

Homework assignment  
**Dynamical Systems III**

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(As usual, solve (at least) 2 problems, get 1 right.)

**Aufgabe 5:** Consider a vector field

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x_1, x_2) \\ f_2(x_1, x_2) \end{pmatrix},$$

with  $f_1, f_2 = \mathcal{O}(|x_1|^2 + |x_2|^2)$ .

(i) Calculate a normal form

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ g(x_1, x_2) \end{pmatrix} + \text{h.o.t.},$$

up to order 2, either by choosing a suitable complement to  $\text{ad}(A)$  or by subsequent coordinate transformation. This truncated normal form can be written as a second-order equation,  $\ddot{x}_1 = g(x_1, \dot{x}_1)$ .

(ii) A two-parameter unfolding of the bifurcation is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \mu & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x_1, x_2) \\ f_2(x_1, x_2) \end{pmatrix}.$$

The resulting normal form (as given by (i) with the additional parameters) can be scaled by

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \sigma^2 \tilde{x}_1, \\ x_2 &= \sigma^3 \tilde{x}_2, \\ \lambda &= \sigma^4 \tilde{\lambda}, \\ \mu &= \sigma^2 \tilde{\mu}, \\ t &= \sigma^{-1} \tilde{t}. \end{aligned}$$

Determine the rescaled normal form in  $(\tilde{x}_1, \tilde{x}_2, \tilde{\lambda}, \tilde{\mu}, \tilde{t})$ . up to order one in  $\sigma$ . Sketch the phase portrait of the Hamiltonian(!) vector field given by the rescaled normal form to order zero in  $\sigma$  for relevant parameter values. Determine curves of saddle-node and Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcations in the  $(\lambda, \mu)$  parameter plane.

*Extra credit:* Are the Hopf points subcritical or supercritical? How do the perturbation terms of order one in  $\sigma$  change the phase portraits?

**Aufgabe 6:** The group  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  acts on the space  $M^{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  of  $(n \times n)$ -matrices by conjugation:

$$\forall G \in GL(n), A \in M^{n \times n} \quad : \quad T_G A := G^{-1} A G.$$

The conjugacy classes  $\{T_G A \mid G \in GL(n)\}$ ,  $A \in M^{n \times n}$ , thus become orbits of the group action. A normal form chooses a section to these group orbits.

Compare the Jordan normal form,  $n = 2$ , with the section given by the 2-parameter family

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ a_1 & a_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (a_1, a_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

(Arnold normal form). Discuss continuity, differentiability, and smoothness.

**Aufgabe 7:** Define the scalar product of  $(n \times n)$ -matrices  $A, B \in M^{n \times n}(\mathbb{C})$ :

$$\langle A, B \rangle := \text{trace}(AB^*),$$

with the conjugate transpose (or adjoint matrix)  $B^* = \overline{B^T}$ . Define the action

$$\text{ad}(A) B := [A, B] = AB - BA.$$

(i) Prove:  $\text{ad}(A)^* = \text{ad}(A^*)$ , i.e.

$$\forall B, C \in M^{n \times n}(\mathbb{C}) \quad : \quad \langle \text{ad}(A) B, C \rangle = \langle B, \text{ad}(A^*) C \rangle.$$

(ii) Calculate the kernel of  $\text{ad}(A)^*$  for

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \mu \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{with} \quad 0 \neq \lambda \neq \mu \neq 0.$$

(iii) Prove: the map

$$\Psi_A : GL(n) \longrightarrow M^{n \times n}(\mathbb{C}), \quad G \longmapsto G^{-1} A G$$

is analytic with linearization

$$D\Psi_A(\text{id}) : M^{n \times n}(\mathbb{C}) \longrightarrow M^{n \times n}(\mathbb{C}), \quad C \longmapsto \text{ad}(A) C.$$

**Aufgabe 8:** Consider a vector field

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} + f(x_1, x_2, x_3),$$

with  $f = \mathcal{O}(\|x\|^2)$ . Determine the remaining monomials of the normal form introduced in class. Unfold the linearization with two parameters. Determine curves of saddle-node and Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcations in the parameter plane.

*Extra credit:* Sketch the phase portrait of the truncated normal form for relevant parameter values.