

Differential Equations and
Dynamical Systems.

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CHAPTER 1 Linear Systems Tues, April 8, 2008

This chapter presents the resolution of the linear system:

$$\dot{x} = Ax,$$

where: $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, A is an $n \times n$ matrix and $\dot{x} = \frac{dx}{dt}$.

The solutions, as it will be shown, are given by:

$$x(t) = e^{At} x(0),$$

where the goal will be to define the exponential matrix e^{At} .

We will also study the behavior of the solutions of this system in 2-dimensions, and describe what could happen in more dimensions.

The study of the solutions will be given in terms of the eigenvalues of the matrix A .

1.1 If we start with the uncoupled system:

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Uncoupled Systems

$$\dot{x}_1 = -x_1,$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = 2x_2,$$

it is easy to find the solution:

$$x_1(t) = e^{-t} x_1(0)$$

$$x_2(t) = e^{2t} x_2(0)$$

This system can be written as:

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = A \vec{x}, \text{ with } A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix},$$

with solution:

$$\vec{x}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{2t} \end{pmatrix} \vec{x}(0),$$

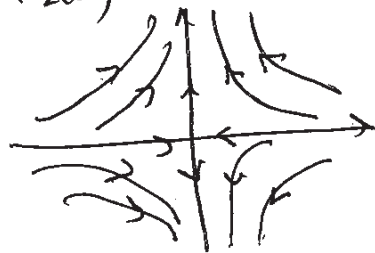
Here:

$$e^{At} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{2t} \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that the solution satisfies:

$$x_1^2(t) x_2(t) = x_1^2(0) x_2(0)$$

which are hyperbolas in the x_1, x_2 -plane.
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* The x_1, x_2 -plane is the phase-plane.

The arrows indicate the direction of motion.

* For $x_1(0) = x_2(0) = 0$, the solution is:

$$x_1(t) = 0$$

$$x_2(t) = 0,$$

which is referred to as an equilibrium point.
(stationary solution,
equilibrium solution,
fixed point)

* The phase portrait of a system of diff. eq.: $\dot{x} = Ax$,
is the set of all solution curves in the phase
space \mathbb{R}^n .

* The dynamical system, defined by the equation
 $\dot{x} = Ax$ is the mapping:

$$\phi: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

defined by its solution:

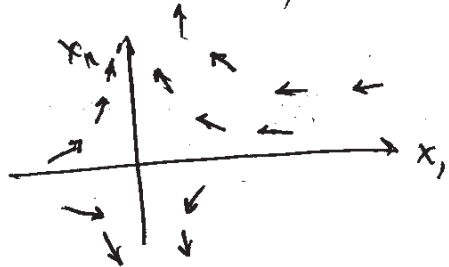
$$\phi(t, \vec{c}) = \vec{x}_{\vec{c}}(t),$$

where $\vec{c} = (x_1(0), x_2(0))^t$ is the initial condition.

* Geometrically, the dynamical system describes the motion of the points in the phase plane along the solution curves defined by the system of the differential equations.

The function: $\vec{f}(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$

defines a vector map. We can compute the vector field by small arrows at \vec{x} , with derivatives $\dot{\vec{x}} = \vec{f}(\vec{x})$:



Example 3-D system.

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_1$$

has solution.

$$x_1(t) = e^t x_1(0)$$

$$(3) \dots \dot{x}_2 = x_2$$

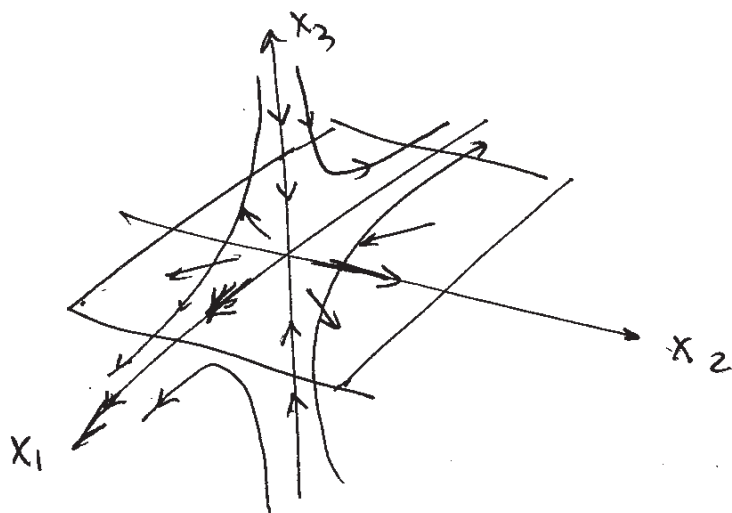
$$x_2(t) = e^t x_2(0)$$

$$\dot{x}_3 = -x_3$$

$$x_3(t) = e^{-t} x_3(0)$$

The solution behaves as in the figure, next page

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Notice that in the x_1, x_2 -plane, the solutions go away. Thus, it is the unstable subspace.

On the other hand, along the x_3 -axis, the solutions go inside the origin. Thus, x_3 -axis is the stable subspace of the system (3). ✓

Section 1.2. Diagonalization.

Here, we use the following Theorem from Linear Algebra:

Theorem: If the eigenvalues of an $n \times n$ matrix A are real and distinct: $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$, with corresponding eigenvectors $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n$, then, this set of eigenvectors form a basis of \mathbb{R}^n , the matrix

$$P = (\vec{v}_1 \vec{v}_2 \dots \vec{v}_n)$$

is invertible, and

with

$$A = P \Lambda P^{-1},$$

$$\Lambda \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \dots & \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

This theorem can help us to find solutions of linear systems by a reduction to uncoupled system.

Consider a matrix Λ satisfying the conditions of the previous theorem, and let it define the system of ode's:

$$\dot{x} = \Lambda x,$$

Then, define $\dot{x} = P \Lambda P^{-1} x.$

and $(P^{-1} x)' = \Lambda (P^{-1} x)$

i.e. $\dot{y} = \Lambda y,$

where $y \equiv P^{-1} x$. This system has a solution:

where $y(t) = e^{\Lambda t} y(0),$

$$e^{\Lambda t} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & & & \\ & e^{\lambda_2 t} & & \\ & & \dots & \\ & & & e^{\lambda_n t} \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } y(0) = P^{-1} x(0).$$

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We could solve the equation for y , since lines, April 7, 2008
it was uncoupled.

Now: $y(t) = e^{\Lambda t} y(0)$, implies

$$P^{-1} x(t) = e^{\Lambda t} P^{-1} x(0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{x}(t) = P e^{\Lambda t} P^{-1} \vec{x}(0)}$$

is the solution of $\dot{x} = Ax$, with initial cond. $x(0)$

Example:

$$\dot{x}_1 = -x_1 - 3x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = 2x_2$$

The matrix here is:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -3 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

with eigenvalues:

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0; \begin{pmatrix} -(1+\lambda) & -3 \\ 0 & -(2+\lambda) \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$(1+\lambda)(2+\lambda) = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{matrix} \lambda_1 = -1 \\ \lambda_2 = -2 \end{matrix}}$$

and eigenvectors

$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The matrix P is: $P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}; P^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

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The solution to the system is given by:

$$\vec{x}(t) = P \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{2t} \end{pmatrix} P^{-1} x(0)$$

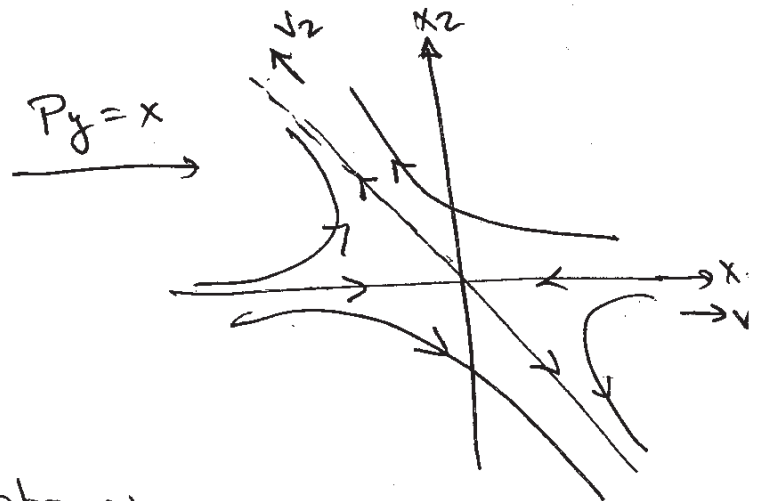
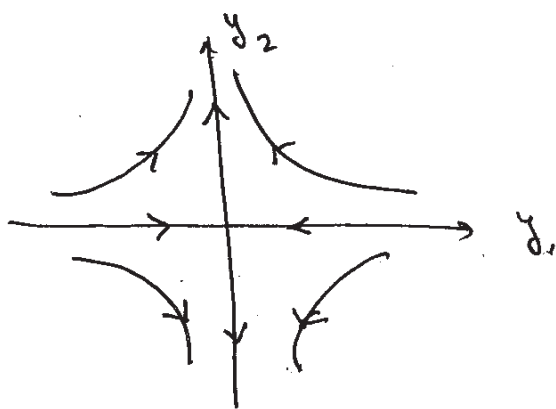
or

$$x(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{2t} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} x(0)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t} & e^{-t} \\ 0 & e^{2t} \end{pmatrix} x(0)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t} & e^{-t} - e^{2t} \\ 0 & e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} x(0)$$

then:
$$\vec{x}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(0)e^{-t} + x_2(0)(e^{-t} - e^{2t}) \\ x_2(0)e^{-t} \end{pmatrix}$$



The phase portrait is as above:

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If $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ all are real, and distinct.

$$\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k > 0$$

$$\lambda_{k+1}, \lambda_{k+2}, \dots, \lambda_n < 0,$$

Let (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) be the corresponding eigenvectors.

$$E^s = \text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} - \text{stable subspace}$$

$$E^u = \text{Span}\{v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n\} - \text{unstable subspace.}$$

For complex roots, we also have a center subspace.
(see section 1.9)

1.3 The Exponential of an operator:

$$\text{let } T: \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n,$$

be a linear operator, $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Operator norm:

$$\|T\| = \max_{|x| \leq 1} |T(x)|.$$

where: $|x| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2}$. It has the properties; $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n)$
 $S \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

1) $\|T\| \geq 0$

$$\|T\| = 0 \Leftrightarrow T \equiv 0$$

2) $\|kT\| = |k| \|T\|, k \in \mathbb{R}$

3) $\|S+T\| \leq \|S\| + \|T\|$

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If A represents the transformation T as a matrix, the

$$\|A\| \leq \sqrt{n} l,$$

where l is the maximum length of rows of A .

Proof: Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{A}_1^T \\ \tilde{A}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{A}_n^T \end{pmatrix}$, where \tilde{A}_j^T is the j column of A .

Then $Ax = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{A}_1^T x \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{A}_n^T x \end{pmatrix}$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|Ax\|^2 &= |\tilde{A}_1^T x|^2 + \dots + |\tilde{A}_n^T x|^2 \\ &\leq \|\tilde{A}_1^T\|^2 \|x\|^2 + \dots + \|\tilde{A}_n^T\|^2 \|x\|^2, \text{ by Cauchy-Schwarz} \\ &= (\|\tilde{A}_1^T\|^2 + \|\tilde{A}_2^T\|^2 + \dots + \|\tilde{A}_n^T\|^2) \|x\|^2 \\ &\leq n l^2 \|x\|^2 \leq n l^2, \text{ since } \|x\|^2 \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

where $l^2 = \max \{ \|\tilde{A}_1^T\|^2, \dots, \|\tilde{A}_n^T\|^2 \}$.

Then: $\|Ax\| \leq \sqrt{n} l$.

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$$\max_{\|x\| \leq 1} \|Ax\| \leq \sqrt{n} l \Rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{\|A\| \leq \sqrt{n} l}$$

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Definition Consider the seq. $T_k \in L(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

The seq. T_k converges to $T \in L(\mathbb{R}^n)$ if,
given $\epsilon > 0$, there is an $N(\epsilon)$, such that

if $k \geq N(\epsilon)$, then $\|T - T_k\| < \epsilon$;

and we write:

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} T_k = T$$

Lemma: $S, T \in L(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

(1) $\|T(x)\| \leq \|T\| \|x\|$.

(2) $\|TS\| \leq \|T\| \|S\|$.

(3) $\|T^k\| \leq \|T\|^k$, for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof: See text.

Theorem: Given $T \in L(\mathbb{R}^n)$, and $t_0 > 0$, the

series:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{T^k t^k}{k!}$$

is absolutely and uniformly convergent for $|t| \leq t_0$.

Proof: See text.

$$= |t| \cdot \frac{1}{k!} = \frac{1}{k!} =$$

We then can define:

$$e^T \equiv \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{T^k}{k!}$$

By properties of limits:

(i) e^T is a linear operator.

(ii) $\|e^T\| \leq e^{\|T\|}$, from proof in text.

This allows to define:

Definition Let A be $n \times n$ matrix. For $t \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$e^{At} \equiv \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^k t^k}{k!}$$

This definition will be useful in the definition of the solutions to $\dot{x} = Ax$.

We will compute e^{At} in terms of the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A .

Proposition 1: If $S, T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n)$,

$$S = PTP^{-1},$$

then

$$e^S = Pe^T P^{-1}.$$

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Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^S &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{S^k}{k!} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(PTP^{-1})^k}{k!} = \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{PT^kP^{-1}}{k!} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[P \left(\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{T^k}{k!} \right) P^{-1} \right] \\
 &= P \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{T^k}{k!} \right) P^{-1} = P e^T P^{-1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

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Corollary. If A is $n \times n$, with n distinct eivals: $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$, with eivectors $(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) = P$, then:

$$A = P \Lambda P^{-1} \quad \text{implies} \quad e^{At} = P e^{\Lambda t} P^{-1}$$

I.e. $A = P \Lambda P^{-1} \Rightarrow e^{At} = P e^{\Lambda t} P^{-1}$

Proposition 2 If $S, T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, s.t. $[S, T] = 0$,

ie. $ST - TS = 0$ then $e^{S+T} = e^S e^T$.
 they commute.

Proof: Check text. Verify that:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j+k=n} \frac{S^j T^k}{j! k!} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{S^j}{j!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{T^k}{k!}$$

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Corollary 2. If T is a linear transformation on \mathbb{R}^2 .

$$(e^T)^{-1} = e^{-T}.$$

Corollary 3 If $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$.

then:

$$e^A = e^a \begin{pmatrix} \cos b & -\sin b \\ \sin b & \cos b \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof Let $\lambda = a + ib$.
 $\gamma = \alpha + i\beta$.

$$\text{Then: } \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & -\beta \\ \beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a\alpha - b\beta & -a\beta - b\alpha \\ b\alpha + a\beta & -b\beta + a\alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Notice that } \lambda\gamma = (a+ib)(\alpha+i\beta) \\ = (a\alpha - b\beta) + i(a\beta + b\alpha)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{Re}(\lambda\gamma) & -\operatorname{Im}(\lambda\gamma) \\ \operatorname{Im}(\lambda\gamma) & \operatorname{Re}(\lambda\gamma) \end{pmatrix}.$$

If $a = \alpha$, $\beta = b \Rightarrow \lambda = \gamma$ and:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{Re}(\lambda^2) & -\operatorname{Im}(\lambda^2) \\ \operatorname{Im}(\lambda^2) & \operatorname{Re}(\lambda^2) \end{pmatrix}.$$

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Assume:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}^k \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{Re}(A^k) & -\operatorname{Im}(A^k) \\ \operatorname{Im}(A^k) & \operatorname{Re}(A^k) \end{pmatrix}$$

Let $\gamma \equiv \operatorname{Re}(A^k) + i \operatorname{Im}(A^k)$ $\begin{cases} \alpha = \operatorname{Re}(A^k) \\ \beta = \operatorname{Im}(A^k) \end{cases}$

Then

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}^{k+1} = \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}^k = \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & -\beta \\ \beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{Re}(A\gamma) & -\operatorname{Im}(A\gamma) \\ \operatorname{Im}(A\gamma) & \operatorname{Re}(A\gamma) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\equiv \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{Re}(A^{k+1}) & -\operatorname{Im}(A^{k+1}) \\ \operatorname{Im}(A^{k+1}) & \operatorname{Re}(A^{k+1}) \end{pmatrix}$$

Then, as in the text:

$$e^A = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^k}{k!} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}^k =$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{Re}(A^k) & -\operatorname{Im}(A^k) \\ \operatorname{Im}(A^k) & \operatorname{Re}(A^k) \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{A^k}{k!}\right) & -\operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{A^k}{k!}\right) \\ \operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{A^k}{k!}\right) & \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{A^k}{k!}\right) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{Re}(e^a) & -\operatorname{Im}(e^a) \\ \operatorname{Im}(e^a) & \operatorname{Re}(e^a) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^a \cos b & -e^a \sin b \\ e^a \sin b & e^a \cos b \end{pmatrix}$$

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To finally get:

$$e^A = e^a \begin{pmatrix} \cos b & -\sin b \\ \sin b & \cos b \end{pmatrix}$$

Corollary 4. For

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix}.$$

then

$$e^A = e^a \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof:

Notice: $A = aI + B$, with $I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
 $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Notice that $[I, B] = 0$.

Then:

$$e^A = e^{aI+B} = e^{aI} e^B = e^a e^B$$

Then: Now:

$$e^B = I + B \quad (\text{since } B^2 = \dots = B^n = \dots = 0)$$

Then

$$e^A = e^a (I + B)$$

QED

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If A is a 2×2 matrix, there
is a matrix P (with "generalized" eigenvectors as
columns) such that:

$$A = P B P^{-1},$$

where B is one of the following (see section 1.8):

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \mu \end{pmatrix}; \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}; \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$$

Then, the exponentials are

$$e^{Bt} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\mu t} \end{pmatrix}; \quad e^{Bt} = e^{\lambda t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix};$$

$$\text{or } e^{Bt} = e^{at} \begin{pmatrix} \cos b & -\sin b \\ \sin b & \cos b \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore:

$$e^{At} = P e^{Bt} P^{-1},$$

for any of cases shown above.

Section 1.4. The fundamental Theorem of
Linear Systems of Differential Equations.

Theorem.

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix.

The Initial Value problem:

$$\dot{x} = Ax$$

$$x(0) = x_0,$$

for $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, has a unique solution.

$$x(t) = e^{At} x_0.$$

Notice the similarity of the equation $\dot{x} = ax$, $x(t) = e^{at} x_0$,
in 1-dim.

The proof is supported by the following Lemmas:

Lemma: Let A be $n \times n$ matrix. Then.

$$\frac{d}{dt} e^{At} = A e^{At}.$$

Proof Lemma:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} e^{At} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{A(t+h)} - e^{At}}{h} = \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} e^{At} \cdot \frac{e^{Ah} - I}{h} \end{aligned}$$

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$$= e^{At} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(A + \frac{A^2 h}{2!} + \dots + \frac{A^k h^{k-1}}{k!} \right)$$

Since the series e^{Ah} converges uniformly for $|h| \leq h_0$,
then, we can interchange the limits

$$= e^{At} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(A + \frac{A^2 h}{2!} + \dots + \frac{A^k h^{k-1}}{k!} \right)$$

$$= e^{At} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A = e^{At} \cdot A$$

$$= A e^{At}$$

Q.E.D. Lemma.

Proof of Thm: Since $x(t) \equiv e^{At} x_0$, then

$$\dot{x}(t) = (e^{At})' \cdot x_0 = A e^{At} x_0 = A x(t).$$

Uniqueness is confusing in text. Assume two solutions $x(t), y(t)$ to the initial value problem $\dot{x} = Ax, x(0) = x_0$.

I.e. $\dot{y} = Ay, y(0) = x_0$.

Then $(y-x)' = A(y-x)$. But $y(0) - x(0) = x_0 - x_0 = 0$.

We can check that $y-x = e^{At} \bar{c}$, satisfies the above equation, with \bar{c} a constant vector. This vector should be:

$$\bar{c} = y(0) - x(0) = 0. \text{ Then } y(t) - x(t) = 0, \text{ and the soln. is unique Q.E.D.}$$

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Example: Solve: $\dot{x} = Ax$, $x(0) = x_0$.

with $A = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$, $x_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

and sketch the solution in the phase-plane.

Notice $A = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$.

Then $e^{At} = e^{at} \begin{pmatrix} \cos bt & -\sin bt \\ \sin bt & \cos bt \end{pmatrix} = e^{-2t} \begin{pmatrix} \cos t & -\sin t \\ \sin t & \cos t \end{pmatrix}$

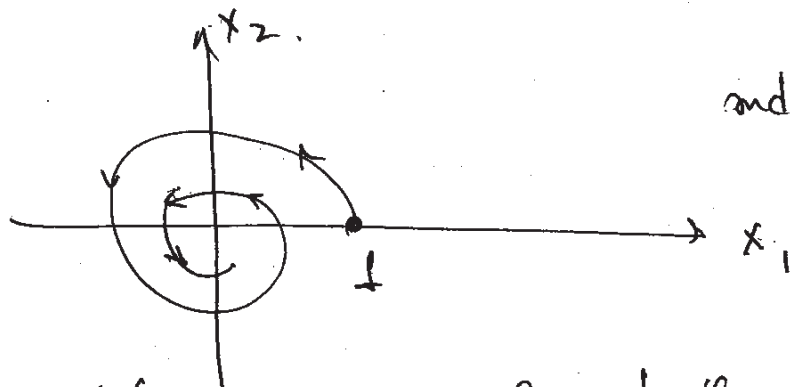
and

$$x(t) = e^{-2t} \begin{pmatrix} \cos t & -\sin t \\ \sin t & \cos t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x(t) = e^{-2t} \begin{pmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \end{pmatrix}$$

Notice

$$\|x(t)\| = e^{-2t}$$



and $\theta(t) = \arctan \left(\frac{y(t)}{x(t)} \right)$

i.e., $\theta(t) = \arctan \left(\frac{\sin t}{\cos t} \right)$

i.e., $\theta(t) = t$.

The solution curve spirals into the origin.

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1.5 Linear Systems in \mathbb{R}^2

Here, we describe the phase portrait of

$$\dot{x} = Ax, \quad (1)$$

for A a 2×2 matrix. We describe basically the trajectories described by:

$$\dot{x} = Bx, \quad (2)$$

with $A = P B P^{-1}$, and this will be enough, since the solutions of this system can be taken into the former by $x \rightarrow Px$.

The three possibilities are:

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \mu \end{pmatrix}; \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}; \quad \text{or} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$$

with: $x(t) = e^{Bt} x(0)$, then:

$$x(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\mu t} \end{pmatrix} x(0); \quad x(t) = e^{\lambda t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} x(0), \quad \text{and}$$

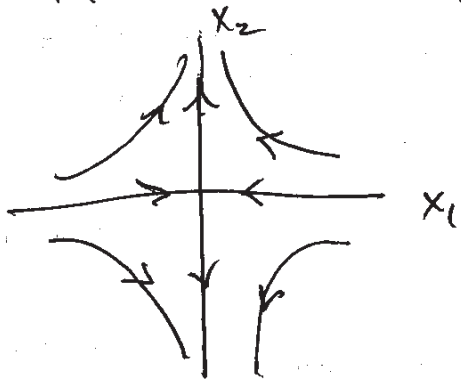
$$x(t) = e^{at} \begin{pmatrix} \cos bt & -\sin bt \\ \sin bt & \cos bt \end{pmatrix} x(0),$$

solutions to system (2)

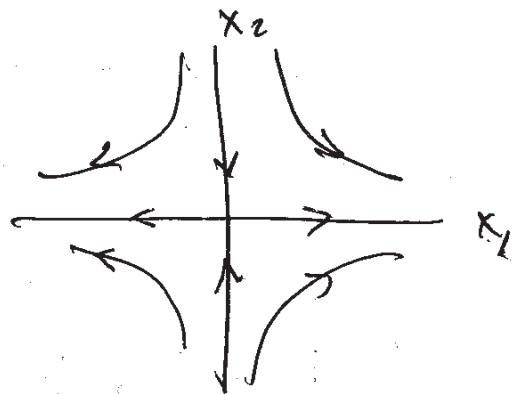
Case I $B = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \mu \end{pmatrix}$, $\lambda < 0 < \mu$.

This is an unstable equilibrium point. (the origin.)

It is named a saddle.



$\lambda < 0 < \mu$



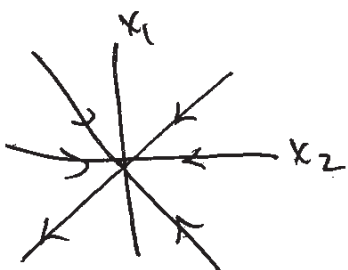
$\mu < 0 < \lambda$

Case II $B = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \mu \end{bmatrix}$ or $B = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$

$\lambda \leq \mu < 0$

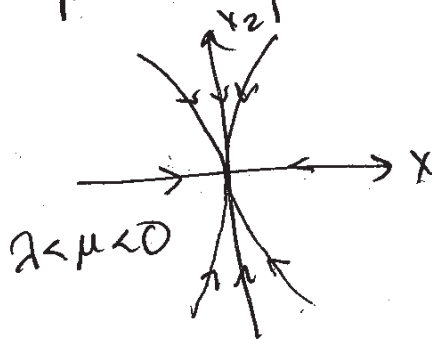
$\lambda < 0$

In this case, the equilibrium point is a stable node.



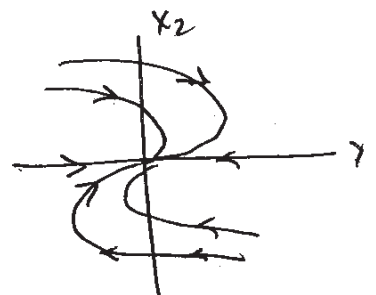
$\lambda = \mu < 0$

Equilibrium point is: Proper node



$\lambda < \mu < 0$

Improper node



$\lambda < 0$

Improper node

$\lambda \leq \mu < 0$

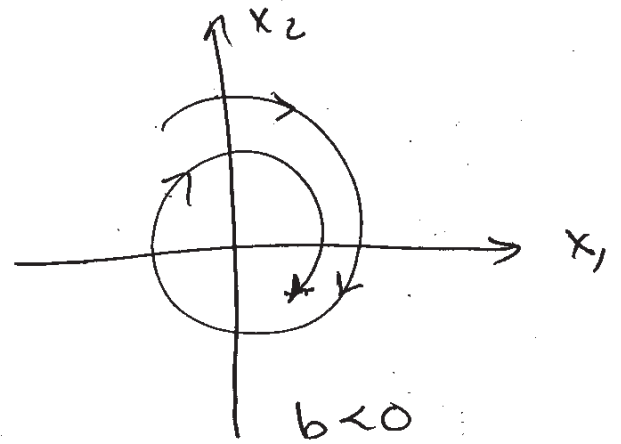
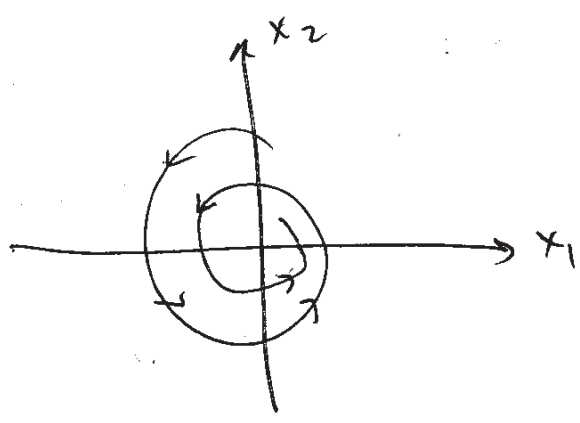
$\lambda < 0$

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If $\lambda \geq \mu > 0$, and $\lambda > 0$,
 the arrows are reversed, and we obtain unstable node.

Note that the curves approach to the origin
 (the fixed point) into a specific direction, θ_0 , i.e.
 $\theta(t) \xrightarrow[t \rightarrow \infty]{} \theta$ (" " if we have a stable node)
 (" " if we have an unstable node)

Case III $B = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}; a < 0$.



$b > 0$
 These are called stable foci and they spiral in.
 If $a > 0$, the direction of the arrows is reversed,
 and they are unstable foci.
 This corresponds to the matrix with eigenvalues $\lambda = a \pm ib$.
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This is to say, if the matrix A has eivals:

$$\lambda = a \pm ib.$$

then, the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$ can be taken into

the form $B = \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$.

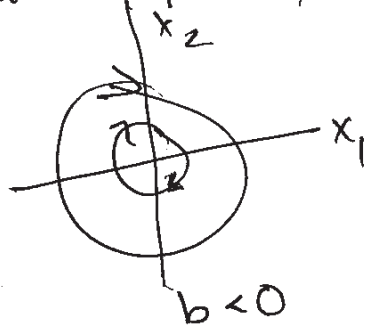
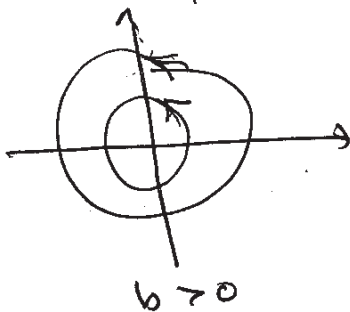
Notice that the trajectories do not approach the fixed point in a specified direction. Instead, they spiral into

or out from the fixed point: $|\theta(t)| \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \pm \infty} \infty$.

(again $\begin{cases} "+" & \text{stable focus} \\ "-" & \text{unstable focus} \end{cases}$).

Case IV $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -b \\ b & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Here, we don't have spirals, but perfect circles:



Notice: $|\theta(t)| \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} \infty$.

The eigenvalues of A are $\pm ib$.

We call this fixed point to be a center.

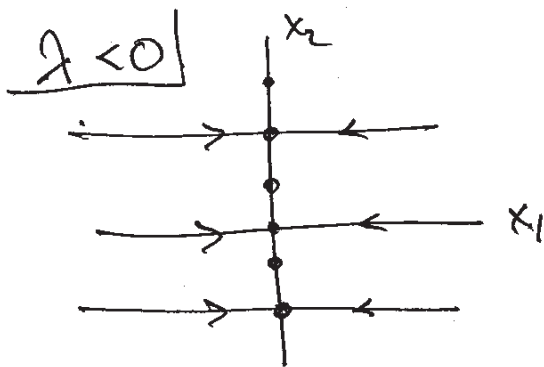
Degenerate cases If one or both (Montes, Abril 8, 2008.)
of the eigenvalues of A is zero, $\det A = 0$, then,
the fixed point is a degenerate equilibrium point

These cases are described in problem 4.

(a) $\dot{x} = Ax$, $A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= \lambda x_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} x_1(t) &= x_1(0) e^{\lambda t} \\ x_2(t) &= \text{const} \end{aligned}$$

Motion along
horizontal lines.



If $x_1(0) = 0$, we have a fixed point.

Then, all the points in the x_2 -axis are fixed points.

Arrows are reversed if $\lambda > 0$.

(b) $\dot{x} = Ax$ $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \gamma \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

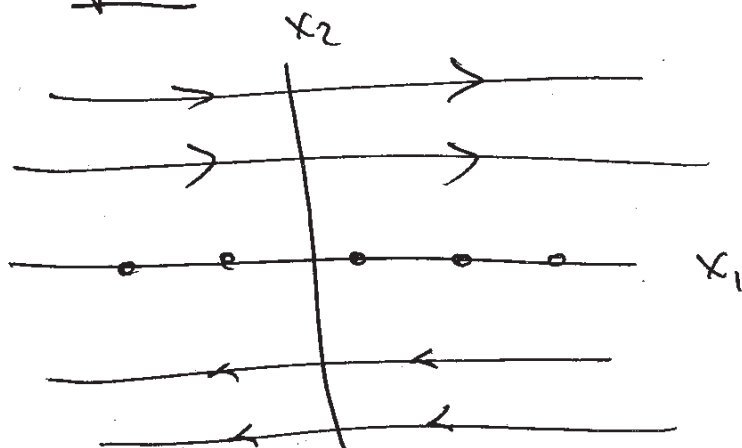
$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= \gamma x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} x_2(t) &= x_2(0) \\ x_1(t) &= \gamma x_2(0) t + x_1(0) \end{aligned}$$

Motion along horizontal lines.

Straight lines $\boxed{x_1(t) = \gamma x_2(0) t + x_1(0)}$

If $x_2(0) = 0$, Then, $x_1(t) = x_1(0)$ is a constant.

Then, any point in the x_1 -axis is a fixed point



Assume $\gamma > 0$.

* If $x_2(0) > 0 \Rightarrow \dot{x}_1 > 0$.
then motion to the right
from $-\infty$ to $+\infty$

* If $x_2(0) < 0 \Rightarrow \dot{x}_2 < 0$
then motion to the left
from $-\infty$ to $+\infty$.

If $\gamma < 0$, the arrows
reverse direction

Example of a center.

Solve $\dot{x} = Ax$ and plot is phase-portrait,

with $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -4 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$; $A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} -\lambda & -4 \\ 1 & -\lambda \end{pmatrix}$.

Eivals:

$$\lambda^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$\boxed{\lambda_{1,2} = \pm 2i}$$

$$\lambda_1 = -2i$$

$$\lambda_2 = 2i$$

Eivectors:

$$w_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ i \end{pmatrix}; w_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Then } w_1 = u_1 + iv_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + i \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ +2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

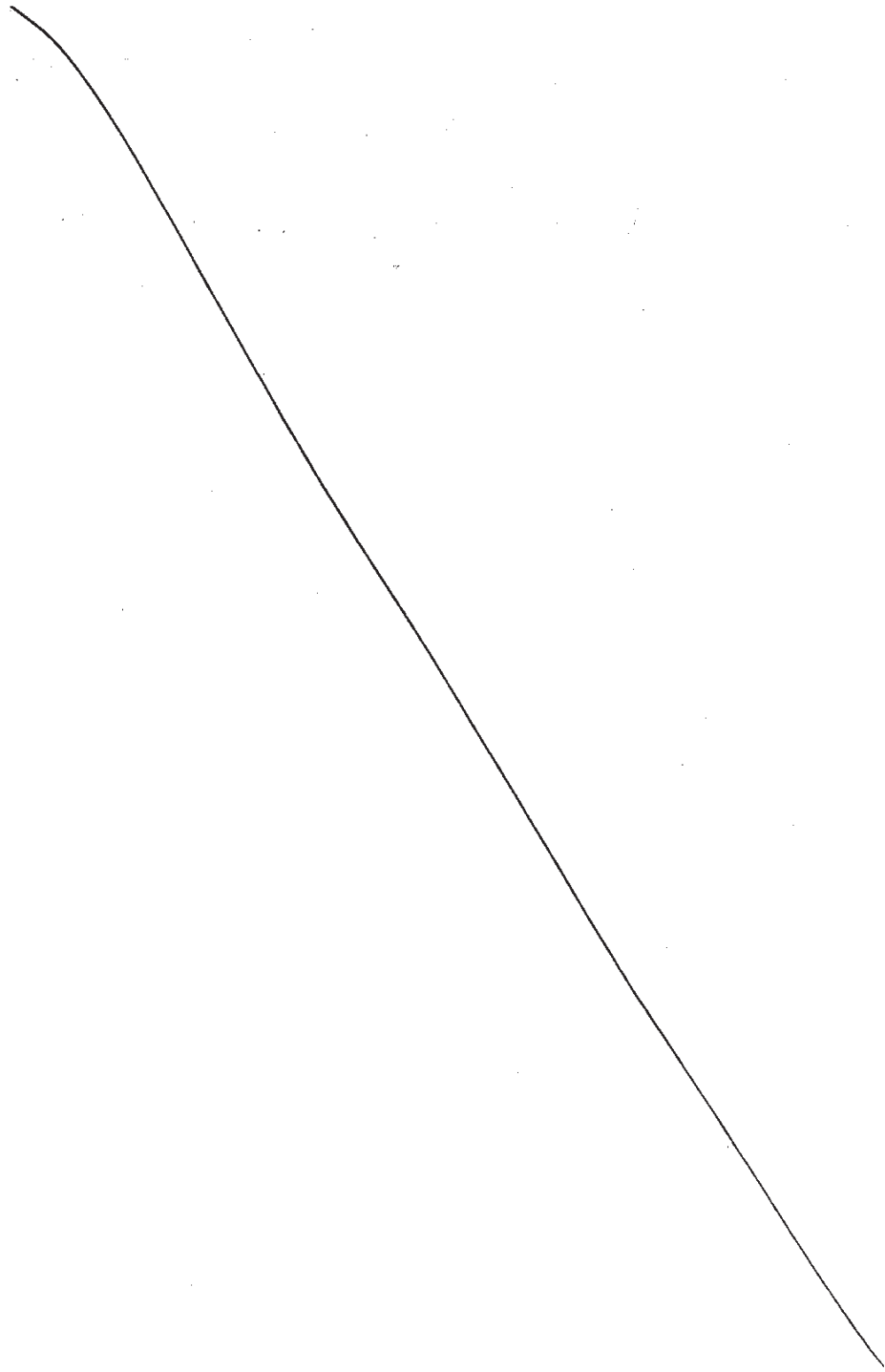
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(a) If $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow \left. \begin{matrix} \dot{x}_1 = 0 \\ \dot{x}_2 = 0 \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} x_1(t) = x_1(0) \\ x_2(t) = x_2(0) \end{matrix}$ are all constants.

Then, any point is a fixed point



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Then: $A = P B P^{-1}$.

$$e^{At} = P e^{Bt} P^{-1} = P e^{ot} \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2t & -\sin 2t \\ \sin 2t & \cos 2t \end{pmatrix} P^{-1}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2t & -\sin 2t \\ \sin 2t & \cos 2t \end{pmatrix} P^{-1}$$

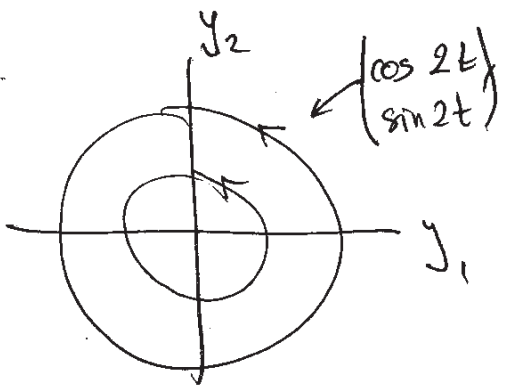
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2\cos 2t & -2\sin 2t \\ \sin 2t & \cos 2t \end{pmatrix} P^{-1}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2\cos 2t & -2\sin 2t \\ \sin 2t & \cos 2t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

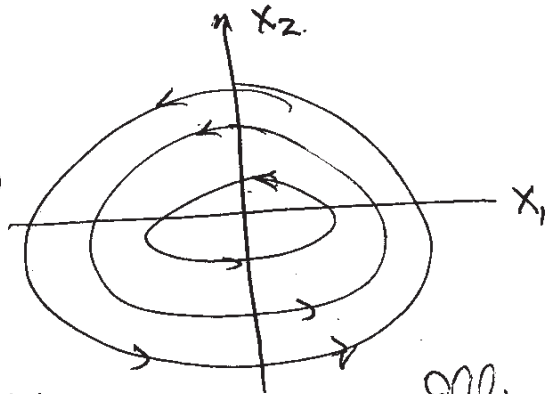
$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2t & -2\sin 2t \\ \frac{1}{2}\sin 2t & \cos 2t \end{pmatrix}$$

The solution is:
 $\vec{x}(t) = e^{At} \vec{x}(0)$

$$\vec{x}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(0) \cos 2t - 2x_2(0) \sin 2t \\ \frac{x_1(0)}{2} \sin 2t + x_2(0) \cos 2t \end{pmatrix}$$



If $\det P \geq 0$



You can verify that $x_1^2(t) + x_2^2(t) = c_1^2 + c_2^2$: Ellipse

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Remark: Notice we considered the Milnor, April 9, 2008
change of variables:

$$y = P^{-1}x$$

If P is orientation preserving, i.e.,

$$\det P \geq 0,$$

then, the orientation of the curves is the same either in the y -plane or the x -plane.

On the other hand, if P is orientation reversing

this is,

$$\det P < 0,$$

then, the trajectory solutions are reversed in orientation from the y -plane to the x -plane.

The following Theorem helps us ← Miércoles, Abril 9, 2008
 to determine the nature of the fixed point.

We require $\det A \neq 0$. This implies that if x_0 is a fixed point, $\dot{x}_0 = 0$, then $Ax_0 = 0$, and so, $x_0(t) \equiv 0$, is the only fixed point for a linear system.

Now, if we compute: \dot{x}_2 at $(0, x_2)$, we can determine if the motion is clockwise ($\dot{x}_2 > 0$) or counter-clockwise ($\dot{x}_2 < 0$) for a focus or a center.

We know have the following theorem.

Theorem Let: $\delta = \det A$
 Given A 2×2 matrix) $\tau = \text{trace } A$
 $\det A \neq 0$.

Consider the linear system: $\dot{x} = Ax$. Then:

(a) If $\delta < 0$, then fixed point is a saddle.

(b) If $\delta > 0$ and $\tau^2 - 4\delta \geq 0$ } fixed point node = { stable: $\tau < 0$
 unstable: $\tau > 0$.

(c) If $\delta > 0$, and $\tau^2 - 4\delta < 0$ } fixed point is a focus = { stable: $\tau < 0$
 unstable: $\tau > 0$.

(d) If $\delta > 0$, and $\tau = 0$, fixed point is a center:
Neutrally stable.
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Note 1: In case (b):

$\tau^2 \geq 4\delta > 0$, then $\tau \neq 0$ automatically.

Note 2: In case (c) $\tau^2 - 4\delta < 0$, and $\tau > 0$ or $\tau < 0$. The intermediate case is: $\tau = 0$, then $0^2 - 4\delta < 0 \Rightarrow \delta > 0$, hence $\delta > 0$, and $\tau = 0$ is case (d). I.e., case (d) follows from case (c).

We need to remember that for:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

with eigenvalues λ_1, λ_2 :

$$\delta = \det A = ad - cb = \lambda_1 \lambda_2$$

$$\tau = \text{tr } A = a + d = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2.$$

Proof: (a) If $\delta < 0$, the two eigenvalues have opposite sign, then saddle.

(b) If $\delta > 0$, the two eigenvalues have same sign.

If $\tau^2 - 4\delta \geq 0$, then, two eigenvalues are real, since

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{\tau \pm \sqrt{\tau^2 - 4\delta}}{2} \text{ are the eivls of } A.$$

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If $\tau < 0$, both eivals are < 0 , Miércoles, April 9, 2008

If $\tau > 0$, then both eivals are > 0 ,

by virtue of $\tau = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$, and $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 = \delta > 0$,

they have the same sign. fixed point

then, if $\tau < 0$, it is stable node

and if $\tau > 0$, fixed point is unstable node.

(c) If $\delta > 0$, and $\tau^2 - 4\delta < 0$, $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2^*$

focus are complex. If $\tau < 0$, the fixed point stable.

If $\tau > 0$, fixed point unstable.

(d) If $\delta > 0$ and $\tau = 0$, $\Rightarrow \tau \lambda_{1,2} = \frac{\pm i 2\sqrt{\delta}}{2}$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = \pm i\sqrt{\delta}$

\Rightarrow we have a center.

Bifurcation diagram

Sink
(case (b), (c))

Center (case (d))

Source (case (b), (e))

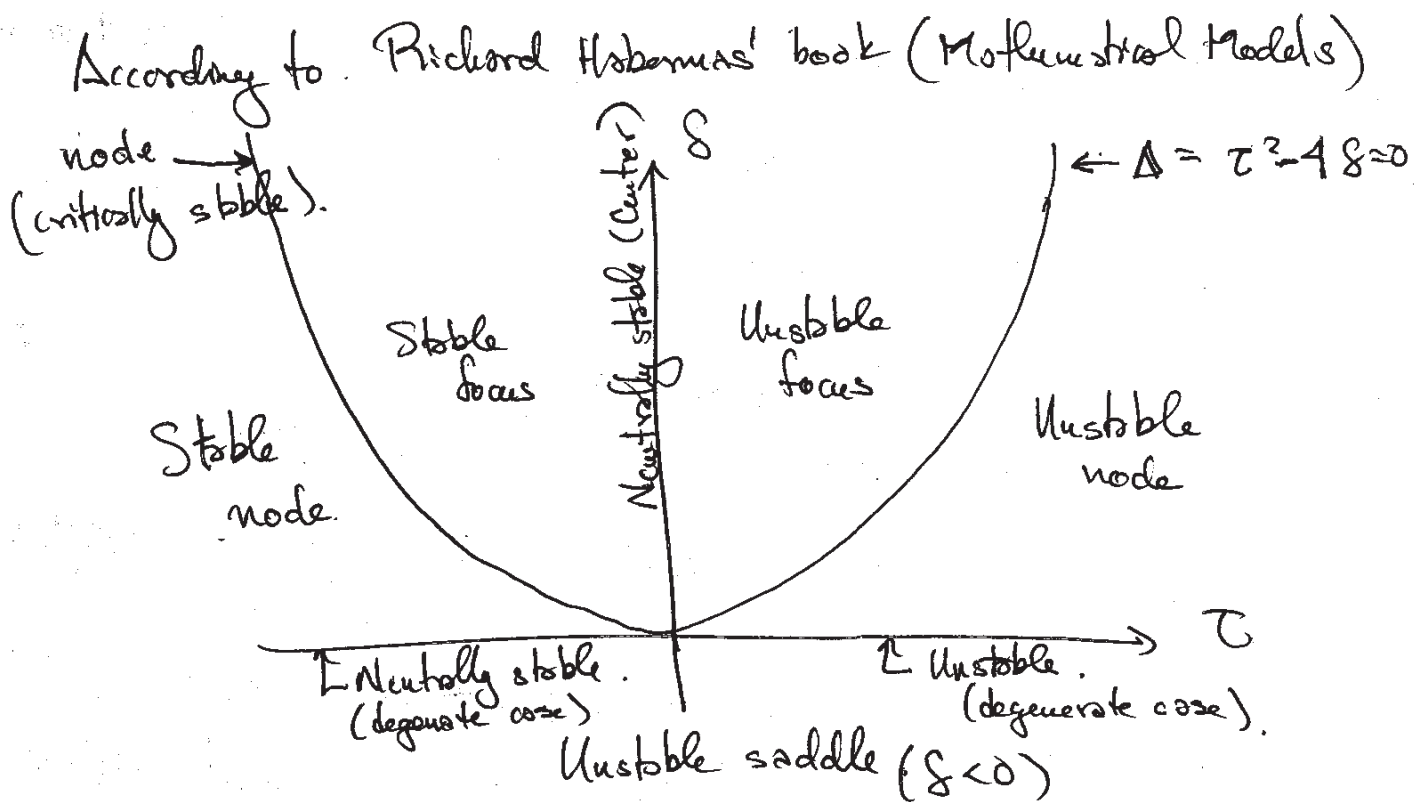
The sink is the stable fixed point.

Regenerate fixed point Regenerate fixed point $\rightarrow \tau$

Saddle (case (a))

All the rest are unstable fixed points.

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According to Perko, there are 8 different possibilities for the fixed point: Cases I, II, III, IV, plus 4 cases from the degenerate case $\delta = 0$ (see Problem 1.4).

END NOTES FROM:

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