

## Invariance principle:

Example: (pendulum)

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -a \sin(x_1) - b x_2$$

- we tried  $\tilde{V}(x) = \frac{1}{2} x_2^2 + a(1 - \cos(x_1))$

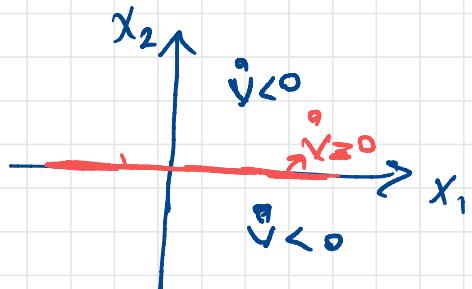
$$\Rightarrow \dot{\tilde{V}}(x) = -b x_2^2 \leq 0$$

-  $\dot{\tilde{V}}(x) = 0$  for all  $x$  on  $x_2 = 0$  line

$\dot{\tilde{V}}(x) < 0$  otherwise

- LaSalle's invariance thm

provides a tool to conclude about convergence  
of asymptotic behavior of solution when  $\dot{\tilde{V}} \leq 0$

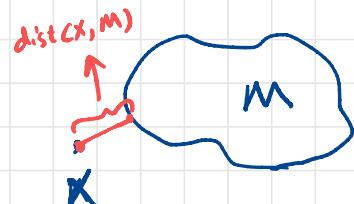


## Definitions:

- a set  $M$  is invariant under dyn.  $\dot{x} = f(x)$   
if  $x(0) \in M \Rightarrow x(t) \in M \forall t$
- $X(t)$  approaches the set  $M$ , or  $X(t) \rightarrow M$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$   
if  $\text{dist}(X(t), M) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$



$$\text{dist}(x, M) = \inf_{p \in M} \|x - p\|$$



## LaSalle theorem (thm 4.4 in Khalil)

- Suppose the solution  $X(t)$  is bounded  
or  $X(t) \in \Omega \quad \forall t$  for some compact set  $\Omega$
- Assume  $\dot{\psi}(x) \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in \Omega$  closed and bounded
- Let  $E = \{x \in \Omega \mid \dot{\psi}(x) = 0\}$
- Let  $M$  be largest invariant set in  $E$
- Then,  
$$X(t) \rightarrow M \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

## Remark

- $V$  is not necessarily p.d. in the theorem.
- Assumption that  $X(t)$  is bdd is important.

To ensure boundedness

- If  $V$  is p.d., then solutions starting near origin remain bounded (because of stability)
- If  $V$  is p.d + radially unbounded, then all solutions remain bounded.

## Corollary?

- Let  $V$  be pd and  $\dot{V}(x) \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in D$
- Let  $M$  be largest invariant set of  $E = \{x \in D \mid \dot{V}(x) = 0\}$
- If  $M = \{0\} \Rightarrow x(t) \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow x=0$  is AS as  $t \rightarrow \infty$
- If, moreover,  $V$  is radially unbounded and  $\dot{V}(x) \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in \underline{\mathbb{R}^n} \Rightarrow x=0$  is QAS
- Remark:  $M = \{0\}$  means that no solution can stay in  $E$  other than  $X(t) = 0$

Example: (pendulum)

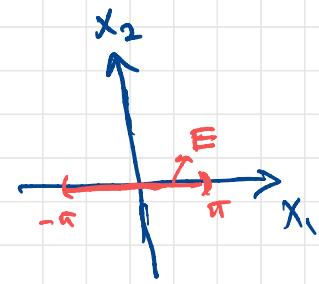
$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -\alpha \sin(x_1) - b x_2$$

$$\text{take } D = \{(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x_1 \in (-\pi, \pi)\}$$

$$\dot{V}(x) = -bx_2^2 \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in D$$

$$E = \{x \in D \mid \dot{V}(x) = 0\} = \{(x_1, x_2) \mid x_1 \in (-\pi, \pi), x_2 = 0\}$$



- We want to find the largest invariant set  $M$  in  $E$

$$\text{if } x(t) \in E \quad \forall t \Rightarrow x_2(t) = 0 \quad \forall t$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{x}_2(t) = 0 \quad \forall t$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(x_1(t)) = 0 \quad \forall t$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1(t) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  the only solution that stays in  $E$  is  $x(t) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow M = \{0\} \Rightarrow AS$$

- LaSalle's thm is also useful in convergence to an eqlb. set

Example: (adaptive control)

- Suppose we like to stabilize the system

$$\dot{x} = \theta^* x + u \quad \text{control input}$$

by designing the control

- If  $\theta^*$  is known, we can set  $u = -(\theta^* + 1)x$   
so that  $\dot{x} = -x \rightsquigarrow \text{stable}$

- Assume  $\theta^*$  is unknown. Let  $u = -(\hat{\theta} + 1)x$   
where  $\hat{\theta}$  is an estimate of  $\theta^*$   
- We adapt  $\hat{\theta}$  according to  $\dot{\hat{\theta}} = x^2$   
so that  $\hat{\theta}$  becomes large when  $x$  is not converging to zero

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= (\theta^* - \hat{\theta} - 1)x \\ \dot{\hat{\theta}} &= x^2\end{aligned}$$

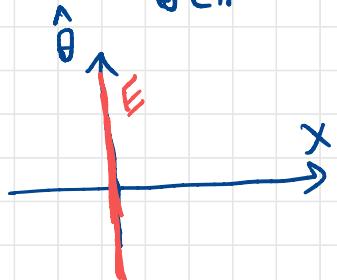
- Candidate Lyapunov Func.

$$V(x, \hat{\theta}) = \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{(\hat{\theta} - \theta^*)^2}{2}$$

- Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{V}(x, \hat{\theta}) &= [x, \hat{\theta} - \theta^*] \begin{bmatrix} (\theta^* - \hat{\theta})x \\ x^2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (\theta^* - \hat{\theta})x^2 + (\hat{\theta} - \theta^*)x^2 \\ &= -x^2 \leq 0\end{aligned}$$

-  $\mathbb{E} = \{(x, \hat{\theta}) \mid \dot{V}(x, \hat{\theta}) = 0\} = \{(x, \hat{\theta}) \mid x = 0, \hat{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}\}$



- By LaSalle,  $(x(t), \hat{\theta}(t)) \rightarrow M \subset \mathbb{E} \Rightarrow \boxed{x(t) \rightarrow 0}$

- The largest invariant set in  $\mathbb{E}$ , is  $\mathbb{E}$  itself

$$x(t) = 0 \Rightarrow \dot{\hat{\theta}}_{th} = x(t) = 0$$