

#8. (4 pts) First convert to a system.

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= y & x_1' &= x_2 & x_1(0) &= 3 \\ x_2 &= y' & x_2' &= -12x_1 + 8x_2 & x_2(0) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -12 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} \quad \vec{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now find the eigenvalues.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ -12 & 8 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 12 = (\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 6) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 2, \lambda_2 = 6$$

Now the eigenvectors.

$$\lambda_1 = 2: \quad \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ -12 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow -2\eta_1 + \eta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \eta_2 = 2\eta_1$$

$$\vec{\eta}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \eta_1 = 1$$

$$\lambda_2 = 6: \quad \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 1 \\ -12 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow -6\eta_1 + \eta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \eta_2 = 6\eta_1$$

$$\vec{\eta}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \eta_1 = 1$$

The general solution is then,

$$\vec{x}(t) = c_1 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{6t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

Next, apply the initial conditions and find the constants.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{x}(0) = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} c_1 + c_2 &= 3 \\ 2c_1 + 6c_2 &= 1 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} c_1 &= \frac{17}{4} \\ c_2 &= -\frac{5}{4} \end{aligned}$$

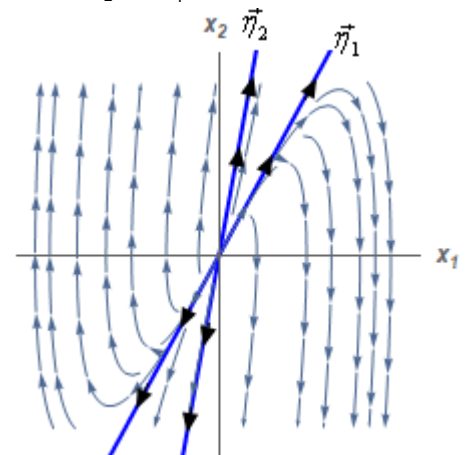
The actual solution to the system is then,

$$\vec{x}(t) = \frac{17}{4} e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{5}{4} e^{6t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

and the solution to the second order d.e. is,

$$\boxed{y(t) = \frac{17}{4} e^{2t} - \frac{5}{4} e^{6t}}$$

Now, we have two real negative eigenvalues and so we know that we'll have an **unstable** node. Here is a sketch of the phase portrait.



#9. (3 pts) First the eigenvalues.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} -3 - \lambda & -13 \\ 1 & 3 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = \pm 2i$$

Now the eigenvector for the first eigenvalue (since we only need one in this case).

$\lambda_1 = 2i$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 - 2i & -13 \\ 1 & 3 - 2i \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \eta_1 + (3 - 2i)\eta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \eta_1 = (-3 + 2i)\eta_2$$

$$\vec{\eta}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 + 2i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \eta_2 = 1$$

Next,

$$\begin{aligned} e^{2it} \begin{pmatrix} -3 + 2i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} &= (\cos(2t) + i \sin(2t)) \begin{pmatrix} -3 + 2i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -3 \cos(2t) - 2 \sin(2t) \\ \cos(2t) \end{pmatrix} + i \begin{pmatrix} 2 \cos(2t) - 3 \sin(2t) \\ \sin(2t) \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The general solution is then,

$$\vec{x}(t) = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} -3 \cos(2t) - 2 \sin(2t) \\ \cos(2t) \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \cos(2t) - 3 \sin(2t) \\ \sin(2t) \end{pmatrix}$$

Apply the initial conditions and find the constants.

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{x}(0) = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} -3c_1 + 2c_2 &= -2 \\ c_1 &= 6 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} c_1 &= 6 \\ c_2 &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

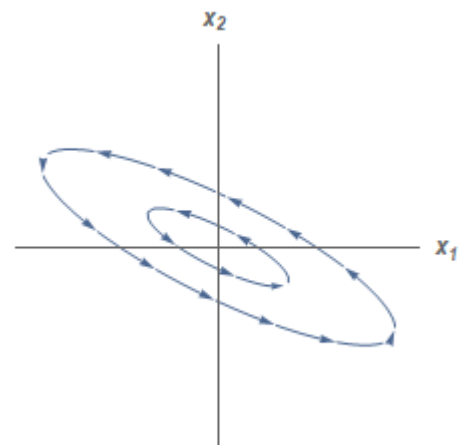
The actual solution is then,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{x}(t) &= 6 \begin{pmatrix} -3 \cos(2t) - 2 \sin(2t) \\ \cos(2t) \end{pmatrix} + 8 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \cos(2t) - 3 \sin(2t) \\ \sin(2t) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -2 \cos(2t) - 36 \sin(2t) \\ 6 \cos(2t) + 8 \sin(2t) \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Now, we have complex eigenvalues with zero real part and so we know that we will have an **stable** center. Then using,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & -13 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

we can see that as the ellipses crosses the x_1 axis they need to be going upward and so the spiral will rotate counter clockwise. Here is a sketch.



#11. (3 pts) First the eigenvalues.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} -10 - \lambda & -4 \\ 9 & 2 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 + 8\lambda + 16 = (\lambda + 4)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = -4$$

Now the eigenvector (only one here..).

$$\lambda_{1,2} = -4: \quad \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -4 \\ 9 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow 9\eta_1 + 6\eta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \eta_2 = -\frac{3}{2}\eta_1$$

$$\vec{\eta}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \eta_1 = 2$$

Next we need $\vec{\rho}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -6 & -4 \\ 9 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \rho_1 \\ \rho_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow 9\rho_1 + 6\rho_2 = -3 \Rightarrow \rho_2 = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{2}\rho_1$$

$$\vec{\rho} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \rho_1 = 0$$

The general solution is then,

$$\vec{x}(t) = c_1 \mathbf{e}^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \left\{ t \mathbf{e}^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} + \mathbf{e}^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Apply the initial conditions and solve for the constants.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{x}(0) = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} 2c_1 &= 4 \\ -3c_1 - \frac{1}{2}c_2 &= -1 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} c_1 &= 2 \\ c_2 &= -10 \end{aligned}$$

The actual solution is,

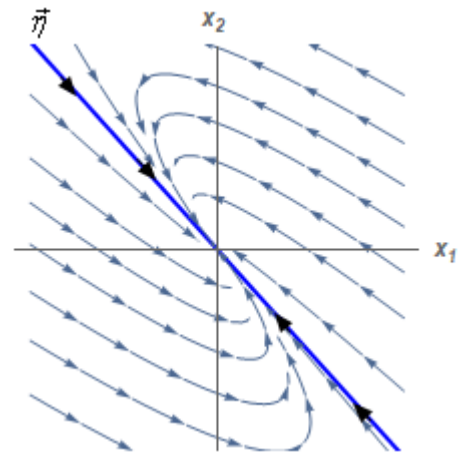
$$\vec{x}(t) = 2\mathbf{e}^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} - 10 \left\{ t \mathbf{e}^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} + \mathbf{e}^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \mathbf{e}^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + t \mathbf{e}^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} -20 \\ 30 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now, we have a negative double eigenvalue and so we know that we will have an **asymptotically stable** improper node.

Then using,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -10 & -4 \\ 9 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -10 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

we can see that as the trajectories cross the x_1 axis they need to be going upward. Here is a sketch.



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#1. Here's the determinant we'll need for the eigenvalues.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 10 - \lambda & 1 \\ -4 & 6 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 16\lambda + 64 = (\lambda - 8)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = 8$$

So, it looks like we've got a double eigenvalue. Now, find the eigenvector.

$$\lambda_{1,2} = 8: \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow 2\eta_1 + \eta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \eta_2 = -2\eta_1$$

$$\vec{\eta}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \eta_1 = 1$$

#2. Here's the determinant we'll need for the eigenvalues.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{3}{4} - \lambda & \frac{1}{4} \\ -37 & -\frac{1}{4} - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - \frac{1}{2}\lambda + \frac{145}{16} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = \frac{1}{4} \pm 3i$$

Here is the eigenvector for the first eigenvalue.

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{4} + 3i:$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} - 3i & \frac{1}{4} \\ -37 & -\frac{1}{2} - 3i \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{2} - 3i\right)\eta_1 + \frac{1}{4}\eta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \eta_2 = -4\left(\frac{1}{2} - 3i\right)\eta_1$$

$$\vec{\eta}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 + 12i \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \eta_1 = 1$$

Then by the fact from class the eigenvector for $\lambda_2 = \frac{1}{4} - 3i$ will be,

$$\vec{\eta}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 - 12i \end{pmatrix}$$

#3. Here's the determinant we'll need for the eigenvalues.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 4 - \lambda & 7 \\ 1 & -2 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 15 = (\lambda - 5)(\lambda + 3) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = -3, \lambda_2 = 5$$

Here are the eigenvectors for each eigenvalue.

$$\lambda_1 = -3: \quad \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 7 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \eta_1 + \eta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \eta_1 = -\eta_2$$

$$\vec{\eta}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \eta_2 = 1$$

$$\lambda_2 = 5: \quad \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 7 \\ 1 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \eta_1 - 7\eta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \eta_1 = 7\eta_2$$

$$\vec{\eta}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \eta_2 = 1$$

#4.

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 x_1 = y & x_1' = x_2 & x_1(0) = 4 \\
 x_2 = y' & x_2' = -3x_1 + \frac{9}{7}x_2 & x_2(0) = -6 \\
 \vec{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -3 & \frac{9}{7} \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} & \vec{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} &
 \end{array}$$

#5.

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 x_1 = y & x_1' = x_2 & x_1(3) = 0 \\
 x_2 = y' & x_2' = x_3 & x_2(3) = -8 \\
 x_3 = y'' & x_3' = x_4 & x_3(3) = -5 \\
 x_4 = y''' & x_4' = -x_1 + 16x_2 & x_4(3) = 10 \\
 \vec{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 16 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} & \vec{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -8 \\ -5 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} &
 \end{array}$$

#6. First the eigenvalues.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} -9 - \lambda & 5 \\ 4 & -3 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 + 12\lambda + 7 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = -6 \pm \sqrt{29}$$

So, we have two real, distinct eigenvalues. Do not get excited about the fact that they are “odd”. These are probably much more “realistic” than the integers and/or fractions you’ll be dealing with for the rest of this homework.

Now let’s find the eigenvectors for each.

$$\lambda_1 = -6 + \sqrt{29} :$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 - \sqrt{29} & 5 \\ 4 & 3 - \sqrt{29} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow -(3 + \sqrt{29})\eta_1 + 5\eta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \eta_2 = \frac{1}{5}(3 + \sqrt{29})\eta_1$$

$$\vec{\eta}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 + \sqrt{29} \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \eta_1 = 5$$

$$\lambda_2 = -6 - \sqrt{29} :$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 + \sqrt{29} & 5 \\ 4 & 3 + \sqrt{29} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow -(3 - \sqrt{29})\eta_1 + 5\eta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \eta_2 = \frac{1}{5}(3 - \sqrt{29})\eta_1$$

$$\vec{\eta}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 + \sqrt{29} \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \eta_1 = 5$$

The general solution is then,

$$\vec{x}(t) = c_1 e^{(-6+\sqrt{29})t} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3-\sqrt{29} \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{(-6-\sqrt{29})t} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3+\sqrt{29} \end{pmatrix}$$

#7. First the eigenvalues.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 4-\lambda & 5 \\ 3 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 6\lambda - 7 = (\lambda+1)(\lambda-7) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = -1, \lambda_2 = 7$$

Now the eigenvectors.

$$\lambda_1 = -1: \quad \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5 \\ 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow 5\eta_1 + 5\eta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \eta_1 = -\eta_2$$

$$\vec{\eta}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \eta_2 = 1$$

$$\lambda_2 = 7: \quad \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 5 \\ 3 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow -3\eta_1 + 5\eta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \eta_2 = \frac{3}{5}\eta_1$$

$$\vec{\eta}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \eta_1 = 5$$

The general solution is then,

$$\vec{x}(t) = c_1 e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{7t} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

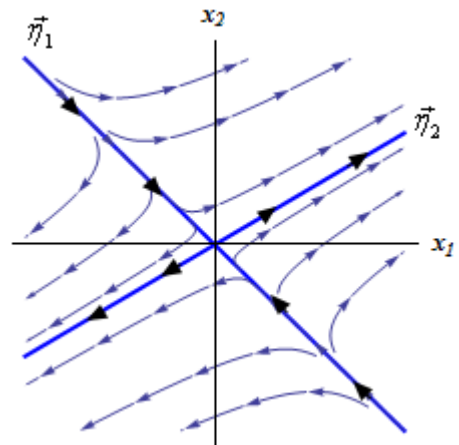
Next, apply the initial conditions and find the constants.

$$\begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{x}(0) = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} -c_1 + 5c_2 &= -8 \\ c_1 + 3c_2 &= 7 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} c_1 &= \frac{59}{8} \\ c_2 &= -\frac{1}{8} \end{aligned}$$

The actual solution is then,

$$\boxed{\vec{x}(t) = \frac{59}{8} e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{8} e^{7t} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}}$$

Now, we have two real eigenvalues with opposite signs and so we know that we'll have an **unstable saddle point**. Here is a sketch of the phase portrait.



#10. First the eigenvalues.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 6-\lambda & 5 \\ -10 & -4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 26 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = 1 \pm 5i$$

Now the eigenvector for the first eigenvalue (since we only need one in this case).

$\lambda_1 = 1 + 5i$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5-5i & 5 \\ -10 & -5-5i \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow (5-5i)\eta_1 + 5\eta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \eta_2 = (-1+i)\eta_1$$

$$\vec{\eta}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1+i \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \eta_1 = 1$$

Next,

$$\begin{aligned} e^{(1+5i)t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1+i \end{pmatrix} &= e^t (\cos(5t) + i \sin(5t)) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1+i \end{pmatrix} \\ &= e^t \begin{pmatrix} \cos(5t) \\ -\cos(5t) - \sin(5t) \end{pmatrix} + i e^t \begin{pmatrix} \sin(5t) \\ \cos(5t) - \sin(5t) \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The general solution is then,

$$\vec{x}(t) = c_1 e^t \begin{pmatrix} \cos(5t) \\ -\cos(5t) - \sin(5t) \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^t \begin{pmatrix} \sin(5t) \\ \cos(5t) - \sin(5t) \end{pmatrix}$$

Apply the initial conditions and find the constants.

$$\begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{x}(0) = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} c_1 &= -5 \\ -c_1 + c_2 &= 0 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} c_1 &= -5 \\ c_2 &= -5 \end{aligned}$$

The actual solution is then,

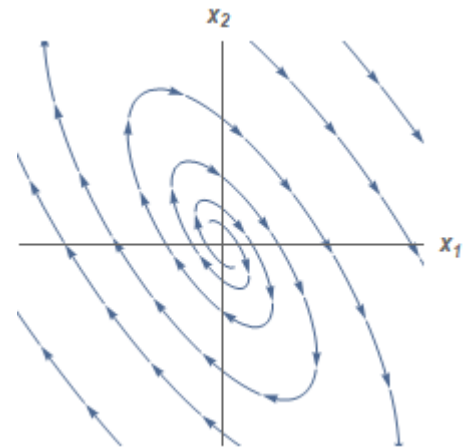
$$\vec{x}(t) = -5e^t \begin{pmatrix} \cos(5t) \\ -\cos(5t) - \sin(5t) \end{pmatrix} - 5e^t \begin{pmatrix} \sin(5t) \\ \cos(5t) - \sin(5t) \end{pmatrix} = e^t \begin{pmatrix} -5\cos(5t) - 5\sin(5t) \\ -10\sin(5t) \end{pmatrix}$$

Now, we have complex eigenvalues with positive real part and so we know that we will have an **unstable** spiral.

Then using,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ -10 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix}$$

we can see that as the arms of the spiral cross the x_1 axis they need to be going downward and so the spiral will rotate counter clock-wise. Here is a sketch.



#12. First the eigenvalues.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3}-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - \frac{4}{3}\lambda + \frac{4}{9} = \left(\lambda - \frac{2}{3}\right)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Now the eigenvector (only one here...).

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{2}{3}: \quad \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{3}\eta_1 + \frac{1}{3}\eta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \eta_2 = -\eta_1$$

$$\vec{\eta}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \eta_1 = 1$$

Next we need $\vec{\rho}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \rho_1 \\ \rho_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{3}\rho_1 + \frac{1}{3}\rho_2 = 1 \Rightarrow \rho_2 = 3 - \rho_1$$

$$\vec{\rho} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ using } \rho_1 = 0$$

The general solution is then,

$$\vec{x}(t) = c_1 \mathbf{e}^{\frac{2}{3}t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \left\{ t \mathbf{e}^{\frac{2}{3}t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \mathbf{e}^{\frac{2}{3}t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Apply the initial conditions and solve for the constants.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{x}(0) = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} c_1 = 2 \\ -c_1 + 3c_2 = 2 \end{matrix} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} c_1 = 2 \\ c_2 = \frac{4}{3} \end{matrix}$$

The actual solution is,

$$\vec{x}(t) = 2\mathbf{e}^{\frac{2}{3}t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{4}{3} \left\{ t \mathbf{e}^{\frac{2}{3}t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \mathbf{e}^{\frac{2}{3}t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \mathbf{e}^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + t \mathbf{e}^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{3} \\ -\frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

Now, we have a positive double eigenvalue and so we know that we will have an **unstable** improper node. Then using,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -\frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

we can see that as the trajectories cross the x_1 axis they need to be going downward. Here is a sketch.

