

Lecture 11

The dynamical systems generated
by scalar autonomous diff. equations

$$x = x(t) \quad x' = f(t, x) \text{ a nonautonomous diff. eq.}$$

$$(1) \quad \boxed{x' = f(x)} \text{ an autonomous diff. eq.}$$

scalar $\rightarrow x$ is one dimensional

Theorem. If $f \in C^1(\mathbb{R})$ then the iVP

$$(1) \quad x' = f(x)$$

$$(2) \quad x(0) = \eta, \quad \eta \in \mathbb{R}$$

has an unique maximal solution for every $\eta \in \mathbb{R}$.

maximal solution = a solution defined on the largest possible interval.

let's denote by $x(t, \eta)$ the sol. of the iVP (1)+(2)

$$x(\cdot, \eta) : I_\eta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$x(\cdot, \eta)$ is maximal $\Leftrightarrow I_\eta$ is maximal,

$$I_\eta = (\alpha_\eta, \beta_\eta) - \text{open interval.}$$

$$0 \in I_\eta \Rightarrow \alpha_\eta < 0 < \beta_\eta$$

$$\varphi: W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$W = \{ I_\eta \times \mathbb{R} \mid \eta \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$\varphi(t, \eta) = x(t, \eta)$$

the function φ is called the flow generated by the eq. (1)
 the map $\eta \mapsto \varphi(t, \eta) \rightarrow$ the dynamical systems generated by (1).

Properties:

- 1) $\varphi(0, \eta) = \eta$
- 2) $\varphi(t+\Delta, \eta) = \varphi(t, \varphi(\Delta, \eta))$, $\forall t, \Delta \in I_\eta$, $\forall \eta \in \mathbb{R}$.
- 3) φ is continuous

$$\text{if } I_\eta = \mathbb{R}, \forall \eta \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow W = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}^2$$

Definition

$$\gamma^+(\eta) = \bigcup_{t \in [0, \beta_\eta)} \varphi(t, \eta) \quad \text{the positive orbit of } \eta$$

$$\gamma^-(\eta) = \bigcup_{t \in (\alpha_\eta, 0]} \varphi(t, \eta) \quad \text{the negative orbit of } \eta$$

$$\Gamma(\eta) = \gamma^+(\eta) \cup \gamma^-(\eta) = \bigcup_{t \in (\alpha_\eta, \beta_\eta)} \varphi(t, \eta) \quad \text{the orbit of } \eta.$$

The collection of all orbits together with the direction of the flow is called the phase portrait of diff. eq.

Examples

1) $x' = -x \quad f(x) = -x$

flow: $\begin{cases} x' = -x \\ x(0) = \eta, \eta \in \mathbb{R}. \end{cases}$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -x \Rightarrow \int \frac{dx}{x} = \int dt \Rightarrow$$

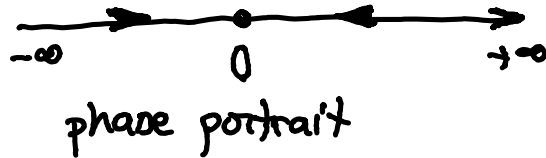
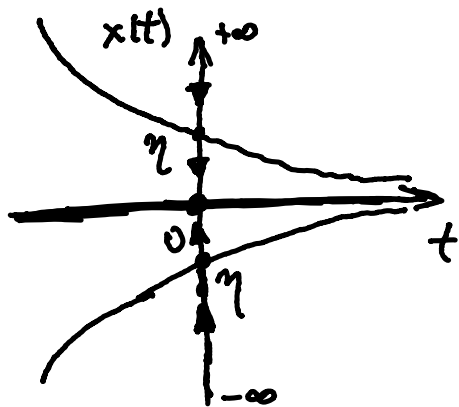
$$\Rightarrow \ln x = -t + \ln c$$

$$\underline{\{x(t) = c \cdot e^{-t}, c \in \mathbb{R}\}}$$

$$x(0) = \eta \Rightarrow c = \eta \Rightarrow x(t, \eta) = \eta e^{-t}$$

$$I_\eta = \mathbb{R}, \forall \eta \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \psi(t, \eta) = x(t, \eta) &= \eta \cdot e^{-t} \\ \psi: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} &\rightarrow \mathbb{R} \end{aligned} \right\} \rightarrow \text{the flow generated by the diff. eq.}$$



1. if $\eta = 0 \Rightarrow \psi(t, 0) \equiv 0$

$$\gamma(0) = \bigcup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \psi(t, 0) = \{0\}$$

2. if $\eta > 0$

$$\gamma^+(\eta) = \bigcup_{t \in [0, +\infty)} \psi(t, \eta) = (0, \eta] \quad \leftarrow$$

$$\gamma^-(\eta) = \bigcup_{t \in (-\infty, 0]} \psi(t, \eta) = [\eta, +\infty) \quad \leftarrow$$

$$\gamma(\eta) = \gamma^+(\eta) \cup \gamma^-(\eta) = (0, +\infty) \quad \leftarrow$$

3. if $\eta < 0$

$$\gamma^+(\eta) = \bigcup_{t \in [0, +\infty)} \psi(t, \eta) = [\eta, 0) \quad \rightarrow$$

$$\gamma^-(\eta) = \bigcup_{t \in (-\infty, 0]} \psi(t, \eta) = (-\infty, \eta] \quad \rightarrow$$

$$\gamma(\eta) = \gamma^+(\eta) \cup \gamma^-(\eta) = (-\infty, 0) \quad \rightarrow$$

$$2) \quad x' = x$$

flow:

$$\begin{cases} x' = x \\ x(0) = \eta \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = x \rightarrow \int \frac{dx}{x} = \int dt$$

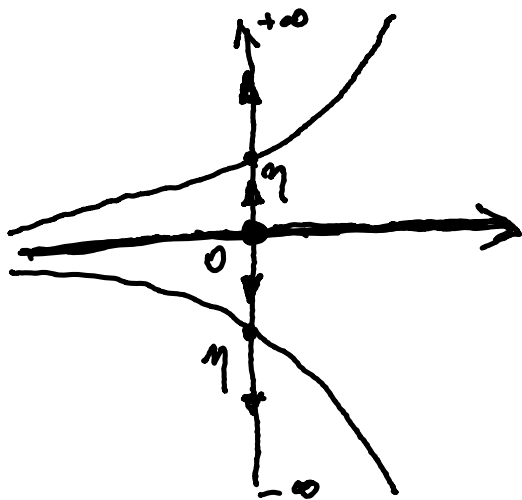
$$\ln x = t + \ln c$$

$$\underline{x(t) = c \cdot e^t, c \in \mathbb{R}}$$

$$x(0) = \eta \Rightarrow c = \eta \Rightarrow x(t, \eta) = \eta \cdot e^t$$

the maximal interval $I_\eta = \mathbb{R}, \forall \eta \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\varphi(t, \eta) = x(t, \eta) = \eta \cdot e^t \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \varphi: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \end{array} \right\} \text{ the flow.}$$



$$1. \quad \eta = 0 \Rightarrow \varphi(t, 0) \equiv 0$$

$$\delta(0) = \bigcup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \varphi(t, 0) = \{0\}$$

$$2. \quad \eta > 0 \quad \delta^+(\eta) = \bigcup_{t \in [0, +\infty)} \varphi(t, \eta) = \underline{[\eta, +\infty)} \rightarrow$$

$$\delta^-(\eta) = \bigcup_{t \in (-\infty, 0]} \varphi(t, \eta) = \underline{(0, \eta]} \rightarrow$$

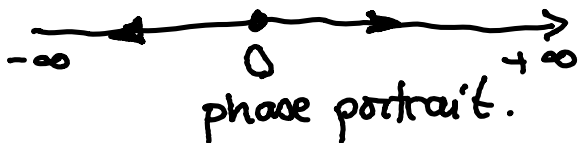
$$\delta(\eta) = \delta^+(\eta) \cup \delta^-(\eta) = \underline{(0, +\infty)} \rightarrow$$

$$3. \eta < 0$$

$$\mathcal{I}^+(\eta) = \bigcup_{t \in [0, \infty)} \varphi(t, \eta) = (-\infty, \eta] \quad \leftarrow$$

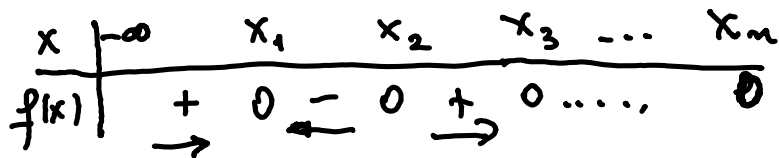
$$\mathcal{I}^-(\eta) = \bigcup_{t \in (-\infty, 0]} \varphi(t, \eta) = [\eta, 0) \quad \leftarrow$$

$$\mathcal{I}(\eta) = \mathcal{I}^+(\eta) \cup \mathcal{I}^-(\eta) = (-\infty, 0) \quad \leftarrow$$



In general $x' = f(x)$.

$f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m$ real roots.



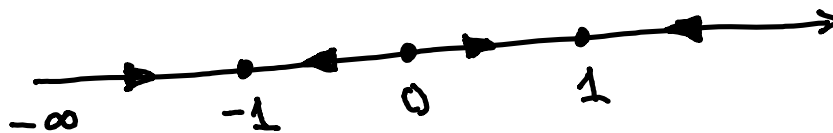
3) $x' = x - x^3$ $f(x) = x - x^3$

$f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x - x^3 = 0 \Rightarrow x(1 - x^2) = 0$

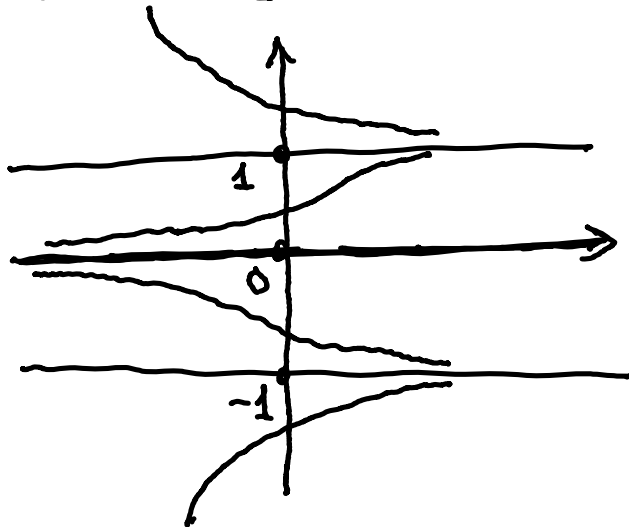
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 0 ± 1

$x_1 = -1, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 1$

x	-1	0	1
$f(x)$	$+$ $\rightarrow$	0 $\leftarrow$	$+$ $\rightarrow$



phase portrait.



Def. The constant solutions $x(t) \equiv x^*$ of the eq. (1) are called equilibrium solutions (stationary)

The value $x^* \in \mathbb{R}$ is called the equilibrium point.

In the case of our examples:

1) $x' = -x \Rightarrow x^* = 0$ is an eq. point

2) $x' = x \Rightarrow x^* = 0$ is an eq. point

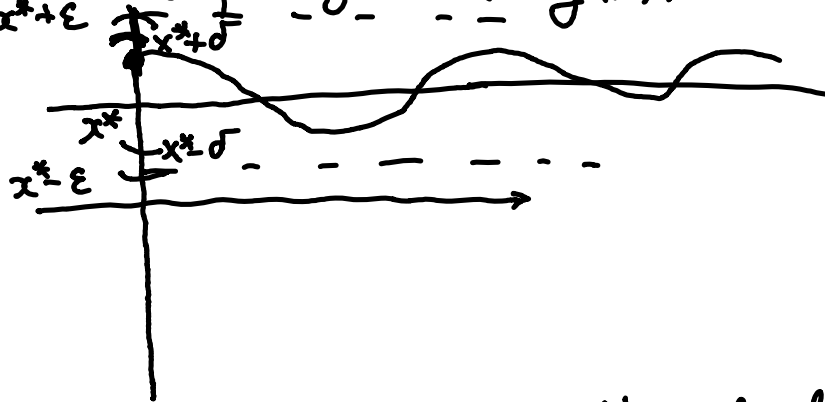
3) $x' = x - x^3 \Rightarrow x_1^* = -1, x_2^* = 0, x_3^* = 1$ are eq. points.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x' = f(x) \\ x(t) \equiv x^* \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow x^* \text{ is a sol. of the eq. } \boxed{f(x) = 0}$$

Def. An equilibrium point $x^* \in \mathbb{R}$ of the eq. (1) is:

a) locally stable $\Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta = \delta(\varepsilon)$ such that for every η for which $|\eta - x^*| < \delta$ we have

$|\varphi(t, \eta) - x^*| < \varepsilon, \forall t \geq 0$
where φ is the flow generated by (1).



b) locally asymptotically stable $\Leftrightarrow$ if it is locally stable
and $|\varphi(t, \eta) - x^*| \xrightarrow[t \rightarrow \infty]{} 0$.

c) unstable $\Leftrightarrow$ if it is not locally stable.

Examples

1) $x' = -x$

$x^* = 0$ is an eq. point.

$$\varphi(t, \eta) = \eta e^{-t} \quad \varphi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$|\varphi(t, \eta) - x^*| = |\eta e^{-t}| = |\eta| \cdot \underbrace{e^{-t}}_{\leq 1, t \geq 0} \leq |\eta| = |\eta - x^*|$$

for $\varepsilon > 0 \quad \exists \delta = \varepsilon$ such that if $|\eta - x^*| < \delta = \varepsilon$

$$\Rightarrow |\varphi(t, \eta) - x^*| \leq |\eta - x^*| < \delta = \varepsilon, \quad \forall t \geq 0 \Rightarrow$$

$\Rightarrow x^* = 0$ is locally stable

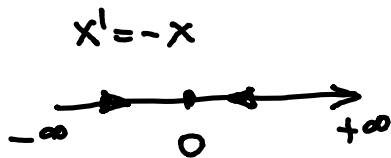
$$|\varphi(t, \eta) - x^*| = |\eta| \cdot e^{-t} \xrightarrow[t \rightarrow \infty]{} 0$$

$\Rightarrow x^* = 0$ is ~~locally~~ asympt. stable

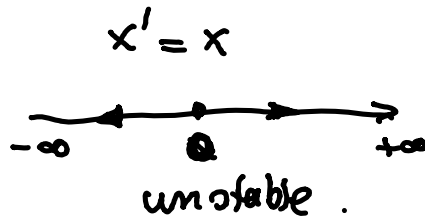
2) $x' = x$ $x^* = 0$ is an eq. point
 $\varphi(t, \eta) = \eta \cdot e^t$ $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

$$|\varphi(t, \eta) - x^*| = |\eta| \cdot e^t \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow +\infty} +\infty$$

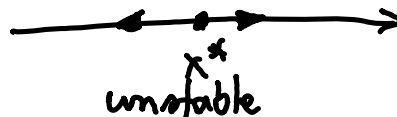
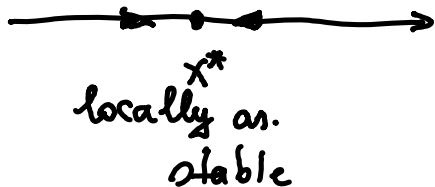
$\Rightarrow x^*$ is unstable.



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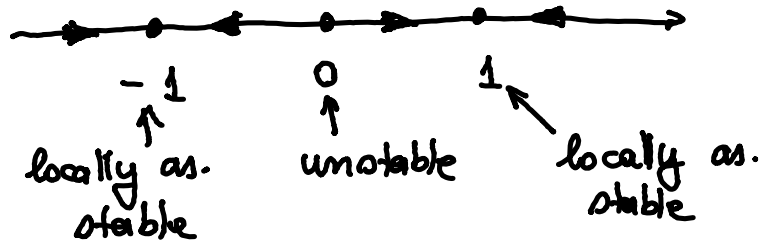


$x' = f(x)$
 x^* an eq. point



$$3) \quad x' = x - x^3$$

$$x_1^* = -1, x_2^* = 0, x_3^* = 1$$



Theorem. (The Stability in first approximation)
 $x^* \in \mathbb{R}$ is an eq. point of (1), $f \in C^1$.

a) if $f'(x^*) < 0 \Rightarrow x^*$ is locally as. stable

b) if $f'(x^*) > 0 \Rightarrow x^*$ is unstable.

for eg. $x' = x - x^3$

$$f(x) = x - x^3$$

$$f'(x) = 1 - 3x^2$$

we have the eq. points $x_1^* = -1, x_2^* = 0, x_3^* = 1$

$$f'(x_1^*) = f'(x_3^*) = f'(\pm 1) = 1 - 3 = -2 < 0 \Rightarrow$$

$\Rightarrow x_1^* = -1$ and $x_3^* = 1$ are locally as. stable

$$f'(x_2^*) = f'(0) = 1 > 0 \Rightarrow x_2^* = 0 \text{ is unstable.}$$