

MA 102 (Mathematics II)

Tutorial Sheet No. 10

Ordinary Differential Equations

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1. Suppose that the square matrix A has a negative eigenvalue. Show that the linear system $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ has at least one nontrivial solution that satisfies $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{0}$.
2. If $A = P^{-1} \text{diag}[\lambda_j] P$, show that $\det e^A = e^{\text{trace } A}$. Verify this fact for any 2×2 matrix A .
3. Find a fundamental matrix of the linear system $\mathbf{x}'(t) = A\mathbf{x}(t)$ by computing e^{At} .

$$(a) A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (b) A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (c) A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (d) A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

4. Solve the initial value problems $\mathbf{x}'(t) = A\mathbf{x}(t)$, $\mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0$ for the matrix

$$(a) A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (b) A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (c) A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$(d) A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

5. Let $\mathbf{x}(t)$ be a nontrivial solution to the system $\mathbf{x}'(t) = A\mathbf{x}(t)$, where $A + A^T$ is positive definite. Prove that $\|\mathbf{x}(t)\|$ is an increasing function of t . (Here, $\|\cdot\|$ denotes the Euclidean norm.)
6. Let A be a real 3×3 matrix such that $A^T = -A$. Let $\mathbf{x}(t) = [x_1(t), x_2(t), x_3(t)]^T$ be a real solution of the system $\mathbf{x}'(t) = A\mathbf{x}(t)$. Prove that
 - (a) $\|\mathbf{x}(t)\|$ is independent of t .
 - (b) If $\mathbf{v} \in \text{Ker}(A)$ then $\mathbf{x}(t) \cdot \mathbf{v}$ is independent of t .
7. Solve the nonhomogeneous linear system $\mathbf{x}'(t) = A\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{f}(t)$ with initial condition $\mathbf{x}(0) = [1, 0]^T$, where (a) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{f}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2e^t \\ 4e^t \end{bmatrix}$; (b) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{f}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 1 + 2t \end{bmatrix}$.
8. Show that $\Phi(t) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-2t} \cos t & -\sin t \\ e^{-2t} \sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix}$ is a fundamental matrix solution of the nonautonomous linear system $\mathbf{x}'(t) = A(t)\mathbf{x}$ with $A(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \cos^2 t & -1 - \sin 2t \\ 1 - \sin 2t & -2 \sin^2 t \end{bmatrix}$. Find the inverse of $\Phi(t)$ and solve $\mathbf{x}'(t) = A(t)\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{f}(t)$, $\mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0$ with $A(t)$ as given above and $\mathbf{f}(t) = [1, e^{-2t}]^T$.
9. Find all critical points of each of the following plane autonomous systems:
 - (a) $x_1'(t) = -x_1 + x_2$, $x_2'(t) = x_1 - x_2$;
 - (b) $x_1'(t) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 6$, $x_2'(t) = x_1^2 - x_2$.
 - (c) $x_1'(t) = x_1^2 e^{x_2}$, $x_2'(t) = x_2(e^{x_1} - 1)$.

10. Determine the nature of critical point $(0, 0)$ of each of the linear autonomous systems $\mathbf{x}'(t) = A\mathbf{x}(t)$, and determine whether or not the critical point is stable.

$$(a) A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (b) A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (c) \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$