

HW2.

Math 266A

Handout: Friday Oct 13

Due = Friday Oct 20

1. Show that for any matrices A, B of small size

$$e^{\frac{1}{2}A} e^B e^{\frac{1}{2}A} - e^{A+B} = \mathcal{O}(|A|^3 + |B|^3)$$

in which $|A|$ is a norm on the matrix.

2. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -2\varepsilon & 1 \\ 0 & -\varepsilon \end{pmatrix} \quad x_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let $x(t)$ solve

$$\begin{aligned} x_t &= Ax \\ x(0) &= x_0 \end{aligned}$$

Find the

$$\max_{0 \leq t < \infty} \|x(t)\|.$$

3. Let M be a real matrix with eigenvalues $\pm i$,
~~show that its orbits are ellipses~~
and consider the ODE

$$u_t = Mu$$

Show that the orbits in the phase plane are ellipses.

Hint Write $M = C^{-1}\Lambda C$ with $\Lambda = \text{diag}(i, -i)$. ~~show that~~

Consider $V = CU$, find an ODE for V and show that its orbits are circles.

4. Consider the ODE

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}_t = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

Find and classify its stationary points.