

Planar dynamical systems (continuation)

(1) $\dot{x} = f(x)$ where $f \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^2, \mathbb{R}^2)$

the flow $(t, \eta) \mapsto \varphi(t, \eta)$

the orbit for the initial state $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^2$ is $\gamma_\eta = \{\varphi(t, \eta) : t \in I_\eta\}$

Properties of the flow:

(i) $\varphi(0, \eta) = \eta, \forall \eta \in \mathbb{R}^2$

(ii) $\varphi(t, \varphi(s, \eta)) = \varphi(t+s, \eta), \forall \eta \in \mathbb{R}^2, \forall t, s$

(iii) the flow is a continuous function in (t, η)

An important property of the orbits:

Let $\eta, \tilde{\eta} \in \mathbb{R}^2, \eta \neq \tilde{\eta}$. Then either $\gamma_\eta = \gamma_{\tilde{\eta}}$ or $\gamma_\eta \cap \gamma_{\tilde{\eta}} = \emptyset$.

Remark. ~~Through any point in \mathbb{R}^2 , there exists at least an orbit~~
 passing. *through any point in \mathbb{R}^2 , there exists a unique*

First integrals for planar systems

(1) $\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{x} = f_1(x, y) \\ \dot{y} = f_2(x, y) \end{cases}$

Proposition. Let $U \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ be open, connected, nonempty and $H \in C^1(U)$ be a non-locally constant function. We have that H is a first integral in U of (1) iff $\frac{\partial H}{\partial x}(x, y) \cdot f_1(x, y) + \frac{\partial H}{\partial y}(x, y) \cdot f_2(x, y) = 0, \forall (x, y) \in U$.

Proof. H is a first integral in U of (1) $\Leftrightarrow H(\varphi(t, \eta)) = H(\eta), \forall \eta \in U,$

$\Leftrightarrow \frac{d}{dt} H(\varphi(t, \eta)) = 0, \forall \eta \in U, \forall t \text{ s.t. } \varphi(t, \eta) \in U \Leftrightarrow$

$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial H}{\partial x}(\varphi(t, \eta)) \cdot \dot{\varphi}_1(t, \eta) + \frac{\partial H}{\partial y}(\varphi(t, \eta)) \cdot \dot{\varphi}_2(t, \eta) = 0, \forall \eta \in \mathbb{R}^2, \forall t \text{ s.t. } \varphi(t, \eta) \in U$

$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial H}{\partial x}(\varphi(t, \eta)) \cdot f_1(\varphi(t, \eta)) + \frac{\partial H}{\partial y}(\varphi(t, \eta)) \cdot f_2(\varphi(t, \eta)) = 0, \forall \eta \in \mathbb{R}^2, \forall t \text{ s.t. } \varphi(t, \eta) \in U$

$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} f_1 + \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} f_2 = 0 \text{ in } U$

A method to find a first integral in U for some systems (1)

Step 1. Write $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{f_2(x,y)}{f_1(x,y)}$ (2)

Step 2. Integrate the above DE and put the general solution as $H(x,y) = c, c \in \mathbb{R}$.

Step 3. Find a domain U for the function H found above and check (using either the definition or the characterization) that, indeed, H is a first integral in U .

A method to integrate eq. (2) in the case that it is separable
i.e. it has the form $\frac{dy}{dx} = g_1(x)g_2(y)$

First we separate the variables: $\frac{dy}{g_2(y)} = g_1(x) dx$

Then we integrate $\int \frac{dy}{g_2(y)} = \int g_1(x) dx$ and obtain $G_2(y) = G_1(x) + c, c \in \mathbb{R}$

Now, if it is possible, we simplify the previous, if not we get $H(x,y) = G_2(y) - G_1(x)$.

Examples: Find a global first integral and represent the phase portrait of the following systems.

a) $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = -2y \\ \dot{y} = 3x \end{cases}$

b) $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = x \\ \dot{y} = -3y \end{cases}$

a) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x}{-2y}$ this is separable $\Rightarrow 2y dy = -3x dx$

we integrate $\int 2y dy = -3 \int x dx \Rightarrow y^2 = -\frac{3}{2}x^2 + c, c \in \mathbb{R}$

$\Rightarrow H(x,y) = \frac{3}{2}x^2 + y^2 \quad U = \mathbb{R}^2$

we write the pole for first integrals of (1)

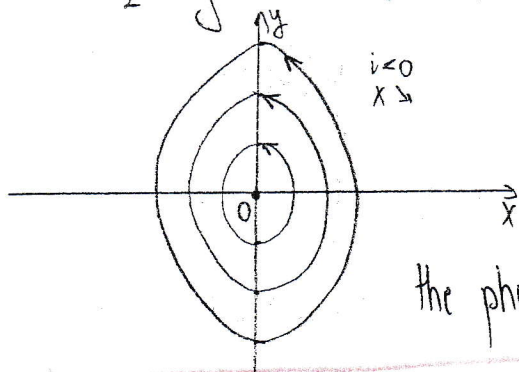
$(-2y) \cdot \frac{\partial H}{\partial x}(x,y) + 3x \cdot \frac{\partial H}{\partial y}(x,y) = 0$

we check $\frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = 3x \quad \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} = 2y$

replace: $(-2y) \cdot 3x + 3x \cdot 2y = 0, \forall (x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

TRUE \Rightarrow the function $H: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, H(x,y) = \frac{3}{2}x^2 + y^2$ is a global first integral

Represent the level curves of $H: \frac{3}{2}x^2 + y^2 = c, c \in \mathbb{R}$
 $c=1 \quad \frac{3}{2}x^2 + y^2 = 1$ the level curves of H are ellipses



the phase portrait of a)

Since the nontrivial orbits are closed, we deduce that any solution of a) is periodic in time.

b) $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = x \\ \dot{y} = -3y \end{cases}$

the p.d.e for f.i.: $x \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} - 3y \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} = 0$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-3y}{x}$ is separable $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{y} = -\frac{3dx}{x}$

$\int \frac{dy}{y} = -3 \int \frac{dx}{x}$

$\ln|y| = -3 \ln|x| + c$

$\ln|yx^3| = c$

Take $H(x,y) = yx^3, \quad yx^3 = k$

we check " $x \cdot 3x^2y - 3yx^3 = 0, \forall (x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ " TRUE

Then H is a global f.i.

the level curves of H

$yx^3 = c$

$c=1 \quad yx^3 = 1$

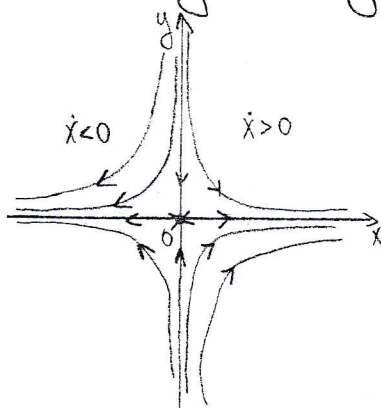
$y = \frac{1}{x^3}$

$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^3}$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x^3} = 0$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{x^3} = +\infty$

$f'(x) = -\frac{3}{x^4} < 0$



$c=0$

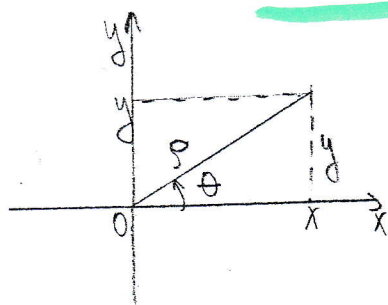
$yx^3 = 0$

$y=0$ or $x=0$

$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = x \\ \dot{y} = -3y \end{cases}$

the only equilibrium is $(0,0)$

Polar coordinates in the plane



Property. For any $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$ there exists a unique pair $(\rho, \theta) \in (0, \infty) \times [0, 2\pi)$ such that (1) $\begin{cases} x = \rho \cos \theta \\ y = \rho \sin \theta \end{cases} \Rightarrow z = x + iy = \rho e^{i\theta}$

Def. For a point of cartesian coordinates $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$ we say that (ρ, θ) given by (1) are its polar coordinates.

$$(1) \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \rho = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \\ \cos \theta = \frac{x}{\rho} \\ \sin \theta = \frac{y}{\rho} \end{cases}$$

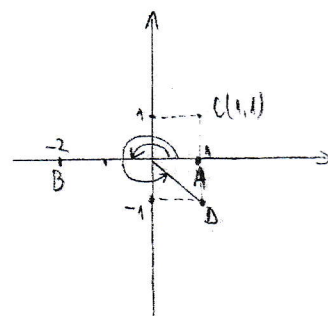
Examples. For the following points of given cartesian coordinates, find the polar coordinates:

a) $\begin{cases} x = 1 \\ y = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \rho = 1 \\ \theta = 0 \end{cases}$

b) $\begin{cases} x = -2 \\ y = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \rho = 2 \\ \theta = \pi \end{cases}$

c) $\begin{cases} x = 1 \\ y = 1 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \rho = \sqrt{2} \\ \theta = \frac{\pi}{4} \end{cases}$

d) $\begin{cases} x = 1 \\ y = 1 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \rho = \sqrt{2} \\ \theta = \frac{7\pi}{4} \end{cases}$



e) $\begin{cases} x = \eta_1 \cos t + \eta_2 \sin t \\ y = \eta_1 \sin t - \eta_2 \cos t \end{cases}, t \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\rho = \sqrt{\eta_1^2 + \eta_2^2}$$

Denote by $\rho_0 = \sqrt{\eta_1^2 + \eta_2^2}$ and $\theta_0 \in [0, 2\pi)$ s.t. $\begin{cases} \eta_1 = \rho_0 \cos \theta_0 \\ \eta_2 = \rho_0 \sin \theta_0 \end{cases}$

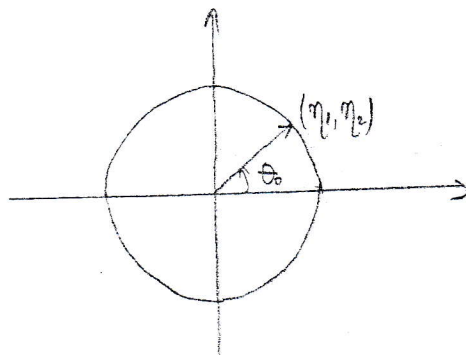
$$\Rightarrow x = \rho_0 \cos \theta_0 \cos t + \rho_0 \sin \theta_0 \sin t$$

$$y = \rho_0 \cos \theta_0 \sin t - \rho_0 \sin \theta_0 \cos t$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = \rho_0 \cos(t - \theta_0) \\ y = \rho_0 \sin(t - \theta_0) \end{cases}$$

the polar coordinates are:

$$\begin{cases} \rho(t) = \rho_0 \\ \theta(t) = t - \theta_0 \end{cases}, t \in \mathbb{R}$$




To transform a planar system $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = f_1(x, y) \\ \dot{y} = f_2(x, y) \end{cases}$ in polar coordinates

means to consider new unknowns $\rho(t)$ and $\theta(t)$ related by

$$\begin{cases} x(t) = \rho(t) \cos \theta(t) \\ y(t) = \rho(t) \sin \theta(t) \end{cases}$$

and find a system in ρ and θ .

Practically, we have to use $\begin{cases} \rho \dot{\rho} = x \dot{x} + y \dot{y} \\ \frac{\dot{\theta}}{\cos^2 \theta} = \frac{\dot{y} x - y \dot{x}}{x^2} \end{cases}$

$\begin{cases} \rho^2 = x^2 + y^2 \\ \tan \theta = \frac{y}{x} \end{cases}$ derivating w.r.t. t 

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{\rho} = \cos \theta \cdot f_1(\rho \cos \theta, \rho \sin \theta) + \sin \theta \cdot f_2(\rho \cos \theta, \rho \sin \theta) \\ \dot{\theta} = \frac{1}{\rho} \cos \theta \cdot f_2(\rho \cos \theta, \rho \sin \theta) - \frac{1}{\rho} \sin \theta \cdot f_1(\rho \cos \theta, \rho \sin \theta) \end{cases}$$