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Question 1

A fixed point in a two-dimensional linear dynamical system that has one positive real eigenvalue and one negative real eigenvalue is a saddle point.

- ✓ ☒ A. True
- ☐ B. False

Question 2

A fixed point in a two-dimensional nonlinear dynamical system that has one positive real eigenvalue and one negative real eigenvalue is a saddle point. (*Experts:* assume that the nonlinear system can be linearized at the fixed point.)

- ✓ ☒ A. True
- ☐ B. False

Question 3

The point $\Theta = \pi$, $\omega = 0$ in the pendulum is a saddle point.

- ✓ ☒ A. True
- ☐ B. False

Question 4

The point $\Theta = \pi$, $\omega = 0$ is the pendulum's *only* saddle point.

- ☐ A. True
- ✓ ☒ B. False

Question 5

Stable and unstable manifolds are the same thing as stable and unstable eigenvectors.

- ☐ A. True
- ✓ ☒ B. False

Question 6

A point that starts on an unstable manifold will always stay on that unstable manifold.

- ✓ ☒ A. True
- ☐ B. False

Question 7

The distance between a fixed point and a point near that fixed point on its stable manifold will grow with time.

- ☐ A. True
- ✓ ☒ B. False

Question 8

The distance between a fixed point and a point near that fixed point on its unstable manifold will grow with time.

- ✓ ☐ A. True
☐ B. False

Question 9

If a fixed point's stable manifold connects back around and becomes its own unstable manifold, that's called a heteroclinic orbit.

- ✗ ☐ A. True
☒ B. False

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