## CDS 140a Winter 2015 Homework 6

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1. Perko, Section 3.4, problem 1: Show that  $\gamma(t) = (2 \cos 2t, \sin 2t)$  is a periodic solution of the system

$$egin{aligned} \dot{x}&=-4y+x\left(1-rac{x^2}{4}-y^2
ight)\ \dot{y}&=x+y\left(1-rac{x^2}{4}-y^2
ight) \end{aligned}$$

that lies on the ellipse  $(x/2)^2 + y^2 = 1$  (i.e.,  $\gamma(t)$  represents a cycle  $\Gamma$  of this system). Then use the corollary to Theorem 2 in Section 3.4 to show that  $\Gamma$  is a stable limit cycle.

2. Perko, Section 3.4, problem 3a: Solve the linear system

$$\dot{x} = egin{bmatrix} a & -b \ b & a \end{bmatrix} x$$

and show that at any point  $(x_0, 0)$  on the *x*-axis, the Poincare map for the focus at the origin is given by  $P(x_0) = x_0 \exp(2\pi a / |b|)$ . For d(x) = P(x) - x, compute d'(0) and show that d(-x) = -d(x).

3. Perko, Section 3.5, problem 1: Show that the nonlinear system

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$$egin{aligned} \dot{x} &= -y + x z^2 \ \dot{y} &= x + y z^2 \ \dot{z} &= -z (x^2 + y^2) \end{aligned}$$

has a periodic orbit  $\gamma(t) = (\cos t, \sin t, 0)$ . Find the linearization of this system about  $\gamma(t)$ , the fundamental matrix  $\Phi(t)$  for the autonomous system that satisfies  $\Phi(0) = I$ , and the characteristic exponents and multipliers of  $\gamma(t)$ . What are the dimensions of the stable, unstable and center manifolds of  $\gamma(t)$ ?

4. Perko, Section 3.5, problem 5a: Let  $\Phi(t)$  be the fundamental matrix for  $\dot{x} = A(t)x$  satisfying  $\Phi(0) = I$ . Use Liouville's theorem, which states that

$$\det \Phi(t) = \exp \int_0^t \mathrm{trace} A(s) ds,$$

to show that if  $m_j = e^{\lambda_j T}$ , j = 1, ..., n are the characteristic multipliers of  $\gamma(t)$  then

$$\sum\limits_{j=1}^n m_j = {
m trace} \Phi(T)$$

and

$$\prod_{j=1}^n m_j = \exp \int_0^T \operatorname{trace} A(t) \, dt.$$

- Hint: recall that the determinant of a matrix is equal to the product of its eigenvalues, and the trace of a matrix is equal to the sum of the eigenvalues.
- 5. Perko, Section 3.9, problem 4a: Show that the limit cycle of the van der Pol equation

$$\dot{x} = y + x - x^3/3$$
  
 $\dot{y} = -x$ 

must cross the vertical lines  $x = \pm 1$ .

• Hint: you can use the fact (shown in Perko, Section 3.8) that a limit cycle exists for the van der Pol equation and that it is unique.

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