

Linear System

Lec 3

$$\frac{d\vec{X}}{dt} = A\vec{X} + \vec{h}(t), \quad X(0) = X_0$$

$\nwarrow$ $A \equiv$ a constant matrix (autonomous)

$$\frac{dX}{dt} = A(t)X + h(t)$$

$\nwarrow$ A depends on time (non-autonomous)

$$(X, h \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$$

Constant coefficient matrix A

$$e^{At} := I + \frac{tA}{1!} + \frac{t^2 A^2}{2!} + \frac{t^3 A^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(tA)^i}{i!}$$

Properties of e^{At} (Matrix Exponential)

$$(1) \quad e^{At} \Big|_{t=0} = I$$

$$(2) \quad \frac{d}{dt}(e^{At}) = Ae^{At} = e^{At}A$$

$$(3) \quad e^{At}e^{As} = e^{A(t+s)}$$

$$(4) \quad (e^{At})^{-1} = e^{-At}, \text{ i.e. } (e^{At})(e^{-At}) = I$$

i.e. e^{At} is invertible

(5) If $AB = BA$, then

$$e^{At}e^{Bt} = e^{Bt}e^{At} = e^{(A+B)t}$$

(In fact, $e^{At}e^{Bt} = e^{(A+B)t}$ for all t
if and only if $AB = BA$ [M, p. 64 #6])

(Use $I(t) = e^{-At}$ as integrating factor.)

$$\frac{dX}{dt} = AX + h(t)$$

$$\frac{dX}{dt} - AX = h(t)$$

$$e^{-At} \frac{d}{dt} X - \underbrace{A e^{-At} X}_{\frac{d}{dt} e^{-At}} = e^{-At} h(t)$$

$$e^{-At} \frac{d}{dt} X + \left(\frac{d}{dt} e^{-At} \right) X = e^{-At} h(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (e^{-At} X) = e^{-At} h(t)$$

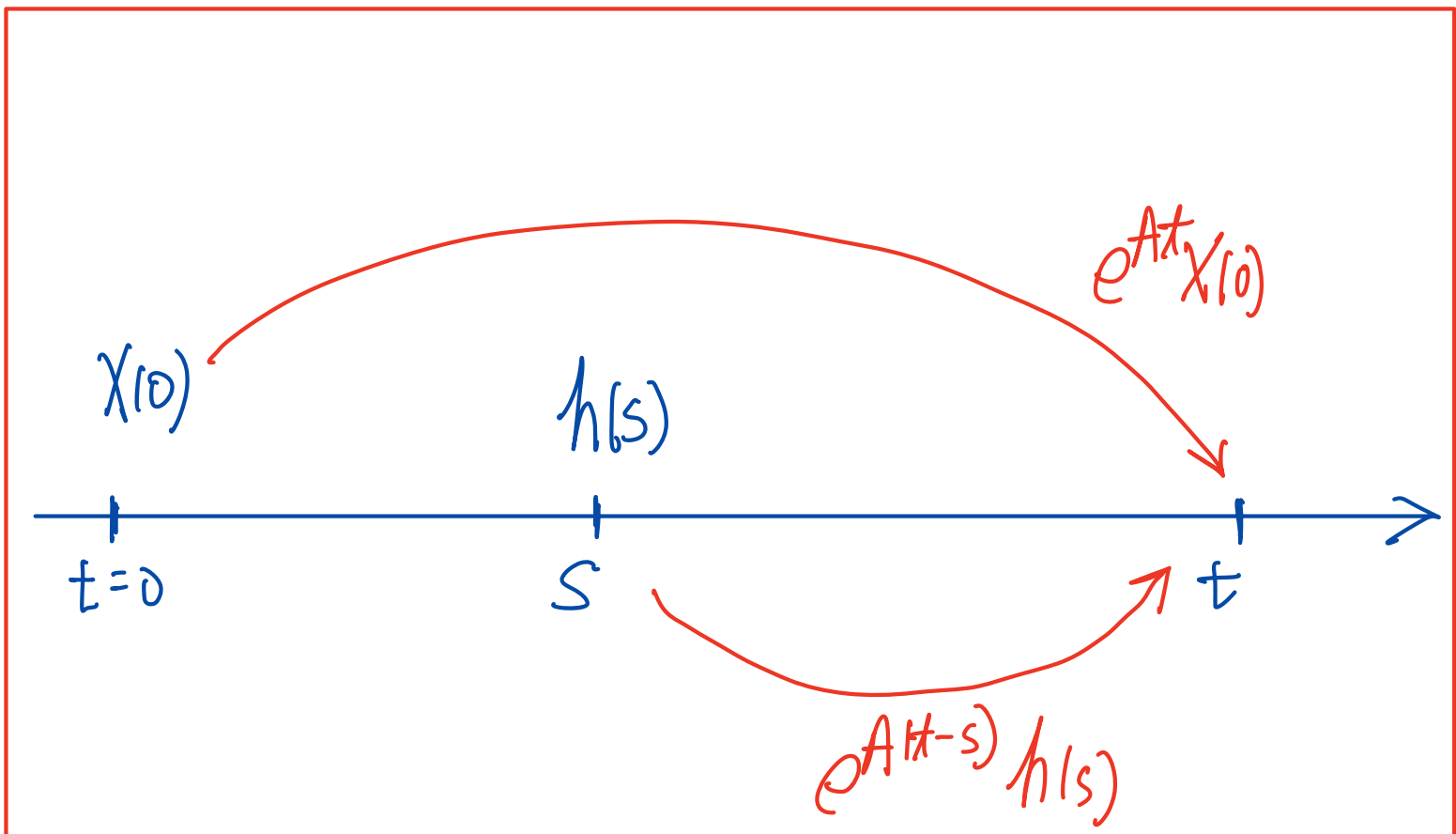
$$\int_0^t \frac{d}{ds} (e^{-As} X(s)) ds = \int_0^t e^{-As} h(s) ds$$

$$e^{-At} X(t) - X(0) = \int_0^t e^{-As} h(s) ds$$

$$e^{At} X(t) = X(0) + \int_0^t e^{-As} h(s) ds$$

$$\begin{aligned} X(t) &= e^{At} X(0) + e^{At} \int_0^t e^{-As} h(s) ds \\ &= e^{At} X(0) + \int_0^t e^{A(t-s)} h(s) ds \end{aligned}$$

(In particular, if $h(s) \equiv 0$, i.e. $\dot{X} = AX$,
then, $X(t) = e^{At} X(0)$.)



Example 2.2. Consider the 2×2 system

$$\dot{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -8 & -5 \\ 10 & 7 \end{pmatrix} x. \quad (2.5)$$

The characteristic polynomial is $p(\lambda) = \lambda^2 + \lambda - 6 = (\lambda - 2)(\lambda + 3)$, so there are two eigenvalues, each with algebraic multiplicity one, $\lambda_1 = 2$ and $\lambda_2 = -3$. The eigenvector equations (2.2) are

$$(A - 2I)v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -10 & -5 \\ 10 & 5 \end{pmatrix} v_1 = 0 \Rightarrow v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(A + 3I)v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -5 & -5 \\ 10 & 10 \end{pmatrix} v_2 = 0 \Rightarrow v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

This gives the two solutions

$$x_1 = c_1 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x_2 = c_2 e^{-3t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad \blacksquare$$

(M1) Let $x(t) = c_1(t) v_1 + c_2(t) v_2$

$$\dot{x} = Ax$$

$$\begin{aligned} (c_1(t) v_1 + c_2(t) v_2)' &= A(c_1(t) v_1 + c_2(t) v_2) \\ \dot{c}_1(t) v_1 + \dot{c}_2(t) v_2 &= c_1(t) A v_1 + c_2(t) A v_2 \\ &= \underline{c_1(t) \lambda_1} v_1 + \underline{c_2(t) \lambda_2} v_2 \end{aligned}$$

Compare coefficients:

$$\dot{c}_1 = \lambda_1 c_1 ; \quad \dot{c}_2 = \lambda_2 c_2$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1(t) = c_1(0) e^{\lambda_1 t}; \quad c_2(t) = c_2(0) e^{\lambda_2 t}$$

Hence $X(t) = c_1(0)e^{\lambda_1 t}V_1 + c_2(0)e^{\lambda_2 t}V_2$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} V_1 & V_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \\ c_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} V_1 & V_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & \\ & e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$t=0 \Rightarrow X_0 = \begin{bmatrix} V_1 & V_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} V_1 & V_2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} X_0$$

$$X(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} V_1 & V_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & \\ & e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_1 & V_2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}}_{e^{At}} X_0$$

$$e^{At} = \begin{bmatrix} V_1 & V_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & \\ & e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_1 & V_2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

(M2)

Diagonalize A :

$$A V_1 = \lambda_1 V_1 \quad ; \quad A V_2 = \lambda_2 V_2$$

$$[A V_1 \quad A V_2] = [\lambda_1 V_1 \quad \lambda_2 V_2]$$

$$A [V_1 \quad V_2] = [V_1 \quad V_2] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \\ & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \underbrace{[V_1 \quad V_2]}_P \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \\ & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}}_\Lambda \underbrace{[V_1 \quad V_2]^{-1}}_{P^{-1}}$$

$$A = P \Lambda P^{-1}$$

$$e^{At} = I + \frac{At}{1!} + \frac{A^2 t^2}{2!} + \frac{A^3 t^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$A = P \Lambda P^{-1}; \quad A^2 = P \Lambda^2 P^{-1}; \quad A^3 = P \Lambda^3 P^{-1}$$

$$\dots \dots \dots A^n = P \Lambda^n P^{-1}$$

$$e^{At} = \underbrace{I}_{P P^{-1}} + \frac{P \Lambda P^{-1} t}{1!} + \frac{P \Lambda^2 P^{-1} t^2}{2!} + \frac{P \Lambda^3 P^{-1} t^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{P \Lambda^n P^{-1} t^n}{n!} + \dots$$

$$= P \left(\underbrace{I + \frac{\Lambda t}{1!} + \frac{\Lambda^2 t^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{\Lambda^n t^n}{n!} + \dots}_{e^{\Lambda t}} \right) P^{-1}$$

$\Lambda^n = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^n & \\ & \lambda_2^n \end{pmatrix}$

$$= P \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \frac{\lambda_1 t}{1!} + \frac{\lambda_1^2 t^2}{2!} + \dots & \\ & 1 + \frac{\lambda_2 t}{1!} + \frac{\lambda_2^2 t^2}{2!} + \dots \end{pmatrix} P^{-1}$$

$$= P \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & \\ & e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{pmatrix}}_{e^{\Lambda t}} P^{-1}$$

$$= P e^{\Lambda t} P^{-1}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & \\ & e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$A = P \Lambda P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & \\ & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$e^{At} = P e^{\Lambda t} P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t} & \\ & e^{-3t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t} & \\ & e^{-3t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Non-autonomous Case

$$\frac{dX}{dt} = A(t)X + h(t), \quad X(0) = X_0$$

Variation of Parameters

① Let $\{\Phi(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ be a $(n \times n)$ matrix function that solves:

$$\frac{d\Phi(t)}{dt} = A(t)\Phi(t), \quad \Phi(0) = I$$

(Identity matrix)

$$[\Phi(t)]^{n \times n} = \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1(t) & \varphi_2(t) & \dots & \varphi_n(t) \\ | & | & & | \\ \varphi_1(t) & \varphi_2(t) & \dots & \varphi_n(t) \\ | & | & & | \end{bmatrix} \quad \varphi_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Then $\varphi_i(t)$ solves

$$\frac{d}{dt}\varphi_i(t) = A(t)\varphi_i(t), \quad \varphi_i(0) = e_i$$

② Let $X(t) = \Phi(t)\vec{u}(t)$ $\leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} u_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ u_n(t) \end{bmatrix}$

$$\left(= u_1(t)\vec{\varphi}_1(t) + \dots + u_n(t)\vec{\varphi}_n(t) \right)$$

Try to find $\vec{u}(t)$ (= ?)

$$\frac{dX}{dt} = A(t)X + h(t), \quad X(0) = X_0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\underline{\Phi(t)} u(t)) = A(t)(\underline{\Phi(t)} u(t)) + h(t)$$

$$\left(\frac{d}{dt} \underline{\Phi(t)} \right) u(t) + \underline{\Phi(t)} \frac{du(t)}{dt} = \underline{A(t) \Phi(t)} u(t) + h(t)$$

$$\underline{\Phi(t)} \frac{du(t)}{dt} = h(t)$$

$\underline{\Phi}^{-1}(t)$ (assume exists)

$$\int_0^t \left(\frac{du(t)}{dt} = \underline{\Phi}^{-1}(t) h(t) \right) dt$$

$$u(t) - u(0) = \int_0^t \underline{\Phi}^{-1}(s) h(s) ds$$

$$u(t) = u(0) + \int_0^t \underline{\Phi}^{-1}(s) h(s) ds$$

$$X(t) = \Phi(t) u(t)$$

$$= \Phi(t) u_0 + \Phi(t) \int_0^t \Phi(s)^{-1} h(s) ds$$

$$u_0 = ? \quad X_0 = \Phi(0) u_0 + \cancel{\Phi(0) \int_0^0 \dots ds}$$

$$= I u_0$$

$$\Rightarrow u_0 = X_0$$

Hence

$$X(t) = \Phi(t) X_0 + \Phi(t) \int_0^t \Phi(s)^{-1} h(s) ds$$

$$= \Phi(t) X_0 + \int_0^t \Phi(t) \Phi(s)^{-1} h(s) ds$$

$$\text{Let } \bar{\Phi}(t, s) = \Phi(t) \Phi(s)^{-1} \quad (0 \leq s \leq t)$$

$$\bar{\Phi}(t, 0) = \Phi(t)$$

Then

$$X(t) = \bar{\Phi}(t, 0) X_0 + \int_0^t \bar{\Phi}(t, s) h(s) ds$$

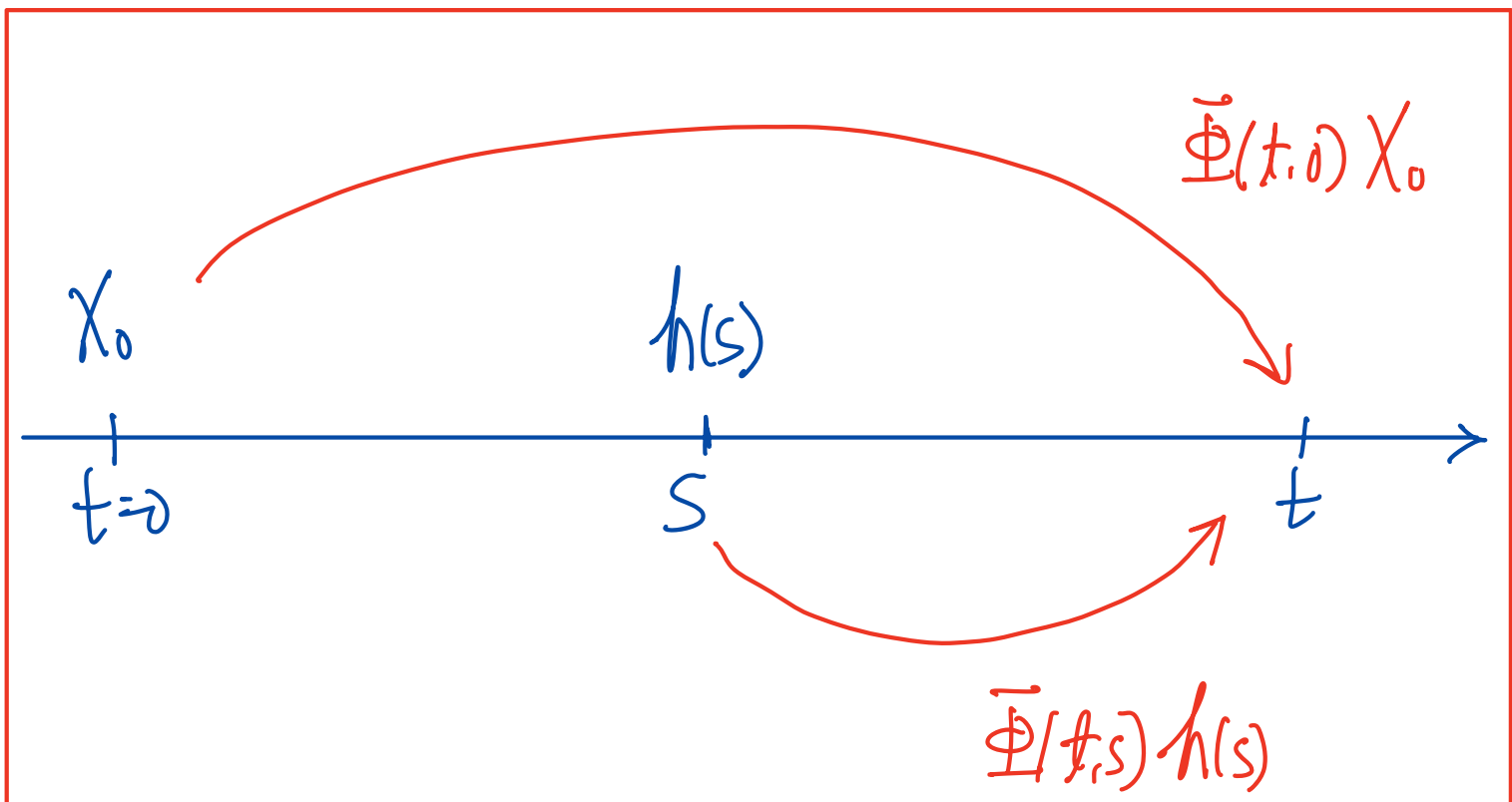
(In particular, if $h(s) \equiv 0$, then $X(t) = \bar{\Phi}(t, 0) X_0$)

$\bar{\Phi}(t)$ is called the fundamental matrix:

$$\frac{d\bar{\Phi}(t)}{dt} = A(t)\bar{\Phi}(t), \quad \bar{\Phi}(0) = I$$

$\bar{\Phi}(t,s)$ is called the propagation operator:

$$\frac{d\bar{\Phi}(t,s)}{dt} = A(t)\bar{\Phi}(t,s), \quad \bar{\Phi}(s,s) = I$$



Existence of $\Phi(t)$

(Method 1) Let $\bar{\Psi}(t)$ be the solution of

$$\dot{\bar{\Psi}}(t) = -\bar{\Psi}(t)A(t), \quad \bar{\Psi}(0) = I$$

Consider $\frac{d}{dt}(\bar{\Psi}(t)\Phi(t)) = ?$

(Method 2) Use Abel's Thm [M, Thm 2.34]

$$\frac{d\bar{\Phi}(t)}{dt} = A(t)\bar{\Phi}(t), \quad \bar{\Phi}(0) = I$$

$$\text{Then } \frac{d}{dt}(\det \bar{\Phi}(t)) = (\text{tr } A(t))(\det \bar{\Phi}(t))$$

$$\Rightarrow \det \bar{\Phi}(t) = e^{\int_0^t (\text{tr } A(s)) ds}$$

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