

1. [5] Find constants  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  such that

$$E = \frac{x^4}{a^4} + \frac{y^4}{b^4}$$

is a first integral of the system:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= \alpha y^3 \\ \dot{y} &= \beta x^3\end{aligned}$$

if  $a^4\beta + \alpha b^4 = 0$ . Compute the Jacobian about the origin. Does the linearized system indicate the system has a center? Lastly, sketch the trajectories of the system when  $E$  is a first integral.

2. [10] For each of the following Hamiltonian systems, find the Hamiltonian  $H(x, y)$ . Use the level sets of  $H$  to draw an accurate phase portrait for the system indicating flow direction.

a) 
$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= -x^3 \\ \dot{y} &= 3x^2y\end{aligned}$$

b) 
$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= 1 - y \\ \dot{y} &= x - 1\end{aligned}$$

3. [5] Consider the following planar system (with initial condition)

$$\dot{x} = -x \quad x(0) = x_0 \tag{1}$$

$$\dot{y} = x(1 - y) \quad y(0) = y_0 \tag{2}$$

Find the flow function  $\phi(t, x_0, y_0)$ . For  $x_0 \neq 0$  what does  $\phi(t, x_0, y_0)$  approach as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ?

4. [10] Consider the system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= y(1 - x^2) \\ \dot{y} &= 1 - y^2\end{aligned}$$

- i) Is the system Hamiltonian?
- ii) Is the system reversible?
- iii) Find all the fixed points and deduce which (if any) of the fixed points are hyperbolic.
- iv) Sketch the phase portrait (indicating flow direction).