# Part I Ordinary Differential Equation Theory

# **1** Introductory Theory

An  $n^{th}$  order ODE for y = y(t) has the form

 $F(t,y',y'',..,y^{(n)})=0 \qquad \text{(Implicit Form)}$ 

Usually it can be written

 $y^{(n)} = f(t,y',y'',..,y^{(n-1)}) \qquad \text{(Explicit Form)}$ 

A solution y is defined on  $y: I \to \mathbb{R}$  with  $y \in C^n(I)$  for some  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$y^{(n)}(t) = f(t, y'(t), y''(t), ..., y^{(n-1)}(t)) \qquad \forall t \in I$$

- *n* is the **order** of the ODE. It is the highest derivative to appear in the equation.
- The ODE is linear if F depends linearly on  $y, ..., y^{(n)}$

$$y^{(n)} = g(t) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \alpha_i(t) y^{(i)}(t)$$

and is said to be **homogenous** if  $g(t) \equiv 0$ .

- The ODE is **nonlinear** if F depends nonlinearly on  $y^{(n)}$
- If the solution is defined on whole of  $\ensuremath{\mathbb{R}}$  then we call it a global solution
- If the solution is defined on a subinterval of  $\ensuremath{\mathbb{R}}$  then we call it a local solution

# 1.1 Senses of Solutions

# 1.1.0.1 Classical Solution

u' = f in a classical sense if  $u \in C^1$  and  $u'(x) = f(x) \ \forall \ x$ 

# 1.1.0.2 Weak Solution

u' = f in a **weak sense** if  $u \in L^1_{loc}$  and u' = f in  $\mathcal{D}'$  sense. Classical solutons are always also weak solutions

# 1.1.0.3 Distributional Solution

u' = f in a **distributional sense** if  $u \in D'$  and u' = f in D' sense. Classical solutions and weak solutions are always also distributional solutions

**1.1.0.4 Regularity of Solutions** For u' = 0 all solutions are classical, weak, and distributional solutions. For xu' = 0 the solution  $u = \delta$  is neither classical nor weak. Thus, the regularity of the solution depends on the DE.

### 1.1.1 Initial Value Problems (IVP)

A problem is an IVP if it is given in the form

$$y^{(n)} = f(t, y', y'', ..., y^{(n-1)})$$
$$y(a) = \gamma_0$$
$$y'(a) = \gamma_1$$
$$\vdots$$
$$y^{(n-1)} = \gamma_{n-1}$$

where a is the lower boundary of the domain.

- Linear IVPs have a unique solution.
- Existence of Solution
  - Local Existence Theorem or Peano Existence Theorem: If f is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then every  $(t_0, u_0, ..., u_0^{(n-1)})$  there exists an open interval  $(t_0 \epsilon, t_0 + \epsilon) = I \subset \mathbb{R}$  with  $\epsilon > 0$  that contains  $t_0$  and there exists a continuously differentiable function  $u : I \to \mathbb{R}$  that satisfies the IVP.
  - Local Existence Theorem If f is continuous in a neighborhood of  $(a, \gamma_0, ..., \gamma_{n-1})$  there exists an open interval  $(t_0 - \epsilon, t_0 + \epsilon) = I \subset \mathbb{R}$  with  $\epsilon > 0$  that contains  $t_0$  and there exists a continuously differentiable function  $u : I \to \mathbb{R}$  that satisfies the IVP.
- Uniqueness of Solution
  - Uniqueness by Continuous Differentiability of f: If  $\nabla f$  is continuous (if f is continuously differentiable), then the solution is unique.
  - Uniqueness by Lipschitz: If f(u, t) is Lipschitz continuous in u then the solution is unique.
- Gronwall's Inequality: For u(t) continuous and  $\phi(t) \ge 0$  continuous defined on  $0 \le t \le T$  and  $u_0$  is a constant, if u(t) satisfies

$$\begin{split} u(t) &\leq u_0 + \int_0^t \phi(s) u(s) ds \qquad \text{for } t \in [0,T] \\ \text{then,} \qquad u(t) &\leq u_0 exp\left(\int_0^t \phi(s) ds\right) \qquad \text{for } t \in [0,T] \end{split}$$

A generalization allows  $u_0 = \mu(t)$  to depend on time. Then

$$u(t) \le \mu(t) + \int_{t_0}^t v(s)u(s)ds \implies u(t) \le \mu(t) + \int_{t_0}^t \mu(s)v(s)e^{\int_s^t v(z)dz}ds$$

Also, if we consider going backward in time, (again  $u_0$  constant)

$$u(t) \le u_0 + \int_t^{t_0} v(s)u(s)ds, t \le t_0 \implies u(t) \le u_0 e^{\int_t^{t_0} v(s)ds}$$

### 1.1.2 Boundary Value Problems (BVP)

• A BVP with separated conditions affect multiple endpoints such as in the form

$$g_a(y(a)) = 0, \ g_b(y(b)) = 0$$

• A BVP with **unseparated conditons** affect the endpoints simultaneously, such as in the periodic conditions

$$y(a) - y(b) = 0$$

# 1.1.3 Systems of ODEs

One could also consider solutions to systems of ODEs. Any ODE can be converted into a first order system of ODEs. Example:

$$x^{\prime\prime\prime} = t + \cos(x^{\prime\prime})e^x$$
 becomes  $y^{\prime} = \begin{pmatrix} x^{\prime} \\ x^{\prime\prime} \\ x^{\prime\prime\prime} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y_2 \\ y_3 \\ t + \cos y_3 e^{y_2} \end{pmatrix}$ 

# 1.2 Linear Equations

Linear equations are linear in y, and have the form

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n} a_j(t) D^{(j)} y(t) = g(t)$$

Ly = g(t)

Otherwise the ODE is **nonlinear** for some  $a_0, a_1, ..., a_n, g$  and  $D^k = \frac{d^k}{(dt)^k}$ . Note that  $a_j(t)$  need not be linear.

# 1.2.1 General solutions

For  $(a_1, a_2, ..., a_n$  continuous; g continuous;  $a_n \neq 0$ ), linear ODEs have infinitely many solutions of the form

$$y(t) = y_p(t) + \sum_{j=1}^n c_j y_j(t)$$

Where  $(y_1, y_2, ..., y_n)$  are linearly independent solutions to Ly = 0 and  $y_p(t)$  is a particular solution to Ly = g.

• Linear IVPs have a unique solution.

1.2.1.1 Linear Systems of ODEs Any system of linear ODEs can be viewed as the matrix equation

$$\vec{\mathbf{y}}' = A\vec{\mathbf{y}}$$

with solution

$$\vec{\mathbf{y}} = e^{At} \vec{\mathbf{c}}$$
 where  $x(t) = y_1(t)$ 

For a vector of arbitrary constants c determined by intial or boundary values.

• If A is diagonalizable,  $A = VDV^{-1}$  with its eigenvectors V, then  $e^{At}c = Ve^{Dt}V^{-1}\vec{c}$ . Since  $V = (\vec{v}_1 \dots \vec{v}_n)$  and we can define arbitrary constants  $\vec{d} = V^{-1}\vec{c}$ , this becomes

$$\vec{\mathbf{y}}(t) = e^{At}c = d_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \vec{\mathbf{v}}_1 + d_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \vec{\mathbf{v}}_2 + \ldots + d_n e^{\lambda_n t} \vec{\mathbf{v}}_n$$

Alternatively you can simply evaluate  $Ve^{Dt}V^{-1}\vec{c}$  and take the first component.

### 1.2.2 Integraton Methods

**1.2.2.1 Integrating Factor** Given

$$y'(x) + p(x)y(x) = q(x)$$

Multiplying by

$$y'(x)e^{\int pdx} + p(x)e^{\int pdx}y(x) = q(x)e^{\int pdx}$$

Integrating both sides is used with reverse product rule

$$y(x)e^{\int pdx} = \int q(x)e^{\int pdx}dx + c_1$$

# 1.2.2.2 Variation of Parameters

Given

$$y'' + q(t)y' + r(t)y = g(t)$$

We find the solutions to the associated homogenous equation (y'' + q(t)y' + r(t)y = 0)

$$y_c = (t) = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t)$$

And we want to find a particular solution to y'' + q(t)y' + r(t)y = g(t) in the form

 $y_p = (t) = u_1(t)y_1(t) + u_2(t)y_2(t)$ 

We let

$$u'_1(t)y_1(t) + u'_2(t)y_2(t) = 0$$
 Condition 1

and so

$$y'_{p} = (t) = u'_{1}(t)y_{1}(t) + u_{1}(t)y'_{1}(t) + u'_{2}(t)y_{2}(t) + u_{2}(t)y'_{2}(t)$$
$$y'_{p} = u_{1}(t)y'_{1}(t) + u_{2}(t)y'_{2}(t)$$

Differentiating

$$y_p'' = (t) = u_1'(t)y_1'(t) + u_1(t)y_1''(t) + u_2'(t)y_2'(t) + u_2(t)y_2''(t)$$

Plugging this into the original equation and cancelling gives

$$u'_{1}y'_{1} + u'_{2}y'_{2} = g(t)$$
 Condition 2

Solving the system given by the two conditions gives

$$u_1' = -\frac{y_2 g(t)}{y_1 y_2' - y_2 y_1'} \qquad \qquad u_2' = \frac{y_1 g(t)}{y_1 y_2' - y_2 y_1'}$$

SO

$$u_1 = -\int \frac{y_2 g(t)}{y_1 y_2' - y_2 y_1'} dt \qquad \qquad u_2 = \int \frac{y_1 g(t)}{y_1 y_2' - y_2 y_1'} dt$$

And so our particular solution is

$$y_p(t) = -y_1(t) \int \frac{y_2g(x)}{y_1y_2' - y_2y_1'} dx + y_2(t) \int \frac{y_1g(x)}{y_1y_2' - y_2y_1'} dx$$

So our general solution is

$$y = y_c(t) + y_p(t)$$

### 1.2.2.3 Substitution The Bernoulli equation

$$y'(t) + p(x)y = q(x)y^n$$

Can be solved with the substitution  $u = y^{1-n}$ 

$$u = (1-p)(p(x)u + q(x))$$

Which can then be solved with other methods.

### 1.2.3 Exactly Solvable Cases

### **First Order Linear Equations**

$$y' + p(t)y = q(t)$$

The general solution is

$$y = \frac{1}{M(t)} \int_{t_0}^t q(u)M(u)du + \frac{C}{M(t)}$$

for  $M(t) = e^{\int_{s_0}^t p(s)ds}$  and any constant C.

### Linear Equations with Constant Coefficients

$$Ly = \sum_{j=0}^{n} a_j D^j y = 0$$

Solutions exist in the form

$$y(t) = e^{\lambda t}$$

where  $\lambda$  is a root of the characteristic polynomial

$$p(\lambda) = \sum_{j=0}^{n} a_j \lambda^j$$

If roots are repeated, the solutions associated with the same root must take on forms that are orthogonal to one another, such as

$$y(t)_1 = e^{\lambda t} , \ y(t)_2 = t e^{\lambda t} , \ y(t)_3 = t^2 e^{\lambda t}$$

The pair of solutions associated with a pair of complex roots must be real, and so for a pair of roots  $(\lambda \pm (\alpha + i\beta))$ 

$$y_1(t) = e^{\alpha t} \cos(\beta t)$$
  $y_2(t) = e^{\alpha t} \sin(\beta t)$ 

**Euler Type Equations** 

$$Ly = \sum_{j=0}^{n} a_j (t - t_0)^j D^j y = 0$$

Solutions exist in the form

$$y(t) = (t - t_0)^{\lambda} \qquad t \neq t_0$$

Where  $\lambda$  can be found by using this solution form in the equation, which forms the **indicial equation** 

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n} A_j t^j = 0$$

Where  $A_n = a_n$  but the other coefficients depend on the nature of the ODE. If the indicial equation has...

#### 1.3 Nonlinear Equations

• two roots, then

$$y(t) = c_1(t - t_0)^{\lambda_1} + c_2(t - t_0)^{\lambda_2}$$

• one root, then one must perform reduction of order. However, solutions typically have a solution that looks something like

$$y(t) = c_1(t - t_0)^{\lambda} + c_2(t - t_0)^{\lambda} \ln|t - t_0|$$

For higher algebraic muliplicities of the root, you will have additional solutions  $\{(t - t_0)^{\lambda}(\ln |t - t_0|)^2, ..., (t - t_0)^{\lambda}(\ln |t - t_0|)^2$ 

• a complex pair of roots  $r = \lambda \pm i\omega$ , one must solve for the real solutions. Typically you end up with a solution that looks something like

$$y(t) = c_1(t - t_0)^{\lambda} \cos(\omega \ln |t - t_0|) + c_2(t - t_0)^{\lambda} \sin(\omega \ln |t - t_0|)$$

For higher algebraic multiplicities you can solve for real valued solutions of the form

$$(t-t_0)^{\lambda}\cos(\omega\ln|t-t_0|)\ln|t-t_0|, (t-t_0)^{\lambda}\sin(\omega\ln|t-t_0|)\ln|t-t_0|, \dots$$
$$\dots, (t-t_0)^{\lambda}\cos(\omega\ln|t-t_0|)(\ln|t-t_0|)^{m-1}, (t-t_0)^{\lambda}\sin(\omega\ln|t-t_0|)(\ln|t-t_0|)^{m-1}$$

### 1.2.3.1 Example

$$ax^2y'' + bxy' + cy = 0$$

Yields the indicial equation

$$a\lambda^2 + (b-a)\lambda + c = 0$$

Say a = 1, b = -6, c = 10. Then  $\lambda_{1,2} = 2, 5$  and

$$y(t) = c_1 x^2 + c_2 x^5$$

Say a = 1, b = -9, c = 25. Then  $\lambda = 5$  and we must additionally solve

$$y(x) = x^5 u(x) \qquad v = u^4$$

which has the solution

$$y(x) = x^5(c_1 \ln |x| + c_2)$$

Say a = 1, b = -3, c = 20. Then  $\lambda = 2 \pm 4i$ 

$$y(x) = c_1 x^2 \cos(4\ln|x|) + c_2 x^2 \sin(4\ln|x|)$$

### 1.2.4 Relation between Euler Equations and Constant Coefficient Equations

Let  $y: (t_0, \infty) \to \mathbb{R}$  for and  $Y: (-\infty, \infty) \to \mathbb{R}$  be functions of t and x respectively. Assume they are related by a substitution  $x = e^t$ . That is, y(t) = Y(x). Then the Euler equation for y can be related to the constant coefficient equation for Y.

# 1.3 Nonlinear Equations

Nonlinear equations such as

 $y' = y^2$  with  $u(t_0) = u_0$ 

May have a unique solution, but usually only local solution.

# 1.4 Nonlinear ODEs

Nonlinear ODEs hav the form

$$F(t, y, y', ..., y^{(n)}) = 0$$
  
where *F* depends nonlinearly on  $y^{(n)}$ . It may have an explicit form of  
$$y^{(n)} = f(t, y', y'', ..., y^{(n-1)})$$
$$y(a) = \gamma_0$$
$$\vdots$$
$$y^{(n-1)}(a) = \gamma_{n-1}$$

# 2 Solutions

# 2.1 General Solutions

**General Solutions** are the set of all solutions to a DE. Generally, a  $n^{th}$  order D's general solution has n arbitrary constants.

**Normalized Solutions**: The solution set (for example  $y(x) = c_1y_1(x) + c_2y_2(x)$  to a DE such that when y(x = 0) = 0 and y'(x = 0) = 1.

### 2.1.1 Well-Posed Problems

A problem is well posed if

- There is one solution (existence)
- The solution is unique (uniqueness)
- The solution depends continuously on the data (stability condition) Small changes in the intial or boundary conditions lead to small changes in the solution

Wronksian: The determinant of the Fundamental Matrix of a set of solutions to a differential equation. A set of solutions to a DE are linearly independent if the Wronskian identically vanishes for all  $x \in I$ . Note that  $W \equiv 0$  does not imply linear dependence.

For f, g, W(f, g) = fg' - gf'. For *n* real or complex valued functions  $f_1, f_2, ..., f_n$  which are n - 1 times differentiable on an interval *I*, the Wronksian  $W(f_1, ..., f_n)$  as a function on *I* is defined by

$$W(f_1, ..., f_n)(x) = \begin{vmatrix} f_1(x) & \dots & f_n(x) \\ f'_1(x) & \dots & f'_n(x) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ f_1^{(n-1)}(x) & \dots & f_n^{(n-1)}(x) \end{vmatrix} x \in I$$

# 3 Advanced Theory

# 3.1 First Order Equations

Consider

$$\vec{\mathbf{x}}' = f(\vec{\mathbf{x}})$$

### 3.1.1 Intervals of existence

Let  $F(x) = \int_{x_0}^x \frac{dy}{f(y)}$ . If  $x = \phi(t)$  is a solution to the ODE, then  $F(\phi(t)) = t$  so  $F(\phi(0)) = 0$ . By the inverse mapping theorem,

$$F(x) = t + t_0 \implies x = F^{-1}(t + t_0) \implies x = F^{-1}(t + F(x_0))$$

Consider two cases

• If  $f(x_0) = 0$  then

$$\phi(t) = x_0 \ \forall \ t, u(t) = f(x_0) = f(\phi(t))$$

• If  $f(x_0) \neq 0$  then  $f \in C(\mathbb{R}) \implies f \neq 0$  in some neighborhood about  $x_0$ . Assuming f(x) > 0 on (a,b), then  $F'(x) = \frac{1}{f(x)} > 0$ , a < x < b implies F(x) is monotone increasing so  $F^{-1}(x)$  exists and  $\phi(t) = F^{-1}(t)$  is a solution.

# 4 New Notes

**Basic Existence and Uniqueness** 

Let  $U \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  be open,  $f \in C(u)$ , and  $(t_0, x_0) \in U$ . If f satisfies a Lipschitz condition in x uniformly in t on some closed spacetime cylinder S that is contained in U, then there is an interval  $[t_0, t_0 + T_0] \subset [t_0, t_0 + T]$  and a unique solution of  $x' = f(x, t), x(t_0) = x_0$ . Picard iteration converges uniformly to some  $\varphi(t)$  that satisfies the IE

$$\varphi(t) = \lim_{k \to \infty} \varphi_{k+1}(t) = \lim_{k \to \infty} \left( x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t f(s, \phi_k(s)) ds \right) = x_0 + t_0^t f(s, \varphi(s)) ds$$

Suppose  $\phi(t), \psi(t)$  satisfy

$$\phi(t) = x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t f(s, \phi(s)) ds, \psi(t) = x_1 + \int_{t_0}^t f(s, \psi(s)) ds$$

for  $t \in [t_0, t_1]$ , then

$$\|\phi(t) - \psi(t)\|_C \le \|x_0 - x_1\| + \int_{t_0}^t L\|\phi(s) - \psi(s)\| ds$$

Satisfies Gronwall's inequality with  $u(t) = \|\phi(t) - \psi(t)\|_C$ ,  $u_0 = \|x_0 - x_1\|$ , and v(s) = 1. Thus

$$\|\phi(t) - \psi(t)\|_C \le \|x_0 - x_1\| \ e^{L(t-t_0)} \implies \max_{t_0 \le t \le t_1} \|\phi(t) - \psi(t)\|_C \le \|x_0 - x_1\| \ e^{L(t_1 - t_0)}$$

So  $x_1 = x_0 \implies \phi(t) = \psi(t)$ , and the solution depends continuously on the initial data.

Let  $\phi(t)$  be the solution of  $x' = f(t, x), x(t_0) = x_0$  and let  $\psi(t)$  be the solution of  $x' = f(t, x), x(t_1) = x_1$ Suppose both solutions exist of a common interval (a, b) with  $t_0, t_1 \in (a, b)$ . We know

$$\phi(t) = x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t f(s, \phi(s)) ds, \psi(t) = x_1 + \int_{t_1}^t f(s, \phi(s)) ds, a < t < b$$

Without loss of generality, assume  $t_0 < t_1$ . So

$$\begin{split} \phi(t) - \psi(t) &= x_0 - x_1 + \int_{t_0}^t f(s, \phi(s)ds - \int_{t_1}^t f(s, \psi(s))ds \\ &= x_0 - x_1 + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} f(s, \phi(s)ds + \int_{t_1}^t f(s, \phi(s)) - f(s, \psi(s))ds \\ \|\phi(t) - \psi(t)\|_C &= \|x_0 - x_1\| + \|t_1 - t_0\| \|f(s, \phi(s))\|_C + L(t - t_1) \|f(s, \phi(s)) - f(s, \psi(s))\|_C \end{split}$$

So letting  $\mu = ||x_0 - x_1|| + |t_1 - t_0| ||f(s, \phi(s))||_C$ , and  $V(s) = L(t - t_1)$ , we use Gronwall's to obtain

$$\|\phi(t) - \psi(t)\|_{C} \le (\|x_{0} - x_{1}\| + |t_{1} - t_{0}| \|f(s, \phi(s)\|_{C}) e^{L(t-t_{0})}, t > t_{1}$$

So  $x = \phi(t) = \phi(t, t_0, x_0)$ . That is,  $\phi$  is a continuous function of the problem parameters as well as t.

Differentiation on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  Given  $F : \mathbb{R}^N \to \mathbb{R}^N$ , we say F(x) is differentiable at  $\vec{\mathbf{x}}_0$  if there exists a linear map (matrix) A such that

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\|F(x_0 + h) + F(x_0) - Ah\|}{\|h\|} = 0$$

We denote  $DF(x_0) = A = \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j}(\vec{\mathbf{x}}_0)$  if  $F = (F_1, ..., F_N)^T$ . F is differentiable at  $\mathbb{R}^N$  If F is differentiable for all  $\vec{\mathbf{x}}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^N$  then  $DF(\vec{\mathbf{x}})$  is a matrix valued function.

 $F \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^N)$  if  $x \to DF(\vec{\mathbf{x}})$  is continuous with respect to some norm ???

 $f \in C(U) \implies D_x f \in C(U, \mathbb{R}^{N \times N})$  f is locally Lipschitz continuous in x with respect to t. That is, given a compact subset  $U_0 \subset U$ , there is a constant L > 0 such that

$$||f(t,x) - f(t,y)|| \le L_{U_0} ||x - y||, \ \forall (t,x), (t,y) \in U_0$$

We assume  $U_0 = [\alpha, \beta] \times K$  where K is compact and convex. Let  $x, y \in K$  and  $s \in (0, 1)$  and define

$$F(s) = f(t, x + s(y - x)), 0 \le s \le 1$$

By the Chain Rule,

$$F'(s) = \frac{d}{ds}f(t, x + s(y - x)) = [f_x(t, x + s(y - x))]_{N \times N} \cdot [(y - x)]_{N \times N}$$

Now consider F(0) = f(t, x), F(1) = f(t, y). So

$$F(1) - F(0) = \int_0^1 F'(s) ds \iff f(t, y) - f(t, x) = \int_0^1 \left[ f_x(t, x + s(y - x)) \right]_{N \times N} \cdot \left[ (y - x) \right]_{N \times N} ds$$

so let  $L = ||||f_x(t, x + s(y - x))|| ||_C$ 

$$||f(t,y) - f(t,x)||_C \le \int_0^1 L||y - x|| \ ds \le L||y - x||$$

Example:  $y' = y^2 = f(y)$ 

$$f(x) - f(y) = f'(s)(x - y), y \le s \le x$$

We see f'(y) = 2y, so these intervals all have different constants.

# 4.1 The First Variational Equation

Consider IVP1  $x' = f(t, x) x(t_0) = x_0$ . If  $f \in C^1(U)$  then  $x = \phi(t, \tau, \xi)$  is differentiable in all three variables.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau}\phi = f_x(t,\phi)\cdot\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau}\phi \implies y(t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau}\phi(t,\tau,\xi) \text{ solves } \frac{dy}{dt} = A(t)y$$

We call  $\frac{dy}{dt} = A(t)y$  the First Variational Equation, where  $A(t) = f_x(t, x, \tau, \xi)$ . Performing the same thing for  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon}$ 

$$\frac{dX}{dt} = A(t)X$$

So  $\phi(t, \tau, \xi)$  satisfies

$$\phi(\tau,\tau,\xi) = \xi \implies \frac{\partial}{\partial\xi}\phi(\tau,\tau,\xi) = I$$

Also,

$$\phi(\tau,\tau,\xi) = \xi \implies \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\phi + \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} = 0 \implies \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau}\phi = -f(\tau,\xi)$$

 $\phi(t,\tau,\xi)$  has partial derivatives determined by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau}\phi:\begin{cases} y'=A(t)y & & \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi}\phi: \begin{cases} X'=A(t)X \\ y(\tau)=-f(\tau,\xi) & & \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi}\phi: \end{cases} X(0)=I \end{cases}$$

We want to show

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\|Q(t,\tau,\xi,h)\|}{\|h\|} = 0, \qquad Q(t,\tau,\xi,h) = \phi(t,\tau,\xi+h) - \varphi(t,\tau,\xi) - X(t)h$$

Let  $(\tau,\xi) \in B(t_0,x_0;a_1,b_1)$  and choose h sufficiently small  $h \in \mathbb{R}^n$  so that  $(\tau,\xi+h) \subset \mathbb{R}_1 = \overline{B(t_0,x_0;a,b)}$ . We use

$$\phi(t) = \phi(t,\tau,\xi) \qquad \phi_h(t) = \phi(t,\tau,\xi+h) \qquad A(t) = f_x(t,\phi(t,\tau,\xi))$$

These are all defined on  $[\tau - T, \tau + T]$  with  $(t, \phi(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $(t, \phi_h(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  for  $t \in [\tau - T, \tau + T]$ . Using  $L = \|\|f_x(t, x)\|_1\|_C$  and  $\|A(t)\| \leq L$ .  $t \in [\tau - T, \tau + T]$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \|\phi(t) - \phi_h(t)\| &\leq \|h\| \ e^{2LT} \\ \phi(t) &= \xi + \int_{\tau}^{t} f(s, \phi(s)) ds \\ \phi_h(t) &= \xi + h + \int_{\tau}^{t} f(s, \phi_h(s)) ds \\ X(t) &= I + \int_{\tau}^{t} A(s) X(s) ds \end{aligned}$$

So

$$Q(t,\tau,\xi,h) = \int_{\tau}^{t} (f(s,\phi_h(s)) - f(s,\phi(s)) - A(s)X(s)h) \, ds$$

Using  $f(t,x) - f(t,y) = \int_0^1 f_x(t,x + \sigma(y-x)) \cdot (y-x) d\sigma$ ,

$$\|f(t,x) - f(t,y) - f_x(t,x) \cdot (y-x)\| \le \int_0^1 \|f_x(t,x + \sigma(y-x))) - f_x(t,x)\| \|y-x\| d\sigma$$

Since  $f_x(t,x)$  is continuous on the compact set  $R_2$ , it is uniformly continuous on  $R_2$ . It follows that  $f_x(t,x)$  is uniformly continuous on  $R_2$ .

We seek to use Gronwall's inequality. We see that

$$Q(t,\tau,\xi,h) = \int_{\tau}^{t} \left( f(s,\phi_h(s)) - f(s,\phi(s)) - A(s)(\phi_h(s) - \phi(s)) \right) ds + \int_{\tau}^{t} A(s)Q(t,\tau,\xi,h) ds$$

Continuity of f allows us to pick  $\epsilon_1 < \frac{\epsilon}{Te^{3LT}}$  so that

$$\|Q\| \leq \int_{\tau}^{t} \epsilon_{1} \|\phi_{h} - \phi\| \, ds + \int_{\tau}^{t} L \|Q\| \, ds \leq \epsilon_{1} T \|h\| \, e^{2LT} + \int_{\tau}^{t} L \|Q\| \, ds$$

Using Gronwall's inequality, we get

$$\|Q\| \leq \epsilon_1 T \|h\| e^{2LT} e^{TL} < \epsilon$$

### 4.1.0.1 Differentiability With Respect to a Parameter Consider

$$\begin{cases} x' = f(t, x, \lambda) & x \in \mathbb{R}^N \\ x(\tau) = \xi \end{cases}$$

$$f:U\times\Lambda\to\mathbb{R}^N, U\subset\mathbb{R}^{N+1}, \Lambda\subset\mathbb{R}^P, (\tau,\xi)\in U$$

Let  $f \in C^1(U \times \Lambda)$ . Solutions of IVP are functions  $\vec{\mathbf{x}} = \phi(t, \tau, \xi, \lambda)$ . So let  $\vec{\mathbf{y}}' = 0, \vec{\mathbf{y}}(\tau) = \lambda$ , and we recast our problem as

$$\vec{\mathbf{z}} = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\mathbf{x}} \\ \vec{\mathbf{y}} \end{pmatrix}_{(n+p)\times 1}, \qquad \vec{\mathbf{z}}' = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\mathbf{x}}' \\ \vec{\mathbf{y}}' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f(t,z) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = F(t,z), \qquad \vec{\mathbf{z}}(\tau) = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\tau} \\ \vec{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = \gamma \implies z = \psi(t,\tau,\gamma)$$

So if we have

$$a(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(t, \psi(t, \tau, \gamma)) & \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} f(t, \psi(t, \tau, \gamma)) \\ 0_{p \times n} & 0_{p \times p} \end{pmatrix}$$

Then our matrix DE is

$$Z' = a(t)Z, Z(0) = I \implies Z = \frac{\partial}{\partial\gamma}\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial\xi}x & \frac{\partial}{\partial\lambda}x \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial\xi}y & \frac{\partial}{\partial\lambda}y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{\xi} & x_{\lambda} \\ 0 & I_{p} \end{pmatrix}$$

That is,

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{\xi} & x_{\lambda} \\ 0 & I_{p} \end{pmatrix}' = \begin{pmatrix} f_{x} & f_{\lambda} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{\xi} & x_{\lambda} \\ 0 & I_{p} \end{pmatrix} \iff x'_{\xi} = f_{x}x_{\xi}, x'_{\lambda} = f_{x}x_{\lambda} + f_{\lambda}$$

With initial conditions  $x_{\xi}(\tau) = I$ ,  $x_{\lambda}(\tau) = 0$ .

# 4.2 Continuation of Solutions

Theorem. If  $f \in C^1(U)$  and  $x = \phi(t)$  is a solution of our above IVP, defined on an open interval (a, b) containing  $t_0$ . If

$$\{(t, \phi(t)) : a < t < b\} \subset K \subset U$$

for some compact K then  $\phi(a^+) = \lim_{t \to a^+} \phi(t)$  and  $\phi(b^-)$  both exist as finite values with  $(a, \phi(a^+)), (b, \phi(b^-)) \in U$ . Hence  $\phi(t)$  extends as a continuous function to [a, b] which can be further extended as a solution of x' = f(t, x) to a larger interval.

Proof. Let  $M = \max |f(t, x)| : (t, x) \in K$ . We know

$$\phi(t_2) - \phi(t_1) = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(s, \phi(s)) ds, a < t_1 < t_2 < b$$

so  $\|\phi(t_2) - \phi(t_1)\|_C \leq M |t_2 - t_1|$ . Thus  $\phi(t)$  is uniformly continuous thus  $t_n \to b$  produces a Cauchy sequence  $\phi(t_n)$  which converges by completeness to  $\hat{\phi}(b)$  If  $s_n$  us another sequence such that  $s_n \to b$ ,

$$\left\|\hat{\phi}(b) - \phi(s_n)\right\|_{C} \le \left\|\hat{\phi}(b) - \phi(t_n)\right\|_{C} + \|\phi(t_n) - \phi(s_n)\|_{C} \to 0$$

Thus the limit is unique.

Corollary. If  $x = \phi(t)$  is a solution on (a, b) and  $\phi(t)$  cannot be extended beyond b as a solution, then  $(t, \phi(t))$  must leave every compact subset of U as  $t \to b^+$ . Analogous statements holds at the left endpoint a.

### 4.2.1 Extension of Solutions

Suppose  $\Omega = (a, b) \times \mathbb{R}^N$ ,  $f \in C(\Omega), -\infty \le a < b \le \infty$  and satisfies a Lipschitz condition in x, uniformly in t

$$||f(x,t) - f(t,y)|| \le L||x - y||, \forall (t,x), (t,y) \in \Omega$$

Then solutions of x' = f(t, x) exist on the entire interval (a, b). Notice that for all  $t \in [a, b] \subset (a, b)$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ ,

$$||f(t,x)|| = ||f(t,0)|| + ||f(t,x) - f(t,0)|| \le \max_{t \in [a,b]} ||f(t,0)|| + L||x|| = M_{\alpha,\beta} + L||x||$$

So for any  $\tau, t$  such that  $\alpha \leq \tau \leq t \leq \beta$  implies

$$\|\phi(t)\| \le \|\phi(\tau)\| + \int_{\tau}^{t} \|f(s,\phi(s))\| \, ds \le \|\phi(\tau)\| + M_{\alpha,\beta}(\beta-\alpha) + \int_{\tau}^{t} L\|\phi(s)\| \, ds$$

Thus  $\|\phi(t)\|$  is bounded on  $[\alpha, \beta]$  for any compact subinterval of (a, b). That is  $(t, \phi(t))$  cannot leave every compact subset of  $\Omega$  on any interval of the form  $[\alpha, \beta] \subset (a, b)$  so the solutions extend to (a, b)

# 4.3 Existence

$$x' = f(t, x), f \in C(\Omega)$$
  $x(\tau) = 0$ 

Consider the space-time cylinder  $R = \overline{B}(\tau, \xi : a, b) \subset \Omega$ . Let  $M = \max_{(t,x)\in R} \|f(t,x)\|$ .  $\alpha = \min\{a, \frac{b}{M}\}$ . Choose a partition  $\{t_j\}_{j=0}^N$  of  $[\tau, \tau + \alpha]$ .

$$\tau = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_{N-1} < t_N = \tau + \alpha$$

Define an approximate solution  $\phi(t)$  by

$$\phi(t_{(j+1)}) = \phi(t_j)_f(t_j, \phi(t_j))(t_{j+1} - t_j), j = 0, \dots, N-1$$

with  $\phi(t_0) = \xi$ . Use linear interpolation to get

$$\phi(t) = \phi(t_j) + f(t_j, \phi(t_j))(t - t_j), t \in [t_{j+1}, t_j]$$

Notice,  $\phi(t)$  is continuous, but not differentiable at the nodes  $\{t_i\}$ 

# 5 Linear Systems

$$\begin{cases} \vec{\mathbf{x}}' = A(t)\vec{\mathbf{x}} + g(t) \\ \vec{\mathbf{x}}(\tau) = \xi \end{cases}$$

where  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $g \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .  $A \in C((a, b), \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$  and  $g \in C((a, b), \mathbb{R}^n)$ . There is a unique solution of the IVP for every  $(\tau, \xi) \in (a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  that is valid on (a, b). Under the above assumption, the set of solutions to the homogenous problem  $(g(t) \equiv 0)$  is an *n*-dimensional linear space. So if  $\vec{\phi}(t)$  is the solution to  $\vec{\mathbf{x}}' = A(t)\vec{\mathbf{x}}$ ,  $\vec{\mathbf{x}}(\tau) = \vec{\mathbf{e}}_i$ , then  $\vec{\psi}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \vec{\phi}_i(t)$  is in the span  $\left\{\vec{\phi}_1(t), ..., \vec{\phi}_n(t)\right\}$ . Thus we have a basis for our solution space. Denoting  $\Phi(t) = (\vec{\phi}_1(t), ..., \vec{\phi}_n(t))$ , then

$$\Phi'(t) = A(t)\Phi(t)$$

# 5.1 Determinants

Properties

• d

# 5.2 The Homogenous Case

$$\begin{cases} \vec{\mathbf{x}}' = A(t)\vec{\mathbf{x}} \\ \vec{\mathbf{x}}(\tau) = \xi \end{cases}$$

# 5.2.0.1 Superposition Principle

If  $x_1(t), x_2(t)$  are solutions then so is  $x_3(t) = c_1x_1(t) + c_2x_2(t)$  for any  $c_1, c_2$ .

# 5.2.0.2 General Solution

A fundamental set of solutions is a set  $\{x_i(t)\}_i$  such that they form a linearly independent set of solutions. Then  $x(t) = c_1 x_1(t) + ... c_n x_n(t)$  is a general solution (all solutions can be written in this form). The **Fundamental Matrix** is

$$X(t) = (x_1(t), ..., x_n(t))_{n \times m}$$

Note det  $[X(t)] \neq 0$ , and any solution x(t) can be expressed as  $X(t)\vec{c}$  for some  $\vec{c}$ . This means any  $Y(t) = X(t)\vec{c}$  is also a fundamental matrix with det  $[Y(t)] = \det [X(t)] \neq 0$ .

• If X(t) and Y(t) are fundamental matrices then there exists a nonsingular C such that Y(t) = X(t)C. In fact,  $C = X^{-1}(t)Y(t)$ .

# 5.3 The Inhomogenous Case

$$\begin{cases} \vec{\mathbf{x}}' = A(t)\vec{\mathbf{x}} + g(t) \\ \vec{\mathbf{x}}(\tau) = \xi \end{cases}$$

If ψ<sub>1</sub>, ψ<sub>2</sub> are two solutions, then ψ = c (ψ<sub>1</sub> - ψ<sub>2</sub>) is a solution of the homogenous case for any c. That is
if we know the fundamental solution set for the homogenous case, we can simply add on a particular
solution to the inhomogenous problem.

### 5.3.0.3 Variation of parameters

Let X(t) be a fundamental matrix. Consider  $x(t) = X(t)\vec{c}$ .

$$x'(t) = X'(t)\mathbf{c}(\mathbf{t}) + X(t)\mathbf{c}'(\mathbf{t}) = A(t)\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{t}) + X(t)\mathbf{c}'(\mathbf{t}) = A(t)x(t) + g(t)\mathbf{c}(\mathbf{t}) = A(t)x(t) + g(t)\mathbf{c}(\mathbf{t}) + g(t)\mathbf$$

So let  $\mathbf{c}'(\mathbf{t}) = X^{-1}(t)g(t)$  since det  $[X(t)] \neq 0$  for all t. So we have a particular solution

$$x_p(t) = X(t)\mathbf{c}(\mathbf{t}) = X(t) \int_{\tau}^{t} X^{-1}(s)g(s)ds, \tau \in (a,b)$$

Note  $x_p(t) = 0$ . So any solution of the inhomogenous problem can be written in the form

$$x(t) = X(t) \vec{\mathbf{c}} + X(t) \int_{\tau}^{t} X(s) g(s) ds$$

However if we consider the IVP with  $x(\tau) = \xi$ , then pick  $\vec{c} = X^{-1}(\tau)\xi$  so

$$x(t) = X(t)X^{-1}(\tau)\xi + X(t)\int_{\tau}^{t} X(s)g(s)ds$$

and we see

$$x(\tau) = X(\tau)X^{-1}(\tau)\xi + X(\tau)\int_{\tau}^{\tau} X(s)g(s)ds = \xi$$

# 5.3.0.4 State Transition Matrix

Now denote the State Transition Matrix  $\Phi(t, \tau) = X(t)X^{-1}(\tau)$  and we see since

$$x(t) = \Phi(t,\tau)\xi + \int_{\tau}^{t} \Phi(t,\tau)g(s)ds$$

and thus  $\Phi(t,\tau)$  solves the problem

$$\begin{cases} \vec{\mathbf{X}}' = A(t)X\\ \vec{\mathbf{X}}(\tau) = I \end{cases}$$

By construction, Phi(t) is uniquely determined.

# 5.4 Special Case: Constant Coefficient System

If A(t) = A is independent of t, then any solution  $\phi(t)$  is still a solution when translated so you can take the initial time to be 0 via the translation  $\phi(t - \tau)$ . So then  $\Phi(t, \tau) = \Phi(t - \tau)$ . So we have

$$\begin{cases} \Phi' = A\Phi\\ \Phi(0) = I \end{cases}$$

Thus the solution is  $\Phi(t) = e^{At}$ , where the matrix exponential can be defined in one of three ways:

- $e^{At} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^n}{n!} A^n$
- $X(t) = e^{At}$  satisfies X' = AX, X(0) = I
- Use an eigendecomposition  $\Lambda = V^{-1}AV$  to get  $e^{tA} = Ve^{t\Lambda}V^{-1}$

We note the properties of the matrix exponential

- $\frac{d}{dt}e^{tA} = Ae^{tA}$  and  $e^{(0)A} = I$
- $Ae^{tA} = e^{tA}A$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$
- If AB = BA, then  $e^A e^B = e^{A+B}$
- $e^{t_1A}e^{t_2A} = e^{(t_1+t_2)A}$  for all  $t_1, t_2$

• 
$$(e^{tA})^{-1} = e^{-tA}$$
 for all  $t$ 

- det  $(e^{tA}) = e^{t \operatorname{tr}(A)}$  for all t (Abel's Formula)
- If B is nonsingular,  $B^{-1}e^{tA}B = e^{tB^{-1}AB}$

# 5.5 2D Constant Coefficients Case

$$\vec{\mathbf{x}}'(t) = A\vec{\mathbf{x}}(t), A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

Let  $\vec{\mathbf{x}} = \vec{\phi}(t, x_0)$  be the solution satisfying  $\vec{\mathbf{x}}(a) = x_0$ 

### 5.5.1 Invertible Matrix Case

If det A = 0, then the only **rest point** is  $\vec{\mathbf{x}} = \vec{\mathbf{0}}$ . If T = a + d and D = ad - bc, then  $\lambda_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} \left(T \pm \sqrt{T^2 - 4D}\right)$ , and we consider various cases and their subcases.

- T<sup>2</sup> 4D > 0
  λ<sub>-</sub> > 0, λ<sub>+</sub> > 0 (T > 0, D > 0) Moving along parabolas away from the oringin
  λ<sub>-</sub> < 0, λ<sub>+</sub> < 0 (T < 0, D > 0) Moving along parabolas toward the origin
  λ<sub>-</sub> < 0 < λ<sub>+</sub> < 0 (D < 0) Mixed behavior</li>
- $T^2 4D = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} & - e^{tJ} = e^{\lambda t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ & - e^{tJ} = e^{\lambda t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

• 
$$T^2 - 4D > 0$$
 We have  $e^{At}r \begin{pmatrix} \sin(\theta) \\ \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix} = re^{\alpha t} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta + \beta t) \\ \sin(\theta + \beta t) \end{pmatrix}$ 

- T > 0 spirals outward from the origin
- T = 0 rotates about the origin at fixed radius
- T < 0 spirals inward toward the origin

### 5.6 Periodic Linear Systems

Consider

$$x' = A(t)x, A(t+T) = A(t)$$

**5.6.0.1** Floquet Theory Let A(t) be an  $n \times n$  continuous *T*-periodic matrix.

- If  $\Phi(t)$  is a fundamental matrix then so is  $\Phi(t + \tau)C$  for any nonsingular constant matrix *C*.
- If  $\Phi(t)$  is a fundamental matrix then there is a nonsingular *T*-periodic matrix P(t) and a constant matrix *R* such that  $\Phi(t) = P(t)e^{tR}$

Proof: (1) If  $\Psi = \Phi(t+\tau)$ , then  $\Psi'(t) = \Phi'(t) = A(t+\tau)\Phi(t+\tau) = A(t)\Psi(t)$  and  $\det(\Psi(t)) = \det(\Phi(t+\tau)) \neq 0$ . (2) Since  $\Phi(t)$  and  $\Phi(t+\tau)$  are both fundamental matrices there is a nonsingular C such that  $\Phi(t+\tau) = \Phi(t)C$ , with  $C = \Phi^{-1}(0)\Phi(t)$ . Since C is nonsingular, C has a logarithm. Let  $R = \frac{1}{T}\log(C)$  so that  $e^{TR} = e^{\log C} = C$ . Now define  $P(t) = e^{-tR}$  so that  $\Phi(t) = P(t)e^{tR}$ . Note that  $P(t+T) = \Phi(t+T)e^{-(t+T)R} = \Phi(t)Ce^{-TR}e^{-tR} = \Phi(t)CC^{-1}e^{-tR} = P(t)$ .

#### 5.6.1 Monodromy Matrix

There exits a *C* such that  $X(t + \tau) = X(t)C$ . Let  $R = \frac{1}{T} \log(C)$ . This implies

$$X(t) = P(t)e^{tR}, \Phi(t, t_0) = X(t)X^{-1}(t_0) \iff \begin{cases} \Phi' = A(t)\Phi\\ \Phi(t_0, t_0) = I \end{cases}$$

The Monodromy Matrix is

$$M(t_0) = \Phi(t_0 + T, t_0) = X(t_0 + T)X^{-1}(t_0) = P(t_0 + T)e^{(t_0 + T)R}e^{-t_0R}P^{-1}(t_0) = P(t_0)e^{TR}e^{-1(t_0)}$$

If  $X(t_0) = I$ , then  $P(t_0) = I$  so  $M = e^{TR}$ . Also, if X(0) = I, then X(T) = X(0)M = M.

### 5.6.2 Invariants for Periodic Systems

Let  $X(t) = P(t)e^{tR}$  as before, and suppose Y(t) is another fundamental matrix. Then we know there are constant nonsingular matrices  $B, \hat{C}$  such that

$$Y(t) = X(t)B, \qquad Y(t+T) = Y(t)\hat{C}$$

We have

$$Y(t+T) = X(t+T)B = X(t)CB = X(t)e^{TR}B = Y(t)B^{-1}e^{TR}B \implies \hat{C} = B^{-1}e^{TR}B = e^{TB^{-1}RB}$$

So then using previous information,  $B^{-1}TRB = \frac{1}{T}\log(\hat{C})$  so then we see  $Q(t) = Y(t)e^{-tB^{-1}RB}$  is T-periodic. Thus,

• Any fundamental matrix Y(t) as the form

$$Y(t) = Q(t)e^{tS}, \qquad S = B^{-1}RB$$

where Q(t) is nonsingular and T-periodic and S is a constant matrix that is unquely determined up to similarity transforms (and branches of the logarithm).

- The eigenvalues of S are the characteristic exponents
- The eigenvalues of  $e^{TS}$  are called the Floquet multipliers. Note that if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of S then  $\rho = e^{T\lambda}$  is an eigenvalue of  $e^{TS}$ . If  $Re(\lambda < 0$ , then  $|\rho| < 1$ .

Assuming X(0) = I, P(0) = I.

$$X(t) = Pe^{tR}\eta \implies X(nT) = P(nT)e^{nTR}\eta = \left(e^{TR}\right)^n \eta$$

Let  $\eta = \alpha_1 y_1 + \alpha_2 y_2 + \dots$  be the eigenvectors of  $e^{TR}$ . So then

 $X(t) = \alpha_1 \left( e^{TR} \right)^n y_1 + \ldots = \alpha_1 \rho_1^n y_1 + \ldots$ 

So we see if  $|\rho_i| < 1$  for all *i*, then  $\lim_{n \to \infty} X(nT) = 0$  since

$$||X(t)|| \leq K ||x(nT)|$$

So X(0) = I implies M = X(t) and the eigenvalues of M are the Floquet multipliers.

# 6 Dynamical Systems

Consider autonomous systems

 $x'=f(x),f:\Omega\to\mathbb{R}^N,f\in C^1(\Omega),x(\tau)=\xi\in\Omega$ 

 $\phi(t,\tau,\xi)$  denotes the unique solution. Let  $\psi(t)=\phi(t-\tau,0,\xi)$  then

$$\psi'(t - \tau, 0, \xi) = f(\phi(t - \tau, 0, \xi)) = f(\psi(t)), \psi(\tau) = \xi$$

This implies  $\phi(t) = \phi(t - \tau 0, \xi) = \phi(t, \tau, \xi)$ . So we let  $\phi(t, \tau)$  denot ethe solution of

$$x' = f(x), x(0) = \xi$$

Terminology, The **orbit (or trajectory)** through  $\xi$  is the curve  $\{(t, \phi(t, \xi)) : \alpha(\xi) < t < \beta(\xi)\}$  where  $(\alpha(s), \beta(s))$  denotes the maximal interval of existence.

Example: x' = x(1-x) has solution  $x = \frac{e^t}{e^t + C}$  and so for  $\xi \neq 0$ ,  $C = \frac{1}{\xi} - 1$  ( $0 < \xi < 1$ ). We see that  $C > 0 \implies \alpha(s) = -\infty, \beta(s) = \infty. \xi < 0 \implies x(t)$  is defined on  $\left(\log\left(1 - \frac{1}{\xi}\right), \infty\right). \xi > 1 \implies x(t)$  is defined on  $\left(-\infty, \log\left(1 - \frac{1}{\xi}\right)\right)$ .

# 6.1 Straightening the Flow of a Vector Field

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x) \qquad f(x_0) \neq 0$$

If  $f(x_0) \neq 0$ , then there is a change of variables to y such that locally,  $\frac{dy}{dt}f(x_0)$  everywhere along the plane perpendicular to  $f(x_0)$ . Let  $f_0 = f(x_0)$ , and its jth component is  $f_{0j} = f_j(x_0)$ . Consider  $y = \xi + tf_0$ , where  $\xi \in P = \{\xi \in \mathbb{R}^N : (\xi - x_0)^T f_0\}$ . This is an orthogonal decomposition of y since  $y - x_0 = \xi - x_0 + tf_0$ , where  $\xi - x_0 \perp f_0$ . This implies

$$t = \frac{(y - x_0)^T f_0}{\|f_0\|^2} = t(y), \qquad \xi = y - t(y) f_0$$

Now  $x = \psi(y) = \phi(t,\xi)$  where  $t = t(y), \xi = \xi(y)$ , where  $\phi(t,\xi)$  are defined by  $x' = f(x), x(0) = \xi$ . By the chain rule,

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y_j} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} \frac{\partial t}{\partial y_j} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y_j} = \frac{f_{0j}}{\|f_0\|^2} f(\phi(t,s)) + \phi_{\xi}(t,\xi) \left(e_j - \frac{f_{0j}}{\|f_0\|^2} f_0\right)$$
$$\frac{\partial t}{\partial y_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} \frac{(y - x_0)^T f_0}{\|f_0\|^2}, \qquad \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} (y - t(y)f_0) = e_j - \frac{f_{0j}}{\|f_0\|^2} f_0$$

At  $y = x_0$ , we have  $\phi(t(x_0), \xi(x_0)) = \phi(0, x_0) = x_0$ .  $\phi_{\xi}(t(x_0), \xi(x_0)) = \phi_{\xi}(0, \xi) = I$ . This implies

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y_j}|_{y=x_0} = \frac{f_{0j}^2}{\|f_0\|^2} f(x_0) + I\left[e_j - \frac{f_{0j}}{\|f_0\|^2} f_0\right]$$

By the inverse function theorem, the map  $x = \psi(y)$  is locally invertible (a diffeomorphism). If  $y \in P$ , say  $y = \xi \in P$ , then t = 0 and  $\xi = y$ . This implies

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}(\xi) = [e_1 + s_1(f - f_0) \qquad \dots \qquad e_n + s_n(f - f_0)] = I + [s_1(f - f_0) \qquad \dots \qquad s_n(f - f_0)] = I + (f - f_0) \frac{f_0^T}{\|f_0\|^2}$$

This is a rank one perturbation of the identity. This is analoguous to

$$(I + uv^T)^{-1} = I - uv^T (1 - \alpha + \alpha^2 - ...) = I - \frac{1}{1 + \alpha} uv^T, \qquad \alpha = uv^T \neq -1$$

So for  $x = \psi(y) \iff y = \psi^{-1}(x)$ 

$$f(x) = \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}\frac{dy}{dt} \implies \frac{dy}{dt} = \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}\right)^{-1}f(x)$$

Along P,

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \left(I + \frac{(f - f_0)}{\|f_0\|^2} f_0^T\right) f(\xi) = f - (f - f_0) f_0$$

implies  $x=\phi(0,\xi)=\xi$ 

# 6.2 Group Properties

Consider the system

$$x' = f(x)$$
  $x(0) = \xi$   $f \in C^1(\Omega), \Omega \in \mathbb{R}^n, \Omega \leftrightarrow M$ , solution:  $x = \phi(t, \xi)$   $STAR!$ 

The semi-group or group property is:  $\phi(t + s, \xi) = \phi(t, \phi(s, \xi))/$ 

$$\phi_t: \Omega \to \Omega \phi(t) = \phi_t \circ \phi_s, \phi_0 = \mathrm{id}$$

Consider  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \times \Omega \to \Omega$  solutions all defined on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Consider x' = x(1-x). Let  $T(\xi) = \ln\left(1 - \frac{1}{\xi}\right)$ 

$$\alpha(\xi) = \begin{cases} -\infty & \xi \le 1\\ T(\xi) & \xi > 1 \end{cases}, \beta(\xi) = \begin{cases} T(\xi) & \xi < 0\\ \infty & \xi \ge 0 \end{cases}$$

This defines a set  $W = U(\alpha(\xi), \beta(\xi)) \times \{\xi\}, \xi \in \mathbb{R}. \Phi : W \to \mathbb{R}, (t, x) \to \phi(t, x)$ 

### 6.3 Properties of the Flow Generated by STAR

- $\phi(t+s,\xi) = \phi(t,\phi(s,\xi))$
- Orbits cannot intersect transversally (ie with different tangent directions) The trajectory of a solution is the curve {(t, φ(t, s)) : t ∈ (α(ξ), β(ξ))} ⊂ ℝ × Ω. The orbit of a solution is the curve {φ(t, ξ) : t ∈ (α(ξ), β(ξ))} ⊂ Ω.
- If  $\phi(t_1,\xi) = \phi(t_2,\xi)$  for some  $t_1 \neq t_2$ , then  $\phi(t,\xi)$  is periodic. Assume  $t_2 > t_1$  and set  $\psi_1(t) = \phi(t + t_1,\xi)$ ,  $\psi_2(t) = \phi(t + t_2,\xi)$ . Then  $\psi_1(0) = \psi_2(0)$  and  $\psi'_1(t) = f(\psi_1(t))$ ,  $\psi'_2(t) = f(\psi_2(t))$  so  $\psi_1(t) = \psi_2(t)$ :

$$\phi(t+t_1,\xi) = \phi(t+t_2,\xi), \ \forall \ t$$

Set  $t' = t + t_1$ ,

$$\phi(t',\xi) = \phi(t'+t_2-t_1,\xi) = \phi(t'+T,\xi)$$

So we have a period  $t_2 - t_1$ .

#### 6.4 The Pendulum Equation

### 6.3.1 Terminology

- Ω is the phase space or state space
- A point  $x_0$  such that  $f(x_0) = 0$  is called a critical point or equillibrium point, rest pt, steady state, fixed pt
- A critical pt x<sub>0</sub> is said to be non-degenerate if there is a neighborhood of x<sub>0</sub> that does not contain any other critical points.

Note if  $Df(x_0)$  is non-singular, then  $x_0$  is isolated by the inverse function theorem.

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# 6.4 The Pendulum Equation

$$\left(\begin{array}{c}\theta\\\theta'\end{array}\right)' = \left(\begin{array}{c}\theta'\\-\frac{g}{L}\sin(\theta)\end{array}\right)$$

The rest points are  $F(\theta, \theta') = 0 \iff \theta = n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}, \theta' = 0$ . This equation can be seen as

$$\theta'' + \frac{g}{L}\sin(\theta) = 0 \qquad \iff \qquad (\theta')^2 + \frac{2g}{L}(1 - \cos(\theta)) = const$$

that is, we notice the energy  $E(\theta, \theta') = (\theta')^2 + \frac{2g}{L}(1 - \cos(\theta))$  along an orbit is constant. So the orbits are the level curves of the energy. We notice that  $E(\theta, \theta')$  is  $2\pi$ -periodic and symmetric about both axes. Consider the solution through  $(0, \theta'_0)$  where  $\theta'_0 > 0$ 

$$E(\theta, \theta') = E(0, \theta'_0) = \theta'_0 \implies \theta' = \sqrt{\theta'^2_0 - \frac{2g}{L}(1 - \cos(\theta))}$$

We have three cases

- $0 < \theta_0^{\prime 2} < \frac{4g}{L}$ , there is a  $\theta \in (0,\pi)$  st  $\theta' = 0$
- $\frac{4g}{L} < \theta_0^{\prime 2}$ , there is no such value. That is,  $\theta' > 0$  always
- $\theta_0^{\prime 2} = \frac{4g}{L}$

http://dmpeli.math.mcmaster.ca/Matlab/CLLsoftware/Pendulum/Pendulum2.gif

# 6.5 Critical Points

A critical point  $x_0$  is said to be **Lyapunov stable** if for any given  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that for all points  $\xi \in B(x_0, \delta) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : ||x - x_0|| < \delta\}$  the solution of

$$x' = f(x), x(0) = \xi$$
, (with solution  $\phi(t,\xi)$ )  $\implies \|\phi(t,\xi) - x_0\| < \epsilon \forall t > 0$ 

A critical point  $x_0$  is said to be **asymptotically stable** if it is stable and there is a number  $_0 > 0$  such that  $\xi \in B(x_0, \delta_0)$  implies  $\lim_{t \to \infty} \phi(t, \xi) = x_0$ .

**6.5.0.1 Theorem** Consider x' = Ax. If the real part of the eigenvalues of A are all negative, then x = 0 is an isolated rest point that is asymptotically stable (in fact, exponentially stable) since  $\|\phi(t,\xi)\| \leq Ke^{-\lambda_1 t} \|\xi\|$ . So given  $\epsilon$ , choose  $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{\delta}$  so

$$\|\phi(t,\xi)\| \leq Ke^{-\lambda_1 t}\delta \leq K\delta = \epsilon, t \geq 0$$

So x = 0 is stable. And  $\|\phi(t,\xi)\| \to 0$  as  $t \to 0$  so  $\phi(t,\xi) \to 0$  as  $t \to \infty$ .

**6.5.0.2** The Principle of Linearized Stability Suppose  $x_0 \in \Omega$  is a critical point of f(x) ( $f(x_0) = 0$ ). Let  $A = f'(x_0)$  so that  $a_{ij} = \frac{df_i}{dx_j}(x_0)$ . If all of the eigenvalues of A satisfy  $Re(\lambda) < 0$  then  $x_0$  is an asymptotically stable rest point of x' = f(x). Proof: We consider the variational system obtained by changing coordinates  $y = x - x_0 = \phi(t) - x_0$ . This satisfies

$$y' = x' = f(x) = f(y + x_0) = f(y + x_0) - f(x_0) = f'(x_0)y + h(y) = Ay + h(y)$$
 
$$h(y) = f(y + x_0) - f(x_0) - f'(x_0)y + h(y) = Ay + h(y)$$

Clearly  $x = x_0$  is asymptotically stable if and only if y = 0 is an asymptotically stable rest point of y = Ay + h(y). We see that there exist  $K \ge 1$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ , st  $||e^{tA}|| \le Ke^{-\alpha t}$ . Let  $\sigma > 0$  be chosen so that  $\sigma < \frac{\alpha}{K}$ . Since  $f' \in C(\Omega)$  there is a  $\delta_0 \in (0, \epsilon)$  such that  $||f'(x_0 + sy) - f'(x_0)|| < \sigma$  for  $y \in B_{\delta_0}$ . Choose  $\delta \in (0, \delta_0 K^{-1})$  and consider the solution  $y = \psi(t)$  of (2) satisfying  $y_0 \in B_{\delta}$  observe that

$$h(y) = \int_0^1 f'(x_0 + sy)yds - f'(x_0)y = \int_0^1 (f'(x_0 + sy) - f'(x_0))yds \implies ||h(y)|| \le \sigma ||y||$$

We now write for some b > 0,

$$\psi(t) = e^{tA}y_0 + \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A}h(\psi(s))ds \qquad 0 \le t \le b$$

Since  $\delta < \delta_0$ , there is a b > 0, such that  $\|\psi(t)\| < \delta_0$  so

$$\|\psi(t)\| \leq K e^{-\alpha t} \delta + K \int_0^t e^{-\alpha(t-s)} \sigma \|\psi(s)\| ds$$

Using Gronwall's inequality,

$$e^{\alpha t} \|\psi(t)\| \leq K \delta e^{K\sigma t} \implies \|\psi(t)\| \leq K \delta e^{-(\alpha - K\sigma)t} < \delta_0 < \epsilon, \qquad 0 \leq t < b$$

Define  $\beta = \sup \{b > 0 : \|\psi(t)\| < \delta_0, 0 \le t < b\}$ . We must have  $\beta = \infty$  otherwise we reach a contradiction. If  $\beta < \infty$  then we obtained, by the same argument as above,  $\|\psi(t)\| \le K\delta < \delta_0, 0 \le t < \beta$  then there is a  $b \ge \beta$  st  $\|\psi(t)\| < \delta_0, 0 \le t < b$ . Therefore for an autonomous system

- $\|\psi(t)\| \leq K\delta < \delta_0 < \epsilon, t \geq 0$
- $\bullet \ \|\psi(t)\| \ \leq K \delta e^{-(\alpha-K\sigma)t} \ t \geq 0, \ {\rm so} \ \lim_{t\to\infty} \psi(t) = 0 =$

#### 6.5.1 Non-Autonomous Systems

$$x' = f(t, x)$$

For a solution  $x = \phi(t)$ , let  $y = x - \phi(t)$ 

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = A(t)y + h(t,y)$$

$$h(t,x) = f(t, y + \phi(t)) - f(t, \phi(t)) - f_x(t, \phi(t))y$$

We want to show  $||h(t, y)|| \le \sigma ||y||$  for small  $\sigma > 0$ .

Let  $V : \overline{B(r)} \to \mathbb{R}$  be continuous and positive definite. Then there are functions  $\psi_1, \psi_2 : [0, r] \to [0, +\infty]$ such that  $\psi_1(0) = \psi_2(0)$  and  $\psi_1(||x||) \le V(x) \le \psi_2(||x||)$ . These functions are continuous and strictly monotone increasing. Note  $\psi_1, \psi_2$  have inverses with  $\psi_i(||x||) = c \iff ||x|| = \psi_i^{-1}(c)$ , hence their level surfaces are spheres.

Proof: Let  $s \in [0,r]$  and define  $m(s) = \min \{V(x) : s \le ||x|| \le r\}$ ,  $M(s) = \max \{V(x) : ||x|| \le s\}$ . so  $m(||x||) \le V(x) \le M(||x||)$ ,  $x \in \overline{B(r)}$ . Also, m(0) = M(0), m(s) > 0, M(s) > 0 for s > 0 since V is

positive definite. Also the functions are continuous. We show this for m(s). Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $\overline{B(r)}$  is compact  $V : \overline{B(r)} \to \mathbb{R}$  is uniformly continuous. Hence there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|V(x_1) - V(x_2)| < \epsilon$  provided  $||x_1 - x_2|| < \delta$ , for all  $x_1, x_2 \in \overline{B(r)}$ . Consider  $0 < s_1 < s_2 \le r$ , with  $|s_1 - s_2| < \delta$ . Since  $\{x : s_2 \le ||x|| \le r\} \subset \{x : s_1 \le ||x|| \le r\}$ , we have  $m(s_1) \le m(s_2)$ . We want to show  $m(s_2) - \epsilon \le m(s_1)$ . Suppose  $x \in \{x : s_1 \le ||x|| \le s_2\}$  and set  $z = s_2 \frac{x}{||x||}$ . Then  $||z|| = s_2$  so  $V(z) \ge m(s_2)$ . Also,

$$z - x = s_2 \frac{x}{\|x\|} - \|x\| \frac{x}{\|x\|} = (s_2 - \|x\|) \frac{x}{\|x\|} \implies \|z - x\| = s_2 - \|x\| \le s_2 - s_1 < \delta$$

SO

$$|V(z) - V(x)| < \epsilon \implies V(x) > V(z) - \epsilon \ge m(s_2) - \epsilon$$

This shows  $V(x) > m_2(s) - \epsilon$  for all  $x \in \{x : s_1 \le ||x|| \le s_2\}$ . Thus we can conclude

$$m(s_2) - \epsilon < m(s_1) \le m(s_2) < m(s_2) + \epsilon$$

so then  $|s_1 - s_2| < \delta$  implies  $|m(s_1) - m(s_2)| < \epsilon$ . We have m(s), M(s) satisfying all of the required properies except for the strictly monotone increasing property. To arrange for this we define  $\psi_1(s) = \frac{s}{r}m(s)$  and  $\psi_2(s) = (s+1)M(s)$  so these are strictly increasing.

**6.5.1.1 Regularity of Sub-Level solutions** Let  $V : \overline{B(r)} \to \mathbb{R}$  is continuous and positive definite and set  $S = \left\{x \in \overline{B(r)} : V(x) < c\right\}$ . Since V(0) = 0,  $S_c \neq \emptyset$ , for all c > 0. Let  $\psi_1, \psi_2 : [0, r] \to [0, \infty]$  be continuous strictly increasing functions such that  $\psi_1(||x||) \le V(x) \le \psi_2(||x||)$ ,  $x \in \overline{B(r)}$ . We want to show there are numbers  $\rho_1, \rho_2$  such that  $B(\rho_1) \subset S_c \subset B(\rho_2)$ .  $\rho_1 = \psi_2^{-1}(c), \rho_2 = \psi_1^{-1}(c)$ .  $x \in B(\rho_1) \iff ||x|| < \rho_1 \implies V(x) \le \psi_2(||x||) < \psi_2(\rho_1) = c \implies x \in S_c$ .  $x \in S_c \implies \psi_1(||x||) \le V(x) < c \implies \psi_1^{-1}(c) = \rho_2 \implies x \in B(\rho_2)$ 

### 6.6 Lyapunov Method

$$x_1' = x_2, x_2' = -x_1 - x_1^2 x_2$$

(0,0) is a critical point. We want to linearize this system at (0,0). We might say  $x'_1 = x_2, x'_2 = -x_1$ . The eigenvalues are  $\pm i$ , so there is no conclusion about the stability of (0,0) in nonlinear problem. Instead, we have the Lyapunov approach. Let  $V(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$  if  $\phi$  is any solution of the system

$$\frac{d}{dt}V(\phi(t)) = \frac{d}{dt}\left(\phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2\right) = 2\phi_1\phi_1' + 2\phi_2\phi_2' = -2\phi_1^2\phi_2^2 \le 0$$

 $V(\phi(t))$  is monotone decreasing and strictly positive unless  $\phi_1 = \phi_2 = 0$  and  $_{t\to\infty}V(\phi(t)) = V_0$  exists,  $V_0 \ge 0$ . It also implies (0,0) is a stable equilibrium. In this example V is the Lyapunov function. The key property is that  $t \to V(\phi(t))$  is monotone decreasing when  $\phi$  is a solution of the given ODE system. Use the following setup.

Let  $f(x_0) = 0$ ,  $u = u(x_0)$  is an open set in  $\mathbb{R}^N$  containing  $x_0$ .  $V : U \to \mathbb{R}$ ,  $V \in C(\mathbb{R})$ .  $V(x_0) = 0$ , V(x) > 0,  $x \neq x_0$  (positive definiteness condition).  $t \to V(\phi(t))$  monotone decreasing if is a solution of x' = f(x). Then we say V is a Lyapunov function of the system x' = f(x).

Example :  $V(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$  in the above example has all of these properties.

Example: Hamiltonian System.  $x \to (p,q) q' = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p} p'$  for some function H(p,q). The Hamiltonian function

$$\frac{d}{dt}H(p(t),q(t)) = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}p' + \frac{\partial H}{\partial q}q' = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial p}\frac{\partial H}{\partial q} + \frac{\partial H}{\partial q}\frac{\partial H}{\partial p} = 0$$

So H(p(t), q(t)) is constant on any solution. Suppose p, q are both 1D, and then suppose  $H(p, q) = ap^2 + bq^2$ . Positive definiteness depends on a, b. Since H(p, q) is constant on a solution, it is a level curves of a hyperbola if ab < 0, or ellipse if ab > 0. In the latter case, either  $\pm H$  is PD and thus is the Lyapunov function, but no such function exists in the former case. So H may or may not be a Lyapunov function depending on details of H and equillibrium point  $(p_0, q_0)$ . **6.6.0.2** Lie Derivative Assume the system is x' = f(x),  $f \in C^1$ .  $V : \mathbb{R}^N \to \mathbb{R}$  is  $C^1$  also if  $x = \phi(t)$  is a solution.

$$\frac{d}{dt}V(\phi(t)) = V(\phi(t)) \cdot \phi'(t) = V(\phi(t)) \cdot f(\phi(t)) = W(\phi(t))$$

where W is continuous and is the derivative of V along a solution. W is called the Lie Derivative of V along the vector field f. Note that we don't need to know any solution  $\phi(t)$  to compute W. In the above example, we have  $W(x) = -x_1^2 x_2^2$  and W(x) = 0 respectively. Notice that  $W \le 0$  in these cases, so we say W is negative semidefinite.

**6.6.0.3** Lie Derivative and Stability Theorem: Assume V is a Lyapunov functions. If W is negative sem-definite, then  $x_0$  is stable. If W is negative definite then  $x_0$  is asymptotically stable.

Proof: WLOG let  $x_0 = 0$ . By previous lemma there exist r > 0 and  $\psi_1, \psi_2$  which are continuous on C[0, r] strictly increasing,  $\psi_1(0) = \psi_2(0) = 0$  such that  $\phi_1(||x||) \le \psi_2(||x||)$ ,  $||x|| \le r$ . Pick  $\epsilon \in (0, r)$ ,  $c = \psi_1(\epsilon)$ ,  $\delta = \psi_2^{-1}(c)$  so  $B(\delta) \subset \left\{ x \in \overline{B(r)} : V(x) < c \right\} \subset B(\epsilon)$ . Let the starting point of a solution  $\xi \in B(\delta) \ x = \phi(t)$  will be the solution of the system with  $\phi(0) = \xi$ . Then  $W \le 0 \implies V(\phi(t)) < V(\phi(0)) = V(\xi) < c$  for all t > 0. This implies  $||\phi(t)|| < \epsilon$  for all t > 0 so 0 is stable.

Now suppose W is negative definite. Then there exist  $\psi_3 \in C[0, r]$  strictly increasing st  $W(x) \leq -\psi_3(||x||)$ .  $\frac{d}{dt}V(\phi(t)) = W(\phi(t)) < 0$  if  $\phi(t) \neq 0$ . This implies

$$\psi_1(\|\phi(t)\| \le V(\phi(t)) \le V(\xi) - \int_0^t \psi_3(\|\phi(s)\|) ds$$

by FTC and  $W \leq -\psi_3$ . If  $V(\phi(t))$  does not converge to 0, then it is bounded below say by  $c_0$ . We see

$$\psi_2(\|\phi(t)\|) \ge V(\phi(t)) \ge c_0 \implies \|\phi(t)\| \ge \psi_2^{-1}(c_0) = \rho_0$$

this implies

$$0 < \psi_1(\rho_0) \le V(\xi) - \int_0^t \psi_3(\rho_0) ds = V(\xi) - t\psi_3(\rho) \to -\infty, t \to \infty$$

Thus we have reached a contradiction, which implies  $V(\phi(t)) \to 0$ .  $\phi(t) \to 0$  since  $\|\phi(t)\| \le \psi_1^{-1}(V(\phi(t)) \to 0$ .

Example,  $x'_1 = -x_1 - x_2$ ,  $x'_2 = 2x_1 - x_2^3$ . Choose  $V(x) = 2x_1^2 + x_2^2$ . The properties of V(x) can be checked showing (0,0) is asymptotically stable.

**6.6.0.4** Stability via Lyapunov Functions Theorem: x = 0 a rest point of x' = f(x). Let  $V : B(0) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  be continuous, positive definite.  $W = V \cdot f$  negative semi definite implies x = 0 is stable OR if it is negative definite implies x = 0 is asymptotically stable.

# 6.7 Gradient Sytems

$$x' = F(x)$$
 where  $F(x) = -f(x)$  for some  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ . Choose  $V(x) = f(x)$ . Then

$$V \cdot F = f \cdot F(x) = -\|f(x)\|_2$$

Suppose  $x_0$  is an isolated rest point of x' = F(x) = -f(x) and that f(x) has a strict local minimum at  $x_0$ . Then  $x_0$  is asymptotically stable rest point of x' = F(x). Suppose  $x_0$  is an isolated rest point of x' = F(x) = f(x) and that f(x) has a strict local minimum at  $x_0$ . Then  $x_0$  is an asymptotically stable rest point of x' = F(x). f(x) has a strict local minimum at  $x_0$  implies  $f(x) - f(x_0) > 0$ . For  $x \in \{x : 0 < \|x - x_0\| < \delta_1\}$ .  $x_0$  an isolated rest point implies  $F(x) \neq 0$  in some neighborhood.

### 6.8 ??

 $x' = f(t, x), x(t_0) = x_0$  with solution  $\phi(t, t_0, x_0)$ .

Let  $x = \psi(t)$  be a solution defined for  $t_0 \le t \le \infty$  we say  $\psi(t)$  is stable (Lyapunov) if there is a b > 0 such that  $||x_0 - \psi(t_0)|| \le b$  implies  $\phi(t, t_0, x_0)$  exists for all  $t \ge t_0$ , and given  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a  $\delta = \delta(\epsilon, \psi(t_0), f) \in (0, \beta)$  such that  $||x_0 - \psi(t_0) - \psi(t)|| < \epsilon$  for all  $t \ge t_0$ .  $\psi(t)$  is asymptotic stable if in addition there is another  $\delta \in (0, b)$  such that  $||x_0 - \psi(t_0)|| < \delta$  implies  $||\phi(t, t_0, x_0) - \psi(t)|| \to 0$  as  $t \to \infty$ . Suppose  $x = \psi(t)$  is a solution for  $t \ge t_0$ . Set  $y = x - \psi(t)$ . Then

$$y' = x' - \psi'(t) = f(t, x) - f(t, \psi(t)) = A(t)y + h(t, y)$$

where  $A(t) = f_x(t, \psi(t)), h(t, y) = f(t, y + \psi(t)) - f(t, \psi(t)) - f_x(t, \psi(t))y.$ 

$$h(t, y_1) - h(t, y_2) = \int_0^1 \left( f_x(t, y_2 + s(y_1 - y_2) + \psi(t)) - f_x(t, \psi(t)) \right) (y_2 - y_1) ds$$

So  $0 \le s \le 1$  implies

$$||(y_2 + s(y_1 - y_2) + \psi(t)) - \psi(t)|| = ||sy_1 + (1 - s)y_2|| \le s||y_1|| + (1 - s)||y_2||$$

If  $||y_1||$ ,  $||y_2|| < \delta$ , then  $||(y_2 + s(y_1 - y_2)\psi(t)) - \psi(t)|| \le \delta$ . So  $f_x(t, y)$  is uniformly continous as long as we restrict t to lie in  $[t_0, t_0 + T]$  for some T > 0 (and assume  $||y_2||$ ,  $||y_1|| \le \rho$ ). This implies for all  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\delta > 0$ , such that  $||h(t, y_1) - h(t, y_2)|| < \epsilon$  provided  $t \in [t_0, t_0 + T]$  and  $y_1, y_2 \in B_{\delta}$ .

Now suppose  $\psi(t)$  is a *T*-periodic solution of x' = f(t, x) where f(t + T, x).  $y = x - \psi(t)$  implies y' = A(t)y + h(t, y).  $A(t) = f_x(t, \psi(t))$  so  $A(t + T) = f_x(t + T, \psi(t)) = f_x(t, \psi(t)) = A(t)$ .

$$h(t+T,y) = f(t+T,y) - f(t+T,\psi(t+T)) - f_x(t+T,\psi(t+T))y = h(t,y)$$

Theorem: If the Floquet Multipliers of x' = A(t)x all lie in  $\{z \in |z| < 1\}$ , then  $\psi(t)$  is asymptotically stable. Idea of Proof: Let  $\Phi(t) = P(t)e^{tR}$  be the fundamental matrix with  $\Phi(0) = I$ . We have P(0) = I and  $P(t + T) = P(t), t \in \mathbb{R}$ . If  $\lambda$  is a Floquet multiplier then  $\lambda = e^{T\rho}$ , where  $\rho$  is an eigenvalue of R.  $|\lambda| < 1 \iff Re(\rho) < 0$ .

$$P^{-1}(t)\left(y(t) = P(t)e^{tR}y(0) + P(t)e^{tR}\int_0^t e^{-sR}P(s)h(s,y(s))ds\right)$$

gives us for  $w(t) = P^{-1}(t)y(t)$ ,

$$w(t) = e^{tR}w(0) + \int_0^t e^{(t-s)R}P^{-1}(s)h(s, P(s)w(s))ds$$

which implies

$$w' = Rw + g(t, w),$$
  $g(t, w) = P^{-1}h(t, P(t)w(t))$ 

and we note that  $w = 0 \iff y = 0$ . Note

$$\|g(t,w_1) - g(t,w_2)\| \le \|P^{-1}(t)\| \|P(t)w_1 - P(t)w_2\| \epsilon_1 \le \epsilon_1 \|P^{-1}(t)\|_{\infty} \|P(t)\|_{\infty} \|w_1 - w_2\| \le \epsilon \|w_1 - w_2\|$$

Given that we can choose  $\epsilon_1 < \epsilon (\left\|P^{-1}(t)\right\|_\infty \|P(t)\|_\infty)^{-1}$ 

Now we use a slightly modified proof of asymptotic stability for w = 0 solution of w' = Rw + g(t, w) to show y = 0 is asymptotic stable solution of y' = A(t)y + h(t, y) and  $\psi(t)$  is an asym. stable solution of x' = f(t, x). Note. Suppose  $x = \psi(t)$  is a *T*-periodic solution of x' = f(x). It turns out that the linear variation system in this case always has a Floquet multiplier  $\lambda = 1$ . This is seen as follows.

$$\psi'(t) = f(\psi(t)) \implies \psi''(t) = f_x(\psi(t))\psi'(t) \implies (\psi')'(t) = A(t)\psi'(t)$$

which implies  $\psi'(t)$  is a solution of y' = A(t)y. So  $\psi'(t) = \Phi(t)\psi'(0)$  implies  $\psi'(T) = \Phi(T)\psi'(0)$ .  $\psi(t+T) = \psi(t)$  implies  $\psi'(T) = \psi'(0)$  implies  $\Phi(T)\psi'(0) = \lambda\psi'(0) = (1)\psi'(0)$ 

6.9 Invariant Sets

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x' = f(x)  $f \in C^1(\Omega), \Omega \in \mathbb{R}^N, open$ 

Definition: A set of points  $E \in \Omega$  is said to be a positively /negatively (respectively) invariant if for each  $x_0 \in E$  the solution  $\phi(t, x_0)$  of the above equation through satisfies  $\phi(t, x_0) \in E$  for all  $t \ge 0$ ,  $t \le 0$  (respectively). Sets are invariant if they are both positively and negatively invariant. Examples:

- If  $f(x_0) = 0$  then  $\{x_0\}$  is an invariant set
- If  $\phi(t, x_0)$  is T- periodic thne the solution will be the orbit

$$(x_0) = \{\phi(t, x_0) : 0 \le t \le T\}$$

- Consider  $x' = f(x) = -x(1 x^2)$ . {(-.5, .5)} is positively invariant, {(.5, 1.5)} is negatively invariant. {(-1, 1)} is invariant. [(-1, 1)] is invariant.
- If V ∈ C<sup>1</sup>(Ω) is a Lyapunov function for the above equation, f(0) = 0, and V(x) · f(x) ≤ 0, x ∈ B<sub>δ</sub> for some δ > 0 then S<sub>c</sub> = {x ∈ B<sub>δ</sub> : V(x) ≤ C} is positively invariant for c > 0.

Definition. Suppose  $\phi(t, x_0)$  is a solution that exists for all  $t \ge 0$ . The positive limit set, denoted by  $\omega(x_0)$ , of  $x_0$  (or  $\phi(t, x_0)$ ) is the set of all points  $y \in \Omega$  for which there is a sequence of times  $\{t_n\}$  satisfying (1)  $t_n \to \infty$  as  $n \to \infty$  and (2)  $\phi(t_n, x_0) \to y$  as  $n \to \infty$ . The  $\alpha$ -limit set is  $\alpha(x_0) = \bigcap_{\tau \le 0} \{\phi(t, x_0) : t \le \tau\}$ .

Lemma: If the oslution  $\phi(t, x_0)$  exusts for all  $t \ge 0$  and the orbit  $+(x_0) = \{\phi(t, x_0) : t \ge 0\}$  remains in a compact set  $K \subset \Omega$ , then  $\omega(x_0)$  is a nonempty compact subset of  $\Omega$  that is invariant. Furthermore  $\operatorname{dist}(\phi(t, x_0), \omega(w_0)) \to 0$  as  $t \to \infty$  (although not uniquely).

Proof.  $\omega(x_0)$  is nonempty: Let  $\{t_n\} \subset [0,\infty)$  be a sequence with  $t_n \to \infty$ . Then  $\{\phi(t_n, x_0)\}$  is a sequence contained in K. Hence there is a subsequence  $\{\phi(t_{n_k}, x_0)\} \subset K$  and a point  $y \in K$  such that  $\phi(t_{n_k}, x_0) \to y$  as  $h \to \infty$ . This implies  $y \in \omega(x_0) \neq \emptyset$ .

 $\omega(x_0)$  is closed: Suppose  $\{x_n\} \subset \omega(x_0)$  and  $x_n \to y$  as  $n \to \infty$ . For each *n* there is a  $t_n > n$  such that

$$\|\phi(t_n, x_0) - x_n\| < \frac{1}{n}$$

which implies

$$\|\phi(t_n, x_0) - y\| \le \|\phi(t_n, x_0) - x_n\| + \|x_n - y\| < \frac{1}{n} + \|x_n - y\|$$

So  $\phi(t_n, x_0) \to y$  as  $n \to \infty$  so  $y \in \Omega(w_0)$ . This means omega limit set is compact since is a closed subset of a compact set K.

$$\begin{split} & \omega(x_0) \text{ is invariant: Let } y \in \omega(x_0) \text{ and choose } \{t_n\} \text{ so that } x_n = \phi(t_n, x_0) \to y \text{ as } n \to \infty. \text{ By continuous dependence we know } \phi(t, x_n) \to \phi(t, y) \text{ as } n \to \infty, \text{ for each } t \in (\alpha(y), \beta(y)) \text{ where } (\alpha(y), \beta(y)) \text{ is the maximal interval of existence of } \phi(t, y). \text{ But then } \phi(t + t_n, x_0) = \phi(t, \phi(t_n, x_0)) = \phi(t, x_n) \to \phi(t, y) \text{ as } n \to \infty. \text{ This implies } \phi(t, y) \in \omega(x_0) \text{ for all } t \in (\alpha(y), \beta(y)). \ \omega(x_0) \subset K \implies (\alpha(y), \beta(y)) = (-\infty, \infty). \ \phi(t, x_0) \to \omega(x_0) \text{ as } t \to \infty. \text{ We need to show that for any } \epsilon > 0 \text{ there is a } T \ge 0 \text{ such that } \operatorname{dist}(\phi(t, x_0), \omega(w_0)) < \epsilon. \text{ But } \{\phi(t_n, x_0)\} \text{ K implies there is a subsequence } \{\phi(t_n, x_0)\} \text{ and a point } y \in K\phi(t_{n_k}, x_0) \to y \text{ as } k \to \infty. \text{ So } t \in \omega(x_0). \text{ Therefore there are times } t_n \text{ such that } \operatorname{dist}(\phi(t, x_0), \omega(w_0)) < \epsilon. \end{split}$$

#### 6.9.0.5 Lemma

$$x' = f(x) \qquad x(0) = x_0$$

 $\phi(t, x_0)$  exists for all  $t \ge 0$ .  $^+(x_0) = \{x = \phi(t, x_0) : t \ge 0\} \subset K$ , compact which implies  $\omega(x_0)$  non-empty, compact, invariant and  $\phi(t, x_0) \rightarrow \omega(x_0)$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . Also  $\omega(x_0)$  is also connected. If  $\omega(x_0)$  cannot be decomposed into 2 disjoint closed sets.

Proof: If not e have  $\omega(x_0) = U \cup V$  where U, V are closed (therefore compact) and  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ . Let

 $d = \operatorname{dist}(U, V)$ . Since U, V are compact and disjoint, d > 0. But then there are sequences of times  $\{t_{2n}\}$ and  $\{t_{2n+1}\}$  such that  $t_{n+1} > t_n$  for all n and  $\operatorname{dist}(\phi(t_{2n}), U) < \frac{1}{3}d$ ,  $\operatorname{dist}(\phi(t_{2n+1}), V) < \frac{1}{3}d$ . Since the distance function is continuous, the function  $f(t) = \operatorname{dist}(\phi(t, x_0), U)$  is continuous. We have  $f(t_{2n}) < \frac{d}{3}$  and  $f(t_{2n+1}) > \frac{2d}{3}$ . So by IVT, there is a time  $\tilde{t}_n, t_{2n} < \tilde{t}_n < t_{2n+1}$  such that  $\operatorname{dist}(\phi(\tilde{t}_n, x_0), U) > \frac{1}{3}d$  and  $\operatorname{dist}(\phi(\tilde{t}_n, x_0), V) > \frac{1}{3}d$ . Hence  $\tilde{n} \to \infty$  and  $\phi(\tilde{t}_n, x_0) \to \omega(x_0)$  and  $\omega(x_0) \notin U \cup V$ : a contradiction.

### 6.9.0.6 Lemma

$$x' = f(x) \qquad f \in C^1(\Omega)$$

Let  $V \subset C^1(\Omega)$  and  $W(x) = V(x) \cdot f(x) \leq 0, x \in \Omega$ . Suppose  $x_0 \in \Omega$  and  $\phi(t, x_0)$  exists for all  $t \geq 0$  with  $^+(x_0) \subset K$ , a compact set, so that  $\omega(x_0)$  is non-empty. Then  $W(x) = 0, x \in \omega(x_0)$ .

Proof: We have  $\frac{d}{dt}V(\phi(t,x_0)) = (\phi(t,x_0)) \cdot f(\phi(t,x_0)) \leq 0$  which implies  $t \to (\phi(t,x_0))$  is a non-increasing function. Also  $V(\phi(t,x_0))$  is bounded below since  $\phi(t,x_0) \in K$ ,  $t \geq 0$ . Then  $\lim_{t\to\infty} V(\phi(t,x_0)) = V_{\infty}$ , which is some number. Now suppose  $y_1, y_2 \in \omega(x_0)$ . There are sequences  $\{t_n\}, \{s_n\}$  such that  $\phi(t_n, x_0) \to y_1$  and  $\phi(s_n, x_0) \to y_2$  where  $t_n, s_n \to \infty$ . Then the continuity of V implies

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} V(\phi(t_n, x_0)) = V(y_1) = V_{\infty} = V(y_2) = \lim_{n \to \infty} V(\phi(s_n, x_0))$$

Therefore V(x) is constant on  $\omega(x_0)$  which implies W(x) = 0,  $x \in \omega(x_0)$ .

### 6.9.0.7 Theorem

$$x' = f(x) \qquad f(0) = 0$$

Suppose  $V \in C^1(B_r)$  is positive definite,  $W(x) = V \cdot f(x) \leq 0$ ,  $x \in B_r$  and  $S_c = \{x \in B_r : V(x) \leq c\}$  is contained in a compact subset of  $B_r$  for some c > 0. If the only invariant subset of the set  $z = \{x \in B_r : W(x) = 0\}$  is  $\{0\}$ , then x = 0 is asymptotically stable.

Proof: Choose  $x_0 \in S_c$ . Since  $V(\phi(t, x_0)) \leq c$ ,  $t \geq 0$ . We have  $+(x_0)$  remains in a compact set. Hence  $\omega(x_0)$  is nonempty and invariant. Also  $\omega(x_0) \in z$ , but then  $\omega(x_0) = \{0\}$  for any  $x_0S_c$ .

### 6.9.0.8 Example Consider

$$x' = (A - By)x \qquad y' = (Cx - D)y$$

The rest points are x = 0 or  $y = \frac{A}{B}$ . y = 0 or  $x = \frac{D}{C}$ . The invariant sets are  $L_1 = \{(x, y) : x = 0, y \ge 0\}$ ,  $L_2 = \{(x, y) : x \ge 0, y = 0\}$ ,  $Q = \{(x, y) : x > 0, y > 0\}$ . We can remove the dimensions in space by the transformation  $\tilde{x}\frac{D}{C}$ ,  $\tilde{y}\frac{A}{B} = y$ . We can scale time by using  $\tau = At$  and let  $a = \frac{D}{A}$ . So our new equations are

$$\tilde{x}' = (1-y)x \qquad \tilde{y}' = a(x-1)y$$

Set  $f(x) = x - \ln(x) - 1$ . Consider V(x, y) = af(x) + f(y). This is constant along solutions since its an integral curve of the separable equation. So by construction, V(1, 1) = 0, V(x, y) > 0.

6.9.0.9 Example Consider

$$x' = (1 - y - \lambda x)x = \alpha(x, y)x \qquad y' = a(x - 1 - \mu y)y = \beta(x, y)y$$

Where  $a, \lambda, \mu > 0$ . There are four rest points. The one in the first quadrant excluding the axes is

$$(x_0, y_0) = \left(\frac{1+\mu}{1+\lambda\mu}, \frac{1-\lambda}{1+\lambda\mu}\right)$$

To create a Lyapunov function for this critical point, we consider a perturbed version of the function in the previous problem.

$$V(x,y) = \gamma_1 f\left(\frac{y}{y_0}\right) + \gamma_2 a f\left(\frac{x}{x_0}\right)$$

We seek to determine  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2$ . We see

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = \frac{\gamma_2}{x_0} a f'\left(\frac{x}{x_0}\right) = \gamma_2 a \frac{x - x_0}{xx_0} \qquad \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} = \frac{\gamma_1}{y_0} a f'\left(\frac{y}{y_0}\right) = \gamma_1 \frac{y - y_0}{yy_0}$$

For convenience write

$$\alpha(x,y) = \alpha(x,y) - \alpha(x_0,y_0) = -(y-y_0) - \lambda(x-x_0) \qquad \beta(x,y) = \beta(x,y) - \beta(x_0,y_0) = a((x-x_0) - \mu(y-y_0))$$

### So then

$$\left\langle \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \right\rangle \cdot \left\langle x \alpha(x, y), y \beta(x, y) \right\rangle = a \left( \frac{-\gamma_2}{x_0} \left( (x - x_0)(y - y_0) + \lambda(x - x_0)^2 \right) + \frac{\gamma_1}{y_0} \left( (y - y_0)(x - x_0) - \mu(y - y_0) \right) \right)$$

So if we choose  $\gamma_2 = x_0$ ,  $\gamma_1 = y_0$ ,

$$\left\langle \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \right\rangle \cdot \left\langle x \alpha(x, y), y \beta(x, y) \right\rangle = -a \left( \lambda (x - x_0)^2 + \mu (y - y_0)^2 \right)$$

So then

$$V(x,y) = y_0 f\left(\frac{y}{y_0}\right) + a x_0 f\left(\frac{x}{x_0}\right)$$

We see that  $V(x_0, y_0) = 0$ , V(x, y) > 0 for  $(x, y) \neq (x_0, y_0)$ , and  $V \cdot \langle x \alpha(x, y), y \beta(x, y) \rangle$  is negative definite so we conclude that  $(x_0, y_0)$  is an asymptotically stable rest point.