

Lecture 23 1st order lin. systs of ODE

Friday Quiz through § 9.1

" The greatest shortcoming of the human race is our inability to understand the exponential function "

Albert Bartlett

Motivation for study of 1st order lin systs of ODE

Tradeoff More eqns, fewer derivs!

Consider n th order ~~a~~ lin ODE

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} y^{(n)} + a_{n-1} y^{(n-1)} + a_{n-2} y^{(n-2)} + \dots + a_1 y^{(1)} + a_0 y = f$$

Goal: transform into 1st order lin syst of ODE

Introduce new fns

$$x_1 = y^{(1)}$$

$$x_2 = y^{(2)}$$

$$x_3 = y^{(3)}$$

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$$x_n = y^{(n-1)}$$

organize into
vect. of fns

$$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Take single derivative:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1}' \\ x_n' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y^{(n)} \\ \vdots \\ y^{(n-1)} \\ y^{(n)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \\ -a_{n-1}y^{(n-1)} - \dots - a_0y + f \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \begin{bmatrix} -a_{n-1}x_n & \dots & -a_0x_1 + f \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -a_0 & -a_1 & \dots & \dots & -a_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \\
 &+ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ f \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \\ -a_0 & -a_1 & \dots & \dots & -a_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} f \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

Def A 1st order lin syst of ODE is in normal form if written as

$$\underline{x}' = A \underline{x} + \underline{b}$$

$n \times n$ matrix

n -vect. of fns

(we will focus on case when ~~or~~ entries = numbers)

Homog: when $\underline{b} = \underline{0}$

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\text{Solve}} \quad \underline{x}' = A\underline{x}$$

Soln Since A diag. eqns are indep. ~~particular~~ $\lambda_i t$

$$x_i' = \lambda_i x_i$$

$$\underline{\text{Soln}} \quad x_i = c_i e^{\lambda_i t}$$

Basis of solns
to lin syst

$$\underline{x}_1 =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\dots, \underline{x}_n =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ e^{\lambda_n t} \end{pmatrix}$$

Exer Consider $y'' - 2y' - 3y = 0$

1) Find basis of solns

2) Rewrite as 1st order lin syst
and also basis of solns

Soln 1) $r^2 - 2r - 3 = 0$ roots $r_1 = 3, r_2 = -1$
basis of solns $y_1 = e^{3t}, y_2 = e^{-t}$

2) $x_1 = y$

$x_2 = y'$

$$\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ x_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1' \\ y_2'' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1' \\ 2y_1' + 3y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ 2x_2 + 3x_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{(Honey)}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \bar{x} \quad \text{Normal form!}$$

Finally rewrite solns to original eqn
as solns to normal form eqn

Basis of
solns to orig-eqn

$$y_1 = e^{3t} \quad y_2 = e^{-t}$$

Basis of
solns to normal form

$$\underline{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_1' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{3t} \\ 3e^{3t} \end{bmatrix}$$

Basis of
solns to normal form

$$\underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} y_2 \\ y_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t} \\ -e^{-t} \end{bmatrix} = e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= e^{3t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

What is special about $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$?
e-vectors of A with e-values $r_1=3$, $r_2=-1$!

In other words: if we take basis $\beta = \{v_1, v_2\}$
and form $P = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \end{bmatrix}$ then

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = P^{-1}AP$$

Thm Suppose $n \times n$ matrix A has
basis of e -vectors $\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n$
with e -values $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$

Then $\underline{x}' = A\underline{x}$ has basis of cols
 $\underline{x}_1 = e^{\lambda_1 t} \underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{x}_n = e^{\lambda_n t} \underline{v}_n$

Pf Check $\underline{x}_i = e^{\lambda_i t} \underline{v}_i$ is a soln

$$\underline{x}'_i = \lambda_i e^{\lambda_i t} \underline{v}_i$$

$$A \underline{x}_i = A e^{\lambda_i t} \underline{v}_i = e^{\lambda_i t} A \underline{v}_i$$

$$= e^{\lambda_i t} \lambda_i \underline{v}_i$$

So indeed \underline{x}_i is soln!

Lin indep: Suppose $c_1 x_1 + \dots + c_n x_n = 0$

Eval at $t=0$: $c_1 x_1(0) + \dots + c_n x_n(0)$
 $= c_1 y_1 + \dots + c_n y_n = 0$

But y_1, \dots, y_n lin indep so $c_1 = \dots = c_n = 0$.
So x_1, \dots, x_n also lin indep!

Span Suppose soln $\underline{z} \notin \text{Span}\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

Then $\underline{z}, x_1, \dots, x_n$ are lin indep.

But eval at $t=0$: $\underline{z}^{(0)} \in \text{Span}\{x_1^{(0)}, \dots, x_n^{(0)}\}$

Since x_1, \dots, x_n span

So $\underline{z}^{(0)}, x_1^{(0)} = x_1, \dots, x_n^{(0)} = x_n$

are not lin indep

Wronskian Lemma gives contradiction!

If says $\underline{z}, x_1, \dots, x_n$ lin indep $\Rightarrow \underline{z}^{(0)}, x_1^{(0)}, \dots, x_n^{(0)}$ lin indep \square

Exer Consider $y'' - 4y' + 4 = 0$

1) Find basis of solns

2) Rewrite in normal form
and rewrite basis of solns

Soln 1) $r^2 - 4r + 4 = 0$ roots $r_1 = r_2 = 2$
basis of solns $y_1 = e^{2t}$, $y_2 = te^{2t}$

2) $x_1 = y$

$x_2 = y'$

$$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ x_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1' \\ y_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1' \\ 4y_1' - 4y_2' \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ -4x_1 + 4x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}$$

Basis of sols $\underline{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} y_1' \\ y_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t} \\ 2e^{2t} \end{bmatrix} = e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

\uparrow e-vector y_1
 \uparrow e-value = 2

But no other lin indep e-vectors!

$$\dim E_2 = 1.$$

Nevertheless can still use as second basis vector

$$\underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} y_2 \\ y_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t e^{2t} \\ e^{2t} + 2t e^{2t} \end{bmatrix} \\ = e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 1 + 2t \end{bmatrix}$$

Does rewriting in normal form help?

Thm Given $\underline{x}' = A \underline{x}$ normal form eqn

Basis of solns is given by cols of
matrix

$$X = e^{At} \quad \leftarrow \text{Not factorial}$$

but
Wow!

What is e^{At} ?

$$e^{At} = I_n + At + \frac{(At)^2}{2!} + \frac{(At)^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underline{Pf} &= \frac{d}{dt} (e^{At}) = \frac{d}{dt} \left(I_n + At + \frac{(At)^2}{2!} + \dots \right) \\
 &= 0 + A + \frac{A^2 t}{1!} + \frac{A^3 t^2}{2!} + \dots \\
 &= A \left(I + At + \frac{(At)^2}{2!} + \dots \right) \\
 &= A e^{At}
 \end{aligned}$$

so cols are solns!

and in fact a basis...

Exer Solve $\underline{x}' = A\underline{x}$ where

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

e -values of A are 0 with mult 3
but $\dim E_0 = 1 \dots$

so no basis of e -vectors
available

But can use matrix exponential

$$X = e^{At} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & t & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & t^2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

all higher terms = 0!

We find

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t & t^2 \\ 0 & 1 & t \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Basis of
Solns

cols
of X

$$\underline{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} t^2 \\ t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$