

Math 677.  
Lecture 16.

$$\dot{x} = f(x, t) \quad (2) \quad \dot{x} = Ax \quad (1)$$

$$A = Df(0)$$

$\{0\}$  - equilibrium

To study stability, it is useful to use

Substitution  $x = r \cos \theta$  in 2d  
 $y = r \sin \theta$

2 useful relations:  $r \cdot \dot{r} = x \cdot \dot{x} + y \cdot \dot{y}$   
 $r^2 \dot{\theta} = x \dot{y} - y \dot{x}$

Cases:

1)  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $0 < r_0 < \delta, \theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}$

$r(t, r_0, \theta_0) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

$\exists \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \theta(t, r_0, \theta_0)$

$\Rightarrow$  stable node



$\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $0 < r_0 < \delta, \theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}$

$r(t, r_0, \theta_0) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow -\infty$

$\exists \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \theta(t, r_0, \theta_0)$

$\Rightarrow$  unstable node



2)  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $0 < r_0 < \delta, \theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}$

$r(t, r_0, \theta_0) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

$|\theta(t, r_0, \theta_0)| \rightarrow \infty$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

$\Rightarrow$  stable focus



$r(t, r_0, \theta_0) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow -\infty$

$|\theta(t, r_0, \theta_0)| \rightarrow \infty$

$\Rightarrow$  unstable focus



3)  $\exists \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

$\Gamma_3, \Gamma_4 \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow -\infty$



4)  $\{0\}$  is such that  $\forall \delta > 0 N_\delta(0)$  contains a closed curve (trajectory)  $\Rightarrow$  center.

5) center-focus  
 sequence of  $\Gamma_{n+1} \subset \text{Int}(\Gamma_n)$ ,  $\Gamma_n \rightarrow \emptyset$   
 $n \rightarrow \infty$   
 trajectories between  $\Gamma_n$  &  $\Gamma_{n+1}$   
 spiral toward  $\Gamma_n$  or  $\Gamma_{n+1}$ .

Thm. (Bendixson)

$E \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  - open,  $\{0\} \in E$

$f \in C^1(E)$

$\{0\}$  - isolated crit. pt. of (2)

$\Rightarrow$  Either every  $N(0)$  contains a closed  
 solution curve containing  $\{0\}$ , or  
 there is a trajectory approaching  $\{0\}$   
 as  $t \rightarrow \pm \infty$ .

Thm.  $P(x,y), Q(x,y)$  - ~~any~~ analytic in  $x,y$   
 in  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $\{0\} \in E$

Suppose Taylor expansions of  $P, Q$   
 about  $\{0\}$  begin with  $m$ -th degree  
 terms  $P_m, Q_m, m \geq 1$

Then system  $\dot{x} = P(x,y)$   
 $\dot{y} = Q(x,y)$

has trajectories that approach  $\{0\}$   
 as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  either in a spiral or  
 by a definite direction  $\theta = \theta_0$ .

If  $xQ_m - yP_m \neq 0$  then all directions  
 satisfy

$$\cos \theta_0 Q_m - \sin \theta_0 P_m = 0$$

Moreover, if one trajectory spirals  
 toward  $\{0\}$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , then in  $N(\{0\}) \setminus \{0\}$   
 all of them will spiral toward  $\{0\}$ .

# Summary of nonlinear stability:

Linear (1)

Nonlinear (2)

1)  $f \in C^1(E)$

node	↔	node
		focus
focus	↔	focus
saddle	↔	saddle
center	↔	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <span style="font-size: 2em; margin-right: 5px;">{</span> <div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column; gap: 5px;"> <span>center</span> <span>focus</span> <span>center-focus</span> </div> </div>

2)  $f \in C^1(E)$ ,

$f$ -symmetric in  $x$ -axis,  $y$ -axis  
 (2) does not change if substitution  $(t, x) \rightarrow (t, -x)$  ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> made  
 or  $(t, y) \rightarrow (t, -y)$   
 same, except for:

center	↔	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <span style="font-size: 2em; margin-right: 5px;">{</span> <div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column; gap: 5px;"> <span>center</span> <span><del>focus</del></span> </div> </div>
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3)  $f \in C^2(E)$

node	↔	node
focus	↔	focus
saddle	↔	saddle
center	↔	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <span style="font-size: 2em; margin-right: 5px;">{</span> <div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column; gap: 5px;"> <span>center</span> <span>focus</span> <span>center-focus</span> </div> </div>

4)  $f \in C^\infty(E)$

center	↔	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <span style="font-size: 2em; margin-right: 5px;">{</span> <div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column; gap: 5px;"> <span>center</span> <span>focus</span> </div> </div>
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Ex. 1

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = y + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \cdot x \\ \dot{y} = -x + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \cdot y \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r \cdot \dot{r} &= x \cdot \dot{x} + y \cdot \dot{y} \\ &= \cancel{xy} + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \cdot x^2 - \cancel{xy} + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \cdot y^2 \\ &= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} (x^2 + y^2) = r^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{r} = r^2 \quad r = \frac{1}{r_0 - t}, \quad r_0 = \frac{1}{f(0)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r(t) &\rightarrow \infty \text{ as } t \rightarrow r_0 \\ r(t) &\rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow -\infty \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 \dot{\theta} &= x \dot{y} - y \dot{x} = -x^2 + xy \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - y^2 - xy \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \\ &= -r^2 \Rightarrow \dot{\theta} = -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\theta = -t + C \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } t \rightarrow -\infty$$

$\Rightarrow \{0\}$  - unstable focus.

Ex. 2  $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = y + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \cdot x \\ \dot{y} = -x - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \cdot y \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow \dot{r} = 0 \Rightarrow$  center

Ex. 3  $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = y - (x^2 + y^2) \cdot x \\ \dot{y} = -x - y(x^2 + y^2) \end{cases}$

asympt. stable focus

$$\frac{1}{2} \dot{r}^2 = -(r^2)^2$$

$$r^2(t) = \frac{c}{1 + 2ct} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

Ex. 4  $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = y + xy^3 - y^7 \\ \dot{y} = x + xy^2 - y^6 \end{cases} \quad (t, y) \rightarrow (t, -y)$

$$\begin{cases} -\dot{x} = -y + xy^3 - y^7 \\ \dot{y} = -x + xy^2 - y^6 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \dot{z} = y + zy^3 - y^7 \\ \dot{y} = z + zy^2 - y^6 \end{cases}$$

same as original

~~same for  $(t, y) \rightarrow (t, y)$~~   $\Rightarrow$

we have  $f(x, t)$  - symmetric in  $y$ -axis and  $y$ -axis

$\Rightarrow \{0\}$  - center.

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= y, \quad \dot{y} = -x \quad (1) \\ \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} &= A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ (0, 0) &\text{ - center for (1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 &= x^2 + y^2 \\ \theta &= \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \end{aligned}$$

# Center Manifold Theory

Hartman-Grobman Thm :  $\{k_0\}$ -hyperbolic  
 $\Rightarrow$  qualitatively (1) is  
top. equivalent to (2).

Thm.  $f \in C^r(E)$ ,  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  - open,  $\exists \delta \in E$ ,  $r \geq 1$   
 $f(0) = 0$ ,  $Df(0) = 0$ .

has  $\downarrow$   
 $C$  eig. values  $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) = 0$   $s + c = n$   
 $S$  eig. values  $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0$

Then  $\dot{x} = f(x)$  can be written as

$$\dot{x} = Cx + F(x, y), \quad C - \text{eig. v. } \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) = 0$$

$$\dot{y} = Py + G(x, y), \quad P - \text{eig. v. } \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0$$

$$F(0) = G(0) = 0, \quad DF(0) = DG(0) = 0.$$

$\exists \delta > 0$ ,  $h \in C^r(N_\delta(0))$  that defines  
local center manifold:

$$W_{loc}^c(0) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^c \times \mathbb{R}^s \mid y = h(x), |x| < \delta\}$$

and  $h$  satisfies

$$(CM) \quad Df(x) [Cx + F(x, h)] - Ph - G(x, h) = 0$$

$|x| < \delta$

The flow on CM  $W_{loc}^c(0)$  is then

$$\dot{x} = Cx + F(x, h(x)), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^c, |x| < \delta.$$

Ex.  $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = xy - x^5 \\ \dot{y} = -y + x^2 \end{cases}$

$A = Df(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c & 0 \\ 0 & p \end{pmatrix}$   
 $c = [0], p = [-1]$

$c = s = 1$   
 $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = Cx + F \\ \dot{y} = Py + G \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} F = xy - x^5 \\ G = x^2 \end{cases}$

To find  $h$ :  $h(x) = ax^2 + bx^3 + o(x^4)$   
 $Df(x) = 2ax + 3bx^2 + o(x^3)$

Plug into (01):  $(2ax + 3bx^2 + \dots)(ax^2 + bx^3 + \dots - x^5) + ax^2 + bx^3 + \dots - x^2 = 0$

$a = 1, p = 0, c = 0 \Rightarrow h = x^2 + o(x^3)$   
 $y = h(x)$

Flow equation:  
 $\dot{x} = Cx + F(x, h) = x^4 + o(x^5)$

