

Fundamental properties of Dyn. Sys.:

$$\dot{X}(t) = f(t, X(t)), \quad X(t_0) = X_0$$

- state $X(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $f: [t_0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$
vector field

- special case:

$$\dot{X}(t) = f(X(t)) - \text{autonomous}$$

- Objective: Specify sufficient condition on f
so that a unique solution exists

Ex1:

$$\dot{x} = ax, \quad x(t_0) = x_0$$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\Rightarrow X(t) = e^{a(t-t_0)} x_0$$

solution exists for all t

Ex2:

$$\dot{X} = \sqrt{X}, \quad X(0) = 0$$

solution 1: $X(t) = 0$

checks $\dot{X}(t) = 0 = \sqrt{X(t)}$ ✓

solution 2: $X(t) = \frac{t^2}{4}$

checks: $\dot{X}(t) = \frac{t}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{t^2}{4}} = \sqrt{X(t)}$ ✓

So solution exists, but not unique

Ex3: $\dot{X} = X^2, \quad X(0) = X_0 > 0$

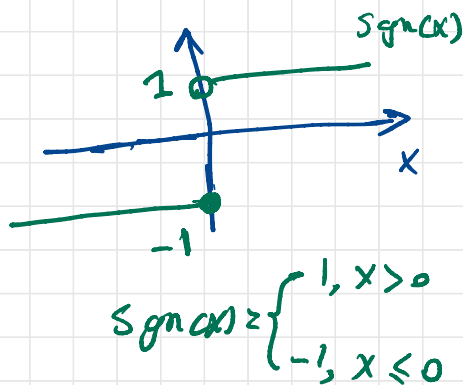
$$\Rightarrow X(t) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{X_0} - t}$$

solution blows up at $t = \frac{1}{X_0}$

Ex 4:

$$\dot{x} = -\operatorname{sgn}(x),$$

$$x(0) = 0$$



$$\operatorname{sgn}(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x > 0 \\ -1, & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

- Argue that a solution can not exist.

$$\dot{x}(0) = -\operatorname{sgn}(0) = 1$$

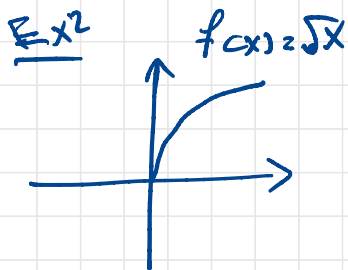
$\Rightarrow x(t) > 0$ for sufficiently small t

However

$$x(t) = - \int_0^t \underbrace{\operatorname{sgn}(x(s))}_{=1} ds < 0$$

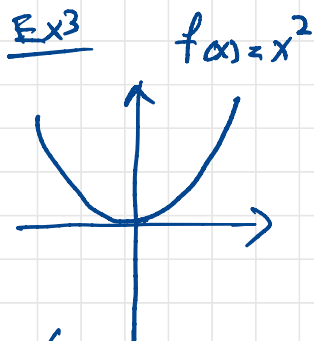
Contradiction

- Let's discuss what goes wrong relative to linear



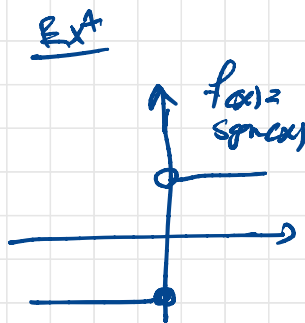
$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \rightarrow \infty$$

as $x \rightarrow 0$



$$f'(x) = 2x \rightarrow \infty$$

as $x \rightarrow \infty$



f is not
continuous
at $x = 0$

\Rightarrow the rate of growth of f affects
existence and uniqueness of the solution.

Some definitions:

- $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is locally Lipschitz if

for every compact set $D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, $\exists L > 0$ s.t.
closed and bounded

$$\|f(x) - f(y)\| \leq L \|x - y\|, \quad \forall x, y \in D$$

- It can be defined w.r.t different norms.
we use Euclidean norm

- f is globally Lipschitz if $\exists L > 0$ s.t.

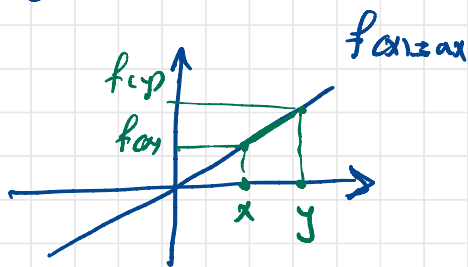
$$\|f(x) - f(y)\| \leq L \|x - y\| \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

- Global Lip. \Leftrightarrow local Lip.

- Equivalently: $\frac{\|f(x) - f(y)\|}{\|x - y\|} \leq L \quad \forall x, y$

- Ex 1:

$$f(x) = ax$$



$$|f(x) - f(y)| = |ax - ay|$$

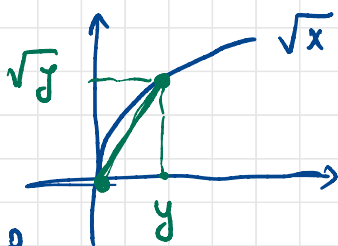
$$\leq \underbrace{|a|}_L |x - y|$$

\Rightarrow Globally Lip.

Ex 2: $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$

$$x > 0, y > 0,$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{y} - 0}{y - 0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } y \rightarrow 0$$



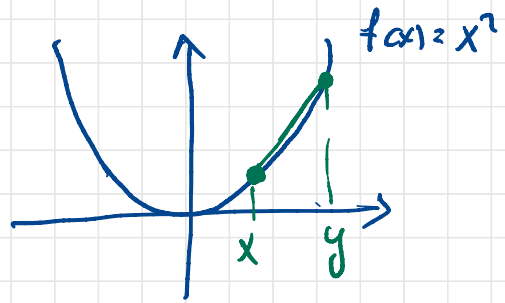
\Rightarrow Not locally Lip.

Ex 3: $f(x) = x^2$

$$\frac{|f(y) - f(x)|}{|y - x|} = \frac{|y^2 - x^2|}{|y - x|}$$

$= |y + x|$ is bounded if x, y are bdd.

\Rightarrow locally Lip.



- Observation:

• if $|f'(x)|$ is bdd on any compact set then f is locally Lip.

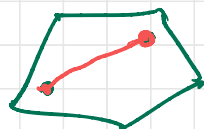
• if $|f'(x)|$ is bdd globally $\Rightarrow f$ is globally Lip.

Lemma: (Lemma 3.1 in Khalil)

if $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is differentiable and for convex set W

$$\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x) \| \leq L \quad \forall x \in W \Rightarrow \| f(x) - f(y) \| \leq L \| x - y \| \quad \forall x, y \in W$$

- Convex set: any two points are connected with a line inside the set



Examples?

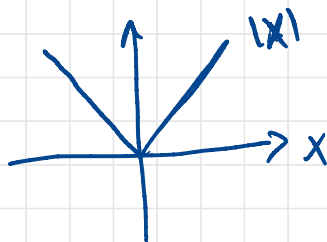
$$f(x) = ax \Rightarrow |f'(x)| = |a| \Rightarrow \text{globally Lip}$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x} \Rightarrow |f'(x)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \rightarrow \text{Not bdd.}$$

$$f(x) = x^2 \Rightarrow |f'(x)| = 2|x| \Rightarrow \text{Locally Lip.}$$

- A non-differentiable example:

$$f(x) = |x|$$



$$|f(x) - f(y)| = ||x| - |y||$$

$$\leq |x - y| \Rightarrow \text{globally Lip.}$$

- How strong is Lip. assumption?

differentiable
with bdd
derivative

$$\implies \text{Lip.} \implies \text{Continuous}$$

- $f(t, x)$ is Lip. in x uniformly in $t \in [a, b]$ if

$$\|f(t, x) - f(t, y)\| \leq L \|x - y\| \quad \forall x, y \in D, \forall t \in [a, b]$$

Thm: (Existence and uniqueness)

- Assume

1. $f(t, x)$ is piecewise continuous in t

2. Locally Lip. in x , uniformly in $t \in [t_0, t_1]$

- Then, for $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\exists \delta > 0$ s.t.

there exists a unique solution on $[t_0, t_0 + \delta]$

for $\dot{x}(t) = f(t, x(t))$, $x(t_0) = x_0$

- If f is globally Lip. \Rightarrow solution exists
for all $t > t_0$