

Problem	Points	Score
1	20	
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1. [20 points] TRUE/FALSE: You must provide a concise justification for your answer. If you claim the statement is false, a counter-example is sufficient.

(a) Consider the system

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} 2t & t^2 \\ 3t & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

If $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$ and $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$ are both solutions, then so is $3\mathbf{x}^{(1)} + \mathbf{x}^{(2)}$.

(b) Let $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$, where A a 2×2 real-valued matrix. If $r = 0$ is an eigenvalue of A the system has infinitely many critical points of which $(0, 0)$ is one.

(c) The particular solution for $y'' + 2y' + 5y = 4e^{-t} \cos 2t$ is of the form $Ae^{-t} \cos 2t + Be^{-t} \sin 2t$.

- (d) The critical point $(0, 0)$ for the non-linear system of equations

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= (1+x)\sin y \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= 1-x-\cos y\end{aligned}$$

is a stable center.

- (e) Consider the constant coefficient initial value problem $\mathbf{x}'(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t)$ with initial conditions $\mathbf{x}(t_0) = \mathbf{x}^0$. Here $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{x}^0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$. Let $\Psi(t)$ be the fundamental matrix of this system, and $\Phi(t)$ be the fundamental matrix whose column vectors satisfy $\mathbf{x}^{(j)}(t_0) = \mathbf{e}^{(j)}$, where $\mathbf{e}^{(j)}$ is the unit vector with a one in the j th position and zeros everywhere else. (Note that $\Phi(t_0) = I$, the identity matrix.) Then $\Phi(t) = \Psi(t)\Psi^{-1}(t_0)$.

2. [15-points] Match the systems below with the correct phase portraits on the following page.

(1) $\frac{dx}{dt} = y^2 - x; \frac{dy}{dt} = x^2 + y.$

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(2) $\frac{dx}{dt} = 3x + 8y; \frac{dy}{dt} = -4x - 3y.$

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(3) $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2xy - 2x; \frac{dy}{dt} = y^2 + 2.$

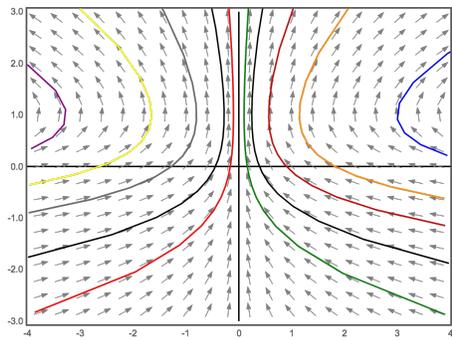
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(4) $\frac{dx}{dt} = x - 8y; \frac{dy}{dt} = 8x + y.$

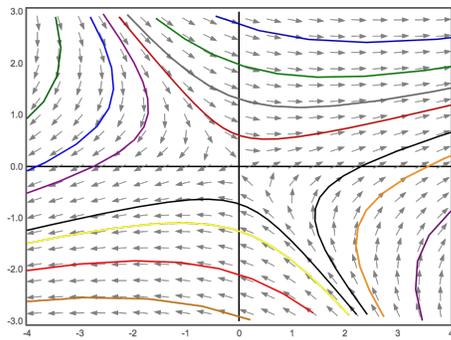
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(5) $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2x + 3y; \frac{dy}{dt} = x - y.$

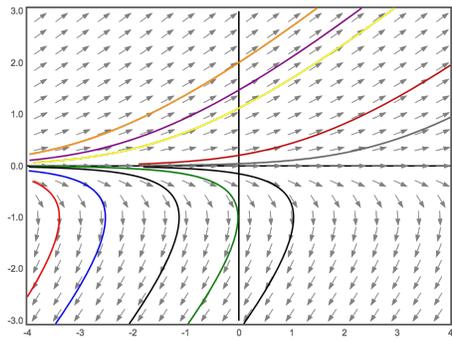
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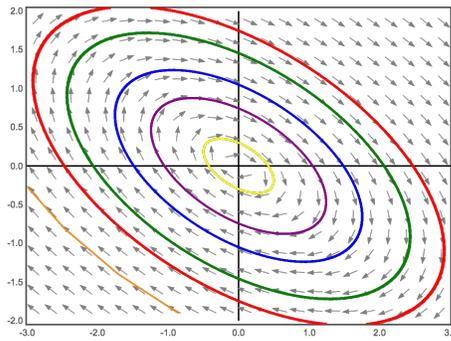
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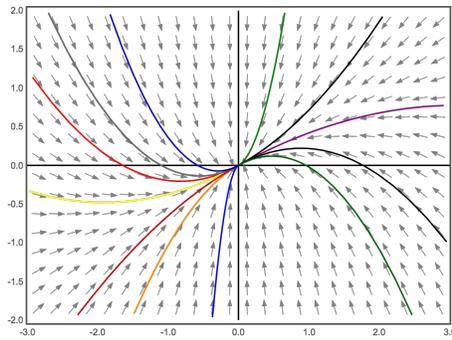
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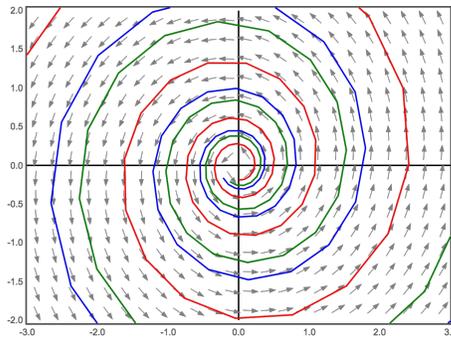
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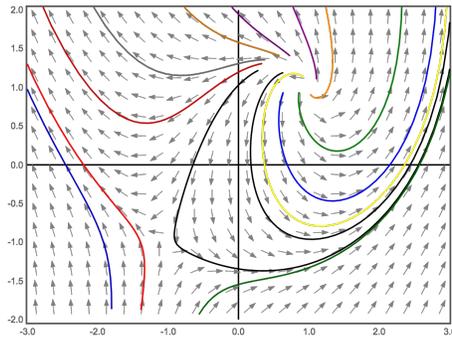
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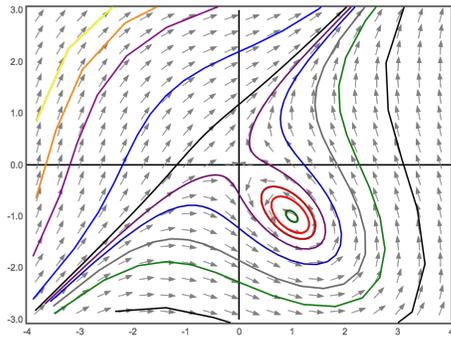
(e)



(f)



(g)



(h)

3. [25- points] Consider the system:

$$\mathbf{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

- (a) Describe the equilibrium point for $\alpha^2 - 4 < 0$. For which values of α it is stable, and for which values is it asymptotically stable? Explain your answer.
- (b) For $\alpha^2 - 4 < 0$, choose an α such that the equilibrium point is asymptotically stable. Write the corresponding general solution.

4. [25- points] Consider the system:

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= x - xy \\y' &= y + 2xy\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Determine the system's critical points.
- (b) Is this system *locally linear* for each critical point? Why or why not?
- (c) Write the corresponding linearized system corresponding to each critical point.
- (d) Describe the type and the stability of each critical point for the corresponding linearized systems. Be as specific as possible.
- (e) What can be said about the type and stability of each critical point for the original non-linear system? Be as specific as possible.

5. [15-points] Consider the second order ODE

$$t^2 y'' + 4ty' + 2y = 2, t > 0. \quad (1)$$

- (a) Verify that $y_1(t) = t^{-1}$ and $y_2(t) = t^{-2}$ are solutions to the homogeneous equation associated to (1).
- (b) Compute the Wronskian of $y_1(t)$ and $y_2(t)$.
- (c) Use the variation of parameters to find a particular solution to (1).