

## Hand Out - 3

In this handout, we begin by considering a linear transformation

$$T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$x \mapsto Ax$$

where  $A$  is any  $n \times n$  matrix. We would like to represent the transformation  $T$  with respect to a special choice of basis.

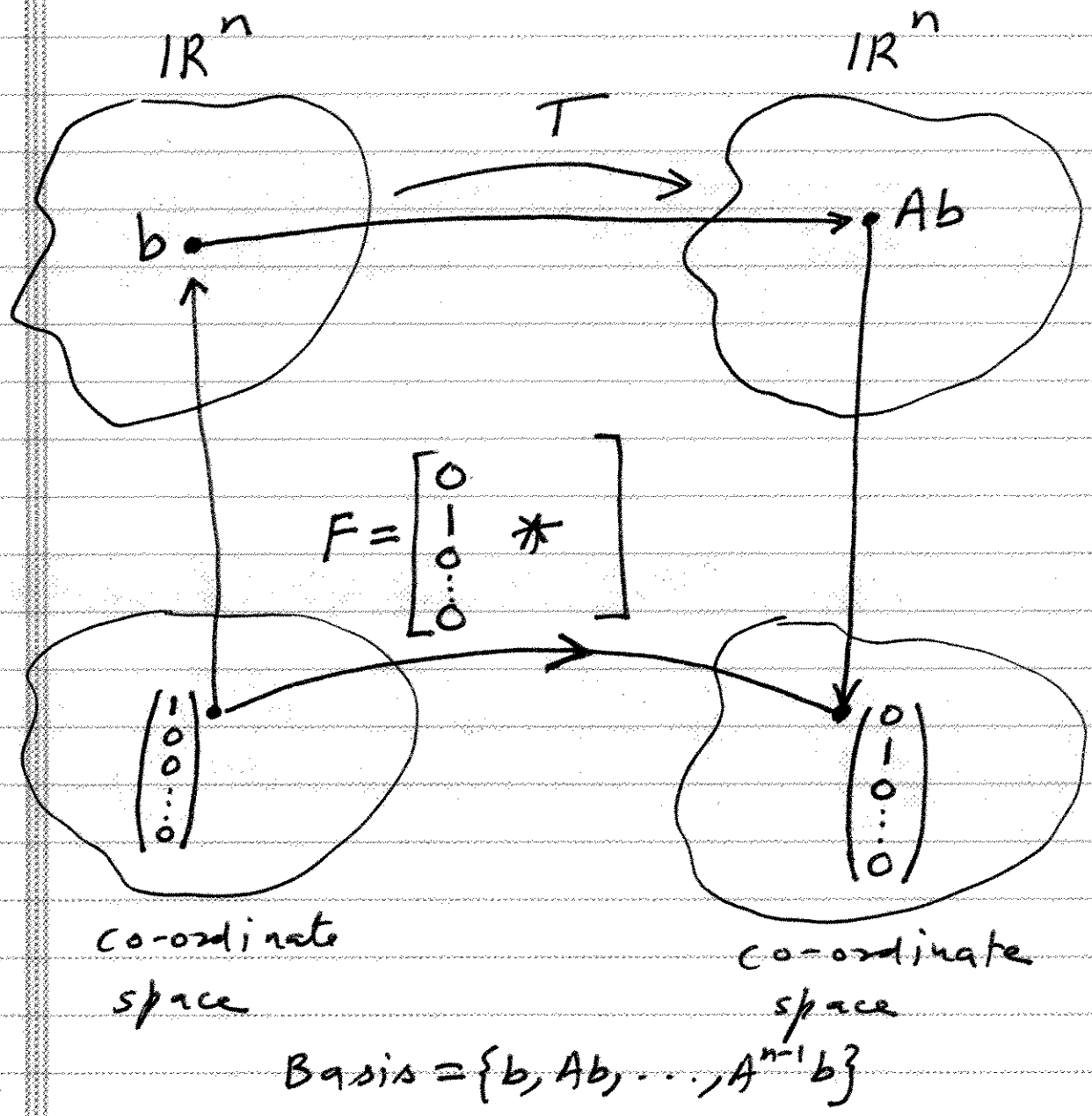
Choice of basis:

Assume that  $\exists$  a vector  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that the set of vectors

$$B = \{ b, Ab, A^2b, A^3b, \dots, A^{n-1}b \}$$

are linearly independent. It therefore forms a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We would like

to represent the transformation  $T$  with respect to the basis  $B$ .



Let  $F$  be the representation of the transformation  $T$  with respect to the basis  $B$ . We know from Lec 13 that

①  $i$ th column of  $F$  is the co-ordinate vector of  $T(A^{i-1}b)$  w.r.t the basis  $B$ .

The first  $n-1$  columns of  $F$  are

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \vdots & \vdots & 0 & x \\ 1 & 0 & \vdots & \vdots & 0 & x \\ 0 & 1 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & x \\ \vdots & 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & x \\ 0 & 0 & \vdots & \vdots & 0 & x \\ 0 & 0 & \vdots & \vdots & 1 & x \end{pmatrix}$$

This is because

$$T(A^{i-1}b) = A(A^{i-1}b) = A^i b$$

co-ordinate vector of  $A^i b$  is

$$(0, 0, \dots, 0, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ i+1\text{th spot}}}{1}, 0, \dots, 0)^T$$

$$i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1.$$

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finally if we assume that the characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is

$$\lambda^n + \alpha_1 \lambda^{n-1} + \alpha_2 \lambda^{n-2} + \dots + \alpha_n$$

we obtain

$$A^n = -\alpha_1 A^{n-1} - \alpha_2 A^{n-2} + \dots + (-\alpha_n) I$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$A^n b = -\alpha_1 A^{n-1} b - \alpha_2 A^{n-2} b - \dots - \alpha_n b.$$

$T(A^{n-1} b) = A^n b$  has co-ordinates

$$(-\alpha_n, -\alpha_{n-1}, \dots, -\alpha_1)^T$$

Hence the last column of  $F$  is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\alpha_n \\ -\alpha_{n-1} \\ \vdots \\ -\alpha_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Thus

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -\alpha_n \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -\alpha_{n-1} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -\alpha_{n-2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & 0 & -\alpha_3 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & 0 & -\alpha_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & -\alpha_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

is the matrix representation of the linear transformation  $T$  wrt the basis  $B$ .

Remark: If we define

$$P = (b \quad Ab \quad A^2b \quad \cdots \quad A^{n-1}b)$$

as an  $n \times n$  matrix, we have

$$\boxed{PF = AP} \leftarrow \text{Can be verified by multiplying.}$$

$$\text{Hence } F = P^{-1}AP$$

Thus we have the following theorem:

If  $A, b$  are such that the set of vectors  $b, Ab, \dots, A^{n-1}b$  are linearly independent, then the matrix  $A$  is similar to a matrix  $F$  (which is transpose of a matrix in companion form).

Remark:

Consider an o.d.e in the form

$$\dot{\mathcal{X}} = A\mathcal{X} + bf(t)$$

where  $\mathcal{X}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $A$  is a  $n \times n$  matrix

$$b \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Assume  $b, Ab, A^2b, \dots, A^{n-1}b$  l.i.

Define  $P = (b, Ab, \dots, A^{n-1}b)$

Consider a new state variable  $Z(t)$ :

$$\mathcal{X}(t) = PZ(t).$$

It follows that

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{P} \dot{\mathbf{z}}(t)$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{x}} &= \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} f \\ &= \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{z}(t) + \mathbf{b} f(t) \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P} \dot{\mathbf{z}} &= \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{z}(t) + \mathbf{b} f(t) \\ \Rightarrow \dot{\mathbf{z}} &= \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{z}(t) + \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{b} f(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{F} \quad (\text{given on page 3.5})$$

On the other hand

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

because

$$\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{P} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } \mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{A}^2\mathbf{b}, \dots, \mathbf{A}^{n-1}\mathbf{b})$$

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Thus, w.r.t. the variable  $Z(t)$  we have

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \dot{z}_1 \\ \dot{z}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{z}_n \end{pmatrix}}_{\dot{z}(t)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -\alpha_n \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -\alpha_{n-1} \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & -\alpha_{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -\alpha_2 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & -\alpha_1 \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ \vdots \\ z_{n-1} \\ z_n \end{pmatrix}}_{z(t)} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} f(t)$$

$$\dot{z}_1 = -\alpha_n z_n + f(t)$$

$$\dot{z}_2 = z_1 - \alpha_{n-1} z_n$$

$$\dot{z}_3 = z_2 - \alpha_{n-2} z_n$$

$$\dot{z}_{n-1} = z_{n-2} - \alpha_2 z_n$$

$$\dot{z}_n = z_{n-1} - \alpha_1 z_n$$



Example 1 :-

In this example, we change the basis vector set to  $B_1$  as follows:

$$B_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$$

where

$$v_n = b$$

$$v_{n-1} = Ab + \alpha_1 b$$

$$v_{n-2} = A^2 b + \alpha_1 Ab + \alpha_2 b$$

$$v_{n-3} = A^3 b + \alpha_1 A^2 b + \alpha_2 Ab + \alpha_3 b$$

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$$v_1 = A^{n-1} b + \alpha_1 A^{n-2} b + \alpha_2 A^{n-3} b + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} b$$

Note: This basis vector is used to get a matrix in its companion form

We now represent the transformation  $T$  with respect to the new basis  $B_1$ . Let  $F_1$  be the associated matrix representation.

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The 1st column of  $F_1$  are the co-ordinates to  $T(v_1)$  w.r.t.  $B_1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
T(v_1) &= A^n b + \alpha_1 A^{n-1} b + \alpha_2 A^{n-2} b + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} A b \\
&= \underbrace{(A^n + \alpha_1 A^{n-1} + \alpha_2 A^{n-2} + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} A)}_{= -\alpha_n I} b \\
&= -\alpha_n b = -\alpha_n v_n
\end{aligned}$$

1st column is  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ -\alpha_n \end{pmatrix}$

All other columns are computed like wise

$$F_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \\ -\alpha_n & -\alpha_{n-1} & -\alpha_{n-2} & \dots & \dots & -\alpha_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: The companion form

If we define the matrix  $P_1$  analogously as

$$P_1 = (v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3 \ \dots \ v_n)$$

it follows that

$$P_1^{-1} A P_1 = F_1$$

Finally we have

$$P_1 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = v_n = b$$
$$\Rightarrow P_1^{-1} b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Remark:

As before if we consider an o.d.e in the form

$$\dot{x} = Ax + b f(t).$$

where  $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $A$  is a  $n \times n$  matrix  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . Let  $P_1$  be as in page 3.11 if we have

$$x(t) = P_1 z_1(t)$$

then we can write

$$\dot{z}_1(t) = P_1^{-1} A P_1 z_1(t) + P_1^{-1} b f(t)$$

$$= F_1 z_1(t) + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} f(t)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 1 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \end{pmatrix} z_1(t) + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} f(t).$$

IF  $Z_1 = \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ \vdots \\ z_n \end{pmatrix} (t)$

we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{z}_1 &= z_2 \\ \dot{z}_2 &= z_3 \\ &\vdots \\ \dot{z}_{n-1} &= z_n \end{aligned} \right\} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{chain of} \\ \text{integrations} \end{array}$$

$$\dot{z}_n = -\alpha_n z_1 - \alpha_{n-1} z_2 - \dots - \alpha_1 z_n + f(t)$$

Example 2

Let  $A$  be a  $4 \times 4$  matrix and let  $b_1, b_2$  be two  $4 \times 1$  vectors such that

" $b_1, Ab_1, b_2, Ab_2$  are linearly independent"

Let us assume that

$$A^2 b_1 = \alpha_1 b_1 + \alpha_2 Ab_1$$

$$A^2 b_2 = \alpha_3 b_1 + \alpha_4 Ab_1 + \alpha_5 b_2 + \alpha_6 Ab_2$$

Let  $T$  be a linear transformation

$$T: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$$

$$x \mapsto Ax, x \in \mathbb{R}^4.$$

We would like to represent  $T$  w.r.t. the basis

$$\{b_1, Ab_1, b_2, Ab_2\}$$

To do this we write

$$v_1 = b_1, v_2 = Ab_1, v_3 = b_2, v_4 = Ab_2$$

and compute

$$T(v_1) = Ab_1 = v_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(v_2) &= A^2 b_1 = \alpha_1 b_1 + \alpha_2 Ab_1 \\ &= \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$T(v_3) = Ab_2 = v_4$$

$$T(v_4) = A^2 b_2 = \alpha_3 v_1 + \alpha_4 v_2 + \alpha_5 v_3 + \alpha_6 v_4$$

Matrix  $F_1$  that represents  $T$  w.r.t. basis

$$B_1 = \{b_1, Ab_1, b_2, Ab_2\}$$

is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \alpha_1 & 0 & \alpha_3 \\ 1 & \alpha_2 & 0 & \alpha_4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha_5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \alpha_6 \end{pmatrix} = F_1$$

If we define

$$P_1 = (b_1 \quad Ab_1 \quad b_2 \quad Ab_2),$$

it follows that

$$P_1^{-1} A P_1 = F_1$$

As in page 3-6, if we consider an  
o.d.e. in the form

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = A \mathbf{x} + b_1 f_1(t) + b_2 f_2(t),$$

$\mathbf{x}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix

$$b_1, b_2 \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

We consider a new state variable

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = P_1 \mathbf{z}(t)$$

where

$$P_1 = (b_1 \quad Ab_1 \quad b_2 \quad Ab_2).$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{z}} &= P_1^{-1} A P_1 \mathbf{z}(t) + P_1^{-1} b_1 f_1(t) + P_1^{-1} b_2 f_2(t) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \alpha_1 & 0 & \alpha_3 \\ 1 & \alpha_2 & 0 & \alpha_4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha_5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \alpha_6 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{z}(t) + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} f_1(t) + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} f_2(t) \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $P_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = b_1$ ;  $P_1 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = b_2$ .



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Writing

$$Z = (z_1 \ z_2 \ z_3 \ z_4)^T$$

We have

$$\dot{z}_1 = \alpha_1 z_2 + \alpha_3 z_4 + f_1(t)$$

$$\dot{z}_2 = z_1 + \alpha_2 z_2 + \alpha_4 z_4$$

$$\dot{z}_3 = \alpha_5 z_4 + f_2(t)$$

$$\dot{z}_4 = z_3 + \alpha_6 z_4$$

Example 3:

Let us reconsider example 2 by choosing another basis given by

$$\{Ab_1 - \alpha_2 b_1, b_1, Ab_2 - \alpha_6 b_2 - \alpha_4 b_1, b_2\} = B_2$$

Defining

$$v_1 = Ab_1 - \alpha_2 b_1, \quad v_2 = b_1, \quad v_3 = Ab_2 - \alpha_6 b_2 - \alpha_4 b_1$$

$$v_4 = b_2,$$

we obtain

$$T(v_1) = Av_1 = A^2 b_1 - \alpha_2 Ab_1 = \alpha_1 b_1 = \alpha_1 v_2$$

$$T(v_2) = Ab_1 = v_1 + \alpha_2 b_1 = v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2$$

$$T(v_3) = Av_3 = A^2 b_2 - \alpha_6 Ab_2 - \alpha_4 Ab_1$$

$$= \alpha_3 b_1 + \alpha_5 b_2$$

$$= \alpha_3 v_2 + \alpha_5 v_4$$

$$T(v_4) = Ab_2 = v_3 + \alpha_6 b_2 + \alpha_4 b_1$$

$$= v_3 + \alpha_4 v_2 + \alpha_6 v_4$$

Matrix  $F_2$  that represents  $T$  w.r.t. basis

$$\{Ab_1 - \alpha_2 b_1, b_1, Ab_2 - \alpha_6 b_2 - \alpha_4 b_1, b_2\}$$

is 
$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \alpha_3 & \alpha_4 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha_5 & \alpha_6 \end{array} \right)$$

$$= F_2$$

Note: Each  $2 \times 2$  diagonal block matrix in  $F_2$  is in the companion form.

If we define

$$P_2 = \left( Ab_1 - \alpha_2 b_1, b_1, Ab_2 - \alpha_6 b_2 - \alpha_4 b_1, b_2 \right)$$

we have

$$P_2^{-1} A P_2 = \left( F_2 \right)$$

$$P_2^{-1} b_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}; \quad P_2^{-1} b_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The ode on page 3.16 would reduce

to

$$\dot{Z} = F_2 Z + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f_1(t) \\ 0 \\ f_2(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$Z(t) = P_2 Z(t)$$

Hence

$$\dot{z}_1 = z_2$$

$$\dot{z}_2 = \alpha_1 z_1 + \alpha_2 z_2 + \alpha_3 z_3 + \alpha_4 z_4 + f_1(t)$$

$$\dot{z}_3 = z_4$$

$$\dot{z}_4 = \alpha_5 z_3 + \alpha_6 z_4 + f_2(t)$$

Example 4 :

Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -5 & 6 & 7 & -6 \\ -7 & 8 & 9 & -7 \\ -7 & 8 & 10 & -7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B = (b_1 \ b_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

If we construct the set of basis vectors described in Example 3, we have

$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}; \quad v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}; \quad v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}; \quad v_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The vectors  $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4$  are obtained by computing  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6$  as follows

$$\alpha_1 = 1, \alpha_2 = 2, \alpha_3 = 3, \alpha_4 = 4, \alpha_5 = 5, \alpha_6 = 6.$$

We define  $P_2$  as

$$P_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and obtain

$$P_2^{-1} A P_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

which has the block companion structure.

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$$P_2^{-1} B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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