

# Linear (In-) Stability - Perturbative Analysis

From properties of  $\frac{dX}{dt} = AX$  to

*homogeneous sys.*

properties of  $\frac{dX}{dt} = (A+B(t))X + h(t)$

*inhomogeneous sys.*

(I) Consider  $\frac{dX}{dt} = AX$ .

Suppose all solutions of the above go to zero as  $t \rightarrow +\infty$ .

( $\Leftrightarrow \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0$ , for all  $\lambda_i$  of  $A$ )

Then for  $h(t)$ , s.t.  $\|h(t)\| \leq Ce^{-\delta t}$ .

The solution of

$$\frac{dX}{dt} = AX + h(t), \quad X(0) = X_0$$

also go to zero as  $t \rightarrow +\infty$

(In fact, exponentially fast.)

Pf  $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0$  for all  $\lambda_i$  ( $i=1, \dots, n$ )

$$\Rightarrow \|e^{At}x_0\| \leq C_0 e^{-kt} \|x_0\|, \text{ for } t > 0$$

$$X(t) = e^{At}x_0 + \int_0^t e^{A(t-s)}h(s)ds$$

$$\|X(t)\| \leq \|e^{At}x_0\| + \int_0^t \|e^{A(t-s)}h(s)\|ds$$

$$\leq C_0 e^{-kt} \|x_0\| + \int_0^t C_0 e^{-k_0(t-s)} \|h(s)\|ds$$

$$\leq C_0 e^{-kt} \|x_0\| + \int_0^t C_0 e^{-k(t-s)} C_1 e^{-\delta s} ds$$

$$= C_0 e^{-kt} \|x_0\| + C_0 C_1 e^{-kt} \int_0^t e^{(k-\delta)s} ds$$

$$= C_0 e^{-kt} \|x_0\| + C_0 C_1 e^{-kt} \left( \frac{e^{(k-\delta)t} - 1}{k-\delta} \right)$$

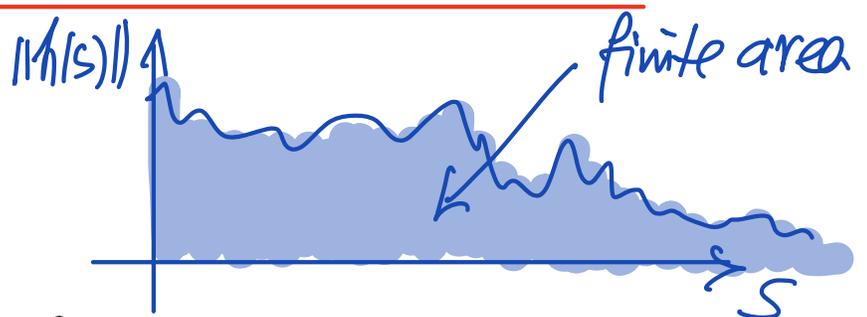
(what if  $k=\delta$ ?)

$$= \underbrace{G e^{-Kt} \|X_0\|}_{0} + G C \underbrace{\left( \frac{e^{-\delta t} - e^{-Kt}}{K - \delta} \right)}_{0}$$

exp. fast.

(II) Under the same assumption as in (I)  
for  $A$  ( $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0$  for all  $\lambda_i$ 's)

Suppose  $\int_0^{\infty} \|h(s)\| ds = C_2 < \infty$



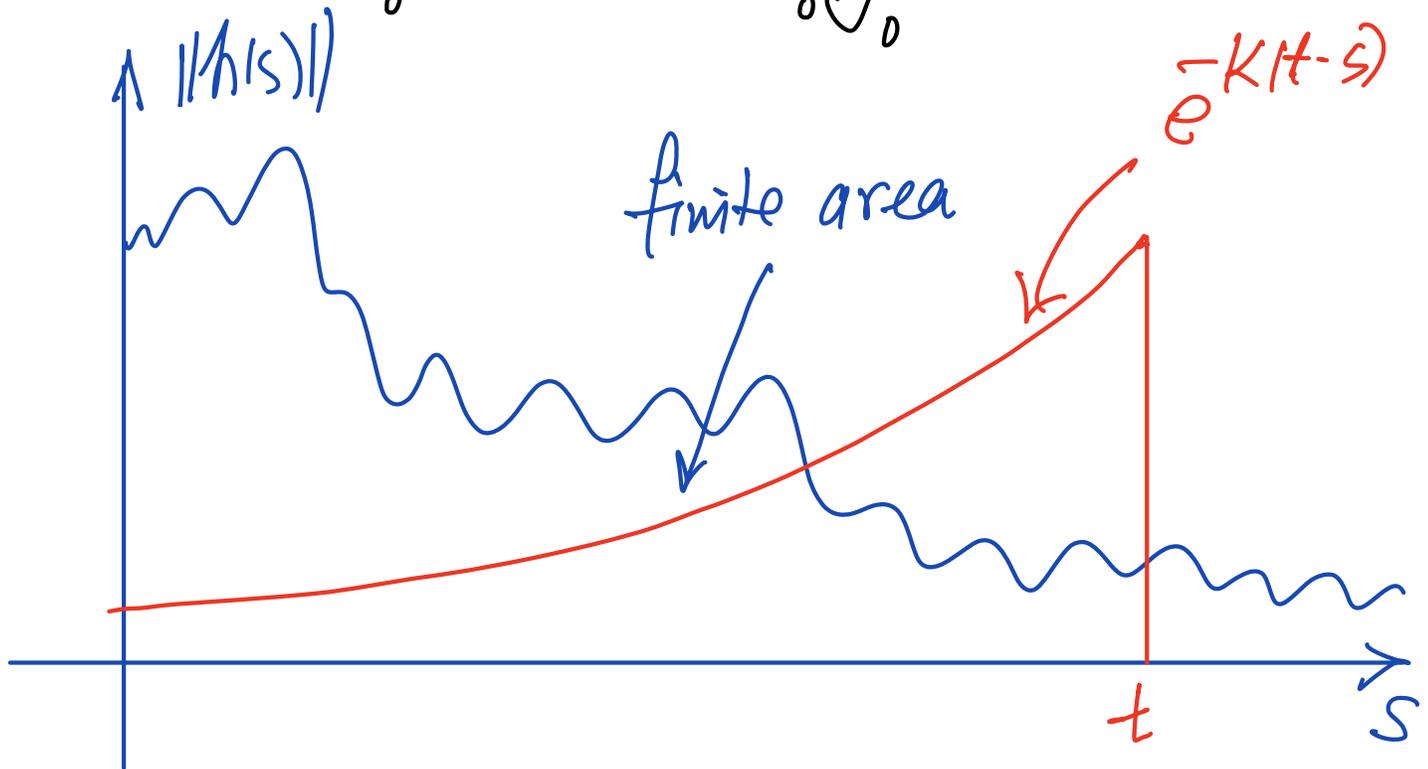
Then the solution of

$$\frac{dX}{dt} = AX + h(t), \quad X(0) = X_0$$

also go to zero as  $t \rightarrow +\infty$   
(but with no explicit rate)

$$\text{pf } X(t) = e^{At} x_0 + \int_0^t e^{A(t-s)} h(s) ds$$

$$\|X(t)\| \leq C_0 e^{-K_0 t} \|x_0\| + C_0 \int_0^t e^{-K(t-s)} \|h(s)\| ds$$



Let  $\varepsilon$  be any small number, eg  $\varepsilon = 10^{-6}$   
 Choose  $N \gg 1$  s.t.

$$(1) \int_N^\infty \|h(s)\| ds \leq \varepsilon$$

$$(2) e^{-K_0 t} \leq \varepsilon \text{ for } t \geq N$$

Consider  $\int_0^t e^{-k(t-s)} \|h(s)\| ds$ ,  $t \geq 2N$

$$= \underbrace{\int_0^N e^{-k(t-s)} \|h(s)\| ds}_{t \geq 2N} + \underbrace{\int_N^t e^{-k(t-s)} \|h(s)\| ds}_{s \leq N}$$

$t \geq 2N$

$s \leq N$

$$\Rightarrow t-s \geq N$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-k(t-s)} \leq \varepsilon$$

$$\leq \int_N^t \|h(s)\| ds \leq \int_N^\infty \|h(s)\| ds \leq \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^N e^{-k(t-s)} \|h(s)\| ds$$

$$\leq \varepsilon \int_0^N \|h(s)\| ds$$

$$\leq C_2 \varepsilon$$

$$\leq \varepsilon$$

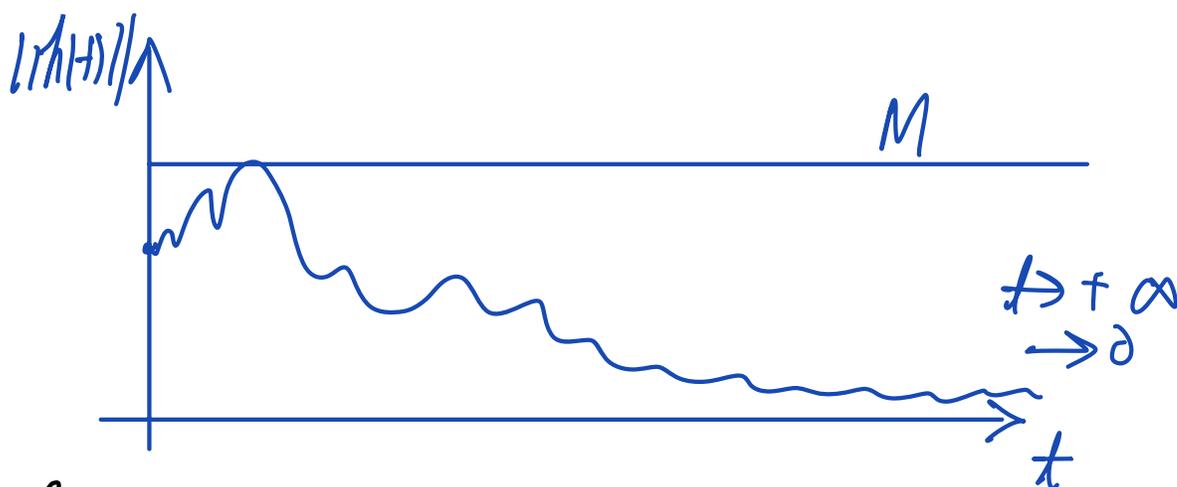
$$\|X(t)\| \leq \underbrace{C_0 e^{-k_0 t} \|X_0\| + C_2 \varepsilon + \varepsilon}$$

$$\leq C \varepsilon$$

(III) Under the same assumption as in (I)  
for  $A$  ( $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0$  for all  $\lambda_i$ 's)

Suppose  $\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \|h(t)\| = 0$

and  $\|h(t)\| \leq M$  for all  $t$ .



Then  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|X(t)\| = 0$

(The proof is very similar.)

For any  $\varepsilon > 0$  (e.g.  $\varepsilon = 10^{-6}$ )

Choose  $N$  s.t. for all  $t \geq N$

(1)  $\|h(t)\| \leq \varepsilon$  and (2)  $e^{-\bar{\kappa}t} < \varepsilon$

Consider  $\int_0^t e^{-K(t-s)} \|h(s)\| ds$ ,  $t \geq 2N$

$$= \int_0^N e^{-K(t-s)} \|h(s)\| ds + \int_N^t e^{-K(t-s)} \|h(s)\| ds$$

$\leq M$

$\leq \varepsilon$

$t \geq 2N$

$s \leq N$

$t-s \geq N$

$$\leq \varepsilon \int_N^t e^{-K(t-s)} ds$$

$$\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{K_0}$$

$$\leq M \int_0^N e^{-K_0(t-s)} ds$$

$$= M e^{-K_0 t} \int_0^N e^{K_0 s} ds$$

$$= M e^{-K_0 t} \frac{e^{K_0 N} - 1}{K_0}$$

$$= \frac{M}{K_0} \left( e^{-K_0(t-N)} - e^{-K_0 t} \right) \leq \frac{M}{K_0} \varepsilon$$

(III) Gronwall Inequality [M, p. 90, Lem. 3.28]

Suppose  $k(t) \geq 0$ , and  $g(t)$  satisfies

$$g(t) \leq c + \int_0^t k(s)g(s) ds$$

Then

$$g(t) \leq c e^{\int_0^t k(s) ds}$$

Pf Let  $G(t) = c + \int_0^t k(s)g(s) ds$

Then  $G(0) = c$

$$\dot{G}(t) = k(t)g(t) \leq k(t)G(t)$$

$$\dot{G}(t) - k(t)G(t) \leq 0$$

Integrating factor:  $I(t) = e^{-\int_0^t k(s) ds} > 0$

$$( \dot{I}(t) = -I(t)k(t) )$$

$$I(t) \dot{G} - k(t) I(t) G \leq 0$$

$$I(t) \dot{G} + \dot{I}(t) G \leq 0$$

$$+ \frac{d}{dt} (I(t) G(t)) \leq 0$$

$$\int_0^t I(t) G(t) - I(0) G(0) \leq 0$$

$$I(t) G(t) \leq I(0) G(0)$$

$$e^{-\int_0^t k(s) ds} \quad I \quad C$$

$$G(t) \leq C e^{\int_0^t k(s) ds}$$

$$\text{so } g(t) \leq G(t)$$

$$\text{Then } g(t) \leq C e^{\int_0^t k(s) ds}$$

In particular,

if  $C = 0$ , then  $g(t) \leq 0$

if furthermore,  $g(t) \geq 0$ , then  $g(t) = 0$

(IV) (Perturbation of  $A$ ) [Bellman, p.34, Thm]

Suppose all solutions of  $\frac{dX}{dt} = AX$  are bounded as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , i.e.

$$\|X(t)\| = \|e^{At} X_0\| \leq C \|X_0\| \text{ for all } t$$

Then the same holds for the solution of

$$\underline{\frac{dX}{dt} = (A + B(t))X}, \quad X(0) = X_0$$

Provided  $\int_0^{\infty} \|B(t)\| dt < \infty$

Pf  $\frac{dX}{dt} = AX + \underbrace{B(t)}_{h(t)} X$

$$X(t) = e^{At} X_0 + \int_0^t e^{A(t-s)} B(s) X(s) ds$$

$$\|X(t)\| \leq \|e^{At} X_0\| + \int_0^t \|e^{A(t-s)} B(s) X(s)\| ds$$

$$\|X(t)\| \leq \underbrace{C_0}_{C} \|X_0\| + \int_0^t \underbrace{C_0 \|B(s)\|}_{k(s)} \|1(s)\| ds$$

Apply Gronwall  $\Rightarrow$

$$\|X(t)\| \leq C_0 \|X_0\| e^{\int_0^t C_0 \|B(s)\| ds}$$

$$\leq \underbrace{C_0 \|X_0\| e^{\int_0^{\infty} C_0 \|B(s)\| ds}}$$

(V) (Perturbation of  $A$ ) [Bellman, p.36, Thm 2]

Suppose all solutions of  $\frac{dX}{dt} = AX$  go to

zero as  $t \rightarrow +\infty$

(ie.  $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0$  for all  $\lambda_i$

or  $\|e^{At} X_0\| \leq C_0 e^{-k_0 t} \|X_0\|$ )

Then the same holds for the solution of

$$\underline{\frac{dX}{dt} = (A + B(t))X}, \quad X(0) = X_0$$

provided  $\|B(t)\| \leq \underline{\varepsilon(A)}$  for  $t \geq t_0$

(i.e.  $\|B(t)\|$  is small enough for  $t$  large.

$\nearrow$   
the smallness depends on  $A$ .)

Pf

$$X(t) = e^{At}X_0 + \int_0^t e^{A(t-s)}B(s)X(s)ds$$

$$\|X(t)\| \leq \|e^{At}X_0\| + \int_0^t \|e^{A(t-s)}B(s)X(s)\| ds$$

$$\leq \underline{C_0} e^{-K_0 t} \|X_0\| + \int_0^t \underline{C_0} e^{-K_0(t-s)} \|B(s)\| \|X(s)\| ds$$

$$\underbrace{e^{K_0 t} \|X(t)\|}_{Z(t)} \leq \underbrace{C_0 \|X_0\|}_C + \int_0^t \underbrace{C_0 \|B(s)\|}_{k(s)} \underbrace{e^{K_0 s} \|X(s)\|}_{Z(s)} ds$$

Gronwall  $\Rightarrow$

$$Z(t) \leq C e^{\int_0^t K(s) ds}$$

ie.  $e^{k_0 t} \|X(t)\| \leq C_0 \|X_0\| e^{\int_0^t C_0 \|B(s)\| ds}$

ie.  $\|X(t)\| \leq C_0 \|X_0\| e^{-k_0 t + \int_0^t C_0 \|B(s)\| ds}$

for  $t \geq t_0$

$$= C_0 \|X_0\| e^{-k_0(t-t_0+t_0)} + \int_0^{t_0} C_0 \|B(s)\| ds + \int_{t_0}^t C_0 \|B(s)\| ds$$

$\leq C_0 \mathcal{E}(A)$

$$\leq C_0 \|X_0\| e^{-k_0 t_0 + \int_0^{t_0} C_0 \|B(s)\| ds} e^{-k_0(t-t_0) + C_0 \mathcal{E}(A)(t-t_0)}$$

$$= C_0 \|X_0\| e^{-k_0 t_0 + \int_0^{t_0} C_0 \|B(s)\| ds} e^{-(k_0 - C_0 \mathcal{E})(t-t_0)}$$

same constant.

Need  $k_0 - C_0 \mathcal{E} > 0$

ie.  $\mathcal{E} < \frac{k_0}{C_0}$

then  $\rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

The conclusion of the above also holds if

$$(1) \int_0^{\infty} \|B(t)\| ds < \infty$$

or

$$(2) \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|B(t)\| = 0$$

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(VI) "Counter-Example" for  $A = A(t)$ .

[Bellman, p. 42. Thm 5] There are  $A(t), B(t)$  s.t.

(1) all solutions of  $\frac{d}{dt}X = A(t)X$  go to zero

$$(2) \int_0^{\infty} \|B(s)\| ds < \infty$$

and yet any solution of

$$\frac{dX}{dt} = (A(t) + B(t))X$$

will go to infinity as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$(\|X(t)\| \rightarrow +\infty)$$