

APMA 0360: HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT #6
DUE DATE: 4PM, OCT 19TH, 2012

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Section 9.1

Solve Problems 13,15, 17, 18,19

Section 9.2

Find all the critical points in each of the system in Problems 5,7,10,13,15,16

Stability/instability

Using the definition of stability and instability to show that the critical point of each of the following differential equations is stable or unstable.

$$(a) \mathbf{x}'(\mathbf{t}) = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

$$(b) \mathbf{x}'(\mathbf{t}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

$$(c) \mathbf{x}'(\mathbf{t}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}, \text{ for some given constants } \alpha, \beta.$$