

$$\phi^t: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

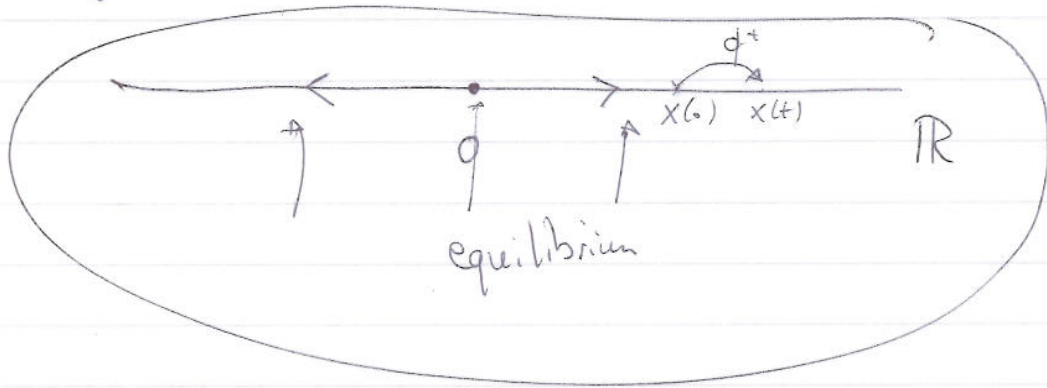
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$$\boxed{\frac{dx}{dt} = x \quad x_\tau = x(\tau)}$$

$$x(t) = x_\tau \exp(t - \tau)$$

analytical



flow: $\phi^t: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

geometric

examples: $\phi^t(0) = 0 \quad \forall t$

$$\text{if } x > 0 \quad \phi^t(x) > x \quad \forall t > 0$$

$$\text{if } x < 0 \quad \phi^t(x) < x \quad \forall t > 0$$

$$\phi^t(x(\cdot)) = x(t)$$

if f is smooth then also ϕ^t is smooth

$$v \text{ eigenvect of } A \quad Av = \mu v$$

then we can restrict the ODE $\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax$

to the eigenspace $\langle v \rangle$ (linear v. space gen. by v)

and we have $\frac{d}{dt}(av) = A(av) = \mu av$
 $a \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} a = \mu a \quad \Rightarrow a(t) = a(0)e^{\mu t}$$

So the eigenspaces of A are flow-invariant ~~egen~~
subspaces of the flow ϕ^t associated to $\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax$

i.e. if a solution $x(t)$ has one pt in an eigenspace
of A , then $x(t)$ lies entirely in this eigenspace.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x)$$

ODE $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$

$$f: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

"vector field"

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base
space

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vector
space

$$\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = A\vec{x} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = \lambda_1 x & x(t) = e^{\lambda_1 t} x(0) \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = \lambda_2 y & y(t) = e^{\lambda_2 t} y(0) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x(0) \\ y(0) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Phi^t = \exp(A t)$$

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = A\vec{x} \quad \begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = -\beta y \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = \beta x \end{cases} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\beta \frac{dy}{dt} = -\beta^2 x$$

(harmonic oscillator!)

Solution $\begin{pmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\beta t) & -\sin(\beta t) \\ \sin(\beta t) & \cos(\beta t) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x(0) \\ y(0) \end{pmatrix}$

should be familiar.

Flow map $\phi^t = \exp(At) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad A^k = ?$$

Question: how to understand $\exp(A)$?

First thing of importance: eigenvalues of A .

one scheme (say for $A \in \mathfrak{gl}(2, \mathbb{R})$):

choose convenient coordinates (eg so that A is in Jordan form)

Let Jordan form of A be L , such that $A = P L P^{-1}$ for some $P \in GL(2, \mathbb{R})$

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general linear group (invertible matrices)

$$\exp(A) = \exp(P L P^{-1}) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(P L P^{-1})^k}{k!} = P \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{L^k}{k!} \right) P^{-1} = P \exp(L) P^{-1}$$

This is one possible way to compute $\exp(A)$.