

SEMINAR TUTORIAL

Dynamical Systems (MTH744U/P)

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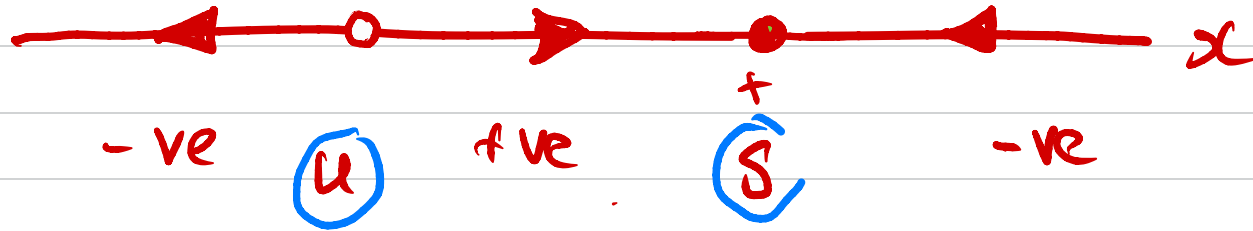
$$x = 1 - x^{14} = f(x)$$

(S1.1)

Zeros of $f(x)$ are fixed pts of $x = f(x)$

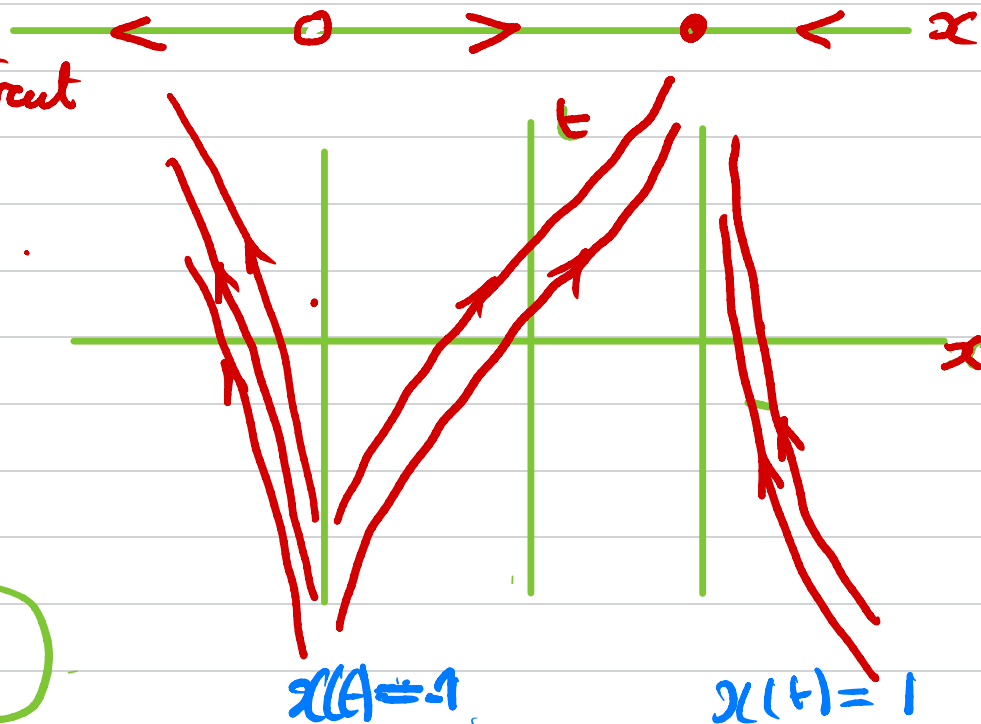
$$1 - x^{14} = 0 = (1 - x^7)(1 + x^7)$$

$\Rightarrow x^7 = 1, x^7 = -1 \Rightarrow x = 1, x = -1$
other roots complex



What might the solution curves look like in the $x-t$ plane? ($\dot{x} = \sin x$)

Phase portrait
→ $x-t$
diagram.



$$\dot{x} = 1 - x^4$$

$$x = x(t)$$

$$x_0 = -1$$

$$t_0 = 0$$

$$x(t) = -1$$

$$x(t) = 1$$

(x_0, t_0)

$$x(t) = -1$$

$$x(t) = 1$$

$$\dot{x} = x$$

$$\dot{x} = e^{-x} \sin x \quad S1$$

$$\dot{x} = \sin x \quad S2$$

ST1.3

$e^{-x} > 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ "phases & intervals of $e^{-x} \sin x$ and $\sin x$ are the same intervals"

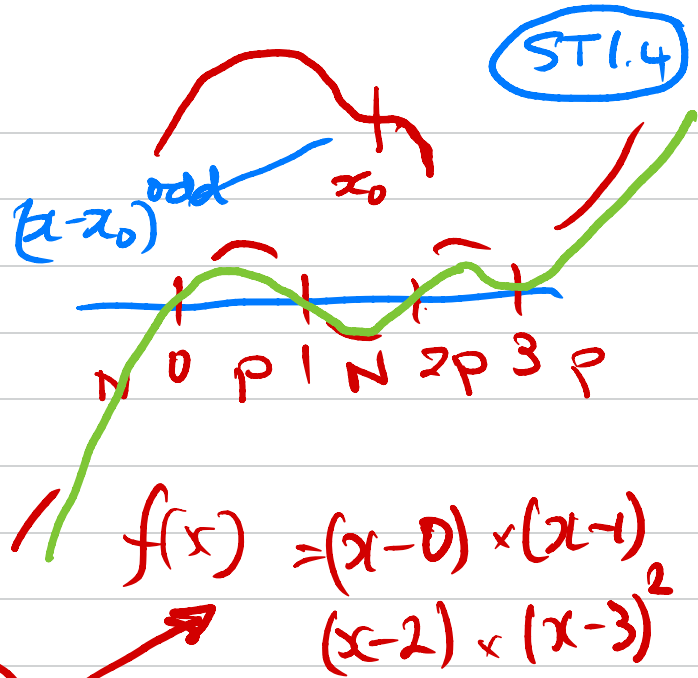
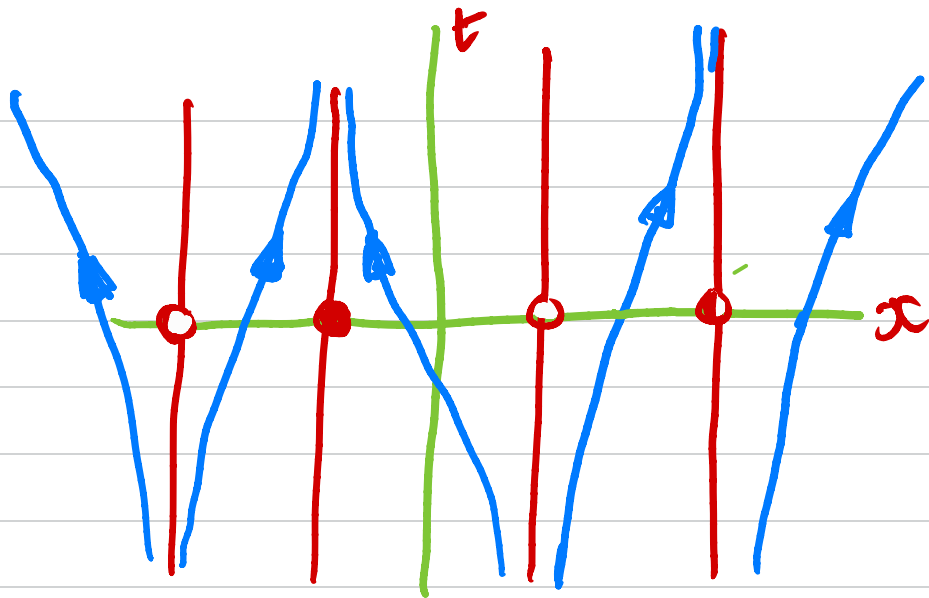


S1 and S2 are qualitatively equivalent.
with the same fixed points



S3 & S4 are qualitatively equiv (fixed points different values)





$\partial_c = ?? = f(x)$ Q2

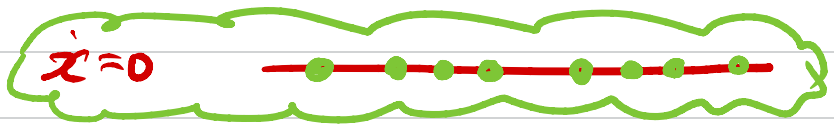
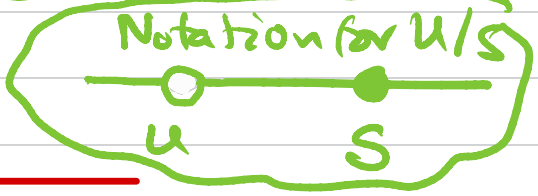
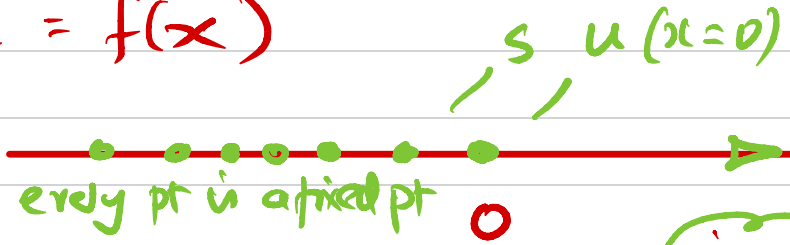


$x' = f(x)$, f is a ∞ -differentiable
not necessarily poly or
power series



$f(x) \equiv 0, x \leq 0$
 $= e^{-1/x^2}, x > 0$
 $f'(0) = 0$
 $f^{(n)}(0) = 0$

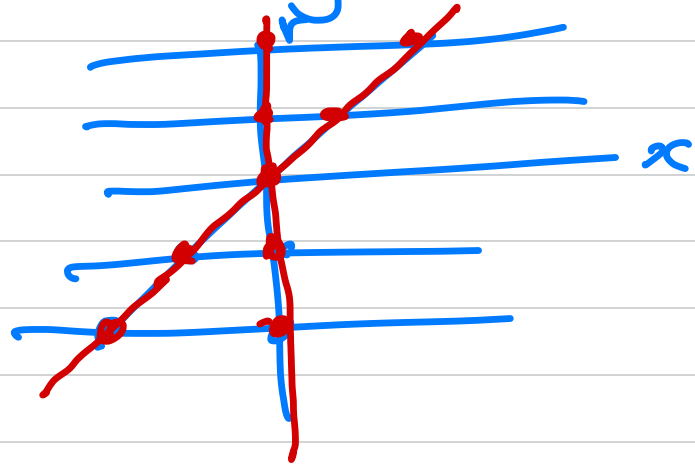
$x' = f(x)$



The eqns for this saddle-node
coalescence in 2D is given

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = r + x^2 \\ \dot{y} = y \end{cases}$$
system in Chapter 4/5

Decoupled eqns, each can be addressed
independently



Bifurcation diagram.

Plot the bifurcation
diagram for

$$\dot{x} = rx + x^2$$

$$\dot{x} = xr + x^2$$

ST2.2

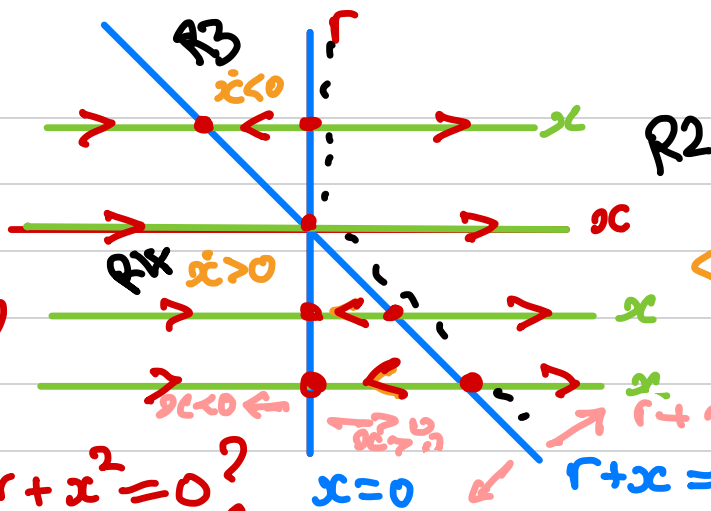
BD

FPs of $\dot{x} = xr + x^2$?

$$\dot{x} = 0 \Leftrightarrow xr + x^2 = 0?$$

$$x(r+x) = 0$$

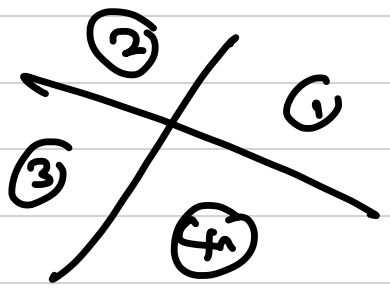
$$x=0 ; r+x=0$$

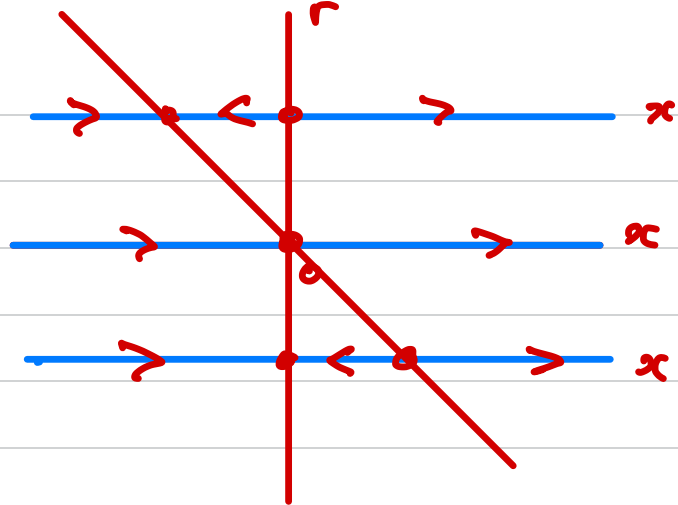


$r+x > 0$
 $x > 0$
 $\dot{x} > 0$

$r+x < 0$
 $x > 0$
 $r+x < 0$ } $\dot{x} < 0$

FP lines





This Bifurcation diagram show the 3 qualitatively distinct phase portraits

for the system
 $\dot{x} = r x + x^2$
 $2 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2$

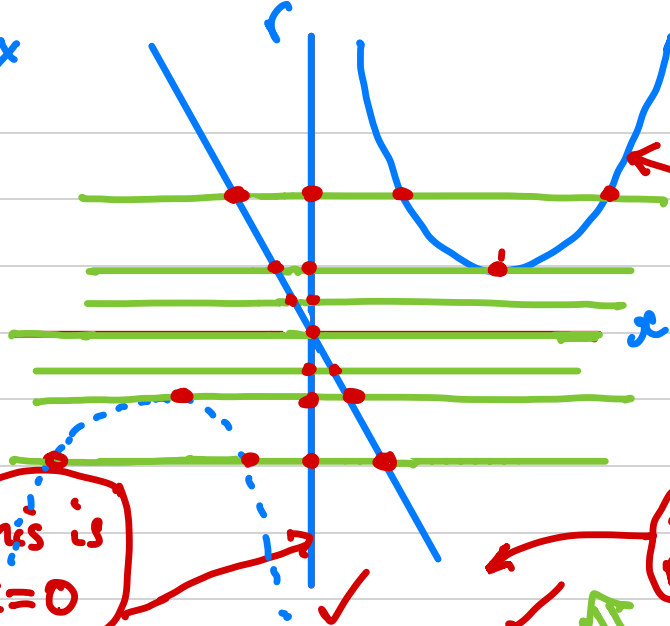
A: $\dot{x} = x^2$ B: $\dot{x} = -x^2$



Consider a change of coordinates: let $y = -x$ for system B

$\dot{y} = -\dot{x} = -(-x^2) = x^2 = y^2$ (A)
 $\dot{y} = y^2$ (recall $\dot{x} = r - x^2 \Rightarrow \dot{y} = r + y^2$)

Ex



This is $x=0$

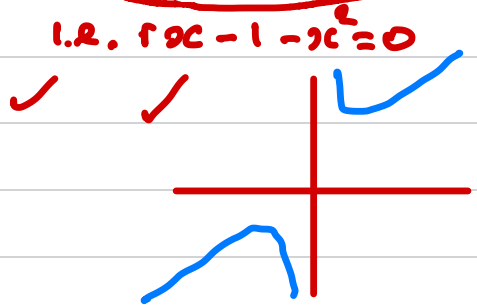
What are the distinct qualitative types given the FP set.
 We can partially answer without knowing the actual dynamic $\dot{x} = ?$

this looks like $r = -2x$

"FP set"

Re. Tutorial discussion, this looks like $r = 2x + \frac{1}{x^2}$

$> ?$
 $< ?$
 $!$



A dynamical system that fits all the FP criteria is

$$\dot{x} = x(x+r)(rx-1-x^2)$$

Check it out! provides extra FPs in Q3

TS 3 Qn 3.1.3 p 80

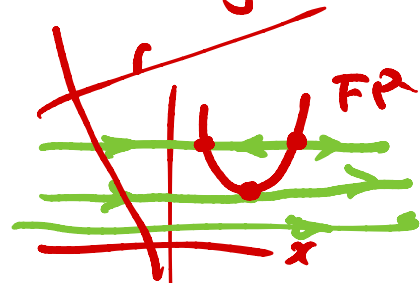
3.1

$$\dot{x} = r + x - \ln(1+x) = f(x)$$

Saddle-node bifurcation?

FP $r + x - \ln(1+x) = 0$
($f(x) = 0$)

Typical



BP $1 - \frac{1}{1+x} = 0 \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} 1+x = 1 \\ x = 0 \end{array} \right\} \text{subs in } **$

($f'(x) = 0 \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0$) $r + 0 - \ln(1+0) = 0$

$r = 0, x = 0$ potential bifurcation point.

Expand for $x=0$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= r+x - \ln(1+x) \\ &= r+x - x + \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$= \left(r + \frac{x^2}{2} \right) + \text{H.O.T}$$

$$A = \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right|_{BP} \neq 0, \quad B = \left. \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \right|_{BP} \neq 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

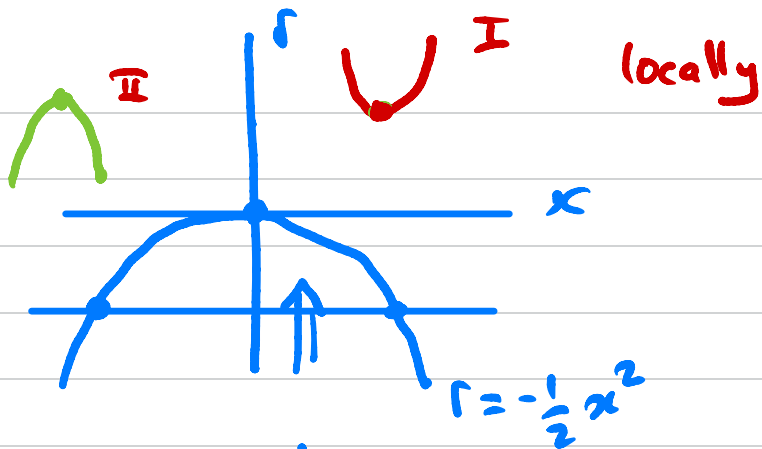
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

∴ Saddle node bifurcation

Qn Subcritical or supercritical Saddle-node bifurcation?

if $x=2$ $x=2+y$
 fixed pt \uparrow
 local words

→ change this to $\dot{y} = \mu + y^2$



$$x = r + \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

$$\text{FP set } r + \frac{1}{2}x^2 = 0$$

$$r = -\frac{1}{2}x^2$$

subcritical (2 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 0 with increasing r)
 supercritical 0 \rightarrow 1-2

3.1.1 $\dot{x} = 1 + rx + x^2$

FPs eqn: $1 + rx + x^2 = 0$

BF eqn: $r + 2x = 0 \Rightarrow r = -2x$

$\therefore 1 + (-2x)x + x^2 = 0$, $1 - x^2 = 0$
 $x = \pm 1 \Rightarrow r = \mp 2$

Bifurcation points:

$$x=1, \quad r=-2$$

$$\text{and } x=-1, \quad r=2$$

① We have

$$\dot{x} = 1 + rx + x^2 = f(x, r)$$

$\rightarrow (x, r) = (1, -2)$ Introduce local coordinates $\left. \begin{array}{l} y = x - 1 \\ \mu = r + 2 \end{array} \right\}$ at $(x, r) = (1, -2)$

$$\dot{y} = g(y, \mu)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{y} = \dot{x} &= 1 + rx + x^2 \\ &= 1 + (\mu - 2)(1 + y) + (1 + y)^2 \\ &= \cancel{1} + \mu - 2 + \mu y - 2y \\ &\quad + \cancel{1} + \cancel{2y} + y^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\dot{y} = \mu + \mu y + y^2$$

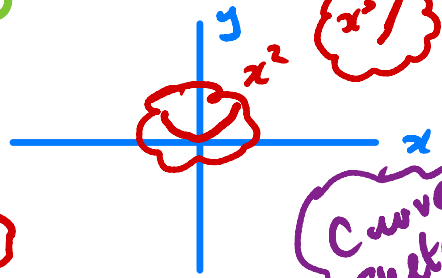
$\underline{A \neq 0}, \quad C \neq 0, \quad \underline{B \neq 0}$
 \therefore Saddle-node

$$A = \left. \frac{\partial g}{\partial \mu} \right|_0 = \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right|_{(1, -2)}$$

$$B = \left. \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial y^2} \right|_0 = \left. \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \right|_{(1, -2)}$$

$$C = \left. \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial y \partial \mu} \right|_0 = \left. \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial r} \right|_{(1, -2)}$$

$$y = x^2 + x^3$$



Note x^2 dominates close to 0.
 x^3 dominates close to ∞ .
 i.e. $x \rightarrow \infty$

Curve sketch note!

3.1.2 $\dot{x} = x(r - e^x)$, but lets try:

$$\dot{x} = x(r - e^x - e^{-x}) = x(r - 2\cosh(x))$$

FP set: $x(r - e^x - e^{-x}) = 0$

BP cond: $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x(r - 2\cosh(x))) = 0$

BP cond: $x(-2\sinh(x)) + (r - 2\cosh(x))$

$rx \equiv 0$
 $r = e^x + e^{-x}$
 $= 2\cosh(x)$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} -2x \sinh(x) + r - 2 \cosh(x) &= 0 \\ r &= 2 \cosh(x) \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{BP} \\ \text{FP.} \end{array}$$

$$-2x \sinh(x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0$$

Expand abt $x=0$, $r=2$

$$x, \mu = r - 2 \Rightarrow$$

(BP?)

$$\boxed{r = \mu + 2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= x(r - 2 \cosh(x)) \\ &= x \left(r - 2 \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots \right) \right) \\ &= x \left(r - 2 - \frac{x^2}{2!} \right) = \underline{\underline{x \mu - \frac{x^3}{2!}}} \end{aligned}$$

Not a
saddle node
 $A=B=0, C \neq 0$

WK 4

4.1

$$\dot{x} = x^3 + (1-\mu)x^2 - (1+\mu)x + \mu^2 - 1 = f(x, \mu)$$

FPS $x^3 + (1-\mu)x^2 - (1+\mu)x + \mu^2 - 1 = 0$

FPS $(x - \mu + 1)(x^2 - (1+\mu)) = 0$

$(x - \mu + 1)(x^2 - (1+\mu)) = 0$

(TWO) fixed points curves.

FP $x = \mu - 1$
 Linear stability

$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, \mu) \Big|_{x = \mu - 1} > 0 \quad u$
 $< 0 \quad s$

Let's check

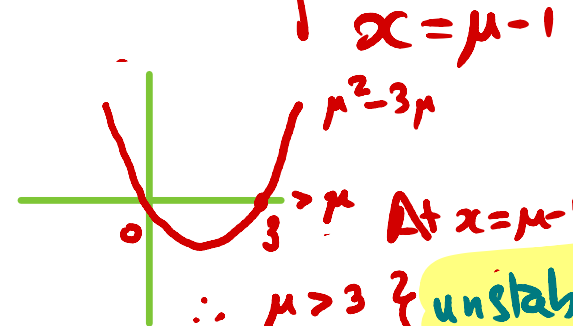
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$$

$$= 3x^2 + 2x(1-\mu) - (1+\mu)$$

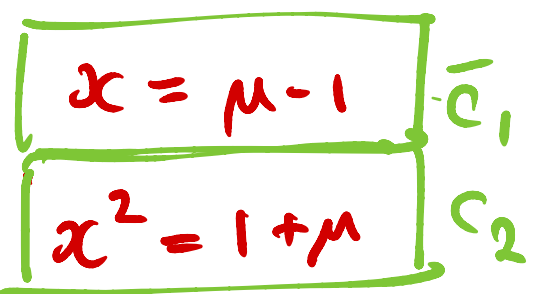
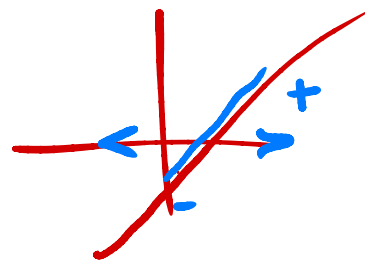
= $g(\mu)$, quadratic in μ

$$= 3(\mu-1)^2 - 2(\mu-1)^2 - (1+\mu)$$

$$= \mu^2 - 3\mu$$



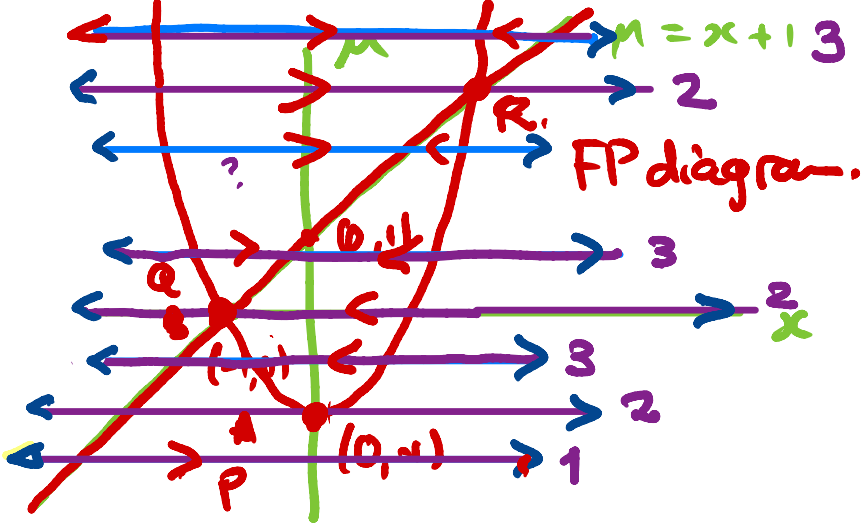
At $x = \mu - 1$:
 $\therefore \mu > 3$ } unstable
 $\mu < 0$ }
 $0 < \mu < 3$ } stable



curve of fixed pts

note change - a mistake!

Linearly UNSTABLE at (x, μ) if $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} > 0$
 " STABLE at (x, μ) if $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} < 0$



$P = (0, -1)$

$Q = (-1, 0)$

$R = (2, 3)$

Bifurcation points

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \mu - 1 \\ \mu &= x + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 &= \mu + 1 \\ \mu &= x^2 - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$x^2 = \mu + 1$
and $x = \mu - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (\mu - 1)^2 &= \mu + 1 \\ \mu^2 - 2\mu + 1 &= \mu + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu^2 - 3\mu = 0 \Rightarrow \mu(\mu - 3) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \mu &= 0, x = -1 & (Q) \\ \mu &= 3, x = 2 & (R) \end{aligned}$$

Examine Taylor expansion at points P, Q, R. 4.4
to confirm the form of the bifurcation
form

P, $A, B \neq 0$ SNB?

Q, $B, C \neq 0, A = 0$ TB?

R " " TB?

Tutorial Week 5

T5.1

Q1. $\dot{x} = \sin^2 x - \tan^2 x = f(x)$

$$f(x) = \frac{\sin^2 x (\cos^2 x - 1)}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{-\sin^4 x}{\cos^2 x}$$

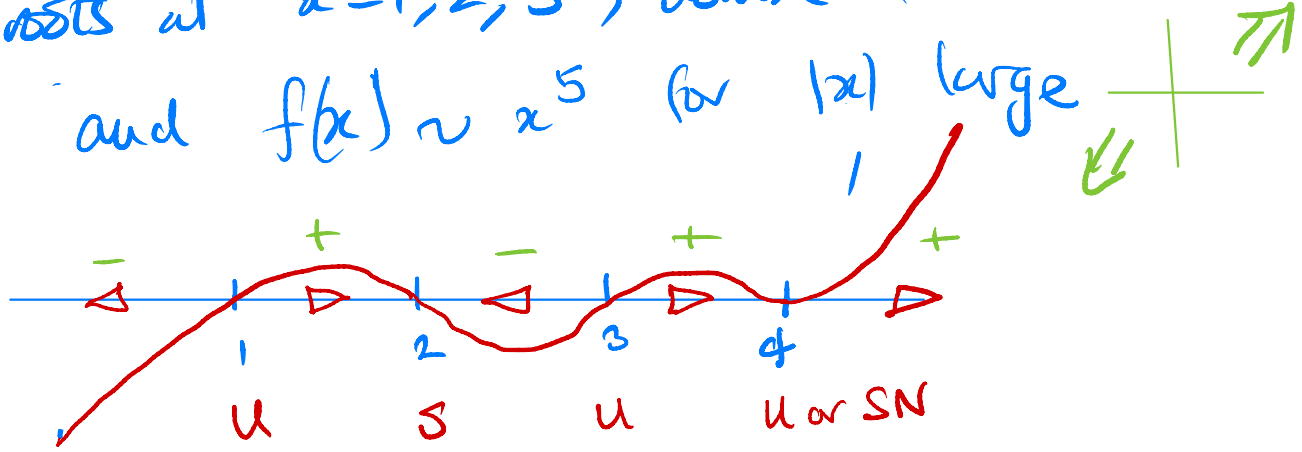
$+\sin x \approx x$ (as small x) $\therefore \sin^4 x \approx x^4$ and $\cos x \approx 1$

\therefore At the origin $\dot{x} = -x^4$, which is of saddle node type or unstable. (both correct)

Q2 $f(x)$ has four roots and we need to investigate each of the corresponding dynamical systems for stability, instability

example $f(x) = (x-1)(x-2)(x-3)(x-4)^2$.

single roots at $x=1, 2, 3$, double roots at $x=4$ and $f(x) \sim x^5$ for $|x|$ large



u S u u or SN

$$Q3 \quad \dot{x} = -rx + x(1+2x^2)/(1+3x^2) = f(x,r)$$

Note $x=0$ is a fixed point $\forall r$.

T5.3

We could find change of stability by calculating $f'(x,r)$ but let's not!

Expand in local coord x (at $x=0$!)

$$\dot{x} = -rx + x(1+2x^2)(1+3x^2)^{-1}$$

$$= -rx + x(1+2x^2)(1-3x^2) \dots$$

$$= -rx + x(1-x^2 + O(x^3)) \dots$$

$$= (r+1)x - x^3 + O(x^3)$$

$$= \mu x - x^3$$

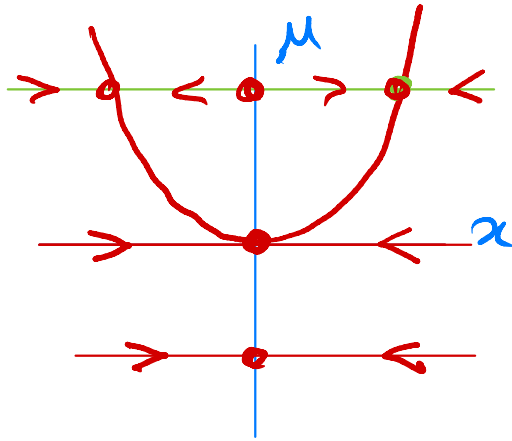
with local coord mates

$$\mu = 0 \quad (r=1)$$

$$x=0$$

So in (x, μ) coordinate

$x = \pm\sqrt{\mu}, \mu \geq 0$ T5.4
 $\& x = 0, \forall \mu.$

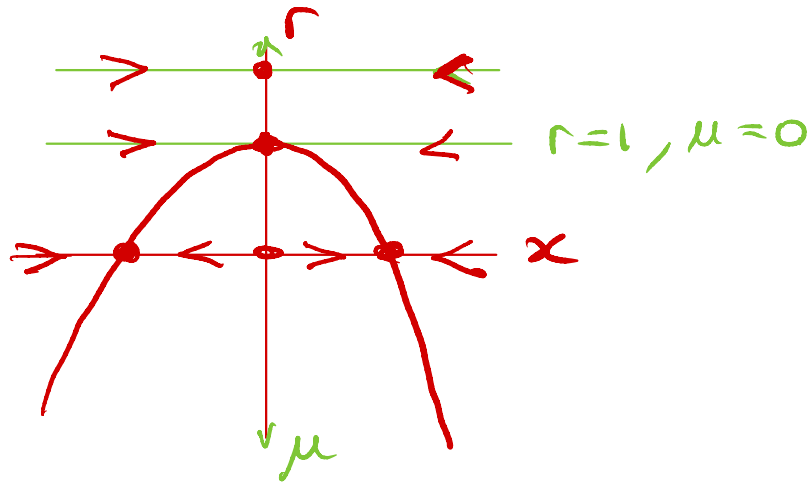


Supercritical
pitchfork.

in (x, μ) coords

but $\mu = 1 - r$
 i.e. $r = 1 - \mu$

Subcritical
in (x, r)
coordinates
at $(0, 1)$



Q4 $\dot{x} = rx + \frac{x(1+x)}{(1+x+3x^2)}$

Again $x=0$ is a FP $\neq x=0$

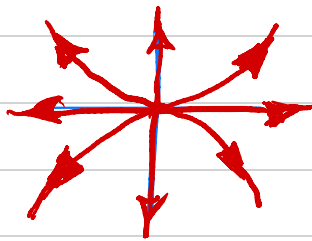
Expand in power series about $x=0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= rx + x(1+x)(1+x+3x^2)^{-1} \\ &= rx + x(1+x)(1 - (x+3x^2) + (x+3x^2)^2 - \dots) \\ &= rx + x(1+x)(1 - x - 3x^2 + x^2 + O(x^3)) \\ &= rx + x(1+x)(1 - x - 5x^2) \\ &= rx + x(1 - x^2 - 3x^2 + x^2) + \dots = (r+1)x - 3x^3 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore Supercritical pitchfork at $x=0$, $r = -1$

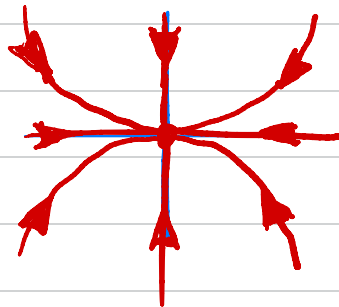
Q5. I did just a few quick examples as we began discussing chap 4 in the last 10 minutes of Tuesday's lecture.

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= x \\ \dot{y} &= 2y\end{aligned}$$



"unstable node"

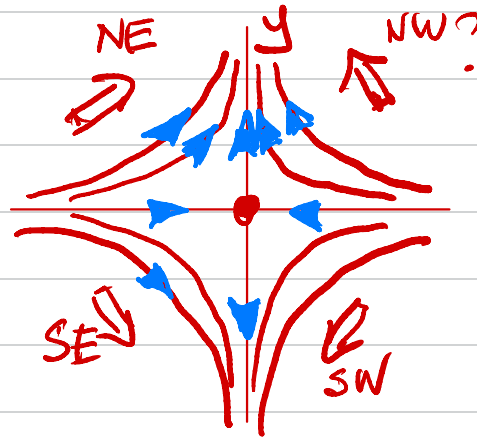
$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= -x \\ \dot{y} &= -2y\end{aligned}$$



"stable node"
also Asymptotically stable

$$\dot{x} = -x \quad -\frac{dx}{x} = \frac{dy}{y} \Rightarrow y dx + x dy = 0$$

$$\dot{y} = +y \quad \Rightarrow xy = \text{constant (hyperbolas)}$$



Saddle
 unstable
 orbits escape to the
 "north" and "south"
 after a closest approach to (0,0)
 (Astronomer in me!)

Matter of interest!

the Basin of Attraction of the fixed pt at (0,0)
 is the x-axis !!

Tutorial UK 6

Tb.1

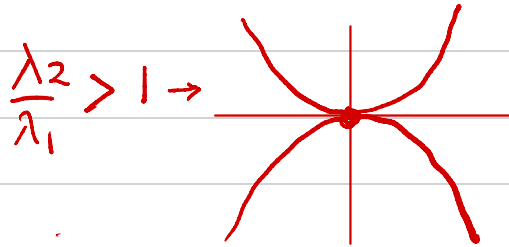
$$\dot{x} = \lambda_1 x$$

$$\dot{y} = \lambda_2 y$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

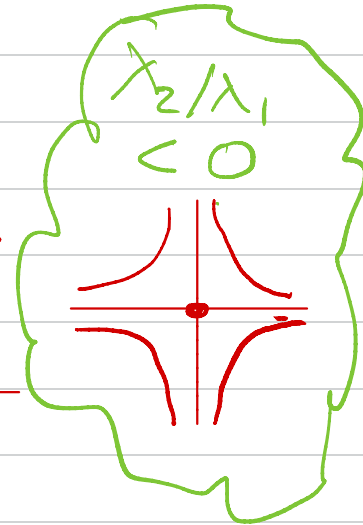
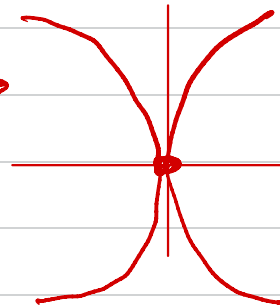
$$\frac{dx}{\lambda_1 x} = \frac{dy}{\lambda_2 y}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = C x^\mu, \quad \mu = \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}$$



$0 < \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} < 1 \rightarrow$

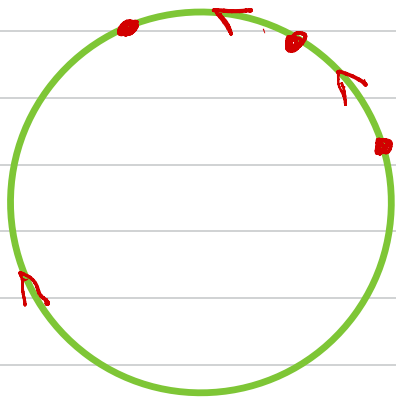
axes orbits



time orientation

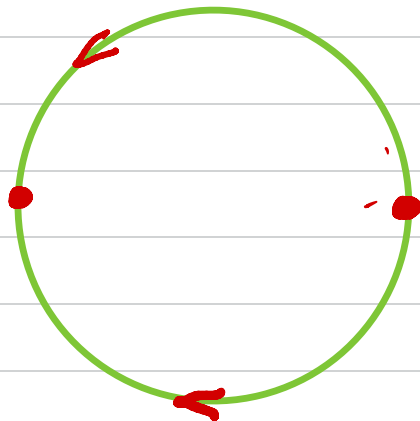
- $\lambda_2, \lambda_1 < 0$ - stable
- $\lambda_2, \lambda_1 > 0$ - unstable

Constructing systems on the circle with given dynamical properties!



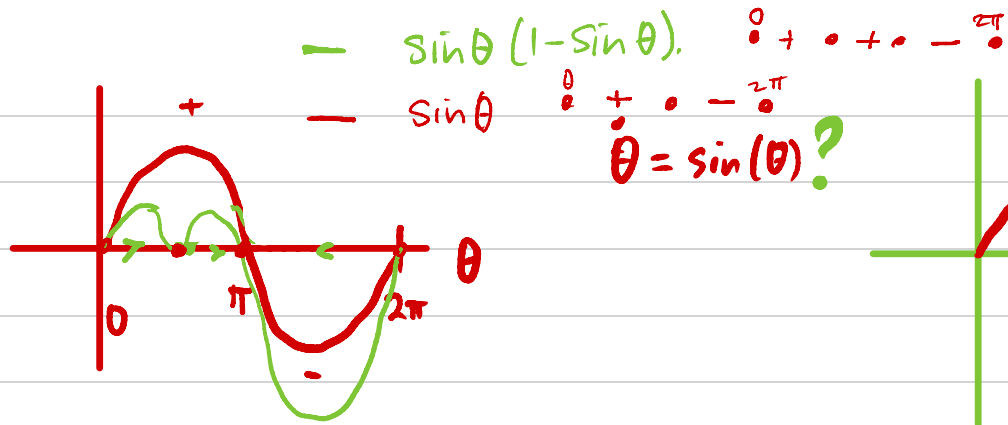
$$\dot{\theta} = \sin \theta$$

\neq



Mod. fy.

??



Modify to $\theta = \sin(\theta)(1 - \sin \theta)$

Given $1 - \sin \theta$ is ≥ 0

and only $= 0$

for $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$, we get $\text{sgn}(\sin \theta (1 - \sin \theta)) = \text{sgn}(\sin \theta)$

except for $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ when $\theta = 0$.

So $x(1 - \sin \theta)$ adds a fixed pt at $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 6 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

T6.4

$$\text{Tr} = 5, \text{Det} = -2$$

$$\lambda^2 + 5\lambda - 2 = 0, \lambda = (5 \pm \sqrt{25+8})/2$$

$\lambda_1 > 0, \lambda_2 < 0$ **saddle** fixed point.

$$\text{Tr} = 5, \text{Det} = 6$$

$$\lambda_1 = 2, \lambda_2 = 3$$

unstable node fp.

$$\text{Tr} = 2, \text{Det} = 7, \lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 7 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4-28}}{2} = 1 \pm \sqrt{-6}$$

$$= 1 \pm \sqrt{6}i$$

unstable spiral

$$\text{Tr} = 1, \text{Det} = 0, \lambda^2 - \lambda = 0$$

$\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 0$. (see phase portrait next page).

$$\text{Tr} = 0, \text{Det} = 1, \lambda_{1,2} = \pm i$$

centre
 $\dot{r} = 0, \dot{\theta} = 1$ uniform motion on concentric circles.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= x+y \\ \dot{y} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\lambda_1=1, \lambda_2=0$$

$$\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \neq 0$$

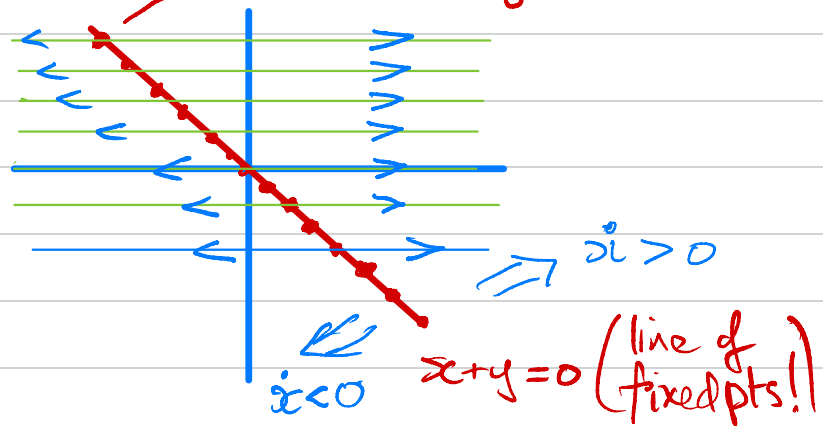
So the eigenvalues don't fit any of our categories: node, spiral, saddle, centres (⊙)

Investigate. $\dot{x}=x+y, \dot{y}=0$

$\dot{y}=0 \Rightarrow y(t)=\text{const}$ (horizontal lines in xy -plane.)

line of fixed points

Also $\dot{x}=0$ (as $x+y=0$)



The origin is an unstable fixed pt.

WEEK 8 Tutorial see MIDTERM QUIZ

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Solutions. on QMPlus

WEEK 9 Tutorial

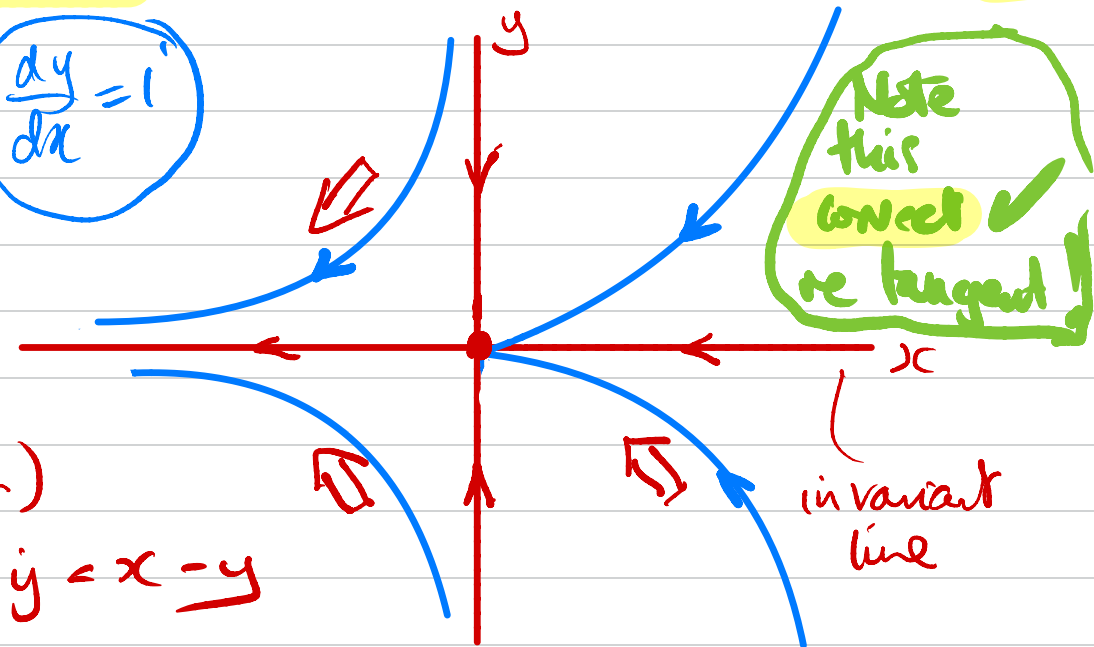
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$$\dot{x} = -x^2$$
$$\dot{y} = -y$$

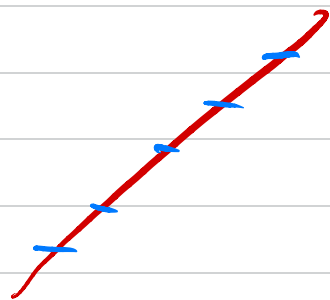
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1$$

$\dot{x} = 0$ null-cline

$\dot{y} = 0$ (no vert motion)



$$\dot{y} = x - y$$



$$\frac{dx}{-x^2} = \frac{dy}{y}$$
$$\int \frac{dx}{x^2} = \int \frac{dy}{y} \Rightarrow$$

$$-\frac{1}{x} = \ln(y) + C$$
$$y = C' e^{-1/x}$$

invariant line

Note this concept re tangent!

$$y = Ce^{-1/x} \quad x \rightarrow 0^+ \quad \frac{-1}{x} \rightarrow \infty^- \quad \& \quad y \rightarrow 0$$

Question: What is the tangency of the curve at the origin

Note the slope of the curve is

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = Ce^{-1/x} \left(\frac{1}{x^2} \right) = \frac{Ce^{-1/x}}{x^2} = \frac{1/x^2}{Ce^{1/x}} \rightarrow \frac{0}{0}$$

Using L'Hopital's Rule (3 times, a personal best for me!)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1/x^2}{Ce^{1/x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2/x^3}{Ce^{1/x}(-1/x^2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2/x}{Ce^{1/x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2/x^2}{Ce^{1/x}(-1/x^2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2}{Ce^{1/x}} \rightarrow 0$$

Answer - tangent to the x-axis. See next page
 there is a late "swore in the curve" - a pt of inflexion?

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plot y=exp(-1/x); 0<x<0.1
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Input interpretation

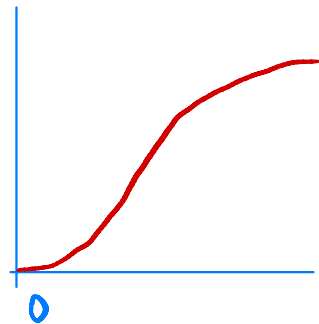
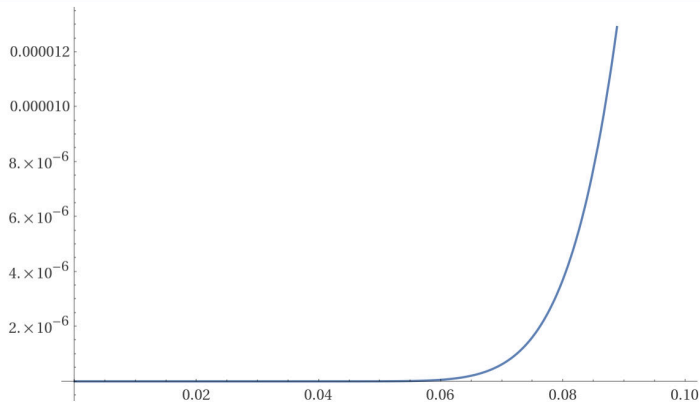


plot

$$y = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

 $x = 0 \text{ to } 0.1$

Plot



$$\dot{x} = x - y \quad \dot{y} = x^2 - 4$$

FPs. $\dot{x} = 0$, $\dot{y} = 0$, $\underline{x = y}$, $\underline{x^2 - 4 = 0}$

$$x = \pm 2, \quad y = \pm 2$$

$$(x, y) = (2, 2), \quad (x, y) = (-2, -2)$$

$(x, y) = (2, 2)$ Linearisation.

$$J(\underline{x}) \Big|_{(2, 2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2x & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x$$

$$(\lambda - 1)(\lambda) + 4 = 0$$

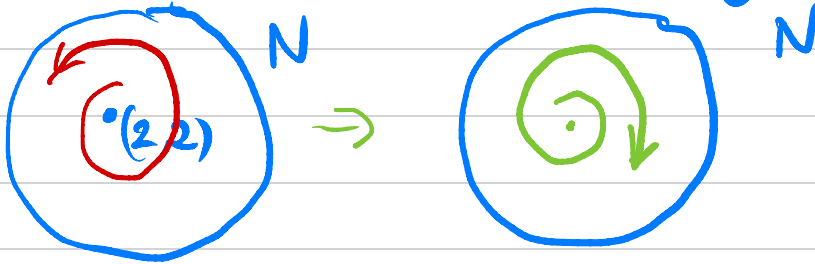
$$\lambda^2 - \lambda + 4 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 16}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm i\sqrt{15}}{2}$$

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This is hyperbolic. (non-zero real parts for λ_1, λ_2)

- unstable spiral linearly



$$(x, y) = (-2, -2)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

9.5

$$(\lambda - 1)\lambda - 4 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - \lambda - 4 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 16}}{2}$$

$$\lambda_1 = (1 + \sqrt{17})/2 > 0$$

$$\lambda_2 = (1 - \sqrt{17})/2 < 0$$

Saddle

Eigenvalues $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \frac{(1 + \sqrt{17})}{2} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix}$

$$u - v = \frac{(1 + \sqrt{17})}{2} u \quad ? \quad \text{or} \quad -4u = \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{17}}{2}\right)v$$

$$\lambda_1 : v = \frac{-8u}{(1+\sqrt{17})} \approx \frac{-8u}{5+} \approx -1.6u. \quad \textcircled{v_1}$$

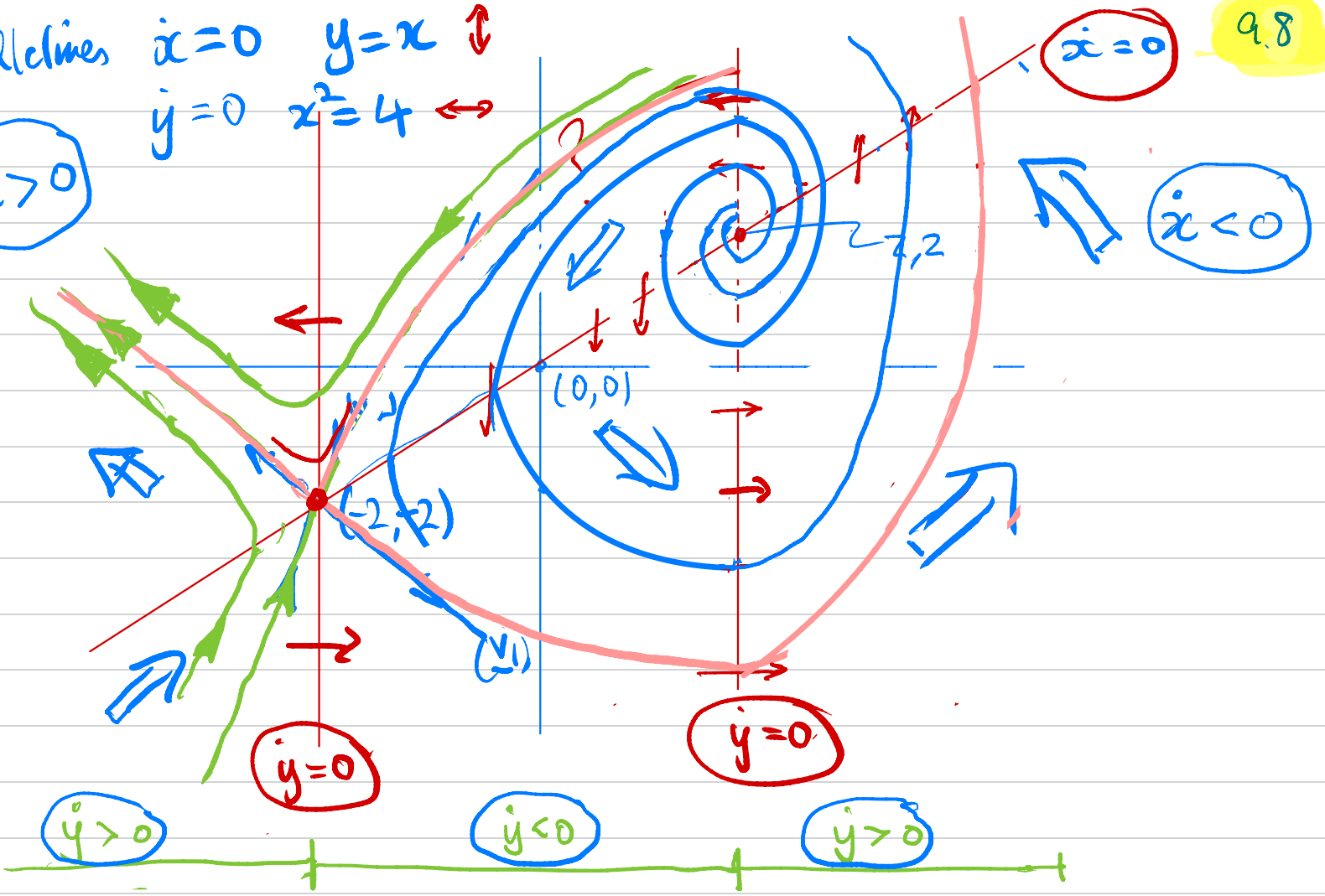
$$\lambda_2 : v = \frac{-8u}{(1-\sqrt{17})} \approx \frac{-8}{-3} = 2.7u \quad \textcircled{v_2}$$

Kullclines $\dot{x}=0$ $y=x$ \updownarrow
 $\dot{y}=0$ $x^2=4$ \leftrightarrow

9.8

$\dot{x} > 0$

$\dot{x} < 0$



$\dot{y} = 0$

$\dot{y} = 0$

$\dot{y} > 0$

$\dot{y} < 0$

$\dot{y} > 0$

$(-2,-2)$

$(0,0)$

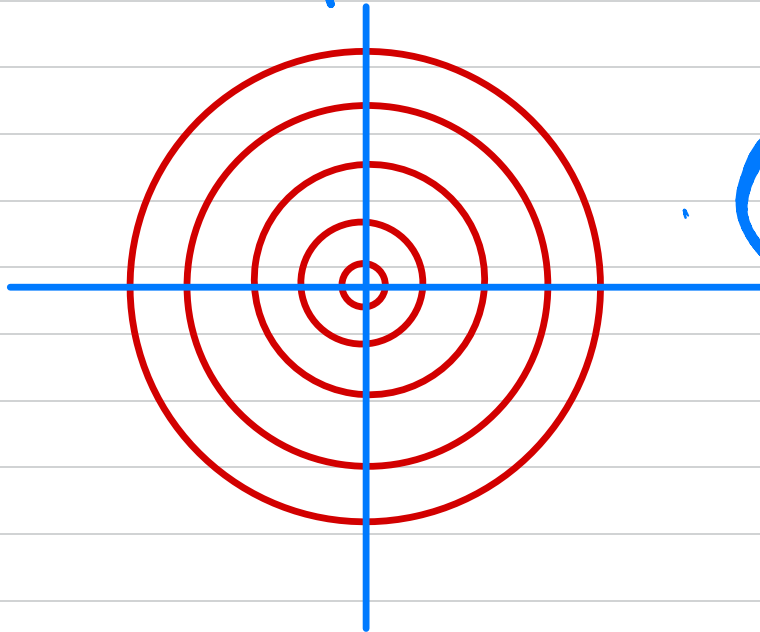
$(2,2)$

Nonlinear systems in polar coordinates

$$\dot{r} = \alpha r$$

$$\dot{\theta} = \beta$$

✓ LS

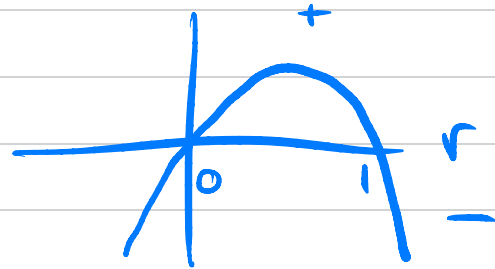
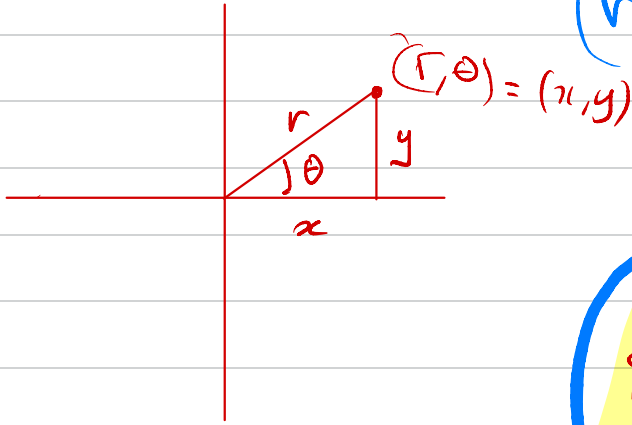


Center

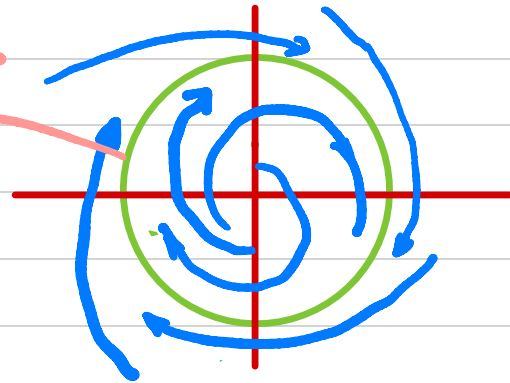
$$\dot{r} = r(1-r), \quad \dot{\theta} = 1$$

$$(r, \theta)$$

$$\dot{r} = 0 \quad r=0, r=1$$

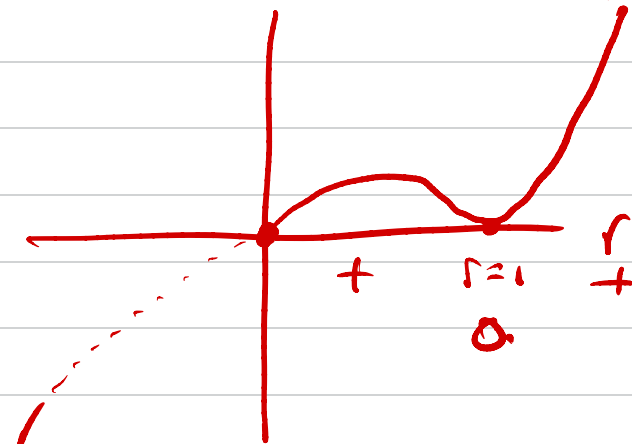
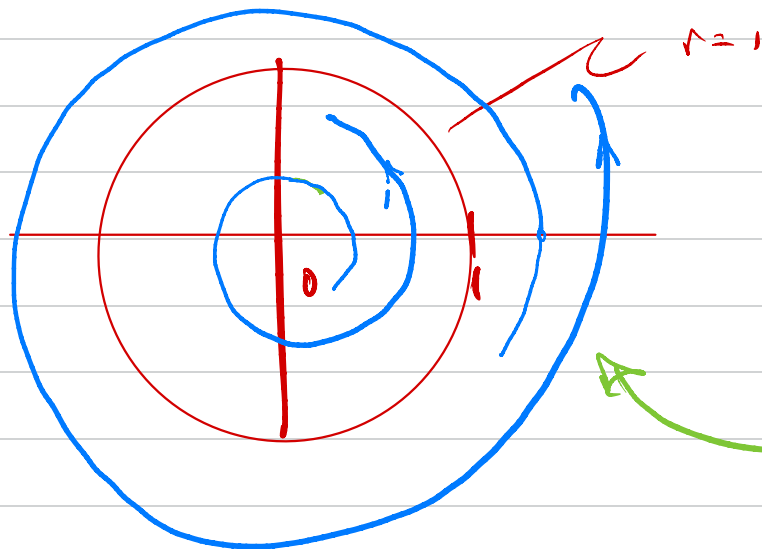


Stable
limit
cycle



Ex. $\dot{r} = r(r-1)^2, \dot{\theta} = 1$

$\dot{r} = r(r-1)^2$ WK10.3



Semi-stable
limit cycle.

$$\dot{x} = y - x(x^2 + y^2), \quad \dot{y} = -x - y(x^2 + y^2)$$

Example

Consider the system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= y - x(x^2 + y^2) \\ \dot{y} &= -x - y(x^2 + y^2)\end{aligned}$$

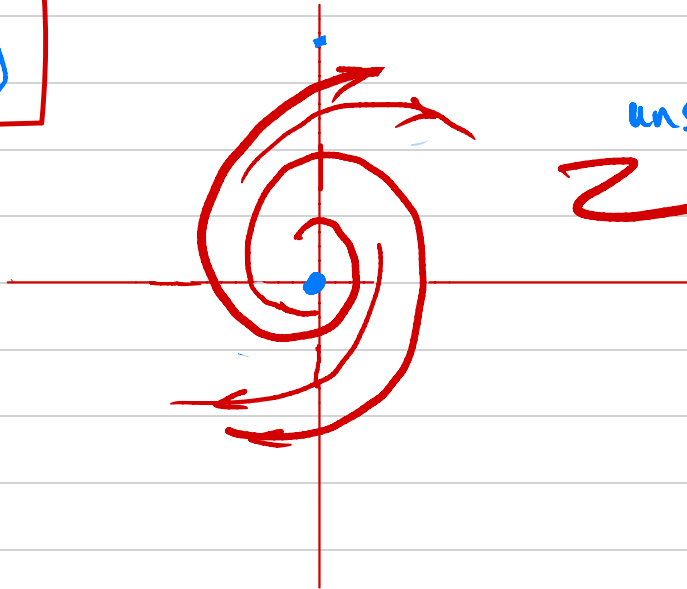
$$r\dot{r} = x\dot{x} + y\dot{y}$$

$$r\dot{r} = xy - x^2r^2 - xy - y^2r^2 = -r^4$$

$$\therefore \dot{r} = -r^3$$

$$r^2\dot{\theta} = x\dot{y} - y\dot{x} = -x^2 - xyr^2 - y^2 + yxr^2 = -r^2$$

$$\therefore \dot{\theta} = -1$$



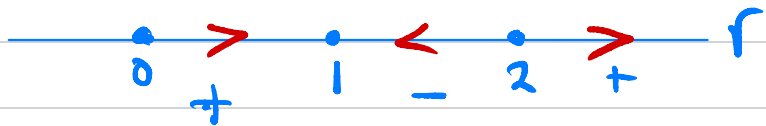
unstable anti-clockwise
Z-spiral.

Example

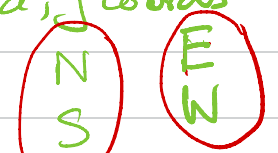
$$\dot{r} = r(r-1)(r-2)$$

$$\dot{\theta} = 3 - 2r$$

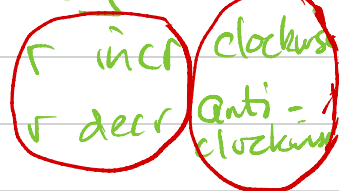
$$\dot{\theta} = 3 - 2r$$



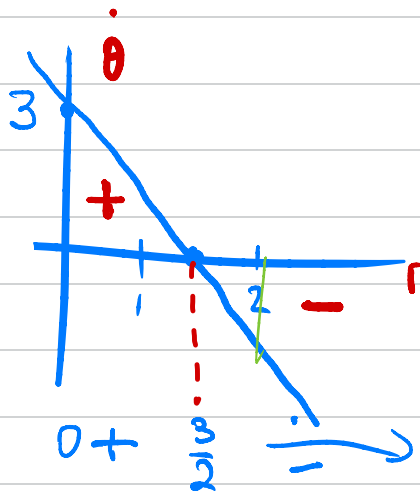
NOTE THE 4 DIRECTIONS IN x, y coords



are replaced by



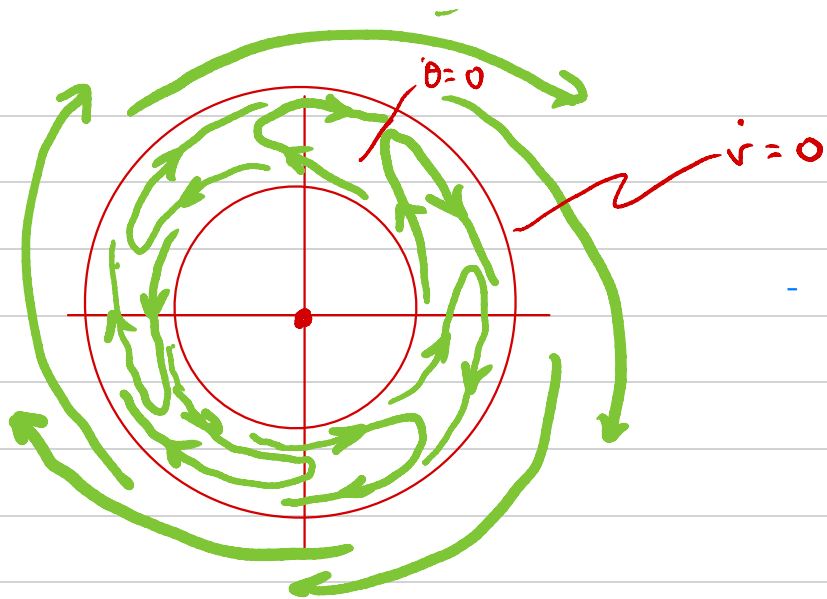
$$\dot{\theta} = 3 - 2r \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{\theta} > 0 & 0 < r < \frac{3}{2} \\ \dot{\theta} < 0 & \frac{3}{2} < r \end{cases}$$



instantaneous $\dot{\theta} = 0 \Rightarrow$ radial motion

instantaneous $\dot{r} = 0 \Rightarrow$ transverse motion

clockwise
- anti-clockwise
for $\dot{\theta}$



$$0 < r < 1 \quad \begin{cases} \dot{r} > 0 \\ \dot{\theta} > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$1 < r < \frac{3}{2} \quad \begin{cases} \dot{r} < 0 \\ \dot{\theta} > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{3}{2} < r < 2 \quad \begin{cases} \dot{r} < 0 \\ \dot{\theta} < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$2 < r \quad \begin{cases} \dot{r} > 0 \\ \dot{\theta} < 0 \end{cases}$$

Null-clines in polar coordinates are

$\dot{r} = 0$, transverse motion

$\dot{\theta} = 0$, radial motion

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Question 2 [35 marks]. Two dimensional systems

- (a) For each of the following systems, find the fixed points and classify them, sketch the null-clines and the vector field, and suggest a plausible phase portrait.

(i)

$$\dot{x} = x + y, \quad \dot{y} = 1 - e^{-x}.$$

[6]

(ii)

$$\dot{x} = x^2 - y, \quad \dot{y} = x - y.$$

[6]

- (b) Consider the system

$$\dot{x} = xy, \quad \dot{y} = -x^2.$$

(i) Show that the quantity $E(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$ is conserved over time. [4]

(ii) Show that the origin is not an isolated fixed point. [4]

(iii) Sketch the phase portrait. [3]

- (c) A certain two dimensional system is known to have three fixed points, one saddle and two unstable nodes. Sketch a plausible phase portrait which has, as its only periodic orbits, the three fixed points described and a single stable limit cycle. [6]

- (d) Find a dynamical system in polar coordinates in the form $\dot{r} = f(r, \theta)$, $\dot{\theta} = g(r, \theta)$, where f, g are suitably chosen functions, which exhibits a planar phase portrait with an unstable spiral focus at the origin surrounded by two circular limit cycles given by $r = 1$ (stable), and $r = 2$ (unstable), with anti-clockwise flow on the inner limit cycle, and clockwise flow on the outer limit cycle. [6]

(b) Consider the system of differential equations

$$\dot{x} = 0, \quad \dot{y} = 0$$
$$3x\dot{x} + y\dot{y}$$

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$$\dot{x} = x(1 - 3x^2 - y^2) - y(1 + x), \quad \dot{y} = y(1 - 3x^2 - y^2) + 3x(1 + x). \quad (4)$$

- (i) Compute the fixed points of the system (4). For each fixed point determine the stability using linear stability analysis. [8]
- (ii) Consider the quantity $L = (1 - 3x^2 - y^2)^2$. Show that $\frac{dL}{dt} \leq 0$. When does $\frac{dL}{dt} = 0$? [6]
- (iii) Using the results of part (b)(ii), or otherwise, show that the system (4) has a unique limit cycle. Is the limit cycle stable or unstable? *Give reasons for your answer.* [6]
- (iv) Using the results of part (b)(i-iii), or otherwise, sketch the phase portrait of the system (4). [4]

Let $E = 1 - 3x^2 - y^2$, for convenience

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$$\dot{x} = x(1 - 3x^2 - y^2) - y(1+x), \quad \dot{y} = y(1 - 3x^2 - y^2) + 3x(1+x)$$

$$\dot{x} = xE - y(1+x)$$

$$\dot{y} = yE + 3x(1+x)$$

FPS $x=0, y=0$

$$3x\dot{x} + 3y\dot{y} = 3x^2(1 - 3x^2 - y^2) + y^2(1 - 3x^2 - y^2)$$

$$= \underbrace{(3x^2 + y^2)}_{=0} \underbrace{(1 - 3x^2 - y^2)}_{=0} = 0$$

$$\therefore 3x^2 + y^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = y = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad 1 - 3x^2 - y^2 = 0$$

But $x=y=0$ also implies $1 - 3x^2 - y^2 = 0$ and $\therefore \begin{cases} -y(1+x) = 0 \\ x(1+x) = 0 \end{cases}$

But $x = -1$ does not satisfy $1 - 3x^2 - y^2 = 0$ \forall any y .

\therefore only fixed pt $= 0$.

Now consider $L = (1 - 3x^2 - y^2)^2 = E^2$, say, if $E \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 1 - 3x^2 - y^2$

$$\text{Then } \dot{L} = 2E\dot{E} = 2E(-6x\dot{x} - 2y\dot{y})$$

$$= -2E(-6x^2\dot{E} + 6xy(1+x) - 2y^2\dot{E} - 6xy(1+x))$$
$$= -4E^2(3x^2 + y^2) = -4E^2(1 - E).$$

$\therefore \dot{L} = -4E^2(3x^2 + y^2) = -4E^2(1-E)$ * $3x^2 + y^2 = 1 - E$

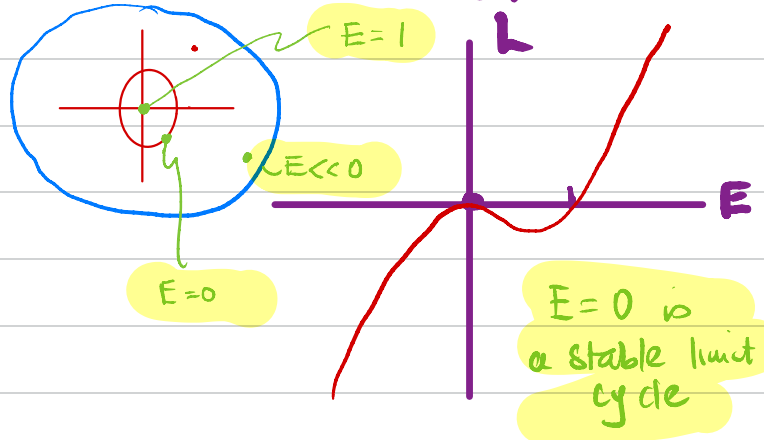
So $\dot{L} < 0$ except for when $E = 0$ or $(3x^2 + y^2) = 0$

Note: $3x^2 + y^2 = 0 \iff (x, y) = (0, 0)$

$\therefore \dot{L} < 0$ at pts other than $(x, y) = (0, 0)$

and (x, y) satisfying $3x^2 + y^2 = 1$ (i.e. $E = 0$)

Note $3x^2 + y^2 = 1$ is an ellipse and $\begin{cases} \text{inside } 3x^2 + y^2 < 1 \\ \text{outside } 3x^2 + y^2 > 1 \end{cases}$



$\therefore \dot{L} < 0$, for $0 < E < 1$
 $\dot{L} > 0$, for $1 < E$ (BUT imaginary!)
 $\dot{L} < 0$, for $E < 0$

$E = 1 : (x, y) = (0, 0) \downarrow \text{as } t \uparrow$
 $E = 0 : (x, y) \in \text{ellipse}$
 $E < 0 : (x, y) \curvearrowright$

$E = 0$ is a stable limit cycle

$\therefore \dot{L} < 0$ for $0 < E < 1$ & $E < 0$

i.e. L decreases as t increases to $L=0$
 that is: $3x^2 + y^2 = 1$

Also

$L=0$ is invariant as $\dot{L}=0$ (or $E=0$ ($L=0$)).

\therefore Orbits spiral to a periodic orbit given by $L=0$

i.e. $3x^2 + y^2 = 1$



no
fixed pt

only fixed pt

LINEARISATION AT THE ORIGIN

Eigenvalues of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ are

Linearisation at the fixed pt $x, y = (0, 0)$:
 $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4-16}}{2} = 1 \pm 2\sqrt{3}i$ (unstable spiral)

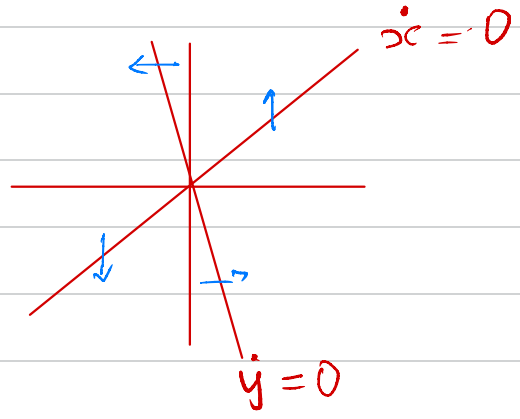
$\dot{x} = x - y$
 $\dot{y} = 3x + y$

Hastman-Croftman give qualitative type - unstable spiral

Note $\dot{y} > 0$ for $3x + y > 0$

anticlockwise flow at the origin

null-line analysis





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streamplot{x(1-3x^2-y^2)-y(1+x),y(1+... =
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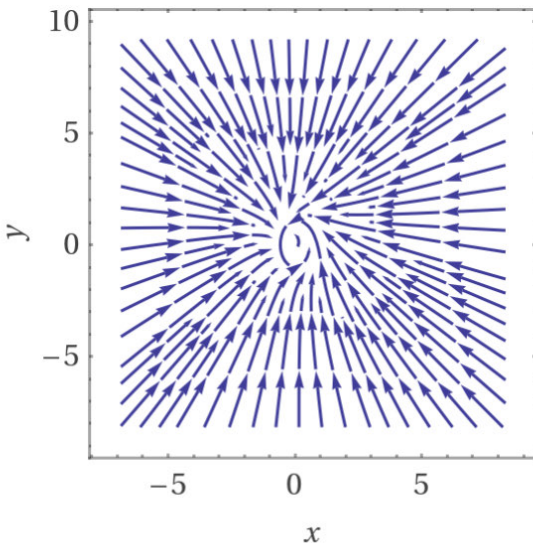


Input interpretation

stream plot

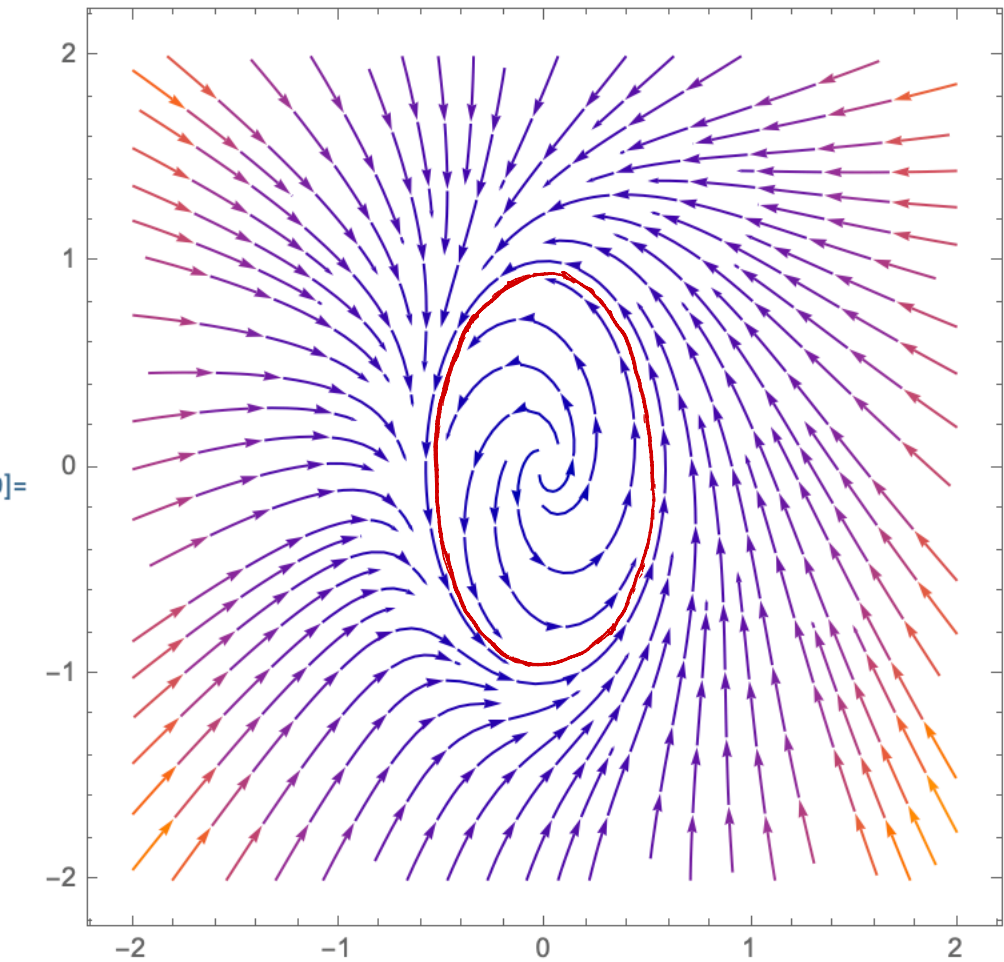
$$\begin{pmatrix} -(1+x)y + x(1-3x^2-y^2), \\ 3x(1+x) + y(1-3x^2-y^2) \end{pmatrix}$$

Plot



Not clear!

StreamPlot[{x (1 - 3 x^2 - y^2) - y (1 + x),
y (1 - 3 x^2 - y^2) + 3 x (1 + x)}, {x, -2, 2}, {y, -2, 2}], T11.6



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Question 3. [40 marks] Consider the second-order differential equation on \mathbb{R}

$$\ddot{x} + \dot{x}(Q(x, \dot{x}) - \mu) + 2x = 0 \quad Q(x, \dot{x}) = 2x^2 + \dot{x}^2 \quad (3)$$

where μ is a real parameter.

- (a) Rewrite (3) as a vector field on the plane: $\dot{z} = v(z)$, $z = (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. [2]
- (b) Show that this system has a unique fixed point and classify it for all non-zero parameter values (including bifurcation values). [8]
- (c) Derive an equation for $\dot{Q} = dQ/dt$. [6]
- (d) Let $\mu \leq 0$. Show that Q is a Lyapounov function for $\dot{z} = v(z)$. Hence prove that all orbits converge to the origin. [8]
- (e) Let $\mu > 0$. Construct a trapping region for the flow; from it deduce the existence of at least one limit cycle. [8]
- (f) Show that there is just one cycle, and write its equation. Verify that the vector field $v(z)$ is tangent to the cycle. [8]

$$\ddot{x} + \dot{x} (Q(x, \dot{x}) - \mu) + 2x = 0$$

$$Q(x, \dot{x}) = 2x^2 + \dot{x}^2$$

$$\text{Let } \dot{x} = y$$

$$Q(x, y) = 2x^2 + y^2$$

$$\dot{x} = y$$

$$Q(x, y) = 2x^2 + y^2$$

$$(a) \quad \dot{x} = y, \quad \dot{y} = \ddot{x} = -y (Q(x, y) - \mu) - 2x \quad \checkmark$$

$$(b) \quad \text{FPS } \dot{x} = \dot{y} = 0: y = 0, \quad -y (Q(x, y) - \mu) - 2x = 0$$

$$(c) \quad \dot{Q} = \frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt}$$

Linearisation

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= y \\ \dot{y} &= \mu y - 2x \end{aligned} \quad *$$

$$= 4xy - 2y^2 (Q(x, y) - \mu) - 4xy$$

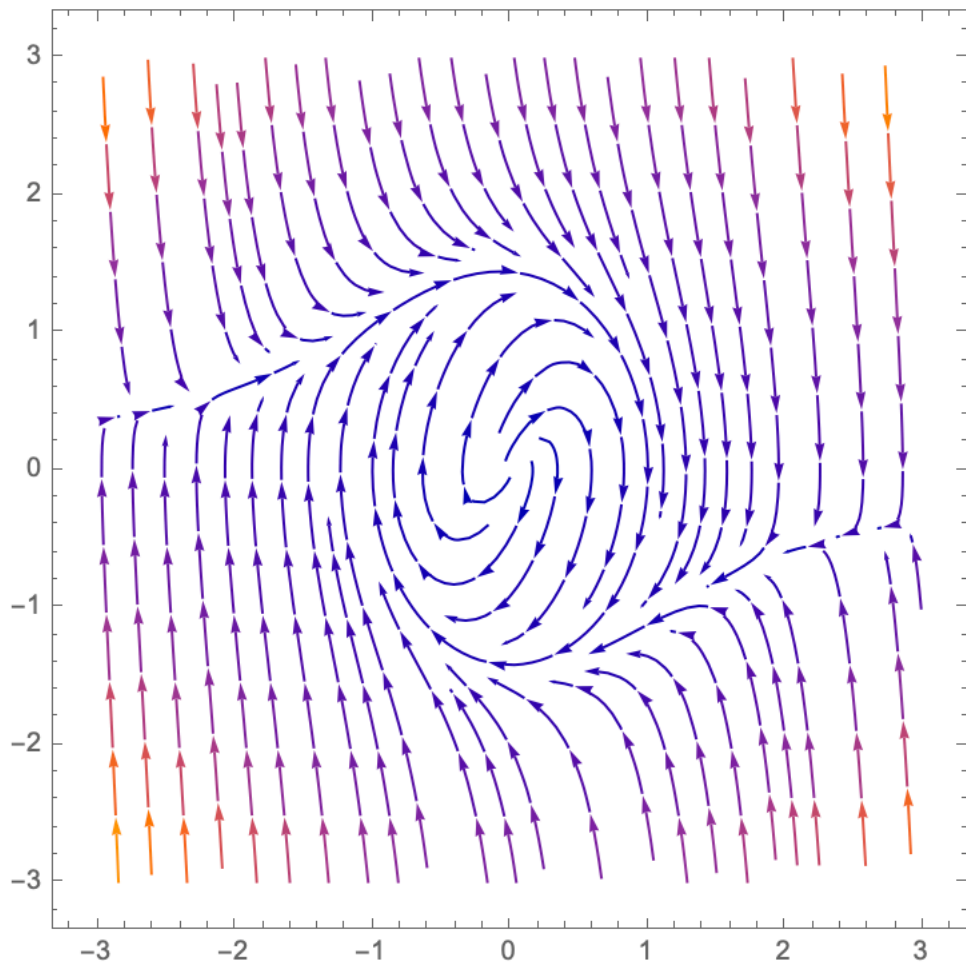
$$= -2y^2 Q(x, y) + 2y^2 \mu \quad \text{For } \mu \leq 0, \quad \dot{Q} \leq 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2\mu & \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mu = 2;$

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StreamPlot[{y, -y (2 x ^ 2 + y ^ 2 - mu) - 2 x},  
{x, -3, 3}, {y, -3, 3}]
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6d) $\mu \leq 0$, then $\dot{Q}(x,y) = -2y^2Q(x,y) - 2y^2(-\mu)$

$Q(x,y) \geq 0$

If $-\mu \geq 0$

$Q(x,y)$ is PD } Q is a LF.
 $\dot{Q}(x,y)$ is non-positive }

LINEARISATION

T11.11

Eigenvalues $\lambda(\lambda - \mu) + 2 = 0$

$$\lambda = \frac{\mu \pm \sqrt{\mu^2 - 8}}{2}$$

Note $\forall \mu > 0$, eigenvalues have positive real part
 \therefore either unstable spiral or node at the origin
by Hartman-Grobman Theorem

Now

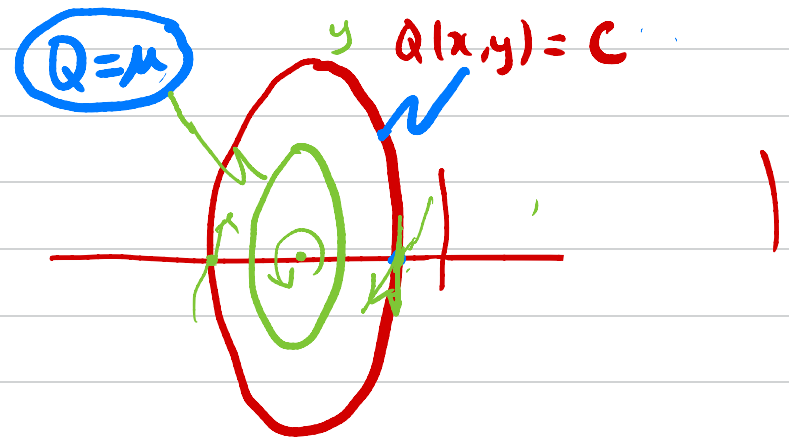
$$\dot{Q} = -2y^2(Q(x, y) - \mu)$$

Consider an ellipse given by
 $Q(x, y) = 2x^2 + y^2 = C > \mu > 0$.

Then $\dot{Q}(x, y) \leq 0$ on C .

and $\dot{Q}(x, y) < 0$ for $y \neq 0$.

Finally when $y=0$ on $Q(x,y)=C$
 $\dot{x} = y, \dot{y} = -y(Q(x,y) - \mu) - 2x$
 i.e. $\dot{x} = 0, \dot{y} = -2x, x \neq 0$



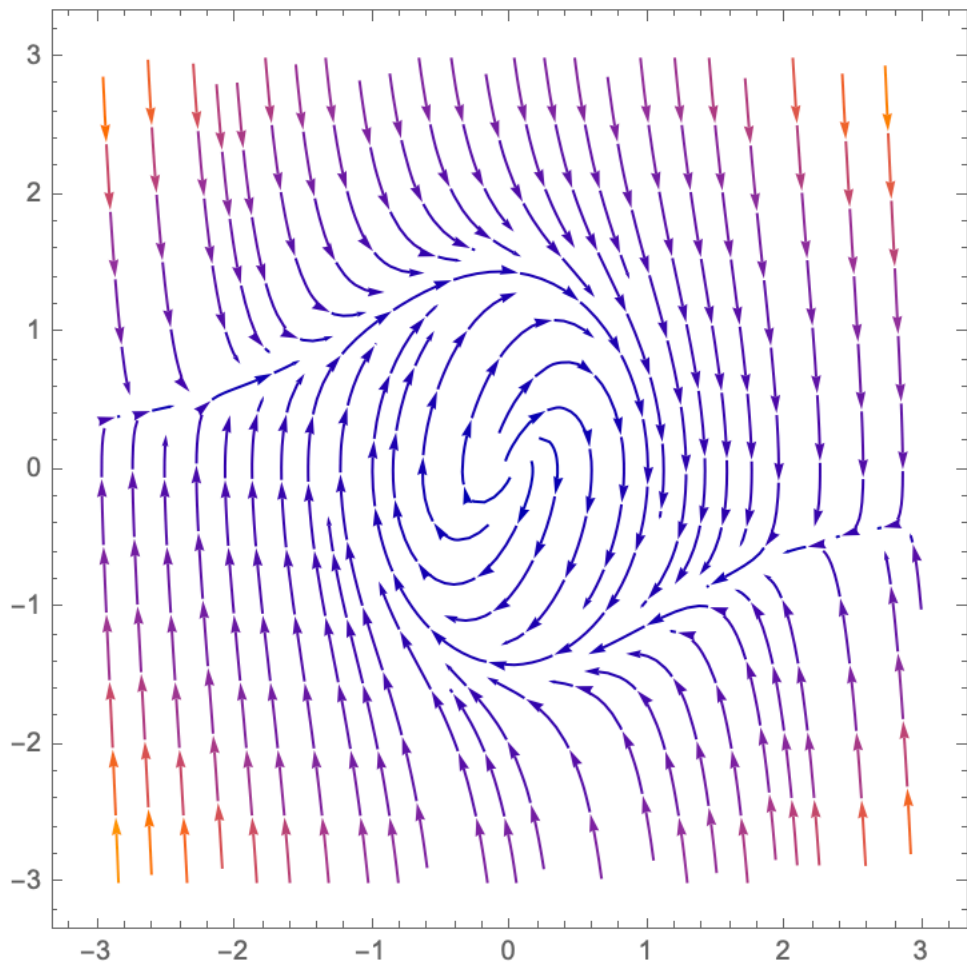
$\dot{Q} = 0$ for
 $Q = \mu$
 \therefore
 $Q = \mu$ is
invariant curve
of the system
 and fixed pt
 free \therefore
periodic orbit

* Note $Q(x,y) = \mu \Rightarrow \dot{x} = y, \dot{y} = -2x$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{y} = \frac{dy}{-2x} \quad x^2 + \frac{y^2}{2} = \text{const}$

$\mu = 2;$

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StreamPlot[{y, -y (2 x ^ 2 + y ^ 2 - mu) - 2 x},  
{x, -3, 3}, {y, -3, 3}]
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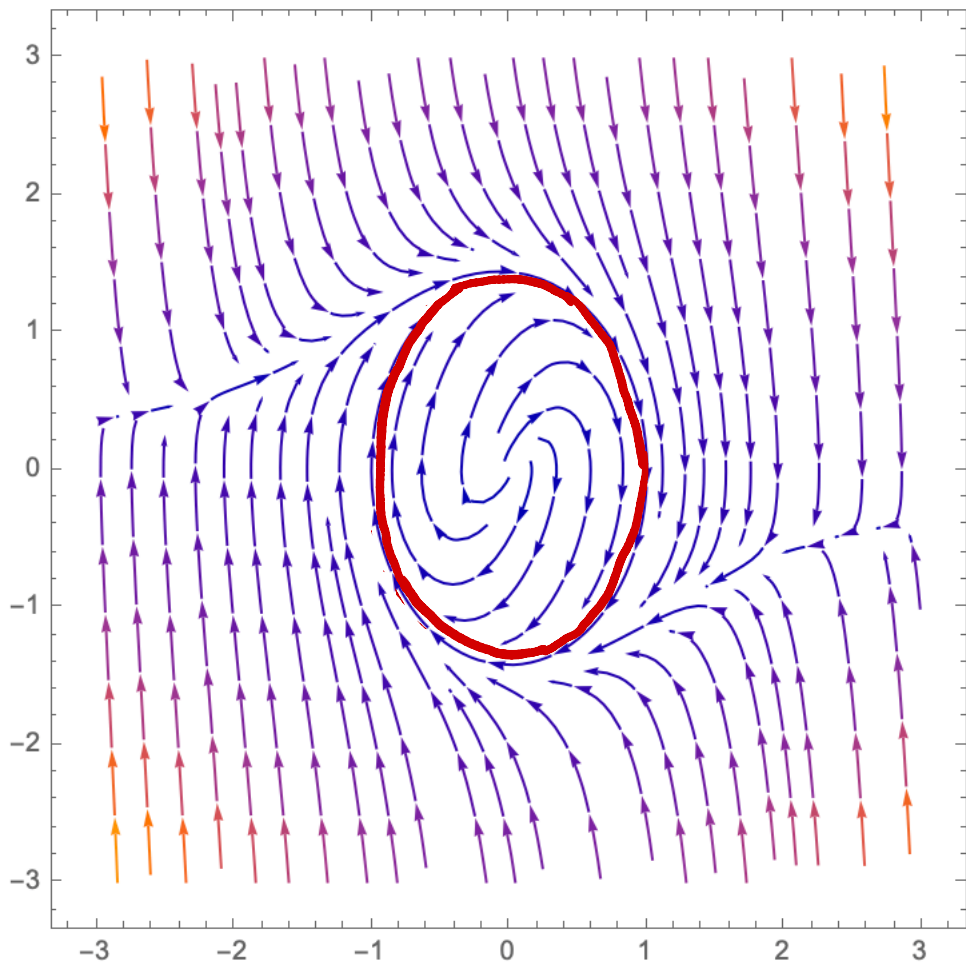


$\mu = 2;$

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{x, -3, 3}, {y, -3, 3}]
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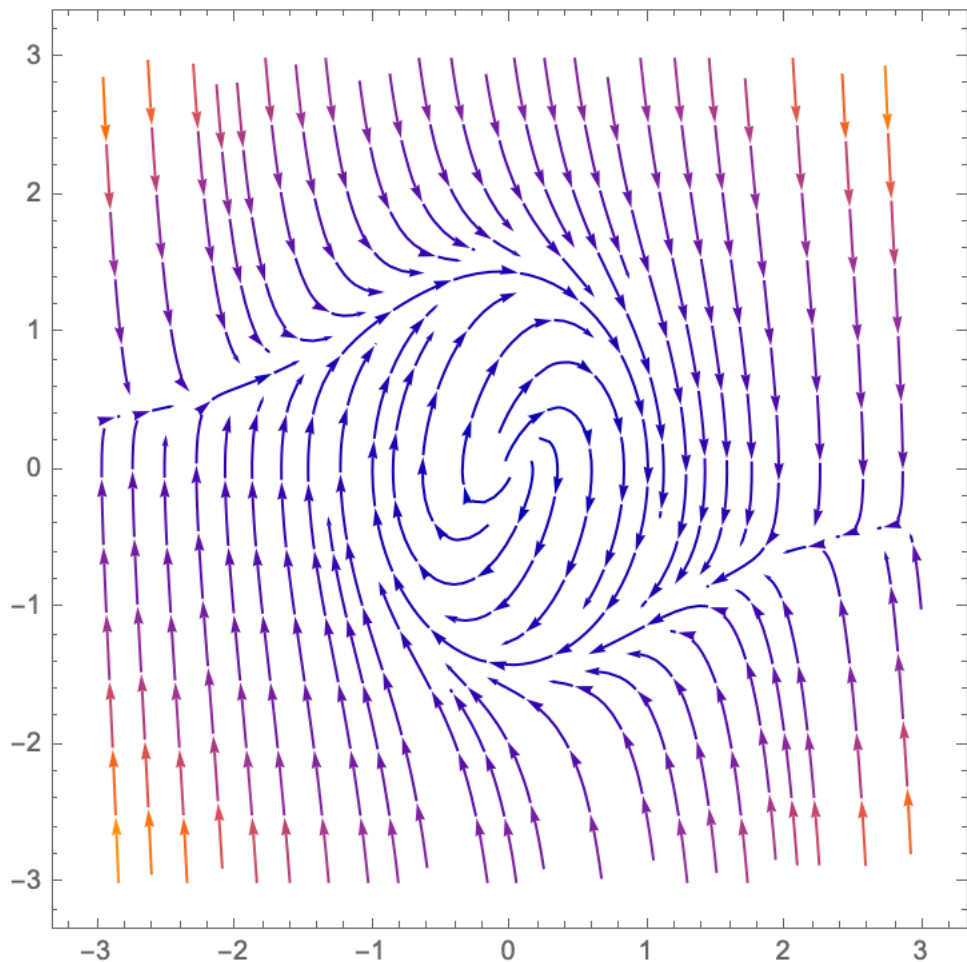
"Location" of limit cycle



$\mu = 2;$

71.15

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StreamPlot[{y, -y (2 x ^ 2 + y ^ 2 - mu) - 2 x},  
{x, -3, 3}, {y, -3, 3}]
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Question 3. [44 marks] (Two-dimensional systems)

- (a) Classify the fixed point $x^* = (0, 0)$ for each of the following two-dimensional linear systems and state, with justification, whether x^* is either attracting, Liapunov stable, asymptotically stable, or neither.

(i) $\dot{x} = x + 3y, \dot{y} = 1 + 2y.$ [4]

(ii) $\dot{x} = 4x + y, \dot{y} = -3x.$ [4]

(iii) $\dot{x} = -2x, \dot{y} = x - 2y.$ [4]

- (b) Consider the following two-dimensional system

$$\dot{x} = x^3 - x, \quad \dot{y} = y + 1 - e^x.$$

- (i) Identify the fixed points and classify the type of each fixed point by performing a linear stability analysis. [6]

- (ii) Find equations for all the nullclines; sketch these in the phase plane, indicating the direction of motion along each nullcline. [6]

- (iii) Using Parts (i) and (ii) sketch the entire phase portrait, indicating typical trajectories and the direction of motion along these trajectories. [6]

- (c) Consider the following conservative system

$$\ddot{x} = rx - e^x =: -\frac{dV(x)}{dx}, \quad r > 0. \quad (1)$$

- (i) Find an expression for $V(x)$ and show that for $0 < r < e$ the potential $V(x)$ has no stationary points and for $r > e$ the potential $V(x)$ has two stationary points. [4]

- (ii) Sketch the graph of $V(x)$ when $0 < r < e$ and $r > e$. [3]

- (iii) Perform a transformation to turn the second-order equation in (1) into a system of two coupled first-order differential equations and find the associated conserved quantity. [2]

- (iv) Using Parts (i), (ii) and (iii) sketch the phase portrait when $0 < r < e$ and $r > e$, indicating typical trajectories, the direction of motion along these trajectories and, where appropriate, any homoclinic orbits. [5]

WEEK 12. Exam questions

Exam 2018 (3b)

Investigate: $\dot{x} = x^3 - x$
 $\dot{y} = y + 1 - e^x$

Jacobian $J = \begin{bmatrix} 3x^2 - 1 & 0 \\ -e^x & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

At $x = (0,0)$ $J = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ - saddle
with $\lambda_1 = -1$
and $\lambda_2 = 1$

Eigenvalues - Eigen vectors

$$\lambda_1 = -1: \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = -1 \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} : v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 = +1: \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = +1 \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} : v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Fixed point set

$$\dot{x} = \dot{y} = 0:$$

$$x^3 - x = 0, y + 1 - e^x = 0.$$

$$x(x-1)(x+1) = 0$$

$$x = 0, y = 0$$

$$x = +1, y = e - 1 > 0$$

$$x = -1, y = e^{-1} - 1 < 0.$$

$$\underline{x} = (1, e-1)$$

$$\underline{J} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -e & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda_1 = 2, \lambda_2 = 1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -e & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} y = -ex \\ x = -3x \end{matrix}$$

$$\underline{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x} = -1, y = e^{-1} - 1$$

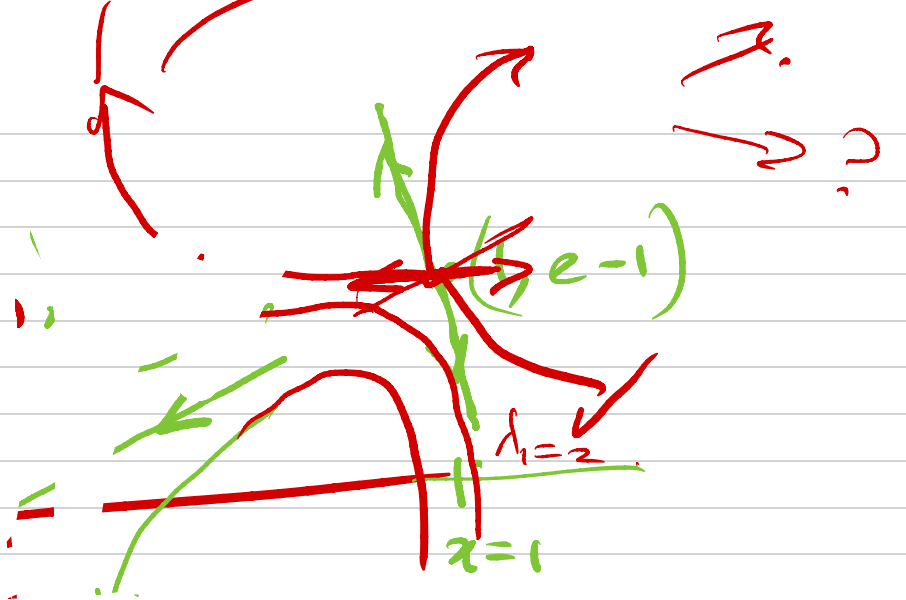
$$J = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -e^{-1} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_1 = 2$$

$$\lambda_2 = 1$$

$$y = -e^{-1}x, x = -3y \quad (\lambda_1 = 2) \quad v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = 0, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\lambda_2 = 1)$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} 3x^2 - 1 & 0 \\ -e^x & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -e & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_1 = 2, \lambda_2 = 1$$

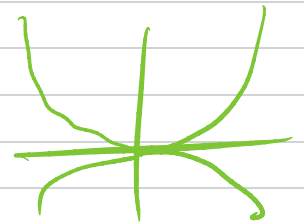
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -e & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 1 \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_1 = 2: -e^x + y = 2y$$

$$-e^x = y$$

$$\lambda_2 = 1$$

$$-e^x = y$$



On $x=0$
 $\dot{y} = y$ \updownarrow

On $x=+1$

fixed x

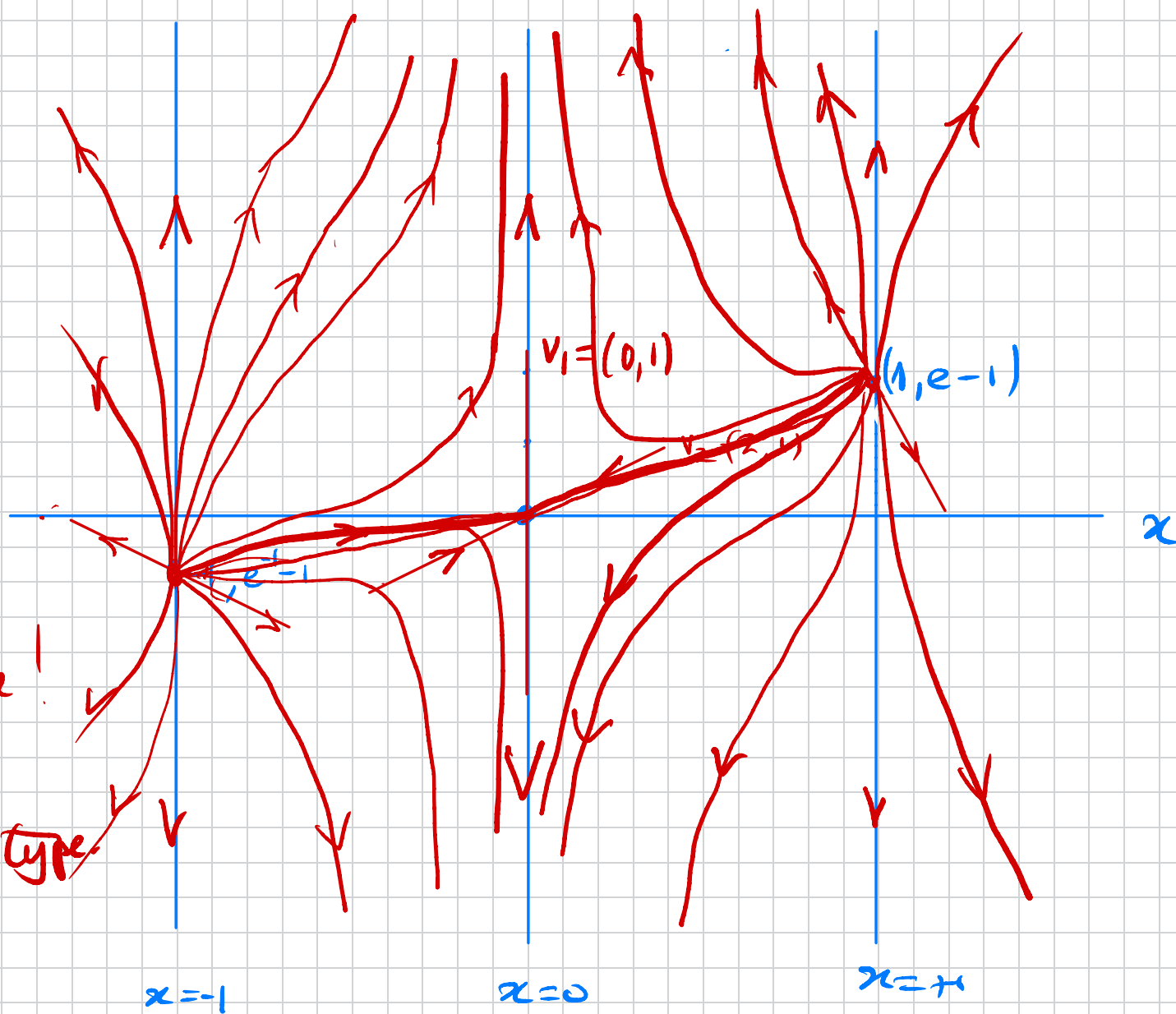
$$y = y + (1 - e^x)$$

$y \gg 0, \dot{y} \gg 0$ etc

hence \updownarrow

This is a tough one!
2018!

I have got the
correct qualitative type.



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$$\ddot{x} = rx - e^x \Rightarrow \dot{x} = y, \dot{y} = rx - e^x$$

$$\text{FPs } e^x y = 0, rx - e^x = 0$$



For tangency

$$rx = e^x = 0$$

$$\text{and } \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (rx - e^x) = 0.$$

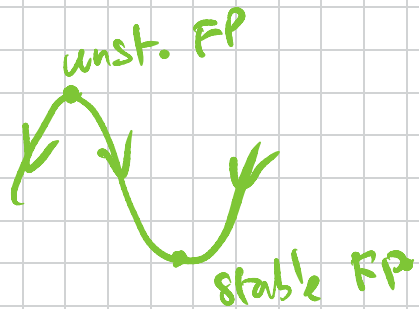
$$r - e^x = 0 \Rightarrow x \Rightarrow \ln(r)$$

$$\therefore r \ln(r) - e^{\ln(r)} = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } r \ln(r) - r$$

$$r(\ln(r) - 1) = 0$$

$$r = 0, \ln(r) = 1 \Rightarrow r = e.$$

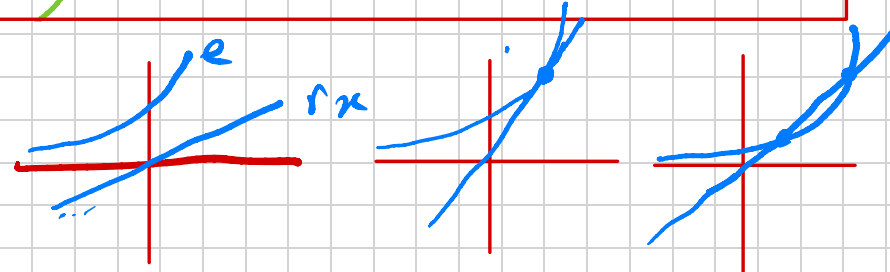
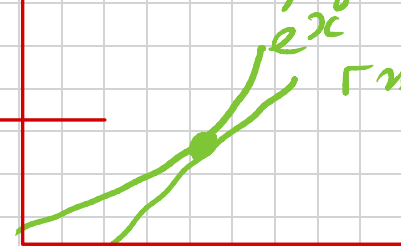


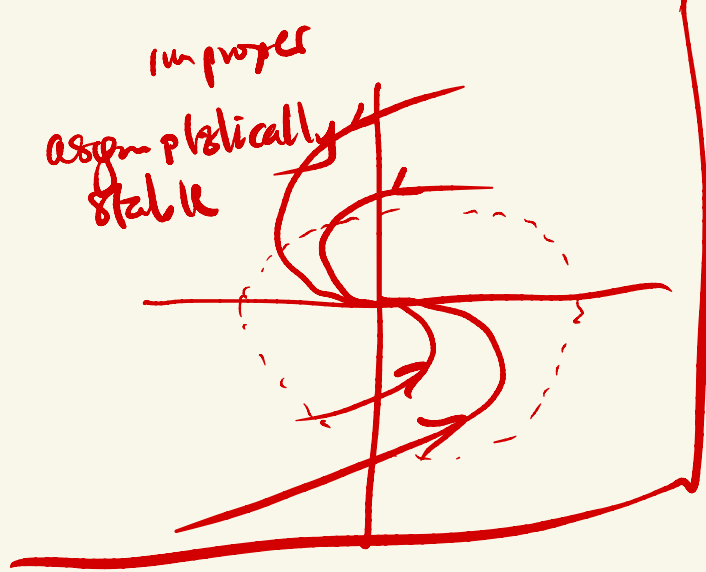
So as r increases from $r=0$ (graph $y=rx$ is a horizontal line) to $r=e$ where graphs $y=rx$ & e^x are tangent to $r > e$ where graphs intersect in 2 points

$\therefore r=e$, gives tangency for

$$y = e^x \text{ and}$$

$$y = rx$$





$$\dot{x} = x^2 - x \quad \dot{y} = y + 1 - e^{-x}$$

FPs

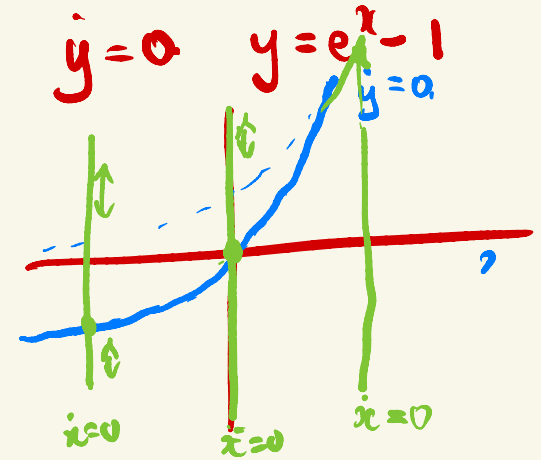
$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - x = 0 & \quad y + 1 - e^{-x} = 0 \\ x(x-1) = 0 & \quad \underline{y + 1 - e^{-x} = 0} \\ x = 0, x = 1, x = -1 & \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x = 0, y = 0 \\ x = 1, y = e^{-1} > 0 \\ x = -1, y = e^{-1} < 0 \end{aligned}$$

Nullclines

$$\begin{aligned} x \equiv 0, x \equiv 1, x \equiv -1 \\ \dot{x} = 0 \quad \vee \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x(t), x(0) = 0 \\ \underline{x(t) \equiv 0} \end{aligned}$$



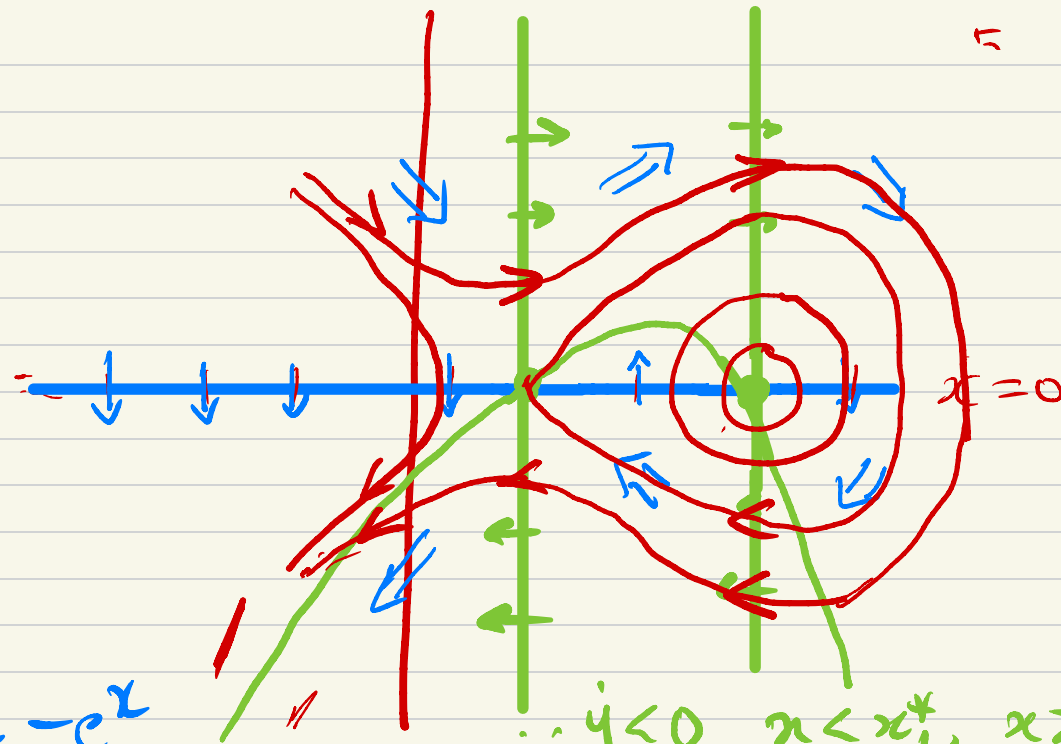
$$\dot{x} = y$$

$$r x - e^x$$

$$\dot{y} = r x - e^x$$

$$\dot{x} = 0 \quad y = 0$$

$$\dot{y} = 0$$



Graph of $f(x) = rx - e^x$

For $r > e$, there exist two fixed points x_1^*, x_2^*

$$0 < x_1^* < e < x_2^*$$

For $x \rightarrow -\infty$ $f(x) \approx rx$ ($e^{-x} \rightarrow 0$)

$x \rightarrow +\infty$ $f(x) \approx -e^x$

$$y < 0 \quad x < x_1^*, x > x_2^*$$

$$y > 0 \quad x_1^* < x < x_2^*$$

It is a conservative system

$$E = \frac{y^2}{2} + V(x)$$

So saddles and centres

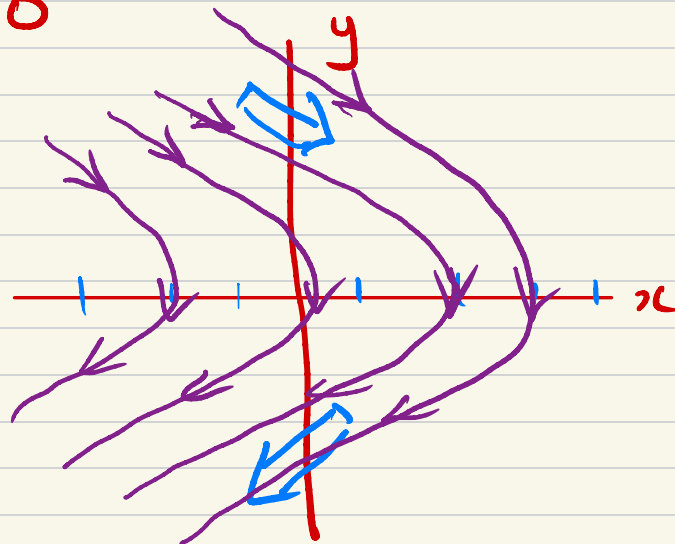
What about phase portrait for $0 < r < e$

→ there are no fixed points, as you decrease r , the fixed points get closer together, and disappear for $r < e$.

$\dot{x} = y$, $\begin{cases} \dot{x} > 0 & \text{in upper half plane } (y > 0) \\ \dot{x} < 0 & \text{in lower half plane } (y < 0) \end{cases}$

$y = 0$ is nullcline (flow vertical as $\dot{x} = 0$ for $y = 0$)

For all x , $\dot{y} < 0$



Question 2. [34 marks] Bifurcations

Consider the differential equation

$$\dot{x} = rx - x^2 + x^4 \quad ,$$

which depends on a real parameter r .

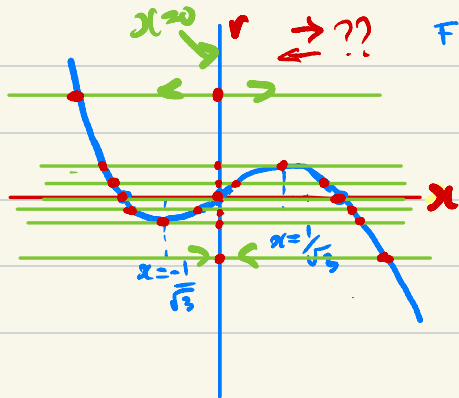
- a) Compute the range of parameter values for which the trivial fixed point $x_* = 0$ is linearly stable and the range of parameter values for which it is linearly unstable. If you find bifurcations of the trivial fixed point, compute the parameter value of the bifurcation point and state with a reason the type of the bifurcation. [8]
- b) Compute the parameter values $r = r_*$ and the points $x = x_*$ in phase space where nontrivial fixed points, $x_* \neq 0$, undergo a saddle node bifurcation. [8]
- c) For each saddle node bifurcation computed in part b) decide whether the pair of fixed points is generated for $r < r_*$ or $r > r_*$. [10]
- d) Using the results from parts a) - c), or otherwise, sketch the bifurcation diagram of the differential equation. Your diagram should indicate the stability of each fixed point. The diagram should also contain phase portraits for parameter values where phase portraits qualitatively differ. [8]

$$\dot{x} = r - x^2 + x^4 = x(r - x + x^3) = f(x)$$

FPs

$$x=0 \quad r = x - x^3$$

$$\frac{dr}{dx} = 1 - 3x^2$$



FP set: y-axis & blue curve

3 bifurcation pts

$x=0$ (transcritical?)

$x=1/\sqrt{3}$ (saddle-node, sub-critical?)

$x=-1/\sqrt{3}$ (saddle-node, super-critical?)

Check with Taylor coefficients? Etc.

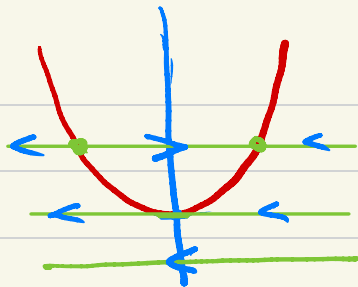
Linear stability $f'(x) = r - 2x + 4x^3$

$f'(0) = r$, $r > 0$ (u) $r < 0$ (s)



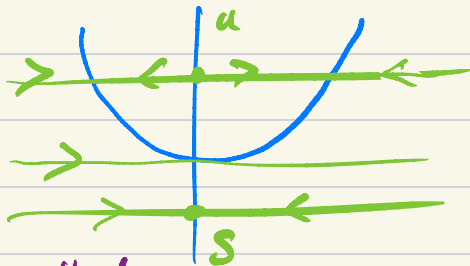
Just comments!

$$\dot{x} = r - x^4$$



looks like
a saddle-node
bifurcation.
but isn't

$$\dot{x} = rx - x^3$$



That's it folks, that's all for now.

Thanks for the feedback, I did try my best in getting the material over. I accept your concerns over organisation. Part of that was out of my control with a bad year for QM plus. - A general view on the School. Please get in touch for help

Question 3. [36 marks] Two-dimensional systems

Consider the system of two differential equations

$$\dot{x} = y \quad , \quad \dot{y} = -x + x^3 - y \quad .$$

- a) Compute the fixed points of this two dimensional dynamical system. For each fixed point perform a linear stability analysis and classify the type of fixed point. [6]
- b) Is this system conservative? Is it a gradient system? Is it reversible? State reasons and compute, if appropriate, the potential. [12]
- c) Sketch the flow in the phase plane in a small neighbourhood of each fixed point. [4]
- d) Construct a nullcline diagram for this system as follows:
- (i) Compute the nullclines of the system of differential equations.
 - (ii) Sketch the nullclines in the phase plane.
 - (iii) The nullclines partition the phase plane into different regions. For each region, and on each nullcline, indicate the direction of the flow. [8]
- e) Using the results from parts c) - d), or otherwise, sketch the full phase portrait of the two dimensional system. The phase portrait should be consistent with the diagram produced in part d). If the system has a stable fixed point then shade its basin of attraction. [6]
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