

Third MATH 4512 mid-term exam: Nov. 28, 2016

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(Each problem is 5 points)

1. Find the general solution of  $\frac{d}{dt}x = Ax$  where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $e^{At}$ .

The characteristic polynomial is  $p(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda \text{Id})$   
 $= \lambda^2 - 7\lambda + 12 = (\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 4)$ .

An eigenvector  $v_1$  associated to  $\lambda_1 = 3$  satisfies

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ a \end{bmatrix}. \text{ For } a=1, v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

An eigenvector  $v_2$  associated to  $\lambda_2 = 4$  satisfies

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3a \\ 2a \end{bmatrix}. \text{ For } a=1, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

If  $x_0 = c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2$  then the general solution is

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= e^{At} (c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2) \\ &= c_1 e^{3t} v_1 + c_2 e^{4t} v_2 \\ &= c_1 e^{3t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{4t} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

To find  $e^{At}$ , we write that

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{3t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{4t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{3t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{4t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} x_0 \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} e^{At} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{3t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{4t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{3t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{4t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} e^{3t} & 3e^{4t} \\ e^{3t} & 2e^{4t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -2e^{3t} + 3e^{4t} & 3e^{3t} - 3e^{4t} \\ -2e^{3t} + 2e^{4t} & 3e^{3t} - 2e^{4t} \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

2. Find the general solution of  $\frac{d}{dt}x = Ax$  where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $e^{At}$ .

the characteristic polynomial is

$$p(\lambda) = \lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 5 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{1}{2}(-4 \pm \sqrt{16-20})$$

An eigenvector associated to  $\lambda_1 = -2 + i$  satisfies

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1-i & 2 \\ -1 & 1-i \end{bmatrix} v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1-i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} b, \text{ For } b=1, v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1-i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since  $\lambda_2 = -2-i = \bar{\lambda}_1$ , we can take the eigenvector  $v_2$  associated to  $\lambda_2$  as  $v_2 := \bar{v}_1$ .

Then, if  $x_0 = c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= e^{At} x_0 \\ &= c_1 e^{A t} v_1 + c_2 e^{A t} v_2 \\ &= c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} v_1 + c_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} v_2 \\ &= c_1 e^{-2t} \cdot e^{it} \begin{bmatrix} 1-i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{-2t} e^{-it} \begin{bmatrix} 1+i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= e^{-2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1-i & 1+i \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{it} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-it} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1-i & 1+i \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x_0 \\ &= e^{-2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1-i & 1+i \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{it} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-it} \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1-i \\ -1 & 1-i \end{bmatrix} x_0 \\ &= e^{-2t} \begin{bmatrix} (1-i)e^{it} & (1+i)e^{-it} \\ e^{it} & e^{-it} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i/2 & -i/2 + 1/2 \\ -i/2 & i/2 + 1/2 \end{bmatrix} x_0 \\ &= e^{-2t} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{i}{2}(1-i)e^{it} - \frac{i}{2}(1+i)e^{-it} & (1-i)\left(\frac{1-i}{2}\right)e^{it} + (1+i)\left(\frac{1+i}{2}\right)e^{-it} \\ \frac{i}{2} \cdot e^{it} - \frac{i}{2} \cdot e^{-it} & \left(\frac{1-i}{2}\right)e^{it} + \left(\frac{1+i}{2}\right)e^{-it} \end{bmatrix} x_0 \\ &= e^{-2t} \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{Re}(i(1-i)e^{it}) & \operatorname{Re}((1-i)(1-i)e^{it}) \\ \operatorname{Re}(i e^{it}) & \operatorname{Re}((1-i)e^{it}) \end{bmatrix} x_0 \\ &= e^{-2t} \begin{bmatrix} \cos t - \sin t & 2 \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t + \sin t \end{bmatrix} x_0 \\ \Rightarrow e^{At} &= e^{-2t} \begin{bmatrix} \cos t - \sin t & 2 \sin t \\ \sin t & \cos t + \sin t \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

3. Find the general solution of  $\frac{d}{dt}x = Ax$  where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $e^{At}$ .

the characteristic polynomial is

$$p(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4 = (\lambda - 2)^2$$

$$\text{Now, } (A - \lambda \text{Id})^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and so any two linearly independent vectors span the corresponding space of generalized eigenvectors. We take

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= e^{At} x_0 \\ &= e^{At} (c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2) \\ &= c_1 e^{At} v_1 + c_2 e^{At} v_2 \\ &= c_1 \left\{ e^{2t} (\text{Id} + t(A - 2\text{Id})) v_1 \right\} \\ &\quad + c_2 \left\{ e^{2t} (\text{Id} + t(A - 2\text{Id})) v_2 \right\} \\ &= e^{2t} (\text{Id} + t(A - 2\text{Id})) (c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2) \\ &= e^{2t} (\text{Id} + t(A - 2\text{Id})) x_0 \\ &= e^{2t} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) x_0 \\ &= e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1-t & -t \\ t & 1+t \end{pmatrix} x_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{At} = e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1-t & -t \\ t & 1+t \end{pmatrix}.$$

4. Find the solution of  $\frac{d}{dt}x = Ax + f$ ,  $x(0) = x_0$  where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $f(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -t^2 \\ 2t \end{bmatrix}$  and  $x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Hint: Use  $e^{At}$  obtained in the previous problem.

In this case, we have that

$$x(t) = \int_0^t e^{+A(t-s)} f(s) ds$$

By the previous result,

$$e^{A(t-s)} = e^{+2t-2s} \begin{bmatrix} 1-t+s & -t+s \\ t-s & 1+t-s \end{bmatrix},$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \int_0^t e^{2t-2s} \begin{bmatrix} (1-t+s)(-s^2) + (-t+s)(2s) \\ (t-s)(-s^2) + (1+t-s)(2s) \end{bmatrix} ds \\ &= e^{2t} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2t \\ 2(1+t) \end{bmatrix} \int_0^{-2s} e^{-s} ds + \begin{bmatrix} 1+t \\ -(2t) \end{bmatrix} \int_0^{-2s} e^{-s} ds \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ +1 \end{bmatrix} \int_0^{-2s} e^{-s} s^2 ds \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

(The simplified solution is:

$$x(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 3/4 \\ -1/4 \end{bmatrix} t^2 + \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} t + \begin{bmatrix} 1/8 \\ -3/8 \end{bmatrix} (1 - e^{2t}) + \begin{bmatrix} -1/4 \\ 1/4 \end{bmatrix} t e^{2t}. )$$