

a) For polar coordinates, $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ $\theta = \tan^{-1}(\frac{x}{y})$.

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{dr}{dx} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{dr}{dy} \frac{dy}{dt}$$

$$= x(x^2 + y^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (ax + y - x(x^2 + y^2)) + y(x^2 + y^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (-x + ay - y(x^2 + y^2))$$

$$= a(x^2 + y^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} - (x^2 + y^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \boxed{ar - r^3}$$

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = \frac{d\theta}{dx} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{d\theta}{dy} \frac{dy}{dt}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1 + \frac{x^2}{y^2})^2} \cdot \frac{1}{y} \cdot (ax + y - x(x^2 + y^2)) + \frac{1}{(1 + \frac{x^2}{y^2})^2} \cdot (-\frac{x}{y^2}) \cdot (-x + ay - y(x^2 + y^2))$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{1 + \frac{x^2}{y^2}} \right)^2 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{y^2} \right) = 1$$

Then we have, $\boxed{\frac{dr}{dt} = ar - r^3 \quad \frac{d\theta}{dt} = 1}$

for $a < 0$ $\frac{dr}{dt} < 0$, $r_{n+1} < r_n$, thus they fall into origin.

for $a > 0$, we have $ar(a - r^2) = 0$

$$a = r^2 \Rightarrow r = \sqrt{a}$$

2 a) $L = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$

Since $M\vec{v}_i = \lambda_i \vec{v}_i$, then $\sum_{i=1}^n M\vec{v}_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \vec{v}_i$

it can be expressed in matrix

$$M \begin{bmatrix} (v_1)_1, (v_1)_2, \dots, (v_1)_n \\ (v_2)_1, \dots, (v_n)_1 \\ \vdots \\ (v_n)_1, \dots, (v_n)_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (v_1)_1, (v_1)_2, \dots, (v_1)_n \\ (v_2)_1, \dots, (v_n)_1 \\ \vdots \\ (v_n)_1, \dots, (v_n)_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$MV = VL$$

If we multiply both sides by V^{-1}

$$MVV^{-1} = VL^{-1} \Rightarrow M = VL^{-1}$$

b) for $n=2$ $M^2 = VL^{-1} \cdot VL^{-1} = VL^2 V^{-1}$

for n , $M^n = VL^n V^{-1}$

and the eigenvalues of $M^n = \lambda_i^n$

$$M^n b = VL^n V^{-1} b = (VL^n) \cdot (V^{-1} b)$$

assume $V^{-1} b = c$

$$VL^n = [v_1 \dots v_n] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^n & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2^n & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_n^n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$VL^n c = [v_1 \dots v_n] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^n & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2^n & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_n^n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M^n b = [v_1 \dots v_n] \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \lambda_1^n \\ c_2 \lambda_2^n \\ \vdots \\ c_n \lambda_n^n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \boxed{c_1 \lambda_1^n v_1 + c_2 \lambda_2^n v_2 + \dots + c_n \lambda_n^n v_n}$$

This equation can be rewrite as,

$$M^n b = C_m \lambda_{\max}^n \left[\frac{C_1}{C_m} \left(\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_{\max}} \right)^n v_1 + \dots + \frac{C_n}{C_m} \left(\frac{\lambda_n}{\lambda_{\max}} \right)^n v_n \right]$$

$$\text{Since } \frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_{\max}} < 1 \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_{\max}} \right)^n \approx 0.$$

$$\text{Thus, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M^n b = C_m \lambda_{\max}^n v_{\max} \propto v_{\max}.$$