

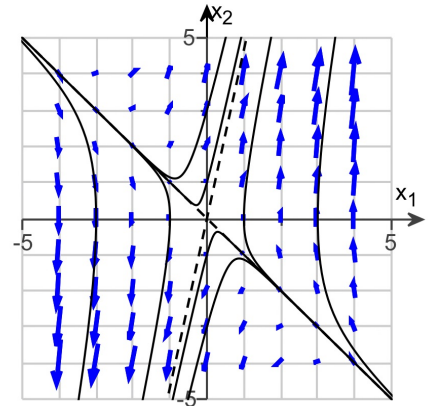
# FINAL - FALL 20

1. The phase portrait to the right corresponds to a linear system of the form  $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$  in which the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  has two linearly independent eigenvectors. Determine the nature of the eigenvalues of the system.

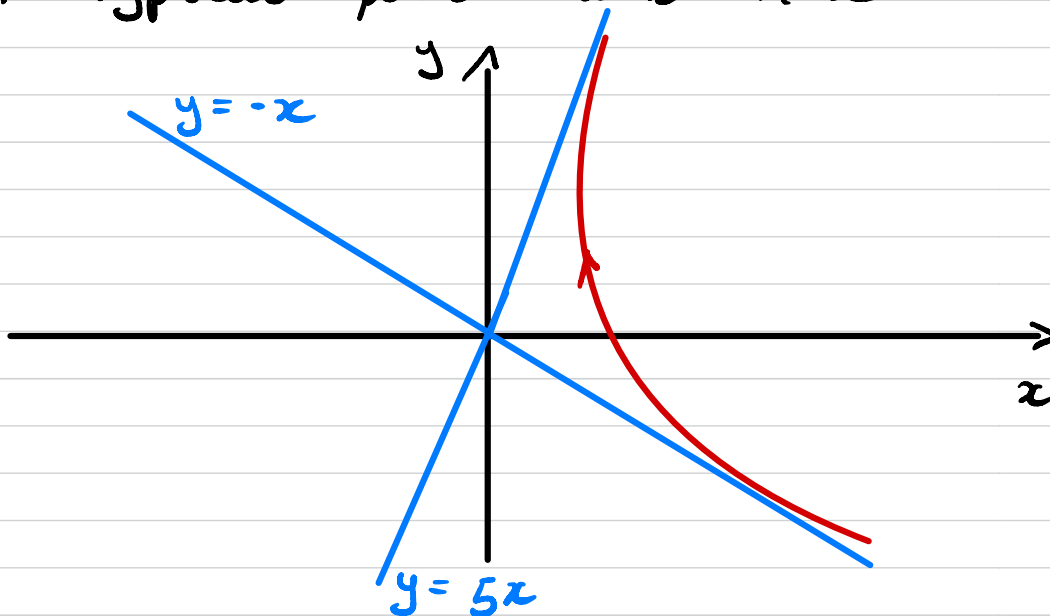
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A typical path looks like



This corresponds to a function of the form

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix},$$

with  $\lambda_1 < 0 < \lambda_2$ . Saddle, 2 distinct eigen

2. Transform the given system of differential equations into an equivalent system of first-order differential equations.

$$\begin{aligned}x'' + 5x' + 5x + 2y &= 0 \\ y'' + 3y' + 2x - 2y &= \sin t\end{aligned}$$

Change of variable We set

$$x_1 = x \quad x_2 = x' \quad y_1 = y \quad y_2 = y'$$

System We get

$$x_1' = x_2$$

$$x_2' + 5x_2 + 5x_1 + 2y_1 = 0$$

$$y_1' = y_2$$

$$y_2' + 3y_2 + 2x_1 - 2y_1 = \sin(t)$$



3. Find the general solutions of the system.

We have

$$x' = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 6 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}}_A x$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (5 - \lambda)^2 (6 - \lambda)$$

Eigenvalues We get

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (5 - \lambda)^2 (6 - \lambda)$$

Hence  $\lambda_1 = 5$  double eigenvalue

$\lambda_2 = 6$  simple eigenvalue

Eigenvector for  $\lambda_1$

$$(A - 5I) v = 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} v = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -v_1 + v_2 + v_3 = 0$$

One can take

$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We get 2 eigenvectors for the double eigenvalue

Eigenvector for  $\lambda_2$  We have

$$(A - 6Id)v = 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} v = 0$$

Solutions are of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . We choose

$$v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

General solution of the form

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= c_1 e^{5t} v_1 + c_2 e^{5t} v_2 + c_3 e^{6t} v_3 \\ &= c_1 e^{5t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{5t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 e^{6t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

4. What can be said about the following statements?

I) If  $A$  and  $B$  are square matrices, and  $\det(B)$  is not equal to zero and  $B^{-1}$  is the inverse of  $B$ , then  $BAB^{-1} - \lambda I = B(A - \lambda I)B^{-1}$  and so the matrices  $A$  and  $BAB^{-1}$  have the same eigenvalues.

II) If  $A$  is a square matrix and  $A^T$  is the transpose of  $A$ , then  $\det(A - \lambda I) = \det(A^T - \lambda I)$  and so  $A$  and  $A^T$  have the same eigenvalues.

III) If  $A$  is a square matrix and  $\det(A)$  is not equal to zero. If  $A^{-1}$  is the inverse of  $A$  and if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  then  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^{-1}$ .

IV) If a  $4 \times 4$  matrix  $A$  is defective, then it must have one eigenvalue of multiplicity three.

I We have

$$\begin{aligned} BAB^{-1} - \lambda I &= B(A - \lambda I)B^{-1} \\ &= B(A - \lambda I)B^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } \det(BAB^{-1} - \lambda I) &= \det(B(A - \lambda I)B^{-1}) \\ &= \det(B) \det(A - \lambda I) \det(B^{-1}) \\ &= \det(A - \lambda I) \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $A$  and  $BAB^{-1}$  have the same eigenvalues. I True

$$\begin{aligned} \text{II } \det(A^T - \lambda I) &= \det(A^T - \lambda I^T) \\ &= \det((A - \lambda I)^T) = \det(A - \lambda I) \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $A$  and  $A^T$  have the same eigenvalues. II True

III If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue for  $A$ , there exists a nontrivial  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$  s.t.

$$A u = \lambda u$$

$\times A^{-1}$

$$\Leftrightarrow u = \lambda A^{-1} u$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A^{-1} u = \frac{1}{\lambda} u$$

Hence  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$  is an eigenvalue for  $A^{-1}$

III True

IV  $A$  can have an eigenvalue with multiplicity 2 and 1 eigenvector only.

IV False

5. Let  $y(x)$  satisfy the following initial value problem:

$$y''(x) + y(x) = \tan(x)$$

$$y(0) = 0 \text{ and } y'(0) = -1$$

Then  $y\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$  (which is the value of  $y(x)$  when  $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$ ) is equal to:

Strategy

This is a nonhomogeneous linear differential equation of order 2. Since  $\tan$  is not one of the functions for which the undetermined coefficient method applies, we will use variation of parameters

Solution for the hom. part The fundamental solutions of  $y'' + y = 0$  are

$$y_1 = \cos(x)$$

$$y_2 = \sin(x)$$

Particular solution of the form

$$y_p = u_1 y_1 + u_2 y_2 \quad \text{with}$$

$$\begin{cases} \cos(x) u_1' + \sin(x) u_2' = 0 \\ -\sin(x) u_1' + \cos(x) u_2' = \tan(x) \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A \begin{pmatrix} u_1' \\ u_2' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \tan x \end{pmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(x) & \sin(x) \\ -\sin(x) & \cos(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

Solving the system The system is

$$A \begin{pmatrix} u_1' \\ u_2' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \tan x \end{pmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(x) & \sin(x) \\ -\sin(x) & \cos(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $\det(A)=1$ , Cramer's rule yields

$$u_1' = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \sin(x) \\ \tan(x) & \cos(x) \end{vmatrix} = -\frac{\sin^2(x)}{\cos(x)}$$

$$u_2' = \begin{vmatrix} \cos(x) & 0 \\ -\sin(x) & \tan(x) \end{vmatrix} = \sin(x)$$

Integrating we get

$$u_1 = \int u_1' dx = \int -\frac{(1-\cos^2(x))}{\cos(x)} dx$$

$$= -\int \sec(x) dx + \int \cos(x) dx$$

$$= -\ln(|\sec(x) + \tan(x)|) + \sin(x) \quad (+c)$$

$$u_2 = \int u_2' dx = \int \sin(x) dx = -\cos(x) \quad (+c)$$

Thus

$$y_p = \begin{pmatrix} -\ln(|\sec(x) + \tan(x)|) + \sin(x) \\ -\cos(x) \sin(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

General solution We have found

$$y = c_1 \cos(x) + c_2 \sin(x) + y_p \\ = c_1 \cos(x) + c_2 \sin(x) + y_1 u_1 + y_2 u_2$$

Initial data We are given

$$y(0) = 0, y'(0) = -1$$

Moreover  $y_p(0) = 0$ . Hence

$$y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow c_1 = 0$$

Therefore

$= 0$  from system

$$y' = c_2 \cos(x) + y_1 u_1' + y_2 u_2' + y_1' u_1 + y_2' u_2$$

From the expressions of  $u_1, u_2$  we have

$u_1(0) = 0, u_2(0) = 1$ . Hence

$$y'(0) = -1 \Leftrightarrow c_2 - \cos(0) \times 1 = -1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow c_2 = 0$$

Unique solution

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \left( -\ln(1 + \sec(x) + \tan(x)) + \sinh(x) \right) \cos(x) \\ &\quad - \cos(x) \sinh(x) \\ &= -\cos(x) \ln(1 + \sec(x) + \tan(x)) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, since  $\sinh(\pi/4) = \cosh(\pi/4) = 1/\sqrt{2}$ ,

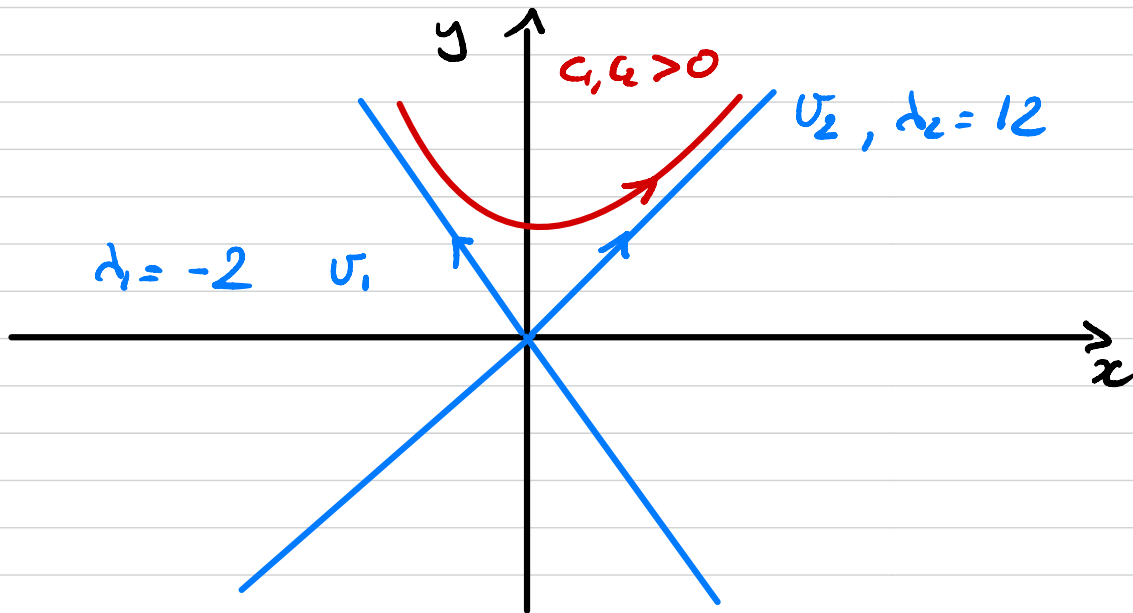
$$y\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \ln(1 + \sqrt{2})$$



6. Categorize the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the coefficient matrix **A** according to the accompanying classifications and sketch the phase portrait of the system by hand. Then use a computer system or graphing calculator to check your answer.

System of equations	Matrix equation
$x_1' = 5x_1 + 7x_2$ $x_2' = 7x_1 + 5x_2$	$\mathbf{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 \\ 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}$
Eigenvalues	Eigenvectors
$\lambda_1 = -2, \lambda_2 = 12$	$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

The eigenvalues are real, distinct, with opposite signs. A typical graph is given by



We have classified this situation as saddle point

7. Three 234-gal fermentation vats are connected as indicated in the figure, and the mixtures in each tank are kept uniform by stirring. Denote by  $x_i(t)$  the amount (in pounds) of alcohol in tank  $T_i$  at time  $t$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ). Suppose that the mixture circulates between the tanks at the rate of 18 gal/min. Derive the equations.

$$13x_1' = -x_1 + x_3$$

$$13x_2' = x_1 - x_2$$

$$13x_3' = x_2 - x_3$$

Let  $V_i = \text{Volume tank } i \equiv V = 234 \text{ gal}$   
 $r = \text{flow rate} = 18 \text{ gal/min}$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} x_1' &= \text{flow in} - \text{flow out} \\ &= \frac{x_3}{V} \times r - \frac{x_1}{V} \times r \end{aligned} \quad \text{Set } L = \frac{V}{r} = 13$$

$$\Leftrightarrow L x_1' = -x_1 + x_3$$

Along the same lines for  $x_2, x_3$  we get

$$L x_1' = -x_1 + x_3$$

$$L x_2' = x_1 - x_2$$

$$L x_3' = x_2 - x_3$$

8. Let  $y(t)$  be the solution of the following equation representing a spring-mass system:

$$y''(t) + 4y'(t) + 5y(t) = 0$$

$$y(0) = A \text{ and } y'(0) = B$$

with  $A \neq 0$  and  $B \neq 0$ . Then  $\frac{y(\pi)}{y(3\pi)}$  (this is the quotient of the values of  $y(\pi)$  and  $y(3\pi)$ ) is equal to.

### Characteristic polynomial

$$P(r) = r^2 + 4r + 5 = (r+2)^2 + 1$$

$$\text{Roots: } -2 \pm i$$

### General solution

$$y(t) = e^{-2t} (c_1 \cos(t) + c_2 \sin(t))$$

Initial condition  $y(0) = A$ ,  $y'(0) = B$ . Thus

$$c_1 = A. \text{ Moreover } \sin(3\pi) = \sin(\pi) = 0,$$

hence  $c_2$  is not relevant in the computation of  $y(\pi)$ ,  $y(3\pi)$ . In the end we get

$$y(\pi) = -e^{-2\pi} A \qquad y(3\pi) = -e^{-6\pi} A$$

Hence

$$\frac{y(\pi)}{y(3\pi)} = \frac{-e^{-2\pi} A}{-e^{-6\pi} A} = e^{4\pi}$$

9. The appropriate form of a particular solution of the differential equation

$$(D-1)^3(D-3)^4(D^2+1)y(x) = x^3 e^x + x^4 e^{3x} + x^2 \sin(x)$$

is of the form

$$y_p(x) = x^3 p_1(x) e^x + x^4 p_2(x) e^{3x} + x p_3(x) \sin(x) + x p_4(x) \cos(x),$$

where  $p_1(x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $d_1$ ,  $p_2(x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $d_2$ ,  $p_3(x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $d_3$ , and  $p_4(x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $d_4$ . Which of the following is true?

The characteristic polynomial has roots

Root	Multiplicity
1	3
3	4
$\pm i$	1

Hence  $y_p$  is of the form

$$x^3 p_1(x) e^x + x^4 p_2(x) e^{3x} + x p_3 \sin(x) + x p_4 \cos(x)$$

Where

Polynomial	Degree
$p_1$	3
$p_2$	4
$p_3$	2

10. Find the general solution of the given system. Use a computer system or graphing calculator to construct a direction field and typical solution curves for the system.

$$x' = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x$$

A

Eigenvalue We have

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 1) + 1 = \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4 = (\lambda - 2)^2$$

Hence  $\lambda = 2$  is a double eigenvalue.

Eigenvector We solve

$$(A - 2I)v = 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} v = 0 \Leftrightarrow v^2 = -v^1$$

We thus choose  $v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Generalized eigenvector We have  $(A - 2I)^2 v = 0$

Thus one can choose  $v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then

$$v_1 = (A - 2I)v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} (= v) \quad \begin{matrix} \text{blue arrow} \\ \text{from } v_2 \text{ to } v_1 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ chosen in the answer key}$$

General solution

$$x(t) = e^{2t} \left\{ c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_1 t + c_2 v_2 \right\}$$

$$= c_1 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} t+1 \\ -t \end{pmatrix}$$

Becomes  $\begin{pmatrix} t \\ -t+1 \end{pmatrix}$  if  $v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

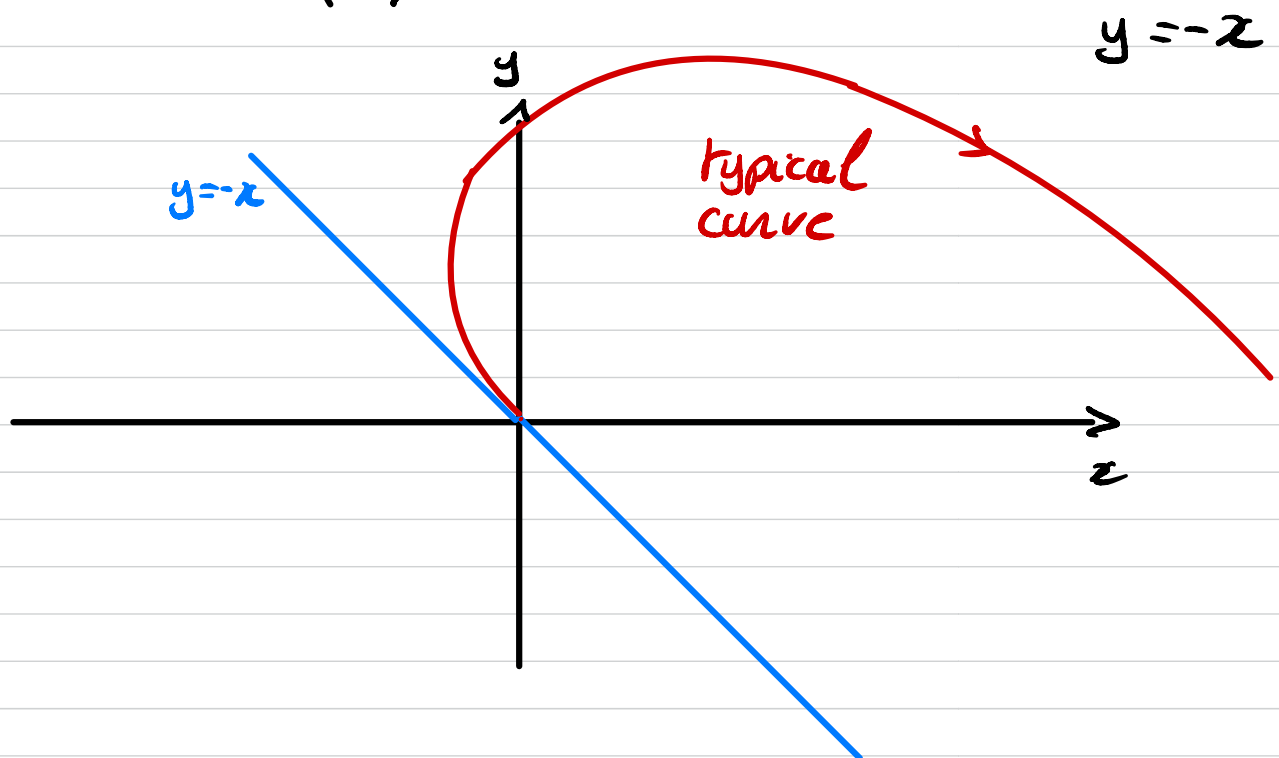
Graph We have found

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

Hence

(i) As  $t \rightarrow -\infty$ ,  $x(t) \rightarrow 0$  with dominant direction  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

(ii) As  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $x(t) \rightarrow \infty$  with dominant direction  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ , and not close to the line



11. Apply the eigenvalue method to find a general solution of the given system. Find the particular solution corresponding to the given initial values. Use a computer system or graphing calculator to construct a direction field and typical solution curves for the given system.

$$x'_1 = 3x_1 + 4x_2, \quad x'_2 = 3x_1 + 2x_2, \quad x_1(0) = x_2(0) = 1$$

The system is  $x' = Ax$  with  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

Eigenvalues  $\det(A - \lambda I) = (\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 2) - 12$   
 $= \lambda^2 - 5\lambda - 6$

Roots:  $\lambda_1 = -1, \quad \lambda_2 = 6$

Eigenvectors (i)  $(A + I)v = 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} v = 0$   
 $\Leftrightarrow v^2 = -v^1$ . We take

$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(ii)  $(A - 6I)v = 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 4 \\ 3 & -4 \end{pmatrix} v = 0$   
 $\Leftrightarrow 4v^2 = 3v^1$

We take  $v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

General solution

$$x(t) = c_1 e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{6t} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Initial condition The condition  $x(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  reads

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}}_B \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Moreover  $\det(B) = 7$ . Hence following Cramer's rule we get

$$c_1 = \frac{1}{7} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = -\frac{1}{7}$$

$$c_2 = \frac{1}{7} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{2}{7}$$

Unique solution With our initial condition,

$$x(t) = -\frac{1}{7} e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{2}{7} e^{6t} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

