

Math 2280-1  
Wed Sept 10

- \* Postpone 9.2.3 HW one week.
- \* Problem session tomorrow (LCB 225, 9:40-10:30)
- \* On Friday we shall meet in LCB 115, the computer classroom, so that you can work on your projects. I'll also explain how to convert

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At the end of yesterday we were considering

autonomous 1<sup>st</sup> order DE's:  $\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x)$

equilibrium solns of DE's:

stability of equilibria:  $x=c$  stable:

$x=c$  unstable:

$x=c$  asymptotically stable (stronger than stable):

$$\exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } |x(0) - c| < \delta \Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = c$$

fix this in  
yesterday's notes

Theorem (More complete version of theorem on page 3 Tuesday notes)

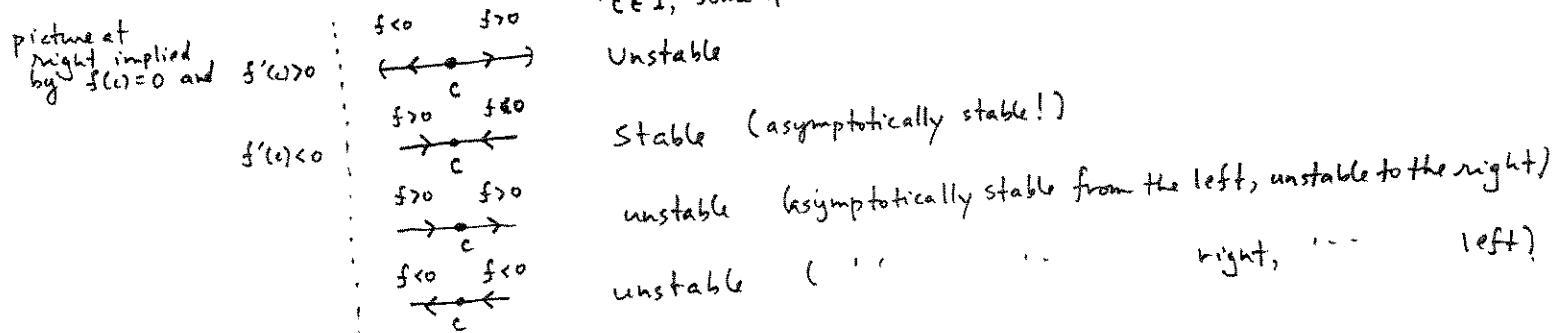
Consider the aut. 1<sup>st</sup> order DE

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

with  $f(x)$  continuously differentiable in  $x$ .

(let  $x=c$  be an equilibrium sol'n;  $f(c)=0$ .)

Then the following local phase portraits imply stability/instability, as indicated:



We might try proving the second of these (the stable case), on the back of this page! (Its proof is typical.)

Then,

- Discuss explosion/extinction model page 4 Tuesday notes & do example there.

Now, let's harvest a logistic population! (e.g. fisheries).

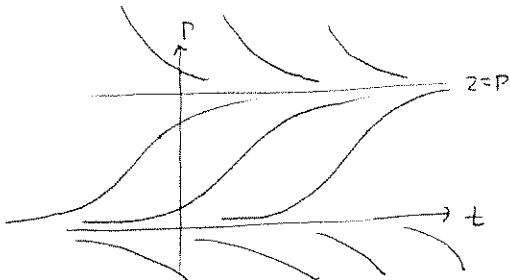
$$\frac{dP}{dt} = \underbrace{aP - bP^2}_{\text{logistic}} - h$$

constant rate harvesting. (see §2.2 #24)

one could also consider a term  $-hP$ , which would maybe correspond to constant effort harvesting (see §2.2 #23)

e.g.

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = 2P - P^2 \\ = P(2-P)$$



$$\text{vs} \quad \frac{dP}{dt} = 2P - P^2 - h$$

consider what happens for different  $h$  values

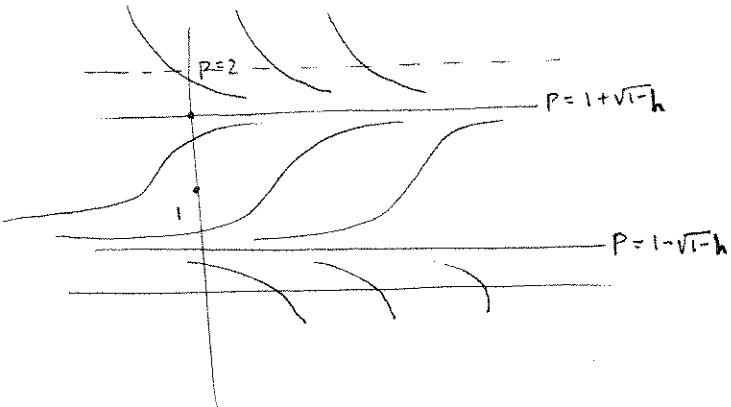
roots of RHS:  $P^2 - 2P + h = 0$  has roots

$$P = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4-4h}}{2} = 1 \pm \sqrt{1-h}$$

so, for  $0 \leq h \leq 1$ ,

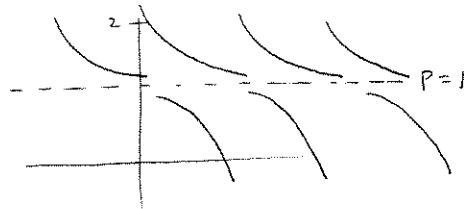
$$\frac{dP}{dt} = - (P - (1+\sqrt{1-h}))(P - (1-\sqrt{1-h}))$$

still looks logistic  
(& fishery won't  
collapse if  $h < 1$ )  
extinction zone

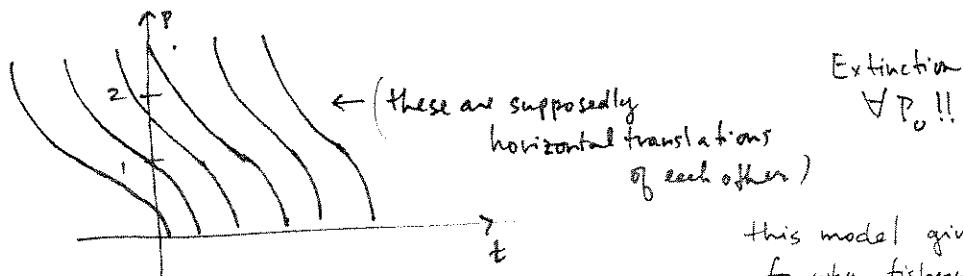


as  $h \rightarrow 1^-$  the middle zone (where populations increase to the modified carrying capacity) shrinks in width, until at  $h=1$  the two roots coalesce;

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = 2P - P^2 - h = -(P^2 - 2P + h) = -(P-1)^2 - h$$



and for  $h > 1$ ,  $2P - P^2 - h = -(P^2 - 2P + h) = -((P-1)^2 + h-1) < 0 \quad \forall P$  (but least negative)  
 $\text{@ } P=1$



this model gives a plausible explanation for why fishery after fishery has collapsed around the world - if  $h < 1$  but near 1, and if something perturbs the system a little bit (e.g. increased fishing pressure, a big storm, etc.), you could be confronted with "sudden", unexpected fishery collapse.

"bifurcation diagram" of equilibrium solutions, in the  $h-c$  plane:

