

Homework assignment
Dynamical Systems III

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

Problem 37: James Watt's centrifugal governor yields the normalized equation

$$\ddot{\theta} = \Omega \sin 2\theta - \sin \theta - \nu \dot{\theta}.$$

Here, Ω denotes the (normalized) angular velocity, θ denotes the angle of the lever arm, and ν is a friction coefficient.

Which (fixed) values of Ω give rise to a Hopf bifurcation at $(\nu, \theta) = (0, 0)$? Discuss the resulting dynamics and implications for the steam engine.

Problem 38: Consider an iteration $x_{n+1} = h(\lambda, x_n)$, $h(\lambda, 0) = 0$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$. Let $\mu(0) = e^{\pm i2\pi p/q}$, p, q coprime, be an algebraically simple, non-resonant eigenvalue of the linearization $A(\lambda = 0)$. Let the transversality condition $\det \mu'(0) \neq 0$ hold.

Discuss the bifurcation equation of the subharmonic bifurcation,

$$0 = e^{-i\theta} \Phi(\lambda, r e^{i\theta}) = (\alpha_0(\lambda) + \alpha_1(\lambda)r^2 + \dots + \alpha_{[q/2]}(\lambda)r^{2[q/2]})r + \beta(\lambda)e^{-iq\theta}r^{q-1} + \mathcal{O}(r^{q-1}),$$

for $q \geq 5$, $\beta(0) \neq 0$. Note that $\alpha(\lambda) = \mu(0) - \mu(\lambda) + \mathcal{O}(\lambda)$.

Extra credit: How about $q \leq 4$?

Problem 39: Consider the reversible vector field

$$\dot{x} = f(x) \in \mathbb{R}^N, \quad f(Rx) = -Rf(x),$$

with linear involution R , $R^2 = \text{id}$.

- (i) Prove that every orbit $x(\cdot)$ with $x(0), x(T) \in \text{Fix}(R)$ and $x(0) \neq x(T)$ is periodic. Determine its period. Such orbits are called *reversible periodic orbits*.
- (ii) Let $x(\cdot)$ be a reversible periodic orbits. Prove that every Floquet multiplier μ of $x(\cdot)$ is accompanied by Floquet multipliers μ^{-1} , $\bar{\mu}$, and $\bar{\mu}^{-1}$.

Problem 40: Consider the space

$$X = \mathbb{R}^{nq} = \{(x_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}; \forall k \ x_k = x_{k+q} \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$$

and the map

$$f : X \rightarrow X, \quad (f(x))_k = x_{k+1} - h(x_k),$$

for a given map $h : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$. The map

$$S : X \rightarrow X, \quad (Sx)_k = x_{k+1},$$

generates the action of the group \mathbb{Z}_q on X .

(i) Prove that f is equivariant with respect to \mathbb{Z}_q .

(ii) Prove that the projection

$$Q : X \rightarrow X, \quad (Qx)_k = \langle e_{(\ell)}, y \rangle e_{(r)} = \left(\frac{1}{q} \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} \bar{\mu}_0^j \bar{y}_{(\ell)}^T x_j \right) \mu_0^k y_{(r)}$$

is equivariant respect to \mathbb{Z}_q . Here $\mu_0 = e^{\pm i2\pi p/q}$ is the critical eigenvalue of the subharmonic bifurcation as introduced in class, $y_{(\ell)}, y_{(r)}$ are the associated eigenvectors.