

**Tutorial No. 4 *Dynamical Systems: Theory and Numerics***

Return: 12am, Thursday, 6.12. metal box: Rutka/Schick (48, ground floor)

**Exercise 13:**

Compute the phase portrait of the system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= x - 2y \\ \dot{y} &= 3x - 4y\end{aligned}$$

**Exercise 14:** (*Mathematical pendulum*)

The mathematical pendulum with friction is given by

$$\ddot{x} + f(x)\dot{x} + \sin x = 0,$$

where  $f \in C^1$  and  $f > 0$  (damping). Show that no periodic solutions can exist.

**Exercise 15:**

Show that the system

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

has a limit cycle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ ,  $z = 0$ . Show by linear approximation that the origin is unstable. Show that the limit cycle is stable using cylindrical coordinates.

**Exercise 16:** (*An epidemic model*)

An epidemic model is given as follows. Let a population be divided into three categories: People who are susceptible to a disease ( $x$ ), those who are infected ( $y$ ), and those who are immune ( $z$ ). The model is described by the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= -\beta xy + \mu \\ \dot{y} &= \beta xy - \gamma y \\ \dot{z} &= \gamma y - \mu\end{aligned}$$

Here  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $\mu$  are positive constants and we only consider positive populations  $x, y, z \geq 0$ . Show that the overall population is constant. Determine the equilibrium solutions and analyze the behaviour in their neighbourhood. Discuss the model.