

Systems of Equations

$$A(a\vec{x} + b\vec{y}) = aA\vec{x} + bA\vec{y}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (ax_1(t) + bx_2(t)) = a \frac{dx_1}{dt} + b \frac{dx_2}{dt}$$

Solution to $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$

Guess $\vec{x} = \vec{k}e^{rt} \Rightarrow \vec{x}' = r\vec{k}e^{rt}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} k_1 e^{rt} \\ k_2 e^{rt} \end{pmatrix}$$

$r\vec{k}e^{rt} = A\vec{k}e^{rt}$ divide by e^{rt}

$$\vec{0} = A\vec{k} - r\vec{k}$$

$$\vec{0} = \underbrace{(A - \lambda I)}_B \vec{k}$$

We want $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$

λ is an eigenvalue & \vec{k} is the corresponding eigenvector.

Solution: $\vec{x} = \vec{k}e^{\lambda t}$

Suppose \vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2 are both solutions $\begin{matrix} \vec{x}'_1 = A\vec{x}_1 \\ \vec{x}'_2 = A\vec{x}_2 \end{matrix}$

$$\vec{x} = c_1\vec{x}_1 + c_2\vec{x}_2 \rightarrow \vec{x}' = c_1\vec{x}'_1 + c_2\vec{x}'_2$$

$$\vec{x}' \stackrel{?}{=} A\vec{x} \rightarrow A(c_1\vec{x}_1 + c_2\vec{x}_2) = c_1A\vec{x}_1 + c_2A\vec{x}_2$$

$$c_1\vec{x}'_1 + c_2\vec{x}'_2 \stackrel{?}{=} c_1A\vec{x}_1 + c_2A\vec{x}_2$$

This is only better than \vec{x}_1 or \vec{x}_2 alone if they are linearly independent.

\vec{x}_1 and \vec{x}_2 linearly independent?

$$\text{Set } c_1 \vec{x}_1 + c_2 \vec{x}_2 = \vec{0}$$

If the only values of $c_1 + c_2$ that make this true are $c_1 = c_2 = 0$, then \vec{x}_1 and \vec{x}_2 are linearly independent.

Test for independence of $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_n$

① Form
$$X = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & & | \\ \vec{x}_1 & \vec{x}_2 & \dots & \vec{x}_n \\ | & | & & | \end{bmatrix}$$

② Find $\det(X)$, called the Wronskian

If it is not zero for any t ,
 $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_n$ are linearly independent

X in that case is called a
fundamental matrix.

Suppose $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$

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 $n \times n$

If X is an $n \times n$ fundamental matrix of solutions, then

$\vec{x} = c_1\vec{x}_1 + c_2\vec{x}_2 + \dots + c_n\vec{x}_n$ is the
general solution to $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$.

Suppose $\lambda = -1, 2$ with eigenvectors

$$\vec{k} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Solutions: } \vec{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t} = \begin{bmatrix} -e^{-t} \\ 3e^{-t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$W = \det \begin{bmatrix} -e^{-t} & e^{2t} \\ 3e^{-t} & e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{2t} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t} \\ e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= -e^{-t} - 3e^{-t} = -4e^{-t} \neq 0 \text{ for any } t$$

\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2 are linearly independent

$$\vec{x}' = A\vec{x} + \vec{f} \quad (1)$$

If $\vec{x}'_p = A\vec{x}_p + \vec{f}$, then \vec{x}_p is a particular solution to (1).

Suppose $\vec{x}'_h = A\vec{x}_h$, consider $\vec{x} = \vec{x}_h + \vec{x}_p$

$$\begin{aligned} (\underline{\underline{\vec{x}_h + \vec{x}_p}})' &= \vec{x}'_h + \vec{x}'_p \\ &= A\vec{x}_h + A\vec{x}_p + \vec{f} \\ &= A(\underline{\underline{\vec{x}_h + \vec{x}_p}}) + \vec{f} \end{aligned}$$

Series Solutions

Power series

Ordinary point

Singular point

Regular singular point

Method of Frobenius

Recurrence relation

Indicial equation

$$a(x)y'' + b(x)y' + c(x) = 0$$

