

**HW3**  
**Math 537 Ordinary Differential Equations**  
**Due Oct 16, 2020**

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1: [35 points] Consider the following system:

$$X' = AX, \tag{1.1}$$

where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } X = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) [5 points] Solve for eigenvalue(s) and eigenvector(s).
- (b) [10 points] Construct  $T$  using the results from problem (1a) and calculate  $T^{-1}AT$ .
- (c) [5 points] Let  $X = TY$ . Show

$$Y' = (T^{-1}AT)Y. \tag{1.2}$$

Here  $Y$  is a column vector and its transpose is defined as  $Y^T = (u, w)$ .

- (d) [10 points] Solve Eq. (1.2) for  $Y$ .
- (e) [5 points] Find the solution  $X$  to Eq. (1.1).

**2:** [30 points] Consider the following set of differential equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= y, \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= -\omega^2 x - by,\end{aligned}$$

here both  $b$  and  $\omega$  are real.

- (a) [15 points] Find the conditions under which the system is hyperbolic.
- (b) [15 points] Discuss whether the system has a saddle point.

**3:** [35 points] Consider the following two differential equations

$$x'' + ax' + bx = 0,$$

$$x'' + cx' + dx = 0.$$

Show that the two systems are topologically conjugate when  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$  and  $d$  are positive.