

$$\mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{v}_1 + .1\mathbf{v}_2 + .3\mathbf{v}_3$$

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = A\mathbf{v}_1 + .1A\mathbf{v}_2 + .3A\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{v}_1 + .1(.5)\mathbf{v}_2 + .3(.2)\mathbf{v}_3, \text{ and}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{v}_1 + .1(.5)^k \mathbf{v}_2 + .3(.2)^k \mathbf{v}_3. \text{ As } k \text{ increases, } \mathbf{x}_k \text{ approaches } \mathbf{v}_1.$$

16. [M]

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} .90 & .01 & .09 \\ .01 & .90 & .01 \\ .09 & .09 & .90 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ ev} = \text{eig}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1.0000 \\ 0.8900 \\ .8100 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ To four decimal places,}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \text{nulbasis}(A - \text{eye}(3)) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9192 \\ 0.1919 \\ 1.0000 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ Exact: } \begin{bmatrix} 91/99 \\ 19/99 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \text{nulbasis}(A - \text{ev}(2) * \text{eye}(3)) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = \text{nulbasis}(A - \text{ev}(3) * \text{eye}(3)) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The general solution of the dynamical system is  $\mathbf{x}_k = c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 (.89)^k \mathbf{v}_2 + c_3 (.81)^k \mathbf{v}_3$ .

**Note:** When working with stochastic matrices and starting with a probability vector (having nonnegative entries whose sum is 1), it helps to scale  $\mathbf{v}_1$  to make its entries sum to 1. If  $\mathbf{v}_1 = (91/209, 19/209, 99/209)$ , or  $(.435, .091, .474)$  to three decimal places, then the weight  $c_1$  above turns out to be 1. See the text's discussion of Exercise 27 in Section 5.2.

17. a.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1.6 \\ .3 & .8 \end{bmatrix}$

b.  $\det \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 1.6 \\ .3 & .8 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \lambda^2 - .8\lambda - .48 = 0$ . The eigenvalues of  $A$  are given by

$$\lambda = \frac{.8 \pm \sqrt{(-.8)^2 - 4(-.48)}}{2} = \frac{.8 \pm \sqrt{2.56}}{2} = \frac{.8 \pm 1.6}{2} = 1.2 \text{ and } -.4$$

The numbers of juveniles and adults are increasing because the largest eigenvalue is greater than 1. The eventual growth rate of each age class is 1.2, which is 20% per year.

To find the eventual relative population sizes, solve  $(A - 1.2I)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1.2 & 1.6 & 0 \\ .3 & -.4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{matrix} x_1 = (4/3)x_2 \\ x_2 \text{ is free} \end{matrix}. \text{ Set } \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Eventually, there will be about 4 juveniles for every 3 adults.

c. [M] Suppose that the initial populations are given by  $\mathbf{x}_0 = (15, 10)$ . The *Study Guide* describes how to generate the trajectory for as many years as desired and then to plot the values for each population. Let  $\mathbf{x}_k = (j_k, a_k)$ . Then we need to plot the sequences  $\{j_k\}$ ,  $\{a_k\}$ ,  $\{j_k + a_k\}$ , and  $\{j_k/a_k\}$ . Adjacent points in a sequence can be connected with a line segment. When a sequence is plotted, the resulting graph can be captured on the screen and printed (if done on a computer) or copied by hand onto paper (if working with a graphics calculator).

18. a.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & .42 \\ .6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & .75 & .95 \end{bmatrix}$

b.  $\text{ev} = \text{eig}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0774 + 0.4063i \\ 0.0774 - 0.4063i \\ 1.1048 \end{bmatrix}$

The long-term growth rate is 1.105, about 10.5 % per year.

$$\mathbf{v} = \text{nulbasis}(A - \text{ev}(3) * \text{eye}(3)) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3801 \\ 0.2064 \\ 1.0000 \end{bmatrix}$$

For each 100 adults, there will be approximately 38 calves and 21 yearlings.

**Note:** The MATLAB box in the *Study Guide* and the various technology appendices all give directions for generating the sequence of points in a trajectory of a dynamical system. Details for producing a graphical representation of a trajectory are also given, with several options available in MATLAB, Maple, and Mathematica.

## 5.7 SOLUTIONS

1. From the "eigendata" (eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors) given, the eigenfunctions for the differential equation  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$  are  $\mathbf{v}_1 e^{4t}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2 e^{2t}$ . The general solution of  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$  has the form

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{4t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{2t}$$

The initial condition  $\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  determines  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ :

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{4(0)} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{2(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 & -6 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5/2 \\ 0 & 1 & -3/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus  $c_1 = 5/2$ ,  $c_2 = -3/2$ , and  $\mathbf{x}(t) = \frac{5}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{4t} - \frac{3}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{2t}$ .

2. From the eigendata given, the eigenfunctions for the differential equation  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$  are  $\mathbf{v}_1 e^{-3t}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2 e^{-t}$ . The general solution of  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$  has the form

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-3t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t}$$

The initial condition  $\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  determines  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ :

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-3(0)} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-1(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 5/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus  $c_1 = 1/2$ ,  $c_2 = 5/2$ , and  $\mathbf{x}(t) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-3t} + \frac{5}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t}$ .

3.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - 1 = (\lambda - 1)(\lambda + 1) = 0$ . Eigenvalues: 1 and -1.

For  $\lambda = 1$ :  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , so  $x_1 = -3x_2$  with  $x_2$  free. Take  $x_2 = 1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

For  $\lambda = -1$ :  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , so  $x_1 = -x_2$  with  $x_2$  free. Take  $x_2 = 1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

For the initial condition  $\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , find  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  such that  $c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{x}(0)$ :

$$[\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \quad \mathbf{x}(0)] = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 9/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus  $c_1 = -5/2$ ,  $c_2 = 9/2$ , and  $\mathbf{x}(t) = -\frac{5}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^t + \frac{9}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t}$ .

Since one eigenvalue is positive and the other is negative, the origin is a saddle point of the dynamical system described by  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ . The direction of greatest attraction is the line through  $\mathbf{v}_2$  and the origin. The direction of greatest repulsion is the line through  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and the origin.

4.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -5 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 3 = (\lambda + 1)(\lambda - 3) = 0$ . Eigenvalues: -1 and 3.

For  $\lambda = 3$ :  $\begin{bmatrix} -5 & -5 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , so  $x_1 = -x_2$  with  $x_2$  free. Take  $x_2 = 1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

For  $\lambda = -1$ :  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -5 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , so  $x_1 = -5x_2$  with  $x_2$  free. Take  $x_2 = 1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

For the initial condition  $\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , find  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  such that  $c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{x}(0)$ :

$$[\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \quad \mathbf{x}(0)] = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -5 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 13/4 \\ 0 & 1 & -5/4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus  $c_1 = 13/4$ ,  $c_2 = -5/4$ , and  $\mathbf{x}(t) = \frac{13}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{3t} - \frac{5}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t}$ .

Since one eigenvalue is positive and the other is negative, the origin is a saddle point of the dynamical system described by  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ . The direction of greatest attraction is the line through  $\mathbf{v}_2$  and the origin. The direction of greatest repulsion is the line through  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and the origin.

5.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - 10\lambda + 24 = (\lambda - 4)(\lambda - 6) = 0$ . Eigenvalues: 4 and 6.

For  $\lambda = 4$ :  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , so  $x_1 = (1/3)x_2$  with  $x_2$  free. Take  $x_2 = 3$  and  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

For  $\lambda = 6$ :  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , so  $x_1 = x_2$  with  $x_2$  free. Take  $x_2 = 1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

For the initial condition  $\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , find  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  such that  $c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{x}(0)$ :

$$[\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \quad \mathbf{x}(0)] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 7/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus  $c_1 = -1/2$ ,  $c_2 = 7/2$ , and  $\mathbf{x}(t) = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} e^{4t} + \frac{7}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{6t}$ .

Since both eigenvalues are positive, the origin is a repeller of the dynamical system described by  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ . The direction of greatest repulsion is the line through  $\mathbf{v}_2$  and the origin.

6.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 2 = (\lambda + 1)(\lambda + 2) = 0$ . Eigenvalues: -1 and -2.

For  $\lambda = -2$ :  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , so  $x_1 = (2/3)x_2$  with  $x_2$  free. Take  $x_2 = 3$  and  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

For  $\lambda = -1$ :  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 0 \\ 3 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , so  $x_1 = x_2$  with  $x_2$  free. Take  $x_2 = 1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

For the initial condition  $\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , find  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  such that  $c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{x}(0)$ :

$$[\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \quad \mathbf{x}(0)] = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus  $c_1 = -1, c_2 = 5$ , and  $\mathbf{x}(t) = -\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t} + 5\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t}$ .

Since both eigenvalues are negative, the origin is an attractor of the dynamical system described by  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ . The direction of greatest attraction is the line through  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and the origin.

7. From Exercise 5,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ , with eigenvectors  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  corresponding to eigenvalues 4 and 6 respectively. To decouple the equation  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ , set  $P = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and let

$D = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ , so that  $A = PDP^{-1}$  and  $D = P^{-1}AP$ . Substituting  $\mathbf{x}(t) = P\mathbf{y}(t)$  into  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$  we have

$$\frac{d}{dt}(P\mathbf{y}) = A(P\mathbf{y}) = PDP^{-1}(P\mathbf{y}) = PD\mathbf{y}$$

Since  $P$  has constant entries,  $\frac{d}{dt}(P\mathbf{y}) = P(\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{y})$ , so that left-multiplying the equality

$P(\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{y}) = PD\mathbf{y}$  by  $P^{-1}$  yields  $\mathbf{y}' = D\mathbf{y}$ , or

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1'(t) \\ y_2'(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

8. From Exercise 6,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$ , with eigenvectors  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  corresponding to

eigenvalues  $-2$  and  $-1$  respectively. To decouple the equation  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ , set  $P = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

and let  $D = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ , so that  $A = PDP^{-1}$  and  $D = P^{-1}AP$ . Substituting  $\mathbf{x}(t) = P\mathbf{y}(t)$  into  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$  we have

$$\frac{d}{dt}(P\mathbf{y}) = A(P\mathbf{y}) = PDP^{-1}(P\mathbf{y}) = PD\mathbf{y}$$

Since  $P$  has constant entries,  $\frac{d}{dt}(P\mathbf{y}) = P(\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{y})$ , so that left-multiplying the equality

$P(\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{y}) = PD\mathbf{y}$  by  $P^{-1}$  yields  $\mathbf{y}' = D\mathbf{y}$ , or

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1'(t) \\ y_2'(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

9.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . An eigenvalue of  $A$  is  $-2 + i$  with corresponding eigenvector  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . The

complex eigenfunctions  $\mathbf{v}e^{\lambda t}$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{v}}e^{\bar{\lambda}t}$  form a basis for the set of all complex solutions to  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ . The general complex solution is

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 - i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{(-2+i)t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 + i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{(-2-i)t}$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are arbitrary complex numbers. To build the general real solution, rewrite  $\mathbf{v}e^{(-2+i)t}$  as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}e^{(-2+i)t} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 - i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t} e^{it} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t} (\cos t + i \sin t) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos t - i \cos t + i \sin t - i^2 \sin t \\ \cos t + i \sin t \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos t + \sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t} + i \begin{bmatrix} \sin t - \cos t \\ \sin t \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t} \end{aligned}$$

The general real solution has the form

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} \cos t + \sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} \sin t - \cos t \\ \sin t \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t}$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  now are real numbers. The trajectories are spirals because the eigenvalues are complex. The spirals tend toward the origin because the real parts of the eigenvalues are negative.

10.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . An eigenvalue of  $A$  is  $2 + i$  with corresponding eigenvector  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + i \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ . The complex

eigenfunctions  $\mathbf{v}e^{\lambda t}$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{v}}e^{\bar{\lambda}t}$  form a basis for the set of all complex solutions to  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ . The general complex solution is

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 + i \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} e^{(2+i)t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 - i \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} e^{(2-i)t}$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are arbitrary complex numbers. To build the general real solution, rewrite  $\mathbf{v}e^{(2+i)t}$  as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}e^{(2+i)t} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 + i \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} e^{2t} e^{it} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + i \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} e^{2t} (\cos t + i \sin t) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos t + i \cos t + i \sin t + i^2 \sin t \\ -2 \cos t - 2i \sin t \end{bmatrix} e^{2t} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos t - \sin t \\ -2 \cos t \end{bmatrix} e^{2t} + i \begin{bmatrix} \sin t + \cos t \\ -2 \sin t \end{bmatrix} e^{2t} \end{aligned}$$

The general real solution has the form

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} \cos t - \sin t \\ -2 \cos t \end{bmatrix} e^{2t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} \sin t + \cos t \\ -2 \sin t \end{bmatrix} e^{2t}$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  now are real numbers. The trajectories are spirals because the eigenvalues are complex. The spirals tend away from the origin because the real parts of the eigenvalues are positive.

11.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -9 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . An eigenvalue of  $A$  is  $3i$  with corresponding eigenvector  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 + 3i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . The

complex eigenfunctions  $\mathbf{v}e^{\lambda t}$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{v}}e^{\bar{\lambda}t}$  form a basis for the set of all complex solutions to  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ . The general complex solution is

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -3+3i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{(3i)t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -3-3i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{(-3i)t}$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are arbitrary complex numbers. To build the general real solution, rewrite  $\mathbf{v}e^{(3i)t}$  as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}e^{(3i)t} &= \begin{bmatrix} -3+3i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} (\cos 3t + i \sin 3t) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -3\cos 3t - 3i\sin 3t \\ 2\cos 3t \end{bmatrix} + i \begin{bmatrix} -3\sin 3t + 3\cos 3t \\ 2\sin 3t \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The general real solution has the form

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -3\cos 3t - 3i\sin 3t \\ 2\cos 3t \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -3\sin 3t + 3\cos 3t \\ 2\sin 3t \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  now are real numbers. The trajectories are ellipses about the origin because the real parts of the eigenvalues are zero.

12.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -7 & 10 \\ -4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ . An eigenvalue of  $A$  is  $-1+2i$  with corresponding eigenvector  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3-i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . The

complex eigenfunctions  $\mathbf{v}e^{\lambda t}$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{v}}e^{\bar{\lambda}t}$  form a basis for the set of all complex solutions to  $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$ . The general complex solution is

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 3-i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{(-1+2i)t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3+i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{(-1-2i)t}$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are arbitrary complex numbers. To build the general real solution, rewrite  $\mathbf{v}e^{(-1+2i)t}$  as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}e^{(-1+2i)t} &= \begin{bmatrix} 3-i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t} (\cos 2t + i \sin 2t) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 3\cos 2t + \sin 2t \\ 2\cos 2t \end{bmatrix} e^{-t} + i \begin{bmatrix} 3\sin 2t - \cos 2t \\ 2\sin 2t \end{bmatrix} e^{-t} \end{aligned}$$

The general real solution has the form

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 3\cos 2t + \sin 2t \\ 2\cos 2t \end{bmatrix} e^{-t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3\sin 2t - \cos 2t \\ 2\sin 2t \end{bmatrix} e^{-t}$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  now are real numbers. The trajectories are spirals because the eigenvalues are complex. The spirals tend toward the origin because the real parts of the eigenvalues are negative.

13.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ . An eigenvalue of  $A$  is  $1+3i$  with corresponding eigenvector  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . The

complex eigenfunctions  $\mathbf{v}e^{\lambda t}$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{v}}e^{\bar{\lambda}t}$  form a basis for the set of all complex solutions to  $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$ . The general complex solution is

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1+i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{(1+3i)t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1-i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{(1-3i)t}$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are arbitrary complex numbers. To build the general real solution, rewrite  $\mathbf{v}e^{(1+3i)t}$  as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}e^{(1+3i)t} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1+i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^t (\cos 3t + i \sin 3t) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos 3t - \sin 3t \\ 2\cos 3t \end{bmatrix} e^t + i \begin{bmatrix} \sin 3t + \cos 3t \\ 2\sin 3t \end{bmatrix} e^t \end{aligned}$$

The general real solution has the form

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} \cos 3t - \sin 3t \\ 2\cos 3t \end{bmatrix} e^t + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} \sin 3t + \cos 3t \\ 2\sin 3t \end{bmatrix} e^t$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  now are real numbers. The trajectories are spirals because the eigenvalues are complex. The spirals tend away from the origin because the real parts of the eigenvalues are positive.

14.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ -8 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . An eigenvalue of  $A$  is  $2i$  with corresponding eigenvector  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1-i \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ . The complex

eigenfunctions  $\mathbf{v}e^{\lambda t}$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{v}}e^{\bar{\lambda}t}$  form a basis for the set of all complex solutions to  $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$ . The general complex solution is

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1-i \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} e^{(2i)t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1+i \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} e^{(-2i)t}$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are arbitrary complex numbers. To build the general real solution, rewrite  $\mathbf{v}e^{(2i)t}$  as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}e^{(2i)t} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1-i \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} (\cos 2t + i \sin 2t) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2t + \sin 2t \\ 4\cos 2t \end{bmatrix} + i \begin{bmatrix} \sin 2t - \cos 2t \\ 4\sin 2t \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The general real solution has the form

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2t + \sin 2t \\ 4\cos 2t \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} \sin 2t - \cos 2t \\ 4\sin 2t \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  now are real numbers. The trajectories are ellipses about the origin because the real parts of the eigenvalues are zero.

15. [M]  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -8 & -12 & -6 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 7 & 12 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ . The eigenvalues of  $A$  are:

$$\mathbf{e}\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{e}\mathbf{i}\mathbf{g}(A) =$$

$$1.0000$$

$$-1.0000$$

$$-2.0000$$

$$\mathbf{n}\mathbf{u}\mathbf{l}\mathbf{b}\mathbf{a}\mathbf{s}\mathbf{i}\mathbf{s}(A - \mathbf{e}\mathbf{v}(1) * \mathbf{e}\mathbf{y}\mathbf{e}(3)) =$$

-1.0000  
0.2500  
1.0000

$$\text{so that } \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

nulbasis(A-ev(2)\*eye(3)) =  
-1.2000  
0.2000  
1.0000

$$\text{so that } \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

nulbasis(A-ev(3)\*eye(3)) =  
-1.0000  
0.0000  
1.0000

$$\text{so that } \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence the general solution is  $\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} e^t + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t}$ . The origin is a saddle point.

A solution with  $c_1 = 0$  is attracted to the origin while a solution with  $c_2 = c_3 = 0$  is repelled.

16. [M]  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -11 & 16 \\ 2 & 5 & -4 \\ -4 & -5 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$ . The eigenvalues of  $A$  are:

ev = eig(A) =

4.0000  
3.0000  
2.0000

nulbasis(A-ev(1)\*eye(3)) =  
2.3333  
-0.6667  
1.0000

$$\text{so that } \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

nulbasis(A-ev(2)\*eye(3)) =  
3.0000  
-1.0000  
1.0000

$$\text{so that } \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

nulbasis(A-ev(3)\*eye(3)) =  
2.0000  
0.0000  
1.0000

$$\text{so that } \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence the general solution is  $\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} e^{4t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{3t} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{2t}$ . The origin is a repeller,

because all eigenvalues are positive. All trajectories tend away from the origin.

17. [M]  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 30 & 64 & 23 \\ -11 & -23 & -9 \\ 6 & 15 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ . The eigenvalues of  $A$  are:

$$ev = \text{eig}(A) =$$

$$5.0000 + 2.0000i$$

$$5.0000 - 2.0000i$$

$$1.0000$$

$$\text{nulbasis}(A - ev(1) * \text{eye}(3)) =$$

$$7.6667 - 11.3333i$$

$$-3.0000 + 4.6667i$$

$$1.0000$$

$$\text{so that } v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 23 - 34i \\ -9 + 14i \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{nulbasis}(A - ev(2) * \text{eye}(3)) =$$

$$7.6667 + 11.3333i$$

$$-3.0000 - 4.6667i$$

$$1.0000$$

$$\text{so that } v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 23 + 34i \\ -9 - 14i \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{nulbasis}(A - ev(3) * \text{eye}(3)) =$$

$$-3.0000$$

$$1.0000$$

$$1.0000$$

$$\text{so that } v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence the general complex solution is

$$x(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 23 - 34i \\ -9 + 14i \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} e^{(5+2i)t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 23 + 34i \\ -9 - 14i \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} e^{(5-2i)t} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^t$$

Rewriting the first eigenfunction yields

$$\begin{bmatrix} 23 - 34i \\ -9 + 14i \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} e^{5t} (\cos 2t + i \sin 2t) = \begin{bmatrix} 23 \cos 2t + 34 \sin 2t \\ -9 \cos 2t - 14 \sin 2t \\ 3 \cos 2t \end{bmatrix} e^{5t} + i \begin{bmatrix} 23 \sin 2t - 34 \cos 2t \\ -9 \sin 2t + 14 \cos 2t \\ 3 \sin 2t \end{bmatrix} e^{5t}$$

Hence the general real solution is

$$x(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 23 \cos 2t + 34 \sin 2t \\ -9 \cos 2t - 14 \sin 2t \\ 3 \cos 2t \end{bmatrix} e^{5t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 23 \sin 2t - 34 \cos 2t \\ -9 \sin 2t + 14 \cos 2t \\ 3 \sin 2t \end{bmatrix} e^{5t} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^t$$

where  $c_1, c_2,$  and  $c_3$  are real. The origin is a repeller, because the real parts of all eigenvalues are positive. All trajectories spiral away from the origin.

18. [M]  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 53 & -30 & -2 \\ 90 & -52 & -3 \\ 20 & -10 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . The eigenvalues of  $A$  are:

$$ev = \text{eig}(A) =$$

$$-7.0000$$

$$5.0000 + 1.0000i$$

$$5.0000 - 1.0000i$$

$$\text{nulbasis}(A - ev(1) * \text{eye}(3)) =$$

$$0.5000$$

$$1.0000$$

$$0.0000$$

$$\text{so that } v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{nulbasis}(A - ev(2) * \text{eye}(3)) =$$

$$0.6000 + 0.2000i$$

$$0.9000 + 0.3000i$$

$$1.0000$$

$$\text{so that } v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 + 2i \\ 9 + 3i \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{nulbasis}(A - ev(3) * \text{eye}(3)) =$$

$$0.6000 - 0.2000i$$

$$0.9000 - 0.3000i$$

$$1.0000$$

$$\text{so that } v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 - 2i \\ 9 - 3i \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence the general complex solution is

$$x(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} e^{-7t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 6 + 2i \\ 9 + 3i \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} e^{(5+i)t} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 6 - 2i \\ 9 - 3i \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} e^{(5-i)t}$$

Rewriting the second eigenfunction yields

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6+2i \\ 9+3i \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} e^{5t} (\cos t + i \sin t) = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \cos t - 2 \sin t \\ 9 \cos t - 3 \sin t \\ 10 \cos t \end{bmatrix} e^{5t} + i \begin{bmatrix} 6 \sin t + 2 \cos t \\ 9 \sin t + 3 \cos t \\ 10 \sin t \end{bmatrix} e^{5t}$$

Hence the general real solution is

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} e^{-7t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \cos t - 2 \sin t \\ 9 \cos t - 3 \sin t \\ 10 \cos t \end{bmatrix} e^{5t} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \sin t + 2 \cos t \\ 9 \sin t + 3 \cos t \\ 10 \sin t \end{bmatrix} e^{5t}$$

where  $c_1, c_2,$  and  $c_3$  are real. When  $c_2 = c_3 = 0$  the trajectories tend toward the origin, and in other cases the trajectories spiral away from the origin.

19. [M] Substitute  $R_1 = 1/5, R_2 = 1/3, C_1 = 4,$  and  $C_2 = 3$  into the formula for  $A$  given in Example 1, and use a matrix program to find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3/4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda_1 = -.5; \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda_2 = -2.5; \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The general solution is thus  $\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{-.5t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2.5t}$ . The condition  $\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$  implies that

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ By a matrix program, } c_1 = 5/2 \text{ and } c_2 = -1/2, \text{ so that}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1(t) \\ v_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{x}(t) = \frac{5}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{-.5t} - \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2.5t}$$

20. [M] Substitute  $R_1 = 1/15, R_2 = 1/3, C_1 = 9,$  and  $C_2 = 2$  into the formula for  $A$  given in Example 1, and use a matrix program to find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1/3 \\ 3/2 & -3/2 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda_1 = -1; \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda_2 = -2.5; \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The general solution is thus  $\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2.5t}$ . The condition  $\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  implies

$$\text{that } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ By a matrix program, } c_1 = 5/3 \text{ and } c_2 = -2/3, \text{ so that}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1(t) \\ v_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{x}(t) = \frac{5}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} e^{-t} - \frac{2}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2.5t}$$

21. [M]  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -8 \\ 5 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$ . Using a matrix program we find that an eigenvalue of  $A$  is  $-3 + 6i$  with

corresponding eigenvector  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 + 6i \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ . The conjugates of these form the second

eigenvalue-eigenvector pair. The general complex solution is

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 + 6i \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} e^{(-3+6i)t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 - 6i \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} e^{(-3-6i)t}$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are arbitrary complex numbers. Rewriting the first eigenfunction and taking its real and imaginary parts, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v} e^{(-3+6i)t} &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 + 6i \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} e^{-3t} (\cos 6t + i \sin 6t) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cos 6t - 6 \sin 6t \\ 5 \cos 6t \end{bmatrix} e^{-3t} + i \begin{bmatrix} 2 \sin 6t + 6 \cos 6t \\ 5 \sin 6t \end{bmatrix} e^{-3t} \end{aligned}$$

The general real solution has the form

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cos 6t - 6 \sin 6t \\ 5 \cos 6t \end{bmatrix} e^{-3t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \sin 6t + 6 \cos 6t \\ 5 \sin 6t \end{bmatrix} e^{-3t}$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  now are real numbers. To satisfy the initial condition  $\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix}$ , we solve

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix} \text{ to get } c_1 = 3, c_2 = -1. \text{ We now have}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} i_L(t) \\ v_C(t) \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{x}(t) = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cos 6t - 6 \sin 6t \\ 5 \cos 6t \end{bmatrix} e^{-3t} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 \sin 6t + 6 \cos 6t \\ 5 \sin 6t \end{bmatrix} e^{-3t} = \begin{bmatrix} -20 \sin 6t \\ 15 \cos 6t - 5 \sin 6t \end{bmatrix} e^{-3t}$$

22. [M]  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ -4 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$ . Using a matrix program we find that an eigenvalue of  $A$  is  $-.4 + .8i$  with

corresponding eigenvector  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 - 2i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . The conjugates of these form the second eigenvalue-

eigenvector pair. The general complex solution is

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 - 2i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{(-.4+.8i)t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 + 2i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{(-.4-.8i)t}$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are arbitrary complex numbers. Rewriting the first eigenfunction and taking its real and imaginary parts, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v} e^{(-.4+.8i)t} &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 - 2i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-.4t} (\cos .8t + i \sin .8t) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -\cos .8t + 2 \sin .8t \\ \cos .8t \end{bmatrix} e^{-.4t} + i \begin{bmatrix} -\sin .8t - 2 \cos .8t \\ \sin .8t \end{bmatrix} e^{-.4t} \end{aligned}$$

The general real solution has the form

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -\cos .8t + 2 \sin .8t \\ \cos .8t \end{bmatrix} e^{-.4t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -\sin .8t - 2 \cos .8t \\ \sin .8t \end{bmatrix} e^{-.4t}$$