

$$x' = Ax \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$$

We need to find two solutions, x_1 and x_2 , such that $x_1(0)$ and $x_2(0)$ are linearly independent. Any other solution is a linear combination of $x_1(0)$ and $x_2(0)$.

Case 1: $A = \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} x'_1 &= \lambda x_1 \longrightarrow x_1 = c_1 e^{\lambda t} \\ x'_2 &= \lambda x_2 \longrightarrow x_2 = c_2 e^{\lambda t} \end{aligned} \quad x = x(0) e^{\lambda t}$$

Obs: Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$, $v \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$.

If $Av = \lambda v$ then $x = v e^{\lambda t}$ is a solution.

Of $x' = Ax$

proof: $\boxed{x'} = \begin{bmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{d}{dt} v_1 e^{\lambda t} \\ \frac{d}{dt} v_2 e^{\lambda t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda v_1 e^{\lambda t} \\ \lambda v_2 e^{\lambda t} \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\frac{d}{dt} v_2 e^{\lambda t} \right] = \lambda v_2 e^{\lambda t} \\ & = \lambda v e^{\lambda t} = \lambda x \end{aligned}$$

Example: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ $\lambda = 3$ $v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$x = v e^{\lambda t} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{3t} \\ e^{3t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{3t}$$

$$x' = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{3t} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{3t} = Ax \quad \checkmark$$

Back on solving $x' = Ax$

Case 2: A has 2 different real eigenvalues α and β with eigenvectors v and w .

$$Av = \alpha v \quad \text{and} \quad Aw = \beta w$$

From the last observation, $x_1 = v e^{\alpha t}$ and $x_2 = w e^{\beta t}$ are solutions of $x' = Ax$.

Since $x_1(0) = v$ and $x_2(0) = w$ are

eigenvectors of different eigenvalues,
then, they are linearly independent.

Thus, x is a solution of $x' = Ax$
if and only if

$$x = c_1 v e^{\alpha t} + c_2 w e^{\beta t}$$

Example: $x'_1 = 4x_1 - 2x_2$ $x_1(0) = 1$
 $x'_2 = 3x_1 - x_2$ $x_2(0) = 2$

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

$$\begin{aligned} P(A) &= \det \begin{bmatrix} 4-\lambda & -2 \\ 3 & -1-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = (4-\lambda)(-1-\lambda) + 6 = \\ &= \lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2 = (\lambda-1)(\lambda-2) \end{aligned}$$

Eigenvectors $\boxed{\lambda_1 = 1}$ $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$\boxed{\lambda_2 = 2}$ $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ $w = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\boxed{\lambda_2 = 2} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} e^t + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{2t}$$

Impose the initial conditions. Set $t=0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} 1 &= 2c_1 + c_2 \\ 2 &= 3c_1 + c_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$c_1 = 1 \quad c_2 = -1$$

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

$$x_1 = 2e^t - e^{2t}$$

$$x_2 = 3e^t - e^{2t}$$

Obs: Assume A has only one eigenvalue λ and $A \neq \lambda I$. Let v be an eigenvector. Let w be a solution of $(A - \lambda I)w = v$.

Then $x = (w + tv) e^{\lambda t}$ is a solution of $x' = Ax$

proof: $x' = v e^{\lambda t} + \lambda(w + tv) e^{\lambda t}$

$$Ax = A(w + tv) e^{\lambda t} = (\lambda w + v + t \lambda v) e^{\lambda t}$$

then $x' = Ax \checkmark$ [auxiliary notes:

$$(A - \lambda I)w = v \text{ then } Aw = \lambda w + v)$$

Case 3: A has only 1 eigenvalue λ .

v is an eigenvector. w a solution of

$$(A - \lambda I)w = v. \text{ then } x' = Ax \Leftrightarrow$$

$$x = c_1 v e^{\lambda t} + c_2 (w + tv) e^{\lambda t}$$

for some c_1 and $c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$.

Example: $x'_1 = 6x_1 - x_2$

$$x'_2 = x_1 + 4x_2$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad P(\lambda) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 6-\lambda & -1 \\ 1 & 4-\lambda \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$= \lambda^2 - 10\lambda + 25 = (\lambda - 5)^2 \quad \lambda = 5$$

Eigenvector $\boxed{\lambda = 5}$ $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = A - 5I \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$(A - 5I)w = v \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad w = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{5t} + c_2 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) e^{5t}$$

$$x_1 = c_1 e^{5t} + c_2 (1+t) e^{5t}$$

$$x_2 = c_1 e^{5t} + c_2 t e^{5t}$$

Complex valued functions

$$f(t) = f_1(t) + i f_2(t) \quad t, f_1(t) \& f_2(t) \text{ real}$$

Ex: $f(t) = t + i e^t$

Def: $a, b \in \mathbb{R} \quad z = a + bi$

$$e^z = e^{a+bi} = e^a (\cos b + i \sin b)$$

Ex: $e^{i\pi} = e^0 (\cos \pi + i \sin \pi) = -1$

$$e^{1+i\frac{\pi}{2}} = e (\cos \frac{\pi}{2} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{2}) = i e$$

Properties: 0) $a \in \mathbb{R}$

$$e^{a+io} = e^a (\cos 0 + i \sin 0) e^a \quad \checkmark$$

$$1) e^{z_1+z_2} = e^{z_1} e^{z_2}$$

$$\text{Ex: } \lambda = a+bi, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= e^{\lambda t} = e^{at+bt i} = e^{at} (\cos(bt) + i \sin(bt)) \\ &= f_1(t) + i f_2(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\operatorname{Re}(f(t)) = f_1(t) = e^{at} \cos(bt)$$

$$\operatorname{Im}(f(t)) = f_2(t) = e^{at} \sin(bt)$$

Derivatives of complex valued functions

$$f(t) = f_1(t) + i f_2(t)$$

$$f'(t) = f_1'(t) + i f_2'(t)$$

$$\text{Ex: } \frac{d}{dt}(t + i t^2) = 1 + i 2t$$

$$\text{Ex: } \lambda = a+bi$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(e^{\lambda t}) = \frac{d}{dt}(e^{at} \cos bt) + i \frac{d}{dt}(e^{at} \sin bt) =$$

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$$= \lambda e^{\lambda t} \quad \checkmark$$

Obs: $Av = \lambda v$. $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$,
 $v \in \mathbb{C}^2$. Then $x = v e^{\lambda t}$ is a solution
of $x' = Ax$

Example: $x_1' = x_2$ $x_2' = -x_1$ $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$P(\lambda) = \det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ -1 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \lambda^2 + 1 \quad \lambda = \pm i$$

$$(A - iI)v = 0 \quad \begin{bmatrix} -i & 1 \\ -1 & -i \end{bmatrix} \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = v e^{\lambda t} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix} e^{it} \quad \begin{aligned} x_1 &= e^{it} \\ x_2 &= i e^{it} \end{aligned}$$

Check. $x_1' = i e^{it} = x_2$

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 $x_2' = -e^{it} = -x_1$ ✓

Obs: If x is a complex solution of $x' = Ax$, then $\text{Re}(x)$ and $\text{Im}(x)$ are real solutions of $x' = Ax$

proof: $x = \text{Re}(x) + i \text{Im}(x)$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \text{Re}(x) + i \frac{d}{dt} \text{Im}(x)$$

$$\overset{||}{A} x = \overset{||}{A} \text{Re}(x) + i \overset{||}{A} \text{Im}(x)$$

Example: $x_1' = x_2$ $x_2' = -x_1$ $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix} e^{it}$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix} e^{it} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{it} \\ i e^{it} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos t + i \sin t \\ i(\cos t + i \sin t) \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos t + i \sin t \\ -\sin t + i \cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\operatorname{Re}(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ -\sin t \end{bmatrix} = y$$

$$y_1' = -\sin t = y_2$$

$$y_2' = -\cos t = -y_1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\operatorname{Im}(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix} = z$$

$$z_1' = \cos t = z_2$$

$$z_2' = -\sin t = -z_1$$

Obs: Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$. If v is an eigenvector of A with eigenvalue λ , and $\lambda \notin \mathbb{R}$, then $\operatorname{Re}(v)$ and $\operatorname{Im}(v)$ are linearly independent.

Example $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$P(\lambda) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & -1 \\ 1 & 1-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = (1-\lambda)^2 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1 \pm i$$

Eigenvector of $\lambda = 1+i$ $A - (1+i)I = \begin{bmatrix} -i & -1 \\ 1 & -i \end{bmatrix}$

$$v = \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \operatorname{Re}(v) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \operatorname{Im}(v) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ are}$$

linearly independent.

Last case: $x' = Ax$. λ is an eigenvalue of A and $\lambda \notin \mathbb{R}$. Let v be an eigenvector of A with eigenvalue λ . Then x is a solution of $x' = Ax$ if and only if, x is of the form

$$x = c_1 \operatorname{Re}(v e^{\lambda t}) + c_2 \operatorname{Im}(v e^{\lambda t})$$

for some c_1 and $c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

Example Solve the IVP

$$x_1' = x_1 - x_2 \quad x_1(0) = -1$$

$$x_2' = x_1 + x_2 \quad x_2(0) = 2$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad P(\lambda) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & -1 \\ 1 & 1-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = (1-\lambda)^2 + 1$$

$$(\lambda-1)^2 + 1 = 0 \quad \lambda = 1 \pm i$$

$$\lambda = 1+i \quad A - (1+i)I = \begin{bmatrix} -i & -1 \\ 1 & -i \end{bmatrix} \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v e^{\lambda t} = \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{(1+i)t} = \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^t (\cos t + i \sin t)$$

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

$$x = c_1 e^t \begin{bmatrix} -\sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^t \begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \end{bmatrix}$$

Replace t by 0 to get

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} c_1 = 2 \\ c_2 = -1 \end{matrix}$$

$$x = 2e^t \begin{bmatrix} -\sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix} - e^t \begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = -2e^t \sin t - e^t \cos t$$

$$x_2 = 2e^t \cos t - e^t \sin t$$