

535.641 Mathematical Methods Assignment 7

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1. Consider the damped pendulum equation

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} + \alpha \frac{d\theta}{dt} + \beta \sin(\theta) = 0$$

for $\alpha, \beta > 0$.

- (a) Find and classify the critical points
- (b) Use software to plot the phase portrait of the system for $\alpha = \beta = 1$.

2. Consider the general competitive Lotka-Volterra system:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= x(\alpha_1 - \beta_{11}x - \beta_{12}y) \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= y(\alpha_2 - \beta_{21}x - \beta_{22}y)\end{aligned}$$

where:

- $x(t), y(t) \geq 0$ represent the population sizes of two competing species,
- $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 > 0$ are intrinsic growth rates, and
- $\beta_{11}, \beta_{12}, \beta_{21}, \beta_{22} > 0$ represent intra- and interspecific competition coefficients

- (a) Find all equilibrium points
- (b) Analyze the stability of the equilibrium point when neither species exists as well as the stability of equilibrium points where only one species exists and the other goes extinct. *You do not need to analyze the stability of the equilibrium where both species coexist.*

3. The SIR model is a dynamical system that can be used to describe the spread of an infectious disease in a closed population,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dS}{dt} &= -\beta SI \\ \frac{dI}{dt} &= \beta SI - \gamma I \\ \frac{dR}{dt} &= \gamma I\end{aligned}$$

where:

- $S(t)$: number of susceptible individuals
- $I(t)$: number of infected individuals
- $R(t)$: number of recovered individuals
- $\beta > 0$: transmission rate
- $\gamma > 0$: recovery rate

- (a) Show that the total population, $N = S(t) + I(t) + R(t)$ is constant
- (b) What are the conditions for an outbreak (number of infected individuals increases with time)?
- (c) What happens to the number of infected individuals as $t \rightarrow \infty$?
- (d) Derive the expression,

$$\ln \left(\frac{S_\infty}{S_0} \right) = -\frac{\beta}{\gamma} (R_\infty - R_0)$$

where S_0, R_0 describe some initial number of susceptible and recovered individuals and S_∞, R_∞ describes the final number of susceptible and recovered individuals.

4. Use the Poincare-Bendixon Theorem as in the method of Example 3.6.3 of the instructor's notes to show that the following system has a closed trajectory. Use as a fact that $(0, 0)$ is the only equilibrium of the system.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= x - y - x(x^2 + y^2) \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= x + y - y(x^2 + y^2)\end{aligned}$$