

To motivate our study of eigenvalues/eigenvectors, we studied a tank system (hom 12) of DE's. So, it makes sense to ask:

(next week is Thanksgiving week)

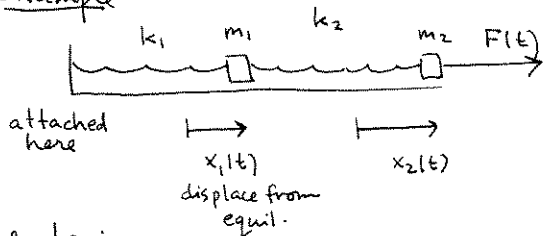
7.1 1, 3, 5, 8, 11, 18, 21, 24, 26

7.2 5, 9, 10, 13, 14, 16, 21, 23, 25

7.3 3, 4, 6, 13, 14, 29, 30, 32, 37

- What kind of DE's do we get for an interconnected mass-spring system?

Example



Newton:

$$m_1 x_1''(t) = k_2(x_2 - x_1) - k_1 x_1$$

2nd spring is stretched this much

$$m_2 x_2''(t) = -k_2(x_2 - x_1) + F(t)$$

e.g. $m_1 = 2$
 $m_2 = 1$
 $k_1 = 4$
 $k_2 = 2$
 $f(t) = 40 \sin 3t$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2x_1'' = 2(x_2 - x_1) - 4x_1 = -6x_1 + 2x_2 \\ x_2'' = -2(x_2 - x_1) + 40 \sin 3t = 2x_1 - 2x_2 + 40 \sin 3t \end{cases}$$

or $\begin{bmatrix} x_1'' \\ x_2'' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 40 \sin 3t \end{bmatrix}$

- What's a natural IVP for this 2nd order system of 2 linear DE's?
 (We won't solve it today - see 9.7.4)

note: Any system of DE's can be converted into an equivalent system of 1st order DE's, by introducing extra unknown functions.

(1)

$$\begin{cases} x_1'' = -3x_1 + x_2 \\ x_2'' = 2x_1 - 2x_2 + 40 \sin 3t \end{cases}$$

Let $y_1 = x_1'$
 $y_2 = x_2'$

(2)

$$\begin{cases} x_1' = y_1 \\ y_1' = -3x_1 + x_2 \\ x_2' = y_2 \\ y_2' = 2x_1 - 2x_2 + 40 \sin 3t \end{cases}$$

solutions of (1) yield solutions of (2) and vice versa.

This correspondence is sometimes useful.

Example : Study the correspondence between n^{th} order eqns or systems and 1^{st} order ones : (Every system of arbitrary order DE's can be reduced to an equivalent first order system. The correspondence doesn't always go in the reverse direction)

$x = x(t)$

2nd order linear homog DE

$x'' - x' - 2x = 0$

$x = e^{rt}$

$p(r) = r^2 - r - 2 = 0$

$(r-2)(r+1) = 0$

$x_H(t) = c_1 e^{2t} + c_2 e^{-t}$

so we could immediately solve the 1^{st} order system :

$x_H(t) = c_1 e^{2t} + c_2 e^{-t}$

$x_H'(t) = 2c_1 e^{2t} - c_2 e^{-t}$

so $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = c_1 e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Also, see work at right!

1st order system of 2 DE's

$y = x'$

$x' = y$

$y' = y + 2x$

$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$

try $\begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{bmatrix} = e^{\lambda t} \vec{v}$

for $\vec{x}'(t) = A \vec{x}$

$\lambda e^{\lambda t} \vec{v} = A e^{\lambda t} \vec{v}$

$\lambda \vec{v} = A \vec{v}$ \vec{v} eigenvect of A

$0 = (A - \lambda I) \vec{v}$ eigenval λ

$\det \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ 2 & 1-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = \lambda^2 - \lambda - 2 = p(\lambda)$

does this "characteristic polynomial" look familiar?

$= (\lambda - 2)(\lambda + 1)$

$\lambda = 2$

$\lambda = -1$

$\begin{array}{c|c|c} -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{array}$

$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

eigenbasis

$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = c_1 e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

IVP $\begin{cases} x'' - x' - 2x = 0 \\ x(0) = 2 \\ x'(0) = 1 \end{cases}$

$c_1 + c_2 = 1$
 $2c_1 - c_2 = 1$

$x(t) = e^{2t} + e^{-t}$

IVP $\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ y(0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{cases}$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

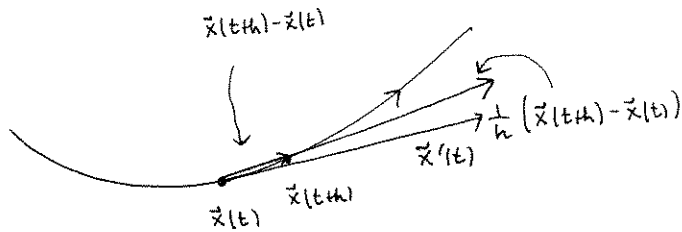
$\begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{bmatrix} = e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

$\begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Geometric interpretation of 1st order system of DEs:

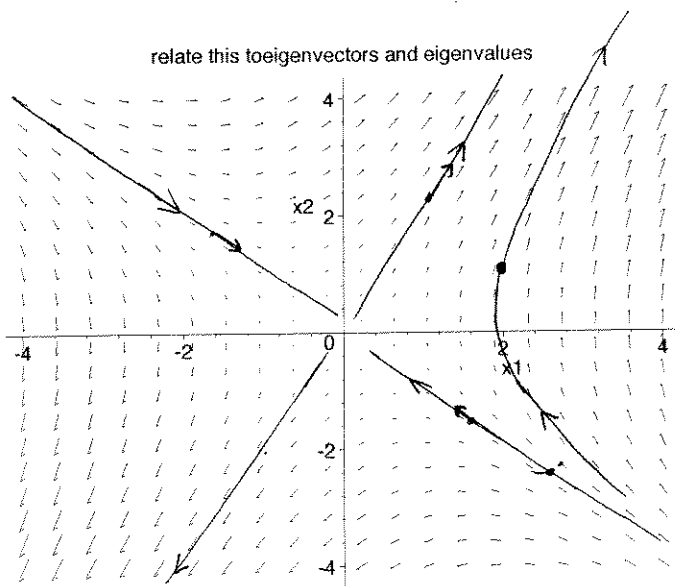
$$\text{IVP} \begin{cases} \frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = \vec{F}(t, \vec{x}) \\ \vec{x}(t_0) = \vec{x}_0 \end{cases}$$

- Recall, if $\vec{x}(t)$ is parametric curve in space (think particle position at time t) then $\vec{x}'(t)$ is the tangent (or velocity) vector:



So the IVP says you know where you start ($\vec{x}(t_0) = \vec{x}_0$), and you know your velocity vector (depending on time & location) \rightarrow so you expect a unique solⁿ

page 2 example continued :



$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ y(0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{cases}$$

The Harmonic oscillator
(unforced, undamped).

$$x'' + x = 0$$

$$x(t) = C \cos(t - \alpha)$$



$$x' = y$$

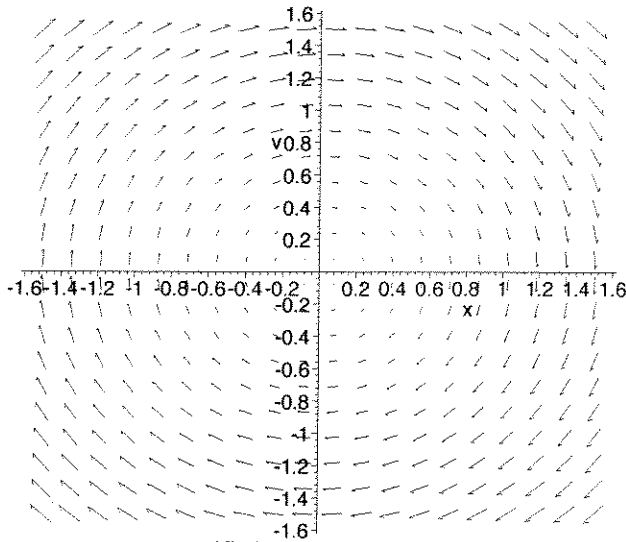
$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y \\ -x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\text{so } \begin{bmatrix} x \\ x' \end{bmatrix} = C \begin{bmatrix} \cos(t - \alpha) \\ -\sin(t - \alpha) \end{bmatrix}$$

clockwise circles!

phase portrait for the harmonic oscillator



$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y \\ -x \end{bmatrix}$$



what if you try solving
this 1st order system of DE's
with the eigenvalue - eigenvector
method?