

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 1 \\ 0 & \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is an eigenvector ... the only one.

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 1 \\ 0 & \alpha \end{pmatrix} y$$

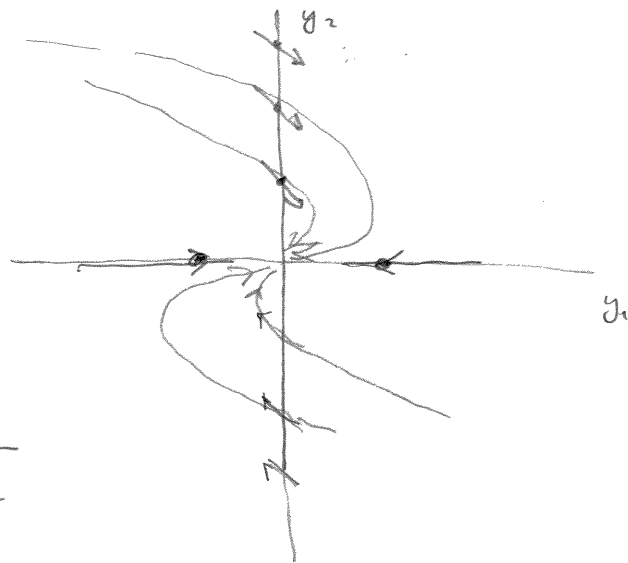
If $y_0 = \begin{pmatrix} y_{01} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, then

$$y(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{\alpha t} y_{01} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dy_1}{dt} = \alpha y_1 + y_2$$

$$\frac{dy_2}{dt} = \alpha y_2$$

$$\frac{dy_2}{dy_1} = \frac{\alpha y_2}{\alpha y_1 + y_2}$$



$\alpha < 0$

The matrix exponential

$$e^{at} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{a^k}{k!} t^k \quad \text{when } a \in \mathbb{C}$$

convergent for $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

This works also for matrices: A matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \quad a_{jk} \in \mathbb{R} \quad (\text{or } \mathbb{C}, \text{ works the same})$$

$$\text{Let } A^k = \underbrace{A \dots A}_{k \text{ times}} \quad \text{and } A^0 = I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Formally

$$e^{tA} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^k}{k!} t^k$$

And (also formally)

$$\frac{d}{dt} (e^{tA}) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{A^k}{k!} k t^{k-1} = A \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{A^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} t^{k-1} = A \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^k}{k!} t^k$$

$$\text{Hence: if } x(t) = e^{tA} x_0$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} x(t) = A e^{tA} x_0 = A x(t) \\ x(0) = x_0 \end{cases}$$

This can be seen also by Picard iteration:

$$x_0(t) = x_0$$

$$x_1(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t A x_0(s) ds = x_0 + t A x_0$$

$$x_2(t) = \dots x_0 + t A x_0 + \frac{t^2}{2} A^2 x_0 \dots$$

The Matrix norm is defined as

$$\|A\| = \sup_{x, |x|=1} |Ax| = \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{|Ax|}{|x|}$$

↑ why are these equal?

↑ is it necessary to take sup instead of max?

The linear space of $n \times n$ matrices is a Banach space

Also $\|A^j\| \leq \|A\|^j$ (is this obvious?)

and $\|A\|$ is a norm (why)

Therefore: $\left\| \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{1}{j!} A^j \right\| \leq \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{\|A\|^j}{j!} \Rightarrow$

Series is norm convergent.

But while $e^{a+b} = e^a e^b$ when $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$,

this is not true when A, B are matrices

unless $AB = BA$, i.e. if $[A, B] \equiv AB - BA = 0$

Lemma if $[A, B] = 0$, then $\exp(A+B) = \exp(A) \exp(B)$
 $= \exp(B) \exp(A).$

Lemma if U is invertible,

$$U^{-1} \exp(A) U = \exp(U^{-1} A U)$$

Theorem The Jordan canonical form

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. There is an invertible U such that

$$U^{-1}AU = \left(\begin{array}{c|c} J_1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \ddots \\ 0 & \hline & J_m \end{array} \right) \quad \text{where}$$

$$J_k = \alpha I + N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_k & 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \ddots & 1 \\ & & & \alpha_k \end{pmatrix}, \quad N = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \ddots & 1 \\ & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Proof in appendix. not part of the course.

Remark: N is called "nilpotent" because there is $k \geq 1$ such that $N^k = 0$,
[prove that].

Why is this important?

1) Consider an equation of the form

$$\dot{x} = \left(\begin{array}{c|c} A & 0 \\ \hline 0 & B \end{array} \right) x \quad \text{where } A \text{ is } m \times m \text{ and } B \text{ is } k \times k \text{ with } m+k=n$$

$$\text{Then } \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} x_{m+1} \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = B \begin{pmatrix} x_{m+1} \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

So these are two decoupled systems of ODEs.

In term of the matrix exponential.

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c} A^k & 0 \\ \hline 0 & B^k \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{c|c} A & 0 \\ \hline 0 & B \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{c|c} A^{k+1} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & B^{k+1} \end{array} \right)$$

So

$$\exp \left(\begin{array}{c|c} A & 0 \\ \hline 0 & B \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \exp A & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \exp B \end{array} \right)$$

And ... it is easy to compute

$$\exp \left(\begin{array}{ccc} \alpha & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 1 \\ 0 & & \alpha \end{array} \right) \text{ because}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha I + N)^0 &= I \\ (\alpha I + N)^1 &= \alpha I + N \\ (\alpha I + N)^2 &= \alpha^2 I + 2\alpha N + N^2 \\ (\alpha I + N)^j &= \sum_{k=0}^j \binom{j}{k} \alpha^{j-k} I N^k \end{aligned}$$

4x4:

$$N^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \quad \quad \quad \quad \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$N^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad N^4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \exp(\alpha I + N) = \exp(\alpha I) \exp N$$

$$= e^{\alpha} \left(I + N + \frac{1}{2} N^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{(k-1)!} N^{k-1} \right)$$

$$= e^{\alpha} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{6} \\ & 1 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ & & 1 & 1 \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and more importantly:

$$\begin{aligned} \exp(t(\alpha I + N)) &= \\ &= e^{\alpha t} \left(I + tN + \frac{t^2}{2} N^2 + \dots + \frac{t^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} N^{k-1} \right) \\ &= e^{\alpha t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t & \frac{t^2}{2} & \dots & \frac{t^{k-2}}{(k-2)!} \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & 0 & t & \frac{t^2}{2} \\ & & & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

So the solution of $\dot{x} = Jx$ is an exponential $e^{\alpha t}$ times a polynomial of degree $\leq k-1$ if k is the size of the Jordan block.

Then A solution to $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = Ax \\ x(0) = x_0 \end{cases}$

converges to 0

if and only if x_0 lies in the subspace spanned by the generalized eigenspaces corresponding to eigenvalues α with $\operatorname{Re} \alpha < 0$ and remain bounded if x_0 lies in the generalized subspace corresponding to eigenvalues with negative real part and eigenspaces with zero real part.

Proof

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = Ax \\ x(0) = x_0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$x = Uy$$

$$U^{-1}AU \text{ jordan}$$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{y} = Jy \\ y(0) = U^{-1}x_0 \end{cases}$$

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & & \\ & J_2 & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & J_k \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{If } J_s = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & -\alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{y}_s = J_s y_s \\ y_s(0) = y_{s0} \end{cases}$$

has solution $e^{\alpha t} y_{s0}$

$$\text{So: } \text{Re } \alpha < 0 \Rightarrow y_s(t) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{Re } \alpha = 0 \Rightarrow y_s(t) \text{ bounded}$$

$$\text{Re } \alpha > 0 \Rightarrow |y_s(t)| \rightarrow \infty.$$

$$\text{If } J_s = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 1 & 0 \\ & \ddots & \ddots \\ 0 & & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \text{ then}$$

$$y_s(t) = e^{\alpha t} \cdot (\text{polynomial of degree } \leq k-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow y_s(t) \rightarrow 0 \text{ if } \text{Re } \alpha < 0$$

$$|y_s(t)| \rightarrow \infty \text{ if } \text{Re } \alpha \geq 0.$$

Def

A linear system is stable if

all solution remain bounded as $t \rightarrow \infty$

and asymptotically stable if all solutions

converge to zero when $t \rightarrow \infty$.

Invariant subspaces (a small detour)

The Cayley Hamilton Theorem

Let A be an $n \times n$ -matrix (real or complex)
and let $p_A(\lambda) = \det(\lambda I - A)$. Then $p_A(A) = 0$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{i.e. if } p_A(\lambda) = \lambda^n + c_{n-1}\lambda^{n-1} + \dots + p_0 \\ \text{then } A^n + c_{n-1}A^{n-1} + \dots + p_0 I = 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Proof Write

$$I = (\lambda I - A)(\lambda I - A)^{-1}$$

[when is this ok?]

Cramer's rule: $B^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det B} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{b}_{11} & \dots & \tilde{b}_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \tilde{b}_{n1} & \dots & \tilde{b}_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$

where $\tilde{b}_{mn}$ are subdeterminants of B .

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda I - A)^{-1} = \frac{1}{p_A(\lambda)} \begin{pmatrix} p_{11}(\lambda) & \dots & p_{1n}(\lambda) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ p_{n1}(\lambda) & \dots & p_{nn}(\lambda) \end{pmatrix}$$

$p_{ij}(\lambda)$ polynomials of $\deg. \leq n-1$.

$$\Rightarrow p_A(\lambda)(\lambda I - A)^{-1} = \lambda^{n-1} B_{n-1} + \dots + \lambda B_1 + B_0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow p_A(\lambda)I &= (\lambda I - A)(\lambda^{n-1} B_{n-1} + \dots + \lambda B_1 + B_0) \\ &= \lambda^n B_{n-1} + \lambda^{n-1} B_{n-2} + \dots + \lambda^2 B_1 + \lambda B_0 \\ &\quad - \lambda^n (A B_{n-1}) - \dots - \lambda^2 A B_2 - \lambda A B_1 - A B_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$I = B_{n-1}$$

$$c_{n-1}I = B_{n-2} - A B_{n-1}$$

$$c_2 I = B_1 - A B_2$$

$$c_1 I = B_0 - A B_1$$

$$c_0 = A B_0$$

$$p_A(\lambda)I = A^n + A^{n-1}(B_{n-2} - A B_{n-1}) + \dots + A(B_0 - A B_1) - A B_0 = 0.$$

Invariant subspaces

Let V be a vector space and $A: V \rightarrow V$.

Let V_1 be a linear subspace of V : $V_1 \subset V$.

V_1 is said to be invariant under A if

for all $v \in V_1$, $Av \in V_1$.

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad N(A) = \{v \in V: Av = 0\}$$

Ex If $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & A_2 \end{pmatrix}$, then $V_1 = \left\{ v: v = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ is invariant.

Ex if $A: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$ then

$$N(p(A)) = \mathbb{C}^n$$

(we identify an operator with its matrix in some basis)

Thm If $p_A(\lambda) = p_1(\lambda) p_2(\lambda)$ where $p_1(\lambda)$ and $p_2(\lambda)$ are polynomials without common factors, then

$N(p_1(A))$ and $N(p_2(A))$ are invariant

$$N(p_1(A)) \cap N(p_2(A)) = \{0\}, \text{ and}$$

$$\forall v \in \mathbb{C}^n, \quad v = v_1 + v_2 \text{ with } v_1 \in N(p_1(A)) \\ v_2 \in N(p_2(A)).$$

Proof

$$v \in \mathcal{N}(p_i(A)) \Rightarrow$$

$$p_i(A)Av = A p_i(A)v = 0$$

↑
Why?

Next

There are $q_1(x), q_2(x)$ such that

$$p_1(x)q_1(x) + p_2(x)q_2(x) = 1$$

(Euclidean algorithm)

$$\Rightarrow p_1(A)q_1(A) + p_2(A)q_2(A) = I$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{p_1(A)q_1(A)v}_{v_2} + \underbrace{p_2(A)q_2(A)v}_{v_1} = v$$

$$p_2(A)v_2 = \underbrace{p_2(A)p_1(A)q_1(A)v}_{=0} = 0 \Rightarrow v_2 \in \mathcal{N}(p_2(A))$$

$$\text{If } p_2(A)v = p_1(A)v = 0 \Rightarrow v = 0$$

$$\text{because } v = q_1(A)p_1(A)v + q_2(A)p_2(A)v = 0.$$

$$\text{If } v = v_1 + v_2 = w_1 + w_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{v_1 - w_1}_{\in \mathcal{N}(p_1(A))} = \underbrace{w_2 - v_2}_{\in \mathcal{N}(p_2(A))}$$

$$\in \mathcal{N}(p_1(A)) \quad \in \mathcal{N}(p_2(A))$$

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$$\begin{aligned} v_1 - w_1 &= 0 \\ v_2 - w_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$V_\lambda = \{v : Av = \lambda v\} = \{v : (\lambda I - A)v = 0\}$$

$$\tilde{V}_\lambda = \{v : \exists k \geq 1 \text{ such that } (\lambda I - A)^k v = 0\}$$

V Eigenspace

$\tilde{V}_\lambda$ = generalized eigenspace

Lemma! $\tilde{V}_\lambda$ is invariant:

suppose that $(\lambda I - A)^k v = 0$.

Then $(\lambda I - A)^k Av = A(\lambda I - A)^k v = 0$. (this holds for all k).

The spaces $\tilde{V}_\lambda$ correspond to the Jordan blocks,



Two examples

$$1) \begin{cases} \dot{x} = Ax + g(t) \\ x(0) = x_0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = e^{tA} x_0 + \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A} g(s) ds$$

| Check this! |

2) Higher order autonomous linear equations (scalar)...

$$x^{(n)} + c_{n-1} x^{(n-1)} + c_{n-2} x^{(n-2)} + \dots + c_1 \dot{x} + c_0 x = 0$$

$$\text{Let } x = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \dot{x} \\ \ddots \\ x^{(n-1)} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \dot{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & & & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & & 0 \\ & 0 & 0 & \ddots & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & & & & 0 \\ -c_0 & -c_1 & & & -c_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} x$$

$$x(0) = \begin{pmatrix} x(0) \\ \dot{x}(0) \\ \vdots \\ x^{(n-1)}(0) \end{pmatrix}$$

| Does this give the right number of initial values? |

General first order systems

$$\textcircled{*} \quad \begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} x = A(t)x \\ x(t_0) = x_0 \end{cases} \quad A(t) = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}(t) & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & a_{nn}(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

Need to remember that in general $AB \neq BA$.

Theorem Assume that $A \in C(I, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$

Then $\textcircled{*}$ has a unique solution defined on I

[why?]

But the solution is not $e^{-\int_0^t A(s) ds} x_0$ unless $n=1$.

or if $A(s_1)A(s_2) = A(s_2)A(s_1)$ for all $s_1, s_2 \in I$.

But $\textcircled{*}$ is linear! $\dot{x} = A(t)x$ and $\dot{y} = A(t)y$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt}(x+y) = A(t)(x+y).$$

$$\text{Let } \begin{cases} \dot{\phi}_j = A(t) \phi_j \\ \phi_j(t_0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \text{position } j. \end{cases}$$

$$\text{and let } \Pi(t, t_0) = \begin{pmatrix} | & | & & | \\ \phi_1(t) & \phi_2(t) & \dots & \phi_n(t) \\ | & | & & | \end{pmatrix}$$

Then $\Pi(t, t_0)$ is called "the matrix solution", and it satisfies

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} \Pi(t, t_0) = A(t) \Pi(t, t_0) \\ \Pi(t_0, t_0) = I \end{cases}$$

Theorem The soln's of $\textcircled{*}$ for an n -dimensional vector space, which is a subspace of $C(I, \mathbb{R}^n)$. A basis is given by $\{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n\}$.

Proof need to prove that the $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n$ are independent.

i) Note that $\Pi(t, t_1) \Pi(t_1, t_0) = \Pi(t, t_0)$

This is because

$$\frac{d}{dt} (\Pi(t, t_1) \Pi(t_1, t_0)) = \dot{\Pi}(t, t_1) \Pi(t_1, t_0) = A(t) \Pi(t, t_1) \Pi(t_1, t_0)$$

and

$$\dot{\Pi}(t, t_0) = A(t) \Pi(t, t_0)$$

and

$$\underbrace{\Pi(t_1, t_1)}_{=I} \Pi(t_1, t_0) = \Pi(t_1, t_0)$$

Now take $t = t_0$. Then $\Pi(t_0, t_1) \Pi(t_1, t_0) = I$

$$\Rightarrow \Pi(t_0, t_1) = \Pi(t_1, t_0)^{-1}$$

so $\Pi(t, t_0)$ is invertible $\Rightarrow (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)$ are independent.

why can't there be more?

Def Let $\psi_1 \dots \psi_n$ be n solutions
solutions to $\dot{x} = A(t)x$

and let

$$U(t) = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ \psi_1(t) & \dots & \psi_n(t) \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix}$$

The Wronskian is

$$W(t) = \det U(t).$$

If $\det U(t) \neq 0$ for all $t \in I$, $U(t)$
is a fundamental matrix

One can always compute

$$T(t, t_0) = U(t)U(t_0)^{-1}$$

why?

Lemma $\frac{dW}{dt} = \text{tr } A(t) W(t) \Rightarrow W(t) = W(t_0) e^{\int_{t_0}^t \text{tr } A(s) ds}$

(so either $W(t) \neq 0$ or $W(t) = 0$ for all t)

Inhomogeneous equation

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = A(t)x + g(t) \\ x(t_0) = x_0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} A \in C(I, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}) \\ g \in C(I, \mathbb{R}^n) \end{array}$$

Ansatz Look for a solution of the form

$$x(t) = \Pi(t, t_0) c(t) \quad \text{where } c(t_0) = x_0$$

$$\dot{x}(t) = A(t)\Pi(t, t_0)c(t) + \Pi(t, t_0)\dot{c}(t)$$

$$Ax(t) = A(t)\Pi(t, t_0)c(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow A(t)\Pi(t, t_0)c(t) + \Pi(t, t_0)\dot{c}(t) &= \\ &= A(t)\Pi(t, t_0)c(t) + g(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pi(t, t_0)\dot{c}(t) = g(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{c}(t) = \Pi(t, t_0)^{-1} g(t)$$

$$c(t) = x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t \Pi(t_0, s) g(s) ds$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = \Pi(t, t_0)x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t \underbrace{\Pi(t, t_0)\Pi(t_0, s)}_{\Pi(t, s)} g(s) ds$$