

LECTURE 12 - DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS

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Discrete dynamical systems

Ex: We consider the IVP: $\begin{cases} y' = y \\ y(0) = 1 \end{cases}$. We know that the unique sol. of the IVP is $y: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, y(x) = e^x$

(i) Write the Euler's numerical formula with stepsize $h > 0$.

(ii) We prove that, for this IVP, the Euler's numerical method is convergent.

$$h_n = \frac{1}{n}, n \in \mathbb{N}^* \text{ (thus, } h_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0, (h_n) \text{ is decreasing)}$$

We take $x^* = 1$ (\Rightarrow we need n steps to reach $x_n = x^* = 1$)

We compute $y_n \approx y(x_n) = y(1) = e$.

Prove that $y_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} e$.

$$\begin{cases} y' = f(x, y) & h > 0 \\ y(x_0) = y_0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} x_{k+1} = x_k + h, k \geq 0 \\ y_{k+1} = y_k + h \cdot f(x_k, y_k), k \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} y' = y & h > 0 \\ y(0) = 1 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} x_{k+1} = x_k + h & x_0 = 0 \\ y_{k+1} = y_k + h \cdot y_k & y_0 = 1 \end{cases} \quad \dots \quad \begin{cases} x_k = k \cdot h, k \geq 0 \\ y_k = (1+h)y_{k-1}, k \geq 0 \\ y_0 = 1 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} x_k = k \cdot h, k \geq 0 \\ y_k = (1+h)^k, k \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$(ii) h = \frac{1}{n} \quad \begin{array}{c} \frac{1}{n} \frac{1}{n} \frac{1}{n} \frac{1}{n} \dots \\ \hline 0 \qquad \qquad \qquad x_n = 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{cases} x_k = \frac{k}{n}, k = \overline{0, n} \\ y_k = (1 + \frac{1}{n})^k, k = \overline{0, n} \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} x_n = 1 \\ y_n = (1 + \frac{1}{n})^n \approx y(1) = e, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = e \end{cases}$$

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the k^{th} iterate of f

$$(i) x_{k+1} = f(x_k), k \geq 0 \quad f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, n \geq 1, \text{continuous}$$

Remark: Start with $x_0 = \eta \in \mathbb{R}^n$ then $x_1 = f(\eta), x_2 = f(x_1) = f(f(\eta)) = f^2(\eta), \dots, x_k = f^k(\eta), \forall k \geq 0$
Any IVP has a unique sol. in the future.

Def: The positive orbit of the initial state $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is $\mathcal{O}_\eta^+ = \{\eta, f(\eta), f^2(\eta), \dots, f^k(\eta), \dots\}$

The orbit can be computed only when f is invertible: $\mathcal{O}_\eta^+ = \{\dots, f^{-k}(\eta), \dots, f^{-1}(\eta), f(\eta), f^2(\eta), \dots\}$.

Let $\eta^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$. We say η^* is a fixed point of f when $f(\eta^*) = \eta^*$ or equivalently $\eta^* = f(\eta^*)$.

Remark: If η^* -fixed point of $f \rightarrow \eta^*$ is a fixed point of $f^k, \forall k \geq 1$

Proof: $f(\eta^*) = \eta^* \Rightarrow f(f(\eta^*)) = f(\eta^*) \Rightarrow f^2(\eta^*) = \eta^* \dots$ the conclusion follows by induction

Def: Let η^* be a fixed point of f . We say that η^* is a stable f.p. of f when, $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ s.t. whenever $\|\eta - \eta^*\| < \delta$ we have that $\|f^k(\eta) - \eta^*\| < \varepsilon, \forall k \geq 0$.

We say that η^* is an attractor of f when $\exists p > 0$ s.t. whenever $\|\eta - \eta^*\| < p$ we have $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f^k(\eta) = \eta^*$

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Property: If $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f^k(\eta) = \tilde{\eta}$ then $\tilde{\eta}$ is a fixed point of f .

PF: $x_k \notin f^k(\eta) \Rightarrow x_{k+1} = f(x_k), \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f^k(\eta) = \tilde{\eta} \in \mathbb{R}^n, f$ is continuous \Rightarrow

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{k+1} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(x_k) = f(\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k) \Rightarrow \tilde{\eta} = f(\tilde{\eta}) \text{ is a f.p. of } f$$

Def: Let $\eta^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $p \in \mathbb{N}, p \geq 2$. We say that η^* is p -periodic point of f when $f^p(\eta^*) = \eta^*$ and η^* is not a fixed point of f, f^2, \dots, f^{p-1} .

Remark: Let η^* be a p -periodic point of f . Then the unique sol. of the IVP

$\begin{cases} x_{k+1} = f(x_k) \\ x_0 = \eta^* \end{cases}$ is $\eta^*, f(\eta^*), \dots, f^{p-1}(\eta^*), \eta^*, f(\eta^*), f^2(\eta^*), \dots, f^{p-1}(\eta^*), \eta^*$... and the positive orbit is $\{\eta^*, f(\eta^*), \dots, f^{p-1}(\eta^*)\}$ it is called a p -cycle.

Ex: Find the fixed points and the 2-periodic points of $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = 1 - 2x^2$.

$$\text{Find the fixed points: } f(x) = x \Leftrightarrow 1 - 2x^2 = x \Leftrightarrow 2x^2 + x - 1 = 0$$

$$\Delta = 1 + 8 = 9 \Rightarrow x_{1,2} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{3}}{2} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = -1 \\ x_2 = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

2 fixed points: $\eta_1^* = -1, \eta_2^* = \frac{1}{2}$. Find the 2-periodic points: $f^2(x) = x$

$$\begin{aligned} f^2(x) &= (f \circ f)(x) = f(f(x)) = 1 - 2(f(x))^2 = 1 - 2(1 - 2x^2)^2 = 1 - 2(1 - 4x^2 + 4x^4) = 1 - 2 + 8x^2 - 8x^4 = \\ &= -8x^4 + 8x^2 - 1, \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

$$f^2(x) = x \Leftrightarrow -8x^4 + 8x^2 - 1 = x \Leftrightarrow 8x^4 - 8x^2 + x + 1 = 0$$

We use that the fixed points of f are f.p. of $f^2 \Rightarrow -1$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ are roots of the eq $8x^4 - 8x^2 + x + 1 = 0$.

$$8x^4 - 8x^2 + x + 1 = (2x^2 + x - 1) \cdot g$$

$$\begin{aligned} 8x^4 - 8x^2 + x + 1 &= 4x^2(2x^2 + x - 1) - 4x^3 + 4x^2 - 8x^2 + x + 1 = \\ &= 4x^2(2x^2 + x - 1) - 2x(2x^2 + x - 1) + 2x^2 - 2x - 4x^2 + x + 1 = \\ &= 4x^2(2x^2 + x - 1) - 2x(2x^2 + x - 1) + 1 - 2x^2 - x = \\ &= (2x^2 + x - 1)(4x^2 - 2x - 1) \end{aligned}$$

We have to find the roots of $4x^2 - 2x - 1 = 0$, which are $\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{4}$ and $\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{4}$

$$\text{Check: } f\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{4}\right) = 1 - 2 \cdot \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{4}\right)^2 = 1 - 2 \cdot \frac{1-2\sqrt{5}+5}{16} = 1 - \frac{6-2\sqrt{5}}{8} = 1 - \frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{4} = \frac{4-3+\sqrt{5}}{4} = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{4}$$

$$f\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{4}\right) = 1 - 2 \cdot \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{4}\right)^2 = 1 - 2 \cdot \frac{1+2\sqrt{5}+5}{16} = 1 - \frac{6+2\sqrt{5}}{8} = 1 - \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{4} = \frac{4-3-\sqrt{5}}{4} = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{4}$$

$$\delta_{\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{4}}^+ = \delta_{\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{4}}^+ = \left\{ \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{4}, \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{4} \right\} \text{ the 2-cycle.}$$

Def: Let η^* be a p -periodic point of f . We say that the corresponding p -cycle δ_n^+ is stable/unstable attractor for f when η^* is a stable/unstable/attractor fixed point of f^p .

Remark: Let η^* be a p -periodic point of f & its corr. p -cycle is an attractor. Let $\eta \in A_{\eta^*}$, then: $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (f^p)^k(\eta) = \eta^* \quad (f^p)^k = f^{pk}$

$$\mathcal{F}_\eta^+ = \{\eta, f(\eta), f^2(\eta), \dots, f^{P-1}(\eta), -f^P(\eta), f^{P+1}(\eta), f^{P+2}(\eta), \dots, f^{P+q}(\eta)\},$$

$$f^{2P}(\eta), f(f^{2P}(\eta)), \dots \downarrow$$

$$\eta^* \quad f(\eta^*) \quad f^2(\eta^*) \dots f^{P-1}(\eta^*)$$

The linearization method to study the stability of fixed points of scalar maps:

Let η^* be a fixed point of the scalar map $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, which is C^1 .

If $|f'(\eta^*)| < 1$ then η^* is an attractor.

If $|f'(\eta^*)| > 1$ then η^* is unstable.

Remark: If $|f'(\eta^*)| = 1$, we say that η^* is not hyperbolic.

Ex: $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = 1 - 2x^2$ (scalar map)

Study the stab. of its fixed points $\eta_1^* = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \eta_2^* = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ and its 2-cycle $\left\{ \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}, \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right\}$

$f'(x) = -4x: f'(\eta_1^*) = f'\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = -4 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = -2\sqrt{2} \stackrel{LM}{<} 1$, the f -p $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ is unstable

$f'(\eta_2^*) = f'(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) = -4 \cdot (-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) = 2\sqrt{2} \stackrel{LM}{>} 1$, the f -p $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ is unstable

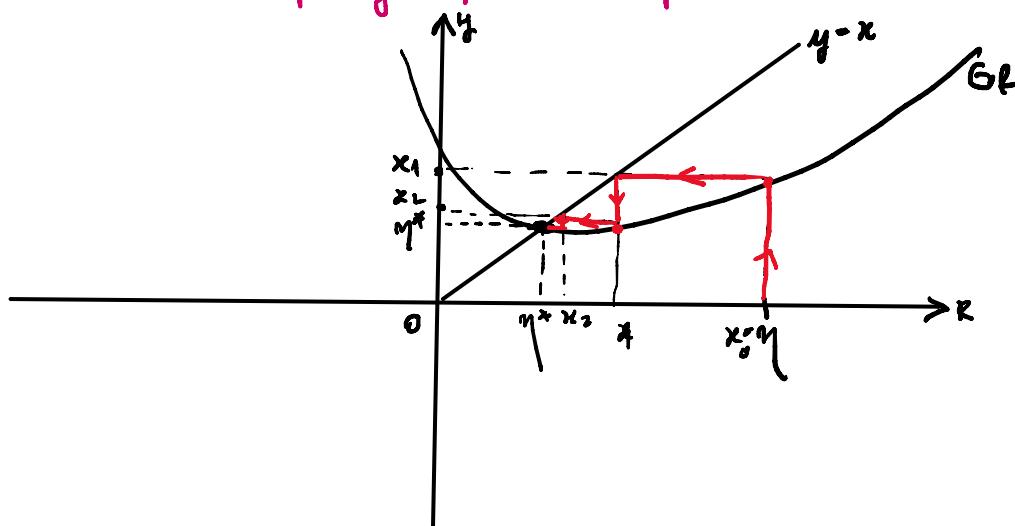
Recall: $f^2(x) = -3x^3 + 3x^2 - 1 \Rightarrow (f^2)'(x) = -9x^2 + 6x$

$$(f^2)'(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}) = -9 \cdot \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^2 + 6 \cdot \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right) = -9 \cdot \frac{(1-\sqrt{5})^2}{4} + 6(1-\sqrt{5}) =$$

$$= \frac{-(1-\sqrt{5})^2(1-\sqrt{5})}{4} + 6(1-\sqrt{5}) = (1-\sqrt{5}) \left(-\frac{6-2\sqrt{5}}{4} + 6 \right) = (1-\sqrt{5})(1+3\sqrt{5}) = (1-\sqrt{5})(1+\sqrt{5}) = 1-5 = -4$$

$\Rightarrow |(f^2)'(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2})| = 4 > 1 \Rightarrow$ the 2-cycle $\left\{ \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}, \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right\}$ is unstable.

The cobweb/stair-step diagram for scalar maps



$$f(x) = x$$

$$y = x$$

$$z_1 = f(x_1) \quad x_2 = f(z_1)$$

$$\begin{cases} y = x \\ x_0 = \eta \end{cases} \quad x_1 = f(\eta) \quad x_2 = f(x_1)$$

$$\text{HW: } f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{x}, f: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$