

ex. given that  $\vec{x}_1(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2e^t \\ 2e^t \\ e^t \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{x}_2(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2e^{3t} \\ 0 \\ -e^{3t} \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{x}_3(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2e^{5t} \\ -2e^{5t} \\ e^{5t} \end{bmatrix}$

are solutions to system 
$$\begin{aligned} (x_1)' &= 3x_1 - 2x_2 \\ (x_2)' &= -x_1 + 3x_2 - 2x_3 \\ (x_3)' &= -x_2 + 3x_3 \end{aligned}$$

rewrite as  $(\vec{x})' = P\vec{x}$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$$

show solns are linearly independent:

determinant

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} 2e^t & 2e^{3t} & 2e^{5t} \\ 2e^t & 0 & -2e^{5t} \\ e^t & -e^{3t} & e^{5t} \end{vmatrix} \stackrel{\oplus}{=} 2e^t \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -2e^{5t} \\ -e^{3t} & e^{5t} \end{vmatrix} - 2e^t \begin{vmatrix} 2e^{3t} & 2e^{5t} \\ -e^{3t} & e^{5t} \end{vmatrix} + e^t \begin{vmatrix} 2e^{3t} & 2e^{5t} \\ 0 & -2e^{5t} \end{vmatrix}$$

recall  $\det \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2e^t (-2e^{8t}) - 2e^t (2e^{8t} + 2e^{8t}) + e^t (-4e^{8t}) \\ &= -4e^{9t} - 8e^{9t} - 4e^{9t} \\ &= -16e^{9t} \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

conclude:  $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \vec{x}_3$  are linearly independent sol'ns

for now, can say that a general sol'n of  $n \times n$  HG systems  $\vec{x}' = P(t)\vec{x}$  will be a LC formatted as:

$$\vec{x} = c_1 \vec{x}_1 + c_2 \vec{x}_2 + \dots + c_n \vec{x}_n$$

composed from  $n$  linearly independent solns:  $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_n$   
where  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n$  are arbitrary constants

## § 5.2 Eigenvalue Method for HG Systems

further explore constructing general sol'ns of  
HG 1<sup>st</sup> order linear systems with constant coefficients

to find  $n$  linearly independent sol'n vectors,  
suppose they are in the form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} v_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots$$

suppose they are in the form:

recall:  
 $y = c_1 e^{rx}$  format

$$\vec{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 e^{\lambda t} \\ v_2 e^{\lambda t} \\ \vdots \\ v_n e^{\lambda t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} e^{\lambda t}$$

$$= \vec{v} e^{\lambda t}$$

where  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are scalar constants

generalize:

$$x_i = v_i e^{\lambda t} \quad \text{where } i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\text{then } (x_i)' = \lambda v_i e^{\lambda t}$$

system is in the format:

$$(x_1)' = a_{11}x_1 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n$$

$$(x_2)' = a_{21}x_1 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n$$

$$\vdots$$

$$(x_n)' = a_{n1}x_1 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} (x_1)' \\ (x_2)' \\ \vdots \\ (x_n)' \end{bmatrix} = \vec{x}' \quad \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \vec{x}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} = A$$

can rewrite system as:  $(\vec{x})' = A\vec{x}$

use trial sol'n of  $\vec{x} = \vec{v} e^{\lambda t}$   
with  $(\vec{x})' = \lambda \vec{v} e^{\lambda t}$  substitute

$$\lambda \vec{v} e^{\lambda t} = A \vec{v} e^{\lambda t}$$

since  $e^{\lambda t}$  is never zero, can cancel factors of  $e^{\lambda t}$

as long as  $\vec{v}$  is non-zero and  $\lambda$  is constant s.t.  
 $A\vec{v} = \lambda \vec{v}$  hold

$$\lambda \vec{v} = A \vec{v}$$

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$$A \vec{v} - \lambda \vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

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

$\lambda$  is eigenvalue of  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$   
then non-zero  $\vec{v}$  is the associated eigenvector

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system has a non-trivial sol'n iff  $\det(A - \lambda I_n) = 0$

called characteristic eqn of  $A$

ex. find eigenvalues of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$   $2 \times 2$

$$\det(A - \lambda I_2) = 0$$

$$\det\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 0$$

$$\det\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}\right) = 0$$

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

$$(1-\lambda)(3-\lambda) - 8 = 0$$

$$3 - 4\lambda + \lambda^2 - 8 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 4\lambda - 5 = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 5)(\lambda + 1) = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = 5 \quad \lambda_2 = -1$$

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

note:  $n=2 \Rightarrow$   
2 eigenvalues by  
Fundamental Theorem of Algebra  
 $\rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$

Thm: let  $\lambda$  = eigenvalue of constant coeff. matrix  $A$   
for system  $(\vec{x})' = A\vec{x}$

if eigenvector  $\vec{v}$  is associated with  $\lambda$

then  $\vec{x}(t) = \vec{v}e^{\lambda t}$  is a non-trial sol'n to system

### Distinct Real Eigenvalues

ex. find gen. sol'n of system  $(x_1)' = 4x_1 + 2x_2$

$$(x_2)' = 3x_1 - x_2$$

$\downarrow$  rewrite as  $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$

$$(\vec{x})' = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{char eqn: } \det(A - \lambda I_2) = 0$$

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$$\det \left( \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} - \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0$$

$$\det \left( \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0$$

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

$$(4-\lambda)(-1-\lambda) - 6 = 0$$

$$-4 - 3\lambda + \lambda^2 - 6 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 10 = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 5)(\lambda + 2) = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = 5 \quad \lambda_2 = -2$$

when  $\lambda_1 = 5$ :  $(A - 5I_2)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4-5 & 2 \\ 3 & -1-5 \end{bmatrix} \vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 3 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

write as  
a system

$$\begin{cases} -v_1 + 2v_2 = 0 \\ 3v_1 - 6v_2 = 0 \end{cases} \div -3 \Rightarrow -v_1 + 2v_2 = 0 \quad \text{I also} \\ 2v_2 = v_1$$

choose  
eigenvector  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

when  $\lambda_2 = -2$ :  $(A + 2I_2)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4+2 & 2 \\ 3 & -1+2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$6v_1 + 2v_2 = 0$$

$$3v_1 + v_2 = 0 \Rightarrow v_2 = -3v_1$$

choose  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$

solutions:  $\lambda_1 = 5 \quad \lambda_2 = -2$

$$EV_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$EV_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x}_1(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{5t}$$

$\vec{v} e^{\lambda t}$

$$\vec{x}_2(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t}$$

confirm linear independence:  $W = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{x}_1 & \vec{x}_2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2e^{5t} & e^{-2t} \\ e^{5t} & -3e^{-2t} \end{vmatrix}$

$$-6e^{3t} - e^{3t} \neq 0$$

yes,  $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2$  are  
linearly independent

$\therefore$  gen. sol'n:  $\vec{x}(t) = c_1 \vec{x}_1(t) + c_2 \vec{x}_2(t)$

$$\vec{x}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{5t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t}$$

↓ or

$$x_1(t) = 2c_1 e^{5t} + c_2 e^{-2t}$$

$$x_2(t) = c_1 e^{5t} - 3c_2 e^{-2t}$$

// end of Exam 2  
material

look for add'l practice problems  
review on Mon ☺  
Exam 2 next Wed