

**Math 5490**  
**Topics in Applied Mathematics**  
**Introduction to the Mathematics of Climate**

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The dependence of the solution on *initial conditions* is just as important as its dependence on *time*.

$x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n, f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

$\dot{x} = f(x)$   
 $x(0) = \xi$

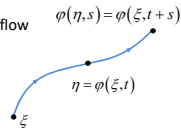
**intital value problem**  $\varphi(\eta, s) = \varphi(\xi, t + s)$

The initial value problem generates a flow  $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  with properties

**intital condition**  $\varphi(\xi, 0) = \xi$

**"group property"**  $\varphi(\varphi(\xi, t), s) = \varphi(\xi, t + s)$

If we start the system at state  $\xi$  and follow the solution for time  $t$ , then restart the system at the new state and follow the solution for time  $s$ , we end up at the same state as starting at  $\xi$  and following for time  $t+s$ .

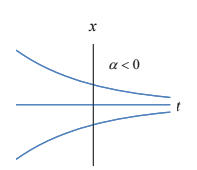


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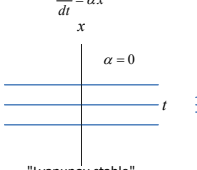
**Example**  
 $\frac{dx}{dt} = \alpha x$

$\alpha < 0$



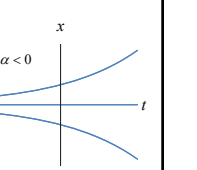
"asymptotically stable"

$\alpha = 0$



"Lyapunov stable"

$\alpha > 0$



"unstable"

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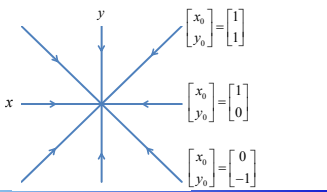
**"Phase Plane"**

**Example**

$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix}$

$\dot{x} = -x$   
 $\dot{y} = -y$   
 $x(0) = x_0$   
 $y(0) = y_0$

$\varphi \left( \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix}, t \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 e^{-t} \\ y_0 e^{-t} \end{bmatrix}$



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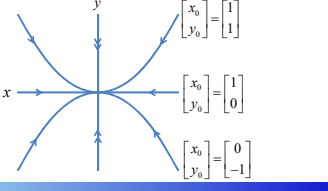
**"Phase Plane"**

**Example**

$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix}$

$\dot{x} = -x$   
 $\dot{y} = -2y$   
 $x(0) = x_0$   
 $y(0) = y_0$

$\varphi \left( \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix}, t \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 e^{-t} \\ y_0 e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix}$



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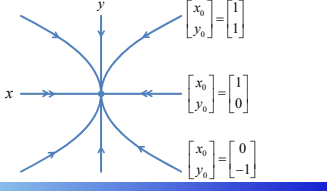
**"Phase Plane"**

**Example**

$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix}$

$\dot{x} = -2x$   
 $\dot{y} = -y$   
 $x(0) = x_0$   
 $y(0) = y_0$

$\varphi \left( \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix}, t \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 e^{-2t} \\ y_0 e^{-t} \end{bmatrix}$



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**"Phase Plane"**  
Example: "stable nodes"

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= ax & \phi \left( \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix}, t \right) &= \begin{bmatrix} x_0 e^{at} \\ y_0 e^{bt} \end{bmatrix} \\ \dot{y} &= by & x(0) &= x_0 \\ & & y(0) &= y_0 \end{aligned}$$

$a < b < 0$        $a = b < 0$        $b < a < 0$

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**"Phase Plane"**  
Example: "unstable nodes"

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\phi \left( \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix}, t \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 e^{at} \\ y_0 e^{bt} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= ax & x(0) &= x_0 \\ \dot{y} &= by & y(0) &= y_0 \end{aligned}$$

$a > b > 0$        $a = b > 0$        $0 < a < b$

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**"Phase Plane"**  
Example: "saddles"

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\phi \left( \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix}, t \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 e^{at} \\ y_0 e^{bt} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= ax \\ \dot{y} &= by \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x(0) &= x_0 \\ y(0) &= y_0 \end{aligned}$$

$a < 0 < b$        $b < 0 < a$

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**Matrix Notation**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{dt} &= a_{11}x + a_{12}y \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= a_{21}x + a_{22}y \end{aligned} \iff \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}, A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \iff \frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = A\mathbf{x}$$

Amazingly, the solution is  $\mathbf{x}(t) = e^{At} \mathbf{x}_0$

**Example**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \alpha x \iff \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}, A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{bmatrix} \iff \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\alpha t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\beta t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\alpha t} x_0 \\ e^{\beta t} y_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**Eigenvalues**

$$Av = \lambda v \quad (v \neq 0)$$

The number  $\lambda$  is called an **eigenvalue** and the vector  $v$  is called an **eigenvector**.

**Example**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ A \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \beta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are eigenvalues with corresponding eigenvectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

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**Eigenvalues**

**Example**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ A \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = (-1) \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

2 and -1 are eigenvalues with corresponding eigenvectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

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**Eigenvalues**  
*What are they good for?*  
To find solutions of

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax$$

If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  with corresponding eigenvector  $v$ , then  $x(t) = e^{\lambda t}v$  is a solution.

Proof:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \lambda e^{\lambda t}v = e^{\lambda t}\lambda v = e^{\lambda t}Av = A(e^{\lambda t}v) = Ax$$

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**Eigenvalues**

**Example**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \alpha x \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \beta y$$

$A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{bmatrix}$  eigenvalues:  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$   
eigenvectors:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Solutions:  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = e^{\alpha t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\alpha t} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = e^{\beta t} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ e^{\beta t} \end{bmatrix}$

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**Eigenvalues**

**Example**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = x + 2y \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x$$

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  eigenvalues: 2 and -1  
eigenvectors:  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Solutions:  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2e^{2t} \\ e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -e^{-t} \\ e^{-t} \end{bmatrix}$

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**More good news:**

If  $x = \phi_1(t)$  and  $x = \phi_2(t)$  are solutions of  $\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax$ , then  $x(t) = c_1\phi_1(t) + c_2\phi_2(t)$  is also a solution for arbitrary constants  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ .

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{dt} &= \frac{d}{dt}(c_1\phi_1(t) + c_2\phi_2(t)) \\ &= c_1\phi_1'(t) + c_2\phi_2'(t) = c_1A\phi_1(t) + c_2A\phi_2(t) \\ &= A(c_1\phi_1(t) + c_2\phi_2(t)) \\ &= Ax \end{aligned}$$

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**Eigenvalues**

**Example**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \alpha x \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \beta y$$

Solutions:  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\alpha t} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ e^{\beta t} \end{bmatrix}$

General solution:  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} e^{\alpha t} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ e^{\beta t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 e^{\alpha t} \\ c_2 e^{\beta t} \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{cases} x(t) = c_1 e^{\alpha t} \\ y(t) = c_2 e^{\beta t} \end{cases}$$

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**Eigenvalues**

**Example**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = x + 2y \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x$$

Solutions:  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2e^{2t} \\ e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -e^{-t} \\ e^{-t} \end{bmatrix}$

General solution:  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2e^{2t} \\ e^{2t} \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -e^{-t} \\ e^{-t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2c_1 e^{2t} - c_2 e^{-t} \\ c_1 e^{2t} + c_2 e^{-t} \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{cases} x(t) = 2c_1 e^{2t} - c_2 e^{-t} \\ y(t) = c_1 e^{2t} + c_2 e^{-t} \end{cases}$$

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**Eigenvalues**

$$Av = \lambda v$$

**How do we find the eigenvalues?**

$$Av = \lambda v \Rightarrow Av - \lambda v = 0 \Rightarrow (A - \lambda I)v = 0$$

For  $(A - \lambda I)v = 0$  to have a nontrivial solution  $v \neq 0$ , we must have

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0.$$

↑  
**Characteristic Polynomial**

The roots of the characteristic polynomial are the eigenvalues of  $A$ .

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**Eigenvalues**

The roots of the characteristic polynomial are the eigenvalues.

**Example**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0 = \det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} \alpha - \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \beta - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = (\alpha - \lambda)(\beta - \lambda)$$

The eigenvalues are the roots of  $(\lambda - \alpha)(\lambda - \beta) = 0$ , namely,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

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**Eigenvalues**

**Example**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0 = \det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 2 \\ 1 & 0 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = (1 - \lambda)(0 - \lambda) - 2$$

$$= \lambda^2 - \lambda - 2 = (\lambda - 2)(\lambda + 1)$$

The eigenvalues are the roots of  $(\lambda - 2)(\lambda + 1) = 0$ , namely, 2 and  $-1$ .

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**Eigenvalues**  
**In general**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0 = \det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} - \lambda & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = (a_{11} - \lambda)(a_{22} - \lambda) - a_{12}a_{21}$$

$$= \lambda^2 - (a_{11} + a_{22})\lambda + a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$$

$$= \lambda^2 - \text{trace}(A)\lambda + \det(A)$$

$$= \lambda^2 - \tau\lambda + \delta$$

The eigenvalues are  $\lambda = \frac{\tau \pm \sqrt{\tau^2 - 4\delta}}{2}$   
 real if  $\tau^2 - 4\delta \geq 0$   
 complex if  $\tau^2 - 4\delta < 0$

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**Eigenvalues**

**Example**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tau = \text{trace}(A) = 1 + 0 = 1$$

$$\delta = \det(A) = 1 \cdot 0 - 2 \cdot 1 = -2$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - \tau\lambda + \delta = \lambda^2 - \lambda - 2$$

The eigenvalues are  $\lambda = \frac{\tau \pm \sqrt{\tau^2 - 4\delta}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1^2 - 4(-2)}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{9}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm 3}{2}$   
2 and -1

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**Eigenvalues**

$$Av = \lambda v$$

**How do we find the eigenvectors?**

$$Av = \lambda v \Rightarrow Av - \lambda v = 0 \Rightarrow (A - \lambda I)v = 0$$

If we have an eigenvalue  $\lambda$  we can find a corresponding eigenvector by solving  $(A - \lambda I)v = 0$  for a nontrivial solution  $v$ .

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**Eigenvalues**

Example  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $\lambda_1 = 2, \lambda_2 = -1$  ← eigenvalues

$$A - \lambda_1 I = \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda_1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0-\lambda_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1-2 & 2 \\ 1 & 0-2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A - \lambda_1 I)v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = 2 \quad v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A - \lambda_2 I = \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda_2 & 2 \\ 1 & 0-\lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1-(-1) & 2 \\ 1 & 0-(-1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A - \lambda_2 I)v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\lambda_2 = -1 \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

← corresponding eigenvectors

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**Eigenvalues**

Example

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -2y \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x - 3y$$

$\tau = \text{trace}(A) = 0 - 3 = -3$   
 $\delta = \det(A) = 0 \cdot (-3) - (-2) \cdot 1 = 2$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - \tau\lambda + \delta = \lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 2 = (\lambda + 1)(\lambda + 2)$$

The eigenvalues are  $\boxed{-1}$  and  $\boxed{-2}$

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**Eigenvalues**

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$   $\lambda_1 = -1, \lambda_2 = -2$  ← eigenvalues

$$A - \lambda_1 I = \begin{bmatrix} 0-\lambda_1 & -2 \\ 1 & -3-\lambda_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0-(-1) & -2 \\ 1 & -3-(-1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A - \lambda_1 I)v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$A - \lambda_2 I = \begin{bmatrix} 0-\lambda_2 & -2 \\ 1 & -3-\lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0-(-2) & -2 \\ 1 & -3-(-2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A - \lambda_2 I)v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

← corresponding eigenvectors

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**Eigenvalues**

Example

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -2y \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x - 3y$$

eigenvalues:  $-1 \quad -2$   
eigenvectors:  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Solutions:  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = e^{-2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

General solution:  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2e^{-t} \\ e^{-t} \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} e^{-2t} \\ e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2c_1 e^{-t} + c_2 e^{-2t} \\ c_1 e^{-t} + c_2 e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix}$

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**Eigenvalues**

Example

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -y \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x$$

$\tau = \text{trace}(A) = 0 + 0 = 0$   
 $\delta = \det(A) = 0 \cdot 0 - (-1) \cdot 1 = 1$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - \tau\lambda + \delta = \lambda^2 + 1 = (\lambda - i)(\lambda + i)$$

The eigenvalues are  $\boxed{i}$  and  $\boxed{-i}$

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**Eigenvalues**

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $\lambda_1 = i, \lambda_2 = -i$  ← eigenvalues

$$A - \lambda_1 I = \begin{bmatrix} 0-\lambda_1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0-\lambda_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0-i & -1 \\ 1 & 0-i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -i & -1 \\ 1 & -i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A - \lambda_1 I)v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -i & -1 \\ 1 & -i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$A - \lambda_2 I = \begin{bmatrix} 0-\lambda_2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0-\lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0-(-i) & -1 \\ 1 & 0-(-i) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i & -1 \\ 1 & i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A - \lambda_2 I)v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} i & -1 \\ 1 & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

← corresponding eigenvectors

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**Eigenvalues**

**Example**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -y \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x$$

eigenvalues:  $i \quad -i$

eigenvectors:  $\begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

**Reality Check:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ i \end{bmatrix} = i \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix} = -i \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**Eigenvalues**

**Example**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -y \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x$$

eigenvalues:  $i \quad -i$

eigenvectors:  $\begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Solutions:  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = e^{it} \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = e^{-it} \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

General solution:  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} i e^{it} \\ e^{it} \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -i e^{-it} \\ e^{-it} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i c_1 e^{it} - i c_2 e^{-it} \\ c_1 e^{it} + c_2 e^{-it} \end{bmatrix}$

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**Eigenvalues**

**Example**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -y \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x$$

General solution:  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} i e^{it} \\ e^{it} \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -i e^{-it} \\ e^{-it} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i c_1 e^{it} - i c_2 e^{-it} \\ c_1 e^{it} + c_2 e^{-it} \end{bmatrix}$

Let  $c_1 = \frac{1}{2i}$ ,  $c_2 = -\frac{1}{2i}$ . Then  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(e^{it} + e^{-it}) \\ \frac{1}{2i}(e^{it} - e^{-it}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \end{bmatrix}$

Let  $c_1 = c_2 = \frac{1}{2}$ . Then  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{i}{2}(e^{it} - e^{-it}) \\ \frac{1}{2}(e^{it} + e^{-it}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix}$

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**Eigenvalues**

**Example**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -y \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x$$

General solution:  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} i e^{it} \\ e^{it} \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -i e^{-it} \\ e^{-it} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i c_1 e^{it} - i c_2 e^{-it} \\ c_1 e^{it} + c_2 e^{-it} \end{bmatrix}$

Or  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}(t) = a \begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} -\sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix}$

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**Eigenvalues**

**Alternate Approach**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -y \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = x$$

Let  $z = x + iy$ . Then  $\frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{dx}{dt} + i \frac{dy}{dt} = -y + ix = iz$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = iz \quad \text{Solution: } z(t) = z_0 e^{it} = r_0 e^{i\theta_0} e^{it} = r_0 e^{i(\theta_0 + t)}$$

Let  $z = r e^{i\theta}$ . Then  $\frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{dr}{dt} e^{i\theta} + r i e^{i\theta} \frac{d\theta}{dt} = iz = i r e^{i\theta}$

$$\frac{dr}{dt} + r i \frac{d\theta}{dt} = 0 + ir \quad \begin{cases} \frac{dr}{dt} = 0 \\ \frac{d\theta}{dt} = 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{Solution: } \begin{cases} r(t) = r_0 \\ \theta(t) = \theta_0 + t \end{cases}$$

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**Summary So Far**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = a_{11}x + a_{12}y \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = a_{21}x + a_{22}y \quad \iff \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad \iff \quad \frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = A\mathbf{x}$$

**Eigenvalues and eigenvectors**

$$A\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v} \quad (\mathbf{v} \neq 0)$$

If  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{u}$  are linearly independent eigenvectors with corresponding eigenvalues  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$ , then the general solution is

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda t} \mathbf{v} + c_2 e^{\mu t} \mathbf{u}$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are arbitrary constants.

**Linear independence:** one is not a multiple of the other.

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**Coordinate Change**

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

Suppose that  $v = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $u = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}$  are linearly independent eigenvectors of  $A$  with corresponding eigenvalues  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$ . Introduce new variables  $\xi$  and  $\eta$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \xi v + \eta u, \text{ i.e. } \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \xi + u_1 \eta \\ v_2 \xi + u_2 \eta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & u_1 \\ v_2 & u_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} = S \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $S = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & u_1 \\ v_2 & u_2 \end{bmatrix} = [v \mid u]$ .

Then  $S \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} = \frac{d}{dt} S \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} = \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = AS \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix}$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} = S^{-1} AS \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix}$$

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**Coordinate Change**

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \iff \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = S \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} \iff \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} = S^{-1} AS \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = [v \mid u] \quad Av = \lambda v \quad Au = \mu u$$

$$AS = A[v \mid u] = [Av \mid Au] = [\lambda v \mid \mu u] = [v \mid u] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \mu \end{bmatrix} = SA$$

$$A[v \mid u] = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & u_1 \\ v_2 & u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}v_1 + a_{12}v_2 & a_{11}u_1 + a_{12}u_2 \\ a_{21}v_1 + a_{22}v_2 & a_{21}u_1 + a_{22}u_2 \end{bmatrix} = [Av \mid Au]$$

$$[\lambda v \mid \mu u] = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda v_1 & \mu u_1 \\ \lambda v_2 & \mu u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & u_1 \\ v_2 & u_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \mu \end{bmatrix} = [v \mid u] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \mu \end{bmatrix}$$

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**Coordinate Change**

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \iff \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = S \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} \iff \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} = S^{-1} AS \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = [v \mid u] \quad Av = \lambda v \quad Au = \mu u$$

$$AS = A[v \mid u] = [Av \mid Au] = [\lambda v \mid \mu u] = [v \mid u] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \mu \end{bmatrix} = SA$$

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$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \iff \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = S \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} \iff \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} = S^{-1} AS \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = [v \mid u] \quad Av = \lambda v \quad Au = \mu u$$

$$AS = A[v \mid u] = [Av \mid Au] = [\lambda v \mid \mu u] = [v \mid u] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \mu \end{bmatrix} = SA$$

$$\Lambda = S^{-1} AS$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} = S^{-1} AS \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} = \Lambda \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = a_{11}x + a_{12}y \iff \frac{d\xi}{dt} = \lambda \xi$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = a_{21}x + a_{22}y \iff \frac{d\eta}{dt} = \mu \eta$$

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**Example**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = x + 2y \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{eigenvalues: } 2 \text{ and } -1 \quad S = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x \quad \text{eigenvectors: } \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = S \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\xi - \eta \\ \xi + \eta \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} x = 2\xi - \eta \\ y = \xi + \eta \end{matrix}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = x + 2y \iff \begin{matrix} x = 2\xi - \eta \\ y = \xi + \eta \end{matrix} \iff \frac{d\xi}{dt} = 2\xi$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x \iff \frac{d\eta}{dt} = -\eta$$

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**Example**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -y \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{eigenvalues: } i \text{ and } -i \quad S = \begin{bmatrix} i & -i \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x \quad \text{eigenvectors: } \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = S \begin{bmatrix} z \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i & -i \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} iz - iw \\ z + w \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} x = iz - iw \\ y = z + w \end{matrix}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -y \iff \begin{matrix} x = iz - iw \\ y = z + w \end{matrix} \iff \frac{dz}{dt} = iz$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x \iff \frac{dw}{dt} = -iw$$

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**Example**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{dt} &= -y \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= x \end{aligned} \implies \begin{aligned} x &= iz - iw \\ y &= z + w \end{aligned} \implies \begin{aligned} \frac{dz}{dt} &= iz \\ \frac{dw}{dt} &= -iw \end{aligned}$$

Note that one of these equations is redundant.

$$2z = y - ix \implies w = \bar{z}$$

$$2w = y + ix$$

$\frac{dx}{dt} = -y$	$\frac{dz}{dt} = iz$	$\frac{dr}{dt} = 0$
$\frac{dy}{dt} = x$		$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = 1$
Cartesian	complex	polar

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**Example**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = ax - \omega y \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & -\omega \\ \omega & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} a & -\omega \\ \omega & a \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \omega x + ay$$

$r = \text{trace}(A) = a + a = 2a$   
 $\delta = \det(A) = a^2 + \omega^2$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - \tau\lambda + \delta = \lambda^2 - 2a\lambda + a^2 + \omega^2$$

The eigenvalues are  $\lambda = \frac{\tau \pm \sqrt{\tau^2 - 4\delta}}{2} = \frac{2a \pm \sqrt{4a^2 - 4a^2 - 4\omega^2}}{2} = a \pm i\omega$

$\boxed{a + i\omega}$  and  $\boxed{a - i\omega}$

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**Coordinate Change**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = ax - \omega y \quad \text{Let } z = x + iy. \quad \text{Then } \frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{dx}{dt} + i \frac{dy}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \omega x + ay = ax - \omega y + i(\omega x + ay) = (a + i\omega)(x + iy)$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = (a + i\omega)z \quad \text{Solution: } z(t) = z_0 e^{(a+i\omega)t} = r_0 e^{i\theta_0} e^{(a+i\omega)t} = r_0 e^{at} e^{i(\omega t + \theta_0)}$$

Let  $z = r e^{i\theta}$ .

$$\text{Then } \frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{dr}{dt} e^{i\theta} + r i e^{i\theta} \frac{d\theta}{dt} = (a + i\omega)z = (a + i\omega)r e^{i\theta}$$

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = ar \quad \text{Solution: } r(t) = r_0 e^{at}$$

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = \omega \quad \theta(t) = \theta_0 + \omega t$$

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**Complex Eigenvalues**

If  $A$  is a matrix with real elements and if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  with corresponding eigenvector  $v$ , then  $\bar{\lambda}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  with corresponding eigenvector  $\bar{v}$ .

$$Av = \lambda v \implies \overline{Av} = \overline{\lambda v} \implies A\bar{v} = \bar{\lambda} \bar{v}$$

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**Stable Spirals**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax$$

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = iz$	$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = (-2+i)z$	$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = (-2-i)z$
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$r(t) = r_0$   
 $\theta(t) = \theta_0 + t$  center

$\tilde{r}(t) = r_0 e^{-2t}$   
 $\theta(t) = \theta_0 + t$  stable spirals

$\tilde{r}(t) = r_0 e^{-2t}$   
 $\theta(t) = \theta_0 - t$  stable spirals

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**Unstable Spirals**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax$$

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = -iz$	$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = (2-i)z$	$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = (2+i)z$
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$r(t) = r_0$   
 $\theta(t) = \theta_0 - t$  center

$\tilde{r}(t) = r_0 e^{2t}$   
 $\theta(t) = \theta_0 - t$  unstable spirals

$\tilde{r}(t) = r_0 e^{2t}$   
 $\theta(t) = \theta_0 + t$  unstable spirals

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**Coordinate Change**  
**Example**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -4x + 2y$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x - 5y$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tau = \text{trace}(A) = -4 - 5 = -9$$

$$\delta = \det(A) = (-4)(-5) - 2 \cdot 1 = 18$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - \tau\lambda + \delta = \lambda^2 + 9\lambda + 18 = (\lambda + 3)(\lambda + 6)$$

The eigenvalues are  $\lambda = -3$  and  $\lambda = -6$ .

$$A + 3I = \begin{bmatrix} -4+3 & 2 \\ 1 & -5+3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad A + 6I = \begin{bmatrix} -4+6 & 2 \\ 1 & -5+6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = -3 \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda = -6 \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 \\ 0 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \quad S\Lambda = AS \quad \Lambda = S^{-1}AS$$

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$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -4x + 2y \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} d\xi/dt \\ d\eta/dt \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3\xi \\ -6\eta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{d\xi}{dt} = -3\xi$$

$$\frac{d\eta}{dt} = -6\eta$$

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$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -3x + 4y$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -2x + 3y$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 4 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 4 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tau = \text{trace}(A) = -3 + 3 = 0$$

$$\delta = \det(A) = (-3)(3) - 4(-2) = -1$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - \tau\lambda + \delta = \lambda^2 - 1 = (\lambda + 1)(\lambda - 1)$$

The eigenvalues are  $\lambda = -1$  and  $\lambda = 1$ .

$$A + I = \begin{bmatrix} -3+1 & 4 \\ -2 & 3+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad A - I = \begin{bmatrix} -3-1 & 4 \\ -2 & 3-1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 4 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = -1 \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda = 1 \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad S\Lambda = AS \quad \Lambda = S^{-1}AS$$

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$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -3x + 4y \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} d\xi/dt \\ d\eta/dt \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{d\xi}{dt} = -\xi$$

$$\frac{d\eta}{dt} = \eta$$

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