

Math 575 Homework 1  
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**Problem 1** Consider the system in the phase plane

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= f(x) \\ \dot{y} &= g(y)\end{aligned}$$

where  $f(x)$  is a continuously differentiable real-valued function of  $x$  alone and  $g(y)$  is a continuously differentiable real-valued function of  $y$  alone (and  $x$  and  $y$  are both 1-dimensional coordinates defining a plane). Define an oscillatory solution as a trajectory  $(x(t), y(t))$  such that  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$  are not constant in time and, for any integer  $N$ ,  $x(t + NT) = x(t)$  and  $y(t + NT) = y(t)$ . Here,  $T$  is the period of the oscillation.

(a) Answer YES or NO and give a simple proof or example: Can a system of this form produce an oscillatory solution?

(b) Then, repeat this question, but for the discrete time map

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*Solution.*

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- (a) First we wish to show that there are no oscillatory solutions to a system of this form. For the sake of contradiction, let  $(x(t), y(t))$  be an oscillatory solution such that  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$  are not constant in time and for any integer  $N$ ,  $x(t + NT) = x(t)$  and  $y(t + NT) = y(t)$  where  $T$  is the period of the oscillation. Then  $x(0) = x(T)$ , so there exists  $s \in (0, T)$  such that  $x'(s) = f(x(s)) = 0$  by the Mean Value theorem. Thus  $x(s)$  is an equilibrium point, and by definition  $x(t) = x(s)$  for all  $t > s$ . Now consider when  $t < s$ , there exists  $N$  such that  $t + NT > s$ . Therefore,  $x(t) = x(t + NT) = x(s)$ , so  $x$  is constant which is a contradiction to the oscillatory solution assumption. We can make a similar argument for  $y$ .

(b) Now we wish to know if a discrete time map of the form

$$\begin{aligned}x_{n+1} &= f(x_n), \\ y_{n+1} &= g(y_n),\end{aligned}$$

can produce oscillatory solutions. In this case, we can have oscillatory solutions. Consider the example when  $f(x_n) = -x_n$  and  $g(y_n) = -y_n$ . Then for any initial condition  $(x_0, y_0) = (a, b)$ , we have  $(x_1, y_1) = (-a, -b)$  and then  $(x_2, y_2) = (x_0, y_0) = (a, b)$ . Thus we have an oscillatory solution with period  $T = 2$ .

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**Problem 2** Consider the 2-D systems below. Find all equilibria and determine where they are Lyapunov stable, asymptotically stable, or neither. Here  $\mu$  is an arbitrary real parameter, so make sure to give answers valid for each relevant range of  $\mu$ :

- $\dot{x} = 0, \dot{y} = \mu x$
- $\dot{x} = 0, \dot{y} = \mu y$

*Solution.*

(a) First let's consider the system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = 0, \\ \dot{y} = \mu x, \end{cases}$$

which has the fixed points  $(0, y_0)$  for any  $y_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  and the general solution  $x = x_0$  and  $y = \mu x_0 t + y_0$ . Now define the fixed point  $\bar{v} = (0, \bar{y}_0)$  which gives

$$\begin{aligned} \|v(t) - \bar{v}\|_2 &= (|x(t)|^2 + |y(t) - \bar{y}_0|^2)^{1/2} \\ &= (|x_0|^2 + |\mu x_0 t + y_0 - \bar{y}_0|^2)^{1/2} \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the fixed point isn't Lyapunov stable or asymptotically stable when  $\mu \neq 0$ . When  $\mu = 0$  then the solutions are constant and thus are Lyapunov stable but not asymptotically.

(b) Next let's consider the system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = 0, \\ \dot{y} = \mu y, \end{cases}$$

which has the fixed points  $(x_0, 0)$  for any  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  and the general solution  $x = x_0$  and  $y = y_0 e^{\mu t}$ . Now define the fixed point  $\bar{v} = (\bar{x}_0, 0)$  which gives

$$\begin{aligned} \|v(t) - \bar{v}\|_2 &= (|x(t) - \bar{x}_0|^2 + |y(t)|^2)^{1/2} \\ &= (|x_0 - \bar{x}_0|^2 + |y_0 e^{\mu t}|^2)^{1/2} \\ &= \begin{cases} |x_0 - \bar{x}_0| & \text{if } \mu < 0, \\ (|x_0 - \bar{x}_0|^2 + |y_0|^2)^{1/2} & \text{if } \mu = 0, \\ (|x_0 - \bar{x}_0|^2 + |y_0 e^{\mu t}|^2)^{1/2} & \text{if } \mu > 0. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Clearly when  $\mu > 0$ , the fixed points are unstable. To determine the stability of the fixed points when  $\mu \leq 0$ , let  $\epsilon > 0$  and let  $\delta < \epsilon$ . Then observe that

$$\|v(t) - \bar{v}_0\| \leq \delta < \epsilon,$$

and since  $\|v(t) - \bar{v}_0\|$  is non-increasing we have that the fixed point is Lyapunov stable for  $\mu \leq 0$  but is not asymptotically stable.

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**Problem 3** Consider the 2-D system:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= -y + \mu(x^2 + y^2)x \\ \dot{y} &= x + \mu(x^2 + y^2)y\end{aligned}$$

where  $\mu$  is an arbitrary real parameter. Hint: transform to polar coordinates and obtain an exact solution.

- a For all possible values of  $\mu$ , find all fixed points, and determine whether they are lyapunov stable, asymptotically stable, or neither.
- b For all possible values of  $\mu$ , and all possible initial values, determine the maximum duration in both forward and inverse time for which a solution exists.

*Solution.*

- (a) Consider the 2-D system given by

$$\begin{cases} x_t = -y + \mu(x^2 + y^2)x, \\ y_t = x + \mu(x^2 + y^2)y. \end{cases}$$

First we wish to transform the system into polar coordinates. To do so, we will use  $r^2 = x^2 + y^2$  and  $\tan(\theta) = \frac{y}{x}$  and taking derivative with respect to time gives  $rr_t = xx_t + yy_t$  and  $\sec^2(\theta)\theta_t = \frac{xy' - x'y}{x^2}$ . Plugging  $x_t$  and  $y_t$  into these equations yields

$$\begin{aligned}rr_t &= xx_t + yy_t \\ r_t &= \frac{x(-y + \mu(x^2 + y^2)x) + y(x + \mu(x^2 + y^2)y)}{r} \\ &= \frac{\mu(x^2 + y^2)x^2 + \mu(x^2 + y^2)y^2}{r} \\ &= \frac{\mu r^4 \cos^2(\theta) + \mu r^4 \sin^2(\theta)}{r} \\ &= \mu r^3,\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\sec^2(\theta)\theta_t &= \frac{xy' - x'y}{x^2} \\ \theta_t &= \cos^2(\theta) \left( \frac{x(x + \mu(x^2 + y^2)y) - y(-y + \mu(x^2 + y^2)x)}{x^2} \right) \\ &= \cos^2(\theta) \left( \frac{x^2 + y^2}{x^2} \right) \\ &= \cos^2(\theta) \left( \frac{r^2}{r^2 \cos^2(\theta)} \right)\end{aligned}$$

$$= 1.$$

Thus the 2-D system in polar coordinates is given by

$$\begin{cases} r_t = \mu r^3, \\ \theta_t = 1. \end{cases}$$

We can find the general solution using separation of variables to get  $r = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{r_0^{-2} - 2\mu t}}$  and  $\theta = \theta_0 + t$  but since we are in Polar coordinates we can only consider  $r \geq 0$ . The only fixed point is at  $(0, 0)$  and to find the stability of this fixed point observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \|v(t) - \bar{v}_0\|_2 &= |r(t)| \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{r_0^{-2} - 2\mu t}}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\mu = 0$ , then we have that  $\|v(t) - \bar{v}_0\|_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r_0^{-2}}}$  which means that the solution trajectories are circles and thus the fixed points Lyapunov stable. If  $\mu < 0$  then  $r(t) \rightarrow 0$  and thus is asymptotically stable. If  $\mu > 0$ , then we will have an asymptote at  $t = \frac{1}{2\mu r_0^2}$  which causes the solution to blow up. Thus for  $\mu > 0$ , the fixed point is unstable.

- (b) Recall that the general solutions of the 2-D system in polar coordinates are  $\theta = \theta_0 + t$  and  $r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r_0^{-2} - 2\mu t}}$ . First observe that regardless of the choice of  $\mu$ , the solution  $\theta$  will always exist so let's focus on the solution  $r$ . If  $\mu = 0$ , the solution  $r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r_0^{-2}}} = r_0$  will always exist for all  $t$ . If  $\mu < 0$  and  $r_0 \neq 0$ , then the solution will exist if

$$\sqrt{r_0^{-2} - 2\mu t} \neq 0 \text{ and } \sqrt{r_0^{-2} - 2\mu t} \in \mathbb{R} \iff r_0^{-2} - 2\mu t > 0.$$

Thus for  $t > 0$ , the solution will always exist but for  $t < 0$ , the solution will exist only for  $t > \frac{1}{2r_0^2\mu}$ . But if  $r_0 = 0$ , then we have  $r = \sqrt{-2\mu t}$  so the solution will always exist for  $t > 0$  but will never exist for  $t < 0$ . Similarly for  $\mu > 0$  and  $r_0 \neq 0$ , then the solution exists for all  $t < 0$  but for  $t > 0$  the solution only exists for  $t < \frac{1}{2r_0^2\mu}$ . But  $r_0 = 0$ , then we have  $r = \sqrt{-2\mu t}$  so the solution will always exist for  $t < 0$  but will never exist for  $t > 0$ .

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**Problem 4** *The van der Pol oscillator. Consider:*

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + (x^2 - v)\frac{dx}{dt} + x = 0$$

where  $v$  is a parameter that can take any real value.

- (a) Find all fixed points, and the Jacobian evaluated at these fixed point(s).  
(b) State whether the fixed point(s) are lyapunov stable, asymptotically stable, or neither for all possible values of  $v$ .

*Solution.*

Consider the Van der Pol oscillator

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + (x^2 - v)\frac{dx}{dt} + x = 0,$$

where  $v \in \mathbb{R}$ . If we let  $y = x_t$  then we can transform the equation into the following system of equations

$$\begin{cases} x_t = y, \\ y_t = -(x^2 - v)y - x. \end{cases}$$

- (a) To find the fixed points, we require that  $y = x_t = 0$  which implies that

$$\begin{cases} x_t = 0, \\ y_t = -x, \end{cases}$$

and thus we can see that the only fixed point is at  $(0, 0)$ . Next we can find the Jacobian of the system to be

$$J(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x_t}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial x_t}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial y_t}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial y_t}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2xy - 1 & -(x^2 - v) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Evaluating the Jacobian at  $(0, 0)$  which gives

$$J(0, 0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & v \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (b) To find the stability of the fixed point  $(0, 0)$ , let's study the eigenvalues of  $J(0, 0)$  which are

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2}(v - \sqrt{-4 + v^2}) \text{ and } \lambda_2 = \frac{1}{2}(v + \sqrt{-4 + v^2}).$$

Let's first consider when the  $v \in (-\infty, -2)$  and  $v \in (2, \infty)$ . In this case, the eigenvalue are real valued. If  $v \in (-\infty, -2)$ , then  $\text{Re}(\lambda_1), \text{Re}(\lambda_2) < 0$  and thus the fixed point is

asymptotically stable. On the other hand, if  $v \in (2, \infty)$ , then  $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1), \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_2) > 0$  and thus the fixed point is unstable.

Next let's consider when  $v = \pm 2$  which mean that  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \pm 1$ . Thus when  $v = -2$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1), \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_2) < 0$  and thus the fixed point is asymptotically stable. And similarly when  $v = 2$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1), \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_2) > 0$  and thus the fixed point is unstable.

Net consider when  $v \in (-2, 0)$  and  $v \in (0, 2)$ . In these regions  $v$  is complex. If  $v \in (-2, 0)$ , then  $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1), \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_2) < 0$  and thus the fixed point is asymptotically stable. On the other hand, if  $v \in (0, 2)$ , then  $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1), \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_2) > 0$  and thus the fixed point is unstable.

Finally we consider when  $v = 0$ , which gives that  $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1) = \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_2) = 0$  and thus the fixed point is undetermined. To find the stability, consider the function

$$V(x, y) = x^2 + y^2,$$

where  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . To show that the  $V(x, y)$  is a Lyapunov function for the fixed point  $(0, 0)$  observe that  $V(x, y) > 0, \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (0, 0)$ ,  $V(0, 0) = 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} V'(x, y) &= \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix}^T \nabla V \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} y \\ -x^2y - x \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2x \\ 2y \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -2x^2y^2, \end{aligned}$$

and thus  $V'(x, y) \leq 0, \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (0, 0)$ . Thus the fixed point is Lyapunov stable.

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**Problem 5** A general description of a network of  $N$  nonlinearly coupled units is given by

$$\frac{du_i}{dt} = -u_i + \sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij}g(u_j) \quad (1)$$

Here,  $u_i$  is the activity of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  unit, and the matrix  $w$  gives the connection weights among these units; in particular,  $w_{ij}$  is the connection weight between unit  $j$  and unit  $i$ . Finally,  $g(\cdot)$  is a monotonically increasing function that describes how the strength of interaction between units depends on their activities.

- For *LINEAR* interactions:  $g(y) = y$ , write down a simple bound on the entries  $w_{ij}$ , based on the Gersgorin circle theorem, that guarantees that the origin will be a stable equilibrium.
- For *NONLINEAR* interactions  $g(\cdot)$ , consider the “energy function”

$$H = -1/2 \sum_{ij} w_{ij} V_i V_j + \sum_i \int_0^{V_i} g^{-1}(V) dV \quad (2)$$

where  $V_i = g(u_i)$ . [a] If the matrix  $w$  is symmetric, show the following bound on the time evolution of the energy:

$$\frac{dH}{dt} \leq 0 \ .$$

Your answer should be valid for a smooth monotonically increasing function  $g(\cdot)$ . [b] Then, let  $\bar{u}$  be an equilibrium for the system. What additional requirements on  $H$  would imply that  $\bar{u}$  is asymptotically stable? [c] Take  $g(x) = \tanh(x)$ . Construct a simple example of  $w$  for which you can find an equilibrium  $\bar{u}$  and demonstrate that your function  $H$  implies that it is asymptotically stable. A numerical approach is suggested, and rigorous arguments are not needed, though of course if you wish to use analysis instead that is just fine. [d] Finally, does the bound

$$\frac{dH}{dt} \leq 0$$

also hold in general for anti-symmetric  $w$ ?

*Solution.*

(a) **Linear:**

We consider the network of  $N$  nonlinearly coupled units given by

$$\frac{du_i}{dt} = -u_i + \sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij}g(u_j).$$



In the linear interaction case we have that  $g(y) = y$ . We wish to find a bound on the weights  $w_{ij}$  such that the origin is guaranteed to be a stable equilibrium. Let the origin be  $\bar{u}$ . First we will compute the Jacobian of the system and evaluate it at  $\bar{u}$  which yields

$$J(\bar{u}) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 + w_{11} & w_{12} & \cdots & w_{1N} \\ w_{21} & -1 + w_{22} & & w_{2N} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ w_{N1} & \cdots & & -1 + w_{NN} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now we can apply the Gershgorin Circle Theorem which states that every eigenvalue of  $J(\bar{u})$  lie within at least one of the  $N$  closed discs  $D(-1 + w_{ii}, R_i) \in \mathbb{C}, i \leq N$  where the origin is at  $-1 + w_{ii}$  and the radius is given by

$$R_i = \sum_{j \neq i} |w_{ji}|.$$

Note that the right most point of the disk will lay at  $-1 + w_{ii} + R_i$  on the real axis. Thus if we are to require the origin to be stable, the real part of the eigenvalues of  $J(\bar{u})$  must be less than zero. This is achieved when  $-1 + w_{ii} + R_i < 0$  by Gershgorin Circle Theorem. The restriction is achieved by bounding the weights by  $|w_{ij}| < \frac{1}{N}$ . Therefore, the origin will be a stable equilibrium point if  $|w_{ij}| < \frac{1}{N}$ .

(a) **Nonlinear:**

Next we will consider nonlinear interactions where  $g(\cdot)$  is subject to

$$H = -1/2 \sum_{ij} w_{ij} V_i V_j + \sum_i \int_0^{V_i} g^{-1}(V) dV$$

where  $V_i = g(u_i)$ . We wish to show that if the matrix  $W$  is symmetric, then  $\frac{dH}{dt} < 0$ . First let's compute

$$H' = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} w_{ij} (g(u_i)g'(u_j)u'_j + g(u_j)g'(u_i)u'_i) + \sum_i u_i g'(u_i)u'_i.$$

Then since  $W$  is symmetric,  $w_{ij} = w_{ji}$  and thus

$$-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} w_{ij} g(u_i)g'(u_j)u'_j - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} w_{ji} g(u_j)g'(u_i)u'_i = -\sum_{i,j} w_{ij} g(u_i)g'(u_j)u'_j.$$

Using the above equality and the fact that  $u' = -u_i + \sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij} g(u_j)$  in  $H'$  yields

$$H' = -\sum_i \sum_j w_{ij} g'(u_i)u'_i g(u_j) + \sum_i u_i g'(u_i)u'_i$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= - \sum_i \left( g'(u_i) u'_i \left( \sum_j w_{ij} g(u_j) \right) - u_i g'(u_i) u'_i \right) \\
&= - \sum_i \left( g'(u_i) u'_i \left( \sum_j w_{ij} g(u_j) - u_i \right) \right) \\
&= - \sum_i g'(u_i) (u'_i)^2 \\
&\leq 0,
\end{aligned}$$

since  $g(\cdot)$  is monotonically increasing.

- (b) If we let  $\bar{u}$  be an equilibrium for the system, then it will be asymptotically stable if there exists a Lyapunov function that meets the requirements for asymptotic stability. If we require  $H$  to satisfy the following conditions:  $H(\bar{u}) = 0$ ,  $H(u) > 0$  for all  $u \neq \bar{u}$ , and  $\frac{dH}{dt} < 0$ , then  $H$  will be a Lyapunov function that shows that  $\bar{u}$  is asymptotically stable.
- (c) If we take  $g(x) = \tanh(x)$ ,  $w = 1$ , and  $N = 1$ , then we have

$$H(u) = -\frac{1}{2} \tanh^2(u) + \int_0^{\tanh(u)} \tanh^{-1}(v) dv.$$

Graphing  $H(u)$  in Figure 1 (a) we see that  $H(u) > 0$ ,  $\forall u \neq \vec{0}$ . Graphing  $H'(u)$  in Figure 1 (b) we see that  $H'(u) > 0$ ,  $\forall u \neq \vec{0}$ . We clearly have that  $H(\vec{0}) = 0$ . Thus  $H(u)$  is a Lyapunov function that shows that the equilibrium  $\bar{u} = \vec{0}$  of the system is asymptotically stable.

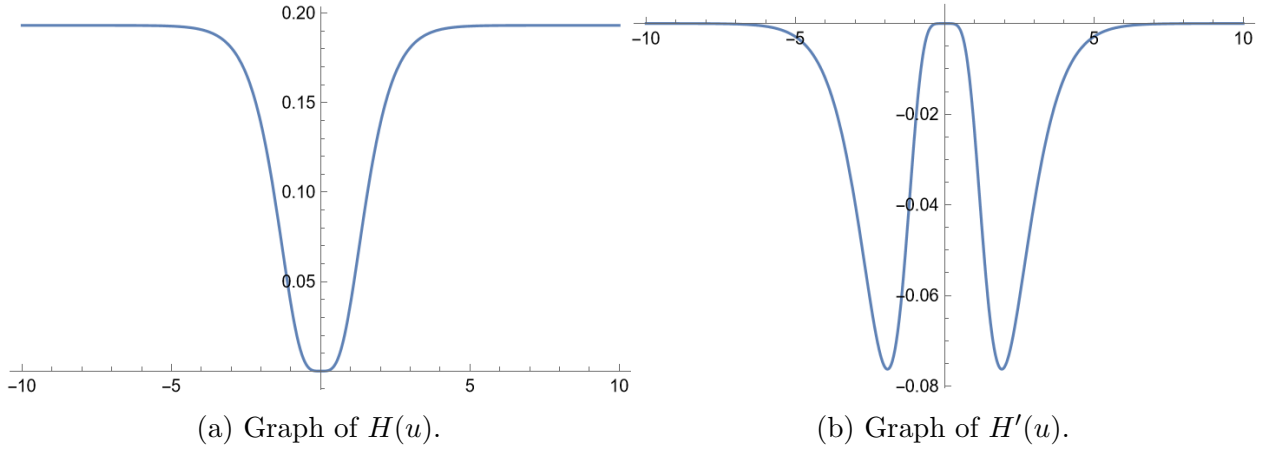


Figure 1: Graphs of  $H(u)$  and  $H'(u)$

- (d) If  $W$  is antisymmetric, then the bound  $\frac{dH}{dt} \leq 0$  does not hold in general. For example consider when

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -W^T,$$

and  $g(u_i) = \tanh(u_i)$ . Then  $H$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} H = & -\frac{1}{2}(0 + \tanh u_1 \tanh u_2 - \tanh u_2 \tanh u_1 + 0) \\ & + \int_0^{\tanh(u_1)} \tanh^{-1}(V) dV + \int_0^{\tanh(u_2)} \tanh^{-1}(V) dV, \end{aligned}$$

and thus  $H'$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dH}{dt} &= \tanh^{-1}(\tanh(u_1))(\tanh(u_1))'u_1' + \tanh^{-1}(\tanh(u_2))(\tanh(u_2))'u_2' \\ &= u_1 u_1' \operatorname{sech}^2(u_1) + u_2 u_2' \operatorname{sech}^2(u_2) \\ &= u_1(-u_1 + \tanh(u_2))\operatorname{sech}^2(u_1) + u_2(-u_2 + \tanh(u_1))\operatorname{sech}^2(u_2) \end{aligned}$$

Thus we can see that  $H'(u_1, u_2)$  is not less than or equal to zero for all  $(u_1, u_2)$ . For example, consider  $H(0.25, 5) = 0.31985 \not\leq 0$ . Thus we no longer have the bound  $\frac{dH}{dt} \leq 0$  when  $W$  is antisymmetric.

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**Problem 6** A specific case of the Lorenz equations is given by

$$\begin{cases} x' = 10(-x + y) \\ y' = rx - y - xz \\ z' = -\frac{8}{3}z + xy \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

a For varying  $r$ , find all equilibrium points and discuss their stability.

b Calculate up to second order terms the local invariant manifolds  $W^u$ ,  $W^s$  and  $W^c$  for the fixed point at the origin of the Lorenz equations when  $r = 1$ .

*Solution.*

(a) We consider the system

$$\begin{cases} x' = 10(-x + y) \\ y' = rx - y - xz \\ z' = -\frac{8}{3}z + xy \end{cases}$$

We can find the equilibrium points when  $x' = y' = z' = 0$ . Using Mathematica we can compute the fixed points to be:

$$\overline{(x, y, z)} \in \left\{ (0, 0, 0), \left( -2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1}, -2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1}, r-1 \right), \right. \\ \left. \left( 2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1}, 2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1}, r-1 \right) \right\}.$$

Next we can compute the Jacobian of the system to be

$$J \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -10 & 10 & 0 \\ r - z & -1 & -x \\ y & x & -\frac{8}{3} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Evaluating the Jacobian at the fixed point  $(0, 0, 0)$  gives

$$J \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -10 & 10 & 0 \\ r & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{8}{3} \end{pmatrix},$$

which has eigenvalues

$$\lambda \in \left\{ -\frac{8}{3}, \frac{1}{2} \left( -\sqrt{40r + 81} - 11 \right), \frac{1}{2} \left( \sqrt{40r + 81} - 11 \right) \right\}.$$

Using Mathematica we can determine that  $\text{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0$  when  $r < 1$ , which shows that the fixed point  $(0, 0, 0)$  is asymptotically stable when  $r < 1$ . Furthermore, when  $r > 1$ ,

$\text{Re}(\lambda_i) > 0$  which means that the fixed point is unstable. When  $r = 1$ ,  $\text{Re}(\lambda_i) = 0$  and thus the fixed point is undetermined in this case.

Evaluating the Jacobian at the fixed point  $\left(-2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1}, -2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1}, r-1\right)$  gives

$$J \begin{pmatrix} -2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1} \\ -2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1} \\ r-1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -10 & 10 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1} \\ -2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1} & -2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1} & -\frac{8}{3} \end{pmatrix},$$

which has eigenvalues

$$\lambda \in \left\{ -\frac{1}{9} \sqrt[3]{36\sqrt{3}\sqrt{96r^3+54119r^2+91470r-221310+15012r+5201}} + \frac{8r-\frac{961}{9}}{\sqrt[3]{36\sqrt{3}\sqrt{96r^3+54119r^2+91470r-221310+15012r+5201}}} - \frac{41}{9}, \right. \\ \left. \frac{1}{18}(1-i\sqrt{3}) \sqrt[3]{36\sqrt{3}\sqrt{96r^3+54119r^2+91470r-221310+15012r+5201}} - \frac{(1+i\sqrt{3})\left(8r-\frac{961}{9}\right)}{2\sqrt[3]{36\sqrt{3}\sqrt{96r^3+54119r^2+91470r-221310+15012r+5201}}} - \frac{41}{9}, \right. \\ \left. \frac{1}{18}(1+i\sqrt{3}) \sqrt[3]{36\sqrt{3}\sqrt{96r^3+54119r^2+91470r-221310+15012r+5201}} - \frac{(1-i\sqrt{3})\left(8r-\frac{961}{9}\right)}{2\sqrt[3]{36\sqrt{3}\sqrt{96r^3+54119r^2+91470r-221310+15012r+5201}}} - \frac{41}{9} \right\}.$$

Using Mathematica we can determine that  $\text{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0$  when  $1 < r < \frac{470}{19}$ , which shows that the fixed point  $\left(-2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1}, -2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1}, r-1\right)$  is asymptotically stable when  $1 < r < \frac{470}{19}$ . Furthermore, when  $r < 1$  or  $r > \frac{470}{19}$ ,  $\text{Re}(\lambda_i) > 0$  which means that the fixed point is unstable. When  $r = 1$  or  $r = \frac{470}{19}$ ,  $\text{Re}(\lambda_i) = 0$  and thus the fixed point is undetermined in this case.

Evaluating the Jacobian at the fixed point  $\left(2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1}, 2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1}, r-1\right)$  gives

$$J \begin{pmatrix} 2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1} \\ 2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1} \\ r-1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -10 & 10 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & -2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1} \\ 2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1} & 2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{r-1} & -\frac{8}{3} \end{pmatrix},$$

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- (b) Next we wish to calculate up to second order terms the local invariant manifolds for the fixed point at the origin with  $r = 1$ . First notice that the Jacobian evaluated at the origin is

$$J \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -10 & 10 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{8}{3} \end{pmatrix},$$

which has the eigenpairs:

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1 &= -11, & v_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} -10 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \lambda_2 &= -\frac{8}{3}, & v_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \lambda_3 &= 0, & v_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\text{Re}(\lambda_1), \text{Re}(\lambda_2) < 0$  they correspond to stable parts of the solution while  $\text{Re}(\lambda_3) = 0$  corresponds to center part of the solution. Thus we are expecting

$$\dim(W^u) = 0, \quad \dim(W^s) = 2, \quad \text{and} \quad \dim(W^c) = 1.$$

Now we introduce a coordinate transform

$$\begin{pmatrix} u' \\ v' \\ w' \end{pmatrix} = T^{-1}AT \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{pmatrix} + T^{-1}R \left( T \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{pmatrix} \right) =,$$

where  $A = J((0, 0, 0)^T)$ ,  $T = \begin{pmatrix} -10 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $R = (0, -xz, xy)^T$  which correspond to the nonlinear terms in the system of equations, thus we get

$$\begin{pmatrix} u' \\ v' \\ w' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{11}v(w - 10u) - 11u \\ (w - 10u)(u + w) - \frac{8v}{3} \\ -\frac{10}{11}v(w - 10u) \end{pmatrix}.$$

First let's find the local invariant stable manifold  $W^s$ . From class we know that we are searching for a polynomial of the form

$$w = h(u, v),$$

by the Implicit Function Theorem. Let's let  $w$  be some general polynomial of the form

$$h(u, v) = au + bv + cuv + du^2 + \rho v^2 + \dots$$

and since the manifold is invariant we may take a derivative to get

$$\frac{dw}{dt} = \frac{\partial h}{\partial u} \frac{du}{dt} + \frac{\partial h}{\partial v} \frac{dv}{dt}.$$

We get the LHS to be

$$\frac{1}{11}(-10)v (au + bv + cuv + du^2 - 10u + \rho v^2) + \dots$$

and the RHS to be

$$\begin{aligned} & (a + cv + 2du) \left( -\frac{1}{11}v (au + bv + cuv + du^2 - 10u + \rho v^2) - 11u \right) \\ & + (b + cu + 2\rho v) \left( (au + bv + cuv + du^2 - 10u + \rho v^2) (au + bv + cuv + du^2 + u + \rho v^2) - \frac{8v}{3} \right) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

We can drop the linear terms because there are none in  $w'$  and thus  $b = 0$  and  $a = 0$ . We are also searching for a solution up to second order so we can toss out all the higher order terms. We can set the  $uv$  term on the LHS equal to the one on the RHS to find that

$$\frac{100}{11} = -11c - \frac{8}{3}c \implies c = -\frac{300}{451}.$$

Next we can set the  $u^2$  term on the LHS equal to the one on the RHS to find that

$$-22u^2d = 0 \implies d = 0.$$

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$$-\frac{16}{3}\rho = 0 \implies \rho = 0.$$

Thus we have found that

$$h(u, v) = -\frac{300}{451}uv + \dots,$$

and transforming this back into cartesian coordinates using

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} z \\ \frac{y-x}{11} \\ \frac{x+10y}{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

we find that the local invariant stable manifold  $W^s$  is characterized by

$$\frac{x+10y}{11} = -\frac{300}{451}(z) \left( \frac{y-x}{11} \right) + \dots \implies x+10y + \frac{300}{451}(zy - zx) = 0 + \dots$$

Next let's find the local invariant center manifold  $W^c$ . To do so, let's consider the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} u &= h_1(w) = a_1 + b_1 w + c_1 w^2 + \dots, \\ v &= h_2(w) = a_2 + b_2 w + c_2 w^2 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Since we know that the manifold passes through the fixed point  $(0, 0, 0)$  and must be tangent to  $E^c$ , we can set  $a_1 = b_1 = a_2 = b_2 = 0$  and since the manifold is invariant we can take a derivative to get

$$\begin{aligned} &\begin{cases} u' = \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial w} \frac{dw}{dt} + \dots \\ v' = \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial w} \frac{dw}{dt} + \dots \end{cases} \\ \Rightarrow &\begin{cases} -11c_1 w^2 - \frac{1}{11}c_2 w^2(-10c_1 w^2 + w) &= (2c_1 w)(-\frac{10}{11}c_2 w^2(-10c_1 w^2 + w)) + \dots \\ -\frac{8}{3}c_2 w^2 + (-10c_1 w^2 + w)(c_1 w^2 + w) &= (2c_2 w)(-\frac{10}{11}c_2 w^2(-10c_1 w^2 + w) + \dots \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Since we are searching for solutions up to second order, let's drop all higher order terms yielding

$$\begin{cases} 11c_1 w^2 = 0 \\ -\frac{8}{3}c_2 w^2 + w^2 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} -11c_1 = 0 \\ -\frac{8}{3}c_2 + 1 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 = 0 \\ c_2 = \frac{3}{8}. \end{cases}$$

Thus we have found that

$$\begin{cases} v = \frac{3}{8}w^2 \\ u = 0 \end{cases}$$

and transforming back into cartesian coordinates, we find that the local invariant center manifold is characterized by

$$\begin{cases} \frac{-x+y}{11} = \frac{3}{8}\left(\frac{x+10y}{11}\right) + \dots \\ z = 0 + \dots \end{cases}$$

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