

### § 9.3 Special matrices

Defn An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is orthogonal if  $A^{-1} = A^T$

$$(\Rightarrow) AA^T = A^T A = I$$

Thm If  $A$  is orthogonal then  $|A| = \pm 1$

Proof  $|A| = |A^T|$  " $|AA^T| = |A||A^T| = |A|^2$ "  $\Rightarrow |A|^2 = 1 \Rightarrow |A| = \pm 1$ .

" $|I| = 1$ "

Thm  $A$   $n \times n$  (real matrix), then

1.  $A$  is orthogonal iff the rows are mutually orthogonal, unit vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$
2. " " " " cols " " " "

Proof  $AA^T = I \Rightarrow a_i \cdot a_j = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 1 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases} \quad \square.$

Fact if is  $A$  is  $2 \times 2$  then  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$  or  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & -\cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$ .

det +1                      det -1.

recall if  $A$  is a symmetric matrix with  $n$  distinct eigenvalues, then it has orthogonal eigenvectors.

Thm An  $n \times n$  real symmetric matrix with distinct eigenvalues can be diagonalized by an orthogonal matrix.

# §10.1 Linear systems of differential equations

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$$x_1'(t) = a_{11}(t)x_1(t) + a_{12}(t)x_2(t) + g_1(t)$$

$$x_2'(t) = a_{21}(t)x_1(t) + a_{22}(t)x_2(t) + g_2(t)$$

in general

$$\begin{aligned} x_1'(t) &= a_{11}(t)x_1(t) + \dots + a_{1n}(t)x_n(t) + g_1(t) \\ &\vdots \\ x_n'(t) &= a_{n1}(t)x_1(t) + \dots + a_{nn}(t)x_n(t) + g_n(t) \end{aligned}$$

notation

$$X(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{bmatrix} \quad A(t) = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}(t) & \dots & a_{1n}(t) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1}(t) & \dots & a_{nn}(t) \end{bmatrix} \quad G(t) = \begin{bmatrix} g_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ g_n(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

so we have

$$X'(t) = A(t)X(t) + G(t) \quad \text{or} \quad X' = AX + G.$$

note:

$$A'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}'(t) & \dots & a_{1n}'(t) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1}'(t) & \dots & a_{nn}'(t) \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{gives product rule: } (AB)' = A'B + AB'.$$

in particular if  $A$  constant matrix  $(AX)' = AX'$

Defn a linear system is homogeneous if  $G(t) = \underline{0}$ .

Special case  $A =$  constant matrix (i.e. all functions are constant).

Example ①  $D$  diagonal  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$   $X' = DX$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ x_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \leadsto \begin{cases} x_1' = 2x_1 \\ x_2' = -x_2 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} x_1 = c_1 e^{2t} \\ x_2 = c_2 e^{-t} \end{cases} \quad X = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ e^{-t} \end{bmatrix}$$

② suppose  $X' = AX$  but  $A = TDT^{-1}$ ,  $D$  diagonal.  
 $T$  change of basis matrix (constant)

suppose  $S(t)$  solves  $X' = DX$ , i.e.  $S' = DS$  ( $S = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \\ \vdots \\ c_n e^{\lambda_n t} \end{bmatrix}$ ).

claim  $TS$  solves  $X' = AX$

check:  $(TS)' = TS'$   $ATS = TDT^{-1}TS = TDS = TS' \checkmark$