

[3] 1.) Circle T for True and F for false:

1a.) If  $\phi$  is a solution to a first order **linear homogeneous** differential equation, then  $c\phi$  is also a solution to this equation. T

1b.) If  $\phi$  is a solution to a first order linear differential equation, then  $c\phi$  is also a solution to this equation. F

[4] 2a.) Solve:  $\mathbf{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}$

Find eigenvalues:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-r & 5 \\ 2 & 3-r \end{vmatrix} = (1-r)(3-r) - 10 = r^2 - 4r + 3 - 10 = r^2 - 4r - 7 = 0$$

$$r = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4(-7)}}{2} = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{4(4+7)}}{2} = \frac{4 \pm 2\sqrt{11}}{2} = 2 \pm \sqrt{11}$$

2 positive e. value  
2 negative e. value  
⇒ Saddle  
unstable

$2 + \sqrt{11} > 0$  and  $2 - \sqrt{11} < 0$ . Thus the critical point  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  is an unstable saddle point.

Find eigenvectors:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 - (2 \pm \sqrt{11}) & 5 \\ 2 & 3 - (2 \pm \sqrt{11}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \mp \sqrt{11} & 5 \\ 2 & 1 \mp \sqrt{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 \mp \sqrt{11} & 5 \\ 2 & 1 \mp \sqrt{11} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \pm \sqrt{11} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5(-1 \mp \sqrt{11}) + 5(1 \pm \sqrt{11}) \\ 10 + (1 \mp \sqrt{11})(1 \pm \sqrt{11}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \pm \sqrt{11} \end{bmatrix}$  is an eigenvector with eigenvalue  $2 \pm \sqrt{11}$ .

Check

Slope

Answer:  $\mathbf{x} = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 + \sqrt{11} \end{bmatrix} e^{(2+\sqrt{11})t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 - \sqrt{11} \end{bmatrix} e^{(2-\sqrt{11})t}$

[2] 2b.) Determine if the critical point is stable, asymptotically stable, or unstable.

unstable

[1] 2c.) Draw the direction field and sketch a few trajectories.

Slope

Graph  $x_2 = \frac{1+\sqrt{11}}{5}x_1$  and  $x_2 = \frac{1-\sqrt{11}}{5}x_1$  for  $x_1 > 0$  and  $x_1 < 0$  along with some other trajectories.

$$r = 2 + \sqrt{11} > 0$$

$$r = 2 - \sqrt{11} < 0$$

Suppose an object moves in the 2D plane (the  $x_1, x_2$  plane) so that it is at the point  $(x_1(t), x_2(t))$  at time  $t$ . Suppose the object's velocity is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1(t) &= ax_1 + bx_2 \\ \dot{x}_2(t) &= cx_1 + dx_2 \end{aligned}$$

Or in matrix form  $\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$

To solve, find eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors:

$$\begin{vmatrix} a-r & b \\ c & d-r \end{vmatrix} = (a-r)(d-r) - bc = r^2 - (a+d)r + ad - bc = 0.$$

Thus  $r = \frac{(a+d) \pm \sqrt{(a+d)^2 - 4(ad-bc)}}{2}$

Case 1:  $(a+d)^2 - 4(ad-bc) > 0$  Two real e. values  
 Hence the general solutions is  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ w_1 \end{pmatrix} e^{r_1 t} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} v_2 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix} e^{r_2 t}$



Case 2:  $(a+d)^2 - 4(ad-bc) = 0$  | repeated

Case 2i: Two independent eigenvectors:

The general solution is  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ w_1 \end{pmatrix} e^{rt} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} v_2 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix} e^{rt}$

Case 2ii: One independent eigenvectors:

The general solution is  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ w_1 \end{pmatrix} e^{rt} + c_2 \left[ \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ w_1 \end{pmatrix} t + \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix} \right] e^{rt}$

Case 2a:  $r > 0$

Case 2b:  $r < 0$

Case 3:  $(a+d)^2 - 4(ad-bc) < 0$ . I.e.,  $r = \lambda \pm i\mu$

Suppose the eigenvector corresponding to this eigenvalue is

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_1 + iw_1 \\ v_2 + iw_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} + i \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then general solution is  $\vec{x} = c_1 \vec{v} e^{\lambda t} + c_2 \vec{w} e^{\lambda t}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \cos(\mu t) - w_1 \sin(\mu t) \\ v_2 \cos(\mu t) - w_2 \sin(\mu t) \end{pmatrix} e^{\lambda t} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \sin(\mu t) + w_1 \cos(\mu t) \\ v_2 \sin(\mu t) + w_2 \cos(\mu t) \end{pmatrix} e^{\lambda t}$$

Case 3a:  $\lambda > 0$

Case 3a:  $\lambda < 0$

Case 3a:  $\lambda = 0$

