



Overview

- Fundamental set of solutions (Wronskian)
- Constant-coefficient hLSDEs, matrix eigenvalue problem
- Cases:
 - Real negative eigenvalues
 - Real positive eigenvalues
 - Purely imaginary eigenvalues
 - Complex eigenvalues



- $\mathbf{y}' = \mathbf{A}(t) \mathbf{y}$, $\mathbf{y}(t)$, $\mathbf{y}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$
- Set of solutions $\mathcal{S} = \{\mathbf{y}_1, \dots, \mathbf{y}_n\}$, $\mathbf{y}'_i = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{y}_i$, $i = 1, \dots, n$
- $\mathcal{S}$ is a *fundamental set of solutions* of $\{\mathbf{y}_1(t), \dots, \mathbf{y}_n(t)\}$ are linearly independent (for all t)
- $\mathbf{y} = c_1 \mathbf{y}_1 + \dots + c_n \mathbf{y}_n$, $c_1 \mathbf{y}_1 + \dots + c_n \mathbf{y}_n = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow c_1 = \dots = c_n = 0$.

$$\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{y}_1 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{y}_n) \mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} y_{11} & y_{12} & \dots & y_{1n} \\ y_{21} & y_{22} & \dots & y_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ y_{n1} & y_{n2} & \dots & y_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{y}$$

- $\mathbf{Y} \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{y}$ always has a solution iff $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{Y}) = \mathbb{R}^n$, or equivalently if $\det(\mathbf{Y}) \neq 0$
- The *Wronskian* of $\mathcal{S} = \{\mathbf{y}_1, \dots, \mathbf{y}_n\}$ is $W(t) = \det(\mathbf{Y}(t))$, $W: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Theorem. *Abel's Formula. If $\mathbf{A}(t)$ is continuous on (a, b) , and $\mathcal{S} = \{\mathbf{y}_1, \dots, \mathbf{y}_n\}$ is a set of solutions of $\mathbf{y}' = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{y}$ on (a, b) , then the Wronskian of $\mathcal{S}$ is given by*

$$W(t) = \exp \left[\int_{t_0}^t \text{tr } \mathbf{A}(s) \, ds \right] W(t_0). \mathbf{Y}' = (\mathbf{y}'_1 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{y}'_n) = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Y}$$



- $y: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, y' = a(t) y \Rightarrow y(t) = \exp\left[\int_{t_0}^t a(s) ds\right] y(t_0)$

$$y'(t) = \left(\int_{t_0}^t a(s) ds\right)' \exp\left[\int_{t_0}^t a(s) ds\right] y(t_0) = a(t) y$$

$$\exp(a) = \frac{1}{0!}a^0 + \frac{1}{1!}a^1 + \frac{1}{2!}a^2 + \frac{1}{3!}a^3 + \dots = 1 + a + \frac{1}{2}a^2 + \frac{1}{6}a^3 + \dots$$

- $y: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, y' = A(t) y, y(t) = \exp\left[\int_{t_0}^t A(s) ds\right] y(t_0),$

$$y'(t) = \left(\int_{t_0}^t A(s) ds\right)' \exp\left[\int_{t_0}^t A(s) ds\right] y(t_0) = A(t) y$$

$$\exp(A) = \frac{1}{0!}A^0 + \frac{1}{1!}A^1 + \frac{1}{2!}A^2 + \frac{1}{3!}A^3 + \dots = I + A + \frac{1}{2}A^2 + \frac{1}{6}A^3 + \dots$$

- trace of a matrix

$$\text{tr } A(t) = a_{11}(t) + \dots + a_{nn}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii}(t)$$



Example 1. Check if $\mathcal{S} = \{\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2\}$ is a fundamental set of solutions for $\mathbf{y}' = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}$

$$\mathbf{y}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -e^{2t} \\ 2e^{2t} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{y}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -e^{-t} \\ e^{-t} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & -3 \\ 6 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution 1. Solve $c_1 \mathbf{y}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{y}_2 = \mathbf{0}$

$$c_1 \mathbf{y}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{y}_2 = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} -e^{2t} \\ 2e^{2t} \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} -e^{-t} \\ e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -c_1 e^{2t} - c_2 e^{-t} \\ 2c_1 e^{2t} + c_2 e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = 0$$

Solution 2. Directly compute the Wronskian

$$W(t) = \det(\mathbf{Y}) = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{y}_1 & \mathbf{y}_2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} -e^{2t} & -e^{-t} \\ 2e^{2t} & e^{-t} \end{vmatrix} = e^t > 0$$

Solution 3. Apply Abel's formula

$$W(0) = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1, W(t) = \exp \left[\int_0^t \text{tr } \mathbf{A}(s) \, ds \right] = e^t > 0$$



- Consider $\mathbf{y}' = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}$. How to find a solution?
- Recall that for $y' = ay$, we'd guess $y(t) = ce^{\lambda t} \Rightarrow \lambda = a$, $y(t) = ce^{\lambda t}$
- Try the same approach for systems, guess that the solution is of the form

$$\mathbf{y} = e^{\lambda t} \mathbf{x} \Rightarrow \lambda e^{\lambda t} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}(e^{\lambda t} \mathbf{x}) \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda \mathbf{x}$$

- For $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ finding $\lambda, \mathbf{x}$ that satisfy $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda \mathbf{x}$ is known as the *eigenvalue problem*
 - λ are the eigenvalues of $\mathbf{A}$
 - $\mathbf{x}$ are the eigenvectors of $\mathbf{A}$ ($\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$, no trivial solutions)
- The eigenvalue relationship can be rewritten as

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda \mathbf{x} \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \lambda \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}, (\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I})\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow p_{\mathbf{A}}(\lambda) = \det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = 0$$

where $p_{\mathbf{A}}(\lambda)$ is the *characteristic polynomial* of $\mathbf{A}$, and is of degree n , with n roots.

- Denote the n eigenvalues as $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$, and the n eigenvectors as $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$



- $p_{\mathbf{A}}(\lambda) = \det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})$

$$p_{\mathbf{A}}(\lambda) = \left| \begin{pmatrix} \lambda - a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & \lambda - a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & \lambda - a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \right|$$

- $p_{\mathbf{A}}(\lambda) = \lambda^n - \operatorname{tr} \mathbf{A} \lambda^{n-1} + \dots + (-1)^n \det \mathbf{A} = \lambda^n + a_{n-1} \lambda^{n-1} + \dots + a_0$
- $p_{\mathbf{A}}(\lambda) = (\lambda - \lambda_1)(\lambda - \lambda_2) \dots (\lambda - \lambda_{n-1})(\lambda - \lambda_n) = \lambda^n + (-\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 - \dots - \lambda_n) \lambda^{n-1} + \dots$
- Vieta relations

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_n = -a_{n-1} = \operatorname{tr} \mathbf{A}$$

$$\lambda_1 \lambda_2 + \lambda_1 \lambda_3 + \dots + \lambda_{n-1} \lambda_n = a_{n-2}$$

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$$\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_n = (-1)^n a_0 = (-1)^n \det \mathbf{A}$$



- Solve the eigenvalue problem $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$
- Form the set of solutions $\mathcal{S} = \{e^{\lambda_1 t}\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, e^{\lambda_n t}\mathbf{x}_n\}$
- Determine if the set of solutions is fundamental:
 - Does $c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t}\mathbf{x}_1 + \dots + c_n e^{\lambda_n t}\mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{0}$ imply $c_1 = \dots = c_n = 0$? If so, $\mathcal{S}$ is a fundamental set
 - Compute the Wronskian

$$W(t) = \begin{vmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t}x_{11} & e^{\lambda_2 t}x_{12} & \dots & e^{\lambda_n t}x_{1n} \\ e^{\lambda_1 t}x_{21} & e^{\lambda_2 t}x_{22} & \dots & e^{\lambda_n t}x_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ e^{\lambda_1 t}x_{n1} & e^{\lambda_2 t}x_{n2} & \dots & e^{\lambda_n t}x_{nn} \end{vmatrix} = e^{\lambda_1 t} \dots e^{\lambda_n t} \begin{vmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \dots & x_{nn} \end{vmatrix}$$

and if $W(t) \neq 0$ for any t , $\mathcal{S}$ is a fundamental set of solutions

- Eigenvector matrix

$$\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{x}_1 \quad \mathbf{x}_2 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{x}_n) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \dots & x_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$



- Suppose $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n < 0$, and $\mathcal{S} = \{e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, e^{\lambda_n t} \mathbf{x}_n\}$ is a fundamental set

$$\mathbf{y} = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{x}_1 + \dots + c_n e^{\lambda_n t} \mathbf{x}_n$$

- Then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{0}$

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(%i14) A: matrix([-7,4],[-5,2])$  
      p: factor(charpoly(A,lambda));
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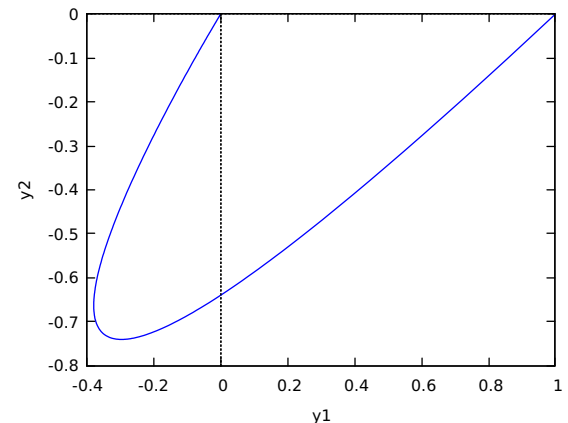
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(%o15) ( $\lambda + 2$ ) ( $\lambda + 3$ )
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(%i3) y: matrix([y1(t)],[y2(t)])$ rhs: A.y$  
dy: matrix(['diff(y1(t),t)'],['diff(y2(t),t)])$  
eq1: dy[1][1] = rhs[1][1]$  
eq2: dy[2][1] = rhs[2][1]$  
sys: [eq1,eq2]$  
gsoln: desolve(sys,[y1(t),y2(t)])$  
psoln: subst([y1(0)=1,y2(0)=0],gsoln);
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(%o10) [ $y_1(t) = 5e^{-3t} - 4e^{-2t}$ ,  $y_2(t) = 5e^{-3t} - 5e^{-2t}$ ]
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(%i11) plot2d([parametric,rhs(psoln[1]),rhs(psoln[2])],  
              [t,0,10]], [xlabel,"y1"], [ylabel,"y2"])$
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(%i12)
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- Suppose one eigenvalue is real positive, and $\mathcal{S} = \{e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, e^{\lambda_n t} \mathbf{x}_n\}$ is a fundamental set

$$\mathbf{y} = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{x}_1 + \dots + c_n e^{\lambda_n t} \mathbf{x}_n$$

- Then generally $\mathbf{y}(t) \rightarrow \infty$ (see Lesson 20 for discussion)

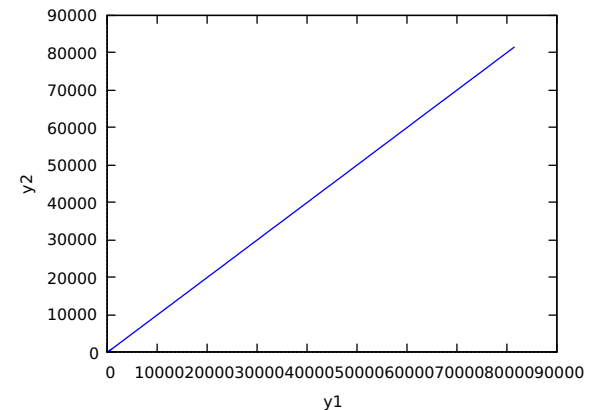
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(%i111) A: matrix([2,4],[4,2])$
p: factor(charpoly(A,lambda));
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(%o112) (λ - 6) (λ + 2)
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(%i113) y: matrix([y1(t)],[y2(t)])$ rhs: A.y$
dy: matrix(['diff(y1(t),t)'],['diff(y2(t),t)])$
eq1: dy[1][1] = rhs[1][1]$
eq2: dy[2][1] = rhs[2][1]$
sys: [eq1,eq2]$
gsoln: desolve(sys,[y1(t),y2(t)])$
psoln: subst([y1(0)=1,y2(0)=0],gsoln);
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(%o120) [y1(t) = e^{6t}/2 + e^{-2t}/2, y2(t) = e^{6t}/2 - e^{-2t}/2]
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(%i122) plot2d([parametric,rhs(psoln[1]),rhs(psoln[2])],
[t,0,2],[xlabel,"y1"],[ylabel,"y2"])$
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- Suppose all eigenvalues are purely imaginary, $\mathcal{S} = \{e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, e^{\lambda_n t} \mathbf{x}_n\}$ is a fundamental set

$$\mathbf{y} = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{x}_1 + \dots + c_n e^{\lambda_n t} \mathbf{x}_n$$

- Then $\mathbf{y}(t)$ exhibits cycles

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(%i12) A: matrix([0,1],[-1,0])$  
p: factor(charpoly(A,lambda));
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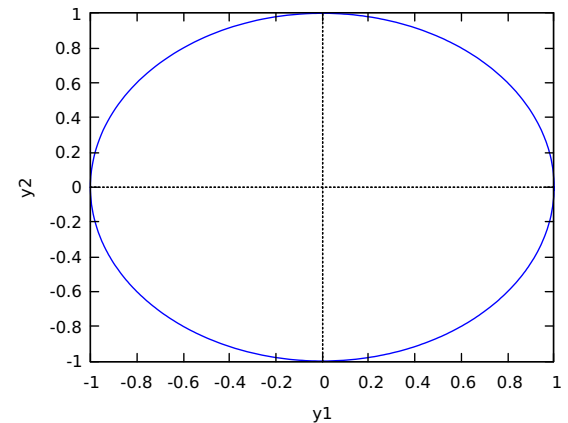
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(%o13)  $\lambda^2 + 1$ 
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(%i14) y: matrix([y1(t)], [y2(t)])$ rhs: A.y$  
dy: matrix(['diff(y1(t),t)'], ['diff(y2(t),t)])$  
eq1: dy[1][1] = rhs[1][1]$  
eq2: dy[2][1] = rhs[2][1]$  
sys: [eq1,eq2]$  
gsoln: desolve(sys, [y1(t), y2(t)])$  
psoln: subst([y1(0)=1, y2(0)=0], gsoln);
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(%o21)  $[y1(t) = \cos(t), y2(t) = -\sin(t)]$ 
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(%i22) plot2d([parametric, rhs(psoln[1]), rhs(psoln[2])],  
[t, 0, 6.3], [xlabel, "y1"], [ylabel, "y2"])$
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(%i23)
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- Suppose all eigenvalues are complex, $\mathcal{S} = \{e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, e^{\lambda_n t} \mathbf{x}_n\}$ is a fundamental set

$$\mathbf{y} = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{x}_1 + \dots + c_n e^{\lambda_n t} \mathbf{x}_n$$

- Then $\mathbf{y}(t)$ exhibits spirals, inward towards zero for negative real part, outwards towards infinity for positive real part

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(%i60) A: matrix([-1,-10],[10,-1])$
      p: factor(charpoly(A,lambda));
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(%o61)  $\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 101$ 
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(%i62) y: matrix([y1(t)],[y2(t)])$ rhs: A.y$
      dy: matrix(['diff(y1(t),t)'],['diff(y2(t),t)])$
      eq1: dy[1][1] = rhs[1][1]$
      eq2: dy[2][1] = rhs[2][1]$
      sys: [eq1,eq2]$
      gsoln: desolve(sys,[y1(t),y2(t)])$
      psoln: subst([y1(0)=1,y2(0)=0],gsoln);
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(%o69)  $[y1(t) = e^{-t} \cos(10t), y2(t) = e^{-t} \sin(10t)]$ 
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(%i70) plot2d([parametric,rhs(psoln[1]),rhs(psoln[2])],
              [t,0,24],[xlabel,"y1"],[ylabel,"y2"])$
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(%i71)
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