

3.4 Complex eigenvalue case

Recall: $\frac{d\vec{Y}}{dt} = A \vec{Y}$ $\vec{Y}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{pmatrix}$, A : 2×2 constant matrix

To find special sol'n's like $\vec{Y}(t) = e^{\lambda t} \vec{v}$, we solve characteristic equation

$$(a - \lambda)(d - \lambda) - bc = 0$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

Case: two distinct complex roots $\lambda = \alpha \pm i\beta$

Ex $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

$$(0 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda) - (-1) \cdot 5 = 0$$

$$-2\lambda + \lambda^2 + 5 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 5 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 5}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-16}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm 4i}{2} = 1 \pm 2i$$

For $\lambda = 1 + 2i$, an eigenvector is $\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} -b \\ a - \lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 - 2i \end{pmatrix}$

\Rightarrow complex sol'n $\vec{Y}(t) = e^{(1+2i)t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1-2i \end{pmatrix}$

Separate real/imaginary parts:

$$\vec{Y}(t) = e^t e^{2it} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1-2i \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$e^{ix} = \cos x + i\sin x$$

$$= e^t \left(\begin{array}{c} \underline{\cos(2t)} + i \sin(2t) \\ \underline{-\cos(2t)} - i \sin(2t) - 2i \cos(2t) + \underline{2 \sin(2t)} \end{array} \right)$$

$$= e^t \underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c} \cos(2t) \\ -\cos(2t) + 2 \sin(2t) \end{array} \right)}_{\text{real part}} + i e^t \underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c} \sin(2t) \\ -\sin(2t) - 2 \cos(2t) \end{array} \right)}_{\text{imaginary part}}$$

Thm If $\vec{Y}(t)$ is a complex sol'n of $\frac{d\vec{Y}}{dt} = A \vec{Y}$ where A is real, then the real and imaginary parts of $\vec{Y}(t)$ are also sol'ns to this DE.

Apply thm, we get two real sol'ns

$$\vec{Y}_1(t) = e^t \begin{pmatrix} \cos(2t) \\ -\cos(2t) + 2 \sin(2t) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{Y}_2(t) = e^t \begin{pmatrix} \sin(2t) \\ -\sin(2t) - 2 \cos(2t) \end{pmatrix}$$

Ex Solve initial value problem

$$\frac{d\vec{Y}}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \vec{Y}, \quad \vec{Y}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{Y}(t) = C_1 e^t \begin{pmatrix} \cos(2t) \\ -\cos(2t) + 2 \sin(2t) \end{pmatrix} + C_2 e^t \begin{pmatrix} \sin(2t) \\ -\sin(2t) - 2 \cos(2t) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Initial Condition} \Rightarrow C_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + C_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} C_1 = -1 \\ -C_1 - 2C_2 = 3 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} 1 - 2C_2 = 3 \\ -2C_2 = 2 \\ C_2 = -1 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{Y}(t) = -e^t \begin{pmatrix} \cos(2t) \\ -\cos(2t) + 2\sin(2t) \end{pmatrix} - e^t \begin{pmatrix} \sin(2t) \\ -\sin(2t) - 2\cos(2t) \end{pmatrix}$$

Summarize (complex eigenvalues, to get two real special sol'n's)

- Find complex eigenvalues $\lambda = \alpha \pm i\beta$
- For one eigenvalue, say, $\lambda = \alpha + i\beta$, find complex eigenvector \vec{v} .
- Write complex sol'n $\vec{Y}(t) = e^{(\alpha + i\beta)t} \vec{v}$ and separate into real/imaginary parts. Each gives a real sol'n.

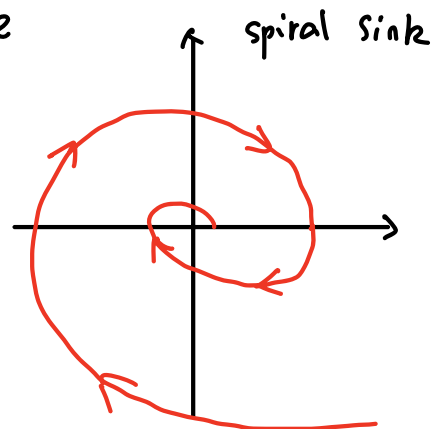
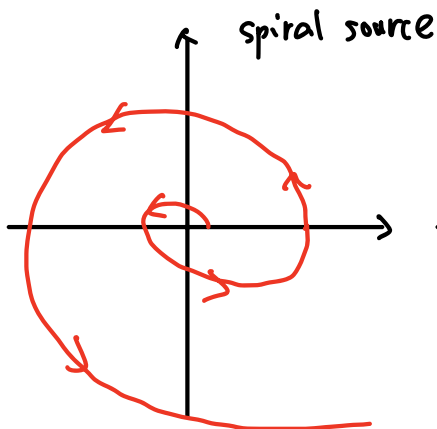
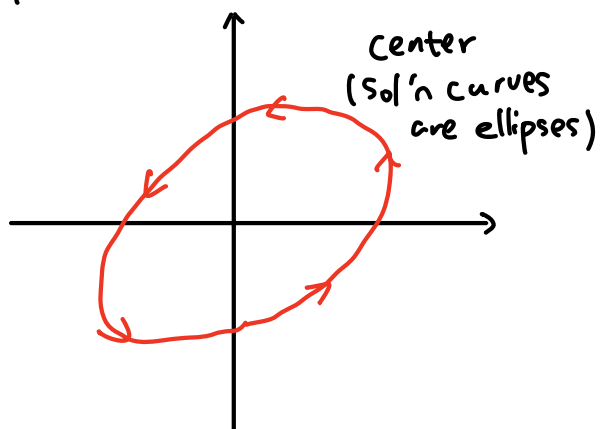
Qualitative behavior

Any real sol'n has the form

$$\vec{Y}(t) = e^{\alpha t} \begin{pmatrix} _ \cos(\beta t) + _ \sin(\beta t) \\ _ \cos(\beta t) + _ \sin(\beta t) \end{pmatrix}$$

↑
exponential
growth/decay
rotation around 0
w/ natural period $\frac{2\pi}{\beta}$

- $\alpha > 0$: exponential growth (spiral source)
 $\alpha < 0$: exponential decay (spiral sink)
 $\alpha = 0$: sol'n are periodic, rotating around 0 (center)



Ex Sketch phase portrait

$$\frac{d\vec{Y}}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \vec{Y}$$

$$(1-\lambda)(-3-\lambda) - (-5) \cdot 1 = 0$$

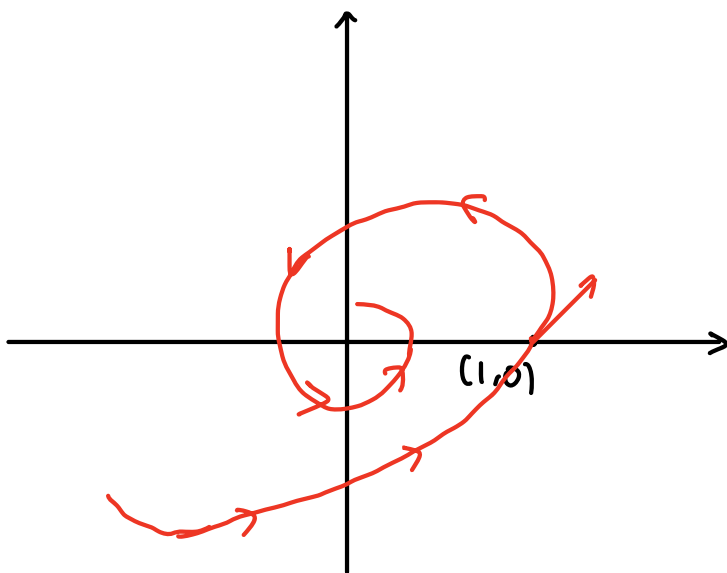
$$-3 - \lambda + 3\lambda + \lambda^2 + 5 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 2 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 2}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm 2i}{2} = \underline{-1 \pm i}$$

$$\alpha = -1 \quad \beta = 1$$

↳ spiral sink



To determine cw/ccw:

Check vector field at (1,0)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Ex Sketch phase portrait

$$\frac{d\vec{Y}}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -8 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \vec{Y}$$

$$(2-\lambda)(-2-\lambda) - 1 \cdot (-8) = 0$$

$$-4 - 2\lambda + 2\lambda + \lambda^2 + 8 = 0$$

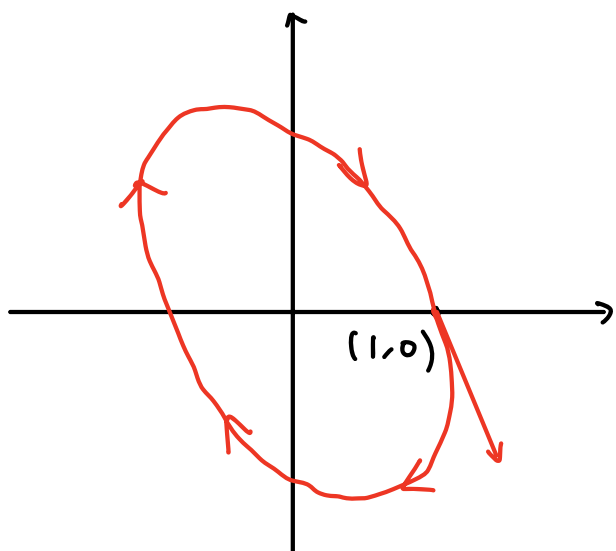
$$\lambda^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 = -4$$

$$\lambda = \pm 2i$$

$$\alpha = 0 \quad \beta = 2$$

↳ Center



$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -8 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}$$

Why ellipses for a center?

$$\frac{d\vec{Y}}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \vec{Y}$$

$$(0 - \lambda)(0 - \lambda) - 4 \cdot (-1) = 0$$

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

$$\lambda = \pm 2i$$

For $\lambda = 2i$, $\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -2i \end{pmatrix}$

$$\vec{Y}(t) = e^{2it} \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -2i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (\cos 2t + i \sin 2t) \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -2i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -4 \cos 2t - 4 i \sin 2t \\ -2i \cos 2t + 2 \sin 2t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -4 \cos 2t \\ 2 \sin 2t \end{pmatrix} + i \begin{pmatrix} -4 \sin 2t \\ -2 \cos 2t \end{pmatrix}$$

$\vec{Y}_1(t)$

$\vec{Y}_2(t)$

$$\vec{Y}_1(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \cos 2t \\ 2 \sin 2t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left(\frac{x}{4}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^2 = 1 \quad \underline{\text{ellipse}}$$