

## The classification of trajectories of a dynamical system with cylindrical phase space

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### Abstract

A system of differential equations containing angular coordinates is considered. The phase space of such a system is cylindrical. Based on the behavior of trajectories on covering spaces, a classification of the trajectories of the system under consideration is introduced. Conditions for the absence of Poisson-stable motions and conditions for the boundedness of solutions are provided. Bibliography: 7 items.

### Full Text

### Introduction

This section examines the stability and qualitative behavior of systems of differential equations, building upon the foundational work of E. A. Barbashin and N. N. Krasovskii [?]. We consider a system of the form:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\phi_i}{dt} &= \Phi_i(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m, x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ \frac{dx_j}{dt} &= X_j(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m, x_1, \dots, x_n)\end{aligned}$$

where  $i = 1, \dots, m$  and  $j = 1, \dots, n$ . The functions  $\Phi_i$  and  $X_j$  are assumed to be periodic with respect to the variables  $\phi_i$  with a period of  $2\pi$ . Such systems frequently arise in the study of phase synchronization and multidimensional dynamical systems.

### Stability Analysis and Lyapunov Functions

Following the methodology established in [?] and [?], we investigate the existence of a limit set  $R(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_s)$  and the behavior of the system trajectories relative to this set. A critical component of this analysis is the construction of a Lyapunov

function  $v(\phi, x)$ . As demonstrated by Barbashin [?], the existence of a negative definite derivative  $\dot{v}$  along the trajectories of the system is a sufficient condition for the asymptotic stability of the equilibrium set.

In the context of the qualitative theory of differential equations [?], we define a region  $U$  such that for any initial condition within this region, the trajectory  $p(t)$  remains bounded and approaches the invariant set  $R$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . Specifically, if the derivative of the Lyapunov function satisfies  $\dot{v} \leq 0$ , the trajectories will converge to the largest invariant subset where  $\dot{v} = 0$ .

### Convergence and Invariant Sets

The analysis of the limit set  $q$  for a trajectory  $p(t_n)$  as  $t_n \rightarrow \infty$  is central to understanding the long-term dynamics. According to the theorems presented in [?] (p. 358), if a trajectory is bounded, its limit set is non-empty, compact, and invariant. For the system under consideration, we denote the potential limit values as  $v_0$ . If  $v(\phi) = v_0$  and  $\dot{v} = 0$ , the system reaches a steady state or a limit cycle within the set  $R$ .

Applying the criteria from Barbashin [?] and the global stability theorems in [?], we can establish conditions under which the set  $v = 0$  is globally attracting. This is particularly relevant for systems where the matrix of coefficients  $A = \{a_{jk}\}$  satisfies specific negativity conditions, ensuring that the energy-like function  $w = -\sum x_i^2$  acts as a robust descriptor of the system's dissipation.

### Conclusion

The mathematical framework provided by the works of Barbashin, Krasovskii, and Lefschetz [?, ?, ?] allows for a rigorous treatment of non-linear oscillations and phase space stability. By defining appropriate Lyapunov functions  $v(x)$  and analyzing the properties of the derivative  $\dot{v}$ , we can conclude that for the given class of periodic systems, the trajectories converge to the predicted invariant manifolds, provided the structural constraints on the functions  $\Phi_i$  and  $X_j$  are satisfied.

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1. Investigation of oscillations of pendulum systems (simple pendulum, system of coupled pendulums, double pendulum, etc.) as well as the investigation of the dynamics of electromechanical systems, inertial television synchronization systems, phase-locked loop systems [1], leads to the necessity of considering a system of differential equations of the form

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\varphi_i}{dt} &= \Phi_i(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m, x_1, \dots, x_n) \quad (i = 1, \dots, m), \\ \frac{dx_j}{dt} &= X_j(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m, x_1, \dots, x_n) \quad (j = 1, \dots, n), \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where variables  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m$  are angular (phase) coordinates and functions  $\Phi_i, X_j$  are periodic functions (with period  $2\pi$ ) of these coordinates, variables  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  are Euclidean coordinates.

Without loss of generality, it can be assumed that the period of all angular coordinates is the same and equal to  $2\pi$ . This means that the physical state of the system under consideration, described by points of the form  $(\varphi_1 + 2k_1\pi, \dots, \varphi_m + 2k_m\pi, x_1, \dots, x_n)$ , where  $k_1, \dots, k_m$  are integers, is identical. Identifying all points of the indicated form, we obtain a cylindrical phase space  $R(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m)$ . This space can be geometrically represented as a topological product of an  $m$ -dimensional torus and an  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space of variables  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ .

Euclidean space  $R$  of variables  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m, x_1, \dots, x_n$  will be a covering space for the cylindrical for the cylindrical space  $R(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m)$  (see, for example, [2] and [3]).

The cylindrical space  $R(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m)$  can be obtained from the space  $R$ , if this latter is cut along the surfaces  $\varphi_i = -\pi, \varphi_i = \pi$  ( $i = 1, \dots, m$ ) and gluing of the obtained «strip» along the surfaces of the cut is carried out. It is clear that such folding can be carried out not on all folding can be carried out not for all coordinates  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m$ , but only for some part of these coordinates, for example, for coordinates  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_s$ ; the cylindrical space obtained in this way will be denoted by the symbol  $R(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_s)$ . Obviously, the space  $R(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_s)$  is also a covering for the space  $R(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m)$ .

Assuming that any conditions ensuring the existence and continuability of solutions of the system of equations (1) are fulfilled, we obtain a dynamic system on the phase space  $R(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m)$ . This dynamic system induces in any of the covering spaces

Figure 1: Figure 1



**Theorem 2.** *Let there exist in the space  $\mathbb{R}$  a continuously differentiable single-valued scalar function  $v(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m, x_1, \dots, x_n)$ , whose derivative, taken by virtue of system (1), is of constant sign. If the function  $v$  is periodic with respect to the coordinates  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_s$  (with period  $2\pi$ ), then all  $\omega$ -limit points of class  $(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_s)$  lie on the set  $v = 0$ .*

Indeed, just as before, we verify that in the space  $\mathbb{R}(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_s)$ , the function  $v$  will be a single-valued function. Since the derivative of the function  $v$  is of constant sign, with the increase of time,  $v$  changes monotonically along the trajectory and has a finite or infinite limit  $v_0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . But it is easy to see that in the case of an infinite limit,  $\omega$ -limit points for the considered trajectory will be absent. Therefore, let us focus on the case when  $v_0$  is a finite quantity. If  $q$  is any  $\omega$ -limit point of the given trajectory, then from the continuity and monotonic character of the change of the function  $v$  along the trajectory, it follows that  $v(q) = v_0$ . Thus, the entire  $\omega$ -limit set of the trajectory lies on the same level surface  $v = v_0$ . Since the  $\omega$ -limit set consists of entire trajectories, along these trajectories we have  $v = 0$ , which proves the statement of the theorem. Since the points of a Poisson positively trajectory are  $\omega$ -limit points for this trajectory, it is not difficult to obtain Theorem 1 as a consequence of Theorem 2. Theorem 2 resembles in its formulation on Lemma 5.1 and Theorem 5.2 from paper [6].

A trajectory is called positively stable according to Lagrange (L-stable), if the closure of any positive semi-trajectory is compact. Similarly to the previous, one can give a definition of L-stability of class  $(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_s)$ . Obviously, the set  $\varphi$  for an L-stable class  $(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_s)$  trajectory is not empty. From the proof of Theorem 2, it follows that under the conditions of theorem, any L-stable class  $(\varphi_m)$  point approaches indefinitely as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  in the space  $\mathbb{R}(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_s)$  to some invariant set lying on the set  $v = 0$ . If in this case the set  $v = 0$  in the space  $\mathbb{R}(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_s)$  consists of only one point  $O$ , then any L-stable point of this space asymptotically tends to this point  $O$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

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6. Now let us consider in space  $\mathbb{R}$  the system

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\varphi_i}{dt} &= \Phi_i(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m, x_1, \dots, x_n) \quad (i = 1, \dots, m), \\ \frac{dx_j}{dt} &= \sum_{k=1}^n a_{jk}x_k + F_j(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m) \quad (j = 1, \dots, n), \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

where  $a_{jk}$  are constants. Assume that the functions  $\Phi_i, F_j$  are continuous  $2\pi$ -periodic functions of the angular coordinates  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m$ .

**Theorem 3.** *If all eigenvalues of the matrix  $A = \{a_{jk}\}$  have negative real parts, then any solution of the system (2) will be L-stable of class  $(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m)$ .*

Indeed, let us consider the auxiliary system

$$\frac{dx_j}{dt} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{jk}x_k \quad (j = 1, \dots, n). \tag{3}$$

Figure 4: Figure 4

By virtue of the well-known theorem of Lyapunov ([6], p. 35), there exists a positive definite quadratic form  $v(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ , the derivative of which, taken by virtue of system (3), is equal to the function  $w = -x_1^2 - \dots - x_n^2$ .

Taking the derivative of the function  $v$ , by virtue of system (2), we obtain

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = w + \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial v}{\partial x_j} F_j.$$

Consider now in space  $\mathbb{R}$  the cylinder  $x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 = r^2$ . Since the functions  $F_j$  are organized functions of arguments  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m$ , then, choosing  $r$  sufficiently large, we obtain on the surface of the cylinder and outside it the negativity of the cylinder and outside it the negativity  $v < -\varepsilon^2 < 0$ . But this means that all trajectories of the system (2) going with increasing time inside the cylinder remain there forever. Since the interior part of the cylinder passes into itself under the mapping defined by  $\mathbb{R}$ , for all angular coordinates in an organized set, we obtain, thus, in the space  $R(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m)$   $L$ -stability.

**Corollary.** Let this system (2) exist as a continuously differentiable single-valued function  $v(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m, x_1, \dots, x_n)$  in the space  $\mathbb{R}$ . This number  $R$ . Assume that the function is periodic (with period  $2\pi$ ) in all angular coordinates  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m$ , and its derivative  $v$ , taken by virtue of system (2), is sign-definite. If all eigenvalues and ensures of the matrix  $A = \{a_{ik}\}$  have negative real parts, then every trajectory of system (2) infinitely approaches as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  to an sheet as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  to an invariant sheet, lying on the sheet  $v = 0$ .

In particular, if the sheet  $v = 0$  in the space  $R(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m)$  contains as an invariant sheet only one point, then upon fulfillment of the conditions stated above, we obtain unbounded approximation of trajectories to this point.

However, this particular case is met very rarely in applications. A more prevalent case is when there is some region of attraction of stable equilibrium position, this region is bounded by separating surfaces, passing through unstable equilibrium positions.

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