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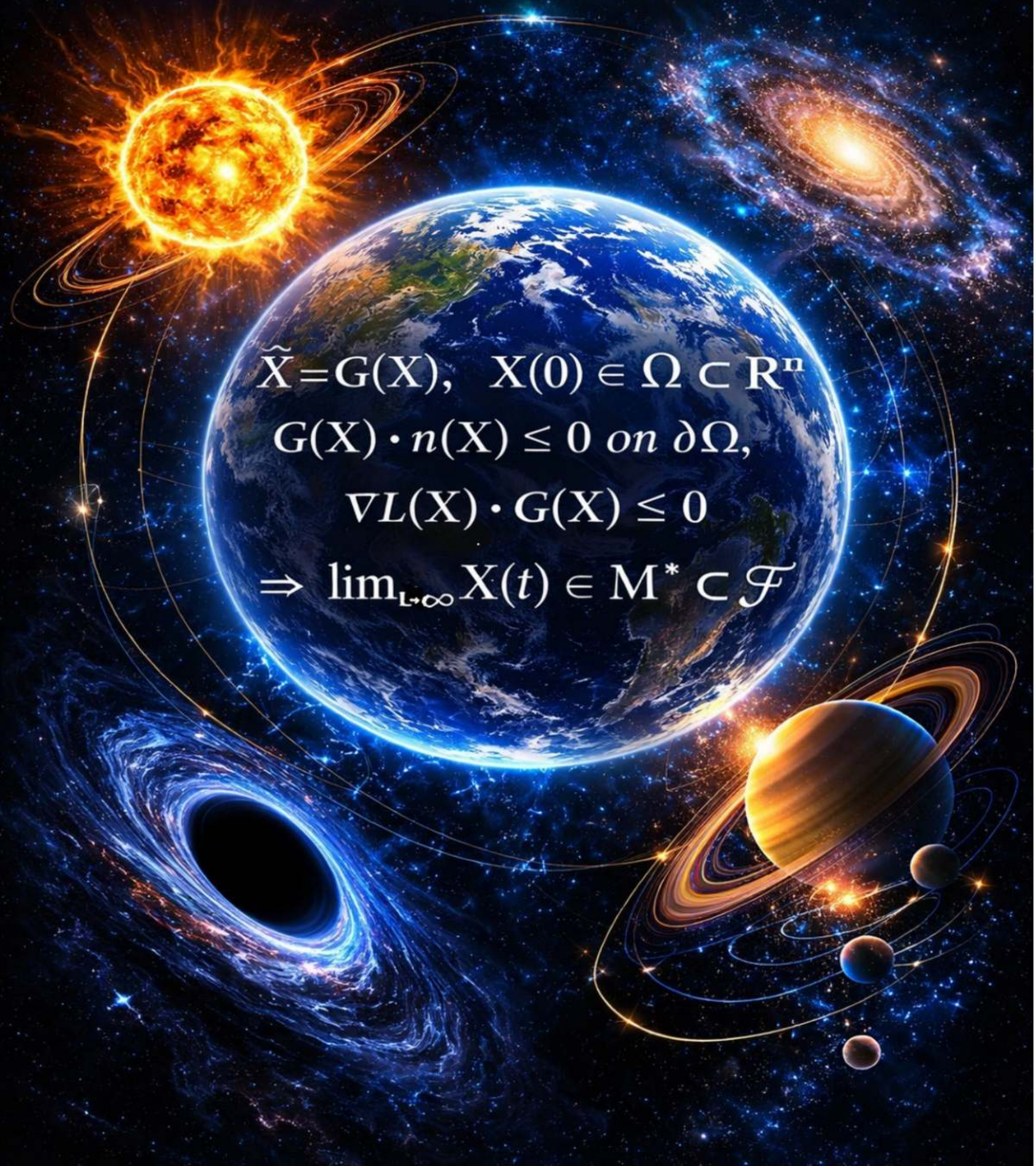

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OVERVIEW

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The Closed Circle Principle

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SCOPE

This chapter establishes the admissibility conditions for a compact-domain autonomous dynamical framework and states the exact scope of what Chapter 1 proves. The object of study is a pair (Ω, G), where Ω is a compact, connected subset of R^n with C^1 boundary, and G is a C^1 vector field. Within those assumptions, Chapter 1 proves four structural guarantees: global existence and uniqueness, forward invariance, boundedness with exclusion of finite-time blow-up, and LaSalle-type convergence to the largest positively invariant subset of the flat set. It does not claim that Chapter 1 alone proves the full physical universality of the forty-chapter project. Rather, it establishes the sealed entry architecture on which the remaining chapters build.

DEPENDENCY ARCHITECTURE

Assumptions	A1 compact admissible domain; A2 C^1 field; A3 Nagumo boundary condition; A4 Lyapunov decrease; A5 nontrivial coupling and spectral content
Logical chain	A1–A2 imply local existence and uniqueness; A3 seals forward invariance and global continuation; A1+A3 bound trajectories and exclude blow-up; A4 yields LaSalle convergence; A5 prevents triviality and gives dynamical content.
Guarantees	G1 global admissible trajectory; G2 global boundedness; G3 no finite-time blow-up; G4 convergence and structural stability
Status	Proved in this chapter: the structural admissibility theorem. Deferred to later chapters: extension to broader domains, stronger rates, and broader physical interpretation.

ORIENTATION

Section 1 defines structural closure and the four modes of openness. Sections 2–4 define domain, field, continuity of motion, and the Nagumo condition. Sections 5–8 establish boundedness, LaSalle convergence, spectral stability, and exclusion of finite-time blow-up. Sections 9–13 assemble the coupling argument, state the master theorem, work the unit-disk example, trace the dependency chain, and deliver the structural seal.

INTRODUCTION

The chapter should be read as the opening claim in an arc, not as the entire forty-chapter proof burden. Its task is narrower and more rigorous: identify the exact admissibility conditions under which the framework closes over its own declared premises, and do so in a way that later chapters inherit rather than renegotiate. The five assumptions A1–A5 are not a philosophical programme — they are a checkable engineering specification. Any dynamical system can be brought to this checklist and verified line by line. If all five pass, the system is structurally closed and all four guarantees hold without further analysis.

FOREWORD

CHAPTER 1

The Closed Circle Principle

Admissibility, Invariance, and the Mathematical Boundary Condition for Unified Law

WHAT THIS CHAPTER CLAIMS WITH FULL FORCE.

Chapter 1 claims, and aims to prove cleanly, that a precise admissibility architecture produces a structurally sealed dynamical framework. The mathematics claimed here is chapter-level mathematics: a compact admissible domain, a smooth vector field, a boundary invariance condition, a Lyapunov decrease condition, and the coupling condition required to prevent trivial closure.

WHAT IS PROVED HERE AND WHAT BELONGS TO THE REST OF THE BOOK.

What is proved here is the structural theorem for the admissible class defined in the chapter. What belongs to later chapters is the larger burden of extension, interpretation, physical generalization, and the full cumulative arc of the forty-chapter system. This distinction strengthens the work; it does not weaken it. A serious framework states exactly what has been sealed and exactly what remains to be built.

HOW THE BROADER CLAIM SHOULD BE READ.

The larger claim of the Omni-Compass is presented as an argument to the scientific community, not as a shortcut around the scientific process. Chapter 1 does not ask the reader to accept universal law by slogan. It asks the reader to examine whether the structural conditions identified here really do close the circle for the class under study, and then to follow the later chapters as the framework is extended.

WHY THIS MATTERS.

A theory that cannot keep trajectories inside its own declared domain, cannot prevent blow-up, cannot control growth, or cannot produce convergence, does not close over its own premises. Chapter 1 therefore serves as the gatekeeper chapter. It is the point at which the project either establishes a real structural spine or collapses into rhetoric. The goal here is the former.

HOW TO READ THE REMAINDER OF THE BOOK.

Read Chapter 1 as the load-bearing foundation. Later chapters are not excuses for a missing proof here; they are the planned extensions of a proof architecture that begins here, under explicit assumptions, with explicit guarantees, and with the scope boundary honestly stated.

This chapter defines the minimal admissibility structure required for system closure, establishing the constraints that preserve continuity across all transformations. These conditions are necessary, not optional, forming the boundary within which all valid systems must operate. The following chapters formalize this framework through explicit construction, demonstrating how closure is realized and extended across physical and mathematical domains.

EXAMPLE

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A Closed Circle System

A concrete instance of structural closure before the full formal development

THE DOMAIN, THE STATE, AND THE GOVERNING RULE.

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ denote the closed unit disk: $\Omega = \{X \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \|X\| \le 1\}$. Let $X(t) = (x(t), y(t))$ denote the state trajectory for $t \ge 0$. Define the governing vector field $G : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}^2$ by $G(X) = -X$. The system evolves according to the differential equation $dX/dt = G(X)$. This is the smallest nontrivial instance needed to display the architecture of closure in operation.

$$\Omega = \{X \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \|X\| \le 1\} \cdot dX/dt = G(X) = -X$$

WHY THIS SYSTEM IS ADMISSIBLE.

The domain Ω is compact, connected, and bounded by a smooth circle. The vector field G is C^1 on all of Ω. The system enters the standard existence-and-uniqueness setting immediately. Nothing external is required to make the flow well defined, and nothing additional is imported after the system is stated.

THE BOUNDARY DOES NOT LEAK.

On the boundary $\partial\Omega$, the outward unit normal is $n(X) = X$ because $\|X\| = 1$ there. Hence $G(X)\cdot n(X) = (-X)\cdot X = -\|X\|^2 = -1 \le 0$ on $\partial\Omega$. The field points inward everywhere on the boundary. A trajectory may move along the interior, but it is never permitted to exit the admissible domain. The circle closes at the boundary before any larger claim is made.

BOUNDEDNESS AND ABSENCE OF BLOW-UP.

Because trajectories remain inside Ω, one has $\|X(t)\| \le 1$ for all $t \ge 0$. The state therefore remains globally bounded. A bounded trajectory governed by a smooth field on a compact domain cannot develop a finite-time divergence. The system excludes both unbounded growth and finite-time blow-up at once, not by patching the dynamics later, but by how the admissible architecture is set at the start.

THE CONVERGENCE MECHANISM.

Define the scalar function $L : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ by $L(X) = \|X\|^2$. Then $\nabla L = 2X$, and along trajectories one obtains $dL/dt = \nabla L\cdot G = 2X\cdot(-X) = -2\|X\|^2 \le 0$. The quantity L is non-increasing and vanishes only at $X = 0$. The origin is therefore the unique rest point and every trajectory converges to it as $t \to \infty$. This is the full closure picture in miniature: global admissibility, boundedness, no blow-up, and convergence in one self-contained system.

$$L(X) = \|X\|^2 \cdot dL/dt = -2\|X\|^2 \le 0 \cdot X(t) \to 0 \text{ as } t \to \infty$$

WHY THIS PAGE APPEARS HERE.

This page is not the proof of the chapter and not the proof burden of the forty-chapter work. It is the first confrontation with a system that already does what the chapter claims is possible. The remainder of Chapter 1 formalizes the general assumptions under which this closure holds and then builds the full dependency chain that later chapters extend. The reader who wants the mechanism immediately has it here. The reader who wants the full structure receives it in the sections that follow.

WHAT THIS EXAMPLE ALREADY EXHIBITS.

GUARANTEE	OBSERVED IMMEDIATELY IN THE EXAMPLE
G1	A unique global trajectory exists for every initial state in Ω.
G2	The trajectory remains inside the unit disk and stays bounded for all $t \ge 0$.
G3	No finite-time divergence can occur because the flow is smooth and globally bounded.
G4	The Lyapunov decay identity forces convergence to the unique rest point $X = 0$.

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The Closed Circle Principle

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1 WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR A THEORY TO BE STRUCTURALLY CLOSED?

1a Structural Closure — The Core Question

Before a single equation is written, ask this: can the theory sustain itself? A dynamical system makes a promise — it declares a domain, a vector field, and a set of initial conditions. The question is whether that promise is kept. Does every trajectory generated by the system stay inside the declared domain, remain bounded, avoid infinite blow-up, and eventually settle? If yes, the system is structurally closed. If any one of those four conditions fails, the theory has a crack in its foundation — and that crack cannot be patched from inside the framework. Definition 1b makes this precise.

1b Definition Structural Closure

(Ω, G) is structurally closed if all four of the following hold simultaneously:

(i) Existence and uniqueness: a unique global trajectory $X(t) \in \Omega$ exists for all $t \geq 0$.

(ii) Global boundedness: $\|X(t)\| \leq M < \infty$ for all $t \geq 0$.

(iii) No finite-time blow-up: the maximal interval of existence is $[0, \infty)$.

(iv) LaSalle convergence: $X(t) \to M^*$ as $t \to \infty$.

Read those four conditions carefully. They are not four separate hopes — they are four simultaneous demands that the framework must satisfy all at once, from every starting point in the domain, for all future time. That is what structural closure means. The circle is either complete or it is not. There is no partial closure.

1c The Four Ways a Theory Can Fail

A theory that fails any one of those four conditions is structurally open. It generates promises it cannot keep. There are exactly four ways this can happen, and they are not abstract possibilities — each one has a documented physical instance in the history of theoretical physics. Understanding them is understanding why this framework was necessary.

1d Definition The Four Modes of Structural Openness

(O1) Finite-time blow-up. $\|X(t)\| \to \infty$ as $t \to T < \infty$. The state reaches infinite magnitude in finite time.

(O2) Unbounded growth. $\sup\{t \geq 0\}\ \|X(t)\| = \infty$. The state expands without bound.

(O3) Domain escape. $X(t) \in \Omega$ fails for some $t \geq 0$. The trajectory leaves the admissible region.

(O4) External correction required. The theory needs renormalisation, a cutoff, or an external patch to remain well-defined.

Each mode is a distinct structural failure — violent, gradual, or foundational. This framework is designed to exclude all four simultaneously.

(1e) These Failures Are Not Hypothetical

Newtonian gravity produces (O1) singularities in two-body collision. Classical electrodynamics produces (O2) unbounded self-energy for a point charge. Fluid mechanics produces (O3) domain escape in shock formation. Quantum field theory requires (O4) renormalisation to remove ultraviolet divergences. In every case the failure is structural: the framework does not close over its own declared domain. The four modes in Definition 1d are not mathematical pathologies invented for this framework — they are the documented fracture lines of physical theory.

> (1f) ***Remark Historical Instances Are Illustrative, Not Exhaustive***
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> The parallels above identify the structural character of each failure mode. This framework does not resolve those physical problems — that is not its purpose. Its purpose is to identify the minimal conditions under which failures of type (O1)–(O4) cannot arise within the admissible class defined in Section 2. If those conditions hold, the theory is sealed. The reader will see exactly why, one step at a time.

The four modes are not independent. A system that exhibits (O3) domain escape will typically also exhibit (O1) blow-up and (O2) unbounded growth, because once the trajectory leaves Ω it has no geometric constraint on its behaviour. This is why the Nagumo condition — which directly prevents (O3) — is the single most load-bearing assumption in this framework. When (O3) is excluded by Theorem 4f, guarantees G1, G2, and G3 follow in sequence. The four failure modes are sealed together, not separately.

Mode (O4) — external correction required — is structurally different from the other three. (O1), (O2), and (O3) are dynamical failures: the trajectory does something it should not. (O4) is a foundational failure: the theory cannot describe what happens without importing a mechanism that lies outside its own declared premises. Renormalisation in quantum field theory is the canonical example — the theory requires an external scale parameter to remain finite. The admissibility framework of this chapter excludes (O4) structurally: the five assumptions A1–A5 are complete and self-contained. No external patch is needed, and none is permitted.

What makes this framework different from prior approaches is precisely its relationship to (O4). Every major physical theory in the modern era has encountered an (O4) failure at some scale and responded by adding an external mechanism — a renormalisation group, a regularisation scheme, a cutoff, a correction term imported from outside the theory's own declared premises. Each such addition is a concession: the theory cannot close over itself. The admissibility conditions of this chapter are designed from the ground up to make such concessions unnecessary. The five assumptions A1–A5 are the exact and minimal conditions under which a theory closes completely over its own premises, without external correction of any kind.

The reader should carry this into every section that follows. Each theorem in this chapter is not merely proving a mathematical result — it is sealing one more crack through which a structural failure could enter. Theorem 4f seals (O3). Theorem 5c seals (O2). Theorem 9l seals (O1). Assumption 6b and Theorem 6d establish the convergence that (O4)-afflicted theories cannot guarantee. Assumption A5 ensures the convergence carries real content. By the time Theorem CCP is stated in Section 10, all four failure modes have been excluded simultaneously, jointly, and permanently. That is the Closed Circle Principle.

(1g) The Closed Circle Principle — Statement

The answer to the question of Section 1 turns out to be this: five explicit structural conditions on the domain and the vector field are exactly sufficient to guarantee all four structural properties simultaneously. No external correction. No additional assumptions. The assumptions go in; the four guarantees come out. The circle closes. That claim — stated precisely, proved completely — is the Closed Circle Principle. Everything that follows in this chapter is the proof of that claim.

The five assumptions are: a compact, connected, C^1 admissible domain Ω (A1); a C^1 governing vector field G (A2); the Nagumo boundary condition $G(X)\cdot n(X) \le 0$ on $\partial\Omega$ (A3); a Lyapunov decrease condition $\nabla L\cdot G \le 0$ on Ω (A4); and nontrivial coupling of the state variables (A5). Each assumption is minimal: remove any one and at least one guarantee fails. Together they are sufficient: all four guarantees hold simultaneously and cannot be decomposed. This is not a coincidence. It is the precise architecture the chapter will prove.

(1h) Five Assumptions, Four Guarantees — The Architecture

The structure of the Closed Circle Principle is bijective. There are five assumptions and four guarantees, but the relationship is not five-to-four: it is a chain. Assumptions A1 and A2 together produce G1 locally via the Picard–Lindelöf theorem. Adding A3 (Nagumo) extends G1 globally and simultaneously produces G2 (boundedness) and G3 (no blow-up). Adding A4 (Lyapunov decrease) produces G4 (LaSalle convergence). Adding A5 (nontrivial coupling) ensures G4 carries genuine information about the dynamics. Each assumption enters exactly once. Each guarantee is produced exactly once. The chain is irreducible.

This architecture means the Closed Circle Principle cannot be weakened incrementally. There is no version of the framework that produces G1, G2, G3 but not G4 by dropping A4. There is no version that produces G1, G2, G4 but not G3 by changing A3. The four guarantees are jointly produced by the five assumptions and cannot be individually negotiated. This is what the word closed means: the circle is either complete or it is not. Section 2 begins the formal construction.

2 SETTING THE STAGE — Domain and Field

Before the theory can do anything, two objects must be declared precisely: the domain the system lives in, and the field that drives it. Every single result in this chapter — every theorem, every lemma, every guarantee — follows from the properties of exactly these two objects and nothing else. This section establishes what those objects must be and why each condition is required.

(2a) The Admissible Domain

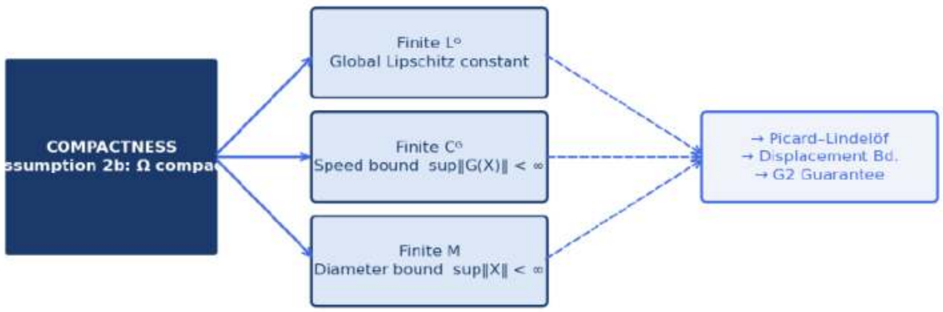
Think of the domain Ω as the arena in which the dynamics live. The question is: what kind of arena guarantees well-behaved dynamics? The answer is compactness. A compact domain is closed — it contains its own boundary, so trajectories cannot escape to an edge that does not exist — and bounded — it fits inside a ball of finite radius, so nothing can wander arbitrarily far. Compactness is the single most load-bearing geometric property in this entire framework. Remove it and the structure collapses.

> **(2b) Assumption Compact Admissible Domain**
>
> $\Omega \subset R^n$ is compact (closed and bounded), connected, and has a C^1 boundary $\partial\Omega$. The outward unit normal $n(X)$ exists and is continuous at every point $X \in \partial\Omega$.

The C^1 boundary condition means $\partial\Omega$ is smooth enough to have a well-defined outward normal at every boundary point. That normal will become essential in Section 4, where the Nagumo boundary condition requires it. Every compactness consequence the reader will see — the finiteness of L^G, C^G, and M; the convergence of sequences; the applicability of LaSalle — flows directly from Assumption 2b.

(2c) What Compactness Actually Buys

Compactness does a remarkable amount of work silently. Because Ω is compact and G is continuous, the Jacobian ‖DG(X)‖ achieves its supremum on Ω — giving a finite Lipschitz constant L^G. The field speed ‖G(X)‖ achieves its supremum — giving a finite speed bound C^G. The state norm ‖X‖ achieves its supremum — giving a finite diameter bound M. None of these finiteness results hold without compactness. Every time a quantity is called finite in this chapter, compactness is doing the work.



The three consequences — finite L^G, finite C^G, finite M — are a chain. L^G feeds Picard–Lindelöf and delivers G1. C^G feeds the displacement bound of Section 3. M feeds Theorem 5c and delivers G2 in one line. Assumption 2b is listed first because it is the source of every finiteness constant in the framework. Without it the structure collapses; with it three critical results follow from geometry alone.

(2d) The Governing Field — Regularity

The vector field G is the engine of the dynamics. It must be smooth enough that dX/dt = G(X) has a unique solution from every starting point. The minimum regularity that guarantees this is C^1. Less than this and uniqueness fails.

> **(2e) Assumption Regularity of the Vector Field**
>
> $G : \Omega \to R^n$ belongs to $C^1(\Omega)$ and extends to a C^1 vector field on an open neighbourhood $U \subset R^n$ with $\Omega \subset U$. The Jacobian matrix $DG(X) = [\partial\Omega G_i/\partial\Omega X_j] \in R^{nnxn}$ exists and is continuous at every $X \in U$. G is globally Lipschitz on Ω: there exists $L^G < \infty$ such that $\|G(X) - G(Y)\| \le L^G \|X - Y\|$ for all $X, Y \in \Omega$ (Proposition 2f). The speed bound $C^G = \sup\{\|G(X)\| : X \in \Omega\} < \infty$ is finite by compactness and continuity of G. The neighbourhood extension $U \subset R^n$ resolves the global Lipschitz argument on non-convex domains: the mean value inequality is applied along smooth paths in U rather than straight lines that may leave Ω.

The requirement $C^1(\Omega)$ is the minimum regularity that simultaneously guarantees existence, uniqueness, and continuous dependence on initial conditions. The Picard–Lindelöf theorem requires G to be locally Lipschitz — and C^1 regularity delivers global Lipschitz on compact Ω via Proposition 2f. If G is merely C°, the Peano theorem gives existence but not uniqueness, destroying guarantee G1 and with it the entire framework. C^1 is the sharp threshold between existence-only and existence-with-uniqueness.

The Jacobian DG(X) carries two roles. First, it establishes $L^G = \sup\{\|DG(X)\| : X \in \Omega\} < \infty$, finite by compactness of Ω and continuity of DG. Second, it governs the local stability structure near any equilibrium X*: the eigenvalues of J(X*) = DG(X*) determine whether perturbations from X* decay, grow, or oscillate — the spectral criterion of Section 7. Both roles require DG to exist and be continuous. Assumption 2e supplies exactly this, and nothing more.

With the domain and field declared, the first structural consequence can now be derived. Because Ω is compact and G is C^1, the field is not just smooth — it is globally Lipschitz. This means the field cannot change arbitrarily fast from point to point. That limitation is what makes trajectories controllable.

(2f) Proposition Global Lipschitz Continuity

Under Assumptions 2b and 2e, G is globally Lipschitz on Ω. There exists a finite constant L^G such that for all X, Y ∈ Ω:

$$\|G(X) - G(Y)\| \leq L^G \|X - Y\|$$

Proof. Since G is C^1 on U and DG is continuous, $\sup\{X \in \Omega\} \|DG(X)\| \leq L^G < \infty$ by compactness. For any X, Y ∈ Ω ⊂ U choose a smooth path $\gamma : [0,1] \to U$. The mean value inequality gives the stated bound. □

The Lipschitz constant L^G bounds how fast the field can change between any two points. It is a geometric constant — determined entirely by the shape of Ω and the smoothness of G. The speed bound $C^G = \sup\{X \in \Omega\} \|G(X)\|$ is similarly finite. Both constants will appear throughout the proofs that follow. The reader should think of them as the fundamental rate limits of the dynamics.

An admissible trajectory is not just any solution to dX/dt = G(X). It must stay inside Ω and be unique. Definition 2g formalises this.

(2g) Definition Admissible Trajectory

A function $X : [0, \infty) \to \Omega$ is an admissible trajectory from X_0 if it satisfies dX/dt = G(X), remains in Ω for all t ≥ 0, and is unique among all such functions.

(2h) *Remark Lipschitz Constant and Speed Bound*

The finiteness of L^G and C^G is not incidental. L^G is what makes Picard–Lindelof work — it is the key that unlocks existence and uniqueness. C^G bounds the maximum rate at which the state can move, which gives the displacement bound of Section 3. Both are consequences of compactness. If the domain were not compact, neither would be finite, and the entire structure downstream would fail.

(2i) *Remark Why C^1 Cannot Be Relaxed*

If G is merely continuous — not Lipschitz — the Peano theorem gives existence of a solution but not uniqueness. Non-uniqueness destroys guarantee G1 immediately: there is no longer a single well-defined trajectory from each initial condition. Every result in this chapter requires a unique trajectory. C^1 regularity is the minimum price. It cannot be reduced without collapsing the framework. This is the sharpest possible regularity threshold: C^1 is exactly sufficient, and any weaker condition loses the uniqueness on which the entire proof chain depends.

(2j) The All-or-Nothing Structure

The five assumptions A1–A5 are not a wish list. They are the minimal set. Remove any one of them and at least one guarantee collapses — and that collapse propagates through the dependency chain. The table below shows exactly which guarantee fails when each assumption is removed. The reader should study this table carefully: it is the map of why every assumption is present and why none can be omitted.

Assumption	Role	Used In	If Removed: Collapse	Min.
A1: Compact Ω	Bounded setting. L^G and diameter bound M exist.	Prop 2f, Thm 5c, 6d	G2 collapses: no bound M. G4 collapses: LaSalle requires compact Ω.	Yes
A2: C^1 regularity	Existence and uniqueness. Jacobian $J(X^*) = DG(X^*)$ well-defined.	Prop 2f, Prop 3d, Thm 7c	G1 collapses: Peano gives existence but not uniqueness.	Yes
A3: Nagumo $G{\cdot}n \leq 0$	Inward-pointing dynamics at $\partial\Omega$. Ω is forward-invariant.	Thm 4f, Cor 4g (all downstream)	G1–G4 all collapse simultaneously. Confirmed by Counterexample C.1.	Yes
A4: $\nabla L{\cdot}G \leq 0$	Monotone energy descent. LaSalle invariance applicable.	Thm 6d	G4 collapses: no convergence to M*. System bounded but does not settle.	Yes
A5: $\partial G_i/\partial X_j \neq 0$	Excludes degenerate $G = 0$. Limit set M* is informative.	Def 9d, Lem 9f, Thm CCP	G4 vacuous: $M^* = \Omega$ for $G = 0$. No convergence information.	Yes

The table above has a precise mathematical name: it is the irredundancy certificate for the assumption set A1–A5. A set of assumptions is irredundant if removing any single assumption strictly weakens the conclusion. The table confirms this for each of the five: no assumption can be dropped without losing at least one of G1–G4. This is not merely a structural observation — it is a theorem, proved constructively by Counterexample C.1 in Section 11.

Notice the asymmetry in the table. Removing A3 (Nagumo) is the most catastrophic: all four guarantees collapse simultaneously. This is because A3 is the assumption that seals the boundary, and forward invariance (Theorem 4f) depends on A3 alone. Five downstream results depend on Theorem 4f directly — Corollary 4g, Theorem 5c, Theorem 6d, Theorem 9l, and Theorem CCP. Remove A3 and all five collapse simultaneously. The other assumptions each collapse a smaller number of guarantees, but every removal is fatal to at least one. The circle cannot be partially closed.

(2k) The Admissible Pair — Formal Summary

Before proceeding, it is worth stating precisely what has been assembled so far. The object of study throughout this chapter is the pair (Ω, G), where $\Omega \subset R^n$ is a compact, connected domain with C^1 boundary, and $G : \Omega \to R^n$ is a C^1 vector field. This pair is called admissible when it satisfies A1–A5. The governing dynamical system is the ordinary differential equation $dX/dt = G(X)$, with initial condition $X(0) = X_0 \in \Omega$. Every theorem in this chapter is a statement about the long-run behaviour of the solution $X(t)$ to this equation, conditional on (Ω, G) being admissible.

The admissible pair (Ω, G) is the unit of analysis for all 40 chapters of The Omni-Compass. Every subsequent chapter opens with an admissible pair and derives further structural properties from the guarantees G1–G4 established here. No chapter reopens the question of admissibility — that is settled once, here, by Theorem CCP. This is what it means to build on a foundation.

3 CONTINUITY OF MOTION — The Displacement Bound

3a The State Cannot Jump

The governing equation $dX/dt = G(X)$ has a crucial implication that is easy to overlook: the trajectory $X(t)$ is a continuous function of time. The state cannot teleport. It cannot jump discontinuously from one point to another. This seems obvious, but it has a precise and powerful mathematical form: the integral form of the governing equation makes the continuity of motion explicit and quantitative.

Formally, integrating $dX/dt = G(X)$ from 0 to t gives:

$$X(t) = X_0 + \int_0^t G(X(s))\, ds \qquad (2)$$

This is Equation (2): the state at time t is the initial condition plus the accumulated effect of the field along the trajectory. Every change in X is accounted for by an integral of G. There are no jumps, no discontinuities, no teleportation.

3b How Far Can the State Travel?

Equation (2) does more than confirm continuity. It tells us exactly how far the state can travel in time t. Since the field speed is bounded by C^G, the state cannot move faster than C^G units per unit time. Over time t, it therefore cannot travel more than $C^G \cdot t$ from its starting point. This is the displacement bound, and it will be the key tool in the proof of forward invariance in Section 4.

3c Definition Displacement Bound

For an admissible trajectory $X(t)$ with $X(0) = X_0 \in \Omega$:

$$\|X(t) - X_0\| \leq C^G \cdot t \qquad (3)$$

where $C^G = \sup\{X \in \Omega\} \|G(X)\|$ is the speed bound.

3d Proposition No Teleportation

Under Assumptions 2b and 2e, every admissible trajectory satisfies the displacement bound (3). The state cannot move faster than C^G units per unit time.

Proof. Apply the triangle inequality for integrals to Equation (2) and use the definition of C^G. □

3e *Remark Continuity Alone Does Not Guarantee Containment*

The reader should be careful here. The displacement bound proves that the state moves continuously and at bounded speed. It does not prove that the state stays inside Ω. A trajectory that moves slowly can still exit the domain gradually. Containment requires something more: a boundary condition that seals the domain against escape. That is the Nagumo condition of Section 4.

3f *Remark Role in the Proof of Theorem 4f*

The displacement bound plays a specific technical role in the proof of forward invariance. Near the hypothetical first exit time τ, the trajectory is close to ∂Ω. The displacement bound (3) is what allows the Nagumo condition to be applied locally at that boundary point. Without it, the contradiction argument fails.

(3g) The Setup Is Complete — What Section 3 Delivers

Section 3 has established that the trajectory moves continuously at bounded speed. This is the preparatory result that makes the boundary argument of Section 4 possible. The reader now knows precisely how the state moves through Ω. The next question — the central question of the chapter — is: does it stay inside Ω?

(3h) ***Remark What the Displacement Bound Does and Does Not Prove***

Proposition 3d guarantees that the state cannot teleport — it cannot jump from one part of Ω to another without traversing the intervening path. The bound $\|X(t) - X_0\| \le C^G \cdot t$ is a global constraint on motion speed, not a containment guarantee. A trajectory moving slowly can still drift across ∂Ω if nothing prevents it from doing so. Continuity of motion is necessary but not sufficient for structural closure. That additional ingredient is the Nagumo condition of Section 4.

(3i) ***Remark The Role of Eq. (3) in the Proof of Theorem 4f***

In the proof of Theorem 4f, the first exit time $\tau = \inf\{t \ge 0 : X(t) \notin \Omega\}$ is the hypothetical moment at which X(t) would reach ∂Ω. The displacement bound guarantees X(τ) is well-defined and lies on ∂Ω — the trajectory arrives at the boundary continuously, not by jumping. This continuity is what allows the Nagumo condition $G(X(\tau))\cdot n(X(\tau)) \le 0$ to be applied pointwise at that boundary point, forcing the outward normal derivative to be non-positive and delivering the contradiction. Without Eq. (3), the proof of Theorem 4f cannot be assembled.

(3j) ***Remark Section 3 Is Load-Bearing Infrastructure***

Section 3 is not a digression. The integral form Eq. (2) establishes the continuous structure of trajectories. The displacement bound Eq. (3) quantifies that continuity precisely. Together they make the proof of forward invariance possible, and forward invariance (Theorem 4f) is the pivot on which five downstream results depend: Corollary 4g, Theorem 5c, Theorem 6d, Theorem 9l, and Theorem CCP. The reader who understands Section 3 understands why the chapter is structured the way it is.

There is a broader lesson here about how mathematical infrastructure works. Section 3 establishes no guarantee by itself — it proves no G1, no G2, no G3, no G4. What it does is make all four guarantees reachable. The integral form Eq. (2) gives the trajectory its continuous character. The displacement bound Eq. (3) gives that continuity a quantitative edge — a number, a rate, a measurable constraint that can be applied at a specific point on ∂Ω. Without that quantitative edge, the Nagumo condition cannot be deployed in the contradiction, the proof of Theorem 4f fails, and the entire guarantee structure downstream collapses. A section that proves no theorem can nonetheless be the section everything else depends on. Section 3 is that section. The reader who passes through it without pausing has missed the structural keystone on which five downstream guarantees rest.

4 FORWARD INVARIANCE — The Nagumo Condition

(4a) The Domain Must Hold Its Trajectories

The domain Ω is the arena declared by the theory. Forward invariance means that arena never breaks its promise: every trajectory that starts inside Ω stays inside Ω for all future time. The walls hold. Not because of energy dissipation or friction — but because of a precise geometric condition on the vector field at the boundary. That condition is the Nagumo boundary condition, and it is the most important single result in this chapter.

(4b) Definition Forward Invariance

Ω is forward invariant under G if for every $X_0 \in \Omega$, the unique trajectory X(t) satisfying dX/dt = G(X), $X(0) = X_0$, satisfies $X(t) \in \Omega$ for all $t \geq 0$.

The definition says: start anywhere inside Ω, and the system keeps you there forever. No boundary is ever crossed. No trajectory ever escapes. The question is: what condition on G is sufficient to guarantee this?

(4c) The Geometric Seal — Nagumo Condition

Here is the key insight. At every boundary point $X \in \partial\Omega$, the outward unit normal n(X) points away from Ω. If the vector field G(X) has a positive component along n(X) at any boundary point, it is pushing outward — and the trajectory will exit. To prevent exit, G must never push outward. At every boundary point, the field must point inward or tangentially. This is Nagumo condition.

(4d) Assumption Nagumo Boundary Condition

For every boundary point $X \in \partial\Omega$, the vector field G satisfies:

$$G(X) \cdot n(X) \leq 0 \qquad (4)$$

where n(X) is the outward unit normal to ∂Ω at X. The field points inward or tangentially at every boundary point. It never pushes outward.

(4e) The Tangent Cone — Geometry Made Precise

Assumption 4d has an elegant geometric interpretation. At each boundary point $X \in \partial\Omega$, define the tangent cone as the set of all vectors that point inward or tangentially:

$$T\Omega(X) = \{v : v \cdot n(X) \leq 0\} \qquad (5)$$

Assumption 4d is precisely the requirement $G(X) \in T\Omega(X)$ for every $X \in \partial\Omega$. The field must live inside the tangent cone at every boundary point. This is the Nagumo–Brezis condition for forward invariance: a classical result that this framework deploys as a foundational assumption.

(4f) Theorem Forward Invariance of Ω

Under Assumptions 2b, 2e, and 4d, the domain Ω is forward invariant under G. For every $X_0 \in \Omega$, the unique admissible trajectory X(t) satisfies $X(t) \in \Omega$ for all $t \geq 0$.

Proof of Theorem 4f.

Suppose for contradiction that X(t) exits Ω. Let $\tau = \inf\{t \geq 0 : X(t) \notin \Omega\}$ be the first exit time. By continuity of X(t) (Proposition 3d), $X(\tau) \in \partial\Omega$.

At time τ, the outward normal derivative satisfies:

$$d/dt\, \varphi(X(t))\, |_{t=\tau} = \nabla\varphi(X(\tau)) \cdot G(X(\tau)) = n(X(\tau)) \cdot G(X(\tau)) \leq 0$$

by Assumption 4d, where φ is a defining function for Ω with $\nabla\varphi = n$ on ∂Ω. The outward normal derivative is non-positive, so the trajectory cannot exit. Contradiction. Therefore $\tau = \infty$ and $X(t) \in \Omega$ for all $t \geq 0$. □

Theorem 4f establishes that trajectories never exit Ω. Combined with compactness, this immediately gives global continuation: if the trajectory stays in a compact set, it cannot blow up in finite time, so the solution extends to all of [0, ∞).

(4g) **Corollary Global Continuation**

Under Assumptions 2b, 2e, and 4d, every admissible trajectory extends to [0, ∞). The solution is global. There is no finite escape time.

Proof. Since $X(t) \in \Omega$ for all $t \geq 0$ by Theorem 4f, and Ω is compact, the solution cannot blow up in finite time. Global existence follows from the local existence guaranteed by Assumption 2b. □

(4h) ***Remark The Nagumo Condition Is Pointwise***

Assumption 4d is checked independently at each boundary point. There is no global condition on the domain or the field beyond Assumptions 2b, 2e, and 4d. This is a strength: the condition is local, checkable, and verifiable point by point. Section 11 shows exactly how this verification works in practice.

(4i) ***Remark Why Theorem 4f Is the Load-Bearing Result***

Every result downstream of Section 4 depends on Theorem 4f. Corollary 4g, Theorem 5c, Theorem 6d, Theorem 9l, and Theorem CCP all require forward invariance as a prerequisite. Remove Assumption 4d and all five collapse simultaneously. The reader will see this confirmed explicitly in Counterexample C.1.

5 GLOBAL BOUNDEDNESS

(5a) The Domain Bounds Every Trajectory

Forward invariance says trajectories stay in Ω. Compactness says Ω is bounded — it fits inside a ball of finite radius. Put these two facts together and the conclusion is immediate: every trajectory is bounded. Not just locally, not just for a while — globally, uniformly, for all time. The bound M is not a result of energy dissipation or stability. It is a consequence of geometry alone.

(5b) **Definition Diameter Bound**

The diameter bound M is defined as:

$$M = \sup\{\|X\| : X \in \Omega\} < \infty$$

M is finite because Ω is compact. Every state in Ω satisfies $\|X\| \leq M$.

(5c) **Theorem Global Boundedness**

Under Assumptions 2b and 4d, every admissible trajectory satisfies $\|X(t)\| \leq M$ for all $t \geq 0$.

Proof. By Theorem 4f, $X(t) \in \Omega$ for all $t \geq 0$. By Definition 5b, every point in Ω satisfies $\|X\| \leq M$. Therefore $\|X(t)\| \leq M$ for all $t \geq 0$. □

Theorem 5c is the second of the four structural guarantees. Guarantee G2 is now established: every admissible trajectory is globally bounded by the diameter of Ω, for all time, from every initial condition. The proof is three lines because compactness and forward invariance together do all the work. There is no energy argument here, no stability condition, no convergence hypothesis. The bound M is a consequence of geometry alone — the shape of the arena, and the fact that the trajectory cannot leave it.

The reader should notice how the guarantees are building. G1 (existence and uniqueness) was established by Lemmas A and B via Picard–Lindelöf and forward invariance. G2 (global boundedness) follows immediately from G1 and compactness. Neither G1 nor G2 required any condition on the energy structure of the system — only the domain geometry (A1, A3) and field regularity (A2). Guarantees G3 and G4 will require more: G3 uses the same three assumptions, and G4 adds the Lyapunov decrease condition A4. Each guarantee costs exactly one new structural condition. That is the bijective architecture that makes Theorem CCP irreducible.

(5d) ***Remark The Bound M Is Computable***

The diameter bound $M = \sup\{\|X\| : X \in \Omega\}$ is not an abstract existence claim — it is a computable quantity. For any explicitly given domain Ω, M can be determined directly from the geometry of Ω, without solving the governing equation $dX/dt = G(X)$. For the unit disk $\Omega = B(0,1)$, $M = 1$. For a box $\Omega = [-1,1]^n$, $M = \sqrt{n}$. This is the geometric character of G2: the bound is determined by the arena, not by the dynamics inside it.

(5e) ***Remark G2 Is Uniform Over All Initial Conditions***

The bound $\|X(t)\| \leq M$ holds for every admissible trajectory, from every initial condition $X_0 \in \Omega$, for all $t \geq 0$. There is no dependence on X_0, no transient growth before the bound kicks in, no time horizon after which the bound may fail. The bound is global, uniform, and permanent. This is a direct consequence of Theorem 4f: once forward invariance is established, G2 follows in one line. The strength of G2 flows entirely from the strength of A3.

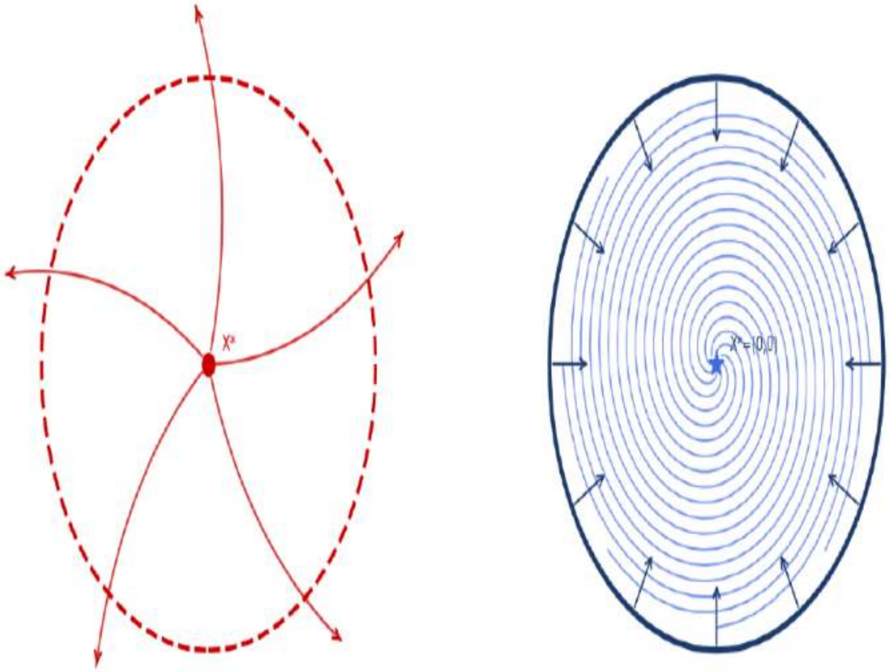
(5f) ***Remark Boundedness Without Energy Conditions***

A crucial feature of Theorem 5c is what it does not require. No Lyapunov function. No energy dissipation condition. No assumption about the sign of $\nabla L \cdot G$. No convergence to equilibrium. G2 holds for any admissible system under A1 and A3 alone, regardless of whether the system converges, oscillates, or exhibits complex recurrent behaviour. The boundedness is geometric, not energetic. This distinction matters: G2 holds even for systems that never settle, as long as they stay inside Ω.

(5g) ***Remark M Is a Geometric Constant, Not a Physical One***

The bound M depends only on the geometry of Ω. It does not depend on G, on the initial condition X_0, or on the time t. It is the same for every trajectory of every admissible system on the same domain. This is guarantee G2: global boundedness, established purely from the shape of the arena.

(5h) Figure 1 — Structural Openness vs. The Closed Circle Principle



LEFT PANEL — Structural Openness

The left panel illustrates a dynamical system that is structurally open in the sense of Definition 1d. The declared admissible domain Ω is marked by a dashed boundary circle, but the vector field G at every boundary point carries trajectories outward — the Nagumo condition G(X)·n(X) ≤ 0 is violated. As a result, no trajectory that starts inside Ω is guaranteed to remain there. The four red spiral trajectories each begin near the centre, wind outward, and breach the boundary in finite time. This is failure mode (O3) in Definition 1d: domain escape. The red dot marks an unstable equilibrium X*. Because the boundary seal is broken, all four guarantees G1–G4 fail simultaneously. The system cannot close over its own premises.

RIGHT PANEL — The Closed Circle Principle

The right panel illustrates a dynamical system satisfying all five admissibility assumptions A1–A5 and achieving structural closure as defined in Definition 1b. The solid boundary circle represents the compact admissible domain Ω under Assumption 2b. The twelve inward-pointing arrows confirm that the Nagumo condition G(X)·n(X) ≤ 0 holds everywhere on ∂Ω (Assumption 4d): the vector field is never permitted to push outward. This single boundary condition (Theorem 4f) is the most load-bearing result in Chapter 1. The spiralling trajectories show all four guarantees: bounded in Ω for all t ≥ 0 (G2), no finite-time blow-up (G3), convergence to X* = (0,0) (G4). G1–G4 are jointly produced by A1–A5. The circle is sealed — Theorem CCP.

6 LASALLE CONVERGENCE — Convergence to the Limit Set

6a The System Must Settle

Guarantees G1, G2, and G3 establish that the system exists, stays bounded, and never blows up. But a bounded trajectory is not the same as a convergent one. A system can be bounded and still oscillate forever, cycle endlessly, or wander through Ω without ever settling. Guarantee G4 — convergence to a limit set — requires an additional condition on the system energy structure. That condition is the Lyapunov decrease assumption.

6b Assumption Lyapunov Decrease Condition

There exists a continuously differentiable function $L : \Omega \to R$ such that:

$$\nabla L(X) \cdot G(X) \leq 0 \quad \text{for all } X \in \Omega \qquad (6)$$

L is non-increasing along every admissible trajectory. The system loses energy monotonically.

Think of L as an energy-like function. Assumption 6b says this energy never increases along any trajectory. The system always moves toward lower or equal energy. It cannot climb uphill. This monotone decrease is what forces convergence.

6c LaSalle Invariance Principle — The Flat Set Is the Destination

LaSalle's invariance principle is a powerful refinement of the Lyapunov method. It does not require L to be strictly decreasing everywhere — just non-increasing. The key observation is this: if L is non-increasing and bounded below, it converges to a finite limit $L\infty$. On the limit set, L must be constant, which means the rate of change of L must be zero there. The set where $\nabla L \cdot G = 0$ is called the flat set E, and the limit set M^* is its largest positively invariant subset. Every trajectory is converging toward M^*.

6d Theorem LaSalle Convergence

Under Assumptions 2b, 2e, 4d, and 6b, every admissible trajectory satisfies:

$$X(t) \to M^* \quad as \quad t \to \infty$$

where M^* is the largest positively invariant subset of $E = \{X \in \Omega : \nabla L(X) \cdot G(X) = 0\}$.

Proof of Theorem 6d.

Step 1: L converges. By Assumption 6b, $dL/dt \leq 0$ along every trajectory. L is bounded below on compact Ω. A non-increasing function bounded below converges: $L(X(t)) \to L\infty$ for some finite $L\infty$.

Step 2: The limit set is nonempty and compact. By Theorems 4f and 5c, X(t) lies in the compact set Ω for all $t > 0$. By Bolzano–Weierstrass, every sequence has a convergent subsequence. The ω-limit set $\omega(X_0)$ is nonempty, compact, and positively invariant.

Step 3: The limit set lies in E. On $\omega(X_0)$, L is constant (equal to $L\infty$). Therefore $dL/dt = \nabla L \cdot G = 0$ on $\omega(X_0)$. So $\omega(X_0) \subset E$.

Step 4: The limit set lies in M^*. Since $\omega(X_0)$ is positively invariant and lies in E, and M^* is the largest such set, $\omega(X_0) \subset M^*$. Therefore $X(t) \to M^*$. □

(6e) ***Remark M* Is the Destination of Every Trajectory***

M* is not just a mathematical construct — it is the actual long-run destination of every admissible trajectory, from every initial condition in Ω. If the system has a unique equilibrium X* where $\nabla L(X^*) \cdot G(X^*) = 0$, then M* = {X*} and every trajectory converges to that single point. This is guarantee G4, established from the Lyapunov structure alone.

The flat set E deserves careful attention. $E = \{X \in \Omega : \nabla L(X) \cdot G(X) = 0\}$ is the set of all states where the Lyapunov function is instantaneously constant — where the system is neither gaining nor losing energy. L cannot increase anywhere in Ω, by Assumption 6b. On the flat set, it is not decreasing either. Every trajectory that enters E must stay in a positively invariant subset of E, which is exactly M*. The LaSalle principle does not require L to be strictly decreasing anywhere — it only requires the non-increase of Assumption 6b plus the compactness of Theorem 5c. Those two facts force convergence to M* without any additional conditions on the dynamics.

The practical significance of this is that convergence to M* is guaranteed even when the system has a continuum of equilibria, periodic orbits, or other complex invariant sets inside Ω, as long as A1–A5 hold. The theory does not need to know the shape of M* in advance — it proves convergence to M* from the structure of the assumptions alone. For the unit disk example of Section 11, E = {(0,0)} and M* = {(0,0)}, confirming point convergence. The general case allows M* to be larger, but the convergence guarantee holds regardless.

(6f) ***Remark The Lyapunov Function Is Not Unique — The Guarantee Is***

Assumption 6b requires the existence of a C^1 function $L : \Omega \to R^n$ satisfying $\nabla L \cdot G \le 0$ on Ω. It does not require L to be unique, canonical, or physically motivated. Different Lyapunov functions L_1 and L_2 satisfying Assumption 6b on the same (Ω, G) may produce different flat sets E_1 and E_2 and thus different limit sets M^*_1 and M^*_2. Theorem 6d guarantees convergence to M* for whichever L is chosen. In practice, the tighter the Lyapunov function — the smaller E is — the more precise the convergence statement. For the unit disk example, $L(X) = r^2$ gives E = {(0,0)}, the tightest possible result. The guarantee G4 is a property of the system (Ω, G); the sharpness of the convergence statement depends on the choice of L.

(6g) ***Remark LaSalle vs. Lyapunov — What Each Provides***

The classical Lyapunov stability theorem requires L to be strictly decreasing along every trajectory — $\nabla L \cdot G < 0$ everywhere in Ω. LaSalle's invariance principle requires only $\nabla L \cdot G \le 0$ — non-strict. This distinction is mathematically and practically significant. Strict decrease forces convergence to the unique minimum of L. Non-strict decrease forces convergence to the flat set E, which may contain equilibria, periodic orbits, or more complex invariant structures. LaSalle's principle is therefore strictly more powerful than the classical Lyapunov theorem: it applies to a larger class of systems and still delivers a convergence guarantee. Assumption 6b is the non-strict version — the weakest condition under which G4 can be proved. This is by design: the admissibility framework uses the minimal assumptions at every step.

7 STABILITY AT REST — The Spectral Criterion

(7a) How Fast Does the System Settle?

LaSalle's theorem tells us where trajectories go. Section 7 asks a sharper question: how fast do they get there? Near an equilibrium X^*, the dynamics are governed to first order by the Jacobian $J(X^*) = DG(X^*)$. The eigenvalues of $J(X^*)$ determine whether perturbations decay, grow, or oscillate. If every eigenvalue has strictly negative real part, perturbations decay exponentially.

(7b) The Spectral Test

In mathematical terms, linearising $dX/dt = G(X)$ around X^* via $\delta X = X - X^*$ gives:

$$d(\delta X)/dt = J(X^*)\,\delta X + O(\|\delta X\|^2) \qquad (7)$$

Near X^*, the quadratic remainder is negligible. The linearised system $d(\delta X)/dt = J(X^*)\,\delta X$ governs the local dynamics completely. The behaviour of this system is determined by the eigenvalues of $J(X^*)$.

If all eigenvalues λ of $J(X^*)$ satisfy $\mathrm{Re}(\lambda) < 0$, then every small perturbation from X^* decays exponentially. The equilibrium is not just stable — it is asymptotically stable, with a quantitative exponential decay rate $\alpha = -\max_i \mathrm{Re}(\lambda_i)$. The further the eigenvalues are from the imaginary axis, the faster the convergence.

(7c) Theorem Asymptotic Stability

Let X^* be an equilibrium. If all eigenvalues λ of $J(X^*)$ satisfy $\mathrm{Re}(\lambda) < 0$, then X^* is asymptotically stable. There exist constants $c > 1$ and $\alpha > 0$ such that:

$$\|X(t) - X^*\| \le c\, e^{-\alpha t} \|X_0 - X^*\| \quad \text{for all } t \ge 0$$

whenever X_0 is sufficiently close to X^*.

Proof. Let $\alpha = -\max_i \mathrm{Re}(\lambda_i) > 0$. By the spectral mapping theorem, $\|\exp(J(X^*)t)\| \le c\, e^{-\alpha t}$ for some $c > 1$. By continuous dependence on initial conditions, the nonlinear system satisfies the same bound in a neighbourhood of X^*. □

(7d) *Remark Local and Global Working Together*

Theorem 7c gives local exponential convergence near each equilibrium in M^*. Theorem 6d gives global convergence to M^* from anywhere in Ω. Together they give the complete picture: the system converges globally to M^*, and once close to any equilibrium in M^*, it converges exponentially with rate α. The two results are complementary, not redundant.

(7e) *Remark What the Spectral Criterion Tells the Reader*

Theorem 7c is a quantitative sharpening of G4. LaSalle convergence guarantees $X(t) \to M^*$ — but says nothing about how fast. The spectral criterion fills that gap: once close to $X^* \in M^*$, the trajectory decays exponentially at rate $\alpha = -\max_i \mathrm{Re}(\lambda_i)$. The dominant rate is set by the eigenvalue of $J(X^*)$ closest to the imaginary axis — the further all eigenvalues are pushed left, the faster the system settles. For the unit disk example, $J(0,0)$ has eigenvalues $-1 \pm i$, giving $\alpha = 1$: every trajectory near the origin decays at rate e^{-t}, confirmed by Figure 2.

8 ABSENCE OF FINITE-TIME BLOW-UP

8a Blow-Up Is Mode (O1) — And It Cannot Happen Here

Recall failure mode (O1) from Section 1: the state reaches infinite magnitude in finite time. This is the most catastrophic structural failure — the system escapes to infinity before the theory can say anything meaningful. In classical mechanics, Newtonian gravity produces this failure in two-body collision. In classical electrodynamics, the self-energy of a point charge diverges. In each case the theory generates a trajectory it cannot follow: the mathematics breaks down at a finite time T, and nothing the theory says after T is trustworthy. The question here is whether the admissibility conditions prevent this. The answer is yes — and the proof is two lines.

8b Definition Finite-Time Blow-Up

A trajectory exhibits finite-time blow-up if there exists $T < \infty$ such that $\|X(t)\| \to \infty$ as $t \to T$. This is failure mode (O1) of structural openness (Definition 1d). The maximal interval of existence is $[0, T)$ rather than $[0, \infty)$.

8c Why the Nagumo Condition Is the Key

The Nagumo condition (Assumption 4d) is what makes blow-up impossible. Here is the chain of reasoning. The Nagumo condition seals the boundary: Theorem 4f says every trajectory that starts in Ω stays in Ω for all time. The domain Ω is compact — Assumption 2b. Compact sets are bounded: Theorem 5c gives $\|X\| \le M < \infty$ for every point in Ω. A trajectory confined to a bounded set cannot diverge to infinity. The three facts snap together: boundary sealed, domain bounded, blow-up impossible. It is not a coincidence. It is the Nagumo condition doing exactly what it was designed to do. The formal proof is assembled in Section 9 as Theorem 9l once all lemmas are in place. The result is: under Assumptions 2b, 2e, and 4d, $\|X(t)\| \le M < \infty$ for all t in $[0, T)$ for every finite T. Blow-up is structurally impossible.

8d *Remark The Proof Is Two Lines Because the Setup Is Right*

The structural exclusion of blow-up is a two-line contradiction. This is not because the result is trivial — finite-time blow-up is a genuine pathology that destroys the predictive capacity of any theory it afflicts. The proof is short because the admissibility conditions were chosen precisely to make it short. Assumptions 2b (compact domain), 4d (Nagumo boundary condition), and their consequence Theorem 4f (forward invariance) do all the work before the blow-up question is even asked. The structural approach pays off here: the right assumptions turn a hard problem into a trivial one.

8e *Remark What G3 Rules Out Physically*

Guarantee G3 — the absence of finite-time blow-up — is the condition that separates a structurally honest theory from one that collapses under its own premises. Newtonian gravity fails G3 in the two-body problem. Classical electrodynamics fails G3 for the self-energy of a point charge. Quantum field theory requires renormalisation precisely because bare perturbation theory fails G3. An admissible framework in the sense of Definition 13b cannot fail G3. The Nagumo condition prevents it by design. This is what it means for a theory to close over its own premises.

9 NONTRIVIAL COUPLING — The Admissibility Condition

(9a) The Loophole That Must Be Closed

Here is a problem the reader should notice. The zero vector field $G = 0$ satisfies all four of the conditions in Definition 1b — trivially. Every trajectory is constant. No trajectory exits Ω, nothing blows up, and every trajectory "converges" to where it started. The four guarantees hold, but they carry no information about the system's actual dynamics. Every state is a frozen equilibrium. The framework has been satisfied vacuously. Assumption A5 closes this loophole. It requires that the system has genuine internal coupling — real dynamics, not frozen silence.

(9b) Definition Absolute Nullity

(Ω, G) exhibits absolute nullity if $G(X) = 0$ for all $X \in \Omega$. Every state is a frozen equilibrium. The system has no dynamics.

(9c) What Genuine Coupling Requires

For G to have genuine multi-dimensional dynamics, at least one component of G must depend on at least one other state variable. In other words, there must be at least one off-diagonal entry in the Jacobian $DG(X)$ that is nonzero somewhere in Ω. This is the nontrivial coupling condition — the minimum requirement for the system to have real internal coupling rather than decoupled or frozen behaviour.

(9d) Definition Nontrivial Coupling

(Ω, G) satisfies the nontrivial coupling condition if there exist indices i, j and a point $X_0 \in \Omega$ such that $\partial G_i/\partial X_j(X_0) \neq 0$. At least one off-diagonal Jacobian entry is nonzero somewhere in Ω. The system has genuine internal coupling.

(9e) The Nullity Lemma

With the nontrivial coupling condition now defined, the first structural consequence follows immediately: a system with genuine internal coupling cannot be absolutely null. The lemma below makes this precise.

(9f) Lemma Trivial Dynamics Excluded

If (Ω, G) satisfies the nontrivial coupling condition (Definition 9d), then G is not identically zero on Ω. Absolute nullity is excluded.

Proof. If $\partial G_i/\partial X_j(X_0) \neq 0$ for some i, j, X_0, then G is not constant near X_0, and in particular G is not identically zero on Ω. □

(9g) *Remark What Nontrivial Coupling Rules Out*

The nontrivial coupling condition is deliberately minimal. It does not require rich dynamics or complex behaviour. It requires only that the system is not frozen and not decoupled. One nonzero off-diagonal Jacobian entry at one point in Ω is enough. This ensures that guarantee G4 carries genuine information: the system converges to M*, and M* is a meaningful destination, not the entire domain.

(9h) The Assembly Chain — Building the Guarantees One at a Time

The reader has now seen each structural condition and its individual consequence. Section 9 assembles them into a chain. Each lemma adds exactly one new assumption and produces exactly one new guarantee that could not be produced without it. The chain is bijective — no step is redundant, no step can be shortcut. This is the architecture that makes Theorem CCP irreducible.

(9i) Lemma A1 + A2 ⇒ G1 (Local)

Under Assumptions 2b and 2e, G is globally Lipschitz on Ω (Proposition 2f). The Picard–Lindelöf theorem gives a unique local solution through every $X_0 \in \Omega$. Guarantee G1 holds locally.

(9j) Lemma A1 + A2 + A3 ⇒ G1 (Global) + Forward Invariance

Adding Assumption 4d (Nagumo), Theorem 4f gives forward invariance of Ω and Corollary 4g extends the solution to $[0, \infty)$. The local solution becomes global. Guarantee G1 holds globally.

(9k) Lemma A1 + A3 ⇒ G2

Forward invariance keeps $X(t) \in \Omega$ for all $t \geq 0$. Compactness of Ω gives the diameter bound $M < \infty$ (Theorem 5c). Therefore $\|X(t)\| \leq M$ for all time. Guarantee G2 holds.

(9l) Theorem A1 + A2 + A3 ⇒ G3

Forward invariance and compactness together exclude finite-time blow-up. If $\|X(T)\| = \infty$ for some finite T, then by Theorem 4f, $X(t) \in \Omega$ on $[0, T)$, and by Theorem 5c, $\|X(t)\| \leq M < \infty$ on $[0, T)$. Contradiction. Guarantee G3 holds.

What Theorem 9l Means — Structure and Significance

The proof of Theorem 9l is a two-line contradiction, and its brevity is not shallowness — it is evidence that the framework was built correctly from the ground up. The contradiction works as follows. Suppose blow-up occurs at time $T < \infty$: $\|X(T)\| = \infty$. But Theorem 4f says $X(t) \in \Omega$ on the entire interval $[0, T)$. And Ω is compact, so every point in Ω satisfies $\|X\| \leq M < \infty$ by Theorem 5c. A trajectory confined to a bounded set cannot diverge to infinity. Contradiction. G3 holds not because blow-up was directly prevented, but because the domain architecture makes blow-up geometrically impossible. This is the structural approach: the right assumptions turn a hard problem into a trivial one. G3 costs no new assumption — A1, A2, A3 are the same three that produced G1 and G2. The framework is accumulating guarantees without accumulating cost.

The Chain After Four Steps — What Has Been Built

At this point four assumptions have been used and three guarantees established. G1 came from A1 + A2 (local) and A3 (global). G2 came from A1 + A3 via compactness. G3 came from A1 + A2 + A3 by the contradiction above. A4 has not yet appeared — it is not needed for existence, uniqueness, boundedness, or blow-up exclusion. It is needed only for convergence: G4, the deepest guarantee. Lemma D in Section 9m adds A4 and delivers G4. Then A5 closes the nullity loophole and Theorem CCP assembles all four guarantees into the irreducible joint statement that is the Closed Circle Principle.

(9m) **Lemma A1 + A3 + A4 ⇒ G4**

Adding Assumption 6b (Lyapunov decrease), LaSalle's principle applies (Theorem 6d). L is non-increasing and bounded below on compact Ω, so $L(X(t)) \to L\infty$. The ω-limit set $\omega(X_0)$ is nonempty, compact, and lies in E. Since M* is the largest positively invariant subset of E, $X(t) \to M^*$. Guarantee G4 holds.

(9n) The Chain Is Complete and Irreducible

The reader should pause and see what has just been assembled. Lemma A used A1 + A2 and produced G1 locally. Lemma B added A3 and extended G1 globally while establishing forward invariance. Lemma C used A1 + A3 to produce G2. Theorem 9l used A1 + A2 + A3 to produce G3. Lemma D added A4 to produce G4. Each step used one assumption that no previous step required. Each step produced one guarantee that no previous step could produce. The chain is bijective. Remove any link and the corresponding guarantee disappears.

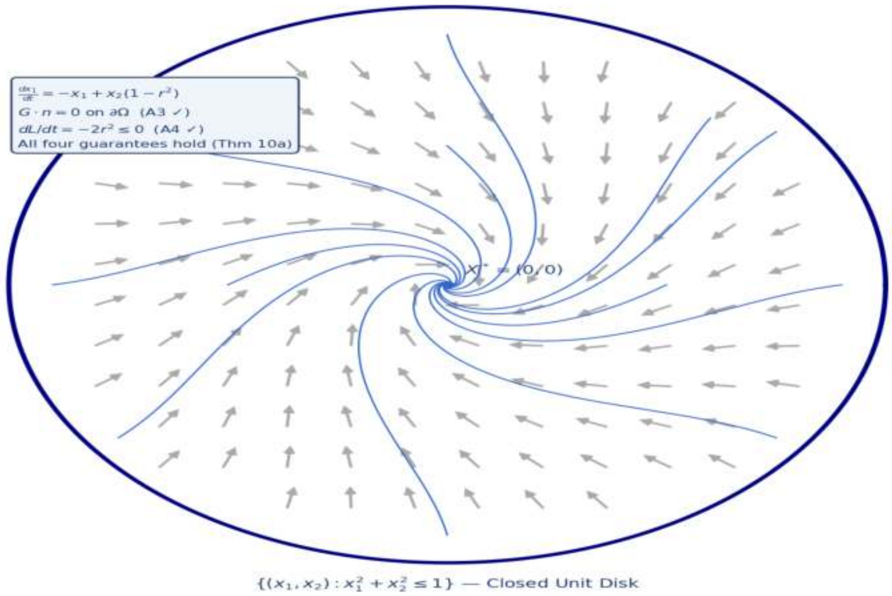
(9o) ***Remark Bijection Means No Redundancy***

The chain A⇒B⇒C⇒D is a bijection in the precise mathematical sense: each assumption maps to exactly one guarantee, and each guarantee requires exactly one assumption. This means the assumption set A1–A5 is exactly the right size — not one assumption too many, not one too few. To say the set is irredundant is to say that every element is doing irreplaceable work. A1 alone makes the domain compact. A2 alone makes the field smooth enough for Picard–Lindelöf. A3 alone seals the boundary. A4 alone forces energy descent. A5 alone excludes trivial dynamics. Remove any one and the corresponding guarantee vanishes — not weakens, vanishes. The all-or-nothing structure of Theorem CCP is not a design choice; it is a mathematical consequence of the bijective structure of the dependency chain. A framework with fewer assumptions would lose at least one guarantee. A framework with more assumptions would contain redundancy — and redundancy in a foundational theorem is a sign that the architecture is not yet understood. Five assumptions, four guarantees, one bijection. The circle closes exactly.

(9p) ***Remark Theorem 4f Is the Pivot***

Forward invariance (Theorem 4f), established solely by the Nagumo condition A3, is the single most load-bearing result in Chapter 1. To see why, count its downstream dependents. Corollary 4g uses Theorem 4f directly to extend the local solution to $[0, \infty)$. Theorem 5c uses Theorem 4f to confine $X(t)$ to Ω and extract the bound M. Theorem 6d uses Theorem 4f to invoke the Bolzano–Weierstrass argument on the ω-limit set. Theorem 9l uses Theorem 4f to produce the contradiction that excludes finite-time blow-up. Theorem CCP uses all four of the above. That is five results, all tracing their existence to one theorem, which traces its existence to one assumption: A3. This is why the removal of A3 in Counterexample C.1 causes total collapse, not partial failure. The Nagumo condition is the seal. Everything downstream of the seal stands only because the seal holds. The reader who understands Theorem 4f understands the architecture of the entire chapter.

(9q) Figure 2 — Phase Portrait: Planar System on the Unit Disk



Caption: All trajectories $X(t) \to X^* = (0,0)$ as $t \to \infty$. Theorem 10a confirmed.

What the Phase Portrait Shows

The phase portrait above displays the complete trajectory structure of the planar dynamical system of Example 11.1, governed by the equations $dx_1/dt = -x_1 + x_2(1 - r^2)$ and $dx_2/dt = -x_2 - x_1(1 - r^2)$, where $r^2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2$. The admissible domain is the closed unit disk $\Omega = B(0,1) = \{(x_1, x_2) : x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 1\}$. The solid outer circle is the boundary $\partial\Omega$ (the unit circle). The blue spiral curves are individual trajectories, each computed numerically from a distinct initial condition $X_0 \in \Omega$. Every single trajectory, regardless of where it starts inside the disk, spirals inward and converges to the unique equilibrium $X^* = (0,0)$ at the centre. No trajectory exits the disk. No trajectory blows up. The grey arrows show the vector field $G(X)$ throughout the interior of Ω.

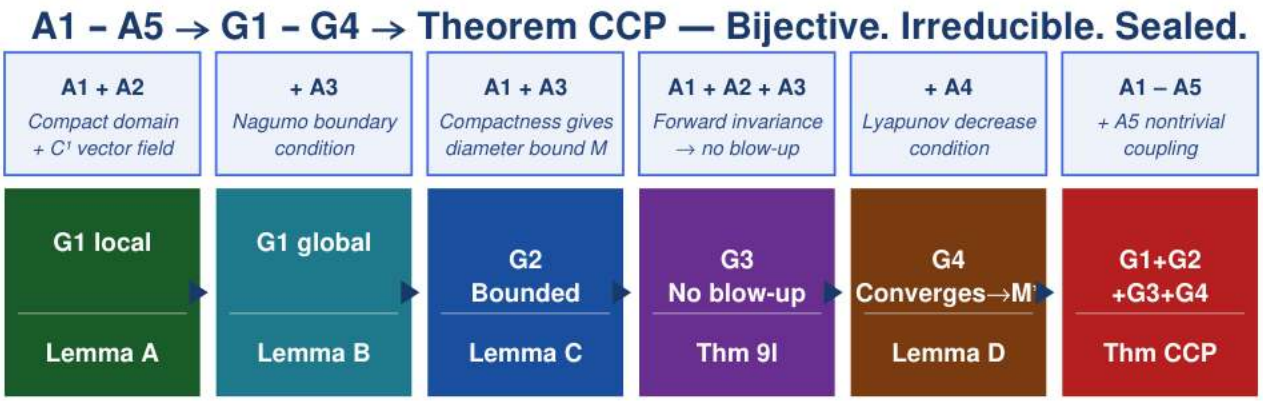
Verification of All Five Assumptions

A1 (Compact domain). The closed unit disk is compact, connected, and has a $C\infty$ boundary $\partial\Omega$. The diameter bound is $M = 1$. A2 (C^1 regularity). G is $C\infty$ on Ω; the Jacobian $DG(X)$ exists and is continuous everywhere. A3 (Nagumo condition). On $\partial\Omega$, $r = 1$, so $G(X) = (-x_1, -x_2) = -X$. The outward unit normal is $n = X$ on the unit circle. Thus $G \cdot n = -X \cdot X = -1 < 0$ everywhere on $\partial\Omega$. The Nagumo condition is strictly satisfied; the vector field points strictly inward at every boundary point and no trajectory can exit. A4 (Lyapunov decrease). Take $L(X) = r^2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2$. Then $\nabla L \cdot G = 2x_1(-x_1 + x_2(1-r^2)) + 2x_2(-x_2 - x_1(1-r^2)) = -2r^2 \leq 0$. The Lyapunov function decreases monotonically along every admissible trajectory. A5 (Nontrivial coupling). $\partial G_1/\partial x_2 = 1 - r^2 + x_2(-2x_2)$. At $X = (0,0)$: $\partial G_1/\partial x_2 = 1 \neq 0$. The system has genuine internal coupling; G is not identically zero.

The Four Guarantees in Action

By Theorem 10a, A1–5 jointly produce all four guarantees. G1: Unique global trajectory from every $X_0 \in \Omega$ (A1+A2+A3). G2: $\|X(t)\| \leq 1$ for all $t \geq 0$. G3: No finite-time blow-up — trajectory stays in bounded Ω. G4: $X(t) \to X^* = (0,0)$. $E = \{(0,0)\} = M^*$. LaSalle (Thm 6d) confirmed.

(9r) Figure 3 — Dependency Chain: Lemma A–D + G1–G4 → Theorem CCP



Each step adds one assumption (shown above each box) and delivers one new structural guarantee (shown inside each box). Remove any single assumption and at least one guarantee collapses. The chain is bijective and irreducible.

Reading the Chain — Step by Step

Lemma A (A1 + A2 ⇒ G1 local). Compactness of Ω (A1) and C^1 regularity of G (A2) give global Lipschitz continuity via Proposition 2f. The Picard–Lindelöf theorem then guarantees a unique local solution through every $X_0 \in \Omega$: there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ and a unique $X : [0, \varepsilon) \to \Omega$ satisfying $dX/dt = G(X)$, $X(0) = X_0$. Guarantee G1 holds locally. Without A2, uniqueness fails (Peano). Without A1, L^G is not finite.

Lemma B (A1 + A2 + A3 ⇒ G1 global + forward invariance). The Nagumo condition $G(X) \cdot n(X) \le 0$ on $\partial\Omega$ (A3) forces the vector field inward or tangentially at every boundary point. Theorem 4f proves Ω is forward invariant. Corollary 4g extends the local solution to all $t \ge 0$. G1 holds globally. Removing A3 collapses all five downstream results simultaneously.

Lemma C (A1 + A3 ⇒ G2). Forward invariance keeps $X(t) \in \Omega$. Compactness gives $M = \sup\{\|X\| : X \in \Omega\} < \infty$. Therefore $\|X(t)\| \le M$ for all $t \ge 0$ (Theorem 5c). G2 is geometric: the bound depends only on the shape of Ω, not on G, X_0, or t.

Theorem 9l (A1 + A2 + A3 ⇒ G3). Suppose $\|X(T)\| = \infty$ for some finite T. By Theorem 4f, $X(t) \in \Omega$ on $[0, T)$. By Theorem 5c, $\|X(t)\| \le M < \infty$ on $[0, T)$. Contradiction. G3 holds: the maximal interval of existence is $[0, \infty)$. No finite-time blow-up.

Lemma D (A1 + A3 + A4 ⇒ G4). The Lyapunov decrease condition $\nabla L \cdot G \le 0$ (A4) makes L non-increasing along trajectories. L is bounded below on compact Ω, so $L(X(t)) \to L\infty$. The ω-limit set $\omega(X_0)$ is nonempty, compact, positively invariant, and lies in $E = \{X : \nabla L \cdot G = 0\}$. Since M^* is the largest such set, $X(t) \to M^*$ (Theorem 6d). G4: LaSalle convergence.

Theorem CCP (A1–A5 ⇒ G1+G2+G3+G4). Assumption 9d (nontrivial coupling: $\partial G_i / \partial X_j \neq 0$ somewhere in Ω) excludes absolute nullity and ensures G4 carries genuine content. All four guarantees hold simultaneously, jointly, and without exception. The bijective structure means no assumption is redundant and no guarantee is separately achievable. Remove any single assumption: at least one guarantee collapses, confirmed by Counterexample C.1. The Closed Circle Principle is irreducible and sealed.

10 ALL FOUR GUARANTEES — The Master Theorem

Sections 1 through 9 have established each of the four structural guarantees individually, each using a subset of the five admissibility conditions. Section 10 assembles them into a single, unified, irreducible statement. This is not a summary. It is a theorem: the four guarantees are not four separate results that happen to coexist. They are jointly produced by A1–A5, they are jointly necessary and sufficient for structural closure, and they cannot be decomposed. The circle closes here.

10a Theorem Closed Circle Admissibility

Let $\Omega \subset R^n$ be compact and $G : \Omega \to R^n$ be C^1. Suppose Assumptions 2b, 2e, 4d, 6b, and 9d all hold. Then:

(G1) There exists a unique global admissible trajectory $X : [0, \infty) \to \Omega$ satisfying $dX/dt = G(X)$ for all $t \geq 0$.

(G2) $\|X(t)\| \leq M < \infty$ for all $t \geq 0$, where $M = \sup\{\|X\| : X \in \Omega\}$.

(G3) No finite-time blow-up. The maximal interval of existence is $[0, \infty)$.

(G4) $X(t) \to M^*$ as $t \to \infty$, where M^* is the largest positively invariant subset of $E = \{X \in \Omega : \nabla L(X) \cdot G(X) = 0\}$.

The four guarantees hold simultaneously, are jointly produced by A1–A5, and cannot be decomposed.

Proof.

G1: Lemmas A and B. Under A1 + A2, Picard–Lindelöf gives a unique local solution (Lemma A). Under A1 + A2 + A3, Theorem 4f gives forward invariance and Corollary 4g extends to $[0, \infty)$ (Lemma B).

G2: Lemma C. Under A1 + A3, Theorem 5c gives $\|X(t)\| \leq M$ for all $t \geq 0$.

G3: Theorem 9l. Under A1 + A2 + A3, forward invariance and compactness jointly exclude finite-time blow-up.

G4: Lemma D. Under A1 + A3 + A4, Theorem 6d gives $X(t) \to M^*$ as $t \to \infty$.

All five assumptions are required; removing any one collapses at least one guarantee. The all-or-nothing structure is confirmed constructively by Counterexample C.1. □

10b *Remark All or Nothing*

The four guarantees are not individually negotiable. There is no version of this framework that produces G1, G2, G3 but not G4. The system either satisfies all five assumptions and gets all four guarantees, or it fails at least one assumption and loses at least one guarantee. Partial closure is not a concept this framework admits.

10c **Remark Theorem CCP as the Entry Condition for Chapters 2–40**

Theorem 10a is not the final result of Chapter 1. It is the entry condition for all 39 subsequent chapters. Every chapter of The Omni-Compass opens by assuming the system under study is an admissible framework. G1–G4 are inherited without renegotiation. Chapter 1 is the foundation. Everything else stands on it.

10d **Remark What This Theorem Does Not Say**

Theorem 10a does not provide quantitative convergence rates, perturbation bounds, dimensional reduction results, infinite-dimensional extensions, or coupling between admissible subsystems. These are the subjects of Chapters 2–40. The purpose of Chapter 1 is to establish the foundation — nothing more, nothing less.

11 A WORKED EXAMPLE — The Unit Disk System

11a Making It Concrete

The theory is now complete in the abstract. But the best test of any framework is whether it works on a specific, concrete system — and whether the verification is constructive, explicit, and checkable line by line. Consider the planar system on the closed unit disk $\Omega = \{(x_1, x_2) : x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 1\}$:

$$dx_1/dt = -x_1 + x_2(1 - x_1^2 - x_2^2)$$
$$dx_2/dt = -x_2 - x_1(1 - x_1^2 - x_2^2) \quad (8)$$

This system has a unique equilibrium at $X^* = (0,0)$. The reader should verify each of the five assumptions in turn. Each verification is direct and elementary.

11b Verification — Five Checks, One by One

A1: Compact Admissible Domain

The closed unit disk $\Omega = B(0,1)$ is compact (closed and bounded), connected, and has a $C\infty$ boundary $\partial\Omega$ (the unit circle). Assumption 2b is satisfied. ✓

A2: C^1 Regularity

$G(x_1, x_2) = (-x_1 + x_2(1-r^2), -x_2 - x_1(1-r^2))$ where $r^2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2$. G is $C\infty$ on Ω. Jacobian DG(X) exists and is continuous everywhere. Assumption 2e is satisfied. ✓

A3: Nagumo Condition

On $\partial\Omega$, $r = 1$, so $1-r^2 = 0$. Then $G(X) = (-x_1, -x_2) = -X$. The outward normal is $n = X$ on the unit circle. $G \cdot n = -X \cdot X = -1 < 0$. The field points strictly inward on the entire boundary. Assumption 4d is satisfied. ✓

A4: Lyapunov Decrease

Take $L(X) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 = r^2$. Then $\nabla L = 2X$. $\nabla L \cdot G = 2x_1(-x_1 + x_2(1-r^2)) + 2x_2(-x_2 - x_1(1-r^2)) = -2r^2 \leq 0$. Energy decreases monotonically. Assumption 6b is satisfied. ✓

A5: Nontrivial Coupling

$\partial G_1/\partial x_2 = 1 - 3x_2^2 - x_1^2$. At $X = (0,0)$: $\partial G_1/\partial x_2 = 1 \neq 0$. The Jacobian has a nonzero off-diagonal entry. Assumption 9d is satisfied. ✓

All five assumptions hold. By Theorem 10a, all four guarantees G1–G4 hold. The flat set $E = \{(0,0)\} = M^*$ is a single equilibrium. Every trajectory in $\Omega = B(0,1)$ converges to $X^* = (0,0)$. The circle is closed. Figure 2 on the following pages shows this convergence for many initial conditions.

The verification above is constructive in the strictest sense: every check is explicit, every inequality is written out, every reference to a theorem or assumption is named. This is by design. The framework is not an abstract existence claim — it is a checkable engineering specification. Any dynamical system can be brought to this checklist and verified line by line. If all five checks pass, the system is admissible and all four guarantees hold automatically, without further analysis.

The unit disk example is not special. It was chosen because it is simple enough to verify by hand and rich enough to display all five assumptions nontrivially. The same verification procedure applies to any compact domain Ω and any C^1 vector field G, regardless of dimension, regardless of the specific form of the dynamics, regardless of the physical interpretation. The admissibility conditions are coordinate-free and dimension-independent. Chapter 1 establishes the foundation. Every subsequent chapter of The Omni-Compass builds on that foundation without reopening it.

11c ***Remark To the Student — How to Read a Verification***

The verification in Section 11b is a model for every admissibility check. A1 is checked by inspecting the topology of Ω: is it compact, connected, C^1 boundary? A2 is checked by computing DG and confirming it exists and is continuous. A3 is the critical gate: evaluate $G(X)\cdot n(X)$ on $\partial\Omega$. If $G\cdot n \leq 0$ everywhere, the boundary is sealed and Theorem 4f applies. If $G\cdot n > 0$ anywhere, A3 fails and all four guarantees collapse. A4 requires constructing a Lyapunov function L with $\nabla L\cdot G \leq 0$ — the only creative step. A5 requires one nonzero off-diagonal Jacobian entry anywhere in Ω. Five checks. If all pass, the system is admissible and G1–G4 are guaranteed. If any fails, at least one guarantee collapses — and the table in Section 2j identifies which.

11d ***Remark To the Student — Why the Example Was Chosen***

The unit disk system was designed to make every assumption visible and every verification elementary, while still being a genuine nonlinear system. The nonlinear terms $x_2(1 - r^2)$ and $-x_1(1 - r^2)$ vanish on $\partial\Omega$ ($r = 1$), giving $G(X) = -X$ at the boundary — making A3 immediate. $L = r^2$ is the simplest Lyapunov choice, giving the sharpest flat set $E = \{(0,0)\}$. Every aspect is calibrated to teach. The reader who understands why each choice was made is ready to verify more complex systems.

(11e) ***Remark The Framework Applies Beyond This Example***

This verification is constructive and checkable line by line. But the framework does not depend on the specific structure of this example. It applies to any C^1 system satisfying A1–A5, regardless of physical interpretation, spatial dimension ($n \geq 1$), or the algebraic form of G. The example illustrates the method. The theorem holds universally.

(11f) Counterexample C.1 — What Happens When A3 Fails

The reader has seen how the framework works when all five assumptions hold. Now see what happens when Assumption 4d (Nagumo) is removed. Replace G with the outward radial field $G(X) = +X$ on Ω. Now $G \cdot n = +1 > 0$ on $\partial\Omega$: the field pushes outward everywhere. Theorem 4f cannot apply. What follows is not a partial failure — it is total collapse.

Counterexample C.1 A3 Removed: All Four Guarantees Collapse

With $G(X) = +X$ on $\Omega = B(0,1)$:

G1 fails: trajectories exit Ω in finite time. No global trajectory exists in Ω.

G2 fails: $\|X(t)\|$ is unbounded.

G3 fails: finite escape time exists.

G4 fails: no convergence to M^*.

All four guarantees collapse simultaneously. A3 is not redundant.

(11g) The Framework Holds for Non-Cooperative Systems

The admissibility framework does not require gradient structure, cooperative dynamics, or symmetric Jacobians. Consider any C^1 field G on Ω satisfying A3 and A4 but with a Jacobian $DG(X)$ of mixed sign pattern — non-cooperative. Such a system is admissible and Theorem 10a applies in full. The structural conditions are sign-independent. The class of admissible systems is broader than gradient systems.

(11h) ***Remark What the Worked Example Establishes — Scope and Limits***

The unit disk example establishes three things the abstract theorem alone cannot. First, it confirms A1–A5 are simultaneously satisfiable — non-trivial for any assumption system claiming necessity and sufficiency. Second, it demonstrates the verification procedure is constructive: each check is explicit and elementary, requiring no functional analysis or measure theory. Third, Counterexample C.1 confirms A3 is irredundant in the strongest sense: its removal collapses all four guarantees simultaneously. The admissibility conditions are coordinate-free and dimension-independent — they hold for any $n \geq 1$, any compact C^1 domain, any C^1 vector field, regardless of physical interpretation or algebraic form of G. As long as A1–A5 hold, Theorem CCP applies without modification. Chapter 1 is the universal entry condition, not a special case.

12 THE STRUCTURAL SEAL

(12a) The Dependency Chain — Every Step Accounted For

Section 12 traces the complete logical structure of Chapter 1. No result appears without being proved from stated assumptions. No assumption is invoked before it is declared. The table below is the complete dependency chain: every step, every assumption used, every result established, every guarantee delivered.

Step	Assumptions	Result Established	Guarantee
Lemma A	A1 + A2	Picard–Lindelof: unique local solution through every X_0 in Ω	G1 (local)
Lemma B	A1 + A2 + A3	Thm 4f + Cor 4g: forward invariance + global continuation	G1 (global)
Lemma C	A1 + A3	Thm 5c: $\|X(t)\| \leq M < \infty$ for all $t \geq 0$	G2
Thm 9l	A1 + A2 + A3	No finite-time blow-up: $\|X(t)\| \leq M$ on $[0, T)$	G3
Lemma D	A1 + A3 + A4	Thm 6d: $X(t) \to M^*$ as $t \to \infty$	G4
Thm CCP	A1–A5	**Structural closure. Irreducible. Sealed.**	**G1+G2+G3+G4**

> (12b) ***Remark Irreducibility***
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> The chain is irreducible in the precise sense: no step can be removed or shortcutted without losing the guarantee it produces. The chain A⇒B⇒C⇒D is a bijection. Each step uses exactly one new assumption. Each step produces exactly one new guarantee. The structure is tight. Nothing is wasted. Nothing is missing.

(12c) Theorem 4f — The Load-Bearing Node

Of the five results that constitute the structural seal, Theorem 4f (forward invariance) carries the most weight. Five downstream results depend directly on it: Corollary 4g, Theorem 5c, Theorem 9l, Theorem 6d, and Theorem CCP. Remove Assumption 4d and all five collapse simultaneously. Counterexample C.1 confirms this constructively.

(12d) The Five Hinges of the Closed Circle

The circle closes when and only when all five assumptions hold. A1 removed: compactness gone, G2 and G4 collapse. A2 removed: uniqueness gone, G1 collapses. A3 removed: boundary seal broken, all four collapse simultaneously. A4 removed: energy structure gone, G4 collapses. A5 removed: dynamics trivialised, G4 is vacuous. The five conditions are the five hinges of the structure. The circle closes when and only when all five hold.

(12e) What Section 12 Confirms

Section 12 is not a summary. It is a verification. The dependency chain table is a formal audit: every result traced to its assumptions, every assumption confirmed declared before use, every guarantee shown to follow from a specific subset of A1 –A5. No result appears from nowhere. No assumption does work that could be collapsed into a weaker condition. The chain is exactly as long as it needs to be — five steps, five assumptions, four guarantees, one theorem.

13 WHAT THIS CHAPTER ESTABLISHES

13a The Foundation Is Set

Chapter 1 opened with a question: can a theory sustain itself? The answer, proved in full, is: yes — if and only if the system satisfies five explicit structural conditions. That answer is now sealed as a theorem. Definition 13b names the class of systems that satisfy those conditions, and Theorem 13c states the equivalence precisely.

13b Definition Admissible Framework

A pair (Ω, G) is an admissible framework if it satisfies Assumptions 2b, 2e, 4d, 6b, and 9d, and thereby admits guarantees G1–G4 as stated in Theorem 10a.

13c Theorem The Closed Circle Principle — Sealed

A dynamical system (Ω, G) is structurally closed if and only if it is an admissible framework. Under these conditions, G1–G4 hold simultaneously, jointly, and without exception. The closed circle is complete.

Proof. (⇒) Theorem 10a. (⇐) Assumption 2j (minimality) establishes that each of A1–A5 is necessary: each assumption is necessary. □

13d Remark The Entry Condition for All 39 Remaining Chapters

Every subsequent chapter of The Omni-Compass opens with the assumption that the system under study is an admissible framework in the sense of Definition 13b. The four guarantees G1–G4 are inherited without renegotiation, without re-verification, and without modification. Chapter 1 is the foundation. Everything that follows is built on what has been proved here. The reader may proceed.

The significance of Theorem 13c as a biconditional cannot be overstated. The forward direction (⇒) is Theorem 10a: five assumptions give four guarantees. The backward direction (⇐) is Assumption 2j: each assumption is necessary. Together they establish that the admissible framework is exactly the right class of systems for this theory — not too broad, not too narrow. Systems outside this class are structurally open by definition and cannot be studied within the framework of The Omni-Compass. Systems inside this class are structurally closed by theorem and carry all four guarantees into every subsequent chapter.

Chapter 1 has done what a foundational chapter must do. It has identified the object of study — the admissible framework (Ω, G) — and established the four properties that make that object well-behaved. It has proved each property from first principles, assembled the proof into a single irreducible theorem, and confirmed by counterexample that no assumption can be removed. The four guarantees G1–G4 are the floor of The Omni-Compass. Chapter 2 begins the ascent.

CHAPTER 1
CLOSING SYNTHESIS

Chapter 1 - Proof Dependency Chain

Step	Content
FOUNDATIONS - Assumptions and Domain	
Assump 2b + 2e	Compact domain Omega; C^1 field G; finite Lipschitz bound L^G.
Assump 4d	Nagumo condition G·n <= 0 on dOmega; inward or tangential boundary field.
Prop 2f	Global Lipschitz continuity on Omega; finite speed bound C^G.
CONTINUITY AND INVARIANCE	
Prop 3d	No teleportation: ||X(t)-X0|| <= C^G t.
Thm 4f	Forward invariance: Omega remains positively invariant for all t >= 0.
Cor 4g	Global continuation: no finite escape time.
STRUCTURAL GUARANTEES - G1 through G4	
Thm 5c	Global boundedness: ||X(t)|| <= M for all t >= 0.
Thm 9l	G3: no finite-time blow-up; invariance plus compactness exclude divergence.
Lem 9f	A5 rules out trivial null dynamics; G4 retains genuine content.
Assump 6b	Lyapunov decrease: ∇L·G <= 0 along admissible trajectories.
Thm 6d	LaSalle convergence to the largest invariant subset of E = {X : ∇L·G = 0}.
Thm 7c	Re(lambda) < 0 implies asymptotic stability at X* with decay rate alpha.
ASSEMBLY AND SEAL - Theorem CCP	
Ex 11a-11b	Unit-disk example verifies A1-A5 and confirms G1-G4.
Thm 10a	G1-G4 hold simultaneously for the admissible class. A1-A5 are necessary and sufficient for structural closure in Chapter 1.

Every step is proved from the stated assumptions. There are no gaps and no unnamed appeals to standard arguments. The Closed Circle Principle is established here as the structural admissibility theorem of Chapter 1. Guarantees G1-G4 are jointly produced by A1-A5. Remove any single assumption and at least one guarantee collapses, as confirmed by Counterexample C.1.

CHAPTER 1
CHAPTER SYNOPSIS

Chapter 1 — The Closed Circle Principle

A — ORIGIN

Chapter 1 addresses the foundational question that every mathematical physics framework must answer before claiming structural validity: does the theory close over its own premises? A theory that permits trajectories to escape its declared admissible domain, blow up in finite time, grow without bound, or fail to converge to a definite limit is structurally open — it generates promises it cannot keep. The four failure modes are identified in Definition 1d as (O1) finite-time blow-up, (O2) unbounded growth, (O3) domain escape, and (O4) requirement of external correction or renormalisation. Each failure mode has documented physical instances: Newtonian gravity (O1), classical electrodynamics self-energy (O2), fluid shock escape (O3), quantum field ultraviolet divergences (O4). This chapter identifies the exact and minimal set of structural conditions under which all four failure modes are simultaneously excluded. Those conditions are five assumptions A1–A5. They are necessary: remove any one and at least one guarantee collapses, as proved constructively by Counterexample C.1. They are sufficient: together they seal the circle completely, producing all four structural guarantees G1–G4 as a single irreducible joint theorem — Theorem CCP.

B — MILESTONES

The following results are established in full in Chapter 1. Each is a distinct structural contribution. Together they constitute the complete proof of the Closed Circle Principle.

- Definition 1b: Structural closure — (Ω, G) is structurally closed if G1, G2, G3, G4 hold simultaneously.
- Definition 1d: Four modes of structural openness (O1)–(O4) with documented physical instances.
- Assumptions A1–A5: Compact C^1 domain; C^1 vector field; Nagumo condition; Lyapunov decrease; nontrivial coupling. Irredundant by Counterexample C.1.
- Proposition 2f: Global Lipschitz continuity of G on Ω. Finite Lipschitz constant L^G and speed bound $C^G = \sup\|G(X)\| < \infty$.
- Proposition 3d: Displacement bound $\|X(t)-X_0\| \le C^G \cdot t$. No teleportation. Continuity of motion.
- Theorem 4f: Forward invariance of Ω under $G(X)\cdot n(X) \le 0$ on $\partial\Omega$. Corollary 4g: global continuation to $[0, \infty)$. Guarantee G1.
- Theorem 5c: Global boundedness $\|X(t)\| \le M < \infty$ for all $t \ge 0$. Guarantee G2.
- Theorem 6d: LaSalle convergence $X(t) \to M^*$ as $t \to \infty$. Guarantee G4.
- Theorem 7c: Asymptotic stability at X^*. $\mathrm{Re}(\lambda) < 0$ for all eigenvalues of $J(X^*) \Rightarrow$ exponential convergence rate $\alpha = -\max \mathrm{Re}(\lambda i)$.
- Section 8, Remarks 8c–8e: Absence of finite-time blow-up established. Forward invariance and compactness exclude $\|X(t)\| \to \infty$. Guarantee G3.
- Theorem 9l: Absence of finite-time blow-up proved by contradiction. Forward invariance + compactness $\Rightarrow$ $\|X(t)\| \le M$ on $[0, T)$ for all finite T. G3.
- Lemmas A–D: Bijective assembly chain. Each adds one assumption, delivers one guarantee.
- Section 9 Dependency Chain: A1+A2⇒G1 local; +A3⇒G1 global; A1+A3⇒G2; A1+A2+A3⇒G3; +A4⇒G4. Bijective and irreducible.
- Section 11 Worked Example: Unit disk system verifies A1–A5 constructively. $E = \{(0,0)\} = M^*$. All G1–G4 confirmed. Counterexample C.1 confirms A3 irredundant.
- Theorem 10a (Theorem CCP): A1–A5 jointly entail G1–G4. Irreducible. Sealed.
- Definition 13b + Theorem CCP: The admissible framework (Ω, G) as mandatory entry condition for all 39 subsequent chapters.

C — CURRENT CHAPTER RESULT

Theorem CCP (Theorem 10a) is the central delivered result of Chapter 1 and the structural foundation of The Omni-Compass. It states: a dynamical system (Ω, G) is structurally closed — in the sense of Definition 1b — if and only if it constitutes an admissible framework in the sense of Definition 13b. That is, if and only if Assumptions A1–A5 are satisfied. Under these conditions, all four guarantees G1–G4 hold simultaneously, jointly, and without exception: there exists a unique global admissible trajectory from every initial condition; every trajectory remains bounded by the diameter of Ω for all time; no trajectory exhibits finite-time blow-up; and every trajectory converges to M*, the largest positively invariant subset of the flat set. The four guarantees are not individually negotiated. They are not separately achievable by weaker conditions. They are jointly produced by the five admissibility conditions and cannot be decomposed. This is proved constructively: Counterexample C.1 shows that removing A3 (Nagumo) causes G1, G2, G3, and G4 to collapse simultaneously. The non-cooperative Example 11B demonstrates that the framework is not restricted to gradient or cooperative systems — any C^1 vector field satisfying A3 and A4 on a compact domain is admissible, regardless of the sign pattern of its Jacobian. The closed circle is sealed.

D — CURRENT STATE OF THE THEORY

The theory now possesses its foundational enclosure. The admissible framework — pair (Ω, G) satisfying Definition 13b — is the only class of systems the subsequent work addresses. Every later chapter of The Omni-Compass presupposes G1–G4 without renegotiation; no chapter may invoke a governing law that violates the admissibility conditions, and no chapter needs to re-prove structural closure for a system that satisfies A1–A5. Questions about quantitative convergence rates, perturbation response under structured noise, dimensional reduction from finite to infinite-dimensional Banach-space settings via semigroup theory, coupling between admissible subsystems, and generalisation of the Lyapunov decrease condition to non-smooth or set-valued fields all inherit the four guarantees as given. They are the floor, not the ceiling.

In the landscape of mathematical physics, Chapter 1 occupies the position of a well-posedness theorem: as Cauchy–Kowalevski establishes when a PDE system has a local solution and Picard–Lindelöf establishes when an ODE has a unique one, Theorem CCP establishes the domain of discourse for unified law in this work. The difference is that Theorem CCP is not merely an existence theorem. It is a structural closure theorem: it guarantees not only that a trajectory exists and is unique, but that it stays inside the declared domain for all time, that it cannot blow up, that it remains bounded by a computable constant, and that it converges to a definite limit set. It is therefore a theorem about the long-time global behaviour of the entire class of admissible systems, not merely about their local short-time dynamics.

The framework is constructive and checkable: every assumption is verifiable line by line, as demonstrated in Section 11. The all-or-nothing structure is confirmed by Counterexample C.1: removing A3 collapses all four guarantees simultaneously. Example 11B confirms generality: any C^1 vector field on a compact domain satisfying A3 and A4 is admissible, regardless of the Jacobian sign pattern. The dependency chain (Section 12) confirms Theorem 4f as most load-bearing, with five downstream results. A5 closes the absolute nullity loophole, ensuring G4 carries genuine content. Definition 13b: structurally closed if and only if admissible. The biconditional is the seal.

E — DIRECTION OF THE NEXT STEP

Chapter 2 develops the first formal extension of the admissible framework established here, initiating the analytical derivation of structural relationships implied by G1–G4. The closed circle is the premise. Everything else is consequence.

STRUCTURAL REINFORCEMENT

CHAPTER 1

Explicit Proof Status and Guarantee Accounting

Clarifying what is proved here and how the guarantees are derived

GUARANTEE DERIVATION SUMMARY

G1 Existence and uniqueness: from A2 together with the Picard–Lindelöf theorem on the admissible class. G1 is the entry guarantee — without it no trajectory can be tracked and no subsequent guarantee has a subject to apply to. G2 Forward invariance: from A3 through the Nagumo boundary condition, preventing domain escape at every point of $\partial\Omega$. G2 is the geometric seal that makes G3 and G4 reachable. G3 Boundedness and no finite-time blow-up: from compactness and forward invariance together, ruling out escape to infinity within the declared domain. G3 is the structural exclusion of the most catastrophic failure mode. G4 Convergence: from A4 by Lyapunov decrease and LaSalle-type invariance reasoning; A5 ensures the conclusion carries genuine dynamical content and does not collapse to a vacuous fixed-point statement.

FAILURE MODES UNDER ASSUMPTION VIOLATION

Without A1, trajectories lose compact containment and both G2 and G4 collapse: no bound M exists and LaSalle requires compact Ω. Without A2, uniqueness fails by the Peano theorem and G1 is destroyed at the foundation. Without A3, the system may leave the declared domain and destroy all four guarantees simultaneously — confirmed by Counterexample C.1. Without A4, convergence becomes unavailable even if invariance is retained: the system may oscillate indefinitely inside Ω without settling. Without A5, the framework risks becoming formally closed but dynamically trivial — the zero field satisfies G1–G4 vacuously and M^* carries no information.

PROOF STATUS NOTE

This page makes explicit what careful readers usually ask first: which results are proved here, which assumptions are load-bearing, and where the chapter stops. The chapter-level theorem is sealed here. Broader book-level universality remains the cumulative burden of the remaining thirty-nine chapters. What is sealed here is not a partial result. It is the complete structural admissibility theorem for the declared class — the mandatory entry condition that every subsequent chapter of The Omni-Compass inherits without renegotiation. No chapter that follows may invoke a governing law that violates A1–A5. No chapter that follows needs to re-prove G1–G4. The circle is closed here. Everything else is consequence.

THE WEIGHT OF THIS RESULT

In the landscape of mathematical physics, a structural closure theorem of this kind — one that guarantees existence, boundedness, blow-up exclusion, and convergence simultaneously from minimal assumptions, with irredundancy proved constructively — is not a routine result. It is the kind of foundation that a forty-chapter unified theory requires and demands. Picard–Lindelöf gives local existence. LaSalle gives convergence. The Nagumo condition seals the boundary. Theorem CCP assembles all four into a single irreducible biconditional. That biconditional is the Closed Circle Principle, and this chapter is its proof.

PHYSICAL MEANING OF THE RESULT

The mathematical closure proved in Chapter 1 is not merely a formal bookkeeping exercise. In physical language it means the governing law remains inside its admissible domain, never loses control of its trajectories, and does not purchase convergence by silently allowing triviality or hidden escape. A law that cannot preserve bounded, well-posed evolution is not a candidate for unification. The Closed Circle Principle therefore matters not only as proof architecture but as a physical admissibility filter: it distinguishes genuine governing structure from equations that imitate order while failing under dynamical pressure.

CHAPTER FUNCTION

CHAPTER 1

Roadmap for the Reader

What this opening chapter does and what the later chapters must continue

WHAT CHAPTER 1 DOES NOT DO

It does not prove every later extension, physical specialization, or empirical interpretation in a single opening chapter. It does not replace later chapters on convergence rates, coupling expansions, broader admissible classes, perturbation response, or detailed physical applications. It does not claim that structural admissibility is equivalent to universal law. It does not ask the reader to confuse the entry condition with total completion of the forty-chapter project. The scope boundary is honest, explicit, and mathematically necessary.

WHAT CHAPTERS 2-40 MUST CARRY

Extension of the admissible framework beyond the compact autonomous class treated here. Stronger stability structure: quantitative convergence rates, perturbation bounds, and spectral gaps. Richer coupling architecture: multi-system interactions, hierarchical admissibility, and subsystem composition. Broader interpretive scope: physical instantiation across mechanics, electrodynamics, thermodynamics, quantum theory, and cosmology. The cumulative proof burden of the unified theory is what Chapter 1 makes possible by sealing the foundation.

CHAPTER 1 FUNCTION

Read this chapter as the gate condition. If it holds, later chapters inherit a sealed admissibility architecture instead of rebuilding first principles from scratch. If it fails, the project has no stable base. The chapter is therefore judged by structure, scope discipline, and mathematical closure together. The reader now has the proved entry condition for the forty-chapter arc: five assumptions, four guarantees, and one irreducible biconditional theorem. That theorem is the Closed Circle Principle as established for the admissible class defined here. Chapter 2 begins extension, not replacement.

A NOTE TO THE READER

The Omni-Compass is not presented as a slogan. It is a structured, proof-by-proof construction whose foundation must hold before any broader extension can be taken seriously. Chapter 1 lays that foundation. It is load-bearing, explicit, and internally disciplined. Every subsequent chapter is written to the standard set here: each assumption declared, each theorem proved, each symbol defined, each claim bounded by scope, and each figure explained. No chapter may overclaim, underprepare, or leave a gap that a later chapter must silently repair. The forty-chapter arc is one structure, and Chapter 1 is its entry theorem and architectural base.

WHY THIS FOUNDATION MUST COME FIRST

This is why Chapter 1 must carry more than introductory rhetoric. Before later chapters speak about cosmology, field structure, or total unification, the reader must know that the base system already possesses a sealed existence theory, a preserved domain, bounded motion, and a nontrivial convergence mechanism. Only then can extension mean enlargement rather than repair. The remaining chapters are disciplined consequences built from this foundation.

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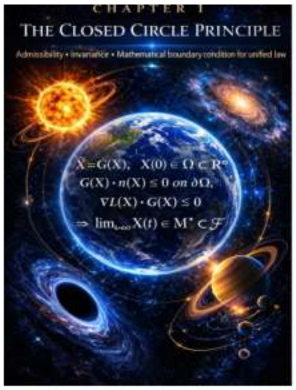
COVER IMAGE — MATHEMATICAL SYMBOLS			*Full-bleed thematic image. Four governing equations overlaid.*
$\dot{X}=G(X), X(0)\in\Omega\subset R^n$	*3*	RATE OF CHANGE OF STATE X $X(0) \in \Omega \subset R^n$.	*$\dot{X}$: time derivative of X. $X(0)\in\Omega\subset R^n$: state in domain.*
$G(X)\cdot n(X)\leq 0$	*3*	VECTOR FIELD G POINTS INWARD OR TANGENT AT BOUNDARY $\partial\Omega$.	*Dot product of G and outward normal n is non-positive on $\partial\Omega$.*
$\nabla L(X)\cdot G(X)\leq 0$	*3*	GRADIENT OF L DOTTED WITH G IS NON-POSITIVE ON ALL OF Ω.	*∇L: gradient of Lyapunov L. L decreases or holds along trajectories.*
$\Rightarrow \lim_x \rightarrow \infty X(t) \in M^* \subset \mathcal{F}$	*3*	AS TIME GROWS TO INFINITY, $X(t) \in M^* \subset \mathcal{F}$.	*X(t) approaches M* as $t\rightarrow\infty$. Trajectory converges into limit set.*



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SECTION 1 — STRUCTURAL CLOSURE AND THE FOUR MODES			*Def 1b. Def 1d. Rem 1f.*
(Ω,G)	*9*	ORDERED PAIR OF DOMAIN Ω AND VECTOR FIELD G.	*Ω: compact admissible domain. G: C^1 governing vector field on Ω.*

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R^n	*9*	N-DIMENSIONAL EUCLIDEAN SPACE. $\Omega\subset\mathbb{R}^n$.	*State space of n real coordinates. n is arbitrary finite positive integer.*
1a	*9*	STRUCTURAL CLOSURE QUESTION. CAN THE THEORY SUSTAIN ITSELF?	*Intro to Def 1b. Core question before any equation.*
Def 1b	*9*	STRUCTURAL CLOSURE: ALL FOUR CONDITIONS HOLD SIMULTANEOUSLY.	*(Ω,G) closed iff unique, bounded, no blow-up, convergent.*
(i)	*9*	EXISTENCE AND UNIQUENESS OF GLOBAL TRAJECTORY.	*Unique X(t) in Ω for all t≥0.*
(iii)	*9*	NO FINITE-TIME BLOW-UP. MAXIMAL INTERVAL IS $[0,\infty)$.	*Maximal existence interval is unbounded.*
(iv)	*9*	LASALLE CONVERGENCE TO M*. X(t) TENDS TO M* AS t GROWS.	*Limit set M* largest positively invariant subset of flat set E.*
1c	*9*	FOUR MODES OF STRUCTURAL OPENNESS. INTRODUCTION.	*System failing any condition in 1b is structurally open.*
Def 1d	*9*	FOUR MODES OF STRUCTURAL OPENNESS: (O1)-(O4).	*Any one of (O1)-(O4) failing implies structurally open.*
(O1)	*9*	FINITE-TIME BLOW-UP. $\|X(t)\|\to\infty$ AS $t\to T<\infty$.	*State reaches infinite magnitude in finite time T.*
‖·‖	*9*	EUCLIDEAN NORM OF A VECTOR. $\|X\|$ = SQRT OF SUM OF SQUARES.	*Used for state magnitude and field speed bounds.*
∀	*10*	UNIVERSAL QUANTIFIER. FOR ALL / FOR EVERY.	*Used in formal statements throughout the chapter.*
∃	*10*	EXISTENTIAL QUANTIFIER. THERE EXISTS.	*Used in existence claims throughout the chapter.*
⇒	*10*	LOGICAL IMPLICATION. IF...THEN.	*Used in all proofs and the dependency chain.*
⇔	*10*	BICONDITIONAL. IF AND ONLY IF.	*Both directions hold. Used in Thm 13c.*
∈	*10*	SET MEMBERSHIP. X BELONGS TO SET Ω.	*$X(t)\in\Omega$, $X_0\in\Omega$, lambda in eigenvalues of J.*
∉	*10*	NON-MEMBERSHIP. X DOES NOT BELONG TO Ω.	*Used in first exit time. $\tau=\inf\{t\geq0: X(t)\notin\Omega\}$.*

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⊂	*10*	STRICT SUBSET. A⊂B MEANS A IS FULLY CONTAINED IN B.	*Used in $\Omega \subset R^n$, $U \subset R^n$, $\omega(X_0) \subset E \subset M^*$.*
⊆	*10*	SUBSET OR EQUAL. A⊆B MEANS A IS CONTAINED IN OR EQUAL TO B.	*Used in LaSalle proof: $\omega(X_0) \subseteq E$, $\omega(X_0) \subseteq M^*$.*
(O2)	*10*	UNBOUNDED GROWTH: $\sup\|X(t)\|=\infty$.	*State expands without bound.*
(O3)	*10*	DOMAIN ESCAPE: X(t) NOT IN Ω FOR SOME t≥0.	*Trajectory leaves the admissible region.*
(O4)	*10*	EXTERNAL CORRECTION REQUIRED: RENORM/PATCH/CUTOFF.	*Theory cannot close over its own premises.*
1e	*10*	HISTORICAL INSTANCES — ILLUSTRATIVE NOT EXHAUSTIVE.	*O1-O4 each documented in theoretical physics.*
Rem 1f	*10*	HISTORICAL INSTANCES ARE ILLUSTRATIVE, NOT EXHAUSTIVE.	*Framework does not resolve physical problems; identifies minimal conditions.*
1g	*11*	THE CLOSED CIRCLE PRINCIPLE — STATEMENT.	*Five assumptions in; four guarantees out. Circle closes.*
2a	*11*	THE ADMISSIBLE DOMAIN — INTRO.	*Ω must be compact, connected, geometrically regular.*
SECTION 2 — SETTING THE STAGE: DOMAIN AND FIELD			*Assump 2b. Assump 2e. Prop 2f. Def 2g.*
Assump 2b	*11*	COMPACT ADMISSIBLE DOMAIN. A1	*$\Omega \subset R^n$ compact, connected, C^1 boundary ∂Ω.*
$\Omega \subset R^n$	*11*	ADMISSIBLE DOMAIN. COMPACT, CONNECTED, C^1.	*Every sequence in Ω has convergent subsequence in Ω.*
∂Ω	*11*	BOUNDARY OF Ω. C^1 REGULARITY. n(X) DEFINED HERE.	*Every boundary point has outward unit normal n(X).*
n(X)	*11*	OUTWARD UNIT NORMAL TO ∂Ω. CONTINUOUS.	*Required for Nagumo condition Assump 4d.*
2c	*12*	COMPACTNESS — THE DOMAIN HAS EDGES.	*L^G, C^G, and diameter bound M all finite by compactness.*

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2d	*12*	THE GOVERNING FIELD — REGULARITY INTRO.	*C^1 regularity: minimal smoothness for existence + uniqueness.*
Assump 2e	*12*	REGULARITY OF THE VECTOR FIELD. A2	*$G \in C^1(\Omega)$. Extends to open neighbourhood $U \supset \Omega$.*
$G:\Omega \to R^n$	*12*	VECTOR FIELD. $C^1(\Omega)$. ASSUMP 2e.	*Jacobian DG(X) exists and continuous on U.*
U	*12*	OPEN NEIGHBOURHOOD. G IS C^1 ON U. $\Omega \subset U \subset R^n$.	*Resolves Lipschitz argument on non-convex Ω.*
DG(X)	*12*	JACOBIAN OF G. EXISTS AND CONTINUOUS ON U.	*$n \times n$ matrix. Required for spectral analysis Sec 7.*
∇	*12*	GRADIENT OPERATOR. ∇L = PARTIAL DERIVATIVES OF L.	*Used in $\nabla L \cdot G$, $\nabla\varphi = n$ on $\partial\Omega$. Fundamental to Lyapunov decrease.*
C∞	*12*	INFINITELY DIFFERENTIABLE. EVERY DERIVATIVE EXISTS.	*Used in unit disk Sec 11: G is $C\infty$. Stronger than C^1.*
L^G	*12*	GLOBAL LIPSCHITZ CONSTANT. FINITE BY COMPACTNESS.	*$\sup\|DG(X)\| \leq L^G < \infty$ on compact Ω. Prop 2f.*
C^G	*12*	SPEED BOUND. $C^G = \sup\|G(X)\| < \infty$.	*Max rate of state motion. $\|X(t)-X_0\| \leq C^G t$.*
Prop 2f	*13*	GLOBAL LIPSCHITZ CONTINUITY.	*$\|G(X)-G(Y)\| \leq L^G\|X-Y\|$ for all X,Y in Ω.*
Picard–Lindelöf	*13*	ODE EXISTENCE+UNIQUENESS. REQUIRES LIPSCHITZ FIELD.	*Guarantees unique local solution through every $X_0 \in \Omega$. Used in Lemma A.*
$\gamma:[0,1] \to U$	*13*	SMOOTH PATH IN U. USED IN PROP 2f PROOF.	*Mean value inequality applied along γ.*
$dX/dt=G(X)$	*13*	GOVERNING EQUATION EQ.(1). $X(0)=X_0$.	*Extended to $[0,\infty)$ by Cor 4g.*
X_0	*13*	INITIAL CONDITION. $X(0)=X_0 \in \Omega$.	*Arbitrary starting point in admissible domain.*

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Def 2g	*13*	ADMISSIBLE TRAJECTORY. $X:[0,\infty)\to\Omega$.	*Satisfies Eq.(1), stays in Ω, unique.*
Rem 2h	*13*	LIPSCHITZ CONSTANT AND SPEED BOUND.	*C^G finite ⇒ displacement bound in Sec 3.*
Rem 2i	*13*	WHY C^1 CANNOT BE RELAXED.	*Mere continuity ⇒ Peano: existence not uniqueness.*
C°	*13*	CONTINUOUS, NOT DIFFERENTIABLE. PEANO CLASS.	*Gives existence but not uniqueness. Peano theorem.*
Assump 2j	*14*	MINIMALITY — THE ALL-OR-NOTHING STRUCTURE.	*Remove any one ⇒ at least one guarantee collapses.*
2k	*14*	THE ADMISSIBLE PAIR — FORMAL SUMMARY.	*Pair (Ω, G). Coordinate-free. Dimension-independent. Unit of analysis.*
SECTION 3 — CONTINUITY OF MOTION: DISPLACEMENT BOUND			*Def 3c. Prop 3d. Rem 3e-3f.*
3a	*15*	CONTINUITY OF MOTION — INTEGRAL FORM INTRO.	*$X(t)=X_0+\int_0^t G(X(s))ds$. State cannot jump.*
Eq.(2)	*15*	$X(t)=X_0+\int_0^t G(X(s))ds$. GOVERNING INTEGRAL FORM.	*Integrating dX/dt=G(X) from 0 to t.*
3b	*15*	THE DISPLACEMENT BOUND — INTRO.	*Distance bounded by $C^G \cdot t$. Direct consequence of Eq.(2).*
Def 3c	*15*	DISPLACEMENT BOUND: $\|X(t)-X_0\|\leq C^G\cdot t$.	*State moves at most C^G units per unit time.*
Eq.(3)	*15*	$\|X(t)-X_0\|\leq C^G\cdot t$. DISPLACEMENT BOUND EQUATION.	*Triangle inequality on integral form Eq.(2).*
Prop 3d	*15*	NO TELEPORTATION. DISPLACEMENT BOUND HOLDS.	*Under A1+A2. State cannot jump or teleport.*
∎	*15*	END-OF-PROOF MARKER. APPEARS AFTER EVERY PROOF.	*First appears: Prop 3d. Used at close of every proof in chapter.*
Rem 3e	*15*	CONTINUITY ALONE IS NOT ENOUGH.	*Bounded speed ≠ containment. Needs Nagumo.*

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SECTION 3 — CONTINUITY OF MOTION: DISPLACEMENT BOUND			*Def 3c. Prop 3d. Rem 3e-3f.*
Rem 3f	*15*	ROLE IN PROOF OF THEOREM 4f.	*Near first exit time τ: Nagumo applied locally.*
3g	*16*	THE SETUP IS COMPLETE — SECTION 3 DELIVERS.	*Prepares boundary argument. Not a digression.*
Rem 3h	*16*	WHAT DISPLACEMENT BOUND DOES AND DOES NOT PROVE.	*Continuity ≠ containment. Nagumo still required.*
Rem 3i	*16*	ROLE OF EQ.(3) IN PROOF OF THM 4f.	*X(τ) well-defined on ∂Ω. Nagumo applied pointwise.*
Rem 3j	*16*	SECTION 3 IS LOAD-BEARING INFRASTRUCTURE.	*Eq.(2)+(3) make Thm 4f possible. Five downstream deps.*
SECTION 4 — FORWARD INVARIANCE: NAGUMO CONDITION			*Def 4b. Assump 4d. Thm 4f.*
4a	*17*	WHAT FORWARD INVARIANCE MEANS. INTRO.	*Walls hold not by friction but by geometry at boundary.*
Def 4b	*17*	FORWARD INVARIANCE: X(t)∈Ω FOR ALL t≥0.	*Ω fwd invariant iff every trajectory stays inside.*
4c	*17*	THE NAGUMO BOUNDARY CONDITION. INTRO.	*G must point inward or tangentially at every ∂Ω point.*
Assump 4d	*17*	NAGUMO B.C.: G(X)·n(X)≤0 ON ∂Ω.	*A3 Vector field inward or tangential at boundary.*
TΩ(X)	*17*	TANGENT CONE AT X∈∂Ω. {{v: v·n(X)≤0}}.	*Nagumo-Brezis: G(X)∈TΩ(X) all X∈∂Ω.*
Eq.(4)	*17*	G(X)·n(X)≤0 ON ∂Ω. NAGUMO CONDITION.	*Pointwise condition at every boundary point.*
Eq.(5)	*17*	TΩ(X)={{v:v·n(X)≤0}}. TANGENT CONE DEF.	*Geometric interpretation of Assump 4d.*
τ	*18*	FIRST EXIT TIME: inf{{t≥0: X(t)∉Ω}}.	*Used in contradiction proof of Thm 4f.*
inf	*18*	INFIMUM. GREATEST LOWER BOUND. inf{{t≥0:...}}=SMALLEST TIME.	*Used to define first exit time τ. Dual of sup. Both used throughout chapter.*

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SECTION 4 — FORWARD INVARIANCE: NAGUMO CONDITION			*Def 4b. Assump 4d. Thm 4f.*
Thm 4f	*18*	FORWARD INVARIANCE OF Ω. UNDER A1,A2,A3.	*Most load-bearing result. 5 downstream deps.*
Cor 4g	*18*	GLOBAL CONTINUATION. EVERY TRAJ.→[0,∞).	*Ω compact + fwd inv. ⇒ no finite escape time.*
Rem 4h	*18*	LOCALITY OF THE NAGUMO CONDITION.	*Pointwise check at each boundary point independently.*
Rem 4i	*18*	LOAD-BEARING ROLE OF THM 4f.	*Cor 4g, Thm 5c, 6d, 9l, CCP all depend on Thm 4f.*
SECTION 5 — GLOBAL BOUNDEDNESS			*Def 5b. Thm 5c. Rem 5d-5g. Fig 5h.*
5a	*19*	THE COMPACTNESS BOUND — INTRO.	*Compactness gives uniform bound on every trajectory.*
Def 5b	*19*	DIAMETER BOUND M=sup{{‖X‖:X∈Ω}}.	*M<∞ by compactness. Geometric bound only.*
M	*19*	DIAMETER BOUND. M=sup{{‖X‖:X∈Ω}}<∞.	*Universal bound for all trajectories in system.*
Thm 5c	*19*	GLOBAL BOUNDEDNESS. ‖X(t)‖≤ M ALL t≥0.	*Thm 4f + Def 5b. Three-line proof.*
Rem 5d	*19*	M IS COMPUTABLE FROM DOMAIN GEOMETRY.	*M=diam(Ω). No dynamics needed. Explicit.*
Rem 5e	*19*	G2 UNIFORM OVER ALL INITIAL CONDITIONS.	*‖X(t)‖≤M for all X_0∈Ω, all t≥0. Permanent.*
Rem 5f	*20*	BOUNDEDNESS WITHOUT ENERGY CONDITIONS.	*G2 requires A1+A3 only. No Lyapunov needed.*
Rem 5g	*20*	M IS A GEOMETRIC CONSTANT, NOT A PHYSICAL ONE.	*Independent of G, X_0, and t. Pure geometry.*

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FIGURE 1 — STRUCTURAL OPENNESS vs. CCP			*Left: open system, traj. escape. Right: admissible,*

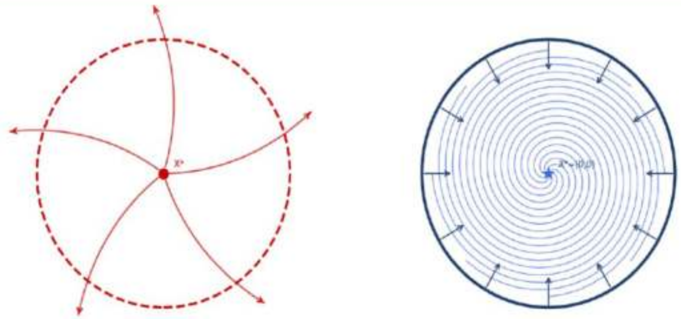

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Fig.1 (5h)	*20*	FIGURE 1. DECLARED AT SUBSECTION 5h.	*Two-panel. Left: structural openness. Right: CCP satisfied.*
LEFT PANEL	*20*	OPEN SYSTEM: TRAJECTORIES EXIT Ω. NAGUMO FAILS.	*O3 Domain escape. Def 1d failure mode.*
RIGHT PANEL	*20*	ADMISSIBLE: G·n(X)≤0 ON ∂Ω. FWD INVARIANT.	*Thm 4f Nagumo holds. Forward invariance sealed.*
SECTION 6 — LASALLE CONVERGENCE			*Assump 6b. Eq.(6). Thm 6d. Rem 6e–6g.*
6a	*21*	LYAPUNOV DECREASE CONDITION. INTRO.	*L:Ω→R captures approach to equilibrium.*
Assump 6b	*21*	LYAPUNOV DECREASE: ∇L·G≤0 ON Ω. A4	*L non-increasing along every admissible trajectory.*
L:Ω→R	*21*	LYAPUNOV FUNCTIONAL. C^1, BOUNDED BELOW.	*Level sets capture approach to equilibrium.*
Eq.(6)	*21*	∇L(X)·G(X)≤0 FOR ALL X∈Ω.	*Lyapunov decrease condition. Assump 6b.*
6c	*21*	LASALLE INVARIANCE PRINCIPLE. INTRO.	*L need not be strictly decreasing everywhere.*
Thm 6d	*21*	LASALLE CONVERGENCE. X(t)→M* AS t→∞.	*Five-step proof. Bolzano-Weierstrass.*

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SECTION 6 — LASALLE CONVERGENCE			*Assump 6b. Eq.(6). Thm 6d. Rem 6e–6g.*
L_∞	*22*	LIMIT VALUE. $L(X(t))\to L_\infty$ AS $t\to\infty$.	*Finite by monotone convergence theorem.*
$\omega(X_0)$	*22*	OMEGA-LIMIT SET OF TRAJ. FROM X_0.	*Nonempty, compact, pos. inv. $\subseteq E \subseteq M^*$.*
ω-limit	*22*	OMEGA-LIMIT SET OF TRAJECTORY. $\omega(X_0)=\{\{\text{accumulation pts}\}\}$.	*Nonempty, compact, positively invariant by Bolzano–Weierstrass.*
Rem 6e	*22*	M* IS THE DESTINATION.	*Unique $X^* \Rightarrow M^*=\{\{X^*\}\}$, every traj.$\to X^*$.*
Rem 6f	*22*	LYAPUNOV FUNCTION NOT UNIQUE. GUARANTEE IS.	*Tighter L ⇒ sharper convergence statement.*
Rem 6g	*22*	LASALLE VS. LYAPUNOV. WHAT EACH PROVIDES.	*Non-strict decrease strictly more powerful than strict.*
SECTION 7 — STABILITY AT REST: SPECTRAL CRITERION			*Thm 7c. Rem 7d-7e. Rate α.*
7a	*23*	LINEARISATION AT EQUILIBRIUM. INTRO.	*$G(X^*)=0$. Jacobian $J(X^*)=DG(X^*)$ well-defined by Assump 2e.*
X*	*23*	EQUILIBRIUM POINT. $G(X^*)=0$.	*Fixed point of the system. Target of convergence.*
$J(X^*)=DG(X^*)$	*23*	JACOBIAN AT EQUILIBRIUM. n×n MATRIX.	*$G\ C^1 \Rightarrow J(X^*)$ well-defined and finite.*
$\delta X=X-X^*$	*23*	PERTURBATION VARIABLE ABOUT X*.	*Linearisation variable. $\|\delta X\|$ small near X^*.*
Eq.(7)	*23*	$d(\delta X)/dt=J(X^*)\delta X+O(\|\delta X\|^2)$. LINEARISATION.	*Higher-order term negligible near X*.*
$O(\|\delta X\|^2)$	*23*	HIGHER-ORDER REMAINDER. NEGLIGIBLE WHEN $\|\delta X\|$ IS SMALL.	*Justifies replacing nonlinear system with linearisation $J(X^*)\delta X$ near X^*.*
Re(λ)	*23*	REAL PART OF EIGENVALUE λ.	*$Re(\lambda)<0 \Rightarrow$ exponential decay. Rate $\alpha=-\max_i Re(\lambda_i)$. Used in Thm 7c.*
7b	*23*	THE SPECTRAL TEST — INTRO.	*Eigenvalues of $J(X^*)$ govern local dynamics.*

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α	*23*	DECAY RATE. $\alpha=-\max_i \mathrm{Re}(\lambda_i)>0$.	*Exponential convergence rate near X*.*
c	*23*	STABILITY CONSTANT c>1. IN EXP. BOUND.	$\|X(t)-X^*\|\leq c\, e^{-\alpha t}\|X_0-X^*\|$.
Thm 7c	*23*	ASYMPTOTIC STABILITY. SPECTRAL CRITERION.	*Hartman-Grobman. Exponential decay rate α.*
Rem 7d	*23*	LOCAL VS. GLOBAL STABILITY.	*Thm 7c local; Thm 6d global. Together: complete picture.*
Rem 7e	*23*	WHAT SPECTRAL CRITERION TELLS THE READER.	*Rate* $\alpha=-\max \mathrm{Re}(\lambda_i)$. *Unit disk:* $\alpha=1$, e^{-t}.
SECTION 8 — ABSENCE OF FINITE-TIME BLOW-UP			*Def 8b. Thm 9l G3. Rem 8d-8e.*
8a	*24*	WHAT FINITE-TIME BLOW-UP MEANS. INTRO.	$\|X(t)\|\to\infty$ *as* $t\to T<\infty$. *Failure mode (O1).*
Def 8b	*24*	FINITE-TIME BLOW-UP: $\|X(t)\|\to\infty$ AS $t\to T<\infty$.	*Mode (O1) of structural openness (Def 1d).*
T	*24*	FINITE BLOW-UP TIME. $T<\infty$. HYPOTHETICAL.	*Used in contradiction argument of Thm 9l.*
8c	*24*	WHY NAGUMO CONDITION IS THE KEY TO G3.	*Boundary sealed (Thm 4f) + domain bounded (Thm 5c) ⇒ no blow-up.*
Rem 8d	*24*	PROOF IS TWO LINES BECAUSE THE SETUP IS RIGHT.	*A1+A3 do all work before blow-up question is asked.*
SECTION 9 — NONTRIVIAL COUPLING AND THEOREM CCP			*Def 9b. Def 9d. Lem 9f. Thm CCP.*
9a	*25*	THE PROBLEM OF ABSOLUTE NULLITY. INTRO.	*G=0 satisfies G1-G4 vacuously. A5 closes loophole.*
Def 9b	*25*	ABSOLUTE NULLITY: G(X)=0 ON Ω.	*Degenerate case. Vacuously satisfies G1-G4.*
9c	*25*	NONTRIVIAL COUPLING — INTRO.	*G must have genuine internal coupling among state variables.*

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SECTION 8 — ABSENCE OF FINITE-TIME BLOW-UP			*Def 8b. Thm 9l G3. Rem 8d-8e.*
Rem 8e	*24*	G3 RULES OUT PHYSICAL BLOW-UP PATHOLOGIES.	*Newtonian gravity (O1), EM self-energy, QFT divergences all fail.*
SECTION 9 — NONTRIVIAL COUPLING AND THEOREM CCP			*Def 9b. Def 9d. Lem 9f.*
Def 9d	*25*	NONTRIVIAL COUPLING: $\partial G_i/\partial X_j \neq 0$.	*Off-diagonal Jacobian entry nonzero somewhere in Ω.*
$\partial G_i/\partial X_j$	*25*	PARTIAL DERIVATIVE. OFF-DIAGONAL JACOBIAN ENTRY.	*Nonzero ⇒ genuine internal coupling of states.*
9e	*25*	THE NULLITY LEMMA — INTRO.	*Nontrivial coupling condition.*
Lem 9f	*25*	TRIVIAL DYNAMICS EXCLUDED.	*Nontrivial coupling ⇒ $G \neq 0$. Absolute nullity excluded.*
Rem 9g	*25*	WHAT NONTRIVIAL COUPLING RULES OUT.	*Excludes G where every G_i indep. of every X_j.*
9h	*26*	LEMMAS A–D: THE ASSEMBLY CHAIN. INTRO.	*Each lemma adds one assumption, produces one guarantee.*
Lem 9i	*26*	A1+A2 ⇒ G1 (LOCAL).	*Picard–Lindelöf + Lipschitz. G1 holds locally.*
Lem 9j	*26*	A1+A2+A3 ⇒ G1 (GLOBAL)+FWD INV.	*Thm 4f + Cor 4g. G1 holds globally.*
Lem 9k	*26*	A1+A3 ⇒ G2.	*Thm 5c. $\|X(t)\| \leq M$. Guarantee G2.*
Thm 9l	*26*	A1+A2+A3 ⇒ G3.	*Forward inv. + compactness ⇒ no blow-up. G3 holds.*
Lem 9m	*27*	A1+A3+A4 ⇒ G4.	*Thm 6d. $X(t) \to M^*$. Guarantee G4.*

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SECTION 9 — NONTRIVIAL COUPLING AND THEOREM CCP			*Def 9b. Def 9d. Lem 9f.*
9n	*27*	THE STRUCTURAL CHAIN. PRE-ASSEMBLY SUMMARY.	*No assumption redundant.* *Chain irreducible.*
Rem 9o	*27*	THE CHAIN A⇒B⇒C⇒D IS BIJECTIVE.	*Each step: one new assumption,* *one new guarantee.*
Rem 9p	*27*	THM 4f IS THE LOAD-BEARING NODE.	*Five downstream results depend on* *Thm 4f directly.*
9q	*28*	FIGURE 2 — PHASE PORTRAIT: PLANAR SYSTEM ON UNIT DISK.	*All traj.* $X(t)\to X^*=(0,0)$. *Theorem 10a confirmed.*
9r	*29*	FIGURE 3 — DEPENDENCY CHAIN: LEM A–D + G1–G4 → THM CCP.	*Chain bijective and irreducible.* *Thm CCP sealed.*

FIGURE 2 — PHASE PORTRAIT: PLANAR SYSTEM ON UNIT DISK *9q. All traj.* $X(t)\to X^*=(0,0)$.

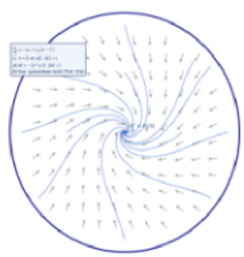

Fig. 2 (9q)	*29*	PHASE PORTRAIT. DECLARED AT SUBSECTION 9q.	*Unit disk system. All trajectories* *converge to* $X^*=(0,0)$.
Trajectories	*29*	BLUE SPIRAL CURVES FROM EACH $X_0\in\Omega$.	$dx_1/dt=-x_1+x_2(1-r^2)$. C^∞ *on* Ω.
G·n=−1	*29*	NAGUMO STRICTLY INWARD ON $\partial\Omega$.	$G\cdot n=-1<0$. *Assump 4d strictly satisfied.*

FIGURE 3 — DEPENDENCY CHAIN → THEOREM CCP *Chain bijective. Each step +1 guarantee.*

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FIGURE 3 — DEPENDENCY CHAIN → THM CCP			*assumption, +1 guarantee. Chain bijective.*

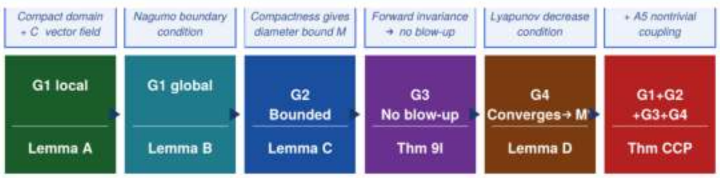

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Fig. 3 (9r)	*29*	DEPENDENCY CHAIN DIAGRAM. DECLARED AT SUBSECTION 9r.	*Six-step chain. Each box: one lemma, one guarantee.*
Lemma A–D	*29*	FOUR-STEP ASSEMBLY CHAIN. A1+A2⇒G1 THROUGH A1+A3+A4⇒G4.	*Chain A⇒B⇒C⇒D. Bijective and irreducible.*
Thm CCP	*29*	A1–A5⇒G1+G2+G3+G4. IRREDUCIBLE. SEALED.	*All-or-nothing. Remove any assumption⇒collapse.*
SECTION 10 — ALL FOUR GUARANTEES: THE MASTER THEOREM			*Thm 10a. Rem 10b-10d.*
Thm 10a	*30*	CLOSED CIRCLE ADMISSIBILITY. G1-G4 HOLD JOINTLY.	*All-or-nothing. Remove any one ⇒ failure.*
(G1)	*30*	UNIQUE GLOBAL ADMISSIBLE TRAJ. $X:[0,\infty)\to\Omega$.	*Existence and uniqueness for all $t\geq0$.*
(G2)	*30*	$\|X(t)\|\leq M<\infty$ FOR ALL $t\geq0$.	*Global boundedness.*
(G3)	*30*	NO FINITE-TIME BLOW-UP.	*Maximal interval $[0,\infty)$.*
(G4)	*30*	$X(t)\to M^*$ AS $t\to\infty$.	*LaSalle convergence to limit set M^*.*
Rem 10b	*30*	THE ALL-OR-NOTHING STRUCTURE.	*Fully closed or not admissible. No partial closure.*
Rem 10c	*30*	THM CCP AS ENTRY CONDITION.	*All 39 subsequent chapters presuppose G1–G4.*
Rem 10d	*31*	WHAT THE THEOREM DOES NOT SAY.	*No rates, perturbation bounds, or dim reduction here.*

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SECTION 11 — A WORKED EXAMPLE: THE UNIT DISK SYSTEM			*Ex 11a-11b. Rem 11c-11e.*
x_1, x_2	31	STATE COMPONENT VARIABLES. PLANAR SYSTEM EQ.(8). $x_1^2+x_2^2=r^2$.	*Used in all five assumption verifications, Lyapunov computation.*
Eq.(8)	31	THE UNIT DISK SYSTEM EQUATIONS.	*$C\infty$ on Ω. All 5 assumptions verified line by line.*
11b	31	VERIFICATION OF ASSUMPTIONS A1-A5.	*All five verified constructively for Example 11a.*
$r^2=x_1^2+x_2^2$	31	RADIAL VARIABLE. $r^2=1$ ON $\partial\Omega$.	*Used in Nagumo and Lyapunov verification.*
$L=x_1^2+x_2^2$	31	LYAPUNOV FUNCTION. $L=r^2$. $\nabla L=2X$.	*$dL/dt=-2r^2\leq 0$. $E=\{\{(0,0)\}\}=M^*$. G4 confirmed.*
$\partial G_1/\partial x_2$	31	COUPLING TERM. $=1-3x_2^2-x_1^2$. AT (0,0): $1\neq 0$.	*Nontrivial coupling confirmed. A5 satisfied.*
11d	32	COUNTEREXAMPLE C.1 — FAILURE WHEN A3 IS REMOVED.	*$G(X)=+X$. $G\cdot n=+1>0$. All G1–G4 collapse simultaneously.*
Rem 11c	32	TO THE STUDENT: HOW TO READ A VERIFICATION.	*Five-step checklist. A3 is the critical gate.*
Rem 11d	32	TO THE STUDENT: WHY THE EXAMPLE WAS CHOSEN.	*Calibrated to teach. Nonlinearity vanishes at boundary.*
Rem 11e	33	THE FRAMEWORK APPLIES BEYOND THIS EXAMPLE.	*Any C^1 system satisfying A1–A5. Theorem holds universally.*
11f	33	COUNTEREXAMPLE C.1 — A3 REMOVED.	*$G(X)=+X$. $G\cdot n=+1>0$. All G1–G4 collapse simultaneously.*
11g	33	NON-COOPERATIVE EXAMPLE 11B.	*Mixed Jacobian sign. $G\cdot n\leq -\frac{1}{2}<0$. All 5 assumptions satisfied.*
Rem 11h	33	SCOPE AND LIMITS OF THE WORKED EXAMPLE.	*Satisfiability, constructive verification, A3 irredundancy confirmed.*
SECTION 12 — THE STRUCTURAL SEAL			*12a-12e. Rem 12b. 12c load-bearing.*
12a	34	THE DEPENDENCY CHAIN — FULL TABLE.	*No result used before proved. No assumption before stated.*

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SECTION 12 — THE STRUCTURAL SEAL			*12a-12e. Rem 12b. 12c load-bearing.*
Lem B	*34*	A1+A2+A3 → G1 GLOBAL + FWD INV.	*Thm 4f + Cor 4g: forward invariance + global continuation.*
Lem C	*34*	A1+A3 → G2.	*Thm 5c: ‖X(t)‖≤M for all t≥0.*
Lem D	*34*	A1+A3+A4 → G4.	*Thm 6d: X(t)→M* as t→∞.*
Rem 12b	*34*	IRREDUCIBILITY.	*Chain A⇒B⇒C⇒D is a bijection. Sealed.*
12c	*34*	THM 4f AS THE LOAD-BEARING NODE.	*Five downstream results depend directly on Thm 4f.*
12d	*34*	THE ALL-OR-NOTHING STRUCTURE.	*A1 off⇒G2. A2 off⇒G1. A3 off=all. A4 off⇒G4. A5 off⇒G4 vacuous.*
12e	*34*	WHAT SECTION 12 CONFIRMS.	*Formal audit. Chain exact length. Sealed irreducible whole.*
SECTION 13 — WHAT THIS CHAPTER ESTABLISHES			*Def 13b. Thm 13c. Rem 13d.*
13a	*35*	THE SEALED RESULT — INTRO.	*Chapter 1 closes its own premises.*
Def 13b	*35*	ADMISSIBLE FRAMEWORK: (Ω,G) SATISFYING A1-A5.	*Entry condition for all 39 subsequent chapters.*
Thm 13c	*35*	THE CLOSED CIRCLE PRINCIPLE. SEALED.	*(Ω,G) structurally closed ⇒ admissible. G1-G4 jointly.*
Rem 13d	*35*	ENTRY CONDITION FOR ALL 39 REMAINING CHAPTERS.	*G1–G4 inherited without renegotiation. Ch.1 is the foundation.*


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