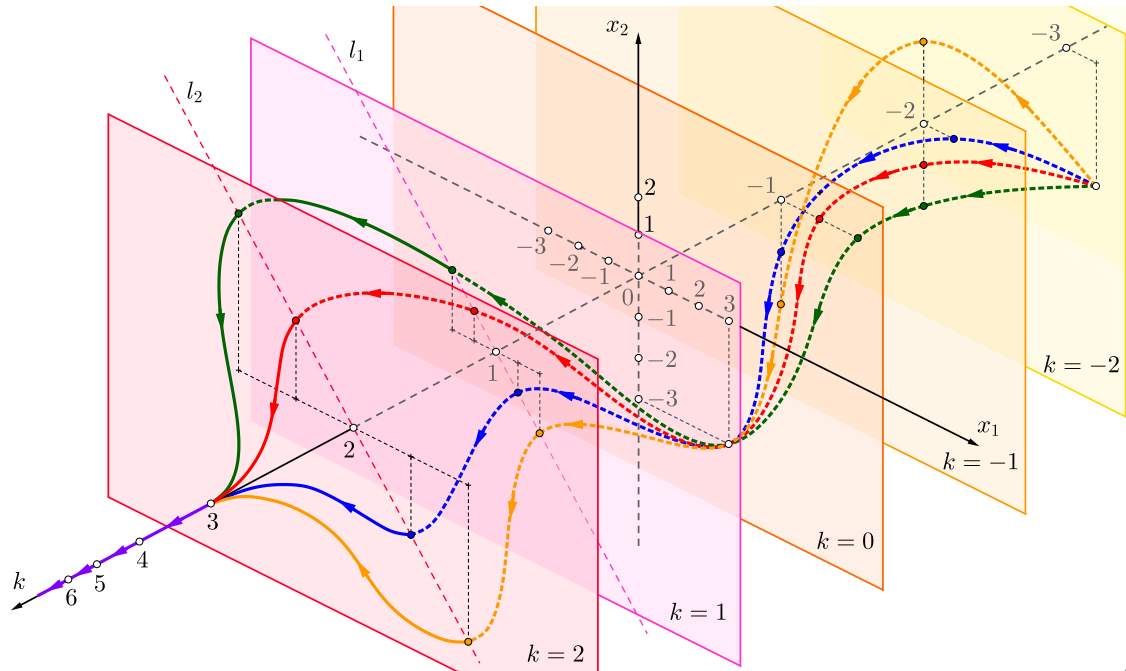


Figure: Solutions of the problem (33)–(34).

Moreover, if values of  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$  are arbitrary but fixed, then equations (42), (43) determine the sets of the initial values generating the same solutions for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_3^\infty$ .

That is, after three steps, such solutions, although defined by different initial data, are merged into a single solution.

Finally, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_3^\infty$ , a non-delayed system (24) with the matrix

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

has the same solutions as the system (35), (36) and, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_3^\infty$ , solutions  $x(k) = \mathcal{T}w(k)$  coincide with solutions of system (33), (34).

Thank you for your attention!