

More Homogeneous Linear System Examples

1. Solve $\bar{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \bar{x}$

Soln:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3-r & -2 \\ 2 & -2-r \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(3-r)(-2-r) + 4 = 0$$

$$-6 - 3r + 2r + r^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$r^2 - r - 2 = 0$$

$$r = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1+8}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-1 \pm 3}{2}$$

$$= -1 \text{ or } 2$$

$$(A - rI)\bar{z} = \bar{0}$$

When $r = -1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3+1 & -2 \\ 2 & -2+1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$4z_1 - 2z_2 = 0$$

$$2z_1 - z_2 = 0 \leftarrow \text{Redundant}$$

$$2z_1 - z_2 = 0$$

$$2z_1 = z_2$$

$$\text{let } z_1 = 1, z_2 = 2$$

$$\bar{z}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

When $r = 2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3-2 & -2 \\ 2 & -2-2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$z_1 - 2z_2 = 0$$

$$2z_1 - 4z_2 = 0 \leftarrow \text{Redundant}$$

$$z_1 = 2z_2$$

$$\text{let } z_1 = 1, z_2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\bar{x} = C_1 e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + C_2 e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Solve $\bar{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \bar{x}$

Soln:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-r & -2 \\ 3 & -4-r \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(1-r)(-4-r) + 6 = 0$$

$$-4 - r + 4r + r^2 + 6 = 0$$

$$r^2 + 3r + 2 = 0$$

$$(r+2)(r+1) = 0$$

$$r_1 = -2, r_2 = -1$$

$$(A - rI)\bar{z} = \bar{0}$$

When $r = -2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1+2 & -2 \\ 3 & -4+2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3z_1 - 2z_2 = 0$$

$$3z_1 - 2z_2 = 0 \leftarrow \text{Redundant}$$

$$3z_1 = 2z_2$$

$$\frac{3}{2}z_1 = z_2$$

$$\text{Let } z_1 = 1, z_2 = 3/2$$

$$\bar{z}^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

When $r = -1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1+1 & -2 \\ 3 & -4+1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2z_1 - 2z_2 = 0$$

$$3z_1 - 3z_2 = 0 \leftarrow \text{Redundant}$$

$$z_1 = z_2$$

$$\text{Let } z_1 = 1, z_2 = 1$$

$$\bar{z}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{x} = C_1 e^{-2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3/2 \end{bmatrix} + C_2 e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Solve $\bar{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \bar{x}$

Soln:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2-r & -1 \\ 3 & -2-r \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(2-r)(-2-r) + 3 = 0$$

$$-4 - 2r + 2r + r^2 + 3 = 0$$

$$r^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$r^2 = 1$$

$$r_1 = 1, r_2 = -1$$

$$(A - rI)\bar{z} = \bar{0}$$

When $r = 1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2-1 & -1 \\ 3 & -2-1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$z_1 - z_2 = 0$$

$$3z_1 - 3z_2 = 0 \leftarrow \text{Redundant}$$

$$z_1 = z_2$$

$$\text{Let } z_1 = 1, z_2 = 1.$$

$$\bar{z} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

When $r = -1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2+1 & -1 \\ 3 & -2+1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3z_1 - z_2 = 0$$

$$3z_1 - z_2 = 0 \leftarrow \text{Redundant}$$

$$3z_1 = z_2$$

$$\text{Let } z_1 = 1, z_2 = 3.$$

$$\bar{z}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{x} = C_1 e^t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + C_2 e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. Solve $\bar{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{x}$, $\bar{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

Soln:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 5-r & -1 \\ 3 & 1-r \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(5-r)(1-r) + 3 = 0$$

$$5 - 5r - r + r^2 + 3 = 0$$

$$r^2 - 6r + 8 = 0$$

$$(r-2)(r-4) = 0$$

$$r_1 = 2, r_2 = 4$$

$$(A - rI)\bar{z} = \bar{0}$$

When $r = 2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5-2 & -1 \\ 3 & 1-2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3z_1 - z_2 = 0$$

$$3z_1 = z_2$$

$$\text{Let } z_1 = 1, z_2 = 3$$

$$\bar{z}^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

When $r = 4$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5-4 & -1 \\ 3 & 1-4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$z_1 - z_2 = 0$$

$$z_1 = z_2$$

$$\text{Let } z_1 = 1, z_2 = 1.$$

$$\bar{z}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{x} = C_1 e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + C_2 e^{4t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = C_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + C_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_1 + C_2 = 2$$

$$3C_1 + C_2 = -1$$

$$-2C_1 = 3 \rightarrow C_1 = -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} C_2 &= 2 - C_1 \\ &= 2 + \frac{3}{2} \\ &= \frac{7}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{x} = \frac{-3}{2} e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{7}{2} e^{4t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

5. Solve $\vec{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$

Soln:

$$\begin{vmatrix} -1-r & -4 \\ 1 & -1-r \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(1+r)^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$r^2 + 2r + 1 + 4 = 0$$

$$r^2 + 2r + 5 = 0$$

$$r = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 20}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \pm 4i}{2}$$

$$= -1 \pm 2i$$

$$(A - rI) \vec{z} = \vec{0}$$

When $r = -1 + 2i$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 - (-1 + 2i) & -4 \\ 1 & -1 - (-1 + 2i) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(-1+1-2i)z_1 - 4z_2 = 0$$

Note: In $A - rI$, even for complex numbers, the 2 rows are still linearly dependent.

$$-2iz_1 = 4z_2$$

$$-iz_1 = 2z_2$$

$$\frac{-iz_1}{2} = z_2$$

$$\text{Let } z_1 = 2, z_2 = -i$$

$$\bar{z} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + i \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Recall that $\bar{x} = e^{rt} \bar{z}$.

In this case, because we have complex eigenvalues,

$$r = \lambda + iu,$$

$$\bar{x} = e^{\lambda t + iut} \bar{z}$$

$$= e^{\lambda t} \cdot \underline{e^{iut}} \cdot \bar{z}$$

Euler's Formula: $e^{i\theta} = \cos(\theta) + i\sin(\theta)$

Hence, $\bar{x} = e^{\lambda t} (\cos(ut) + i\sin(ut)) \bar{z}$.

In this example, $\lambda = -1$ and $u = 2$.

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

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

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

$$\bar{x} = C_1 \left(\bar{e}^+ \cos(2t) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \bar{e}^+ \sin(2t) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) + \\ C_2 \left(\bar{e}^+ \cos(2t) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \bar{e}^+ \sin(2t) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

6. Solve $\bar{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \bar{x}$

Soln:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2-r & -5 \\ 1 & -2-r \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(2-r)(-2-r) + 5 = 0$$

$$-4 - 2r + 2r + r^2 + 5 = 0$$

$$r^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$r^2 = -1$$

$$r = \pm i$$

$$(A - rI)\bar{z} = \bar{0}$$

when $r = i$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2-i & -5 \\ 1 & -2-i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(2-i)z_1 - 5z_2 = 0$$

$$(2-i)z_1 = 5z_2$$

$$\frac{(2-i)z_1}{5} = z_2$$

$$\text{Let } z_1 = 5, z_2 = 2-i$$

$$\bar{z} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2-i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + i \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{x} = e^{rt} \bar{z}$$

$$e^{rt} = e^{it}$$

$$= \cos(t) + i\sin(t)$$

$$(\cos(t) + i\sin(t)) \left(\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + i \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= \cos(t) \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \sin(t) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + i \left(\sin(t) \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \cos(t) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$\bar{x} = C_1 \left(\cos(t) \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \sin(t) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) +$$

$$C_2 \left(\sin(t) \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \cos(t) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

7. Solve $\bar{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \bar{x}$

Soln:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-r & -1 \\ 5 & -3-r \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(1-r)(-3-r) + 5 = 0$$

$$-3 - r + 3r + r^2 + 5 = 0$$

$$r^2 + 2r + 2 = 0$$

$$r = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 8}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \pm 2i}{2}$$

$$= -1 \pm i \rightarrow r_1 = -1 + i, r_2 = -1 - i$$

$$(A - rI)\bar{z} = \bar{0}$$

When $r = -1 + i$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 - (-1 + i) & -1 \\ 5 & -3 - (-1 + i) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(1 - (-1 + i))z_1 - z_2 = 0$$

$$(1 + 1 - i)z_1 = z_2$$

$$(2 - i)z_1 = z_2$$

$$\text{Let } z_1 = 1, z_2 = 2 - i$$

$$\bar{z}' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 - i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + i \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{x} = e^{\lambda t} \bar{z}$$

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

$$= e^{-t} \cdot e^{it} \cdot \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + i \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$e^{it} = \cos(t) + i\sin(t)$$

$$(\cos(t) + i\sin(t)) \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + i \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= \cos(t) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \sin(t) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} +$$

$$i \left(\sin(t) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \cos(t) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$\bar{x} = C_1 e^{-t} \left(\cos(t) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \sin(t) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) +$$

$$C_2 e^{-t} \left(\sin(t) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \cos(t) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

8 Solve $\bar{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{x}$

Soln:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3-r & -4 \\ 1 & -1-r \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(3-r)(-1-r) + 4 = 0$$

$$-3 - 3r + r + r^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$r^2 - 2r + 1 = 0$$

$$(r-1)^2 = 0$$

$$r = 1$$

$$(A - rI)\bar{z} = \bar{0}$$

when $r = 1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3-1 & -4 \\ 1 & -1-1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2z_1 - 4z_2 = 0$$

$$z_1 - 2z_2 = 0$$

$$\frac{z_1}{2} = z_2$$

$$\text{Let } z_1 = 2, z_2 = 1.$$

$$\bar{z} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Because we have repeated roots,
 $\bar{x} = C_1 e^{rt} \bar{z} + C_2 (t e^{rt} \bar{z} + e^{rt} \bar{p})$, where
 \bar{p} is a generalized eigenvector.

$$(A - rI) \bar{p} = \bar{z}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2p_1 - 4p_2 = 2$$

$$p_1 - 2p_2 = 1$$

$$\text{Let } p_2 = 0, p_1 = 1.$$

$$\bar{p} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \bar{x} = C_1 \left(e^{rt} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) + C_2 \left(t e^{rt} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + e^{rt} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

9. Solve $\bar{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 8 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \bar{x}$

Soln:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 4-r & -2 \\ 8 & -4-r \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(4-r)(-4-r) + 16 = 0$$

$$-16 - 4r + 4r + r^2 + 16 = 0$$

$$r^2 = 0$$

$$r = 0$$

$$(A - rI)\bar{z} = \bar{0}$$

when $r = 0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 8 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$4z_1 - 2z_2 = 0$$

$$2z_1 - z_2 = 0$$

$$2z_1 = z_2$$

$$\text{Let } z_1 = 1, z_2 = 2.$$

$$\bar{z} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{x} = C_1 e^{rt} \bar{z} + C_2 (t e^{rt} \bar{z} + e^{rt} \bar{p})$$

$$(A - \tau I) \bar{p} = \bar{z}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 8 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2p_1 - p_2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Let } p_1 = 0. \quad p_2 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\bar{p} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{x} = C_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + C_2 \left(t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$