

Homework assignment  
**Differentialgleichungen III**  
**Problem Sheet 7**

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**Problem 1: Definition:** Let  $S(t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , be a dynamical system on  $C$ . For any  $u \in C$  we define  $\gamma(u) = \{S(t)u, t \geq 0\}$  to be the *orbit* through  $u$ . We call  $u$  an *equilibrium* if  $\gamma(u) = \{u\}$ , and a *periodic orbit* if there exists  $p > 0$  such that  $\gamma(u) = \{S(t)u, 0 \leq t \leq p\} \neq \{u\}$ .

An orbit  $\gamma(u)$  (or sometimes the point  $u$ ) is *stable* if  $S(t)y \rightarrow S(t)u$  as  $y \rightarrow u$ ,  $y \in C$ , uniformly in  $t \geq 0$ . An orbit  $\gamma(u)$  is *unstable* if it is not stable. An orbit  $\gamma(u)$  is *uniformly asymptotically stable* if it is stable and also there is a neighborhood  $V = \{y \in C : \text{dist}(u, y) < r\}$  such that  $\text{dist}(S(t)y, S(t)u) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , uniformly for  $y \in V$ .

Prove the following statements:

- (i) If  $\gamma(u)$  is unstable, then so is  $\gamma(y)$  for any  $y \in \gamma(u)$ . Does the corresponding result hold when  $\gamma(u)$  is stable?
- (ii) If  $y \in \gamma(u)$  and  $\gamma(y)$  is stable, then  $\gamma(u)$  is stable.
- (iii) If  $\gamma(u)$  is stable, then it is also *orbitally stable*, i.e. whenever  $y \rightarrow u$ ,  $y \in C$ , we have  $\text{dist}\{S(t)y, \gamma(u)\} \rightarrow 0$  uniformly in  $t \geq 0$ .

**Problem 2:** Let  $\{S(t), t \geq 0\}$  be a dynamical system on  $C$ , and let  $B$  be open in  $C$ . Let  $S_B(t)$  be the restriction of  $S(t)$  to  $B$ . Then for each  $u \in B$ , there exists a maximal  $T(u)$ ,  $0 < T(u) \leq \infty$ , such that  $\{S_B(u), 0 \leq t \leq T(u)\}$  is in  $B$ . The pair  $\{S_B, T\}$  is called a *local dynamical system*. Show that this family of maps satisfies

- (i) If  $u_n \rightarrow u_0$  in  $B$  and  $0 \leq t < T(u_0)$ , then there exists  $N > 0$  such that  $T(u_n) > t$  for  $n \geq N$ , and  $S_B(t)u_n \rightarrow S_B(t)u_0$  in  $B$ .
- (ii) If  $u \in B$ ,  $t \rightarrow S_B(t)u$  is continuous for  $0 \leq t < T(u)$  into  $B$ .
- (iii)  $S_B(0) = \text{identity on } B$ .
- (iv) If  $u \in B$ ,  $t, \tau \geq 0$  and  $t + \tau < T(u)$  then  $S_B(t)(S_B(\tau)u) = S_B(t + \tau)u$ .

**Problem 3:**

- (i) Let  $A$  be sectorial in  $X$ , and  $f : X^\alpha \rightarrow X$  be locally Lipschitz for some  $\alpha < 1$ . Show that the equation

$$\frac{du}{dt} + Au = f(u),$$

defines a local dynamical system  $\{S_B, T\}$  on any open set  $B \subset X^\alpha$ .

- (ii) Consider the same  $A, f$  as in (i), and a local dynamical system  $\{S_B, T\}$  for some open set  $B \subset X^\alpha$ . Assume in addition that  $\|f(u)\| \leq M < \infty$  for all  $u \in B$ . Define  $g(u) = f(u)\phi(\|f(u)\|)$  for  $u \in X^\alpha$ , where  $\phi(r) = 1$  if  $0 \leq r \leq M$ ,  $\phi(r) = M/r$  if  $r \geq M$ . Note that  $\phi$  is Lipschitz continuous in  $\mathbb{R}_+$ . Show that

$$\frac{du}{dt} + Au = g(u)$$

defines a dynamical system on  $X^\alpha$  whose restriction to  $B$  is  $\{S_B, T\}$ .