

# Lecture #8

# Lyapunov Theory for Non-autonomous Systems

Set up:  $\underline{\dot{x}} = \underline{f}(\underline{x}, t)$ ,  $\underline{x}(t_0) = \underline{x}_0$  (given)

$\rightarrow$   $f$  is p.w. continuous in  $t$ , and locally Lip. in  $x$

$\rightarrow \underline{x}^* = \underline{0}$  is a fixed pt. if  $\underline{f}(x^*, t) = \underline{0}$

$\rightarrow f : [0, \infty) \times \mathcal{D} \mapsto \mathbb{R}^n$ , where  $x^* \in \mathcal{D}$ .

# Autonomous System

Soln  $x$  is a f<sup>α</sup> of  $(t-t_0)$

$$\text{eq. } \dot{x} = -x, \quad x(t_0) = x_0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = x_0 \exp(-t - t_0)$$

Non-autonomous System  $\underline{x}(t, t_0)$

$S(t)$  is a fn of  $t$  &  $t_0$

e.g.  $\dot{x} = -x$   $x = x_0 \frac{1}{1+t}$

$$\Rightarrow [\ln x]^k = \int_1^t -\frac{dt}{1+t}, \quad \uparrow$$

$$x_0 = - \int_{t_0}^{t+t_0} \frac{dx}{x} = \ln\left(\frac{t+t_0}{t_0}\right)$$

## Stability of non-autonomous system

Autonomous:  $\forall \epsilon > 0, t_0 \geq 0, \exists \delta = \delta(\epsilon) > 0$

s.t.  $\|\underline{x}(t_0)\|_2 < \delta \Rightarrow \|\underline{x}(t)\|_2 < \epsilon$   $\forall t \geq t_0$

## Non-autonomous:

$\forall \epsilon > 0, t_0 \geq 0, \exists \delta = \delta(\epsilon, t_0) > 0$

s.t.  $\|\underline{x}(t_0)\|_2 < \delta \Rightarrow \|\underline{x}(t)\|_2 < \epsilon \quad \forall t \geq t_0$

- $\delta$  depends on  $t_0$ .
- S/ AS/ GRAS all will depend on  $t_0$ .

Spl. case: If for non-autonomous,  
 $\delta$  is independent of  $t_0$ ,  
then we call the system Uniformly Stable  
(U.S) in time

Example: (stable but NOT US) 1D

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= \underbrace{\alpha(t)}_{= (6 + \sin t - 2t)} x \\ &\quad \left. \right\} x^* = 0 \text{ is fixed pt.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = x_0 \exp \left( \int_{t_0}^t (6 \gamma \sin \gamma - 2\gamma) d\gamma \right)$$

$$= x_0 \exp \left( 6 \sin t - 6t \cos t - t^2 - 6 \sin t_0 + 6t_0 \cos t_0 + t_0^2 \right)$$

$\therefore t_0$  is given/fixed, the term  $(-t^2)$  inside  $\exp(\cdot)$  will dominate as  $t \uparrow$

$$\Rightarrow \exp(\cdot) \text{ is bdd. } \forall t \geq t_0$$

$$\text{by some constant } c(t_0) \Rightarrow |x(t)| \leq |x_0| c(t_0)$$

$$\forall t \geq t_0$$

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \text{ choose } \delta := \delta(\epsilon, t_0)$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon}{c(t_0)} \Rightarrow \text{proves } x^* = 0 \text{ is stable.}$$

Suppose,  $t_0 = 2n\pi$ , for  $n = 0, 1, 2 \dots$

Then  $x(t_0 + \pi) = x(t_0) \exp((4n+1)(6-\pi)\pi)$

$\Rightarrow$  whenever  $x_0 \neq 0$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x(t_0 + \pi)}{x_0} \rightarrow +\infty$

$\therefore$  For any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\nexists \delta$  that is indep. of  $t_0$ , that can prove stability

$\therefore$  Origin is S but NOT US.

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Conceptually, we understand

S, US, UAS, or UAS

Theorems in the spirit of Lyapunov

① Thm (Lyapunov-like Thm. for non-autonomous)  
(US/UAS/GUAS)

Suppose  $\bar{\mathcal{D}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  contains  $\underline{x}^* = \underline{0}$ .

Let  $V : [0, \infty) \times \bar{\mathcal{D}} \mapsto \mathbb{R}_0^+$  be  $C^1$  of  $\underline{x}$   
s.t.

&  $t \geq t_0 \geq 0$   
&  $\underline{x} \in \bar{\mathcal{D}}$

①  $W_1(\underline{x}) \leq V(\underline{x}, t) \leq W_2(\underline{x})$

where  $W_1$  &  $W_2$  are continuous  
pos. def. fns of  $\underline{x}$  in  $\bar{\mathcal{D}}$

②  $\dot{V} = \frac{d}{dt} V = \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \langle \nabla V, \underline{f}(t, \underline{x}) \rangle \leq 0$

Then  $\underline{x}^*$  is US.

If  $\bar{\mathcal{D}} = \mathbb{R}^n$  AND  $W_1(\underline{x})$   
is radially unbdd. (in  $\underline{x}$ )

then  $\underline{x}^* = \underline{0}$  is GUAS

IF ① & ②

②' =

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{V} &= \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \langle \nabla V, \underline{f}(\underline{x}) \rangle \\ &\leq -W_3(\underline{x})\end{aligned}$$

Then  $\underline{x}^*$  is  
UAS

E S (Exponential Stability):

$$\textcircled{1'} \rightarrow K_1 \|\underline{x}\|_2^{\alpha} \leq V(t, \underline{x}) \leq K_2 \|\underline{x}\|_2^{\alpha}$$

$$\begin{aligned} + \\ \textcircled{2''} \rightarrow \dot{V} &= \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \langle \nabla V, f(\underline{x}, t) \rangle \\ &\leq -K_3 \|\underline{x}\|_2^{\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

$\forall t \geq t_0 \geq 0 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{where } K_1, K_2, K_3, \alpha > 0 \\ \forall \underline{x} \in \mathcal{D} \end{array} \right\}$

Then  $\underline{x}^* = \underline{0}$  is E.S.

If  $\textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2''}$  hold for  $\mathcal{D} = \mathbb{R}^n$

then  $\underline{0}$  E.S

## Example #1 (1D, GUAS)

$\dot{x} = - (1 + g(t)) x^3$ , where  $g(t)$  is continuous  
(in  $t$ )  
 $x(0) = x_0$  and  $g(t) > 0 \forall t \geq 0$

Prove that

①  $x^* = 0$  is a fixed pt. ( $f(t, 0) = 0 \forall t \geq 0$ )

②  $x^* = 0$  is GUAS

Proof of part (2): Take  $V(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} x^2$   
Then  $\dot{V} = \cancel{\frac{\partial V}{\partial t}} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f(x, t)$  radially unbdd.

$$= - (1 + g(t)) x^4 \leq - x^4$$

Taking

$$W_1(x) = W_2(x) = V(x)$$

$W_3(x) = x^4$   
∴ Origin is GUAS

$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $\forall t \geq 0$

Exercise : (GES)  $\dot{x}_1 = -x_1 - g(t)x_2$   
 $\dot{x}_2 = x_1 - x_2$

where  $g(t)$  is  $C^1$  in  $t$ , and  $0 \leq g(t) \leq \frac{k}{t}$ .

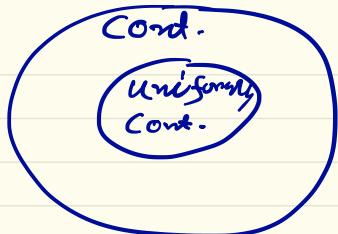
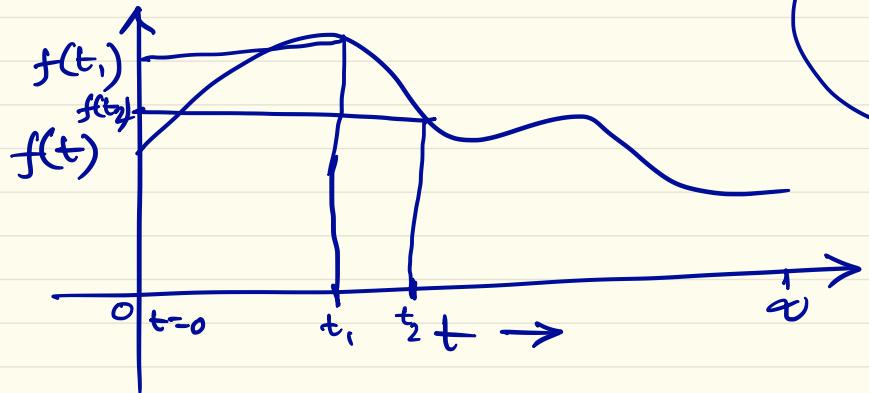
and  $\dot{g}(t) \leq g(t) \forall t > 0$

By taking,  $V(x, t) = x_1^2 + (1+g(t))x_2^2$   
prove that origin is GES.

What if in UAS Thm., I can only show  
 $\dot{V} \leq 0$  ?

Barbalat's Lemma (1950)  
comes in here

## Uniformly Continuous $f^{\infty}$ (of time) :



$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta = \delta(\epsilon) > 0$  s.t.

$$\forall |t_2 - t_1| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(t_2) - f(t_1)| < \epsilon$$

## Barbalat's Lemma (1959)

Let  $f: [0, \infty) \mapsto [0, \infty)$  be a uniformly continuous  $f^{\infty}$  with  $\int_0^{\infty} f(t) dt < \infty$ . Then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) = 0$$

In the control context, apply Barbalat's Lemma  
for  $f \mapsto \dot{f}$

Explicitly, If  $f(t)$  is  $C^1$  (in time)  
&  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) = \alpha < \infty$   
&  $\dot{f}(t)$  is uniformly continuous

Then  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \dot{f}(t) = 0$

Proof: (Contradiction)

Background: NOTE:  $f$  converges  $\nRightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \dot{f} \rightarrow 0$

$$\text{e.g. } f(t) = e^{-t} \sin(e^{2t})$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) = 0 < \infty$$

$$\text{BUT } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \dot{f} = +\infty$$

What additional assumption is needed to say,  
 $f$  converges  $\Rightarrow \hat{f}$  converges

Ans. Uniform continuity of  $\hat{f}$

Corollary of Borel-Cantelli's Lemma:

If ①  $f(t)$  is  $C^1$

②  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) = \text{exists } < \infty$

(replace ③ if  $f'(t)$  exists & is bdd.  $(|f'(t)| < \infty)$   
uniform continuity)  
Then  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \hat{f}(t) = 0$

Appd<sup>n</sup>: Take  $V(\underline{x}, t)$

Check if •  $\dot{V}(\underline{x}, t) \leq 0$  (neg. semi-definite)

•  $\dot{V}(\underline{x}, t)$  is uniformly continuous

( $\Rightarrow \dot{V}$  exists & bdd.)

Then  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \dot{V}(\underline{x}, t) = 0.$

Example: (closed-loop dynamics of adaptive control system)

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{e} &= -e + \theta w(t) \\ \dot{\theta} &= -ew(t)\end{aligned} \quad \left| \quad \begin{aligned}\underline{x} &= \begin{pmatrix} e \\ \theta \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}\right.$$

$w(t)$  is bdd. & continuous  $\Rightarrow |w(t)| < \infty$

Prove:  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t) = 0$

Proof: Consider  $V(\underline{x}, t) = \frac{1}{2}(e^2 + \theta^2)$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{V} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \langle \nabla V, \underline{f}(\underline{x}, t) \rangle$$

$$= -2e^2 \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow V(t) \leq V(0)$$

$\Rightarrow e(t)$  &  $\theta(t)$  are bdd.

(NOT clear what/if anything converge)

BUT cannot apply LaSalle  
Let's check uniform continuity of  $\dot{V}$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{V} = -4e(-e + \theta\omega) < \infty$$

(why  $\omega$  bdd (given),  $e$  &  $\theta$  bdd. proved)

$\Rightarrow \dot{v}$  is uniformly Continuous

$\Rightarrow$  Barbata's Lemma say  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \dot{v}(x, t) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (-2e^2) = 0$$

$$\therefore -e(t) \rightarrow 0$$

BUT  $\not\Rightarrow$  A.S.

because  $\theta(t)$  is only bdd.