

## Nonlinear Dynamical System

### I) continuous-time Dynamical System:-

1) one-Dimensional system:-

a) Approximate solution and the asymptotic behavior:-

consider the dynamical system  $\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x)$ , where  $f(x)$  is a nonlinear function

let  $x^*$  be an equilibrium point  $f(x^*) = 0$

Using Taylor series around  $x^*$ , then

$$f(x) \approx f(x^*) + f'(x^*)(x - x^*) + \frac{f''(x^*)}{2}(x - x^*)^2 + \dots$$

The linear term:-

$f(x^*) + f'(x^*)(x - x^*)$  is called the linearization (tangent line approximation) to the nonlinear function  $f(x)$  in the neighborhood of  $x^*$ .

$$f(x) \approx f(x^*) + f'(x^*)(x - x^*)$$

$$f(x^*) = 0 \quad \therefore f(x) = f'(x^*)(x - x^*)$$

The dynamical system become  $\frac{d(x-x^*)}{dt} = f'(x^*)(x - x^*)$

$$\text{Let } y = x - x^* \quad \therefore \frac{dy}{dt} = f'(x^*)y$$

$$\int \frac{dy}{y} = f'(x^*) \int dt \quad \Rightarrow \quad \ln y = f'(x^*)t + c$$

$$y = ce^{f'(x^*)t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad x - x^* = ce^{f'(x^*)t}$$

The approximate solution for the nonlinear dynamical system

$$x(t) = ce^{f'(x^*)t} + x^*$$

The asymptotic behavior:-

As  $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$\text{If } f'(x^*) < 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad e^{f'(x^*)t} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{If } f'(x^*) > 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad e^{f'(x^*)t} \rightarrow \infty \quad \Rightarrow \quad x(t) \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\text{If } f'(x^*) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad e^{f'(x^*)t} \rightarrow \text{finite}$$

b) Linear stability analysis:-

let  $x^*$  be an equilibrium point of the dynamical system  $x' = f(x)$

$$\text{If } f'(x^*) < 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x^* \text{ is stable}$$

$$\text{If } f'(x^*) > 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x^* \text{ is unstable}$$

$$\text{If } f'(x^*) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{test fails}$$

$x^*$  may be stable or unstable

According to nonlinear term (test fails)

**Example:-** determined the equilibrium and their linearized stability of the dynamical system  $x' = x^2 - 1$

**Solution:-** to determine the equilibrium point  $x' = 0$

$$x^2 - 1 = 0 \quad x_1^* = 1, \quad x_2^* = -1$$

$$f'(x) = -2x$$

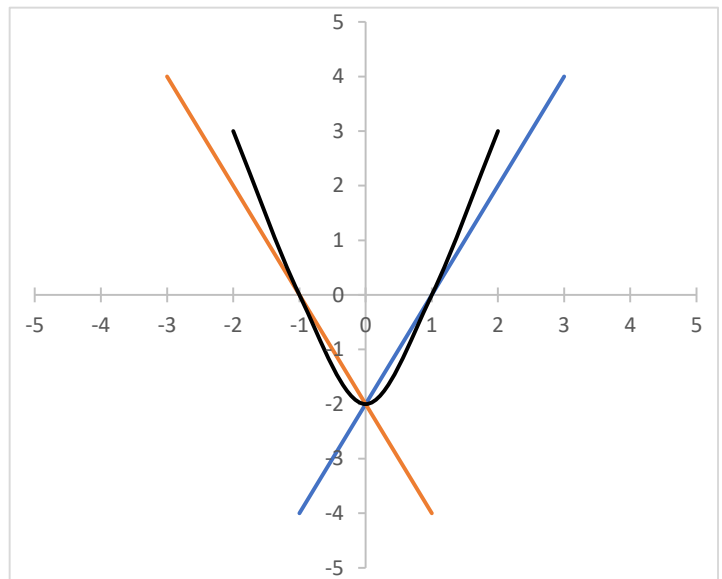
$$f'(x_1^*) = 2 > 0 \quad \text{unstable,} \quad f'(x_2^*) = -2 < 0 \quad \text{stable}$$

The linearization around  $f(x)$

$$f(x) = f'(x^*)(x - x^*)$$

Around  $x_1^* = 1 \quad y = 2x - 2$

Around  $x_2^* = -1 \quad y = -2x - 2$



**Example:-** determined the equilibrium and their linearized stability of the dynamical system  $x' = x - x^3$

**Solution:-** to determine the equilibrium  $x' = 0$

$$x - x^3 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x(1 - x^2) = 0$$

$$x_1^* = 0 \quad x_2^* = 1 \quad x_3^* = -1$$

$$f'(x_1^*) = 1 > 0 \text{ unstable,} \quad f'(x_2^*) = f'(x_3^*) = -2 < 0 \text{ stable}$$

The linearization of  $f(x)$

Around  $x_1^* = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = x$

Around  $x_2^* = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = -2x + 2$

Around  $x_3^* = -1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = -2x - 2$

2) Two-Dimensional system:-

Consider a two-dimensional system  $\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x)$ ,  $f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} f_1(x) \\ f_2(x) \end{bmatrix}$  is a nonlinear function

Let  $\chi^*$  be an equilibrium point

The nonlinear function  $f(x)$  is approximate by the linear function  $f(x) \approx A(x - x^*)$  where A is the Jacobin of  $f(x)$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix}$$

Linearization and stability analysis:-

Real eigenvalue

If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 < 0$   $\Rightarrow$  stable node

If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$   $\Rightarrow$  unstable node

If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  have opposite signs  $\Rightarrow$  saddle point

If  $\lambda_i \leq 0, \lambda_j = 0$   $\Rightarrow$  Test fails

Complex eigenvalue  $\lambda = \alpha + i\beta$

If  $\alpha < 0$   $\Rightarrow$  stable spiral

If  $\alpha > 0$   $\Rightarrow$  unstable spiral

If  $\alpha = 0$   $\Rightarrow$  Test fails

**Example:-**  $\frac{dx}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} -x + xy \\ -4y + 8xy \end{bmatrix}$

**Solution:-** to determine the equilibrium  $f(x) = 0$

$$-x + xy = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x(-1 + y) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad y = 1$$

$$-4y + 8xy = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad y(-4 + 8x) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad y = 0$$

The equilibrium  $x_1^* = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $x_2^* = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

The Jacob matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 + y & x \\ 8y & -4 + 8x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A(x_1^*) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = -1, \quad \lambda_2 = -4$$

$x_1^* = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is a stable node

$$A(x_2^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 2, \quad \lambda_2 = -2$$

$x_2^* = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is a saddle node

## II) Discrete-time Dynamical System:-

1) one-Dimensional system:-

a) Approximate solution and the asymptotic behavior:-

consider the dynamical system  $x_{k+1} = f(x_k)$ ,  $x(0) = x_0$ , where  $f(x_k)$  is a nonlinear function.

Let  $x^*$  be an equilibrium point  $f(x^*) = x^*$

Using the Taylor series expansion around  $x^*$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &\approx f(x^*) + f'(x^*)(x - x^*) + \frac{f''(x^*)}{2}(x - x^*)^2 + \dots \\ &= f'(x^*)x + (1 - f'(x^*))x^* \end{aligned}$$

Comparing with the equation  $f(x) = ax + b$

$$a = f'(x^*) \quad b = (1 - f'(x^*))x^*$$

The approximate solution

$$x(k) = \begin{cases} (f'(x^*))^k x + (1 - f'(x^*))^k x^* & , f'(x^*) \neq 1 \\ x_0 + k(1 - f'(x^*))x^* & , f'(x^*) = 1 \end{cases}$$

The asymptotic behavior:-

As  $k \rightarrow \infty$

$$\text{If } |f'(x^*)| < 1 \quad f'(x^*)^k \rightarrow 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x(k) \rightarrow x^*$$

$$\text{If } |f'(x^*)| > 1 \quad f'(x^*)^k \rightarrow \infty \quad \Rightarrow \quad x(k) \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\text{If } f'(x^*) = 1 \quad x(k) \rightarrow x_0$$

$$\text{If } f'(x^*) = -1 \quad \begin{cases} -x_0 + 2x^* & , k = 1, 3, 5, \dots \\ x_0 & , k = 2, 4, 6, \dots \end{cases}$$

**Example:-** prove that 2 is an equilibrium point of the dynamical system

$x_{k+1} = x_k^3 - x_k^2 - 2$ ,  $x_0 = 3$ . Find an approximate solution of the system around 2, and discuss the asymptotic behavior.

**Solution:-**

$$f(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 2$$

$$f(2) = 8 - 4 - 2 = 2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \therefore 2 \text{ is an equilibrium point}$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 2x \quad \Rightarrow \quad f'(2) = 12 - 4 = 8$$

The approximate solution

$$x(k) = (f'(x^*))^k x + (1 - f'(x^*))^k x^* = 3(8^k) + 2(1 - 8^k) = 8^k + 2$$

b) Linear stability analysis:-

If  $x^*$  is an equilibrium point of the dynamical system  $x_{k+1} = f(x_k)$

If  $|f'(x^*)| < 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x^*$  is stable equilibrium point

If  $|f'(x^*)| > 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x^*$  is unstable equilibrium point

If  $f'(x^*) = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad$  Test Fails

**Example:-** Determine the stability of all equilibrium of the dynamical system  
 $x_{k+1} = x_k^3$

**Solution:-** to determine the equilibrium point  $f(x) = x$

$$x^3 - x = 0 \quad x(x^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$x_1^* = 0 \quad x_2^* = 1 \quad x_3^* = -1 \quad \therefore x_1^*, x_2^*, x_3^* \text{ are the equilibrium points}$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2$$

$$f'(x_1^*) = f'(0) = 0 < 1$$

$x_1^*$  is a stable equilibrium point

$$f'(x_2^*) = f'(x_3^*) = f'(\pm 1) = 3 > 1$$

Both  $x_2^*, x_3^*$  are unstable equilibrium point

2) Two-Dimensional system:-

Linearization and stability analysis:-

Let  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  be the eigenvalue of the Jacobin matrix A.

Real eigenvalue

If  $|\lambda_1| < 1$  and  $|\lambda_2| < 1 \Rightarrow$  stable node

If  $|\lambda_1| > 1$  or  $|\lambda_2| > 1 \Rightarrow$  unstable node

If  $\lambda_i \leq 1, |\lambda_j| = 1 \Rightarrow$  Test fails

Complex eigenvalue  $\lambda = \alpha + i\beta$

If  $|\lambda| < 1 \Rightarrow$  stable spiral

If  $|\lambda| > 1 \Rightarrow$  unstable spiral

If  $|\lambda| = 1 \Rightarrow$  Test fails

**Example:-** Determine the stability of all equilibrium of the dynamical system

$$x_{k+1} = f(x_k), \text{ where } f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} x + y^2 \\ x + 2y \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solution:-** to determine the equilibrium point  $f(x) = x$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x + y^2 \\ x + 2y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x + y^2 = x \Rightarrow y = 0, \quad x + 2y = y \Rightarrow x = 0$$

$x^* = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is an equilibrium point

The jacobian matrix:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2y \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{the eigenvalues } \lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 2$$