

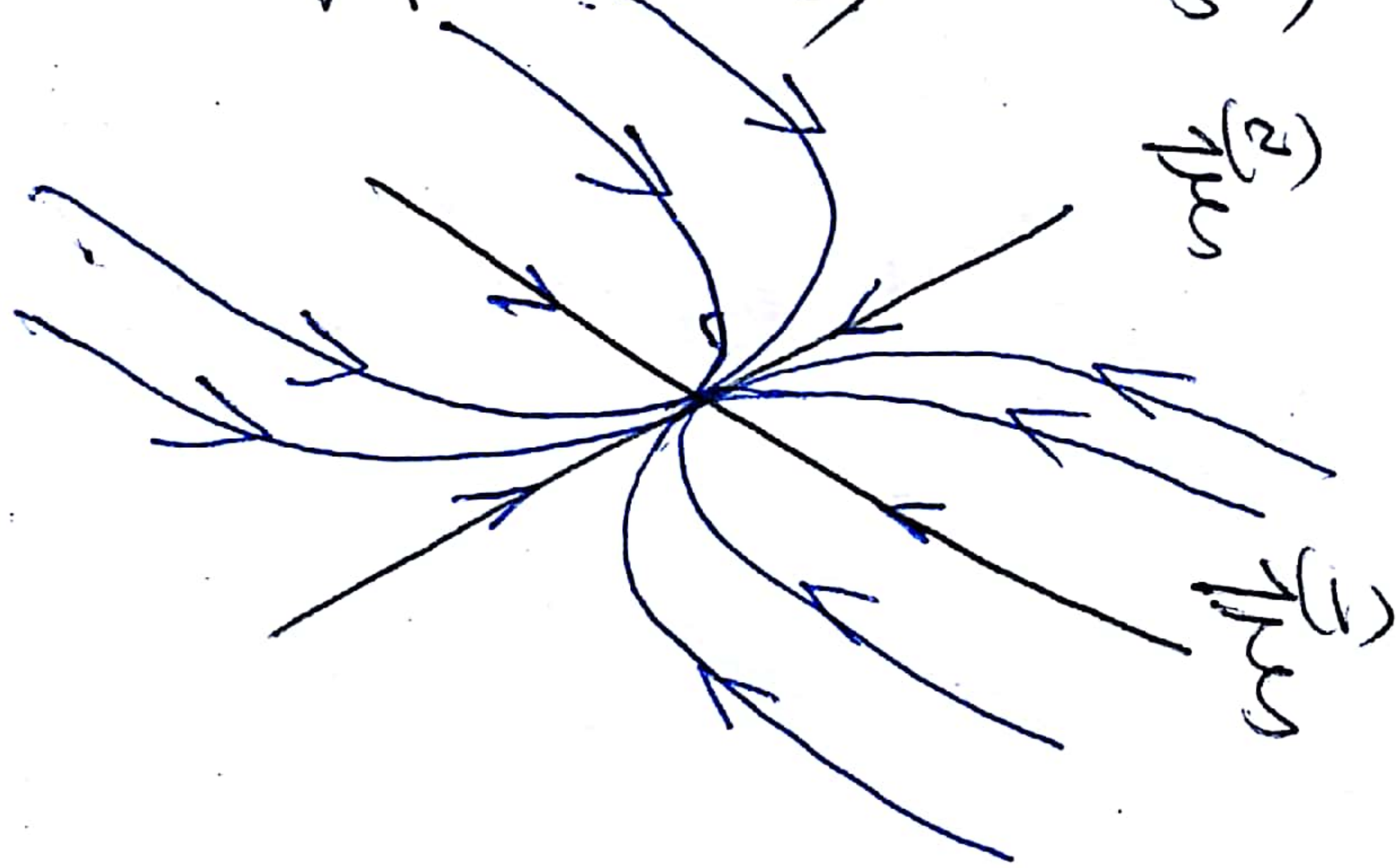
$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{x} = A_{2 \times 2} \vec{x}$$

$\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  eigenvalues

Phase portrait

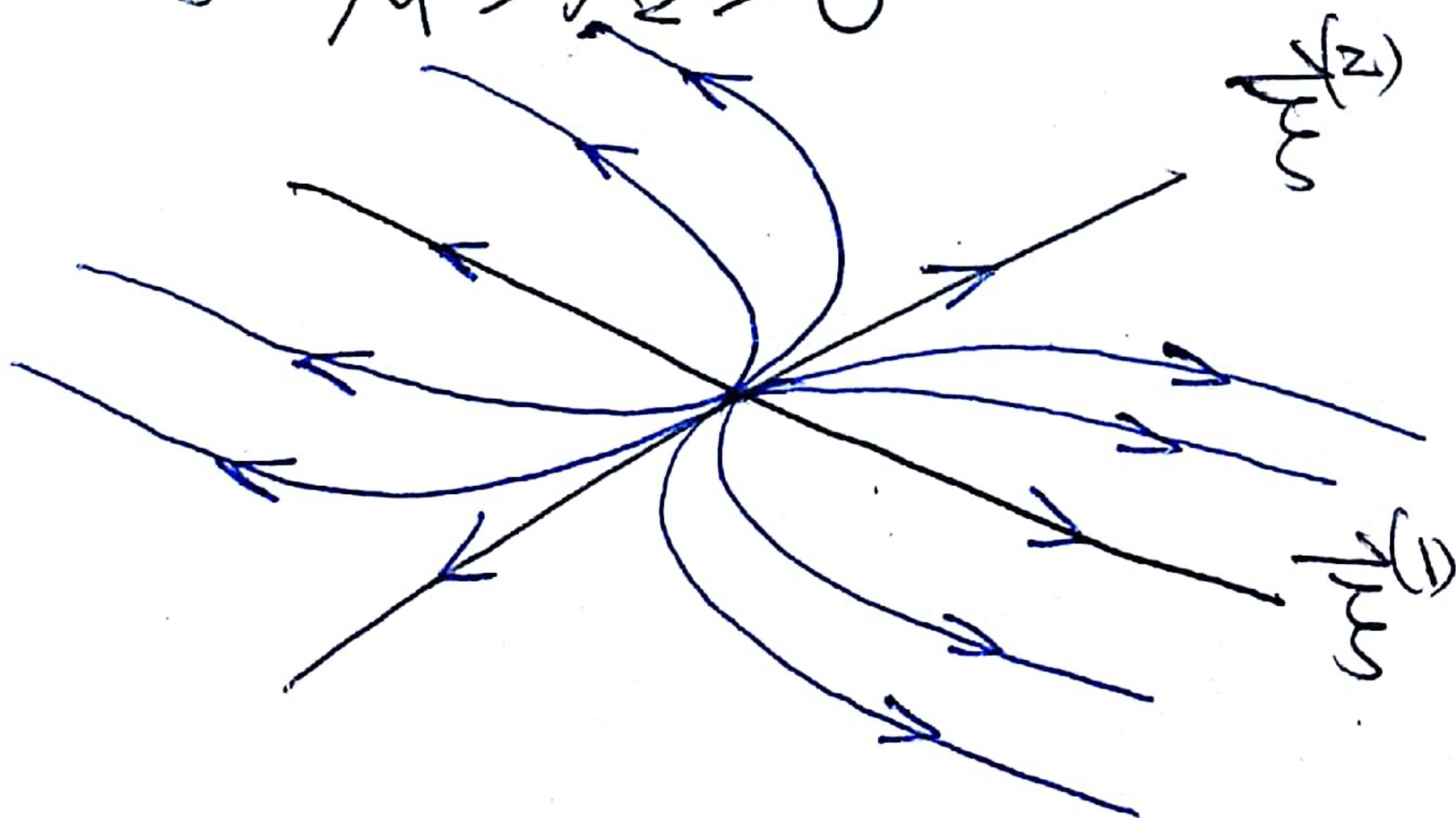
Case I real, unequal, of same sign

- $\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < 0$ ,  $\vec{x}^{(1)}$ ,  $\vec{x}^{(2)}$  eigenvectors



Node (Nodal Sink)  
Asymptotically Stable

- $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > 0$



Node (Nodal Source)  
Unstable

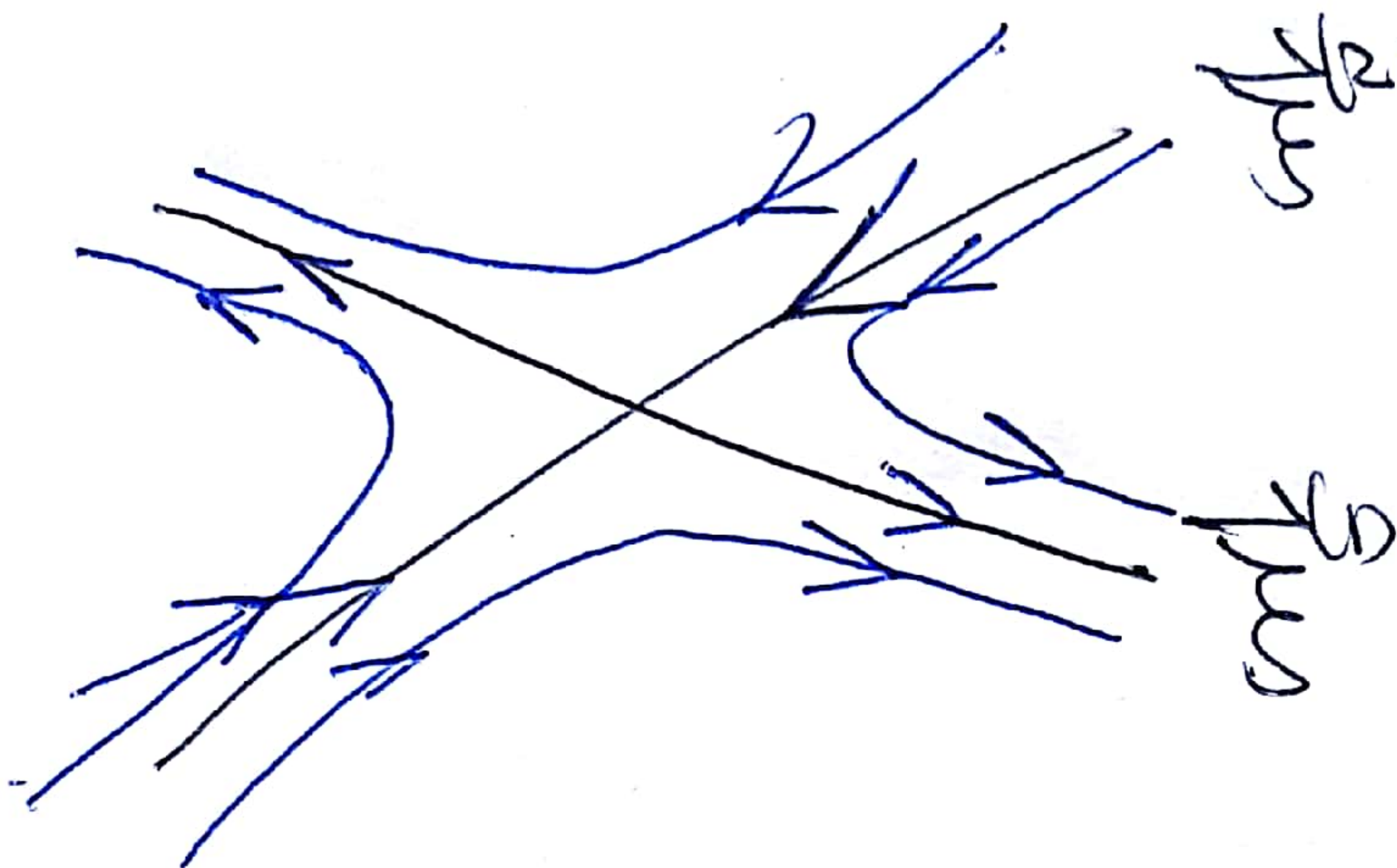


## Case II real, opposite sign

$$\lambda_2 < 0 < \lambda_1$$



eigenvectors

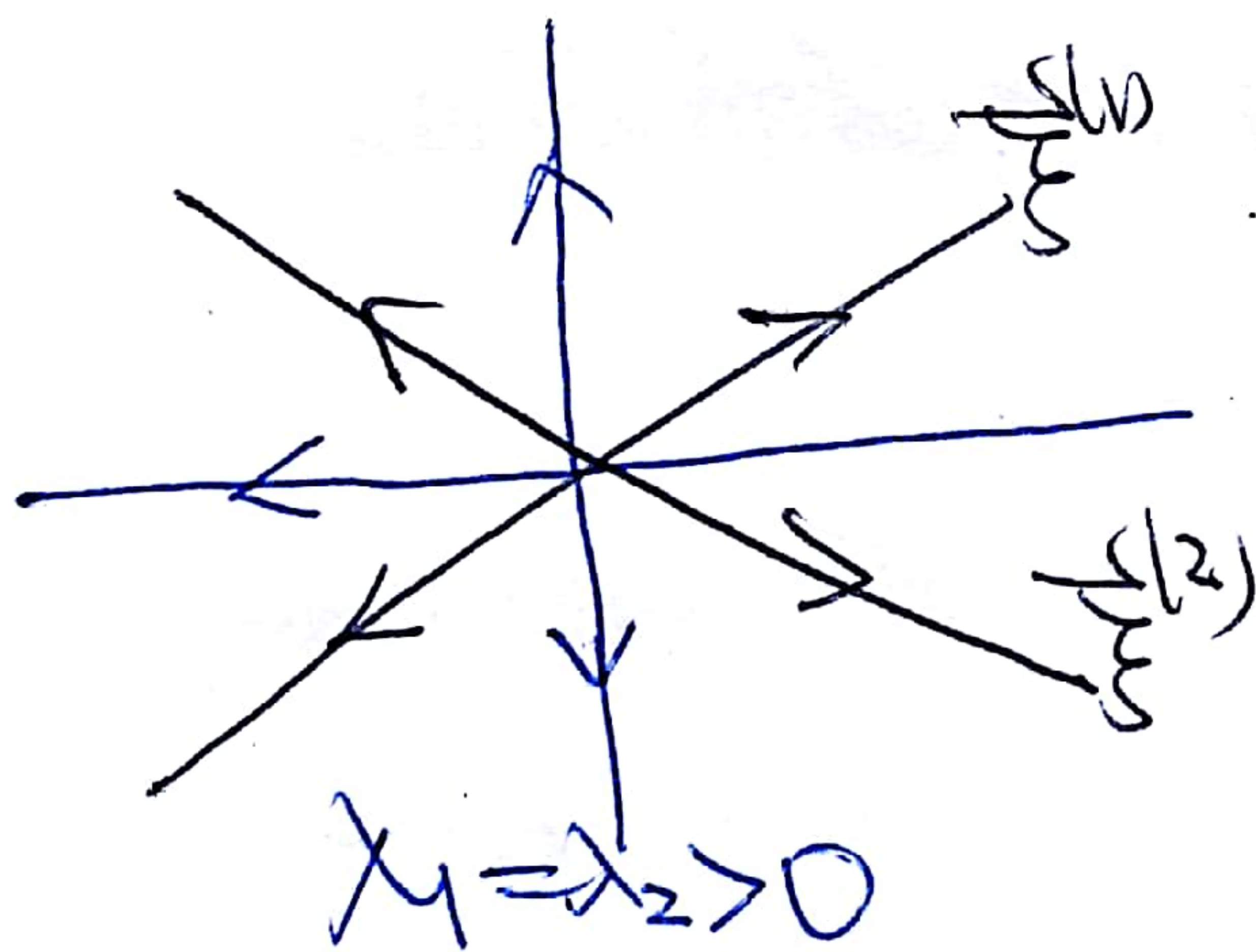


Saddle point

Unstable

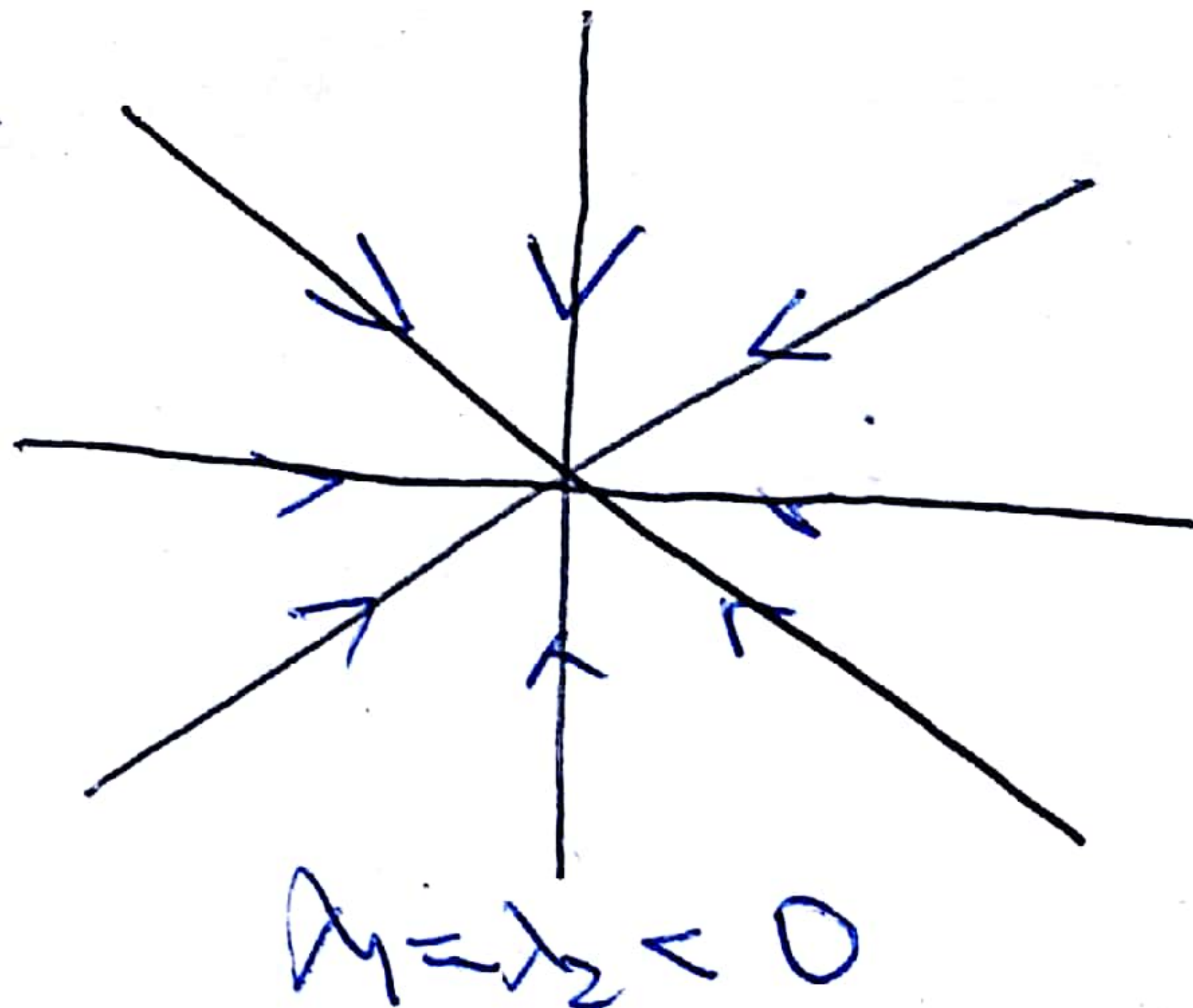
## Case III real, equal ( $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$ )

(a)  $\xi^{(1)}$ ,  $\xi^{(2)}$  linearly independent ~~vectors~~ <sup>eigenvectors</sup>



$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 > 0$$

Proper Node  
(Star point)  
asymptotically stable



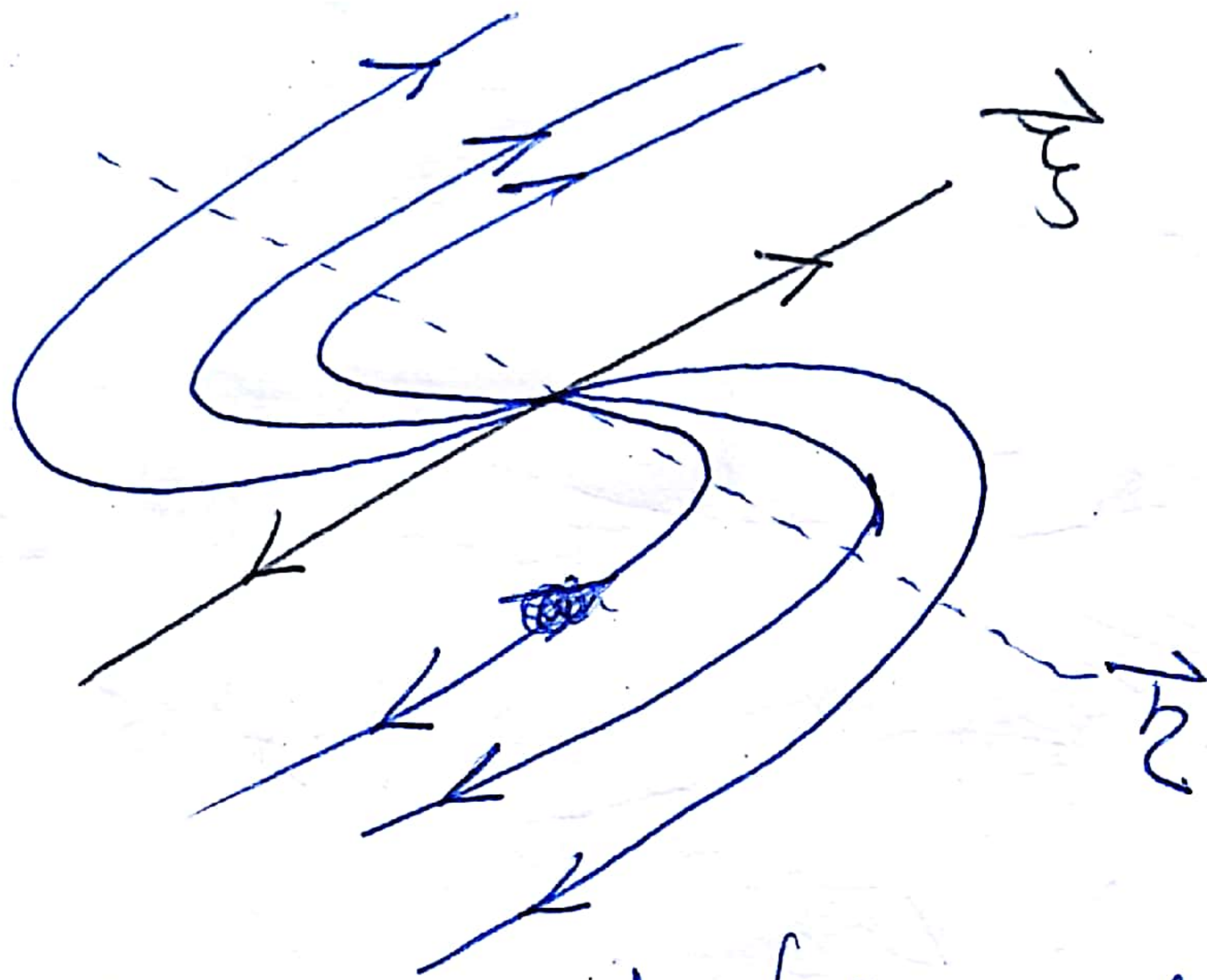
$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 < 0$$

Proper Node  
(Star point)  
Unstable



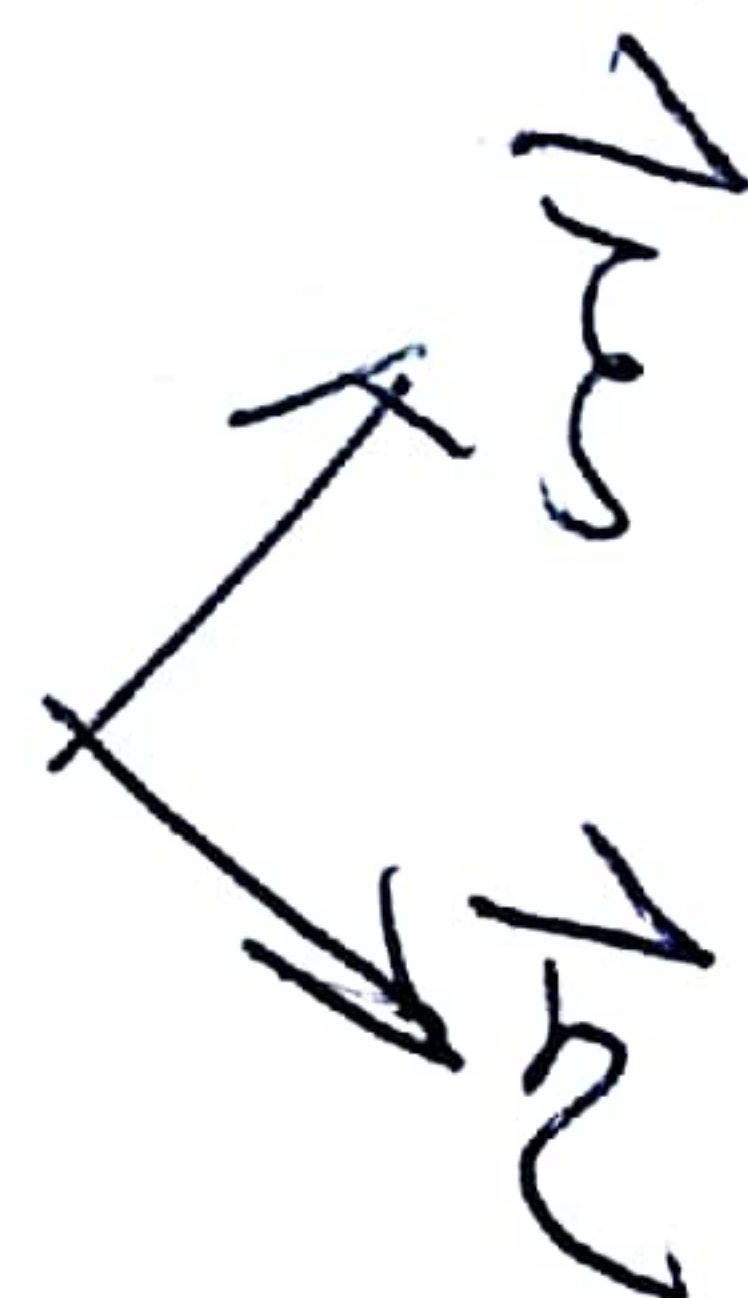
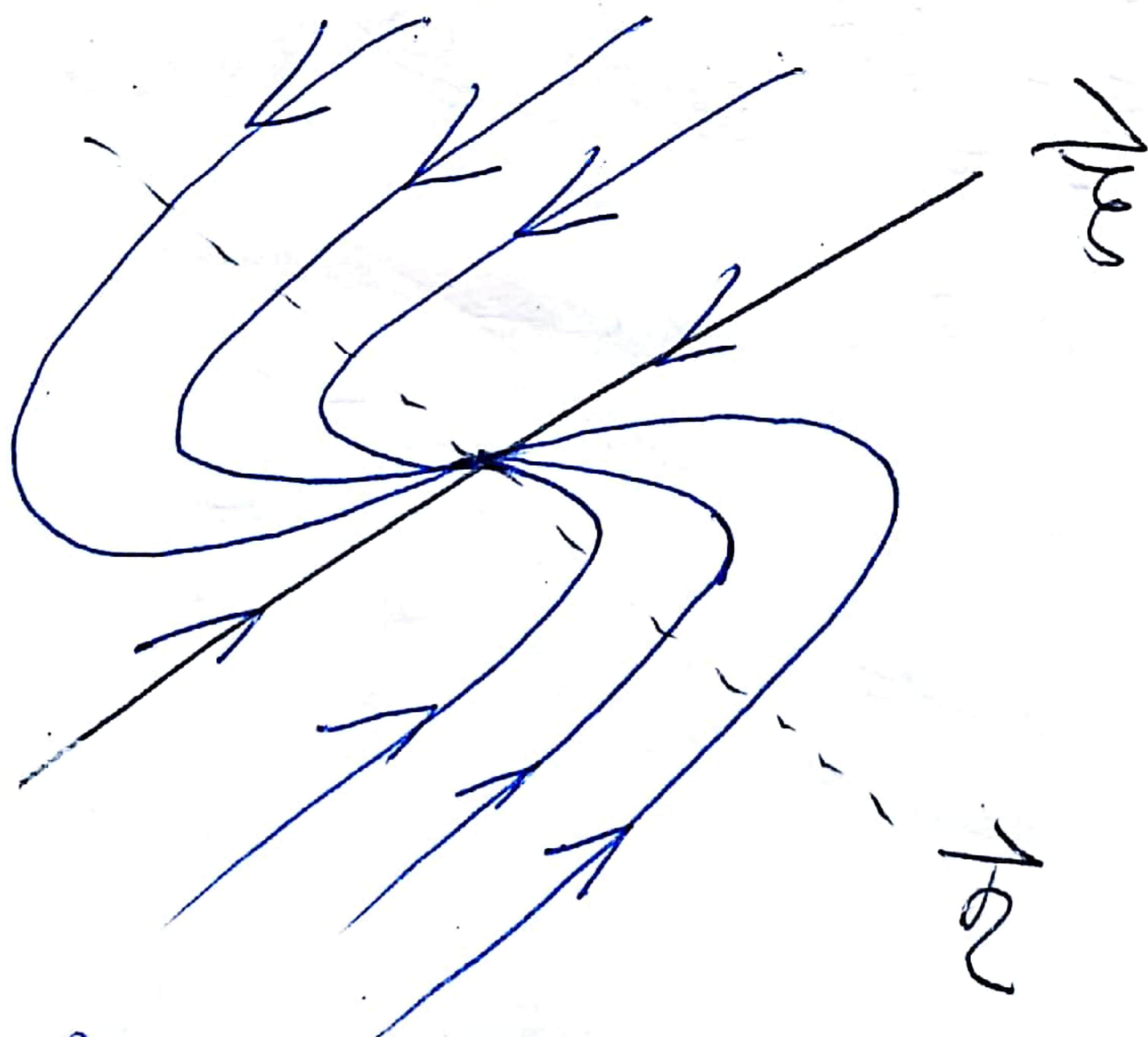
(b)  $\vec{x}$  only one linearly independent eigenvector

$$(A - \lambda I)\vec{x} = \vec{0}$$



Improper node (degenerate node)

$\lambda = \alpha_2 > 0$ , unstable



$\lambda = \alpha_2 < 0$  asymptotically stable



## Case IV Complex eigenvalues with $\text{Re} \neq 0$ .

$$\lambda_1 = \alpha + i\beta \quad \lambda_2 = \alpha - i\beta \quad \alpha \neq 0.$$

$$\vec{z}^{(1)} = \vec{u} + i\vec{v} \quad \vec{z}^{(2)} = \vec{u} - i\vec{v}$$

$$\vec{z}^{(1)} e^{\lambda_1 t} = (\vec{u} + i\vec{v}) e^{\alpha t} (\cos \beta t + i \sin \beta t)$$

$$= (\vec{u} \cos \beta t - \vec{v} \sin \beta t) e^{\alpha t} + i(\vec{u} \sin \beta t + \vec{v} \cos \beta t) e^{\alpha t}$$

$$\vec{x}(t) = C_1 (\vec{u} \cos \beta t - \vec{v} \sin \beta t) e^{\alpha t} + C_2 (\vec{u} \sin \beta t + \vec{v} \cos \beta t) e^{\alpha t}$$

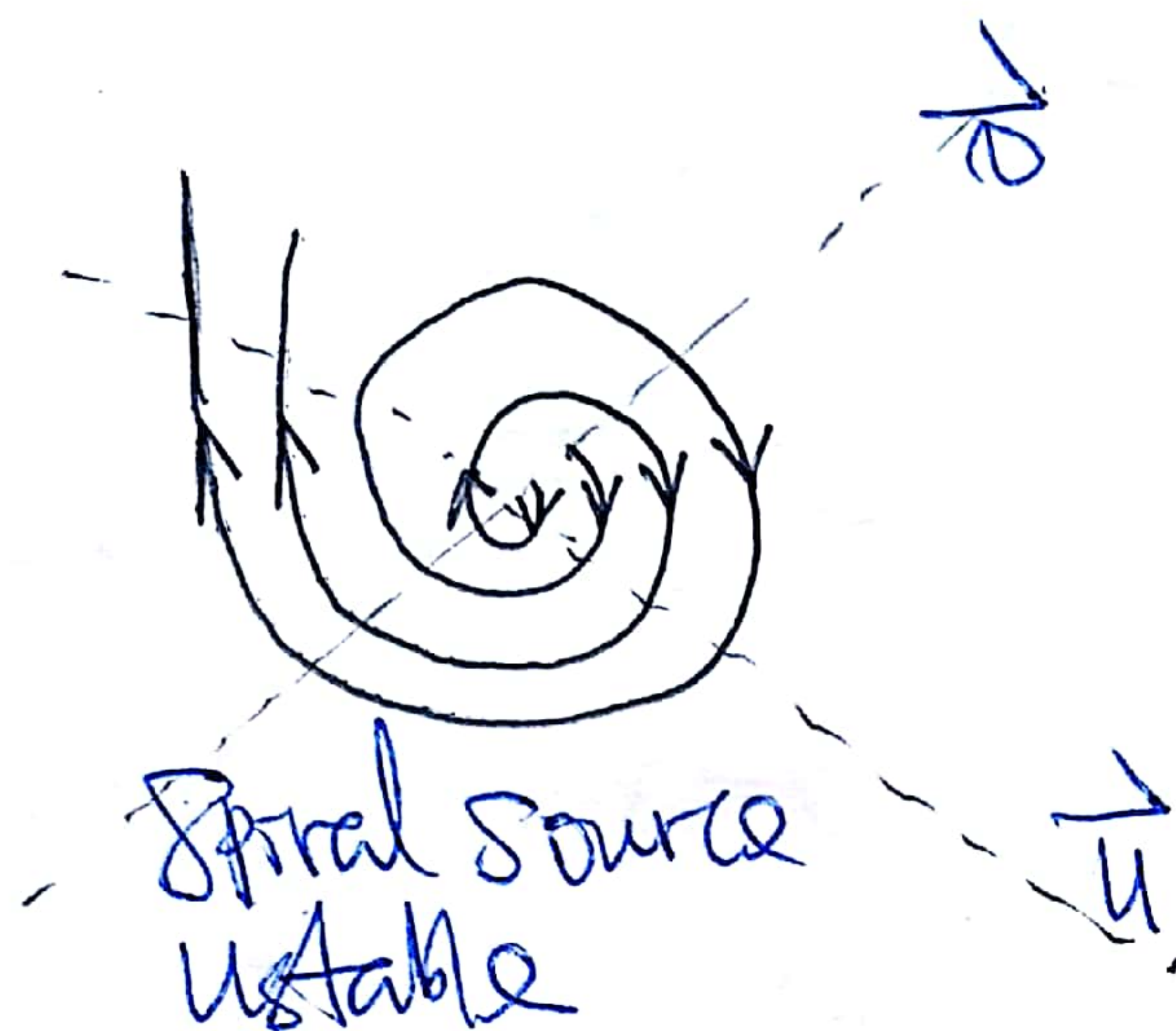
- $\alpha > 0$  expand  
 $\alpha < 0$  shrink

- $\beta > 0$  rotate  $\vec{v} \rightarrow \vec{u}$   
 $\beta < 0$  rotate  $\vec{u} \rightarrow \vec{v}$

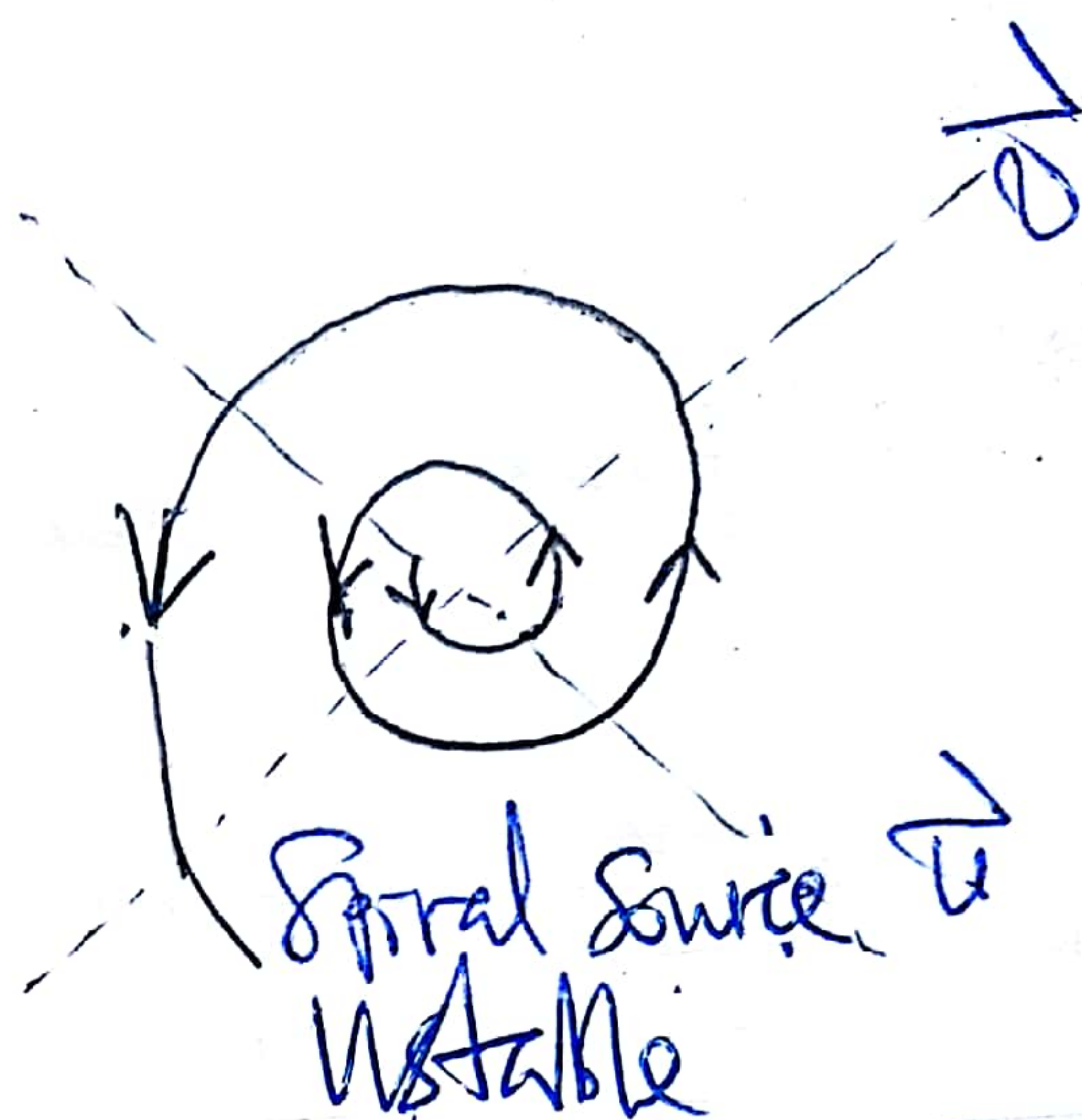




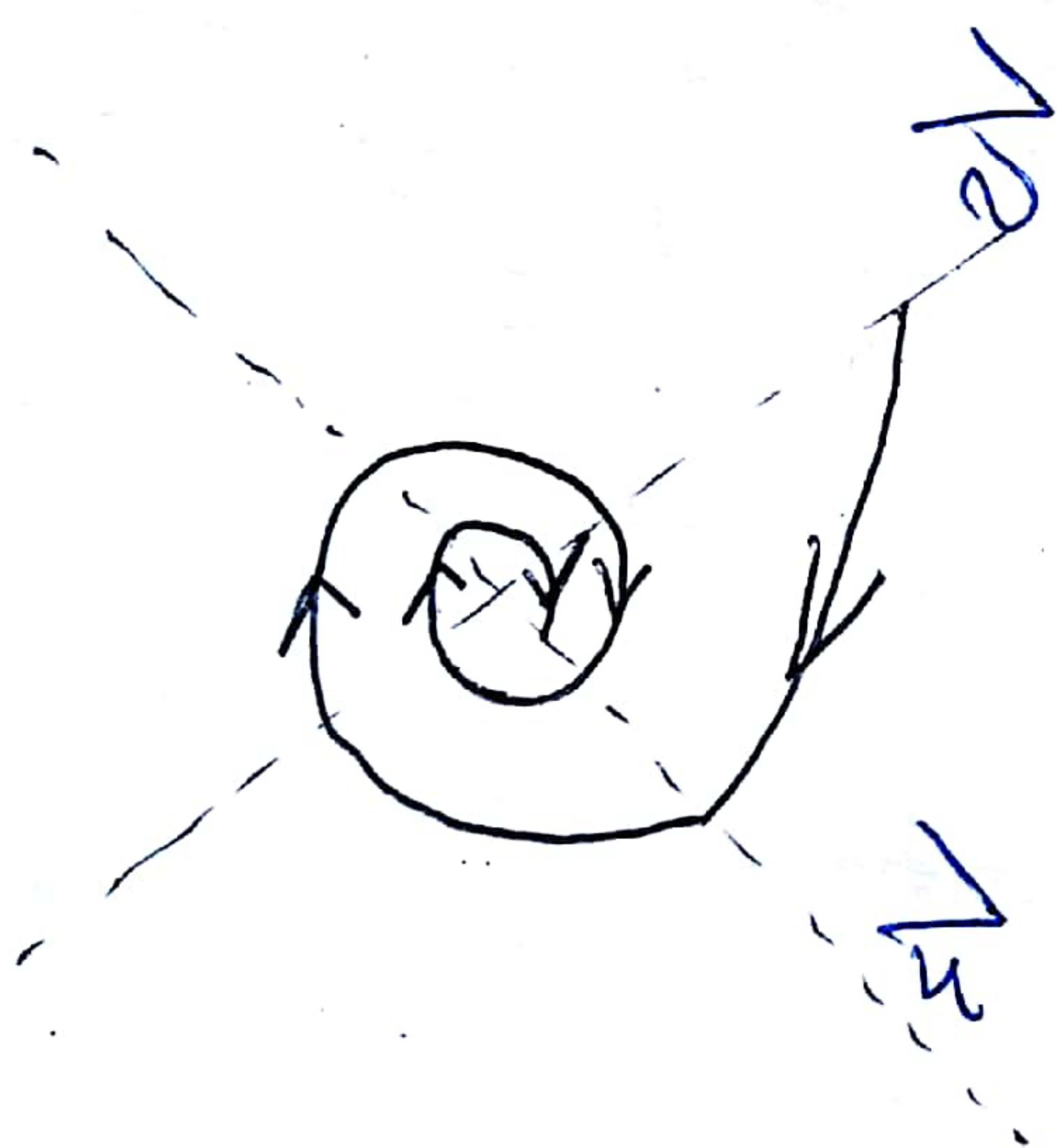
Spiral point



$$\alpha > 0, \beta > 0, \vec{v} \rightarrow \vec{u}$$

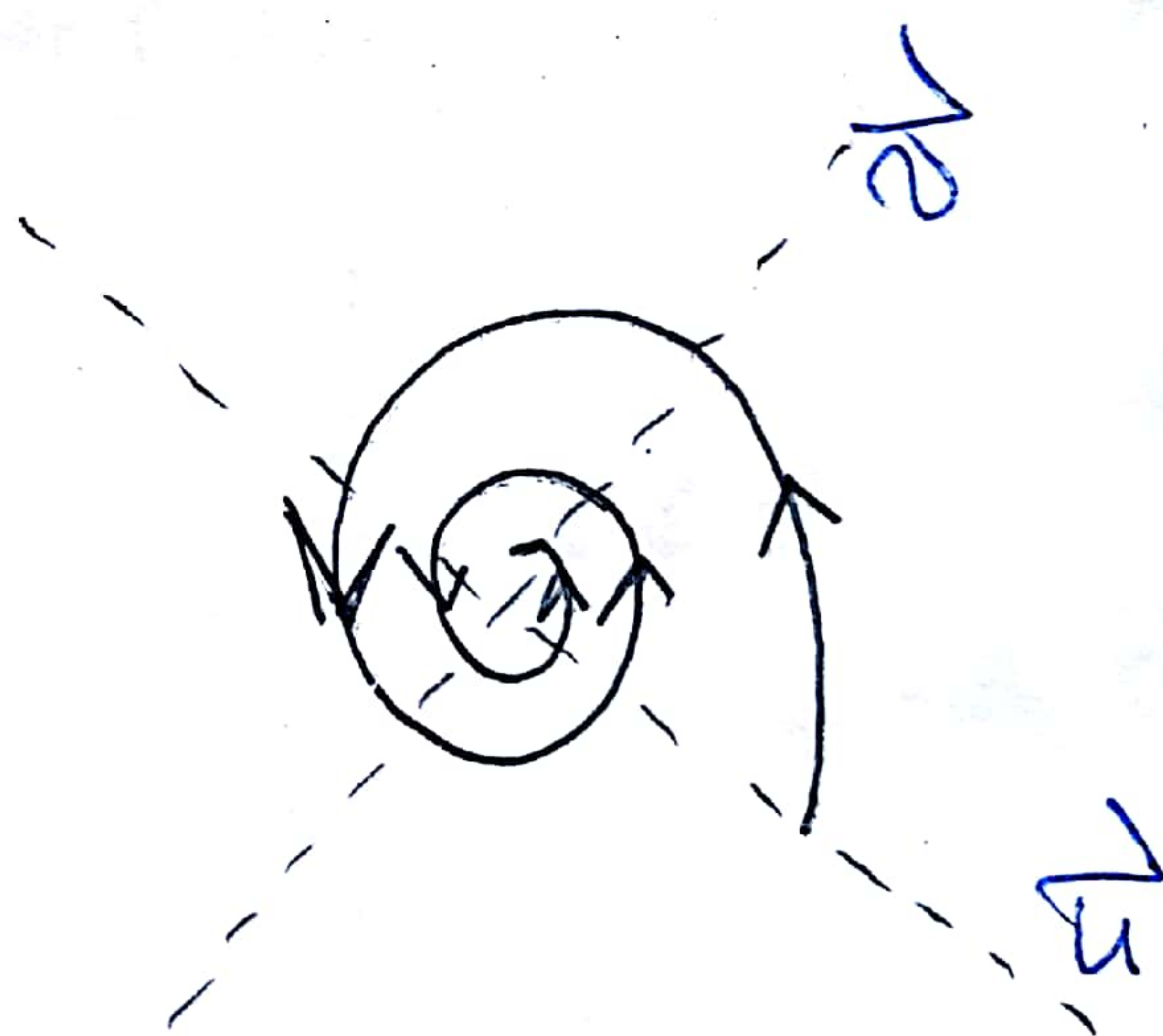


$$\alpha > 0, \beta < 0, \vec{u} \rightarrow \vec{v}$$



$$\alpha < 0, \beta > 0, \vec{v} \rightarrow \vec{u}$$

Spiral Sink  
Asymptotically stable



$$\alpha < 0, \beta < 0, \vec{u} \rightarrow \vec{v}$$

Spiral Sink  
Asymptotically stable



# Case V Pure Imaginary eigenvalues

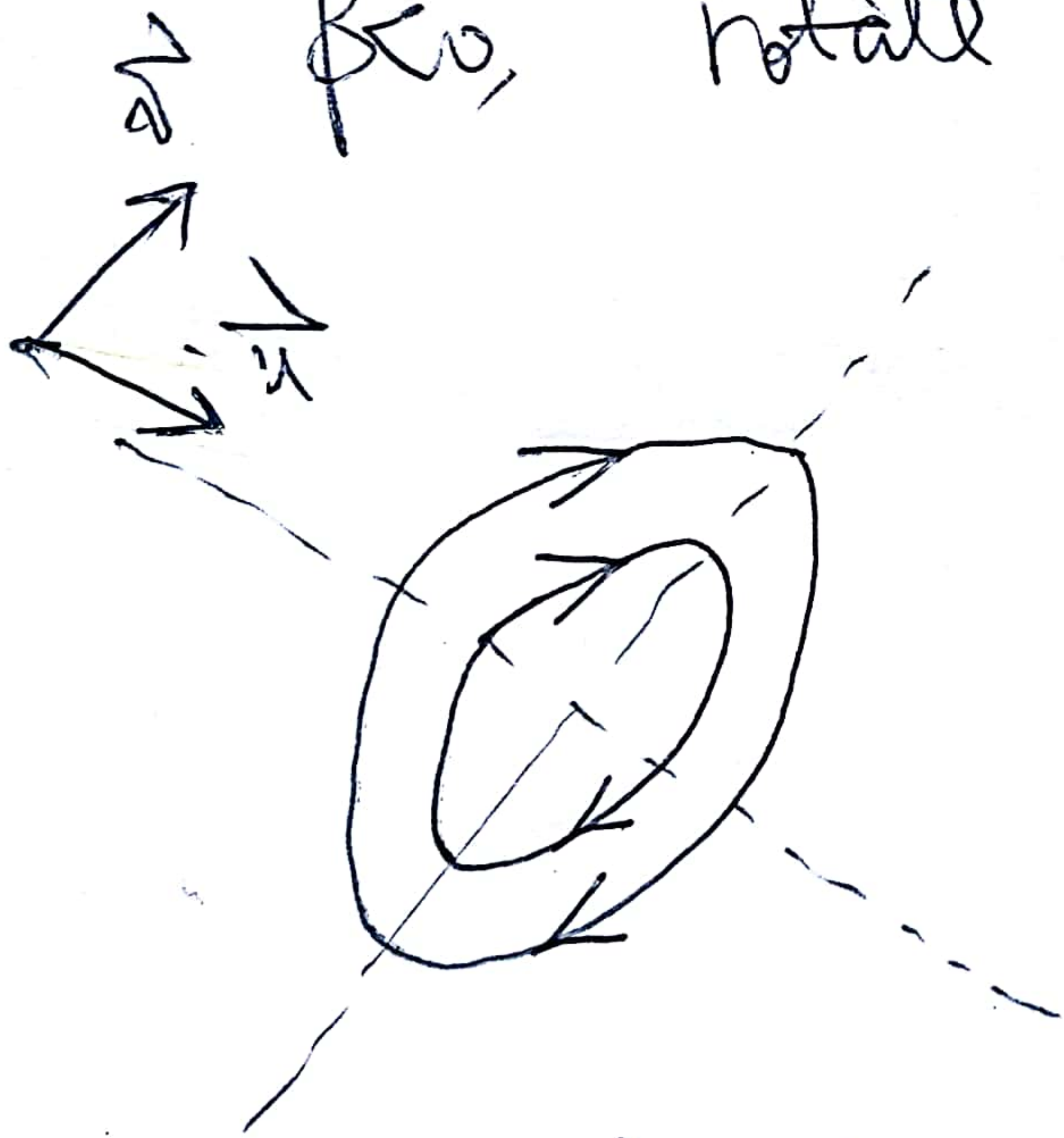
$$\lambda_1 = i\beta \quad \lambda_2 = -i\beta$$

$$\vec{x}^{(1)} = \vec{u} + i\vec{v}, \quad \vec{x}^{(2)} = \vec{u} - i\vec{v}$$

$$\vec{x}(t) = C_1 (\vec{u} \cos \beta t - \vec{v} \sin \beta t) + C_2 (\vec{u} \sin \beta t + \vec{v} \cos \beta t)$$

•  $\beta > 0$ , rotate  $\vec{v} \rightarrow \vec{u}$

$\beta < 0$ , rotate  $\vec{u} \rightarrow \vec{v}$



$\beta > 0 \quad \vec{v} \rightarrow \vec{u}$



$\beta < 0 \quad \vec{u} \rightarrow \vec{v}$

Center

Stable

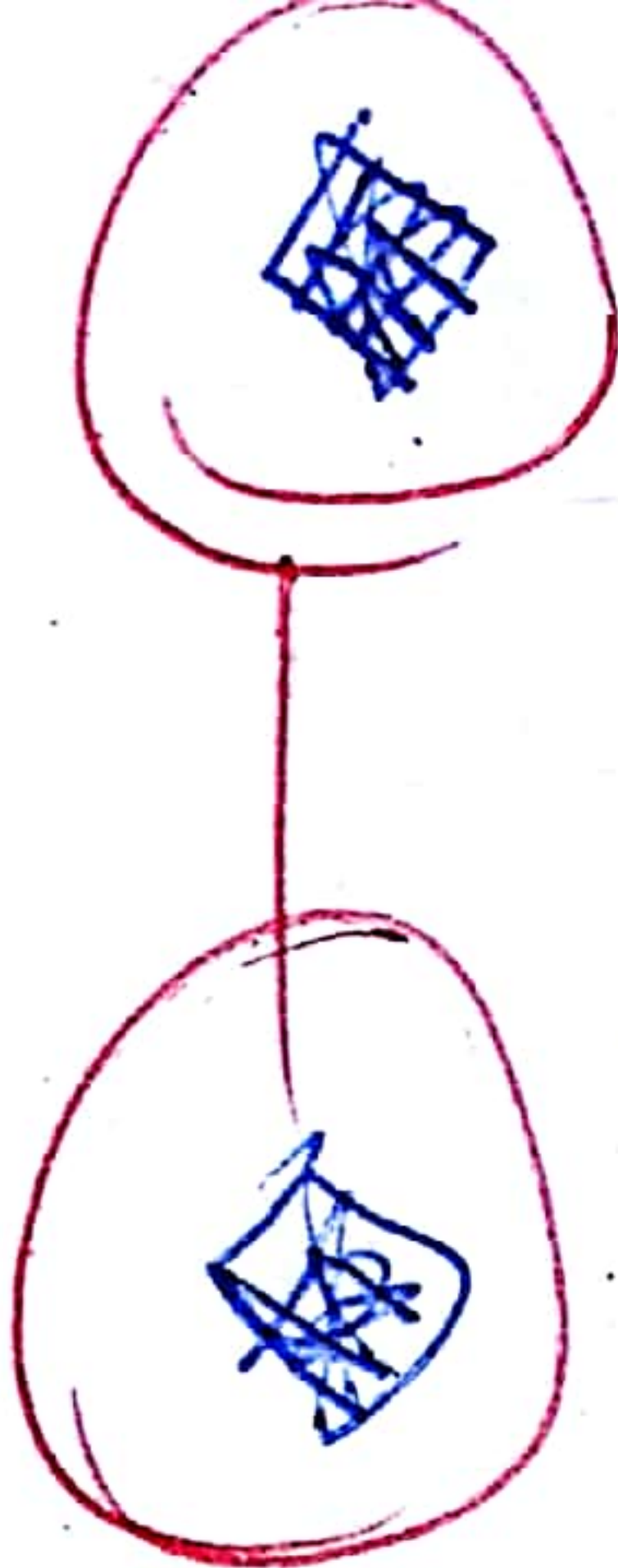
but Not asymptotically stable



Conclusion Stability of  $\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = A\vec{x}$   
 $\det A \neq 0$ .

Eigenvalues	Type of Critical point	Stability
$\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$	Node	Unstable
$\lambda_1, \lambda_2 < 0$	Node	Asymptotically Stable
$\lambda_1 < 0 < \lambda_2$	Saddle point	Unstable
$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 > 0$	Proper or Improper Node	Unstable
$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 < 0$	Proper or Improper Node	Asymptotically Stable
$\lambda_1, \lambda_2 = \alpha + i\beta$	Spiral point	Unstable
$\alpha > 0$		
$\alpha < 0$		Asymptotically Stable
$\lambda_1, \lambda_2 = i\beta$	Center	Stable





$$\operatorname{Re} \lambda_1 \& \operatorname{Re} \lambda_2 = 0$$


$\iff$  asymptotically stable

(A)

$$\operatorname{Re} \lambda_1 \text{ or } \operatorname{Re} \lambda_2 > 0$$

$\iff$  Unstable

(B)

 Pure Imaginary

$\implies$  stable, but Not asymptotically stable

(A) & (B) also hold

for locally linear system !!



### 9.3 Locally linear system

$$\dot{x} = f(x).$$

(NS)

$x_0$  critical point of  $f(x)$ , i.e.  $f(x_0) = 0$ .

Locally linear near  $\vec{x}_0$ :

$$\bullet f(x) = A(x - x_0) + g(x),$$

$$\bullet \det A \neq 0$$

$$\bullet \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{\|g(x)\|}{\|x - x_0\|} = 0$$

Linearized system of (NS) near  $x_0$ :

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = A(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0).$$

(LS)

Note:

$$A = \nabla f(x_0).$$

$$\dot{x} = \nabla f(x_0)(x - x_0).$$



Ex 1 Find the Critical points and the corresponding

linearized system near the critical points

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = y \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = -\omega^2 \sin x - \gamma y \end{cases}$$

Sol  $\begin{cases} y = 0 \\ \omega^2 \sin x + \gamma y = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = k\pi \\ y = 0 \end{cases} \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}$

Therefore, the critical points are  
 $(k\pi, 0), k=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$

Note

$$f(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} y \\ -\omega^2 \sin x - \gamma y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\omega^2 \cos x & -\gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\nabla f(k\pi, 0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\omega^2 \cos k\pi & -\gamma \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ (-1)^{k+1} \omega^2 & -\gamma \end{pmatrix}$$



The linearized system near  $(k\pi, 0)$  is

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}' = \nabla f(k\pi, 0) \begin{pmatrix} x - k\pi \\ y \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ (-1)^{k\pi/\pi} \omega^2 - \gamma \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x - k\pi \\ y \end{pmatrix}, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Thm 9.3.1  $x' = f(x)$  (NS)

$$x' = A(x - x_0), \quad A = \nabla f(x_0), \quad \det A \neq 0$$

$\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  eigenvalues of  $A$

	Linearized system		Locally Linear System	
	Type	Stability	Type	Stability
$\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > 0$	N	Unstable	N	Unstable
$\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < 0$	N	Asymptotically	N	Asymptotically
$\lambda_1 < 0 < \lambda_2$	SP	Unstable	SP	Unstable
$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 > 0$	PN or IN	Unstable	N or SP	Unstable
$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 < 0$	PN or IN	Asymptotically	N or SP	Asymptotically
$\lambda_1, \lambda_2 = \alpha + i\beta$				
$\alpha > 0$	SP	Unstable	SP	Unstable
$\alpha < 0$	SP	Asymptotically	SP	Asymptotically



$\lambda_1, \lambda_2 = i\beta$	C	Stable	Cor SPP	Indetermined
---------------------------------	---	--------	---------	--------------

N = Node, SP = Saddle Point

PN = Proper node IN = Improper node

SPP = Spiral point C = Center.

## Conclusions

◆  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  not pure Imaginary



Stability of locally linear system  
= Stability of the linearized system

◆  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$  not pure Imaginary



Stability & Type of locally linear  
= Stability & Type of linearized



Go back to Ex 1.

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = y \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = -w^2 \sin x - \gamma y \end{cases} \quad (\gamma > 0, w > 0)$$

Critical points

$$(k\pi, 0), \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Linearized system near  $(k\pi, 0)$  

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ (-1)^{k+1} w^2 & -\gamma \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x - k\pi \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

•  $k=0$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -w^2 & -\gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ -w^2 & -\gamma - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 + \gamma\lambda + w^2 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{-\gamma \pm \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4w^2}}{2}$$

(i)  $\gamma \geq 2w$ , then  $\lambda = \frac{-\gamma \pm \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4w^2}}{2} < 0$ ,

(ii)  $\gamma < 2w$ ,  $\lambda = -\frac{\gamma}{2} \pm i\sqrt{4w^2 - \gamma^2}$



In conclusion

$$\operatorname{Re} \lambda_1, \operatorname{Re} \lambda_2 < 0.$$

$\Rightarrow (0,0)$  is an asymptotically stable critical point.

②  $k=1$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ w^2 & -\gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ w^2 & -\gamma - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 + \gamma\lambda - w^2 = 0,$$

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{-\gamma + \sqrt{\gamma^2 + 4w^2}}{2}, \quad \lambda_2 = \frac{-\gamma - \sqrt{\gamma^2 + 4w^2}}{2}$$

$$\lambda_2 < 0 < \lambda_1$$

$\Rightarrow$

$(0,0)$  is a saddle point. unstable



## Ex 2

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = y \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = -\sin x \end{cases}$$

### Critical points

$$(k\pi, 0), \quad k=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

### Linearized system

$$f(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} y \\ -\sin x \end{pmatrix}, \quad \nabla f(k\pi, 0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\cos k\pi & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ (-1)^{k+1} & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ (-1)^{k+1} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x - k\pi \\ y \end{pmatrix}.$$

•  $k=1$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = 1, \quad \lambda_2 = -1$$



→  $(\pi, 0)$  is a saddle point

⊙  $k=0$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ -1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = i, \quad \lambda_2 = -i$$

$(0, 0)$  is center for linearized system

Not clear for the nonlinear system!

Study of the linearized system is not  
sufficient for the stability of the  
original ~~sys~~ nonlinear system!!



## 9.6 Liapunov's Second Method

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = y \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = -\sin x \end{cases}$$

Critical point  $(0, 0)$ .

$$\sin x \frac{dx}{dt} + y \frac{dy}{dt} = y \sin x - y \sin x = 0$$

$$\Downarrow$$
$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( -\cos x + \frac{y^2}{2} \right) = \frac{d}{dt} \left( 1 - \cos x + \frac{y^2}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \cos x(t) + \frac{y^2(t)}{2} = 1 - \cos x(0) + \frac{y^2(0)}{2}$$

We want study

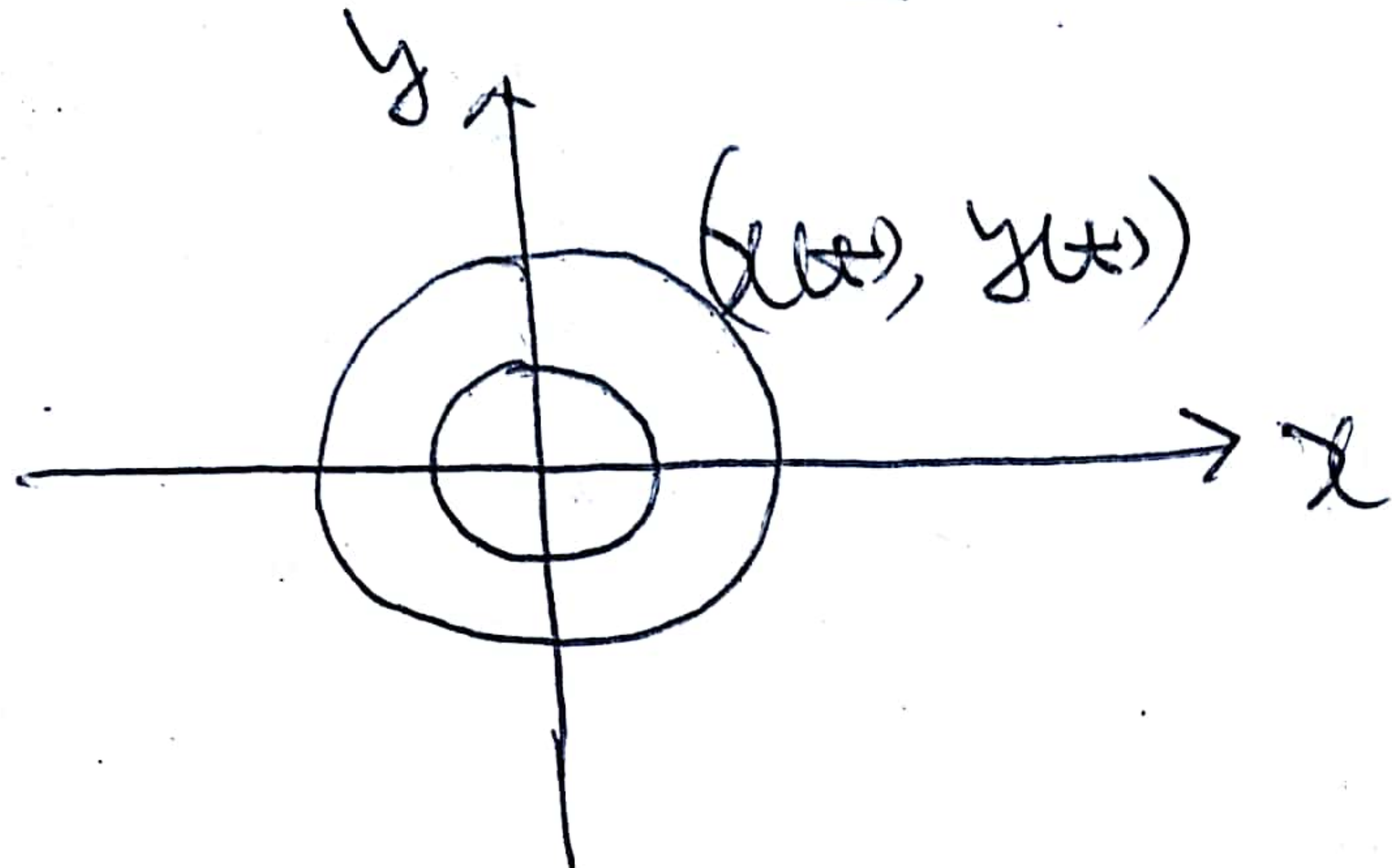
$(x, y)$  near  $(0, 0)$

$$1 - \cos x \approx 1 - \left( 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots \right)$$
$$\approx \frac{x^2}{2}$$



Near  $(0, 0)$

$$\frac{x^2(t)}{2} + \frac{y^2(t)}{2} \approx C_0$$



$\Rightarrow (0, 0)$  is stable!

$$V(x, y) \triangleq 1 - \cos x + \frac{y^2}{2}$$

$$f(t) \triangleq V(x(t), y(t))$$

$$f'(t) = \left( 1 - \cos x(t) + \frac{y^2(t)}{2} \right)'$$

$$= \sin x(t) x'(t) + y(t) y'(t)$$

$$= \sin x(t) y(t) + y(t) (-\sin x(t))$$

$$= 0.$$



# General system

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = F(x, y) \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = G(x, y) \end{cases}$$

(G8)

$D$ : an open domain,

$$(0, 0) \in D$$

$$V: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Positive definite:  $V(0, 0) = 0$ ,  $V(x, y) > 0$ ,  $(x, y) \in D \setminus (0, 0)$ ,

Negative definite:  $V(0, 0) = 0$ ,  $V(x, y) < 0$ ,  $(x, y) \in D \setminus (0, 0)$ ,

Positive Semidefinite:  $V(0, 0) = 0$ ,  $V(x, y) \geq 0$ ,  $(x, y) \in D$ ,

Negative Semidefinite:  $V(0, 0) = 0$ ,  $V(x, y) \leq 0$ ,  $(x, y) \in D$ .

Thm 9.6.1 (Asymptotically Stable/Stable) Suppose  $(0, 0)$  is an isolate critical point to (G8). Assume  $V$

satisfies

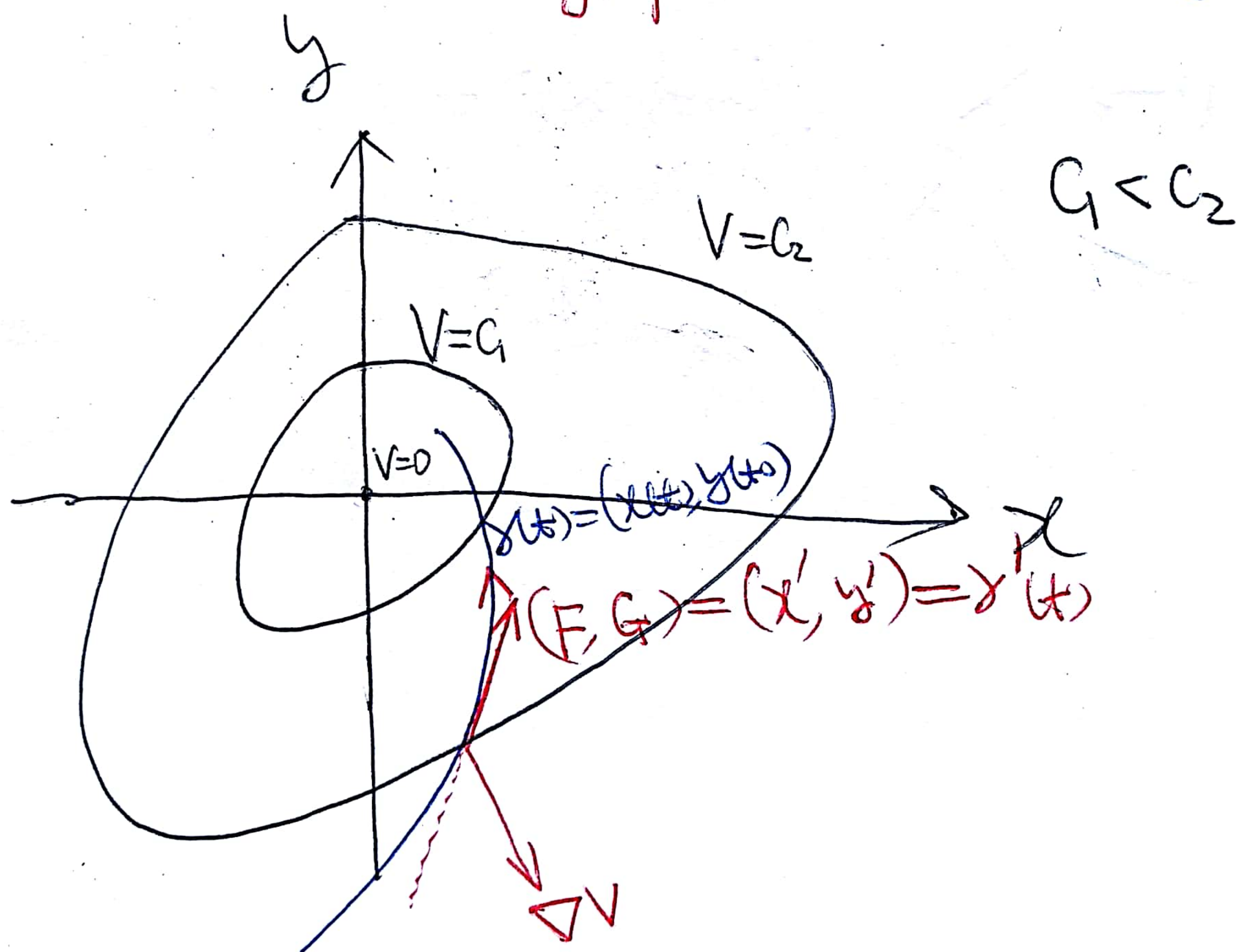


(i)  $V, \nabla V$  Continuous near  $(0,0)$ ;

(ii)  $V$  is **positive definite** near  $(0,0)$ ;

(iii)  $\partial_x V F + \partial_y V G$  **negative definite** near  $(0,0)$   
(negative semidefinite)

Then  $(0,0)$  is **asymptotically stable** (stable).



In Ex 2  $V(x,y) = 1 - \cos x + \frac{y^2}{2}$  (positive definite near  $(0,0)$ )  
 $F = y, G = -\sin x$   
 $\nabla V = (\sin x, y)$

$FV_x + GV_y = y \sin x - \sin x y = 0$  (positive semidefinite)  
By theorem  $\Rightarrow (0,0)$  stable !! 20



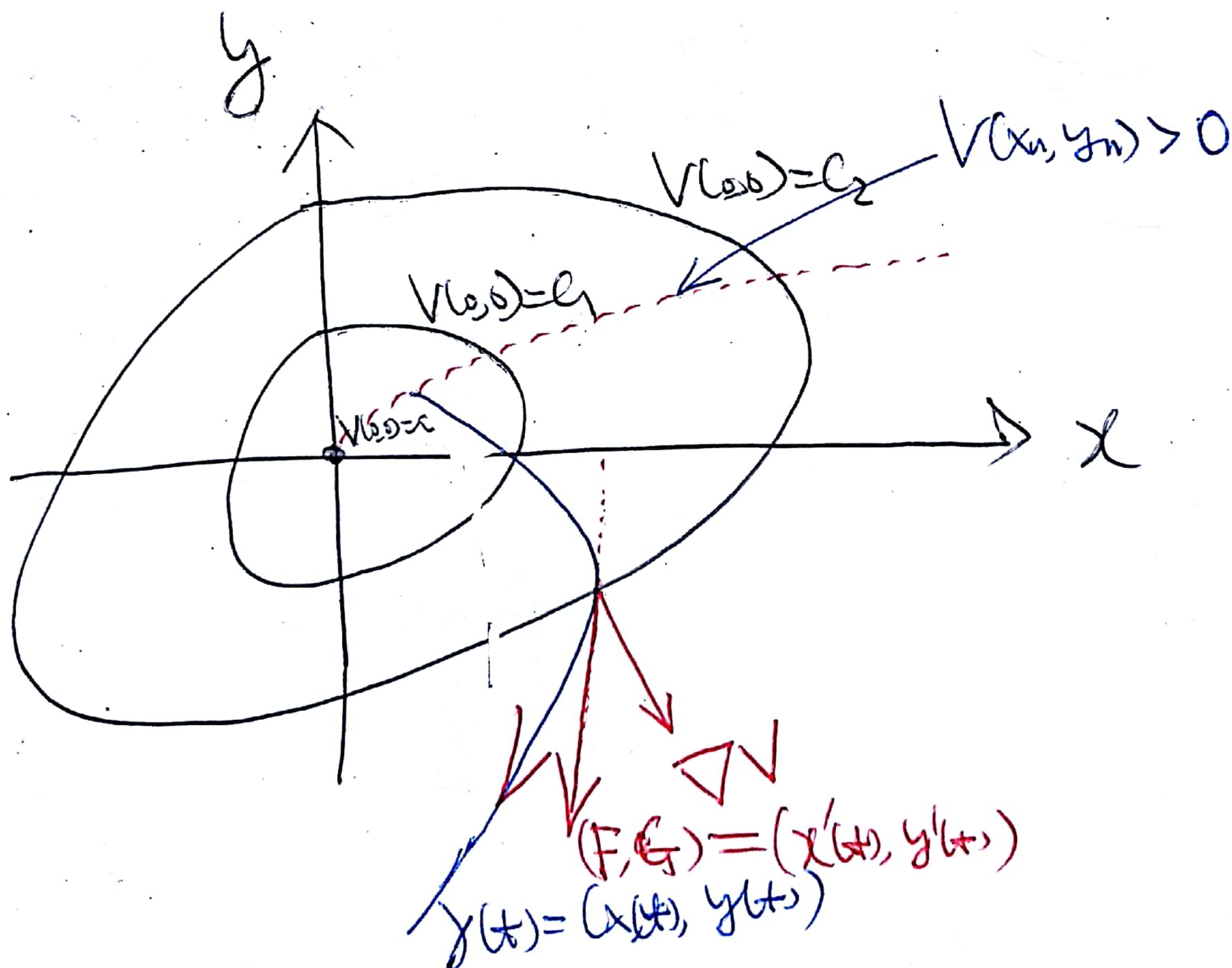
Thm 9.6.2 (Unstable) Suppose  $(\omega, 0)$  is an isolated critical point to  $(\dot{x}, \dot{y})$ . Assume  $V$  satisfies

(i)  $V(\omega, 0) = 0$ ,

(ii)  $\exists (x_n, y_n) \rightarrow 0$  s.t.  $V(x_n, y_n) > 0$  ( $< 0$ )

(iii)  $\nabla_x V F + \nabla_y V G$  positive definite  
(negative definite)

Then  $(\omega, 0)$  is unstable





$V(x)$  In Thm 9.6.1, Thm 9.6.2 are called  
Laplace function; the method of using  
Laplace function to determine stability  
of  $(\dot{x})$  by Thm 9.6.1, Thm 9.6.2 is called  
Laplace's second method.