

Lecture 10
Linear systems with constant
coefficients

$$(1) \begin{cases} y_1' = a_{11}y_1 + \dots + a_{1n}y_n + b_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n' = a_{n1}y_1 + \dots + a_{nn}y_n + b_n \end{cases}$$

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} \quad A = (a_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbb{R}) \quad , \quad B \in C(I, \mathbb{R}^n)$$

$$\boxed{Y' = A \cdot Y + B}$$

The homogeneous case

$$(2) \quad Y' = AY.$$

$$y' = ay$$

$$y(x) = c \cdot e^{ax}, c \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ gen. sol.}$$

$$\underline{y(x) = e^{ax}} \text{ is the fundam. sol.}$$

$$\boxed{(e^{ax})' = a \cdot e^{ax}}$$

I The Exponential Matrix Method

$$e^x = 1 + \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + \dots$$

$$A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$$

$$e^A = I + \frac{A}{1!} + \frac{A^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{A^n}{n!} + \dots$$

$$\mathbb{R} \mapsto M_n(\mathbb{R})$$

$$x \mapsto e^{xA} \quad \text{the exponential matrix function}$$

$$\underline{e^{xA}} = I + \frac{x \cdot A}{1!} + \frac{x^2 A^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{x^n A^n}{n!} + \dots$$

$$e^{0 \cdot A} = I, \quad \boxed{(e^{xA})' = A \cdot e^{xA}}$$

$$U(x) = e^{xA}$$

$$U(0) = I$$

$$\det U(0) = 1 \neq 0$$

$\Rightarrow U(x) = e^{xA}$ is a fundamental matrix of solution

$\Rightarrow$ the gen. solution of (2)

$$Y = U(x) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{Y(x) = e^{xA} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix}, c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{R}}$$

II The reduction method to a n order linear diff. eq with constant coefficients

$$(2) \begin{cases} y_1' = a_{11}y_1 + \dots + a_{1n}y_n \\ \vdots \\ y_n' = a_{n1}y_1 + \dots + a_{nn}y_n \end{cases}$$

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} \text{ a sol. of (2)} \Rightarrow Y \in C^\infty$$

we choose one equation of the system (2).

$$y_1' = a_{11} \cdot y_1 + \dots + a_{1n} \cdot y_n$$

we derivate this eq. with respect to x .

$$y_1'' = a_{11} y_1' + \dots + a_{1n} \cdot y_n' = a_{11} (a_{11} y_1 + \dots + a_{1n} y_n) + \dots + a_{1n} (a_{n1} y_1 + \dots + a_{nn} y_n)$$

$\Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{y_1'' = a_{11}^2 y_1 + \dots + a_{1n}^2 y_n}$$

we derivate again with respect to x .

$$y_1''' = a_{11}^2 y_1' + \dots + a_{1n}^2 y_n' \quad \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{\uparrow} \\ \dots \end{matrix}$$

we replace
with relations from
the system (2)

$$\boxed{y_1''' = a_{11}^3 y_1 + \dots + a_{1n}^3 y_n}$$

we continue with this procedure until we get $y_1^{(m)}$

$$y_1^{(i)} = a_{11}^{(i-1)} y_1 + \dots + a_{1n}^{(i-1)} y_n, \quad i = \overline{2, n}$$

$$\begin{cases} a_{12} y_2 + \dots + a_{1n} y_n = y_1' - a_{11} y_1 \\ a_{12}^{(1)} y_2 + \dots + a_{1n}^{(1)} y_n = y_1'' - a_{11}^{(1)} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_{12}^{(n-2)} y_2 + \dots + a_{1n}^{(n-2)} y_n = y_1^{(n-1)} - a_{11}^{(n-2)} y_1 \end{cases} \quad n-1 \text{ system of eq.}$$

$\Rightarrow$ we solve this system with respect to $y_2, y_3, \dots, y_n$

$$\Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \boxed{y_k = \alpha_{k1} y_1 + \alpha_{k2} y_1' + \dots + \alpha_{k, n-1} y_1^{(n-1)}, \quad k = \overline{2, n}} \quad (3)$$

these relations are replaced in the last relation

$$y_1^{(n)} = a_{11}^{(n-1)} y_1 + \dots + a_{1n}^{(n-1)} y_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \boxed{y_1^{(n)} + b_1 y_1^{(n-1)} + \dots + b_n y_1 = 0}$$

a homogeneous linear diff. eq. with const. coeff.

$r^n + b_1 r^{n-1} + \dots + b_n = 0$ the characteristic eq.

$\Rightarrow \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$ the fundam. system solutions

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{y_1(x) = c_1 \varphi_1(x) + \dots + c_n \varphi_n(x)}$$

replacing $y_1(x)$ in (3) $\rightarrow y_2(x), \dots, y_n(x)$.

III The characteristic equation method

$$Y' = A \cdot Y$$

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 e^{\lambda x} \\ \alpha_2 e^{\lambda x} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n e^{\lambda x} \end{pmatrix}, \quad Y \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Y' - A \cdot Y = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \cdot \lambda \cdot e^{\lambda x} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \cdot \lambda \cdot e^{\lambda x} \end{pmatrix} - A \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 e^{\lambda x} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n e^{\lambda x} \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \cdot \lambda \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \cdot \lambda \end{pmatrix} \cdot e^{\lambda x} - A \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} \cdot e^{\lambda x} = 0 \quad / : e^{\lambda x}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \cdot \lambda \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \cdot \lambda \end{pmatrix} - A \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\lambda \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} - A \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$(4) \quad (\lambda \cdot I - A) \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} \neq 0 \Rightarrow (5) \quad \boxed{\det(\lambda I - A) = 0} \quad \text{the characteristic equation}$$

the solutions of the characteristic eq. (5) are the eigenvalues of A .

the charact. eq. (5) is a n -degree polynomial eq.

a) The case of simple real eigenvalues

$\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ eigenvalues of A . $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$, $i \neq j$.

for each λ_j , $j = \overline{1, n}$, we construct a non-zero solution of the system (4)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^j \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n^j \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad j = \overline{1, n}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{y}^j = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^j e^{\lambda_j x} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n^j e^{\lambda_j x} \end{pmatrix}, \quad j = \overline{1, n}$$

$$\Rightarrow U(x) = (\underline{y}^1 \ \underline{y}^2 \ \dots \ \underline{y}^n) \text{ a fundam. matrix of sol.}$$

b) The case of complex eigenvalue

$\lambda = \alpha + i\beta$ is an eigenvalue of A .

$\Rightarrow \bar{\lambda} = \alpha - i\beta$ is an eigenvalue of A .

$$z(x) = z_1(x) + i \cdot z_2(x)$$

$z(x)$ is a sol. of the system (2) $\Leftrightarrow z_1(x), z_2(x)$ are sol. of (2)

$$z(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 e^{\lambda x} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n e^{\lambda x} \end{pmatrix} \quad \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \underline{\lambda = \alpha + i\beta}.$$

$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix}$ is a sol. of the system (4) in $\mathbb{C}$

suppose $\alpha_1 = a_1 + ib_1, \dots, \alpha_n = a_n + ib_n$ a nonzero sol. of (4).

$$\Rightarrow z(x) = \begin{pmatrix} (a_1 + ib_1) e^{(\alpha + i\beta)x} \\ \vdots \\ (a_n + ib_n) e^{(\alpha + i\beta)x} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (a_1 + ib_1) e^{\alpha x} (\cos \beta x + i \sin \beta x) \\ \vdots \\ (a_n + ib_n) e^{\alpha x} (\cos \beta x + i \sin \beta x) \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\boxed{e^{\alpha + i\beta} = e^{\alpha} \cdot (\cos \beta + i \sin \beta)}$$

$$= \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} e^{\alpha x} (a_1 \cos \beta x - b_1 \sin \beta x) \\ \vdots \\ e^{\alpha x} (a_m \cos \beta x - b_m \sin \beta x) \end{pmatrix}}_{Y^1} + i \cdot \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} e^{\alpha x} (a_1 \sin \beta x + b_1 \cos \beta x) \\ \vdots \\ e^{\alpha x} (a_m \sin \beta x + b_m \cos \beta x) \end{pmatrix}}_{Y^2}$$

$\operatorname{Re} Z(x) = Y^1$, $\operatorname{Im} Z(x) = Y^2$ are sol. of (2).

c) The case of multiple eigenvalues

λ is a multiple real eigenvalue with the multiplicity order $\mu \geq 1$.

$$\Rightarrow Y^1(x) = e^{\lambda x} \cdot u_1$$

$$Y^2(x) = e^{\lambda x} \left(\frac{x}{1!} u_1 + u_2 \right)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$Y^\mu(x) = e^{\lambda x} \left(\frac{x^{\mu-1}}{(\mu-1)!} u_1 + \dots + \frac{x}{1!} u_{\mu-1} + u_\mu \right)$$

where u_1 is a nonzero sol. of $Au_1 = \lambda u_1$

$u_2, \dots, u_\mu$ are nonzero solutions of the systems:

$$\begin{cases} Au_2 = \lambda u_2 + u_1 \\ Au_3 = \lambda u_3 + u_2 \\ \vdots \\ Au_\mu = \lambda u_\mu + u_{\mu-1} \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} (\lambda I - A)u_1 = 0 \\ (\lambda I - A)u_2 = u_1 \\ \vdots \\ (\lambda I - A)u_\mu = u_{\mu-1} \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow y^1, \dots, y^n$ sol. of (2)

$\Rightarrow U(x) = (y^1 y^2 \dots y^n)$ the fundam. matrix of sol.

$$\Rightarrow \underline{y = U(x) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}}, x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}$$

The nonhomogeneous case

$$(1) \quad Y' = A \cdot Y + B \quad A \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbb{R}), B \in C(I, \mathbb{R}^n)$$

the general solution of (1)

$Y = Y^o + Y^p$ where Y^o is the gen. sol. of (2) $Y' = AY$
 Y^p is a particular sol. of (1) which
can be found using the variation
of constants method.

if $V(x)$ is a fundam. matrix of (2)
then $Y^p(x) = V(x) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1(x) \\ \vdots \\ \varphi_m(x) \end{pmatrix}$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} b_1(x) \\ \vdots \\ b_m(x) \end{pmatrix}$$