

Exercise 3 for the lecture  
NUMERICAL MATHEMATICS II  
WS 2021/2022

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**Due: Tutorial on November 16, 2021**

**Problem 1**

Discuss the stability of the fixed point  $x^* = 0$  of the following ODEs

a)

$$\begin{aligned}x_1' &= -x_1 + x_2^2 \\x_2' &= -\exp(x_1)x_2\end{aligned}$$

b)

$$\begin{aligned}x_1' &= \cos(x_1) - \exp(-x_2) \\x_2' &= x_1x_2\end{aligned}$$

**Problem 2**

Consider the following system of ODEs

$$x'(t) = f(x(t)), \quad f = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ \mu(1 - x_1^2)x_2 - x_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

where  $\mu$  is a real parameter.

a) Calculate all fixed points of (1).

b) Discuss the (asymptotic) stability of these fixed points depending on parameter  $\mu$ .

**Problem 3**

For the ODE from Task 2 solve the ODE numerically for  $t \in [0, 10]$  using either one of the methods you implemented on the first problem set or any ODE solver included in Python/Matlab. In the former case, you should use at least  $n = 1000$  steps.

Use the following initial value

$$x_0 = \begin{pmatrix} \delta \\ \delta \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $\delta = 0.01$ .

For each of  $\mu \in \{-1, 0, 1\}$ , plot the phase diagram and comment on the stability of the fixed point  $x^* = 0$  considering your results from the previous task.

**Hint:** The phase diagram is a plot where the time-axis is only implicit. For each  $t_k$ , you want to plot the point  $(x_{k1}, x_{k2})$ . It is also a good idea to highlight your initial value and the fixed point in the plot. More in the tutorial.