

Last time - reduction of order

Lets hear presentations from our three remaining groups!

Quick Quiz - Reading! - please keep up!

Another Example - Just in notes - not in class:

$$\ddot{x} + b\dot{x} + cx = \sin(x^3) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Third order} \\ \text{nonlinear ode.} \end{array}$$

define new variables: x_1, x_2, x_3

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = x_3$$

$$\text{so } \dot{x}_3 = \ddot{x}_2 = \ddot{x}_1$$

I need the third derivative

$$\ddot{x} = \sin(x^3) - b\dot{x} - cx$$

$$\ddot{x}_1 = \dot{x}_3 = \sin(x_1^3) - bx_2 - cx_1$$

$$\begin{cases} \text{so } x = x_1 \\ \dot{x} = x_2 \\ \ddot{x} = x_3 \end{cases}$$

plug in from here

New system:

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = x_3$$

$$\dot{x}_3 = \sin(x_1^3) - bx_2 - cx_1$$

Double check: Third order ode - I should see THREE first order equations

only first derivatives on Left Side
No derivatives only x_1, x_2, x_3 on Right Side.

Today - We start Flows on a Line

pages 15-24 in the book.

our work in class follows this closely.

Flow on a Line:

In this class we will be analyzing very complicated systems:

$$\dot{x}_1 = f_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\dot{x}_n = f_n(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

- we think of solutions as trajectories flowing through n -dimensional space with coordinates $(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n)$ which change in time.

This idea is called PHASE SPACE
can't always be graphed... > 3 dimensions.

Start in 1-dimension and build up our reasoning from there.

$$\dot{x} = f(x) \quad \text{one dimensional system} \\ \text{autonomous ode.}$$

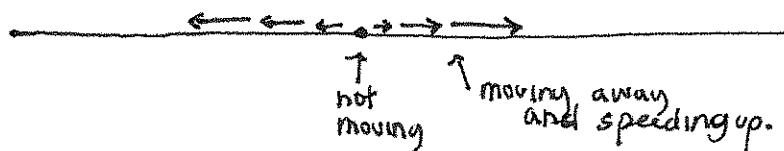
Autonomous: The independent variable does not appear in our equation.

if we had $\dot{x} = f(x, t)$
we would think of this
as two dimensions since
the phase space changes in
time!

$$\begin{cases} \text{let } \dot{x}_1 = f(x_1, x_2) \\ \text{and } x_2 = t \text{ so that} \\ \dot{x}_2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

We imagine phase space as a vector field.
Every point in space has a vector that tells
your solution what direction it is going
and how fast.

In 1-dimension — this is a Flow on a Line.



To demonstrate
a big example!

Lets consider the equation:

$$\dot{x} = \sin(x), \quad x(0) = x_0$$

This is seperable and can be solved:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \sin(x)$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{\sin(x)} = \int dt$$

$$\ln \left| \frac{\csc(x_0) + \cot(x_0)}{\csc(x) + \cot(x)} \right| = t$$

a big mess... to get general soln
apply initial condition

this is an exact result - but what does it tell us?

1. If $x_0 = \pi/4$ then what does the solution do for $t > 0$?
2. What happens as $t \rightarrow \infty$?

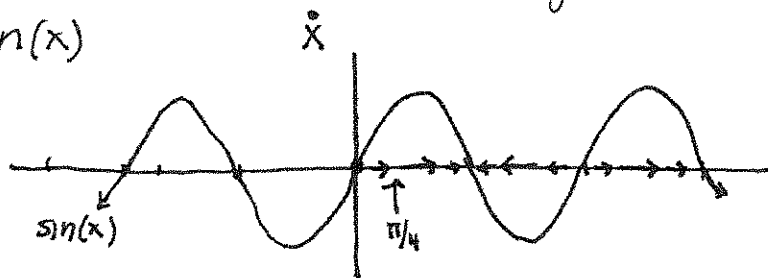
Hard to say given how messy our solution is!

Instead

Think of the solution as a flow on a line:

PLOT $\dot{x}$ vs $f(x)$ to find how the velocity changes at each position.

$$\dot{x} = \sin(x)$$



#1 plot $f(x)$

#2 Draw vectors

FIXED POINTS - points where $\dot{x} = 0$, no change if the solution is at this point it does not move!

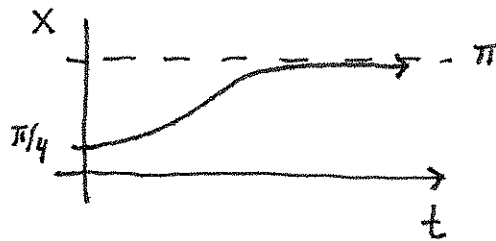
STABLE F.P. - solutions go toward stable fixed points

UNSTABLE F.P. - solutions go away from unstable fixed points.

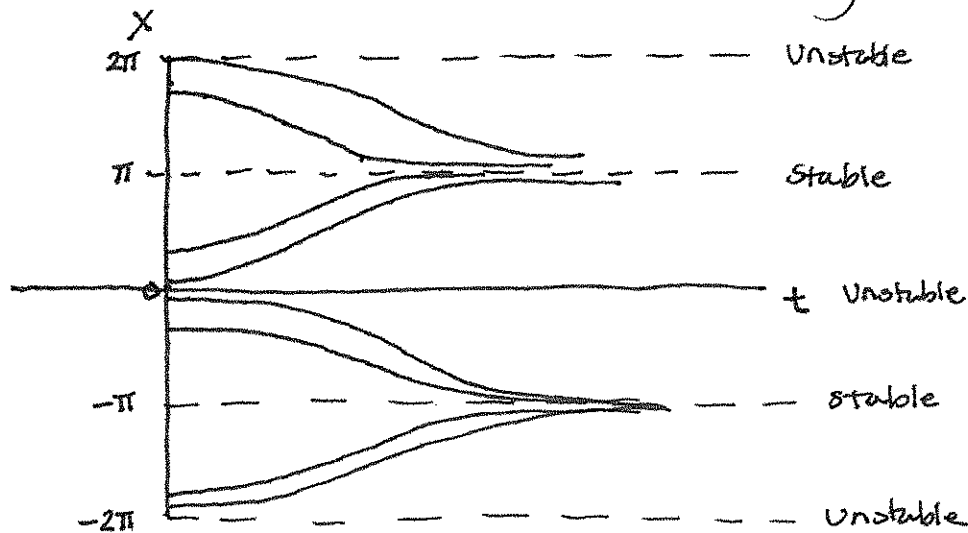
The flow on the line lets us answer our questions!

1. $x_0 = \pi/4$ what will happen...

It will move to the right, or get larger, also moving faster until $\pi/2$ when it will start slowing down and approaching $x = \pi$. As $t \rightarrow \infty$ the solution settles down at $x = \pi$.
 SKETCH THIS



2. We could do the same for any initial condition.



Each of these lines is a TRAJECTORY.
 they correspond to different initial conditions.

PHASE PORTRAIT - plot of a range of possible trajectories.

FIXED POINTS - where $\dot{x} = 0$ also called EQUILIBRIUM POINTS.

Other Questions:

- * When is The system moving the fastest?
- * When should we expect increasing (or decreasing) solutions?

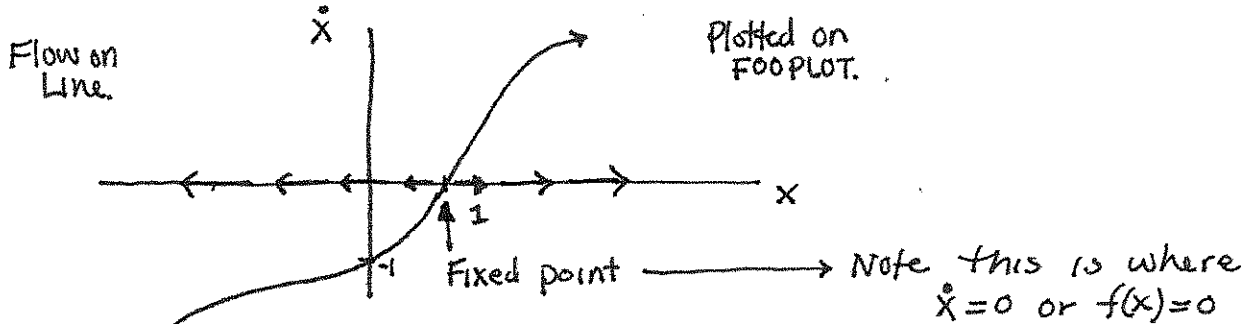
GROUP WORK...

Another Example — Just in notes — not in class.

Consider $\dot{x} = x - \cos(x)$
determine the behavior of this system.

Fixed Points, Stability, Phase Diagram
Description of the solution.

Plot $\dot{x}$ vs $f(x) = x - \cos(x)$

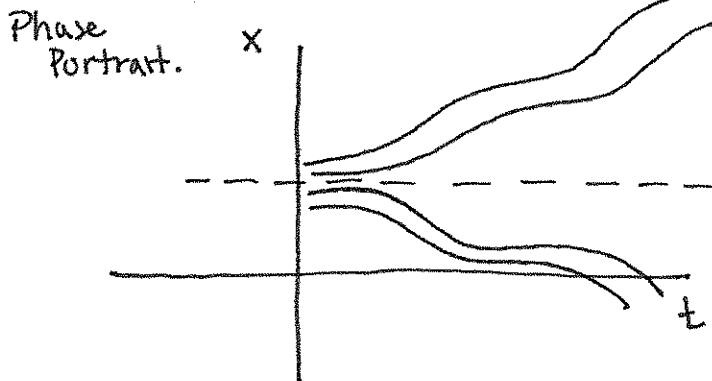
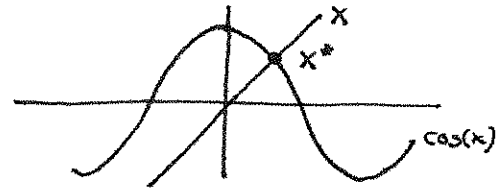


The Fixed point
is unstable.
On either side the
solution goes away!

We can solve for this!

$$x^* - \cos(x^*) = 0$$

$$x^* = \cos(x^*)$$



x^* unstable → Note we could
~~also~~ also plug in
points to the left
and right $x^* \pm \epsilon$ to
test positive or negative
flows.

Describe — If we start above x^* then the solution
will increase going to ∞ as $t \rightarrow \infty$.
the velocity will always be positive but
the magnitude will oscillate.

The opposite happens if we start below x^*
the solution goes to $-\infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

Population Dynamics...

SIMPLE
MODEL

$$\dot{N} = rN$$

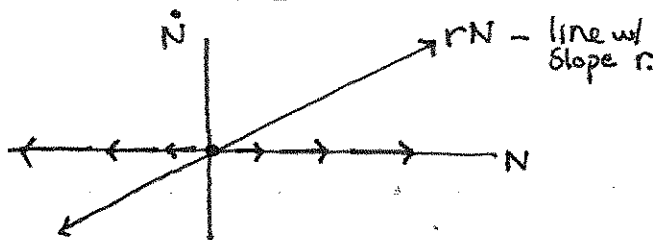
$r = \text{growth rate} > 0$
 $K = \text{carrying capacity.}$

vs.

LOGISTIC
GROWTH

$$\dot{N} = rN(1 - N/K)$$

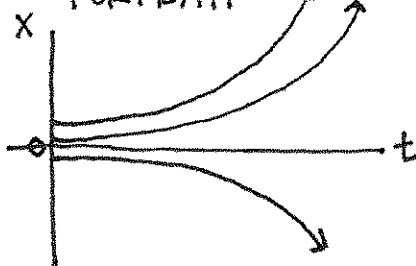
FLOW ON LINE



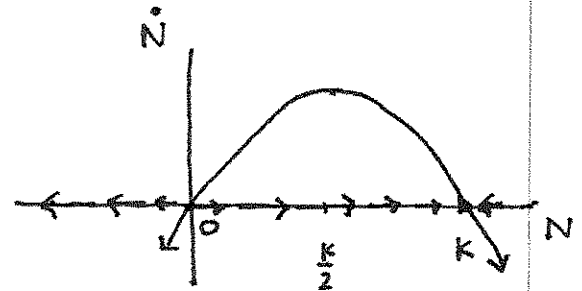
Fixed point at $N^* = 0$
unstable.

The velocities get larger in magnitude as we get further from the fixed point.

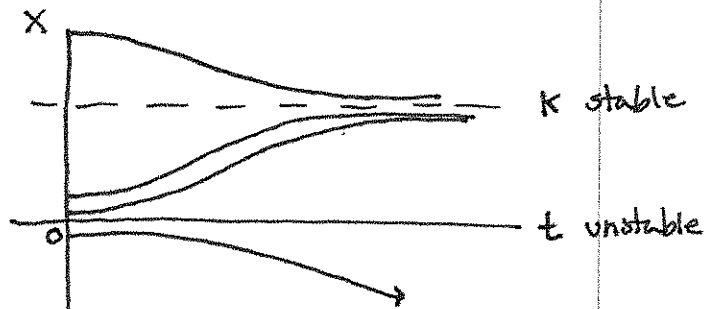
PHASE
PORTRAIT



Population just grows exponentially

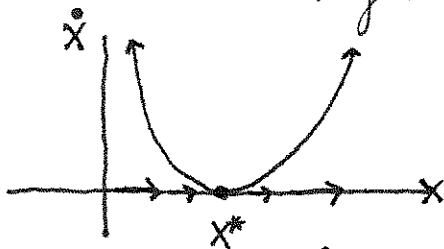


Fixed points at $N^* = 0$ and $N^* = K$
one stable The other unstable.



Population slowly approaches the carrying capacity

NOTE — We could get a BISTABLE fixed point.



here if we start with $x < x^*$ then our solution approaches x^*

if we start with $x > x^*$ our solution goes away from x^*

