

Stability of nonlinear systems

Exercises session 2: Lyapunov functions

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Ex. 1: Given the continuous time system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = -x_1 + x_2^2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_2 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Show that

1. the $(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2) = (0, 0)$ is an equilibrium point
2. and study its stability through the linearized system.

Given the function $V(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 + x_2^2)$, $\forall x_1, x_2 \neq 0$

3. Check that it is in fact a suitable Lyapunov function
4. and study the stability of the system with the given function

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and the function $V(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 + x_2^2) \geq 0$,

1. Check that $V(x)$ is a Lyapunov function,
2. study the stability of the origin of the system for $k = 0$
3. and for $k \neq 0$

Ex. 3: Given the continuous time system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_2 - \alpha x_1 - (x_1 + x_2)^2 x_2 \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

with $\alpha > 0$ and the function $V(x) = \alpha x_1^2 + x_2^2$

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2. Use the following Lyapunov function to study the stability of the system, $V(x) = x_1^2(k) + x_2^2(k)$.

Ex. 5: Given the following differential equation

$$\dot{x} = -x^2 + 3x - 2 \quad (5)$$

and the steady state control input $\bar{u} = 2$

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1) $\frac{\partial \bar{x}}{\partial t} \Big|_{\bar{x}} = 0 \Rightarrow \dot{\bar{x}} = 0$ $\begin{cases} 0 = -x_1 + x_2^2 \rightarrow 0 = -\bar{x}_1 + 0 \Rightarrow \bar{x}_1 = 0 \\ 0 = -x_2 \rightarrow \bar{x}_2 = 0 \end{cases}$
[check for equilibrium]

$(0, 0)$ is an equilibrium of our system

2) stability \rightarrow linearize the system: (around equilibrium) $(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2) = (0, 0)$
(autonomous syst, so mat $\partial/\partial x$)

$$\begin{cases} \delta \dot{x}_1 = \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} \Big|_{\bar{x}} \delta x_1 + \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \Big|_{\bar{x}} \delta x_2 = -1 \delta x_1 + 2 \cancel{\bar{x}_2} \delta x_2 \\ \delta \dot{x}_2 = \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} \Big|_{\bar{x}} \delta x_1 + \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \Big|_{\bar{x}} \delta x_2 = 0 \delta x_1 - 1 \delta x_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \delta \dot{x}_1 = -\delta x_1 \\ \delta \dot{x}_2 = -\delta x_2 \end{cases}$$
 We just need to study linearized system stability
 $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ diag matrix, so eig(A):

$$\begin{aligned} s_1 &= -1 & \text{Re}(s) < 0 \forall s \\ s_2 &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

Locally Asymp. stable
because around equilibrium

- $s_i < 0 \forall i$ Locally asymp. stable
- If $\exists i: s_i > 0$ unstable (globally)
- If $\exists i: s_i = 0 \rightarrow$ anything can be said!

3) we need to check 3 properties of $V(x)$ to ensure good Lyap func

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

- 1. positive definite ✓ $V(x) > 0$
- 2. continuously differentiable ✓ $V(x) \in C^1$
- 3. radially unbounded ✓
($V(x) \rightarrow +\infty$ as $\|x\| \rightarrow \infty$)

Yes, suitable
Lyap function

4) check stability through $\dot{V}(x)$:

by checking when $\dot{V}(x) \leq 0$

(continuous time systems)

$\dot{V}(x) < 0$ GLOBAL asympt $\forall x$

↪ $\dot{V} \leq 0$ check for which one $\dot{V}(x) = 0$

$$\dot{V}(x) = \frac{dV}{dx} \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} (2x_1 \dot{x}_1 + 2x_2 \dot{x}_2) = x_1(-\dot{x}_1 + x_2^2) + x_2(-\dot{x}_2) = -x_1^2 - x_2^2 + (x_1 x_2^2) < 0 ?$$

his sign depends... overall

(2 approaches):

① Approx

$$\dot{V}(x) = -x_1^2 - x_2^2 + x_1 x_2^2 \underset{\substack{\approx 0 \\ 3^{\text{RD}} \text{ gest} \\ \& faster}}{\simeq} -x_1^2 - x_2^2 + O(x^3) < 0 !$$

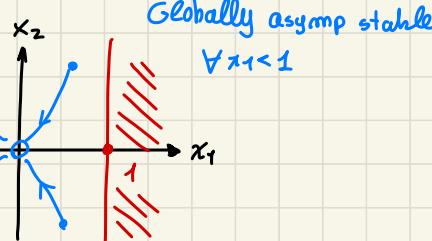
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"Locally" valid
because we get info near $(0,0)$

Locally
asympt
stable

②

rewrite $\dot{V}(x) = -x_1^2 + x_2^2 (-1 + x_1)$ → define a range of x for which $\dot{V}(x) < 0$ so asympt stable



II ORD syst:

we can plot
our analysis

{ found
by
Lyapunov }

→ attraction

Globally asympt stable

$\forall x_1 < 1$

Lyapunov is sufficient: how to study Globally behav...

study trajectory of the system (not always explicitly computable)

↓

solving diff. equations

$$\dot{x}_2 = -x_2 \rightarrow x_2(t) = x_2(0) e^{-t}$$

Substitute it in

$$\dot{x}_1 = -x_1 + \underbrace{(x_2(0)e^{-t})^2}_{V: \text{Forcing input for I STATE}} = -x_1 + V(t)$$

↓

Global

traj of

state over time

$$x_1(t) = x_1(0) e^{-t} + (e^{-t} - e^{-2t}) x_2(0)^2$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x_2(t) = 0 \quad \left. \right\} \text{goes to equilibrium!}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x_1(t) = 0 \quad \left. \right\} \forall x_1(0), x_2(0) \text{ the syst goes to origin for } t \rightarrow \infty$$

↓
GLOBALLY
Asymp. stable

[Lyap. funct is just sufficient,
we just know a limited region of attraction
but it can be Globally any way]

Ex. 2: Given the following parametric system **on parameter K**

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_1(k^2 - x_1^2 - x_2^2) + x_2(k^2 + x_1^2 + x_2^2) \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_1(k^2 + x_1^2 + x_2^2) + x_2(k^2 - x_1^2 - x_2^2) \end{cases}$$

and the function $V(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 + x_2^2) \geq 0$,

- 1. Check that $V(x)$ is a Lyapunov function,
- 2. study the stability of the origin of the system for $k = 0$
- 3. and for $k \neq 0$

1) same as EX.1 \Rightarrow $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1) \text{pos. def } \checkmark \\ 2) \text{continuously differentiable } \checkmark \rightarrow \text{OK} \\ 3) \text{Radially unb. } \checkmark \end{array} \right.$

2) $V(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 + x_2^2) \rightarrow \dot{V}(x) < 0 ?$ for which values...

$$\dot{V}(x) = \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} = x_1 \dot{x}_1 + x_2 \dot{x}_2 = x_1^2(k^2 - x_1^2 - x_2^2) + x_1 x_2 (k^2 + x_1^2 + x_2^2) +$$

\downarrow $\stackrel{(x_1, x_2) \text{ of}}{\text{s.s. represent.}}$ $+ x_2(-x_1)(k^2 + x_1^2 + x_2^2) + x_2^2(k^2 - x_1^2 - x_2^2)$

$$\dot{V}(x) = (x_1^2 + x_2^2)(k^2 - x_1^2 - x_2^2) \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{for which values} \\ \dot{V} < 0 ? \end{array} \right]$$

for $K=0$

$$\dot{V}(x) = \underbrace{(x_1^2 + x_2^2)}_{\text{always} > 0} \underbrace{(-x_1^2 - x_2^2)}_{< 0} < 0 \quad \forall x \neq (0,0)$$

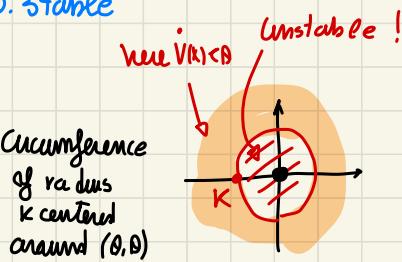
\hookrightarrow ORIGIN GLOBALLY ASYMP. STABLE

3) for $K \neq 0$

$$\dot{V}(x) = \underbrace{(x_1^2 + x_2^2)}_{> 0} \underbrace{(k^2 - x_1^2 - x_2^2)}_{< 0 ?} < 0 \rightarrow x_1^2 + x_2^2 > k^2$$

the ORIGIN lies inside UNSTABLE REGION!

$\Rightarrow \forall K \neq 0$ OUR SYSTEM IS UNSTABLE!



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with $\alpha > 0$ and the function $V(x) = \alpha x_1^2 + x_2^2$

[parametric Lyap function]

1. Check that $V(x)$ is a Lyapunov function,
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1) Lyap func? \rightarrow ① $\alpha > 0 \rightarrow$ pos-def ✓

② $V(x) \in C^1$ ✓ \rightarrow suitable Lyap func

③ Radially umb. ✓

2) $\bar{x} = (0, 0)$ is an equilibrium

$$\dot{V}(x) = \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_1} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_2} \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial t} = 2\alpha x_1 \dot{x}_1 + 2x_2 \dot{x}_2 =$$

$$= 2\alpha x_1 x_2 + 2x_2 (-x_2 - \alpha x_1 - (x_1 + x_2)^2 x_2) =$$

$$= 2\alpha x_1 x_2 - 2x_2^2 - 2\alpha x_1 x_2 - 2x_2^2 (x_1 + x_2)^2$$

↓

$$\dot{V}(x) = \underbrace{-2x_2^2}_{\leq 0} \underbrace{(1 + (x_1 + x_2)^2)}_{> 0 \text{ always}} \leq 0 \quad \forall x \text{ but here}$$

$$\dot{V}(x) = 0 \quad \forall (x_1, 0)$$

↑ independently from the value of x_1

{ NO INFO about origin } $\leftarrow \dot{V}(x) = 0 \quad \forall x_1 \neq 0$
stability!

↓

We need to use Krasowski-Lesecce Th for that cases when $\dot{V}(x) = 0$

"energetically" $\dot{V}(x)$ is the energy change $\rightarrow \dot{V}(x) < 0 =$ "dissipation of energy by the syst"

(When $\dot{V}(x) = 0$ system fixed on a certain energy state
↳ check if traj where $\dot{V} = 0$?)

$\dot{V} = 0$ only one equilibrium point \rightarrow asympt. stable..

If for some $x \neq \text{eq}$ $\dot{V} = 0$ (No conclusions!)

$$\dot{V}(x) = 0 \rightarrow x_2 = 0$$

from our model
when $x_2 = 0$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = 0 \\ \dot{x}_2 = -\theta - \alpha x_1 - \theta = -(\alpha)x_1 \end{cases}$$

$\dot{x}_2 = 0$ only if
 $x_1 = 0$

$\theta > 0$ always

only traj such that $\dot{V} = 0$
is the origin! \rightarrow origin asym stable

for Krasowski Lesecke

3) Characterize

traj of state around origin (can be done by lin. syst)

using the eig values of linearized syst I know how it behaves

Linearized syst: $\begin{cases} \delta \dot{x}_1 = \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} \Big|_{\bar{x}} \delta x_1 + \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \Big|_{\bar{x}} \delta x_2 \rightarrow \delta \dot{x}_1 = \delta x_2 \\ (\text{around } \bar{x} = (0,0)) \quad \delta \dot{x}_2 = \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} \Big|_{\bar{x}} \delta x_1 + \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \Big|_{\bar{x}} \delta x_2 \rightarrow \delta \dot{x}_2 = -\alpha \delta x_1 + (-\delta x_2) \end{cases}$

find eig values
(to characterize)
(+ traj) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\alpha & -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow$ compute eig values as solution of
 $\det(SI - A) = 0$

$\uparrow [1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1]$ identity g A order

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -\alpha & -1 \end{pmatrix} = s^2 + s + \alpha = 0 \quad \downarrow \quad S_{1,2} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1-4\alpha}}{2}$$

(2 eig values of syst)

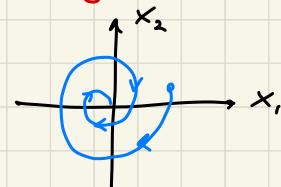
wrt varying α value.

a. $1-4\alpha < 0$ (Im eig val)

$\rightarrow \alpha > 1/4$

$$S_{1,2} = -\frac{1}{2} \pm i \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{4\alpha-1} \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{complex} \\ \text{conj stable} \\ \text{pales} \end{array} \right\}$$

stable focus



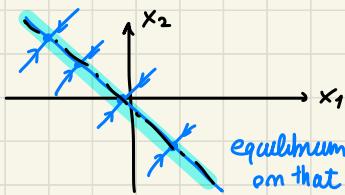
b. $\alpha = 0$

$$\lambda_1 = -1$$

stable
eig val

$$\lambda_2 = 0$$

null eig
value



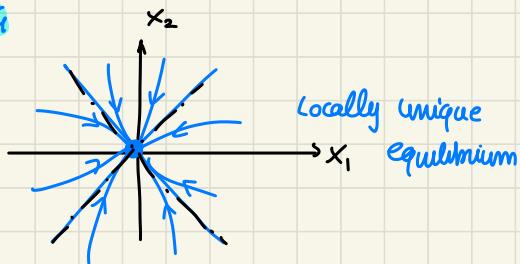
equilibrium rays
on that line
reaching with
that traj

c.

$$0 < \alpha < 1/4$$

$$\lambda_{1,2} < 0$$

Re eig val



Locally unique
equilibrium

Ex. 4: Given the following discrete time system

$$\begin{cases} x_1(k+1) = x_2(k) \cdot \cos(x_1(k)) \\ x_2(k+1) = x_1(k) \cdot \cos(x_2(k)) \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

1. Study the stability of the origin of the linearized system,
2. Use the following Lyapunov function to study the stability of the system, $V(x) = x_1^2(k) + x_2^2(k)$.

1) $\begin{cases} \delta x_1(k+1) = \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} \Big|_{\bar{x}} \delta x_1 + \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \Big|_{\bar{x}} \delta x_2 \rightarrow \delta x_1(k+1) = -\sin(\bar{x}_1) \bar{x}_2 \delta x_1(k) + \cos(\bar{x}_1) \delta x_2(k) \\ \delta x_2(k+1) = \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} \Big|_{\bar{x}} \delta x_1 + \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \Big|_{\bar{x}} \delta x_2 \rightarrow \delta x_2(k+1) = \cos(\bar{x}_2) \delta x_1(k) + (-\sin(\bar{x}_2) \bar{x}_1) \delta x_2(k) \end{cases}$

$$\begin{cases} \delta x_1(k+1) = \delta x_2 \\ \delta x_2(k+1) = \delta x_1 \end{cases} \rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

anti-diag matrix
make conclusion from
lin. syst

$$\text{eig}(A) \Rightarrow \det(2I - A) = 2^2 - 1 = 0 \quad \lambda_{1,2} = \pm 1$$

discr. time $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{asym stable} \\ \text{one eig. inside } |z| < 1 \end{array} \right.$
 NO INFO about stability

lin. simply stable \downarrow ← on the unitary circle!
 NOTHING can be inferred about syst. stability

2) $V(x) = x_1^2(k) + x_2^2(k) \rightarrow$ suitable Lyapunov

$\begin{cases} 1. \text{ pos def } \checkmark \\ 2. \text{ cont. differentiable } \checkmark \rightarrow \text{OK!} \\ 3. \text{ radially unib } \checkmark \end{cases}$

property 3 guarantee that the conclusions are global

$$\Delta V(x) = V(x(k+1)) - V(x(k)) =$$

$$= \underbrace{x_2^2(k) \cos^2(x_1(k)) + x_1^2(k) \cos^2(x_2(k))}_{V(x(k+1))} - \underbrace{x_1^2(k) - x_2^2(k)}_{V(x(k))} =$$

$$= -x_1^2(k)(1 - \cos^2(x_2(k))) - x_2^2(k)(1 - \cos^2(x_1(k))) = -x_1^2(k) \sin^2(x_2(k)) - x_2^2(k) \sin^2(x_1(k))$$

$\Delta V(x) \leq 0 \text{ always!}$

$\nabla V(X) = 0$ both for $\begin{cases} \bullet X_1 = 0, \forall X_2 \\ \bullet X_2 = 0, \forall X_1 \end{cases}$ Nothing can be concluded by Lyapunov

here with multiple conditions to check

$\Leftarrow \begin{cases} \text{KRAZOWSKI-LESELLÉ} \\ \text{hard to apply} \end{cases}$

(condition 1) $X_1 = 0$

$$\begin{cases} X_1(k+1) = \bar{X}_2 \cos(0) \\ X_2(k+1) = 0 \cos(\bar{X}_2) \end{cases}$$

@ $K=0$

$$\begin{cases} X_1(0) = 0 \cos(\bar{X}_2) = 0 \\ X_2(0) = \bar{X}_2 \cos(0) = \bar{X}_2 \end{cases} \dots$$

evolution of syst over time

@ $K=0$ with $X_1(0)=0, X_2(0)=\bar{X}_2$

$$\begin{cases} X_1(1) = \bar{X}_2 \\ X_2(1) = 0 \end{cases} \text{ over time... from initial condition the two values swap oscillation!}$$

undamped oscillation $(0, \bar{X}_2) \rightarrow (\bar{X}_2, 0) \rightarrow (0, \bar{X}_2) \dots$

(condition 2) $X_2 = 0$

With $X_1(0) = \bar{X}_1, X_2(0) = 0$

@ $K=0$

$$\begin{cases} X_1(1) = X_2(0) \cos(X_1(0)) = 0 \\ X_2(1) = \bar{X}_1 \cos(\bar{X}_2(0)) = \bar{X}_1 \end{cases} \dots$$

also here $(0, \bar{X}_1) \rightarrow (\bar{X}_1, 0) \dots$

$X_1(0)$ undamped oscillation

developing trajectory on this example

analyzing

traj \rightarrow (simply stable system) because undamped oscillation

Ex. 5 Given the following differential equation

$$\dot{x} = -x^2 + 3x - \bar{u}(t) \quad \text{I ORD system (to get graphical study)} \quad (5)$$

and the steady state control input $\bar{u} = 2$

1. find the equilibrium of the system for $\bar{u} = 2$.
2. Study the plane $\dot{x} - x$ to determine the stability of the equilibrium and the region of attraction.
3. Verify the results with the Lyapunov function $V(x - \hat{x}) = \frac{1}{2}(x - \hat{x})^2$

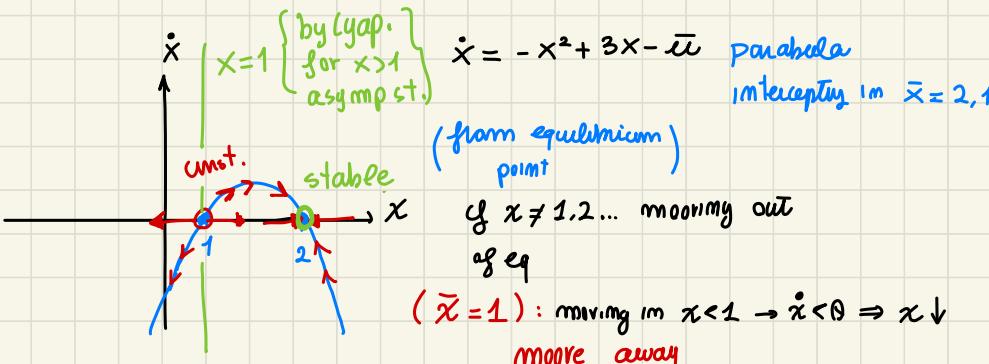
1) We know $\bar{u} = 2$

$$\rightarrow \text{set } \dot{x} = 0, \quad 0 = -\bar{x}^2 + 3\bar{x} - \bar{u}$$

$$\bar{x}_{1,2} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9-8}}{2} \quad \begin{array}{l} \bar{x}_1 = 2 \\ \bar{x}_2 = 1 \end{array}$$

candidate
equilibrium for
 $\bar{u} = 2$ control
input!

2) cartesian plane $\dot{x} - x$ (only for I ORD syst)



We go away \leftarrow moving in $x > 1 \rightarrow \dot{x} > 0 \Rightarrow x \uparrow$
from $\bar{x} = 1$

UNSTABLE EQ.

($\bar{x} = 2$) moving in $x < 2 \rightarrow \dot{x} > 0 \Rightarrow x \uparrow$ come back
in $x > 2 \rightarrow \dot{x} < 0 \Rightarrow x \downarrow$
(stable equilibrium)

it can be verified

with Lyapunov

$$3) V(x - \bar{x}) = \frac{1}{2} (x - \bar{x})^2 \quad (\text{Lyapunov})$$

change of var to
be shure $V=0$ @ equilibrium

$$\dot{x} = x_2 \rightarrow \dot{x} = \bar{x}_2 = 2 \quad (\bar{x} = 2 \text{ constant})$$

$$\text{define } \Delta x = x - \bar{x} \Rightarrow \dot{\Delta x} = \dot{x} - \dot{\bar{x}}$$

$$V(\Delta x) = \frac{1}{2} \Delta x^2$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{pos def} \\ C^1 \\ \text{rad.umb} \end{array} \right\} \checkmark$
 DK

$$\dot{V}(\Delta x) = \frac{\partial V}{\partial \Delta x} \frac{\partial \Delta x}{\partial t} = \Delta x \cdot \dot{\Delta x} = \Delta x \dot{x} =$$

\downarrow diff eq.

$$= \Delta x (-x^2 + 3x - 2) =$$

\downarrow $\bar{x} = 2$, analyze for that control input

$$x = \Delta x + \bar{x}$$

$$\dot{V}(\Delta x) = \Delta x \left(-(\Delta x + \bar{x})^2 + 3(\Delta x + \bar{x}) - 2 \right) =$$

$$= \Delta x (-\Delta x^2 - \cancel{\bar{x}^2} - 2\Delta x \bar{x} + 3\Delta x + \cancel{3\bar{x}^2 - 2})$$

$$\downarrow \quad -\bar{x}^2 + 3\bar{x} - 2 = 0 \quad \text{as we find}$$

new equilibrium research

$$\dot{V}(\Delta x) = \Delta x (-\Delta x^2 - 2\bar{x}\Delta x + 3\Delta x) =$$

$$= (\Delta x^2) \underbrace{(-\Delta x - 2\bar{x} + 3)}_{>0 \text{ always}} \quad \text{check for which values } \dot{V}(\Delta x) < 0$$

$$-\Delta x - 2\bar{x} + 3 < 0 \Leftrightarrow \Delta x > 3 - 2\bar{x}$$

for our two equilibrium

• $\bar{x} = 1$

$$\dot{V}(\Delta x) = \Delta x^2 (-\Delta x - 2 + 3) = \Delta x^2 (-\Delta x + 1)$$

\downarrow

$$\dot{V}(\Delta x) \approx \Delta x^2 - \cancel{\Delta x^3} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{with approx} \\ \Delta x^3 \text{ higher order!} \end{array}$$

> 0 neglected here mean \bar{x}

in accordance

UNSTABLE! (not "Locally" → overall)

• $\bar{x} = 2$

\uparrow to previously
found results > 0 always

$$\dot{V}(\Delta x) = \Delta x^2 (-\Delta x - 4 + 3) = \Delta x^2 (-\Delta x - 1) \rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ approx. mean } \Delta x = 0$$

?

$\dot{V}(\Delta x) \approx -\Delta x^2 < 0$ locally asymp. st.

② analytically

$$-\Delta x - 1 < 0 \Leftrightarrow \Delta x > -1 \rightarrow x - \bar{x} > -1 \Rightarrow x > -1 + 2 = 1 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{region of} \\ \text{attraction} \end{array}$$

(neglect $\Delta x^3 \approx 0$) (approx) holds
only mean $\Delta x = 0$

$(\Delta x = x - \bar{x}) \quad \bar{x} = 2$

$x > -1 + 2 = 1$

0.1 Additional exercises

Ex. 6: Consider the following differential equation

$$\dot{x} = -x^3 \quad (6)$$

1. Study the equilibrium points of the system
2. and analyse its stability with both the linearized system
3. and using the Lyapunov function $V(x) = x^2$.

Ex. 7: Given the following system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_1 x_2^2 - x_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_1^2 x_2 \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

Study the stability of the origin using the Lyapunov function $V(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 + x_2^2)$.

Ex. 8: Given the following system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = -x_1^3 + x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_2^2 + u \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

and the Back-stepping formula (given at the exam)

$$u = -\frac{dV_1(x_1)}{dx_1}g(x_1) - k(x_2 - \phi_1(x_1)) + \frac{d\phi_1(x_1)}{dx_1}(f(x_1) + g(x_1)x_2) \quad (9)$$

Determine a control law stabilizing the origin using the Back-stepping method.

Ex. 9: Given the following system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = -x_1 x_2^2 - x_1 - x_2^3 + x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = x_1^4 - x_1^2 + x_1^2 x_2 - x_2 \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

and the phase plane in Figure 1

1. Study the equilibrium points of the system using the given phase plane,
2. verify the stability using the linearized system

and given the matrix

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (11)$$

and using Lyapunov theorem for linearized systems, assessing its stability property.

Hint: For continuous time systems use $A^T P + PA = -Q$

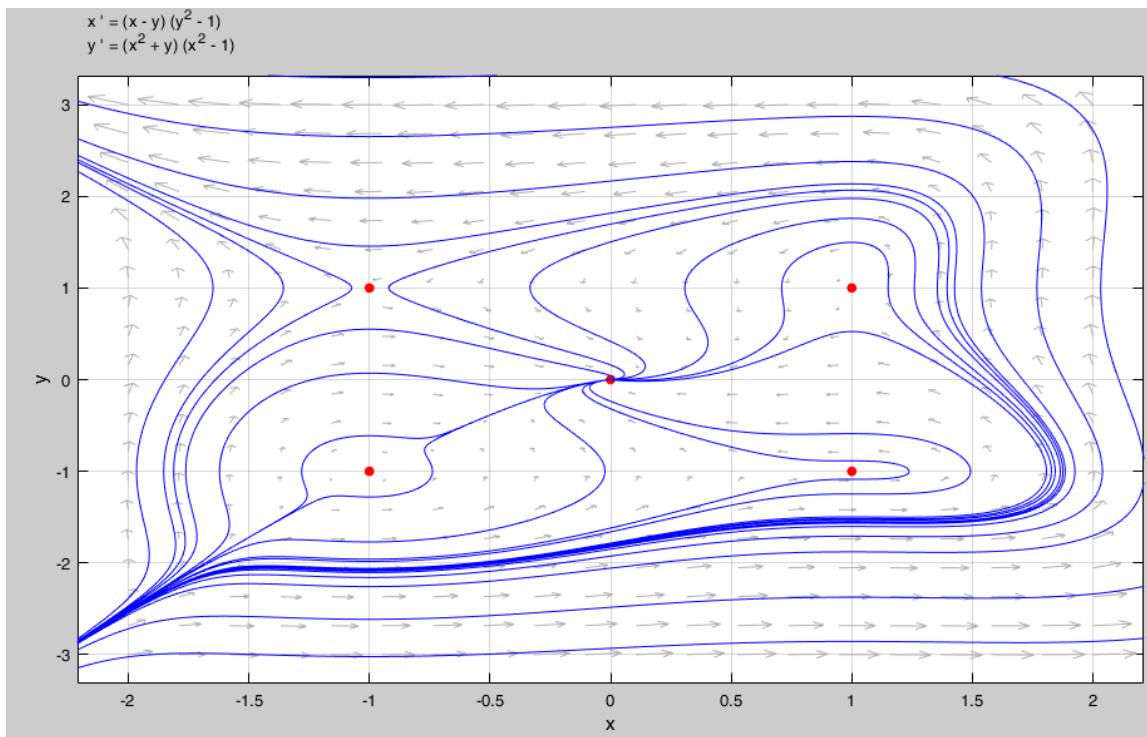


Figure 1: Phase plane of system given in exercise 9.