

In-Class

2D Linear Systems: $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$ $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$

Case 1: real distinct eigenvalues $\Rightarrow \lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$
w/ independent eigenvectors $\Rightarrow \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2$

Solution: $\vec{x}(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \vec{v}_1 + c_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \vec{v}_2$
Find c_1, c_2 using $\vec{x}(0)$

We can have:

Saddles $\lambda_1 < 0 < \lambda_2$

Nodal source $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$

Nodal sink $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 < 0$

Case 2: Complex eigenvalues $\Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = a \pm ib$
w/ complex eigenvectors $\Rightarrow \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2$

Solution: $\vec{x}(t) = c_1 x_r + c_2 x_i$

Where: $e^{\lambda t} \vec{v}_1 = x_r + i x_i$

Euler's Formula
 $e^{(a+bi)t} = e^{at} (\cos(bt) + i \sin(bt))$

We can have:

Centers $a = 0$

Spiral Source $a > 0$

Spiral Sink $a < 0$

Case 3: Repeated Eigenvalues $\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2$

Case 1) Find 2 independent eigenvectors $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \Rightarrow$ Case 1

Case 2) Find 1 independent eigenvector \vec{v}_1

Solution: $\vec{x}(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \vec{v}_1 + c_2 e^{\lambda_1 t} (\vec{v}_2 + t \vec{v}_1)$

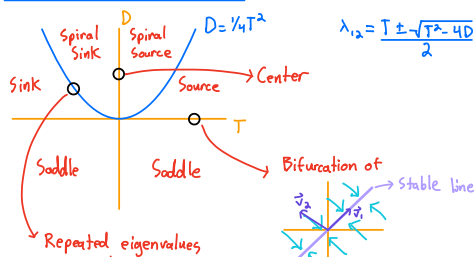
Where: $(A - \lambda_1 I) \vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}_1$

To find \vec{v}_2 : Choose \vec{w} (not multiple of \vec{v}_1)

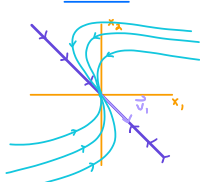
Compute: $(A - \lambda_1 I) \vec{w} = \alpha \vec{v}_1$

$\vec{v}_2 = \frac{\vec{w}}{\alpha}$

Trace-Determinant Plane



Case 2



If A depends on a parameter α we can plot T, D in terms of α to see bifurcations that occur

Non Linear Systems

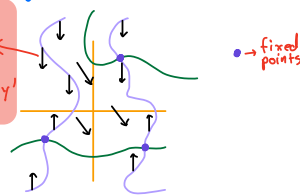
$$\vec{x}' = f(\vec{x}, \vec{y})$$

$$\vec{y}' = g(\vec{x}, \vec{y})$$

Typically Isolated points

Equilibrium points: $f(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = g(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = 0$

To find vectors plug points into \vec{x}' and \vec{y}'



x-nullcline: $f(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = 0 \rightarrow$ typically a curve
y-nullcline: $g(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = 0 \rightarrow$ typically a curve

Partially Decoupled Systems

$$\vec{x}' = f(\vec{x})$$

$$\vec{y}' = g(\vec{x}, \vec{y})$$

solve for $\vec{x}(t)$ using 1D methods then substitute into $g(\vec{x}, \vec{y})$ and solve

HW 5 \rightarrow Present
On Test