

Section 7.1

Goals for 7.1:

- Be able to convert an n^{th} order differential equation to a system of first order differential equations, and (where possible) convert a system of two differential equations to a single second order differential equation.
- Understand where systems of differential equations come from. We've seen: Predator-Prey, system of springs, system of tanks. In general, any time we're modeling the interaction of states, we'll get a system of differential equations.
- Understand the extension of *equilibria* to systems of autonomous differential equations.

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2. Convert to a system of first degree equations: $u'' + 0.5u' + 2u = 2\sin(t)$. SOLUTION: Let $x = u, y = u'$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= y \\y' &= -2x - 0.5y + 3\sin(t)\end{aligned}$$

5. Convert to a system of first order differential equations with the initial value: $u'' + p(t)u' + q(t)u = g(t)$, $u(0) = u_0, u'(0) = u'_0$. SOLUTION: Let $x = u, y = u'$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= y \\y' &= -q(t)x - p(t)y + g(t)\end{aligned}$$

with initial values: $x(0) = u_0, y(0) = u'_0$

14. Put the following system into a single second order equation.

$$\begin{aligned}x'_1 &= a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + g_1(t) \\x'_2 &= a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + g_2(t)\end{aligned}$$

We solve the first equation for x_2 , use it to get an expression for x'_2 , then substitute these expressions into the second equation:

If $a_{12} \neq 0$, then we get the following for x_2 and x'_2 :

$$\begin{aligned}x_2 &= \frac{1}{a_{12}} (x'_1 - a_{11}x_1 - g_1(t)) \\x'_2 &= \frac{1}{a_{12}} (x''_1 - a_{11}x'_1 - g'_1(t))\end{aligned}$$

Substituting these expressions into the second original equation yields:

$$\frac{1}{a_{12}} (x''_1 - a_{11}x'_1 - g'_1(t)) = a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}\frac{1}{a_{12}} (x'_1 - a_{11}x_1 - g_1(t)) + g_2(t)$$

Simplifying, we get:

$$x''_1 - (a_{11} + a_{22})x'_1 + (a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{12})x_1 = g'_1(t) - a_{22}g_1(t) + a_{12}g_2(t)$$

If $a_{12} = 0$, we would perform a similar procedure, but use the second equation and solve for x_1 . Here we would need to assume that $a_{21} \neq 0$

The same procedure can be carried out if a_{ij} are functions of time, but we would want to be sure that division would not be by zero.

NOTE: We cannot start this problem by assuming that $x_1 = u$ and $x_2 = u'$. This would imply that $x'_1 = x_2$, which is probably not true, given that

$$x'_1 = a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + g_1(t)$$

21. We started this one in class. From the model of the two tanks, we get the following system of differential equations:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_1' &= 1.5 + \frac{1.5}{20}Q_2 - \frac{3}{30}Q_1 \\ Q_2' &= 3 + \frac{3}{30}Q_1 - \frac{4}{20}Q_2 \end{aligned}$$

Hint if you're not sure how we got this: Be sure your units of measure are lining up. Note that, since Q_1 and Q_2 are in ounces, and the time is given in minutes, you should have that Q_1' and Q_2' are being measured in ounces per minute.

We find equilibrium where $Q_1' = 0$ and $Q_2' = 0$: In matrix form, we solve:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{10} & \frac{3}{40} \\ \frac{1}{10} & -\frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1.5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

so we get the equilibria at $Q_1^E = 42, Q_2^E = 36$. Lastly, let $x_1 = Q_1 - Q_1^E, x_2 = Q_2 - Q_2^E$. Then:

$$x_1' = Q_1' = 1.5 + \frac{1.5}{20}Q_2 - \frac{3}{30}Q_1 = 1.5 + \frac{1.5}{20}(x_2 + 36) - \frac{3}{30}(x_1 + 42) = \frac{-1}{10}x_1 + \frac{3}{40}x_2$$

and

$$x_2' = Q_2' = 3 + \frac{3}{30}Q_1 - \frac{4}{20}Q_2 = 3 + \frac{3}{30}(x_1 + 42) - \frac{4}{20}(x_2 + 36) = \frac{1}{10}x_1 + \frac{-1}{5}x_2$$

Section 7.2

Goals for 7.2:

- Recall the following matrix and vector operations (especially 2×2 and 3×3): A^T , AB , $A\mathbf{x}$
- Be able to solve $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$, especially if A is 2×2 or 3×3 , and especially if $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$.
- New operations: $\mathbf{x}'(t)$, $A'(t)$, $\int_a^b A(t) dt$
- Product Rule: $(AB)'(t) = A'(t)B(t) + A(t)B'(t)$, and $(A\mathbf{x})'(t) = A'(t)\mathbf{x}(t) + A(t)\mathbf{x}'(t)$
- Be able to verify that something is a solution to a given differential equation.

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22.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 7e^t & 5e^{-t} & 10e^{2t} \\ -e^t & 7e^{-t} & 2e^{2t} \\ 8e^t & 0 & -e^{2t} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 2e^{2t} - 2 + 3e^{3t} & 1 + 4e^{-2t} - e^t & 3e^{3t} + 2e^t - e^{-4t} \\ 4e^{2t} - 1 - 3e^{3t} & 2 + 2e^{-2t} + e^t & 6e^{3t} + e^t + e^{-4t} \\ -2e^{2t} - 3 + 6e^{3t} & -1 + 6e^{-2t} - 2e^t & -3e^{3t} + 3e^t - 2e^{-4t} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} e^t & -2e^{-t} & 2e^{2t} \\ 2e^t & -e^{-t} & -2e^{2t} \\ -e^t & -3e^{-t} & 4e^{2t} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} (e-1) & 2(1-e^{-1}) & \frac{1}{2}(e^2-1) \\ 2(e-1) & (1-e^{-1}) & -\frac{1}{2}(e^2-1) \\ -(e-1) & 3(1-e^{-1}) & (e^2-1) \end{pmatrix}$$

23. First, compute \mathbf{x}' using the given \mathbf{x} , then compare with $A\mathbf{x}$:

$$\mathbf{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} 2e^{2t} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} e^{2t}$$

and:

$$A\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{2t} = \begin{bmatrix} 12-4 \\ 8-4 \end{bmatrix} e^{2t} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} e^{2t}$$

26. First, compute Ψ' using the given Ψ , then compare with $A\Psi$:

$$\Psi' = \begin{bmatrix} -3e^{-3t} & 2e^{2t} \\ 12e^{-3t} & 2e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

and:

$$A\Psi = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-3t} & e^{2t} \\ -4e^{-3t} & e^{2t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (1-4)e^{-3t} & (1+1)e^{2t} \\ (4+8)e^{-3t} & (4-2)e^{2t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3e^{-3t} & 2e^{2t} \\ 12e^{-3t} & 2e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

Section 7.3

Goals for 7.3:

- Understand *linear independence*, and the difference between linearly independent *vectors* and linearly independent *solutions*.
- Recall how to compute eigenvalues and eigenvectors:
 1. Solve for λ : $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$
 2. For each λ , solve for \mathbf{v} : $(A - \lambda I)\mathbf{v} = 0$.
- Understand what it means to diagonalize a matrix.

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14. Let $\mathbf{x}^{(1)} = (e^t, te^t)^T$, $\mathbf{x}^{(2)} = (1, t)^T$ Show that $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}(t), \mathbf{x}^{(2)}(t)$ are linearly dependent for any fixed t :

$$W[\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \mathbf{x}^{(2)}](t) = \begin{vmatrix} e^t & 1 \\ te^t & t \end{vmatrix} = e^t(t - t) = 0$$

NOTE: The Wronskian is checking for linear dependence *pointwise*. If the Wronskian for two functions is non-zero somewhere, then that suffices to say that the functions are linearly independent. If the Wronskian is zero for all t , we cannot say anything about independence.

For the full interval, we are trying to solve:

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} e^t \\ te^t \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}, \text{ for all } t$$

But this implies that $c_1 e^t + c_2 = 0$ for all t , so $c_1 = 0$. If $c_1 = 0$, $c_2 = 0$. Thus, the only solution is trivial.

This is a nice example showing the difference between linearly independent vectors and linearly independent solutions.

25. For each problem, T is the matrix of eigenvectors, and D is the matrix with eigenvalues along the diagonal. Below are listed the eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

Although there are a lot of computations involved in these problems, they combine everything we need to know about eigenvalues, eigenvectors, and diagonalization. It's therefore a very useful exercise to check your computational abilities.

(a) (15):

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix},$$

(b) (16):

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1-i & 1+i \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 1+2i & 0 \\ 0 & 1-2i \end{bmatrix},$$

(c) (18):

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ i & -i \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix},$$