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Math 123

## Homework #11

2, 10, 11, 15, 16

2. Consider the three-dimensional system  $r' = r(1 - r)$

$$\theta' = 1$$

$$z' = -z$$

Compute the Poincare map along the closed orbit lying on the unit circle given by  $r = 1$  and show that this is asymptotically stable

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if  $z > 0, z' < 0$ ,

and if  $z < 0, z' > 0$

and if  $z = 0, z' = 0$

so  $z \rightarrow 0$

the closed orbit is given by  $(\cos t, \sin t, 0)$ , with initial condition  $(1, 0, 0)$

There is a local section lying along the half  $xz$ -plane with  $x > 0$ ,

since  $\theta' = 1$

given any  $x \in (0, \infty), z \in (-\infty, \infty)$

$\theta_{2\pi}(x, 0, z)$  also lies in the half plane as described above.

so we have a Poincare map  $P : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}$

$P(1, 0) = (1, 0)$  since the point  $x = 1, y = 0, z = 0$  is the initial condition for the periodic solution

Finding  $P$ :

compute the solution starting at  $(x_0, 0, z_0)$

$$\theta(t) = t$$

$$\int \frac{dr}{r(1-r)} = t + C$$

$$\frac{1}{r(1-r)} = \frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{1-r}$$

$$\text{so } \int \frac{dr}{r(1-r)} = \log(r) - \log(1-r) = t + C$$

$$\equiv \log\left(\frac{r}{1-r}\right) = t + C$$

$$\frac{r}{1-r} = Ce^t$$

$$r = Ce^t - rCe^t$$

$$r(1 + Ce^t) = Ce^t$$

$$r = \frac{Ce^t}{1+Ce^t}$$

$$\text{and } r(0) = \frac{C}{1+C} = x_0$$

$$\text{so } C = x_0(1+C)$$

$$C(1-x_0) = x_0 \implies C = \frac{x_0}{1-x_0}$$

$$r = \frac{x_0 e^t}{1-x_0+x_0 e^t}$$

$$\text{and } z = z_0 e^{-t}$$

$$r(2\pi) = \frac{x_0 e^{2\pi}}{1-x_0+x_0 e^{2\pi}}$$

$$z(2\pi) = z_0 e^{-2\pi}$$

$$\text{so } P(x_0, z_0) = (r(2\pi), z(2\pi))$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [r(2\pi)] = \frac{e^{2\pi}(1-x+x e^{2\pi}) - (e^{2\pi}-1)x e^{2\pi}}{(1-x+x e^{2\pi})^2}$$

$$= \frac{e^{2\pi}}{(1-x+x e^{2\pi})^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dz} z(2\pi) = e^{-2\pi}$$

$$\nabla P(1, 0) = (e^{-2\pi}, e^{-2\pi})$$

the max value of  $P'(1, 0)$

$$||\nabla P|| = 2e^{-4\pi} < 1$$

so the closed orbit is AS by the proposition 219

# 10. Show that a closed orbit of a planar system meets a local section in at most one point

Suppose  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  are distinct points on the closed orbit,  $\gamma$

and  $\mathcal{S}$  is a local section containing  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$

we have that a closed orbit is the  $\omega$ -limit set for every point on it

so for any  $X \in \gamma$ ,  $\omega(X)$  contains  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$

let  $\mathcal{V}_k$  be the flow boxes at  $Y_k$ , which are defined by disjoint intervals  $\mathcal{J}_k$  in the local section  $\mathcal{S}$

(since  $Y_1, Y_2$  are disjoint, we can find disjoint neighborhoods around these two points that contain disjoint segments of  $\mathcal{S}$ )

Since closed orbits are periodic,

solutions on the closed orbit enter each flow box infinitely often, crossing  $\mathcal{J}_k$  infinitely

so there exists a sequence  $a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2, a_3, b_3$  that is monotone along the solution through  $X$  with  $a_n \in \mathcal{J}_1$  and  $b_n \in \mathcal{J}_2$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

but this sequence isn't monotone along  $\mathcal{S}$  since  $\mathcal{J}_1, \mathcal{J}_2$  are disjoint

so this contradicts the proposition on 221

**11. Show that a closed and bounded limit set is connected (that is, not the union of two disjoint nonempty closed sets)**

so consider the limit set  $\omega(X)$  for a solution curve passing through  $X$

Suppose  $\omega(X)$  is disconnected

let  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  be disjoint open sets s.t.  $\omega(X) \subset S_1 \cup S_2$

and  $\omega(X) \cap S_k$  is nonempty  $k = 1, 2$

Let  $Y_1 \in S_1$  and  $Y_2 \in S_2$

so there exists a sequence of  $t_n \rightarrow \infty$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi_{t_n}(X) = Y_1$$

and a sequence  $s_n \rightarrow \infty$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi_{s_n}(X) = Y_2$$

and  $t_n < s_n < t_{n+1}$  (possibly for some subsequence)

since: for each  $1/n, n \in \mathbb{N}$

we can find indices  $N_1(n), N_2(n)$

s.t. for all  $n \geq N_1(n), |\phi_{t_n}(X) - Y_1| < 1/n$

for all  $n \geq N_2(n), |\phi_{s_n}(X) - Y_2| < 1/n$

and defining subsequences:

for each  $k$ : let  $t_k = N_1(k)$ , and  $s_k = N_2(k)$  if  $N_2(k) > N_1(k)$  or let  $s_k =$  some integer  $> N_1(k) \geq N_2(k)$ , then let  $t_{k+1} =$  an integer greater than  $s_k$  and greater than or equal to  $N_1(k+1)$ . We continue like this and obtain:

1.  $|\phi_{t_k}(X) - Y_1| < 1/k, |\phi_{s_k}(X) - Y_2| < 1/k$ , so as  $k \rightarrow \infty, t_k, s_k \rightarrow \infty \phi_{t_k}(X) \rightarrow Y_1, \phi_{s_k}(X) \rightarrow Y_2$
  2.  $t_k < s_k < t_{k+1}$
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there exists an  $N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

for all  $n \geq N_1, \phi_{t_n}(X) \in S_1$  since  $\phi_{t_n}(X) \rightarrow Y_1$ , and  $S_1$  is open and  $Y_1 \in S_1$  (i.e. there is an open ball centered on  $Y_1$  contained in  $S_1$  and since the terms of  $\phi_{t_n}$  get arbitrarily close to  $Y_1$ , there are infinitely many terms of  $\phi_{t_n}$  contained in any ball centered on  $Y_1$ )

and similarly, there exists an  $N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

for all  $n \geq N_2, \phi_{s_n}(X) \in S_2$

so let  $N_0 = \max(N_1, N_2)$

for all  $n \geq N_0$ ,

$\phi_t(X)$  with  $t \in (t_n, s_n)$  is the part of the solution curve connecting a point in  $S_1$  and a point in  $S_2$ , so  $\exists r_n \in (t_n, s_n)$  s.t.  $\phi_{r_n}(X) \notin S_1 \cup S_2$  (since they are disjoint)

and so we have a sequence  $r_n \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

if  $\phi_{r_n}(X)$  converges:

$$\lim_{r_n \rightarrow \infty} \phi_{r_n}(X) = Z \in \omega(X)$$

so for each open ball around  $Z$ , there are infinitely many terms of  $\phi_{r_n}(X)$  in it

but since each  $\phi_{r_n}(X) \notin S_1 \cup S_2$  and there exists an open ball centered on  $Z$  fully contained in  $S_1 \cup S_2$  since  $\omega(X) \subset S_1 \cup S_2$  we have a contradiction since we would need infinitely many terms of  $\phi_{r_n}(X)$  to be in this ball and therefore in  $S_1 \cup S_2$

or  $\lim_{r_n \rightarrow \infty} \phi_{r_n}(X)$  doesn't have a limit

then it is possible that

$$\lim_{r_n \rightarrow \infty} \phi_{r_n}(X) \rightarrow \infty, \text{ which means } \omega(X) \text{ is unbounded, a contradiction}$$

or if the set  $\{\phi_{r_n}(X)\}$  is bounded, by the Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem, it has a convergent subsequence, with a limit in  $\omega(X)$

and we still have that each term is not in  $S_1 \cup S_2$ , but there are infinite terms in any open ball centered on the limit, but there is an open ball contained in  $S_1 \cup S_2$ , therefore we have a contradiction

(a similar argument works for  $\alpha(X)$ , we simply consider limits with  $t_n, s_n \rightarrow -\infty$ )

**15. Let  $X$  be a recurrent point of a planar system; that is, there is a sequence  $t_n \rightarrow \pm\infty$  such that  $\phi_{t_n}(X) \rightarrow X$**

**(a) Prove that either  $X$  is an equilibrium or  $X$  lies on a closed orbit**

so  $X \in \omega(X)$  and in  $\alpha(X)$

and  $\omega(X)$  is closed and invariant, which means  $\phi_t(X) \in \omega(X), \alpha(X)$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$

so for any  $Y$  lying on the solution curve through  $X$ ,

$\omega(Y) = \omega(X), \alpha(Y) = \alpha(X)$ , which means

$$\exists s_n \rightarrow \pm\infty \text{ such that } \phi_{s_n}(Y) \rightarrow Y$$

Assuming that there exists a point  $Y$  on the solution curve with  $Y \neq X$ , i.e.,  $X$  is not an equilibrium:

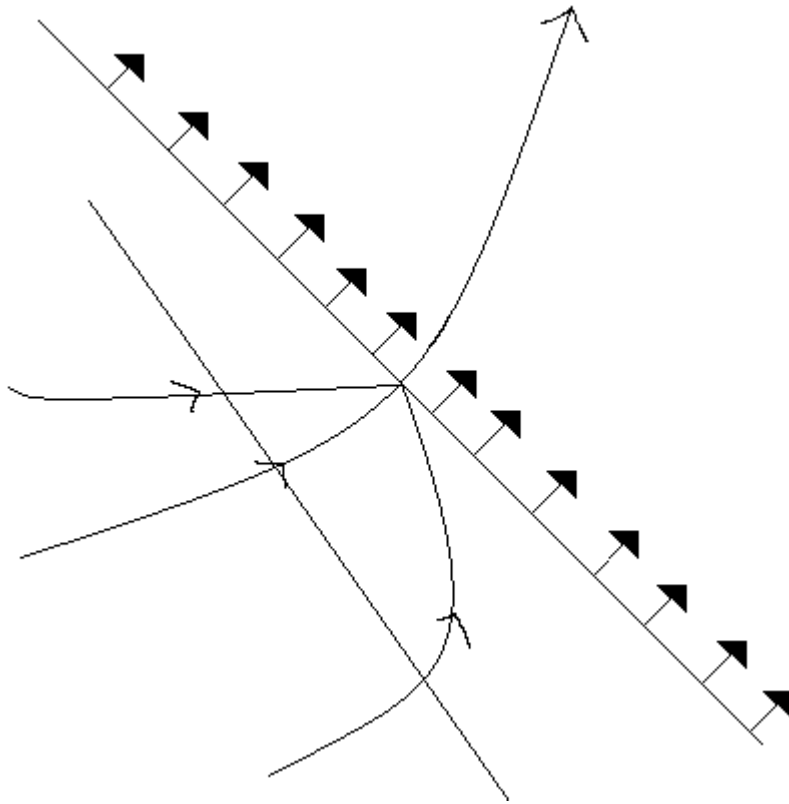
Take any  $Y$  on the solution curve and consider the local section  $\mathcal{S}$  at  $Y$ .

since  $Y$  is a limit point of the solution through  $X$ , there are infinitely many points in time  $s_n$  such that  $\phi_{s_n}(X) \in \text{the flow box } \mathcal{V}$ . In particular, if  $\phi_\tau(X) = Y$  at some time  $\tau$ , then there is some  $s_N > \tau$  (if we're considering  $s_N \rightarrow \infty$ ) or  $s_N < \tau$ , (if we're considering  $s_N \rightarrow -\infty$ )

such that for all  $n \geq N$ ,  $\phi_{s_n}(X) \in \mathcal{V}$ , which means that at infinitely many points in time, the solution curve goes into the flow box and crosses the local section at  $Y$

since the entire solution curve is in  $\omega(X)$ , we have that the solution through  $X$  crosses any local section at no more than one point, so the solution curve goes back through  $Y$  infinitely many times for any point  $Y$ .

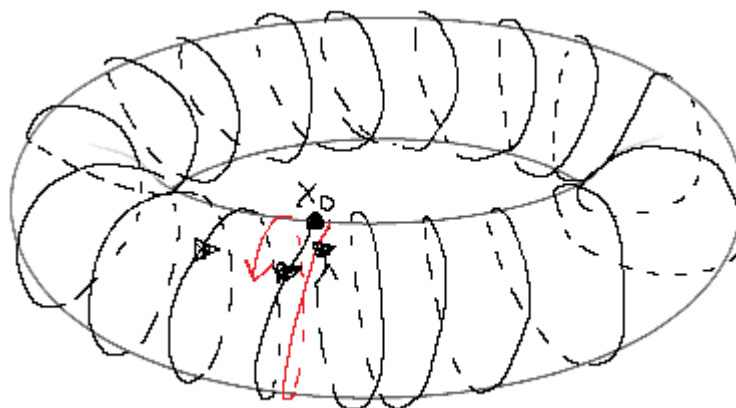
Note, it isn't that multiple paths of the solution curve converging to cross through  $Y$  else we'd have a local section such that the solution crosses it multiple times.



So, because the solution returns to each point more than once, there exists a time  $t > 0$  s.t.  $\phi_t(Y) = Y$  which means for any  $s$ ,  $\phi_s(Y)$ , we have  $\phi_{s+t}(Y) = \phi_s(Y)$  so the solution is a periodic function and thus a closed orbit

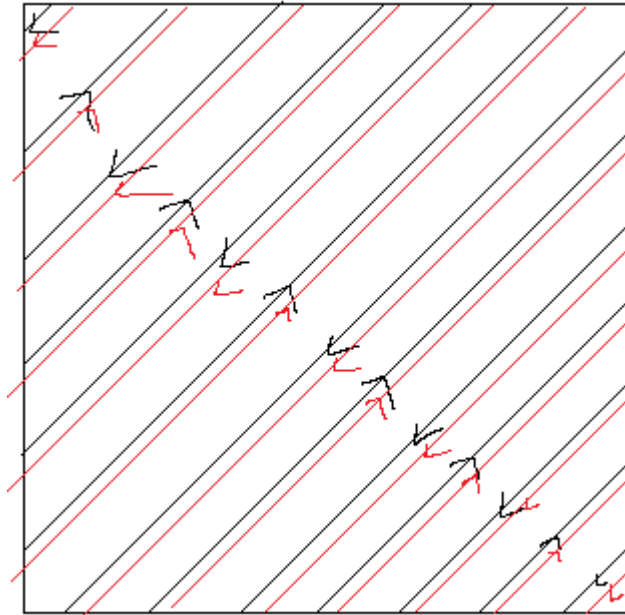
**(b) Show by example that there can be a recurrent point for a nonplanar system that is not an equilibrium and does not lie on a closed orbit.**

all points of the torus  $T^2$  are recurrent with respect to an irrational flow:



The orbits are "dense", but not periodic.

projected on a two dimensional square:



where black lines are a first "lap," for lack of a better word, around and red lines are a second.

the system itself looks like

$$\frac{d\theta_n}{dt} = \omega_n, \text{ for } n = 1, 2, \dots$$

**16. Let  $X' = F(X)$  and  $X' = G(X)$  be planar systems. Suppose that  $F(X) \cdot G(X) = 0$  for all  $X \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . If  $F$  has a closed orbit, prove that  $G$  has an equilibrium point**

$$\text{so } F(X) = (f_1(X), \dots, f_n(X)), G(X) = (g_1(X), \dots, g_n(X))$$

$$F(X) \cdot G(X) = f_1(X)g_1(X) + \dots + f_n(X)g_n(X) = 0$$

$$\text{so } F(X) \cdot G(X) = \|F(X)\| \|G(X)\| \cos(\theta) = 0$$

Assuming  $F$  has a closed orbit  $\gamma$

at each  $X \in \gamma$ ,  $F(X) \neq 0$  so we must have  $G(X) = 0$  or  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$

if  $G(X) = 0$  for some point,  $G$  has an equilibrium on the closed path and we are done.

Otherwise: Suppose the angle between  $F(X)$  and  $G(X)$  is  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  for all  $X \in \gamma$  and  $G(X) \neq 0$

this means that solutions of  $G(X)$  emanate from or flow into  $\gamma$

$\gamma$  can be divided into two sets, since  $G(X)$  is never tangent with  $\gamma$ :

1. points on  $\gamma$  such that  $G(X)$  points out
2. points on  $\gamma$  such that  $G(X)$  points in

Suppose both are nonempty:

On a point  $X$  of the boundary of either one, we must have that any neighborhood of  $X$  must contain at least one point of each set.

We consider a local section of  $X$  and its flow box  $\mathcal{V}$ : (associated with  $G$ )

This vector  $G(X)$  either points out from  $\gamma$  or into  $\gamma$ , since the angle between  $\gamma$  at  $X$  and  $G(X)$  is  $\pi/2$ , and so for each point  $Y$  in the local section,  $G(Y)$  points out from  $\gamma$  if  $G(X)$  points out or points in if  $G(X)$  points in

a part of  $\gamma$  is contained in the flow box  $\mathcal{V}$ , since  $\gamma$  is continuous and  $\mathcal{V}$  is a neighborhood of  $X$ , so each point of  $\gamma$  in the flow box must have its vector associated with  $G$  going in the same direction as  $G(X)$ , so there is a neighborhood of  $X$  s.t. all vectors of  $\gamma$  associated with  $G$  point in the same direction (out or in  $\gamma$ ). This is a contradiction, so we must have that all vectors associated with  $G$  on  $\gamma$  point in one direction: in or out of  $\gamma$

Let  $K$  be a set containing the region bounded by  $\gamma$  (assuming  $\gamma$  is simple closed) and  $\gamma$

So we either have that solutions to  $X' = G(X)$  stay in  $K$  or exit  $K$ , making  $K$  positively or negative

so  $K$  contains either a limit cycle or an equilibrium point for  $G(X)$  (Corollary 2)

If  $K$  contains an equilibrium point, we are done.

Otherwise  $K$  contains a limit cycle,  $\beta$  for  $X' = G(X)$ , and by Corollary 4, there is an equilibrium point in the region bounded by the limit cycle