

Hybrid Control and Switched Systems

Lecture #7 Stability and convergence of ODEs

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Summary

Lyapunov stability of ODEs

- epsilon-delta and beta-function definitions
- Lyapunov's stability theorem
- LaSalle's invariance principle
- Stability of linear systems

Properties of hybrid systems

$\mathcal{X}_{\text{sig}} \equiv$ set of all piecewise continuous signals $x: [0, T) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, T \in (0, \infty]$

$\mathcal{Q}_{\text{sig}} \equiv$ set of all piecewise constant signals $q: [0, T) \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}, T \in (0, \infty]$

Sequence property $\equiv p : \mathcal{Q}_{\text{sig}} \times \mathcal{X}_{\text{sig}} \rightarrow \{\text{false}, \text{true}\}$

E.g.,

$$p(q, x) = \begin{cases} \text{true} & q(t) \in \{1, 3\}, x(t) \geq x(t+3), \forall t \\ \text{false} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

A pair of signals $(q, x) \in \mathcal{Q}_{\text{sig}} \times \mathcal{X}_{\text{sig}}$ **satisfies** p if $p(q, x) = \text{true}$

A hybrid automaton H **satisfies** p (write $H \models p$) if

$$p(q, x) = \text{true}, \quad \text{for every solution } (q, x) \text{ of } H$$

“ensemble properties” \equiv property of the whole family of solutions
(cannot be checked just by looking at isolated solutions)
e.g., continuity with respect to initial conditions...

Lyapunov stability (ODEs)

$$\dot{x} = f(x) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

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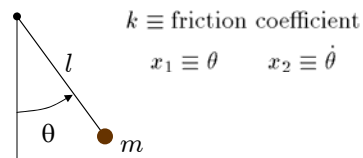
E.g., pendulum equation

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -\frac{g}{l} \sin x_1 - \frac{k}{m} x_2 \end{aligned}$$

two equilibrium points:

$$x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0 \text{ (down)}$$

and $x_1 = \pi, x_2 = 0$ (up)



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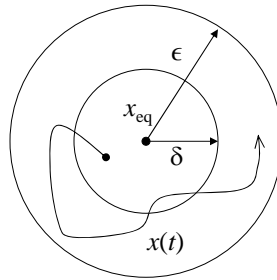
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Definition (ϵ - δ definition):

The equilibrium point $x_{eq} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is (**Lyapunov**) **stable** if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0 : \|x(t_0) - x_{eq}\| \leq \delta \Rightarrow \|x(t) - x_{eq}\| \leq \epsilon \forall t \geq t_0 \geq 0$$

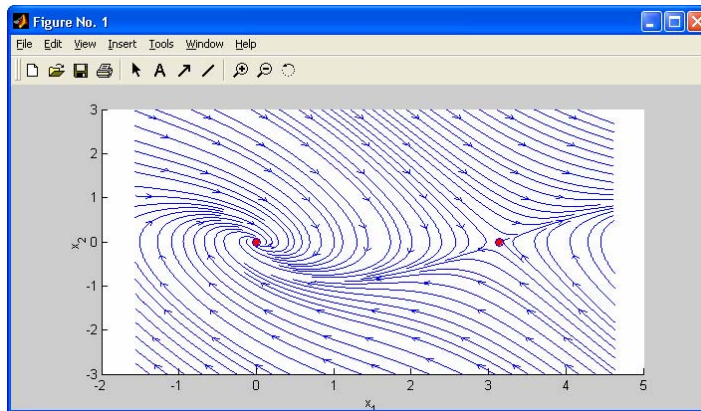
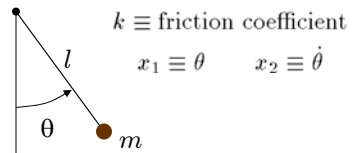


1. if the solution starts close to x_{eq} it will remain close to it forever
2. ϵ can be made arbitrarily small by choosing δ sufficiently small

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stable

$x_{eq} = (\pi,0)$
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Lyapunov stability – continuity definition

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Given a signal $x \in \mathcal{X}_{\text{sig}}$, $\|x\|_{\text{sig}} := \sup_{t \geq 0} \|x(t)\|$

signal norm

ODE can be seen as an operator

$$T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_{\text{sig}}$$

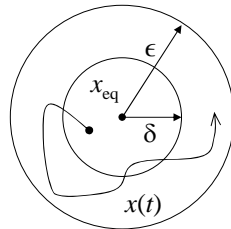
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$$\underbrace{\sup_{t \geq 0} \|x(t) - x_{\text{eq}}\|}_{\text{signal norm}} \leq \epsilon$$



can be extended to
nonequilibrium solutions

Stability of arbitrary solutions

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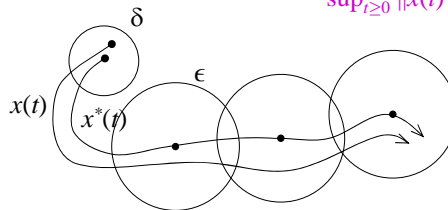
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A solution $x^* : [0, T) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is (**Lyapunov**) **stable** if T is continuous at $x^*_0 := x^*(0)$, i.e.,

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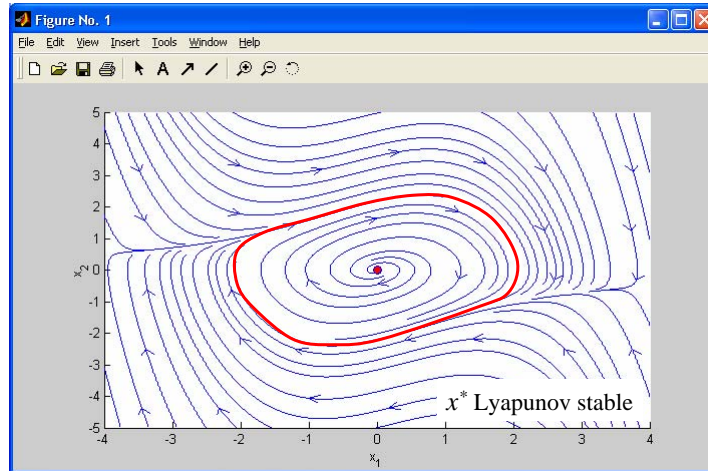
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Example #2: Van der Pol oscillator

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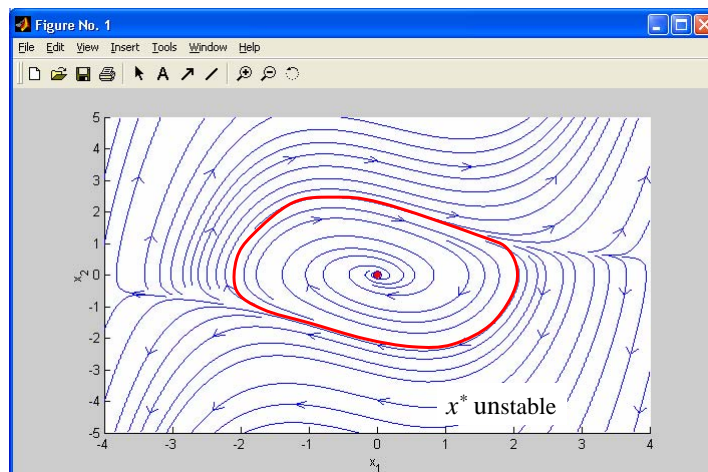


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Stability of arbitrary solutions

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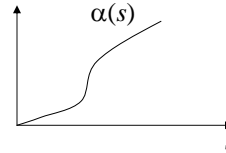
Lyapunov stability

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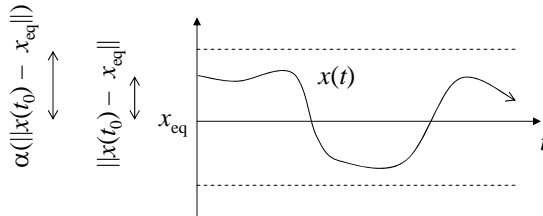
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$$\|x(t) - x_{eq}\| \leq \alpha(\|x(t_0) - x_{eq}\|) \quad \forall t \geq t_0 \geq 0, \|x(t_0) - x_{eq}\| \leq c$$



the function α can be constructed directly from the $\delta(\epsilon)$ in the ϵ - δ (or continuity) definitions

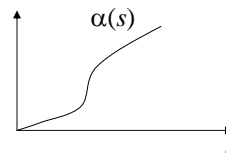
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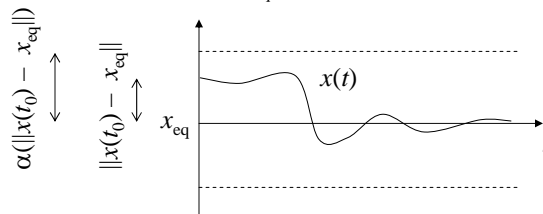


Definition:

The equilibrium point $x_{eq} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is **(globally) asymptotically stable** if

it is Lyapunov stable and for every initial state the solution exists on $[0, \infty)$ and

$$x(t) \rightarrow x_{eq} \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$



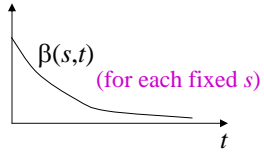
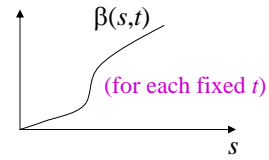
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class $\mathcal{KL} \equiv$ set of functions $\beta: [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ s.t.

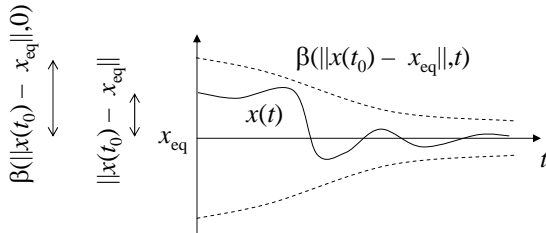
1. for each fixed t , $\beta(\cdot, t) \in \mathcal{K}$
2. for each fixed s , $\beta(s, \cdot)$ is monotone decreasing and $\beta(s, t) \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$



Definition (class \mathcal{KL} function definition):

The equilibrium point $x_{eq} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is (**globally**) **asymptotically stable** if $\exists \beta \in \mathcal{KL}$:

$$\|x(t) - x_{eq}\| \leq \beta(\|x(t_0) - x_{eq}\|, t - t_0) \quad \forall t \geq t_0 \geq 0$$



We have **exponential stability** when

$$\beta(s, t) = c e^{-\lambda t} s$$

with $c, \lambda > 0$

linear in s and negative exponential in t

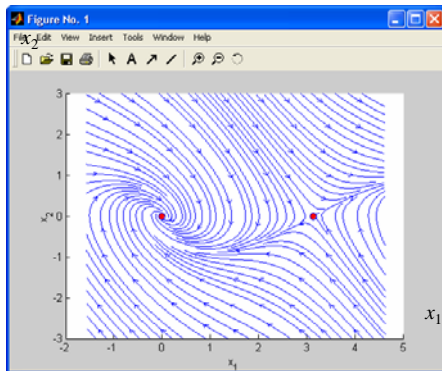
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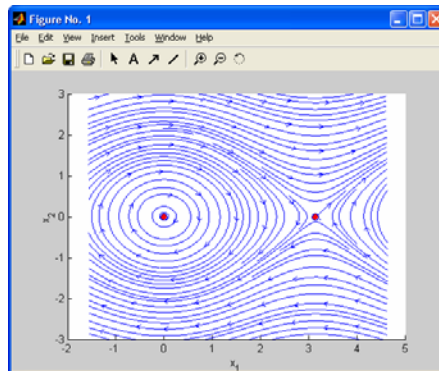
$k > 0$ (with friction)

$k = 0$ (no friction)



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asymptotically stable

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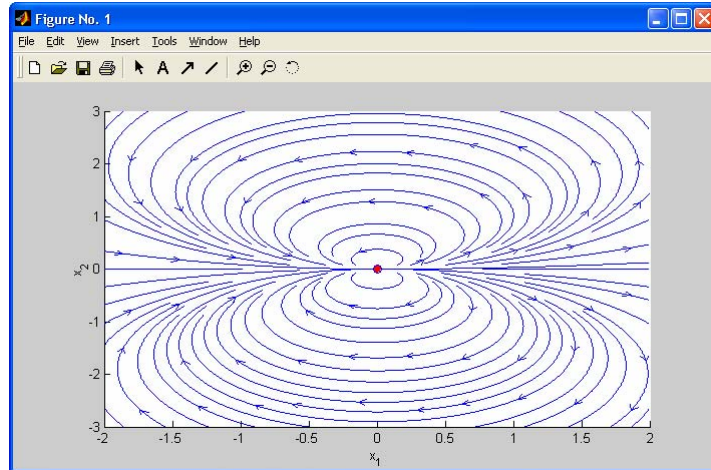
Example #3: Butterfly

Why was Mr. Lyapunov so picky? Why shouldn't boundedness and convergence to zero suffice?

Convergence by itself does not imply stability, e.g.,

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_1^2 - x_2^2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = 2x_1x_2 \end{cases} \quad \text{equilibrium point} \equiv (0,0)$$

all solutions converge to zero but $x_{eq} = (0,0)$ system is not stable



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Lyapunov's stability theorem

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Suppose we could show that $\|x(t) - x_{eq}\|$ always decreases along solutions to the ODE. Then

$$\|x(t) - x_{eq}\| \leq \|x(t_0) - x_{eq}\| \quad \forall t \geq t_0 \geq 0$$

we could pick $\alpha(s) = s \Rightarrow$ **Lyapunov stability**

We can draw the same conclusion by using other measures of how far the solution is from x_{eq} :

$V: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ positive definite $\equiv V(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with $= 0$ only for $x = 0$

$V: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ radially unbounded $\equiv x \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow V(x) \rightarrow \infty$

$$V(x - x_{eq}) \begin{cases} = 0 & x = x_{eq} \\ > 0 & x \neq x_{eq} \\ \rightarrow \infty & \|x - x_{eq}\| \rightarrow \infty \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{provides a measure of} \\ \text{how far } x \text{ is from } x_{eq} \\ \text{(not necessarily a metric--may} \\ \text{not satisfy triangular inequality)} \end{array}$$

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Q: How to check if $V(x(t) - x_{eq})$ decreases along solutions?

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} V(x(t) - x_{eq}) &= \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(x(t) - x_{eq}) \dot{x}(t) \\ &= \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(x(t) - x_{eq}) f(x(t)) \end{aligned}$$

A: $V(x(t) - x_{eq})$ will decrease if

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(z - x_{eq}) f(z) \leq 0 \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

gradient of V
can be computed without
actually computing $x(t)$
(i.e., solving the ODE)

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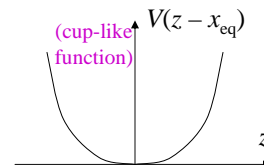
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Then x_{eq} is a **Lyapunov stable equilibrium**.

Lyapunov function



Why?

V non increasing $\Rightarrow V(x(t) - x_{eq}) \leq V(x(t_0) - x_{eq}) \quad \forall t \geq t_0$

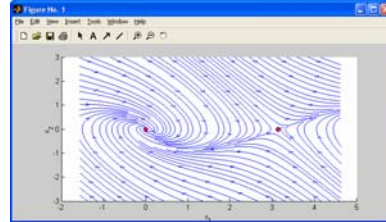
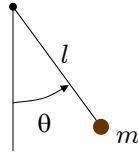
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(we can actually compute α from V explicitly and take $c = +\infty$).

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positive definite because $V(x) = 0$ only for $x_1 = 2k\pi \ k \in \mathbb{Z}$ & $x_2 = 0$ (all these points are really the same because x_1 is an angle)

For $x_{\text{eq}} = (0,0)$

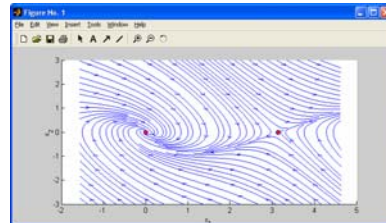
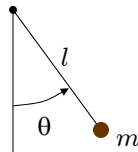
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Therefore $x_{\text{eq}} = (0,0)$ is Lyapunov stable

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Cannot conclude that $x_{\text{eq}} = (\pi,0)$ is Lyapunov stable (in fact it is not!)

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Why?

V can only stop decreasing when $x(t)$ reaches x_{eq}

but V must stop decreasing because it cannot become negative

Thus, $x(t)$ must converge to x_{eq}

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What if

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(z - x_{\text{eq}})f(z) = 0 \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

for other z then x_{eq} ? Can we still claim some form of convergence?

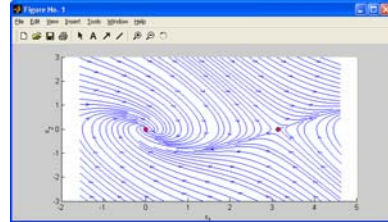
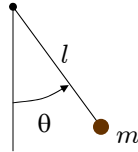
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$$= -\frac{k}{m} x_2^2 \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

not strict for $(x_1 \neq 0, x_2 = 0)$!

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LaSalle's Invariance Principle

$$\dot{x} = f(x) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$M \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is an invariant set $\equiv x(t_0) \in M \Rightarrow x(t) \in M \forall t \geq t_0$

(in the context of hybrid systems: $\text{Reach}(M) \subset M \dots$)

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Suppose there exists a continuously differentiable, positive definite, radially unbounded function $V: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

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Then x_{eq} is a Lyapunov stable equilibrium and the solution always exists globally.

Moreover, $x(t)$ converges to the largest invariant set M contained in

$$E := \{ z \in \mathbb{R}^n : W(z) = 0 \}$$

Note that:

1. When $W(z) = 0$ only for $z = x_{\text{eq}}$ then $E = \{x_{\text{eq}}\}$.
Since $M \subset E$, $M = \{x_{\text{eq}}\}$ and therefore $x(t) \rightarrow x_{\text{eq}} \Rightarrow$ asympt. stability
2. Even when E is larger than $\{x_{\text{eq}}\}$ we often have $M = \{x_{\text{eq}}\}$ and can conclude asymptotic stability.

} Lyapunov theorem

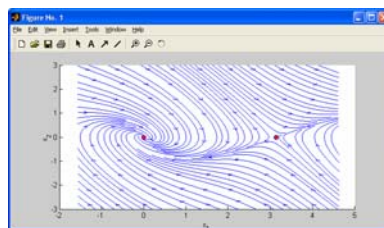
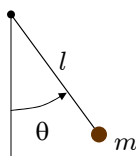
Example #1: Pendulum

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -\frac{g}{l} \sin x_1 - \frac{k}{m} x_2$$

$k \equiv$ friction coefficient

$$x_1 \equiv \theta \quad x_2 \equiv \dot{\theta}$$



$$V(x) := \frac{g}{l}(1 - \cos x_1) + \frac{x_2^2}{2} \geq 0$$

For $x_{\text{eq}} = (0,0)$ $\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(x - x_{\text{eq}})f(x) = -\frac{k}{m}x_2^2 \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$E := \{ (x_1, x_2) : x_1 \in \mathbb{R}, x_2 = 0 \}$$

Inside E , the ODE becomes

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 = \dot{x}_2 = 0 \\ 0 = \dot{x}_2 = -\frac{g}{l} \sin x_1 - \frac{k}{m} x_2 = -\frac{g}{l} \sin x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{define set } M \text{ for which} \\ \text{system remains inside } E$$

Therefore x converges to $M := \{ (x_1, x_2) : x_1 = k\pi \in \mathbb{Z}, x_2 = 0 \}$

However, the equilibrium point $x_{\text{eq}} = (0,0)$ is not (globally) asymptotically stable because if the system starts, e.g., at $(\pi, 0)$ it remains there forever. pend.m

Linear systems

$$\dot{x} = Ax \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

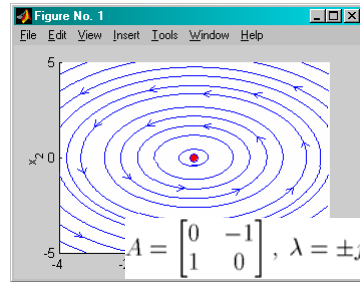
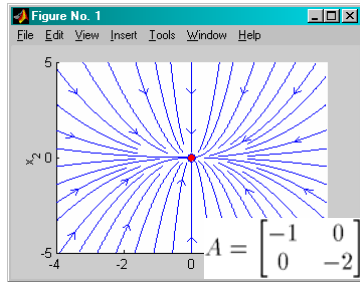
Solution to a linear ODE:

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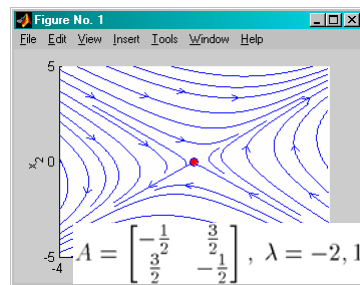
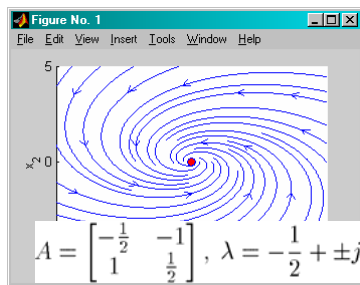
Theorem: The origin $x_{\text{eq}} = 0$ is an equilibrium point. It is

1. **Lyapunov stable** if and only if all eigenvalues of A have negative or zero real parts and for each eigenvalue with zero real part there is an independent eigenvector.
2. **Asymptotically stable** if and only if all eigenvalues of A have negative real parts. In this case the origin is actually exponentially stable

Linear systems



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$$A' P + P A = -Q$$

Lyapunov equation

has a unique solutions P that is symmetric and positive definite

Recall: given a symmetric matrix P

P is positive definite \equiv all eigenvalues are positive

$$P \text{ positive definite} \Rightarrow x' P x > 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$$

P is positive semi-definite \equiv all eigenvalues are positive or zero

$$P \text{ positive semi-definite} \Rightarrow x' P x \geq 0 \quad \forall x$$

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Why?

1. asympt. stable $\Rightarrow P$ exists and is unique (constructive proof)

$$P := \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^T e^{A'\tau} Q e^{A\tau} d\tau$$

A is asympt. stable $\Rightarrow e^{A\tau}$ decreases to zero exponential fast $\Rightarrow P$ is well defined (limit exists and is finite)

$$= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^T e^{A'(T-s)} Q e^{A(T-s)} ds$$

change of integration variable $\tau = T - s$

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2. P exists \Rightarrow asymp. stable

Consider the quadratic Lyapunov equation: $V(x) = x' P x$

V is positive definite & radially unbounded because P is positive definite

V is continuously differentiable: $\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(x) = 2x' P$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(x) Ax = x'(A' P + P A)x = -x' Q x < 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$$

thus system is asymptotically stable by Lyapunov Theorem

Next lecture...

Lyapunov stability of hybrid systems