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Find comp. eigenvcs:

Write $\vec{x}(t) = c_1 \vec{\xi}^{(1)} e^{\lambda_1 t} + c_2 \vec{\xi}^{(2)} e^{\lambda_2 t}$:

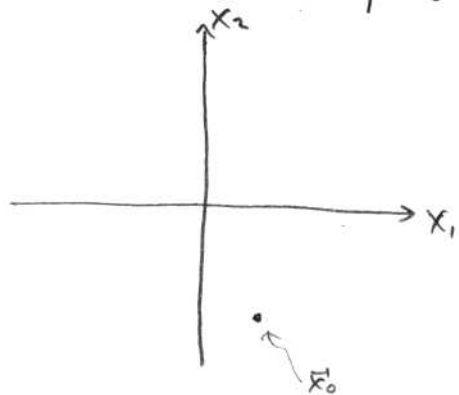
$\vec{x}(t) =$

B) Match the initial condition $\vec{x}(0) = \vec{x}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$

[Hint: solve via row reduction]

So, solution is: $\vec{x}(t) = \dots$

C) Sketch behavior of solutions in (x_1, x_2) plane:



[include a variety of ICs, show flow directions, relate to eigenvectors (sketch them first!)]

SOLUTIONS

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Find eigvals: $\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 4 \\ 1 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1-\lambda)^2 - (1)4$

so $\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 - 4 = 0$
 $(\lambda - 3)(\lambda + 1) = 0$

$\lambda = -1, +3.$

distinct so will get full set of axes.

Find corresp. eigenvecs:

$\lambda = -1: (A - \lambda I)\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+1 & 4 \\ 1 & 1+1 \end{bmatrix}\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}\vec{v} = \vec{0}$

so $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

$\lambda = +3: \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}\vec{v} = \vec{0}$ so $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Write $\vec{x}(t) = c_1 \vec{\xi}^{(1)} e^{\lambda_1 t} + c_2 \vec{\xi}^{(2)} e^{\lambda_2 t}$

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

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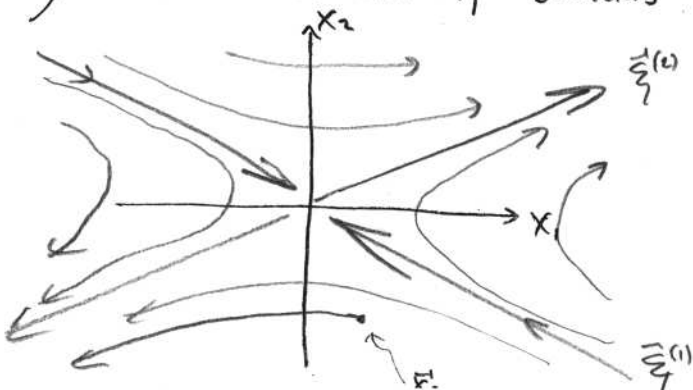
$c_1 \vec{\xi}^{(1)} + c_2 \vec{\xi}^{(2)} = \vec{x}_0$ ie $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & | & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & | & -5 \end{bmatrix}$ is linear system

[Hint: solve via row reduction]

$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & | & -4 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & | & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & | & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ so $c_1 = 3, c_2 = -2$

So, solution is: $\vec{x}(t) = 3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} e^{-t} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{3t}$

C) Sketch behavior of solutions in (x_1, x_2) plane:



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 saddle point (hyperbolic flow curves).