Solutions, Section 9.3

For the graphs, see the Maple Worksheet on our class website. To distinguish derivatives, we'll use a dot to denote time derivatives, $\dot{x} = dx/dt$, for example.

For problems 5, 6, 7 and 9, the eigenvalues are optional (we can get all the necessary info from the Poincaré diagram).

1. Problem 5. For the equilibria, recall that if x = y and x = -y, then x = y = 0.

$$\dot{x} = (2+x)(y-x) \\ \dot{y} = (4-x)(y+x)$$
 \Rightarrow Equilibria $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

The Jacobian is $\begin{bmatrix} y-2x-2 & 2+x \\ -y-2x+4 & 4-x \end{bmatrix}$ Evaluate at the equilibria and classify:

• At the origin,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \implies \begin{array}{ccc} \text{Trace:} & 2 \\ \text{Det:} & -16 \\ \text{Disc:} & 68 \end{array} \implies \text{Saddle}$$

• At the point $(-2, 2)^T$,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 6 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Trace: } 10} \text{Det: } 24 \xrightarrow{\text{Source}} \text{Source}$$

• At the point $(4,4)^T$,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -6 & 6 \\ -8 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Trace:}} \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ \text{Det:} \\ \text{Disc:} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Trace:}} \xrightarrow{\text{Spiral Sink}}$$



Figure 1: Direction field for Problem 5. We see the saddle at the origin, the spiral sink at $(4,4)^T$ and the source at $(-2,2)^T$.

2. Problem 6.

$$\dot{x} = x - x^2 - xy \dot{y} = 3y - xy - 2y^2 \implies \text{Equilibria} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3/2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The Jacobian is $\begin{bmatrix} 1-2x-y & -x \\ -y & 3-x-4y \end{bmatrix}$ Evaluate at the equilibria and classify:

• At the origin,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{Trace:} & 4 \\ \text{Det:} & 3 \\ \text{Disc:} & 4 \end{array} \Rightarrow \text{Source}$$

• At the point $(1,0)^T$,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Trace: } 1} \text{Det: } -2 \xrightarrow{\text{Saddle}} \text{Disc: } 9$$

• At the point $(0, 3/2)^T$,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1/2 & 0 \\ -3/2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Trace:}} \begin{bmatrix} -7/2 \\ \text{Det:} & 3/2 \\ \text{Disc:} & 25/4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Sink}}$$

• At the point $(-1,2)^T$,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \text{Trace:} & -3 \\ \text{Det:} & -2 \\ \text{Disc:} & 17 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{Saddle}$$

Figure 2: Direction field for Problem 6. We see the source at the origin, the saddles at $(1,0)^T$ and $(-1,2)^T$, and the sink at $(0,3/2)^T$.

3. Problem 7:

The Jacobian is $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 2x & -2y \end{bmatrix}$ Evaluate at the equilibria and classify:

• At the point $(-1,1)^T$,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Trace:}} \begin{array}{c} \text{Trace:} & -2 \\ \text{Det:} & -2 \\ \text{Disc:} & 12 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{Saddle}}$$

• At the point $(1,1)^T$,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \text{Trace:} & -2 \\ \text{Det:} & 2 \\ \text{Disc:} & -4 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{Spiral Sink}$$

Figure 3: Direction field for Problem 7. We see the saddle at $(-1, 1)^T$ and the spiral sink at $(1, 1)^T$.

4. Problem 9.

$$\dot{x} = -(x-y)(1-x-y) \\ \dot{y} = x(2+y)$$
 \Rightarrow Equilibria $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$

The Jacobian is $\begin{bmatrix} -1+2x & 1-2y \\ 2+y & x \end{bmatrix}$ Evaluate at the equilibria and classify:

• At the origin,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Trace:}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ \text{Det:} \\ \text{Disc:} 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Saddle}}$$

• At the point $(0,1)^T$,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Trace:}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ \text{Det:} \\ \text{Disc:} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Trace:}} \xrightarrow{\text{Trace:}} \xrightarrow{\text{Spiral Sink}}$$

• At the point $(-2, -2)^T$,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -5 & 5\\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Trace:}} \begin{bmatrix} -7\\ \text{Det:} & 10\\ \text{Disc:} & 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Sink}}$$

• At the point $(3, -2)^T$,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Trace: } 8}_{\text{Det: } 15} \xrightarrow{\text{Source}}_{\text{Disc: } 4}$$



Figure 4: Direction field for Problem 9. We see the saddle at the origin, the spiral sink at $(0,1)^T$, the (regular) sink at (-2,-2) and the source at $(3,-2)^T$.

5. Problem 18:

$$\begin{array}{l} \dot{x} &= x \\ \dot{y} &= -2y + x^3 \end{array} \Rightarrow \text{ Equilibria} \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \end{array} \right]$$

The Jacobian is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3x^2 + y & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ Evaluate at the equilibria and classify:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{Trace:} & -1 \\ \text{Det:} & -2 \\ \text{Disc:} & 9 \end{array} \Rightarrow \text{Saddle}$$

In this case, we are able to compute solutions:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2y + x^3}{x} \quad \Rightarrow \quad y' + \frac{2}{x}y = x^2$$

Use the method of integrating factors, $e^{\int p(x) dx} = x^2$, and

$$(x^2y)' = x^4 \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = \frac{1}{5}x^3 + \frac{C}{x^2}$$



Figure 5: Direction field for Problem 18, and we also see solution curves. The heavy black curves are the contours for the function $x^2y - \frac{1}{5}x^5$ for contours -1, -1/2, 0, 1/2, 1. Notice that, at the contour 0, we simply have the curve $y = x^3$. The linearization predicted a saddle, which we also see (and this is a good example of how the nonlinear system "tweaks" the linear system).