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## 1. Lecture 5

The following can be done after Lecture 5.

5-1

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Consider the system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= 6x_1 - x_2 - 4x_3 + x_4 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= 4x_1 - 6x_2 + 5x_3 - x_4 \\ \dot{x}_3 &= -6x_1 + x_2 - 5x_3 \\ \dot{x}_4 &= 4x_1 - 5x_2 + x_4.\end{aligned}$$

If

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \\ \dot{x}_4 \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

is the vector equation for the given system, what is the fourth entry in the third row of the matrix **A**?

✓ Answer: 0

**Solution:**

Look carefully at the vector equation and the system. From the vector on the left-hand side, we see that the third row of  $\mathbf{A}$  has to be related to  $\dot{\mathbf{x}}_3$ . From the ordering of the variables in the vector on the left-hand side, we see that the fourth entry has to be the coefficient in front of  $\mathbf{x}_4$  in the equation for  $\dot{\mathbf{x}}_3$ . From the system we see that this coefficient is equal to  $0$ .

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Consider the system

$$\dot{x} = x + 3y - z,$$

$$\dot{y} = -2y + 4z,$$

$$\dot{z} = 3z.$$

Which of the following is the general solution of the system?  
(Check all that apply.)

☐  $c_1 e^t + c_2 e^{-2t} + c_3 e^{3t}$

☐  $c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$

☒  $c_1 e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{-2t} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 e^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} \checkmark$

**Solution:**

The system is  $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$  with

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

Since the matrix is upper triangular, the eigenvalues are its diagonal entries **1**, **-2** and **3**. Computing  $\mathbf{NS}(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{I})$  using back-substitution (the matrix is already in row-echelon form)

shows that the eigenspace of **1** has the vector  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  as a basis. Similarly, the eigenspace of

**-2** has  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  as a basis, and the eigenspace of **3** has  $\begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$  as a basis.

The general solution is

$$\mathbf{x} = c_1 e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{-2t} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 e^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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For the system

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{x} &= 5x + 7\dot{y} \\ \ddot{y} &= 2\dot{x} + 3y, \end{aligned}$$

which of the following is true?

(Suggestion: Convert it to a **first-order** system.)

- ☐ The set of solutions is a **1**-dimensional vector space.
- ☐ The set of solutions is a **2**-dimensional vector space.
- ☒ The set of solutions is a **4**-dimensional vector space. ✓
- ☐ The set of solutions is not a vector space.

### Solution:

The set of solutions is a **4**-dimensional vector space.

To convert this to a first-order system, introduce new function variables  $\mathbf{u} := \dot{\mathbf{x}}$  and  $\mathbf{v} := \dot{\mathbf{y}}$ . Then the original system is equivalent to the first-order system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{x}} &= \mathbf{u} \\ \dot{\mathbf{y}} &= \mathbf{v} \\ \dot{\mathbf{u}} &= 5\mathbf{x} + 7\mathbf{v} \\ \dot{\mathbf{v}} &= 2\mathbf{u} + 3\mathbf{y}.\end{aligned}$$

This is a first-order homogeneous linear system of **4** ODEs in **4** unknown functions, so the set of solutions is a **4**-dimensional vector space.

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Suppose that  $\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 2e^{3t} & 3e^{-2t} \\ 5e^{3t} & 7e^{-2t} \end{pmatrix}$  is a fundamental matrix for a system  $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$ . Let

$\mathbf{x}(t) = (x(t), y(t))$  be the solution satisfying the initial condition  $\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ . What is  $y(t)$ ?

65\*exp(3\*t)-63\*exp(-2\*t)



Answer:  $65 \cdot e^{3t} - 63 \cdot e^{-2t}$

$65 \cdot \exp(3 \cdot t) - 63 \cdot \exp(-2 \cdot t)$

### Solution:

The answer is  $y(t) = 65e^{3t} - 63e^{-2t}$ .

The general solution to the system has the form

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{X}(t) \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2e^{3t} \\ 5e^{3t} \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 3e^{-2t} \\ 7e^{-2t} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Setting  $t = 0$  and using the initial condition leads to

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix},$$

which is the system

$$\begin{aligned} 2c_1 + 3c_2 &= -1 \\ 5c_1 + 7c_2 &= 2, \end{aligned}$$

whose solution is  $c_1 = 13$ ,  $c_2 = -9$ . Thus the particular solution is

$$\mathbf{x} = 13 \begin{pmatrix} 2e^{3t} \\ 5e^{3t} \end{pmatrix} - 9 \begin{pmatrix} 3e^{-2t} \\ 7e^{-2t} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Taking the second coordinate function gives  $y(t) = 65e^{3t} - 63e^{-2t}$ .

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5-5

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Let  $\mathbf{S} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$ . Let  $\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Let  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{SDS}^{-1}$ . What is the sum of the entries of  $\mathbf{A}^{1000}$ ?

2

✓ Answer: 2

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**Solution:**

The sum of the entries is **2**.

We have  $\mathbf{A}^{1000} = \mathbf{SD}^{1000}\mathbf{S}^{-1}$ . But  $\mathbf{D}^2 = \mathbf{I}$ , so  $\mathbf{D}^{1000} = \mathbf{I}$ . Thus

$$\mathbf{A}^{1000} = \mathbf{SD}^{1000}\mathbf{S}^{-1} = \mathbf{SIS}^{-1} = \mathbf{SS}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}.$$

The sum of its entries is  $1 + 0 + 0 + 1 = 2$ .

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