

309A-C - Midterm

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1.a. (10 points). Can the following set of vector-valued functions form a fundamental set of solutions of a homogeneous system of linear differential equations with constant coefficients $x' = Ax$? Circle: (yes) or (no).

$$x^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} e^t \\ e^{-t} \end{pmatrix}, x^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{5t} \\ e^{2t} \end{pmatrix}$$

Since I asked for them to be solutions to an equation with constant coefficients, they would be solutions on the entire real line. But, the Wronskian

$$W(t) = \begin{vmatrix} e^t & e^{5t} \\ e^{-t} & e^{2t} \end{vmatrix} = e^{3t} - e^{4t}$$

vanishes at $t=0$.

No partial credit.

1.b. (10 points). Which of the following pictures depicts the phase portrait of a homogeneous system of linear differential equations with constant coefficients having 0 as an eigenvalue? Circle: (a) or (b).

No partial credit.

2. (20 points). Find $\exp(At)$ when $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$.

Diagonalize, exponentiate, return.

Characteristic polynomial: $f(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - 1$.

Eigenvalues: ± 1 .

$$\underline{r_1 = 1}$$

$$A - I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{eigenvector: } \vec{w}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{r_2 = -1}$$

$$A + I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{eigenvector: } \vec{w}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Set } T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \left(\vec{w}^{(1)} \quad \vec{w}^{(2)} \right).$$

$$T^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

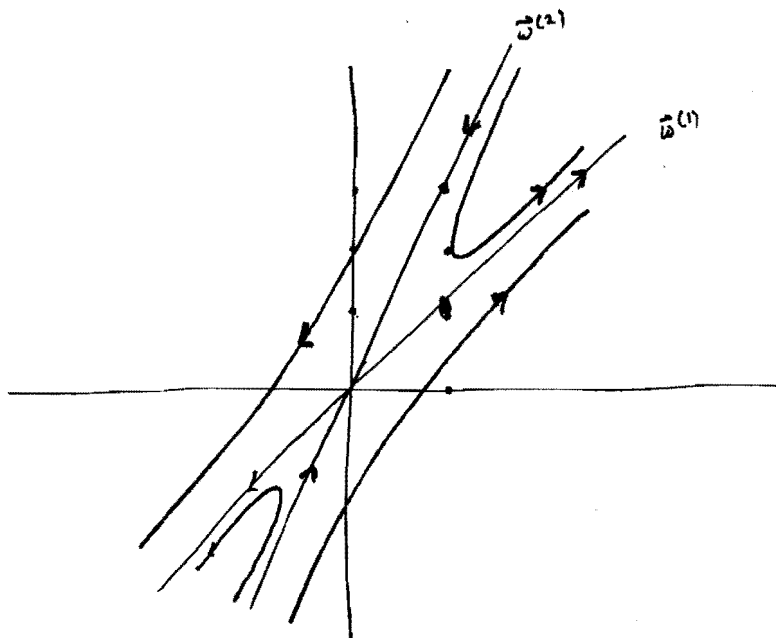
$$T^{-1}AT = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$T^{-1} \exp(At) T = \exp \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} t \right) = \begin{pmatrix} e^t & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t} \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\exp(At) = T \begin{pmatrix} e^t & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} T^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^t & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3e^t & -e^t \\ -e^{-t} & e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 3e^t - e^{-t} & -e^t + e^{-t} \\ 3e^t - 3e^{-t} & -e^t + 3e^{-t} \end{pmatrix}}.$$

3. (20 points). Sketch the trajectories of several solutions of $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$, where A is the matrix in the previous problem. You should label your axes x_1 and x_2 , and your graph should include sketches of at least 6 distinct trajectories, as well as arrows indicating the direction of the trajectory.



4. (20 points). Find the real-valued solution $\mathbf{x}(t)$ of $\mathbf{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$ satisfying the initial condition $\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Characteristic polynomial: $f(\lambda) = \lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 5$.

$$\text{Eigenvalues: } \lambda = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4-20}}{2}$$

$$= -1 \pm 2i.$$

$$r = -1 - 2i$$

$$A - (-1 - 2i) = \begin{pmatrix} 2i & -4 \\ 1 & 2i \end{pmatrix}$$

Eigenvector for $-1 - 2i$:

$$\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 2i \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\vec{w} e^{(-1-2i)t} = \begin{pmatrix} 2i \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} e^{-t} e^{-2it}$$

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

$$= e^{-t} \left(\begin{pmatrix} -2 \sin(-2t) \\ -\cos(-2t) \end{pmatrix} + i \begin{pmatrix} 2 \cos(-2t) \\ -\sin(-2t) \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

$$\text{General solution: } \vec{x}(t) = e^{-t} \left(c_1 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \sin(-2t) \\ -\cos(-2t) \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \cos(-2t) \\ -\sin(-2t) \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

$$\vec{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -c_1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2c_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \boxed{c_1 = 0, c_2 = \frac{1}{2}}.$$

There are many correct ways to do this problem. One of them is

to find that $\begin{pmatrix} -2i \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ is

an eigenvector for $-1+2i$ and to use

$$c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2i \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} e^{(-1+2i)t} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} -2i \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} e^{(-1+2i)t}.$$

5. (20 points). Find a solution of $\mathbf{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ e^{-2t} \end{pmatrix}$. Note that the matrix is the same as in problem (2).

From Problem (2):

$$r_1 = 1, \quad \vec{w}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$r_2 = -1, \quad \vec{w}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We get the fundamental matrix

$$\Phi(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e^t & e^{-t} \\ e^t & 3e^{-t} \end{pmatrix},$$

with inverse

$$\Phi^{-1}(t) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 3e^{-t} & -e^{-t} \\ -e^t & e^t \end{pmatrix}.$$

We use variation of parameters:

$$\vec{x}(t) = \Phi(t) \int_0^t \Phi^{-1}(s) \vec{g}(s) ds + \Phi(t) \vec{c}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi^{-1}(s) \vec{g}(s) &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 3e^{-s} & -e^{-s} \\ -e^s & e^s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ e^{-2s} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 9e^{-s} - e^{-3s} \\ -3e^s + e^{-s} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

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We can ignore the constants as they get absorbed by $\Phi(t) \vec{c}$.

Thus, one solution to the nonhomogeneous system is

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{x}(t) &= \begin{pmatrix} e^t & e^{-t} \\ e^t & 3e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -9e^{-t} + \frac{1}{3}e^{-3t} \\ -3e^t - e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -9 + \frac{1}{3}e^{-2t} - 3 - e^{-2t} \\ -9 + \frac{1}{3}e^{-2t} - 9 - 3e^{-2t} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{8}{3} \end{pmatrix} e^{-2t} - \begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ 18 \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

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$$A - (-2I_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{eigenvector: } \vec{w}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

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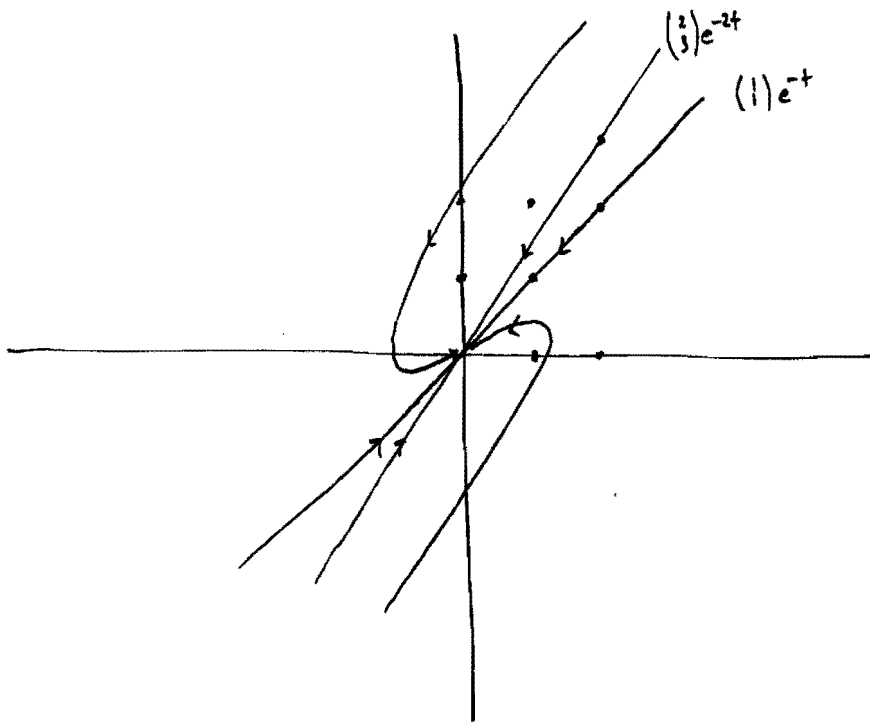
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$$\lambda = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4-8}}{2} = -1 \pm i.$$

$$r = -1-i.$$

$$A - (-1-i)I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2+i & -1 \\ 5 & -2+i \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2+i \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\vec{w} e^{(-1-i)t} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2+i \end{pmatrix} e^{-t} e^{-it}$$

$$= e^{-t} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2+i \end{pmatrix} (\cos(-t) + i \sin(-t)) \right)$$

$$= e^{-t} \left(\begin{pmatrix} \cos(-t) \\ 2\cos(-t) - \sin(-t) \end{pmatrix} + i \begin{pmatrix} \sin(-t) \\ \cos(-t) + 2\sin(-t) \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

$$\text{General solution: } \vec{x}(t) = e^{-t} \left(c_1 \begin{pmatrix} \cos(-t) \\ 2\cos(-t) - \sin(-t) \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} \sin(-t) \\ \cos(-t) + 2\sin(-t) \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

$$\vec{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ 2c_1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\text{So, } \boxed{c_1 = 1, c_2 = -2.}$$

As mentioned in the other version, there were many different approaches.

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$$r_1 = -2 : \vec{v}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$r_2 = -1 : \vec{v}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Fundamental matrix:

$$\Psi(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 2e^{-2t} & e^{-t} \\ 3e^{-2t} & e^{-t} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Inverse

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi^{-1}(t) &= \frac{1}{2e^{-3t} - 3e^{-3t}} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t} & -e^{-t} \\ -3e^{-2t} & 2e^{-2t} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -e^{+3t} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t} & -e^{-t} \\ -3e^{-2t} & 2e^{-2t} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -e^{2t} & e^{2t} \\ 3e^t & -2e^t \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Use } \vec{x}(t) = \Psi(t) \int_0^t \Psi^{-1}(s) \vec{g}(s) ds + \Psi(t) \vec{c}.$$

Constants from integration can be absorbed in $\Psi(t) \vec{c}$ term. So a solution is

$$\vec{x}(t) = \Psi(t) \int \Psi^{-1}(s) \vec{g}(s) ds.$$

$$\Psi^{-1}(s) \vec{g}(s) = \begin{pmatrix} -e^{2s} & e^{2s} \\ 3e^s & -2e^s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ e^{-2s} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3e^{2s} + 1 \\ 3e^s - 2e^{-s} \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\int \begin{pmatrix} -3e^{2s} + 1 \\ 3e^s - 2e^{-s} \end{pmatrix} ds = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3}{2}e^{2t} + t \\ 3e^t + 2e^{-t} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence,

$$\vec{x}(t) = \Psi(t) \int \Psi^{-1}(s) \vec{g}(s) ds$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2e^{-2t} & e^{-t} \\ 3e^{-2t} & e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3}{2}e^{2t} + t \\ 3e^t + 2e^{-t} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -3 + 2te^{-2t} + 3 + 2e^{-2t} \\ -\frac{9}{2} + 3te^{-2t} + 3 + 2e^{-2t} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \boxed{\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} te^{-2t} + \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} e^{-2t} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix}}.$$