a.

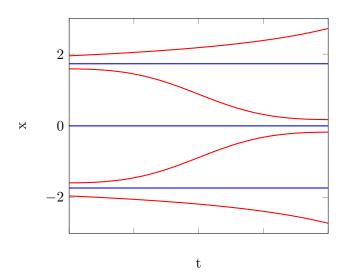
$$g(x) = x^3 - 3x = 0$$

$$\implies x(x^2 - 3) = 0$$

$$\implies x = 0 \text{ or } x = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

$$g'(x) = 3x^2 - 3$$

Thus $g'(0)=-3, g'(\sqrt{3})=g'(-\sqrt{3})=6$ and therefore, 0 is a sink, $\pm\sqrt{3}$ are sources.



b.

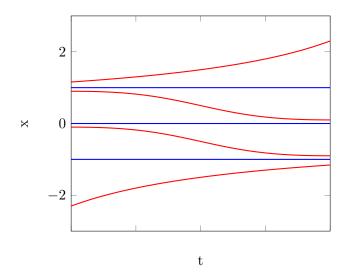
$$g(x) = x^4 - x^2 = 0$$

$$\implies x^2(x^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$\implies x = 0 \text{ or } x = \pm 1$$

$$g'(x) = 4x^3 - 2x$$

Thus g'(0) = 0, g'(1) = 2, g'(-1) = -2 and therefore, -1 is a sink, 1 is a source and 0 is neither.



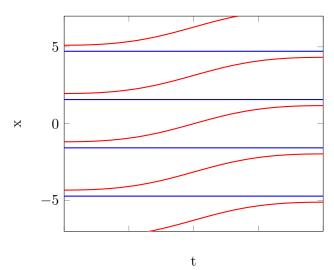
c.

$$g(x) = \cos(x)$$

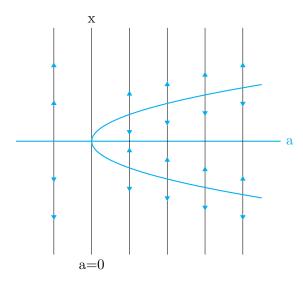
 $\implies x = k\pi + \pi/2 \text{ for } k \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$g'(x) = -\sin(x)$$

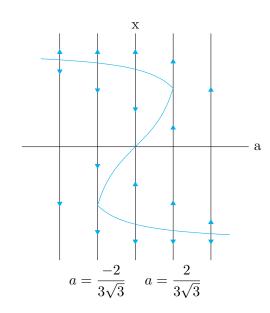
Thus $g'(k\pi+\pi/2)=-1$ for odd k, $g'(k\pi+\pi/2)=1$ for even k and therefore, k, $k\pi+\pi/2$ is a sink when k is odd and a source when k is even.



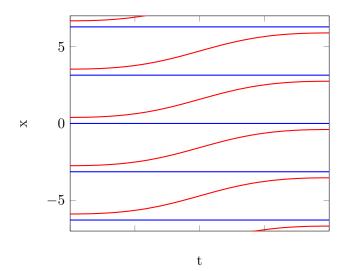
- 3.
- b.



c.



a.

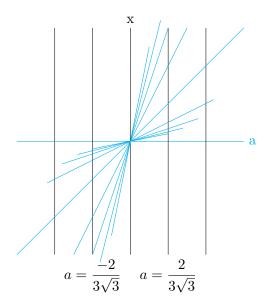


b.

We want to look at the zeros of $ax - \sin(x)$, or the intersection between y = -ax and $y = \sin(x)$. we notice that

- x = 0 is always an intersection
- At a = 1, -1 there is no other intersection.
- As |a| approaches 0, the slope of the line decrease thus there is more intersection.
- At a = 0, there is infinitely many intersections.

c.



The blue line have more intersection with the line a=b as $b\to 0$ and less intersection until there is only 1 as $|b|\to \infty$. On each line a=b, we can write a partition of where the points of the partition are the intersections of a=b with the blue line. The arrow will alternate on such interval. At x=0, the derivative of $\sin(x)+ax$ have the same sign as a which will indicate the direction of the arrow at the intervals furthest from 0.

Note: the blue "line" should not be exactly line.

a.

$$x' = x^{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = x^{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{dx}{x^{2}} = \int dt$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{3x^{3}} = t + C$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = \sqrt[3]{\frac{-1}{3(t+C)}}$$

b.

For each $C \in \mathbb{R}$, the domain of t is $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{-C\}$ and the domain of x is $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$.

c.

Consider $x(t) = \tan(\pi t/2)$, then x is defined on (-1,1) but not on [-1,1) or (-1,1]. We also have that x(0) = 0. The differential equation is then

$$x' = \frac{\pi}{2}(1 + \tan^2(\pi t/2)) = \frac{\pi}{2}(1 + x^2)$$

a.

$$x' = x^{1/3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{dx}{x^{1/3}} = \int dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{2}x^{2/3} = t + C$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{3}(t+C)^{3/2}, & \text{if } t > -C\\ 0, & \text{if } t < -C \end{cases}$$

since x'(-C) = 0. Hence, for any -C > 0 or C < 0, x(t) = 0.

b.

$$x' = x/t$$

$$\implies \int \frac{dx}{x} = \int \frac{dt}{t}$$

$$\implies \ln(x) = \ln(t) + C$$

$$\implies x = e^{\ln(t) + C} = te^{C} = tC'$$

x(0) = 0 regardless of C' thus every solution in the family satisfy the initial condition.

c.

$$x' = x/t^{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{dx}{x} = \int \frac{dt}{t^{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln(x) = \frac{-1}{t} + C$$

$$\Rightarrow x = e^{\frac{-1}{t} + C} = e^{-1/t}e^{C} = C'e^{-1/t}$$

Since $t \neq 0$ from $x' = \frac{x}{t^2}$, and x is discontinuous at 0 regardless of x(0):

$$\lim_{t \to 0^+} x(t) = 0 \neq \infty \lim_{t \to 0^-} x(t)$$

There is no continuous solution.

a.

We first find the eigenvalue

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2\\ 0 & 3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \implies \lambda \in \{1,3\}$$

For $\lambda = 1$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} v = 0 \implies v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

For $\lambda = 3$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} v = 0 \implies v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus,

$$X = C_1 e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + C_2 e^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

b.

We first find the eigenvalue

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 2 \\ 3 & 6 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \implies \lambda \in \{0, 7\}$$

For $\lambda = 0$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} v = 0 \implies v = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

For $\lambda = 7$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} -6 & 2\\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} v = 0 \implies v = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus,

$$X = C_1 \begin{pmatrix} -2\\1 \end{pmatrix} + C_2 e^{7t} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\3 \end{pmatrix}$$

c.

We first find the eigenvalue

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2\\ 1 & 0-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \implies \lambda \in \{-1,2\}$$

For $\lambda = -1$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} v = 0 \implies v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

For $\lambda = 2$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} v = 0 \implies v = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus,

$$X = C_1 e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + C_2 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

 $\mathbf{d}.$

We first find the eigenvalue

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 2 \\ 3 & -3 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \implies \lambda = -1 \pm \sqrt{10}$$

For $\lambda = -1 + \sqrt{10}$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 - \sqrt{10} & 2 \\ 3 & -2 - \sqrt{10} \end{pmatrix} v = 0 \implies v = \begin{pmatrix} 2 + \sqrt{10} \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

For $\lambda = -1 - \sqrt{10}$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2+\sqrt{10} & 2\\ 3 & -2+\sqrt{10} \end{pmatrix} v = 0 \implies v = \begin{pmatrix} 2-\sqrt{10}\\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus,

$$X = C_1 e^{-1 + \sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 + \sqrt{10} \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + C_2 e^{-1 - \sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 - \sqrt{10} \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\bullet\,$ figure 1: c
- $\bullet\,$ figure 2: b
- figure 3: d
- $\bullet\,$ figure 4: a

The characteristic equation is $r^2 + br + k = 0$ thus for the system to have real and distinct eigenvalue, we need $b^2 - 4k > 0$ thus b > 2k (assuming constant $b \ge 0, k > 0$) and the general solution should be

$$x(t) = C_1 e^{r_1 t} + C_2 e^{r_2 t}$$

where r_1, r_2 are the respective solution of the characteristic equation, that is

$$r_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4k}}{2}$$

We have x(0) = 1 thus $C_1 + C_2 = 1$. Also, b, k > 0, $r_{1,2} < 0$ and thus it is a damped harmonic oscillator.

Let the matrix be

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

If b=0 or c=0 then $(a,d)\in\{(1,0),(0,1)\}$. Otherwise, the eigenvalue is the solution of

$$(a - \lambda)(d - \lambda) - bc = \lambda^2 - \lambda(a + d) + (ad - bc) = 0$$

Thus we have the system of equation

$$\begin{cases} ad - bc = 0 \\ 1 - (a+d) + ad - bc = 0 \end{cases}$$

Thus,

$$ad = bc$$
 and $a + d = 1$

and the matrix can be rewritten as

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ a(1-a)/b & 1-a \end{pmatrix}$$

Suppose λ_1, λ_2 are eigenvalues of a 2 by 2 matrix with non-linearly dependent eigenvectors. That is $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$ and $v_1 = xv_2$ for some $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Then we have

$$x\lambda_2 v_2 = xAv_2 = Axv_2 = Av_1 = \lambda_1 v_1 = \lambda_1 xv_2$$

which means that $\lambda_2 = \lambda_1$ are not distinct.

Therefore, the eigenvectors of a 2×2 matrix corresponding to distinct real eigenvalues are always linearly independent.