

# 26 February - MATH 345

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- HW 4 due March 12

## Pendulum with damping

$$mL \frac{d^2\varphi}{dt^2} = -mg \sin\varphi - b \frac{d\varphi}{dt}, \varphi \in \mathbb{S}^1, b > 0$$

- nondimensionalised (Exercise: show this)

$$\frac{d^2\varphi}{d\tau^2} + \delta \frac{d\varphi}{d\tau} + \sin\varphi = 0, \varphi \in \mathbb{S}^1, \delta > 0$$

- or a system:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\varphi} = v \\ \dot{v} = -\sin\varphi - \delta v \end{cases} \quad (\varphi, v) \in \mathbb{S}^1 \times \mathbb{R}^1$$

- fixed points (Exercise: show this)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for all } \delta \geq 0: (\varphi^*, v^*) &= (0 \pmod{2\pi}, 0) \\ &= (\pi \pmod{2\pi}, 0) \end{aligned}$$

- linearisation:

$$D\vec{f}(\varphi, v) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\cos\varphi & -\delta \end{pmatrix}$$

- i) at  $(0 \pmod{2\pi}, 0)$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -\delta \end{pmatrix}, \Delta = 1 > 0, \tau = -\delta < 0$$

fixed point is a hyperbolic attractor

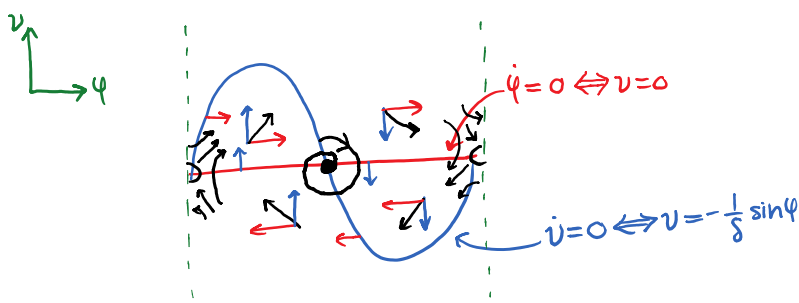
$\delta^2 < 4$ : spiral,  $\delta^2 > 4$ : node

- ii) at  $(\pi \pmod{2\pi}, 0)$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -\delta \end{pmatrix}, \Delta = -1 < 0$$

fixed point is a hyperbolic saddle point

- nullclines, direction field, local phase portraits at hyperbolic fixed points (assume  $\delta < 2$ )



$$\varphi = \pi \quad \underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}_{\text{identify}} \quad \varphi = \pi$$

↑ these are the same point ↑

- for global information: let  $V(\varphi, v) = \frac{1}{2}v^2 - \cos\varphi + 1$
- $V$  would be a conserved quantity if there were no damping
- along trajectories of the system

$$V = V(\varphi(\tau), v(\tau))$$

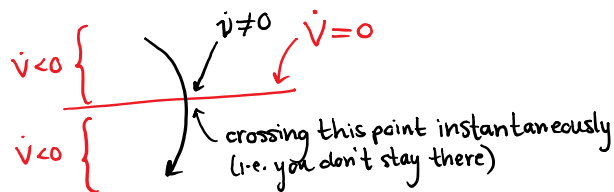
$$\dot{V} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial \varphi} \dot{\varphi} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial v} \dot{v} = (\sin\varphi)(v) + (v)(-\sin\varphi - \delta v)$$

$$\dot{V} = -\delta v^2 \leq 0 \text{ always}$$

$$< 0 \text{ if } v \neq 0$$

if  $v=0$ , then  $\dot{v} \neq 0$  except at a fixed point

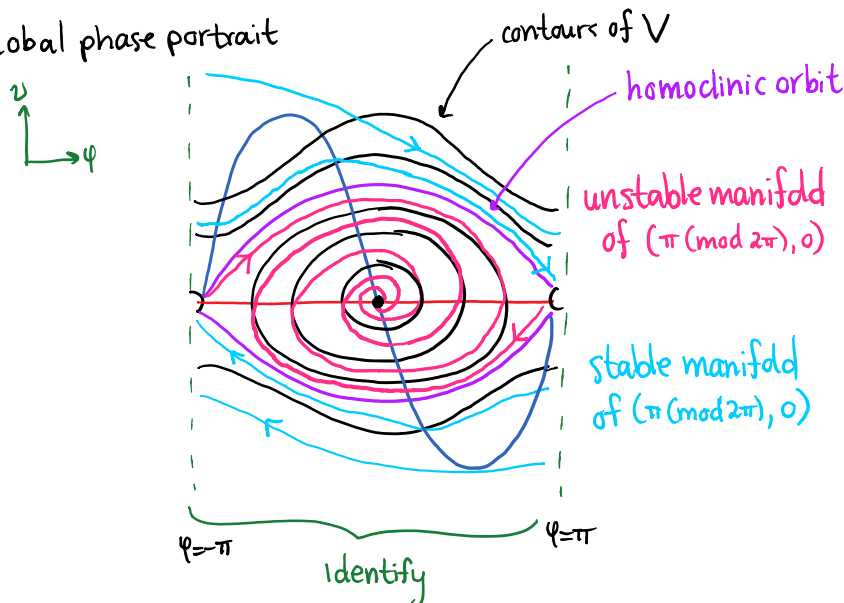
Exercise: show that  $V(\varphi(\tau), v(\tau))$  is decreasing (not just nonincreasing) along trajectories, even if the trajectory crosses  $v=0$ , except at fixed points

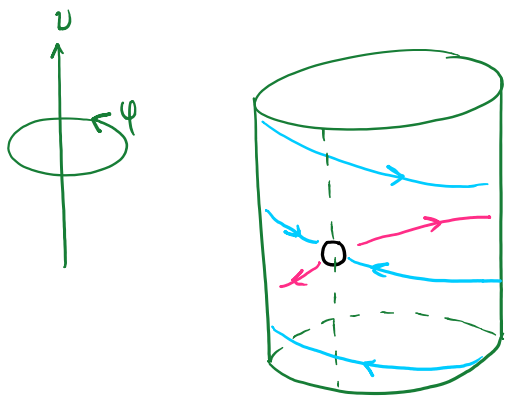


- trajectories that are not fixed points always move "downhill" on the contour map of  $V$

Exercise: show that this implies that closed orbits are impossible

- global phase portrait

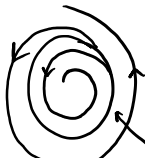





## Limit cycles

a limit cycle is an isolated closed orbit (trajectory)

stable (attracting) e.g.  moves towards this circle

unstable (repelling) e.g.  moves away from this circle

half-stable (semistable) e.g.  inside: move toward circle  
outside: move away from circle

### Example 2.6

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

fixed point  $(x^*, y^*) = (0, 0)$

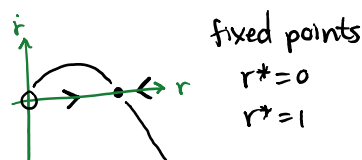
linearising:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\Delta = 2$ ,  $\tau = 2$

hyperbolic repeller (unstable spiral)

Exercise: show that in polar coordinates

$$x = r \cos \theta, \quad y = r \sin \theta$$

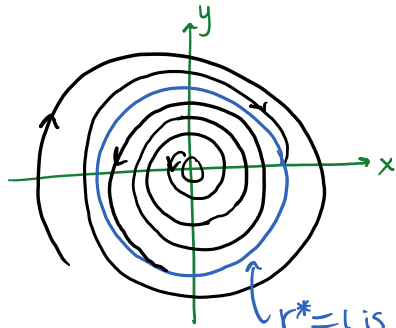
$$\begin{cases} \dot{r} = r - r^3 \\ \dot{\theta} = 1 \end{cases} \quad (r, \theta) \in [0, \infty) \times \mathbb{S}^1$$



angular equation:  $\dot{\theta} = 1 \rightarrow \theta(t) = t + \theta_0 \pmod{2\pi}$

radial equation:  $\dot{r} = r - r^3$

phase portrait in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  (xy-plane)



$r^*=1$  is stable limit cycle

also  $\omega$ -limit set for all trajectories except origin } see notes  
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### Ruling out closed orbits

(a) sometimes the system can be written in the form

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = -\nabla V(\vec{x}) \text{ for some } C^1 \text{ scalar function } V$$

$\uparrow$  continuous  
 & 1st derivative  
 continuous

this is called a gradient system

fixed points of the system ( $\dot{\vec{x}}=0$ ) are the same as critical points of  $V$  ( $\vec{\nabla} V=0$ )