

Lesson 9 - 17/10/2022

- Lyapunov theorem for asymptotic stability, with proof.
- Harmonic oscillator with friction: asymptotic stability of $(0,0)$ by an appropriate Lyapunov function and by the first Lyapunov method.
- Rabbits / sheep \rightarrow Principle of competitive exclusion.
- $\dot{x} = x^3(x-2)(x+3)$
- $\dot{x} = x^2 + \mu x + 1$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$.

LYAPUNOV THEO. FOR ASYMPTOTIC STABILITY

$\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, equilibrium for a v.f. $\dot{z} = X(z)$.

Let suppose that $\exists W \in C^1(A; \mathbb{R})$ on $A \ni \bar{x}$ (open neighb. of \bar{x}) such that:

① $W(\bar{x}) = 0$ and $W(z) > 0 \quad \forall z \in A \setminus \{\bar{x}\}$.



②' $\begin{cases} L_X W(z) < 0 & \forall z \in A \setminus \{\bar{x}\} \\ L_X W(\bar{x}) = 0 \end{cases}$

Then $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is asympt. stable.

PROOF

Condition ②' \Rightarrow ② on topological stability of \bar{x} .

So \bar{x} is top. stable. This means that fixed a neighb.

$U \ni \bar{x}$ ($U \subseteq A$) then $\exists V \ni \bar{x}$ ($V \subseteq A$) such that

$$x_0 \in V \Rightarrow \varphi_t(x_0) \in U \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

But - in order to prove top asympt. stability -

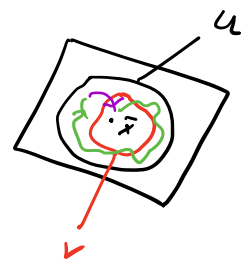
$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \varphi_t(x_0) = \bar{x}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow W(\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \varphi_t(x_0)) = W(\bar{x}) \Leftrightarrow$$

\downarrow since W is continuous

$$\Leftrightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} W(\varphi_t(x_0)) = W(\bar{x}) = 0$$

\downarrow
By assump.



By contrad. suppose that the previous limit doesn't hold. Since $W(z) > 0 \quad \forall z \in A \setminus \{\bar{x}\}$, this means that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} w(\varphi_t(x_0)) = \lambda > 0$$

Now we write this equality by using the def. of limit of a real function for $t \rightarrow +\infty$.

EQUALS TO :

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists T_\varepsilon \geq 0 \text{ such that}$$

$$\forall t \geq T_\varepsilon \Rightarrow |w(\varphi_t(x_0)) - \lambda| \leq \varepsilon$$

that is

$$\forall t \geq T_\varepsilon \Rightarrow \lambda - \varepsilon \leq w(\varphi_t(x_0)) \leq \lambda + \varepsilon$$

But, recall that $t \mapsto w(\varphi_t(x_0))$ is strictly decreasing!

Then

$$\forall t \geq T_\varepsilon \Rightarrow \lambda \leq w(\varphi_t(x_0)) \leq \lambda + \varepsilon$$

\Downarrow

λ is the "limit" value, so $t \mapsto w(\varphi_t(x_0))$ cannot assume smaller values than λ .

That is (fixed $\varepsilon > 0$).

$$\varphi_t(x_0) \in B := \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \lambda \leq w(x) \leq \lambda + \varepsilon \right\}$$

$$\forall t \geq T_\varepsilon$$

\downarrow

B is a compact set.

$$\bar{x} \notin B!$$

As a consequence :

$$\max_{x \in B} L_x w(x) \leq -\alpha < 0$$

$$\downarrow \text{By cond. 2)!$$

$$\Rightarrow L_x w(x) \leq -\alpha < 0 \quad \forall x \in B.$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} w(\varphi_t(x_0))$$

$$\Rightarrow w(\varphi^{T_\varepsilon + \tau}(x_0)) - w(\varphi^{T_\varepsilon}(x_0)) \leq -\alpha \tau \quad \forall \tau > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow w(\varphi^{T_\varepsilon + \tau}(x_0)) \leq \underbrace{w(\varphi^{T_\varepsilon}(x_0))}_{\leq \lambda + \varepsilon} - \alpha \tau \quad \forall \tau > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega(\varphi^{T\epsilon+\tau}(x_0)) \in \underline{\lambda + \epsilon - \alpha\tau}, \quad \forall \tau > 0$$

But observe now that

$$\lambda + \epsilon - \alpha\tau < \lambda \Leftrightarrow \tau > \epsilon/\alpha \quad \Downarrow \quad \text{since}$$

$$\varphi^t(x_0) \in B \quad \forall t \geq T\epsilon.$$

This is the desired contradiction. So

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \omega(\varphi^t(x_0)) = \lambda > 0 \quad \Downarrow$$

\Rightarrow THE LIMIT MUST BE $= 0$. So V is also a basin of attraction \Rightarrow we have the asympt. stability. \square

- $(0,0)$ is an asympt. stable equilibrium for the harmonic oscillator with friction

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \dot{x} = v \\ \dot{v} = -\omega^2 x - 2\mu v \end{array} \right\}$$

By using (last week) $E(x, v) = \frac{1}{2}v^2 + \frac{1}{2}\omega^2 x^2$

we obtained

$$L_x \omega(x) = -2\mu v^2 \leq 0 \quad \text{on every neigh. of } (0,0).$$

x v.f. with friction

$E(x, v)$ proves only simple stability.

$$F(x, v) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}v^2 + \frac{1}{2}\omega^2 x^2}_{E(x, v)} + \frac{1}{2}(v + 2\mu x)^2 + \frac{1}{2}\omega^2 x^2$$

$F(x, v) > 0$ on a neigh. of $(0,0)$.

$$F(0,0) = 0.$$

$$L_x F(x, v) = [\omega^2 x + (v + 2\mu x)2\mu + \omega^2 x] \dot{x} + [v + (v + 2\mu x)] \dot{v} =$$

$$= \dots = \overset{<0}{-2\mu} (v^2 + \omega^2 x^2) \leq 0 \quad \text{BUT } = 0 \text{ IFF } (x, v) = (0, 0).$$

↓
 sub. the exp. for $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = v \\ \dot{v} = -\omega^2 x - 2\mu v \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow (0, 0)$ is ASYMP. STABLE for the harm. oscill. with friction.

OTHER WAY: First Lyap. method !!

$$JX(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\omega^2 & -2\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ -\omega^2 & -2\mu - \lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2\mu\lambda + \lambda^2 + \omega^2 = 0$$

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{-2\mu \pm \sqrt{4\mu^2 - 4\omega^2}}{2} = -\mu \pm \sqrt{\mu^2 - \omega^2}$$

- $\mu^2 - \omega^2 > 0$ in such a case $\sqrt{\mu^2 - \omega^2} < \mu$
 \Rightarrow 2 real < 0 eigenvalues!
 - $\mu^2 = \omega^2 \Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = -\mu < 0$
 - $\mu^2 - \omega^2 < 0 \Rightarrow$ 2 complex conjug. eigenvalues
 with < 0 real part.
- } THE COND. FOR THE FIRST LYAPUNOV METHOD ALWAYS HOLD!!!



ASYMP. STABILITY!

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When rabbits and sheep encounter each other, trouble starts. Since the two populations are in competition for food, we assume that the conflicts occur at a rate proportional to the size of each population.

Furthermore, we assume that the conflicts reduce the growth rate for each species, but the effect is more severe for rabbits.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = x(3-x-2y) \\ \dot{y} = y(2-y-x) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \text{pop. of rabbits} \\ y(t) &= \text{pop. of sheep.} \\ x, y &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Study the dynamics.

SOLUTION

First step. EQUILIBRIA

$$\begin{cases} x(3-x-2y) = 0 \\ y(2-y-x) = 0 \end{cases}$$

First case

$$\begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y(2-y) = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow (0,0) \text{ or } (0,2)$$

other case

$$\begin{cases} 3-x-2y=0 \rightarrow x=3-2y \\ y(2-y-3+2y)=0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x=3-2y \\ y(y-1)=0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (3,0) \text{ or } (1,1)$$

Four equilibria for the non-linear v.f.

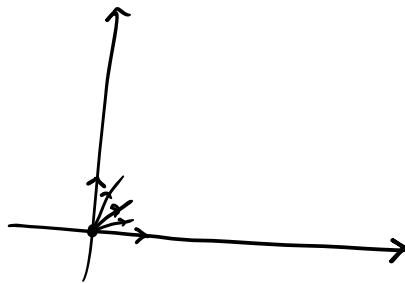
$$(0,0), (0,2), (3,0), (1,1)$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3-x-2y-x & -2x \\ -y & 2-x-y-y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3-2x-2y & -2x \\ -y & 2-x-2y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow (0,0) \text{ is an unstable node}$$

$$\lambda_1 = 2 \rightarrow v_1 = (0, 1)$$

$$\lambda_2 = 3 \rightarrow v_2 = (1, 0)$$



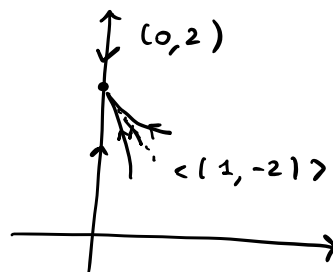
$$A(0,2) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

with eigenvalues

$$\lambda_1 = -1, v_1 = (1, -2)$$

$$\lambda_2 = -2, v_2 = (0, 1)$$

$(0,2)$ is a stable node!

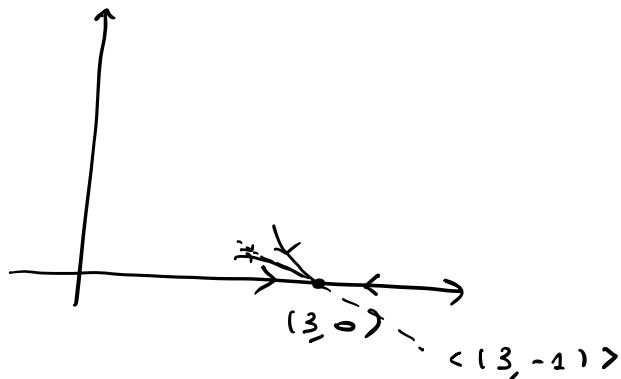


$$A(3,0) = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & -6 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_1 = -3 \text{ and } v_1 = (1, 0)$$

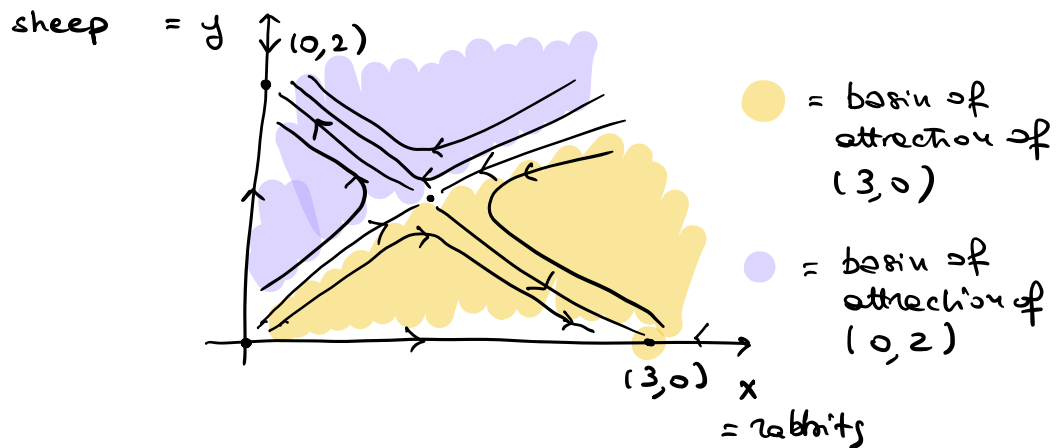
$$\lambda_2 = -1 \text{ and } v_2 = (3, -1)$$

$(3,0)$ is a stable node.



$$A(1,1) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\det = 1 - 2 < 0 \Rightarrow$ saddle point! $(\lambda_{1,2} = -1 \pm \sqrt{2})$



Essentially in every case, one species drives the other to extinction!

→ BIOLOGICAL INTERPRETATION.



PRINCIPLE OF COMPETITIVE EXCLUSION:

2 species competing for the SAME limited resource cannot coexist!!

EX 1 $\dot{x} = x^3(x-1)(x+3)$

- 1) Find equilibria
- 2) Linearize the v.f. around the eq. $x_0 > 0$ and discuss its stability.
- 3) Can we use x^2 as Lyap. function to prove the stability of $x_0 = 0$?

SOL $x^3(x-1)(x+3) = 0$

- $x = 0$
- $x = 1$
- ↓ $x = -3$

$$X'(x) = 3x^2(x-1)(x+3) + x^3(x+3) + x^3(x-1)$$

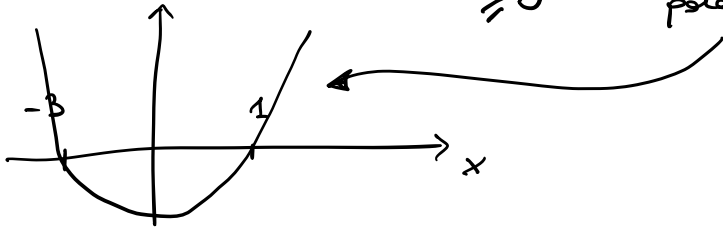
$$\Rightarrow x'(1) = \underbrace{4}_{>0} = \dot{x} = 4(x-1)$$

$\Rightarrow 1$ is unstable.

$x'(0) = 0 \Rightarrow$ no info on 0 by the first derivative.

$w(x) = x^2$ is a good candidate Lyapunov function for $x_0 = 0$.

$$L_x w(x) = 2x \dot{x} = \underbrace{2x^4}_{\geq 0} \underbrace{(x-1)(x+3)}_{\text{parabola}} < 0 \text{ in }]-3, 1[\setminus \{0\}.$$



$\Rightarrow 0$ is ASYMPTOTICALLY STABLE!

EX2 Bifurcation diagram for $\dot{x} = x^2 + \mu x + 1$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$.

SOL $X_\mu(x) = x^2 + \mu x + 1 = 0$.

$$x_{1,2} = \frac{-\mu \pm \sqrt{\mu^2 - 4}}{2} \Leftrightarrow \mu^2 - 4 \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \mu \leq -2 \text{ or } \mu \geq 2.$$

In particular,

if $\mu \in (-\infty, -2) \cup (2, +\infty)$: 2 real, distinct equilibria.

if $\mu = \pm 2$, we have $x_1 = x_2$

if $\mu \in (-2, 2)$, NO equilibria.

