

MA 266 Lecture 30

7.1 Introduction of System of First Order Linear System

In this chapter, we study the system of first order linear differential equations.

Example 1. Rewrite the second order equations as a system of first order equations.

$$u'' + 0.125u' + u = 0.$$

Let $x_1 = u$ and $x_2 = u'$. Then

$$\begin{cases} x_1' = x_2 \\ x_2' = -x_1 - 0.125x_2 \end{cases}$$

For an n -th order equation

$$y^{(n)} = F(t, y, y', \dots, y^{(n-1)}),$$

we can transform it to a system of first order equations:

$$x_1 = y, \quad x_2 = y', \quad \dots \quad x_n = y^{(n-1)}$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1' = x_2 \\ x_2' = x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1}' = x_n \\ x_n' = F(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \end{cases}$$

A more general system:

$$x_1' = F_1(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

$$x_2' = F_2(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

$\vdots$

$$x_n' = F_n(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

If $F_1, F_2, \dots$ linear

$$x_1' = p_{11}(t)x_1 + p_{12}(t)x_2 + \dots + p_{1n}(t)x_n + g_1(t)$$

$$x_2' =$$

$$\vdots$$

$$x_n' = p_{n1}(t)x_1 + \dots + p_{nn}(t)x_n + g_n(t)$$

Theorem (Existence and Uniqueness) If the functions $p_{11}(t), p_{12}(t), \dots, p_{nn}(t), g_1(t), \dots, g_n(t)$ are continuous on an open interval I , then

there exists a unique solution to the system satisfies I.C.

$$x_1(0) = x_1^0$$

$$x_2(0) = x_2^0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$x_n(0) = x_n^0$$

7.2 Review of Matrices

A matrix A with m rows and n columns can be written as

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \quad A = (a_{ij})$$

- The **transpose** of A is $A^T = (a_{ji})$
- The **conjugate** of A is $\bar{A} = (\bar{a}_{ij})$
- The **adjoint** of A is $A^* = \bar{A}^T = (\bar{a}_{ji})$

For example, let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2-i \\ 4+3i & -5+2i \end{pmatrix}$$

Then

$$A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4+3i \\ 2-i & -5+2i \end{pmatrix} \quad \bar{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4-3i \\ 2+i & -5-2i \end{pmatrix} \quad A^* = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2+i \\ 4-3i & -5-2i \end{pmatrix}$$

special matrix: square matrix if $m=n$
vector if $n=1$

Properties of matrices

1. **Equality:** $A = B$ if and only if $a_{ij} = b_{ij}$ for i, j .
2. **Addition:** $A + B = (a_{ij}) + (b_{ij}) = (a_{ij} + b_{ij})$ $A + B = B + A$ $(A+B)+C = (A+B)+C$
3. **Scalar Multiplication:** $\alpha A = \alpha(a_{ij}) = (\alpha a_{ij})$
4. **Matrix Multiplication:** $AB \neq BA$ If $C = AB$, then $c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{kj}$

Example 2. Find AB and BA where $(a_{ij} \cdot b_{ij})$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ 2+i & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2i \\ -i & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 1+i & 2i+2i \\ 2i-3i & 4i-2+6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4i \\ -i & 4+4i \end{pmatrix} \quad BA = \begin{pmatrix} -1+4i & 7i \\ 4+i & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

5. **Multiplication of Vectors:** The product of two vectors $\mathbf{x}$ and $\mathbf{y}$ is

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$$

Another definition is called **inner product**:

$$(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \bar{y}_i$$

Remark These two products are identical if all elements of $\bar{\mathbf{y}}$ are real

$$(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \overline{(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x})} \quad (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{z}) = (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) \quad (\alpha \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \alpha (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \quad (\mathbf{x}, \alpha \mathbf{y}) = \bar{\alpha} (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

The inner product of $\mathbf{x}$ and itself is always nonnegative:

$$(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \bar{x}_i = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2$$

We define the **length** or **magnitude** or **norm** of $\mathbf{x}$

$$\|\mathbf{x}\| = (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2}$$

If $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = 0$, then the two vectors $\mathbf{x}$ and $\mathbf{y}$ are said to be orthogonal.

6. **Identity:** The **identity** matrix I is defined as

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$AI = IA = A$$

for any square matrix A

7. **Inverse:** The matrix A is called **nonsingular** or **invertible** if

there is a matrix B such that

$$AB = I \quad \text{and} \quad BA = I$$

we write $B = A^{-1}$.

If a matrix doesn't have an inverse, it is called **singular**
or **noninvertible**

Matrix Functions

We consider vectors or matrices whose elements are functions of real variable t , i.e., ~~The~~

$$\vec{x}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{pmatrix} \quad A(t) = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}(t) & \cdots & a_{1n}(t) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1}(t) & \cdots & a_{nn}(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

derivative and integral of a matrix function are defined by

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \left(\frac{da_{ij}}{dt} \right) \quad \int_a^b A(t) dt = \left(\int_a^b a_{ij}(t) dt \right)$$

If A, B are matrix functions, and C is a constant matrix, then

$$\frac{d}{dt}(CA) = C \frac{dA}{dt} \quad \frac{d}{dt}(A+B) = \frac{dA}{dt} + \frac{dB}{dt} \quad \frac{d}{dt}(AB) = \frac{dA}{dt} \cdot B + A \cdot \frac{dB}{dt}$$

Example 3. Verify that the given vector satisfies the given differential equation:

$$\mathbf{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}, \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} e^{2t}$$

$$\text{LHS} = \vec{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot 2e^{2t} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} e^{2t}$$

$$\text{RHS} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} e^{2t} = \begin{pmatrix} 12-4 \\ 8-4 \end{pmatrix} e^{2t} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} e^{2t}$$