

## LECTURE 27

/// AUTONOMOUS ODEs (1<sup>st</sup> order)

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(t, x) .$$

Autonomous :-  $f(t, x) \equiv f(x)$  .

$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x)$  .  $\rightarrow$  In the R.H.S, there is no explicit dependence on  $t$  (independent variable) .

# Simple example of an autonomous ODE

$$\frac{dx}{dt} \propto x.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = \pm ax, \quad a > 0.$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = r(t, x) x(t)$$

Simplest model in which  $r(t, x) = \text{constant}$ .

Motivation: Population model.

$x(t) \equiv$  population of given species at time  $t$ .

$r(t, x) \equiv$  diff. in birth and death rates.

$$- \frac{dx}{dt} = \pm ax.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{d(at)} = \pm x.$$

Define  $T = at.$

$$\frac{dx}{dT} = \pm x$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = A e^{\pm T}$$

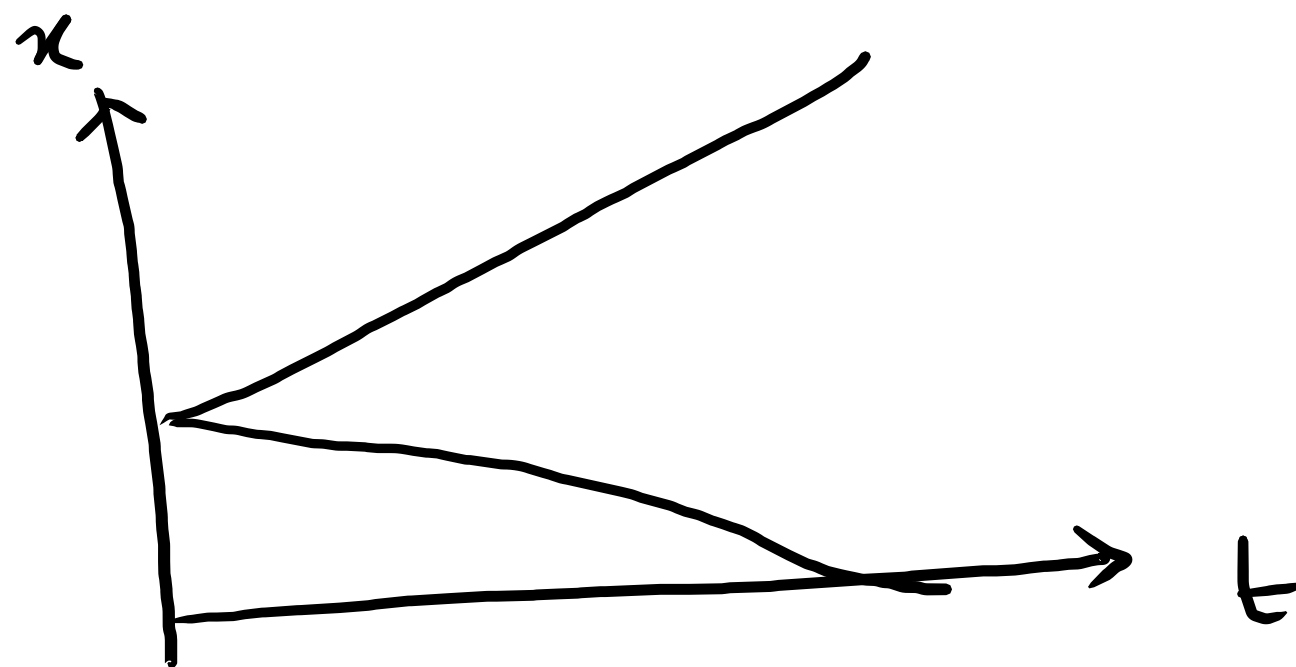
$$x(0) = x_0 \text{ (say)}$$

$$x(t) = x_0 e^{\pm T}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{x_0} = e^{\pm T}.$$

$$\Rightarrow X = e^{\pm T}.$$

$$X = \frac{x}{x_0}$$



— Why "non-dimensionalization" is convenient.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = a \pm bx.$$

Case I!  $\frac{dx}{dt} = a - bx = b\left(\frac{a}{b} - x\right).$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{d(bt)} = \frac{a}{b} - x$$

Define  $T = bt$ ,  $x_0 = \frac{a}{b}.$

$$\frac{dx}{dT} = x_0 - x = x_0\left(1 - \frac{x}{x_0}\right)$$

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Define  $X = \frac{x}{x_0}$  .

$$\frac{d}{dT} \left( \frac{x}{x_0} \right) = 1 - \frac{x}{x_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{dX}{dT} = (1 - X)}$$

$T = bt$

$$\Rightarrow -\ln(1 - X) = T + \text{const}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - X = Ae^{-T}$$

Let  $t = 0 \Rightarrow T = 0$ ,  $x = 0 \Rightarrow X = 0 \Rightarrow 1 = A$  .

$$\boxed{X = (1 - e^{-T})}$$

$$\boxed{X = 1 - e^{-T}} \rightarrow \text{dimensionless terms.}$$

$$x = x_0 (1 - e^{-bt}) \rightarrow \text{"dimensionfull" terms}$$

$$= \frac{a}{b} (1 - e^{-bt}).$$

$$\text{Small-time limit } T \ll 1. \quad e^{-T} = 1 - T + \dots$$

$$X \approx T.$$

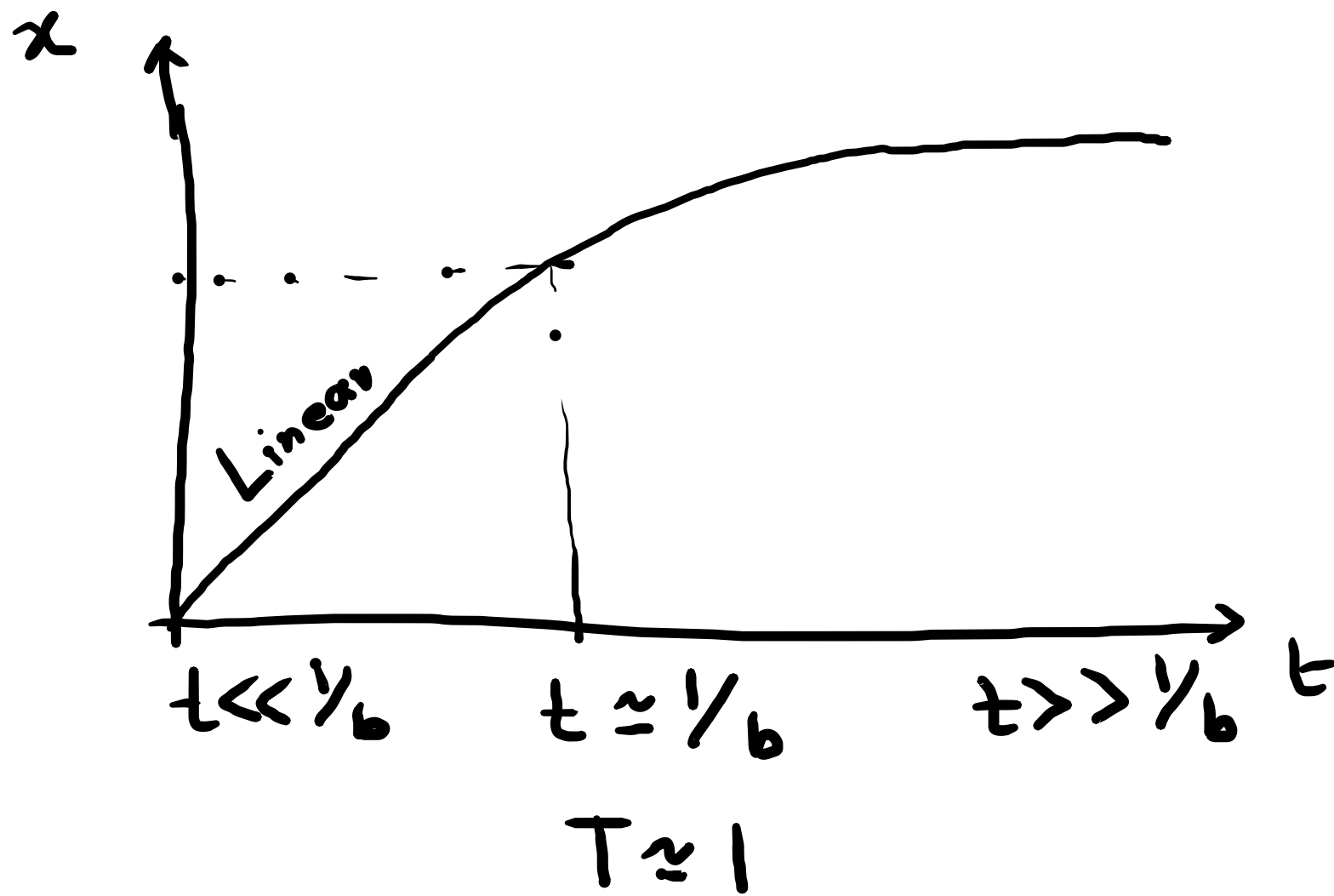
$$\text{Large-time limit } T \gg 1, \quad e^{-T} \rightarrow 0.$$

$$X \approx 1 \text{ (equivalent to } x = a/b \text{)}.$$

- Somewhere for some  $T$ , behaviour of  $X$  has changed.
- Change occurs at  $T \approx 1$ .

$\Rightarrow \underline{t \approx (1/b)}$   $\hookrightarrow$  characteristic time scale at which  
behaviour of solution changes.  
depends on system parameter  $b$ .

- "Non-dimensionalization" is sometimes useful in  
identifying such characteristic values at which  
behaviour of the solution changes.



Case II:  $\frac{dx}{dt} = a + bx$

$$x(t) = \frac{a}{-b} (1 - e^{bt})$$

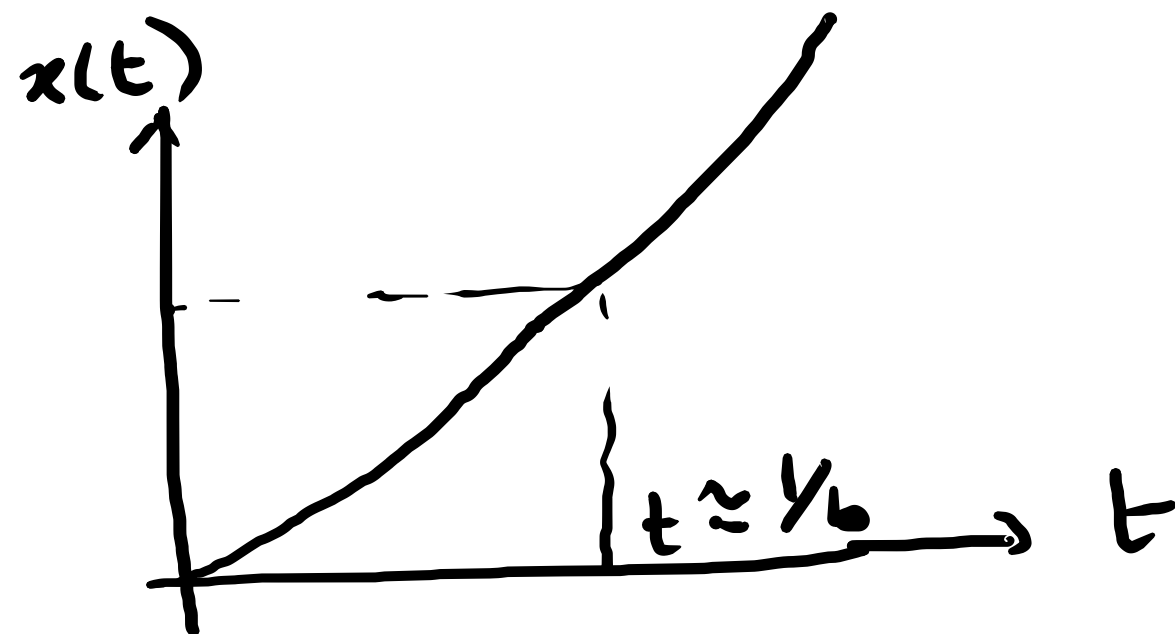
$$= \frac{a}{b} (e^{bt} - 1)$$

When  $t \ll 1/b$ ,

$$x \approx \frac{a}{b} (bt) \approx at$$

When  $t \gg 1/b$ ,

$$x(t) \approx \frac{a}{b} e^{bt}$$





## ~~II~~ REFINEMENT OF THE MODEL.

$$\boxed{\frac{dx}{dt} = ax - bx^2}, \quad \begin{matrix} a > 0 \\ b > 0 \end{matrix}.$$



### LOGISTIC EQUATION

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Motivation:- Suitable to model a large population, where members are competing for finite resources

$-bx^2 \rightarrow$  competition term.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = (ax - bx^2) = ax \left(1 - \frac{x}{a/b}\right).$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{d(at)} = x \left(1 - \frac{x}{a/b}\right).$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{d(at)} = x \left(1 - \frac{x}{K}\right).$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dT} = x(1-x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dX}{dT} = X(1-X).$$

Define  $K = (a/b)$ .

Define  $T = at$

$$X = \frac{x}{K}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{x(1-x)} = dT.$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{1}{x(1-x)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{1-x} = \frac{(B-A)x + A}{x(1-x)}$$

$$\text{Comparing } A=1, \quad B=1.$$

$$\int dx \left( \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{1-x} \right) = \int dT.$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln \frac{x}{1-x} = T + c$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{1-x} = A e^T \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = \frac{1}{1 + A^{-1} e^{-T}}.$$

At  $t=0$ ,  $X = X_0$  ( $x = x_0$ ).

$$\frac{X_0}{1-X_0} = A.$$

In "dimensionfull" terms,

$$x = \frac{Kx_0}{x_0 + (K-x_0)e^{-at}}$$

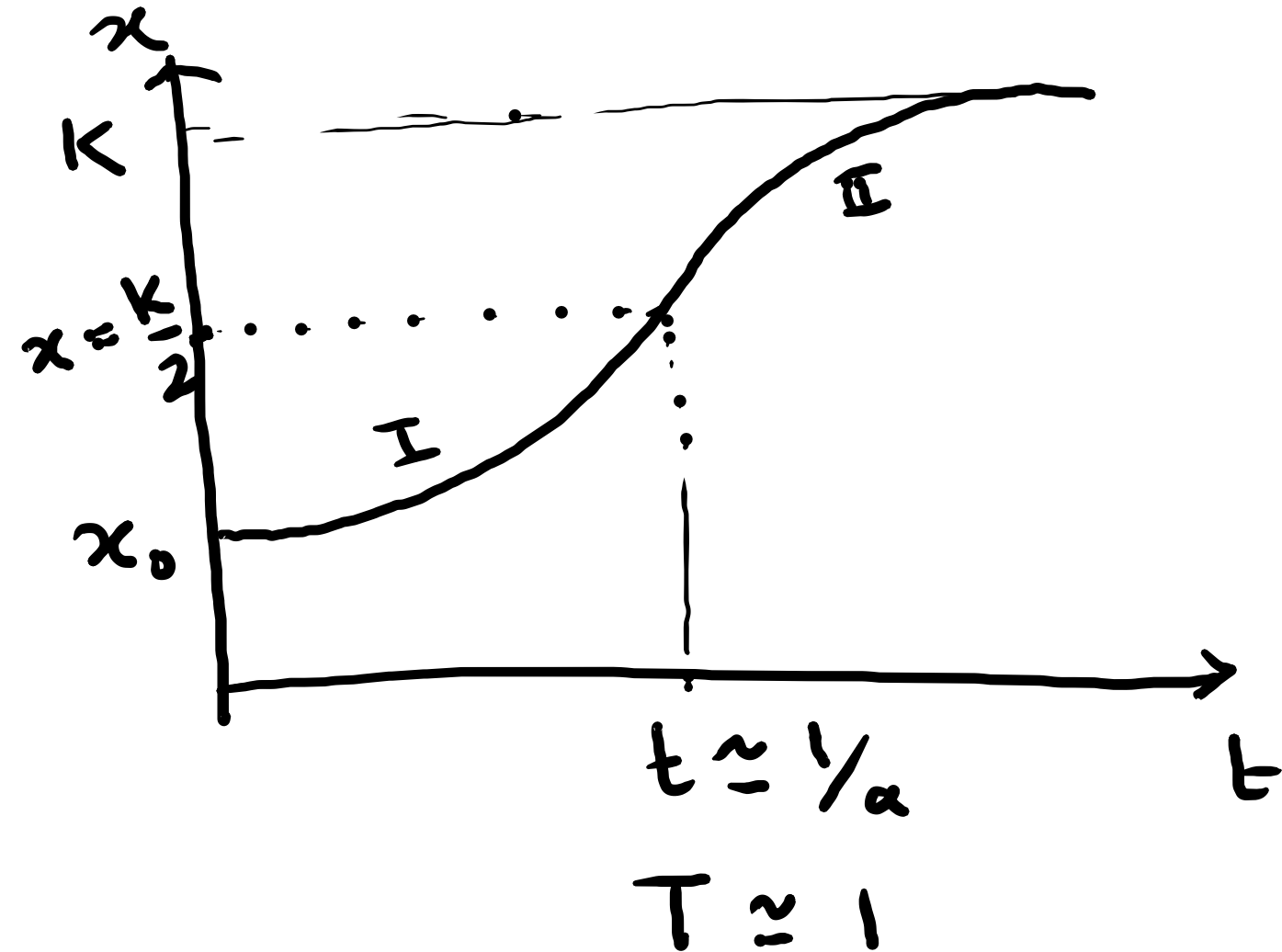
At large-time limit,

$$x \approx K$$

At small-time limit,

$$x \approx \frac{x_0 e^{at}}{1 + \frac{x_0}{K} at}.$$

$x \approx \frac{K}{2}$



More analysis.

$$\frac{dX}{dT} = X - X^2 = F(X).$$

— From graph, it is obvious that rate of growth of  $X$  (or equivalently  $x$ ) has changed sign somewhere in between.

$$\frac{d^2X}{dT^2} = \frac{dF}{dX} \frac{dX}{dT} = F \frac{dF}{dX}.$$

$$\text{— } \frac{d^2X}{dT^2} = 0 \text{ when } \frac{dF}{dX} = 0 \Rightarrow 1 - 2X = 0 \\ \Rightarrow X = \frac{1}{2}.$$

$-\frac{dX}{dT}$  changes sign at  $X = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $F(X)$  has a turning point.