

# Lecture 21

Today:

- motivational example
- lots of linear algebra

Recall: Ex:  $\begin{cases} x'(t) = 5x(t) - y(t) \\ y'(t) = -x(t) + 5y(t) \end{cases} \quad (*)$

Ideas: define new variables.  $\tilde{x}(t) = \frac{x+y}{2}$

In terms of new vars, (\*) becomes:  $\tilde{y}(t) = \frac{x-y}{2}$

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{x}' + \tilde{y}' = 5(\tilde{x} + \tilde{y}) - (\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}) \\ \tilde{x}' - \tilde{y}' = -(\tilde{x} + \tilde{y}) + 5(\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}) \end{cases} \quad \begin{aligned} \tilde{x} + \tilde{y} &= x \\ \tilde{x} - \tilde{y} &= y \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} \tilde{x}' + \tilde{y}' = 4\tilde{x} + 6\tilde{y} \\ \tilde{x}' - \tilde{y}' = 4\tilde{x} - 6\tilde{y} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$$\leadsto \begin{cases} 2\tilde{x}' = 4\tilde{x} \\ 2\tilde{y}' = 12\tilde{y} \end{cases} \leadsto \begin{cases} \tilde{x}' = 4\tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y}' = 6\tilde{y} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{x}(t) &= C_1 e^{4t} & \tilde{y}(t) &= C_2 e^{6t} & \text{uncoupled} \\ x(t) &= C_1 e^{4t} + C_2 e^{6t} & y(t) &= C_1 e^{4t} - C_2 e^{6t} & \text{system} \end{aligned}$$

general solution

Questions . . .

- What did the new variables  $\tilde{x}$  and  $\tilde{y}$  come from?
- What's the significance of 4 and 6?

A :  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}$  come from the eigenvectors of  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ -1 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$  and 4, 6 are its eigenvalues.

# Crash course in linear algebra :

- vector

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

think of as  $n \times 1$  matrix

entries can

be real  $\mathbb{R}$ 's

or  $\mathbb{C}$ 's

e.g.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1+i \\ 1+2i \end{pmatrix}$$

- square matrix :

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \cdot 5 + 2 \cdot 7 & 1 \cdot 6 + 2 \cdot 8 \\ 3 \cdot 5 + 4 \cdot 7 & 3 \cdot 6 + 4 \cdot 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

matrix-matrix mult

$$\cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \cdot 5 + 2 \cdot 6 \\ 3 \cdot 5 + 4 \cdot 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 17 \\ 39 \end{pmatrix}$$

matrix - vector mult

- $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$
- $\vec{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$
- $\vec{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}$

3 vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

- $\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+5i \\ 2+5i \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^2$

linear (in)dependence : A collection of vectors  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k \in \mathbb{C}^n$  are linearly independent if whenever  $c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_k \vec{v}_k = \vec{0} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  for  $c_1, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{C}$ , then  $c_1 = \dots = c_k = 0$ .

Otherwise, we say they're linearly dependent.

of says none of the  $\vec{v}_i$  can be written as a linear combo of the others

Ex: Are  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}$  linearly independent?

$$2 \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ so } \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

So they're dependent.

Fact: Given  $n$  vectors  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , they're linearly dependent if and only if the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b_1 \\ v_1 & b_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ v_n & b_n \end{pmatrix}$  has determinant 0.

Def: A basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a set of  $n$  linearly independent vectors.

Fact: Any  $n+1$  vectors in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  (or  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ) are linearly dependent.

Ex: Basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :  $\left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$  "standard basis"

Linearly indep:  $c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0.$$

Another basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :  $\left( \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$

Linearly indep:  $c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2c_1 \\ c_2 + c_3 \\ c_2 - c_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{array}{l} 2c_1 = 0 \\ c_2 + c_3 = 0 \\ c_2 - c_3 = 0 \end{array}$$

$$c_1 = 0 \qquad \qquad \qquad 2c_2 = 0 \qquad c_2 = 0$$

$$c_3 = 0.$$

Not a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  :

$$\left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

$$\left( \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

independent?

$$c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} c_1 + 2c_2 \\ 0 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_3 = 0 \quad c_1 = -2c_2$$

So can take  $c_1 = -2$ ,  $c_2 = 1$ ,  $c_3 = 0$  gives a nontrivial lin. comb. which equals  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Invertibility :  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is invertible if there

exists another  $n \times n$  matrix  $B$  s.t.

$$\text{Here } \mathbb{I}_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} AB &= \mathbb{I}_n. \\ \text{ex} \\ \mathbb{I}_3 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Fact: For any matrix  $A$ ,  $A \cdot \mathbb{1}_n = A$   
 $\mathbb{1}_n \cdot A = A$ .

Warning: in general, for non square matrices  $A, B$

$$A \cdot B \neq B \cdot A.$$

Ex:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} A^{-1} &= \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix} \\ (\text{inverse of } A) &= \frac{1}{|A|} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Check:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ ,

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{-2} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 - 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

More generally, to find inverse of  $n \times n$  matrix:

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{array} \right) \left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right|$$

matrix whose inverse want

identity matrix

"augmented" matrix

Apply "elementary row operations" to reduce left matrix to the identity. Then the resulting right matrix is  $A^{-1}$ .

Elementary row ops:

- (1) interchange two rows
- (2) multiply a row by a nonzero scalar
- (3) add a multiple of one row to another

Ex:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$\xrightarrow{\text{row } 2 \rightarrow \text{row } 2 - 3\text{row } 1} \left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

"Gaussian elimination"

$$\text{row } 1 \rightarrow \text{row } 1 + \text{row } 2$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\text{row } 2 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}\text{row } 2$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \text{ as before.}$$

Consider linear system.

$$\begin{aligned} ax + by + cz &= c_1 \\ dx + ey + fz &= c_2 \\ gx + hy + iz &= c_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Left  
assume  
A is  
invertible.

Note:  $A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow A^{-1} A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Leftrightarrow I \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Recall: by Cramer's rule,

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} c_1 & b & c \\ c_2 & e & f \\ c_3 & h & i \end{vmatrix}}{|A|} \quad \begin{matrix} y = \dots \\ z = \dots \end{matrix}$$

Ex: A matrix which is not invertible:  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Eigenvalues / eigenvectors:

Given  $A$   $n \times n$  matrix,  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  with eigenvector  $\vec{v}$ , if  $A\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v}$ .

Slight issue:  $A \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  
So then  $\lambda$  could be anything ...

$A$  =  $n \times n$  matrix  
 $\vec{v}$  =  $n$  dimensional vector  
 $\lambda$  = scalar

$\lambda$  cannot be the zero vector.  
 $\lambda$  can be 0 (scalar)

$A\vec{v} = \text{const } \vec{v}$

$$A\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v}$$

Caveat:

Ex:  $17$  is a scalar

(17) is a 1-dim vector  
pretty useless

Ex:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$

Goal: find eigenvalues  
and eigenvectors.

Seek  $\vec{v}$  such that  
 $\vec{v}$  is a scalar

Note: each eigenvect has an  
associated eval.

$$A\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v}.$$

Warning: could be several  
evecs w/ same eval.

$$\Leftrightarrow A\vec{v} = \lambda I\vec{v}$$

(recall  $I\vec{v} = \vec{v}$ )

$$\Leftrightarrow (A - \lambda I)\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: If  $A - \lambda I$  is invertible then

$$\vec{v} = (A - \lambda I)^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

so  $\vec{v}$  would be  
the zero vector.

To avoid this, we must assume  $A - \lambda \mathbb{I}$  not invertible.  
Hence we can impose  $(A - \lambda \mathbb{I}) = 0$ .