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Homework #4

(2) First, we show that if $AB = BA$ then $e^{A+B} = e^A e^B$. By the definition of exponential of a matrix,

$$e^A = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{A^k}{k!}}_{A_n}, \quad e^B = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\sum_{j=0}^n \frac{B^j}{j!}}_{B_n}, \quad e^{A+B} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\sum_{l=0}^m \frac{(A+B)^l}{l!}}_{C_m}.$$

Because $AB = BA$, we have the identity $(A+B)^l = \sum_{k=0}^l \binom{l}{k} A^k B^{l-k}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } A_n B_n &= \sum_{k,j=0}^n \frac{A^k B^j}{k! j!} = \sum_{l=0}^{2n} \sum_{\substack{0 \leq k,j \leq l \\ k+j=l}} \frac{A^k B^j}{k! j!} \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^{2n} \frac{1}{l!} \sum_{k=0}^l \binom{l}{k} A^k B^{l-k} \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^{2n} \frac{1}{l!} (A+B)^l = C_{2n}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get $(\lim A_n)(\lim B_n) = \lim C_{2n}$. In other words,
 $e^A e^B = e^{A+B}$.

Next, we point out an example in which $e^{A+B} \neq e^A e^B$. Consider

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Because A is diagonal, $e^A = \begin{pmatrix} e^1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Because $B^2 = 0$, $e^B = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{B^k}{k!} = I_2 + B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Put $C = A+B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Then $C^2 = C$. Thus $C^k = C$ for all $k \geq 1$.

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$$e^C = I_2 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{C^k}{k!} = I_2 + C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} = I_2 + (e-1)C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & e-1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We see that

$$e^A e^B = \begin{pmatrix} e & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e & e \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \neq e^C.$$

Next, we give an example in which $e^{A+B} = e^A e^B$ and $AB \neq BA$. Consider

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2\pi \\ 2\pi & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2\pi \\ 98\pi & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

To compute e^A, e^B, e^{A+B} conveniently, we need the following observation: A real 2×2 matrix C can be considered as a complex matrix. Suppose C has simple complex eigenvalues and that they are integer multiples of $2\pi i$. We know that C can be diagonalized by an invertible matrix P .

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ & & \ddots \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} = P^{-1} C P$$

Taking the exponential of both sides, we get

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1} & & \\ & e^{\lambda_2} & \\ & & \ddots \\ & & & e^{\lambda_n} \end{pmatrix}}_{= I_n} = P^{-1} e^C P.$$

Thus, $e^C = I_n$. Now we apply this observation for $C = A, B, A+B$. The eigenvalues of A are $\pm 2\pi i$, of B are $\pm 14\pi i$, of $A+B$ are $\pm 20\pi i$. All of them are integer multiples of $2\pi i$. Thus, $e^A = e^B = e^{A+B} = I_2$. The identity $e^{A+B} = e^A e^B$ is satisfied. However,

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} -(14\pi)^2 & 0 \\ 0 & -(2\pi)^2 \end{pmatrix} \neq BA = \begin{pmatrix} -(2\pi)^2 & 0 \\ 0 & -(14\pi)^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

③ Let E be a finite dimensional vector space over a field K which is either \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . Let $\phi: \mathbb{R} \times E \rightarrow E$ be a linear hyperbolic flow. That is $\phi_t(x_0) = e^{tA}x_0$ where $t \in \mathbb{R}$, $x_0 \in E$, $A \in \mathcal{L}(E)$ such that all complex eigenvalues of A have nonzero real parts. Theorem 13.4 in Amann "Ordinary Differential Equations" 1950, page 175, states that

- (i) E decomposes into A -invariant subspaces $E = E_s \oplus E_u$,
- (ii) All complex eigenvalues of $A|_{E_s}$ have negative real parts,
- (iii) All complex eigenvalues of $A|_{E_u}$ has positive real parts.

Moreover, we can describe E_s and E_u as follows.

• For $K = \mathbb{C}$: let $p_A(z) = (z - \lambda_1)^{r_1} \dots (z - \lambda_m)^{r_m}$ be the characteristic polynomial of A . We have the decomposition $E = \bigoplus_{j=1}^m \ker[(A - \lambda_j \text{Id}_E)^{r_j}]$. Each summand is an A -invariant subspace of E . Suppose $\text{Re}(\lambda_1), \dots, \text{Re}(\lambda_k) < 0$ and $\text{Re}(\lambda_{k+1}), \dots, \text{Re}(\lambda_m) > 0$.

Then

$$E_s = \bigoplus_{j=1}^k \ker[(A - \lambda_j \text{Id}_E)^{r_j}],$$

$$E_u = \bigoplus_{j=k+1}^m \ker[(A - \lambda_j \text{Id}_E)^{r_j}].$$

• For $K = \mathbb{R}$: let $E_{\mathbb{C}}$ be the complexification of E . For example, $E_{\mathbb{C}} = \mathbb{C}^n$ if $E = \mathbb{R}^n$. Then $E_s = (E_{\mathbb{C}})_s \cap E$ and $E_u = (E_{\mathbb{C}})_u \cap E$.

Return to the problem. We show that E_u is an invariant set with respect to the flow ϕ . Because E_u is A -invariant, $A(E_u) \subset E_u$. Because E_u is a closed vector subspace of E and $e^{tA} = \text{Id}_E + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^j}{j!} A^j$, we have $e^{tA}(E_u) \subset E_u$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$. In other words, $\phi_t(E_u) \subset E_u$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

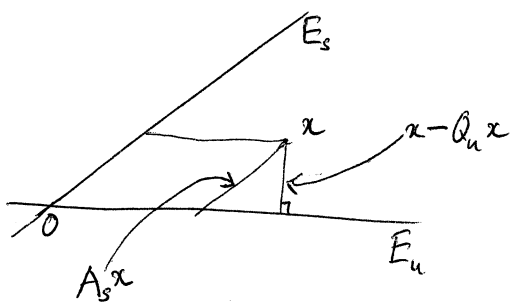
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Thus, E_u is an invariant set. Similarly, so is E_s . Next, we show that E_u is asymptotically stable with respect to the flow ϕ . The direct sum $E = E_s \oplus E_u$ gives us two linear projection maps $P_s: E \rightarrow E_s$ and $P_u: E \rightarrow E_u$. Put $A_s = A \circ P_s$ and $A_u = A \circ P_u$. Then $A = A_s + A_u$. Because

$$A_s(E) = A(P_s(E)) = A(E_s) \subset E_s,$$

$$A_u(E) = A(P_u(E)) = A(E_u) \subset E_u,$$

we have $A_s \circ A_u = A_u \circ A_s = 0$.



Let $Q_u: E \rightarrow E_u$ be the orthogonal projection onto E_u . We show there exists a number $C > 0$ such that

$$|A_s x| \leq C |x - Q_u x| \quad \forall x \in E.$$

To do so, we show that $A_s x$ is a function of $x - Q_u x$.

Suppose there are $x_1, x_2 \in E$ such that $x_1 - Q_u x_1 = x_2 - Q_u x_2$. Then $0 = x_1 - x_2 - Q_u(x_1 - x_2)$. Thus $x_1 - x_2 \in E_u$. Then $A_s(x_1 - x_2) = 0$, i.e. $A_s x_1 = A_s x_2$. Thus, $A_s x$ is a function of $x - Q_u x$. This function is also linear. Write $A_s x = T(x - Q_u x)$ for $x \in E$. Then

$$|A_s x| \leq \underbrace{\|T\|}_{=C} |x - Q_u x| \quad \forall x \in E.$$

Put $\mathcal{O} = \{x \in E : \text{dist}(x, E_u) < 1\}$. We show that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \text{dist}(\phi_t(x), E_u) = 0$ for all $x \in \mathcal{O}$. Fix $x_0 \in E$. Since $x_0 \in E$, $x_0 = x_1 + x_2$ for some $x_1 \in E_s$ and $x_2 \in E_u$.

Then $|x_1| = |A_s x_0| \leq C |x_0 - Q_u x_0| = C \text{dist}(x_0, E_u) < C$. We have

$$\phi_t(x_0) = e^{tA} x_0 = e^{tA} x_1 + e^{tA} x_2 = x_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^k (A_s + A_u)^k}{k!} x_1 + \phi_t(x_2). \quad (1)$$

Because $A_s A_u = A_u A_s = 0$ and $A_u x_1 = 0$, we have $(A_s + A_u)^k x_1 = A_s^k x_1$ for all $k \geq 1$. Then (1) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_t(x_0) &= x_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^k A_s^k}{k!} x_1 + \phi_t(x_2) \\ &= e^{tA_s} x_1 + \phi_t(x_2) \\ &= e^{t\tilde{A}_s} x_1 + \underbrace{\phi_t(x_2)}_{\in E_u \text{ since } x_2 \in E_u}. \end{aligned}$$

where $\tilde{A}_s = A_s|_{E_s} : E_s \rightarrow E_s$. Thus,

$$\text{dist}(\phi_t(x_0), E_u) \leq |e^{t\tilde{A}_s} x_1| \leq \|e^{t\tilde{A}_s}\| |x_1| \leq C \|e^{t\tilde{A}_s}\|. \quad (2)$$

We show that all complex eigenvalues of \tilde{A}_s have negative real parts. For $y \in E_s$, $\tilde{A}_s y = A(L_s y) = Ay$. If λ is a complex eigenvalue of \tilde{A}_s , it is also a complex eigenvalue of A ; thus $\lambda \neq 0$. Let y be an eigenvector of \tilde{A}_s associate with λ .

Then $\lambda y = \tilde{A}_s y = Ay \in E_s$. Then y is an eigenvector of A lying in E_s .

Then $\text{Re}(\lambda) < 0$. Hence all complex eigenvalues of \tilde{A}_s have negative real parts.

By Lemma 13.1, Amann "Ordinary Differential Equations" 1990, page 172, there exists a number $\mu > 0$ such that $\|e^{t\tilde{A}_s}\| \leq e^{-\mu t}$ for all $t \geq 0$. Then (2)

gives us

$$0 \leq \text{dist}(\phi_t(x_0), E_u) \leq C e^{-\mu t} \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

Hence, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \text{dist}(\phi_t(x_0), E_u) = 0$.

① Consider the Lotka-Volterra model for competing species

$$u' = u(1 - u - bv)$$

$$v' = v(1 - v - au)$$

where $0 < a \leq b$. This system can be written as $(u, v)' = f(u, v)$ where

$$f(x, y) = (x(1-x-by), y(1-y-ax)) \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

(i) We find all equilibria $u, v \geq 0$. The equation $f(u_0, v_0) = 0$ is solved in 4 cases.

- $u_0 = 0, v_0 = 0$.
- $u_0 = 0, 1 - v_0 - au_0 = 0$.
- $1 - u_0 - bv_0 = 0, v_0 = 0$.
- $1 - u_0 - bv_0 = 0, 1 - v_0 - au_0 = 0$.

In the second case, $u_0 = 0$ and $v_0 = 1$. In the third case, $u_0 = 1$ and $v_0 = 0$. The

fourth case is equivalent to
$$\begin{cases} u_0 + bv_0 = 1, \\ au_0 + v_0 = 1. \end{cases} \quad (*)$$

Consider $ab \neq 1$. Then $u_0 = \frac{1-b}{1-ab}$ and $v_0 = \frac{1-a}{1-ab}$. Since we want $u_0, v_0 \geq 0$, this pair is admissible if and only if $0 < a \leq b \leq 1$ or $1 \leq a \leq b$.

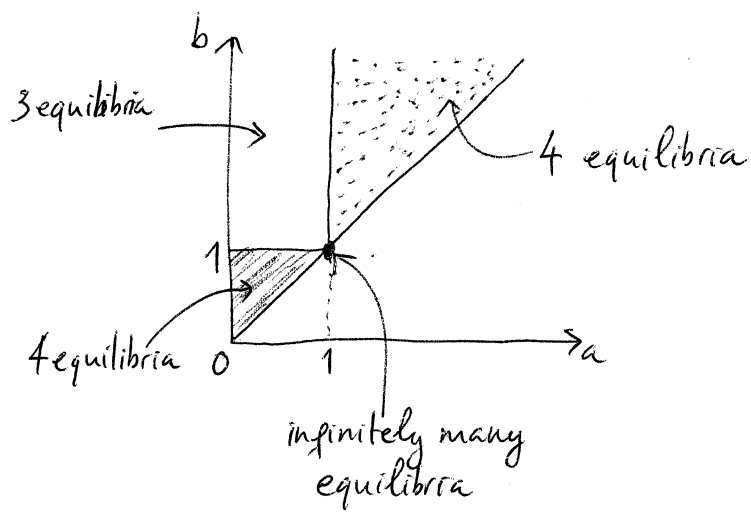
$$(u_0, v_0) = (0, 1) \Leftrightarrow b = 1.$$

$$(u_0, v_0) = (1, 0) \Leftrightarrow a = 1.$$

Consider $ab = 1$. Then (*) has solutions if and only if $a = b = 1$. In that case, (u_0, v_0) is any pair such that $u_0, v_0 \geq 0, u_0 + v_0 = 1$.

We conclude by a survey of equilibria according to a, b ($0 < a \leq b$).

Cases of a, b	Equilibria (u_0, v_0) with $u_0, v_0 \geq 0$
$0 < a \leq b < 1$ or $1 < a \leq b$	$(0, 0), (0, 1), (1, 0), \left(\frac{1-b}{1-ab}, \frac{1-a}{1-ab}\right)$
$a = b = 1$	$(0, 0), (u_0, 1-u_0)$ with $0 \leq u_0 \leq 1$
Otherwise	$(0, 0), (0, 1), (1, 0)$



(ii) The equilibria on u_0 -axis or v_0 -axis are $(0,0)$, $(0,1)$ and $(1,0)$. Put

$$A = \nabla f(u_0, v_0) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_0} [u_0(1-u_0-bv_0)] & \frac{\partial}{\partial v_0} [u_0(1-u_0-bv_0)] \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial u_0} [v_0(1-v_0-au_0)] & \frac{\partial}{\partial v_0} [v_0(1-v_0-au_0)] \end{pmatrix}$$

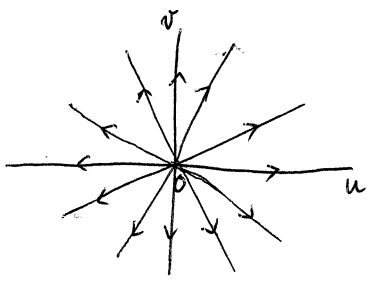
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1-2u_0-bv_0 & -bu_0 \\ -av_0 & 1-2v_0-au_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Grobman-Hartman's theorem states that if (u_0, v_0) is an equilibrium and A is a hyperbolic matrix (i.e. all complex eigenvalues have nonzero real parts) then the nonlinear flow $(u, v)' = f(u, v)$ in a neighborhood of (u_0, v_0) is homeomorphic to the linear flow $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}' = A \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$ in a neighborhood of $(0, 0)$. We consider each case of (u_0, v_0) to determine the shape of the linear flow.

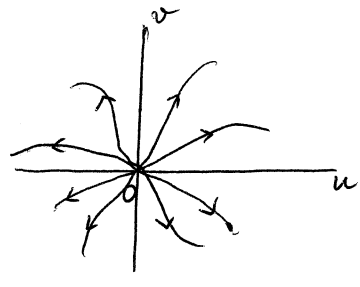
• $(u_0, v_0) = (0, 0)$:

Then $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. The linear ODE $u' = u, v' = v$ has a first integral

$$I(u, v) = \frac{u}{v}. \text{ Indeed, } \frac{dI}{dt} = \frac{u'v - uv'}{v^2} = \frac{uv - uv}{v^2} = 0.$$



Phase portrait around $(0,0)$ of $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}' = A \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$.



Phase portrait around $(0,0)$ of $(u,v)' = f(u,v)$ looks like this.

■ $(u_0, v_0) = (0, 1)$:

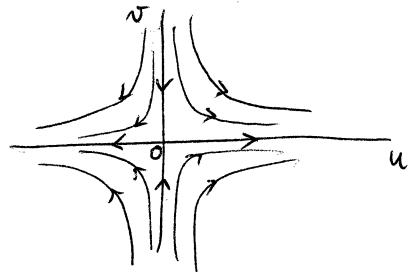
Then $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1-b & 0 \\ -a & -1 \end{pmatrix}$. It has two eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = 1-b$, $\lambda_2 = -1$.

If $b=1$ then A is not hyperbolic. Thus we only consider $b \neq 1$.

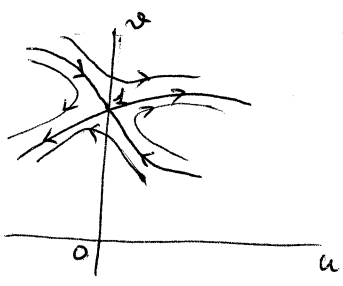
If $b \neq 2$ then $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$. Then A is conjugate to the matrix $\tilde{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & \\ & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$.

The phase portrait of $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}' = A \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$ is thus a linear deformation of the phase portrait of $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}' = \tilde{A} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$.

If $0 < b < 1$ then $\lambda_2 < 0 < \lambda_1$.

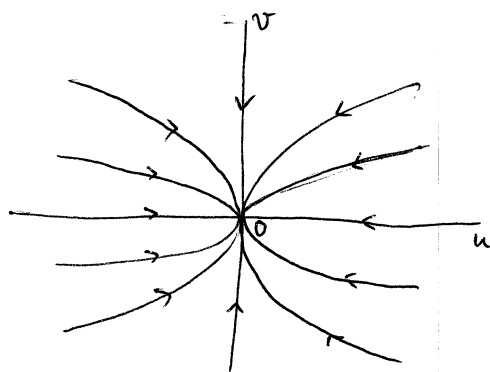


Phase portrait around $(0,1)$ of $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}' = \tilde{A} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$



Phase portrait around $(0,1)$ of $(u,v)' = f(u,v)$ looks like this.

If $1 < b < 2$ or $b > 2$ then $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 < 0$.



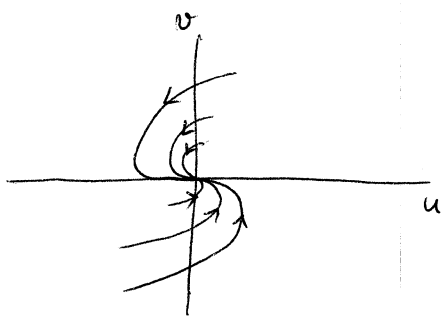
Phase portrait around $(0,0)$ of

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}' = \tilde{A} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

Consider the case $b=2$. Then $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = -1$, and $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -a & -1 \end{pmatrix}$. We find the geometric multiplicity of -1 .

$$A + I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -a & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ has rank } 1 \text{ because } a \neq 0.$$

Thus, the geometric multiplicity is 1.

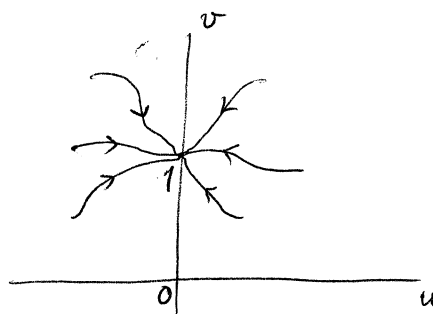


Phase portrait around $(0,0)$ of

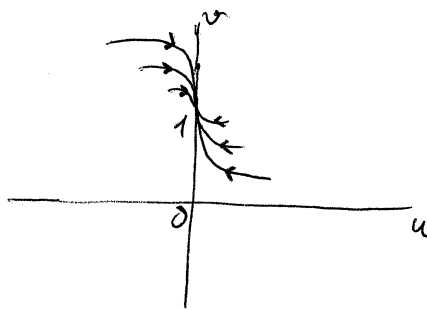
$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}' = A \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

• $(u_0, v_0) = (1, 0)$:

Then $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -b \\ 0 & 1-a \end{pmatrix}$. The method to study this case is the same as the one used in the case $(u_0, v_0) = (0, 1)$, except that b is replaced by a .



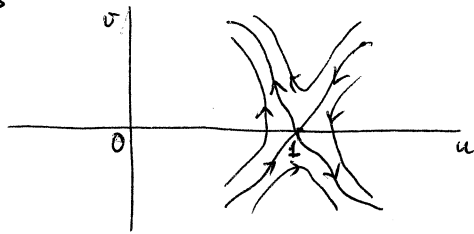
Phase portrait around $(0,1)$ of $(u,v)' = f(u,v)$ looks like this.



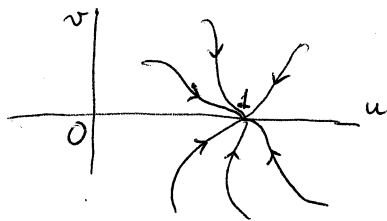
Phase portrait around $(0,1)$ of $(u,v)' = f(u,v)$ looks like this.

A has two eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = 1-a$ and $\lambda_2 = -1$. If $a = 1$ then A is not hyperbolic. This is out of our consideration. If $a \neq 2$ then $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$. Then A is conjugate to the matrix $\tilde{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & \\ & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$. The phase portrait of $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}' = A \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$ is thus a linear deformation of that of $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}' = \tilde{A} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$.

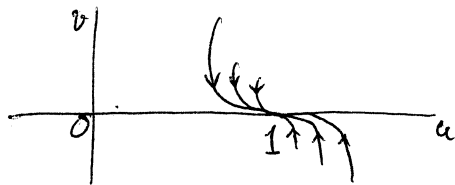
If $0 < a < 1$ then $\lambda_2 < 0 < \lambda_1$. The phase portrait around $(1, 0)$ of $(u, v)' = f(u, v)$ looks like this



If $1 < a < 2$ or $a > 2$ then $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 < 0$. The phase portrait around $(1, 0)$ of $(u, v)' = f(u, v)$ looks like this



If $a = 2$ then $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = -1$ with geometric multiplicity 1.



(iii) Consider the equilibrium $(u_0, v_0) = (1, 0)$. We compute the spectral projection on the unstable and on the stable subspace. The linear flow $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}' = A \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$ resides in $E = \mathbb{R}^2$. We have $A = \nabla f(1, 0) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -b \\ 0 & 1-a \end{pmatrix}$.

For $a \neq 1$, A is a hyperbolic matrix. It has two eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = 1-a$, $\lambda_2 = -1$. To determine the stable subspace E_s and the unstable subspace E_u of E , we need to decide the sign of λ_1 .

• $0 < a < 1$: $\lambda_2 < 0 < \lambda_1$.

Then $E_s = \ker(A - \lambda_2 I_2)$ and $E_u = \ker(A - \lambda_1 I_2)$.

$$A - \lambda_2 I_2 = A + I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -b \\ 0 & 2-a \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus, $E_s = \{(\alpha, 0) : \alpha \in \mathbb{R}\}$.

$$A - \lambda_1 I_2 = A - (1-a)I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} a-2 & -b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{-b}{a-2} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus, $E_u = \left\{ \left(\frac{b\beta}{a-2}, \beta \right) : \beta \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$.

For each $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, we find $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$(x, y) = (\alpha, 0) + \left(\frac{b\beta}{a-2}, \beta \right).$$

This system of linear equations gives $\alpha = x - \frac{by}{a-2}$ and $\beta = y$.

Thus, the stable projection $P_s: E \rightarrow E_s$ is $P_s(x, y) = (\alpha, 0) = \left(x - \frac{by}{a-2}, 0 \right)$.

The unstable projection $P_u: E \rightarrow E_u$ is $P_u(x, y) = \left(\frac{b\beta}{a-2}, \beta \right) = \left(\frac{by}{a-2}, y \right)$.

• $1 < a < 2$ or $a > 2$: $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 < 0$, $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$

Then $E_s = \ker(A - \lambda_1 I_2) \oplus \ker(A - \lambda_2 I_2) = E$ and $E_u = \{0\}$.

The stable projection is $P_s = \text{id}_E$. The unstable projection is $P_u \equiv 0$.

• $a=2$: $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = -1 < 0$

The algebraic multiplicity of -1 is equal to 2. Thus, $E_s = \ker[(A - \lambda_1 I_2)^2] = E$.

Then $E_u = \{0\}$. The stable projection is $P_s = \text{id}_E$. The unstable projection is $P_u \equiv 0$.

(iv) We draw the phase portraits near the equilibria (u_0, v_0) with $u_0, v_0 > 0$.

According to Part (i), such equilibria exist in 3 following cases: $0 < a \leq b < 1$, $1 < a \leq b$ and $a = b = 1$.

• $0 < a \leq b < 1$

Then $(u_0, v_0) = \left(\frac{1-b}{1-ab}, \frac{1-a}{1-ab} \right)$. Recall that (u_0, v_0) satisfies $u_0 + b v_0 = 1$

and $a u_0 + v_0 = 1$. We have

$$A = \nabla f(u_0, v_0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1-2u_0-bv_0 & -bu_0 \\ -av_0 & 1-2v_0-au_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -u_0 & -bu_0 \\ -av_0 & -v_0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The eigenvalues of A solve the equation

$$(\lambda + u_0)(\lambda + v_0) - ab u_0 v_0 = 0$$

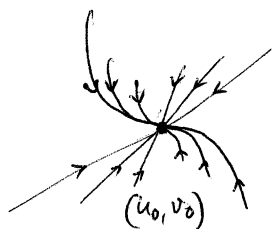
$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda^2 + (u_0 + v_0)\lambda + (1-ab)u_0 v_0 = 0 \quad (1)$$

Because $u_0 + v_0 > 0$ and $(1-ab)u_0 v_0 > 0$, the two roots of (1) have negative real parts. Thus, A is hyperbolic. Moreover, the origin of $E = \mathbb{R}^2$ is a sink of the flow $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}' = A \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$. Grobman-Hartman's theorem states that the nonlinear flow $(u, v)' = f(u, v)$ in a neighborhood of (u_0, v_0) is homeomorphic to the linear flow $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}' = A \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$ in a neighborhood of the origin $(0, 0)$. Thus,

(u_0, v_0) is also a sink of the nonlinear flow. We can draw the phase portrait around (u_0, v_0) by solving (forward in time) the ODEs

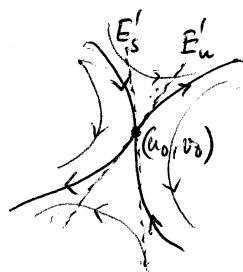
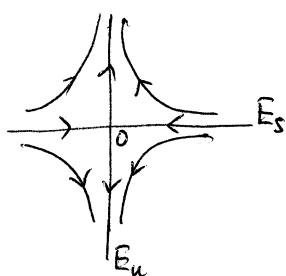
$$(u, v)' = f(u, v), \quad (u(0), v(0)) = (u_0 \pm \varepsilon_1, v_0 \pm \varepsilon_2).$$

We use the command `ode45` in Matlab to solve this family of ODEs with various small values of $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 > 0$ over a short period of time.



• $1 < a \leq b$

The expressions for (u_0, v_0) and A are the same as those in the previous case. However, Equation (1) now has two roots $\lambda_1 < 0 < \lambda_2$. The matrix A is still hyperbolic, but the origin of E is no longer a sink.



We have $f(u, v) \approx f(u_0, v_0) + \nabla f(u_0, v_0) \cdot (u - u_0, v - v_0)$

$$= A \begin{pmatrix} u - u_0 \\ v - v_0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let E_s and E_u be the stable and unstable subspaces of E with respect to the linear flow $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}' = A \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$. Then E'_s and E'_u are the "stable" and "unstable" subspaces of E with respect to the nonlinear flow $(u, v)' = f(u, v)$ are

$$E'_s = \{(u, v) : (u - u_0, v - v_0) \in E_s\} = (u_0, v_0) + E_s,$$

$$E'_u = (u_0, v_0) + E_u.$$

We have

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{-u_0 - v_0 - \sqrt{(u_0 + v_0)^2 - 4(1-ab)u_0v_0}}{2},$$

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{-u_0 - v_0 + \sqrt{(u_0 + v_0)^2 - 4(1-ab)u_0v_0}}{2}.$$

$$A - \lambda_1 I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -u_0 - \lambda_1 & -bu_0 \\ -av_0 & -v_0 - \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} -u_0 - \lambda_1 & -bu_0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A - \lambda_2 I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -u_0 - \lambda_2 & -bu_0 \\ -av_0 & -v_0 - \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} -u_0 - \lambda_2 & -bu_0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus, $E_s = \ker(A - \lambda_1 I_2) = \text{linear span} \{(bu_0, -u_0 - \lambda_1)\}$.

$E_u = \ker(A - \lambda_2 I_2) = \text{linear span} \{(bu_0, -u_0 - \lambda_2)\}$.

Hence, E'_s is the line passing through (u_0, v_0) and parallel to the vector $\gamma_s = (bu_0, -u_0 - \lambda_1)$. E'_u is the line passing through (u_0, v_0) and parallel to the vector $\gamma_u = (bu_0, -u_0 - \lambda_2)$.

On the nonlinear flow that passes through (u_0, v_0) and is tangent to E'_s , (u_0, v_0) is a sink. Thus, we can find this curve in a neighborhood of (u_0, v_0) by solving (forward in time) the ODEs

$$(u, v)' = f(u, v), \quad (u(0), v(0)) = (u_0, v_0) \pm \varepsilon \gamma_s$$

for various small values $\varepsilon > 0$.

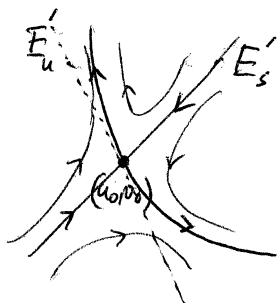
On the nonlinear flow that passes through (u_0, v_0) and is tangent to E'_u , (u_0, v_0) is a source. Thus, we can find this curve in a neighborhood of (u_0, v_0) by solving backward in time the ODEs

$$(u, v)' = f(u, v), \quad (u(0), v(0)) = (u_0, v_0) \pm \varepsilon \gamma_u$$

for various small values $\varepsilon > 0$. Note that by reparametrizing the time $t \mapsto -t$, it is the same as solving forward in time the ODEs

$$(u, v)' = -f(u, v), \quad (u(0), v(0)) = (u_0, v_0) \pm \varepsilon \gamma_u.$$

Using Matlab, we see that the flow tangent to E'_s at (u_0, v_0) looks like a straight line.



• $a=b=1$:

Then (u_0, v_0) can be any point such that $0 < u_0 < 1, v_0 = 1 - u_0$.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -u_0 & -u_0 \\ -v_0 & -v_0 \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \circ & \circ \end{pmatrix}$$

The eigenvalues of A solve the equation

$$(\lambda + u_0)(\lambda + v_0) - u_0 v_0 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda^2 + (u_0 + v_0)\lambda = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda(\lambda + 1) = 0.$$

They are $\lambda_1 = -1$ and $\lambda_2 = 0$. Then A is not a hyperbolic matrix. We stop because Grobman-Hartman's theorem is not applicable in this case. In other

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words, we don't know how to describe the nonlinear flow $(u,v)' = f(u,v)$
via the linear flow $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}' = A \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$.