

## Homogeneous 1st order system with constant coefficient

1st order linear eqn :  $x' = P(t)x + g(t)$  ,  $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{bmatrix}$

homogeneous linear eqn :  $x' = P(t)x$

homogeneous with constant coefficient :  $x' = Ax$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $n \times n$  constant entries

Ex1  $x'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}x(t)$

$$\text{i.e. } \left. \begin{array}{l} x_1' = -x_1 \\ x_2' = -3x_2 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x_1 = C_1 e^{-t} \\ x_2 = C_2 e^{-3t} \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = \begin{bmatrix} C_1 e^{-t} \\ C_2 e^{-3t} \end{bmatrix} = C_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t} + C_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-3t}$$

Observe : eigenval of  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  are  $\lambda_1 = -1$ ,  $\lambda_2 = -3$

corresp. eigenvect :  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Ex 2  $x'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}x(t)$

In worksheet, we found

Eigenval:  $\lambda_1=1, \lambda_2=3$

Corresp eigenvec:  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (choose one)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = P \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} P^{-1}, P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x' = P \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} P^{-1} x$$

$$(P^{-1}x)' = P^{-1}x' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} (P^{-1}x)$$

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

$$y' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} y, \text{ i.e. } \begin{aligned} y_1 &= y_1 \\ y_2 &= 3y_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 e^t \\ c_2 e^{3t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$y = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} e^t + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{3t}$$

$$x = Py = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} (c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} e^t + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{3t})$$

$$x = c_1 e^t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{3t} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

key observation: for  $x' = Ax$

If  $v$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ ,  
then  $x = e^{\lambda t} v$  is a solution.

Indeed:  $x' = \lambda e^{\lambda t} v$

$$Ax = A(e^{\lambda t} v) = e^{\lambda t} Av = e^{\lambda t}(\lambda v) = \lambda e^{\lambda t} v = x'$$

Fact:  $\overset{nxn}{A}$  diagonalizable  $\Leftrightarrow A$  has  $n$  linearly indept. eigenvectors  $v_1, \dots, v_n$   
 i.e.  $A = P D P^{-1}$

by key obser.

$\Rightarrow$  Suppose  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  are the corresp. eigenvalues  
 then each  $e^{\lambda_j t} v_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, n$  is a solution,  
 (This is a set of  $n$  linearly independent solutions)

Fact: For homogeneous linear eqn's, i.e.  $x' = P(t)x$ ,  
 (HW3, #1) if  $x^{(1)}$  and  $x^{(2)}$  are solutions, then  
 $x = c_1 x^{(1)} + c_2 x^{(2)}$  is also a soln.

Gen soln to  $x' = Ax$  when  $A$  is diagonalizable :

$$x = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} v_1 + \dots + c_n e^{\lambda_n t} v_n$$

(Note: we didn't assume  $\lambda$  and  $v$  real, so this works for complex ones also).

Ex3  $x' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x$

eigenval:  $\lambda_1 = 3, \lambda_2 = -1$

corresp. eigenvect:  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = c_1 e^{3t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

For  $n \times n$  matrix : If  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are eigenvectors with  
with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ , respectively  
and such that  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  are distinct,  
then  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are linearly independent.

(same statement is true if using  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  and  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m$   
for  $m \leq n$ )

For  $2 \times 2$  matrix A 2 eigenval  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$

① If  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$ , then A is diagonalizable

② If  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda$ , then

$$\text{A diagonalizable} \stackrel{\text{Hw1 #6}}{\iff} A = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex 4  $x' = Ax, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

eigenval:  $\lambda = 2, 2$

eigenvec: solve  $(A - 2I)v = 0$

i.e.  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$  can be anything

$v^A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v^B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  or any two linearly indep. vectors

$\Rightarrow$  Gen soln:  $x(t) = c_1 e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

## Another Perspective

$$x' = Ax, \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Gen soln : { recall single var:  $x' = ax$ ,  $x$  scalar  
 $\Rightarrow x = Ce^{at}$ .

$$x = e^{At} C, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ arbitrary constants}$$

Defn of exp :  $\frac{d}{dt}(e^{At}) = Ae^{At}$  and  $e^{[0]} = I_{nxn}$

check:  $x' = \frac{d}{dt}(e^{At}C) = \frac{d}{dt}(e^{At})C = A(e^{At}C) = Ax$

Initial conditions: Given  $x(0) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(0) \end{bmatrix}$ , can determine  $C$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(0) \end{bmatrix} = x(0) = \underbrace{e^{A0}}_{I_{nxn}} C = C$$

Matrix exponential  $f(t) = e^{At}$

Taylor  $f(t) = f(0) + f'(0)t + \frac{f''(0)t^2}{2!} + \frac{f'''(0)t^3}{3!} + \dots$

$f(0) = A, \quad f''(0) = A^2, \quad f'''(0) = A^3$

$$e^{At} = I + At + \frac{A^2 t^2}{2!} + \frac{A^3 t^3}{3!} + \dots$$

Everything below assumes  $A$  diagonalizable,  $A = PDP^{-1}$

$$\text{then } A^2 = (PDP^{-1})(PDP^{-1}) = PD^2P^{-1}$$

$$A = P D^K P^{-1}$$

$$e^{At} = I + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ PIP^{-1}}}{PDP^{-1}t} + \frac{PD^2P^{-1}t^2}{2!} + \frac{PD^3P^{-1}t^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$e^{At} = P \left( I + Dt + \frac{D^2 t^2}{2!} + \frac{D^3 t^3}{3!} + \dots \right) P^{-1}$$

$$e^{At} = Pe^{Dt}P^{-1}$$

Computing  $e^{Dt}$

$$e^{Dt} = I + Dt + \frac{Dt^2}{2!} + \frac{Dt^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \lambda_1 t + \frac{\lambda_1^2 t^2}{2!} + \dots & & & & O \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ O & & & & 1 + \lambda_n t + \frac{\lambda_n^2 t^2}{2!} + \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e^{Dt} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & & \\ & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & e^{\lambda_n t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & \ddots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}, \text{ so } D^k = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^k & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & \ddots & \lambda_n^k \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$e^{At} = Pe^{Dt}P^{-1} = P \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & & \\ & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & & e^{\lambda_n t} \end{bmatrix} P^{-1}$$

$$x = e^{At} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} = P \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & & \\ & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & & e^{\lambda_n t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ \vdots \\ d_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ \vdots \\ d_n \end{bmatrix} = P^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

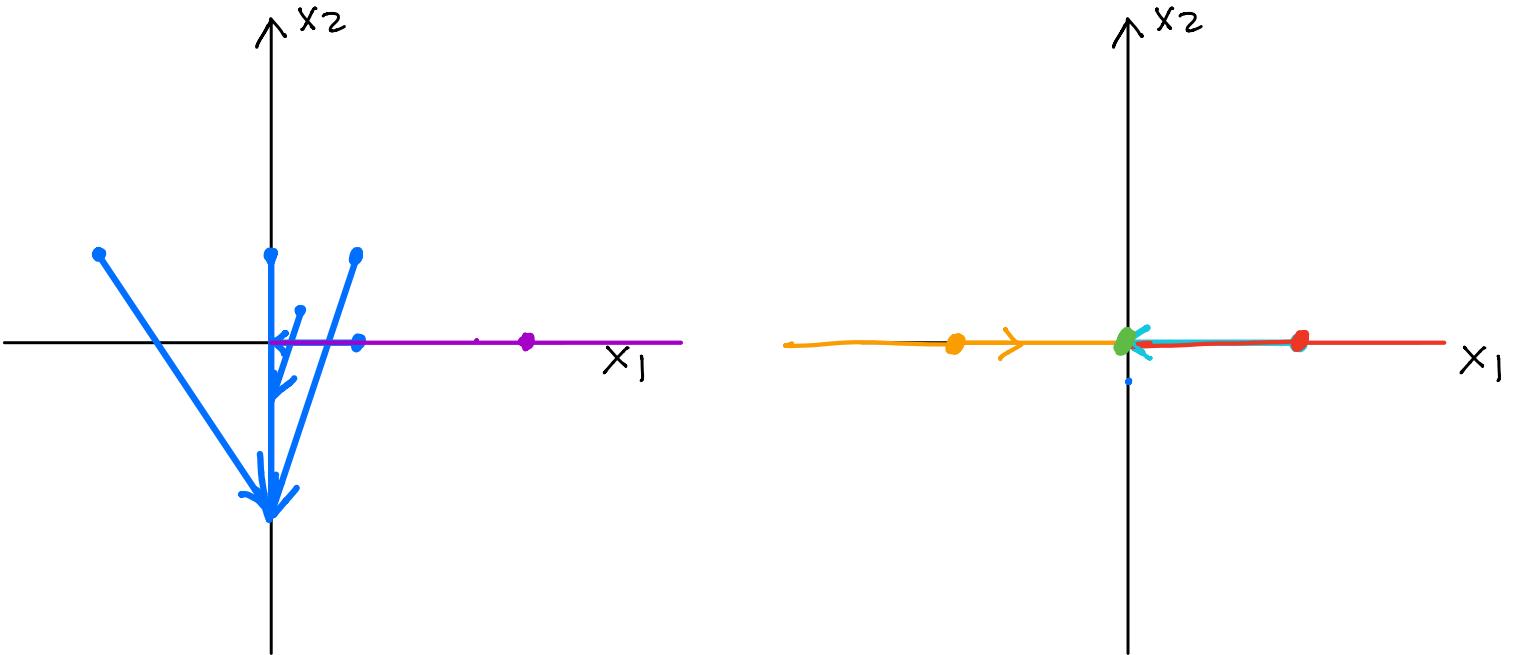
$$= P \left( d_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + d_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \dots + d_n e^{\lambda_n t} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$x = d_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} v_1 + d_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} v_2 + \dots + d_n e^{\lambda_n t} v_n$$

Phase portrait

Ex 1 (Cont'd)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad x' = Ax$

Direction field: for any  $x$ ,  $Ax = x'$  gives us a "direction" in the  $x_1 - x_2$  plane



In class exercise :

- ① For pts  $x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , draw  $x'$ .

$$x' = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- ② we know  $x(t) = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} e^{-t} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{-3t} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 e^{-t} \\ c_2 e^{-3t} \end{bmatrix}$

Suppose  $x(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , what is  $x(t)$ ? Draw the trajectory for  $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = x(0) = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

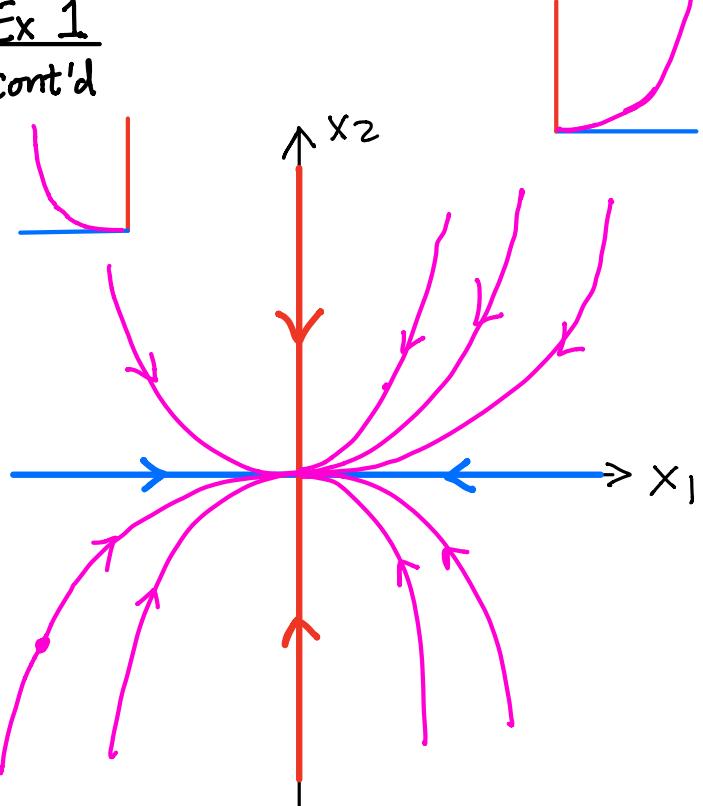
- ③ What about when  $x(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ?  $x(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t}$

- ④ What about when  $x(0) = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ?  $x'(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$   
 $x(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t}$

- ⑤ What about when  $x(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ?  $x'(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$   
 $x(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

### Ex 1

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uniqueness of soln of linear eqn's  
 $\Rightarrow$  trajectories don't cross

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} x$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 e^{-t} \\ c_2 e^{-3t} \end{pmatrix}$$

	$c_1 [1] e^{-t}$	$c_2 [0] e^{-3t}$
as $t \rightarrow \infty$	$\rightarrow 0$ dominates	$\rightarrow 0$
$t \rightarrow -\infty$	$\rightarrow \infty$	$-\infty$ dominates

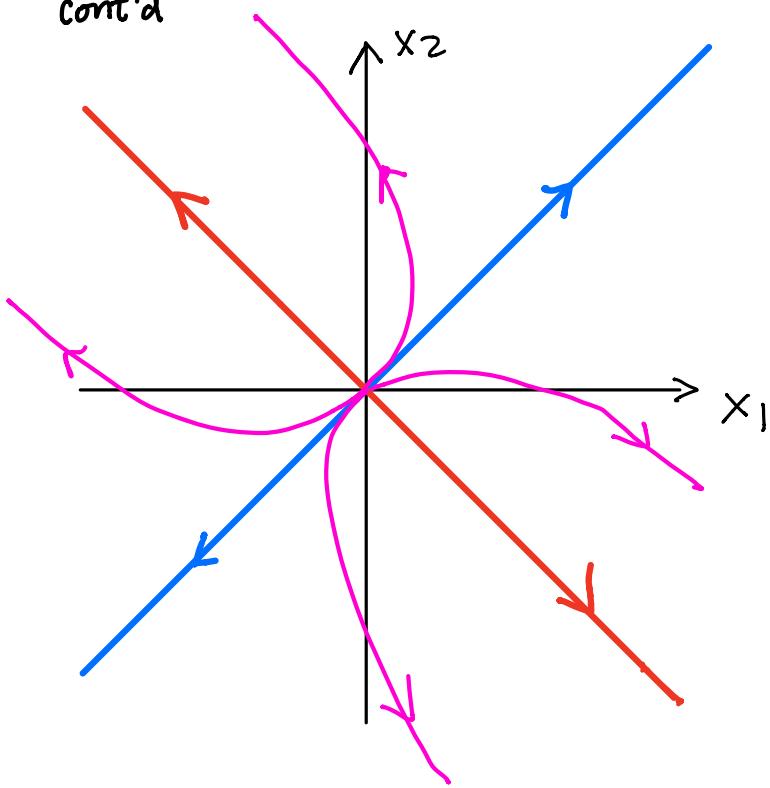
always opposite of  $t \rightarrow \infty$

All soln's  $x(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

$x=0$  is an asymptotically stable equilibrium

### Ex 2

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$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} x$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 e^t - c_2 e^{3t} \\ c_1 e^t + c_2 e^{3t} \end{pmatrix}$$

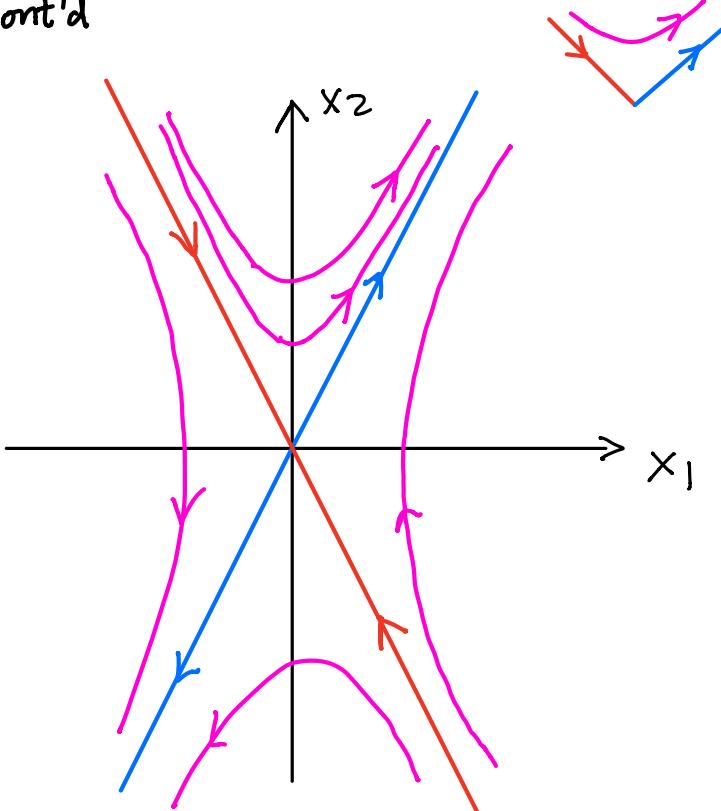
	$c_1 [1] e^t$	$c_2 [-1] e^{3t}$
$t \rightarrow \infty$	$\rightarrow \infty$	$\rightarrow \infty$ dominate
$t \rightarrow -\infty$	$\rightarrow 0$ dominate	$\rightarrow 0$

All soln's  $x(t) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

$x=0$  is unstable equilibrium

Ex 3

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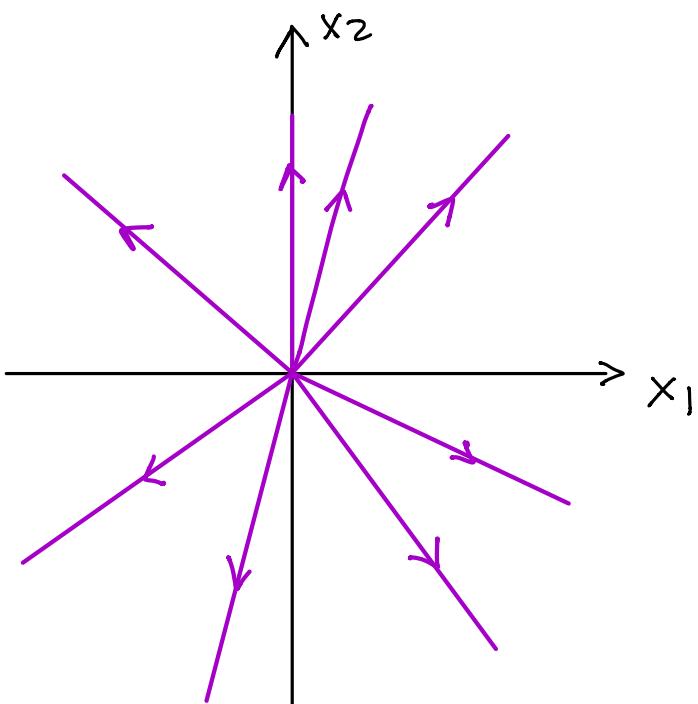
$$x' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x$$

	$C_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{3t}$	$C_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t}$
As $t \rightarrow \infty$	$\infty$	0
$t \rightarrow -\infty$	0	$\infty$

Except for  $C_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t}$ ,  
all soln  $x(t) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$   
 $x=0$  saddle pt

Ex 4

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$$x' = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} x$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} C_1 \\ C_2 \end{bmatrix} e^{zt} = \begin{bmatrix} C_1 e^{2t} \\ C_2 e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

All directions are equally dominant.

All soln's  $x(t) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

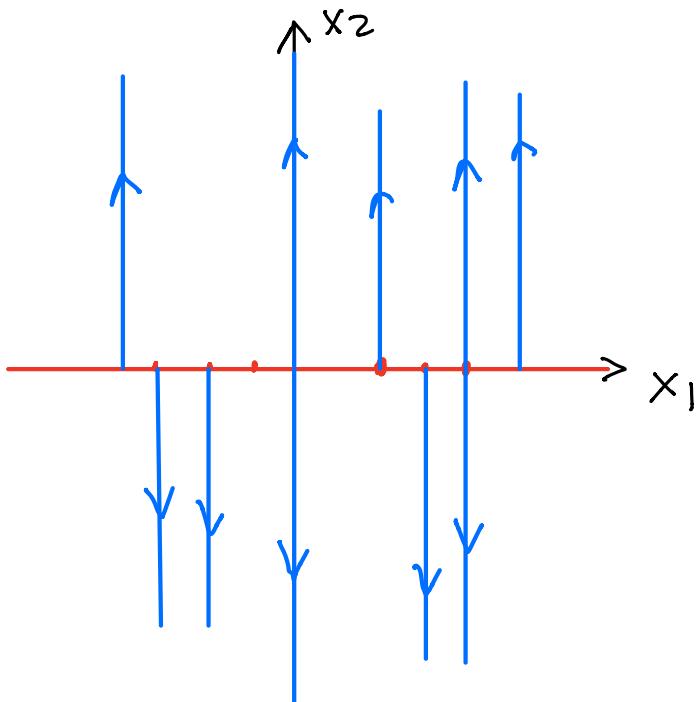
$x=0$  is unstable

Equilibrium (i.e. constant) soln's to  $x' = Ax$  are soln to

$Ax = 0$  { if  $\det A \neq 0$ , (i.e. 0 is not an eigenvalue) ex 1-4  
 $x=0$  is the only constant soln  
if  $\det A = 0$ , (i.e. 0 is an eigenvalue) ex 5ab, 6  
there are infinitely many constant soln's

Ex 5a

$$x' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} x$$



$$x = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Constant soln's :  $c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
each pt on the red  
line is itself a trajectory

All soln's are translations  
of  $c_2 e^t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  by  $c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

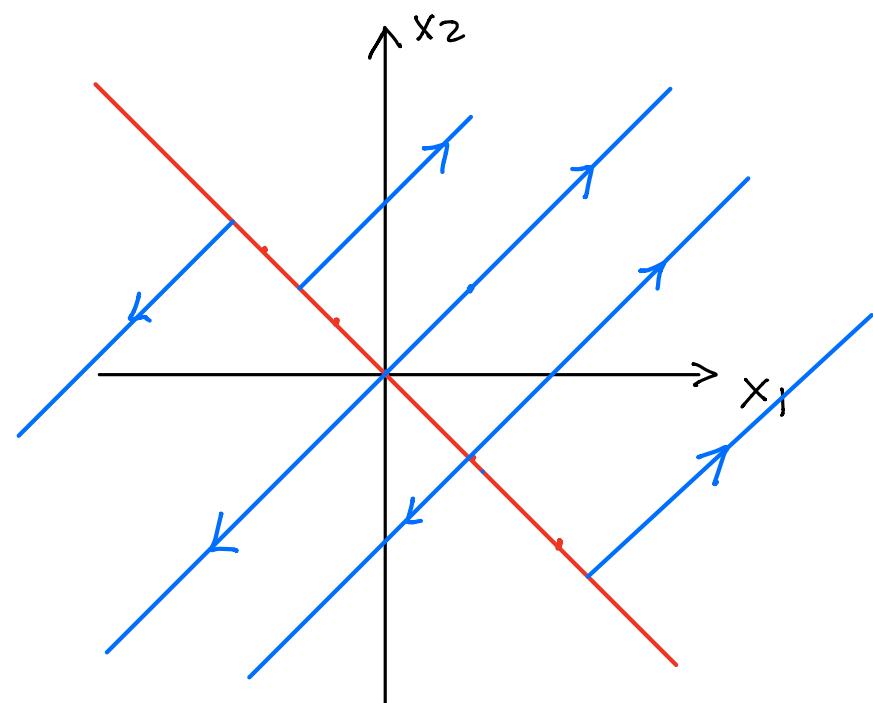
Ex 5b

$$x' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} x$$

$$x = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Constant soln's :  $c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$   
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What happens if

$$\underline{\text{Ex6}} \quad x' = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x ?$$

Ans :  $x'$  is always 0, so all soln's are constant.

All pts  $x = \begin{bmatrix} C_1 \\ C_2 \end{bmatrix}$  are constant soln's.