

**Problem 1** Consider the system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}.$$

Sketch the phase diagram of the system with orientations.

**Problem 2** Consider the dynamical system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ a & b \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}, \quad a \neq 0. \quad (1)$$

For which  $a$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}$  is  $(\tilde{x}(t), \tilde{y}(t)) = (x(-t), -y(-t))$  a solution to (1) whenever  $(x(t), y(t))$  solves (1)? Classify the equilibrium point in this case and determine if it is (Liapunov) stable, asymptotically stable or unstable.

**Problem 3** Consider the system

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= \frac{7}{3}y \\ \dot{y} &= (x - 2e^y)(x + e^{-y}). \end{aligned}$$

- a) Find and classify all equilibrium points of the system.
- b) Sketch the phase diagram of the system with orientations.

**Problem 4** Consider the system

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= 2(x - 1)g(x, y) + y \\ \dot{y} &= -(x - 1) + 2yg(x, y), \end{aligned}$$

where  $g(x, y) = 4 - x^2 - y^2$ .

- a) Determine if  $(1, 0)$  is a (Liapunov) stable, asymptotically stable or unstable equilibrium point of the system.
- b) Determine whether or not this system has non-constant periodic solutions.

**Problem 5** Consider the system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= x(y - x^2) \\ \dot{y} &= (x - y)(x + y^2).\end{aligned}$$

a) Compute the index of the origin.

b) Compute the index of the curve  $C = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid (x - \frac{1}{2})^2 + (y - \frac{1}{2})^2 = 1\}$ .

**Problem 6** Compute, with the variation of parameter method, the solution to the initial value problem

$$\dot{x} = -2x + (1 + 2t^2)e^{(1-t)^2}, \quad x(1) = 1.$$

**Problem 7** Consider the system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= 1 \\ \dot{y} &= 3.\end{aligned}$$

Define what it means for a solution to be (Liapunov) stable for  $t \geq t_0$ . Determine whether or not the solutions to the above system are (Liapunov) stable for  $t \geq 0$ .