

Matrix Exponential:

$$\exp(M) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} M^k / k!$$

$$e^{At} = \begin{bmatrix} M_{1,1}(t) & \dots \\ \vdots & \\ M_{n,1}(t) & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

Special Case:

Diagonal Matrices

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^2 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & a_n^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^k = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^k & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & a_n^k \end{bmatrix}$$

∴ if A is diagonal then

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$$e^A = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A^k / k! = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \begin{bmatrix} a_1^k & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & a_n^k \end{bmatrix} / k!$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \begin{bmatrix} a_1^k / k! & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & a_n^k / k! \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \sum_k a_1^k / k! & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sum_k a_n^k / k! \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} e^{a_1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & e^{a_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e^{\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & a_n \end{bmatrix} t}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} e^{a_1 t} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & e^{a_n t} \end{bmatrix}$$

Suppose we have the simplest
of all realizations where "A"
is diagonal

$$\dot{x} = A x$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{x}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & a_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\dot{x}_1(t) = a_1 x_1(t)$$

$\vdots$

$$\dot{x}_n(t) = a_n x_n(t)$$

scalar
equations

diagonal A $\Leftrightarrow$ equations are
decoupled

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Solutions: $x_1(t) = e^{a_1 t} x_1(0)$

⋮

$$x_n(t) = e^{a_n t} x_n(0)$$

or

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{a_1 t} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & e^{a_n t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

or

$$x(t) = e^{At} x(0)$$

↑
true for
any A

↓
special case when
A is diagonal

One (of many) way to ⁵ compute
Matrix ~~exp~~ exponential:

Diagonalization:

Given a matrix A that is diagonalizable, i.e. there exists T

s.t.

$$A = T^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} T$$

Conditions on A s.t. it is diagonalizable.

- ① A has n distinct eigenvalues
(no repeated eigenvalues)
- ② A symmetric
- ③ A has n lin. indep. eigenvectors

meaning of $A = T^{\circ} (a_1 \dots a_n) T^{-1}$ (6)

$$A T = T (a_1 \dots a_n)$$

because $T = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & \dots & v_n \end{bmatrix}$

$$(A) \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & \dots & v_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & \dots & v_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & \dots & a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} v_1 a_1 & \dots & v_n a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_i \end{bmatrix} = a_i \begin{bmatrix} v_i \end{bmatrix} \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

Note $A = T \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & a_n \end{bmatrix} T^{-1}$

$$T^{-1} A T = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Back to differential equations

$$\dot{x} = Ax$$

assume A diagonalizable: $T^{-1} A T = \Lambda$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

define new state variables

$$\begin{bmatrix} z_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ z_n(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

what diff. eq. do $z(t)$'s satisfy?

$$\boxed{z(t) = T x(t)} ; \dot{x} = A x$$

$$\dot{z}(t) = T \dot{x}(t)$$

$$\boxed{T^{-1} z = x}$$

$$= T (A x(t))$$

$$\dot{z}(t) = (T A T^{-1}) z(t)$$

$$\dot{z}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} z(t)$$

Solution:

$$z(t) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & e^{\lambda_n t} \end{bmatrix} z(0)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} z_1(0) \\ \vdots \\ e^{\lambda_n t} z_n(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

back to $x(t)$:



$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= T^{-1} z(t) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} T^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} z_1(0) \\ \vdots \\ e^{\lambda_n t} z_n(0) \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Main Observations:

the ~~so~~ ~~state~~ solution for the any of the state variables is a linear combination of terms of the form

$$e^{\lambda_1 t}, \dots, e^{\lambda_n t}$$

where $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ are eigenvalues of A !

Asymptotic Stability:

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a system $\dot{x} = Ax$ is asymptotically stable if for any initial condition, $x(t) \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} 0$

$(x(t) \rightarrow 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{each component } x_i(t) \rightarrow 0)$

Since each component looks like

$$x_i(t) = \alpha_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + \dots + \alpha_n e^{\lambda_n t}$$

λ 's depend on i.e.'s

recall $e^{(\sigma + j\omega)t} = e^{\sigma t} \underline{\underline{e^{j\omega t}}}$

decays $\Rightarrow \sigma < 0$

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Results :

- ① $\dot{x} = Ax$ asymptotically stable
iff all eigenvalues of A
have negative real part
- ② $\dot{x} = Ax$ has oscillatory solution
if some eigenvalue of A has
non-zero imaginary part

The eigenvalues of A are
called the modes of

$$\dot{x} = Ax$$

$$\lambda_i$$
$$e^{\lambda_i t}$$