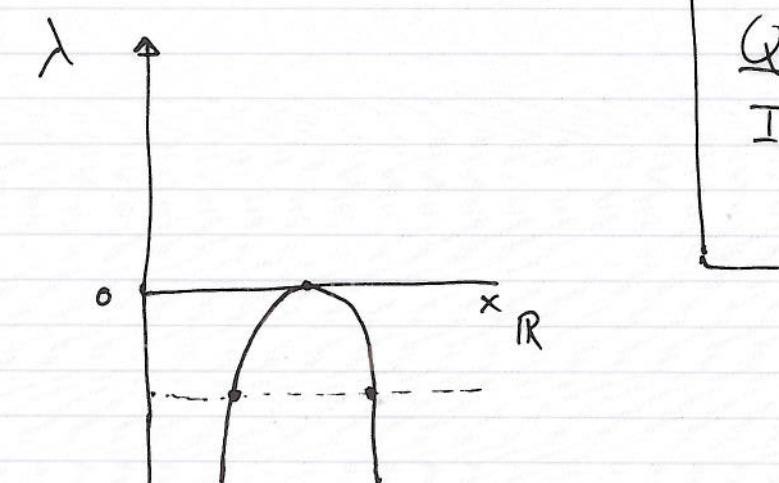
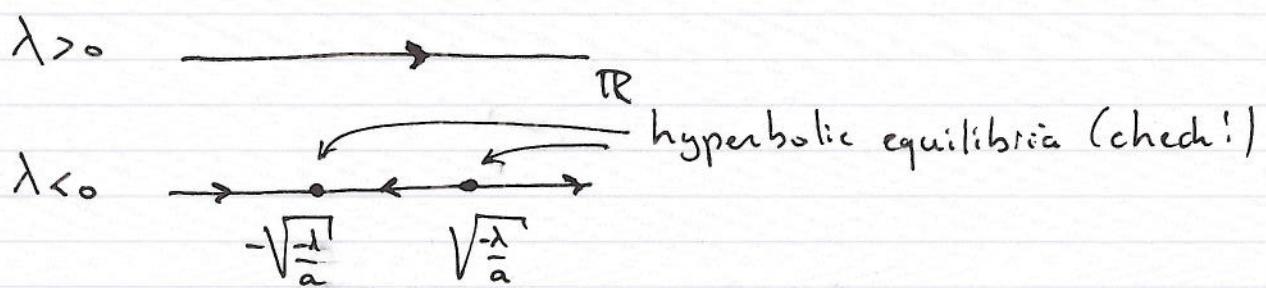
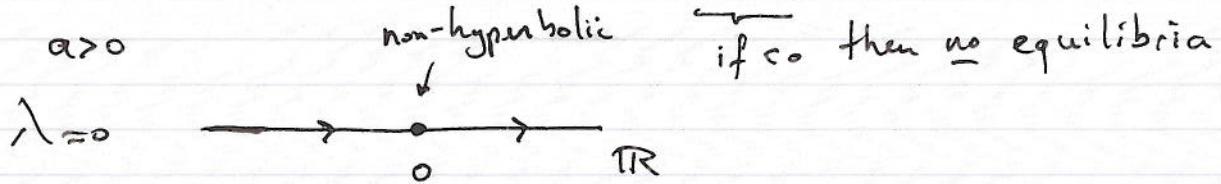


$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x, \lambda) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(x, \lambda) = \lambda + ax^2$$

$$\text{equilibria} \quad x^2 = -\frac{\lambda}{a}$$



Question:

Is this type of bifurcation typical?

"fold curve"  ↑ curve of equilibria

Let us consider, more generally

$$f(x, \lambda) = a(\lambda)x + b(\lambda)x^2 + c(\lambda)x^3 + O(x^4) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

(general smooth vector field)

Some assumptions: (1)  $f(0, 0) = 0$  equilibrium  $x=0$  at  $\lambda=0$

(2)  $D_1 f(0, 0) = 0$  equil. is non-hyperbolic

$$(1) \Leftrightarrow a(0) = 0$$

↑ "typical" in 1-param. family of 1D vector fields

$$(2) \Leftrightarrow b(0) = 0$$

We add another condition (3)  $a'(0) \neq 0$  ( $a(\lambda)$  passes 0 with "nonzero" speed)

$$\Rightarrow \underset{\lambda < 0}{\text{sign } a(\lambda)} \neq \underset{\lambda > 0}{\text{sign } a(\lambda)}$$

$|\lambda|$  suff small, the graph of

This is a "typical" property of  $a(\lambda)$  as it means that  $a$  intersects 0 transversely.

the line

Condition (3) implies that

$$D_2 f(0, 0) \neq 0$$

$$D_2 f(0, 0) = a'(0)$$

with  $a(0) = 0$

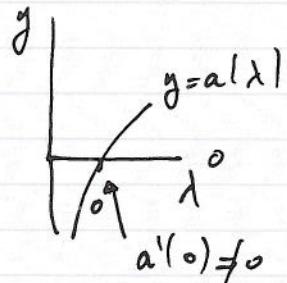
Then by application of the IFT we have  $\lambda(x)$  such that

$$f(x, \lambda(x)) = 0 \quad \text{for } |x| \text{ suff small}$$

Question: what does  $\lambda(x)$  look like?

Aim: find the Taylor expansion of  $\lambda$  as fn. of  $x$

(up to cert. order)



$$f(x, \lambda) = a(\lambda) + b(\lambda)x + c(\lambda)x^2 + \dots$$

$$\text{let } a(\lambda) = a \cdot \lambda + O(\lambda^2)$$

*sloppy*  $\rightarrow \lambda \approx -\frac{(b(0)x + c(0)x^2)}{a}$  as in simple example.

how to do this more precisely: differentiate  $f(x, \lambda) = 0$  wrt  $x$   
 at  $x=0$   $\uparrow$   
 $\lambda(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} f(x, \lambda(x)) \Big|_{x=0} &= \frac{d}{dx} \left( a(\lambda(x)) + b(\lambda(x))x + c(\lambda(x))x^2 + O(x^3) \right) \Big|_{x=0} \\ &= a'(0)\lambda'(0) + b(0) \underset{\neq 0}{\cancel{x}} = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda'(0) = 0}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{now } \frac{d^2}{dx^2} f(x, \lambda(x)) \Big|_{x=0} = \underset{\neq 0}{\cancel{a'(0)\lambda''(0)}} + b'(0) \underset{=0}{\cancel{\lambda'(0)}} + 2c(0) = 0$$

$$\lambda''(0) = -\frac{2c(0)}{a'(0)}$$

if  $c(0) \neq 0$  then  $\lambda''(0) \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow$  first term in Taylor exp of  $\lambda$  a fn of  $x$   
is quadratic!

(4) if  $c(0) \neq 0 \Rightarrow$  "quadratic fold"

if  $c(0) = 0$  then maybe  $\lambda \approx c \cdot x^3$

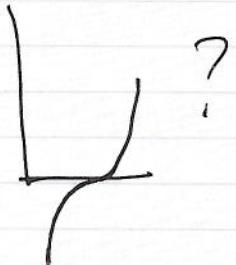
Remember:

\* can analyse "typical" systems

\* use IFT

\* approx soln by Taylor series obtained by diff of formula.

Conclusion: fold is typical bif in one-parameter families of 1-d vector fields.



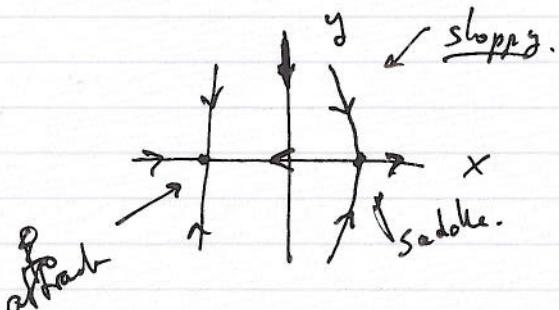
Does this tell us anything about bifurcations in higher dimensional phase space?

Example:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = \lambda + x^2 \\ \dot{y} = -y \end{cases} \quad \text{ODE on } \mathbb{R}^2$$



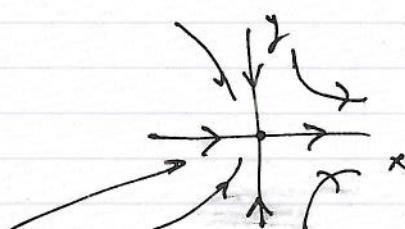
$\lambda < 0$



bif diagram is still

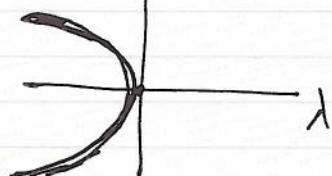
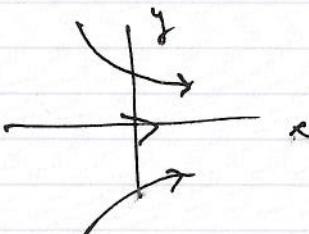
$\lambda = 0$

$$Df(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$



"fold"

$\lambda > 0$



Observation: the bifurcation takes place in the "non-hyperbolic" direction.

In fact:

Theorem (no proof)

Also if equilibrium is non-hyperbolic, there exist stable and unstable manifolds tangent to (and with the dimension of)  $E^s$  and  $E^u$  respectively.

NB: there actually also exist a "centre manifold" tangent to  $E^c$  on which all bifurcations take place. (here x-axis)

Question: in a one-parameter family of vector fields  $\in \mathbb{R}^m$  how can the set of equilibria typically change?

$$\dot{x} = f(x, \lambda) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^m, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$

- Suppose

$$f(0, 0) = 0 \quad x=0 \text{ equilibrium at } \lambda=0.$$

$\begin{matrix} f & \\ \uparrow & \uparrow \\ x & \lambda \end{matrix}$

- if  $D_x f(0, 0)$  is invertible  $\Rightarrow x=0$  is hyperbolic and the set of equilibria cannot change (locally)

If  $\lambda$  is changed because of IFT

$\exists! x(\lambda)$  s.t.  $f(x(\lambda), \lambda) = 0$  with  $x(0) = 0$ .

- hence we need  $D_\lambda f(0, 0)$  to have a zero eigenvalue.

Assume:  $D_\lambda f(0, 0)$  has exactly  $\underline{1}$  zero eigenvalue.

(this is a persistent phenomenon in 1-par fam.  
of vector fields)

Question: how to proceed from here?

solving  $f(x, \lambda) = 0$  near  ~~$x=0, \lambda=0$~~ .

We will try using the IFT (implicit function), by writing  $f(x, \lambda) = 0$  as two equations, one that can be solved by IFT and one that cannot be solved this way.

Some observations:

(1)  $\ker D_x f(0, 0)$  has dimension 1 (spanned by eigenvector for eigenvalue 0)

we write:

$$(2) \quad \mathbb{R}^m = \ker D_x f(0, 0) \oplus \cancel{\mathcal{C}}$$

$$\mathcal{C} \cong \mathbb{R}^{m-1}$$

a complement to  $\ker D_x f(0, 0)$   
in  $\mathbb{R}^m$   
direct sum

every vector in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  can be written uniquely as  
a sum of one vector in  $\ker D_x f(0, 0)$  and one in  $\mathcal{C}$

now introduce new coordinates  $\mathbb{R}^m \ni x = (y, z)$

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \in \ker D_1 f(0,0) \\ \uparrow \\ C \end{array}$$

(3) the Range  $D_1 f(0,0)$  has dimension  $m-1$

we can write

$$\mathbb{R}^m = \text{Range } D_1 f(0,0) \oplus \tilde{C}$$

↑  
dimension  $m-1$

↑ complement to Range  $D_1 f(0,0)$   
in  $\mathbb{R}^m$

$$\tilde{C} \simeq \mathbb{R}$$

(4) rewrite  ~~$f$~~   $f: \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

as  $\begin{cases} f_1: \ker D_1 f(0,0) \times C \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \text{Range } D_1 f(0,0) \\ f_2: \ker D_1 f(0,0) \times C \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \tilde{C} \end{cases}$

$$f(x, \lambda) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} f_1(y, z, \lambda) = 0 \\ f_2(y, z, \lambda) = 0. \end{cases}$$

(5) The important observation now is that

$D_2 f_2(0,0,0)$  is invertible by construction

der. wrt  $z$  variable

hence we can use the IFT to solve for  $z$  as fn of  $y, \lambda$

so that  $f_1(y, z(y, \lambda), \lambda) = 0$  with  $z(0,0) = 0$

(6) it now remains to solve

$$g(y, \lambda) := f_2(y, z(y, \lambda), \lambda) = 0$$

$$g: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ with } g(0,0) = 0 \Rightarrow D_1 g(0,0) = 0$$

We know about this problem:

(Lyapunov-Schmidt reduction)

$$\vec{f}(\vec{x}, y, \lambda) = (\lambda + x^2, -y)^T$$

$$\vec{f}(0, 0, 0) = 0$$

$$J = D_{x,y} \vec{f}(0, 0, 0) = \begin{pmatrix} 2x & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \mathbb{R}^2 & = \ker J \oplus C \\ \xrightarrow{\psi} & \xrightarrow{\quad} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \ker J = \langle \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rangle \\ \text{choose } C = \langle \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \rangle \end{matrix}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^2 = \text{Range } J \oplus \tilde{C} \quad \text{Range } J = \langle \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \rangle$$

choose  $\tilde{C} = \langle \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rangle$

$$f_2(x, y, \lambda) = \lambda + x^2 \quad f_2: \ker J \times C \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \text{Range } J \quad \tilde{C}$$

$$\left( D_2 f_i(0, 0, 0) = -1 \right) \quad f_1(x, y, \lambda) = -y \quad f_1: \ker J \times C \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \text{Range } J$$

$\exists! y(x, \lambda)$  solving  $f(x, y(x, \lambda), \lambda) = 0$

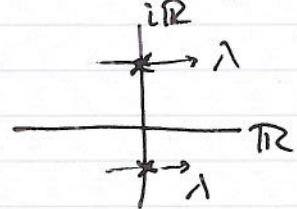
$$y(x, \lambda) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  we are left to solve:  $g(x, \lambda) := f_2(x, 0, \lambda) = \lambda + x^2$   
(1 dim. problem).

Conclusion: typically in one-param families of ODEs  
locally the nr of equilibria changes as  
in a fold bifurcation.

(Note: in practice we cannot usually solve for  $y(x, \lambda)$   
explicitly, but we can find/derive a Taylor series  
expansion for  $y$  as fn of  $x$  and  $\lambda$ , and this usually  
suffices.)

We now consider what happens if the derivative of vector field at equilibrium point has a pair of purely imaginary eigenvalues



Example:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & -1 \\ 1 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

evals  $\lambda \pm i$  if  $\lambda=0$  evals  $\pm i$

if  $\lambda < 0 \Rightarrow$  equilibrium  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is asympt. stable

$\lambda > 0 \Rightarrow \dots \dots \dots$  unstable

(indeed local flow changes considerably if  $\lambda$  passes through 0)

Q: What happens if the vector field is not linear?

(part of the) answer: also if the vector field is nonlinear, we see a change of stability of the equilibrium pt, if evals of Jacobian pass through  $i\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$

..... but is this the whole story?

Example:  $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = \lambda x - y - x(x^2 + y^2) \\ \dot{y} = x + \lambda y - y(x^2 + y^2) \end{cases}$

in polar coordinates

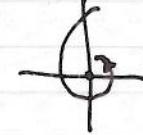
$$x = r \cos \theta$$

$$y = r \sin \theta$$

"Hopf-bifurcation"

$$\begin{cases} \dot{r} = \lambda r - r^3 \\ \dot{\theta} = 1 \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \dot{r} = 0 \text{ iff } r(\lambda - r^2) = 0 \\ r = 0 \\ \lambda = r^2 \end{array}$$

$$\lambda < 0$$



## Lyapunov functions

These are useful to establish Lyapunov and/or asymptotic stability of equilibria.

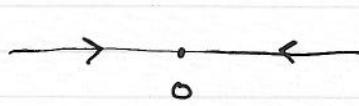
We of course already have information from derivative of vector field at eq. pt.

May be useful: (1) if eq. is not hyperbolic

(2) to obtain more info about the "region of stability" (i.e. basin of attraction in case of asymp. stable eq.)

### Example

$$(ad 1) \quad \dot{x} = -x^3 = f(x) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$



$$f'(0) = 0$$

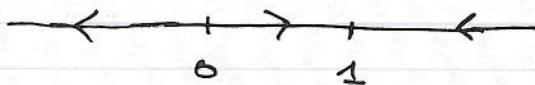
$\Rightarrow 0$  is a non-hyperbolic equilibrium pt

all solns  $x(t)$  satisfy

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0$$

$$(ad 2) \quad \dot{x} = x(1-x) \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{two equilibria}$$

$$= f(x) \quad x=0, \quad x=1$$



$$f'(1) = (1-2x)_{x=1} = -1 \Rightarrow x=1 \text{ is asymptotically stable eq. pt.}$$

from picture we see all  $x(t)$  with  $|x(t)| > 0$  satisfy  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 1$

Theorem:

Let  $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  be an equilibrium for an autonomous ODE

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

and let  $V: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function defined on some neighbourhood  $U$  of  $\bar{x}$  such that

$$(1) \quad V(\bar{x}) = 0 \text{ and } V(x) > 0 \text{ if } x \neq \bar{x}$$

$$(2) \quad \frac{d}{dt} V(x(t)) \leq 0 \text{ in } U \text{ where } x(t) \text{ is soln of ODE}$$

Then  $\bar{x}$  is Lyapunov stable.

Moreover, if

$$(3) \quad \frac{d}{dt} V(x(t)) < 0 \text{ for all } x(t) \in U \setminus \{\bar{x}\}$$

then  $\bar{x}$  is Lyapunov asymptotically stable.

The above defined for  $V$  is called a Lyapunov function.

WARNING: There are no general methods to derive Lyapunov function for Lyapunov/asymp stable equilibria.

HOPES: There are classes of problems where there is a natural choice of Lyapunov function (physically motivated)

e.g. mechanical systems (possibly with dissipation / friction)

have natural candidate  $V = E$  (energy)

if  $\frac{dE}{dt} = 0$  then local maxima and minima of energy  $E$  are Lyapunov stable equilibria.

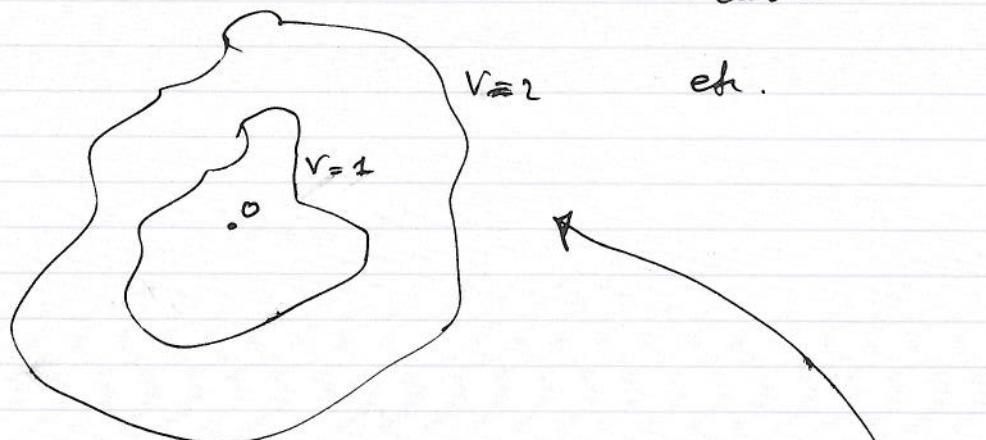
for mechanical system with dissipation we have  $\frac{d\bar{E}}{dt} \leq 0$

the picture (before we prove this theorem)

consider example in the plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and consider  $V: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$V(x_0) = 0, V(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$$

natural to draw contour plot of  $V$  (curves at which  $V$  is const.)  
 $\frac{d}{dt} V(x(t)) \leq 0$



two scenarios: (1) along every soln  $V$  is strictly decreasing as fn of time  $\Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0$

(2) the soln gets "stuck" on some level set of  $V$

$$\text{so that } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} V(x(t)) = C > 0$$

But in any case, if we are Lyapunov stable because

if  $V(x_0) = V_0$  then we can choose a small

neighbourhood of  $\bar{x}=0$  such that in this neighbourhood

$V < V_0$  (by continuity of  $V$ )  $\Rightarrow$  any initial condition in this ball cannot intersect the level set  $V = V_0$

If  $\frac{d}{dt} V(x(t)) < 0$  then we cannot have

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} V(x(t)) = C > 0$$

since this would imply that  $\exists y$  (accumulated by  $x(t)$ )

such that  $\frac{d}{dt} V(y) = 0$  if  $x(0) = y$ .

Proof:

Let  $X$  be some nbh of  $\bar{x}$ , with  $X \subset U$ .

Consider the funcn  $V$  on  $\partial X$ , the boundary of  $X$

Since  $\partial X$  is closed and bounded and  $V$  is continuous in  $U$

then the funcn  $V$  attains some minimum  $V_{\min}(\partial X) = \inf_{x \in \partial X} V(x)$  somewhere on  $\partial X$

Now consider a smaller nbh  $Y$  of  $\bar{x}$  such that

the maximum value of  $V$  on  $Y$   $V_{\max}(\partial Y) = \inf_{x \in \partial Y} V(x)$

is strictly smaller than  $V_{\min}(\partial X)$ . The existence<sup>of  $Y$</sup>  is guaranteed by continuity of  $V$ .

Hence, since  $\frac{d}{dt} V(x(t)) \leq 0$   $V$  cannot increase

along solution curves  $\Rightarrow$  every sol. with initial condition at  $t=0$  inside  $Y$  stays inside  $X$  for all positive time.

This construction holds for all nbhs  $X$  of  $\bar{x} \Rightarrow$

$\bar{x}$  is Lyapunov stable.

Suppose, in addition, that  $\frac{d}{dt} V(x(t)) < 0$ . We derive

a contradiction. ~~Suppose~~ to prove that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = \bar{x}$   $\forall x(0) \in U$  with  $V(x(0))$

Suppose  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} V(x(t)) = c > 0$  (i.e.  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) \neq \bar{x}$ ),  $< V_{\min}(\partial U)$

then there is a point  $y$  with  $V(y) = c$  that is

accumulated by  $x(t)$ , i.e.  $\exists$  increasing sequence  $t_n$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ )

such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x(t_n) = y \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} V(x(t)) = 0$   
if  $x(0) = y$ .  $\Leftrightarrow$

exercise!

