

# CHAPTER 7: SYSTEMS OF FIRST ORDER LINEAR EQS

Defn of system of first order differential eqs

$$x_1'(t) = F_1(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

$$\vdots$$
$$x_i'(t) = F_i(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

$$\vdots$$
$$x_n'(t) = F_n(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

Linear if  $F_i(t, x_1, \dots, x_n) = a_{i1}(t)x_1(t) + \dots + a_{in}(t)x_n(t) + g_i(t)$

↳ often write (use arrows as can't do bold well on blackboard)

$$\vec{x}' = A\vec{x} + \vec{g}(t), \text{ with } \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{pmatrix}, A = (a_{ij}(t))$$

Note: book often uses  $p_{ij}(t)$  for  $a_{ij}(t)$

↳ why care?

↳ ① Theory just ordinary first order (integrating factors) plus linear algebra (mostly eigenvalues/vectors), VERY solvable

↳ ② VERY applicable: can rewrite many eqs as a system.

↳ example (pg 357):  $u''(t) + \frac{1}{8}u'(t) + u(t) = 0$

↳ let  $x_1(t) = u(t)$ ,  $x_2(t) = u'(t)$  (so  $x_1'(t) = u'(t) = x_2(t)$ )

Note  $u''(t) = x_2'(t)$ . Thus we find

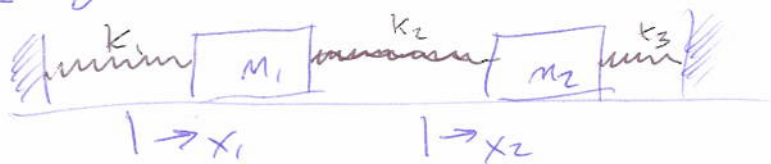
$$x_1'(t) = x_2(t)$$

$$x_2'(t) = -x_1(t) - \frac{1}{8}x_2(t)$$

$$\text{So } \begin{pmatrix} x_1'(t) \\ x_2'(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1/8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

## SECTION 7.1: INTRODUCTION

Example: Pgs 405 - 406



Physics:  $m_1 x_1'' = -(k_1 + k_2)x_1 + k_2 x_2$   
 $m_2 x_2'' = k_2 x_1 - (k_2 + k_3)x_2$

Set  $y_1 = x_1$        $y_3 = x_1'$       (so  $y_1' = y_3$ )  
 $y_2 = x_2$        $y_4 = x_2'$       (so  $y_2' = y_4$ )      (need  $y_3', y_4'$ )

Find  $y_3' = -\frac{k_1 + k_2}{m_1} y_1 + \frac{k_2}{m_1} y_2$

$y_4' = \frac{k_2}{m_2} y_1 - \frac{k_2 + k_3}{m_2} y_2$

or 
$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1' \\ y_2' \\ y_3' \\ y_4' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{k_1 + k_2}{m_1} & \frac{k_2}{m_1} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{k_2}{m_2} & -\frac{k_2 + k_3}{m_2} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

THM 7.1.1:  $F_i$  and  $\partial F_i / \partial x_j$  cont in region  $R$  defined by  $t \in [\alpha, \beta]$  and  $x_j \in [\alpha_j, \beta_j]$ ,  $(t_0, x_1^0, \dots, x_n^0) \in R$ . Then for some  $h > 0$  there is a soln  $x_i(t) = \varphi_i(t)$  to the initial value problem and the soln is unique.

THM 7.1.2: Assume in the system of linear equations each  $P_{ij}(t)$  and each  $q_j(t)$  cont on open interval  $(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then there is a unique soln to the initial value problem which exists throughout  $(\alpha, \beta)$ .

## 7.2. REVIEW OF MATRICES and 7.3 Alg Eqs, Lin Indep, Evalues...

- ↳ talk about  $cA$ ,  $A+B$ ,  $A \cdot B$ ,  $A\vec{v}$ ,  $A(c_1\vec{v}_1 + c_2\vec{v}_2)$ : linear
- ↳ talk about  $\det(A)$ : volume parallel piped, independence
- ↳ talk about lin independent/dependent
- ↳ talk about Vector Space of Solns
- ↳ Won't get into invertible, Gaussian Elimination, Gauss Jordan

↳ Matrix operations:

$$A = (a_{ij}(t)) \quad \text{Then } \frac{dA}{dt} = \left( \frac{da_{ij}}{dt} \right) \quad \text{and } \int_a^b A(t) dt = \left( \int_a^b a_{ij}(t) dt \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} (CA(t)) = C \frac{dA}{dt} \quad C \text{ const matrix}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (A+B) = \frac{dA}{dt} + \frac{dB}{dt}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (AB) = A \frac{dB}{dt} + \frac{dA}{dt} B$$

$$e^A e^B \neq e^{A+B} \quad \text{unless } [A, B] = AB - BA = 0$$

↳ Baker-Campbell-Hausdorff formula

↳ Eigenvalues / Eigenvectors: usually  $A\vec{v}$  different direction than  $\vec{v}$

$$A\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v} \Rightarrow (A - \lambda I)\vec{v} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A - \lambda I \text{ not invertible so } \det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

Things very nice if all evalues distinct

↳ implies matrix is diagonalizable

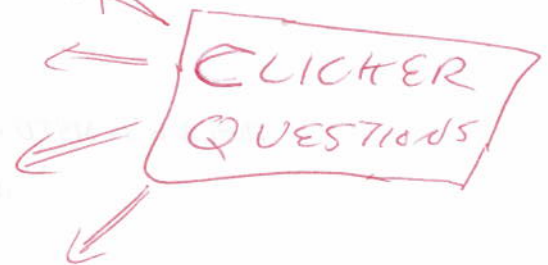
↳  $\exists$  invertible  $T$  st  $T^{-1}AT = \Delta = \text{diagonal matrix}$

↳ benefits: FAST Computations:

$$\rightarrow A = T\Delta T^{-1} \text{ so } A^n = T\Delta^n T^{-1}!$$

↳ any real symm matrix is diagonalizable  $\odot$  real evalues

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### Clicker Questions

Are evalues of real matrices real?

Are vectors of real matrices real?

Does every matrix have an evalue?

Is every matrix diagonalizable?



## Needed Aside: How do we diagonalize a matrix?

Let  $A$  be  $n \times n$  constant matrix with evlues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  (not nec. distinct!) but with  $n$  linearly independent eigenvectors  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ .

Let  $S = \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \vec{v}_1 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $S^{-1}$  exists as lin indep columns

Note  $S \vec{e}_i = \vec{v}_i$  and  $S^{-1} \vec{v}_i = \vec{e}_i$

Let  $\Delta = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \dots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$

Claim:  $A = S \Delta S^{-1}$  or  $S^{-1} A S = \Delta$

If  $S^{-1} A S \vec{e}_i = \Delta \vec{e}_i \quad \forall i$ , done as  $\vec{e}_i$  a basis

$$(S^{-1} A S) \vec{e}_i = (S^{-1} A) (S \vec{e}_i)$$

$$= S^{-1} (A \vec{v}_i)$$

$$= S^{-1} (\lambda_i \vec{v}_i)$$

$$= \lambda_i S^{-1} \vec{v}_i$$

$$= \lambda_i \vec{e}_i$$

$$= \Delta \vec{e}_i \quad \square$$

So if we can find ~~the~~  $n$  linearly indep e vectors, done

If know  $\lambda$  is an evlue, to find e vector must solve

$$(A - \lambda I) \vec{v} = \vec{0} : \text{Gaussian Elimination / Gauss-Jordan...}$$

## 7.5. HOMOGENEOUS & LINEAR SYSTEMS @ CONSTANT COEFFS

Consider  $\vec{x}'(t) = A\vec{x}(t)$  with  $A$  a constant matrix.

Case 1:  $A$  is diagonal

↳ Can "uncouple": 
$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1'(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n'(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

See  $x_i'(t) = \lambda_i x_i(t)$  or  $x_i(t) = c_i e^{\lambda_i t}$

Let  $\vec{e}_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , the vector with zeros everywhere but  $i^{\text{th}}$  spot, where we have a 1.

Then general soln is

$$\vec{x}(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \vec{e}_1 + \dots + c_n e^{\lambda_n t} \vec{e}_n,$$

and note  $\vec{e}_1, \dots, \vec{e}_n$  are e vectors of  $A$  with evalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$

General  $A$ : Guess  $\vec{x}(t) = \vec{\xi} e^{rt}$  for some vector  $\vec{\xi}$

↳  $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x} \Rightarrow r e^{rt} \vec{\xi} = e^{rt} A \vec{\xi}$

or  $(A - rI) \vec{\xi} e^{rt} = 0 \Rightarrow r$  evalue,  $\vec{\xi}$  evector

Case 2:  $A$  is diagonalizable

Say  $\exists T$  st  $T^{-1}AT = \Delta$  or  $A = T\Delta T^{-1}$

Then  $\vec{x}' = T\Delta T^{-1}\vec{x}$

or  $T^{-1}\vec{x}' = \Delta T^{-1}\vec{x}$

↳ let  $\vec{y} = T^{-1}\vec{x}$  (no loss as  $T$  invertible)

Then  $\vec{y}' = \Delta \vec{y}$ , reduce to case 1!

Completely solved for diagonalizable matrices!

↳ includes real symm, complex Hermitian, unitary, normal, ...

↳ not all matrices diagonalizable

↳  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  leads to Jordan Canonical Form (See Section 7.8)

↳ See Conway's See and Say Sequence for fun application of Jordanizable

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# 7.5 Homog Lin Systems (Cont) AND 7.7 FUNDAMENTAL MATRICES

Will not do much of Chapter 7 sections 7 and 8 as not assuming Lin Alg

Consider  $\vec{x}'(t) = A\vec{x}(t)$ ,  $A$  constant matrix,  $\vec{x}(0) = \vec{x}^0$

Claim  $\exists!$  solution, namely  $\vec{x}(t) = \exp(At)\vec{x}^0$

$\rightarrow$  Proof:  $\exp(At) = I + At + \frac{A^2t^2}{2!} + \frac{A^3t^3}{3!} + \dots$  note  $A, t$  commute  
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$\rightarrow$  Question: does the sum converge?

$\rightarrow$  always go back to 1-dim for intuition:

$\exp(at) = 1 + at + \frac{a^2t^2}{2!} + \dots$  converges:  $(at)^m \ll m!$   
(grows a lot slower)

let  $M = \max_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} |a_{ij}|$

let  $M_k$  be the maximum of the absolute value of entries of  $A^k$

Prove  $M_k \leq \frac{(nM)^k}{n}$  where  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix

$\rightarrow$  implies series for  $\exp(At)$  converges

$\rightarrow$  Note if  $t$  small then  $A \approx I$  and invertible

$\rightarrow$  Aside:  $\exp(At)$  always invertible: inverse  $\exp(-At)$

While  $\exp(At)\vec{x}^0$  is the unique soln, in general hard to compute  $\exp(At)$ !

$\rightarrow e^A e^B = \left(\sum \frac{A^k}{k!}\right) \left(\sum \frac{B^l}{l!}\right)$ : if  $AB \neq BA$  can't rearrange

$\rightarrow$  BIG difference from 1-dimension!

$\rightarrow$  However:  $e^{TAT^{-1}} = I + TAT^{-1} + \frac{TAT^{-1}TAT^{-1}}{2!} + \frac{TAT^{-1}TAT^{-1}TAT^{-1}}{3!} + \dots$   
 $= T \left( I + A + \frac{A^2}{2!} + \frac{A^3}{3!} + \dots \right) T^{-1} = T e^A T^{-1}$

So if  $TAT^{-1} = \Lambda$  (I know, backwards from before, my bad!)

$e^A = T^{-1} e^{TAT^{-1}} T = T^{-1} e^{\Lambda} T = T^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1} & & \\ & \dots & \\ & & e^{\lambda_n} \end{pmatrix} T$  double calculation



## 7.9: Non Homogeneous Linear Systems

$$\vec{x}'(t) = A \vec{x}(t) + \vec{g}(t), \quad A \text{ constant matrix}$$

Assume  $A$  is diagonalizable:  $T^{-1}AT = \Delta$  or  $A = T\Delta T^{-1}$

Change variables:  $\vec{x}(t) = T \vec{y}(t)$  or  $\vec{y}(t) = T^{-1} \vec{x}(t)$

$$T \vec{y}'(t) = A T \vec{y}(t) + \vec{g}(t)$$

$$\text{or } \vec{y}'(t) = T^{-1} A T \vec{y}(t) + T^{-1} \vec{g}(t)$$

$$\text{or } \vec{y}'(t) = \Delta \vec{y}(t) + \vec{h}(t), \quad \vec{h}(t) = T^{-1} \vec{g}(t)$$

$$\text{i.e., } \begin{pmatrix} y_1'(t) \\ \vdots \\ y_n'(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ y_n(t) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} h_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ h_n(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

So after algebra we've reduced to

$$y_i'(t) = \lambda_i y_i(t) + h_i(t) \quad \mu_i(t) = \exp\left(\int -\lambda_i dt\right) = e^{-\lambda_i t}$$

$$\text{so } y_i(t) = e^{\lambda_i t} \left( \int_{t_0}^t e^{-\lambda_i s} h_i(s) ds + c_i \right)$$

and then take  $T \vec{y}(t)$  to get  $\vec{x}(t)$ !

Ex: Solve  $\vec{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \vec{x} + \begin{pmatrix} 2e^{-t} \\ 3t \end{pmatrix}$  (Pg 433)

↳ Brute-Brute Perm: evlues  $-1, -3$

evector - with  $-1$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , with  $-3$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  is real symm

$$T = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad T^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{y}' = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & \\ & -1 \end{pmatrix} \vec{y} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 2e^{-t} - 3t \\ 2e^{-t} + 3t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Solns } y_1 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} e^{-t} - \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{t}{3} - \frac{1}{9} \right) + c_1 e^{-3t}$$

$$y_2 = \sqrt{2} t e^{-t} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} (t-1) + c_2 e^{-t}$$

### KEY FACT

For small enough time intervals, any matrix is approximately constant, use for approximations. See Chapter 9

Can generalize: method under const, non-constant  $A$  and variation of params ...  
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