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Example 3.5.C

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

Exercise Eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 = 1+2i$ ,  $\lambda_2 = 1-2i$  $\Rightarrow$  spiral source, unstable

Can't plot complex eigenvectors

Nullclines, and some directions.

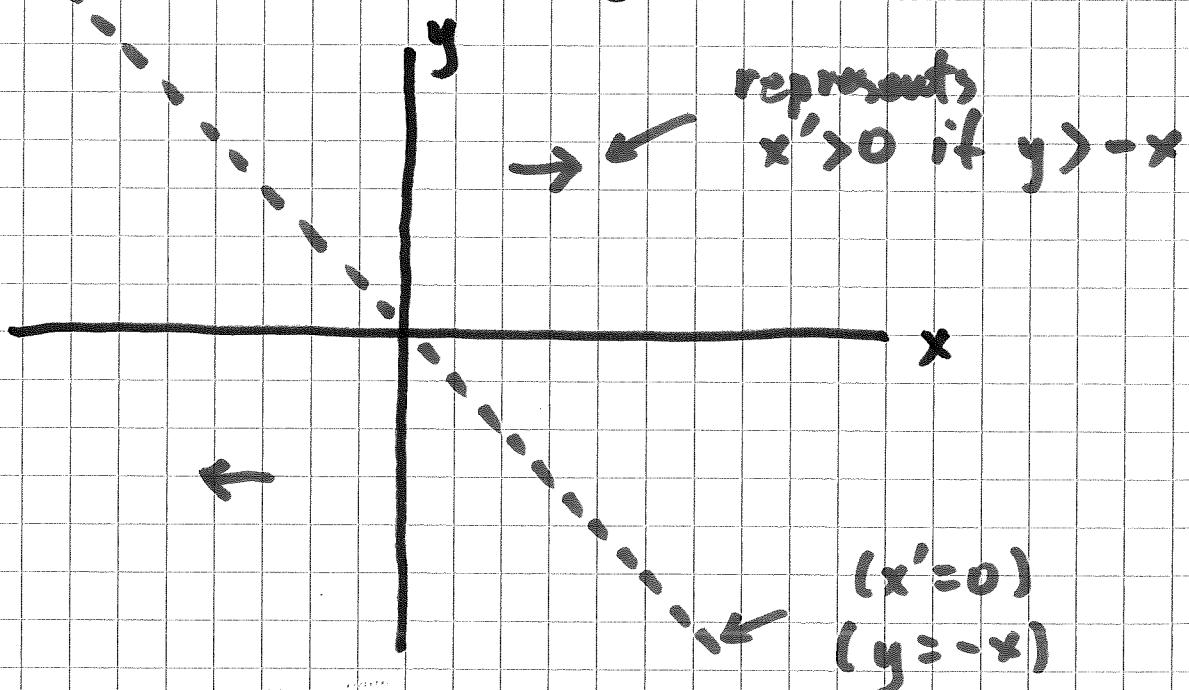
$x' = x+y$  is the horizontal "velocity" component.

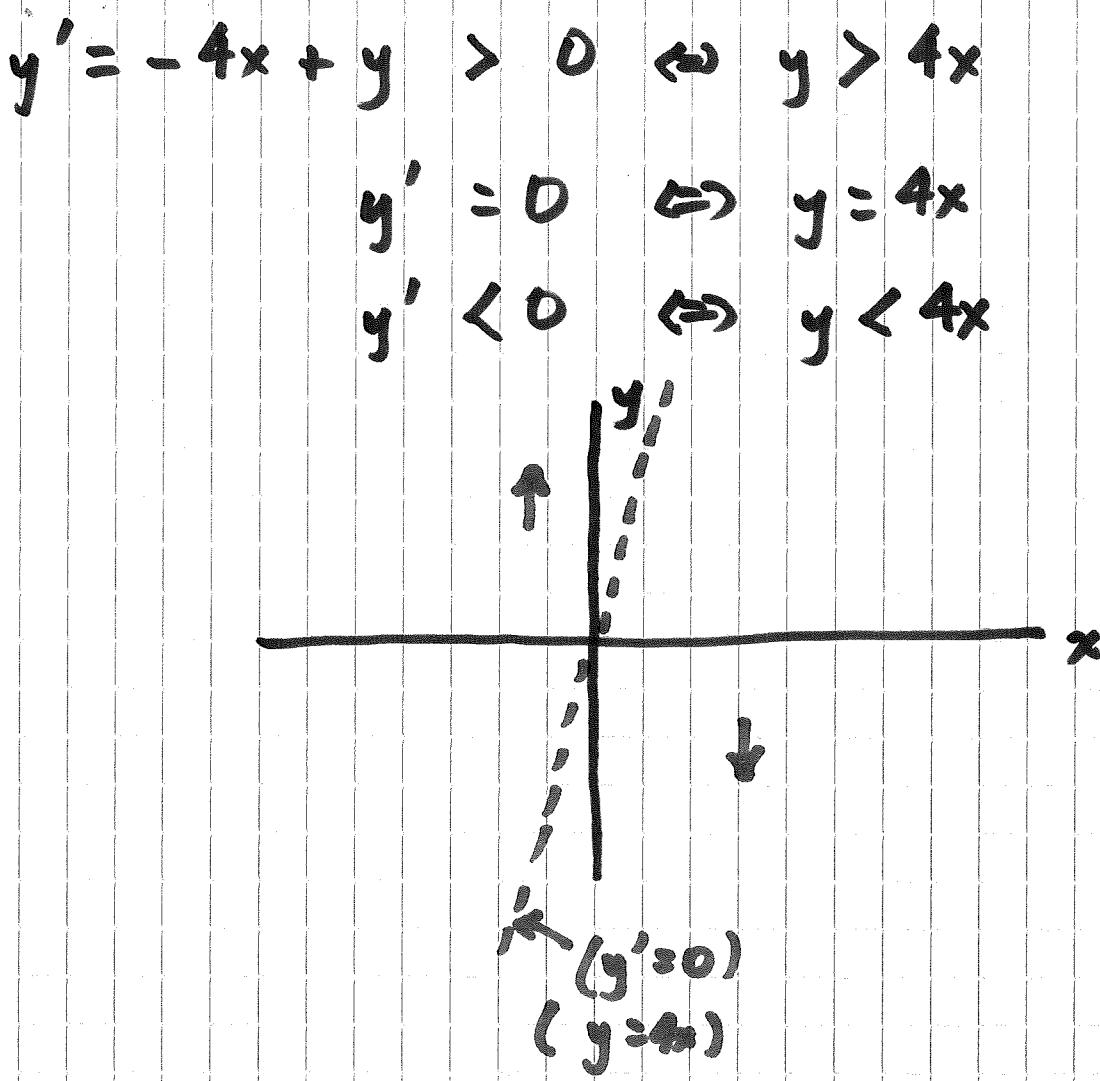
$$x' = x+y > 0 \Leftrightarrow y > -x$$

similarly

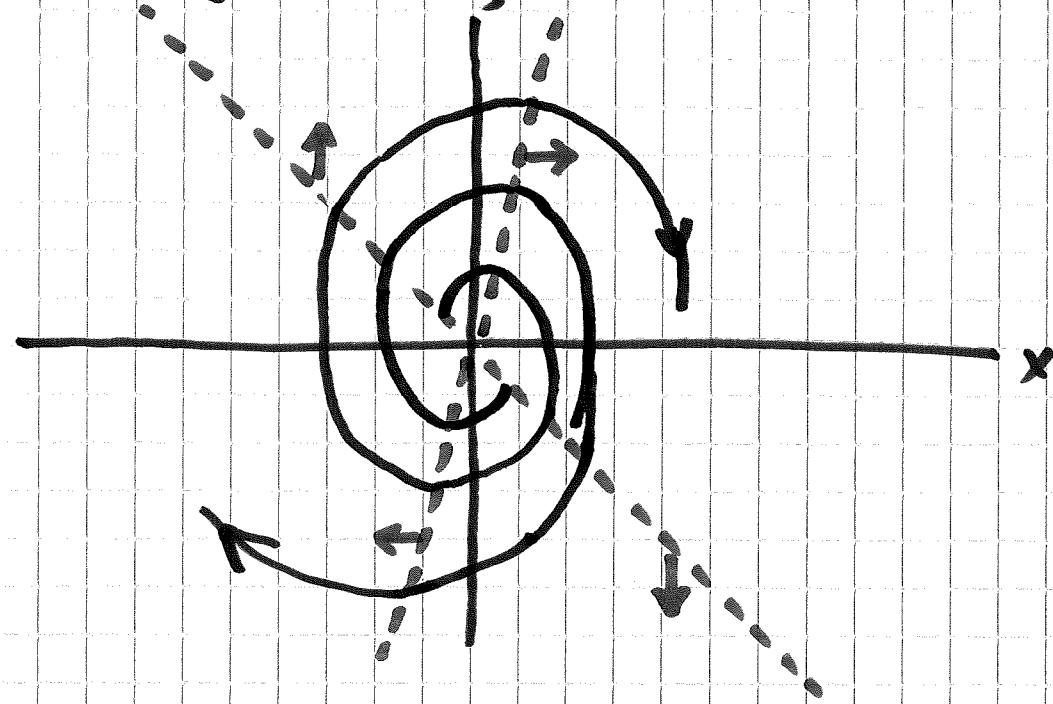
$$x' = 0 \Leftrightarrow y = -x$$

$$x' < 0 \Leftrightarrow y < -x$$





Superimpose (or draw on same plot), use classification and stability



"Case 6" Complex (and nonreal) eigenvalues

with negative real parts

$$\operatorname{Re} \lambda_{1,2} < 0$$

Classification: spiral sink or stable focus

Stability: stable

Similar to spiral source, but reverse direction of  $t$

"Case 4" Purely imaginary eigenvalues

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \pm ib, b \neq 0$$

Solutions are periodic with period  $\frac{2\pi}{b}$

Classification: centre

[ Stability: "Lyapunov stable but not asymptotically stable" ]

Trajectories are in general ellipses

### 3.7 Multiple eigenvalues

$$(**) \quad \vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$$

#### 3.7.1 Geometric multiplicity

The multiplicity of an eigenvalue  $\lambda_j$  as a root of the characteristic equation  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$  is called the algebraic multiplicity of  $\lambda_j$ .

The dimension of (also known as "null space" of  $A - \lambda_j I$ )

$$\ker(A - \lambda_j I) = \{ \vec{v} : (A - \lambda_j I)\vec{v} = \vec{0} \}$$

is called the geometric multiplicity of  $\lambda_j$ .

If algebraic multiplicity = geometric multiplicity then gen. soln. is similar to the distinct real eigenvalue case.

Example 3.7. A  $\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 3-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (3-\lambda)^2 = 0$$

alg. mult.

$\lambda_1 = 3$ , algebraic multiplicity 2

("double" eigenvalue)

$$(A - \lambda_1 I) \vec{v} = (A - 3I) \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3-3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3-3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

true for any  $\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$\ker(A - \lambda_1 I) = \mathbb{R}^2$  with dimension 2

A basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is (for example)

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\lambda_1 = 3$ , geometric multiplicity 2

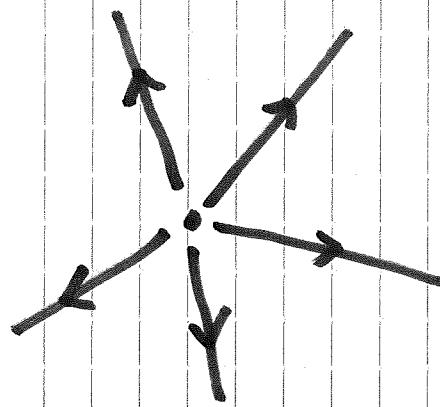
Gen. solu.

$$\vec{x}(t) = c_1 \vec{v}_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + c_2 \vec{v}_2 e^{\lambda_1 t}$$

$$= c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} e^{3t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{3t}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} e^{3t}$$

Phase portrait



### 3.7.2 Defective eigenvalues

If geom. mult. < alg. mult. then  $\lambda_j$  is called defective.

Once there is always at least one lin. indep. eigenvector  $\vec{v}_1$ , so there is one solution  $\vec{x}_1(t) = \vec{v}_1 e^{\lambda_j t}$

where

$$(A - \lambda_j I) \vec{v}_1 = \vec{0}$$

In 2 dimensions, if  $\lambda_1$  is defective we can "guess" another, lin. indep. soln.

$$\vec{x}_2(t) = (\vec{v}_2 + t \vec{v}_1) e^{\lambda_1 t}$$

"check"

$$\vec{x}_2'(t) = \vec{v}_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + (\vec{v}_2 + t \vec{v}_1) \lambda_1 e^{\lambda_1 t}$$

$$A \vec{x}_2(t) = A(\vec{v}_2 + t\vec{v}_1) e^{\lambda_1 t}$$

$$\vec{v}_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + \vec{v}_2 \lambda_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + t \cancel{\vec{v}_1 \lambda_1 e^{\lambda_1 t}}$$

$$\therefore = A \vec{v}_2 e^{\lambda_1 t} + t A \vec{v}_1 e^{\lambda_1 t}$$

$\vec{x}_2(t)$  is actually a solution  $\pi$

$$(A - \lambda_1 I) \vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}_1$$

Gen. soln.

$$\boxed{\vec{x}(t) = c_1 \vec{v}_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + c_2 (\vec{v}_2 + t \vec{v}_1) e^{\lambda_1 t}}$$