Due: Thursday, November 4, 2021.

1. [5] Consider the initial value problem:

$$\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = A\vec{x} \qquad , \qquad \vec{x}(0) = \vec{x}_0 = \left(\begin{array}{c} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{array}\right)$$

One can find "a" fundamental matrix  $\Psi(t)$  for the problem by putting any two independent solutions of the system into the columns of  $\Psi(t)$ . Then the general solution is  $\vec{x}(t) = \Psi(t)\vec{c}$ where  $\vec{c}$  is a constant vector. However, as show in my posted notes, there is a very special unique fundamental matrix  $\Phi(t)$  given by

$$\Phi(t) \equiv \Psi(t)\Psi(0)^{-1}$$

such that the solution of the initial value problem is (simply)

$$\vec{x}(t) = \Phi(t)\vec{x}_0$$

Find  $\Phi(t)$  for:

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 4 & -3 \\ 8 & -6 \end{array} \right]$$

**2.** [35] Below are four different matrices A defining a linear system  $\dot{x} = Ax$ .

a) 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$
 b)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$   
c)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$  d)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$   
e)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

For each of the systems

- i) Classify the stability of the origin indicating if it is (Liapunov) stable, attracting, asymptotically stable, neutrally stable and/or unstable.
- ii) Classify them as stable or unstable nodes/spirals, centers or saddles (when appropriate).
- iii) Draw a qualitatively accurate phase portrait indicating eigenspaces  $E_{\lambda_k}$  for all real eigenvalues  $\lambda_k$ . Show the correct direction of the trajectories, and axes for any (elliptical) centers.
- iv) Carefully define the stable, center, unstable manifolds  $E^{s}(0) E^{c}(0)$ , and  $E^{u}(0)$ , respectively, of the origin. Some may be the empty set  $\{ \}$  and some may be the entire plane  $\mathbb{R}^{2}$ . Others may be  $E^{x}(0) = span\{\zeta_{k}\}$  for some  $\zeta_{k}$ .