

ELL707

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Some theoretical results to prove/disprove
limit cycle oscillations \rightarrow Sec 3.3

1. Bendixson Criterion

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

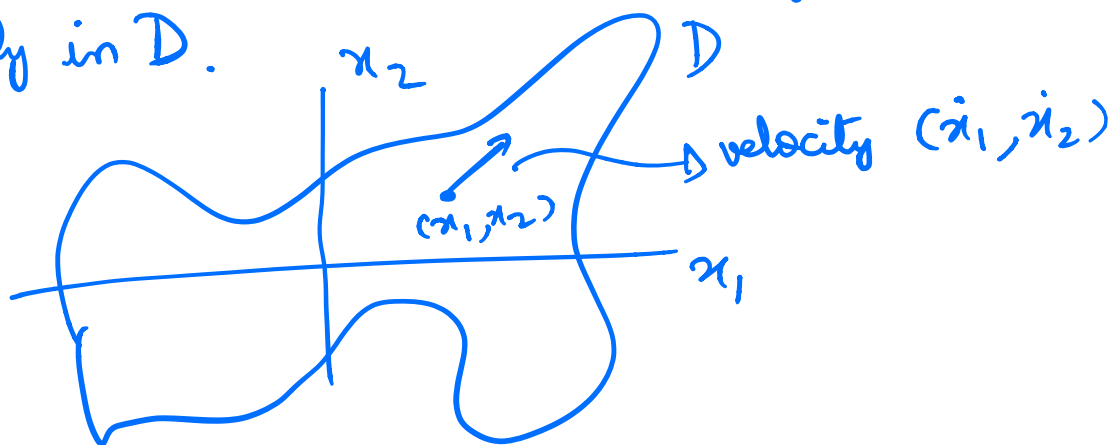
$$\dot{x}_2 = f_2(x_1, x_2)$$

$$f \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \end{bmatrix}_{z \in \mathbb{R}^2}$$

If $\nabla \cdot f = \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2}$ is not identically

zero and does not change sign in a
simply connected region $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

then there is no limit cycle trajectory
entirely in D .

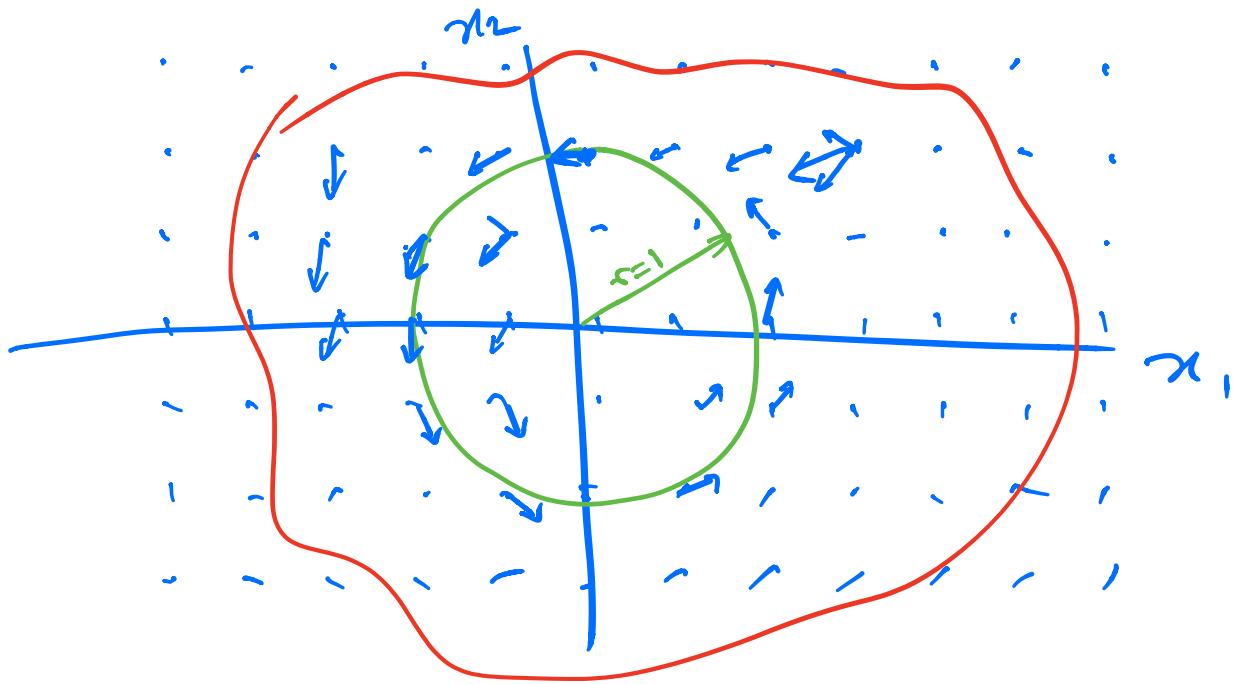


Why should this correspond to non-existence of
limit cycle? \rightarrow velocity field?

$$\dot{r} = r(1-r^2)$$

$$\dot{\theta} = 1$$





Problem Convert from $(r, \theta) \rightarrow (x, y)$ and check the divergence

Ex

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= u + k x_2 - x_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= x_1 - x_2 \end{aligned} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} N=2 \text{ in} \\ \text{MT1, 4 (b)} \end{array} \right]$$

$f_1 \rightarrow$ and $f_2 \rightarrow$

$$\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} = -1 - 1 = -2$$

\Rightarrow no limit cycle in \mathbb{R}^2 for any k .

As you look at two dimensional models of biomolecular oscillators, check whether this criterion is applicable. \hookrightarrow project paper.

Poincaré - Bendixson Theorem

(Brief summary)

↳ applicable 2 dimensional

↳ Find a region M that is

a) closed + bounded

b) positively invariant

∴ Hilbert's
16th
Problem

⇒ if there is no equilibrium point in M ,
then there is a limit cycle.

For higher dimensions results exist
for a class of systems.

(Mallet-Paret & Smith)

$$\dot{x}_1 = f_1(x_N, x_1)$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = f_2(x_1, x_2)$$

$$\dot{x}_3 = f_3(x_2, x_3)$$

⋮

$$\dot{x}_N = f_N(x_{N-1}, x_N)$$

} cyclic
system

Similar to Poincaré Bendixson theorem statement

Ex: Cyclic system we started with

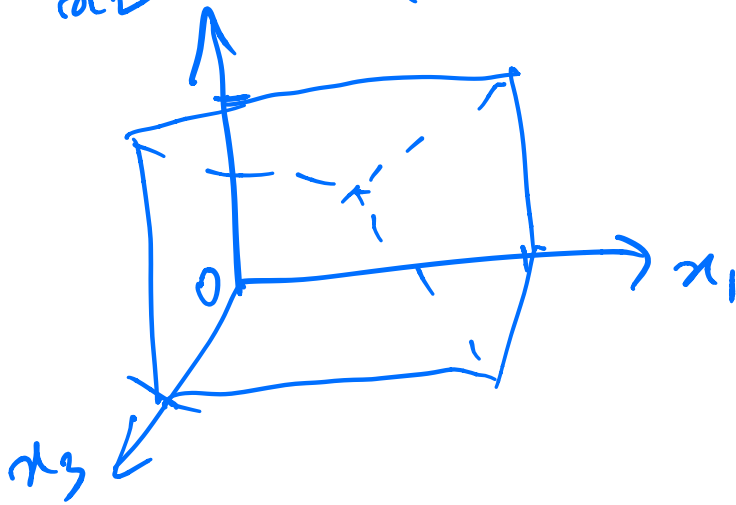
$$\dot{x}_1 = f(x_3) - \tau x_1$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = f(x_1) - \tau x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_3 = f(x_2) - \tau x_3$$

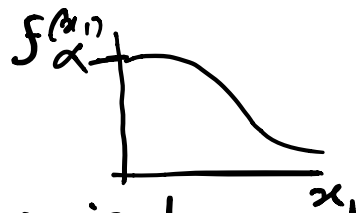
system in \mathbb{R}^3

$$f(x) = \alpha_0 + \frac{\alpha k^n}{k^n + x^n}$$



$n=1$

$$\dot{x}_1 = f(x_1) - \tau x_1$$



Claim: $[0, \frac{\alpha}{\tau}]$ is positively invariant

at $x_1 = 0, \dot{x}_1 = \alpha > 0 \Rightarrow x_1 \uparrow$

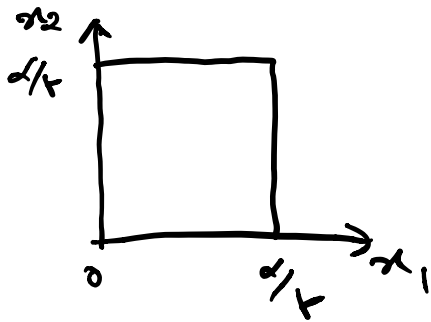
at $x_1 = \frac{\alpha}{\tau}, \dot{x}_1 = f(x_1) - \alpha < 0 \Rightarrow x_1 \downarrow$ □

$n=2$

$$\dot{x}_1 = f(x_2) - \tau x_1$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = f(x_1) - \tau x_2$$

Claim: $[0, \frac{\alpha}{\tau}] \times [0, \frac{\alpha}{\tau}]$ is positively invariant.



$x_2 = 0$

$$\dot{x}_1 = \alpha - \tau x_1 \geq 0$$

for $x_1 \in [0, \frac{\alpha}{\tau}]$

$$\dot{x}_2 = f(x_1) > 0$$

$x_1 = 0$

$$\dot{x}_1 = f(x_2) > 0$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = \alpha - \tau x_2 \geq 0$$

for $x_2 \in [0, \frac{\alpha}{\tau}]$

$x_1 = \frac{\alpha}{\tau}, \dot{x}_1 = f(x_2) - \alpha < 0$

$$\dot{x}_2 = f(x_1) - \tau x_2 \geq 0$$

$x_2 = \frac{\alpha}{\tau}, \dot{x}_1 = f(x_2) - \tau x_1 \geq 0$

$$\dot{x}_2 = f(x_1) - \alpha < 0$$

May work for $n=3$ also?