

(B) Complex eigenvalues

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$$x' = Ax \quad \begin{pmatrix} x_1' \\ x_2' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} x_1 = x_1(t) \\ x_2 = x_2(t) \end{matrix}$$

$$\underline{\tilde{x}} = \underline{\tilde{v}} e^{\lambda t}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} e^{\lambda t} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 e^{\lambda t} \\ v_2 e^{\lambda t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0, \quad (A - \lambda I) \underline{\tilde{v}} = \underline{0}$$

Ex $x' = \begin{pmatrix} -1/2 & 1 \\ -1 & -1/2 \end{pmatrix} x$ Find the general solution

$$\underline{\tilde{x}} = \underline{\tilde{v}} e^{\lambda t} \Rightarrow |A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} - \lambda & 1 \\ -1 & -\frac{1}{2} - \lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$|A - \lambda I| = \lambda^2 + \lambda + \frac{5}{4} = 0 \quad \Delta = 1^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{5}{4} = -4$$

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{-1 \mp \sqrt{-4}}{2} = \frac{-1 \mp \sqrt{4i^2}}{2} = -\frac{1}{2} \mp i$$

$$\lambda = -\frac{1}{2} + i \quad (A - \lambda I) \underline{v} = \underline{0}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} - (-\frac{1}{2} + i) & 1 \\ -1 & -\frac{1}{2} - (-\frac{1}{2} + i) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -i & 1 \\ -1 & -i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-i v_1 + v_2 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } v_1 = 1 \rightarrow v_2 = i$$

$$\underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_1 = -\frac{1}{2} + i$$

$$\underline{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 = -\frac{1}{2} - i$$

$$\underline{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix}$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{If } \lambda \text{ is a complex eigenvalue to a real-entry matrix} \\ A \text{ with eigenvector } \underline{v}, \lambda^* \text{ is also an eigenvalue} \\ \text{to } A \text{ with eigenvector } \underline{v}^* \end{array} \right\}$

$$\underline{x} = \underline{v} e^{\lambda t} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix} e^{(-\frac{1}{2} + i)t} \quad \text{is a}$$

"complex vector" solution to the system $\underline{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \\ -1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \underline{x}$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x_1' &= -\frac{1}{2}x_1 + x_2 \\ x_2' &= -x_1 - \frac{1}{2}x_2 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ we need to give real solutions } x_1(t) \text{ \& } x_2(t).$$

$$\underline{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{(-\frac{1}{2}+i)t} \\ i e^{(-\frac{1}{2}+i)t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \rightarrow x_1(t) \\ \rightarrow x_2(t) \end{matrix}$$

Claim If $x(t) = \underline{u}(t) + i \underline{v}(t)$ solves $x' = Ax$, so do $\underline{u}(t)$ and $\underline{v}(t)$; that is, \underline{u} and \underline{v} also solve $x' = Ax$. Indeed,

$$x = \underline{u} + i \underline{v} \xrightarrow{x' = Ax} (u + i v)' = A(u + i v)$$

$$\begin{matrix} \underline{u}' + i \underline{v}' & = & A \underline{u} + i A \underline{v} & \Rightarrow & \underline{u}' = A \underline{u} \\ \underline{\quad} \quad \underline{\quad} & & \underline{\quad} \quad \underline{\quad} & & \underline{v}' = A \underline{v} \end{matrix}$$

(A is assumed to be with real entries)

$$x(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix} e^{(-\frac{1}{2} + i)t} = e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix} e^{it}$$

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

$$= e^{-\frac{t}{2}} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ -\sin t \end{bmatrix} + i \begin{bmatrix} \sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$= \underbrace{e^{-\frac{t}{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ -\sin t \end{bmatrix}}_{\tilde{u}(t)} + i \underbrace{e^{-\frac{t}{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix}}_{\tilde{v}(t)}$$

$\tilde{u}(t)$

$\tilde{v}(t)$

$\underline{u}(t)$ and $\underline{v}(t)$ are two solutions to

$x' = A x$ and they're linearly ind., as

$$W(u, v) = \begin{vmatrix} e^{-t/2} \cos t & e^{-t/2} \sin t \\ -e^{-t/2} \sin t & e^{-t/2} \cos t \end{vmatrix} = e^{-t} \neq 0.$$

Hence,

$$\underline{x}(t) = c_1 \underline{u}(t) + c_2 \underline{v}(t)$$

$$= c_1 e^{-t/2} \begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ -\sin t \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{-t/2} \begin{bmatrix} \sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

is the general solution!

Ex Find the general sol.
of

$$\frac{dx_1}{dt} = 4x_1 - 3x_2$$

$$\frac{dx_2}{dt} = 3x_1 + 4x_2$$

$$\underline{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \underline{x}$$

$$\underline{x} = \underline{v} e^{\lambda t}$$

$$(A - \lambda I) \underline{v} = 0$$

$$|A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 4 - \lambda & -3 \\ 3 & 4 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = (4 - \lambda)^2 + 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda - 4)^2 = -9 = (3i)^2 \Rightarrow \lambda - 4 = \pm 3i \rightarrow \boxed{\lambda = 4 \mp 3i}$$

$$\underline{\lambda = 4 - 3i} \quad (A - \lambda I) \underline{v} = \underline{0}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 - (4 - 3i) & -3 \\ 3 & 4 - (4 - 3i) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3i & -3 \\ 3 & 3i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad 3i v_1 - 3 v_2 = 0$$

Let $v_1 = 1 \rightarrow v_2 = i$

$$\lambda = 4 - 3i, \quad \underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x} = \underline{v} e^{\lambda t} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix} e^{(4-3i)t}$$

$$\tilde{x}(t) = e^{4t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix} e^{i(-3t)} = e^{4t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix} (\cos(-3t) + i\sin(3t))$$

$$= e^{4t} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(3t) - i\sin(3t) \\ i\cos(3t) + \sin(3t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= e^{4t} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \cos 3t \\ \sin 3t \end{pmatrix} + i \begin{pmatrix} -\sin 3t \\ \cos 3t \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$= \underbrace{e^{4t} \begin{pmatrix} \cos 3t \\ \sin 3t \end{pmatrix}}_{\tilde{x}_1(t)} + i \underbrace{e^{4t} \begin{pmatrix} -\sin 3t \\ \cos 3t \end{pmatrix}}_{\tilde{x}_2(t)}$$

$$x' = Ax.$$

$\tilde{x}_1(t)$ & $\tilde{x}_2(t)$ are lin. ind. real vector sols. to \uparrow

$$\underline{\tilde{x}}(t) = c_1 \underline{\tilde{x}}_1(t) + c_2 \underline{\tilde{x}}_2(t)$$

$$= c_1 \begin{pmatrix} \cos 3t \\ \sin 3t \end{pmatrix} e^{4t} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} -\sin 3t \\ \cos 3t \end{pmatrix} e^{4t}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{dx_1}{dt} &= 4x_1 - 3x_2 \\ \frac{dx_2}{dt} &= 3x_1 + 4x_2 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$x_1(t) = e^{4t} (c_1 \cos 3t + c_2 \sin 3t)$$

$$x_2(t) = e^{4t} (c_1 \sin 3t + c_2 \cos 3t)$$

Remark

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0$$

$$\downarrow y = e^{rt}$$

$$ar^2 + br + c = 0$$

$$\Gamma_{1,2} = \alpha \mp \beta i$$

$$y(t) = e^{\alpha t} [C_1 \cos(\beta t) + C_2 \sin(\beta t)]$$

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0$$

second-order, linear, single equation.

$$\text{Let: } y = x_1, \quad y' = x_2 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad x_1' = x_2$$

\downarrow

$$y'' = x_2'$$

$$ax_2' + bx_2 + cx_1 = 0$$

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0 \xrightarrow{\text{converted to}}$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1' = x_2 \\ x_2' = -\frac{b}{a}x_2 - \frac{c}{a}x_1 \end{cases}$$

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Given the system $x' = Ax$, upon substituting $x = \underline{v} e^{\lambda t}$, suppose we have found an eigenvalue of multiplicity $k=2$.

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda. \quad \text{Solving } (A - \lambda I) \underline{v} = \underline{0},$$

we can find an eigenvector \underline{v} and a

solution $\underline{x}_1(t) = \underline{v} e^{\lambda t}$

Question Can we find a second solution $\underline{x}_2(t)$ for the same eigenvalue λ ??

Actually, this case is the same as:

$$y'' - 2y' + y = 0 \quad y = e^{rt} \quad r^2 - 2r + 1 = 0$$

$$(r-1)^2 = 0 \quad r_1 = r_2 = 1 \quad y = c_1 e^t + c_2 t e^t$$

Let's suggest that $\underline{x}(t) = \underline{v}_2 t e^{\lambda t}$ solves $x' = Ax$

$$x' = \underline{v}_2 e^{\lambda t} + \underline{v}_2 \lambda t e^{\lambda t}$$

$$\underline{v}_2 e^{\lambda t} + \underline{v}_2 \lambda t e^{\lambda t} = A \underline{v}_2 e^{\lambda t}$$

$$\lambda \underline{v}_2 (t e^{\lambda t}) - (A - I) \underline{v}_2 e^{\lambda t} = 0$$

which is possible iff $\underline{v}_2 = \underline{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ No result!!

Let's suggest a solution of the form

$$\underline{x}(t) = (\underline{v}_1 t + \underline{v}_2) e^{\lambda t} \quad \text{for } x' = Ax$$

$$\underline{x}(t) = \underline{v}_1 t e^{\lambda t} + \underline{v}_2 e^{\lambda t}$$

$$\underline{v}_1 e^{\lambda t} + \underline{v}_1 \lambda t e^{\lambda t} + \underline{v}_2 \lambda e^{\lambda t} = A(\underline{v}_1 t + \underline{v}_2) e^{\lambda t}$$

Let's cancel $e^{\lambda t}$'s.

$$\underline{v}_1 + \underline{v}_1 \lambda t + \underline{v}_2 \lambda = A \underline{v}_1 t + A \underline{v}_2$$

$$t \cdot \underbrace{(A - \lambda I) \underline{v}_1}_0 + \underbrace{(A - \lambda I) \underline{v}_2 - \underline{v}_1}_0 = \underline{0}$$

$$(A - \lambda I) \underline{v_1} = \underline{0} \quad \Leftarrow \quad v_1 \text{ is the eigenvector found previously}$$

$$(A - \lambda I) \underline{v_2} = v_1$$

ALGORITHM

① First find a nonzero solution v_1 of

$$(A - \lambda I) v_1 = 0$$

② and then solve

$$(A - \lambda I) v_2 = v_1 \quad \text{to find } v_2.$$

Example Find a general sol. of the system

$$\underline{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 3 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \underline{x}$$

$$\underline{x} = \underline{v} e^{\lambda t} \rightarrow (A - \lambda I) \underline{v} = \underline{0}$$

$$|A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & -3 \\ 3 & 7-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (\lambda - 4)^2 = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 4$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1-4 & -3 \\ 3 & 7-4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -3 \\ 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3a + 3b = 0 \rightarrow a + b = 0 \text{ let } b=1 \rightarrow a=-1$$

$$v = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\underline{\tilde{x}}_1(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{4t}$$

To find the second solution, we propose

$$\underline{\tilde{x}}(t) = (\underline{\tilde{v}}_1 t + \underline{\tilde{v}}_2) e^{\lambda t}$$

$$(A - \lambda I) v_1 = 0 \rightarrow v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\lambda = 4)$$

$$(A - \lambda I) v_2 = v_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & -3 \\ 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} -3c - 3d = -1 \\ 3c + 3d = 1 \end{array}$$

Let's choose $3c + 3d = 1 \xrightarrow{c=0} d = 1/3$

$$v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\tilde{x}}_1(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{4t}$$

$$\underline{\tilde{x}}_2(t) = \left(\underline{\tilde{v}}_1 t + v_2 \right) e^{\lambda t}$$

$$= \left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} t + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \right) e^{4t}$$

$$x(t) = c_1 \underline{\tilde{x}}_1(t) + c_2 \underline{\tilde{x}}_2(t)$$

$$= c_1 \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{4t}}_{\underline{\tilde{x}}_1(t)} + c_2 \underbrace{\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} t + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \right\} e^{4t}}_{\underline{\tilde{x}}_2(t)}$$

The solution, explicitly, is

$$x_1(t) = -c_1 e^{4t} + c_2 (-t) e^{4t}$$

$$x_2(t) = c_1 e^{4t} + c_2 \left(t + \frac{1}{3} \right) e^{4t}$$

Question In calculating v_2 , when solving

$3c + 3d = 1$, we have chosen $c = 0$. Does this cause any loss of information in the solution?

Let's say $d = \frac{1-3c}{3}$. So we have

$$v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ (1-3c)/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\tilde{x}}_2(t) = (\underline{\tilde{v}}_1 t + \underline{\tilde{v}}_2) e^{\lambda t}$$

$$\underline{x}_2(t) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} t + \begin{bmatrix} c \\ (1-3c)/3 \end{bmatrix} \right\} e^{4t}$$

$$\underline{x}(t) = c_1 \underline{\tilde{x}}_1(t) + c_2 \underline{\tilde{x}}_2(t)$$

$$= c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{4t} + c_2 \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} t + \begin{bmatrix} c \\ (1-3c)/3 \end{bmatrix} \right\} e^{4t}$$

$$= c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{4t} + c_2 \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} t e^t + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix} \right\} e^{4t} - c_2 c \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{4t}$$

$$= \underbrace{(c_1 - c_2 c)}_{\tilde{c}_1} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{4t} + c_2 \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} t + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix} \right\} e^{4t}$$

$$\underline{\tilde{x}}(t) = \tilde{c}_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{4t} + c_2 \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} t + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \right\} e^{4t}$$

There's no loss of inf. on choosing $c=0!!$