## **AND Cheat Sheet**

# 1 Vocabulary

Hyperbolic eq.points  $\mathcal{R}\{x\} \neq 0$ Nonhyperbolic problems Equilibria with EV on the imaginary axis.

# 2 Basics on cont.-time dynamical systems

$$\dot{x} = f(t, x, p), \quad x(t_0) = x_0 \Leftrightarrow \dot{x} = f(x, p), \quad x(0) = x_0$$

#### 2.1 Flow of a system

Solution is the flow  $\phi_t(x_0)$ 

$$x(t; x_0, p) = \phi_t(x_0, p)$$

FLOW AXIOMS

$$\phi_0(x_0, p) = x_0$$

$$\phi_{t_1}[\phi_{t_2}(x_0, p), p] = \phi_{t_1 + t_2}(x_0, p)$$

#### 2.2 Existence and uniqueness

EXISTENCE AND UNIQUENESS OF LOCAL (IN TIME) SOLUTIONS If f(x) is smooth enough, then solutions exist and are unique. No guarantee that they exist forever - only guarantees to exist in a very short time interval around  $t_0$ .

If f is Lipschitz in x and piecewise continuous in t then the IVP has a unique solution  $x(t) = \phi(t; t_0)x_0$  over a finite time interval  $t \in [t_0 - \tau, t_0 + \tau]$ .

Allows for finite-escape times/blow-up (reach infinity in finite time).

## 2.3 Stability

Def.: An equilibrium point is a state  $x^*$  s.t.  $f(x^*) = 0$ Def.: An eq.point  $x^*$  is stable if for any  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists a constant  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\forall x_0 : ||x_0 - x^*|| < \delta \Rightarrow ||x(t) - x^*|| < \epsilon \quad \forall t > 0$$

Attractor

 $x^*$  is attractive if  $\lim_{t\to\infty} ||x(t) - x^*|| = 0 \quad \forall x_0 \in \mathcal{S}$  with  $\mathcal{S}$  being the domain of attraction.

Eq points may be attractive without being stable (ex. Vinograd's system).

Asymptotic stability

An eq. point  $x^*$  is asymptotically stable if it is stable and attractive.

EXPONENTIAL STABILITY

An eq.point  $x^*$  is exponentially stable in  $\mathcal S$  if it is stable and there are constants  $a,\lambda>0$  such that  $\forall x_0\in\mathcal S:\|x(t)-x^*\|\leq a\|x_0-x^*\|e^{-\lambda t}$ 

3 Linear systems

3.1 LTI systems

3.2 LTV systems and Floquet theory

## 4 Nonlinear flows

#### 4.1 Local Theory

HARTMAN-GROBMAN

The behavior of a nonlinear systems in a vicinity of hyperbolic eq. points is the same as in the linearized system around that point.

Center manifold theorem

$$\frac{dh}{dx_z} [A_z x_z + f_z(x_z, h(x_z))] = A_s h(x_z) + f_s(h(x_z), x_z)$$

$$h(0) = 0, \quad \frac{dh(0)}{dx_z} = 0$$

#### 4.2 Non-local phenomena

#### 5 Bifurcations of vector fields

#### 5.1 Bifurcations of SSs

Transcritical bifurcation

Standard mechanism for change of stability for a fixed point which exists for all values of the parameter.

Ex.:  $\dot{x} = rx - x^2$ .

Fixed point at  $x^*=0$   $\forall r$ . For r<0 unstable fixed point at  $x^*=r$  and a stable at  $x^*=0$ . For  $r=0^-$  the fixed points unify. For r>0 the origin is unstable and  $x^*=r$  becomes stable - **exchange of stabilities** 



SADDLE NODE BIFURCATION

Fixed points are created and destroyed. As a parameter is varied, two fixed points move toward each other, collide and mutually annihilate.

Ex:  $\dot{x} = r + x^2$ .

r < 0: 2 FP (1 stable, 1 unstable),

 $r = 0^-$ : half-stable FP,

r > 0: no FP.

In this example the bifurcation occurred at r=0.



#### 5.1.1 Pitchfork bifurcation

Common in physical systems that have (left/right) symmetry. Supercritical pitchfork bifurcation

Ex:  $\dot{x}=rx-x^3$ . If r<0 the origin is the only fixed point and stable. r=0 the origin is still stable, but weakly, since the linearization vanishes (solutions no longer decay exponentially fast - critical slowing down). For r>0 the origin becomes unstable and two new stable fixed points appear at  $x^*=\pm\sqrt{r}$ .



SUBCRITICAL PITCHFORK BIFURCATION

Ex:  $\dot{x} = rx + x^3$ 



#### 5.2 Bifurcations of trajectories

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