# Dichotomy Of Poincare Maps And Boundedness Of Some Cauchy Sequences* 

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#### Abstract

Let $\{U(p, q)\}_{p \geq q \geq 0}$ be the $N$-periodic discrete evolution family of $m \times m$ matrices having complex scalers as entries generated by $L\left(\mathbb{C}^{m}\right)$-valued, $N$-periodic sequence of $m \times m$ matrices $\left(A_{n}\right)$ where $N \geq 2$ is a natural number. We proved that the Poincare map $U(N, 0)$ is dichotomic if and only if the matrix $V_{\mu}=\sum_{\nu=1}^{N} U(N, \nu) e^{i \mu \nu}$ is invertible and there exists a projection $P$ which commutes with the map $U(N, 0)$ and the matrix $V_{\mu}$, such that for each $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ and each vector $b \in \mathbb{C}^{m}$ the solutions of the discrete Cauchy sequences $x_{n+1}=$ $A_{n} x_{n}+e^{i \mu n} P b, x_{0}=0$ and $y_{n+1}=A_{n}^{-1} y_{n}+e^{i \mu n}(I-P) b, y_{0}=0$ are bounded.


## 1 Introduction

It is well-known, see [2], that a matrix $A$ is dichotomic, i.e. its spectrum does not intersect the unit circle if and only if there exists a projector, i.e. an $m \times m$ matrix $P$ satisfying $P^{2}=P$, which commutes with $A$ and has the property that for each real number $\mu$ and each vector $b \in \mathbb{C}^{m}$, the following two discrete Cauchy problems

$$
\left\{\begin{align*}
x_{n+1} & =A x_{n}+e^{i \mu n} P b, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}_{+}  \tag{1}\\
x_{0} & =0
\end{align*}\right.
$$

and

$$
\left\{\begin{align*}
y_{n+1} & =A^{-1} y_{n}+e^{i \mu n}(I-P) b, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}_{+}  \tag{2}\\
y_{0} & =0
\end{align*}\right.
$$

have bounded solutions. In particular, the spectrum of $A$ belongs to the interior of the unit circle if and only if for each real number $\mu$ and each $m$-vector $b$, the solution of the Cauchy problem (1) is bounded. Continuous version of the above result is given in [4].

On the other hand, in [3], it is shown that an $N$-periodic evolution family $\mathcal{U}=$ $\{U(p, q)\}_{p \geq q \geq 0}$ of bounded linear operators acting on a complex space $X$, is uniformly

[^0]exponentially stable, i.e. the spectral radius of the Poincare map $U(N, 0)$ is less than one, if and only if for each real number $\mu$ and each $N$-periodic sequence $\left(z_{n}\right)$ decaying to $n=0$, we have
$$
\sup _{n \geq 1}\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{n} e^{i \mu k} U(n, k) z_{k-1}\right\|=M(\mu, b)<\infty
$$

Recently in [1], it is proved that the spectral radius of the matrix $U(N, 0)$ is less than one, if for each real $\mu$ and each $m$-vector $b$, the operator $V_{\mu}:=\sum_{\nu=1}^{N} e^{i \mu \nu} U(N, \nu)$ is invertible and

$$
\sup _{n \geq 1}\left\|\sum_{j=1}^{k N} e^{i \mu(j-1)} U(k N, j) b\right\|<\infty
$$

This note is a continuation of the latter quoted paper. In fact, we prove that the matrix $U(N, 0)$ is dichotomic if and only if for each real $\mu$ and each $m$-vector $b$, the operator $V_{\mu}:=\sum_{\nu=1}^{N} e^{i \mu \nu} U(N, \nu)$ is invertible and solutions of the two discrete Cauchy sequences like $\left(A, P b, x_{0}, 0\right)$ are bounded.

## 2 Preliminary Results

Consider the following Cauchy Problem

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
z_{n+1}=A z_{n}, \quad z_{n} \in \mathbb{C}^{m}, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}_{+}  \tag{3}\\
z_{n}(0)=z_{0}
\end{array}\right.
$$

where $A$ is an $m \times m$ matrix. It is easy to check that the solution of (3) is $A^{n} z_{0}$.
Consider the following lemma which is used in Theorem 1.
LEMMA 1. Let $N \geq 1$ be a natural number. If $q_{n}$ is a polynomial of degree $n$ and $\Delta^{N} q_{n}=0$ for all $n=0,1,2 \ldots$ where $\Delta z_{n}=z_{n+1}-z_{n}$ then $q$ is a $\mathbb{C}^{m}$-valued polynomial of degree less than or equal to $N-1$.

For proof see [2].
Let $p_{A}$ be the characteristic polynomial associated with the matrix $A$ and let $\sigma(A)=$ $\left\{\lambda_{1}, \lambda_{2}, \ldots, \lambda_{k}\right\}, k \leq m$ be its spectrum. There exist integer numbers $m_{1}, m_{2}, \ldots, m_{k} \geq$ 1 such that

$$
p_{A}(\lambda)=\left(\lambda-\lambda_{1}\right)^{m_{1}}\left(\lambda-\lambda_{2}\right)^{m_{2}} \ldots\left(\lambda-\lambda_{k}\right)^{m_{k}}, \quad m_{1}+m_{2}+\cdots+m_{k}=m .
$$

Then in [2] we have the following theorem.
THEOREM 1. For each $z \in \mathbb{C}^{m}$ there exists $w_{j} \in W_{j}:=\operatorname{ker}\left(A-\lambda_{j} I\right)^{m_{j}},(j \in$ $\{1,2, \ldots, k\})$ such that

$$
A^{n} z=A^{n} w_{1}+A^{n} w_{2}+\cdots+A^{n} w_{k}
$$

Moreover, if $w_{j}(n):=A^{n} w_{j}$ then $w_{j}(n) \in W_{j}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{+}$and there exist a $\mathbb{C}^{m_{-}}$ valued polynomials $q_{j}(n)$ with $\operatorname{deg}\left(q_{j}\right) \leq m_{j}-1$ such that

$$
w_{j}(n)=\lambda_{j}^{n} q_{j}(n), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}_{+}, j \in\{1,2, \ldots, k\}
$$

FROOF. Indeed from the Cayley-Hamilton theorem and using the well known fact that

$$
\operatorname{ker}[p q(A)]=\operatorname{ker}[p(A)] \oplus \operatorname{ker}[q(A)]
$$

whenever the complex valued polynomials $p$ and $q$ are relatively prime, it follows that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbb{C}^{m}=W_{1} \oplus W_{2} \oplus \cdots \oplus W_{k} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $z \in \mathbb{C}^{m}$. For each $j \in\{1,2, \ldots, k\}$ there exists a unique $w_{j} \in W_{j}$ such that

$$
z=w_{1}+w_{2}+\cdots+w_{k}
$$

and then

$$
A^{n} z=A^{n} w_{1}+A^{n} w_{2}+\cdots+A^{n} w_{k}, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}_{+}
$$

Let $q_{j}(n)=\lambda_{j}^{-n} w_{j}(n)$. Successively one has

$$
\begin{aligned}
\Delta q_{j}(n) & =\Delta\left(\lambda_{j}^{-n} w_{j}(n)\right) \\
& =\Delta\left(\lambda_{j}^{-n} A^{n} w_{j}\right) \\
& =\lambda_{j}^{-(n+1)} A^{n+1} w_{j}-\lambda_{j}^{-n} A^{n} w_{j} \\
& =\lambda_{j}^{-(n+1)}\left(A-\lambda_{j} I\right) A^{n} w_{j}
\end{aligned}
$$

Again taking $\Delta$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\Delta^{2} q_{j}(n) & =\Delta\left[\Delta q_{j}(n)\right] \\
& =\Delta\left[\lambda_{j}^{-(n+1)}\left(A-\lambda_{j} I\right) A^{n} w_{j}\right] \\
& =\lambda_{j}^{-(n+2)}\left(A-\lambda_{j} I\right) A^{(n+1)} w_{j}-\lambda_{j}^{-(n+1)}\left(A-\lambda_{j} I\right) A^{n} w_{j} \\
& =\lambda_{j}^{-(n+2)}\left(A-\lambda_{j} I\right)^{2} A^{n} w_{j}
\end{aligned}
$$

Continuing up to $m_{j}$ we get $\Delta^{m_{j}} q_{j}(n)=\lambda_{j}^{-\left(n+m_{j}\right)}\left(A-\lambda_{j} I\right)^{m_{j}} A^{n} w_{j}$. But $w_{j}(n)$ belongs to $W_{j}$ for each $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{+}$. Thus $\Delta^{m_{j}} q_{j}(n)=0$. Using Lemma 1 , we can say that the degree of polynomial $q_{j}(n)$ is less than or equal to $m_{j}-1$.

## 3 Dichotomy and Boundedness

A family $\mathcal{U}=\left\{U(p, q):(p, q) \in \mathbb{Z}_{+} \times \mathbb{Z}_{+}\right\}$of an $m \times m$ complex valued matrices is called discrete periodic evolution family if it satisfies the following properties.

1. $U(p, q) U(q, r)=U(p, r)$ for all $p \geq q \geq r \geq 0$;
2. $U(p, p)=I$ for all $p \geq 0$ and
3. there exists a fixed $N \geq 2$ such that $U(p+N, q+N)=U(p, q)$ for all $p, q \in$ $\mathbb{Z}_{+}, \quad p \geq q$.

Let us consider the following discrete Cauchy problem:

$$
\left\{\begin{aligned}
z_{n+1} & =A_{n} z_{n}+e^{i \mu n} b, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}_{+} \\
z_{0} & =0
\end{aligned}\right.
$$

where the sequence $\left(A_{n}\right)$ is $N$-periodic, i.e. $A_{n+N}=A_{n}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{+}$and a fixed $N \geq$ 2. Let

$$
U(n, j)= \begin{cases}A_{n-1} A_{n-2} \cdots A_{j} & \text { if } j \leq n-1 \\ I & \text { if } j=n\end{cases}
$$

then, the family $\{U(n, j)\}_{n \geq j \geq 0}$ is a discrete $N$-periodic evolution family and the solution $\left(z_{n}\right)$ of the Cauchy problem $\left(A_{n}, \mu, b\right)_{0}$ is given by:

$$
z_{n}=\sum_{j=1}^{n} U(n, j) e^{i \mu(j-1)} b
$$

Let us denote by $C_{1}=\{z \in \mathbb{C}:|z|=1\}, C_{1}^{+}=\{z \in \mathbb{C}:|z|>1\}$ and $C_{1}^{-}=\{z \in \mathbb{C}$ : $|z|<1\}$. Clearly $\mathbb{C}=C_{1} \cup C_{1}^{+} \cup C_{1}^{-}$. Then with the help of above partition of $\mathbb{C}$ for matrix $A$ we give the following definition:

DEFINITION 1. The matrix $A$ is called:
(i) stable if $\sigma(A)$ is the subset of $C_{1}^{-}$or, equivalently, if there exist two positive constants $N$ and $\nu$ such that $\left\|A^{n}\right\| \leq N e^{-\nu n}$ for all $n=0,1,2 \ldots$,
(ii) expansive if $\sigma(A)$ is the subset of $C_{1}^{+}$and
(iii) dichotomic if $\sigma(A)$ have empty intersection with set $C_{1}$.

It is clear that any expansive matrix $A$ whose spectrum consists of $\lambda_{1}, \lambda_{2}, \ldots, \lambda_{k}$ is an invertible one and its inverse is stable, because

$$
\sigma\left(A^{-1}\right)=\left\{\frac{1}{\lambda_{1}}, \frac{1}{\lambda_{2}}, \ldots, \frac{1}{\lambda_{k}}\right\} \subset C_{1}^{-}
$$

Let $L:=U(N, 0), V_{\mu}=\sum_{\nu=1}^{N} U(N, \nu) e^{i \mu \nu}$ and $A_{i} A_{j}=A_{j} A_{i}$ for any $i, j \in\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$. We recall that a linear map $P$ acting on $\mathbb{C}^{m}$ is called projection if $P^{2}=P$.

THEOREM 2. Let $N \geq 2$ be a fixed integer number. The matrix $L$ is dichotomic if and only if the matrix $V_{\mu}$ is invertible and there exists a projection $P$ having the property $P L=L P$ and $P V_{\mu}=V_{\mu} P$ such that for each $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ and each vector $b \in \mathbb{C}^{m}$ the solutions of the following discrete Cauchy problems

$$
\left\{\begin{align*}
x_{n+1} & =A_{n} x_{n}+e^{i \mu n} P b, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}_{+}  \tag{5}\\
x_{0} & =0
\end{align*}\right.
$$

and

$$
\left\{\begin{align*}
y_{n+1} & =A_{n}^{-1} y_{n}+e^{i \mu n}(I-P) b, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}_{+}  \tag{6}\\
y_{0} & =0
\end{align*}\right.
$$

are bounded.
PROOF. Necessity: Working under the assumption that $L$ is a dichotomic matrix we may suppose that there exists $\eta \in\{1,2, \ldots, \xi\}$ such that

$$
\left|\lambda_{1}\right| \leq\left|\lambda_{2}\right| \leq \cdots \leq\left|\lambda_{\eta}\right|<1<\left|\lambda_{\eta+1}\right| \leq \cdots \leq\left|\lambda_{\xi}\right| .
$$

Having in mind the decomposition of $\mathbb{C}^{m}$ given by (4) let us consider

$$
X_{1}=W_{1} \oplus W_{2} \oplus \cdots \oplus W_{\eta}, \quad X_{2}=W_{\eta+1} \oplus W_{\eta+2} \oplus \cdots \oplus W_{\xi}
$$

Then $\mathbb{C}^{m}=X_{1} \oplus X_{2}$. Define $P: \mathbb{C}^{m} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{m}$ by $P x=x_{1}$, where $x=x_{1}+x_{2}, x_{1} \in X_{1}$ and $x_{2} \in X_{2}$. It is clear that $P$ is a projection. Moreover for all $x \in \mathbb{C}^{m}$ and all $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{+}$, this yields

$$
P L^{k} x=P\left(L^{k}\left(x_{1}+x_{2}\right)\right)=P\left(L^{k}\left(x_{1}\right)+L^{k}\left(x_{2}\right)\right)=L^{k}\left(x_{1}\right)=L^{k} P x
$$

where the fact that $X_{1}$ is an $L^{k}-$ invariant subspace, was used. Then $P L^{k}=L^{k} P$. Similarly by using the fact that $X_{1}$ and $X_{2}$ are $V_{\mu}$ invariant subspaces we can prove that $P V_{\mu}=V_{\mu} P$. We know that the solution of the Cauchy problem (5) is:

$$
x_{n}=\sum_{j=1}^{n} U(n, j) e^{i \mu(j-1)} P b
$$

Put $n=N k+r$, where $r=0,1,2, \ldots, N-1$. Then

$$
x_{N k+r}=\sum_{j=1}^{N k+r} U(N k+r, j) e^{i \mu(j-1)} P b
$$

Let

$$
\mathcal{A}_{\nu}=\{\nu, \nu+N, \ldots, \nu+(k-1) N\}, \text { where } \nu \in\{1,2, \ldots, N\}
$$

and

$$
\mathcal{R}=\{k N+1, k N+2, \ldots, k N+r\}
$$

Then

$$
\mathcal{R} \cup\left(\cup_{\nu=1}^{N} A_{\nu}\right)=\{1,2, \ldots, n\}
$$

Thus

$$
\begin{aligned}
x_{N k+r}= & e^{-i \mu} \sum_{\nu=1}^{N} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{A}_{\nu}} U(N k+r, j) e^{i \mu j} P b+e^{-i \mu} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{R}} U(N k+r, j) e^{i \mu j} P b \\
= & e^{-i \mu} \sum_{\nu=1}^{N} \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} U(N k+r, \nu+s N) e^{i \mu(\nu+s N)} P b+ \\
& e^{-i \mu} \sum_{\rho=1}^{r} U(N k+r, N k+\rho) e^{i \mu(k N+\rho)} P b
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
= & e^{-i \mu} \sum_{\nu=1}^{N} \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} U(r, 0) U(N, 0)^{(k-s-1)} U(N, \nu) e^{i \mu(\nu+s N)} P b+ \\
& e^{-i \mu} \sum_{\rho=1}^{r} U(r, \rho) e^{i \mu(k N+\rho)} P b
\end{aligned}
$$

Let $z_{\mu}=e^{i \mu N}$, also we know that $L=U(N, 0)$, thus

$$
\begin{aligned}
x_{N k+r}= & e^{-i \mu} U(r, 0) \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} L^{(k-s-1)} z_{\mu}^{s} \sum_{\nu=1}^{N} U(N, \nu) e^{i \mu \nu} P b+ \\
& e^{-i \mu} z_{\mu}^{k} \sum_{\rho=1}^{r} U(r, \rho) e^{i \mu \rho} P b \\
= & e^{-i \mu} U(r, 0)\left(L^{k-1} z_{\mu}^{0}+L^{k-2} z_{\mu}^{1}+\cdots+L^{0} z_{\mu}^{k-1}\right) \sum_{\nu=1}^{N} U(N, \nu) e^{i \mu \nu} P b \\
& +e^{-i \mu} z_{\mu}^{k} \sum_{\rho=1}^{r} U(r, \rho) e^{i \mu \rho} P b
\end{aligned}
$$

We know that $\sum_{\nu=1}^{N} U(N, \nu) e^{i \mu \nu}=V_{\mu}$ thus

$$
\begin{aligned}
x_{N k+r}= & e^{-i \mu} U(r, 0)\left(L^{k-1} z_{\mu}^{0}+L^{k-2} z_{\mu}^{1}+\cdots+L^{0} z_{\mu}^{k-1}\right) V_{\mu} P b+ \\
& e^{-i \mu} z_{\mu}^{k} \sum_{\rho=1}^{r} U(r, \rho) e^{i \mu \rho} P b
\end{aligned}
$$

By our assumption we know that $L$ is dichotomic and $\left|z_{\mu}\right|=1$ thus $z_{\mu}$ is contained in the resolvent set of $L$ therefore the matrix $\left(z_{\mu} I-L\right)$ is an invertible matrix. Thus

$$
\begin{aligned}
x_{N k+r} & =e^{-i \mu} U(r, 0)\left(z_{\mu} I-L\right)^{-1}\left(z_{\mu}^{k} I-L^{k}\right) V_{\mu} P b+e^{-i \mu} z_{\mu}^{k} \sum_{\rho=1}^{r} U(r, \rho) e^{i \mu \rho} P b \\
& =e^{-i \mu} U(r, 0)\left(z_{\mu} I-L\right)^{-1}\left(z_{\mu}^{k} I-L^{k}\right) P V_{\mu} b+e^{-i \mu} z_{\mu}^{k} \sum_{\rho=1}^{r} U(r, \rho) e^{i \mu \rho} P b
\end{aligned}
$$

We know that $V_{\mu}$ is a surjective map, so there exists $b^{\prime}$ such that $V_{\mu} b=b^{\prime}$ then

$$
x_{N k+r}=e^{-i \mu} U(r, 0)\left(z_{\mu} I-L\right)^{-1}\left(z_{\mu}^{k} I-L^{k}\right) P b^{\prime}+e^{-i \mu} z_{\mu}^{k} \sum_{\rho=1}^{r} U(r, \rho) e^{i \mu \rho} P b
$$

Taking norm of both sides

$$
\left\|x_{N k+r}\right\|=\left\|e^{-i \mu} U(r, 0)\left(z_{\mu} I-L\right)^{-1}\left(z_{\mu}^{k} I-L^{k}\right) P b^{\prime}+e^{-i \mu} z_{\mu}^{k} \sum_{\rho=1}^{r} U(r, \rho) e^{i \mu \rho} P b\right\|
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\|x_{N k+r}\right\| \leq & \left\|U(r, 0)\left(z_{\mu} I-L\right)^{-1} z_{\mu}^{k} P b^{\prime}\right\|+\left\|U(r, 0)\left(z_{\mu} I-L\right)^{-1} P L^{k} b^{\prime}\right\|+ \\
& \sum_{\rho=1}^{r}\|U(r, \rho) P b\| \\
= & \|U(r, 0)\|\left\|\left(z_{\mu} I-L\right)^{-1}\right\|\left\|P b^{\prime}\right\|+\|U(r, 0)\|\left\|\left(z_{\mu} I-L\right)^{-1}\right\|\left\|P L^{k} b^{\prime}\right\| \\
& +\sum_{\rho=1}^{r}\|U(r, \rho) P b\|
\end{aligned}
$$

Using THEOREM 1, We have

$$
L^{k} b^{\prime}=\lambda_{1}^{k} p_{1}(k)+\lambda_{2}^{k} p_{2}(k)+\cdots+\lambda_{\xi}^{k} p_{\xi}(k),
$$

Thus

$$
P L^{k} b^{\prime}=\lambda_{1}^{k} p_{1}(k)+\lambda_{2}^{k} p_{2}(k)+\cdots+\lambda_{\eta}^{k} p_{\eta}(k),
$$

where each $p_{i}(k)$ are $\mathbb{C}^{m}$-valued polynomials with degree at most $\left(m_{i}-1\right)$ for any $i \in\{1,2, \ldots, \xi\}$. From hypothesis we know that $\left|\lambda_{i}\right|<1$ for each $i \in\{1,2, \ldots, \eta\}$. Thus $\left\|P L^{k} b^{\prime}\right\| \rightarrow 0$ when $k \rightarrow \infty$ and so $x_{N k+r}$ is bounded for any $r=0,1,2, \ldots, N-1$. Thus $x_{n}$ is bounded. For the second Cauchy problem: We have

$$
y_{n}=\sum_{j=1}^{n} U^{-1}(n, j) e^{i \mu(j-1)}(I-P) b
$$

where

$$
U^{-1}(n, j)= \begin{cases}A_{n-1}^{-1} A_{n-2}^{-1} \cdots A_{j}^{-1} & \text { if } j \leq n-1 \\ I & \text { if } j=n .\end{cases}
$$

It is easy to check that $U^{-1}(n, j)$ is also a discrete evaluation family. By putting $n=N k+r$, where $r=0,1,2, \ldots, N-1$. Then

$$
y_{N k+r}=\sum_{j=1}^{N k+r} U^{-1}(N k+r, j) e^{i \mu(j-1)}(I-P) b
$$

As $A_{i} A_{j}=A_{j} A_{i}$ for all $i, j \in\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$ thus $L^{-1}=U^{-1}(N, 0)$. By similar procedure as above we obtained that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\|y_{N k+r}\right\|= & \left\|U^{-1}(r, 0)\right\|\left\|\left(z_{\mu} I-L^{-1}\right)^{-1}\right\|\left\|(I-P) V_{\mu}(b)\right\|+ \\
& \left\|U^{-1}(r, 0)\right\|\left\|\left(z_{\mu} I-L^{-1}\right)^{-1}\right\|\left\|L^{-k}(I-P) V_{\mu}(b)\right\|+ \\
& \sum_{\rho=1}^{r}\left\|U^{-1}(r, \rho)(I-P) b\right\| .
\end{aligned}
$$

Since $(I-P) V_{\mu} b \in X_{2}$ the assertion would follow. But

$$
X_{2}=W_{\eta+1} \oplus W_{\eta+2} \oplus \cdots \oplus W_{\xi}
$$

Each vector from $X_{2}$ can be represented as a sum of $\xi-\eta$ vectors $w_{\eta+1}, w_{\eta+2}, \ldots, w_{\xi}$. It would be sufficient to prove that $L^{-k} w_{j} \rightarrow 0$, for any $j \in\{\eta+1, \ldots, \xi\}$. Let $W \in$
$\left\{W_{\eta+1}, W_{\eta+2}, \ldots, W_{\xi}\right\}$, say $W=\operatorname{ker}(L-\lambda I)^{\gamma}$, where $\gamma \geq 1$ is an integer number and $|\lambda|>1$. Consider $r_{1} \in W \backslash\{0\}$ such that $(L-\lambda I) r_{1}=0$ and let $r_{2}, r_{3}, \ldots, r_{\gamma}$ given by $(L-\lambda I) r_{j}=r_{j-1}, \quad j=2,3, \ldots, \gamma$. Then $B:=\left\{r_{1}, r_{2}, \ldots, r_{\gamma}\right\}$ is a basis in $Y$. It is then sufficient to prove that $L^{-k} r_{j} \rightarrow 0$, for any $j=1,2, \ldots, \gamma$. For $j=1$ we have that $L^{-k} r_{1}=\frac{1}{\lambda^{k}} r_{1} \rightarrow 0$. For $j=2,3, \ldots, \gamma$, denote $X_{k}=L^{-k} r_{j}$. Then $(L-\lambda I)^{\gamma} X_{k}=0$ i.e.

$$
\begin{equation*}
X_{k}-C_{\gamma}^{1} X_{k-1} \alpha+C_{\gamma}^{2} X_{k-2} \alpha^{2}+\cdots+C_{\gamma}^{\gamma} X_{k-\gamma} \alpha^{\gamma}=0, \text { for all } k \geq \gamma \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\alpha=\frac{1}{\lambda}$. Passing for instance at the components, it follows that there exists a $\mathbb{C}^{m}$-valued polynomial $P_{\gamma}$ having degree at most $\gamma-1$ and verifying (7) such that $X_{k}=\alpha^{k} P_{\gamma}(k)$. Thus $X_{k} \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$, i.e. $L^{-k} r_{j} \rightarrow 0$ for any $j \in\{1,2, \ldots, \gamma\}$. Thus $\left(y_{n}\right)$ is bounded.

Sufficiency: Suppose to the contrary that the matrix $L$ is not dichotomic. Then $\sigma(L) \cap \Gamma_{1} \neq \phi$. Let $\omega \in \sigma(L) \cap \Gamma_{1}$. Then there exists a nonzero $y \in \mathbb{C}^{m}$ such that $L y=\omega y$. It is easy to see that $L^{k} y=w^{k} y$. Choose $\mu_{0} \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $e^{i \mu_{0} N}=\omega$. We know that

$$
\begin{aligned}
x_{N k+r}\left(\mu_{0}, b\right)= & e^{-i \mu_{0}} U(r, 0)\left(L^{k-1} z_{\mu_{0}}^{0}+L^{k-2} z_{\mu_{0}}^{1}+\cdots+L^{0} z_{\mu_{0}}^{k-1}\right) P V_{\mu_{0}} b+ \\
& e^{-i \mu_{0}} z^{k} \sum_{\rho=1}^{r} U(r, \rho) e^{i \mu_{0} \rho} P b
\end{aligned}
$$

But $V_{\mu_{0}}$ is surjective, thus there exists $b_{0} \in \mathbb{C}^{m}$ such that $V_{\mu_{0}} b_{0}=y$, so

$$
\begin{aligned}
x_{N k+r}\left(\mu_{0}, b_{0}\right)= & e^{-i \mu_{0}} U(r, 0)\left(L^{k-1} z_{\mu_{0}}^{0}+L^{k-2} z_{\mu_{0}}^{1}+\cdots+L^{0} z_{\mu_{0}}^{k-1}\right) P y+ \\
& e^{-i \mu_{0}} z^{k} \sum_{\rho=1}^{r} U(r, \rho) e^{i \mu_{0} \rho} P b_{0} \\
= & e^{-i \mu_{0}} U(r, 0)\left(P L^{k-1} y z_{\mu_{0}}^{0}+P L^{k-2} y z_{\mu_{0}}^{1}+\cdots+P L^{0} y z_{\mu_{0}}^{k-1}\right)+ \\
& e^{-i \mu_{0}} z^{k} \sum_{\rho=1}^{r} U(r, \rho) e^{i \mu_{0} \rho} P b \\
= & e^{-i \mu_{0}} U(r, 0) P\left(L^{k-1} y z_{\mu_{0}}^{0}+L^{k-2} y z_{\mu_{0}}^{1}+\cdots+L^{0} y z_{\mu_{0}}^{k-1}\right)+ \\
& e^{-i \mu_{0}} z^{k} \sum_{\rho=1}^{r} U(r, \rho) e^{i \mu_{0} \rho} P b \\
= & e^{-i \mu_{0}} U(r, 0) P\left[k e^{-i \mu_{0}} z^{k-1}{ }_{\mu_{0}}\right]+e^{-i \mu_{0}} z^{k} \sum_{\rho=1}^{r} U(r, \rho) e^{i \mu_{0} \rho} P b
\end{aligned}
$$

Clearly

$$
x_{k N}\left(\mu_{0}, b_{0}\right) \rightarrow \infty \text { when } k \rightarrow \infty
$$

Thus a contradiction arises. In [1] an example, in terms of stability is given which shows that the assumption on invertibility of $V_{\mu}$, for each real number $\mu$, cannot be removed.

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