

## **CHAPTER<sup>6</sup> 6: NEW APPROACH TO CALCULATE THE EXPONENTIAL MATRIX FOR SOME SPECIAL MATRICES**

### **6.1-Introduction**

The exponential matrix  $e^{tA}$  is a very important a particular matrix functions. It is a very useful tool for solving linear systems, which help us in the analysis of controllability and observability of a linear system and control theory.

Basically, matrix functions are widely used in science area especially in matrix analysis. It provides a formula for closed solutions, which help us in the analysis of controllability and observability of a linear system [23,50]. There are several methods for calculating the exponential matrix, some of these methods are effective and others not effective. The differential equation

$$x'(t) = Ax(t)$$

has the solution

$$e^{tA}x(0),$$

which plays an important role in linear system and control theory. It is well known that the exponential matrix  $e^{At}$  can be defined by a

convergent power series:  $e^{tA} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(tA)^n}{n!}$

However, calculating the powers of matrix  $A$  which is an infinite sum ,

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makes the researchers design methods to get the accurate solution of  $e^{tA}$ . In recent years, there exist many methods for computing  $e^{tA}$  for more details [10,39,48,49,51,52]. Among these methods, for example, the explicit formulae can overcome the truncation errors which are widely used in these papers [39, 48, 49, 51, 52], which are based on this paper [39].

In this chapter, we introduce new method to compute the matrix exponential  $e^{tA}$  where the matrix  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  has an eigenvalues  $\lambda_l = 0$ . This method compute the accurate solution of  $e^{tA}$  where the matrix  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  satisfy this condition

$$A^n = \omega_1 A^{n-1} + \omega_2 A^{n-2},$$

and  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  are parameters. When

$$\omega_1 = 0 \text{ or } \omega_2 = 0,$$

then the matrix  $A$  is the same as the matrix in [48]. In the last part of this chapter, we provide examples to show the effectiveness of this method.

### 6.2- The Main Results

It is well known that the exponential matrix  $e^{At}$  can be defined by a convergent power series

$$e^{tA} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(tA)^n}{n!} = I + tA + \frac{(tA)^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{(tA)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} + \dots \quad (6.1)$$

Some authors and researchers gave explicit formulae to compute the exponential matrix, for example, Bernstein and So in his papers

[39,51] found a new method to compute the exponential matrix  $e^{tA}$  when

$$A^2 = A, A^2 = \omega I_n \text{ and } A^3 = \omega A$$

and Wu, B. B. [48] found a new method to compute the exponential matrix  $e^{tA}$  when:

$$A^{n+1} = \omega A^n, A^{n+2} = \omega^2 A^n \text{ and } A^{n+3} = \omega^3 A^n.$$

In this chapter, we will generalize a method which presented in Wu, B. B. [48] to compute the exponential matrix  $e^{At}$  when  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  has this form

$$A^n = \omega_1 A^{n-1} + \omega_2 A^{n-2} + \omega_3 A^{n-3} + \dots + \omega_k A^{n-k}, k < n.$$

Suppose

$$A^n = A^{n-1} + A^{n-2},$$

then

$$A^{n+1} = 2A^{n-1} + A^{n-2}$$

Continue this process until we get

$$A^{n+k} = \alpha_1 A^{n-1} + \alpha_2 A^{n-2},$$

by using this formulae, we rewrite equation (6.1) as follow

$$e^{At} = I + tA + \frac{t^2 A^2}{2!} + \dots + \alpha_1(t) A^{n-2} + \alpha_2(t) A^{n-1}. \tag{6.2}$$

To compute the parameters  $\alpha_1(t), \alpha_2(t)$  as the following process:

From equations (6.1,6.2) and putting

$$A^n = A^{n-1} + A^{n-2}, A^{n+1} = 2A^{n-1} + A^{n-2}$$

and so on in all terms and collect them in the same kind we get

$$I + \frac{tA}{1!} + \dots + \frac{t^{n-2} A^{n-2}}{(n-2)!} + \frac{t^{n-1} A^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} + \dots = I + \frac{tA}{1!} + \dots + \alpha_1(t) A^{n-2} + \alpha_2(t) A^{n-1}$$

By comparing all factors we get

$$\alpha_1(t) = \frac{t^{n-2}}{(n-2)!} + \frac{t^n}{(n)!} + \frac{t^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} + \frac{2t^{n+2}}{(n+2)!} + \dots \quad (6.3)$$

$$\alpha_2(t) = \frac{t^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} + \frac{t^n}{(n)!} + \frac{2t^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} + \frac{3t^{n+2}}{(n+2)!} + \dots \quad (6.4)$$

By looking to equations (6.3) and (6.4) we see that infinite series, so it is difficult to find the exact form for  $\alpha_1(t), \alpha_2(t)$ , which we will discuss them in next section.

**Definition (1):**

A matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & s_1 & s_1^2 & \cdots & s_1^{n-1} \\ 1 & s_2 & s_2^2 & \cdots & s_2^{n-1} \\ 1 & s_3 & s_3^2 & \cdots & s_3^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & s_n & s_n^2 & \cdots & s_n^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

is called Vandermonde matrix, and

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & s_1 & s_1^2 & \cdots & s_1^{n-1} \\ 1 & s_2 & s_2^2 & \cdots & s_2^{n-1} \\ 1 & s_3 & s_3^2 & \cdots & s_3^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & s_n & s_n^2 & \cdots & s_n^{n-1} \end{vmatrix} = \prod_{1 \leq j < i \leq n} (s_i - s_j)$$

is the determinant of the Vandermonde matrix .

**Definition (2):**

The characteristic polynomial of the matrix  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  is  $f(\lambda)$ , then

$$f(A) = A^n - c_{n-1}A^{n-1} - c_{n-2}A^{n-2} - \dots - c_1I = 0$$

By applying definition (2) to equation (6.1) we have the following equation:

$$e^{At} = c_0(t)I + c_1(t)A + c_2(t)A^2 + \dots + c_{n-2}(t)A^{n-2} + c_{n-1}(t)A^{n-1} \quad (6.5)$$

Because the matrix  $A$  satisfies this condition

$$A^n = A^{n-1} + A^{n-2},$$

then we find the characteristic polynomial of the matrix  $A$  and determine the eigenvalues of the matrix  $A$ , which are three distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 = 0$  and  $\lambda_2, \lambda_3$ . The first eigenvalue  $\lambda_1 = 0$  of the matrix  $A$  is  $(n-2)$  eigenvalues. To find the coefficients

$$c_0(t), c_1(t), \dots, c_{n-1}(t)$$

by comparing the equations (6.2) and (6.5) we have the matrix equation as the following:

$$\begin{aligned} & (c_0(t) - 1)I + (c_1(t) - \frac{t}{1!})\lambda_i + (c_2(t) - \frac{t^2}{2!})\lambda_i^2 + \dots + \\ & + (c_{n-2}(t) - \alpha_1(t))\lambda_i^{n-2} + (c_{n-1}(t) - \alpha_2(t))\lambda_i^{n-1} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

(6.6)

As we mentioned above the matrix  $A$  has three eigenvalues and by using Vandermonde matrix and replace  $\lambda_i = s_i$  we construct the matrix equation as the following:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \lambda_1 & \lambda_1^2 & \dots & \lambda_1^{n-1} \\ 1 & \lambda_2 & \lambda_2^2 & \dots & \lambda_2^{n-1} \\ 1 & \lambda_3 & \lambda_3^2 & \dots & \lambda_3^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0(t) - I \\ c_1(t) - \frac{t}{1!} \\ \vdots \\ c_{n-2}(t) - \alpha_1(t) \\ c_{n-1}(t) - \alpha_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = 0, n > 3 \quad (6.7)$$

By looking to the matrix equation (6.7), there are two or more than two solutions, so we can't obtain the exact form of  $\alpha_1(t), \alpha_2(t)$  by using

$$c_0(t), c_1(t), c_2(t), \dots, c_{n-2}, c_{n-1}(t).$$

To avoid this problem and compute

$$c_0(t), c_1(t), c_2(t), \dots, c_{n-2}, c_{n-1}(t),$$

we substitute  $\lambda_i = 0$  in (6.6), we get  $c_0(t) = I$ , and after the derivative of (6.6) with respect to  $\lambda_i$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} & (c_1(t) - \frac{t}{1!}) + 2(c_2(t) - \frac{t^2}{2!})\lambda_i^2 + \dots + (n-2)(c_{n-2}(t) - \\ & - \alpha_1(t))\lambda_i^{n-3} + (n-1)(c_{n-1}(t) - \alpha_2(t))\lambda_i^{n-2} = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (6.8)$$

By substituting  $\lambda_i = 0$  in (6.8) we get

$$c_1(t) = \frac{t}{1!},$$

continue this process (n-3) derivation and substitute  $\lambda_i = 0$  to get

$$c_2(t), \dots, c_{n-3}(t).$$

Finally, we get

$$(c_{n-2}(t) - \alpha_1(t))\lambda_2^{n-2} + (c_{n-1}(t) - \alpha_2(t))\lambda_3^{n-1} = 0 \quad (6.9)$$

Now, we construct the matrix equation as a linear system by taking  $\lambda_2, \lambda_3$  in (6.9) we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_2^{n-2} & \lambda_2^{n-1} \\ \lambda_3^{n-2} & \lambda_3^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_{n-2}(t) - \alpha_1(t) \\ c_{n-1}(t) - \alpha_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad (6.10)$$

Where determinate of (6.10) doesn't equal zero. Then, we conclude that

$$c_{n-2}(t) = \alpha_1(t) \text{ and } c_{n-1}(t) = \alpha_2(t) .$$

**Lemma (1):**

Let  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  and satisfies this condition  $A^n = A^{n-1} + A^{n-2}$ , then the exponential matrix computed by

$$e^{At} = I + tA + \frac{t^2}{2!} A^2 + \dots + c_{n-2}(t)A^{n-2} + c_{n-1}(t)A^{n-1} \quad (6.11)$$

Where  $c_{n-2}(t)$  and  $c_{n-1}(t)$  are computed by

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{n-2}(t) \\ c_{n-1}(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_2^{n-2} & \lambda_2^{n-1} \\ \lambda_3^{n-2} & \lambda_3^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_2 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-3} \frac{t^i \lambda_2^i}{i!} \\ e^{\lambda_3 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-3} \frac{t^i \lambda_3^i}{i!} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } \lambda_2 = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}, \lambda_3 = \frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \quad (6.12)$$

**Proof:**

From equations (6.2) and (6.5) and we can rewrite them and get

$$e^{At} = I + tA + \frac{t^2 A^2}{2!} + \dots + \alpha_1(t)A^{n-2} + \alpha_2(t)A^{n-1}$$

$$e^{At} = c_0(t)I + c_1(t)A + c_2(t)A^2 + \dots + c_{n-2}(t)A^{n-2} + c_{n-1}(t)A^{n-1}$$

and from equation (6.8) we have from that process

$$c_0(t) = I, c_1(t) = \frac{t}{1!}, c_2 = \frac{t^2}{2!} \dots$$

$$\text{and } c_{n-2}(t) = \alpha_1(t), c_{n-1}(t) = \alpha_2(t)$$

then after comparing them and substitution by

$$c_{n-2}(t) = \alpha_1(t), c_{n-1}(t) = \alpha_2(t)$$

in equation (6.2) we get,

$$e^{At} = I + tA + \frac{t^2 A^2}{2!} + \dots + c_{n-2}(t)A^{n-2} + c_{n-1}(t)A^{n-1}$$

Now, replacing  $A$  by  $\lambda_i, i = 2, 3$ , we get the exponential matrix as following:

$$e^{\lambda_i t} = I + t\lambda_i + \frac{t^2 \lambda_i^2}{2!} + \dots + c_{n-2}(t)\lambda_i^{n-2} + c_{n-1}(t)\lambda_i^{n-1} \tag{6.13}$$

To compute

$$c_{n-2}(t) \text{ and } c_{n-1}(t)$$

from equation (6.13) after simplifying it we get,

$$e^{\lambda_i t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-3} \frac{t^i \lambda_i^i}{i!} = c_{n-2}(t)\lambda_i^{n-2} + c_{n-1}(t)\lambda_i^{n-1} \tag{6.14}$$

Take  $\lambda_2$  in (6.14) and take  $\lambda_3$  to construct the matrix equation to compute  $c_{n-2}(t)$  and  $c_{n-1}(t)$  as following:

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{n-2}(t) \\ c_{n-1}(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_2^{n-2} & \lambda_2^{n-1} \\ \lambda_3^{n-2} & \lambda_3^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_2 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-3} \frac{t^i \lambda_2^i}{i!} \\ e^{\lambda_3 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-3} \frac{t^i \lambda_3^i}{i!} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (6.15)$$

**Lemma (2):**

Let  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  and satisfies  $A^n = \omega_1 A^{n-1} + \omega_2 A^{n-2}$ , then the exponential matrix computed by,

$$e^{At} = I + tA + \frac{t^2}{2!} A^2 + \dots + c_{n-2}(t)A^{n-2} + c_{n-1}(t)A^{n-1} \quad (6.16)$$

Where  $c_{n-2}(t)$  and  $c_{n-1}(t)$  are computed by,

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{n-2}(t) \\ c_{n-1}(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_2^{n-2} & \lambda_2^{n-1} \\ \lambda_3^{n-2} & \lambda_3^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_2 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-3} \frac{t^i \lambda_2^i}{i!} \\ e^{\lambda_3 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-3} \frac{t^i \lambda_3^i}{i!} \end{pmatrix} \quad (6.17)$$

now, if  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  satisfy this equation  $\omega_1^2 + 4\omega_2 > 0$  then, we compute

$$\lambda_2 \text{ and } \lambda_3 \text{ as } \lambda_2 = (\omega_1 + \sqrt{(\omega_1^2 + 4\omega_2)})/2 \text{ and } \lambda_3 = (\omega_1 - \sqrt{(\omega_1^2 + 4\omega_2)})/2.$$

now, if  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  satisfy this equation  $\omega_1^2 + 4\omega_2 < 0$  then, we compute  $\lambda_2$

$$\text{and } \lambda_3 \text{ as } \lambda_2 = (\omega_1 + \sqrt{(-\omega_1^2 - 4\omega_2)i})/2 \text{ and } \lambda_3 = (\omega_1 - \sqrt{(-\omega_1^2 - 4\omega_2)i})/2.$$

**Notation (1):**

If  $\omega_1 = \omega_2$  this mean  $\omega_1^2 + 4\omega_2 = 0$ , in this case, we need to compute the  $c_{n-2}(t)$  and  $c_{n-1}(t)$  by derivative,

$$e^{\lambda_2 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-3} \frac{t^i \lambda_2^i}{i!} = c_{n-2}(t) \lambda_2^{n-2} + c_{n-1}(t) \lambda_2^{n-1}$$

With respect to  $\lambda_2$  in Equation (6.8), we get,

$$t e^{\lambda_2 t} - \sum_{i=1}^{n-3} \frac{it^i \lambda_2^{i-1}}{i!} = (n-2)c_{n-2}(t) \lambda_2^{n-3} + (n-1)c_{n-1}(t) \lambda_2^{n-2}.$$

Where  $c_{n-2}(t)$  and  $c_{n-1}(t)$  are computed by

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{n-2}(t) \\ c_{n-1}(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_2^{n-2} & \lambda_2^{n-1} \\ (n-2)\lambda_2^{n-3} & (n-1)\lambda_2^{n-2} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_2 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-3} \frac{t^i \lambda_2^i}{i!} \\ t e^{\lambda_2 t} - \sum_{i=1}^{n-3} \frac{it^i \lambda_2^{i-1}}{i!} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (6.18)$$

**Lemma (3):**

Let  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  and satisfies this condition  $A^n = A^{n-1} + A^{n-2} + A^{n-3}$ , then the exponential matrix is computed by,

$$e^{At} = I + tA + \frac{t^2}{2!} A^2 + \dots + c_{n-3}(t) A^{n-3} + c_{n-2}(t) A^{n-2} + c_{n-1}(t) A^{n-1} \quad (6.19)$$

Where  $c_{n-3}(t)$ ,  $c_{n-2}(t)$  and  $c_{n-1}(t)$  are computed by,

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{n-3}(t) \\ c_{n-2}(t) \\ c_{n-1}(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_2^{n-3} & \lambda_2^{n-2} & \lambda_3^{n-1} \\ \lambda_3^{n-3} & \lambda_3^{n-2} & \lambda_3^{n-1} \\ \lambda_4^{n-3} & \lambda_4^{n-2} & \lambda_4^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_2 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-4} \frac{t^i \lambda_2^i}{i!} \\ e^{\lambda_3 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-4} \frac{t^i \lambda_3^i}{i!} \\ e^{\lambda_4 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-4} \frac{t^i \lambda_4^i}{i!} \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\lambda_2, \lambda_3$  and  $\lambda_4$  are root of  $\lambda^3 - \lambda^2 - \lambda - 1 = 0$  . (6.20)

**Lemma (4):**

Let  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  and satisfies this condition  $A^n = \omega_1 A^{n-1} + \omega_2 A^{n-2} + \omega_3 A^{n-3}$ , then the exponential matrix is computed by,

$$e^{At} = I + tA + \frac{t^2}{2!} A^2 + \dots + c_{n-3}(t)A^{n-3} + c_{n-2}(t)A^{n-2} + c_{n-1}(t)A^{n-1} \quad (6.21)$$

Where  $c_{n-3}, c_{n-2}(t)$  and  $c_{n-1}(t)$  are computed by

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{n-3}(t) \\ c_{n-2}(t) \\ c_{n-1}(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_2^{n-3} & \lambda_2^{n-2} & \lambda_3^{n-1} \\ \lambda_3^{n-3} & \lambda_3^{n-2} & \lambda_3^{n-1} \\ \lambda_4^{n-3} & \lambda_4^{n-2} & \lambda_4^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_2 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-4} \frac{t^i \lambda_2^i}{i!} \\ e^{\lambda_3 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-4} \frac{t^i \lambda_3^i}{i!} \\ e^{\lambda_4 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-4} \frac{t^i \lambda_4^i}{i!} \end{pmatrix} \quad (6.22)$$

where  $\lambda_2, \lambda_3$  and  $\lambda_4$  are the different roots of  $\lambda^3 - \omega_1 \lambda^2 - \omega_2 \lambda - \omega_3 = 0$

**Notation (2):**

If  $\lambda_2, \lambda_3$  and  $\lambda_4$  are not the different roots, we can also compute the parameters  $c_{n-3}, c_{n-2}(t)$  and  $c_{n-1}(t)$  by using the method as in notation (1).

**Lemma (5):**

Let  $A \in C^{n \times n}$  and satisfies this condition

$$A^n = \omega_1 A^{n-1} + \omega_2 A^{n-2} + \omega_3 A^{n-3} + \dots + \omega_k A^{n-k}, k < n,$$

Then the exponential matrix is computed by,

$$e^{At} = I + tA + \frac{t^2}{2!} A^2 + \dots + \frac{t^{n-k-1}}{(n-k-1)!} A^{n-k-1} + c_{n-k}(t)A^{n-k} + c_{n-k+1}(t)A^{n-k+1} + \dots + c_{n-1}(t)A^{n-1} \quad (6.23)$$

Where  $c_{n-k}(t), \dots, c_{n-3}(t), c_{n-2}(t)$  and  $c_{n-1}(t)$  are computed by,

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_{n-k}(t) \\ c_{n-k+1}(t) \\ \vdots \\ c_{n-1}(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_2^{n-k} & \lambda_2^{n-k+1} & \dots & \lambda_2^{n-1} \\ \lambda_3^{n-k} & \lambda_3^{n-k+1} & \dots & \lambda_3^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \lambda_{k+1}^{n-k+1} & \lambda_{k+1}^{n-k+1} & \dots & \lambda_{k+1}^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_2 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-k-1} \frac{t^i \lambda_2^i}{i!} \\ e^{\lambda_3 t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-k-1} \frac{t^i \lambda_3^i}{i!} \\ \vdots \\ e^{\lambda_{k+1} t} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-k-1} \frac{t^i \lambda_{k+1}^i}{i!} \end{bmatrix} \quad (6.24)$$

$\lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots, \lambda_{k+1}$  are the different roots of  $\lambda^k - \omega_1 \lambda^{k-1} - \dots - \omega_{k-1} \lambda - \omega_k 1 = 0$  .

### 6.3-Applications of method

Here, we will give some example to show the procedure and effectiveness this method.

#### Example (1):

Let  $A$  a matrix  $(4 \times 4)$ ,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

After some calculations we get  $A^4 = A^3 + 2A^2$ , then,  $\omega_1 = 1$  and  $\omega_2 = 2$ .

From lemma (2), we have  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  satisfy  $\omega_1 + 4\omega_2^2 > 0$ . then, we compute  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  as in lemma (2) which equals to  $\omega_1 = 2$  and  $\omega_2 = -1$ .

Then, the exponential matrix will be as the following:

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^{At} &= I_4 + tA + c_2(t)A^2 + c_3(t)A^3 \\
 &= I_4 + tA + \left(\frac{1}{12}e^{2t} + \frac{2}{3}e^{-t} + \frac{1}{2}t - \frac{3}{4}\right)A^2 + \left(\frac{1}{12}e^{2t} - \frac{1}{3}e^{-t} - \frac{1}{2}t + \frac{1}{4}\right)A^3
 \end{aligned}$$

Where

$$c_2 = \left(\frac{1}{12}e^{2t} + \frac{2}{3}e^{-t} + \frac{1}{2}t - \frac{3}{4}\right), c_3(t) = \left(\frac{1}{12}e^{2t} - \frac{1}{3}e^{-t} - \frac{1}{2}t + \frac{1}{4}\right)$$

then, the exponential matrix is

$$e^{At} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2t & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{2t} & 0 \\ -e^{-t} & 2e^{-t} + 2t - 2 & 0 & e^{-t} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Example (2):**

Let  $A$  a matrix  $(4 \times 4)$ ,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

As is the above example, the matrix  $A$  satisfy  $A^4 = 2A^3 + A^2 - 2A$ , then,  $\omega_1 = 2, \omega_2 = 1$  and  $\omega_3 = -2$  from lemma (4), we compute  $\lambda_2, \lambda_3$  and  $\lambda_4$  then, the exponential matrix will be as the following:

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^{At} &= I_4 + c_1(t)A + c_2(t)A^2 + c_3(t)A^3 \\
 &= I_4 + \left(\frac{-1}{6}e^{2t} + e^t - \frac{1}{3}e^{-t} - \frac{1}{2}\right)A + \left(\frac{1}{2}e^t + \frac{1}{2}e^{-t} - 1\right)A^2 + \\
 &\quad + \left(\frac{1}{6}e^{2t} - \frac{1}{2}e^t - \frac{1}{6}e^{-t} + \frac{1}{2}\right)A^3
 \end{aligned}$$

Where

$$c_1 = \left(\frac{-1}{6}e^{2t} + e^t - \frac{1}{3}e^{-t} - \frac{1}{2}\right), c_2 = \left(\frac{1}{2}e^t + \frac{1}{2}e^{-t} - 1\right)$$

$$\text{and } c_3(t) = \left(\frac{1}{6}e^{2t} - \frac{1}{2}e^t - \frac{1}{6}e^{-t} + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

then the exponential matrix is

$$e^{At} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^t & e^t - 1 & e^t + e^{-t} - 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2e^{-t} + 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e^{-t} \end{bmatrix}$$

## 6.4- Conclusions

In this chapter we presented new method to compute the exponential matrix  $e^{At}$  as accurate solution. The basic idea of this method is based on the matrix theory; the matrices satisfy the special case

$$A^n = \omega_1 A^{n-1} + \omega_2 A^{n-2} + \omega_3 A^{n-3} + \dots + \omega_k A^{n-k}, k < n.$$

Furthermore, this method can be extended to the more general case

$$A^n = \omega_1 A^{k-1} + \omega_2 A^{k-2} + \omega_3 A^{k-3} + \dots + \omega_k A^{k-m}, k < n, m < k.$$