

Name: Solutions

Math 224 Exam 4  
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1. Consider the system  $\frac{d\mathbf{Y}}{dt} = \mathbf{AY}$ , where  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(a) Find the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

8  $\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}) = 2$ ,  $\text{Det}(\mathbf{A}) = -3 + 4 = 1 \Rightarrow \text{char. poly: } \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 = (\lambda - 1)^2$

$\Rightarrow$  There is one eigenvalue:  $\boxed{\lambda = 1}$ .

(b) Find the eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

8  $\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ . Solving  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ;

take  $\boxed{\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}$  as an eigenvector.

Any other eigenvector is a scalar multiple of this one.

(c) Find the general solution of the system.

8 We know that if  $\mathbf{A}$  has a repeated ew and only one (up to scalar multiplication) ev, then the general solution is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Y}(t) &= e^t \mathbf{V}_0 + t e^t \mathbf{V}_1, \quad \text{where } \mathbf{V}_1 = (\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{V}_0 \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}_0. \end{aligned}$$

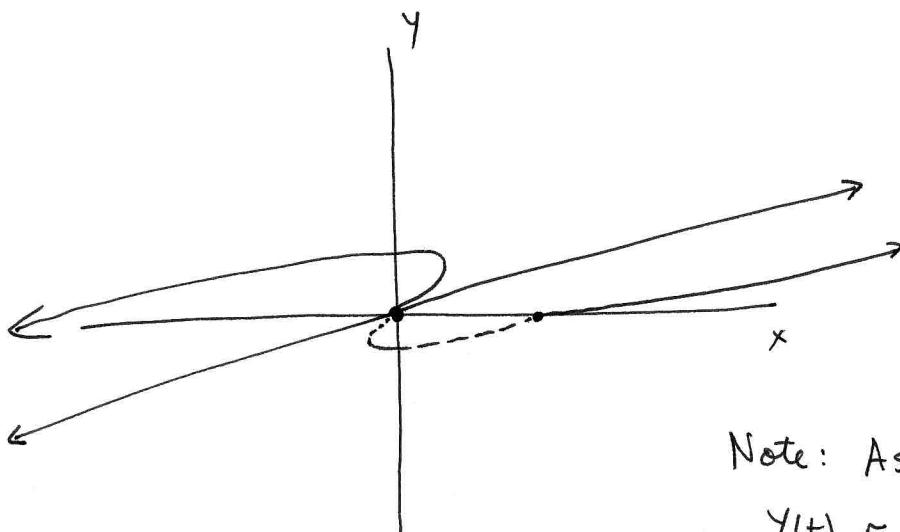
(d) Find the solution of the system with the initial condition  $\mathbf{Y}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

8  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{Y}(0) = \mathbf{v}_0 . \quad \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\mathbf{Y}(t) = e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t e^t \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}$$

(e) Sketch the phase portrait, including the solution curve with the initial condition  
 8  $\mathbf{Y}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$\mathbf{Y}'(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Note: As  $t \rightarrow -\infty$ ,  
 $\mathbf{Y}(t) \approx \underbrace{t e^{-t}}_{\text{negative}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  for  
 $\mathbf{Y}(t)$  as above; this  
 shows why the solution  
 curves around as  $t \rightarrow -\infty$ .

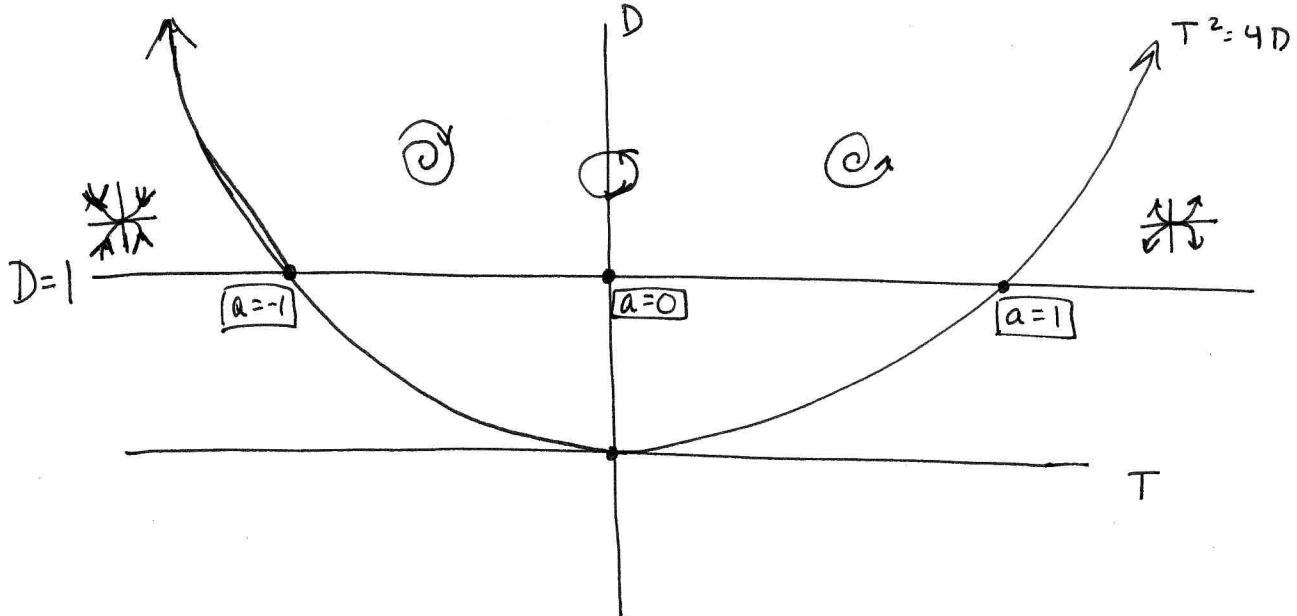
2. Consider the one-parameter family of linear systems given by

$$\frac{d\mathbf{Y}}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} a & a+1 \\ a-1 & a \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y}.$$

(a) Sketch the corresponding curve in the trace-determinant plane.

$$\text{Trace} = 2a$$

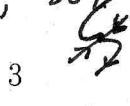
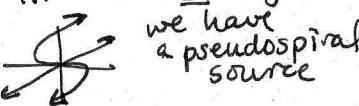
$$\text{Determinant} = a^2 - (a+1)(a-1) = a^2 - [a^2 - 1] = 1$$



(b) Identify which types of behaviors the system exhibits for which values of  $a$ .

Note that since  $T=2a$ , the line  $D=1$  intersects the  $D$ -axis when  ~~$a=0$~~ .

$a=0$ . Moreover,  $T^2=4D \Leftrightarrow 4a^2=4 \Leftrightarrow a=\pm 1$  and  $T>0$  iff  $a>0$ , so the intersection points of  $D=1$  with the parabola are at  $a=\pm 1$ , as labeled above.

- When  $a < -1$ , the system has a sink at 0.
- When  $-1 < a < 0$ , the system has a spiral sink at 0.
- When  $0 < a < 1$ , the system has a spiral source at 0.
- When  $a > 1$ , the system has a source at 0.
- When  $a=0$  the system has a center at 0.
- If  $a = -1$ , the matrix is  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ , which has only one eigenvector, so we have a pseudospiral sink: 
- If  $a=1$ , the matrix is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , which likewise has one eigenvector: we have a pseudospiral source: 

3. Suppose a block with mass 1 is attached to the end of a spring with spring constant 5. The block is subject to a damping force proportional to its velocity, with a damping coefficient 4. Finally, an external time-dependent force of  $\cos 2t$  acts on the block.

(a) Write a differential equation which models the behavior of the block.

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 4 \frac{dy}{dt} + 5y = \cos(2t)$$

(b) Find the general solution of your differential equation.

Homogeneous part:  $y'' + 4y' + 5y = 0$ , which has  
char. poly.  $\lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 5$ , so ews  $\lambda = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 20}}{2} = -2 \pm i$

$$\Rightarrow y_{\text{gen}, h}(t) = k_1 e^{-2t} \cos(t) + k_2 e^{-2t} \sin(t).$$

For the particular solution, consider

$$y'' + 4y' + 5y = e^{2it}$$

and guess  $y_c(t) = \alpha e^{2it}$  (so  $y'_c(t) = 2i\alpha e^{2it}$ ,  $y''_c(t) = -4\alpha e^{2it}$ )

$$\text{Need: } \alpha e^{2it} [-4 + 8i + 5] = \alpha e^{2it} \Rightarrow \alpha (1 + 8i) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{1}{1+8i} = \frac{1-8i}{65}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_c(t) = \left(\frac{1-8i}{65}\right)(\cos(2t) + i \sin(2t)) = \frac{1}{65} [\cos(2t) + 8\sin(2t)] + \frac{i}{65} [\sin(2t) - 8\cos(2t)]$$

Since we are forcing with  $\cos(2t)$ , we need the real part,

$$y_p(t) = \frac{1}{65} [\cos(2t) + 8\sin(2t)], \text{ and so}$$

$$y_{\text{gen}}(t) = k_1 e^{-2t} \cos(t) + k_2 e^{-2t} \sin(t) + \frac{1}{65} (\cos(2t) + 8\sin(2t))$$

- (c) Describe the long-term behavior of the block.

In the long term, the solution to the homogeneous equation dies out and there is steady-state oscillation (corresponding to  $y_p$ ) with period  $\pi$ .

- (d) Suppose that at time 0 the block is at rest and the spring is stretched so that the block is a distance 1 from its equilibrium position. Determine the position of the block for all times  $t$ .

$$y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 0$$

~~$$y(t) = k_1 e^{-2t} \cos(t) + k_2 e^{-2t} \sin(t) + \frac{1}{65} (\cos(2t) + 8\sin(2t))$$~~

$$\begin{aligned} y'(t) &= -2k_1 e^{-2t} \cos(t) - k_1 e^{-2t} \sin(t) - 2k_2 e^{-2t} \sin(t) \\ &\quad + k_2 e^{-2t} \cos(t) + \frac{2}{65} (-\sin(2t) + 8\cos(2t)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow y(0) = k_1 + \frac{1}{65} \stackrel{?}{=} 1$$

$$y'(0) = -2k_1 + k_2 + \frac{16}{65} \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k_1 = \frac{64}{65} \Rightarrow k_2 = 2k_1 - \frac{16}{65} = \frac{128 - 16}{65} = \frac{112}{65}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{y(t) = \frac{64}{65} e^{-2t} \cos(t) + \frac{112}{65} e^{-2t} \sin(t) + \frac{1}{65} (\cos(2t) + 8\sin(2t))}$$