

# EE16B

# Designing Information Devices and Systems II

Lecture 5B  
Linearization  
Stability of linear state models

# Announcements

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- Midterm:
  - Monday 10/2 8-10pm
  - Pay attention to Piazza post on seating
- Review Session on Saturday 10am-12pm
- Midterm practice problems posted
- HW:
  - extended hw due Friday,
  - Self grading due Monday at noon

# Intro

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- Last time
  - Described systems with state-space model
  - Talked about linear systems
  - Change of variables
  
- Today
  - Linearization of non-linear systems
  - Begin Stability of linear state models
    - Scalar and discrete



# Linearization

State variables:

$$x_1(t) = \theta(t)$$

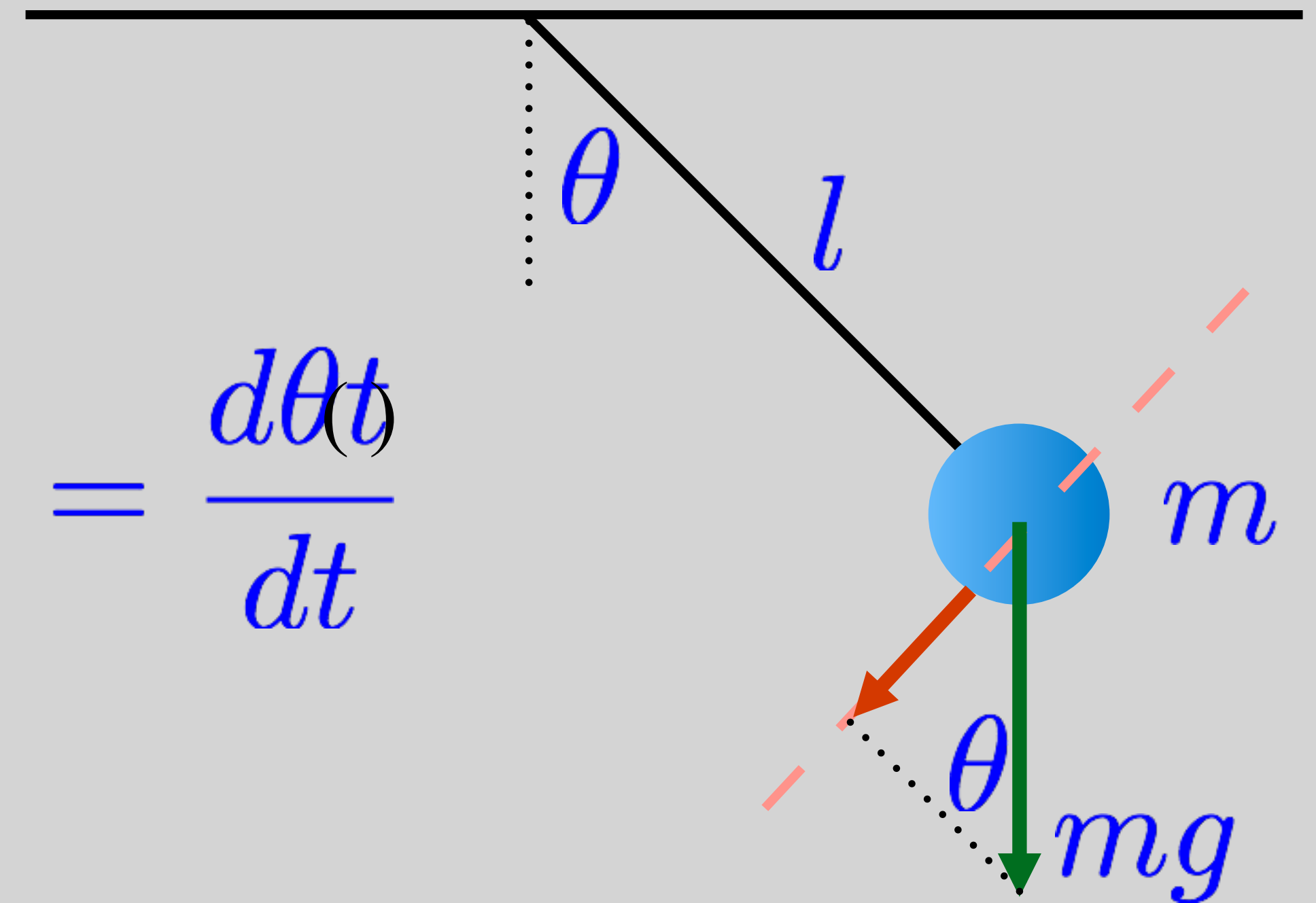
$$x_2(t) = \dot{\theta}(t) = \frac{d\theta(t)}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dx_1(t)}{dt} = x_2(t)$$

$$\frac{dx_2(t)}{dt} = -\frac{g}{l} \sin(x_1(t)) - \frac{k}{m} x_2(t)$$

Linearization:

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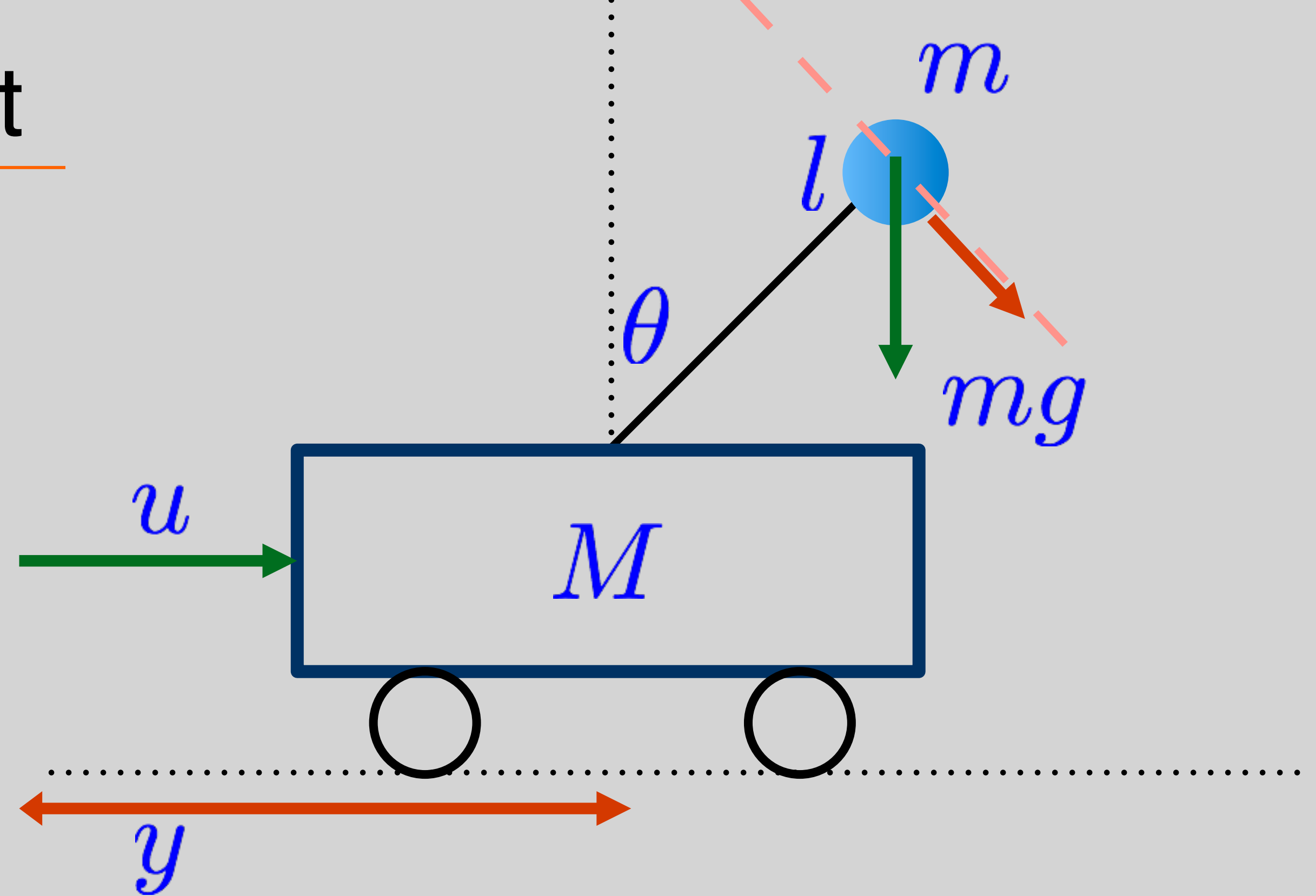
$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \frac{dx_1(t)}{dt} \\ \frac{dx_2(t)}{dt} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{g}{l} & -\frac{k}{m} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix}$$



# Scary Example: Pole on a Cart

How many state variables?

How to systematically linearize?



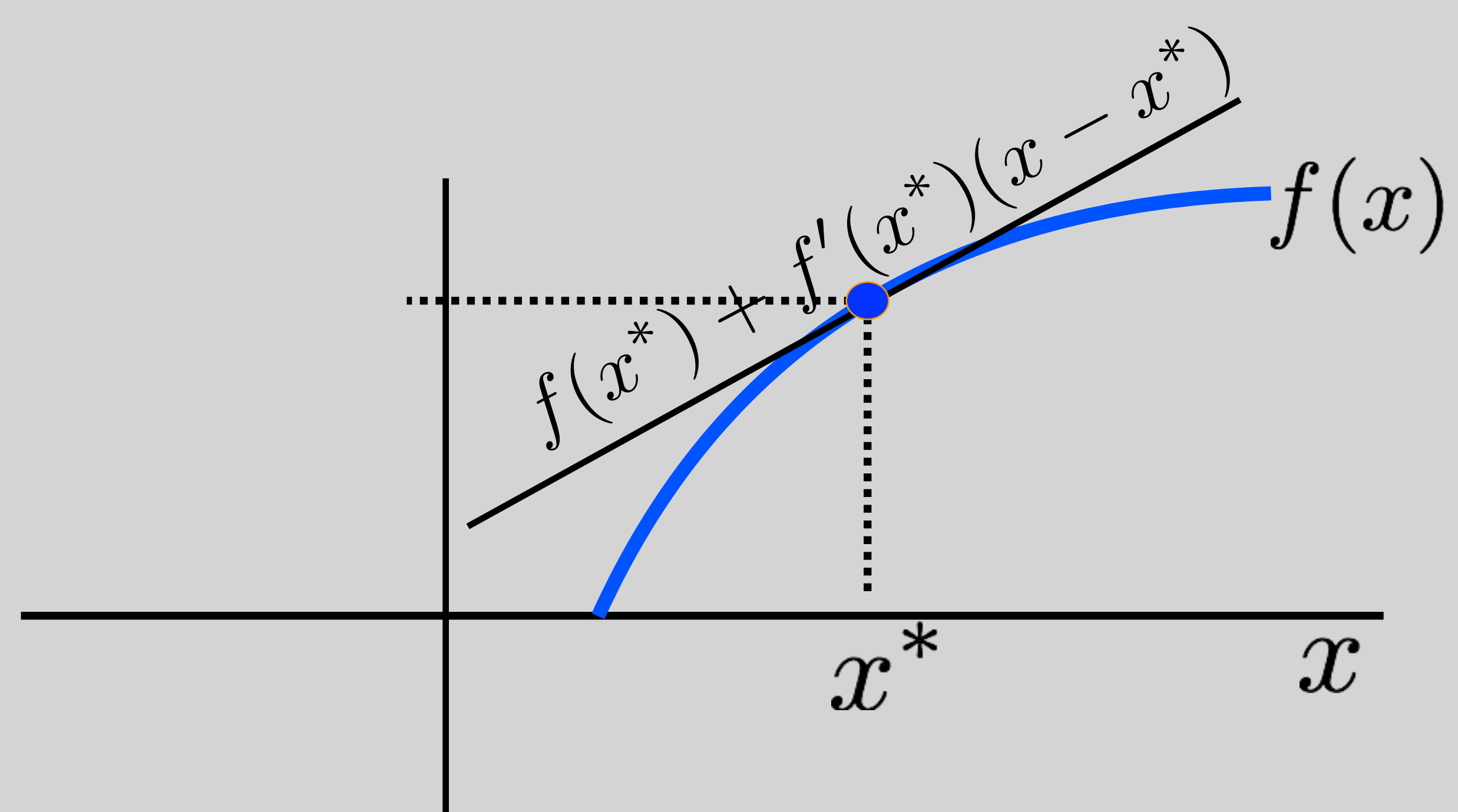
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$$\ddot{\theta} = \frac{1}{l \left( \frac{M}{m} + \sin^2 \theta \right)} \left( -\frac{u}{m} \cos \theta - \dot{\theta}^2 l \sin \theta \cos \theta + \frac{M + m}{m} g \sin \theta \right)$$



# Taylor Approximation - scalar

$$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$



$$f(x) \approx f(x^*) + f'(x^*)(x - x^*)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(x) \approx \sin(x^*) + \cos(x^*)(x - x^*)$$

$$x^* = 0 \mid \Rightarrow \sin(x) \approx \sin(0) + \cos(0)(x - 0)$$

$$\sin x \approx x$$

# Taylor Approximation - vector

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$$f : \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N \quad \frac{d}{dt} \vec{x} = f(\vec{x})$$

$$\underbrace{f(\vec{x})}_{N \times 1} \approx \underbrace{f(\vec{x}^*)}_{N \times 1} + \nabla f(\vec{x}^*) \underbrace{(\vec{x} - \vec{x}^*)}_{N \times 1}$$

Q: What are the dimensions of  $\nabla f(\vec{x}^*)$ ? (Jacobian)

A:  $N \times N$  ?

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$$\frac{\partial f_i(x)}{\partial x_j}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} f_1(x_1, \dots, x_N) \\ f_2(x_1, \dots, x_N) \\ \vdots \\ f_N(x_1, \dots, x_N) \end{bmatrix}$$

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# Linearization of State-Space

Linearize around an equilibrium, a point s.t.:

$$f(\vec{x}^*) = 0$$

Q: why?

A: no change!

$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{x} = f(\vec{x})$$

$$\approx \underbrace{f(\vec{x}^*)}_{=0} + \nabla f(\vec{x}^*) (\underbrace{\vec{x} - \vec{x}^*}_{\tilde{x}})$$

Which of the variables is a function of t?

write a state model for deviation!

# Linearization of State-Space

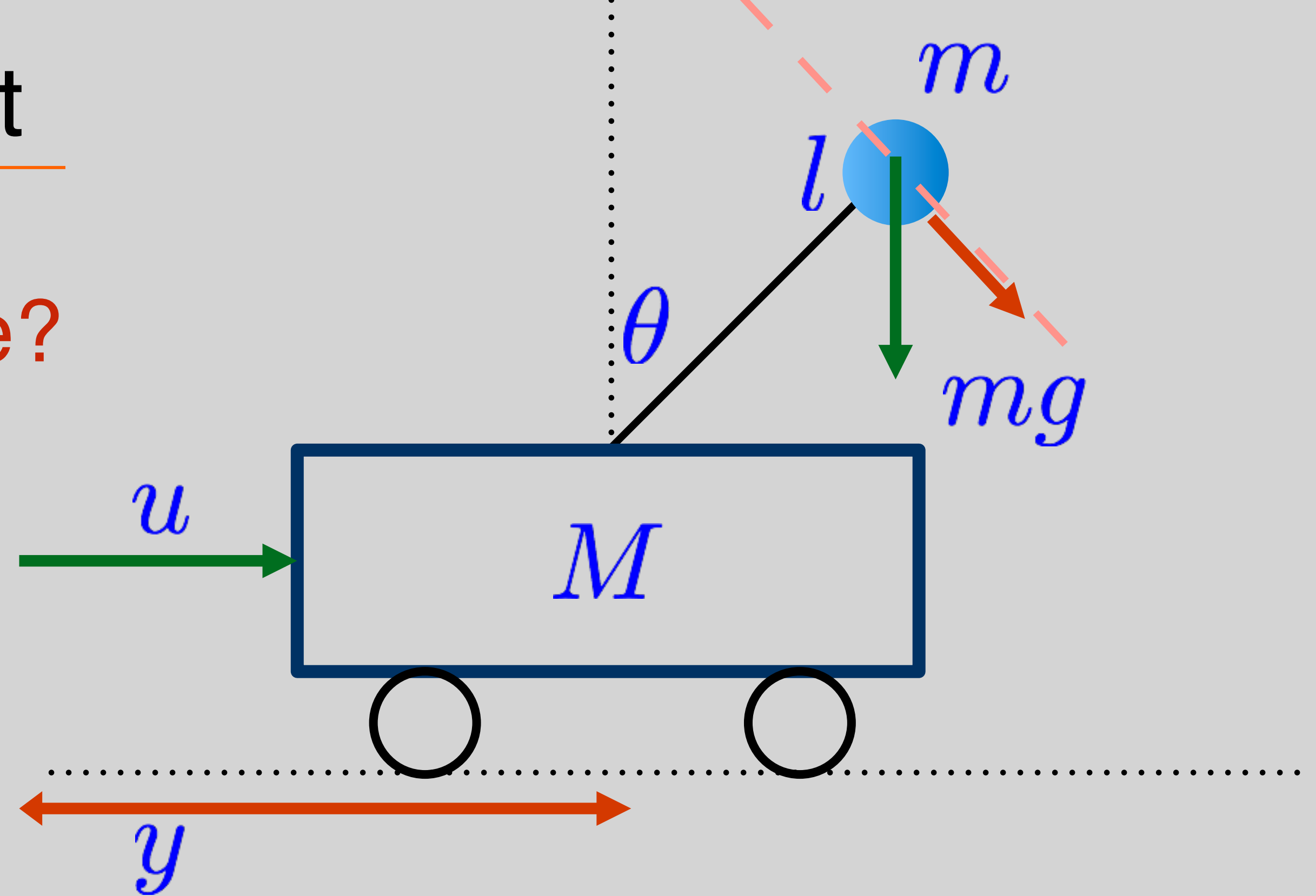
$$\tilde{x} = \vec{x} - \vec{x}^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \tilde{x}(t) &= \frac{d}{dt} \vec{x}(t) - \underbrace{\frac{d}{dt} \vec{x}^*}_{=0} \\ &= f(\vec{x}(t)) \approx \underbrace{f(\vec{x}^*)}_{=0} + \nabla f(\vec{x}^*) \tilde{x}(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \tilde{x}(t) = \underbrace{[\nabla f(\vec{x}^*)]}_A \tilde{x}(t)$$

# Scary Example: Pole on a Cart

Q ) Can you do it for this example?



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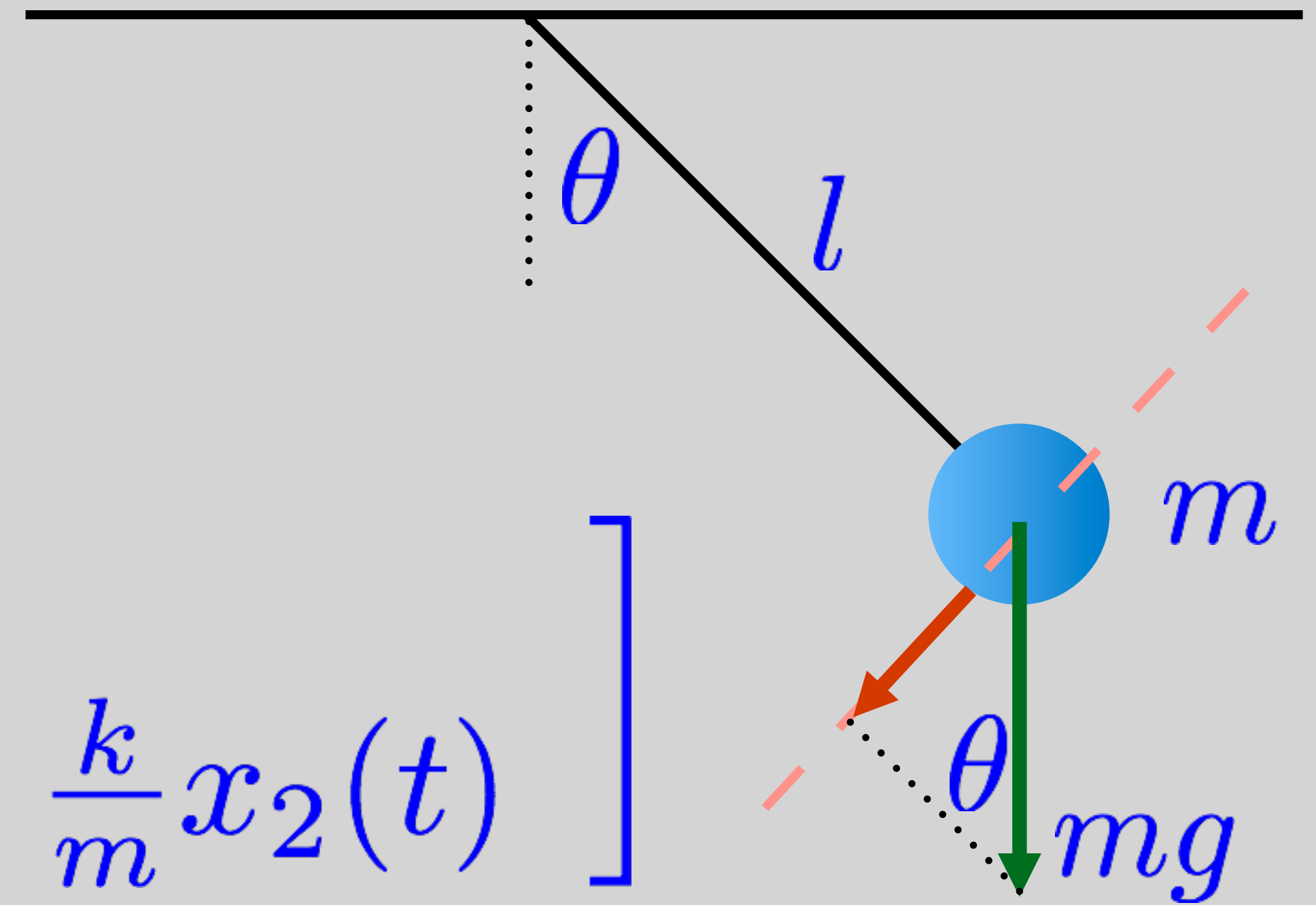
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# Back to the Pendulum

$$f(\vec{x}(t)) = \begin{bmatrix} x_2(t) \\ -\frac{g}{l} \sin(x_1(t)) - \frac{k}{m} x_2(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{g}{l} \cos x_1 & -\frac{k}{m} \end{bmatrix}$$



# Pendulum at Equilibrium

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{g}{l} \cos x_1 & -\frac{k}{m} \end{bmatrix}$$

$x_1^* = 0, x_2^* = 0$ , Downward equilibrium

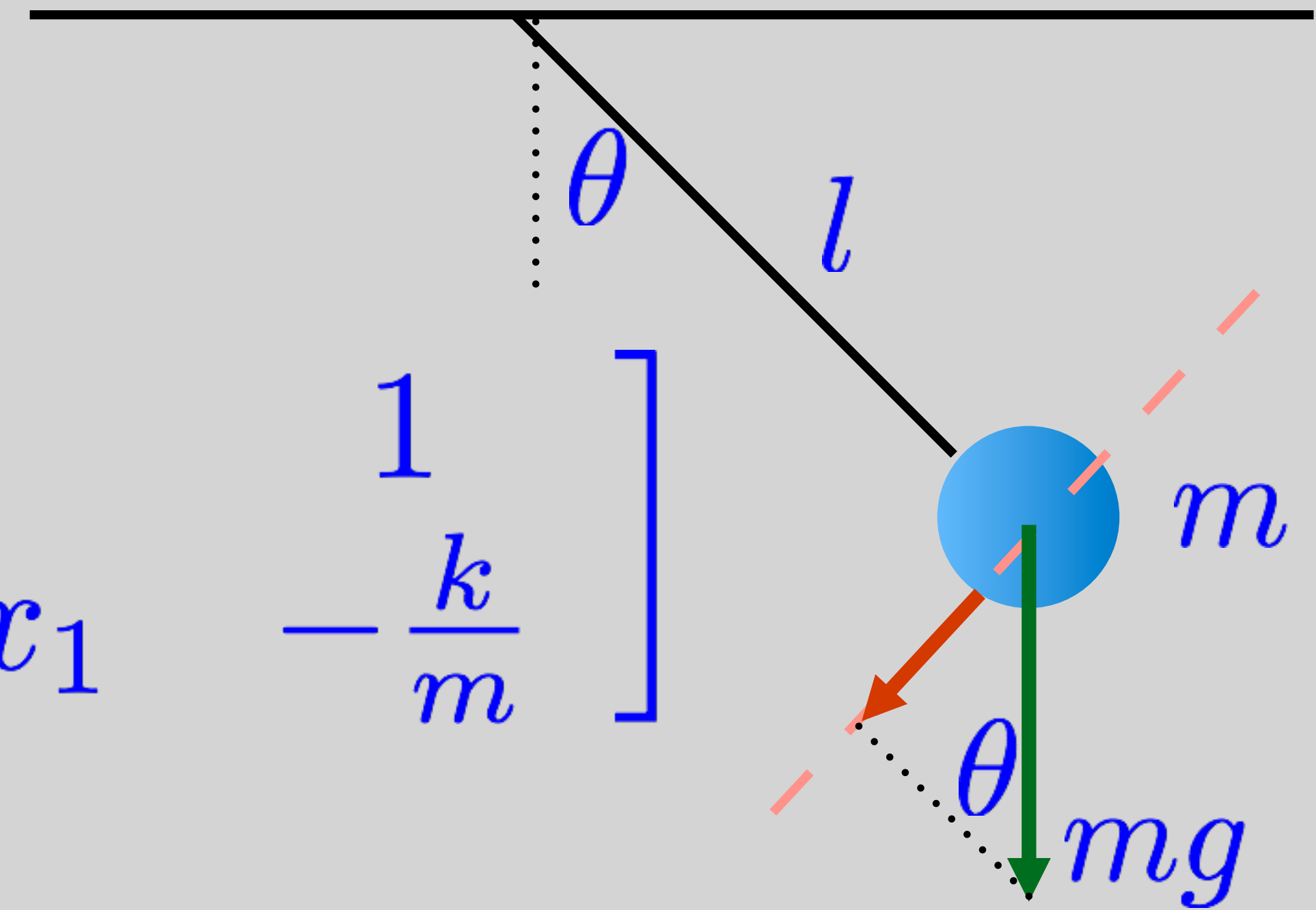
$$A_{\text{down}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{g}{l} & -\frac{k}{m} \end{bmatrix}$$

*This is the same as small signal analysis!*

$x_1^* = \pi, x_2^* = 0$ , Upward equilibrium

$$A_{\text{up}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \frac{g}{l} & -\frac{k}{m} \end{bmatrix}$$

*Talk about next lecture!*



# Discrete Time

$$\vec{x}(t+1) = f(\vec{x}(t))$$

$\vec{x} = \vec{x}^*$  is an equilibrium if:

$$f(\vec{x}^*) = \vec{x}^*$$

(for cont.  $f(\vec{x}^*) = \mathbf{0}$ )

$$\tilde{x}(t) = \vec{x}(t) - \vec{x}^*$$

$$\tilde{x}(t+1) = \vec{x}(t+1) - \vec{x}^*$$

$$= f(\vec{x}(t)) - \vec{x}^*$$

$$\approx \cancel{f(\vec{x}^*)} + \overbrace{\nabla f(\vec{x}^*)}^A \tilde{x}(t) - \cancel{\vec{x}^*}$$

$$\tilde{x}(t+1) = A\tilde{x}(t)$$

# Stability of Linear State Models

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Start with scalar system 1<sup>st</sup> order system:

$$x(t + 1) = ax(t) + bu(t)$$

Given initial condition  $x(0)$ :

$$x(1) = ax(0) + bu(0)$$

$$x(2) = ax(1) + bu(1)$$
$$= a^2x(0) + abu(0) + bu(1)$$

$$x(3) = a^3x(0) + a^2bu(0) + abu(1) + bu(2)$$

$$x(t) = a^t x(0) + a^{t-1} bu(0) + a^{t-2} bu(1) + \dots + a^0 bu(t-1)$$

# Stability of Linear State Models

Start with scalar system:

$$x(t+1) = ax(t) + bu(t)$$

Given initial condition  $x(0)$ :

$$x(t) = a^t x(0) + \overbrace{a^{t-1} bu(0)}^{k=0} + a^{t-2} bu(1) + \dots + \overbrace{a^0 bu(t-1)}^{k=t-1}$$

$$x(t) = \underbrace{a^t x(0)}_{\text{Initial condition}} + \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^{t-1} a^{t-k-1} bu(k)}_{\text{input}}$$

# Stability - Definition

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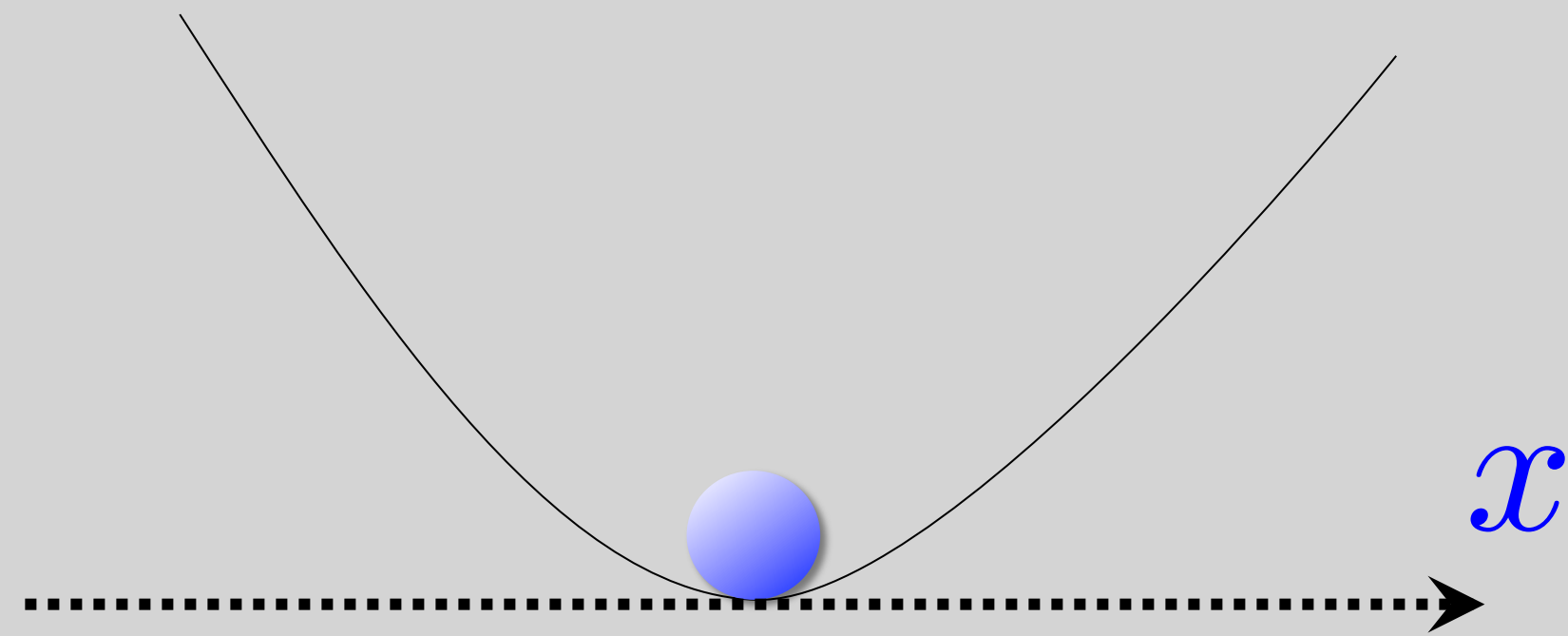
- A system is stable if  $\vec{x}(t)$  is bounded for any initial condition  $\vec{x}(0)$  and any bounded input sequence

$$u(0), u(1), \dots$$

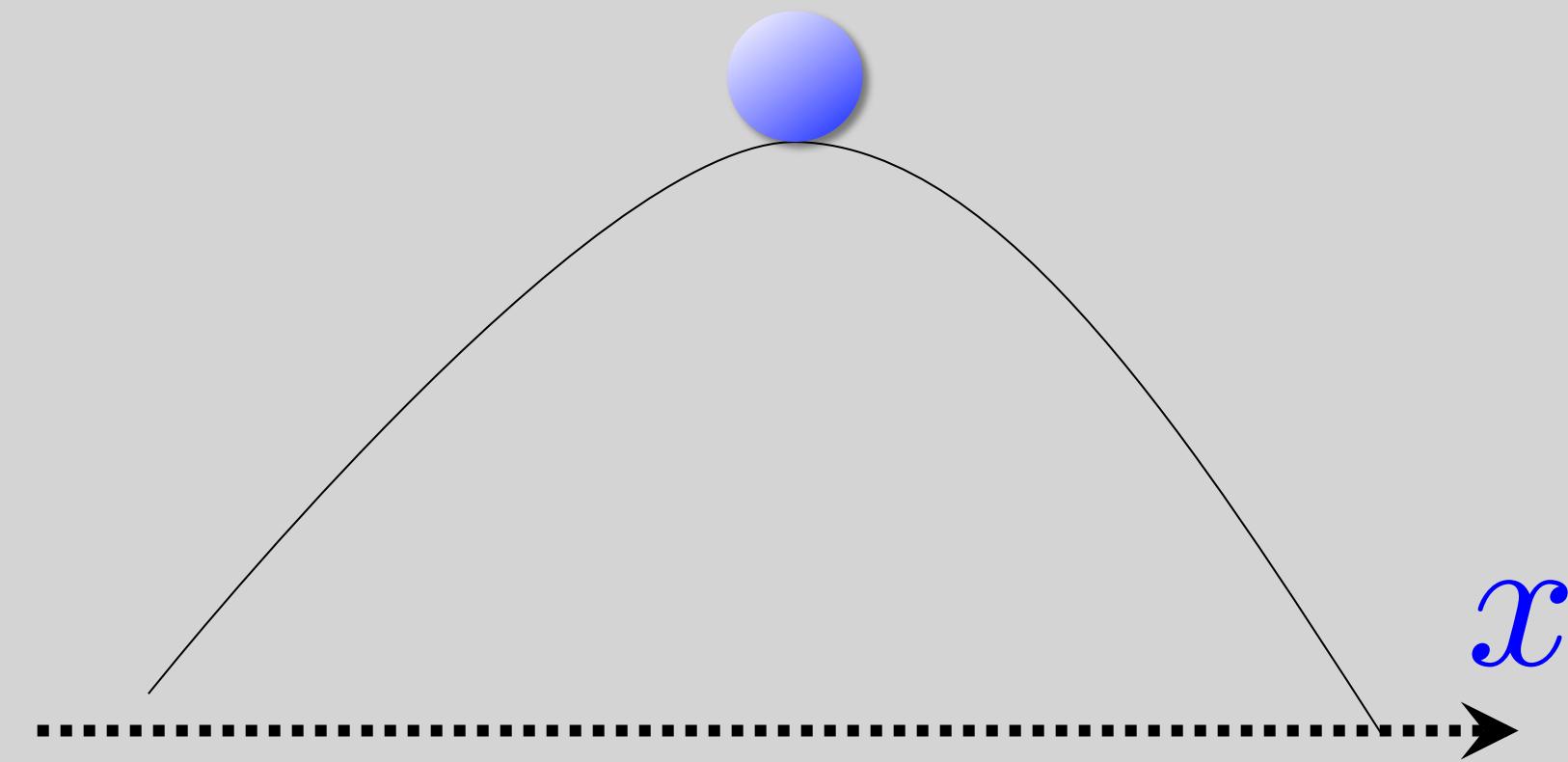
- A system is unstable if there is an  $\vec{x}(0)$  or a bounded input sequence for which

$$|\vec{x}(t)| \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{as} \quad t \rightarrow \infty$$

# Example



stable



unstable

Q) Is this system stable?

$$x(t) = a^t x(0) + \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} a^{t-k-1} b u(k)$$

A) Depends on  $|a|$

# Stability Proof

$$x(t) = a^t x(o) + \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} a^{t-k-1} b u(k)$$

Claim 1: if  $|a| < 1$  then the system is stable

Proof:  $a^t \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  because  $|a| < 1$  so,

initial condition always bounded

Sequence is bounded – there exists  $M$  s.t.  $|u(t)| \leq M \forall t$

$$\left| \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} a^{t-k-1} b u(k) \right| \leq \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} |a^{t-k-1} b u(k)| = \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} |a|^{t-k-1} |b| \underbrace{|u(k)|}_{\leq M}$$

$|a_1| + |a_2| \quad ? \quad |a_1 + a_2|$



# Stability Proof Cont.

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Define:  $s = t - k - 1$

$$\leq \sum_{s=0}^{t-1} |a^s| |b| M = |b| M \sum_{s=0}^{t-1} |a|^s \leq |b| M \frac{1}{1 - |a|}$$

$$\sum_{s=0}^{\infty} |a|^s = \frac{1}{1 - |a|}, \quad |a| < 1$$

# Stability Proof Cont.

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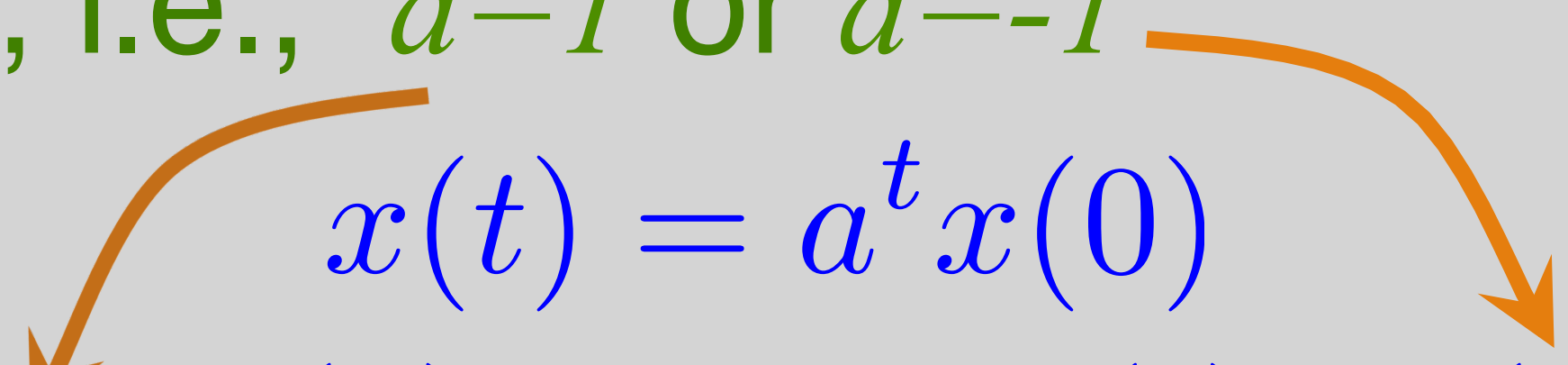
Claim 2: unstable when  $|a| > 1$

Proof: if  $x(0) \neq 0$  (even  $u(t)=0 \forall t$ )

$$x(t) = a^t x(0) \rightarrow \infty$$

Q: What if  $|a| = 1$ , i.e.,  $a=1$  or  $a=-1$

A: Without input:

$$x(t) = a^t x(0)$$
$$x(t) = x(0), \quad \text{or} \quad x(t) = (-1)^t x(0)$$


With input  $u(t)=M$ ,  $a=1$

$$\left| \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} a^{t-k-1} b u(k) \right| = \left| \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} b M \right| \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{Not stable!}$$

# Quiz

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Q: what  $|u(t)| \leq M$  will make it unstable?

A:  $u(t) = (-1)^t M$

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# Stability Cont.

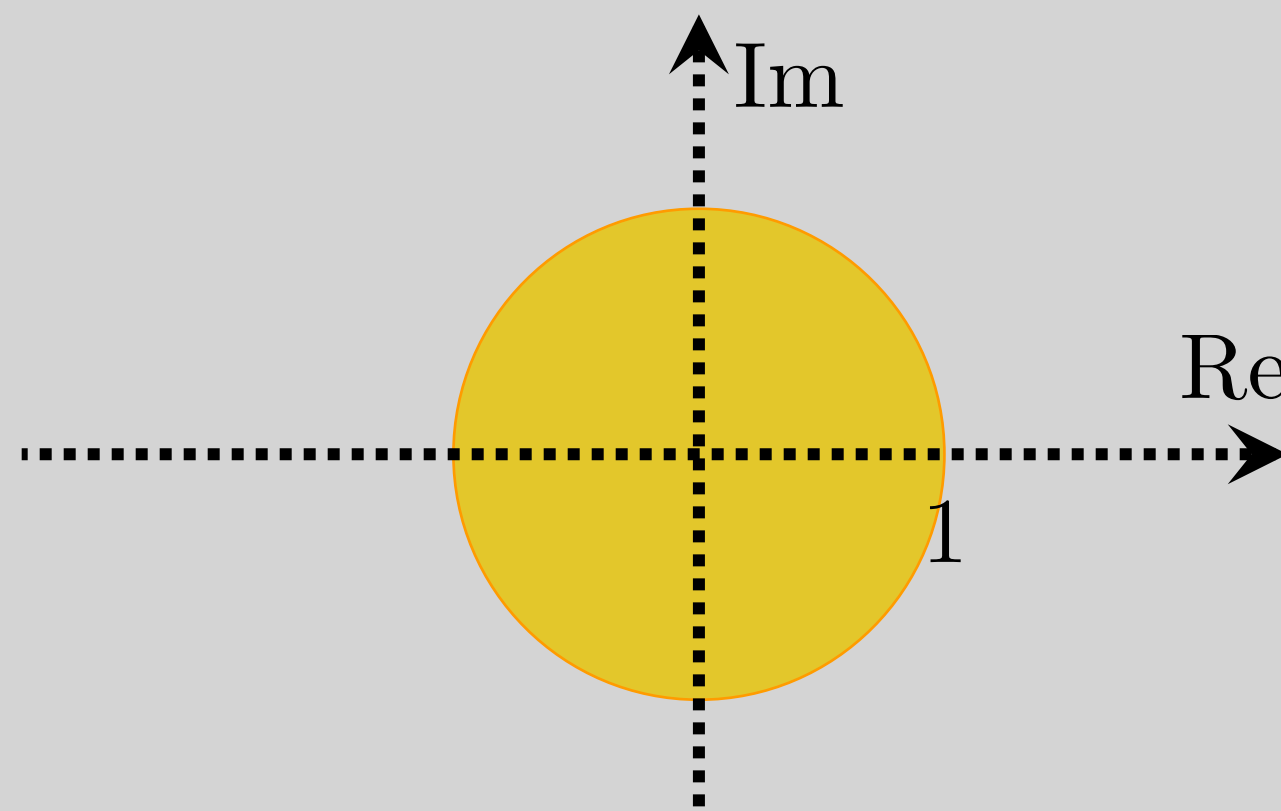
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What if  $a$  is complex valued?

$$|a| < 1 \quad \Rightarrow \text{stable}$$

$$|a| \geq 1 \quad \Rightarrow \text{unstable}$$

$$|a| = \sqrt{\operatorname{Re}(a)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(a)^2}$$



# Summary

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- Described linearization about an equilibrium point
  - Continuous time
  - Discrete time
- Conditions for stability of a linear systems
  - Covered:
    - Discrete, First order and scalar
- Next time:
  - Vector case! (which leads to Eigen-value analysis)