

## Lecture 12: Flows

\*Read Section 4.1!

### Dynamical Systems

- An evolution rule that defines a trajectory as a function of a single parameter (time) on a set of states (phase space)

$$\varphi_t: M \rightarrow M$$

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Rule   time   state space.

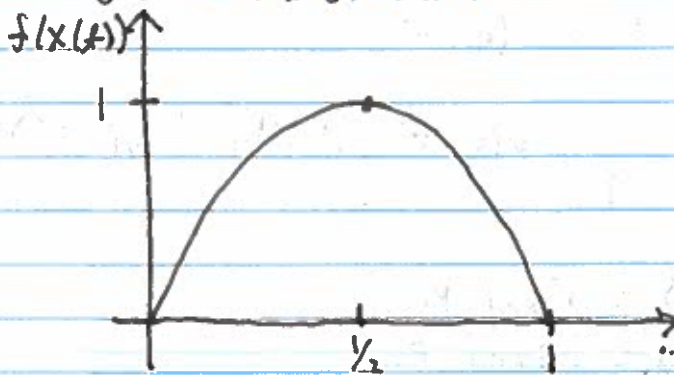
$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_x^+ &= \{ \varphi_t(x) : t \geq 0 \} \leftarrow \text{forward orbit} \\ \Gamma_x^- &= \{ \varphi_t(x) : t \leq 0 \} \leftarrow \text{pre orbit} \\ \Gamma_x &= \Gamma_x^+ \cup \Gamma_x^- \leftarrow \text{orbit}\end{aligned}$$

### Example:

$$M = [0, 1]$$

$$t \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x(t+1) = x(t)(1-x(t)) = f(x(t)) \quad \left| \quad x(t) = \frac{1}{2} (1 \pm \sqrt{1-x(t+1)})\right.$$
$$(x_{t+1} = 4x_t(1-x_t))$$



$$\varphi_t(x) = f^t(x)$$

$$\Gamma_{1/4}^+ = \{ 1/4, 3/4, 3/4, \dots \} = \{ 1/4, 3/4 \}$$

$$\Gamma_{1/4}^- = \{ \dots, 1/2(1-\sqrt{3}/2), 1/4 \}$$

$$\Gamma_x = \{ \dots, 1/2(1-\sqrt{3}/2), 1/4, 3/4, 3/4, \dots \} = \{ \dots, 1/2(1-\sqrt{3}/2), 1/4, 3/4 \}$$



\* An orbit is an equilibrium if  $\Gamma_x = \{x\}$ .

\* A point  $x$  is on a periodic orbit if there exists  $T > 0$  such that  $\Psi_T(x) = x$ .

\* A set  $\Delta$  is invariant under  $\Psi_t$  if  $\Psi_t(\Delta) = \Delta$  for all  $t$ . That is, for each  $x \in \Delta$ ,  $\Psi_t(x) \in \Delta$ .

\* A set  $\Delta$  is forward invariant if  $\Psi_t(\Delta) \subset \Delta$  for all  $t > 0$ .

Example:

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

$$\dot{\theta} = \sin \theta$$

$$r(0) = r_0$$

$$\theta(0) = \theta_0$$

$$M = \mathbb{R}^+ \times S^1$$

positive or equal to zero  
circle

$\Psi_t(r_0, \theta_0) \rightarrow$  solution of O.D.E. at time  $t$  given initial condition  $(r_0, \theta_0)$ .

$$r(t) = \frac{r_0 e^t}{1 + r_0(e^t - 1)}, \quad \theta(t) = 2 \cot^{-1}(e^{-t} \cot(\theta_0/2))$$

$$\Gamma_{(1,0)} = \{(1, 0)\} \leftarrow \text{Fixed Point}$$

$$\Gamma_{(1,\pi)} = \{(1, \pi)\} \leftarrow \text{Fixed Point}$$

$$\Gamma_{(1,\theta)} = \{(r, \theta) \in M : r=1, \theta \in (0, \pi)\}$$

$$\Gamma_{(r, \theta)} = \{(r, \theta) \in M : r=0\}$$

$\Delta = \{(r, \theta) \in M : r > 1\}$  is invariant and forward invariant.

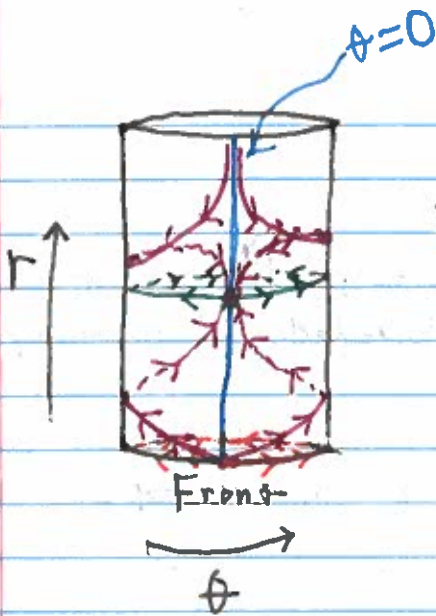
$\Delta = \{(r, \theta) \in M : r < 1\}$  is " " "

$\Delta = \{(r, \theta) \in M : r = 1\}$  is " "

$\Delta = \{(r, \theta) \in M : \theta = 0\}$  is " "

$\Delta = \{(r, \theta) \in M : \theta = \pi\}$  is " "





\* The solution curves correspond to the orbits.

$\varphi_t: M \rightarrow M$  is a parametrized sequence of maps!!

## Flows

A complete flow  $\varphi_t(x)$  is a one-parameter, differentiable mapping  $\varphi: \mathbb{R} \times M \rightarrow M$  such that

$$(a) \varphi_0(x) = x$$

$$(b) \varphi_t \circ \varphi_s = \varphi_{t+s}$$

$$(c) \varphi_t \circ \varphi_{-t} = \varphi_0 = \text{id.}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\varphi_t)^{-1} = \varphi_{-t}$$

} group properties.

Vector field associated with flow

$$f(x) = \frac{d}{dt} \varphi_t(x).$$

$\Rightarrow \varphi_t(x)$  is defined by

$$\frac{d}{dt} \varphi_t(x_0) = f(\varphi_t(x_0))$$

proof:

$$\text{Let } x(t) = \varphi_t(x_0).$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(t+\Delta t) - x(t)}{\Delta t}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\varphi_{t+\Delta t}(x_0) - \varphi_t(x_0)}{\Delta t}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\varphi_{\Delta t}(x) - \varphi_0(x)}{\Delta t}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} \varphi_t(x) = f(x).$$



## Complete Flows

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

Could have unbounded solutions. How do we rescale so that solutions remain bounded and have equivalent dynamics.

If  $x(t)$  is a solution on some maximal interval  $(\alpha, \beta)$ . Define

$$y(\tau(t)) = x(t)$$
$$\tau = \int_0^t (1 + |f(x(s))|) ds.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\tau}{dt} = 1 + |f(x(t))| > 0 \Rightarrow 1-1 \text{ mapping.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{d\tau} = \frac{dx}{dt} \frac{dt}{d\tau} = \frac{f(x)}{1 + |f(x)|}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{dy}{d\tau} = \frac{f(y)}{1 + |f(y)|} = F(y)} \quad \begin{array}{l} \leadsto \text{same dynamics} \\ \text{but } F \text{ is Lipschitz!} \end{array}$$

$F$  is globally Lipschitz.

### Example:

$\dot{x} = x^2$		$\frac{dy}{d\tau} = \frac{y^2}{1+y^2}, \quad \left  \frac{dy}{d\tau} \right  < 1$
$x(0) = x_0$		$y(\tau) \sim \text{bounded solution}$
$\downarrow$		
$x(t) = \frac{x_0}{1 - x_0 t}$		

$$\tau = \int_0^t \left( 1 + \left( \frac{x_0}{1 - x_0 s} \right)^2 \right) ds = t + \frac{t x_0^2}{1 - t x_0}$$

$$\tau \in (-\infty, \infty).$$

