

Def: $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$. $\text{tr}(A) = \text{trace of } A =$
 $= a_{11} + a_{22}$

Obs: $P(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) =$
 $= \lambda^2 - \text{tr}(A)\lambda + \det(A) = (\lambda - \lambda_1)(\lambda - \lambda_2)$

λ_1 & λ_2 are the eigenvalues of A .

They may be the same. They may be complex

$$\text{tr}(A) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$$

$$\det(A) = \lambda_1 \lambda_2$$

Case 1 $(\text{tr } A)^2 - 4 \det(A) > 0$. Two
 Real eigenvalues

Case 1.1 $\det(A) < 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 < 0 < \lambda_2$

In this case 0 is a saddle

Case 1.2 $\det(A) > 0$

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Case 1.2.1 $\text{tr}(A) > 0 \Rightarrow 0 < \lambda_1 < \lambda_2$

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Case 1.2.2 $\text{tr}(A) < 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < 0$

In this case 0 is a sink

Case 2 $(\text{tr} A)^2 - 4 \det(A) = 0$ one real
eigenvalue

Case 2.1 $\text{tr}(A) > 0 \Rightarrow 0 < \lambda_1$

In this case 0 is a source

Case 2.2 $\text{tr}(A) < 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 < 0$

In this case 0 is a sink.

Case 3 $(\text{tr} A)^2 - 4 \det(A) < 0$

2 complex eigenvalues $\lambda = \alpha \pm i\beta$.

Note that $\text{tr}(A) = 2\alpha = 2 \text{Re}(\lambda)$

Case 3.1 $\text{tr} A > 0 \Rightarrow \text{Re}(\lambda) > 0$

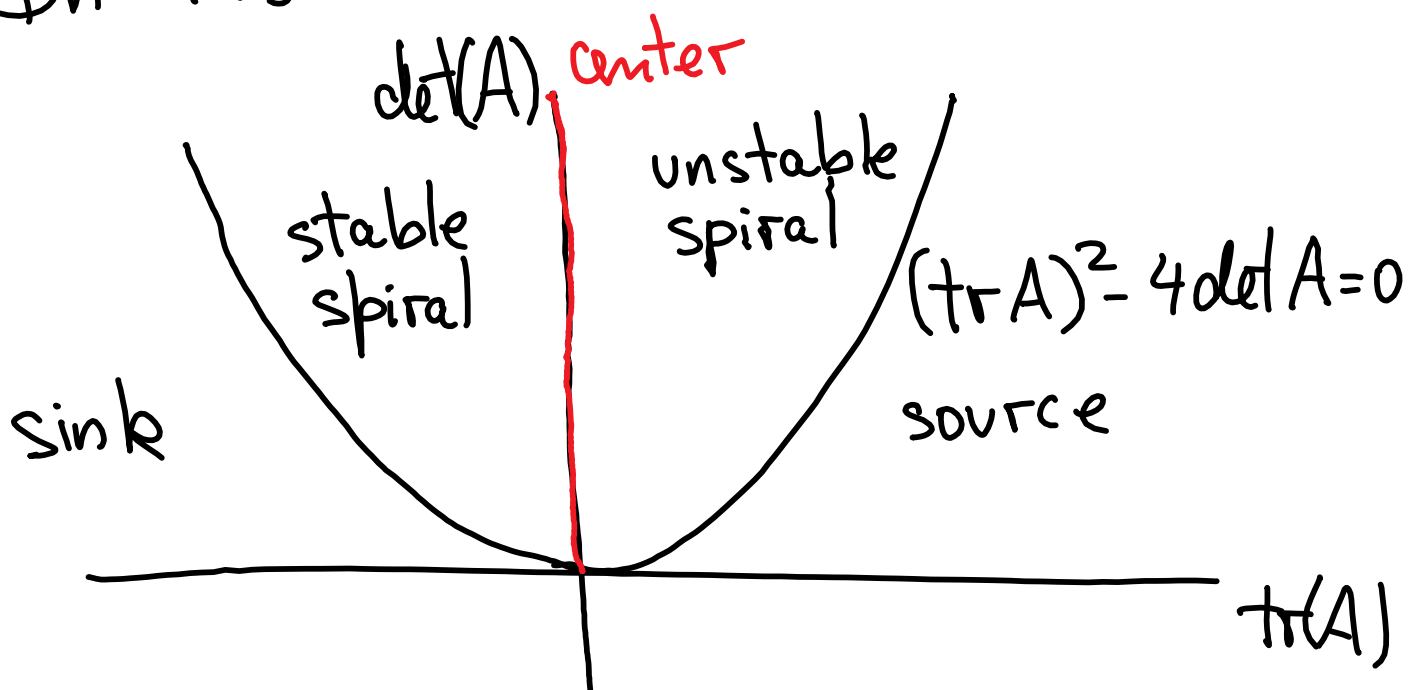
In this case 0 is an unstable spiral

Case 3.2 $\text{tr} A = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Re}(\lambda) = 0$

In this case 0 is a center

Case 3.3 $\text{tr}(A) < 0 \Rightarrow \text{Re}(\lambda) < 0$

In this case 0 is a stable spiral.



saddle

$\pi(A)$

$\mathbb{R}^n$ = set of n -vectors = $\left\{ x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} : x_i \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

Def: Let $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r \in \mathbb{R}^n$. We say that they are linearly dependent if there exists $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_r \in \mathbb{R}$ not all equal to zero such that

$$c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_r v_r = 0$$

they are linearly independent if they are not linearly dependent.

Def: Let $v_1, \dots, v_r \in \mathbb{R}^n$. The span of this set of vectors is

$$\text{span}\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r\} =$$

$$= \{c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_r v_r : c_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

Def: $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. S is a subspace if

$$1) 0 \in S$$

$$2) v \in S \Rightarrow \lambda v \in S$$

$$3) v_1, v_2 \in S \Rightarrow v_1 + v_2 \in S$$

Obs: $\mathbb{R}^n$ is a vector space.

There are other vector spaces. The notion of a subspace applies to any vector space.

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$$S = \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r\}$$

Def: Let S be a subspace. $v_1, \dots, v_r$ is a basis for S if $v_1, \dots, v_r$ spans S and $v_1, \dots, v_r$ is linearly independent.

Obs: Let S be a subspace. Let $v_1, \dots, v_r$ be a basis for S . Let $x \in S$. There there exists unique coefficients $c_1, \dots, c_r$ such that

$$x = c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_r v_r$$

These numbers $c_1, \dots, c_r$ are called the coordinates of x in the basis

$$v_1, \dots, v_r$$

Obs: Let S be a subspace. Let $v_1, \dots, v_r$ be a basis of S . Let $x \in S$.

$$X = c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_r v_r =$$

$$= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & \dots & v_r \end{bmatrix}}_V \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_r \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{"}c\text{"}}$$

To find c , solve the linear system

$$Vc = x \quad \text{where } x \text{ is known.}$$

V is the matrix whose i th column is v_i . c is the unknown.

Obs: Gaussian elimination to solve linear systems.

Obs: Let S be a subspace.

Any two basis of S have the same number of elements. This number is

called the dimension of S .