

Lectures on Dynamical Systems

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Part 1

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Therefore, the set $\{g^t\}$ is commutative group with respect to the composition operation: $g^s g^t = g^s(g^t)$.

Unity of this group is g^0 which is the identity transformation.

The inverse element to g^t is g^{-t} .

This group is isomorphic to \mathbb{Z} or \mathbb{R} for the cases of discrete or continuous time respectively.

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In our course we almost always will have a finite-dimensional smooth manifold as X and will assume that $g^t x$ is smooth with respect to x if $\Xi = \mathbb{Z}$ and with respect to (x, t) if $\Xi = \mathbb{R}$. So, we consider *smooth dynamical systems*.

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Example (Two body problem)

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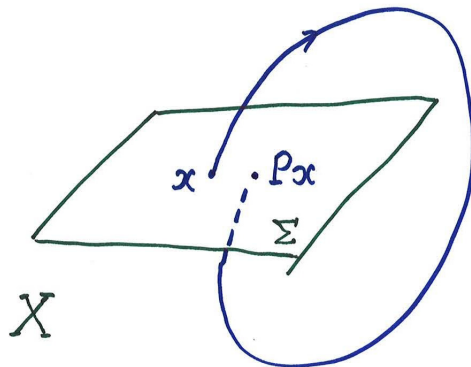
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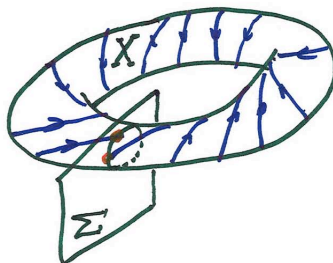
$$P : \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma$$

Σ is called a *Poincaré surface of section*.

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Example

Section of torus



For this surface of section the Poincaré first return map for a torus winding is a rotation of the circle.

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Example (Quasi-periodic time dependence)

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = v(x, t\omega), x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \omega \in \mathbb{R}^m,$$

function v is 2π -periodic in each of the last m arguments. It is useful to study the autonomous ODE

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = v(x, \varphi), \quad \frac{d\varphi}{dt} = \omega$$

whose phase space is $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{T}^m$. For $m = 1$ the Poincaré return map for the section $\varphi = 0 \bmod 2\pi$ reduces the problem to a dynamical system with discrete time.

For ODEs some solutions may be defined only locally in time, for $t_- < t < t_+$, where t_- , t_+ depend on initial condition. An important example of such a behavior is a “blow-up”, when a solution of a continuous-time system in $X = \mathbb{R}^n$ approaches infinity within a finite time.

Example

For equation

$$\dot{x} = x^2, x \in \mathbb{R}$$

each solution with a positive (respectively, a negative) initial condition at $t = 0$ tends to $+\infty$ (respectively, $-\infty$) when time approaches some finite moment in the future (respectively, in the past). The only solution defined for all times is $x \equiv 0$.

Such equations define only *local phase flows*.

1. One can modify the definition of dynamical system taking $\Xi = \mathbb{Z}^+$ or $\Xi = \mathbb{R}^+$, and G being semigroup of transformations.
2. There are theories in which phase space is an infinite-dimensional functional space. (However, even in these theories very often essential events occur in a finite-dimensional submanifold, and so the finite-dimensional case is at the core of the problem. Moreover, analysis of infinite-dimensional problems often follows the schemes developed for finite-dimensional problems.)

1. Linear dynamical systems.
2. Normal forms of nonlinear systems.
3. Bifurcations.
4. Perturbations of integrable systems, in particular, KAM-theory.

Exercises

1. Consider the sequence

1, 2, 4, 8, 1, 3, 6, 1, 2, 5, 1, 2, 4, 8, ...

of first digits of consecutive powers of 2. Does a 7 ever appears in this sequence? More generally, does 2^n begin with an arbitrary combination of digits?

2. Prove that $\sup_{0 < t < \infty} (\cos t + \sin \sqrt{2}t) = 2$.

LECTURE 2

LINEAR DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS

Example: variation equation

Consider ODE

$$\dot{x} = v(t, x), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \in D \subset \mathbb{R}^n, \quad v(\cdot, \cdot) \in C^2(\mathbb{R} \times D)$$

Let $x_*(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$ be a solution to this equation.

Introduce $\xi = x - x_*(t)$. Then

$$\dot{\xi} = v(t, x_*(t) + \xi) - v(t, x_*(t)) = \frac{\partial v(t, x_*(t))}{\partial x} \xi + O(|\xi|^2)$$

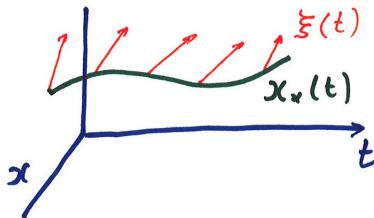
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is called *the variation equation* near solution $x_*(t)$.



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In this form the equation is called “a system of n homogeneous linear non-autonomous differential equations of the first order”.

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The set of all solutions of a linear non-autonomous ODE in \mathbb{R}^n is a linear n -dimensional space.

Proof.

The set of solutions is isomorphic to the phase space, i.e. to \mathbb{R}^n . An isomorphism maps a solution to its initial (say, at $t = 0$) datum. □

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Any basis in the space of solutions is called *a fundamental system of solutions*.

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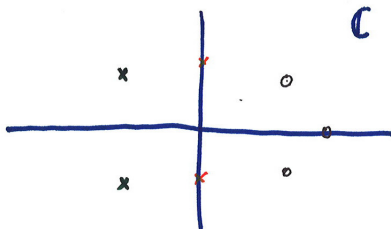
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Exercises

1. Draw all possible phase portraits of linear ODEs in \mathbb{R}^2 .
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3. May linear operators A and B not commute (i.e. $AB \neq BA$) if

$$e^A = e^B = e^{A+B} = E \quad ?$$

4. Prove that there is no “blow-up” for a linear non-autonomous ODE.

LECTURE 3

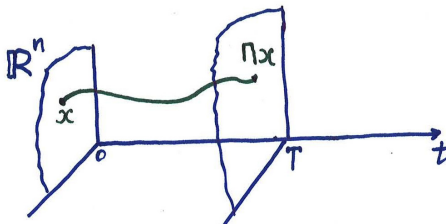
LINEAR DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS

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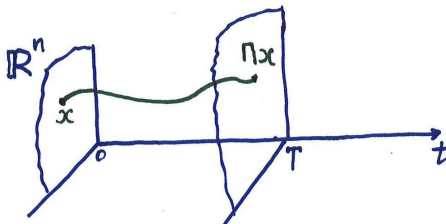


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Proposition.

Π is a linear operator, $\Pi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, Π is non-degenerate and preserves orientation of \mathbb{R}^n : $\det \Pi > 0$.

Π is called the *monodromy operator*, its matrix is called the *monodromy matrix*, its eigenvalues are called the *Floquet multipliers*. The Floquet multipliers are roots of the *characteristic equation* $\det(\Pi - \rho E) = 0$.

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Take $\Lambda = \frac{1}{T} \text{Ln } \Pi$. Then Π coincides with the evolution operator for the time T of the constant-coefficient linear ODE $\dot{z} = \Lambda z$.

Eigenvalues of K are called *Floquet exponents*. The relation between Floquet multipliers ρ_j and Floquet exponents λ_j is $\rho_j = e^{T\lambda_j}$. Real parts of Floquet exponents are *Lyapunov exponents*.

Proof.

Because of the theorem about the Jordan normal form it is enough to consider the case when original operator B is a Jordan block. Let ρ be the eigenvalue of this block, $\rho \neq 0$ because of non-degeneracy of B . Then $B = \rho(E + \frac{1}{\rho}I)$, where I is the Jordan block with the eigenvalue 0. Take

$$K = (\text{Ln } \rho)E + Y, \quad Y = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m-1}}{m} \left(\frac{1}{\rho}I\right)^m$$

where $\text{Ln } \rho = \ln |\rho| + i \text{Arg } \rho$. The series for Y actually contains only a finite number of terms because $I^n = 0$. For $z \in \mathbb{C}$ we have $e^{\ln(1+z)} = 1 + z$ and

$$\ln(1+z) = z - \frac{1}{2}z^2 + \frac{1}{3}z^3 + \dots, \quad e^y = 1 + \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{3!}y^3 + \dots$$

provided that the series for the logarithm converges. Thus, plugging the series for $y = \ln(1+z)$ to the series for e^y after rearranging of terms gives $1+z$.

Thus,

$$e^K = e^{(\text{Ln } \rho)E + Y} = e^{(\text{Ln } \rho)E} e^Y = \rho \left(E + \frac{1}{\rho}I\right) = B$$

(we use that if $HL = LH$, then $e^{H+L} = e^H e^L$, and that all the series here are absolutely convergent).

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In $\operatorname{Re} V_j, j = 1, \dots, r$ previous formulas allow to define the real logarithm.

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define real logarithm \mathcal{K} acting on $(\operatorname{Re} V_j \oplus \operatorname{Im} V_j)$ by formulas

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The Floquet theorem plays a fundamental role in the solid state physics under the name *the Bloch theorem*.

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If a T -periodic ODE depends smoothly on a parameter, then the transformation of variables in the Lyapunov theorem can also be chosen to be smooth in this parameter. (Note that this assertion does not follow from the presented proof of the Lyapunov theorem. This property is needed for analysis of bifurcations.)

Linear periodic-coefficient ODEs, stability

Theorem

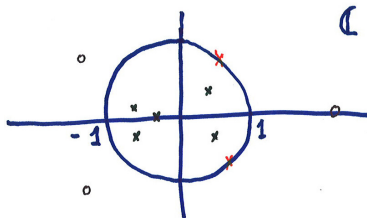
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a) stable iff there are no Floquet multipliers outside the unit circle in the complex plane, and to all multipliers on the unit circle correspond Jordan blocks of size 1.

b) asymptotically stable iff all Floquet multipliers are within the unit circle.

Proof.

The Floquet-Lyapunov theory reduces problem of stability for a linear periodic-coefficient ODE to the already solved problem of stability for a linear constant-coefficient ODE. One should note relation $\rho_j = e^{T\lambda_j}$ between Floquet multipliers and Floquet exponents and the fact that the Jordan block structure is the same for operators Λ and $e^{T\Lambda}$.



Consider a map

$$x \mapsto \Pi x, x \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

where Π is a non-degenerate linear operator, $\Pi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $\det \Pi \neq 0$.

The eigenvalues of Π are called *the multipliers*.

According to the theorem about existence of a logarithm there exists a linear operator $\Lambda: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$ such that $\Pi = e^\Lambda$. Then $\Pi^k = e^{k\Lambda}$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

This allows to study iterations of linear maps.

One can use also the representation $\Pi^2 = e^{\tilde{\Lambda}}$, where $\tilde{\Lambda}$ is a real linear operator, $\tilde{\Lambda}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$.

Exercises

1. Prove that square of any non-degenerate linear real operator has a real logarithm.
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LECTURE 4

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The set of the characteristic Lyapunov exponents of all solutions of an ODE is called *the Lyapunov spectrum* of this ODE

Example

Consider equation $\dot{x} = (x/t) \ln x$, $t > 0$, $x > 0$. Its general solution is $x = e^{ct}$ with an arbitrary constant c . So, the Lyapunov spectrum is \mathbb{R} .

Consider a linear non-autonomous ODE

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where $A(t)$ is a linear operator, $A(t): \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $A(\cdot) \in C^0(\mathbb{R})$.

Recall that $\|A\| = \sup_{x \neq 0} \|Ax\|/\|x\|$.

Theorem (Lyapunov)

If $\|A(\cdot)\|$ is bounded on $[0, +\infty)$, then each nontrivial solution has a finite characteristic Lyapunov exponent.

Corollary

Lyapunov spectrum of a linear non-autonomous ODE in \mathbb{R}^n with a bounded matrix of coefficients contains no more than n elements.

Exercises

1. Prove that the equation

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can not be transformed into a constant-coefficient linear equation by means of transformation of variables of the form $y = L(t)x$, where $L(\cdot) \in C^1(\mathbb{R})$, $|L| < \text{const}$, $|\dot{L}| < \text{const}$, $|L^{-1}| < \text{const}$.

2. Let $X(t)$ be a fundamental matrix for the equation $\dot{x} = A(t)x$. Prove the Liouville - Ostrogradski formula:

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$$\dot{x} = J \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial x} \right)^T, \quad \text{where } J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -E_n \\ E_n & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Here E_n is the $n \times n$ unit matrix. The matrix J is called *the symplectic unity*. $J^2 = -E_{2n}$. If H is a quadratic form, $H = \frac{1}{2}x^T A(t)x$, where $A(t)$ is a symmetric $2n \times 2n$ matrix, $A(\cdot) \in C^0$, then we get a *linear Hamiltonian system*

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Proposition.

The matrix JA is similar to the matrix $(-JA)^T$.

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Corollary

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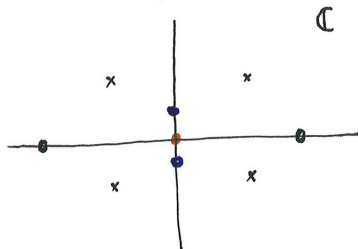
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Theorem (Williamson)

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On linear natural Hamiltonian systems, continued

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Theorem (Krein's test)

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Parametric resonance, application of the Krein theory

Let the normal form of the Hamiltonian function for the Hamiltonian system $\dot{x} = JA x$ be

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Then eigenvalues of the matrix JA are $\pm i\Omega_1, \pm i\Omega_2, \dots, \pm i\Omega_n$.

Consider Hamiltonian system whose Hamiltonian in the variables p, q is

$$F = H + \frac{1}{2}\delta(p_1^2 + q_1^2 + p_2^2 + q_2^2 + \dots + p_n^2 + q_n^2)$$

The eigenvalues of the matrix of this Hamiltonian system are

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Remark

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However, it can happens that the reducing transformation is not close to the autonomous one and $A_0 \neq A$. The reason is similar to that for a parametric resonance. It can happens that the matrix A has simple eigenvalues λ_1 and λ_2 such that $\lambda_2 - \lambda_1 = \frac{2\pi i}{T}m$ with an integer m . Then for $\varepsilon = 0$ the monodromy matrix $\Pi = e^{TA}$ has the eigenvalue (the multiplier) $e^{T\lambda_1}$ of multiplicity 2.

Exercises

1. Consider an equation $\ddot{y} + p(t)y = 0$, $y \in \mathbb{R}$, $p(t + T) = p(t)$. Let Π be a monodromy matrix for this equation (what is the definition of a monodromy matrix for this equation?). Prove that if $|\text{tr } \Pi| < 2$, then this equation is stable, and if $|\text{tr } \Pi| > 2$, it is unstable.
2. Let in the previous exercise $p(t + 2\pi) = p(t)$, $\varepsilon \ll 1$ and

$$p(t) = \begin{cases} (\omega + \varepsilon)^2, & \text{if } 0 \leq t < \pi; \\ (\omega - \varepsilon)^2, & \text{if } \pi \leq t < 2\pi. \end{cases}$$

Find domains of stability in the plane ω, ε .

LINEARISATION

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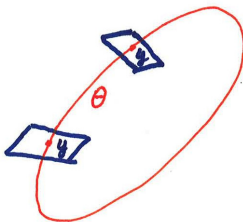
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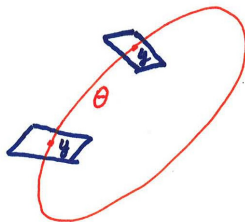
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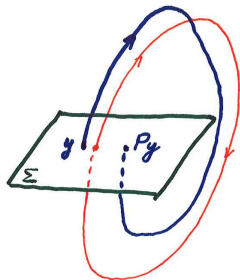
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The Poincaré map has the form

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where K is a linear operator, $K : \mathbb{R}^{n-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$.

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Exercises

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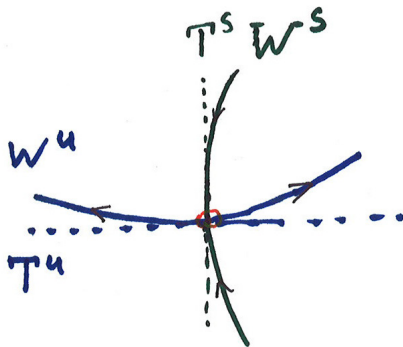
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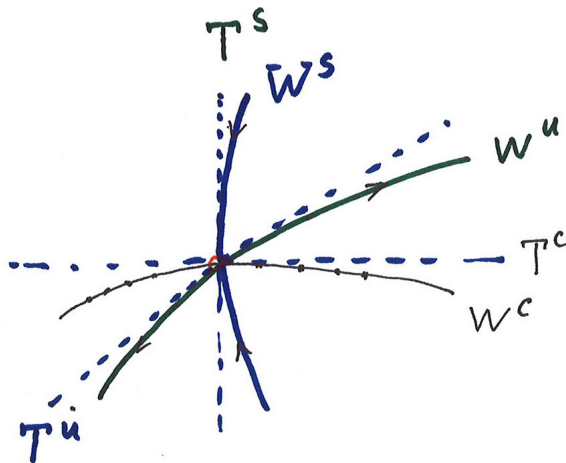
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Exercises

1. Consider the system

$$\dot{x} = xz - x^3, \quad \dot{y} = y + x^4, \quad \dot{z} = 0$$

Show that this system has a center manifold given by $y = V(x, z)$, where V is a C^6 function in x if $|z| < 1/6$, but only a C^4 function in x for $|z| < 1/4$.

2. Consider the system

$$\dot{x} = ax^2 + xb^T y + cx^3 + \dots, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^1, \quad \dot{y} = By + dx^2 + px^3 + xq^T y + \dots, \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

where B is a matrix without imaginary eigenvalues. Find center manifold of 0 with accuracy $O(x^4)$.

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