

§ System of first order equation:

Recall that: for the second order ODE

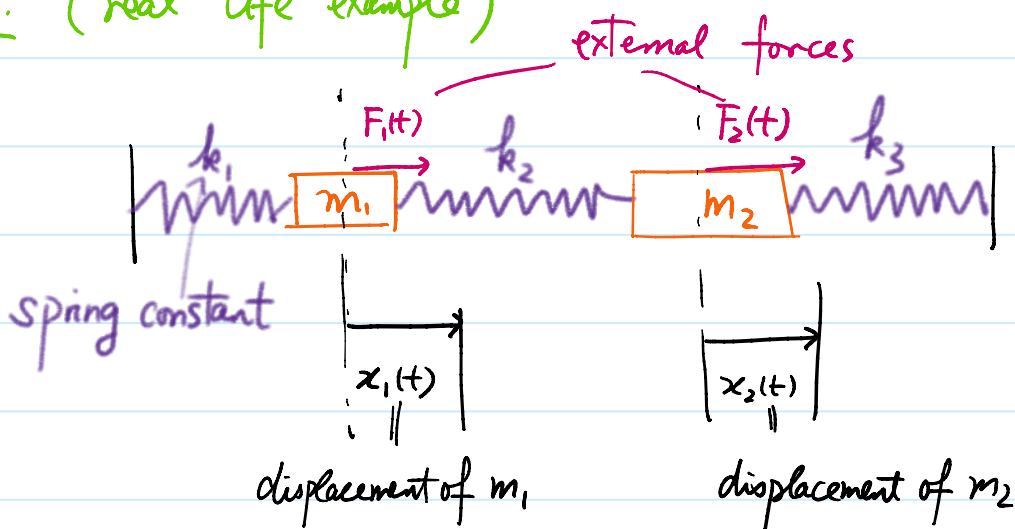
$$ay'' + by' + cy = r(t)$$

We may let $v = y'$, and it is equivalent to

$$\begin{cases} y' = v \\ av' + bv + cy = r(t) \end{cases}$$

it is a system of 1st order equation with two unknown!

E.g. (real life example)



F=ma Equation for m_1 : $m_1 \frac{d^2 x_1}{dt^2} = -k_2(x_2 - x_1) - k_1 x_1 + F_1(t)$

" " for m_2 : $m_2 \frac{d^2 x_2}{dt^2} = -k_2(x_2 - x_1) - k_3 x_2 + F_2(t)$

Def:

A system of 1st order differential equation with n dependent variables y_1, \dots, y_n defining on $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is

$$y_1' = F_1(t, y_1, \dots, y_n)$$

$$y_2' = F_2(t, y_1, \dots, y_n)$$

\vdots

$$y_n' = F_n(t, y_1, \dots, y_n)$$

and a IVP is of the form:

$$y_1(t_0) = x_0, \dots, y_n(t_0) = x_n.$$

E.g.

$$\begin{cases} y' = v \\ av' + bv + cy = r(t) \end{cases} \quad \text{in earlier page}$$

Let $y_1 = y, \quad y_2 = v$

then we take $F_1(t, y_1, y_2) = y_2$

$$F_2(t, y_1, y_2) = -\frac{c}{a}y_1 - \frac{b}{a}y_2 + r(t)$$

Ex:

Try to write the equation for the example in the previous page to a system of 1st order.

Def: • A system of 1st order **linear** differential equation of n dependent variables y_1, \dots, y_n defining on I is

$$y_1' = P_{11}(t)y_1 + P_{12}(t)y_2 + \dots + P_{1n}(t)y_n + r_1(t)$$

$$y_2' = P_{21}(t)y_1 + \dots + P_{2n}(t)y_n + r_2(t)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$y_n' = P_{n1}(t)y_1 + \dots + P_{nn}(t)y_n + r_n(t)$$

for some $P_{11}(t) \dots P_{nn}(t), r_1(t) \dots, r_n(t)$ function defining on interval I .

or if we write:

$$\vec{y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ y_n(t) \end{pmatrix}, P(t) = \begin{pmatrix} P_{11}(t) & \dots & P_{1n}(t) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ P_{n1}(t) & \dots & P_{nn}(t) \end{pmatrix}, \vec{r}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} r_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ r_n(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

then it can be rewritten as

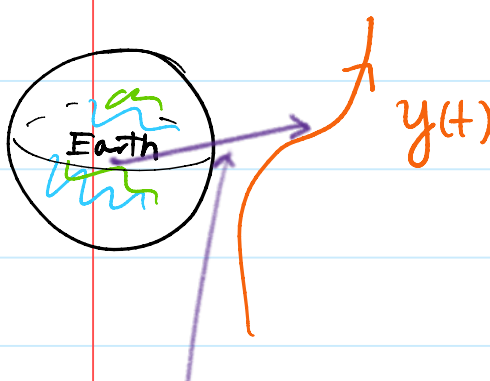
$$\vec{y}'(t) = P(t)\vec{y}(t) + \vec{r}(t) \text{ in matrix form}$$

• It is called homogeneous if $\vec{r}(t) = 0$.

Ex: $F_1(t, y_1, y_2) = y_2, F_2(t, y_1, y_2) = \frac{-c}{a}y_1 - \frac{b}{a}y_2 + r(t)$

$$P(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \frac{-c}{a} & \frac{-b}{a} \end{pmatrix}, \vec{r}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ r(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

Eg. (Newtonian equation for gravity)



The diagram shows a circle representing Earth with a purple arrow pointing from its center to a point. An orange arrow labeled $y(t)$ starts at the same point and points away from Earth. A blue circle around the orange arrow is labeled $\|\vec{y}(t)\|$. A purple arrow points from the text below to this blue circle.

$$m \vec{y}'' = F = \frac{-GmM}{r^2} \left(\frac{\vec{y}}{\|\vec{y}\|} \right)$$

this vector at $\vec{y}(t)$ is the unit vector pointing outward

- Hence, we obtain the equation for $\vec{y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \\ y_3(t) \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1'' \\ y_2'' \\ y_3'' \end{pmatrix} = \frac{-GM}{(y_1^2 + y_2^2 + y_3^2)^{3/2}} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- It is a system of 2nd order ODE
- This is NOT a linear equation.

Def: The system of 1st order linear equation is said to be has **constant coefficient** if $P_{ij}(t) = P_{ij}$ is a constant.

Eg: Let say we have n-th order equation:

$$y^{(n)} = F(t, y^{(0)}, \dots, y^{(n-1)})$$

We can set: $y_1 = y, y_2 = y', \dots, y_n = y^{(n-1)}$

and get

$$\begin{cases} y_1' = y_2 \\ y_2' = y_3 \\ \vdots \\ y_n' = F(t, y_1, \dots, y_n) \end{cases} \quad \text{a system of } 1^{\text{st}} \text{ order eq.}^n$$

- If $F(t, y^{(0)}, \dots, y^{(n-1)}) = -p_{n-1}(t)y^{(n-1)} - \dots - p_0(t)y + r(t)$ is a linear equation, then the matrix:

$$P(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 1 \\ -p_0(t) & \dots & \dots & \dots & -p_{n-1}(t) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{r}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ r(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

in general

- Rk:
- A system of 1st order ODE is the most general form! as any other system of higher order ODE can be reduced to this form!
 - All the results from previous chapters can be deduced by this!

Thm:

(Existence and uniqueness theorem in general)

- Let $I = (a_0, b_0)$, with $t_0 \in I$ be a point.
- Assume F_1, \dots, F_n function on $(a_0, b_0) \times (a_1, b_1) \times \dots \times (a_n, b_n)$

s.t. $F_i, \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial y_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial y_n}$ are all continuous

on $(a_0, b_0) \times \dots \times (a_n, b_n)$.

- Fix $x_1 \in (a_1, b_1), \dots, x_n \in (a_n, b_n)$.

and consider the IVP: $y_1(t_0) = x_1, \dots, y_n(t_0) = x_n$.

Conclusion: $\exists \delta > 0$, s.t. there exist a unique solution $\vec{y}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ y_n(t) \end{pmatrix}$ on $(t_0 - \delta, t_0 + \delta) \subseteq I$ for the above IVP.

Rk:

If we take $n=1$, then this is the existence and uniqueness result that we have for a single 1st order equation.

Thm

(Existence and unique for linear equation)

For system of 1st order linear equation, if $P_{11}(t), \dots, P_{1n}(t),$

$\dots, P_{n1}(t), \dots, P_{nn}(t), r_1(t), \dots, r_n(t)$ continuous on I

then $\exists!$ solution $(y_1, \dots, y_n)^t = \vec{y}(t)$ on whole I .
for the IVP.

Prop: (superposition)

- Let $\vec{y}_1(t)$ satisfy $\vec{y}'_1(t) = P(t)\vec{y}_1(t) + \vec{r}_1(t)$
 $\vec{y}_2(t)$ satisfy $\vec{y}'_2(t) = P(t)\vec{y}_2(t) + \vec{r}_2(t)$.

then if we let $\vec{y}(t) = C_1\vec{y}_1(t) + C_2\vec{y}_2(t)$
satisfy: $\vec{y}'(t) = P(t)\vec{y}(t) + C_1\vec{r}_1(t) + C_2\vec{r}_2(t)$

- In particular, if $\vec{r}_1 = \vec{r}_2 = \vec{0}$, then
 $\vec{y}'(t) = P(t)\vec{y}(t)$.

Cor: If we let $\mathcal{S} = \left\{ \vec{y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ y_n(t) \end{pmatrix} \mid \vec{y}'(t) = P(t)\vec{y}(t) \right\}$

then \mathcal{S} is a \mathbb{R} -vector space (\mathbb{C} -vector space
if $P(t)$ is \mathbb{C} -valued and if we look for \mathbb{C} -valued
 $\vec{y}(t)$)