

Auditorium Exercise Sheet 4

Differential Equations I for Students of Engineering Sciences

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Linear homogeneous ODEs

Consider a linear, homogeneous differential equation of order $m \in \mathbb{N}$

$$A_m(t)u^{(m)}(t) + \cdots + A_2(t)u''(t) + A_1(t)u'(t) + A_0(t)u(t) = 0 \quad (1)$$

with coefficients $A_k \in C(I)$.

- There are exactly m linearly independent solutions of (1)
- If $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m$ are m linearly independent solutions of (1), then they build a **basis** of the space of solutions of (1) and $M := \{u_1, \dots, u_m\}$ defines a **fundamental system** of the ODE (1)
- The **general solution** of the (homogeneous) ODE (1) is given by

$$u_h(t) := c_1 u_1(t) + c_2 u_2(t) + \cdots + c_m u_m(t), \quad \text{with } c_k \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- Question: how to determine $u_1, \dots, u_m$?

Linear hom. ODEs with constant coefficients

In case the coefficients in (1) are constants, we get:

$$a_m u^{(m)}(t) + a_{m-1} u^{(m-1)}(t) + \cdots + a_2 u''(t) + a_1 u'(t) + a_0 u(t) = 0 \quad (2)$$

for $a_k \in \mathbb{R}$.

- We define the **characteristic polynomial** of (2) as

$$P(\lambda) := a_m \lambda^m + a_{m-1} \lambda^{m-1} + \cdots + a_2 \lambda^2 + a_1 \lambda + a_0$$

- If λ is a root (zero) of P , then the function $e^{\lambda t}$ solves (2)
- If λ is a root of P with (algebraic) multiplicity $d \in \mathbb{N}$, then

$$e^{\lambda t}, t \cdot e^{\lambda t}, \dots, t^{d-1} \cdot e^{\lambda t}$$

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Characteristic polynomial: $P(\lambda) = \lambda^4 - 5\lambda^3 + 6\lambda^2 + 4\lambda - 8 = (\lambda + 1)(\lambda - 2)^3$.

Roots of P are:

- $\lambda_1 = -1$, with multiplicity $d_1 = 1 \implies e^{-t}$ is a solution
- $\lambda_2 = 2$, with multiplicity $d_2 = 3 \implies e^{2t}, te^{2t}, t^2e^{2t}$ are other linearly independent solutions

Hence, a fundamental system is given by $M = \{e^{-t}, e^{2t}, te^{2t}, t^2e^{2t}\}$ and the general solution is

$$u_h(t) = c_1 e^{-t} + c_2 e^{2t} + c_3 t e^{2t} + c_4 t^2 e^{2t}, \quad c_k \in \mathbb{R}.$$

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- Recall: any polynomial of degree $m \in \mathbb{N}$ with real (or complex) coefficients has **exactly** m roots in $\mathbb{C}$ (counted with their multiplicity).
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The ODE $u'' - 2u' + 5u = 0$ has characteristic polynomial

$$P(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 5. \text{ Solve: } P(\lambda) = 0 \iff \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 5 \iff \lambda = 1 \pm 2i.$$

Then a (complex) fundamental system is given by $\{e^{(1+2i)t}, e^{(1-2i)t}\}$ and the general solution is: $u_h(t) = c_1 e^{(1+2i)t} + c_2 e^{(1-2i)t} = c_1 e^t e^{2it} + c_2 e^t e^{-2it}.$

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If λ is root of the characteristic polynomial P of (2) (hence even $\bar{\lambda}$)
 $\implies e^{\lambda t}, e^{\bar{\lambda}t}$ are two complex, linearly independent solutions of (2)
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Then $\Re(e^{(1+2i)t}) = e^t \cos(2t)$ and $\Im(e^{(1+2i)t}) = e^t \sin(2t)$ are lin. indep. *real* solutions, which generate the *real* fundamental system $M_{\mathbb{R}} := \{e^t \cos(2t), e^t \sin(2t)\}$.

The corresponding general solution of the ODE is then

$$u_h(t) = c_1 e^t \cos(2t) + c_2 e^t \sin(2t) \quad c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Linear inhomogeneous ODEs

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with coefficients $A_k, b \in C(I)$.

- If u_h is the general solution of the corresponding homogeneous equation (1) and u_p is a particular solution of (3), then the general solution of (3) is given by

$$u(t) := u_h(t) + u_p(t)$$

- Question: how to determine u_p ? *TO BE CONTINUED...*

Example 4

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Substitute the ansatz $u_p(t) = Ce^{-2t}$ to find C :

$$u_p'(t) = -2Ce^{-2t} = -2u_p(t) \implies u_p''(t) = 4Ce^{-2t} = 4u_p(t). \text{ Thus:}$$

$$(4C + (-2)(-2)C + 5C)e^{-2t} = 13e^{-2t} \implies C = 1 \implies u_p(t) = e^{-2t}$$

The general solution of (4) is:

$$u(t) = u_h(t) + u_p(t) = c_1 e^t \cos(2t) + c_2 e^t \sin(2t) + e^{-2t}, \quad \text{with } c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Linear homogeneous systems of first-order ODEs

Consider a linear, homogeneous system of $n \in \mathbb{N}$ first-order ODEs

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) = \mathbf{A}(t) \cdot \mathbf{u}(t) \quad (6)$$

with matrix of coefficients $\mathbf{A} \in C(I, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$ and $\mathbf{u} \in C^1(I, \mathbb{R}^n)$.

- There are exactly n linearly independent solutions (vectors!) of (6)
- If $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n \in C^1(I, \mathbb{R}^n)$ are n linearly independent solutions of (6), we say that they determine a **basis** (or a **fundamental system**) of the space of solutions of (6)
- The **general solution** of the homogeneous system (6) is given by

$$\mathbf{u}_h(t) := c_1 \mathbf{u}_1(t) + c_2 \mathbf{u}_2(t) + \dots + c_n \mathbf{u}_n(t), \quad \text{with } c_k \in \mathbb{R} \quad (7)$$

- If $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n \in C^1(I, \mathbb{R}^n)$ are n solutions of the homogeneous system (6), the (function) matrix

$$\mathbf{W}(t) := (\mathbf{u}_1(t) \mid \dots \mid \mathbf{u}_n(t)) \quad \leadsto \mathbf{u}_k \text{ column vectors}$$

is called a **solution matrix** of (6). In case $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n$ are even linearly independent, $\mathbf{W}$ is a **fundamental solution matrix** (or **Wronski matrix**) of (6).

Note: $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}$ basis of $C^1(I, \mathbb{R}^n) \iff \{\mathbf{u}_1(t), \dots, \mathbf{u}_n(t)\}$ basis of $\mathbb{R}^n$, for every $t \in I \iff \det(\mathbf{W}(t)) \neq 0$, for every $t \in I$.

- We may express the general solution (7) of (6) via the fundamental matrix:

$$\mathbf{u}_h(t) = \mathbf{W}(t) \cdot \mathbf{C}, \quad \text{with } \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

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Then two linearly independent solutions of (9) are: $\mathbf{u}_1(t) := \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot e^{\lambda_1 t} =$
 $\begin{pmatrix} e^{-t} \\ -e^{-t} \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{u}_2(t) := \mathbf{v}_2 \cdot e^{\lambda_2 t} = \begin{pmatrix} 5e^{5t} \\ e^{5t} \end{pmatrix}$

and Wronski matrix $\mathbf{W}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t} & 5e^{5t} \\ -e^{-t} & e^{5t} \end{pmatrix}$.

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Whenever for the linear system

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{u}(t), \quad \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \quad (8)$$

we cannot find n eigenvectors of $\mathbf{A}$, we need to complete the basis...

For $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ eigenvalue of $\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{v}$ a corresponding eigenvector, we say that $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ is a **generalized eigenvector** (of rank 1) of $\mathbf{A}$ if $(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}_n)\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{v}$.

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Remark: If $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ is root of the characteristic polynomial P of (8) with corresponding eigenvector $\mathbf{v}$, then $(\bar{\lambda}, \bar{\mathbf{v}})$ is another eigenvalue/vector pair
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Example 6

For the homogeneous linear system with constant coefficients

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 25 \\ -1 & -9 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \mathbf{u}(t) \quad (10)$$

we compute the eigenvalues: $P(\lambda) = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 25 \\ -1 & -9 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} = \lambda^2 + 8\lambda + 16 =$
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• Eigenvector(s):

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 - (-4) & 25 \\ -1 & -9 - (-4) \end{pmatrix} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0} \iff \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 25 \\ -1 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0} \rightsquigarrow \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\implies \text{one solution is } \mathbf{u}_1(t) = \mathbf{v} \cdot e^{\lambda t} = \begin{pmatrix} -5e^{-4t} \\ e^{-4t} \end{pmatrix}.$$

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- We still need $n-1 = 1$ element of the basis: compute a generalized eigenvector $\mathbf{w}$: $(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}_2)\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{v} \iff \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 25 \\ -1 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, set for ex. $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Another lin. indep. sol of (10) is $\mathbf{u}_2(t) = e^{\lambda t}(\mathbf{w} + t\mathbf{v}) = \begin{pmatrix} -(1+5t)e^{-4t} \\ te^{-4t} \end{pmatrix}$.

Linear inhomogeneous systems of first-order ODEs

Consider a linear, inhomogeneous system of $n \in \mathbb{N}$ first-order ODEs

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) = \mathbf{A}(t) \cdot \mathbf{u}(t) + \mathbf{b}(t) \quad (11)$$

with matrix $\mathbf{A} \in C(I, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$, inhomogeneity $\mathbf{b} \in C(I, \mathbb{R})$ and $\mathbf{u} \in C^1(I, \mathbb{R}^n)$.

- If $\mathbf{u}_h$ is the general solution of the corresponding homogeneous system and $\mathbf{u}_p$ is a particular solution of (11), then the general solution of (11) is given by

$$\mathbf{u}(t) := \mathbf{u}_h(t) + \mathbf{u}_p(t)$$

- Question: how to determine $\mathbf{u}_p$? *TO BE CONTINUED...*

From ODEs to systems

Given a (scalar) ODE of any order $n \in \mathbb{N}$ (for example, in explicit form)

$$u^{(n)} = f(t, u, u', u'', \dots, u^{(n-1)}) \quad \text{for } u : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad (12)$$

we introduce the functions $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined as

$$u_1 := u, \quad u_2 := u_1' = u', \quad u_3 := u_2' = u'', \quad \dots, \quad u_n := (u_{n-1})' = u^{(n-1)},$$

from which $u_n' = u^{(n)}$. We rewrite the ODE in (12) as

$$u_n' = f(t, u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n)$$

Taking into account the definitions of $u_1, \dots, u_n$, we obtained the **system of n ODEs** of first-order:

$$\begin{cases} u_1' = u_2 \\ u_2' = u_3 \\ \vdots \\ (u_{n-1})' = u_n \\ (u_n)' = f(t, u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n) \end{cases}$$

Linear ODEs of n -th order as linear systems of n first-order ODEs

Specifically, if the ODE in (12) is **linear** of order n , i.e. in the explicit form

$$u^{(n)} = b - a_0 u - a_1 u' - \dots - a_{n-1} u^{(n-1)} \quad (13)$$

with $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}, b: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ functions on $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, then u is solution of (13) if and only if $(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ solves the system

$$\begin{cases} u_1' = u_2 \\ u_2' = u_3 \\ \vdots \\ (u_{n-1})' = u_n \\ u_n' = b - a_0 u - a_1 u' - \dots - a_{n-1} u^{(n-1)} \end{cases} \quad (14)$$

Let $\mathbf{u}(t) := \begin{pmatrix} u_1(t) \\ u_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ u_n(t) \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{B}(t) := \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ b(t) \end{pmatrix}$ be vectors of n components,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ -a_0(t) & -a_1(t) & \dots & -a_{n-1}(t) \end{pmatrix} \text{ matrix of order } n.$$

Rewrite (14) as

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) = \mathbf{A}(t) \cdot \mathbf{u}(t) + \mathbf{B}(t).$$

- The following bijection holds:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{linear } n\text{-th order ODEs} \\ \text{in explicit form} \end{array} \right\} \iff \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{linear systems of } n \text{ ODEs} \\ \text{of order 1} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$u^{(n)}(t) = b(t) - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i(t) u^{(i)}(t) \iff \mathbf{u}'(t) = \mathbf{A}(t) \cdot \mathbf{u}(t) + \mathbf{B}(t)$$

Example 7

Rewrite the following IVP of a third order ODE

$$\begin{cases} 3u''' + 4t \cos(2t)u' - e^t u + 6t = 12, & t > 5; \\ u(5) = -1, & u'(5) = 0, & u''(5) = 2 \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

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Set $u_1 := u$, $u_2 := u_1' = u'$, $u_3 := u_2' = u'' \implies u_3' = u'''$.

Substituting into (15) returns : $3u_3' + 4t \cos(2t)u_2 - e^t u_1 + 6t = 12$
 $\implies u_3' = (-4t \cos(2t)u_2 + e^t u_1 + 12 - 6t)/3$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1' \\ u_2' \\ u_3' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ e^t/3 & -4t \cos(2t)/3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 4 - 2t \end{pmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{u}' = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{B}$

$$\text{with } \mathbf{u}(5) = \begin{pmatrix} u_1(5) \\ u_2(5) \\ u_3(5) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u(5) \\ u'(5) \\ u''(5) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Exercise

Consider the following linear homogeneous ODE in $u = u(t)$:

$$u^{(5)} - 4u^{(4)} + 9u''' - 18u'' + 20u' - 8u = 0. \quad (16)$$

with initial conditions

$$u(0) = 1, \quad u'(0) = 1, \quad u''(0) = 0, \quad u'''(0) = -3, \quad u^{(4)}(0) = -10$$

- (i) Determine a real fundamental system and the general solution of (16).
- (ii) Write (16) in explicit form in the domain $\{t \in \mathbb{R} : t > 0\}$.
- (iii) Rewrite (16) as a system of first-order ODEs.
- (iv) Find a Wronski matrix and the general solution of the system in (iii). Compare it with the result of (i).
- (v) Solve the corresponding initial value problem with the prescribed values.

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EXERCISE:

(16) $u^{(5)} - 4u^{(4)} + 9u''' - 18u'' + 20u' - 8u = 0, u = u(t)$

lim. hom. ODE of order $m=5$ with constant coefficients

(i) characteristic polynomial:

$$P(\lambda) := \lambda^5 - 4\lambda^4 + 9\lambda^3 - 18\lambda^2 + 20\lambda - 8 = 0$$

$$P(\lambda) = (\lambda-1)^2 (\lambda-2) (\lambda-2i) (\lambda+2i)$$

$\lambda_1 = 1$, mult. $d_1 = 2 \Rightarrow u_1(t) = e^{\lambda_1 t} = e^t; u_2(t) = t \cdot e^{\lambda_1 t} = t e^t$

$\lambda_2 = 2$, mult. $d_2 = 1 \Rightarrow u_3(t) = e^{\lambda_2 t} = e^{2t}$

$\lambda_{3/4} = \pm 2i$, mult. $d_{3/4} = 1 \Rightarrow u_4(t) := \text{Re}(e^{\lambda_3 t}) = \text{Re}(e^{2it}) = \cos(2t)$

real solutions

$u_5(t) := \text{Im}(e^{\lambda_4 t}) = \text{Im}(e^{-2it}) = \sin(2t)$

$e^{2it} = \cos(2t) + i \sin(2t)$

General solution of (16): $u_h(t) := c_1 e^t + c_2 t e^t + c_3 e^{2t} + c_4 \cos(2t) + c_5 \sin(2t), c_i \in \mathbb{R}$

$M = \{e^t, t e^t, e^{2t}, \cos(2t), \sin(2t)\} \leftarrow 5$ lin. indep. sol, M : real fundamental system

(ii) $u^{(5)} = 8u - 20u' + 18u'' - 9u''' + 4u^{(4)} \rightarrow$ explicit form of (16)

(iii) Set $u_1 := u, u_2 := u' = u_1', u_3 := u'' = u_2' = u_1'', u_4 := u_3', u_5 := u_4'$

$\Rightarrow u_5' = u^{(5)} = 8u_1 - 20u_2 + 18u_3 - 9u_4 + 4u_5$

$$\dot{u}(t) := \begin{pmatrix} u_1'(t) \\ u_2'(t) \\ u_3'(t) \\ u_4'(t) \\ u_5'(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 8 & -20 & 18 & -9 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \end{pmatrix}$$

(+ 0) because (16) is homogeneous!

(iv) Characteristic polynomial of A : $\tilde{P}(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I_5) = \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\lambda & 1 \\ 8 & -20 & 18 & -9 & 4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow$ computations

$\Rightarrow \tilde{P}(\lambda) = -\lambda^5 + 4\lambda^4 - 9\lambda^3 + 18\lambda^2 - 20\lambda + 8$

Same roots: $\lambda_1 = 1$
as in (i) $\lambda_2 = 2$

$\lambda_{3/4} = \pm 2i$

$\leftarrow$ Eigenvalues of A

We need the corresponding eigenvectors $v \dots$

$\boxed{\lambda_1 = 1} \quad (A - \lambda_1 I_5) \cdot v_1 = 0 \quad u(t) = v \cdot e^{\lambda t}$ then is a sol. of (16)

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 8 & -20 & 18 & -9 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} x_2 &= 1 + x_1 \\ x_3 &= 1 + x_2 = 2 + x_1 \\ x_4 &= 1 + x_3 = 3 + x_1 \\ x_5 &= 1 + x_4 = 4 + x_1 \end{aligned}$$

For example, let $x_1 = 0$: $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$
 $\uparrow$
1st eigenvector

We then define $u_1(t) := v_1 \cdot e^{\lambda_1 t} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \cdot e^t \rightarrow$ one sol. of (16)

But λ_1 has multiplicity 2: we need a second eigenvector... TO BE CONTINUED
 $\hookrightarrow$ in order to define a second solution linearly indep. from u_1 !

$\lambda_2 = 2$ Set eigenvector: $(A - \lambda_2 I_5) \cdot v_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 8 & -20 & 18 & -9 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} x_2 = 2x_1 \\ x_3 = 2x_2 \\ x_4 = 2x_3 \\ x_5 = 2x_4 \end{matrix}$ Set $x_1 = 1$:

$v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \\ 8 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow$ eigenvector of λ_2

We then define $u_2(t) := v_2 \cdot e^{2t} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \\ 8 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix} e^{2t} \rightarrow$ one sol of (16)

$\lambda_{3/4} = \pm 2i$ Set eigenvectors: $(A - \lambda_3 I_5) \cdot v_3 = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -2i & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2i & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2i & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2i & 1 \\ 8 & -20 & 18 & -9 & -4-2i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} x_2 = 2ix_1 \\ x_3 = 2ix_2 = -4x_1 \\ x_4 = 2ix_3 = -8ix_1 \\ x_5 = 2ix_4 = 16x_1 \end{matrix}$

Set $x_1 = 1$: $v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2i \\ -4 \\ -8i \\ 16 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} \hat{u}_3(t) := v_3 \cdot e^{\lambda_3 t} \\ \hat{u}_4(t) := \bar{v}_3 \cdot e^{\bar{\lambda}_3 t} = v_4 \cdot e^{\lambda_4 t} \end{matrix} \left. \vphantom{\begin{matrix} \hat{u}_3(t) \\ \hat{u}_4(t) \end{matrix}} \right\} \text{are complex solutions: the corresponding real solutions are:}$
 $\rightarrow u_3(t) := \text{Re}(\hat{u}_3(t))$, and computing:
 $\rightarrow u_4(t) := \text{Im}(\hat{u}_3(t))$

$\hat{u}_3(t) = e^{2it} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2i \\ -4 \\ -8i \\ 16 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(2t) + i\sin(2t) \\ -2\sin(2t) + i(2\cos(2t)) \\ -4\cos(2t) + i(-4\sin(2t)) \\ 8\sin(2t) + i(-8\cos(2t)) \\ 16\cos(2t) + i(16\sin(2t)) \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow u_3(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(2t) \\ -2\sin(2t) \\ -4\cos(2t) \\ 8\sin(2t) \\ 16\cos(2t) \end{pmatrix}, u_4(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \sin(2t) \\ 2\cos(2t) \\ -4\sin(2t) \\ -8\cos(2t) \\ 16\sin(2t) \end{pmatrix}$
 $\leftarrow$ other lin. indep. sol. of (16)

Remaining part of (iv) and (v) to be completed (need 1st to compute the generalized EV...)