

From a system  $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$  and the eigenvalues + eigenvectors of  $A$ ,

- sketch a portion of the direction field
- sketch the phase portrait
- classify the critical point at the origin
- classify the stability

Remember,  $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$  means

$$\text{is } \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}' = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$x_1, x_2$  are functions  
of time.

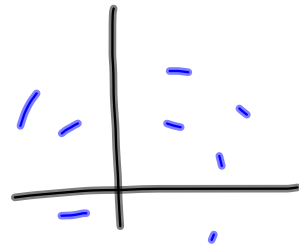
$$x_1' = ax_1 + bx_2$$

$$x_2' = cx_1 + dx_2$$

$$\vec{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$$

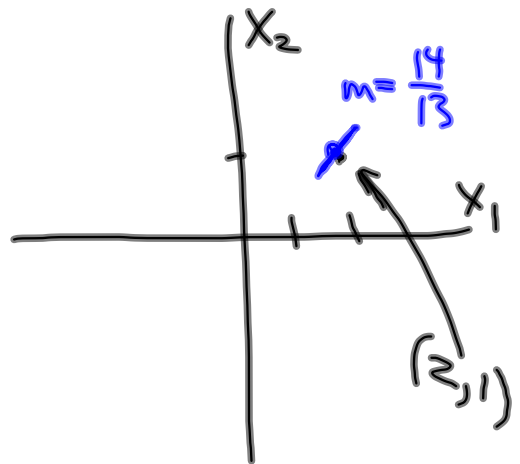
Direction field?

$$\text{At } (2,1) \sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{13}{2} \\ -7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ x_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} dx_1/dt \\ dx_2/dt \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dx_2/dt}{dx_1/dt} = \frac{dx_2}{dx_1} = \frac{-7}{-\frac{13}{2}} = \frac{14}{13}$$



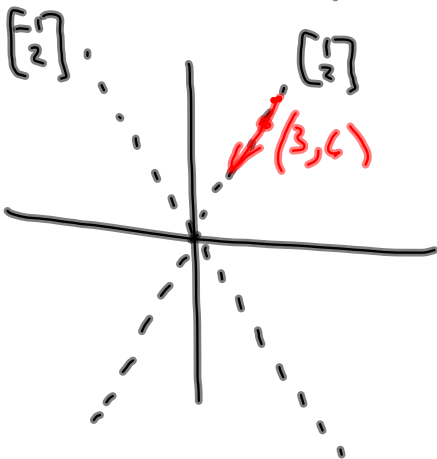
Phase portrait for  $\vec{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} & \\ & A \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$

$$\lambda = -2, -1 \quad \vec{k} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = -2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = -2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 1 put in eigenspaces  
as dashed lines:

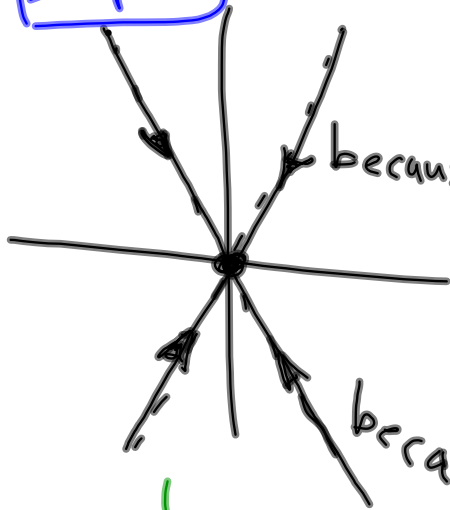


Suppose  $\vec{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\vec{x}'(0) = A \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ -12 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ x_2' \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}, \lambda = -2, -1 \quad \vec{k} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 2



$$\vec{x} = c_1 \vec{k}_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + c_2 \vec{k}_2 e^{\lambda_2 t}$$

because  $\lambda = -2$

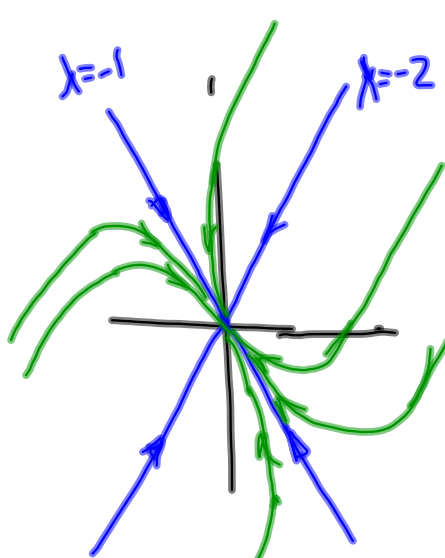


this scalar is getting

because  $\lambda = -1$

→ 4 trajectories Others?

$$\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}, \quad \lambda = -2, -1 \quad \vec{k} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\vec{x} = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t} \quad (1)$$

←ward in time  
Other trajectories?  
Pick a point.

Going forward in time,

Going "backward" in time,  
 $t < 0$  and (1) becomes

$$\vec{x} = c_1 \underbrace{\vec{k}_1 e^{2(\text{pos})}}_{\text{dominant term}} + c_2 \vec{k}_2 e^{1(\text{pos})}$$

$$\vec{x} = c_1 \underbrace{\vec{k}_1 e^{2(\text{neg})}}_{\text{dominant term}} + c_2 \vec{k}_2 e^{1(\text{neg})}$$