
Homework 1

MATH 564 — Intermediate Differential Equations

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1.1 A Simple Mass-Spring System

Exercise 1.1.2

At equilibrium, velocity is zero, there is no air resistance and net force is zero.

$$\begin{aligned}F_1 + F_2 &= 0 \\mg - k(y + a) &= 0 \\a &= \frac{mg}{k}\end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}F_1 + F_2 + F_3 &= m \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} \\mg - k(y + a) - b \frac{dy}{dt} &= m \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} \\-ky - b \frac{dy}{dt} &= m \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} \\\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + \frac{b}{m} \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{k}{m} y &= 0\end{aligned}$$

1.3 Systems of First-Order Equations

Exercise 1.3.8

- (a) i. $\phi(t)$ is differentiable on $t \in (-1, 1)$
ii. $(t, \phi(t)) \in D$ for each $t \in (-1, 1)$, where $D = \{(t, y) \mid -1 < t < 1, y > 0\}$
iii. $\phi'(t) = t\phi^3(t)$
- (b) i. $\phi(t)$ is differentiable on $t \in (-1, 1)$
ii. $(t, \phi(t)) \in D$ for each $t \in (-1, 1)$, where $D = \{(t, y) \mid -1 < t < 1, y < 0\}$
iii. $\phi'(t) = t\phi^3(t)$
- (c) i. $\phi_1(t), \phi_2(t)$ are differentiable on $t \in \mathbb{R}$
ii. $(t, \phi_1(t), \phi_2(t)) \in D$ for each $t \in \mathbb{R}$, where $D = \{(t, y, z) \mid t \in \mathbb{R}, y > 0, z > 0\}$
iii. $\phi_1'(t) = \phi_2(t)$ and $\phi_2'(t) = \phi_1(t)$
- (d) i. $\phi_1(t), \phi_2(t)$ are differentiable on $t \in \mathbb{R}$
ii. $(t, \phi_1(t), \phi_2(t)) \in D$ for each $t \in \mathbb{R}$, where $D = \{(t, y, z) \mid t \in \mathbb{R}, y > 0, z < 0\}$
iii. $\phi_1'(t) = \phi_2(t)$ and $\phi_2'(t) = \phi_1(t)$
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Exercise 1.3.9

- (a) $\phi(t)$ is not differentiable at $t = 0$, therefore is not a solution on $I = (-\infty, \infty)$
- (b) Yes. $\phi(t)$ is continuous on $I = (-\infty, \infty)$.
- (c) No. $\phi'(t)$ is not continuous at $t = 0$.
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Exercise 1.3.10

According to plot of $\phi(t)$ in Fig. 1 we have:

- $D_1 = \{(t, y) \mid -\infty < t < -1, |y| < \infty\}$
 $\phi(t)$ is not differentiable at $t = -1$ which is not included in D_1 .

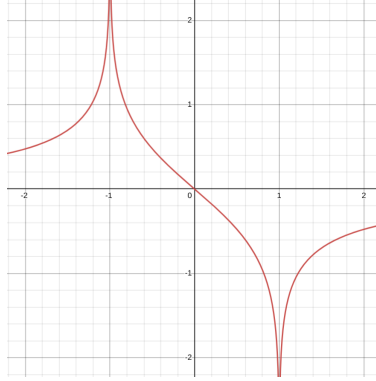


Figure 1: $\phi(t)$

- $D_2 = \{(t, y) | -1 < t < 1, |y| < \infty\}$
 $\phi(t)$ is not differentiable at $t = -1$ and $t = 1$ which is not included in D_2 .
- $D_3 = \{(t, y) | 1 < t < \infty, |y| < \infty\}$
 $\phi(t)$ is not differentiable at $t = 1$ and $t = \infty$ which is not included in D_3 .

Exercise 1.3.11

According to plot of $\phi(t)$ in Fig. 2 we have:

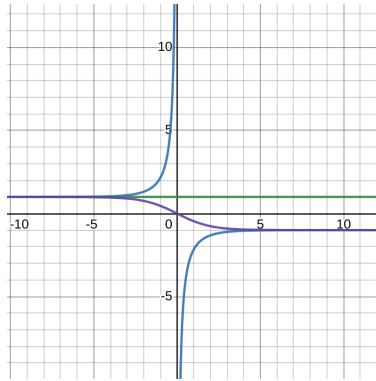


Figure 2: $\phi(t) = \frac{1+ce^t}{1-ce^t}$ for $c = -1, 0, 1$

- i. $\phi(t)$ is not differentiable at $t = -\ln c$ when $c > 0$ and is differentiable everywhere when $c \leq 0$
- ii. 3 Possible regions of solution will be:

- $c > 0$: $D = \{(t, y) \mid -\infty < t < -\ln c, 1 < y < \infty\}$
- $c > 0$: $D = \{(t, y) \mid -\ln c < t < \infty, -\infty < y < 1\}$
- $c \leq 0$: $D = \{(t, y) \mid -\infty < t < \infty, -1 < y < 1\}$

iii. $\phi'(t) = \frac{\phi^2 - 1}{2}$

Exercise 1.3.17

$$\begin{aligned}y_1' &= +3y_1^2 + 3y_2^2 - 2y_1y_2 \\y_2' &= -2y_1^2 - 2y_2^2 + 2y_1y_2\end{aligned}$$

1.4 Vector-Matrix Notation for Systems

Exercise 1.4.2

To show $\forall \mathbf{y} \in E_n \quad \|\mathbf{y}\| \leq |\mathbf{y}| \leq \sqrt{n}\|\mathbf{y}\|$

- LHS Inequality

$$\begin{aligned} &\iff \sum_i |y_i|^2 \leq \left(\sum_i |y_i|\right)^2 \\ &\iff \sum_i |y_i|^2 \leq \sum_i |y_i|^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} |y_i||y_j| \\ &\iff 0 \leq \sum_{i \neq j} |y_i||y_j| \end{aligned}$$

- RHS Inequality

$$\begin{aligned} &\iff \left(\sum_i |y_i|\right)^2 \leq n \sum_i |y_i|^2 \\ &\iff \sum_i |y_i|^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} |y_i||y_j| \leq n \sum_i |y_i|^2 \\ &\iff \sum_{i \neq j} |y_i||y_j| \leq (n-1) \sum_i |y_i|^2 \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

To prove the last inequality (*), we use modified AM-GM inequality, i.e., for each y_i and y_j we have $|y_i||y_j| \leq \frac{1}{2}(|y_i|^2 + |y_j|^2)$:

$$\sum_{i \neq j} |y_i||y_j| \leq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} |y_i|^2 + |y_j|^2 = \frac{1}{2} 2(n-1) \sum_i |y_i|^2$$

therefore inequality (*) holds true.

Exercise 1.4.3

- (i)

$$\begin{aligned} &\iff \|\mathbf{y}\| \geq 0 \\ &\iff \sum_i |y_i|^2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

sum of non-negative elements is equal to zero iff all the elements equal to zero. Therefore $\|\mathbf{y}\| = 0$ iff $\mathbf{y} = 0$.

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Longleftrightarrow \|\mathbf{c}\mathbf{y}\| = |c|\|\mathbf{y}\| \\
&\Longleftrightarrow \sum_i |cy_i|^2 = |c|^2 \|\mathbf{y}\|^2 \\
&\Longleftrightarrow \sum_i |c|^2 |y_i|^2 = |c|^2 \|\mathbf{y}\|^2 \\
&\Longleftrightarrow |c|^2 \sum_i |y_i|^2 = |c|^2 \|\mathbf{y}\|^2
\end{aligned}$$

(iii)

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{z}\|^2 &= \sum_i |y_i + z_i|^2 \\
&= \sum_i (y_i + z_i) \overline{(y_i + z_i)} \\
&= \sum_i |y_i|^2 + \sum_i |z_i|^2 + 2 \sum_i \Re\{y_i \overline{z_i}\} \\
&\leq \sum_i |y_i|^2 + \sum_i |z_i|^2 + 2 \sum_i |y_i| |z_i| \\
&\leq \sum_i |y_i|^2 + \sum_i |z_i|^2 + 2 \sqrt{\sum_i |y_i|^2} \sqrt{\sum_i |z_i|^2} \quad (*) \\
&= (\|\mathbf{y}\| + \|\mathbf{z}\|)^2
\end{aligned}$$

where the inequality $(*)$ holds by Schwarz inequality, $|\sum_i |y_i| |z_i||^2 \leq \sum_i |y_i|^2 \sum_i |z_i|^2$.

Exercise 1.4.8

Solution of first equation:

$$y_1 = Ce^{-t} \xrightarrow{\phi(0)=(2,1)} y_1 = 2e^{-t}$$

Then for the second equation:

$$y_2'' = y_1' + y_2' = -y_1 + y_1 + y_2 = y_2 \rightarrow y_2 = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 e^t$$

Using $\phi(0) = (2, 1)$:

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 + C_2 &= 1 \\ -C_1 + C_2 &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

therefore $y_2 = -1e^{-t} + 2e^t$.

And the valid interval of t is $I = (-\infty, +\infty)$.

Exercise 1.4.11

Let $v := y_1 + y_2$:

$$v' = 2v + f(t)$$

then the homogeneous solution will be:

$$v = C e^{2t} \xrightarrow{\phi(0)=(0,0)} v = 0 \rightarrow y_1 = -y_2$$

1.6 Existence, Uniqueness and Continuity

Exercise 1.6.5

For a collections of points to construct a region (open subset), we must have for each point in the subset a ball of radius $\epsilon > 0$ centered on that point, in the region.

- (a) Is a region.
 - (b) Is NOT a region. Points on the boundary cannot have a neighborhood.
 - (c) IS a region.
 - (d) IS a region.
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Exercise 1.6.8

- (a)
 - (i) $\phi(t)$ is differentiable over $t \in (-\infty, 0)$
 - (ii) $(t, \phi(t)) \in D$ for each $t \in (-\infty, 0)$, where $D = \{(t, y) | -\infty < t < 0, y > 0\}$
 - (iii) $\phi'(t) = \phi^2(t)$
 - (b) For the defined D in part (a), both $f = y^2$ and $f' = 2y$ are continuous. Given the initial value $(-1, 1)$ the solution of $\phi(t) = -1/t$ is unique.
 - (c) As mentioned in part (a), the largest interval for t is $(-\infty, 0)$.
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Exercise 1.6.10

Since \mathbf{f} and $\partial \mathbf{f} / \partial y_k$ are continuous, then for a given initial value in the defined region of D , then a unique solution ϕ exists.

Exercise 1.6.16

- (a) $\phi(t)$ is not a solution since at $t = 0$ it is not differentiable.
 - (b) Yes, it is continuous.
 - (c) No, it is not continuous at $t = 0$.
 - (d) ?
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1.7 The Gronwall Inequality

Exercise 1.7.2

Let $K = 0$ and $g(t) = 1 \quad \forall t \in [0, 1]$ in Gronwall inequality, then:

$$f(t) \leq 0 \exp\left(\int_0^t 1 ds\right) = 0$$

The only continuous function on $t \in [0, 1]$ satisfying $f(t) \leq \int_0^t f(s) ds$ is $f(t) = 0 \quad \forall t \in [0, 1]$.

Exercise 1.7.3

Let $U(t) = K_1 + \epsilon(t - \alpha) + K_2 \int_\alpha^t f(s) ds = K_1 + K_2 \int_\alpha^t (\frac{\epsilon}{K_2} + f(s)) ds$, then we have $f(t) \leq U(t)$ and $U(\alpha) = K_1$:

$$\begin{aligned} U'(t) &= \epsilon + K_2 f(t) = K_2(f(t) + \frac{\epsilon}{K_2}) \leq K_2(U(t) + \frac{\epsilon}{K_2}) \\ U'(t) - K_2(U(t) + \frac{\epsilon}{K_2}) &\leq 0 \\ U'(t) \exp(-K_2(t - \alpha)) - K_2(U(t) + \frac{\epsilon}{K_2}) \exp(-K_2(t - \alpha)) &\leq 0 \\ [(U(t) + \frac{\epsilon}{K_2}) \exp(-K_2(t - \alpha))] &\leq 0 \\ (U(t) + \frac{\epsilon}{K_2}) \exp(-K_2(t - \alpha)) - U(\alpha) - \frac{\epsilon}{K_2} &\leq 0 \\ (U(t) + \frac{\epsilon}{K_2}) \exp(-K_2(t - \alpha)) - K_1 - \frac{\epsilon}{K_2} &\leq 0 \\ U(t) &\leq -\frac{\epsilon}{K_2} + K_1 \exp(K_2(t - \alpha)) + \frac{\epsilon}{K_2} \exp(K_2(t - \alpha)) \\ U(t) &\leq K_1 \exp(K_2(t - \alpha)) + \frac{\epsilon}{K_2} (\exp(K_2(t - \alpha)) - 1) \end{aligned}$$

since $f(t) \leq U(t) \quad \forall t \in [\alpha, \beta]$:

$$f(t) \leq K_1 \exp(K_2(t - \alpha)) + \frac{\epsilon}{K_2} (\exp(K_2(t - \alpha)) - 1)$$

2.3 Linear Homogeneous Systems

Exercise 2.3.6

Suppose they are linearly dependent, then there exists $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in \mathbb{E}$ not all zero such that:

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + a_3 v_3 &= 0 \\ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 + a_3 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

then $a_1 = a_3 = a_2 = 0$ which is a contradiction and v_1, v_2, v_3 are linearly independent.

Exercise 2.3.8

Suppose they are linearly dependent, then there exists $a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{E}$ not all zero such that:

$$a_1 e^{r_1 t} + a_2 e^{r_2 t} = 0 \quad (\forall t \in \mathbb{R})$$

since $r_1 \neq r_2$, then both $a_1 = a_2 = 0$ which is contradiction and v_1, v_2 are linearly independent.

Exercise 2.3.23

First we show that Φ is a solution matrix:

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$$\begin{pmatrix} -\sin t \\ -\cos t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos t \\ -\sin t \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos t \\ -\sin t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sin t \\ \cos t \end{pmatrix}$$

now that Φ is a solution matrix, if $\det \Phi \neq 0 \quad \forall t \in I$, then Φ is a fundamental matrix. Since $\det \Phi = 1 \quad \forall t \in I$ then Φ is a fundamental matrix.

Exercise 2.3.24

First we show that Φ is a solution matrix:

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$$\begin{pmatrix} r_1 \exp(r_1 t) \\ r_1^2 \exp(r_1 t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -a_2 & -a_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \exp(r_1 t) \\ r_1 \exp(r_1 t) \end{pmatrix}$$

•

$$\begin{pmatrix} r_2 \exp(r_2 t) \\ r_2^2 \exp(r_2 t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -a_2 & -a_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \exp(r_2 t) \\ r_2 \exp(r_2 t) \end{pmatrix}$$

the equation above holds since r_1, r_2 are solutions of $z^2 + a_1 z + a_2 = 0$. Now that Φ is a solution matrix, if $\det \Phi \neq 0 \quad \forall t \in I$, then Φ is a fundamental matrix.

Using Abel's Formula, since $\det \Phi(0) = r_2 - r_1 \neq 0$ then $\det \Phi \neq 0 \quad \forall t \in I$ and therefore Φ is a fundamental matrix.

Exercise 2.3.27

(a) First we show that Φ is a solution matrix:

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$$\begin{pmatrix} 2t \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2/t^2 & 2/t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t^2 \\ 2t \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2/t^2 & 2/t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now that Φ is a solution matrix, if $\det \Phi \neq 0 \quad \forall t \in I$, then Φ is a fundamental matrix.

Using Abel's Formula, since $\det \Phi(1) = 2 \neq 0$ then $\det \Phi \neq 0 \quad \forall t \in I$ and therefore Φ is a fundamental matrix.

(b) No, since the interval I on which solution Φ is defined, does not include zero.

Exercise 2.3.28

Since we can write

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{it} & e^{-it} \\ ie^{it} & -ie^{-it} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 & -0.5i \\ 0.5 & 0.5i \end{pmatrix}$$

then it is also a fundamental matrix.

Another real fundamental matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t + \cos t & \cos t \end{pmatrix}$$

2.4 Linear Nonhomogeneous Systems

Exercise 2.4.5

From **Exercise 2.3.27** we know a fundamental matrix of the homogeneous equation on $I = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$:

$$\Phi(t) = \begin{pmatrix} t^2 & t \\ 2t & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

where its inverse will be:

$$\Phi^{-1}(t) = \frac{-1}{t^2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -t \\ -2t & t^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

The particular solution $\psi(t)$ with initial conditions of $\psi(2) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ will be calculated using Variation of Constants formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(t) &= \Phi(t) \int_2^t \Phi^{-1}(s)g(s)ds \\ &= \Phi(t) \int_2^t \begin{pmatrix} -1 & s \\ 2s & -s^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s^2 \\ s \end{pmatrix} ds \\ &= \Phi(t) \int_2^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ s^3 \end{pmatrix} ds \\ &= \Phi(t) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ t^4/4 - 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} t^5/4 - 4t \\ t^4/4 - 4 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Now we find the homogeneous solution $\phi_h(t)$ using the initial condition of $\phi_h(2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \Phi(2)\mathbf{c}$:

$$\mathbf{c} = \Phi^{-1}(2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{-1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

therefore

$$\phi_h(t) = \frac{-1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 7t^2 + 12t \\ -14t + 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

hence the general solution will be $\phi(t) = \phi_h(t) + \psi(t)$.

Exercise 2.4.6

(a) Let $y_1 = y$ and $y_2 = y'$ then:

$$\begin{aligned} y_1' &= y_2 \\ y_2' &= -q(t)y_1 - p(t)y_2 + f(t) \end{aligned}$$

then $\begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_1' \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} \phi_2 \\ \phi_2' \end{pmatrix}$ are the solutions of this system of differential equations. Since ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 are linearly independent (? not sure about vectors!), then the matrix $\Phi(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 & \phi_2 \\ \phi_1' & \phi_2' \end{pmatrix}$ is a fundamental matrix.

(b) By having $g(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f(t) \end{pmatrix}$, using Variation of Constants formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(t) &= \Phi(t) \int_2^t \Phi^{-1}(s)g(s)ds \\ &= \Phi(t) \int_2^t \frac{1}{\det \Phi} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_2' & -\phi_2 \\ -\phi_1' & \phi_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f(s) \end{pmatrix} ds \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1(t) \\ \psi_2(t) \end{pmatrix} &= \Phi(t) \int_2^t \Phi^{-1}(s)g(s)ds \\ &= \Phi(t) \int_2^t \frac{f(s)}{\phi_1\phi_2' - \phi_2\phi_1'} \begin{pmatrix} -\phi_2 \\ \phi_1 \end{pmatrix} ds \end{aligned}$$

and we know that $\psi_1' = \psi_2$ by definition of the ODE system.

2.5 Linear Systems with Constant Coefficients

Exercise 2.5.3

$$\begin{aligned}\exp M \cdot \exp P &= \left(I + \frac{M}{1!} + \frac{M^2}{2!} + \dots\right) \left(I + \frac{P}{1!} + \frac{P^2}{2!} + \dots\right) \\ &= I + (P + M) + \frac{M^2 + P^2 + 2MP}{2!} + \frac{M^3 + P^3 + 3MP^2 + 3PM^2}{3!} + \dots \\ &= \exp(M + P)\end{aligned}$$

last equality holds since M and P are commutative.

Exercise 2.5.5

The power series of $\exp tA$ is convergent for $t \in (-\infty, +\infty)$, so its integration/differentiation is allowed. We use the same differentiation rule of power series for the matrix power series, therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}(\exp tA)' &= A + \frac{tA^2}{1!} + \frac{t^2A^3}{2!} + \dots \\ &= A \left(I + \frac{tA}{1!} + \frac{t^2A^2}{2!} + \dots\right) \\ &= A \exp tA\end{aligned}$$

Exercise 2.5.6

The exponents are commutable: $(tA)(-tA) = (-tA)(tA)$.

Since $(\exp tA)(\exp -tA) = (\exp -tA)(\exp tA) = \exp(tA - tA) = \exp(0A) = I$, $\exp -tA$ is the inverse of $\exp tA$.
