

The next few lectures

Dynamical system models

What is a solution

Lipschitz Continuity

Linear systems

Solution of linear systems

properties of dynamical systems



Verifying Dynamical Systems

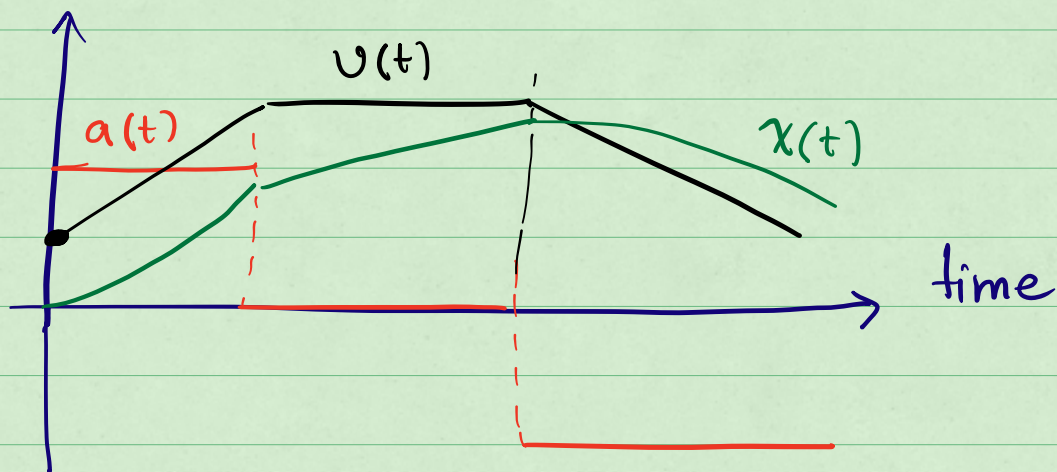
Lyapunov methods

Reachability

Modeling physical processes

Example model of a vehicle

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = v(t) \quad \frac{dv}{dt} = a(t)$$



General language for specifying physical laws: Differential Equations

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = f(x(t), u(t), t) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \text{state}$$

$$u(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m \quad \text{input / control}$$

$$f: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

With no input and if f is not time dependent time invariant then

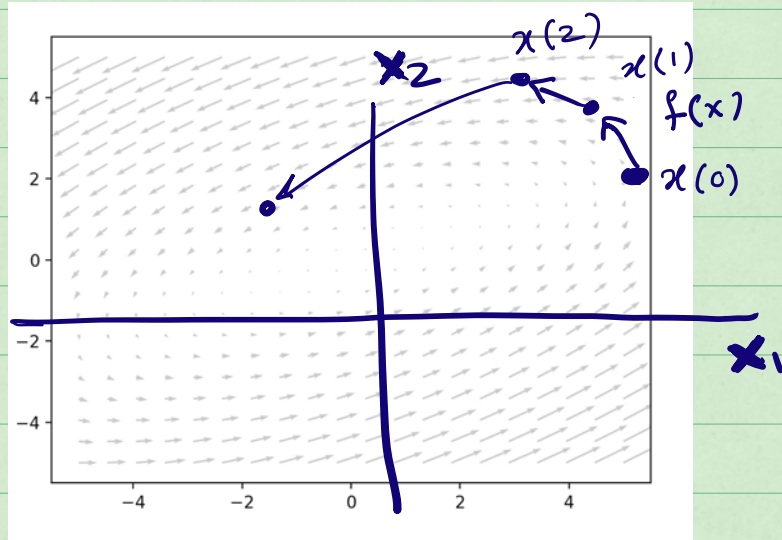
$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = f(x(t)) \quad \dot{x} = f(x)$$

Used for modeling

Vehicles, weather, Circuits, Planetary motion
Biological processes, neurons to populations
Medical devices



Discrete time analog
 $x(t+1) = f(x(t))$



What is a solution of (1)?

Given an initial state $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$
and an input signal $u: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ a
function $\xi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a solution of (1)
iff $\xi(0) = x_0$ and

$$\forall t \quad \frac{d}{dt} \xi(t) = f(\xi(t), u(t), t)$$

Problems with this definition?

- Assumes $\xi(t)$ is differentiable at all $t \in \mathbb{R}$.
- If $u(t)$ is discontinuous then $\xi(t)$ cannot be differentiable everywhere

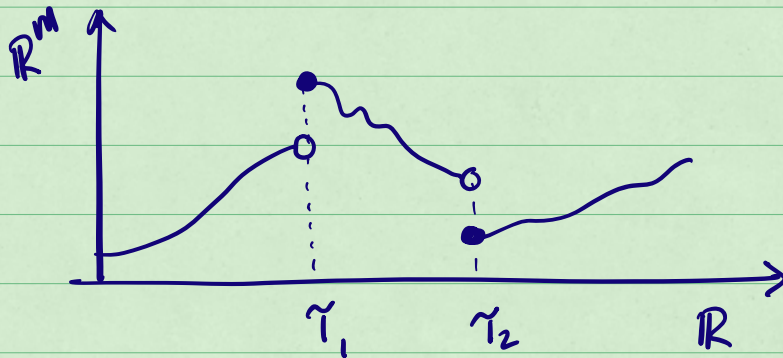
Def. $u: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is piece-wise Continuous with a set of discontinuity points $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ if

$$(1) \forall \tau \in D \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \tau^+} u(t) < \infty \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \tau^-} u(t) < \infty$$

Limits exist

$$(2) \text{ Continuous from right } \lim_{t \rightarrow \tau^+} u(t) = u(\tau)$$

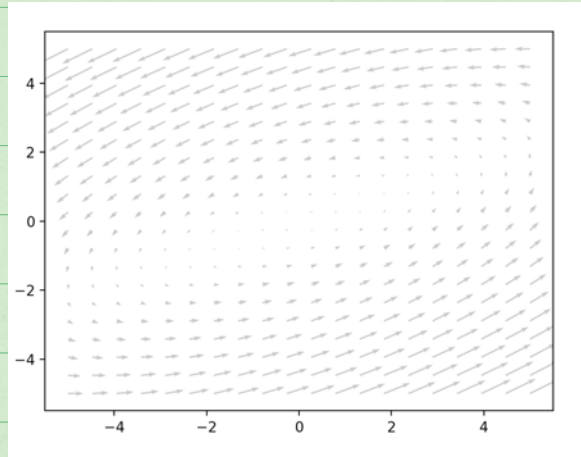
$$(3) \forall t_0 < t_1 \in \mathbb{R} \quad [t_0, t_1] \cap D \text{ is finite}$$



Modified definition of solution (2) $\forall t \in \mathbb{R} \setminus D$.

Examples / Code

Vehicle



Economy model. x : national income

y : rate of consumer spend

g : rate of govt expenditure

$$\dot{x} = x - \alpha y$$

$$\dot{y} = \beta(x - y - g)$$

$$g = g_0 + kx$$

$$\dot{y} = \beta(x - y - g_0 - kx)$$

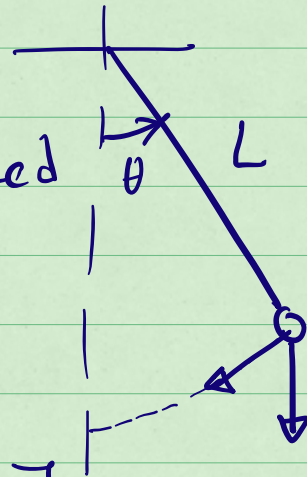
$$= \beta \begin{bmatrix} (1-k)x & -y - g_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Pendulum mass m , length l

$x_1 = \theta$ $x_2 = \dot{\theta}$ angular speed

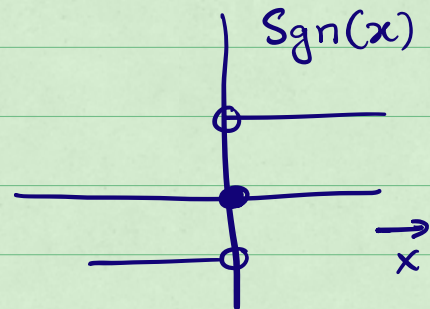
$$\frac{dx_2}{dt} = -\frac{g}{l} \sin x_1 - \frac{k}{m} x_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ -\frac{g}{l} \sin x_1 - \frac{k}{m} x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$



Do solutions exist?

Example $\dot{x} = f(x)$
 $f(x) = -\text{sgn}(x)$

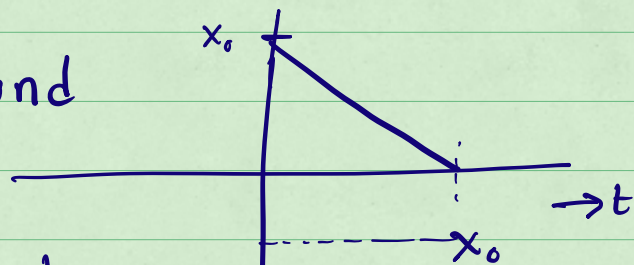


Solution: $\xi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\xi(t) = x_0 - t, \quad x_0 > 0$$

check $\frac{d\xi(t)}{dt} = -1 = -\text{sgn}(\xi(t))$

Not defined beyond
 $t \geq x_0$



problem f is discontinuous

Example. $\dot{x} = x^2$ $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$

Solution. $\xi(t) = \frac{x_0}{1 - t x_0}$

Check $\frac{d\xi(t)}{dt} = \frac{(-1)x_0 \cdot (-x_0)}{(1 - t x_0)^2} = (\xi(t))^2$

But as $t \rightarrow 1/x_0$ $\xi(t) \rightarrow \infty$

Problem $f(x)$ grows too fast.

We require f to be Lipschitz continuous.

$\exists L > 0$ such that

$$\forall x, x' \quad |f(x) - f(x')| \leq L |x - x'|$$

Examples. $f(x) = ax + b$, $\sin(x)$

Non Examples e^x , x^2 , \sqrt{x}

Thm

If $f(x, u)$ is Lipschitz continuous in the first argument then (1) has unique solutions.

Recall a solution from a given initial state x_0 is a function of time

$\xi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ $\xi(t)$ is the state at time t , starting from x_0 .

If we want to make the dependence explicit then $\xi(x_0, t)$

$$\xi: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

From a set of initial states $\Theta \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$
the set of Reachable states upto $T > 0$

$$\text{Reach}(\Theta, T) \triangleq \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \exists x_0 \in \Theta, t \leq T, \xi(x_0, t) = x\}$$

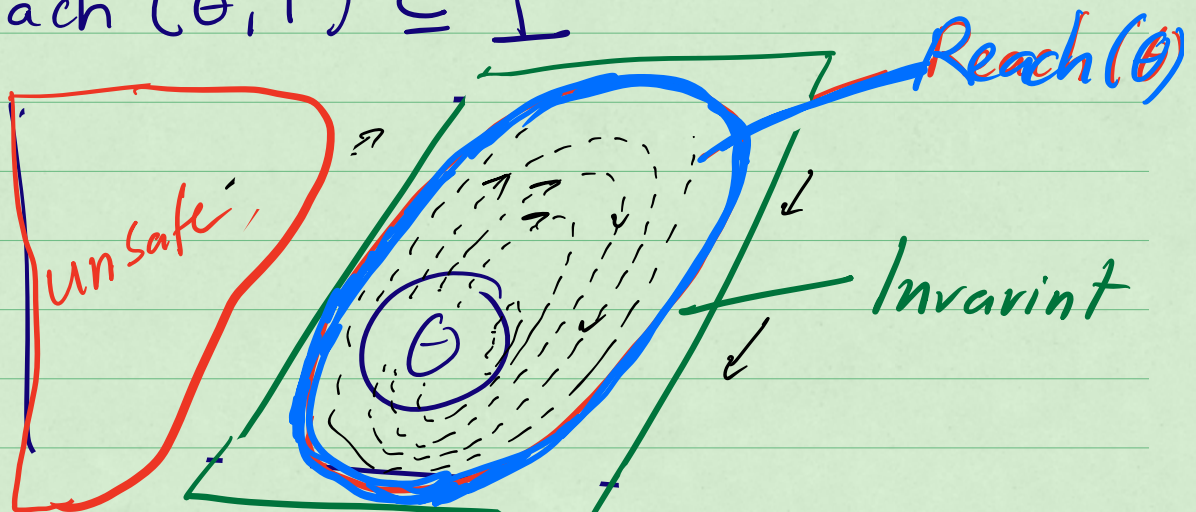
$$\text{Reach}(\Theta) = \bigcup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \text{Reach}(\Theta, T)$$

Unbounded time reach set / space

Related concept Controllable / space

An invariant of (1) is a set of states $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ such that

$$\text{Reach}(\Theta, T) \subseteq I$$



If the system has input then given x_0 , $u: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ the solution is $\xi(x_0, u, t)$

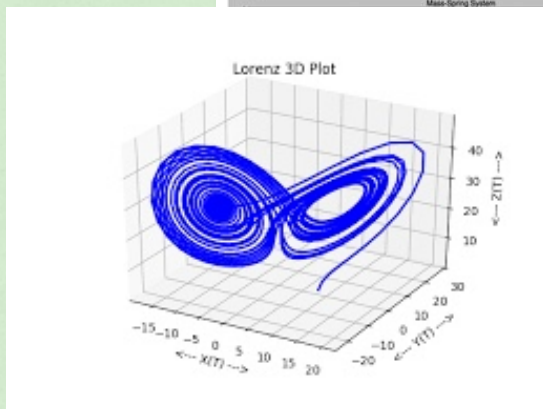
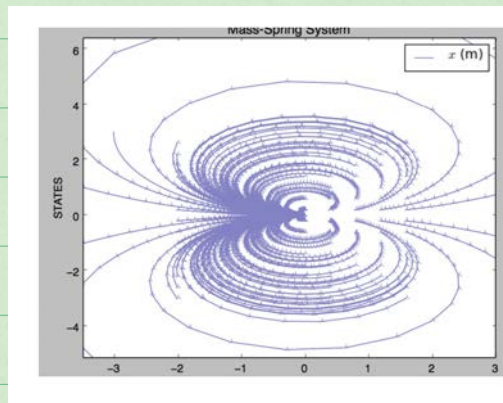
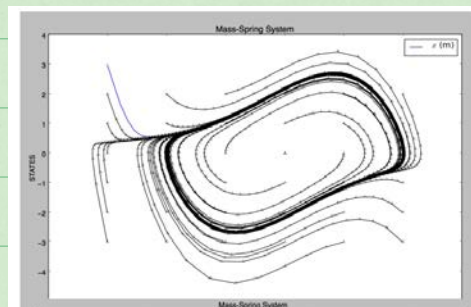
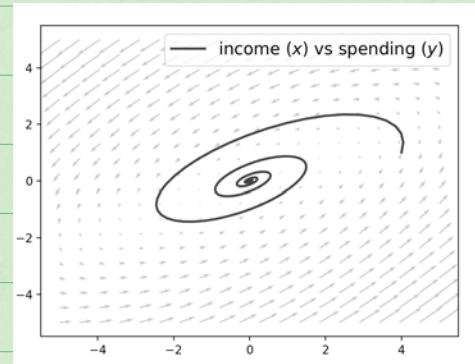
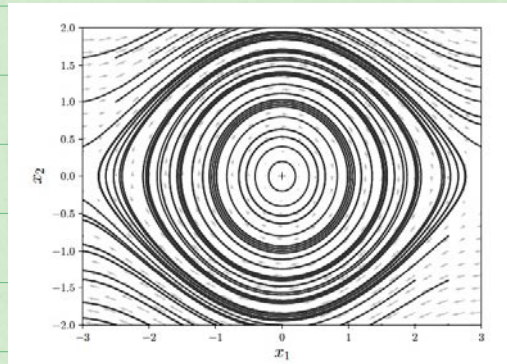
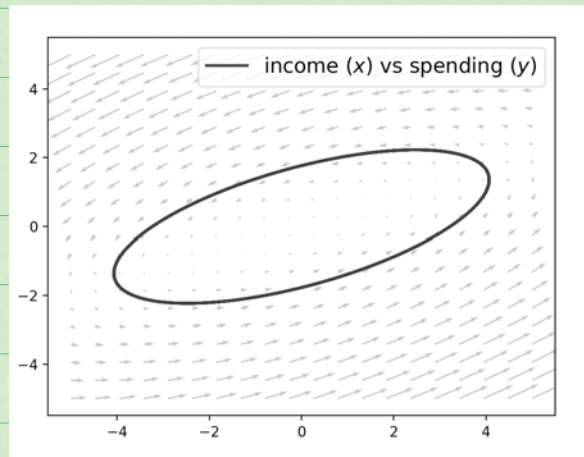
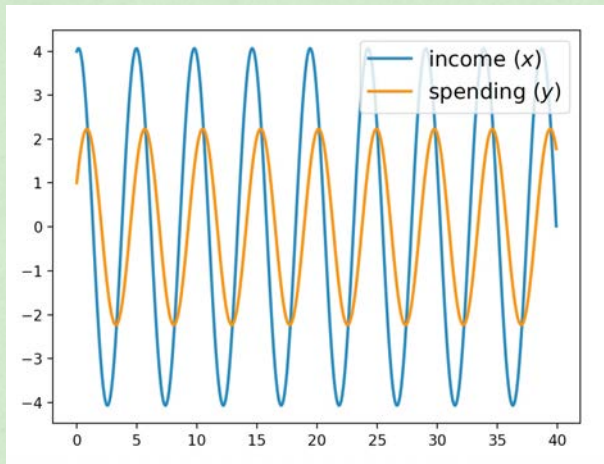
Linear Dynamical Systems

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

$u(t)$ is continuous $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}/D$

f is linear function

Therefore Lipschitz in $x(t)$



$$\frac{dx}{dt} = A(t)x(t) + B(t)u(t) \quad (2)$$

$A(t), B(t)$ are matrices of appropriate dimensions

Theorem Let $\xi(t, x_0, u)$ be the solution of (2) with points \notin discontinuity D .

(1) $\forall x_0, u \forall t \in \mathbb{R} \setminus D$ $\xi(t, x_0, u)$ is continuous and differentiable w.r.t t .

(2) $\forall t, u \forall x_0$ $\xi(t, x_0, u)$ is continuous w.r.t. x_0

(3) $\forall t, x_{01}, x_{02}, u_{01}, u_{02}, a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\xi(t, a_1 x_{01} + a_2 x_{02}, a_1 u_{01} + a_2 u_{02}) =$$

$$a_1 \xi(t, x_{01}, u_{01}) + a_2 \xi(t, x_{02}, u_{02})$$

$$(4) \xi(t, x_0, u) = \xi(t, x_0, \vec{0}) + \xi(t, 0, u)$$

Theorem Linear time invariant (LTI)
System $A(t) = A \quad \forall t$

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu(t)$$

Solution

$$\xi(t, x_0, u) = x_0 e^{A(t-t_0)} + \int_{t_0}^t e^{A(t-\tau)} Bu(\tau) d\tau$$

IF there are no inputs

$$\dot{x} = Ax \quad \xi(t, x_0) = x_0 e^{At}$$

IF the control input $u(t) = -Kx(t)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } \dot{x} &= Ax(t) + Bu(t) \\ &= Ax(t) - BKx(t) \\ &= (A - BK)x(t) \\ &= A'x(t) \end{aligned}$$

Requirements for Dynamical Systems

We focus on closed systems

$$\dot{x} = f(x) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

What are the equilibria or stationary points?

$x^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is an equilibrium if $f(x^*) = 0$

examples.

Pendulum. $f : \begin{bmatrix} -g/l \sin(x_1) - \frac{k}{m} x_2 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$

Economy : $\dot{x} = x - \alpha y = 0 \quad x = \alpha y$
 $\dot{y} = \beta(x - y - g_0 - kx) = 0$

$$\beta(\alpha - 1 - k\alpha)x = g_0\beta$$
$$x^* = \frac{g_0}{\alpha - 1 - k\alpha}$$

W.l.o.g we assume that $\vec{0}$ is an equilibrium point

Stability : How does the system behave near an equilibrium?

Does it stay bounded, converge, diverge? Are there invariants?

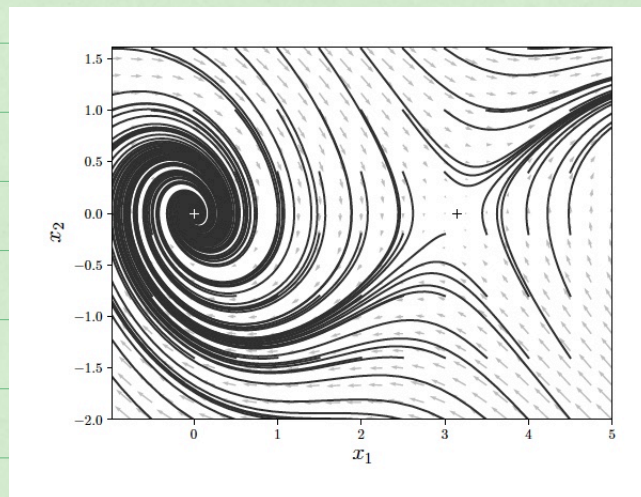
Def

A dynamical system is stable (Lyapunov stable) at the origin if

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta_\varepsilon > 0 \text{ if } |x_0| \leq \delta_\varepsilon \text{ then} \\ \forall t \geq 0 \quad |x(x_0, t)| \leq \varepsilon$$

Otherwise (1) is said to be Unstable.

How is Lyapunov stability related to invariance?



Asymptotic stability: A dynamical system

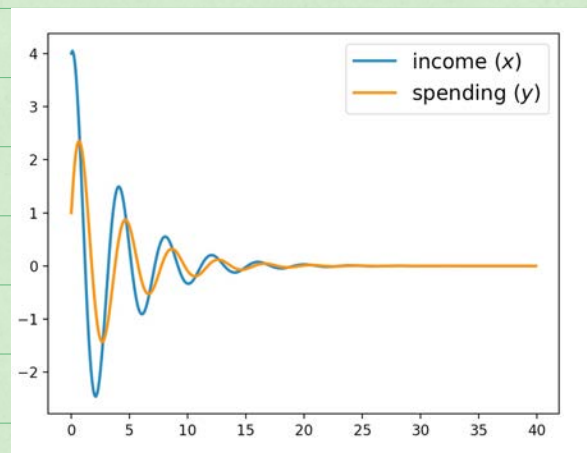
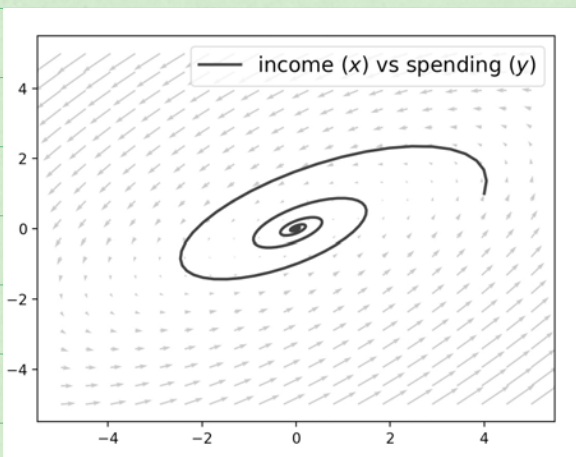
is asymptotically stable if

(1) it is Lyapunov stable and

(2) $\exists \delta_2 > 0$ s.t. $|x_0| \leq \delta_2 \Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |\xi(x_0, t)| \rightarrow 0$

If (2) holds for all δ_2 then

Globally Asymptotically Stable (GAS).



Exponentially stable if $\exists \delta_3, c, \lambda > 0$

such that $|\xi(t)| \leq c |\xi(0)| e^{-\lambda t}$

for any $|\xi(0)| \leq \delta_3$.