



# 15-382 COLLECTIVE INTELLIGENCE – S19

## LECTURE 9: DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS 8

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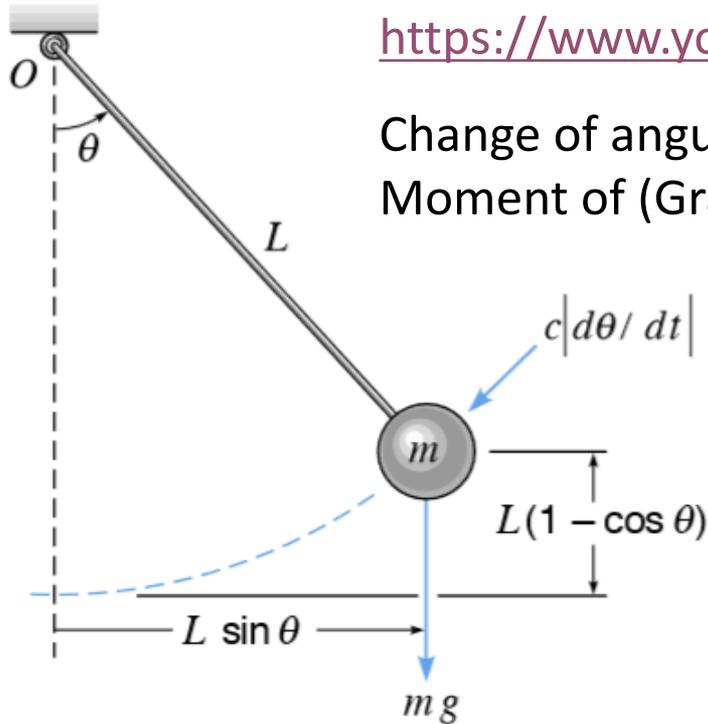
# RESULTS FROM LINEARIZATION

- Theorem (Stability of critical points of non-linear systems):
  - Let  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  be the eigenvalues of the linear system  $\dot{\mathbf{x}} \approx J_f(\mathbf{x}_0)\mathbf{x} = A\mathbf{x}$  resulting from the linearization of an original non-linear system about the critical point  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  (via the definition of a quasi-linear system)
  - The type and stability of the critical point on the linear and non linear system are the following:

$r_1, r_2$	Linear System		Almost Linear System	
	Type	Stability	Type	Stability
$r_1 > r_2 > 0$	N	Unstable	N	Unstable
$r_1 < r_2 < 0$	N	Asymptotically stable	N	Asymptotically stable
$r_2 < 0 < r_1$	SP	Unstable	SP	Unstable
$r_1 = r_2 > 0$	PN or IN	Unstable	N or SpP	Unstable
$r_1 = r_2 < 0$	PN or IN	Asymptotically stable	N or SpP	Asymptotically stable
$r_1, r_2 = \lambda \pm i\mu$				
$\lambda > 0$	SpP	Unstable	SpP	Unstable
$\lambda < 0$	SpP	Asymptotically stable	SpP	Asymptotically stable
$r_1 = i\mu, r_2 = -i\mu$	C	Stable	C or SpP	Indeterminate

Note: N, node; IN, improper node; PN, proper node; SP, saddle point; SpP, spiral point; C, center.

# EXAMPLE: DAMPED PENDULUM



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oWiuSp6qAPk>

Change of angular momentum about the origin =  
Moment of (Gravitational force + Damping force)

$$mL^2 \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} = -cL \frac{d\theta}{dt} - mgL \sin \theta.$$

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} + \frac{c}{mL} \frac{d\theta}{dt} + \frac{g}{L} \sin \theta = 0,$$

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} + \gamma \frac{d\theta}{dt} + \omega^2 \sin \theta = 0,$$

$$\gamma = c/mL \text{ and } \omega^2 = g/L$$

Second order ODE  $\rightarrow$  Convert to a system  
of two 1<sup>st</sup> order equations:

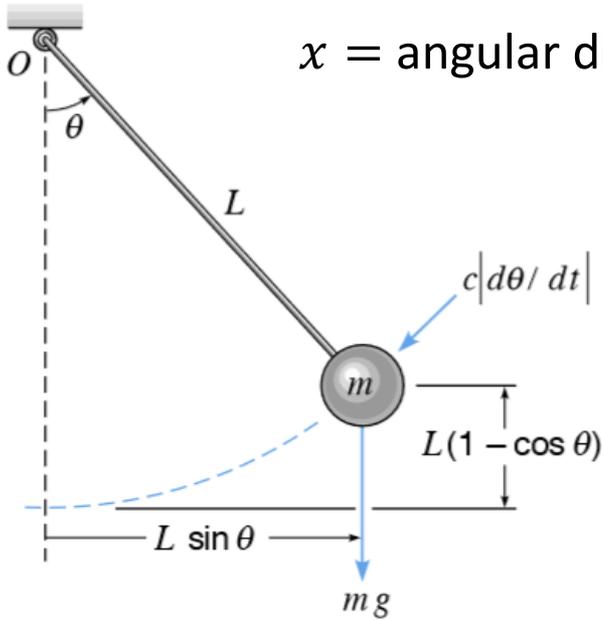
$$x = \theta \text{ and } y = d\theta/dt$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = y, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = -\omega^2 \sin x - \gamma y.$$

# EXAMPLE: DAMPED PENDULUM

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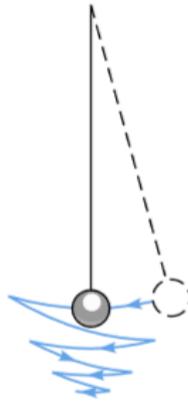
$x = \text{angular displacement } \theta$     $y = \text{velocity of angular displacement } \theta$



$$\frac{dx}{dt} = y, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = -\omega^2 \sin x - \gamma y.$$

Critical points: (where  $\theta$ 's rate of change,  $y$ , is zero)

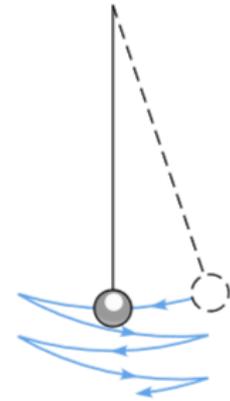
$$y = 0 \text{ and } x = \pm n\pi$$



$\theta = 0$   
Stable



$\theta = \pi$   
Unstable



$\gamma(c) = 0$   
oscillatory

# EXAMPLE: DAMPED PENDULUM

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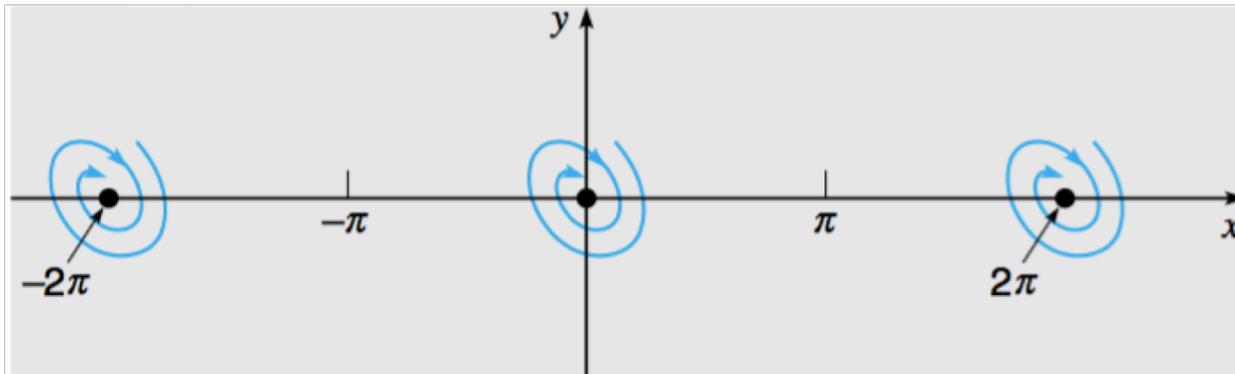
$$\frac{dx}{dt} = y, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = -\omega^2 \sin x - \gamma y.$$

$$J_f = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_x}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_x}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial f_y}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_y}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\omega^2 \cos x & -\gamma \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} (0,0) \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\omega^2 & -\gamma \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} (\pi, 0) \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \omega^2 & -\gamma \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

- In  $(0,0)$ :  $r_1, r_2 = \frac{-\gamma \pm \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4\omega^2}}{2}$        $\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4\omega^2} < \gamma$
- $\gamma^2 - 4\omega^2 > 0$ : Damping is strong, eigenvalues are real, unequal, negative  $\rightarrow (0,0)$  is an asymptotically stable node of the linear, as well as, non linear system
- $\gamma^2 - 4\omega^2 = 0$ : Eigenvalues are real, equal, negative  $\rightarrow (0,0)$  is an asymptotically stable (proper or improper) node of the linear system. It may be either an asymptotically stable node or spiral point of the non linear system
- $\gamma^2 - 4\omega^2 < 0$ : Damping is weak, eigenvalues are complex with negative real part.  $\rightarrow (0,0)$  is an asymptotically stable spiral of both linear and non linear systems

# DAMPED PENDULUM

- $\rightarrow (0,0)$  is a spiral point of the system if the damping is small and a node if the damping is large enough. In either case, the origin is *asymptotically stable*.
- Can we directly derive the **direction of motion** on the spirals near  $(0,0)$  with small damping,  $\gamma^2 - 4\omega^2 < 0$  ?
  - Being a spiral about the origin, the trajectory will intersect the positive  $y$ -axis ( $x = 0$  and  $y > 0$ ). At such a point, from equation  $dx/dt = y > 0$  it follows that the  $x$ -velocity is positive, meaning that the direction of motion is clockwise (analogously, we could say that also the point  $(0, y < 0)$  is an intersection, and from  $dx/dt = y < 0$  we get that in the two  $y < 0$  quadrants, because of  $dx/dt = y < 0$ , the motion is counterclockwise)
- Equilibrium at points  $(\pm n\pi, 0)$  with  $n$  even is the same as in  $(0,0)$ , these are in fact all corresponding to the same configuration of the downward equilibrium position of the pendulum



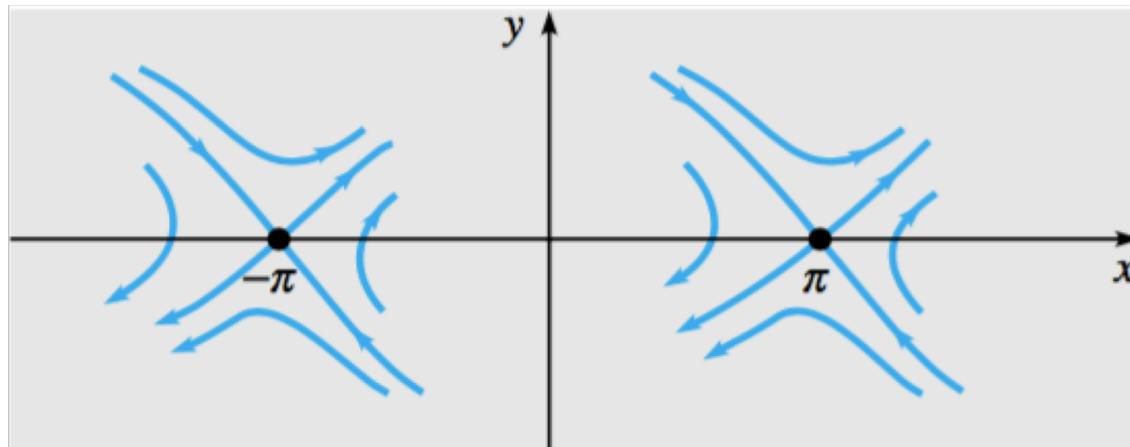
# DAMPED PENDULUM

- At equilibrium point  $(\pi, 0)$ , the eigenvalues of the Jacobian are:

$$r_1, r_2 = \frac{-\gamma \pm \sqrt{\gamma^2 + 4\omega^2}}{2}$$

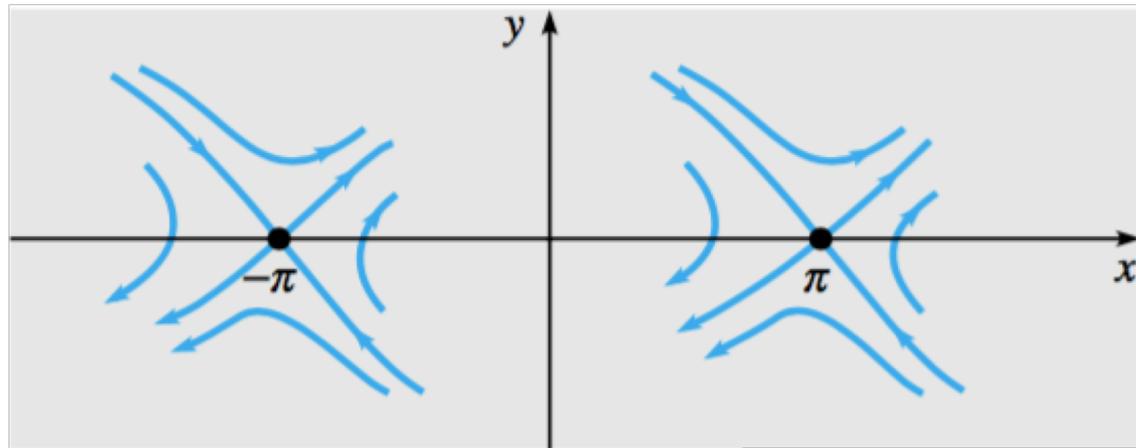
Since  $\gamma^2 + 4\omega^2 > \gamma^2$ , the eigenvalues always have opposite sign,  $r_1 > 0, r_2 < 0$ , making the point a **saddle** → Regardless of the damping, the equilibrium is an unstable saddle (for both the linear and the original system)

- The same applies to all other equilibrium points  $(n\pi, 0)$ , with  $n$  odd



- How do we derive the direction of motion near the equilibrium?

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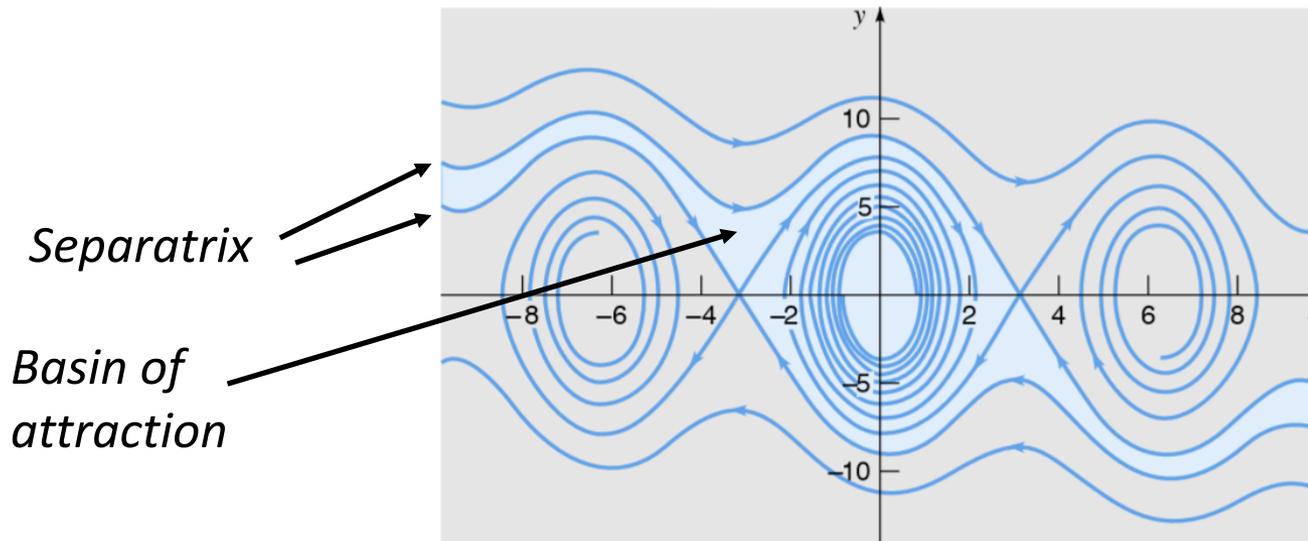
- General linearized solution near the equilibrium: 
$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = C_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ r_1 \end{pmatrix} e^{r_1 t} + C_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ r_2 \end{pmatrix} e^{r_2 t}$$
- Because of  $r_1 > 0, r_2 < 0$ , the linearized solution that approaches zero (i.e., that approaches equilibrium point) as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , must correspond to  $C_1 = 0$  (otherwise either  $u$  and/or  $v$  would grow exponentially)
- For this solution, the slope of entering trajectories is  $\frac{v}{u} = r_2 < 0$ , one lies in the first quadrant, the other in the fourth, as shown in the figure
- The pair of (linearized) trajectories exiting from the saddle point correspond to  $C_2 = 0$ , that have a constant slope  $r_1 > 0$ , and lies in 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quadrant

# BASIN OF ATTRACTION: A GLOBAL NOTION

An instance of the pendulum model:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = y, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = -9 \sin x - \frac{1}{5}y$$

- The trajectories that enter the saddle points separate the phase plane into regions. Such a trajectory is called a **separatrix**. Each region contains exactly one of the asymptotically stable spiral points.



- **Basin of attraction:** The set of all initial points from which trajectories approach a given asymptotically stable critical point (region of asymptotic stability for that a critical point)
- Each asymptotically stable critical point has its own basin of attraction, which is bounded by the separatrices through the neighboring unstable saddle points.

# NULLCLINES

- **Isoline:** set of points where a function takes same value  $\rightarrow$   
 $\{(x_1, x_2) \mid H(x_1, x_2) = c\}$
- **Isocline:** set of points where a function has the same slope, along some given coordinate directions  $\rightarrow \{(x_1, x_2) \mid \frac{\partial H(x_1, x_2)}{\partial x_i} = c\}$
- For a differential equation of the form  $\dot{x} = f(x)$ , an isocline corresponds to the set  $\{x \mid f(x) = c\}$  (the slope / derivative is constant)  $\rightarrow$  An isocline is an *isoline* of the vector field  $f(x)$
- **Nullcline:** set of points where a function has the same, null, slope. For a  $\dot{x} = f(x)$ , a nullcline corresponds to the set  $\{x \mid f(x) = 0\}$
- For a system of differential equations  $\dot{x} = f(x)$ , a nullcline is considered with respect to each coordinate direction: a system of two ODEs:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = f_1(x_1, x_2) \\ \dot{x}_2 = f_2(x_1, x_2) \end{cases}$$

has two nullclines sets, corresponding respectively to  $f_1(x_1, x_2)$  and  $f_2(x_1, x_2)$   
 $\rightarrow$  The nullclines are the curves where either  $\dot{x}_1 = 0$ , or  $\dot{x}_2 = 0$

# NULLCLINES

- The nullclines can help to construct the phase portrait
- Let's consider a 2x2 system, the following properties hold:
  - The nullclines cross at the critical / equilibrium points
  - Trajectories cross vertically the nullcline  $f_1(x_1, x_2) = 0$ , since for this nullcline,  $\dot{x}_1 = 0$ , all flow variations happen along  $x_2$
  - Trajectories cross horizontally the nullcline  $f_2(x_1, x_2) = 0$ , since for this nullcline,  $\dot{x}_2 = 0$ , all flows variations happen along  $x_1$
  - In regions enclosed by the nullclines, the ratio  $\frac{dx_1}{dx_2}$  has constant sign: trajectories are either going upward to downward
  - Trajectories can only go flat or vertical across nullclines

# NULLCLINES FOR A SIMPLE TWO POPULATIONS MODEL

$$\begin{aligned}dN_1/dt &= F_1(N_1, N_2) = N_2 \\dN_2/dt &= F_2(N_1, N_2) = -N_1\end{aligned}$$

Nullclines:  $N_2 = 0, N_1 = 0$

Solution:  $\frac{dN_1}{dN_2} = -\frac{N_2}{N_1} = H(N_1, N_2) \rightarrow$  Variable separation and integration:

$$N_1(t)^2 + N_2(t)^2 = \text{constant} = N_{10}^2 + N_{20}^2$$

