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Introduction To Dynamics Systems .
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CHAPTER 1

LINEAR SYSTEMS

exercise 1

Find the general solution and draw the phase portrait for the following linear systems:

(a)

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_1$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = x_2$$

(b)

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_1$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = 2x_2$$

(c)

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_1$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = 3x_2$$

(d)

$$\dot{x}_1 = -x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = x_1$$

(e)

$$\dot{x}_1 = -x_1 + x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -x_2$$

Hint: Write (d) as a second-order linear differential equation with constant coefficients, solve it by standard methods, and note that $x_1^2 + x_2^2 = \text{constant}$ on the solution curves. In (e), find $x_2(t) = c_2 e^{-t}$ and

then the x_1 -equation becomes a first order linear differential equation.

solution

Let $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)^\top = (x, y, z)^\top$ and $\mathbf{x}(0) = (x_0, y_0, z_0)^\top$.

1. (a) $x(t) = x_0 e^t, y(t) = y_0 e^t$, and solution curves lie on the straight lines $y = (y_0/x_0)x$ or on the y -axis. The phase portrait is given in 1.1.



Figure 1.1: Phase portrait

(b) $x(t) = x_0 e^t, y(t) = y_0 e^{2t}$, and solution curves, other than those on the x and y axes, lie on the parabolas $y = (y_0/x_0^2)x^2$. Cf. 1.2.

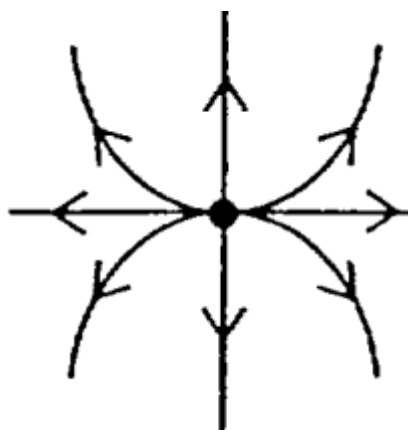


Figure 1.2: Phase portrait

(c) $x(t) = x_0 e^t, y(t) = y_0 e^{3t}$, and solution curves lie on the curves $y = (y_0/x_0^3)x^3$.

(d) $\dot{x} = -y, \dot{y} = x$ can be written as $\dot{y} = \dot{x} = -y$ or $\dot{y} + y = 0$ which has the general solution $y(t) = c_1 \cos t + c_2 \sin t$; thus, $x(t) = \dot{y}(t) = -c_1 \sin t + c_2 \cos t$; or in terms of the initial conditions $x(t) = x_0 \cos t - y_0 \sin t$ and $y(t) = x_0 \sin t + y_0 \cos t$. It follows that for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$, $x^2(t) + y^2(t) = x_0^2 + y_0^2$ and solution curves lie on these circles. Cf. Figure 1.3.

(e) $y(t) = c_2 e^{-t}$ and then solving the first-order linear differential equation $\dot{x} + x = c_2 e^{-t}$ leads to

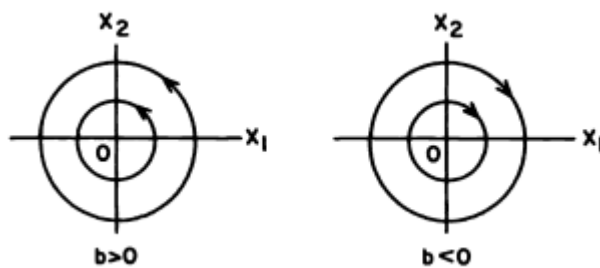


Figure 1.3: Phase portrait

$x(t) = c_1 e^{-t} + c_2 t e^{-t}$ with $c_1 = x_0$ and $c_2 = y_0$. Cf. Figure 1.4.

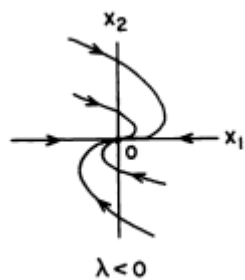


Figure 1.4: Phase portrait

exercise 2

Find the general solution and draw the phase portraits for the following three-dimensional linear systems:

(a)

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_1$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_3 = x_3$$

(b)

$$\dot{x}_1 = -x_1$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_3 = x_3$$

(c)

$$\dot{x}_1 = -x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = x_1$$

$$\dot{x}_3 = -x_3$$

Hint: In (c), show that the solution curves lie on right circular cylinders perpendicular to the x_1, x_2 plane. Identify the stable and unstable subspaces in (a) and (b). The x_3 -axis is the stable subspace in (c) and the x_1, x_2 plane is called the center subspace in (c); cf. Section 1.9 in the course .

solution

2.

(a) $x(t) = x_0 e^t, y(t) = y_0 e^t, z(t) = z_0 e^t$, and $E^a = \mathbb{R}^3$.

(b) $x(t) = x_0 e^{-t}, y(t) = y_0 e^{-t}, z(t) = z_0 e^t, E^s = \text{Span} \{(1, 0, 0)^T, (0, 1, 0)^T\}$, and $E^a = \text{Span} \{(0, 0, 1)^T\}$. Cf. 1.5 with the arrows reversed.

(c) $x(t) = x_0 \cos t - y_0 \sin t, y(t) = x_0 \sin t + y_0 \cos t, z(t) = z_0 e^{-t}$; solution curves lie on the cylinders $x^2 + y^2 = c^2$ and approach circular periodic orbits in the x, y plane as $t \rightarrow \infty$; $E^c = \text{Span} \{(1, 0, 0)^T, (0, 1, 0)^T\}, E^s = \text{Span} \{(0, 0, 1)^T\}$.

exercise 3

3. Find the general solution of the linear system

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_1$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = ax_2$$

where a is a constant. Sketch the phase portraits for $a = -1, a = 0$ and $a = 1$ and notice that the qualitative structure of the phase portrait is the same for all $a < 0$ as well as for all $a > 0$, but that it changes at the parameter value $a = 0$ called a bifurcation value.

solution

3. $x(t) = x_0 e^t, y(t) = y_0 e^x.$

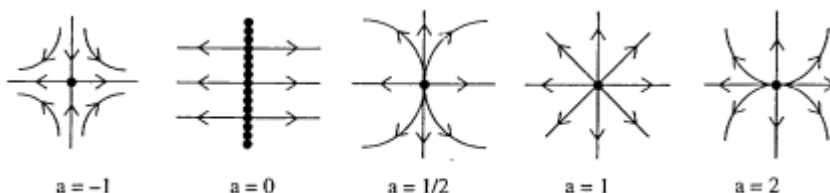


Figure 1.5: Phase portrait

exercise 4

Find the general solution of the linear system (1) when A is the $n \times n$ diagonal matrix $A = \text{diag} [\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n]$. What condition on the eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ will guarantee that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{0}$ for all solutions $\mathbf{x}(t)$ of (1)

solution

$x_1(t) = x_{10} e^{\lambda_{11} t}, x_2(t) = x_{20} e^{\lambda_{22} t}, \dots, x_n(t) = x_{n0} e^{\lambda_{nn} t}$. Thus, $x(t) \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ for all $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbf{R}^n$ if $\lambda_1 < 0, \dots, \lambda_n < 0$ (and also if $\text{Re}(\lambda_j) < 0$ for $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$).

exercise 5

What is the relationship between the vector fields defined by

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = A\mathbf{x}$$

and

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = kA\mathbf{x}$$

where k is a non-zero constant? (Describe this relationship both for k positive and k negative.)

solution

If $k > 0$, the vectors Ax and kAx point in the same direction and they are related by the scale factor k .

If $k < 0$, the vectors Ax and kAx point in opposite directions and are related by the scale factor $|k|$.

exercise 6

(a) If $\mathbf{u}(t)$ and $\mathbf{v}(t)$ are solutions of the linear system (1), prove that for any constants a and b , $\mathbf{w}(t) = a\mathbf{u}(t) + b\mathbf{v}(t)$ is a solution.

(b) For

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

find solutions $\mathbf{u}(t)$ and $\mathbf{v}(t)$ of $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = A\mathbf{x}$ such that every solution is a linear combination of $\mathbf{u}(t)$ and $\mathbf{v}(t)$.

solution

6. (a) $\dot{w}(t) = a\dot{u}(t) + b\dot{v}(t) = aAu(t) + bAv(t) = A[au(t) + bv(t)] = Aw(t)$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

(b) $\mathbf{u}(t) = (e^t, 0)^T$, $\mathbf{v}(t) = (0, e^{-2t})^T$ and the general solution of $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = A\mathbf{x}$ is given by $\mathbf{x}(t) = x_0\mathbf{u}(t) + y_0\mathbf{v}(t)$.

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