

Quiz 6 MATH 3504 Spring 2019

$$\begin{cases} x' = -y & (i) \\ y' = x & (ii) \\ x(0) = 1, y(0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Soln: From (i), take $\frac{d}{dt}$ to get

$$x'' = -y'$$

Plug in (ii) on right side to get

$$x'' = -x$$

$$\Rightarrow x'' + x = 0$$

To solve, guess $x = e^{\lambda t} \rightarrow x' = \lambda e^{\lambda t}$
 $\rightarrow x'' = \lambda^2 e^{\lambda t}$

So we get

$$\lambda^2 e^{\lambda t} + e^{\lambda t} = 0$$

↓ divide by $e^{\lambda t}$

$$\lambda^2 + 1 = 0 \rightarrow \lambda = \pm i$$

Therefore, $x(t) = c_1 \cos(t) + c_2 \sin(t)$.

To find $y(t)$, notice that (i) $\rightarrow y = -x'$. So compute

$$x' = -c_1 \sin(t) + c_2 \cos(t)$$

Hence $y = -x' = c_1 \sin(t) - c_2 \cos(t)$

Therefore, solution is

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \cos(t) + c_2 \sin(t) \\ c_1 \sin(t) - c_2 \cos(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

To apply initial conditions:

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{given}} = \vec{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} x(0) \\ y(0) \end{pmatrix} = \overbrace{\begin{pmatrix} c_1 \cos(0) + c_2 \sin(0) \\ c_1 \sin(0) - c_2 \cos(0) \end{pmatrix}}^{\text{computed}} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ -c_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{So we have } \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ -c_2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} c_1 = 1 \\ c_2 = 0 \end{matrix}$$

Therefore soln is

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(t) + 0 \\ \sin(t) + 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(t) \\ \sin(t) \end{pmatrix}$$