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$$\begin{cases} x' = y - x^3 y^2 \\ y' = -x^3 - y^3 x^2 \end{cases}$$

a)

INDEED (0,0) IS AN EQUILIBRIUM. DEFINE

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -3x^2 y^2 & 1 - x^3(2y) \\ -3x^2 - 2y^3 x & -3y^2 x^2 \end{bmatrix} \Big|_{(0,0)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

THEN $\lambda_1(A) = 0$ AND $\lambda_2(A) = 0$. SINCE 0 IS NOT IN THE JORDAN DECOMPOSITION BLOCK (0,0) IS (NS).b) INDEED (0,0) IS AN EQUILIBRIUM. LET $V = ax^4 + by^2$
THEN

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= 4ax^3(y - x^3 y^2) + 2by(-x^3 - y^3 x^2) \\ &= 4ax^3 y - 4ax^6 y^2 - 2byx^3 - 2by^4 x^2 \\ &= -4ax^6 y^2 - 2by^4 x^2 + x^2 y(4a - 2b) \end{aligned}$$

LET $a=1, b=2$. THEN $V = x^4 + 2y^2$ IS (+D) AND
 $-4x^2 y^2(x^4 + y^2) = \dot{V} = -(4x^6 y^2 + 4y^4 x^2)$ IS (-SD). THEREFORE, BY THM (0,0) IS (AS). $\therefore (0,0)$ IS (US) (AS).

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$$\begin{cases} x' = x^3(y-b) \\ y' = y^3(x-a)^5 \end{cases} \quad a, b > 0$$

INDEED (0,0) IS AN EQUILIBRIUM. LET $V = x^2 + y^2$
THEN

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= 2x(x^3(y-b)) + 2y(y^3(x-a)^5) \\ &= 2x^4(y-b) + 2y^4(x-a)^5 \end{aligned}$$

WE KNOW $2x^4 \geq 0 \forall x$ AND $2y^4 \geq 0 \forall y$.WTS $(y-b) < 0$ AND $(x-a)^5 < 0 \forall x, y$ SMALL AND $a, b > 0$.FIX ANY $a, b > 0$ AND LET $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. THEN $\exists r > 0$ S.T. $(a, b) \notin B((0,0), r)$ WHERE $B((0,0), r)$ IS THE OPEN BALL IN \mathbb{R}^2 CENTERED @ (0,0) W/ RADIUS r . THEREFORE, FORSUFFICIENTLY SMALL (x, y) WE HAVE $|x| < a$ AND $|y| < b$.THUS, $x-a < 0$ AND $y-b < 0$. THEREFORE, $V = x^2 + y^2$ IS (+D) AND \dot{V} IS (-D). BY THM (0,0) IS (US) AND (AS).FACT: $B((0,0), r) \neq \emptyset$.