

## Lyapunov Stability

Std assumptions:  $\dot{x} = f(t, x(t)) \quad t \geq 0$  ;  $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  (\*)

$\triangleright f: \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is continuous

2) Unique sol<sup>n</sup>. exs. to each initial condition.  
3) Notation:  $s(t, t_0, x_0) \leftarrow$  sol<sup>n</sup>. of (\*) exs. to  $x(t_0) = x_0$ , evaluated at  $t$ .

$$a) s(t_0, t_0, x_0) = x_0 \quad [\forall t \geq t_1, t_0 \geq 0]$$

$$b) s(t, t_1, s(t_1, t_0, x_0)) = s(t, t_0, x_0)$$

4) If  $x_0$  is an eq. pt. then  $s(t, t_0, x_0) = x_0 \quad \forall t \geq t_0 > 0$

5) '0' is the eq. pt.  $\Leftrightarrow f(t, 0) = 0 \quad \forall t \geq 0$   
as  $s(t, t_0, 0) = 0 \quad \forall t \geq t_0$

Def<sup>n</sup>: The eq. '0' is stable if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$

& each  $t_0 \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $\exists$  a  $\delta = \delta(\varepsilon, t_0)$  s.t.

$$\|x_0\| < \delta(\varepsilon, t_0) \Rightarrow \|s(t, t_0, x_0)\| < \varepsilon \quad \forall t \geq t_0$$

# It is uniformly stable if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$\exists \delta = \delta(\varepsilon)$  s.t.  $\|x_0\| < \delta(\varepsilon), t_0 \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow \|s(t, t_0, x_0)\| < \varepsilon, \quad \forall t \geq t_0$$

# The eq. is unstable if it is not stable.

Stability  $\equiv$  Continuity

Note:

↳ Very close to global existence condition studied earlier.  $\rightarrow$  continuity from  $C^n[t_0, T] \rightarrow C^n[t_0, T]$  as long as  $T < \infty$ .

Instead consider  $C^n[t_0, \infty)$  & let  $BC^n[t_0, \infty) \subset C^n[t_0, \infty)$  denote the set of bdd continuous fns. Define  $\|x(\cdot)\|_S = \sup_{t \in [t_0, \infty)} \|x(t)\|$

The  $BC^n[t_0, \infty)$  is a Banach space.

Stability  $\Leftrightarrow$  For each  $t_0 \geq 0$ ,  $\exists d(t_0)$  s.t.  $s(\cdot, t_0, x_0) \in BC^n[t_0, \infty)$  whenever  $x_0 \in B_{d(t_0)}$  where  $B_d = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|x\| < d\}$

$\Leftrightarrow$  The map  $s(\cdot, t_0, x_0) : \underset{B_{d(t_0)}}{x_0} \mapsto \underset{BC^n[t_0, \infty)}{s(\cdot, t_0, x_0)}$  is continuous at  $x_0 = 0 \quad \forall t_0 \geq 0$ .

Note: 1) Stability  $\Leftrightarrow$  continuous dep. on initial condition over infinite interval.

2) For autonomous systems, stability  $\Leftrightarrow$  uniform stability

Ex:  $\dot{x}(t) = (6t \sin t - 2t)x(t) \quad t \geq t_0$

Sol<sup>n</sup>:  $x(t) = x(t_0) \exp \{ 6 \sin t - 6t \cos t - t^2 - 6 \sin t_0 + 6t_0 \cos t_0 + t_0^2 \}$

$\left| \frac{x(t)}{x(t_0)} \right| = \exp \{ \dots \}$

Check:  $c(t_0) = \sup_{t \geq t_0} \exp \{ \dots \} < \infty$

Thus,  $\|x(t_0)\| < \frac{\epsilon}{c(t_0)} \Rightarrow \|x(t)\| < \epsilon \quad \forall t \geq t_0$

So '0' is stable eq. pt.

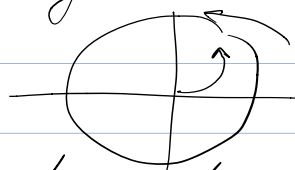
But,  $t_0 = 2n\pi \Rightarrow x[(2n+1)\pi] = x(2n\pi) \exp \{ [4n+1](6-\pi)\pi \}$

Clearly  $c(t_0)$  is unbounded in  $t_0$ . So

$\delta$  cannot be ind. of  $t_0$ . So not U.S.

Q. What are the types of instability?

Our fav. example:



origin is not stable.

However this does not diverge to infinity.

Def<sup>n</sup>: The eq. 0 is attractive if for each  $t_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\exists \eta(t_0) > 0$  s.t.  $\|x_0\| < \eta(t_0) \Rightarrow s(t_0+t, t_0, x_0) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

The eq. 0 is uniformly attractive if  $\exists \eta > 0$  s.t.

$\|x_0\| < \eta, t_0 > 0 \Rightarrow s(t_0+t, t_0, x_0) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$   
uniformly in  $x_0, t_0$ .

$\Leftrightarrow$  For each  $\epsilon > 0, \exists T = T(\epsilon)$  s.t.

$\|x_0\| < \eta, t_0 > 0 \Rightarrow \|s(t_0+t, t_0, x_0)\| < \epsilon \forall t > T(\epsilon)$

# For an eq. to be attractive it must be isolated.

# Stable but not attractive: Center: 

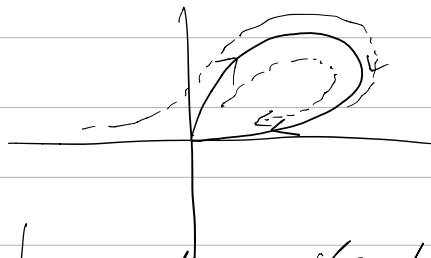
Def<sup>n</sup>: The eq. 0 is asymptotically stable if it is stable & attractive. It is "uniformly asymptotically stable" (u.a.s) if it is uniformly stable & uniformly attractive.

Q. Are these definitions req.  $\rightarrow$  can there be an eq. which is attractive but not stable?

ANS: YES!

$$\dot{x}_1 = \frac{x_1^2(x_2 - x_1) + x_2^5}{(x_1^2 + x_2^2)[1 + (x_1^2 + x_2^2)]}$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = \frac{x_2^2(x_2 - 2x_1)}{(x_1^2 + x_2^2)[1 + (x_1^2 + x_2^2)]}$$



$\rightarrow$  Not uniformly attractive  
closer  $x_0$  is to origin  
slower is the conv.

# For autonomous system: stable + attractive  $\Leftrightarrow$  uniformly attractive

Is it possible to have uni. attr. but unstable?

$\rightarrow$  Not known

## Lyapunov's Direct Method / Second Method

Def<sup>n</sup>: A function  $V: \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be lpdf (locally positive definite f<sup>n</sup>) if (i) it is continuous (ii)  $V(t, 0) = 0 \forall t \geq 0$  (iii)  $\exists r > 0$  & a class K function  $\alpha$  s.t.  
$$\alpha(\|x\|) \leq V(t, x) \quad \forall t \geq 0, \forall x \in B_r$$

Def<sup>n</sup>: A f<sup>n</sup>  $\phi: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  is of class K if it is continuous, strictly increasing &  $\phi(0) = 0$ .

Easy to check conditions for lpdf:  $W: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  (continuous) is lpdf iff (i)  $W(0) = 0$  AND (ii)  $\exists r > 0$  s.t.  $W(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \in B_r - \{0\}$

FACT:  
#  $V: \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is lpdf iff (i)  $V(t, 0) = 0 \forall t$  + (ii)  $\exists$  lpdf  $W: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  &  $r > 0$  s.t.  $V(t, x) \geq W(x) \quad \forall x \in B_r, \forall t \geq 0$

Thm: The eq. 0 of  $\dot{x} = f(t, x)$  is stable if  $\exists$  a continuously diff ( $C^1$ ) lpdf (Lyapunov f<sup>n</sup>)  $V: \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  & a constant  $r > 0$  s.t.  
$$\dot{V}(t, x) \leq 0 \quad \forall t \geq t_0 \quad \forall x \in B_r$$
where  $\dot{V}$  is evaluated along the trajectories of  $\dot{x} = f(t, x)$ .

Note:  $\dot{V}(t, x) = \frac{\partial V(t, x)}{\partial t} + \left[ \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \right]^T \dot{x} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}^T f(t, x)$

Proof: Since  $V$  is lpd,  $\exists$  a class  $K$   $f_{\infty}$   $\alpha$  & a constant  $\delta > 0$  s.t.

$$\alpha(\|x\|) \leq V(t, x) \quad \forall t \geq 0, \forall x \in B_\delta$$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $t_0 \geq 0$ . Let  $\epsilon_1 = \min\{\epsilon, \eta, \delta\}$

& pick  $\delta > 0$  s.t.  $\sup_{\|x\| \leq \delta} V(t_0, x) =: \beta(t_0, \delta) < \alpha(\epsilon_1)$

Q. Can such  $\delta$  be found always?

Then  $\|x_0\| < \delta \Rightarrow V(t_0, x_0) \leq \beta(t_0, \delta) < \alpha(\epsilon_1)$

But recall that  $\dot{V}(t, x) \leq 0 \quad \forall t \geq t_0 \quad \forall \|x\| < \delta$

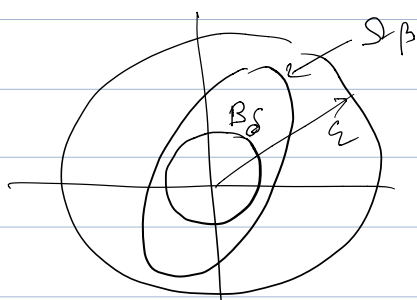
$$\Rightarrow V(t, s(t, t_0, x_0)) \leq V(t_0, x_0) < \alpha(\epsilon_1) \quad \forall t \geq t_0$$

But  $V[t, s(t, t_0, x_0)] \geq \alpha[\|s(t, t_0, x_0)\|]$  [Wrong choice. ridiculous]

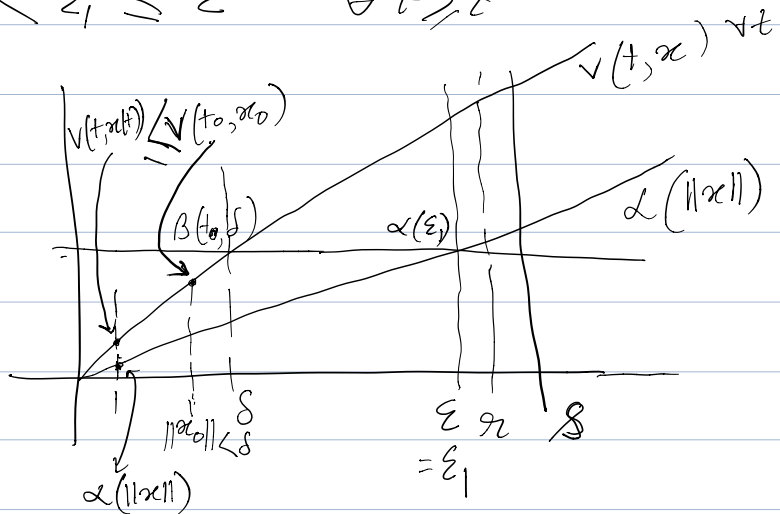
Hence  $\alpha[\|s(t, t_0, x_0)\|] < \alpha(\epsilon_1) \quad \forall t \geq t_0$

Since  $\alpha(\cdot)$  is strictly increasing:

$$\|s(t, t_0, x_0)\| < \epsilon_1 \leq \epsilon \quad \forall t \geq t_0$$



$$\Omega_\beta = \{x \mid V(x) \leq \beta\}$$



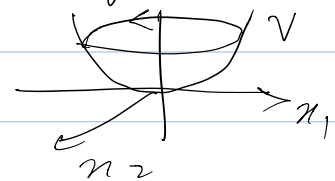
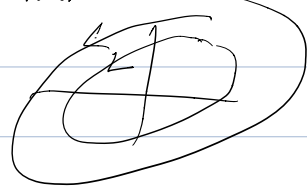
Implicit (unproven claim): Any trajectory starting in  $\Omega_\beta$  at  $t=t_0$ , stays in  $\Omega_\beta$  for all  $t \geq t_0$ .

Thm: Consider  $\dot{x} = f(x)$ . Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a set  
 s.t.  $0 \in D$ . Let  $V: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a  $C^1$   
 $f^m$  st.  $V(0) = 0$  &  $V(x) > 0$  in  $D - \{0\}$   
 $\dot{V}(x) \leq 0$  in  $D$

Then  $x$  is stable. Moreover if  
 $\dot{V}(x) < 0$  in  $D - \{0\}$  the  $x=0$  is  
 asymptotically stable.

# For proving A.S. more work is needed. It is  
 enough to show that  $V(x(t)) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

$\rightarrow$  As seen from figure above, this is  
 obvious in 1-dimension  $\rightarrow$  more complicated  
 for higher dim.



Region of Attraction:  $\Omega_c = \{x \mid V(x) \leq c\}$

Ex:  $\ddot{\theta} + \sin \theta = 0 \rightarrow \dot{x}_1 = x_2; \dot{x}_2 = -\sin x_1$

Lyapunov  $f^m$  candidate: Total energy

$$V(x_1, x_2) = (1 - \cos x_1) + \frac{1}{2} x_2^2 \xrightarrow{C^1} \text{lpdf}$$

Easy to check:  $V(x_1, x_2) > 0; V(0,0) = 0$   
 (lpdf)

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V}(x_1, x_2) &= \sin x_1 \cdot \dot{x}_1 + x_2 \dot{x}_2 = \sin x_1 (x_2) + x_2 (-\sin x_1) \\ &= 0 \Rightarrow V \text{ is a } \underline{\text{Lyapunov } f^m}. \end{aligned}$$

Ex:  $\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = -p(t)x_2 - e^{-t}x_1 \end{cases}$  Find conditions on  $p(t)$  to ensure stability.

Let  $V(t, x_1, x_2) = x_1^2 + e^t x_2^2 \rightarrow C^1$  Lyapunov f<sup>n</sup> candidate  
 $V(t, x_1, x_2) \geq W(x_1, x_2) := x_1^2 + x_2^2$   
 $\dot{V}(t, x_1, x_2) = e^t x_2^2 + 2x_1(x_2) + 2e^t x_2 [-p(t)x_2 - e^{-t}x_1]$   
 $= e^t x_2^2 [-2p(t) + 1]$

Here  $\dot{V} \leq 0 \Rightarrow p(t) \geq \frac{1}{2} \quad \forall t \geq 0$ .  
 very suff. - completely diff. condition possible for diff. Lyapunov f<sup>n</sup>.

Ex:  $\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = -a \sin x_1 - b x_2 \end{cases}$   $V(x) = a(1 - \cos x_1) + \frac{1}{2} x_2^2$   
 $\dot{V}(x) = a x_1 \sin x_1 + x_2 \dot{x}_2 = -b x_2^2$   
 Hence  $\dot{V}(x) \leq 0 \Rightarrow '0'$  is stable

But recall the phase portrait  
 so it looks A.S. (Liasalle's Inv Thm)



Try with diff. Lyapunov f<sup>n</sup> candidate

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^T P x + a(1 - \cos x_1), \quad P > 0$$

$$\dot{V}(x) = -\frac{1}{2} a b x_1 \sin x_1 - \frac{1}{2} b x_2^2$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} b p_{12} & b/2 \\ b/2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $D = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid |x_i| < \pi\}$ ,  $V(x) > 0$  &  $\dot{V}(x) < 0$   
 for  $\forall x \in D \Rightarrow '0'$  is asymptotically stable.



Def<sup>n</sup>: An eq. pt. '0' of  $\dot{x} = f(x)$  is globally asymptotically stable if  $\forall x(0) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $x(t, x_0) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

Thm: Let  $x=0$  be an eq. pt. of  $\dot{x} = f(x)$ . Let

$V: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a  $C^1$  f<sup>n</sup> s.t.

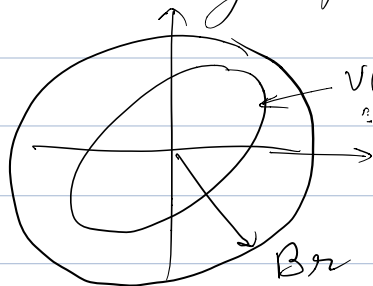
1)  $V(0) = 0$  &  $V(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$

2)  $\|x\| \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow V(x) \rightarrow \infty$  (Radially unbdd)

3)  $\dot{V}(x) < 0$ ,  $\forall x \neq 0$

Then  $x=0$  is globally asymptotically stable.

Sketch: For any  $p \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , let  $c = V(p)$ .



$V(x) = c$   
 $= \Omega_c$

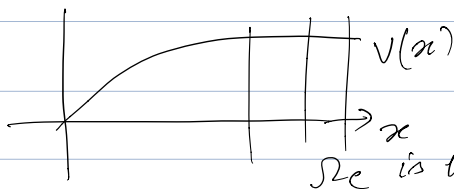
Condition (2) implies we can draw  $B_r$  s.t.

$\Omega_c \subset B_r$

i.e.  $\forall c, \exists r > 0$  s.t.

$\|x\| > r \Rightarrow V(x) > c$

$\Rightarrow \Omega_c$  is bdd.

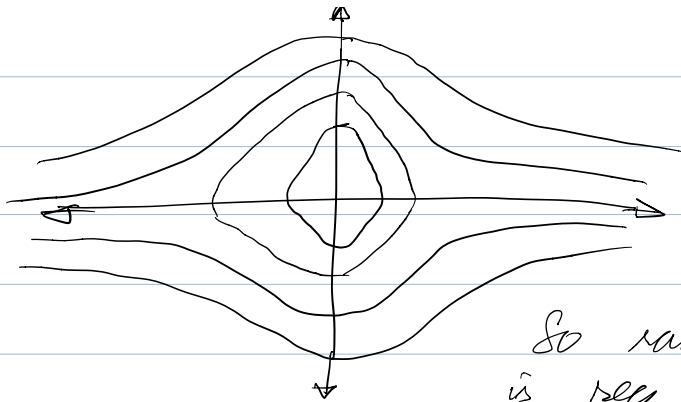


$\Omega_c$  is unbdd.

Q. Why is it required that  $\Omega_c$  is bdd?

Consider  $V(x) = \frac{x_1^2}{1+x_1^2} + x_2^2$ . Then

$\Omega_c = \{x \mid V(x) \leq c\}$  is bdd. for  $c < 1$ .



It is possible to have  $\dot{V}(x) < 0$  but  $\|x(t)\| \not\rightarrow 0$ .

So radially unbounded condition is req.

Lasalle's Invariance Thm: (Krasovskii - Lasalle's Thm)

Thm: Let  $\Omega \subset D$  be a compact set that is positively invariant w.r.t.  $\dot{x} = f(x)$ . Let  $V: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a  $C^1$  fcn. s.t.  $\dot{V}(x) \leq 0$  in  $\Omega$ . Let  $E$  be the set of all points in  $\Omega$  where  $\dot{V}(x) = 0$ . Let  $M$  be the largest invariant set in  $E$ . Then every solution starting in  $\Omega$  approaches  $M$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

Def: A set  $M$  is (+vely) invariant set w.r.t.  $\dot{x} = f(x)$  if  $x(0) \in M \Rightarrow x(t) \in M \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$   
( $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ )

Note: <sup>By this thm</sup>  $\rightarrow$  Regions of attraction are not restricted to  $\Omega_c = \{x \mid V(x) \leq c\} \rightarrow$  any compact (+vely) inv. set

$\rightarrow$  can be used for eq. sets rather than

isolated eq. pt.

3)  $V(x)$  need not be positive definite.

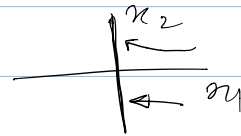
Ex:  $\dot{y} = ay + u$ ,  $u = ky$ ,  $k = \nu y^2$   $\nu > 0$

$$\text{Taking } x_1 = y, x_2 = k \Rightarrow \dot{x}_1 = -(x_2 - a)x_1, \\ \dot{x}_2 = \nu x_1^2$$

The line  $x_1 = 0$  is an eq. set.

$$\text{Consider } V(x) = \frac{1}{2}x_1^2 + \frac{1}{2\nu}(x_2 - b)^2 \quad (b > a)$$

$$\dot{V}(x) = -x_1^2(b-a) \leq 0.$$



Since  $V(x)$  is radially unbounded,

$\Omega_c = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid V(x) \leq c\}$  is compact

& truly invariant.

$E = \{x \in \Omega_c \mid x_1 = 0\} \leftarrow E$  is invariant.

Take  $M = E$  - Hence by Lasalle's Thm,

every trajectory starting in  $\Omega_c$  approaches

$E$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . i.e.  $x_1(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

Also this conclusion is global since

$c$  can be arbitrarily large.

Linear Systems: (Autonomous)  $\dot{x} = Ax$ ;  $x(t) = e^{At}x_0$

Thm: The eq. pt.  $x=0$  of  $\dot{x} = Ax$  is stable iff  
all eig. of  $A$  satisfy  $\text{Re } \lambda_i \leq 0$  & for

each eig. with  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i = 0$  & alg. mult  $q_i \geq 2$   
 $\operatorname{rank}(A - \lambda_i I) = n - q_i$ .

# The eq. pt.  $x=0$  is globally asympt. stable.  
iff all eig. of  $A$  satisfy  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i < 0$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad e^{At} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{unstable.}$$

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Proof: Exercise.

Thm: Given  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , the F.A.E:

(1)  $A$  is Hurwitz ( $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i < 0 \quad \forall i=1, \dots, n$ )

(2)  $\exists$  some p.d. matrix  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  s.t.

$A^T P + P A = -Q$  has a cons. unique  
p.d. solution for  $P$ .

(3) For every p.d. matrix  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $A^T P + P A = -Q$   
has a unique p.d. solution for  $P$ .

Proof: (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) obvious

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Let (2) be true for some  $Q$

The <sup>unsider</sup> Lyap. f<sup>n</sup> candidate  $V(x) = x^T P x$

$$\dot{V}(x) = \dot{x}^T P x + x^T P \dot{x} = x^T A^T P x + x^T P A x$$

$$= x^T (A^T P + P A) x = -x^T Q x < 0$$

So by Lyap. thm  $\Rightarrow \dot{x} = Ax$  is GAS & by the Th above  $\Rightarrow A$  is Hurwitz.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Let  $A$  be Hurwitz & let  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  p.d.  
Define  $M = \int_0^{\infty} e^{A^T t} Q e^{A t} dt$

$$\begin{aligned} A^T M + M A &= \int_0^{\infty} [A^T e^{A^T t} Q e^{A t} + e^{A^T t} Q e^{A t} A] dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{d}{dt} [e^{A^T t} Q e^{A t}] dt = [e^{A^T t} Q e^{A t}]_0^{\infty} \\ &= -Q. \end{aligned}$$

So some solution  $M$  exists. Remaining questions (1) Is  $M > 0$ ? (2) Is  $M$  unique

Claim:  $M > 0$

Let  $M \not> 0$ , then  $\exists x \neq 0$  s.t.  $x^T M x = 0$   
But  $x^T M x = \int_0^{\infty} x^T e^{A^T t} Q e^{A t} x dt = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} x^T e^{A^T t} = 0 \quad \forall t \Rightarrow x = 0$  (Contradiction)

Claim:  $M = P$  (ie  $P$  is unique)

Let  $\exists M \neq P$  then

$$\left. \begin{aligned} MA + A^T M &= -Q \\ PA + A^T P &= -Q \end{aligned} \right\} (M-P)A + A^T(M-P) = 0$$

Pre & post mult. by  $e^{A^T t}$  &  $e^{A t}$ :  
 $e^{A^T t} [(M-P)A + A^T(M-P)] e^{A t} = 0$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [e^{A^T t} (M - P) e^{At}] = 0 \Rightarrow e^{A^T t} [M - P] e^{At} = \text{constant} \quad \forall t$$

$$\text{Hence for } t=0 \text{ \& for } t=\infty \left. \vphantom{\text{Hence}} \right\} M - P = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{A^T t} [M - P] e^{At} = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{M = P}$$

Note: 1) Lyap. Egn. can be used to check whether  $A$  is Hurwitz  $\rightarrow$  Choose  $Q = I$  & then solve Lyap Egn.  $\rightarrow$  Check  $\stackrel{\text{unique}}{P} > 0$  or not. (No comp. adv.)

2) Lyap. Egn is of the form  $M\dot{x} = y$ .

$$\text{Ex: } A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} \\ P_{12} & P_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T P + P A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} \\ P_{12} \\ P_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 & -0.5 \\ -0.5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} > 0 \Rightarrow A \text{ is Hurwitz.}$$

Lyapunov's Linearization Method / Indirect Method

Thm: Let  $x=0$  be the eq. pt. for  $\dot{x} = f(x)$ . &  $0 \in D \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $A = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=0}$ . 1) Then the origin is Asymp. stable if  $\text{Re } \lambda_i < 0$

for all eigenvalues of  $A$

2) The origin is unstable if  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i > 0$  for one or more eigenvalues of  $A$ .

Sketch of 1) Let  $f(x) = f(0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=0} x + g(x)$

Exercise: Prove that  $\frac{\|g(x)\|_2}{\|x\|_2} \rightarrow 0$  as  $\|x\|_2 \rightarrow 0$

Let  $A$  be Hurwitz. Then for any  $Q > 0$ , solution of Lyap. eq. is  $P > 0$ . Let  $V(x) = x^T P x$  be a Lyap. f. candidate for  $\dot{x} = f(x)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V}(x) &= x^T P \dot{x} + \dot{x}^T P x = x^T P f(x) + f^T(x) P x \\ &= x^T P [Ax + g(x)] + [x^T A^T + g^T(x)] P x \\ &= x^T (PA + A^T P) x + 2x^T P g(x) = \underbrace{-x^T Q x}_{-ve} + \underbrace{2x^T P g(x)}_{\text{indefinite in general}} \end{aligned}$$

But  $\dot{V}(x) < 0$  is possible to enforce by choosing  $\|x\|_2$  small enough  $\rightarrow$  Exercise.

Proof of 2: Skipped.

Ex:  $\dot{x} = ax^3$  .  $A = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=0} = 3ax^2 = 0$

So eig. on imag. axis. Thm. does not apply

Actually, stable for  $a < 0$ ,  $a > 0 \rightarrow$  unstable  
 $a = 0 \rightarrow$  stable.

Ex:  $\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = -a \sin x_1 - b x_2 \end{cases} \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Eq. pts} \\ x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)} \\ x_1 = \pi, x_2 = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)} \end{array} \right.$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -a \cos x_1 & -b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -a & -b \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = -\frac{1}{2}b \pm \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{b^2 - 4a}$$

For all  $a, b > 0$ ,  $\text{Re}[\lambda_{1,2}] < 0$

$\rightarrow$  asymp. stable.

# If  $b = 0$ ,  $\lambda_{1,2}$  are  $\pm$  imag. cmis. Thus we cannot determine stability through linearization. (Actually stable as seen earlier)

$$\# \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{(\pi, 0)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ a & -b \end{bmatrix}; \lambda_{1,2} = -\frac{1}{2}b \pm \sqrt{b^2 + 4a}$$

For  $a > 0, b > 0 \rightarrow$  one eig on RHP.  
 $\Rightarrow$  unstable.

Ex: Feedback Stabilization of Non-linear Systems

$\dot{x} = f(x, u)$  find  $u = g(x)$  s.t. the eq. pt.



'0' of the closed loop  $\dot{x} = f(x, g(x))$  is asymptotically stable. Let  $f(0,0) = 0$

$$\text{Let } A = \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right]_{x=0, u=0}, \quad B = \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \right]_{x=0, u=0}$$

Let  $(A, B)$  be controllable  $\Rightarrow \exists K$  s.t.  $(A - BK)$  have all eig. on LHP.

Let  $u(t) = -Kx(t)$ . Then  $\dot{x} = f(x, -Kx)$  has '0' as asyn. stable eq. pt.

Proof: Let  $h = f(x, -Kx) \Rightarrow \dot{x} = h(x) \in C.L.$   
 $\left[ \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \right]_{x=0} = A - BK \in \text{Hurwitz}$

### Instability Thm (Chetaev's Thm)

1) Let  $V: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be  $C^1$  &  $0 \in D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ .

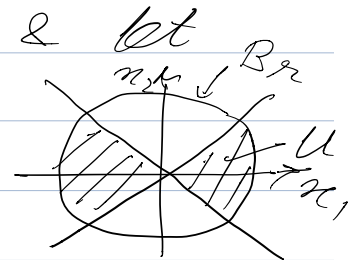
$V(0) = 0$  &  $\exists x_0$  with arbitrarily small  $\|x_0\|$  s.t.  $V(x_0) > 0$ .

2) Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be s.t.  $B_\epsilon \subset D$  & let

$$U = \{x \in B_\epsilon \mid V(x) > 0\}$$

By assumption,  $U \subset B_\epsilon$

$U$  non-empty;  $0 \in \partial U$



Ex:  $U$  for  $V(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 - x_2^2)$

Thm: Let  $x=0$  be eq. pt. for  $\dot{x} = f(x)$ . Let  $V: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a  $C^1$  fcn s.t.  $V(0) = 0$  &  $V(x_0) > 0$  for some  $x_0$  with arb. small  $\|x_0\|$ . If  $\dot{V}(x) > 0$  in  $U$ , then  $x_0$  is unstable.

Proof: Let  $x_0 \in \text{int}(U)$  &  $V(x_0) = a > 0$

Claim:  $x(t)$  must leave  $U$ .

Since  $\dot{V}(x) > 0$  in  $U$ ,  $V(x(t)) \geq a$ .

Let  $\gamma = \min \{ \dot{V}(x) \mid x \in U \text{ & } V(x) \geq a \}$

$$V(x(t)) = V(x_0) + \int_0^t \dot{V}(x(s)) ds$$

$$\geq a + \int_0^t \gamma ds = a + \gamma t$$

Hence  $x(t)$  must leave  $U$  since

$V(x)$  is bdd. in  $U$ . (Why?)

$x(t)$  cannot leave  $U$  through the surface

$V(x) = 0$  since  $V(x(t)) \geq a$ . Hence it must leave through  $\|x\| = r$

Converse Thm

Def: The eq. pt.  $x=0$  of  $\dot{x} = f(t, x)$  is

exponentially stable if  $\exists c, k, \lambda$  s.t.  
 (\*)  $\|x(t)\| \leq k \|x(t_0)\| e^{-\lambda(t-t_0)}$ ,  $\forall \|x(t_0)\| < c$   
 & globally exp. stable if (\*) is satisfied for any initial state  $x(t_0)$ .

# Clearly exp. stable  $\Rightarrow$  asymp. stable.

Thm: Let  $x=0$  be an eq. pt. of  $\dot{x} = f(x)$ , where  $f(x)$  is  $C^1$  in some neighborhood of  $x=0$ .  
 Let  $A = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=0}$ . Then  $x=0$  is exponentially stable eq. pt. for  $\dot{x} = f(x)$  iff  $A$  is Hurwitz.

Ex:  $\dot{x} = -x^3$   $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=0} = 0 \rightarrow$  By thm, '0' is not exponentially stable.

# But asymp. stable  $\rightarrow V(x) = x^4$

$\dot{V}(x) = 4x^3 \dot{x} = -4x^6 < 0 \Rightarrow$  asymp. stable.

More non-local thm (over all region of attraction)

Thm: Let  $x=0$  be an asymp. stable eq. pt. for  $\dot{x} = f(x)$ , where  $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is locally Lipschitz &  $0 \in D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . Let

$R_A \subset D$  be the region of attraction of  $x=0$ .  
Then there is a smooth p.d. fcn  $V(x)$   
& a continuous p.d. fcn  $W(x)$ , both  
defined over all  $x \in R_A$ , s.t.

$$V(x) \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } x \rightarrow \partial R_A$$
$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f(x) \leq -W(x), \quad \forall x \in R_A$$

& for any  $c > 0$ ,  $\{x \mid V(x) \leq c\}$  is a  
compact subset of  $R_A$ . When  $R_A = \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  
 $V(x)$  is radially unbdd.