

Sept. 10. Math Oncology

(1.7) Review of Dynamical Systems for an Oncolytic Virus model.

a) $x(t)$: cancer density
 $y(t)$: oncolytic virus

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = Ax - Bxy \\ \dot{y} = -Dy + Cxy \end{cases} \quad (1) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Lotka-Volterra} \\ \text{predator-prey model} \end{array}$$

1) Cancer only: $\dot{x} = Ax$, exponential growth with rate A .

2) virus only: $\dot{y} = -Dy$ exponential decay.

3) $-Bxy$ viral infection of cancer cells with rate B , mass-action term

4) $+Cxy$ $\frac{C}{B}$: burst size per infection event
 $= \frac{C}{B} Bxy$ mass-action

b) Equilibria (= steady states)

(existence is clear, since r.h.s. is Lipschitz cont. Picard-Lindelöf Theorem)

$$0 = x(A - By) \Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ or } y = \frac{A}{B}$$

$$0 = y(-D + Cx) \Rightarrow y = 0 \text{ or } x = \frac{D}{C}$$

Two equilibria $(0, 0)$, $(\frac{D}{C}, \frac{A}{B}) = (\bar{x}, \bar{y})$

Stability: Linearization

$$f(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} Ax - Bxy \\ -Dy + Cxy \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Jacobian } Df(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} A - By & -Bx \\ Cy & -D + Cx \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Df(0, 0) = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & -D \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_1 = A, \quad \lambda_2 = -D \quad \leftarrow$$

\Rightarrow saddle. $A, D > 0.$

$$Df\left(\frac{D}{C}, \frac{A}{B}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{BD}{C} \\ \frac{CA}{B} & 0 \end{pmatrix} = W$$

$B, C > 0.$

$$\text{tr}(W) = 0 \quad \det W = +\frac{BD}{C} \cdot \frac{CA}{B} = AD > 0$$

$$\lambda_{1/2} = \frac{\text{tr}}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\text{tr}^2 - 4\det} = \pm i\sqrt{AD} \quad \leftarrow$$

purely imaginary. \Rightarrow linear center.

Question: For the nonlinear system this can be a center, a stable spiral, or unstable spiral. Which is it?

Need a Hartman-Grobman Theorem.

Def. 1) An equil. point u^* of a smooth dynamical system is hyperbolic if all e-values have no-zero real part.

2) A homeomorphism is a continuous map with cont. inverse.

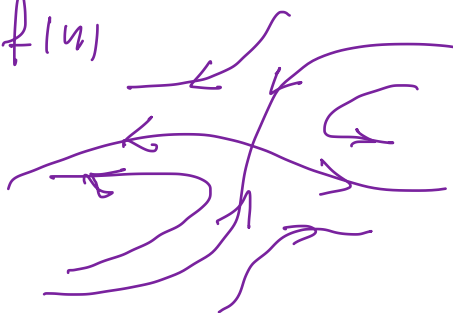
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3) Two dyn. systems are top. conjugate $\dot{u} = f(u)$, $\dot{v} = g(v)$ if there exists a homeomorphism that maps orbits into orbits

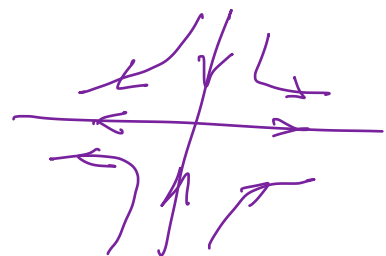
Theorem Hartman + Grobman:

Consider a smooth dyn. syst. $\dot{u} = f(u)$, If u^* is a hyperbolic equilibrium then there exists a neighborhood such $\dot{u} = f(u)$ is top. conj. to its linearization $\dot{u} = Df(u^*)u$.

e.g. $\dot{u} = f(u)$



$\dot{u} = Df(u^*)u$



Def. $\dot{u} = f(u)$ is structurally stable if for each ε small $\dot{y} = f(y) + \varepsilon g(y)$ is top. conjugate

- non-hyperbolic equilibria are not struct. stable.

- If $\dot{u} = f(u, \mu)$ μ parameter

if $\mu \neq \mu^*$ and $\dot{u} = f(u, \mu)$ is struct. stable but at μ^* it is not struct. stable. Then

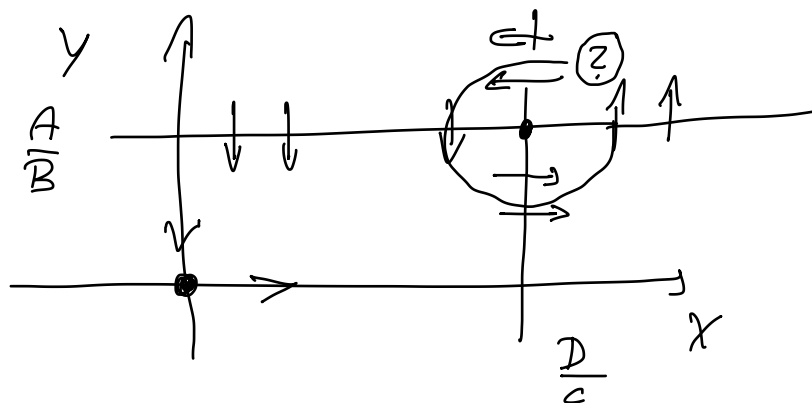
μ^* is a bifurcation value.

c) Back to model (1). nullclines

x-nullcline: $\dot{x} = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = x(A - By)$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad y = \frac{A}{B}$$

y-nullcline: $\dot{y} = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0$ or $x = \frac{D}{c}$



Question: How can we decide stable, unstable spiral or center?

d) Find a Lyapunov function

Def: Let $\phi(t, x)$ denote the flow of a dyn.

system $\dot{x} = f(x)$

x_0 initial cond.

$\phi(t, x_0)$ is the solution

The ω -limit set is

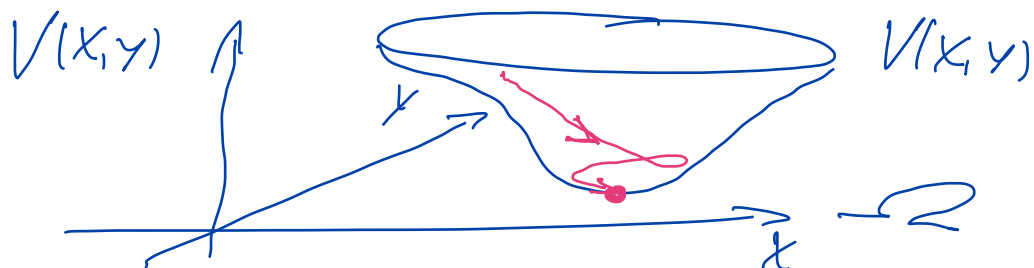
$$\omega(x_0) = \left\{ z \in \Omega : \exists \text{ monotonic increasing sequence } t_n \uparrow \infty \text{ such that } \phi(t_n, x_0) = z \right\}$$



Let $V: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be bounded below and differentiable. The derivative along orbits

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \underline{\dot{V}} &= \frac{d}{dt} V(\phi(t, x_0)) = \nabla V \cdot \dot{\phi} \\ &= \nabla V \cdot f(\phi(t, x_0)) \end{aligned}$$

V is a (weak) Lyapunov function if $\dot{V} \leq 0$ and a strong Lyapunov function if $\dot{V} < 0$ and $\dot{V} = 0$ only at steady states.



Theorem of La Salle . $x_0 \in \Omega$

If V is a weak Lyap. fct. then

$$\omega(x_0) \subseteq \{x \in \Omega : \dot{V}(x) = 0\}$$

If V is a strong Lyap. fct.

$$\omega(x_0) \subseteq \{\text{equilibrium points}\}$$

e) Find a Lyapunov function for (1)

$$H(x, y) = \underline{F(x)} + \underline{G(y)} \quad (\text{a naive try})$$

$$H(x(t), y(t))$$

$$\dot{H} = \frac{d}{dt} H(x(t), y(t)) = \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} \dot{x} + \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} \dot{y}$$

$$= F' \dot{x} + G' \dot{y}$$

$$= F'(x(A - By)) + G'(y(Cx - D))$$

Make $\dot{H} \equiv 0$ iff

$$\frac{F'x}{Cx - D} = - \frac{G'y}{A - By} \quad (x, y) \neq (\bar{x}, \bar{y})$$

\uparrow only depends on x \uparrow only depends on y

Both terms must be constant! choose 1.

$$F' = c - \frac{D}{x}$$

$$G' = -\frac{A}{y} + B$$

$$F(x) = cx - D \ln x + C_1$$

$$G(y) = -A \ln y + By + C_2$$

choose: $C_1 = C_2 = 0$

define

$$H(x,y) = cx - D \ln x + By - A \ln y$$

satisfies $\dot{H} \equiv 0$. i.e. weak Lyapunov function.

$H(x,y)$ is differentiable in $\Omega = (0, \infty)^2$

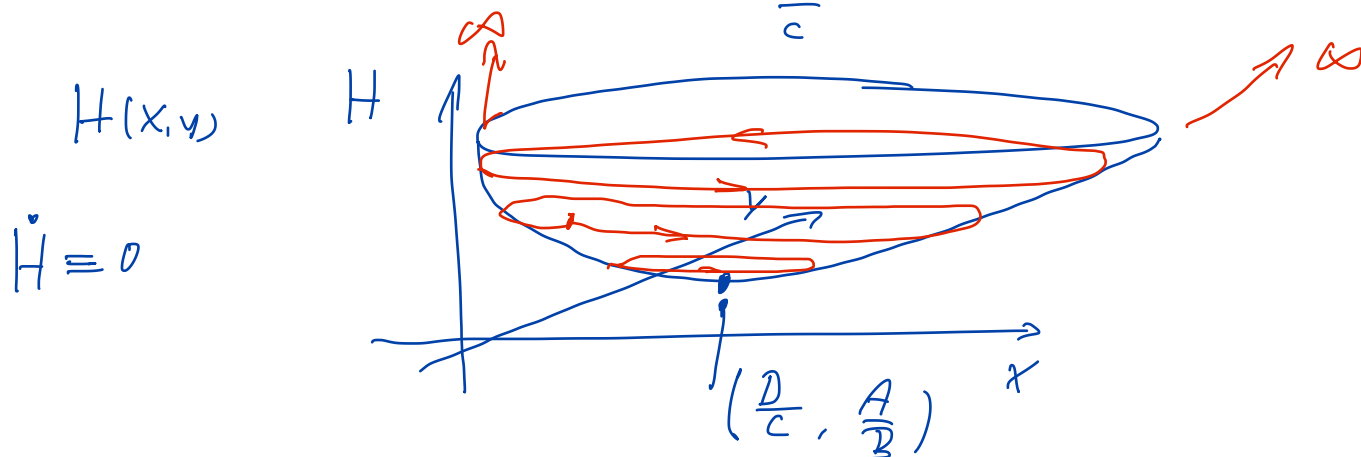
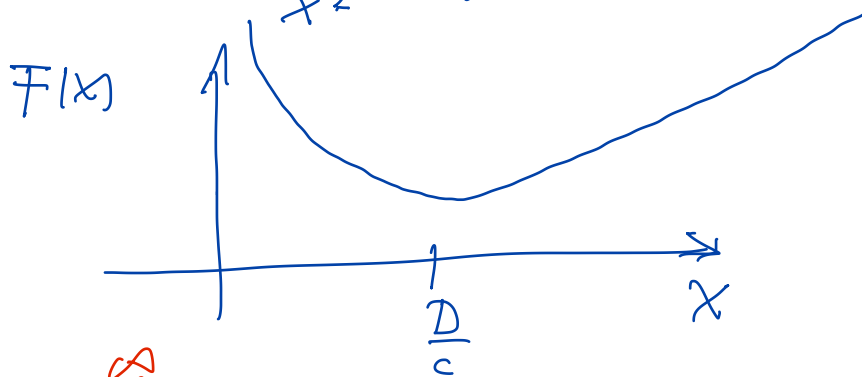
Minimum?

$$F(x) = cx - D \ln x$$

$$F' = c - \frac{D}{x}$$

$$F' = 0 \text{ for } x = \frac{D}{c} \left. \vphantom{F'} \right\} \text{local min.}$$

$$F'' = + \frac{D}{x^2} > 0$$



Each solution lies on level sets of $H(x, y)$

$$H(x(t), y(t)) = k.$$

This proves that $(\frac{D}{c}, \frac{A}{B})$ is a nonlinear center!

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