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**MA 341-004, Introduction to Differential Equations**

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Test III: Systems of ODEs

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**Directions:** Show your work, if you doubt that you've shown enough detail then ask.

1. (25pts) Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix below

(30pts)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

then find the general solution to  $\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = A\vec{x}$ .

2. (10pts) Suppose that  $y'' + 2y' + 5y = t$ . Restate this second order differential equation as a system of two first order differential equations. Then write the system as a matrix differential equation. For 1pt show that the auxillary and characteristic equations are the same for this example.

3. (10 pts) Show that  $\vec{x}_p = X\vec{v}$  is a solution to  $\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = A\vec{x} + \vec{f}$  if,

$$\vec{x}_p(t) = X(t) \int X^{-1}(t)\vec{f}(t)dt.$$

Here we assume  $X$  is a fundamental matrix for the system.

4. (20pts) Solve  $\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = A\vec{x} + \vec{f}$  given that

(30pts)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{f} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

5. (20pts) Suppose that  $A$  is a  $5 \times 5$  matrix such that  $\det(A - \lambda I) = (\lambda - 1)^2(\lambda - 3)^3$ . Furthermore, suppose that

$$(A - I)\vec{u}_1 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (A - I)\vec{u}_2 = 0$$

where  $\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2$  are nontrivial and linearly independent. Next suppose that,

$$(A - 3I)\vec{u}_3 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (A - 3I)\vec{u}_4 = \vec{u}_3 \quad \text{and} \quad (A - 3I)\vec{u}_5 = \vec{u}_4$$

where  $\vec{u}_3, \vec{u}_4, \vec{u}_5$  are all nontrivial. Given all this data calculate the general solution to  $\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = A\vec{x}$  in terms of the given vectors. You may use the formula on the board without proof. However, you should certainly show your work.

6. (BONUS 5pts) Suppose that  $\lambda = \alpha + i\beta$  ( $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ ) is a complex eigenvalue of a matrix  $A$ . Furthermore suppose that we have two nontrivial complex vectors  $\vec{u}_1$  and  $\vec{u}_2$  such that

$$(A - \lambda I)\vec{u}_1 = 0 \quad (A - \lambda I)\vec{u}_2 = \vec{u}_1.$$

Derive the four *real* solutions that follow from this data. Use the notation  $\vec{u}_1 = \vec{a}_1 + i\vec{b}_1$  and  $\vec{u}_2 = \vec{a}_2 + i\vec{b}_2$  where  $\vec{a}_i, \vec{b}_j$  are real vectors.

TEST III SOLUTION : SYSTEMS OF ODES

[PROBLEM ONE] To begin find eigenvalues of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3-\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1-\lambda)[(3-\lambda)(4-\lambda) - 2] \\ = (1-\lambda)[10 - 7\lambda + \lambda^2] \\ = (1-\lambda)(\lambda-5)(\lambda-2) = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 2, \lambda_3 = 5$$

Eigenvector  $\vec{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix}$  with  $A\vec{u}_1 = \vec{u}_1$  has  $(A - I)\vec{u}_1 = 0$  so,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2u + 2v + w = 0 \\ 2v + 3w = 0 \\ 2u - 2w = 0 \end{cases} \therefore u = w \\ \Rightarrow v = -\frac{3}{2}w = -\frac{3}{2}u.$$

$$\vec{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ -\frac{3}{2}u \\ u \end{bmatrix} = u \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -\frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

choose  $\vec{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Eigenvector  $\vec{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix}$  satisfies  $(A - 2I)\vec{u}_2 = 0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} -u = 0 \\ 2u + v + w = 0 \\ 2v + 2w = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow v = -w \\ \therefore \vec{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ -w \\ w \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigenvector  $\vec{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix}$  satisfies  $(A - 5I)\vec{u}_3 = 0$  choose  $\vec{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} -4u = 0 \\ 2u - 2v + w = 0 \\ 2v - w = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow w = 2v \\ \therefore \vec{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ v \\ 2v \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \vec{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus we find  $\vec{x}' = Ax$  has the soln,

$$\vec{x} = c_1 e^t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 e^{5t} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

PROBLEM TWO

Convert  $y'' + 2y' + 5y = t$  to a matrix DEg<sup>b</sup>,

$$x_1 = y$$

$$x_2 = y' = x_1'$$

$$x_2' = y'' = -2y' - 5y + t = -2x_2 - 5x_1 + t$$

$$x_1' = x_2$$

$$x_2' = -5x_1 - 2x_2 + t$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}' = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -5 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ t \end{bmatrix}$$

The aux. eq<sup>b</sup> is  $\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 5 = 0$ . Is the characteristic eq<sup>b</sup> the same?

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ -5 & -2-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= -\lambda(-2-\lambda) + 5$$

$$= \underline{\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 5 = 0}. //$$

PROBLEM THREE

Let  $\vec{X}_p = \Sigma \vec{V}$  is a sol<sup>o</sup> to  $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x} + \vec{f}$   
 provided that  $\Sigma$  is a fundamental matrix and

$$\vec{V}(t) = \Sigma^{-1}(t) \int \Sigma(t) \vec{f}(t) dt$$

Consider then

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\vec{x}_p}{dt} &= \frac{d}{dt} [\Sigma \vec{V}] \\ &= \frac{d\Sigma}{dt} \vec{V} + \Sigma \frac{d\vec{V}}{dt} \\ &= \cancel{A\Sigma \vec{V}} + \Sigma \frac{d\vec{V}}{dt} = \cancel{A\Sigma \vec{V}} + \vec{f}\end{aligned}$$

$$\Sigma \frac{d\vec{V}}{dt} = \vec{f}$$

note  $\Sigma'$  exists  $\Rightarrow \Sigma^{-1} \cancel{\Sigma} \frac{d\vec{V}}{dt} = \Sigma^{-1} \vec{f}$  &  $\Sigma' \Sigma = I$ .  
 since  $\Sigma$  is a  
 fundamental matrix  
 which is nonsingular  
 since it is made of  
 n-LI sol<sup>o</sup>s.  
 (By def<sup>b</sup>)

**PROBLEM FOUR** Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\vec{f} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  solve the nonhomogeneous system  $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x} + \vec{f}$ . We can use formula in **PROBLEM 3**, need to find  $\vec{Z}$ .

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ -1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 + 1 = 0 \quad \therefore \lambda = \pm i \quad \text{use } \lambda = i$$

$$(A - iI)\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -i & 1 \\ -1 & -i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-iu + v = 0 \quad \therefore v = iu \Rightarrow \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ iu \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{can choose } \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + i \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus

$$\vec{x}_1 = \cos t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \sin t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ -\sin t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x}_2 = \cos t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \sin t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Hence } \vec{Z} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{x}_1 & \vec{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{note } \det(\vec{Z}) = \cos^2 t + \sin^2 t = 1.$$

$$\therefore \vec{Z}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & -\sin t \\ \sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix} : \text{using f-la on board.}$$

Now calculate,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v} &= \vec{Z}^{-1} \int \vec{Z} \vec{f} dt = \vec{Z}^{-1} \int \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & -\sin t \\ \sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} dt \\ &= \vec{Z}^{-1} \int \begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \end{bmatrix} dt \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & -\sin t \\ \sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sin t \\ -\cos t \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\sin^2 t - \cos^2 t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM FOUR CONTINUED

$$\vec{x}(t) = \vec{x}_c + \vec{x}_v \\ = c_1 \vec{x}_1 + c_2 \vec{x}_2 + \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \boxed{c_1 \begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ -\sin t \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} \sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix}} = \vec{x}(t)$$

PROBLEM FIVE Given  $A$  is  $5 \times 5$  and  $\det(A - \lambda I) = (\lambda - 1)^2(\lambda - 3)^2$   
this gives eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 1$ ,  $\lambda_3 = \lambda_4 = \lambda_5 = 3$ .

$$(A - I)\vec{u}_1 = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{x}_1 = e^t \vec{u}_1 \\ (A - I)\vec{u}_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{x}_2 = e^t \vec{u}_2 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{follows from} \\ \text{eq } " \text{ below} \\ \text{actually} \end{array} \right\}$$

Next as given on the board

$$e^{At} \vec{u} = e^{\lambda t} (I + t(A - \lambda I) + \frac{1}{2}t^2(A - \lambda I)^2 + \dots) \vec{u} \\ = e^{\lambda t} \vec{u} + t(A - \lambda I) \vec{u} + \frac{1}{2}t^2(A - \lambda I)^2 \vec{u} + \dots$$

$$\text{Now } (A - 3I)\vec{u}_3 = 0, (A - 3I)\vec{u}_4 = \vec{u}_3 \text{ and } (A - 3I)\vec{u}_5 = \vec{u}_4$$

$$\vec{x}_3 = e^{At} \vec{u}_3 = e^{3t} \vec{u}_3 + t(A - 3I) \vec{u}_3 + \dots = \boxed{e^{3t} \vec{u}_3 = \vec{x}_3}$$

$$\vec{x}_4 = e^{At} \vec{u}_4 = e^{3t} \vec{u}_4 + t(A - 3I) \vec{u}_4 + \frac{1}{2}t^2(A - 3I)^2 \vec{u}_4 + \dots \\ = e^{3t} \vec{u}_4 + t \vec{u}_3 + \frac{1}{2}t^2(A - 3I)^2 \vec{u}_3 + \dots \\ = \boxed{e^{3t} \vec{u}_4 + t \vec{u}_3 = \vec{x}_4}$$

$$\vec{x}_5 = e^{At} \vec{u}_5 = e^{3t} \vec{u}_5 + t(A - 3I) \vec{u}_5 + \frac{1}{2}t^2(A - 3I)^2 \vec{u}_5 + \frac{1}{3!}t^3(A - 3I)^3 \vec{u}_5 \\ = e^{3t} \vec{u}_5 + t \vec{u}_4 + \frac{1}{2}t^2(A - 3I)^2 \vec{u}_4 + \frac{1}{3!}t^3(A - 3I)^2 \vec{u}_4 \\ = \boxed{e^{3t} \vec{u}_5 + t \vec{u}_4 + \frac{1}{2}t^2 \vec{u}_3 = \vec{x}_5}$$

The general sol<sup>n</sup> is  $\vec{x} = c_1 \vec{x}_1 + c_2 \vec{x}_2 + c_3 \vec{x}_3 + c_4 \vec{x}_4 + c_5 \vec{x}_5$   
where  $\vec{x}_i$  are as above.

Bonus:  $\lambda = \alpha + i\beta$  and  $\vec{U}_j = \vec{a}_j + i\vec{b}_j$   $j=1, 2$   
plus we're given  $(A - \lambda I)\vec{U}_2 = \vec{U}_1$  and  $(A - \lambda I)\vec{U}_1 = 0$ .

Complex Sol's are easy to find,

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{W}_1 &= e^{At} \vec{U}_1 \\ \vec{W}_2 &= e^{At} \vec{U}_2\end{aligned}$$

Then within  $\vec{W}_1$  &  $\vec{W}_2$  are four real sol's  
namely  $\text{Re}\{\vec{W}_1\}$ ,  $\text{clm}\{\vec{W}_1\}$  ← we found these in lecture,

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{W}_1 &= e^{(\alpha+i\beta)t} (\vec{a}_1 + i\vec{b}_1) \\ &= e^{\alpha t} \underbrace{(e^{i\beta t} \vec{a}_1 - \sin(\beta t) \vec{b}_1)}_{\vec{X}_1 = \text{Re}\{\vec{W}_1\}} + i e^{\alpha t} \underbrace{(\sin(\beta t) \vec{a}_1 + e^{i\beta t} \vec{b}_1)}_{\vec{X}_2 = \text{clm}\{\vec{W}_1\}}\end{aligned}$$

Now  $\vec{W}_2$  is new, we didn't discuss it in lecture,

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{W}_2 &= e^{At} \vec{U}_2 \\ &= e^{(\alpha+i\beta)t} (\vec{U}_2 + t(A - (\alpha+i\beta)I)\vec{U}_2 + \frac{t^2}{2}(A - \lambda I)^2 \vec{U}_2 + \dots) \\ &= e^{(\alpha+i\beta)t} (\vec{U}_2 + t\vec{U}_1) \\ &= e^{(\alpha+i\beta)t} ([\vec{a}_2 + t\vec{a}_1] + i[\vec{b}_2 + t\vec{b}_1])\end{aligned}$$

By our calculation for  $\vec{W}_1$  in lecture we see

$$\vec{X}_3 = \text{Re}\{\vec{W}_2\} = e^{\alpha t} ((\cos(\beta t))(\vec{a}_2 + t\vec{a}_1) - (\sin(\beta t))(\vec{b}_2 + t\vec{b}_1))$$

$$\vec{X}_4 = \text{Re}\{\vec{W}_2\} = e^{\alpha t} ((\sin(\beta t))(\vec{a}_2 + t\vec{a}_1) + (\cos(\beta t))(\vec{b}_2 + t\vec{b}_1))$$