

## 2-How to find solutions for a System

**Ex1.** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , compute the eigenvalues of  $A$ , find a set of eigenvectors and find a fundamental matrix for  $\vec{Y}' = A\vec{Y}$ .

① Find eigenvalues of  $A$ :  $P(\lambda) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 5-\lambda & -1 \\ 3 & 1-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = 0 \Leftrightarrow P(\lambda) = (5-\lambda)(1-\lambda) + 3 = 0$   
 or  $\lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 8 = 0 \Leftrightarrow \lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 8 = (\lambda-4)(\lambda-2) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 4, \lambda_2 = 2$

② For each eigenvalue find the associated eigenvector

For  $\lambda_1 = 4$  solve  $\begin{bmatrix} 5-4 & -1 \\ 3 & 1-4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} v_1 - v_2 = 0 \\ 3v_1 - 3v_2 = 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow v_1 = v_2$  the associated eigenvector is of the form  $v_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and the associated solution is  $\phi_1(t) = e^{4t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

For  $\lambda_2 = 2$  solve  $\begin{bmatrix} 5-2 & -1 \\ 3 & 1-2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

then  $3v_1 - v_2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow 3v_1 = v_2$ , the associated eigenvector is of the form  $v_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and the corresponding solution is  $\phi_2(t) = e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

$\therefore$  A fundamental matrix for the system is

$\Phi(t) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{4t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} & e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$  and the general solution is

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**Ex2.** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ , compute the eigenvalues of  $A$ , find a set of eigenvectors and find a fundamental matrix for  $\vec{Y}' = A\vec{Y}$ .

\* To find eigenvalues we solve  $P(\lambda) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 3-\lambda & -1 \\ 4 & -2-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = 0$  or

$$P(\lambda) = (3-\lambda)(-2-\lambda) + 4 = \lambda^2 - \lambda - 6 + 4 = 0 \Leftrightarrow P(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - \lambda - 2 = 0$$

$$P(\lambda) = (\lambda-2)(\lambda+1) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 2 \quad \lambda_2 = -1$$

\* For each eigenvalue we find the associated eigenvector

For  $\lambda_1 = 2$  solve  $\begin{pmatrix} 3-2 & -1 \\ 4 & -2-2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  or

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 4 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow v_1 - v_2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow v_1 = v_2 \text{ the corresponding}$$

eigenvector is of the form  $v_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and the solution associated with the eigenpair  $(2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix})$  is  $\phi_1(t) = e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

For  $\lambda_2 = -1$  we solve  $\begin{pmatrix} 3+1 & -1 \\ 4 & -2+1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow 4v_1 - v_2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow 4v_1 = v_2$$

Then the eigenvector is of the form  $v_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$  and the solution associated with eigenpair  $(-1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix})$  is  $\phi_1(t) = e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

$\therefore$  the F. Matrix for the system is  $\Phi(t) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t} & e^{-t} \\ e^{2t} & 4e^{-t} \end{bmatrix}$  and the General solution is  $\vec{y}(t) = \Phi(t) \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}$

**Ex3.** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ , compute the eigenvalues of  $A$ , find a set of eigenvectors and find a fundamental matrix for  $\vec{Y}' = A\vec{Y}$ .

\* Eigenvalues: Solve  $P(\lambda) = \det \begin{bmatrix} -2-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & -2-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = 0 \Leftrightarrow$

$$P(\lambda) = (2+\lambda)^2 - 1 = 0 \Leftrightarrow \lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 4 - 1 = 0 \Leftrightarrow \lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 3 = 0$$

or  $(\lambda+1)(\lambda+3) = 0 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \lambda_1 = -3 \\ \lambda_2 = -1 \end{array} \right\}$  eigenvalues of  $A$

\* Eigenvectors:

For  $\lambda_1 = -3$  solve  $\begin{bmatrix} -2+3 & 1 \\ 1 & -2+3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$

or  $v_1 + v_2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow v_1 = -v_2$  then the associated eigenvector is of the form  $v_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  and the corresponding solution is  $\phi_1(t) = e^{-3t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

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$$\boxed{\text{For } \lambda_2 = -1}$$

$$\text{Solve } \begin{bmatrix} -2+1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2+1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} -v_1 + v_2 = 0 \\ v_1 - v_2 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow v_1 = v_2 \text{ the}$$

associated eigenvector is of the form  $v_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and the corresponding solution is  $\phi_2(t) = e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$\therefore$  the F Matrix for this system is  $\boxed{\Phi(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-3t} & e^{-t} \\ -e^{-3t} & e^{-t} \end{pmatrix}}$  and the general solution is  $\boxed{\vec{y}(t) = \Phi(t) \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}}$