

EE6105 - Nonlinear Dynamics and Control

Homework I-2

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1. Suppose L is a Lipschitz constant for f . For any real number $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a positive real number δ where

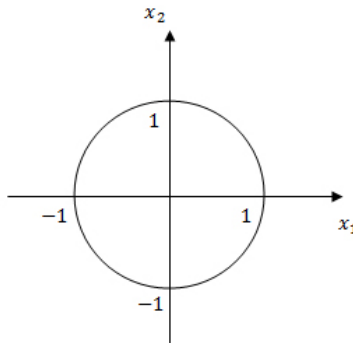
$$\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{L}.$$

Since f is Lipschitz on W , for any $x, y \in W$ with $\|x - y\| < \delta$, we have

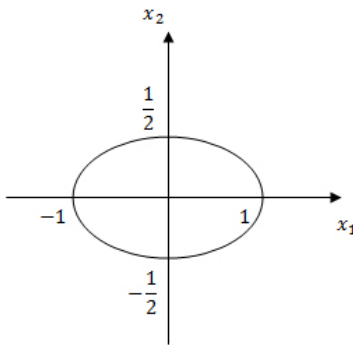
$$\|f(x) - f(y)\| \leq L\|x - y\| < L\delta = \varepsilon$$

It shows that f is uniformly continuous on W .

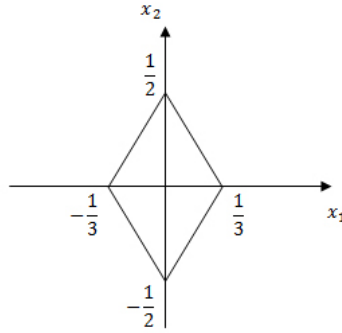
2. (a)



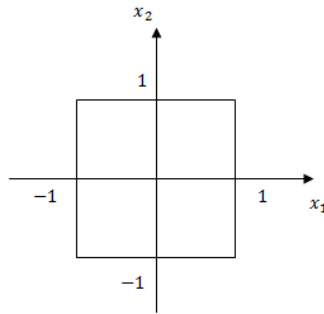
- (b)



(c)



(d)



3. A linear algebraic equation $Ax = b$ has a unique solution if and only if A is non-singular. To show that A is non-singular, let λ be an eigenvalue of A with corresponding eigenvector,

$$v = [v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_n]^T.$$

Let v_i be the largest value in terms of magnitude in the vector v , we have $|v_i| > 0$. Since v is an eigenvector corresponds to eigenvalue λ , we know

$$Av = \lambda v. \tag{1}$$

Taking the i -th row of Equation (1),

$$\sum_j a_{ij}v_j = \lambda v_i.$$

Splitting the sum, we get

$$\sum_{j \neq i} a_{ij}v_j = \lambda v_i - a_{ii}v_i.$$

Dividing both sides by v_i and take the absolute value,

$$|\lambda - a_{ii}| = \left| \frac{\sum_{j \neq i} a_{ij}v_j}{v_i} \right| \leq \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|$$

since $|v_j/v_i| \leq 1$ for $j \neq i$. This is also called Gershgorin's Circle Theorem.

Now suppose A is a singular matrix, there exists at least one zero eigenvalue $\lambda = 0$. By applying Gershgorin's Circle Theorem, we have

$$|\lambda - a_{ii}| = |a_{ii}| \leq \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|$$

which contradict the inequality $|a_{ii}| > \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|$. Therefore matrix A is non-singular.

4. We can prove this theorem by contradiction. First we need to solve the differential inequality $\dot{V}(x) \geq \lambda V(x)$. Let us define a function $Z(x)$ by

$$Z(x) = \dot{V}(x) - \lambda V(x)$$

The differential inequality implies that $Z(x)$ is semi-positive. The solution of the first-order equation above is

$$V(x) = e^{\lambda t} V(x_0) + \int_0^t e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} Z(x) d\tau$$

Because the second term in the right-hand-side of the above equation is semi-positive, we have

$$V(x) \geq e^{\lambda t} V(x_0), \quad \forall \lambda > 0. \quad (2)$$

Now let $R > 0$ so that $\beta_R \subset \Omega$, and let any $r > 0$ such that $r < R$. Then by the assumption of the system is stable, there exists $x_0 \in \beta_r$ such that $V(x_0) = a > 0$, and that the trajectory of x will not exceed β_R .

Since V is continuous and $\tilde{\beta}_R$ is compact, by applying Weierstrass Theorem, there exists $m \geq a > 0$ such that for all $x \in \tilde{\beta}_R$, $V(x) \leq m$.

Now, substituting $V(x_0) = a$ into Equation (2), we have

$$V(x) \geq e^{\lambda t} a$$

Let $e^{\lambda t} a = m$, we have $t = \frac{1}{\lambda} \ln \frac{m}{a}$. Thus, at time $t > \frac{1}{\lambda} \ln \frac{m}{a}$, we see that $V(x)$ must exceed m , which contradicts the assumption that $x(t)$ remains in $\tilde{\beta}_R$. Hence $x(t)$ must leave $\tilde{\beta}_R$.

5. (a) Differentiate V w.r.t. t , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= x_1 \dot{x}_1 + x_2 \dot{x}_2 \\ &= x_1^2(k^2 - x_1^2 - x_2^2) + x_1 x_2(k^2 + x_1^2 + x_2^2) - x_1 x_2(k^2 + x_1^2 + x_2^2) + x_2^2(k^2 - x_1^2 - x_2^2) \\ &= (x_1^2 + x_2^2)(k^2 - x_1^2 - x_2^2) \end{aligned}$$

For $k = 0$, the above equation simplifies to

$$\dot{V} = -(x_1^2 + x_2^2)^2 < 0$$

Since V is positive definite and radially unbounded, \dot{V} is negative definite, it verify that the system is globally asymptotically stable.

- (b) For $k \neq 0$, $\dot{V} = 2Vk^2 - 4V^2$. We can see that for $V < \frac{k^2}{2}$, \dot{V} will be positive. Let Ω be a compact region bounded by open ball β_k , and we know that \dot{V} is positive definite in this region. Let $R > 0$ so that $\beta_R \in \Omega$, and $r > 0$ such that $r < R$, given any initial point x_0 in ball β_r , we see that the trajectory will exceed ball β_R in finite time. Therefore the origin is unstable.

(c) Since $2V = x_1^2 + x_2^2$, we can express \dot{V} as

$$\dot{V} \begin{cases} < 0 & \text{if } x_1^2 + x_2^2 > k^2 \\ = 0 & \text{if } x_1^2 + x_2^2 = k^2 \\ > 0 & \text{if } x_1^2 + x_2^2 < k^2 \end{cases}$$

We can see that any trajectory inside the ball β_k will diverge from the origin to sphere S_k , whereas any trajectory outside the ball β_k will converge to it. Since V is not moving at sphere S_k , trajectory in sphere S_k will stay in S_k forever. Therefore we can conclude that S_k is a limit cycle for this system.

6. (a) To prove positive-definiteness of a function, first,

$$\begin{aligned} V(t, 0) &= \frac{1}{2}(a \sin 0 + 0)^2 + [1 + ag(t) - a^2](1 - \cos 0) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Then define a function,

$$V_0(x) = \frac{1}{2}(a \sin x_1 + x_2)^2 + [1 + a\alpha - a^2](1 - \cos x_1)$$

Since $[1 + ag(t) - a^2] \geq [1 + a\alpha - a^2] > 1$ for all $t \geq 0$, we have shown that $V_0(x)$ is a positive-definite function such that $V(t, x) \geq V_0(x)$ for all $t \geq 0$. Thus $V(t, x)$ is a positive-definite function.

To prove $V(t, x)$ a decrescent function, the first condition is met as shown above. Now we define another function,

$$V_1(x) = \frac{1}{2}(a \sin x_1 + x_2)^2 + [1 + a\beta - a^2](1 - \cos x_1)$$

Since $[1 + a\beta - a^2] \geq [1 + ag(t) - a^2] > 1$ for all $t \geq 0$, we have shown that $V_1(x)$ is a positive-definite function such that $V(t, x) \leq V_1(x)$ for all $t \geq 0$. Thus $V(t, x)$ is a decrescent function.

(b) *to be done*

7. Since $g(t) \leq 1$ for all $t \geq 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{V}(x, t) &= x_1\dot{x}_1 + x_2\dot{x}_2 \\ &= -2x_1^2 - x_2^2 + 2x_1x_2g(t) \\ &\leq -2x_1^2 - x_2^2 + 2x_1x_2 \\ &= -x_1^2 - (x_1 - x_2)^2 \\ &< 0\end{aligned}$$

Thus \dot{V} is negative-definite. Since $V(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 + x_2^2)$ is positive-definite and is radially unbounded, we can conclude that the system is globally asymptotically stable.