TEMAS DE MATEMÁTICAS AVANZADAS PARA LA ECONOMÍA

Hoja 8. Ecuaciones Diferenciales (4)

8-1. Clasificar el punto de equilibrio (0,0) de los sistemas siguientes, en términos del parámetro α .

a)
$$\dot{X} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 6 & 2\alpha \end{pmatrix} X$$
, $(\alpha \neq 0)$.
b) $\dot{X} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & -3 \\ 3 & \alpha \end{pmatrix} X$.

8-2. Determinar y clasificar el punto de equilibrio de los siguientes sistemas. En caso de aparecer un punto de silla, encontrar la variedad estable.

a)
$$\dot{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} X + \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
.
b) $\dot{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ 5 & -6 \end{pmatrix} X + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}$.

8-3. Estudiar la estabilidad de los siguientes sistemas.

a)
$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = e^x - 1, \\ \dot{y} = ye^x. \end{cases}$$
 b) $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = x^3 + 3x^2y + y, \\ \dot{y} = x(1+y^2). \end{cases}$

8-4. The model of Obst¹ of monetary policy in the presence of an inflation adjustment mechanism is as follows. The quotient M_d/M_s (money demand/money supply), is denoted by μ ; $p = \dot{P}/P$ is the inflation rate (P is the price level of the economy); $q = \dot{Q}/Q$ the constant (exogenous) rate of growth of GDP, Q, and $m = \dot{M}_s/M_s$ the monetary expansion rate. The evolution of p follows the Walrasian adjustment mechanism

$$\dot{p} = h(1 - \mu),$$
 0 < h < 1 a parameter.

Hence an excess in the monetary supply $M_s > M_d$, leads to a positive increment in the inflation rate. To stipulate the time evolution of μ we consider the following assumption: monetary demand is proportional to GDP in nominal terms, that is,

$$M_d = aPQ$$
, $a > 0$ constant,

hence

$$\mu = a \frac{PQ}{M_s}.$$

Taking logarithms

$$\ln \mu = \ln a + \ln P + \ln Q - \ln M_s,$$

and taking the derivative with respect to time we get

$$\frac{\dot{\mu}}{\mu} = \frac{\dot{P}}{P} + \frac{\dot{Q}}{Q} - \frac{\dot{M}_s}{M_s} = p + q - m.$$

Hence, the system of ODEs in the model of Obst is

$$\dot{p} = h(1 - \mu),$$

$$\dot{\mu} = (p + q - m)\mu.$$

The exercise studies the effect of the monetary policy chosen by the central bank, given by m.

a) Suppose that $m = \overline{m}$ is constant (exogenous and constant monetary expansion rate) and that $\overline{m} > q$. Show that the system has a center.

¹N. P. Obst (1978) "Stabilization policy with an inflation adjustment mechanism". *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, May, pp. 355–359.

- b) Suppose that $m = \overline{m} \alpha p$ with $\alpha > 0$ (countercyclical conventional monetary policy) and $\overline{m} > q$. Show by means of the phase portrait that the qualitative behavior of the system is similar to (a) above.
- c) Suppose that $m = \overline{m} \alpha \dot{p}$ (Obst's Rule) with $\alpha > 0$ and $\overline{m} > q$. Prove that for some values of α the system has a spiral attractor.
- d) What do you think about the stabilization properties of the countercyclical rule and Obst's Rule?