

GENERAL STRATEGY

FOR SOLVING SYSTEMS OF FIRST ORDER
ODE WITH CONSTANT (MATRIX) EQUATIONS

We will focus on solving the system of n
first order constant coefficient equations of
the form

$$(IVP) \begin{cases} \dot{\underline{x}} = A \underline{x} & t > 0 \text{ (ODE)} \\ \underline{x}(0) = \underline{x}_0 & \text{(IC)} \end{cases} \quad \text{here, } \dot{\underline{x}} \equiv \frac{d\underline{x}}{dt}$$

A is $n \times n$ (constant) matrix, $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$
 $\underline{x}(t)$ is an $n \times 1$ (vector), $\underline{x}(t) \in \mathbb{C}^n$
 $\underline{x}_0$ is a constant vector, $\underline{x}_0 \in \mathbb{C}^n$

The General Solution to ODE: $\dot{\underline{x}} = A \underline{x}$

$$\underline{x}(t) = \underline{x}_1(t) + \underline{x}_2(t) + \dots + \underline{x}_n(t)$$

What is the form of $\underline{x}_i(t)$??

Assume a solution of $\dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{A}\underline{x}$ of the form

$$(*) \quad \underline{x} = c e^{\lambda t} \underline{v}$$

$$c \in \mathbb{C}, \lambda \in \mathbb{C}, \underline{v} \in \mathbb{C}^n$$

Substitute $(*)$ into $\dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{A}\underline{x}$ and obtain

$$\lambda c e^{\lambda t} \underline{v} = \underline{A} c e^{\lambda t} \underline{v}, \text{ or}$$

$$(\underline{A} - \lambda \underline{I}) \underline{v} e^{\lambda t} = 0 \quad e^{\lambda t} \neq 0$$

$$\therefore (\underline{A} - \lambda \underline{I}) \underline{v} = 0$$

This is an eigenvalue problem, $\underline{v}$ are the eigenvectors, λ the corresponding eigenvalues.

Remark: $\underline{v} = \emptyset$ is always a solution, but now we are seeking $\underline{v} \neq \emptyset$ solutions.

For $\underline{v} \neq \emptyset$ we require that

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

which yields the eigenvalues λ_i . Once these are found, we proceed to find eigenvectors,

via $(A - \lambda_i I)v = 0$

Remark: There may be up to n unique eigenvalues.

To each eigenvalue there might be one or more eigenvectors

ex) Find all solutions to

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = \frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = A\vec{x} \quad \text{where}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

, Find roots of
characteristic equation:

$$p(\lambda) = \det(A - I\lambda) = 0$$

$$= \det \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2-\lambda & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$p(\lambda) = (1-\lambda)(\lambda-3)(\lambda+2) = 0 \quad \text{cubic equation}$$

$$\therefore \lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 3, \lambda_3 = -2$$

all simple eigenvalues, all unique.

Find eigenvectors associated with each e'v'le:

(i) for $\lambda_1 = 1$

$$(\lambda - \mathbf{I})\underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_a \\ v_b \\ v_c \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{a suitable } \underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(ii) for $\lambda_2 = 3$

$$(\lambda - 3\mathbf{I})\underline{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_a \\ v_b \\ v_c \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\underline{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(iii) \text{ for } \lambda_3 = -2 \quad (\lambda + 2\mathbf{I})\underline{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_a \\ v_b \\ v_c \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

∴ The general solution

$$\underline{x} = c_1 \underline{v}_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + c_2 \underline{v}_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} + c_3 \underline{v}_3 e^{\lambda_3 t}$$

$$\underline{x} = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^t + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{3t} + c_3 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{-2t}$$

$$\text{or } \underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -c_1 e^t + c_2 e^{3t} - c_3 e^{-2t} \\ 4c_1 e^t - 2c_2 e^{3t} + c_3 e^{-2t} \\ c_1 e^t + c_2 e^{3t} + c_3 e^{-2t} \end{pmatrix}$$

Rule: In this case we got unique eigenvalues, n of them. We next deal with 2 issues:

* **COMPLEX EIGENVALUES:** This is a case where we can cast solutions in terms of trigonometric or hyperbolic functions. So, this is not a case of non-distinct eigenvalues, but rather, that for complex eigenvalues which come as

conjugates, we can rewrite these in simpler ways.

* **REPEATED ROOTS**: in this case we might expect a repeated root might have more than 1 eigenvector associated with it. We need a procedure for finding these.

COMPLEX ROOTS To each $\lambda = \alpha + i\beta$ root of $p(\lambda) = 0$, there will be $\bar{\lambda} = \alpha - i\beta$

They come as complex conjugate pairs.

Here we describe a way to express the eigenvectors in a useful way:

EULER'S IDENTITIES

$$e^{\pm i\theta} = \cos\theta \pm i\sin\theta$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}}{2} \quad \sin\theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}}{2i}$$

Suppose $p(\lambda) = 0$ generates one or more complex conjugate pairs. For each pair $\lambda_1 = \alpha + i\beta$, $\lambda_2 = \bar{\lambda}_1 = \alpha - i\beta$ the solution $\underline{x}(t)$ will contain the terms

$$C_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \underline{v}_1 + C_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \underline{v}_2$$

$$C_1 e^{(\alpha + i\beta)t} \underline{v}_1 + C_2 e^{(\alpha - i\beta)t} \underline{v}_2$$

$$\text{or } e^{\alpha t} [C_1 e^{i\beta t} \underline{v}_1 + C_2 e^{-i\beta t} \underline{v}_2]$$

We could leave these like that, or we could come up with an alternative representation. In what follows we detail this alternative:

Take both: $\lambda = \alpha \pm i\beta$ (these are actually two roots, two eigenvectors)

$$\text{then } e^{\alpha t} (\cos \beta t \pm i \sin \beta t) (\underline{v} \pm i \underline{w})$$

where $\underline{v}$ & $\underline{w}$ are the eigenvectors associated with $\lambda = \alpha \pm i\beta$ (i.e. $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$)

Remark: the arbitrary constants C_1 & C_2 have been absorbed into the definition of $\underline{v}$ and $\underline{w}$.

We note that $(\underline{v} \cos \beta t - \underline{w} \sin \beta t) e^{\alpha t}$
and $(\underline{v} \sin \beta t + \underline{w} \cos \beta t) e^{\alpha t}$

are linearly independent solutions to

$$\frac{d\underline{x}}{dt} = A \underline{x}.$$

So we use these as the 2 vectors associated with λ and $\bar{\lambda}$.

$$\text{ex) Solve } \begin{cases} \dot{\underline{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}, t > 0 \quad (\text{ODE}) \\ \underline{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{IC}) \end{cases}$$

We assume $\underline{x} = e^{\lambda t} \underline{v}$ then we get

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

$$p(\lambda) = \det(\underline{A} - \lambda \underline{I}) = 0 \Rightarrow (1-\lambda)(\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 2) = 0$$

$$\text{with roots } \begin{cases} \lambda_1 = 1 \\ \lambda_{2,3} = 1 \pm i \end{cases}$$

for $\lambda_1 = 1$

$$(\underline{A} - \underline{I}) \underline{v}_1 = \underline{0} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \underline{v}_1 = \underline{0} \Rightarrow \underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \underline{x}_1(t) = e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

for $\lambda_2 = 1+i$ (We can do both $\lambda_2 = 1+i$, $\lambda_3 = 1-i$):

$$(\underline{A} - (1+i)\underline{I}) \underline{v}_2 = \underline{0} = \begin{bmatrix} -i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_a \\ v_b \\ v_c \end{bmatrix} = \underline{0}$$

$$\text{pick } \underline{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \underline{x}_2(t) = e^{(1+i)t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = (\cos t + i \sin t) e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (\cos t + i \sin t) \left[\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right] e^t$$

$$= e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\sin t \\ \cos t \end{pmatrix} + i e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \cos t \\ \sin t \end{pmatrix}$$

these 2 vectors
are linearly independent
so use them to define
 x_2 & x_3 :

$$(Y) \quad \underline{x}(t) = c_1 \underline{x}_1(t) + c_2 e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\sin t \\ \cos t \end{pmatrix} + c_3 e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \cos t \\ \sin t \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: we absorbed the constant i into the
definition of c_3

Next, we apply (IC) to (Y)

set $t=0$ in (Y)

$$c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{x}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 1$$

The final solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{x}(t) &= \left[\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\sin t \\ \cos t \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \cos t \\ \sin t \end{pmatrix} \right] e^t \\ &= e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -\sin t + \cos t \\ \cos t + \sin t \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Solving Systems of ODE:

$$\text{IVP} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{ODE} \\ \text{I.C.} \end{array} \right. \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{\underline{x}} = A\underline{x} + \underline{F} \\ \underline{x}(0) = \underline{x}_0 \end{array} \right. \quad t > 0$$

$$\underline{x}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

$$\underline{F} = \underline{F}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \underline{x}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\text{where } (\dot{}) \equiv \frac{d}{dt}()$$

The general solution to the IVP is

$$\underline{x}(t) = \underbrace{\underline{x}_H(t)}_{\text{Homogeneous}} + \underbrace{\underline{x}_P(t)}_{\text{particular}}$$

$$\text{where } \dot{\underline{x}}_H = A\underline{x}_H$$

$$\dot{\underline{x}}_P = A\underline{x}_P + \underline{F}$$

THE REPEATED ROOT CASE

$$\text{ex)} \quad \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dt} + y = 0 \quad (*)$$

cast this as

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx_1}{dt} = x_2 \\ \frac{dx_2}{dt} = -x_1 - 2x_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{or } \dot{\underline{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \underline{x} \quad \underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}(t)$$

$$\text{let's solve } (*) : y_i(t) = e^{\alpha_i t} \quad i=1,2$$

substitute into (*)

$$\alpha^2 + 2\alpha + 1 = 0$$

$$(\alpha + 1)^2 = 0$$

$\therefore$ has a repeated root $\alpha = -1$

let $y_1 = e^{-t}$ is a solution

To find a second one "Reduction of order" technique:

$$\text{let } y_2 = te^{-t} = ty_1$$

the general solution

$$y = Ae^{-t} + Bte^{-t}$$

where A, B are constant parameters. //

$$\text{let } \underline{x}_i = \begin{pmatrix} y_i \\ \frac{dy_i}{dt} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{then } \underline{x}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t} \\ -e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} x_A^1 \\ x_B^1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} te^{-t} \\ (1-t)e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} x_A^2 \\ x_B^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \underline{x}_1 = \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} x_A' \\ x_B' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -e^{-t} \\ e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_A' \\ x_B' \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1(-e^{-t}) \\ -1(-e^{-t}) & -2e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -e^{-t} \\ e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

Also, note that

$$\begin{pmatrix} (1-t)e^{-t} \\ (t-2)e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} : \frac{d\underline{x}_2}{dt} = A \underline{x}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} (1-t)e^{-t} \\ -te^{-t} - 2(1-t)e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

Applying I.C.:

Suppose $\underline{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ then

$$\underline{x}(t) = c_1 \underline{x}_1 + c_2 \underline{x}_2 = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t} \\ -e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} te^{-t} \\ (1-t)e^{-t} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} (c_1 + c_2 t)e^{-t} \\ (c_2 - c_1 - c_2 t)e^{-t} \end{pmatrix}$$

Apply I.C. $\underline{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 - c_1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\therefore c_1 = 1 \quad c_2 = 1 + c_1 = 2$$

$$\underline{x}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} (1+2t)e^{-t} \\ (1-t)e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} //$$

Rule: A note on applying initial conditions. Suppose

we are solving $\underline{\dot{x}} = A\underline{x} + \underline{f}$, $\underline{x}(0) = \underline{x}_0$.

The solution is $\underline{x}(t) = \underline{x}_H(t) + \underline{x}_p(t)$. $\underline{x}_H(t)$ will have the form

$$\underline{x}_H = c_1 \underline{x}_1(t) + c_2 \underline{x}_2(t) + \dots + c_n \underline{x}_n(t)$$

The c_i 's are determined by the initial conditions.

Apply I.C. as the very last step in the process, after you know $\underline{x}_H$ and $\underline{x}_p$. That is,

$$\underline{x}(0) = \underline{x}_H(0) + \underline{x}_p(0)$$

$$\underline{x}(0) = \underline{x}_0 = c_1 \underline{x}_1(0) + c_2 \underline{x}_2(0) + \dots + c_n \underline{x}_n(0) + \underline{x}_p(0)$$

EQUAL ROOTS CASE:

How do we find n fundamental solutions to the n -dimensional problem, when there are repeated eigenvalues?

$$\text{Take } \underline{\dot{x}} = A \underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}$$

here A has only 2 distinct eigenvalues: 1, 2.

$$\text{so } \underline{x}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} e^t \quad \underline{x}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{2t}$$

how to find $\underline{x}_3$? use "Reduction of order"

Aside: The matrix exponential

Given e^{At}

e^{At} is a matrix

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, t \in \mathbb{R}$

Recall $e^{\alpha t} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha t)^n}{n!}$ for scalar exponential

Also

$$e^{At} = I + At + \frac{1}{2!} A^2 t^2 + \frac{1}{3!} A^3 t^3 + \dots$$

$$e^{\Delta t} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\Delta t)^n}{n!} \quad (\text{X})$$

Taking the derivative of

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} (e^{\Delta t}) &= \frac{d}{dt} \left(I + \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} \Delta^2 t^2 + \dots \right) \\ &= \Delta + \Delta^2 t + \dots + \frac{\Delta^{n+1} t^n}{n!} + \dots \\ &= \Delta \left(I + \Delta t + \dots + \frac{\Delta^n t^n}{n!} + \dots \right) = \Delta e^{\Delta t} \end{aligned}$$

The idea is to find n linearly independent e -vectors v 's (for the n fundamental solutions) for which the infinite series of $e^{\Delta t} v$ can be summed.

Fact: $e^{At} \underline{v} = e^{(A-\lambda I)t} e^{\lambda I t} \underline{v}$

for any constant λ , i.e.

$$(A-\lambda I)\lambda I = \lambda I(A-\lambda I)$$

commute

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Also } e^{\lambda I t} \underline{v} &= \left[I + \lambda I t + \frac{1}{2} \lambda^2 t^2 I^2 + \dots \right] \underline{v} \\ &= \left(1 + \lambda t + \frac{1}{2} \lambda^2 t^2 + \dots \right) \underline{v} = e^{\lambda t} \underline{v} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore e^{At} \underline{v} = e^{\lambda t} e^{(A-\lambda I)t} \underline{v} //$$

The crux of the following calculation is the fact that if $\underline{v}$ satisfies $(A-\lambda I)^m \underline{v} = 0$

for some $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ (integer) then the series

$e^{(A-\lambda I)t} \underline{v}$ terminates at the m^{th} term:

That is, if $(A-\lambda I)^m \underline{v} = 0$ then so will

$$(\Lambda - \lambda I)^m (\Lambda - \lambda I)^l \underline{v} = 0,$$

for any positive l .

$$\therefore e^{(\Lambda - \lambda I)t} \underline{v} = \underline{v} + t(\Lambda - \lambda I)\underline{v} + \dots + \frac{t^{m-1}}{(m-1)!} (\Lambda - \lambda I)^{m-1} \underline{v}, \text{ a finite series.}$$

$$\therefore e^{\Lambda t} \underline{v} = e^{\lambda t} \left[\underline{v} + (\Lambda - \lambda I)\underline{v} + \dots + \frac{t^{m-1}}{(m-1)!} (\Lambda - \lambda I)^{m-1} \underline{v} \right].$$

exactly.

ALGORITHM: FINDING n FUNDAMENTAL SOLUTIONS TO $\dot{x} = \Lambda x$, where $\Lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$:

① If $\dot{x} = \Lambda x$ has n simple eigenvalues, then find the n e'vectors.

Remark: $e^{(\Lambda - \lambda_i I)t} \underline{v}$ terminates as a series.

①' If there are repeated e'values, some of these will permit finding the additional e'vectors by

inspection.

② Suppose A has $k < n$ (linear independent) eigenvectors.

For these first k , use the procedure in ① & ①':

for $\dot{x} = Ax$ the solutions for these are of the form $e^{\lambda_i t} \underline{v}_i \quad i=1,2,\dots,k.$

To find the $k+1, k+2, \dots, n$ remaining solutions to

$\dot{x} = Ax$, use reduction of order: Suppose λ is double root. Then the second eigenvector $\underline{v}$ should be chosen so that $(A - \lambda I) \underline{v} \neq 0$ but $(A - \lambda I)^2 \underline{v} = 0$. Suppose, triply repeated. In that case choose the third eigenvector so that $(A - \lambda I) \underline{v} \neq 0$, $(A - \lambda I)^2 \underline{v} \neq 0$ and $(A - \lambda I)^3 \underline{v} = 0 \dots$ and so on.

The remaining part of the reduction of order algorithm is described by the following example:

ex) Find general solution to

$$\dot{\underline{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}. \text{ The general solution is } \underline{x}(t) = \zeta_1 \underline{x}_1(t) + \zeta_2 \underline{x}_2(t) + \zeta_3 \underline{x}_3(t)$$

$$p(\lambda) = (1-\lambda)^2(2-\lambda) = 0 \quad \begin{array}{l} \lambda=1, \text{ repeated} \\ \lambda=2 \text{ is simple.} \end{array}$$

$$\text{for } \lambda=2 \quad (A-2I)\underline{v} = 0 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\underline{x}_3 = e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{for } \lambda=1: \quad (A-I)\underline{v} = 0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\underline{x}_1 = e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ so this is the usual thing.}$$

The reduction of order process will find the second solution associated with $\lambda=1$:

$$\text{Want } (A-I)\underline{v} \neq 0 \text{ but } (A-I)^2 \underline{v} = 0$$

$$(\lambda - I)^2 v = 0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$v = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Note that $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ does **not** satisfy

$$(\lambda - I) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

$$x_2(t) = e^{\lambda t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = e^t e^{(\lambda - I)t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Expanding

$$x_2(t) = e^t \left[I + t(\lambda - I) \right] \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

note that $\frac{t^2}{2}(\lambda - I)^2 v = 0$ by design. So

this is NOT an approximation.

$$= e^t \left[\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

$$= e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = e^t \begin{pmatrix} t \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

So now we have all 3 expected fundamental solutions. The general solution is

$$\underline{x} = c_1 \underline{x}_1 + c_2 \underline{x}_2 + c_3 \underline{x}_3$$

$$= c_1 e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^t \begin{pmatrix} t \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{2t}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} (c_1 + c_2 t) e^t \\ c_2 e^t \\ c_3 e^{2t} \end{pmatrix}$$

NON HOMOGENEOUS PROBLEM

$$\text{IVP} \begin{cases} \text{ODE} & \dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{A} \underline{x} + \underline{f} \\ \text{IC} & \underline{x}(0) = \underline{x}_0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \underline{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \\ \underline{x}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ \underline{x}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ \underline{f}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{array}$$

The IVP solution is

$$\underline{x}(t) = \underline{x}_H + \underline{x}_P$$

$$\text{where } \begin{cases} \dot{\underline{x}}_H = A \underline{x}_H & (1) \\ \dot{\underline{x}}_P = A \underline{x}_P + \underline{f} & (2) \end{cases}$$

Solve (1) $\underline{x}_H = c_1 \underline{x}_1 + c_2 \underline{x}_2 + \dots + c_n \underline{x}_n$

Which can be written as

$$\underline{x}_H = \underline{\Sigma} \underline{c}$$

$$\underline{c} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\Sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} | & | & | & \dots & | \\ \underline{x}_1 & \underline{x}_2 & \underline{x}_3 & \dots & \underline{x}_n \\ | & | & | & \dots & | \end{pmatrix}$$

$n \times n$
matrix call
"Fundamental
solution Matrix"

$$\text{ex) } \underline{x} = c_1 e^t \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 e^{-2t} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{solves } \dot{\underline{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \underline{x}.$$

$$\text{let } \underline{c} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\Sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} -e^t & e^{3t} & -e^{-2t} \\ 4e^t & 2e^{3t} & e^{-2t} \\ e^t & e^{3t} & e^{-2t} \end{pmatrix}, \text{ the solution can be}$$

$$\text{expressed as } \underline{x} = \underline{\Sigma}(t) \underline{c}$$

Aside remark:

For $\underline{\dot{x}} = \underline{A} \underline{x}$ we can write

$$e^{\underline{A}t} = \underline{\Sigma}(t) \underline{\Sigma}^{-1}(t=0)$$

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$$\text{since } t=0 \quad e^{\underline{A}0} = \underline{I} = \underline{\Sigma}(0) \underline{\Sigma}^{-1}(0).$$

$$\text{Also, } \dot{x}_i = \underline{A} x_i \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\text{or } \frac{d\underline{x}}{dt} = \underline{A} \underline{x} \quad \text{is the same thing.}$$

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$\therefore e^{At}$ is a solution to $\dot{X} = AX$ (*)

$\Rightarrow e^{At}$ and Σ are related to each via (**)

To find $\underline{x}_p(t)$:

$$(*) \quad \dot{\underline{x}}_p = A \underline{x}_p + \underline{f}$$

Use variation of parameters:

$$(\$) \quad \underline{x}_p(t) = \Sigma(t) \underline{u}(t)$$

$\underline{u}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ of unknown functions

if (\$) is a solution to (*)

$$\dot{\underline{x}}_p = \dot{\Sigma} \underline{u} + \Sigma \dot{\underline{u}} = A \Sigma \underline{u} + \underline{f}$$

$$\therefore \Sigma \dot{\underline{u}} = \underline{f}$$

or $\underline{\dot{u}} = \underline{\Sigma}^{-1} \underline{f}$ computing antiderivative:

$$\therefore \underline{u}(t) = \int_0^t \underline{\Sigma}^{-1}(s) \underline{f}(s) ds + \underline{u}(0)$$

$\underline{u}(0)$ gets absorbed into initial conditions.

$$\therefore \underline{x}(t) = \underline{\Sigma}(t) \underline{\Sigma}^{-1}(0) \underline{x}_0 + \underline{\Sigma} \int_0^t \underline{\Sigma}^{-1}(s) \underline{f}(s) ds$$

$$\text{where } \underline{x}(0) = \underline{x}_0$$

$$\text{ex) } \underline{\dot{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \underline{x} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ e^t \cos 2t \end{pmatrix} = \underline{A} \underline{x} + \underline{f}, t > 0$$

$$\underline{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x} = \underline{x}_H + \underline{x}_p$$

$$\underline{\dot{x}}_H = \underline{A} \underline{x}_H$$

$$p(\lambda) = (1-\lambda)(\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 5) = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = 1 \quad \lambda_{2,3} = 1 \pm 2i$$

$$\text{for } \lambda_1 \quad \underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{x}_1 = e^t \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_{2,3} = 1 \pm 2i$$

$$\underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix} \quad \therefore \underline{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix} e^{(1+2i)t}$$

$$= e^t (\cos 2t + i \sin 2t) \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} i \right)$$

$$= e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \cos 2t \\ \sin 2t \end{pmatrix} + i e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \sin 2t \\ -\cos 2t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \underline{x}_2(t) = e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \cos 2t \\ \sin 2t \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{x}_3(t) = e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \sin 2t \\ -\cos 2t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\Sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} 2e^t & 0 & 0 \\ -3e^t & e^t \cos 2t & e^t \sin 2t \\ 2e^t & e^t \sin 2t & -e^t \cos 2t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\Sigma}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\Sigma}^{-1}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 0 & 0 \\ 3/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$e^{At} = \underline{\Sigma}(t) \underline{\Sigma}^{-1}(0)$$

$$e^{At} = e^t \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{2} \cos 2t + \sin 2t & \cos 2t & -\sin 2t \\ 1 + \frac{3}{2} \sin 2t - \cos 2t & \sin 2t & \cos 2t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x}(t) = e^{At} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \underline{\Sigma} \int_0^t \underbrace{e^{-s} \underline{\Sigma}^{-1}}_{\text{pink}} \underline{F}(s) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ e^s \cos 2s \end{pmatrix} ds$$

$$\underline{F(t)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{2}\cos 2t + \sin 2t & \cos 2t & -\sin 2t \\ 1 + \frac{3}{2}\sin 2t - \cos 2t & \sin 2t & \cos 2t \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$\underline{x(t)} = e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \cos 2t - \sin 2t \\ \cos 2t + \sin 2t \end{pmatrix} + \int_0^t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \sin 2s \cos 2s \\ \cos^2 2s \end{bmatrix} ds$$

$$= e^t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \cos 2t - (1 + \frac{1}{2}t) \sin 2t \\ (1 + \frac{1}{2}t) \cos 2t + \frac{5}{4} \sin 2t \end{bmatrix}$$

ex) Solve $\underline{\dot{x}} = A\underline{x} + \underline{f}$ $t > 0$, $x(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{f} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ te^{2t} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \quad \therefore \begin{array}{l} \lambda_1 = 2 \\ \lambda_2 = 3 \end{array}$$

$$\underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \underline{x}_1(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} e^{2t} \quad \underline{x}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{3t}$$

$$\underline{X} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{2t} & e^{3t} \\ 0 & e^{3t} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{X}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \therefore \underline{X}^{-1}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x}(t) = \underline{X} \underline{c} + \underline{X} \int_0^t \underline{X}^{-1} \underline{f} \, ds = \underline{X} \underline{c} + \underline{x}_p$$

Rule: To find inverse of 2×2 matrix.

$$\text{if } A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \text{ then } A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det \Sigma = e^{4t}$$

$$\Sigma^{-1} = e^{-4t} \begin{bmatrix} e^{3t} & -e^{-3t} \\ 0 & e^t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t} & -e^{-7t} \\ 0 & e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma^{-1} \underline{f} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t} & -e^{-7t} \\ 0 & e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ e^{2t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -e^{-7t} \\ e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma^{-1} \underline{f} = \begin{bmatrix} -e^{-7t} & t e^{2t} \\ e^{-2t} & t e^{2t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t e^{-5t} \\ t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\int_0^t \Sigma^{-1} \underline{f} ds = \int_0^t \begin{bmatrix} s e^{-5s} \\ s \end{bmatrix} ds$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -e^{-5t} \left(\frac{1}{25} + \frac{t}{5} \right) \\ \frac{1}{2} t^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x}_p = \underline{X} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{5} e^{-5t} \left(\frac{1}{5} + t \right) \\ \frac{1}{2} t^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{5} e^{-5t} e^t \left(t + \frac{1}{5} \right) + \frac{1}{2} t^2 e^{3t} \\ \frac{1}{2} t^2 e^{3t} \end{pmatrix}$$

and $\underline{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{X}(0) \underline{c}$

$$\text{or } \underline{X}^{-1}(0) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} \therefore c_1 = 1 \\ c_2 = 0$$

$$\therefore \underline{\tilde{x}}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e^t - \frac{1}{5} e^{-5t} e^t \left(t + \frac{1}{5}\right) + \frac{1}{2} t^2 e^{3t} \\ \frac{1}{2} t^2 e^{3t} \end{pmatrix}$$

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