

# Worksheet 29 (April 23)

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## 1 Review

### DEFINITIONS

For  $\vec{x}'(t) = A \cdot \vec{x}(t)$

- fundamental solution set, fundamental solution matrix.

$\{\vec{f}_1(t), \vec{f}_2(t), \dots, \vec{f}_n(t)\}$   
a basis of the solution space

$$X(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{f}_1(t) & \vec{f}_2(t) & \dots & \vec{f}_n(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

$\vec{c} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix}$   
 $y(t) = X(t) \cdot \vec{c}$   
 $= c_1 \vec{f}_1(t) + \dots + c_n \vec{f}_n(t)$

### METHODS AND IDEAS

**Theorem 1.** Consider the 1st-order linear ODE system

$$\underline{\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}}$$

with  $A$  being a diagonalizable  $n \times n$  matrix. Assume  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  is an eigenbasis of  $A$ , and denote by  $\{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n\}$  the corresponding eigenvalues. Then

$$\underline{\{e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{v}_1, \dots, e^{\lambda_n t} \mathbf{v}_n\}}$$

$$X(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} \vec{v}_1 & \dots & e^{\lambda_n t} \vec{v}_n \end{pmatrix}$$

is a fundamental solution set. In other words, the general solution is

$$\underline{\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 \cdot e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_n \cdot e^{\lambda_n t} \mathbf{v}_n}$$

**Remark 1.** When  $A$  is diagonalizable over  $\mathbb{C}$ , we have a similar theorem. More precisely, let's assume  $\lambda_1 = \alpha + i\beta$  and  $\lambda_2 = \alpha - i\beta$  are the two complex eigenvalues, and  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{a} + i\mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{a} - i\mathbf{b}$  be the complex eigenvectors (complex eigenvalues and eigenvectors come in pairs). Then,

$$\{e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t \mathbf{a} - e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t \mathbf{b}, e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t \mathbf{b} + e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t \mathbf{a}, e^{\lambda_3 t} \mathbf{v}_3, \dots, e^{\lambda_n t} \mathbf{v}_n\}$$

is a fundamental solution set. Note that for the first two terms, we are simply taking the real and imaginary parts of  $e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{v}_1$ : Solution of  $\vec{x}' = A \cdot \vec{x}$

$$e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t \mathbf{a} - e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t \mathbf{b} = \text{Re}(e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{v}_1) = \text{Re}(e^{(\alpha+i\beta)t} (\mathbf{a} + i\mathbf{b})),$$

$$e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t \mathbf{b} + e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t \mathbf{a} = \text{Im}(e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{v}_1) = \text{Im}(e^{(\alpha+i\beta)t} (\mathbf{a} + i\mathbf{b})).$$

If  $\vec{f}(t) + i\vec{g}(t)$  is a solution of  $\vec{x}'(t) = A \cdot \vec{x}(t)$

$$\vec{f}'(t) + i\vec{g}'(t) = A \cdot \vec{f}(t) + iA \cdot \vec{g}(t)$$

## 2 Problems

**Example 1.** Consider the 1st order homogeneous linear system of ODE

$$\mathbf{x}'(t) = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}}_A \mathbf{x}(t).$$

(a) Find a fundamental solution matrix of the system.

(b) Solve the initial value problem  $\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(c) Sketch the trajectory of  $\mathbf{x}(t)$  in (b).

(a) Eigenvalues

$$\chi_A(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 6 = (\lambda-2)(\lambda-3)$$

$$\lambda_1 = 2, \lambda_2 = 3$$

$\lambda_1$ : Eigenspace  $E_2 = \text{Nul} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ . basis  $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$\lambda_2$ :  $E_3 = \text{Nul} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  basis  $\vec{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$X(t) = \left( e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad e^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{2t} & e^{3t} \\ e^{2t} & 2e^{3t} \end{pmatrix}$$

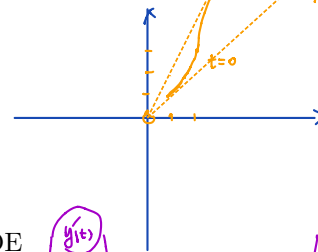
$$\vec{x}(t) = C_1 \begin{pmatrix} e^{2t} \\ e^{2t} \end{pmatrix} + C_2 \begin{pmatrix} e^{3t} \\ 2e^{3t} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x}(0) = C_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + C_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C_1 = C_2 = 1$$

$$\vec{x}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{2t} + e^{3t} \\ e^{2t} + 2e^{3t} \end{pmatrix}$$

asymptotic  $y=2x$   $t \rightarrow \infty \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} e^{3t} \\ 2e^{3t} \end{pmatrix}$   
 asymptotic  $y=x$   $t \rightarrow -\infty \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} e^{2t} \\ e^{2t} \end{pmatrix}$



$$t \rightarrow \infty, \frac{e^{2t} + 2e^{3t}}{e^{2t} + e^{3t}} = \frac{e^{-t} + 2}{e^{-t} + 1} \rightarrow 2$$

**Example 2.** Find the general solution of the linear ODE

$$y'''(t) + y(t) = 0.$$

Idea  $\vec{x}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} y(t) \\ y'(t) \\ y''(t) \end{pmatrix}$

$$\vec{x}'(t) = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_A \begin{pmatrix} y(t) \\ y'(t) \\ y''(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x}'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \vec{x}(t)$$

from original ODE

$$y(t) = C_1 \cdot e^{-t} + C_2 \cdot ? + C_3 \cdot ? \quad \text{Eigenvalues}$$

$$C_1, C_2, C_3 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\chi_A(\lambda) = -\lambda^3 - 1 = 0.$$

$$\lambda^3 + 1 = 0$$

$$(\lambda+1)(\lambda^2 - \lambda + 1)$$

$$\lambda_1 = -1, \lambda_2 = \frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{2}, \lambda_3 = \frac{1-i\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\lambda = r e^{i\theta}$$

$$r \cos \theta + i r \sin \theta$$

$$r^3 \cdot e^{i3\theta} = -1 \rightarrow \begin{cases} r^3 = 1 \\ 3\theta = \pi, 3\pi, 5\pi, 7\pi, \dots \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} r = 1 \\ \theta = \frac{\pi}{3}, \pi, \frac{5\pi}{3} \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad -1 \quad \frac{1-i\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\lambda_1 = -1. \quad E_{-1} = \text{Nul} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{basis } \vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{1}{2} + i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad E_{\lambda_2} = \text{Nul} \begin{pmatrix} -\lambda_2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda_2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -\lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{basis } \vec{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \lambda_2 \\ \lambda_2^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_3 = \frac{1}{2} - i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\text{basis } \vec{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \lambda_3 \\ \lambda_3^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(-1) \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot \lambda_2 + (\lambda_2) \lambda_2^2 = -1 - \lambda_2^3 = 0$$

$$\lambda^3 + 1 = 0$$