

A systems approach to biology

SB200

Lecture 4

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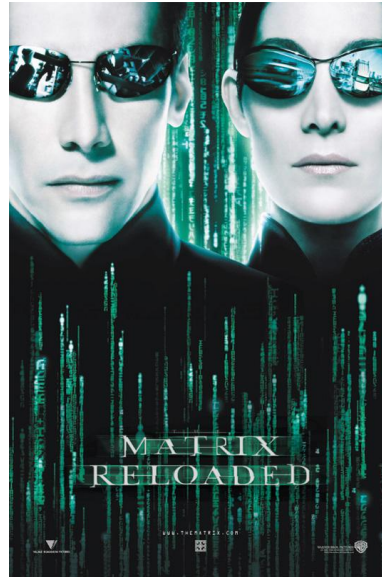
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Recap of Lecture 3

STABILITY TH.
LINEARISATION TH.

Jacobian matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \end{pmatrix}$$



matrix algebra

A^{-1} exists, iff, $\det A \neq 0$

eigenvalues

$$Ax = \lambda x$$

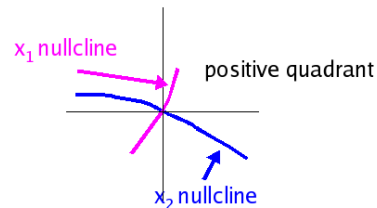
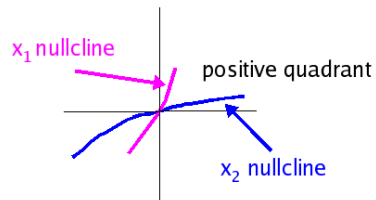
$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

$$\det AB = (\det A) \cdot (\det B)$$

x_1 nullcline lies above x_2 nullcline,
both in the positive quadrant

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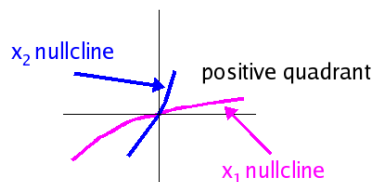
x_1 nullcline in positive quadrant
 x_2 nullcline in fourth quadrant



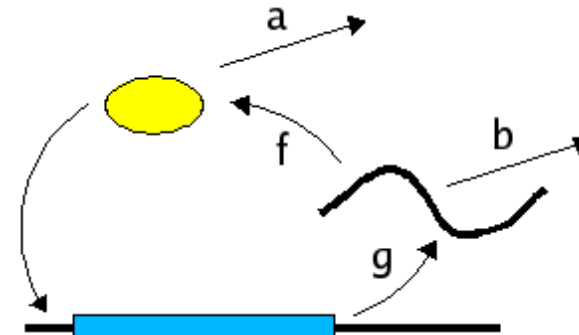
STABLE

stability of an autoregulatory loop

x_2 nullcline lies above x_1 nullcline
both in the positive quadrant



UNSTABLE



$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x) \quad \text{with steady state at } x = x_{st}$$

1 dimensional

$$a = \left. \left(\frac{df}{dx} \right) \right|_{x=x_{st}}$$

$$dx/dt = ax$$

$$x(t) = \exp(at)x_0$$

$$\exp(a) = 1 + a + a^2/2 + a^3/3! + \dots$$

exponential

$$\exp(a+b) = \exp(a)\exp(b)$$

$n > 1$ dimensional

$$A = (Df)|_{x=x_{st}}$$

$$dx/dt = Ax$$

$$x(t) = \exp(At)x_0$$

$$\exp(A) = I + A + A^2/2 + A^3/3! + \dots$$

matrix exponential

$$\exp(A+B) = \exp(A).\exp(B)$$

provided $AB = BA$

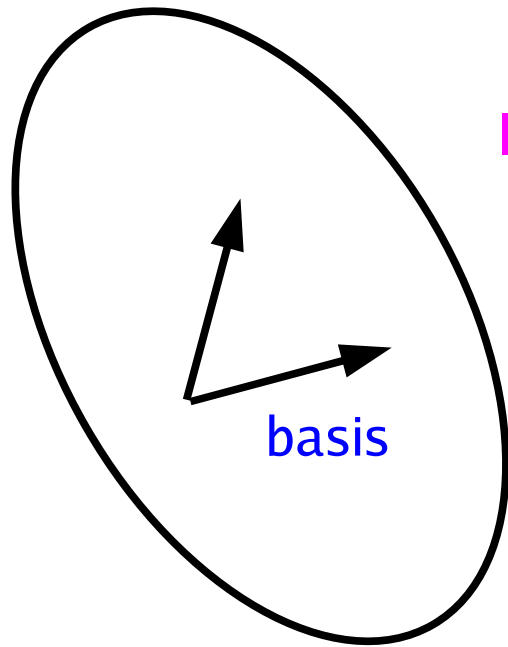
calculating $\exp(A)$

*matrices are like numbers –
they can be added and multiplied together*

**except that multiplication is not commutative
and not all non-zero matrices have an inverse**

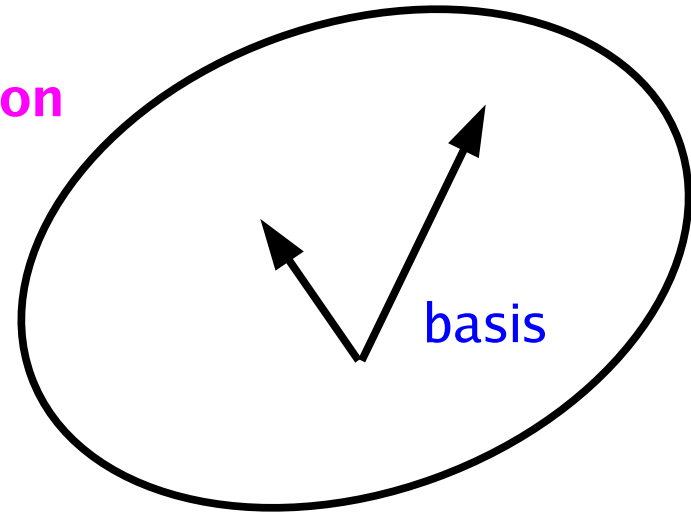
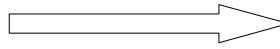
*matrices ALSO represent **linear transformations**
with respect to a chosen coordinate **basis***

**eigenvectors (when they exist) can give a basis
in which the matrix is particularly simple**



vector space

linear transformation

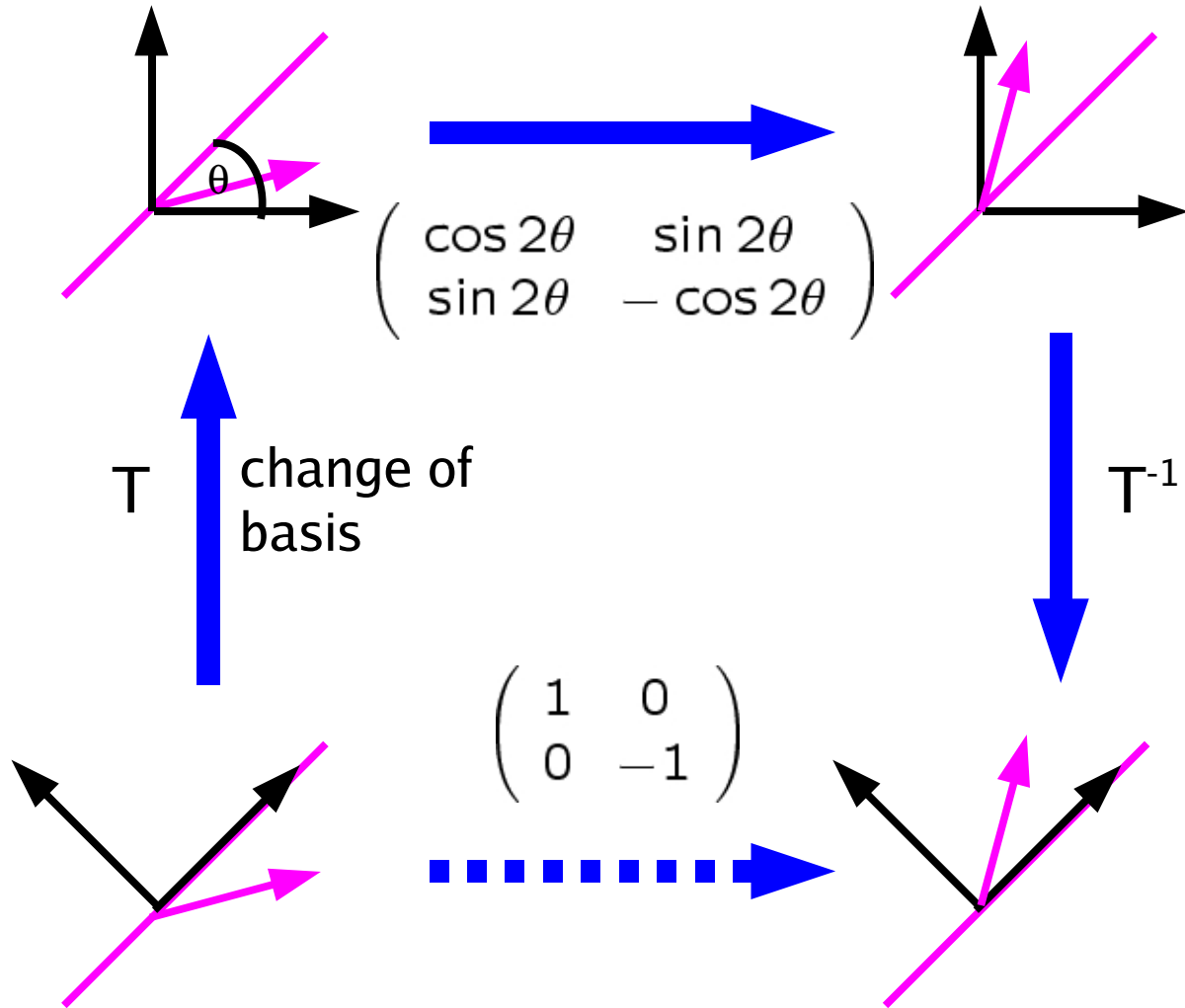


vector space

$$L(x + y) = L(x) + L(y)$$

$$L(\lambda x) = \lambda L(x)$$

reflection in a line



Change of basis corresponds to similarity of matrices

A and B are **SIMILAR** if $B = T^{-1}AT$

If A and B are similar then A and B have the same


characteristic polynomial

eigenvalues

det and Tr

How do we calculate $\exp(A)$?

Find a change of basis in which A becomes simple


$$\exp(T^{-1}AT) = T^{-1}\exp(A)T$$

A = any 2 x 2 matrix

Δ = discriminant of the characteristic polynomial of A

The simple case $\Delta > 0$
eigenvalues are real and distinct

change of basis \longrightarrow $\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{pmatrix}$

ie: reflection

The complex case $\Delta < 0$
eigenvalues are complex and conjugate

change of basis \longrightarrow $\begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$

ie: rotation

The awkward case $\Delta = 0$
eigenvalues are real and equal

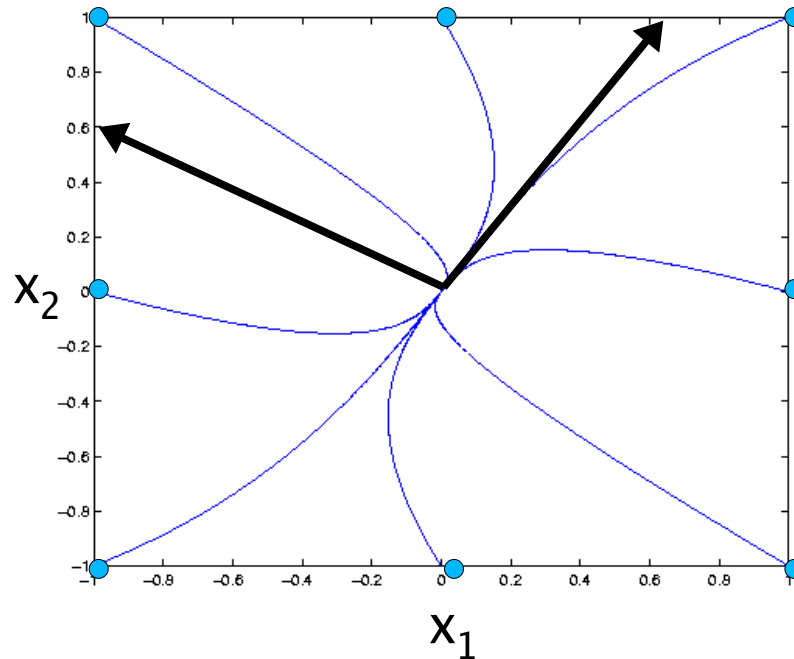
change of basis \longrightarrow $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix}$

simple case disc > 0 both eigenvalues negative

$$\exp \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \exp a & 0 \\ 0 & \exp b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

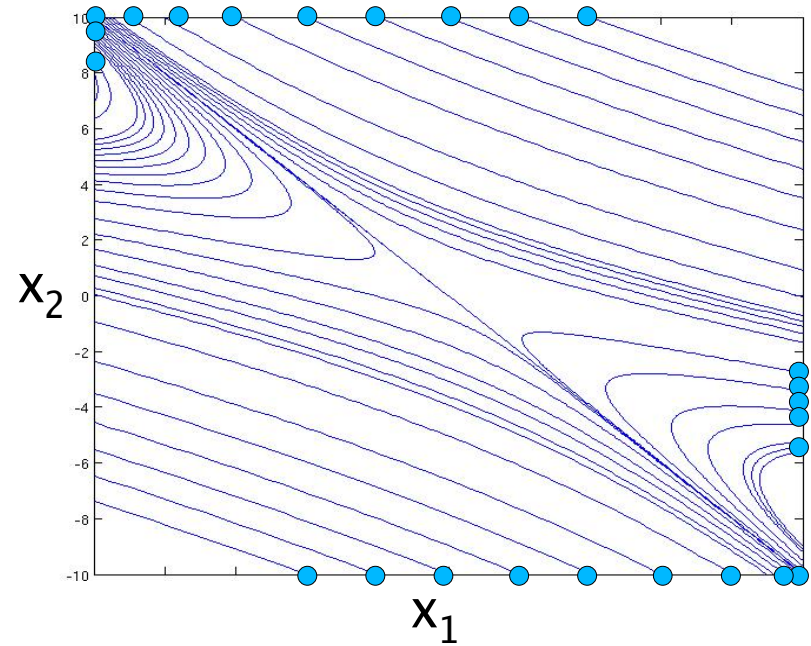
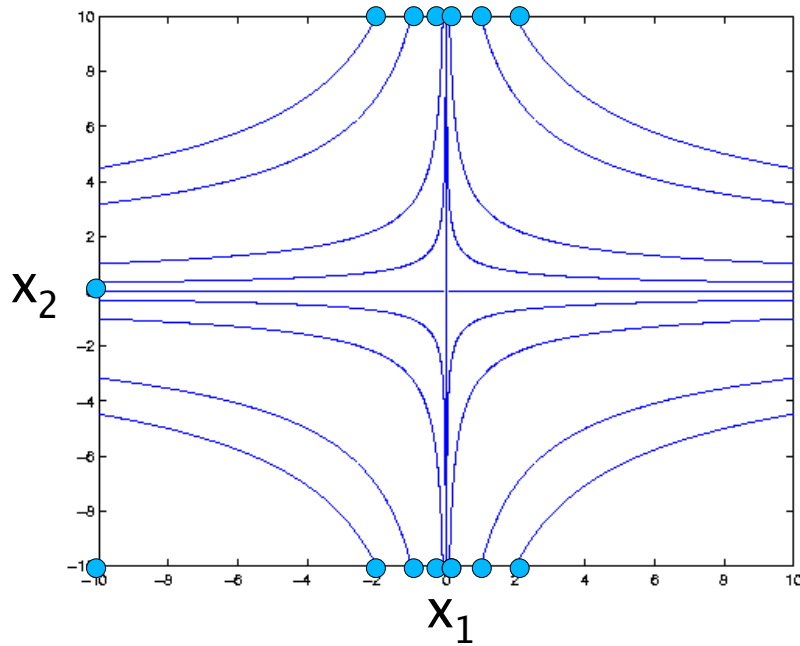
Tr = -5 det = 5 disc = 5
eigenvalues = -3.62, -1.38



stable node

simple case disc > 0 one eigenvalue positive

$$\exp \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \exp a & 0 \\ 0 & \exp b \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{saddle}$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

similarity

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

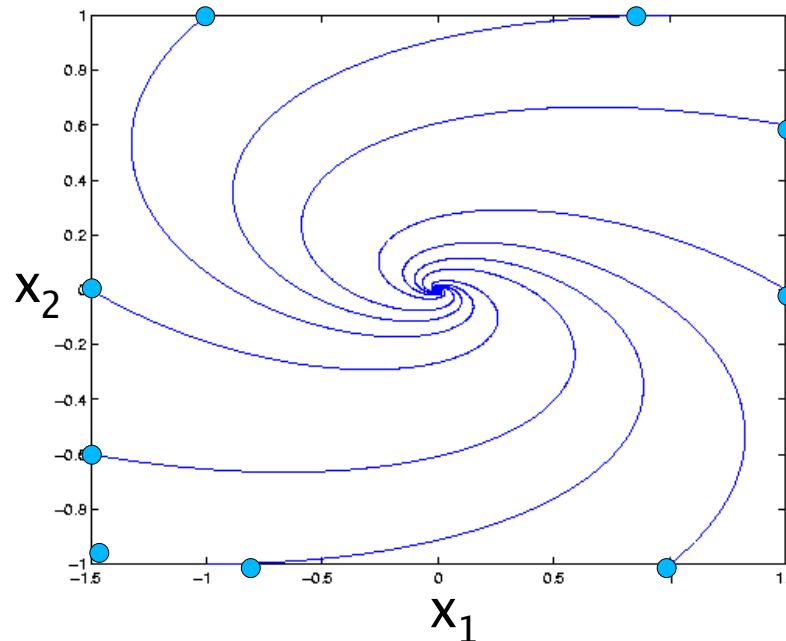
Tr = 1 det = -2 disc = 9
eigenvalues = 2, -1

complex case disc < 0 complex eigenvalues

$$\exp \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix} = \exp(a) \begin{pmatrix} \cos b & -\sin b \\ \sin b & \cos b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & -5 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Tr = -3 det = 7 disc = -19
eigenvalues = $-1.5 \pm 2.18 i$



stable spiral

Complex eigenvalues imply (damped) oscillation, with frequency given by the imaginary part of the eigenvalue