

5.1. Design an affine differential equation having a saddle point at  $(1, 1)$  with the line  $x - 1 = 2(y - 1)$  as stable manifold and the line  $x = 1$  as unstable manifold. Draw some phase portraits. (Affine means linear plus constant.)

5.2. The damped harmonic oscillator is given by

$$\ddot{x} = -\omega^2 x - \mu \dot{x}.$$

where  $\omega$  and  $\mu$  are real parameters known as the frequency and the damping. (or friction) coefficient. (i) Reexpress the oscillator as a system in the  $(x, \dot{x})$  plane by putting it in 1st order form.

(ii) Find the eigenvalues of the corresponding two-by-two matrix.

(iii) Write out the general solution.

(iv) Draw several phase portraits according to several choices of  $(\omega, \mu)$ . Include  $(\omega, \mu) = (1, 0)$ .

5.3. Strogatz writes a limit cycle in polar coordinates  $r, \theta$  as  $\dot{\theta} = 1, \dot{r} = r(1 - r^2)$ . (Look up 'limit cycle' in his index.) Convert this equation to a system of 1st order differential equation in the Cartesian  $xy$  plane. (The correct answer will have a polynomials in  $x, y$  as r.h.s.)