

Sec 6.2 6.4 6.5 TWO-DIMENSIONAL AUTONOMOUS SYSTEMS

does not depend on t

A two-dimensional autonomous system is a differential equation of the form

$$\begin{cases} x' = f(x, y) \\ y' = g(x, y) \end{cases}$$

where $f(x, y)$ and $g(x, y)$ are functions in two variables (see examples below).

1.
$$\begin{cases} x' = y \\ y' = -\sin(x) \end{cases}$$

2.
$$\begin{cases} x' = ax + by \\ y' = cx + dy \end{cases}$$
, where a, b, c, d are constants.

3.
$$\begin{cases} x' = 2xy + 4y \\ y' = x^2 + 4x + 8y \end{cases}$$

4.
$$\begin{cases} x' = 2xy - 2x^3 \\ y' = x^2 + y^2 - 6 \end{cases}$$

Equilibrium Solution (Critical Point, or Stationary Point)

An equilibrium solution of a two-dimensional autonomous system is a constant solution of the system, i.e. $(x(t), y(t)) = (a, b)$ for all t . Notice that $(x(t), y(t)) = (a, b)$ is an equilibrium solution if and only if

$$\begin{cases} 0 = x'(t) = f(a, b) \\ 0 = y'(t) = g(a, b) \end{cases}$$

constant
 $y_e = (x_e, y_e)$

The point (a, b) is usually called **equilibrium point**.

How to find equilibrium points?

We need to find the points (x, y) in the plane that satisfy simultaneously the equations

$$\begin{cases} f(x, y) = 0 \\ g(x, y) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Ex

$$y' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} x' = x + 2y = 0 \\ y' = 2x + 5y = 0 \end{cases}$$

Trivial Solu

$(Ay = \vec{0} \text{ has the trivial soln if } |A| \neq 0.)$

$$y' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} y$$

$$\begin{cases} x' = x + 2y = 0 \\ y' = 2x - 5y = 0 \end{cases} \leftarrow \text{same line}$$

Infinity many soln

$(Ay = \vec{0} \text{ has infinitely many soln if } |A| = 0)$

Example. Find the equilibrium solutions for the following equations

i.
$$\begin{cases} x' = 2xy + 4y = y(2x + 4) = 0 \\ y' = x^2 + 4x + 8y = 0 \end{cases}$$

①

$x' = y(2x + 4) = 0$	$y' = x^2 + 4x + 8y = 0$	$Y_e = (x_e, y_e)$
$y = 0$	$y' = x^2 + 4x = 0$ $x(x + 4) = 0$ $x = 0$ plus $y = 0$	$(0, 0)$ $(-4, 0)$
$2x + 4 = 0$ $\Rightarrow x = -2$	$y' = x^2 + 4x + 8y = 0$ $= (-2)^2 - 8 + 8y = 0$ $8y = 4$ $y = \frac{1}{2}$	$(-2, \frac{1}{2})$

3 equilibrium points

ii.
$$\begin{cases} x' = 2xy - 2x^3 = 2x(y - x^2) = 0 \\ y' = x^2 + y^2 - 6 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$x' = 2x(y - x^2) = 0$	$y' = x^2 + y^2 - 6 = 0$	$Y_e = (x_e, y_e)$
$x = 0$	$y' = 0 + y^2 - 6 = 0$ $y = \pm \sqrt{6}$	$(0, +\sqrt{6})$ $(0, -\sqrt{6})$
$y = x^2$	$y' = x^2 + (x^4) - 6 = 0$ $x^4 + x^2 - 6 = 0$ $(y^2 + y - 6) = 0$	

$(y + 3)(y - 2) = 0$
 $y = -3 \Rightarrow x^2 = -3$ (not possible)
 $y = 2 \Rightarrow x = 2 \Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{2}$
 $y = x^2 = 2$

DNF

"pretty much the same as a Jacobian Matrix"

Linearization at Equilibrium Points.

Preliminaires:

From MATH 1205 we know that if the function $f(x)$ is differentiable at the point $x = a$, then

$$f(x) \approx f(a) + f'(a)(x - a)$$

whenever x sufficiently close to the point a .

In MATH 2224 we extend the preceding idea. More precisely, given a function $f(x, y)$ in two variables and a point (a, b) in the domain of f , then

$$f(x, y) \approx f(a, b) + f_x(a, b)(x - a) + f_y(a, b)(y - b)$$

whenever (x, y) is sufficiently close to (a, b) . Here:

- $f_x(a, b)$ is the partial derivative of f respect to the variable x at the point (a, b) .
- $f_y(a, b)$ is the partial derivative of f respect to the variable y at the point (a, b) .

Now, let (a, b) be an equilibrium point of the two-dimensional autonomous system

$$\begin{cases} x' = f(x, y) \\ y' = g(x, y) \end{cases}$$

then $f(a, b) = 0$, $g(a, b) = 0$ and

$$\begin{cases} x' = f(x, y) \approx f_x(a, b)(x - a) + f_y(a, b)(y - b) \\ y' = g(x, y) \approx g_x(a, b)(x - a) + g_y(a, b)(y - b) \end{cases}$$

More precisely

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) \approx f_x(a, b)(x(t) - a) + f_y(a, b)(y(t) - b) \\ y'(t) \approx g_x(a, b)(x(t) - a) + g_y(a, b)(y(t) - b) \end{cases}$$

Setting $z_1(t) = x(t) - a$ and $z_2(t) = y(t) - b$, we have $z_1'(t) = x'(t)$ and $z_2'(t) = y'(t)$. This yields,

$$\begin{cases} z_1'(t) \approx f_x(a, b)z_1(t) + f_y(a, b)z_2(t) \\ z_2'(t) \approx g_x(a, b)z_1(t) + g_y(a, b)z_2(t) \end{cases}$$

i.e.

$$\begin{cases} z_1' \approx f_x(a, b)z_1 + f_y(a, b)z_2 \\ z_2' \approx g_x(a, b)z_1 + g_y(a, b)z_2 \end{cases}$$

This motivates the following definition.

DEF. Let (a, b) be an equilibrium point of the nonlinear system of the form

$$\begin{cases} x' = f(x, y) \\ y' = g(x, y) \end{cases}$$

Then, we say that the first order linear system

$$\begin{cases} z_1' = f_x(a, b)z_1 + f_y(a, b)z_2 \\ z_2' = g_x(a, b)z_1 + g_y(a, b)z_2 \end{cases}$$

is the **linearized system (or linearization) at the equilibrium point (a, b) .**

Example: Develop the linearized-system approximation for each of the equilibrium points of the nonlinear autonomous system

$$\begin{cases} x' = 2xy + 4y = f \\ y' = x^2 + 4x + 8y = g \end{cases}$$

Also, determine the stability characteristics of the linearized system in each case.

① Equilibrium pts: $(0, 0), (-4, 0), (-2, 1/2)$

② Jacobian Matrix

$$J(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 2y & 2x+4 \\ 2x+4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

f_x (pointing to $2y$) f_y (pointing to $2x+4$)
 g_x (pointing to $2x+4$) g_y (pointing to 8)

$$\begin{aligned} f &= 2xy + 4y \\ g &= x^2 + 4x + 8y \end{aligned}$$

$$Z' = \begin{bmatrix} 2y & 2x+4 \\ 2x+4 & 8 \end{bmatrix} Z \quad Z = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

③ check stability of eq. points in nonlinear
 = stability of $(0, 0)$ in linear $Z' = JZ$

The system has
 1. only one soln if $|A| \neq 0$
 2. infinitely many if $|A| = 0$

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④ $(0, 0)$

$$Z' = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix} Z$$

$x=0$
 $y=0$

Eigen values of J :

$$(J - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 4 \\ 4 & 8 - \lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -\lambda(8 - \lambda) - 16$$

$$= \lambda^2 - 8\lambda - 16 = 0$$

$$\lambda = 4 \pm \sqrt{32}$$

$$= 4 \pm 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$\lambda = \oplus \ominus$$

Stability of $(0, 0)$:

unstable (saddle)

Stability of $(0, 0)$ in

non linear systems

$(-4, 0)$

$$Z' = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -4 \\ -4 & 8 \end{bmatrix} Z$$

$x=-4$
 $y=0$

$$(J - \lambda I) = \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & -4 \\ -4 & 8 - \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \lambda^2 - 8\lambda - 16 = 0$$

$$\lambda = 4 \pm 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$\lambda = \oplus \ominus$$

Stability $(-4, 0)$

unstable
(saddle)

= stability of
 $(-4, 0)$

$(-2, \frac{1}{2})$

$$Z' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix} Z$$

$x=-2$
 $y=\frac{1}{2}$

$$\lambda = 1, 8$$

$$\lambda = \oplus \oplus$$

unstable (node)

= stability of $(-2, \frac{1}{2})$

One ODE System Polar ODE Polar system

$dx/dt = 2x*y+4y$
 $dy/dt = x^2 + 4x + 8y$

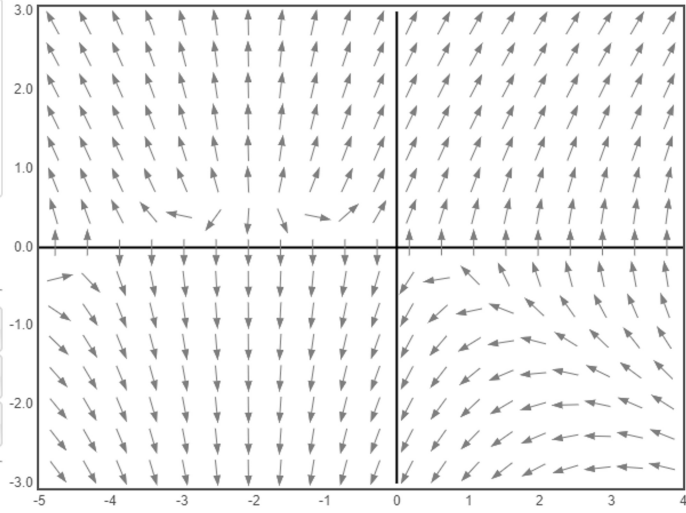
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One ODE System Polar ODE Polar system

$dx/dt = 4y$
 $dy/dt = 4x+8y$

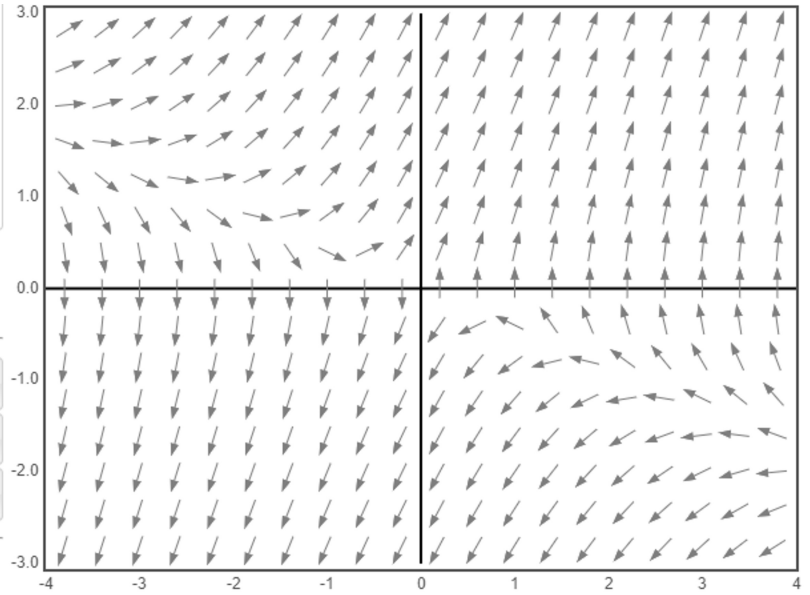
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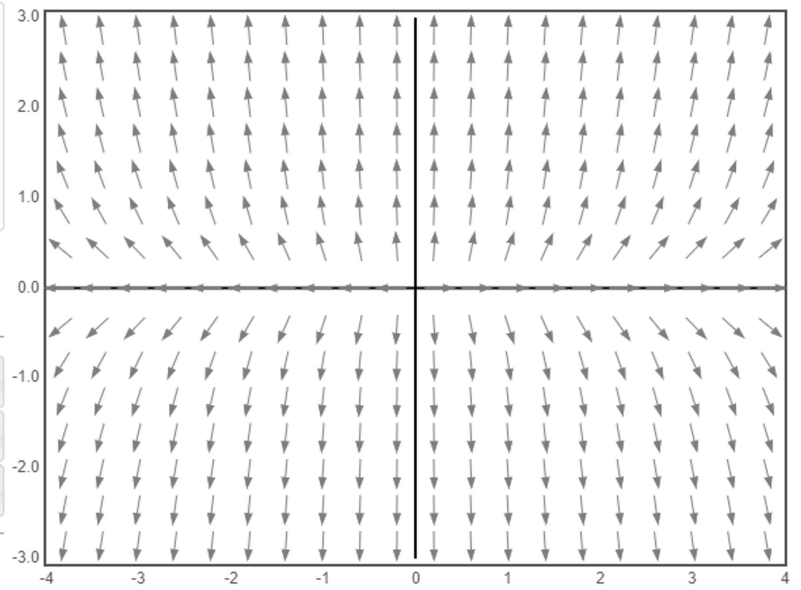
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$dx/dt = x$
 $dy/dt = 8y$


Variables: **y vs. x**

$-4 \leq x \leq 4$ with 20 segments
 $-3 \leq y \leq 3$ with 15 segments

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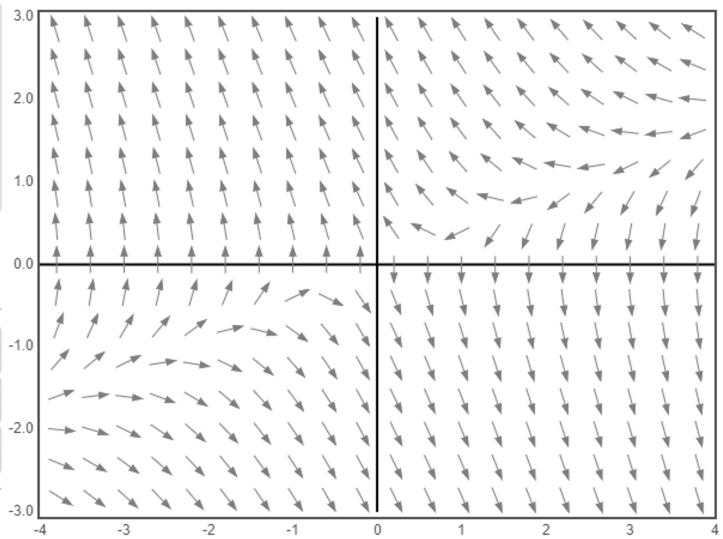
One ODE System Polar ODE Polar system

$dx/dt = -4y$
 $dy/dt = -4x + 8y$

Variables: **y vs. x**

$-4 \leq x \leq 4$ with 20 segments
 $-3 \leq y \leq 3$ with 15 segments

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Classification of equilibrium points for nonlinear autonomous systems.

(Theorem 6.4 text book)

Theorem Let

$$\begin{cases} x' = f(x, y) \\ y' = g(x, y) \end{cases}$$

be a **nonlinear** autonomous system. Suppose that (x_0, y_0) is an equilibrium point and let A be the matrix that represents the linearization at the equilibrium point (x_0, y_0) ; that is,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} f_x(x_0, y_0) & f_y(x_0, y_0) \\ g_x(x_0, y_0) & g_y(x_0, y_0) \end{bmatrix}$$

If the matrix A is invertible, we have the following classification according to the eigenvalues of A .

- Real eigenvalues and both negative: (x_0, y_0) behaves like an **asymptotically stable node**.
- Real eigenvalues and both positive: (x_0, y_0) behaves like an **unstable node**.
- Real eigenvalues of opposite sign: (x_0, y_0) behaves like a **saddle point**.
- Complex eigenvalues, $a \pm bi$ with $a < 0$: (x_0, y_0) behaves like an **asymptotically stable focus**.
- Complex eigenvalues, $a \pm bi$ with $a > 0$: (x_0, y_0) behaves like an **unstable focus**.
- Complex eigenvalues, $a \pm bi$ with $a = 0$: **no conclusions can be drawn** about the stability properties of the equilibrium point (x_0, y_0) .

Ex1. Consider the nonlinear autonomous system

$$\begin{cases} x' = 2xy - 2x^3 = f(x, y) \\ y' = x^2 + y^2 - 6 = g(x, y) \end{cases}$$

Perform a stability analysis at the equilibrium point $(-\sqrt{2}, 2)$.

① linearize

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & f_y \\ g_x & g_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2y - 6x^2 & 2x \\ 2x & 2y \end{bmatrix} \text{ Evaluate at } \begin{matrix} x = -\sqrt{2} \\ y = 2 \end{matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -8 & -2\sqrt{2} \\ -2\sqrt{2} & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = \begin{bmatrix} -8 & -2\sqrt{2} \\ -2\sqrt{2} & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

② stability of $(-\sqrt{2}, 2) \approx$ stability of $(0, 0)$ in $z' = Jz$

$$|J - I\lambda| = \begin{vmatrix} -8-\lambda & -2\sqrt{2} \\ -2\sqrt{2} & 4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (-8-\lambda)(4-\lambda) - 8$$

$$= \lambda^2 + 4\lambda - 40 = 0$$

$$\lambda = -2 \pm \sqrt{44} \quad \oplus \ominus \leftarrow \text{real values}$$

unstable
saddle point