

Lesson 12 - 24/10/2022

Ex 1 Let consider the diff. eq. $\ddot{x} = -V'_K(x)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
 where $V_K(x) = Kx(x^2 - k)$.

- (a) Draw the phase-portrait for every $K \in \mathbb{R}$.
- (b) Let $K=1$. Establish for which values $v \in \mathbb{R}$ the solution with initial datum $(x(0), v(0)) = (0, v)$ is periodic.

Ex 2 • Let consider the diff. eq. $\dot{x} = Kx e^{-x^2/2}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and $K \in \mathbb{R}$.

- (a) Draw the phase-portrait for every $K \in \mathbb{R}$.
- (b) Determine equilibria and their quality $\forall K \in \mathbb{R}$. Draw the bif. diagram.
- (c) Linearize $\dot{x} = Kx e^{-x^2/2}$ around the origin.

• Let consider the diff. eq. $\ddot{x} = -V'(x)$, where $V(x) = x e^{-x^2/2}$ ($K=1$).

- (a) Draw the phase-portrait
- (b) Determine equilibria and their quality.
- (c) Determine for which values of $v \in \mathbb{R}$ the solution with initial datum $(-1/2, v)$ is periodic.
- (d) By using an appropriate Lyap. function, discuss the stability of $(-1/2, 0)$ for $\ddot{x} = -V'(x) + F_\mu(x, v)$, where $F_\mu(x, v) = -2\mu(x+1)^2 v$, $\mu > 0$.

Ex 3 Let $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = 4y(y^2 - 1) \\ \dot{y} = 4x(x^2 - 1) \end{cases}$
 Verify that there exist a first integral for X and explicitly determine it.

Ex 4 Let $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = -x^3 + y^3 \\ \dot{y} = -x^3 - y^3 \end{cases}$

Prove that $(0,0)$ is a stable eq, by using one of these functions:

$f(x, y, \dot{x}, \dot{y}) = \frac{1}{2} (\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2) + \frac{1}{4} (x^4 + y^4)$ **NO!**

$g(x, y) = \frac{1}{4} (x^4 + y^4)$

$h(x, y, \dot{x}, \dot{y}) = \frac{1}{2} (\dot{x}^2 - \dot{y}^2) + \frac{1}{4} (x^4 - y^4)^2$ **NO!**

Ex 5 Let consider the 2nd order diff eq: $\ddot{x} = -\sin x - x^4 \dot{x}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
 Discuss the stability of $(0,0)$ with both spectral and Lyapunov function methods.

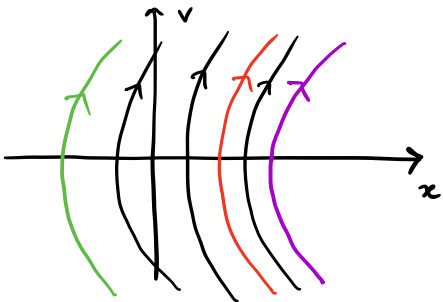
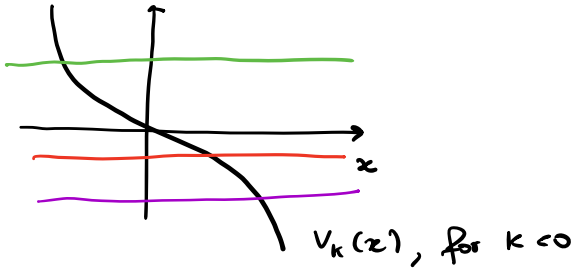
Remark: ATTRACTIVENESS (attracting fixed point/orbit) is impossible in conservative systems!

Ex 1

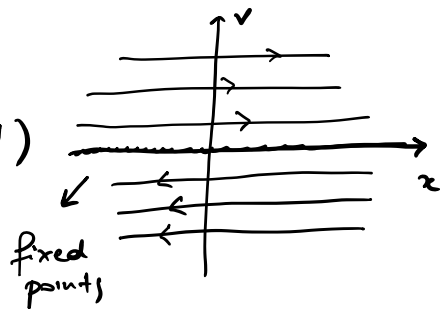
$$V_k(x) = kx(x^2 - k)$$

- $k < 0 \Rightarrow kx(x^2 - k) = 0 \iff x = 0$

Moreover $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} V_k(x) = \mp\infty$



- $k = 0 \Rightarrow V_0(x) \equiv 0$ (free particle!)



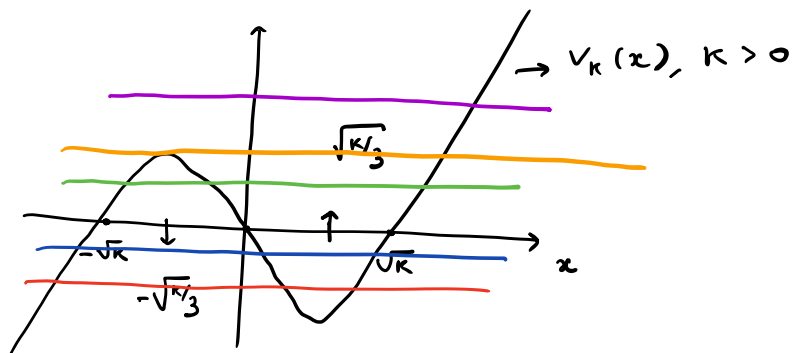
- $k > 0 \Rightarrow V_k(x) = kx(x^2 - k) = 0$

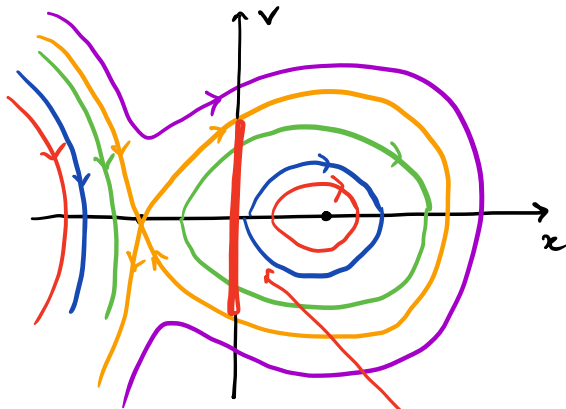
$\Leftrightarrow x = 0, x = \pm\sqrt{k}$

Moreover $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} V_k(x) = \pm\infty$

$$V'_k(x) = k(x^2 - k) + kx \cdot 2x = 3kx^2 - k^2 = 0$$

$\Leftrightarrow x_{1,2} = \pm\sqrt{k/3}$





$K=1 \rightarrow V_1(x) = x(x^2 - 1)$

The condition is: $E(0, v) = \frac{1}{2}v^2 + \underbrace{V_1(0)}_0 < \underbrace{V_1(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}})}_{\text{Energy on the separatrix for } K=1}$

That is:

$$\frac{1}{2}v^2 + 0 < \frac{2}{3\sqrt{3}} \Leftrightarrow v^2 < \frac{4}{3\sqrt{3}} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$v \in \left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{3\sqrt{3}}}, +\frac{2}{\sqrt{3\sqrt{3}}} \right)$$

The other condition:

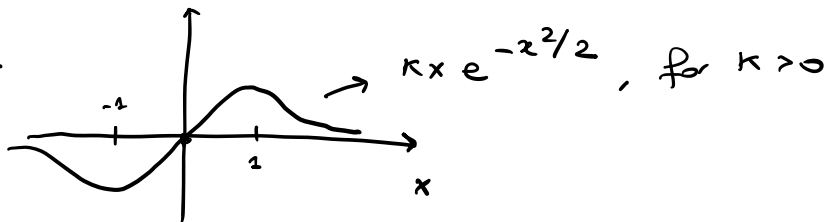
$$E(0, v) = \frac{1}{2}v^2 + V_1(0) \geq V_1\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) \text{ is automatically satisfied.}$$

Since $\frac{1}{2}v^2 \geq 0$ and $V_1\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) < 0$

Ex 2 First part $x = Kx e^{-x^2/2}, \quad K \in \mathbb{R}, x \in \mathbb{R}.$

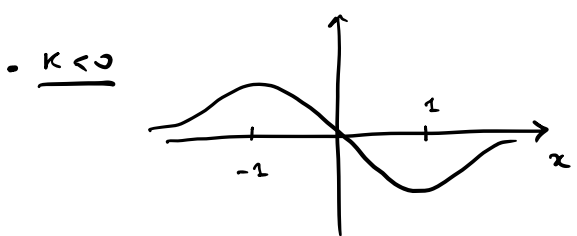
2) Phase portrait, depending on $K \in \mathbb{R}$


• $K > 0$

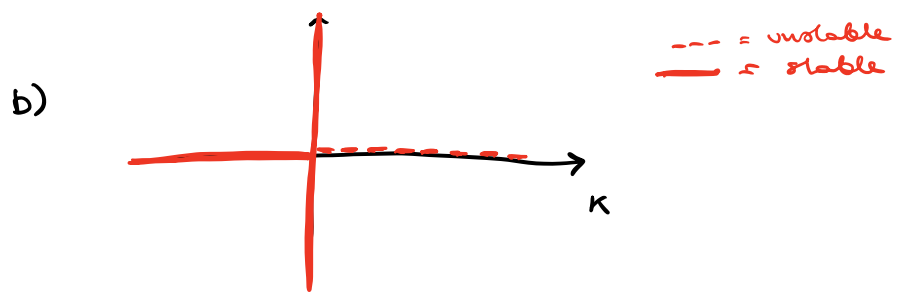


$0 = \text{repeller}$

• $k > 0$  $\mathbb{R} = \text{fixed points.}$

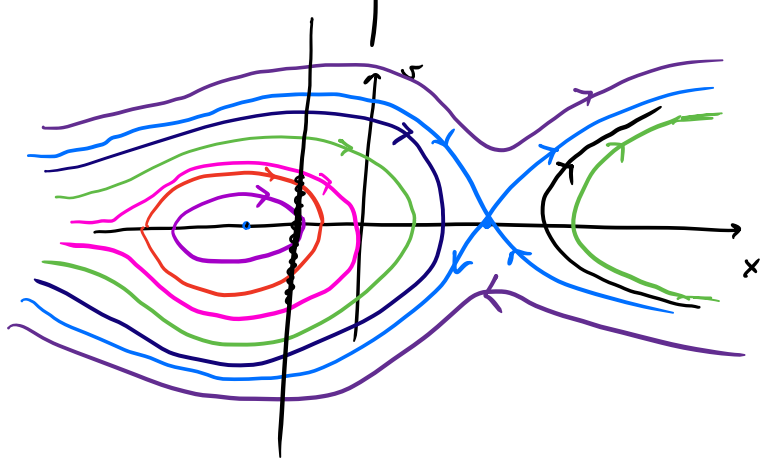
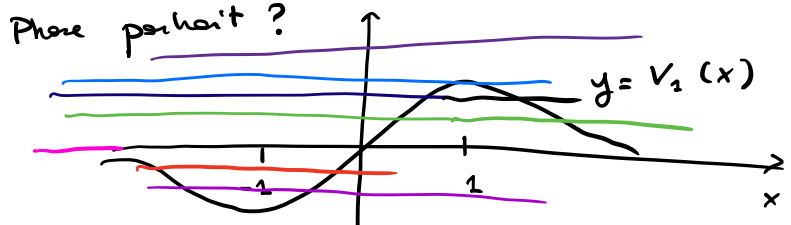


 $0 = \text{attractor.}$



c) Linearization around $x=0$.
 $V'_k(x) = k e^{-x^2/2} (1-x^2)$
 $V'_k(0) = k \Rightarrow \dot{x} = kx$

Second part
 (a) $\ddot{x} = -V'(x)$ where $v(x) = x e^{-x^2/2}$



A detail Suppose $E \geq 0$ (No periodic orbits)

$$\frac{1}{2}v^2 + x e^{-x^2/2} = E \Leftrightarrow v^2 = 2E - 2x e^{-x^2/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} v(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \sqrt{2E - 2x e^{-x^2/2}} = \pm \sqrt{2E}$$

(b)

Equilibria: $(-1, 0) \rightarrow$ stable.

$(+1, 0) \rightarrow$ unstable.

(c) Condition so that the solution starting from $(-1/2, v)$ is periodic is

$$E(-1/2, v) = \frac{1}{2}v^2 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-1/8} < 0$$

condition!

$$\Leftrightarrow v^2 < e^{-1/8}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow v \in (-e^{-1/16}, e^{1/16})$$

(d) $\ddot{x} = -v'(x) + F_\mu(x, v) \quad \mu > 0$

$$F_\mu(x, v) = -2\mu(x+1)^2 v$$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = v \\ \dot{v} = -v'(x) - 2\mu(x+1)^2 v \end{cases}$$

$(-1, 0) \rightarrow$ Equilibrium. Remains stable?

$$E(x, v) = \frac{1}{2}v^2 + v(x) - v(-1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}v^2 + x e^{-x^2/2} - e^{-1/2}$$

1st. cond. of Lyapunov theo: ok

Now we check the 2nd one.

$$L_x E(x, v) = \nabla E(x, v) \cdot X(x, v)$$

$$= v'(x) \dot{x} + v \dot{v} =$$

$$= \cancel{v'(x)v} + v(\cancel{-v'(x)} - 2\mu(x+1)^2 v)$$

$$= -2\mu (x+1)^2 v^2 \leq 0 \quad \text{near } (-1, 0) \Rightarrow \text{stable!}$$

-x-x-

EX 3

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = 4y(y^2-1) \\ \dot{y} = 4x(x^2-1) \end{cases}$$

$f(x, y)$ is a first integral iff $L_X f(x, y) \equiv 0$

($f \circ \phi_t(x, y) = f(x, y) \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ when f is only continuous)

$L_X f(x, y) \equiv 0$ means

$$\nabla f(x, y) \begin{pmatrix} 4y(y^2-1) \\ 4x(x^2-1) \end{pmatrix} \equiv 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y) \cdot 4y(y^2-1) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) \cdot 4x(x^2-1) \equiv 0$$

We search for $f(x, y)$ such that

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 4x(x^2-1) \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -4y(y^2-1) \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f(x, y) = (x^2-1)^2 - (y^2-1)^2 + C \quad (C \in \mathbb{R})$$

EX 4

$$L_X g(x, y) = \nabla g(x, y) \cdot X(x, y) =$$

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

$$= -x^6 - y^6 < 0 \quad \forall (x, y) \neq (0, 0)$$

$\Rightarrow (0, 0)$ is A.S.!

EX 5

$$\ddot{x} = \underbrace{-\sin x - x^4}_{< 0} x$$

Stability of $(0,0)$ with both Lyapunov methods.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = v \\ \dot{v} = -\sin x - x^4 v \end{cases}$$

$$(\ddot{x} = -\sin x = -V'(x), \quad V(x) = -\cos x)$$

• Spectral method $J(x,v) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\cos x - 4x^3 v & -x^4 \end{pmatrix}$

$$J(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = \pm i$$

\rightarrow NO CONCLUSIONS on the non-linear system.
(Elliptic eq. of the linearization).

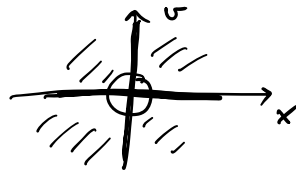
• $E(x,v) = \frac{v^2}{2} - \cos x + 1 = -V(x)$

$$L_x E(x,v) = \nabla E(x,v) \cdot X(x,v)$$

$$= (\sin x) \dot{x} + v \dot{v}$$

$$= \cancel{\sin x(v)} + v \cancel{(-\sin x - x^4 v)} = \underline{-x^4 v^2} \leq 0$$

$\Rightarrow (0,0)$ is stable!



Remark

ATTRACTIVENESS (attracting fixed points / attracting orbits)

is impossible in conservative systems!

$$\dot{x} = X(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

A first integral is a function $f \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ s.t. $L_x f \equiv 0$. To avoid trivial functions, we also require that $f(x)$ be non-constant on every open set of \mathbb{R}^n .

(otherwise, every v.f. has a first integral, given by a (trivial) constant function)



A conservative system cannot have attracting fixed points / orbits.

Proof Suppose - on the contrary - that $x^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is an attracting fixed point. Then $x^* \in V =$ basin of attraction.

$f(x^*) = f(x) \quad \forall x \in V$

$f = E =$ total conserved quantity.

$f \equiv$ constant on V . \square



$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \varphi_t(x) = x^*$$

and we know that f is constant along trajectories $\Rightarrow f(\varphi_0(x)) = f(x) =$

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

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

$$= f(x^*).$$

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