

6.1-2-Planar Systems

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Planar Systems

Key Definitions

Characteristic polynomial - the determinant of the matrix, A , minus the identity, I , multiplied by λ

Planar Systems - usually homogenous linear systems with constant coefficients solved using linear algebra, specifically in 2×2 matrices below

Problem

Given a linear system:

$$\vec{x}' = A\vec{x} \quad \text{AND} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}$$

With possible IVP:

$$\vec{x}(t_0) = \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix}$$

Steps

1. Find Eigenvalues using characteristic polynomial
2. Find Eigenvectors using $\text{null}(A - \lambda I_n)$
3. General Solution:

$$x(T, C_1, C_2) = C_1 E^{A_1 T} \vec{V}_1 + C_2 E^{A_2 T} \vec{V}_2$$

4. Plug in IVP and solve augmented matrix using general solution

General Solutions

Distinct Real Roots

Different real Eigenvalues

$$x(T) = C_1 E^{A_1 T} \vec{V}_1 + C_2 E^{A_2 T} \vec{V}_2$$

Complex Conjugate Roots

Complex Eigenvalues

$$\Lambda = A + BI$$

$$\vec{W} = \vec{V}_1 + \vec{V}_2 I$$

$$\bar{\Lambda} = A - BI$$

$$\vec{\bar{W}} = \vec{V}_1 - \vec{V}_2 I$$

Complex Version

$$x(T) = C_1 E^{AT} \vec{W} + C_2 E^{\bar{A}T} \vec{\bar{W}}$$

Real Version

$$x(T) = C_1 E^{AT} (\vec{V}_1 \cos BT - \vec{V}_2 \sin BT) + C_2 E^{AT} (\vec{V}_1 \sin BT + \vec{V}_2 \cos BT)$$

Double Real Roots

One Eigenvalue

Easy Case

2 linearly independent Eigenvectors

Same as Distinct Real Roots case:

$$x(t) = C_1 e^{A^T \vec{t}} \vec{V}_1 + C_2 e^{A^T \vec{t}} \vec{V}_2$$

Hard Case

1 Eigenvector

Find \vec{v}_2 by setting up augmented matrix:

$$\vec{v}_2 = [A - \lambda I \quad | \quad \vec{v}_1]$$

Then solution is given by:

$$x(t) = C_1 e^{A^T \vec{t}} \vec{V}_1 + C_2 e^{A^T \vec{t}} (\vec{V}_2 + t \vec{V}_1)$$