

- For **linear** systems,
 - $\det A \neq 0$ (A has no zero eigenvalues),
 $\dot{x} = Ax$ has an **isolated** equilibrium point at $x = 0$.
 - $\det A = 0$, the system has a **continuum** of equilibrium points.
 - There are the only possible patterns.
- For **nonlinear** systems,
 - it can have **multiple isolated** equilibrium points.
- the **tunnel-diode circuit**
- the **pendulum equation**

Tunnel-Diode Circuit

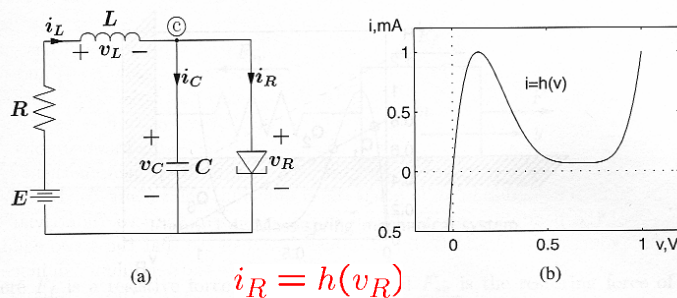


Figure 1.2: (a) Tunnel-diode circuit; (b) Tunnel-diode v_R - i_R characteristic.

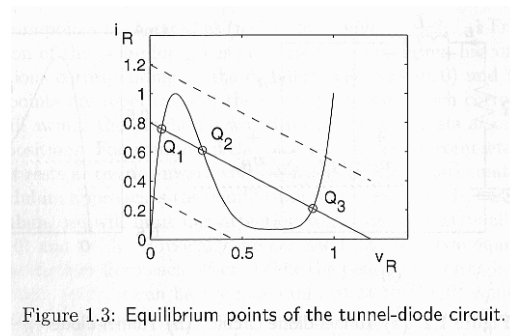


Figure 1.3: Equilibrium points of the tunnel-diode circuit.

Kirchhoff's current/voltage law:

$$i_C + i_R - i_L = 0 \quad (\text{KCL})$$

$$v_C - E + Ri_L + v_L = 0 \quad (\text{KVL})$$

State model:

- state: $x_1 = v_C, x_2 = i_L$, and
- input: $u = E$,
- $i_C = C \frac{dv_C}{dt}, v_L = L \frac{di_L}{dt}$

$$\dot{x}_1 = \frac{1}{C}[-h(x_1) + x_2]$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = \frac{1}{L}[-x_1 - Rx_2 + u]$$

Equilibrium points:

$$0 = -h(x_1) + x_2$$

$$0 = -x_1 - Rx_2 + u$$

That is, the roots of:

$$h(x_1) = \frac{E}{R} - \frac{1}{R}x_1$$

- **Example 2.1:**

State Model:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= \frac{1}{C}[-h(x_1) + x_2] \\ \dot{x}_2 &= \frac{1}{L}[-x_1 - Rx_2 + u]\end{aligned}$$

- Assume that the circuit parameters are:

$$u = 1.2V, R = 1.5k\Omega, C = 2pF, L = 5\mu H$$

- time t in nanoseconds
 $x_2, h(x_1)$ in mA

- **State Model:**

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= 0.5[-h(x_1) + x_2] \\ \dot{x}_2 &= 0.2[-x_1 - 1.5x_2 + 1.2]\end{aligned}$$

and

$$h(x_1) = 17.76x_1 - 103.79x_1^2 + 229.62x_1^3 - 226.31x_1^4 + 83.72x_1^5$$

- **Equilibrium Points:** (let $\dot{x}_1 = \dot{x}_2 = 0$)
(0.063, 0.758), (0.285, 0.61), (0.884, 0.21)

- **Example 2.3:**

Tunnel-Diode Circuit:

The Jacobian matrix:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.5h'(x_1) & 0.5 \\ -0.2 & -0.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Evaluated at E.P. Q_1, Q_2, Q_3 :

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -3.598 & 0.5 \\ -0.2 & -0.3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (-3.57, -0.33)$$

$$A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1.82 & 0.5 \\ -0.2 & -0.3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (1.77, -0.25)$$

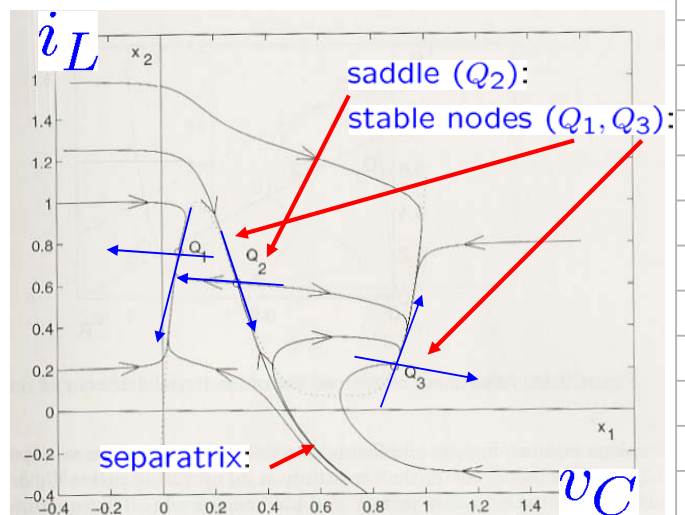
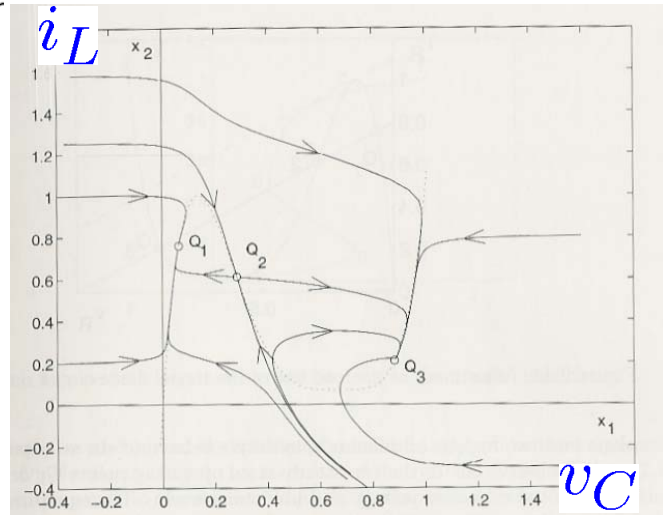
$$A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1.427 & 0.5 \\ -0.2 & -0.3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (-1.33, -0.4)$$

$$V_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.99 & 0.15 \\ -0.06 & -0.99 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$V_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.99 & -0.23 \\ -0.09 & 0.97 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$V_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.98 & -0.43 \\ -0.19 & -0.89 \end{bmatrix},$$

- Q_1 is a **stable node**
- Q_2 is a **saddle point**
- Q_3 is a **stable node**
- The two special trajectories, which approach Q_2 , are the **stable** trajectories of the saddle. They form a curve that divides the plane into two halves. Which is called a **separatrix**.



- The **separatrix** partitions the plane into two regions of different **qualitative** behavior.
- In an **experimental** setup, we shall observe one of the two steady-state operating points Q_1 or Q_3 , depending on the **initial** capacitor voltage and inductor current.
- The equilibrium point at Q_2 is never observed in practice because the ever-present physical noise would cause the trajectories to diverge from Q_2 even if it were possible to set up the exact initial conditions corresponding to Q_2 .

Tunnel-Diode Circuit - 6

- The tunnel-diode circuit is referred as a **bistable** circuit, because it has **two** steady-state operating points.
- Used in **computer memory**,
 $Q_1 \rightarrow "0"$
 $Q_3 \rightarrow "1"$
- **Triggering** from Q_1 to Q_3 or vice versa is achieved by a triggering signal of sufficiently **amplitude** and **duration** that allows the trajectory to move to the other side of the separatrix.
- **Hysteresis** characteristics:

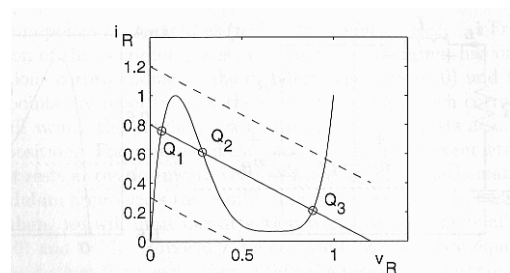
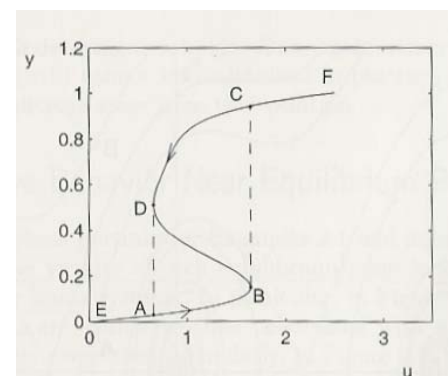


Figure 1.3: Equilibrium points of the tunnel-diode circuit.



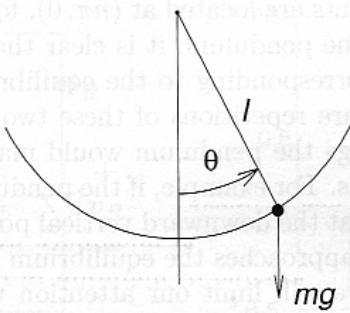


Figure 1.1: Pendulum.

Using Newton's Second Law,
Write the equation of motion
in the tangential direction:

$$ml\ddot{\theta} = -mg \sin \theta - kl\dot{\theta}$$

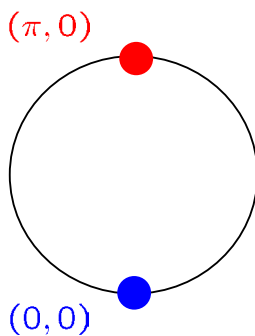
State model (let $x_1 = \theta, x_2 = \dot{\theta}$):

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -\frac{g}{l} \sin x_1 - \frac{k}{m} x_2\end{aligned}$$

Equilibrium points (let $\dot{x}_1 = \dot{x}_2 = 0$):

$$\begin{aligned}0 &= x_2 \\ 0 &= -\frac{g}{l} \sin x_1 - \frac{k}{m} x_2\end{aligned}$$

Equilibrium points are $(n\pi, 0), n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$,
or, physically, $(0, 0)$ and $(\pi, 0)$.



Question? Which one is stable or unstable?

Pendulum Equation w/ Friction - 1

• Example 2.2:

State model:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -10 \sin x_1 - x_2\end{aligned}$$

- $(0, 0)$: or $(0, 0), (2\pi, 0), (-2\pi, 0)$, etc.
a stable focus.
- $(\pi, 0)$: or $(\pi, 0), (-\pi, 0)$, etc.
a saddle.
- This picture is repeated periodically.
- Trajectories approach different E.P.,
corresponding to # of full swings.

- A and B have the same initial position, but different speeds.
So, different initial conditions.
- A oscillates with decaying amplitude.
 B has more initial kinetic energy.
 B makes a full swing before to oscillate with decaying amplitude.
- The unstable E.P. $(\pi, 0)$ cannot be maintained in practice.

- **Example 2.4:**

Pendulum Equation:

The Jacobian matrix:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -10 \cos x_1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Evaluated at E.P. $(0, 0), (\pi, 0)$:

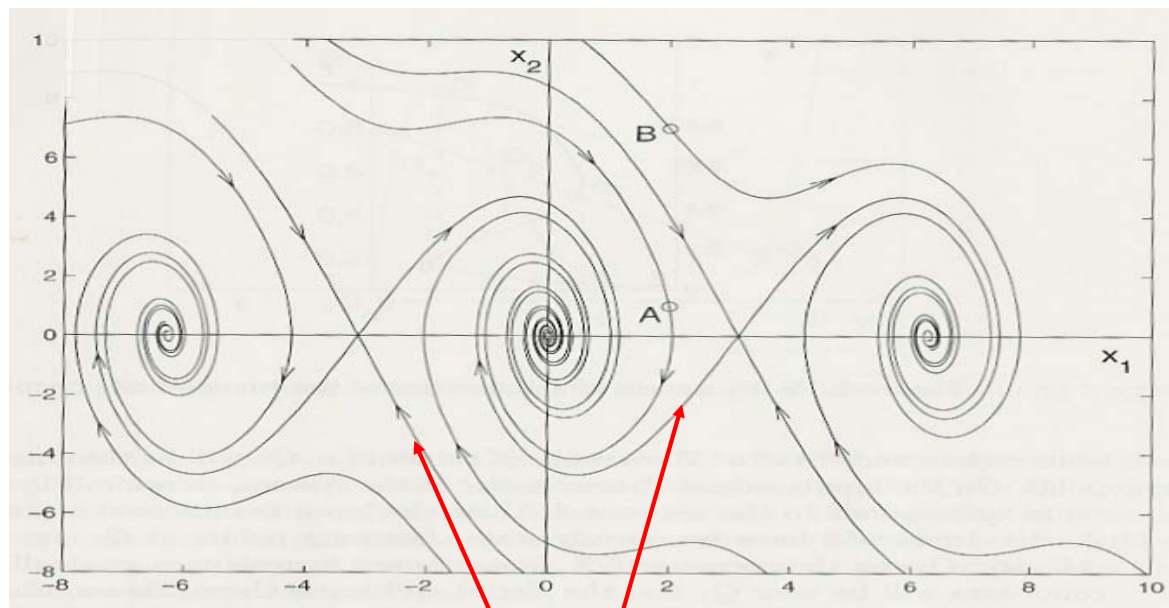
$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -10 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (-0.5 \pm j3.12)$$

$$A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 10 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (-3.7, 2.7)$$

$$V_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.05 - j0.30 & -0.05 + j0.30 \\ 0.95 & 0.95 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$V_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.35 & -0.26 \\ 0.94 & -0.97 \end{bmatrix},$$

- $(0, 0)$ is a stable focus
 $(\pi, 0)$ is a saddle point



separatrices:

Qualitative Behavior Near E.P. - 1

- Phase portraits of Tunnel-Diode Circuit and Pendulum Equation shows that the **qualitative behavior** in the vicinity of each E.P. looks just like those for **linear** systems.
- **Tunnel-Diode circuit:**
The trajectories near Q_1, Q_2, Q_3 are similar to those associated with a **stable node, saddle point, and stable node**, respectively.
- **Pendulum:**
The trajectories near $(0, 0), (\pi, 0)$ are similar to those associated with a **stable focus** and **saddle point**, respectively.

- In this section, we analyzed the behavior near the E.P. w/o drawing the phase portrait.
- Except for some special cases, the qualitative behavior of a nonlinear system near an E.P. can be determined via **linearization** with respect to that point.

- **Example 2.5:**

A case of E.P. is a **Center**:

The system:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_2 - \mu x_1(x_1^2 + x_2^2) \\ \dot{x}_2 &= x_1 - \mu x_2(x_1^2 + x_2^2) \end{aligned}$$

has an E.P. at the origin.

The **linearized** state equation at the origin has eigenvalues $\pm j$.

A **center** E.P.

- The qualitative behavior of the **nonlinear** system:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= r \cos \theta & \dot{r} &= -\mu r^3 \\ x_2 &= r \sin \theta & \dot{\theta} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

- a **stable focus** when $\mu > 0$
- an **unstable focus** when $\mu < 0$

- A system **oscillates**

when it has a **nontrivial periodic** solution:

$$x(t + T) = x(t), \forall t \leq 0, \text{ for some } T > 0$$

- The image of a **periodic** solution

in the phase portrait

is a **closed trajectory**,

which is usually called

a **periodic orbit** or a **closed orbit**.

- In 2nd-order linear system: **Oscillation**

- with eigenvalues $\pm j\beta$,

- $x = 0$ is a **center**,

- the **solution**:

$$z_1(t) = r_0 \cos(\beta t + \theta_0),$$

$$z_2(t) = r_0 \sin(\beta t + \theta_0),$$

where

$$r_0 = \sqrt{z_1^2(0) + z_2^2(0)},$$

$$\theta_0 = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{z_2(0)}{z_1(0)} \right],$$

- the **harmonic oscillator**

- Two fundamental problems with the linear oscillator:
 1. **robustness**:
perturbation will destroy the oscillation.
the linear oscillator is **not structurally stable**.
 2. the **amplitude of oscillation** is dependent on the initial conditions.
- It is possible to build physical **nonlinear** oscillators such that
 1. the nonlinear oscillator is **structurally stable**.
 2. the **amplitude** of oscillation (at steady state) is independent of initial conditions.

- The **negative-resistance oscillator**:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_1 - \epsilon h'(x_1)x_2\end{aligned}$$

the system has only one E.P.
at $x_1 = x_2 = 0$.

- The **Jacobian** matrix:

$$A = \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{x=0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -\epsilon h'(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

- Since $h'(0) < 0$, the origin is either an **unstable node** or **unstable focus**, depending on the value of $\epsilon h'(0)$.

- All trajectories starting near the origin would **diverge away from it** and **head toward infinity**.
- The resistive element is **"active"**, and **supplies energy**.
- The total **energy** stored in the capacitor and inductor at any time t is given by:

$$E = \frac{1}{2}Cv_C^2 + \frac{1}{2}Li_L^2$$

where $v_C = x_1, i_L = -h(x_1) - \frac{1}{\epsilon}x_2,$

$$\epsilon = \sqrt{L/C}$$

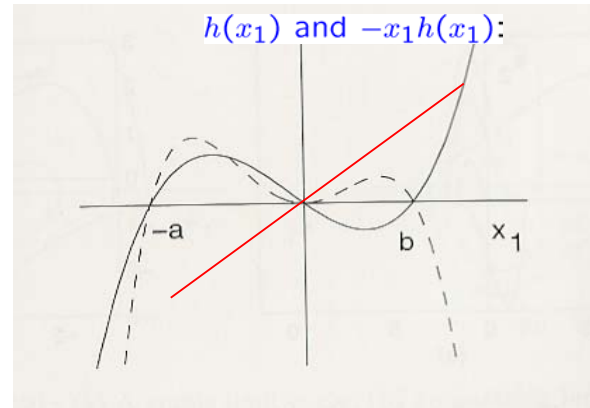
- Rewrite the energy expression as:

$$E = \frac{1}{2}C \left\{ x_1^2 + \left[\epsilon h(x_1) + x_2 \right]^2 \right\}$$

- The **rate of change of energy** is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{E} &= C \left\{ x_1 \dot{x}_1 + [\epsilon h(x_1) + x_2] \right. \\ &\quad \left. [\epsilon h'(x_1) \dot{x}_1 + \dot{x}_2] \right\} \\ &= C \left\{ x_1 x_2 + [\epsilon h(x_1) + x_2] \right. \\ &\quad \left. [\epsilon h'(x_1) x_2 - x_1 - \epsilon h'(x_1) x_2] \right\} \\ &= C \left[x_1 x_2 - \epsilon x_1 h(x_1) - x_1 x_2 \right] \\ &= -\epsilon C x_1 h(x_1) \end{aligned}$$

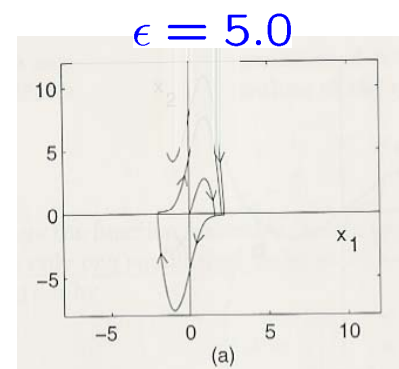
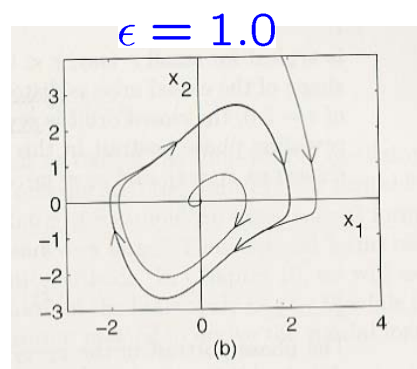
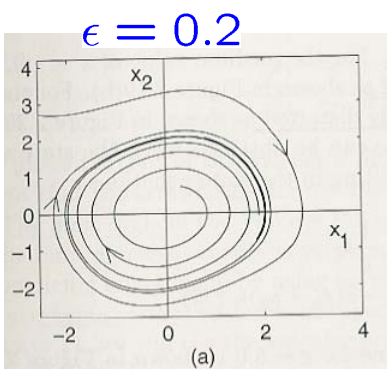
- Near the **origin**, the trajectory **gains** energy since for small $|x_1|$, $x_1 h(x_1)$ is **negative**.
- Also, the trajectory **gains** energy within the strip $-a < x_1 \leq b$, and **loses** energy outside the strip.
- A **stationary** oscillation will occur if, along a trajectory, the net exchange of energy over one cycle is **zero**.
- Such a trajectory will be a **closed orbit**. The negative-resistance oscillator has an **isolated closed orbit**.



- **Example 2.6 Van der Pol equation:**

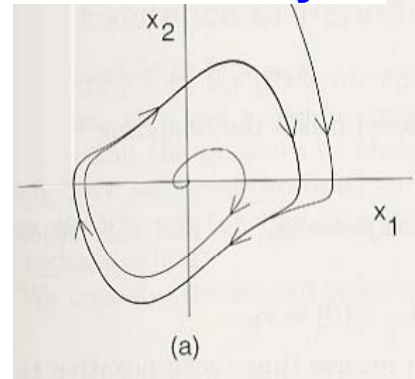
$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + \epsilon(1 - x_1^2)x_2$$
- The closed orbit of $\epsilon = 0.2$ (**small value**) is a **smooth orbit** that is closed to a circle of radius 2.
- For **medium value** of ϵ ($=1.0$), the circular shape of the closed orbit is **distorted**.
- For **large value** of ϵ ($=5.0$), the closed orbit is **severely distorted**.
- For $\epsilon = 0.2, 1.0, 5.0$ are shown in Figs.
- There is a **unique closed orbit** that attracts all trajectories starting off the orbit.



- In the case of **harmonic oscillator**, there is a **continuum** of closed orbit.
- In the Van der Pol example, there is only one **isolated** periodic orbit.
- An isolated periodic orbit is called a **limit cycle**.

stable limit cycle

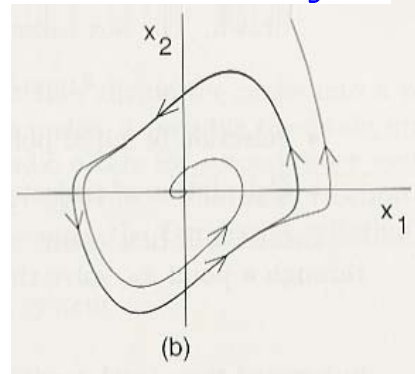


- **stable** and **unstable** limit cycles:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{stable: } \dot{x}_1 &= x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_1 + \epsilon(1 - x_1^2)x_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{unstable: } \dot{x}_1 &= -x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= x_1 - \epsilon(1 - x_1^2)x_2 \end{aligned}$$

unstable limit cycle



- Two special forms:
 - $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$: the **averaging method**
 - $\epsilon \rightarrow \infty$: the **singular perturbation method**

Existence of Periodic Orbits (2.6)

- **Periodic orbits** in the plane are special that they divide the plane into a region **inside** the orbit and a region **outside** it.
- This makes it possible to obtain **criteria** for detecting the **presence** or **absence** of periodic orbits for second-order systems, which have **no** generalizations to higher order systems.
- The most celebrated of these criteria are the **Poincaré-Bendixson theorem**, the **Bendixson criterion**, and the **index method**.

- **Theorem (Poincaré-Bendixson):**

Let γ^+ be a **bounded positive semiorbit** of $\dot{x} = f(x)$, i.e., $\gamma^+(y) = \{\phi(t, y) \mid 0 \leq t < \infty\}$ and L^+ be its **positive limit set**.

If L^+ contains **no e.p.**,
then it is a **periodic orbit**.

- **Lemma 2.1, Presence of Limit Cycles (Poincaré-Bendixson Criterion):**

Consider $\dot{x} = f(x)$ and let M be a **closed bounded** subset of the plane, such that

- M contains **no e.p.**, or contains only **one e.p.** such that the Jacobian matrix $[\partial f / \partial x]$ at this point has eigenvalues with **positive** real parts. (Hence, the e.p. is **unstable** focus or node.)
- Every trajectory starting in M stays in M for all future time.

Then, M contains a **periodic orbit** of $\dot{x} = f(x)$.

- **Intuition:**
Bounded trajectories in the plane will have to approach **periodic orbits** or **equilibrium points** as time tends to infinity.
- If M contains **no e.p.**, then it must contain a periodic orbit.
- If M contains only **one e.p.** that satisfies the stated conditions, then in the vicinity of that point all trajectories will be moving away from it.
- Therefore, we can choose a **simple closed curve** around the e.p. such that the vector field on the curve points **outward**.

