

Assignment 3

1) Given system:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= -y - x^3 = f_1 \\ \dot{y} &= x - y^3 = f_2\end{aligned}$$

- The equilibrium point (x, y) are at the point where we have $\dot{x} = \dot{y} = 0$ (velocity is zero at equilibrium)

$$\begin{aligned}x^3 + y &= 0 \quad \text{or} \quad y = -x^3 \\ -x + y^3 &= 0 \quad \text{or} \quad y^3 = x\end{aligned}$$

Based on both the equation $(0, 0)$ is a solution and therefore a equilibrium point.

- Linearizing Nonlinear equations about the equilibrium

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$$

where,

$$A = \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{x=x_e} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3x^2 & -1 \\ 1 & -3y^2 \end{bmatrix} \Big|_{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \right|_{x=x_e} = 0$$

- Stability at the equilibrium, by characteristic equation

$$\det [(\lambda I - A)] = 0$$

$$\det \left[\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right] = (\lambda)^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{or } \lambda &= \pm i = \pm \sqrt{-1} \\ \text{or } \lambda_1 &= i, \lambda_2 = -i\end{aligned}$$

- Considering Lyapunov's Function candidate to be

$$V(x, y) = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2}$$

which satisfies : $V(0) = 0$

$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial V}{\partial y}$ are continuous

- For Lyapunov function candidate to be Lyapunov function

$$\textcircled{1} V(x, y) = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2} \geq 0 \text{ is positive definite}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \dot{V}(x, y) = \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \dot{x} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \dot{y}$$

$$= x \dot{x} + y \dot{y}$$

$$= x(-y - x^3) + y(x - y^3)$$

$$= -xy - x^4 + xy - y^4$$

$$= -x^4 - y^4 \leq 0 \text{ is negative definite}$$

($\dot{V}(0, 0) = 0$ only at origin)

As the Lyapunov function's derivative acts as a damping factor which converges to origin, hence the system is asymptotically stable.

2 new] Given system :

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= -x^3 + 2y^3 \\ \dot{y} &= -2xy^2\end{aligned}$$

- Equilibrium positions are when velocity $= 0 \therefore \dot{x} = \dot{y} = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \dot{x} = 0 &\Rightarrow x^3 = 2y^3 \\ \dot{y} = 0 &\Rightarrow 0 = -2xy^2 \therefore y = 0 \text{ (zero factor principle)} \\ &\therefore x^3 = 2y^3 \therefore x = 0\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

origin is a equilibrium point

- Given energy equation $V = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2)$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{V} &= \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \dot{x} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \dot{y} \\ &= x\dot{x} + y\dot{y} \\ &= x(-x^3 + 2y^3) + y(-2xy^2) \\ &= -x^4 + 2xy^3 - 2xy^3 \\ &= -x^4 \leq 0\end{aligned}$$

($\dot{V} = 0$ only at $x = 0$)

Thus equilibrium point i.e. origin is stable.

- $E := \{x \mid \dot{V}(x) = 0\}$
 $\therefore -x^4 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ i.e. y is any real

- $M =$ subset of E ($x(t) \in E, x(t) \equiv 0 \therefore \dot{x} = 0$)
 Largest invariant set

i.e. substituting $x = 0$ in the give DE

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= -x^3 + 2y^3 \\ \dot{y} &= -2xy^2 \Rightarrow y = 0\end{aligned}$$

Thus $\dot{x} = 0 = -x^3 + 2(0)^3 \therefore x = 0$

M is just the point (0,0)

By Lasalle's Invariance Principle $x(t) \rightarrow (0,0)$
Origin is asymptotically stable.

3) Given system:

$$\dot{x} = ax^3$$

The equilibrium point is when $\dot{x} = 0$
 $\therefore 0 = ax^3 \Rightarrow x = 0$

Linearization: $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$

$$A = \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{x=x_e} = \left[3ax^2 \right]_{x=0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = 0$$

\therefore The system cannot be linearized, and if we use characteristic equation $\det |\lambda I - A| = 0$, ($\lambda = 0$) we will get 0 as the only eigenvalue, so the principle of linearized stability is of no use.

Given Lyapunov function candidate

$$V(x) = x^4 \text{ which satisfy } V(0) = 0$$

$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}$ is continuous.

For Lyapunov function to be stable

① $v(x) = x^4 \geq 0$ i.e. it is positive definite

$$\begin{aligned}\textcircled{2} \dot{v}(x) &= \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \dot{x} \\ &= 4x^3 \dot{x} \\ &= 4x^3 (ax^3) \\ &= 4ax^6\end{aligned}$$

\therefore If $a < 0$, $\dot{v}(x) < 0$, the system is asymptotically stable system

\therefore If $a > 0$, $\dot{v}(x) > 0$, \therefore having $v(x) < v_0$ or proposing new Lyapunov function shows that the system is unstable based on the instability criterion

\therefore If $a = 0$, $\dot{v}(x) = 0$, the system is stable system but not asymptotically (no friction)

4) Given system:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -\frac{g}{l} \sin x_1 - \frac{k}{l} x_2\end{aligned}$$

Equilibrium points when velocity $= 0$, $\dot{x}_1 = \dot{x}_2 = 0$

$$\therefore \dot{x}_1 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = 0$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = 0 \Rightarrow -\frac{g}{l} \sin x_1 = 0 \text{ or } \sin x_1 = 0$$

$$\therefore x_1 = 0, \pi, \dots$$

Hence $(0, 0)$ if $(2n\pi, 0)$ are equilibrium

\therefore origin is an equilibrium point.

Linearizing : $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$

$$A = \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{x=x_e} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{g \cos \theta_1}{l} & -\frac{k}{l} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -g/l & -k/l \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = 0$$

\therefore Stability at equilibrium can be found out using characteristic equation $\det(\lambda I - A) = 0$

$$\det \left[\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -g/l & -k/l \end{bmatrix} \right] = 0$$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & -1 \\ g/l & \lambda + k/l \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\lambda(\lambda + k/l) + g/l = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 + \lambda \frac{k}{l} + \frac{g}{l} = 0$$

For no friction $k=0$

$$\therefore \lambda = \pm \sqrt{\frac{g}{l}}$$

Total
Considering Energy equation

$$V(x_1, x_2) = gl(1 - \cos(x_1)) + \frac{l^2 x_2^2}{2} \geq 0 \quad \text{is positive definite}$$

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

$$= gl \sin(x_1) \dot{x}_1 + l^2 x_2 \dot{x}_2$$

$$= gl x_2 \sin(x_1) + l^2 x_2 \left(-\frac{g}{l} \sin(x_1) - \frac{k}{l} x_2 \right)$$

$$= -k l x_2^2 \leq 0 \quad \text{is negative}$$

for zero function $k=0$

$$\therefore \dot{V}(x_1, x_2) = 0$$

Hence the system is stable but not asymptotically stable by Lyapunov's function stability.