

Worksheet #6: Stable and unstable manifolds

Let $f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} x/2 \\ 2y - 7x^2 \end{bmatrix}$.

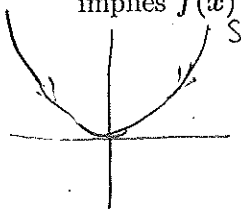
(1) Find an equation for $f^{-1}(x)$. $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = f(\bar{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} x/2 \\ 2y - 7x^2 \end{pmatrix}$ Goal: write x, y in terms of u, v .

$u = x/2 \rightarrow x = 2u$

$v = 2y - 7x^2 \rightarrow y = \frac{v + 28u^2}{2}$

$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = f^{-1}\left(\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 2u \\ \frac{v + 28u^2}{2} \end{pmatrix}$

(2) Sketch a graph of $S = \{(x, 4x^2) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$. Show that S is invariant under f (i.e., $x \in S$ implies $f(x)$ and $f^{-1}(x)$ are in S).



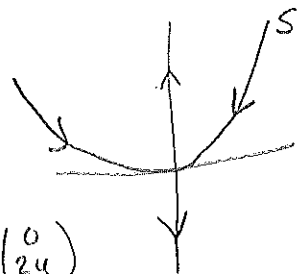
$f\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ 4x^2 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} x/2 \\ 2(4x^2) - 7x^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x/2 \\ x^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x/2 \\ 4(x/2)^2 \end{pmatrix} \in S$

$f^{-1}\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ 4x^2 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 2x \\ \frac{4x^2 + 28x^2}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x \\ 16x^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x \\ 4(2x)^2 \end{pmatrix} \in S$

(3) Is S a stable or unstable manifold? Show why this is the case.

Since for any pt $\bar{x} \in S$, $f(\bar{x}) \in S \Rightarrow f^n(\bar{x}) \in S$.

$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ 4x^2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{f} \begin{pmatrix} x/2 \\ x^2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x/4 \\ x^2/4 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \dots$



(4) What is the other manifold? (Hint: fix $x=0$) if $x=0$, $f(\bar{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2y \end{pmatrix}$

This is the y -axis. This is unstable. Since:

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^{-n}\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ y \end{pmatrix}\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ y/2^n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

(5) Show that no points outside of S converge to 0 under f or f^{-1} .

Pick a pt not on S . $\bar{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 4x^2 + \epsilon \end{pmatrix}$. $f(\bar{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} x/2 \\ x^2 + 2\epsilon \end{pmatrix}$
 $f^2(\bar{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} x/4 \\ x^2/4 + 4\epsilon \end{pmatrix}$
 $f^n(\bar{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} x/2^n \\ x^2/2^n + 2^n \epsilon \end{pmatrix} \not\rightarrow \bar{0}$
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like wise for the inverse.