

# Lecture 13

## Applications of dynamical system theory

### 1) Harvesting renewable resources

Suppose that a pop. growth is described by  
the logistical model

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = rx(1 - \frac{x}{K}) \\ x(0) = x_0 \end{cases}$$

$r$  - unrestricted growth rate

$$r > 0$$

$K$  - environmental support  
constant

$$K > 0$$

Problem: for fixed parameters  $r$  and  $K$  determine  
the effect of harvesting.

#### a) Constant harvesting rate

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = rx(1 - \frac{x}{K}) - h \\ x(0) = x_0 \end{cases}$$

$h$  - the constant rate  
of harvesting.

$$h > 0$$

$$x' = f(x) \text{ where } f(x) = rx\left(1 - \frac{x}{K}\right) - h \\ = -\frac{r}{K}x^2 + rx - h$$

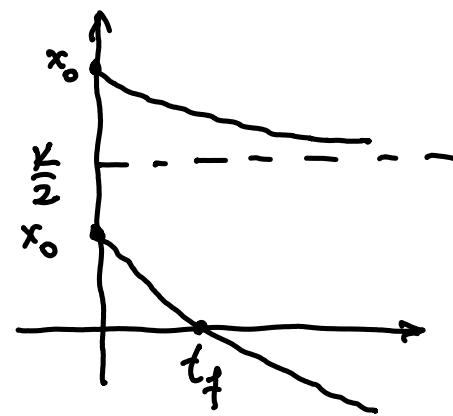
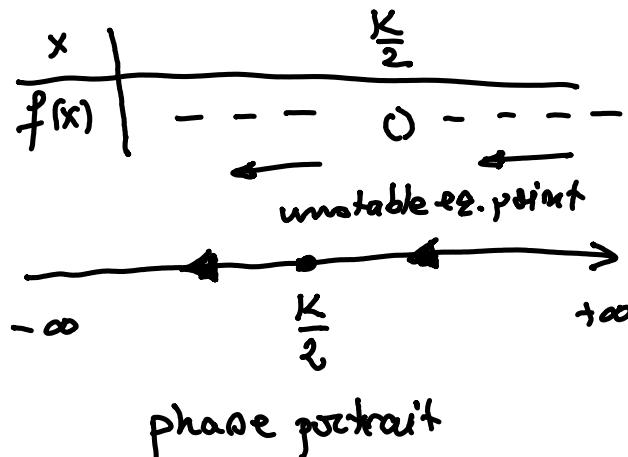
Equilibrium points

$$f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow -\frac{r}{K}x^2 + rx - h = 0$$

$$\Delta = r^2 - 4 \cdot \frac{r}{K} \cdot h = \underbrace{r}_{>0} \cdot \left(r - \frac{4h}{K}\right)$$

I  $\Delta = 0 \Leftrightarrow r - \frac{4h}{K} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \boxed{h = \frac{rK}{4}}$

$$x_1 = x_2 = -\frac{r}{2 \cdot (-\frac{r}{K})} = \frac{K}{2} \Rightarrow x^* = \frac{K}{2} \text{ eq. point.}$$



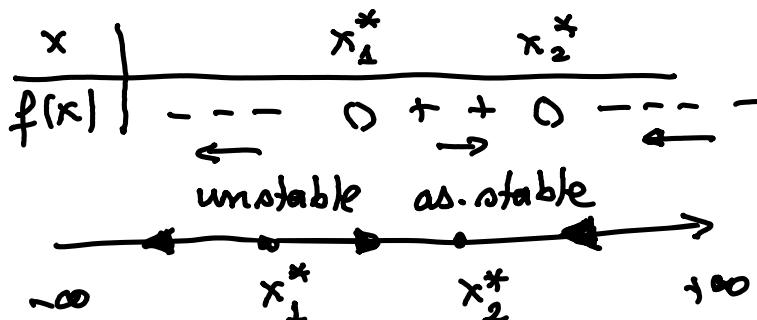
- if  $x_0 > \frac{k}{2}$  then  $x(t) \xrightarrow[t \rightarrow \infty]{} \frac{k}{2}$

- if  $x_0 \in (0, \frac{k}{2})$  then  $\exists t_f > 0$  such that  $x(t_f) = 0$

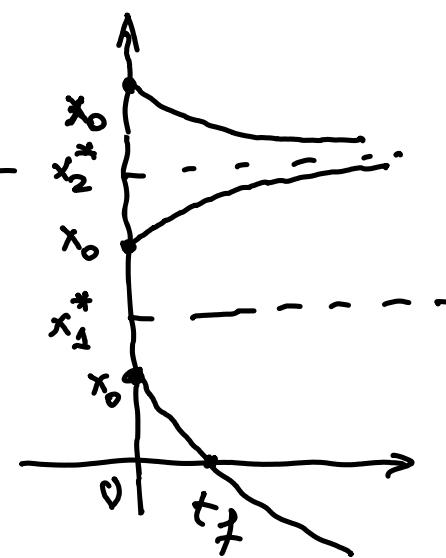
$$\text{II } D > 0 \Leftrightarrow R - \frac{4h}{K} > 0 \Leftrightarrow h < \frac{RK}{4}.$$

$$x_{1,2}^* = \frac{-R \pm \sqrt{R^2 - \frac{4Rh}{K}}}{-2 \cdot \frac{R}{K}} = \frac{K}{2R} \left( R \mp \sqrt{R^2 - \frac{4Rh}{K}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{1,2}^* > 0 \quad 0 < x_1^* < x_2^*$$



phase portrait



- if  $x_0 \in (0, x_1^*) \Rightarrow \exists t_f > 0$  s.t.  $x(t_f) = 0$

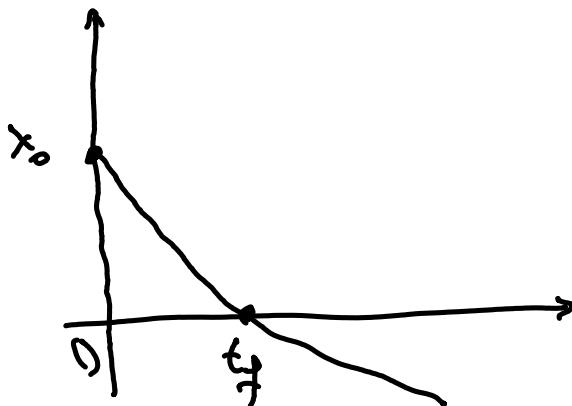
- if  $x_0 \in (x_1^*, +\infty) \Rightarrow x(t) \xrightarrow[t \rightarrow \infty]{} x_e^*$

III  $\Delta < 0 \Leftrightarrow h > \frac{rk}{4}$

$f(x) = 0$  has no real solutions  $\Rightarrow$  the diff. eq. has no equilibrium point



$\forall x_0 > 0 \Rightarrow \exists t_f > 0$   
s.t.  $x(t_f) = 0$



### Conclusion

- if the harvesting rate  $h$  satisfies

$$0 < h \leq \frac{rK}{4}$$

then there exists a threshold value  $x_T$  such that if the initial size of the pop.  $x_0$  is less than  $x_T$  then the pop. is exterminated in finite time

if the initial size of the pop.  $x_0$  is above  $x_T$  then the pop. will tend to an equilibrium sol.

$$\left( \begin{array}{ll} \text{I} & x_T = \frac{K}{2} > x^* = \frac{K}{2} \\ \text{II} & x_T = x_1^*, \quad x^* = x_2^* \end{array} \right)$$

- if the harvesting rate  $h$  satisfies

$$h > \frac{rK}{4}$$

then the pop. is exterminated in finite time regardless of its initial size  $x_0$  (the excessive harvesting).

b) The proportional rate harvesting

- the pop. is harvested with a rate proportional to the size of the pop.

$$\begin{cases} x' = rx \left(1 - \frac{x}{K}\right) - E \cdot x & r, K, E > 0 \\ x(0) = x_0 & E - \text{the effort made to harvest} \end{cases}$$

Problem: Study the effect of harvesting on the growth of the pop.

$$x' = f(x) \text{ where } f(x) = rx \left(1 - \frac{x}{K}\right) - Ex = x \left[ r \left(1 - \frac{x}{K}\right) - E \right]$$

Equilibrium points

$$f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x \left[ r \left(1 - \frac{x}{K}\right) - E \right] = 0$$

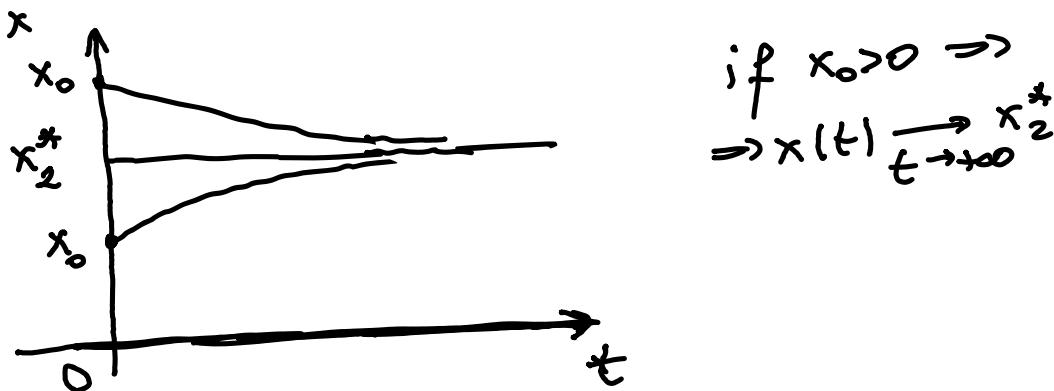
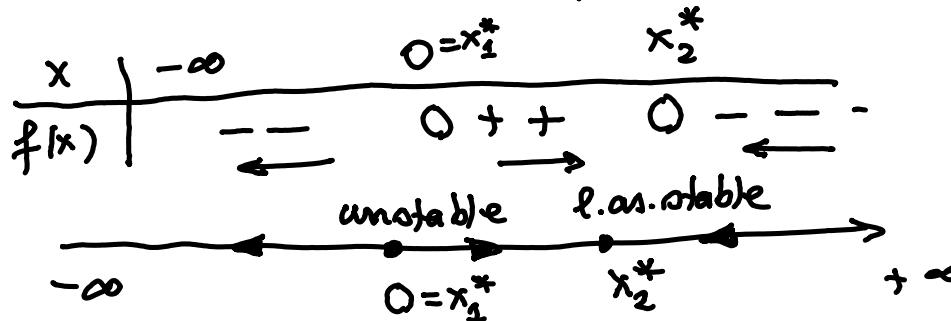
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x_1^* = 0}, \quad r \left(1 - \frac{x}{K}\right) - E = 0$$

$$r - \frac{rx}{K} - E = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{rx}{K} = r - E$$

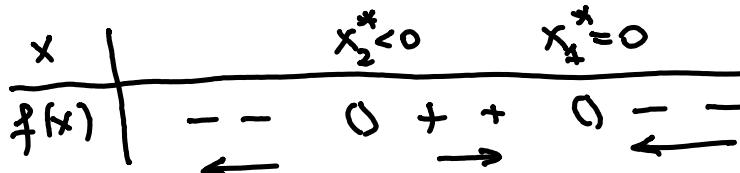
$$\boxed{x_2^* = \frac{K}{r}(r - E)} \quad | \text{ eq. point.}$$

$$x_2^* \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow r \geq E$$

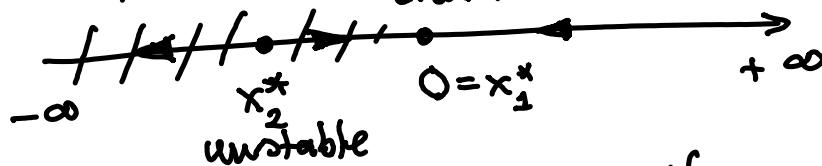
I  $E < r \Rightarrow x_1^* = 0, x_2^* = \frac{E}{r}(r - E) > 0$



$$\text{II } E \geq r \Rightarrow x_1^* = 0, x_2^* \leq 0$$



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$$f x_0 > 0 \Rightarrow x(t) \xrightarrow[t \rightarrow +\infty]{} 0$$

the pop. disappears in time



## 2) The prey-predator model (Lotka-Volterra model)

$x$  - the prey pop.

$y$  - the predator pop.

$x_0, y_0$  - the initial size  
of the populations.  
 $x(0) = x_0, y(0) = y_0$

- if the predator pop. is not present in the area, we suppose that prey pop. has unlimited food resources  
⇒ the prey pop. will develop according to the Malthus model with positive growth rate

$$x' = a \cdot x, a > 0$$

- the predator pop. has no other food resources than the pop.  $x$ , so if the prey pop. is not present in the area then the predators have no food so will develop according to the Malthus model but with a negative growth rate

$$y' = -c \cdot y, c > 0$$

- the predator pop. harvest prey pop with a proportional rate to the total number of possible interactions between them

$x \cdot y$  — the total number of possible interactions

$$x' = ax - b \cdot xy, a, b > 0$$

- the decreasing of the predator pop. is limited by the harvesting with a rate prop. to the total number of possible interactions

$$y' = -cy + d \cdot xy, -c, d > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x' = ax - bxy \\ y' = -cy + dxy \end{cases}, a, b, c, d > 0$$

The Lotka-Volterra model.

## Equilibrium points

$$\begin{cases} x' = f_1(x, y) \\ y' = f_2(x, y) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x, y) &= ax - bxy \\ f_2(x, y) &= -cy + dxy \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} f_1(x, y) = 0 \\ f_2(x, y) = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x(a - by) = 0 \\ y(-c + dx) = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad a - by = 0$$

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$$y \cdot (-c) = 0$$

$$y = \frac{a}{b}$$

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$$y = 0$$

$$\frac{a}{b} \cdot (-c + dx) = 0$$

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$$x_1^*(0, 0)$$

$$\neq 0 \quad -c + dx = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{c}{d}$$

eq. point

$$x_2^* \left( \frac{c}{d}, \frac{a}{b} \right) \quad \text{eq. point}$$

## Stability of the eq. points

$$J_f(x,y) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a-by & -bx \\ dy & -c+dx \end{pmatrix}$$

$f = (f_1, f_2)$

$$\underline{x_1^*(0,0)}: \quad J_f(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & -c \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(\lambda I_2 - J_f(0,0)) = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} \lambda-a & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda+c \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda-a)(\lambda+c) = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda_1 = a > 0 \\ \lambda_2 = -c < 0 \end{cases}$$

$\lambda_1 > 0 \Rightarrow x_1^*(0,0)$  is unstable

$$\underline{x_2^*(\frac{c}{d}, \frac{a}{b})} : y_f^*\left(\frac{c}{d}, \frac{a}{b}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{bc}{d} \\ \frac{d.a}{b} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(\lambda I_2 - y_f^*(x_2^*)) = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \lambda & \frac{bc}{d} \\ -\frac{da}{b} & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 + ac = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 = \underbrace{-ac}_{<0}$$

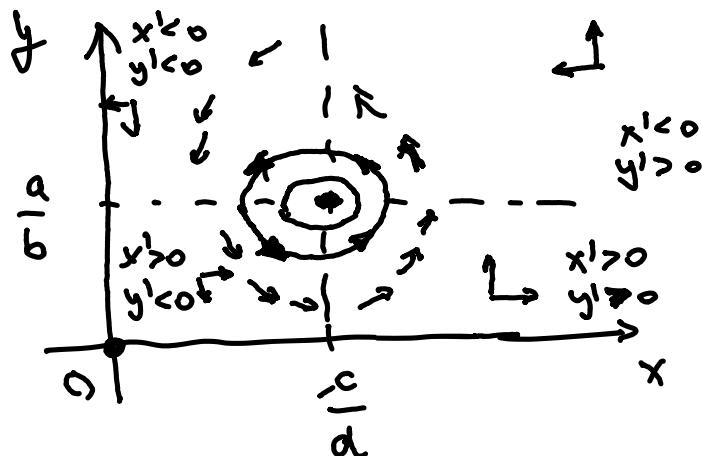
$$\Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = \pm i\sqrt{ac}$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \lambda_{1,2} = 0$$

the system is nonlinear

$\} \Rightarrow$  we cannot apply the  
 Stab. Th. in the first approx.

## The sketch of the phase portrait



$$\begin{cases} x' = x(a - by) \\ y' = y(-c + dx) \end{cases}$$

$$x' = R x \left(1 - \frac{x}{R}\right) - \alpha \cdot x y$$

$$y' = -\gamma y + \beta x y - \delta \cdot y^2$$

it can be proved that the orbits are closed curves

$\Rightarrow X_0^*$  is locally stable.

The orbits eq.

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{x(a - by)}{y(-c + dx)}$$

$\Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \dots$