

Lecture 22 Systems of 1st-order linear DEs : Introduction

① Motivation

We've mostly studied 1st-order & 2nd-order DEs for one variable y . They describe the rate of change or acceleration of one quantity:

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \dots \quad \leftarrow \text{DE-1, rate of change}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = \dots \quad \leftarrow \text{DE-2, acceleration}$$

However, in real world, things rarely change in isolation from one another. E. g., quantity y may depend on z and vice versa. Then we will have:

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = f_1(y, z)$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = f_2(y, z)$$

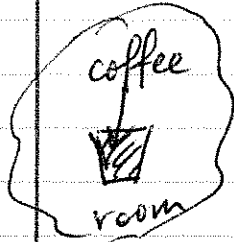
Ex. 1 Set up a system of 1st-order DEs describing heating/cooling of a house with two "rooms".

Preliminaries

In Lec. 1 (Ex. 2(b)) and HW 4 we

considered Newton's Cooling Law:

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = -K(T - T_{\text{room}}) = K(T_{\text{room}} - T)$$



This law is actually a corollary of the balance of heat (which is similar to balance equation for mixing problems in Lec. 4):

"amount of heat"
(i.e., energy)

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = \underbrace{\left(\text{Heat flow in} \right) - \left(\text{Heat flow out} \right)}_{\text{some constant} \cdot (T_{\text{external}} - T)} \quad (1)$$

some constant $\rightarrow M \cdot (T_{\text{external}} - T)$

$T_{\text{ext}} > T \Rightarrow \text{flow is in } (> 0)$

$T_{\text{ext}} < T \Rightarrow \text{flow is out } (< 0)$

To supplement this equation, we need to relate "amount of heat" with temperature. From thermodynamics:

$$\Delta T = C \cdot \Delta Q$$

change in temperature
caused by
 ΔQ

heat capacity
(units = $1^\circ\text{F}/\text{BTU}$)

change in amount of heat
(by adding or subtracting heat)

usually measured in BTU (British thermal unit = amount of heat needed to increase temp. of 1 lb of H_2O by 1°F).

Then (1) becomes

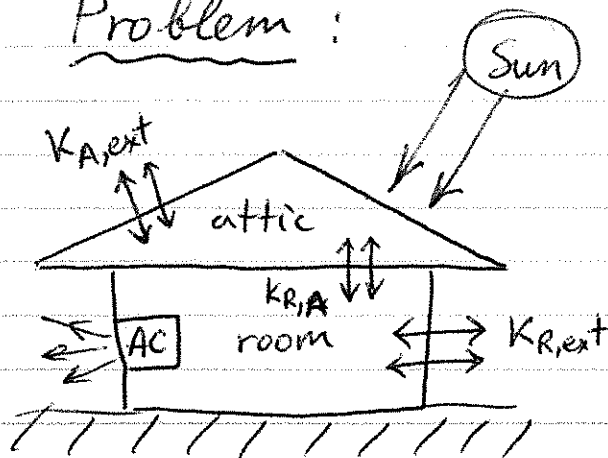
$$\frac{1}{c} \cdot \frac{dT}{dt} = m (T_{\text{ext}} - T)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dT}{dt} = \underbrace{(cm)}_{\substack{\text{"K" of} \\ \text{Newton's} \\ \text{Cooling Law}}} (T_{\text{ext}} - T) \quad (2a)$$

or

$$\boxed{\frac{dQ}{dt} = \left(\frac{K}{c}\right) \cdot (T_{\text{ext}} - T)} \quad (2b)$$

Problem :



- Sun heats up the attic in a house at the rate of F_{sun} BTU/hr.

- The outside temperature is $T_{\text{ext}} = 100^\circ\text{F}$.

- The constants K

in Newton's Law are:

- $K_{A,ext}$ — between Attic & Outside
- $K_{R,ext}$ — between Room & Outside
- $K_{R,A}$ — between Room & Attic

- The air conditioner in the room removes

F_{AC} BTU/hr of heat.

- The heat capacity of the air (in room & attic) is C .

Set up a system of equations for the evolution of the temperatures T_A & T_R in the Attic and Room.

Sol'n:

Balance eq. for Attic:

$$\frac{dQ_A}{dt} = F_{\text{sun}} + \underbrace{\frac{K_{A,\text{ext}}}{C}(T_{\text{ext}} - T_A)}_{\substack{\text{heat exchange} \\ \text{between} \\ \text{Attic \& Outside}}} + \underbrace{\frac{K_{R,A}}{C}(T_R - T_A)}_{\substack{\text{heat exchange} \\ \text{between} \\ \text{Attic \& Room}}}$$

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 heat flow
from Sun

Using $dQ_A/dt = d(T_A/C)/dt$ we get:

$$\boxed{\frac{dT_A}{dt} = C \cdot F_{\text{sun}} + K_{A,\text{ext}}(T_{\text{ext}} - T_A) + K_{R,A}(T_R - T_A)} \quad (3a)$$

Balance for Room:

$$\frac{dQ_R}{dt} = -F_{AC} + \underbrace{\frac{K_{A,\text{ext}}}{C}(T_{\text{ext}} - T_R)}_{\substack{\text{heat exchange} \\ \text{between} \\ \text{Room \& Outside}}} + \underbrace{\frac{K_{R,A}}{C}(T_A - T_R)}_{\substack{\text{heat exchange} \\ \text{between} \\ \text{Room \& Attic}}}$$

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 heat removal
by AC

Using $dQ_R/dt = d(T_R/c)/dt$ we get:

$$\frac{dT_R}{dt} = -C F_{Ac} + K_{R,ext}(T_{ext} - T_R) + K_{R,A}(T_A - T_R) \quad (3b)$$

Eqs. (3a) & (3b) form the desired system of eqs.

Example 1 in book (Sec. 4.1) considers a mixing problem in two connected tanks, leading to a similar system.

In the most general case, a system of two linear, 1st-order DEs has the form:

$$\begin{aligned} y_1' &= p_{11}(t)y_1 + p_{12}(t)y_2 + g_1(t) \\ y_2' &= p_{21}(t)y_1 + p_{22}(t)y_2 + g_2(t) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

or in matrix form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}' = \begin{pmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} g_1 \\ g_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (5a)$$

or, in vector-matrix notations:

$$\vec{y}' = P(t) \vec{y} + \vec{g}(t). \quad (5b)$$

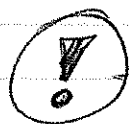
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matrix

For n lin. DEs, the system has the same form (5b).

② Auxiliary facts about algebra and Calculus of vectors & matrices.

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Algebra



→ 0. (A is invertible (i.e. A^{-1} exists)) $\Leftrightarrow (\det A \neq 0)$.

1. $\det(AB) = \det(A) \cdot \det(B)$

2. $\det(a \cdot A) = a^n \cdot \det(A)$

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scalar matrix
 $n \times n$

not of det's !!!

3. Addition, scalar multiplication etc. of matrices — intuitive (see p. 216)

4. Let $\vec{C}_1, \vec{C}_2, \dots, \vec{C}_r$ be $n \times 1$ -columns and B be a $n \times n$ matrix.

Let

$$C = [\vec{C}_1, \vec{C}_2, \dots, \vec{C}_r].$$

$n \times r$

Then

$$BC = [B\vec{C}_1, B\vec{C}_2, \dots, B\vec{C}_r]$$

(i.e., matrix B multiplies each column of matrix C).

5. VERY IMPORTANT PROPERTY:

$$\text{Let } A = [\vec{A}_1, \vec{A}_2, \dots, \vec{A}_n].$$

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 $n \times n$ matrix

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 $n \times 1$ vectors.

$$\text{Let } \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}. \quad \text{Then}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A \vec{x} &\equiv [\vec{A}_1, \vec{A}_2, \vec{A}_3, \dots, \vec{A}_n] \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= x_1 \vec{A}_1 + x_2 \vec{A}_2 + \dots + x_n \vec{A}_n
 \end{aligned}$$

(6)

Ex. 2 Verify (6) for $n=2$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \underbrace{a_{11}}_{\vec{A}_1} & \underbrace{a_{12}}_{\vec{A}_2} \\ \underbrace{a_{21}}_{\vec{A}_1} & \underbrace{a_{22}}_{\vec{A}_2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \end{pmatrix}}_{\vec{A}_1} + x_2 \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \end{pmatrix}}_{\vec{A}_2}$$

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26 Calculus.

1. Derivatives — just differentiate each entry:

$$A' \equiv \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}' = \begin{pmatrix} a'_{11} & a'_{12} \\ a'_{21} & a'_{22} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note: This should not be confused with the derivative of a determinant (see p. 20-5, Fact 4).

2. Derivatives of sum and product — just as for scalars (p. 219).

3. Integration - just integrate each term.

Ex. 3 Find $\int A(t) dt$, $A(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{3t} & 2t \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Sol'n: $\int A(t) dt = \begin{pmatrix} \int e^{3t} dt & \int 2t dt \\ \int 0 dt & \int -1 dt \end{pmatrix}$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3}e^{3t} + C_{11} & t^2 + C_{12} \\ 0 + C_{21} & -t + C_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3}e^{3t} & t^2 \\ 0 & -t \end{pmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{pmatrix}}$$

the integration $\nearrow$
"constant" becomes
a constant matrix