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Equation Unit-3 Core-4.
Phase Plane / Equilibrium points

[For notes on 2nd Phase ^{term on} (29.04.2024) for finding
P.I. of $\frac{1}{f(D)} \cdot e^{ax}$ if $f(D) = (D-a)^r \cdot \phi(D)$ on page-4.
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Then P.I. = $\frac{1}{(D-a)^r \cdot \phi(D)} \cdot e^{ax} = \frac{1}{\phi(a)} \cdot \frac{e^{ax} \cdot x^r}{r!}$

(Rectify the earlier by that) where ~~f~~ $\phi(a) \neq 0$

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{ it is $\phi(a) = 0$
wrong.

Phase Plane

~~The~~ The state of dynamical system changes with time. Continuous dynamical systems are usually represented by a differential equation like $\frac{dx}{dt} = X(x)$ where x denotes the state or position of the system. $\textcircled{1}$ is like the form $\frac{dx}{dt} = \mu x$ is an autonomous D.E. Since the independent variable t does not appear on the right hand side. For ^{an} initial value $\textcircled{1}$ represents the set of solutions. For increasing time t there will be a path or orbit or trajectory. The set of all trajectories of a flow is called a Phase Portrait. A phase portrait in two dimensions is called a Phase Plane.

Let us suppose that the non linear equation of the form $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = f(x, \frac{dx}{dt})$ describes a dynamical system. The state of this system at time t is determined by the values of x and $\frac{dx}{dt}$. The Plane of the variables x and $\frac{dx}{dt}$ is called a Phase plane.

If we put $y = \frac{dx}{dt}$, then the above equation is equivalent to the system of equations:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = y$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = F(x, y)$$

Now the autonomous system $\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x)$ where $f(x)$ is independent of t . Then it becomes of the form (for linear)

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax \text{ where } A \text{ is an } n \times n \text{ matrix}$$

with constant elements. Let us study the phase plane the dynamical system of the form $\frac{dx}{dt} = F(x, y)$. . . ①

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = G(x, y) \text{ . . . ②}$$

The paths of ① and ② cover the entire phase plane and do not intersect one another. The points where both $F(x, y)$ and $G(x, y)$ vanish are called critical points or fixed points or

singular points or equilibrium points of the system. If (x_0, y_0) be such a point that $F(x_0, y_0) = 0$ and $G(x_0, y_0) = 0$ then the unique solution is $x = x_0$, and $y = y_0$.

If there are no such other critical points except (x_0, y_0) within the circle of centre (x_0, y_0) , then this critical point (x_0, y_0) of this system is said to be isolated.

Let us consider the linear plane autonomous system

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{dt} &= a_1 x + b_1 y \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= a_2 x + b_2 y \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{where } a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2 \\ \text{are real constants} \end{array}$$

This can be written in the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } \dot{x} = \frac{dx}{dt}, \dot{y} = \frac{dy}{dt} \text{ and } A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{bmatrix} \neq 0.$$

So that $(0, 0)$ is only critical point.

Equilibrium points / Phase Plane $S_2(4)$

Then the characteristic eqnⁿ of A is

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 - \lambda & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad \text{or, } \lambda^2 - (a_1 + b_2)\lambda + (a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1) = 0$$

Let λ_1, λ_2 be the roots of eqnⁿ (3). These are the eigen values of A. The nature of critical point is determined by the nature of the eigen values λ_1, λ_2 .

- 1) If λ_1, λ_2 be real, distinct and of the same sign (or λ_1 and λ_2 be real and equal) then nature of critical point of this system is node. This node
 - a) if λ_1, λ_2 both be negative critical point (0,0) is stable
 - b) if λ_1, λ_2 both be +ve " " is unstable
- 2) If λ_1, λ_2 be real, unequal and of opposite sign, then nature of critical point of linear system is Saddle Point. ~~It is unstable~~ It is unstable.
- 3) λ_1, λ_2 roots are conjugate complex but not pure imaginary then nature of the system is spiral point or focal point.
 - ① It is stable if the real part is negative.
 - ② Unstable if real part is positive.
- ④ If the roots are pure imaginary nature of the critical point (0,0) of this system is a centre. ~~It is stable not asymptotically~~

Ex ① Find the Phase curve of the dynamical system $\dot{x} = \frac{dx}{dt} = y$ for the general solution or paths.
 Equations $y = \frac{dy}{dt} = -5x + 2y$.
 Also describe the nature of the stationary point (critical point)

Sol:- The matrix form of the linear dynamical system is

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

So the characteristic equation is

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ -5 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 5 = 0$$

$$\text{or } \lambda = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4 \cdot 5}}{2}$$

Here (0,0) is only the equilibrium point as $\frac{dx}{dt} = y = 0$ so for $y = 0$ gives $x = 0$

$\therefore \lambda = \frac{2 \pm 4i}{2} = 1 \pm 2i$ roots are

Conjugate with Real $\lambda > 0$
 Hence the equilibrium or stationary point is an unstable spiral point.

Equation of phase curve or general solⁿ is

$$x = e^t (A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t)$$

$$\dot{x} = y = e^t (A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t) + e^t (-2A \sin 2t + 2B \cos 2t)$$

$$= e^t \{ (A+2B) \cos 2t + (B-2A) \sin 2t \}$$

Ex ② Discuss the nature of the equilibrium points of a damped oscillator as given by the equation $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 2\mu \frac{dx}{dt} + \lambda^2 x = 0$; $\mu > 0$.

Sol:- The given equation is equivalent to the autonomous system

① $\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = \dot{x} = y & \text{and} \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\lambda^2 x - 2\mu y \end{cases}$ (as $\frac{dx}{dt} = y$)

Here (0,0) is the only equilibrium or critical point.

Characteristic equation of ① is

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0-\lambda & 1 \\ -n^2 & -2\mu-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 + 2\mu\lambda + n^2 = 0$$

giving $\lambda = -\mu \pm \sqrt{\mu^2 - n^2}$

Thus the equilibrium point is

- 1) a stable node for $\mu > n > 0$
- 2) an unstable node for $\mu < -n < 0$
- 3) a stable spiral point for $0 < \mu < n$
- 4) an unstable spiral point for $-n < \mu < 0$

If $\mu = n$, then it is a node

Here $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{n^2x + 2\mu y}{y}$ and $(0,0)$ is the equilibrium point.

In case of light damping when $\mu < n$, this equilibrium point is called focal point and in case of heavy damping when $\mu > n$, then it is nodal point.

EX. ① Determine the nature of the critical point of the system $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2x - 7y$; $\frac{dy}{dt} = 3x - 8y$

do it yourself: Hints dynamical system

is $\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -7 \\ 3 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ find characteristic Eqⁿ as

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 7 \\ 3 & -8-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

find the value of λ and find the nature and the ~~shape~~ Trajectory/ orbit

EX. ② Show that the equilibrium point of the linear dynamical system $\frac{dx}{dt} = x + 3y$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = 3x + y$ is a saddle point that of the system $\frac{dx}{dt} = 3x - 2y$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = 5x - 3y$ is a Centre.