

Last time:

- Non linear systems

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x, u, t) \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \text{time} \\ \uparrow \text{input} \\ \downarrow \text{state} \end{matrix}$$

Ex:  $\dot{x} = \sin x$

Eq. points:  $f(\bar{x}) = 0$

$\bar{x} = k\pi$ ,  $k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$

Linearization:  $x(t) = \bar{x} + \tilde{x}(t)$   
 e.p.  $\leftarrow$   $\tilde{x}(t)$  perturbation

$$\dot{\tilde{x}} = \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=\bar{x}} \right] \tilde{x}$$

Jacobian:

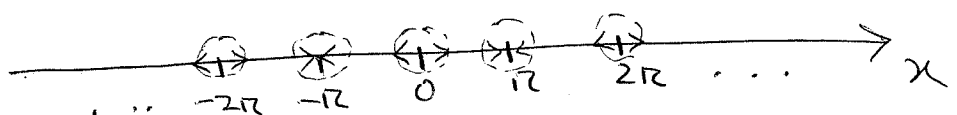
$$A = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=\bar{x}} = \cos \bar{x} = \cos k\pi = (-1)^k$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \begin{cases} +1, & k: \text{even} \\ -1, & k: \text{odd} \end{cases}$$

Linearized dynamics (around  $\bar{x} = k\pi$ )  $\rightarrow$

$$\dot{\tilde{x}} = \begin{cases} +\tilde{x}, & k: \text{even} \\ -\tilde{x}, & k: \text{odd} \end{cases} \rightarrow \tilde{x}(t) = \begin{cases} e^t, & k: \text{even} \\ e^{-t}, & k: \text{odd} \end{cases}$$

if you start with  $k: \text{even}$  then you will go far from  $\bar{x}$  exponentially!



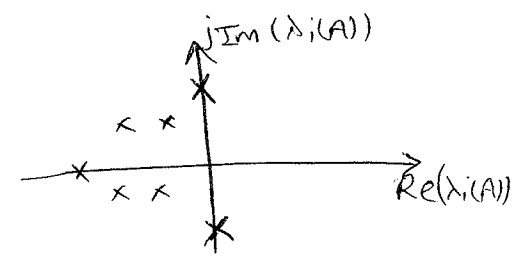
Linearization can be used to assert local stability properties of eq. points of a nonlinear systems!

(a)  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Re}(\lambda_i(A)) < 0 \\ \text{for } i=1, \dots, n \\ A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \\ \rightarrow \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=\bar{x}} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \bar{x} = \text{eq. point of } \dot{x} = f(x)$   
 is locally asymptotically stable!  
 (limit  $x(t) = \bar{x}$  for all  $x(t_0)$  "close" to  $\bar{x}$ ) (+)  
 [you stay close to  $\bar{x}$  for all  $t$ ]

(b) If there is  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  with  $\text{Re}(\lambda_i(A)) > 0 \Rightarrow$  unstable

Issues:

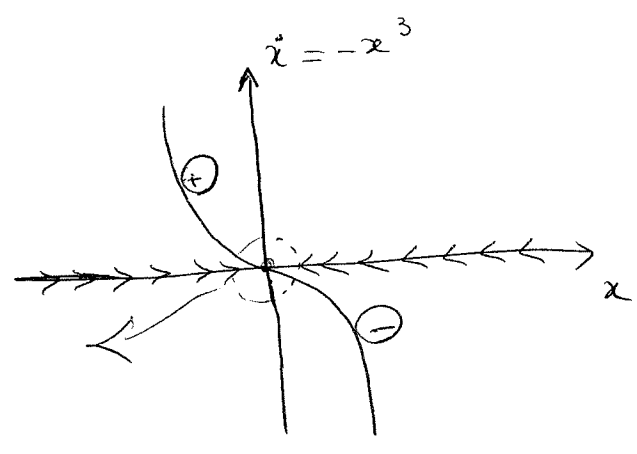
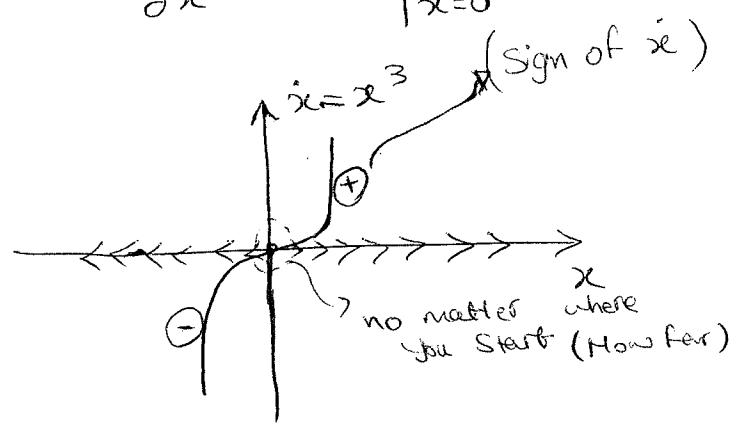
- ① can't say anything about global properties!
- ②  $\text{Re}(\lambda_i(A)) \leq 0$  for all  $i!$  but there are some of them with  $\text{Re}(\lambda_i(A)) = 0$  (Inconclusive)



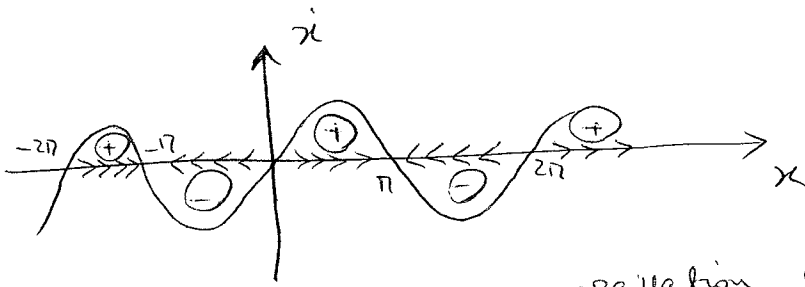
How far from an eq. point can we start for converging?

Ex:  $\dot{x} = x^3$  or  $\dot{x} = -x^3$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Linearization: } \tilde{x} = 0, \dot{\tilde{x}} \\ \tilde{x}(t) = \tilde{x}(0) \end{array} \right.$

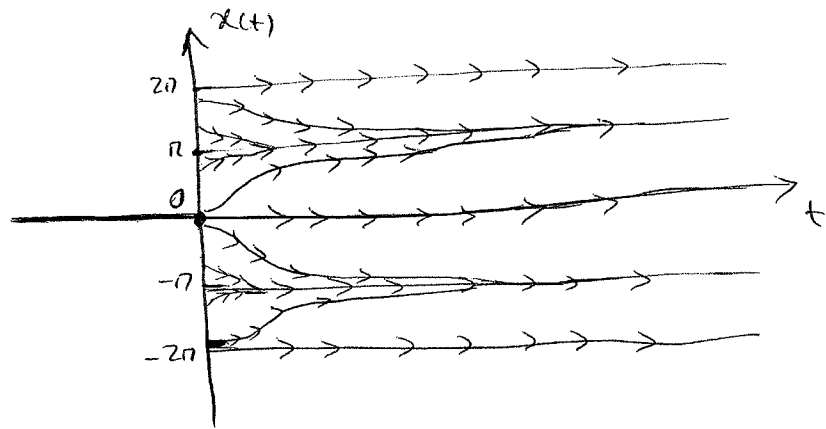
$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = \pm 3x^2 \Big|_{\bar{x}=0} = 0$



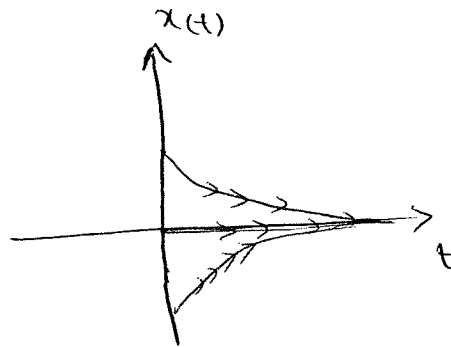
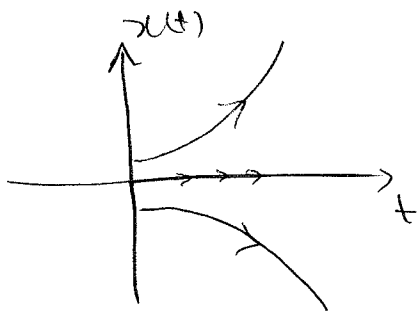
Back to:  $\dot{x} = \sin x$



There cannot be any oscillation in first order systems!  
 It should decrease or increase monotonically!



For the previous Example:



Range of "nonlinear phenomena"

1<sup>o</sup>) Finite "escape" time  
 $x(t) \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow T} +\infty$   
 (even for finite  $t$ )

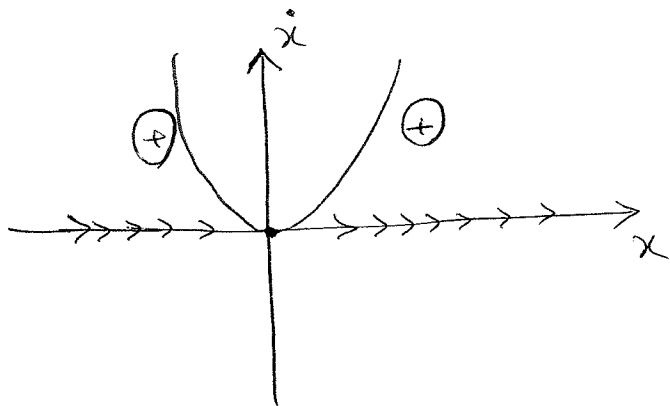
(this can never happen in linear systems)  
 finite dimensional

$\dot{x}(t) = Ax \rightarrow x(t) = e^{At} x(0)$   
 (If there is  $i$  s.t.

$Re(\lambda_i(A)) > 0 \Rightarrow \|x(t)\| \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} +\infty$

Ex:  $\dot{x} = x^2 \rightarrow$  Linearization:  $\tilde{x} = 0 \quad \tilde{\dot{x}} = 0$

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$$\int_{x_0}^{x(t)} x^{-2} dx = \int_{t_0}^t dt \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{x} \Big|_{x_0}^{x(t)} = t - t_0$$

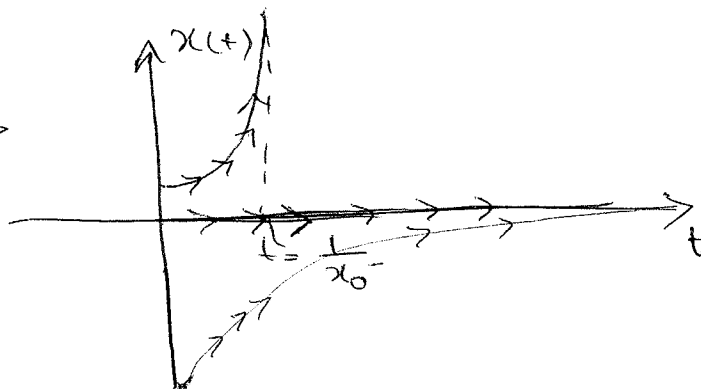
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x_0} - \frac{1}{x(t)} = t - t_0 \Rightarrow x(t) = \frac{x_0}{1 - x_0(t - t_0)}$$

Set  $t_0 = 0$

$\rightarrow$

$$x(t) = \frac{x_0}{1 - x_0 t}$$

$\Rightarrow$



2°) Multiple Isolated equilibria:

$$\text{Ex: } \dot{x} = x^2 - 1 \rightarrow x^2 - 1 = 0 \rightarrow x = \pm 1$$

Ex: Logistic Equations:

Naive (Linear) model of population growth

$$\dot{x} = \alpha x, \quad \alpha > 0$$

$$x(t) = e^{\alpha t} x(0) \rightarrow \text{(Not reasonable)}$$

Problem:  $\frac{\dot{x}}{x} = \alpha = \text{const} \Rightarrow$  (normalized growth rate is const)  
but it should be a decaying function!

More reasonable model (decaying function) :

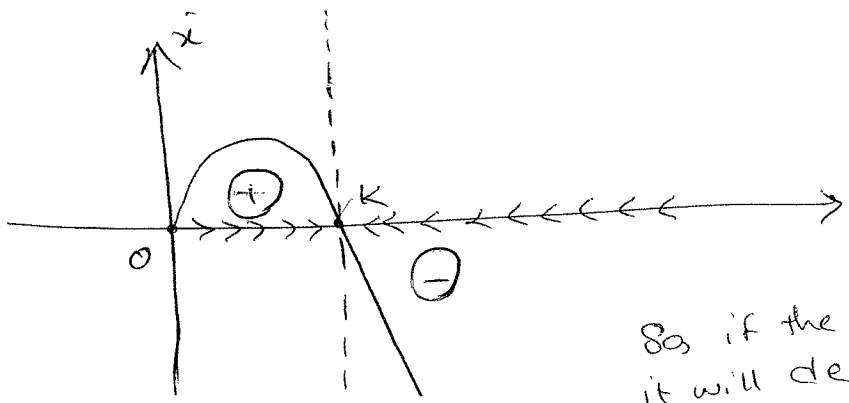
$\frac{\dot{x}}{x}$  = decaying function of  $x$

Simplest model : logistic eq.

$\frac{\dot{x}}{x} = \alpha (1 - \frac{x}{K})$  ;  $\alpha, K$ : positive constants  
 $\alpha, K > 0$

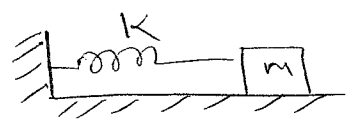
$K$ : carrying capacity

$\dot{x} = \alpha (1 - \frac{x}{K}) x \rightarrow$  Eq. points :  $\begin{cases} \bar{x} = 0 \\ \bar{x} = K \end{cases}$   
population  $(x) > 0$



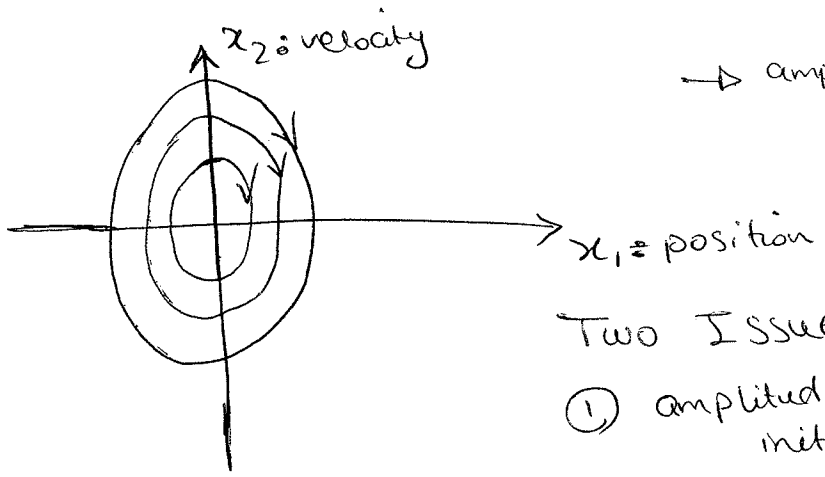
So, if the population is greater than  $K$ , it will decrease and if it's less than  $K$ , it will increase!

3°) Limit cycles (i.e. sustained oscillations)  
robust



$\ddot{x} + \frac{K}{m} x = 0$  (harmonic oscillator)

$\rightarrow$  amplitude is going to change with initial conditions!

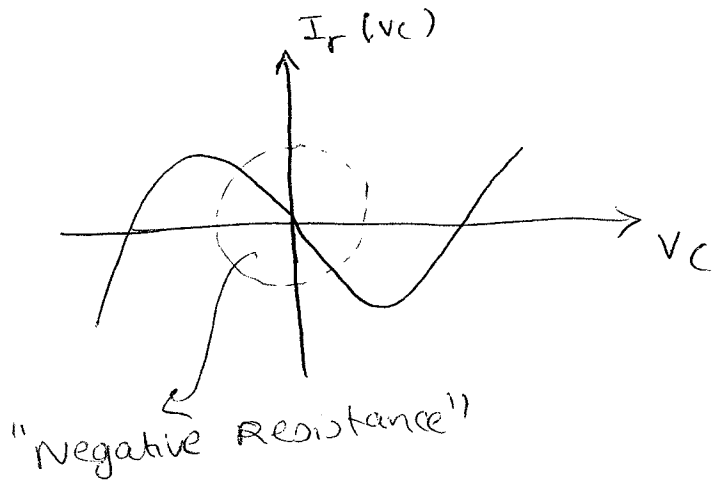
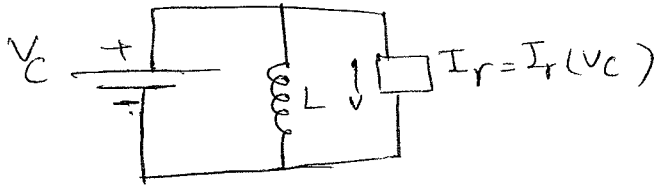


Two Issues:

- ① amplitude of oscillations depends on the initial conditions!
- ② Sensitive to modeling imperfections (i.e., non robust)

# van der pol oscillator:

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$$\begin{cases} \dot{I}_L = \frac{1}{L} V_C \\ \dot{V}_C = -\frac{1}{C} I_L + \frac{1}{C} (V_C - V_C^3) \\ I_r(V_C) = -V_C + V_C^3 \end{cases}$$

unique Eq point  $\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \bar{I}_L \\ \bar{V}_C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Linearization:  $\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\tilde{I}}_L \\ \dot{\tilde{V}}_C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{L} \\ -\frac{1}{C} & \frac{+}{C} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{I}_L \\ \tilde{V}_C \end{bmatrix}$   
instability