Bifurcation without Parameters

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Preface

This thesis is devoted to the study of dynamical systems with manifolds of equilibria near points at which normal hyperbolicity of these manifolds is violated.

Manifolds of equilibria arise frequently in parameter dependent systems — by continuation of a trivial equilibrium. Loss of hyperbolicity of such equilibria yields qualitative changes of the local dynamics. Its study is one of the main objectives of classical bifurcation theory.

Here, however, we are interested in manifolds of equilibria which are not caused by additional parameters. Still, qualitative changes of the local dynamics close to the manifold of equilibria occur at points at which normal hyperbolicity of these manifolds breaks down. To exclude not only given but also any unknown or "hidden" parameters, we require the absence of any flow-invariant foliation transverse to the manifold of equilibria at the bifurcation point. We call the emerging theory *bifurcation without parameters*.

On first glance our setting appears to be very degenerate. Indeed, vector fields with manifolds of equilibria form a set of infinite codimension in the space of all smooth vector fields. However, there is a surprisingly rich and diverse collection of applications ranging from networks of coupled oscillators, viscous and inviscid profiles of stiff hyperbolic balance laws, standing waves in fluids, binary oscillations in numerical discretizations, population dynamics, memristor circuits, cosmological models, and many more.

Note that parameter dependent systems, likewise, form a set of infinite codimension in the space of vector fields with manifolds of equilibria — if we consider the parameters as fixed phase variables. As classical bifurcation theory is justified by its applicability, so is bifurcation theory without parameters.

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Part I

Preliminaries

Chapter 1

Introduction

This chapter introduces the setting in which we shall study bifurcations without parameters. We compare it with classical bifurcation theory and give an overview and classification of the results presented in the following chapters.

1.1 Classical Bifurcation versus Bifurcation without Parameters

We start with a sufficiently smooth vector field. The required smoothness depends on the particular bifurcation problem and will be specified later. We assume a smooth manifold of equilibria, which we can transform to a subspace, at least locally. For simplicity of notation, only, we assume a global flat surface of equilibria although we study a local neighborhood of the origin.

Thus, consider a vector field in an (n + m)-dimensional phase space,

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= f(x,y) &\in \mathbb{R}^n, \\ \dot{y} &= g(x,y) &\in \mathbb{R}^m \end{aligned}$$
 (1.1)

with an *m*-dimensional manifold of equilibria $\{(0, y) : y \in \mathbb{R}^m\}$, i.e.

$$f(0,y) \equiv 0, \qquad g(0,y) \equiv 0.$$
 (1.2)

Note the analogy to classical bifurcation theory where y would be a parameter, i.e. $g \equiv 0$:

$$\dot{x} = f(x,\lambda) \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^n, \qquad f(0,\lambda) \equiv 0, \\ \dot{\lambda} = 0 \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$
 (1.3)



Figure 1.1: A normally hyperbolic line of equilibria with flow-invariant foliation.

Here, we write λ instead of y, to emphasize the fact that it is fixed under the flow.

As long as the manifold remains normally hyperbolic, i.e. the linearization of f in transverse directions on the manifold has no purely imaginary eigenvalues,

$$\operatorname{spec} \partial_x f(0, y) \cap \mathbf{i} \mathbb{R} = \emptyset, \tag{1.4}$$

there exists a local flow-invariant foliation with leaves which are homeomorphic to a standard saddle, for example by the theorem of Shoshitaishvili [Sho75], see also figure 1.1. The local dynamics near a normally hyperbolic manifold of equilibria is simple, no qualitative changes occur.

Bifurcations are characterized by a breakdown of this normal hyperbolicity. If we write the linearization at the equilibria as

$$\begin{pmatrix} A(y) & 0\\ B(y) & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_x f & \partial_y f\\ \partial_x g & \partial_y g \end{pmatrix} (0, y),$$
(1.5)

then a bifurcation, say at the origin, is characterized by a singular block A, i.e. the spectrum of A(0) intersects the imaginary axis,

$$\operatorname{spec} A(0) \cap \mathbf{i} \mathbb{R} \neq \emptyset. \tag{1.6}$$

Restricting to a center manifold, see also section 2.1, we can ignore eigenspaces to regular eigenvalues and assume

$$\operatorname{spec} A(0) \subset \mathrm{i}\mathbb{R},$$
 (1.7)

i.e. all eigenvalues at the origin — the bifurcation point — are purely imaginary.

Note the analogy to classical bifurcation theory (1.3). Bifurcations occur at equilibria with purely imaginary eigenvalues, i.e. at points (0,y) with spec $\partial_x f(0,y) \cap i\mathbb{R} \neq \emptyset$. For references on classical bifurcation theory see for example [Arn83, HK91, Kuz95, Van89] and the references there.

In the classical case (1.3), however, the flow invariant transverse foliation with fibers { $\lambda = \text{constant}$ } is also present in a neighborhood of the bifurcation point. In the general case (1.1, 1.2) without parameters, this is no longer true. Indeed, generic functions g of the form (1.2) yield a drift in the "parameter" direction y which excludes any flow-invariant foliation transverse to the manifold of equilibria near a singularity (1.6). Thus, the resulting nonlinear local dynamics differ considerably from classical bifurcation scenarios.

Additionally, we are also interested in the mixed cases of m_1 -parameter families of m_2 -dimensional manifolds of equilibria.

1.2 Manifolds of Equilibria

At a first glance, manifolds of equilibria are a rather degenerate structure. Vector fields with such manifolds form a meager set of infinite codimension in the space of all C^k vector fields. We will discuss this aspect in sections 2.4, 2.5.

At an abstract level we could argue that systems with classical bifurcation are even more degenerate than our setting, due to the additional invariant foliation. Even in this special case, classical bifurcation theory succeeds in discussing many important problems in all areas of dynamical systems.

Bifurcation theory without parameters is necessary to handle many examples in a large variety of applications. Examples include decoupling in networks of coupled oscillators [AA86, Lie97], oscillatory viscous in inviscid profiles in hyperbolic balance laws [FL00, HL05], binary oscillations in discretizations [FLA00b], population dynamics [Far84], Bianchi cosmological models [HU09, LHWG11], stationary profiles in fluid flows [AFL08, AFL11], memristor dynamics [Ria12], and many more.

Several structural properties may generate manifolds of equilibria. However most of them will also induce transverse flow-invariant foliation and represent degenerate cases with respect to our approach. Although they do not fit into the framework discussed here, we briefly introduce important cases to clarify the scope of our setting.

1.2.1 Conserved Quantities

As mentioned before, conserved quantities appear in many applications. Their level sets provide a foliation of the phase space. Equilibria typically form manifolds parametrized by the levels of the conserved quantities, that is, as long as the implicitfunction theorem is applicable. At points at which the implicit-function theorem fails, we find bifurcations of the equilibrium set itself.

Bifurcations along manifolds of equilibria generated by conserved quantities are classical bifurcations and not our aim here.

Note that these conserved quantities can be apparent, for example as the energy function or a continuous symmetry of a Hamiltonian system. Of course, they can also appear as a direct parameter dependence of the model. However in some systems they might be hidden, due to incomplete knowledge of the system and its symmetries, or only exist locally near the bifurcation point.

Such conserved quantities are excluded by non-degeneracy assumptions, or drift-conditions, in all bifurcations analyzed in the following chapters. In fact, these drift conditions will exclude any flow invariant foliation to lowest possible order of the Taylor expansion of the vector field at the bifurcation point.

1.2.2 Equivariances

Symmetry groups are another structure which is encountered in many models. They are typically given by a Lie group Γ acting on the phase space X and commuting with the flow Φ_t ,

 $\Phi_t(\gamma(x)) = \gamma(\Phi_t(x)), \quad \text{for all } x \in X, \ \gamma \in \Gamma.$

The corresponding vector field $f = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} \Phi_t \Big|_{t=0}$ satisfies

 $f(\gamma(x)) = D\gamma(x)f(x),$ for all $x \in X, \gamma \in \Gamma$.

Equilibria $x_0 \in X$, $f(x_0) = 0$, come in families given by their group orbits $\Gamma \cdot x_0 = \{\gamma(x_0); \gamma \in \Gamma\}$. For example, for the group $\Gamma = SO(2) = S^1$ of rotations of the plane $X = \mathbb{R}^2$, equilibria form circles around the origin.

In a tubular neighborhood of a group orbit, a Γ -invariant foliation can be constructed. In particular, fibers are parametrized by their intersection points $\gamma(x_0)$ with the group orbit $\Gamma \cdot x_0$. Fibers are also invariant under the stabilizer subgroup $\Gamma_{\gamma(x_0)} = \{\rho \in \Gamma; \rho(\gamma(x_0)) = \gamma(x_0)\}.$

Due to the equivariance of the system, this foliation is also flow invariant. Again, this leads to classical bifurcations, albeit with additional symmetry. See [CL00, GS02] for an introduction into equivariant bifurcation theory.

Whenever we consider additional symmetries in bifurcation problems without parameters, the manifold of equilibria is not an orbit of the symmetry group.

1.2.3 Reversibilities

Time reversibility is another structure that arises frequently. Consider an involution R on \mathbb{R}^{N+M} , $R^2 = \text{id}$. For simplicity of notation, we take

$$R(x_1, x_2) = (x_1, -x_2), \qquad x_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{N_1}, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{N_2}$$

We call a vector field $f: \mathbb{R}^{N_1+N_2} \to \mathbb{R}^{N_1+N_2}$ time reversible, if for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^{N_1+N_2}$

$$f(Rx) = -Rf(x),$$
 or $(f_1, f_2)(x_1, -x_2) = (-f_1, f_2)(x_1, x_2).$

Then the reversibility implies $f_1(x_1, 0) \equiv 0$, and $(x_1, 0)$ is an equilibrium if, and only if, $f_2(x_1, 0) = 0$.

The implicit-function theorem, generically, yields a continuation of the equilibrium $(x_1, 0)$ by a (N_1-N_2) -parameter family of equilibria in the fixed point space of R, for $N_1 > N_2$.

Note however that the linearization at fixed points x = Rx of the reversibility inherits the reversibility

$$Df(x) = -R Df(x) R$$

In particular, the spectrum is reflection symmetric to the real and imaginary axes.

Thus, reversibility with a high-dimensional fixed-point space, that is, of dimension higher than half the dimension of the phase space, leads to manifolds of equilibria in the fixed point space of the reversibility. The emerging bifurcations without parameters, however, inherit the reversibility and are not contained in the generic cases discussed in the following chapters. The fully symmetric case of the planar fluid flow, discussed in chapter 14 and [AFL08], however, is an example of such a reversibility.

1.2.4 Singular Perturbations

Geometric singular perturbation theory is a method to study systems with multiple timescales. In standard form they read

$$\dot{x}_1 = f_1(x_1, x_2),$$

 $\dot{x}_2 = \varepsilon f_2(x_1, x_2),$

with phase variables $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^{N_1+N_2}$. The parameter $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$ separates the two timescales. The formal limit $\varepsilon \to 0$ yields the "fast system"

$$\dot{x}_1 = f_1(x_1, x_2),$$

 $\dot{x}_2 = 0.$

Its dynamics can be interpreted as fast relaxation to stable sections of the singular manifold $\{x; f_1(x) = 0\}$, consisting of equilibria of the fast system.

The fast system, $\varepsilon = 0$, also contains an invariant foliation $\{x_2 = \text{constant}\}$. For $\varepsilon > 0$, on the other hand, f_2 typically induces a slow drift on the singular manifold, modeled by the "slow system", that is the algebro-differential equation

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
0 &=& f_1(x_1, x_2), \\
\dot{x}_2 &=& f_2(x_1, x_2).
\end{array}$$

Here we expect only isolated equilibria to survive.

The main task of the analysis of singularly perturbed systems is then the combination of solutions of the two formal limit systems to solutions of the full system. Theorems due to Fenichel [Fen79] yield continuations of normally hyperbolic sections of the singular manifold to $\varepsilon > 0$. There, in particular, the foliation of the fast system is transverse to the singular manifold, i.e. bifurcations in the fast system, $\varepsilon = 0$, are classical and the drift for $\varepsilon > 0$ leads to the phenomenon of delayed bifurcation [Arn94].

At tangencies of the fast foliation the singular manifold may break, for $\varepsilon > 0$. Here geometric blow-up or rescaling methods are used to study the full system [KS01]. Similar methods are employed in our analysis of bifurcations without parameters, see also section 2.6.

1.2.5 Cosymmetries

Yudovich and Kurakin introduced the concept of cosymmetries [KY97] to study periodic orbits with Lyapunov-Schmidt reduction in certain PDE problems containing manifolds of equilibria. We discuss the concept in more detail in chapter 3.

1.3 Classification of Bifurcation Types

Bifurcations without parameters are classified by their codimension; see section 2.5 for a more detailed discussion. The question is: which singularities of the Tailor expansion of a vector field (1.1) can we expect to appear robustly at isolated points along *m*-dimensional manifolds of equilibria? We call a bifurcation point with such a Tailor expansion of codimension *m*. Our aim is to describe the local dynamics close to the bifurcation.

Analogously, a classical bifurcation of codimension m would appear robustly at isolated parameter values in m-parameter families of vector fields (1.3). We will find the same cases for the transverse linearization $\partial_x f(0, y)$. However, without parameters, the linearization $\partial_y f(0, y)$ might be nonzero, and higher-order Taylor terms typically differ.

In the following, we briefly list the cases of codimension one and two, See table 1.1 for a complete list including references.

1.3.1 Codimension One

Along one-dimensional manifolds of equilibria, (1.1, m = 1), generically at most one algebraically simple eigenvalue zero or a simple pair of purely imaginary eigenvalues of $\partial_x f(0, y)$ will appear. It crosses the imaginary axis transversely, as y is varied. No singularities of higher order terms arise. We call the arising bifurcations according to their classical counterparts:

- transcritical bifurcation, and
- Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcation.

Both have been analyzed in earlier papers, [Lie97], [FLA00a]. A partial description of the second case can also be found in [Far84]. For completeness, we discuss

them in chapters 4 and 5.

1.3.2 Codimension Two

Along two-dimensional manifolds of equilibria, (1.1, m = 2), generically the above mentioned bifurcations of codimension one form curves. At isolated points a degeneracy of one higher-order coefficient of the Taylor expansion may appear. We call this

- degenerate transcritical bifurcation, and
- degenerate Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcation.

These bifurcations are described in chapters 8 and 9.

Alternatively, the linearization $\partial_x f(0, y)$ can be of codimension two. It can possess either an algebraically double and geometrically simple eigenvalue zero, an algebraically simple eigenvalue together with a simple pair of purely imaginary eigenvalues, or two non-resonant simple pairs of purely imaginary eigenvalues. We find

- Bogdanov-Takens bifurcation,
- Zero-Hopf bifurcation, and
- Hopf-Hopf bifurcation.

The Bogdanov-Takens bifurcation without parameters has been analyzed earlier, [FL01], and is described in chapter 10. The other two bifurcations are discussed in chapters 11 and 12.

1.4 Further Cases

Bifurcations of codimension three and higher are still open for research. One exception is the case of bifurcations of arbitrary codimension along manifolds of equilibria with only one cross-sectional direction, i.e. *m*-dimensional manifolds of equilibria in (m+1)-dimensional phase space. These bifurcation correspond to singularity theory of vector fields on the real line, see [Lie11] and chapter 15.

| Codimension one, $m = 1$ | | | | |
|--------------------------|--|------------|--|--|
| n = 1: | | section 4 | | |
| transcritical | $\left(\begin{array}{c c} 1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$ | [Lie97] | | |
| n = 2: | $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ | contion 5 | | |
| Poincaré- | 1 0 0 | Section 5 | | |
| Andronov-Hopf | $\left(\begin{array}{c c} 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$ | [FLA00a] | | |
| Codimension two, $m =$ | 2 | | | |
| n = 1 : | $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ | section 8 | | |
| degenerate | 0 0 0 | | | |
| transcritical | | | | |
| m = 2. | $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ | | | |
| n = 2: | $1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0$ | | | |
| degenerate | $\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | section 9 | | |
| норг | | | | |
| | | | | |
| n=2: | $1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0$ | section 10 | | |
| Bogdanov- | $\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | [FL01] | | |
| Takens | | | | |
| | $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ | | | |
| | | | | |
| n=3: | | section 11 | | |
| Zero-Hopf | | | | |
| | | | | |
| / 0 | $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ | | | |
| | | | | |
| n = 4: 0 | $\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | | | |
| Hopf-Hopf 0 | $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ | section 12 | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |

The table lists the dimension m of the manifold of equilibria of (1.1), the cross-sectional dimension n, the normal form of the linearization (1.5), and references

Table 1.1: Bifurcations without parameters of codimension one and two

Applications often display additional structure. For example, symmetries of the original problem can give rise to equivariances of the dynamical system and change the bifurcation pictures. An example is discussed in chapter 14, a reversible Bogdanov-Takens bifurcation without parameters.

Another example is the correspondence of a rotationally symmetric Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcation to a transcritical bifurcation with additional reflection symmetry, also called pitchfork bifurcation. Even without rotational symmetry of the original problem, the truncated normal form of a Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcation yields this symmetry, see also section 2.2 and chapter 5.

Chapter 2

Methods & Concepts

In this chapter we present basic concepts and methods used in the analysis of bifurcations.

2.1 Center Manifolds

Center manifolds facilitate the reduction of the dimension of a bifurcation problem to the necessary minimum. The local center manifold of an equilibrium, i.e. the bifurcation point, is a smooth manifold tangential to the center eigenspace of that equilibrium. The center eigenspace is the generalized eigenspace to all purely imaginary eigenvalues of the linearization of the vector field at the equilibrium. The local center manifold contains all bounded solution in a small neighborhood, in particular all equilibria, all periodic orbits, and all connecting (heteroclinic) orbits of equilibria. It contains all the features that characterize the local flow near a bifurcation point. Trajectories outside the center manifold follow a corresponding trajectory on the center manifold with a saddle-type dynamics in the cross-sectional directions. This is also called a *slaving principle*.

Theorem 2.1 Consider a C^k vector field

$$\dot{x} = f(x) = Ax + \tilde{f}(x) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

with equilibrium at the origin, f(0)=0. Let A = Df(0) be the linearization at the origin and $\tilde{f} = \mathcal{O}(||x||^2)$ the nonlinear terms.

Let $\mathbb{R}^n = E^{\mathrm{u}} \oplus E^{\mathrm{s}} \oplus E^{\mathrm{c}}$ be the eigenspace decomposition with respect to unstable, stable and critical eigenvalues of A, i.e. $E^{\mathrm{u/s/c}}$ are invariant under A and all eigenvalues of A restricted to $E^{\mathrm{u/s/c}}$ have positive/negative/zero real parts.

Then there exist a local C^k manifold W^c , tangential to E^c in x = 0, of the same dimension and locally invariant i.e. everywhere tangential to the vector field. Furthermore, W^c contains all solutions that stay in a small enough neighborhood of the origin for all times $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proofs can be found in [HPS77, Van89]. The idea of the proof is to switch to a global statement for a nonlinearity with sufficiently small C^1 norm, by a suitable cutoff function. Then the variation-of-constant formula, projected onto stable, unstable and center component by $\Pi^{u/s/c}$,

$$\begin{aligned} x^{\mathbf{u}}(t) &= \int_{t}^{\infty} \mathrm{e}^{A(t-s)} \Pi^{\mathbf{u}} \tilde{f}(x(s)) \, \mathrm{d}s \\ x^{\mathbf{s}}(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{t} \mathrm{e}^{A(t-s)} \Pi^{\mathbf{s}} \tilde{f}(x(s)) \, \mathrm{d}s \\ x^{\mathbf{c}}(t) &= x_{0}^{\mathbf{c}} + \int_{0}^{t} \mathrm{e}^{A(t-s)} \Pi^{\mathbf{c}} \tilde{f}(x(s)) \, \mathrm{d}s \end{aligned}$$
(2.1)

provides a contraction mapping on the space of functions $x(\cdot)$ with exponentially weighted norm, the weight chosen between zero and the smallest absolute value of stable and unstable eigenvalues of A. The fixed point $x^*(x_0; \cdot)$ then provides the center manifold $W^c = \{ x^*(x_0^c; 0)) \mid x_0^c \in E^c \}.$

For the abstract analysis of bifurcations, this theorem justifies assumption (1.7) that all eigenvalues of the linearization at the bifurcation point lie on the imaginary axis.

In applications this constitutes the first step of the analysis: the reduction of the problem to the center manifold. In fact, the calculation of the center manifold $x^{u,s} = x^{u,s}(x^c)$ and the reduced vector field $f^{red} : E^c \to E^c$ can be done simultaneously using the invariance of the manifold and its tangency to the eigenspace,

$$f(x^{\mathbf{u},\mathbf{s}}(x^{\mathbf{c}}),x^{\mathbf{c}}) = \begin{pmatrix} Dx^{\mathbf{u},\mathbf{s}}(x^{\mathbf{c}}) \\ \mathrm{id} \end{pmatrix} f^{\mathrm{red}}(x^{\mathbf{c}}).$$
(2.2)

Note that the reduced vector field still contains the manifold of equilibria which we started with. The reduced vector field has arbitrary but finite smoothness, bounded by the smoothness of the original vector field. An additional smooth coordinate transformation, bounded by the smoothness of the manifold, straightens the manifold of equilibria. We arrive at the setting (1.1, 1.2, 1.7) of the introduction.

2.2 Normal Forms

Analysis of the local dynamics near an equilibrium exploits the Taylor-expansion of the vector field at the equilibrium. This expansion, however, depends on the chosen coordinate system. The first step is therefore the choice of *good coordinates*.

But what are good coordinates? One possible answer is: good are coordinates which yield the simplest possible Taylor expansion of the vector filed: we want as many coefficients of the Taylor expansion as possible to vanish. This is the usual point of view of normal-form theory. One general normal-form algorithm is described below.

Unfortunately, the simplest possible Taylor expansion is usually not suited best for later analysis. Firstly, given additional structures should be respected. Here, this is mainly the manifold of equilibria. A modified normal-form algorithm is discussed in the next section. Secondly, hidden structures often become visible only in modified coordinates at the expense of a higher number of nonzero Taylor coefficients. For example, a Hamilton structure to leading order greatly facilitates the analysis of the Bogdanov-Takens bifurcation in chapter 10.

We use normal forms as presented in [Van89]. The basic idea is to eliminate terms of the Taylor expansion of a vector field $F(z) = Az + F_2(z) + F_3(z) + \cdots$ by a coordinate transformation $z = \Psi(\tilde{z}) = \tilde{z} + \Psi_2(\tilde{z}) + \Psi_3(\tilde{z}) + \cdots$, given as its Taylor series. We find the transformed vector field \tilde{F} as

$$D\Psi(\tilde{z})\tilde{F}(\tilde{z}) = F(\Psi(\tilde{z})).$$
(2.3)

Taylor terms of order k yield

$$\tilde{F}_k(\tilde{z}) = F_k(\tilde{z}) + A\Psi_k(\tilde{z}) - D\Psi_k(\tilde{z})A\tilde{z} + R(\tilde{z})$$
(2.4)

where the remainder R contains only terms in F_{ℓ} , \tilde{F}_{ℓ} , Ψ_{ℓ} with $2 \leq \ell < k$.

We can therefore successively eliminate components of $F_k(z)$ in the range of ad A,

$$((ad A)\Psi_k)(z) = [A, \Psi_k](z) = A\Psi_k(z) - D\Psi_k(z)Az.$$
(2.5)

The normal form of F is then given, up to any finite order k, by a linear complement to the range of ad A. Note that the elimination step k will create additional terms of higher orders.

The correct choice of complements depends on the problem. However, with a suitable scalar product in the space of homogeneous vector polynomials, the choice

$$\ker(\operatorname{ad} A)^{\mathrm{T}} = \ker \operatorname{ad} (A^{\mathrm{T}}) \tag{2.6}$$

yields a complement which is easy to calculate. Although it might not be tuned to the problem, this choice of complement has an additional benefit: the normal form terms \tilde{G}_k , $k \geq 2$, commute with the group generated by A^{T} ,

$$e^{A^{T}t}G_{k}(z) = G_{k}(e^{A^{T}t}z).$$
 (2.7)

If the linearization A is normal, $AA^{T} = A^{T}A$, so does the normal form $Az + G_{2}(z) + \dots + G_{k}(z)$. This additional normal-form symmetry, alone, might greatly facilitate the analysis of a problem. The most prominent example is the rotational symmetry of the normal form of Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf points due to the pair of imaginary eigenvalues, see chapter 9.

2.3 Normal Forms with Manifolds of Equilibria

In our setting, we start with a manifold of equilibria. Unfortunately, this manifold is not preserved by the normal-form algorithm presented in the previous section. We can restrict the coordinate transformations used in the normal-form algorithm to those that fix the manifold. The resulting normal form then has more nonvanishing coefficients but retains the straight manifold of equilibria. Unfortunately, the remaining non-zero coefficients do not depend solely on the linearization but also on the manifold of equilibria, i.e. on the particular bifurcation problem.

For z = (x, y) with equilibrium set $\{x = 0\}$ we must restrict our coordinate transformations $\Psi = (\Psi^x, \Psi^y)$ to those with

$$\Psi^x(0,y) = 0. (2.8)$$

Then, the transformed vector field will retain the set $\{x = 0\}$ of equilibria.

In [FL01] this adjusted normal-form procedure is carried out in detail for the Bogdanov-Takes bifurcation without parameters, see also chapter 10. Strictly speaking, however, it is not necessary for the analysis there. The rescaling procedure which is used following the normal-form reduction would yield the same result with a much cruder initial simplification of the vector field, see chapter 10.

2.4 Genericity

Genericity is the topological notion of large sets. We call a subset $U \subset X$ of a complete metric space *generic*, if it is the intersection of countably many open and dense sets,

$$U = \bigcap_{k \in \mathbb{N}} U_k$$
, $\operatorname{int} U_k = U_k$, $\operatorname{clos} U_k = X$.

Due to the Baire category theorem, a generic set is still dense. Countable intersections of generic sets are still generic.

Complements of generic sets are called *meager*. A meager set is the union on countably many nowhere dense sets, or of closed sets without interior,

$$V = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} V_k, \quad \text{int } \operatorname{clos} V_k = \emptyset.$$

A countable union of meager sets can never cover the whole (complete metric) space.

A generic vector field thus means an arbitrary vector field from a generic subset of the space of all vector fields, typically of a given smoothness. The generic subset is usually specified by several non-degeneracy conditions, forcing certain coefficients of the Tailor expansion of the vector field to be nonzero. In this case the specified generic set is even open and dense.

For example, a generic linear map $A : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ is hyperbolic, i.e. has no purely imaginary eigenvalue. Generically, no bifurcations occur. In fact, the set of linear maps $A : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ without purely imaginary eigenvalues is open and dense in the space of all linear maps $\mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$.

2.5 Unfoldings and Codimension

For smooth one parameter families of of linear maps, families of linear maps A(s): $\mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ without purely imaginary eigenvalues are not generic any more. Indeed, take n = 1, A(0) = 0, A'(0) = 1, then by the implicit-function theorem, every family $\tilde{A}(\cdot)$ in a sufficiently small neighborhood of $A(\cdot)$ has a zero. We call a given linear map $A_0 : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ to be of codimension m, if there is a generic subset U of the set of all smooth m-parameter families $\{A : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)^m \to L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n) \mid A(0) = A_0\}$, such that every family $A(\cdot) \in U$ has a neighborhood Vsuch that for every family $\tilde{A}(\cdot) \in V$ there exists s_0 and an invertible linear map Φ with $A_0 = \Phi^{-1}\tilde{A}(0)\Phi$.

In other words: every sufficiently small perturbation $\hat{A}(\cdot)$ of a generic *m*-parameter unfolding $A(\cdot)$ of A_0 has an element $\tilde{A}(s_0)$ which is equivalent to A_0 .

In our bifurcation analysis A will be the linearization at the bifurcation restricted to the center eigenspace. Genericity of U will be phrased in transversality and non-degeneracy conditions of the already provided family $A(\cdot)$ of linearizations along the manifold of equilibria or by additional parameters.

Furthermore, we will not only discuss singularities of the linear part, but also of terms of higher order in the Taylor expansion. Then we require that we can recover all the singular Taylor terms after perturbation. Equivalence will be mediated by a nonlinear coordinate transformation or normal-form reduction.

This approach to singularities, their unfoldings, their codimension, and their classification is the starting point of singularity theory or catastrophe theory, see also [Arn94].

2.6 Rescaling & Blow Up

A successful method to study the local dynamics of a vector field

$$\dot{x} = f(x), \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \qquad f : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n,$$
(2.9)

near a singularity x = 0 is to rescale the vector field to blow up and thereby desingularize the singularity. The method is also called quasi-homogeneous rescaling.

This is achieved by a vector $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n_+$ of positive integers and the transformation

$$x = \sigma^{\alpha}(x) := \operatorname{diag}(\sigma^{\alpha}) \tilde{x} = (\sigma^{\alpha_1} \tilde{x}_1, \dots, \sigma^{\alpha_n} \tilde{x}_n), \qquad (2.10)$$

for small $0 < \sigma \ll 1$. Every sufficiently small neighborhood of the origin in the old coordinates is also contained in a small neighborhood of the origin in the new coordinates. In particular, all small bounded trajectories of (2.9) are also small bounded trajectories of

$$\dot{\tilde{x}}_k = \sigma^{-\alpha_k} f_k(\sigma^\alpha(\tilde{x})), \qquad k = 1, \dots, n.$$
(2.11)

Let α_* be the minimal exponent of σ among all monomials with nonzero coefficients in the Taylor expansion of the vector field (2.11). Then, the rescaling of time $t = \sigma^{-\alpha_*} \tilde{t}$ yields the system

$$\tilde{x}'_k = \sigma^{-\alpha_k - \alpha_*} f_k(\sigma^{\alpha}(\tilde{x})), \qquad k = 1, \dots, n.$$
(2.12)

In particular, the Taylor expansion of (2.11) with respect to σ starts with terms of order 0 in σ .

The limiting system (2.12, $\sigma = 0$) corresponds to a desingularized vector field of the blown-up singularity x = 0. Regular perturbation theory can be applied to obtain results for $\sigma \geq 0$, describing the dynamics in a neighborhood of x = 0.

Good choices for the scaling α are given by the Newton polyhedron. Let

$$f_k = \sum_{\beta \in \mathbb{N}^n} c_{k,\beta} x^{\beta} = \sum_{\beta \in \mathbb{N}^n} c_{k,\beta} x_1^{\beta_1} \cdots x_n^{\beta_n}, \qquad k = 1, \dots, n,$$
(2.13)

be the Taylor expansion of the vector field. Then the Newton polyhedron is the convex hull of the powers of monomials with nonzero coefficients of the vector field

$$N := \operatorname{conv} \{ \beta - e_k \mid c_{k,\beta} \neq 0; \ k = 1, \dots, n; \ \beta \in \mathbb{N}^n \},$$

$$(2.14)$$

where $e_k = (0, \ldots, 0, 1, 0, \ldots, 0)$ is the k-th unit vector. The adjustment by e_k accounts for the factor $\sigma^{-\alpha_k}$ in (2.11).

Every outer facet F of N, facing the origin, yields a viable scaling

$$\alpha \perp F.$$
 (2.15)

The time rescaling α_* is then given by the distance of F from the origin. In fact, when such α, α_* are used, the leading order system (2.12, $\sigma = 0$) contains exactly the monomials to points of N in F.

An alternative point of view is to consider (2.11) for $0 < \sigma \ll 1$ and $||\tilde{x}|| = 1$ as spherical coordinates near the origin. Then the boundary $\sigma = 0$ is the blow up of the singularity x = 0 to a sphere $||\tilde{x}|| = 1$. The boundary vector field (2.11, $\sigma = 0$) on this sphere is expected to be less singular then the original vector field at the origin [DR01]. Recursive blow ups can (and have been) used to further desingularize the vector field. This technique has been successfully used not only to study local trajectories but also to get quantitative results on the passage of trajectories close to singularities [KS11].

Chapter 3

Cosymmetries

Cosymmetries have been introduced by Yudovich and Kurakin to study limit cycles near manifolds of equilibria via Lyapunov-Schmidt reduction [KY97, KY01]. They turn out to be equivalent to the existence of manifolds of equilibria, provided some non-degeneracy conditions are satisfied.

Given a vector field $F : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$, a cosymmetry is any other vector field orthogonal to F.

$$L: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n;$$
 such that for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \langle F(x), L(x) \rangle = 0.$ (3.1)

A non-cosymmetric equilibrium is any zero of F where the cosymmetry does not vanish.

$$F(x_0) = 0, \qquad L(x_0) \neq 0.$$
 (3.2)

Then, necessarily, the adjoint of the linearization of the vector field has the nontrivial kernel vector $L(x_0)$,

$$0 = \langle DF(x_0)\xi, L(x_0)\rangle + \langle F(x_0), DL(x_0)\xi\rangle = \langle DF(x_0)\xi, L(x_0)\rangle, \qquad (3.3)$$

thus the linearization $DF(x_0)$ has a nontrivial kernel, too.

Theorem 3.1 Let the origin be a non-cosymmetric equilibrium of a C^k vector field $F, k \geq 1$. Let the kernel of the linearization be one-dimensional, Then the set of equilibria of F near the origin forms a one-parameter C^k curve.

Proof. Let φ, ψ be unit kernel vectors of the linearization and its adjoint,

$$\ker DF(0) = \operatorname{span} \{\varphi\}, \quad \|\varphi\| = 1, \qquad \psi = L(0)/\|L(0)\|.$$

Step 1: We claim that equilibria of F, close to the origin, are given by zeros of the orthogonal projection onto the complement of ψ , i.e.

$$0 = F(x) \qquad \Longleftrightarrow \qquad 0 = \Pi_{\psi^{\perp}} F(x) = F(x) - \langle F(x), \psi \rangle \psi.$$

One direction is trivial. Therefore assume $0 = \prod_{\psi^{\perp}} F(x)$. Then $F(x) = \alpha \psi$ with coefficient $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. In particular $\langle \alpha L(0), L(x) \rangle = 0$. Continuity of $L, L(0) \neq 0$ implies $\alpha = 0$ for x close to the origin.

Step 2: Consider the map $\tilde{F} = \prod_{\psi^{\perp}} F : \mathbb{R}^n \to L(0)^{\perp} \cong \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$. Then $D\tilde{F}(0)$ has full rank, rank $D\tilde{F}(0) = \operatorname{rank} DF(0) = n-1$. Thus, the implicit-function theorem yields the claim.

We also see that the curve of equilibria is given by the curve $x(s) = s\varphi + \tilde{x}(s)$ with unique $\tilde{x} \perp \varphi$.

Theorem 3.2 Consider a \mathcal{C}^k vector field $F : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ with a line of equilibria, w.l.o.g. $F(x_1, 0, \ldots, 0) \equiv 0$. Assume that the kernel of the linearization at the origin is one-dimensional. Then, locally near the origin, there exists a cosymmetry $L : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ of F, such that the origin is a non-cosymmetric equilibrium.

Proof. Let φ , ψ be unit kernel vectors of the linearization and its adjoint,

 $\ker DF(0) = \operatorname{span} \{\varphi\}, \quad \varphi = (1, 0, \dots, 0), \qquad \operatorname{image} DF(0) \perp \psi, \quad \|\psi\| = 1.$

Due to the x_1 axis of equilibria we can decompose F(x) = K(x)x, where the matrix K(x) has a first column of zeros. Thus, for arbitrary L we have the equivalence

$$0 = \langle F(x), L(x) \rangle \qquad \Longleftrightarrow \qquad 0 = \langle x, K^*(x)L(x) \rangle$$

with adjoint K^* . Note that K is non-unique but image $K^*(x) = \phi^{\perp} \cong \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$.

To construct a cosymmetry $L(x) = \psi + \tilde{L}(x)$, we need to solve $0 = K^*(x)(\psi + \tilde{L})$, i.e. we look for zeros of the map

 $T : \mathbb{R}^n \times \psi^{\perp} \to \mathbb{R}^{n-1}, \qquad (x, \tilde{L}) \to K^*(x)(\psi + \tilde{L}).$

Note that $\psi^{\perp} \cong \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$.

We find T(0,0) = 0, and $D_{\tilde{L}}T(0,0) = K^*(0)$ of full rank. Again, the implicitfunction theorem yields the claim. In particular, the constructed cosymmetry has normalized projection onto the kernel of adjoint of the linearization. Both theorems can be extended to sets of m simultaneous cosymmetries and m-dimensional manifolds of equilibria. A non-cosymmetric equilibrium for cosymmetries L_1, \ldots, L_m is then a point x_0 , such that

$$F(x_0) = 0, \quad \dim \operatorname{span} \{ L_k(x_0) | k = 1, \dots, m \} = m.$$
 (3.4)

The non-degeneracy condition on the vector field reads dim ker $DF(x_0) = m$.

The condition on the kernel of the linearizations is in fact consistent with the non-degeneracy conditions of our bifurcations discussed in the following chapters, as long as no additional symmetries are considered. Additional symmetries might enlarge the kernel as in section 4.2, such that the above theorems do not apply.

Unfortunately, we are not able to exploit the additional structure of cosymmetries in our bifurcation analysis as it conflicts with our normal form and rescaling approaches.

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Part II

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Transcritical Bifurcation

In this chapter we study the simplest bifurcation without parameters: a line of equilibria which loses normal stability when a simple eigenvalue crosses zero transversely. This case has already been studied in [Lie97], see also [FL02].

4.1 The Generic Case

In classical bifurcation theory, a transcritical bifurcation of a primary equilibrium arises in one-parameter families. In a two-dimensional center manifold

$$\dot{x} = f(x,\lambda) \quad \in \mathbb{R}, \qquad f(0,\lambda) \equiv 0, \\ \dot{\lambda} = 0 \quad \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(4.1)$$

an eigenvalue zero of the linearization, say at the origin,

$$0 = \partial_x f(0,0) \tag{4.2}$$

generically crosses zero transversely as λ increases: $0 \neq \partial_{\lambda}\partial_x f(0,0)$. Without loss of generality, we take

$$0 < \partial_{\lambda} \partial_x f(0,0) \tag{4.3}$$

Assuming the additional non-degeneracy condition

$$0 \neq \partial_x^2 f(0,0),$$
 (4.4)

system (4.1) can be transformed to the normal form

$$\dot{x} = x(\lambda - x). \tag{4.5}$$



Figure 4.1: Transcritical bifurcation: classical (a) and without parameters (b).

See figure 4.1(a).

Without parameters,

$$\dot{x} = f(x, y) \quad \in \mathbb{R}, \qquad f(0, y) \equiv 0, \dot{y} = g(x, y) \quad \in \mathbb{R}, \qquad g(0, y) \equiv 0,$$

$$(4.6)$$

the nontrivial eigenvalue $\partial_x f(0, y)$ can change sign along the line of equilibria $\{y = 0\},\$

$$0 = \partial_x f(0,0). \tag{4.7}$$

Generically, it will do so transversely,

$$0 < \partial_y \partial_x f(0,0). \tag{4.8}$$

The non-degeneracy condition, however, is replaced with

$$0 \neq \partial_x g(0,0) \tag{4.9}$$

and yields a two-dimensional Jordan block of the linearization at the transcritical point. Indeed, as y is no parameter in our setting, generically it is subject to a drift to lowest possible order in the Taylor expansion.

Theorem 4.1 (transcritical bifurcation without parameters) [FLA00a] Consider a C^2 vector field with a curve of equilibria. Assume the curve loses normal

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stability due to a real eigenvalue zero (4.7). Assume the generic transversality and non-degeneracy conditions (4.8, 4.9) in a two-dimensional center manifold.

Then, there exists a C^1 -diffeomorphism which maps orbits of the vector field (4.6) to orbits of the normal form

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{x} &= xy, \\
\dot{y} &= x,
\end{aligned}$$
(4.10)

with preserved time orientation.

In a local neighborhood of the transcritical bifurcation point, trajectories form parabolas tangent to the line of equilibria at the transcritical point. The flow direction is reversed on opposite sides of the equilibrium line. See figure 4.1(b).

Proof. The vector field vanishes identically on the equilibrium manifold, $f(0, y) \equiv 0$, $g(0, y) \equiv 0$, see (4.6), and we have only one transverse direction, $x \in \mathbb{R}$. This allows us to factor out x,

$$\dot{x} = f(x, y) = xf(x, y), \dot{y} = g(x, y) = x\tilde{g}(x, y).$$
(4.11)

with \mathcal{C}^1 -functions \tilde{f}, \tilde{g} . This system has the same orbits as the rescaled system

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
x' &=& \tilde{f}(x,y), \\
y' &=& \tilde{g}(x,y).
\end{array}$$
(4.12)

except for the line of equilibria at x = 0 and for the reversed flow direction for x < 0. Conditions (4.7, 4.9) translate to

$$\tilde{f}(0,0) = 0, \qquad \partial_y \tilde{f}(0,0) > 0, \qquad \tilde{g}(0,0) \neq 0.$$
 (4.13)

By the flow-box theorem, we can transform (4.12) to

Due to (4.13), the *y*-axis is transformed to the curve

$$\tilde{x} = p(\tilde{y}) = a\tilde{y}^2 + \text{h.o.t.}, \qquad (4.15)$$

with $a \neq 0$. Indeed, let Φ_t be the flow to (4.12), then a suitable transformation is given by $(x, y) = h(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) := \Phi_{\tilde{y}}(\tilde{x}, 0)$. We have $\partial_x h(0, 0) = (1, 0)$, thus the implicit-function theorem yields the solution curve $(0, x) = h(p(\tilde{y}), \tilde{y})$ with p(0) = 0, $p'(0) = -\tilde{f}(0, 0) = 0$, and $2a = p''(0) = -\partial_y \tilde{f}(0, 0) \cdot \tilde{g}(0, 0) \neq 0$.

Finally, the \mathcal{C}^1 -diffeomorphism

$$\hat{x} = -\operatorname{sign}(a)\tilde{x},
\hat{y} = \tilde{y}\sqrt{|p(\tilde{y})|\tilde{y}^{-2}} = \sqrt{|a|}\tilde{y} + \text{h.o.t.}$$
(4.16)

preserves the flow lines $\{\tilde{y} = \text{constant}\}$ of (4.14) and transforms the curve (4.15) to the parabola $\hat{x} = -\hat{y}^2$. This proves the theorem.

4.2 Additional Reflection Symmetry

In this section we investigate the loss of normal stability of a line of equilibria by a simple eigenvalue zero as in the last section. However, we assume an additional reflection symmetry of the system. This provides the simplest example of an equivariant bifurcation without parameters and prepares the discussion of the Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcation in the next section.

In classical bifurcation theory, this corresponds to a pitchfork bifurcation of a primary equilibrium with one parameter. In a two-dimensional center manifold

$$\dot{x} = f(x,\lambda) \quad \in \mathbb{R}, \qquad f(0,\lambda) \equiv 0, \\ \dot{\lambda} = 0 \quad \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(4.17)$$

we assume an additional equivariance with respect to a reflection,

$$f(-x,\lambda) = -f(x,\lambda), \quad \text{for all } x,\lambda.$$
 (4.18)

Again, an eigenvalue crosses zero transversely at the origin,

$$0 = \partial_x f(0,0), \qquad 0 < \partial_\lambda \partial_x f(0,0). \tag{4.19}$$

The equivariance (4.18) forces the value of $\partial_x^2 f(0,0)$ to vanish, therefore the former non-degeneracy condition (4.4) is replaced with

$$0 \neq \partial_x^3 f(0,0). \tag{4.20}$$

The resulting normal form reads

$$\dot{x} = x(\lambda \pm x^2). \tag{4.21}$$



Figure 4.2: Classical pitchfork bifurcation, subcritical (a) and supercritical (b) case

Depending on the sign of $\partial_x^3 f(0,0) \partial_\lambda \partial_x f(0,0)$ the pitchfork bifurcation is called subcritical (positive sign) or supercritical (negative sign). See figure 4.2.

Without parameters, the system reads

$$\dot{x} = f(x, y) \quad \in \mathbb{R}, \qquad f(0, y) \equiv 0, \dot{y} = g(x, y) \quad \in \mathbb{R}, \qquad g(0, y) \equiv 0,$$

$$(4.22)$$

with the same equivariance with respect to a reflection in x,

$$\begin{cases} f(-x,y) &= -f(x,y) \\ g(-x,y) &= g(x,y) \end{cases}$$
 for all $x,y.$ (4.23)

Again, we assume a transverse eigenvalue crossing,

$$0 = \partial_x f(0,0), \quad 0 < \partial_y \partial_x f(0,0).$$
 (4.24)

The new non-degeneracy condition,

$$0 \neq \partial_x^2 g(0,0), \tag{4.25}$$

again generates a drift along the line of equilibria to lowest possible order. Note that the linearization $\partial_x g(0,0)$ vanishes due to the equivariance (4.23) of the system.

Theorem 4.2 (Z₂-equivariant transcritical bifurcation) [FLA00a] Consider a C^2 vector field with a curve of equilibria. Assume the curve loses normal stability



Hyperbolic case: Stable manifold of the origin in green, unstable manifold in red.



Elliptic case: Stable manifold of left equilibrium, in green, and unstable manifold of right equilibrium, in red, coincide identically.

Figure 4.3: Transcritical bifurcation with reflection symmetry

due to a real eigenvalue zero. Let the vector field be equivariant with respect to a reflection which leaves the curve of equilibria pointwise fixed. Assume the generic transversality and non-degeneracy conditions (4.24, 4.25) in a two-dimensional center manifold with nontrivial action of the equivariance.

Then, there exists a C^1 -diffeomorphism which maps orbits of the vector field (4.22, 4.23) to orbits of the normal form

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= xy, \\ \dot{y} &= \frac{1}{2}\delta x^2, \qquad \delta = \pm 1, \end{aligned}$$

$$(4.26)$$

with preserved time orientation.

We call $\delta = +1$ the hyperbolic and $\delta = -1$ the elliptic case. In the hyperbolic case, there are no small bounded solution close to the bifurcation point, except the given curve of equilibria. In the elliptic case a local neighborhood of the transcritical bifurcation point in the center manifold is filled with heteroclinic connections from the unstable part to the stable part of the given curve of equilibria. See figure 4.3.

Proof. We start similar to the proof of theorem 4.10: in (4.22) we factor out x and obtain

$$\dot{x} = f(x, y) = x \tilde{f}(x, y), \dot{y} = g(x, y) = x \tilde{g}(x, y),$$
(4.27)

with \mathcal{C}^1 -functions \tilde{f}, \tilde{g} . This system has the same orbits as the rescaled system

$$x' = \tilde{f}(x, y),
 y' = \tilde{g}(x, y).$$
(4.28)

except for the line of equilibria at x = 0 and for the reversed flow direction for x < 0. Conditions (4.24, 4.25) translate to

$$\tilde{f}(0,0) = 0, \qquad \partial_y \tilde{f}(0,0) > 0, \qquad \partial_x \tilde{g}(0,0) \neq 0,$$
(4.29)

whereas the symmetry assumption (4.23) yields a time reversibility

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
\tilde{f}(-x,y) &=& \tilde{f}(x,y) \\
\tilde{g}(-x,y) &=& -\tilde{g}(x,y)
\end{array}$$
(4.30)

with respect to the involution R(x, y) = (-x, y). In particular, the involution R maps solutions of (4.28) onto solutions with reversed time.

Note that $\tilde{g}(0,y) \equiv 0$ due to reversibility (4.30). In particular (0,0) is an equilibrium since $\tilde{f}(0,0) = 0$ due to (4.29), and $\partial_y \tilde{g}(0,0) = 0$. Thus we can set

$$\delta = -\operatorname{sign} \det D\left(\begin{array}{c} f\\g\end{array}\right)(0,0) = \operatorname{sign} \partial_y \tilde{f}(0,0)\partial_x \tilde{g}(0,0) = \pm 1.$$
(4.31)

A simple rescaling of x, y then yields the normalized linearization

$$D\left(\begin{array}{c}f\\g\end{array}\right)(0,0) = \left(\begin{array}{cc}0&1\\\delta/2&0\end{array}\right).$$
(4.32)

In the hyperbolic case, $\delta = +1$, the origin is a hyperbolic equilibrium of (4.28). This not only justifies the name but also yields a C^1 -coordinate transformation

$$\tilde{x} = \tilde{x}(x,y) = x + \cdots, \qquad \tilde{y} = \tilde{y}(x,y) = y + \cdots, \qquad (4.33)$$

that linearizes the vector field, due to Belitskii's theorem [Bel73]. The averaged transformation

$$\hat{x} = (\tilde{x}(x,y) - \tilde{x}(-x,y))/2, \qquad \hat{y} = (\tilde{y}(x,y) + \tilde{y}(-x,y))/2, \qquad (4.34)$$

commutes with the reversibility R and still linearizes the vector field, due to the reversibility of the vector field. Furthermore, the averaged transformations leaves the fixed-point space of R, i.e. line of equilibria, fixed, $\hat{x}(0, y) = 0$. Hence it provides the claimed orbit equivalence between (4.22) and the normal form (4.26), in the hyperbolic case.

In the elliptic case, $\delta = +1$, the origin is a center equilibrium of (4.28). Reversible Hopf bifurcation [Van89] yields a local family $\gamma_s(t) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ of periodic orbits surrounding the origin and parametrized over s > 0, such that $\gamma_s(0) = (s, 0)$ on the *y*-axis. Alternatively, we can construct this family directly: through C^1 dependence on parameters, every orbit close to the origin has to follow the linearized flow, i.e. the harmonic oscillator, for finite time, and thus hits the *y*-axis at least twice. Every orbit intersecting the fixed-point space of the reversibility *R*, on the other hand, is a reversible periodic orbit. In particular it is mapped by *R* onto itself.

By C^1 dependence on initial values, the passage time from fix(R) to fix(R) and thereby the minimal period of γ_s is given by a C^1 function p(s) > 0. We have chosen $\gamma_s(0)$ to lie on the positive y-axis, i.e. the fixed-point space of R. By reversibility again, $\gamma_s(p(s)/2)$ must also lie in this fixed-point space. The orbit spends half a period above and half a period below the y-axis, both parts being images of each other under R. Closeness to the linearized flow forces $\gamma_s(p(s)/2)$ to the negative y-axis.

The transformation

$$s \left(\begin{array}{c} \sin 2t \\ 2\cos 2t \end{array} \right) \longmapsto \gamma_s(p(s)t/\pi)$$
 (4.35)

now maps the orbits of the linearized flow onto the orbits of (4.28) and maps the y-axis onto itself. Hence it provides the claimed orbit equivalence between (4.22)and the normal form (4.26), in the elliptic case.

Chapter 5

Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf Bifurcation

In classical bifurcation theory, a Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcation arises in oneparameter families of real vector fields, when a pair of conjugate complex eigenvalues crosses the imaginary axis, as the parameter varies. A family of periodic orbits will bifurcate. To be specific, in a three-dimensional center manifold

$$\dot{x} = f(x,\lambda) \quad \in \mathbb{R}^2, \quad f(0,\lambda) \equiv 0,
\dot{\lambda} = 0 \quad \in \mathbb{R}$$
(5.1)

a purely imaginary pair of eigenvalues of the linearization, say at the origin,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \partial_x f(0,0) \tag{5.2}$$

generically crosses the imaginary axis transversely as λ increases $0 \neq \partial_{\lambda} \operatorname{div}_{x} f(0, 0)$. Without loss of generality, we take

$$0 < \partial_{\lambda} \operatorname{div}_{x} f(0,0) = \partial_{\lambda} (\partial_{x_{1}} f_{1}(0,0) + \partial_{x_{2}} f_{2}(0,0)).$$
(5.3)

A truncated normal form is then given by

$$\dot{z} = (\lambda + \mathbf{i} + c|z|^2)z \tag{5.4}$$

in complex notation, $z \in \mathbb{C}$ with complex coefficient $c \in \mathbb{C}$. This normal form is also called Stuart-Landau oscillator. Assuming non-degenerate real part of c,

$$c_{\Re \mathfrak{e}} := \Re \mathfrak{e} \ c \neq 0, \tag{5.5}$$



Hyperbolic case: Stable manifold of the origin in green, unstable manifold in red.



Elliptic case: Stable manifold of left equilibrium in green, unstable manifold of right equilibrium in red. The Manifolds are cut open for better visibility.

Figure 5.1: Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcation without parameters

we find a family of stable periodic orbit around the unstable equilibrium for $\lambda > 0$ in the supercritical case, $\Re \mathfrak{e} c < 0$, or a family of unstable periodic orbit around the stable equilibrium for $\lambda < 0$ in the subcritical case, $\Re \mathfrak{e} c > 0$.

In polar coordinates $z = r e^{i\varphi}$, we could also write

$$\begin{aligned} r' &= (\lambda + c_{\Re \mathfrak{e}} r^2) r \\ \varphi' &= 1 + c_{\Im \mathfrak{m}} r^2. \end{aligned}$$
 (5.6)

Ignoring the φ -component, close to constant rotation, we find a classical pitchfork bifurcation in the radius, see section 4.2 and figure 4.2. Due to the rotation in φ , the bifurcating equilibria of the pitchfork represent bifurcating periodic orbits. Further details on classical Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcation can be found in [Van89, MM76]. Without parameters, Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf points have been studied in [FLA00a]:

Theorem 5.1 [FLA00a] Let $F : \mathbb{R}^N \to \mathbb{R}^N$ be a \mathcal{C}^5 vector field with a line of fixed points along the u_1 -axis, $F(u_1, 0, \ldots, 0) \equiv 0$. At $u_1 = 0$, we assume the Jacobi matrix $DF(u_1, 0, \ldots, 0)$ to be hyperbolic, except for a trivial kernel vector along the u_1 axis and a complex conjugate pair of simple, purely imaginary, nonzero eigenvalues $\mu(u_1), \overline{\mu(u_1)}$ crossing the imaginary axis transversely as u_1 increases through $u_1 = 0$:

$$\mu(0) = i\omega(0), \qquad \omega(0) > 0, \Re \mathfrak{e} \, \mu'(0) \neq 0.$$
(5.7)

Let Z be the two-dimensional real eigenspace of F'(0) associated to $\pm i\omega(0)$. By Δ_Z we denote the Laplacian with respect to variations of u in the eigenspace Z. Coordinates in Z are chosen as coefficients of the real and imaginary parts of the complex eigenvector associated to $i\omega(0)$. Note that the linearization acts as a rotation with respect to these coordinates, which are not necessarily orthogonal. Let P_0 be the one-dimensional eigenprojection onto the trivial kernel along the u_1 -axis. Our final non-degeneracy assumption then reads

$$\Delta_Z P_0 F(0) \neq 0. \tag{5.8}$$

Fixing orientation along the positive u_0 -axis, we can consider $\Delta_Z P_0 F(0)$ as a real number. Depending on the sign

$$\eta := \operatorname{sign} \left(\Re \mathfrak{e} \, \mu'(0) \right) \, \cdot \operatorname{sign} \left(\Delta_Z P_0 F(0) \right), \tag{5.9}$$

we call the Hopf point u = 0 elliptic if $\eta = -1$ and hyperbolic for $\eta = +1$.

Then the following holds true in a neighborhood U of u = 0 within a threedimensional center manifold to u = 0.

In the hyperbolic case, $\eta = +1$, all non-equilibrium trajectories leave the neighborhood U in positive or negative time direction (possibly both). The stable and unstable sets of u = 0, respectively, form cones around the positive/negative u_1 -axis, with asymptotically elliptic cross section near their tips at u = 0. These cones separate regions with different convergence behavior. See Fig. 5.1(a).

In the elliptic case all non-equilibrium trajectories starting in U are heteroclinic between equilibria $u^{\pm} = (u_1^{\pm}, 0, ..., 0)$ on opposite sides of the Hopf point u = 0. If F(u) is real analytic near u = 0, then the two-dimensional strong stable and strong unstable manifolds of u^{\pm} within the center manifold intersect at an angle which possesses an exponentially small upper bound in terms of $|u^{\pm}|$. See Fig. 5.1(b).

The formulation of the assumptions of the above theorem can be simplified: we first restrict to the 3 dimensional center manifold and assume that this manifold is flat. Then we take coordinates in direction of the real, generalized eigenvectors of the linearization at the Hopf point. To this end, consider a system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} = F(x,y) = \begin{pmatrix} f(x,y) \\ g(x,y) \end{pmatrix}, \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}^2, \quad y \in \mathbb{R}, \tag{5.10}$$

 $x = (x_1, x_2), f = (f_1, f_2)$, with the following properties:

- (i) There exists a line of equilibria, $F(0, y) \equiv 0$.
- (ii) The origin has pair of purely imaginary, nonzero eigenvalues in transverse direction to the equilibrium plane:

$$\partial_x f(0,0) = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & -1\\ 1 & 0 \end{array}\right).$$

- (iii) This nontrivial eigenvalue pair crosses the imaginary axis with nonvanishing speed as y increases, $\partial_y \operatorname{div}_x f(0,0) > 0$.
- (iv) There is a drift along the line of equilibria, that is g satisfies the following non-degeneracy condition:

$$\eta = \operatorname{sign} \Delta_x g(0,0) \neq 0$$

with $\Delta_x = \partial_{x_1}^2 + \partial_{x_2}^2$.

The first condition is our structural assumption, (ii) describes our bifurcation point, and (iii,iv) are non-degeneracy assumptions fulfilled generically. Note the correspondence of (iii,iv) to (5.7, 5.9). We normalized the purely imaginary eigenvalue to $\pm i$ by rescaling time. We normalized $\partial_x f(0,0)$ by choosing the real generalized eigenvectors as a basis in x. The sign of (iii) is fixed by reflecting y, if necessary.

This setup is robust, i.e. under small perturbations of F respecting (i) there is a point near the origin satisfying (ii–iv) for the perturbed system. From the point of view of singularity theory, this is indeed a singularity of codimension one, which is unfolded versally by the coordinate y along the line of trivial equilibria.

The proof of theorem 5.1 can then be sketched as follows.

The normal-form procedure, see chapters 2.2, 2.3, and [Van89], yields a normal form which is equivariant w.r.t. rotations $\{\exp(DF(0,0)^{T}\tau) ; \tau \in \mathbb{R}\}$ up to an arbitrary but finite order of the Taylor expansion. We obtain the truncated normal



Compare with figure 4.3(b). Stable manifold of left equilibrium in green, unstable manifold of right equilibrium in red. The separatrices split due to higher-order terms of the Poincaré return map that break the rotational equivariance.

Figure 5.2: Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcation, splitting of separatrices

form in polar coordinates $(x_1 + ix_2) = r \exp(i\varphi)$:

$$\dot{r} = ry, \dot{\varphi} = 1,$$

$$\dot{y} = \eta r^2.$$

$$(5.11)$$

Ignoring φ for the moment, this is the \mathbb{Z}_2 -equivariant transcritical bifurcation discussed in section 4.2.

We "only" have to superimpose the rotation in φ . Thus we re-interpret the flow profiles of figure 4.3 as pictures of the Poincaré return map to a fixed cross section. Orbits limiting at equilibria then represent stable/unstable manifold of these equilibria.

The rigorous discussion of higher-order terms, in particular of terms not in normal form and thereby breaking the rotational normal-form symmetry constitutes the main part of [FLA00a].

In the hyperbolic case, $\eta > 0$, the cone-shaped stable and unstable sets of the origin are obtained by a rescaling (or blow-up) of the origin, thereby desingularizing the flow here.

In the elliptic case, $\eta < 0$, the line of equilibria outside the origin is either normally stable or unstable. The normal-form flow needs only finite time to connect the respective attraction zones. Through the continuity of the dependence on parameters, the full system also consists entirely of heteroclinic connections between primary equilibria, close to the origin.

However, beware of the identically coinciding stable/unstable manifolds near the elliptic Hopf points. In the case of flows, intersections must contain a trajectory, in the case of maps, intersections are generically transverse. In the Poincaré section, separatrices of the Poincaré map split as sketched in figure 5.2 and the three-dimensional views of figure 5.1.

Neishtadt's theorem on exponential averaging [Nei84] provides an upper bound on the size of the splitting of strong stable/unstable manifolds. This upper bound is exponentially small in the distance from the origin, for analytic vector fields F. Lower bounds on the splitting are not established. See also [FS96] on further results on the splitting of separatrices in close-to-integrable systems and [Gel99] on the difficult question of lower bounds on the splitting of separatrices.

Chapter 6

Application: Stable Decoupling in Networks of Oscillators

Consider a square, an octahedron, or a general graph Γ of 2m vertices $\{\pm 1, \ldots, \pm m\}$, such that each vertex k is connected with every other vertex except the antipode -k, see figure 6.1. Let this graph represent the additive couplings between oscillators,

$$\dot{u}_k = f_k(u_k, \sum_{\ell \neq \pm k} u_\ell) \tag{6.1}$$

Assume a group of equivariances generated by the exchange of individual antipodal pairs together with a sign switch:

$$f_{-k}(-u_k, 0) = -f_k(u_k, 0), \qquad 1 \le k \le m.$$
(6.2)

Due to the additive coupling, the effect of antipodal cells on their neighbors cancels, if the antipodal cells have opposite values. Due to the symmetry, antipodal cells remain opposite if the total coupling vanishes. Therefore, the antipode space

$$\Sigma := \{ u = (u_k)_{1 \le \pm k \le m} \mid u_{-\ell} = -u_\ell \text{ for all } \ell \}$$

$$(6.3)$$

is invariant under the flow of (6.1). In fact, on Σ all cells u_k decouple and we find the direct product flow of m antipodal pairs $u_k = -u_{-k}$

$$\dot{u}_k = f_k(u_k, 0), \qquad 1 \le k \le m.$$
 (6.4)



Figure 6.1: Network of coupled oscillators.

This decoupling phenomenon was first observed in [AA86, AF89].

Assume further, that every individual cell dynamics (6.4) possesses a periodic orbit $\gamma_k(t)$ with a common fixed period 2π . The simplest example would be identical cell dynamics $f_k = f$ in the plane, $u_k \in \mathbb{C}$, with an additional S^1 -equivariance,

$$f(e^{i\varphi}u) = e^{i\varphi}f(u), \quad \text{for all } \varphi \in \mathbb{R}.$$
 (6.5)

Then we can choose arbitrary phase angles φ_k , $k = 1, \ldots, m$ to find an *m*-dimensional torus of periodic solutions

$$\dot{u}_k(t) = \gamma_k(t + \varphi_k), \qquad 1 \le k \le m. \tag{6.6}$$

in the decoupling subspace Σ . These periodic solutions yield an (m-1)-dimensional manifold of fixed points of the Poincaré return map to a section $\{t + \varphi_m = 0 \pmod{2\pi}\}$. With S^1 equivariance (6.5) the flow (6.1) can be pulled back by the symmetry group to a flow on the Poincaré section, and the set (6.6) of periodic orbits becomes an (m-1)-dimensional manifold of equilibria of this pulled back flow.

In [Lie97] this reduction has been carried out for the square ring of four identical S^1 -equivariant oscillators with linear coupling

$$z_k = (f(|z_k|) + i)z_k + \alpha e^{i\chi}(z_{k-1} + z_{k+1}), \qquad z_k \in \mathbb{C}, \quad k = 1, \dots, 4 \pmod{4}, \ (6.7)$$



Figure 6.2: Decoupling of a square ring of oscillators.

with $f \in \mathbb{R}$, f(1) = 0, f'(1) = -1, $\alpha > 0$.

Then a line of equilibria appears. The line is parametrized by the phase angle $\rho = \arg z_1 - \arg z_2 - \pi/2$ between the two antipodal pairs. Depending on the rotation χ of the coupling, \mathbb{Z}_2 -symmetric transcritical and hyperbolic Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcations without parameters have been found, see figure 6.2. Note that χ is a classical parameter, ρ is not. Bifurcations occur along the line of equilibria parametrized by ρ .

In particular, at least a part of the decoupling subspace is normally stable: the coupling stabilizes a state where the coupling vanishes. The decoupling is stabilized by a *non-inversive coupling*.

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Chapter 7

Application: Oscillatory Profiles in Systems of Hyperbolic Balance Laws

Conservation laws

$$u_t + F(u)_x = 0, \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad u \in \mathbb{R}^n, \tag{7.1}$$

or, more generally,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}u + \sum_{i=1}^{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} f_i(u) = 0, \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}^k, \quad u \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$
(7.2)

arise in various physical models including fluid dynamics [Jos90], magneto-hydrodynamics [FS95], elasticity [KK80], multiphase flow in oil recovery [MPS97], cosmology [ST95], and many more.

The prototype of a conservation law is the one-dimensional, scalar Burgers equation

$$u_t + (\frac{1}{2}u^2)_x = 0 \quad \text{or, alternatively,} u_t + u u_x = 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, u \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$(7.3)$$

It was introduced in [Bur40] as a model of turbulence.

Shocks may form in finite time, and their admissibility as discontinuous solutions is a major question of the theory. One approach to this question are viscous regularizations of the conservation law. A typical requirement is the strict hyperbolicity of the system of conservation laws: all eigenvalues of F' should be distinct real



Figure 7.1: Oscillatory profile near elliptic Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf point

numbers. This guarantees the well-posedness of the associated initial-value problem. For a more detailed introduction into the topic, see [Smo94, Daf10].

Here we combine a strictly hyperbolic conservation law with a (stiff) source term.

$$u_t + f(u)_x = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}g(u), \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad u \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$
 (7.4)

Both parts, alone, are "tame": The conservation law may form shocks, but in general stays piecewise smooth. Oscillatory tails of shocks may appear as numerical artifacts, only [Krö97]. The source term, alone, will describe a simple, stable kinetic behavior: all trajectories eventually converge monotonically to some equilibrium. The balance law (7.4), constructed of these two parts, however, can support profiles with oscillatory tails. They emerge from Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcations without parameters in the associated traveling-wave system.

In [FL00, Lie00], viscous profiles $u(t,x) = u((\xi - st)/\varepsilon)$ of the parabolic regularization

$$u_t + f(u)_x = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}g(u) + \varepsilon u_{xx}. \tag{7.5}$$

of (7.4) have been investigated. Viscous profiles satisfy the ε -independent ODE system

$$\ddot{u} = (f'(u) - s \cdot \mathrm{id})\dot{u} - g(u). \tag{7.6}$$

Standard conservation laws, for example, require $g \equiv 0$. The presence of m conservation laws corresponds to nonlinearities g with range in a manifold of dimension n - m in u-space. Typically, then, g(u) = 0 describes an equilibrium manifold of dimension m of pairs $(u, \dot{u}) = (u, 0)$, in the phase space of (7.6). In [FL00, Lie00], Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf points, chapter 5, and also Bogdanov-Takens point, chapter 10, have been found along this manifold in particular examples. The result of [HL05] goes farther and holds for inviscid profiles and — by perturbation — for viscous profiles alike.

Theorem 7.1 [HL05] Let $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^3$ be a generic C^6 vector field such that Df(u)has only real distinct eigenvalues $\lambda_1(u) < \lambda_2(u) < \lambda_3(u)$ for all u in a neighborhood of the origin u = 0, i.e. the hyperbolic conservation law $u_t + f(u)_x = 0$ is strictly hyperbolic.

Then, for every value $s \notin \{\lambda_1(0), \lambda_2(0), \lambda_3(0)\}$ there exists a C^5 vector field

$$g: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^2 \times \{0\} \tag{7.7}$$

such that

- (i) the kinetic part g stabilizes the line of equilibria near the origin, i.e. the linearization Dg(0) has one (trivial) zero eigenvalue and two negative real eigenvalues,
- (ii) the traveling-wave equation

$$u' = (Df(u) - s \cdot id)^{-1} g(u).$$
 (7.8)

admits a Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf point in the sense of chapter 5.

The construction starts with a suitable linearization Dg(0) which creates the purely imaginary eigenvalues of $Df(0)^{-1}Dg(0)$. Then, this linearization is continued along the line of equilibria such that the transversality condition 5.7 holds. Finally, the non-degeneracy condition (5.8) is translated into a non-degeneracy condition on f. The main obstruction in the construction is the constraint (7.7) imposed by the structure of one conservation law and two balance laws.

The non-degeneracy condition (5.8) is equivalent to the requirement that every flow-invariant foliation transverse to the line of equilibria breaks down at the Hopf point already to second order. In terms of our system of conservation laws and balance laws, it requires in particular that the flux couples the component with source terms back to the pure conservation law. Without such a coupling, the conservation law gives rise to a foliation, such that in each fiber only finitely many of the equilibria remain.

Similar to Theorem 7.1, Bogdanov-Takens points can occur in systems with at least two conservation laws and two balance laws. An example is given in [FL01].

In summary, Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf points as well as Bogdanov-Takens points are possible in systems of stiff hyperbolic balance laws. For all generic, strictly hyperbolic flux functions and a suitable number of pure conservation laws and balance laws there exist appropriate source terms such that these bifurcations occur in a structurally stable fashion. The bifurcations are generated by the interaction of flux and source. In particular, Hopf points can be constructed for generic fluxes and stabilizing sources. This interaction of two individually stabilizing effects to create instabilities, oscillations, or patterns is similar in spirit to the Turing instability [Tur52], although Turing instability is caused by the interaction of a stable kinetics with diffusion instead of transport.

This holds true under small perturbations of the system, for instance in numerical calculations. In particular, an additional viscous regularization

$$u_t + f(u)_x = g(u) + \delta u_{xx} \tag{7.9}$$

still yields the bifurcation scenario for small positive δ .

Note that traveling waves corresponding to heteroclinic orbits near an elliptic Hopf point have oscillatory tails, see figure 7.1. Hyperbolic conservation laws are usually expected to have monotone viscous shock profiles. In particular, in numerical simulations small oscillations near the shock layer are regarded as numerical artifacts due to grid phenomena or unstable numerical schemes. In many schemes "artificial viscosity" is used to automatically suppress such oscillations as "spurious". However, near elliptic Hopf points, all heteroclinic orbits correspond to traveling waves with necessarily oscillatory tails. Numerical schemes should therefore resolve this "overshoot" rather than suppress it.

Additionally, in [Lie00] convective stability of the resulting traveling waves has been proved, if their speed is large enough. For numerical calculations on bounded intervals in co-moving coordinates this implies nonlinear stability of the corresponding oscillatory traveling waves, as long as no artificial instabilities are introduced by inadequate boundary conditions.

Part III

Codimension Two

Chapter 8

Degenerate Transcritical Bifurcation

Along two-dimensional equilibrium manifolds, we expect transcritical points, chapter 4, to form one-dimensional curves, by the implicit-function theorem. At isolated points, one of the non-degeneracy conditions (4.8, 4.9) may fail and codimension-two singularities appear. We shall discuss these degeneracies, first in a one-parameter-family on lines of equilibria and then along a two-dimensional equilibrium surface.

8.1 Families of Lines of Equilibria: Singular Drift

With one parameter, the degeneracy of the drift condition (4.9) is put as follows. We consider a system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} = F(x, y, \lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} f(x, y, \lambda) \\ g(x, y, \lambda) \end{pmatrix} \\ \dot{\lambda} = 0,$$

$$x, y, \lambda \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$(8.1)$$

with the following properties:

- (i) For all parameter values, there exists a line of equilibria, $F(0, y, \lambda) \equiv 0$, forming a plane of equilibria in the extended phase space.
- (ii) For all parameter values, the origin is a transcritical point, i.e. the origin has an eigenvalue zero in transverse direction to the equilibrium plane, $\partial_x f(0, 0, \lambda) \equiv 0$.

- (iii) For all parameter values, this nontrivial eigenvalue crosses zero with nonvanishing speed as y increases, $\partial_y \partial_x f(0,0,0) > 0$.
- (iv) At $\lambda = 0$ the drift non-degeneracy condition fails, $\partial_x g(0,0,0) = 0$.
- (v) This drift degeneracy is transverse, i.e. the drift changes direction with nonvanishing speed, as λ increases, $\partial_{\lambda}\partial_{x}g(0,0,0) > 0$.

The first condition is our structural assumption, (iii,v) are non-degeneracy assumptions which are fulfilled generically, and (ii,iv) describe our bifurcation point. Signs in (iii,v) are chosen without loss of generality, by switching signs of y and λ , if necessary.

Instead of (ii) it suffices to require $\partial_x f(0,0,0) = 0$ at the origin, only. Then the implicit-function theorem together with (iii) yields $\partial_x f(0, y(\lambda), \lambda) \equiv 0$ along a curve. Without loss of generality, we took this curve to be the λ -axis.

This setup is robust, i.e. under small perturbations of F respecting (i) there is a point near the origin satisfying (ii–v) for the perturbed system. From the point of view of singularity theory, (ii,iv) define a singularity of codimension two, which is unfolded versally by the coordinate y along the line of trivial equilibria and the parameter λ .

Condition (i) allows us to factor out x,

$$F(x, y, \lambda) = x\tilde{F}(x, y, \lambda), \qquad (8.2)$$

with smooth \tilde{F} . Conditions (ii-v) yield an expansion

$$\tilde{F}(x,y,\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} ax+by\\ cx+dy+\sigma\lambda \end{pmatrix} + \mathcal{O}((|x|+|y|+|\lambda|)^2), \quad (8.3)$$

with coefficients $a, b, c, d, \sigma \in \mathbb{R}$, b > 0, $\sigma > 0$. We assume an additional nondegeneracy condition

(vi) The matrix

$$\partial_{(x,y)}\left(\frac{1}{x}F\right)(0,0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

is hyperbolic, i.e. has no purely imaginary eigenvalues.



Stable set of the origin in green, unstable set in red.

Figure 8.1: Drift singularity along a one-parameter family of transcritical points

Setting

$$\delta := ad - bc, \qquad \tau := a + d, \tag{8.4}$$

for determinant and trace, we therefore have $\delta \neq 0$, and $\tau \neq 0$ if $\delta > 0$.

Applying the multiplier x^{-1} to system (8.2) preserves trajectories for $x \neq 0$ but reverses their direction for x < 0. After the coordinate transformation $\tilde{x} = x$, $\tilde{y} = ax + by$, $\tilde{\lambda} = b\sigma\lambda$, we obtain

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}'\\ \tilde{y}' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{y}\\ -\delta \tilde{x} + \tau \tilde{y} + \tilde{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} + \mathcal{O}((|x| + |y| + |\lambda|)^2).$$
(8.5)

This yields a bifurcating equilibrium at $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) \approx (\tilde{\lambda}/\delta, 0)$. Transversality of the branch of equilibria with respect to the trivial line of equilibria as well as the hyperbolicity of the nontrivial equilibria is ensured by condition (vi). Therefore, terms of higher order in (8.5) will preserve this structure. See figure 8.1 for phase portraits in various cases. Note the appearance of the generic transcritical bifurcation without parameters, figure 4.1, for $\lambda \neq 0$.

8.2 Families of Lines of Equilibria: Fold

With one parameter, also the transversality condition (4.8) could fail. We consider a system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} = F(x, y, \lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} f(x, y, \lambda) \\ g(x, y, \lambda) \end{pmatrix} \\ \dot{\lambda} = 0,$$

$$x, y, \lambda \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$(8.6)$$

with the following properties:

- (i) For all parameter values, there exists a line of equilibria, $F(0, y, \lambda) \equiv 0$, forming a plane of equilibria in the extended phase space.
- (ii) The origin is a transcritical point, i.e. the linearization at the origin has an eigenvalue zero in transverse direction to the equilibrium plane, $\partial_x f(0,0,0) = 0$.
- (iii) Transversality of the eigenvalue, as y increases, fails: $\partial_y \partial_x f(0,0,0) = 0$.



Stable set of the transcritical points in green, unstable set in red.

Figure 8.2: Fold singularity along a one-parameter family of transcritical points

- (iv) The non-transversality in (iii) is unfolded versally, that is $\partial_{\lambda}\partial_{x}f(0,0,0) > 0$ and $\partial_{y}^{2}\partial_{x}f(0,0,0) < 0$.
- (v) The drift does not vanish, $\partial_x g(0,0,0) > 0$.

Again, the first condition is our structural assumption, (iv,v) are non-degeneracy assumptions which are fulfilled generically, and (ii,iii) describe our bifurcation point. The signs in (iv,v) are chosen without loss of generality, by switching signs of time, y, and λ , is necessary.

Note how (iii,iv) and the implicit-function theorem yield a fold-shaped curve of transcritical equilibria $(0, y, \lambda(y))$, two for each $\lambda > 0$ and none for $\lambda < 0$. Again, the setup is robust.

After factoring out x,

$$F(x, y, \lambda) = x \tilde{F}(x, y, \lambda) = x \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{f}(x, y, \lambda) \\ \tilde{g}(x, y, \lambda) \end{pmatrix},$$
(8.7)

we find the system

$$\dot{x} = \ddot{F}(x, y, \lambda), \tag{8.8}$$

with the same orbits, outside the (y, λ) -plane of former equilibria, and reversed flow direction for x < 0.

Condition (v) implies $\tilde{g}(0,0,0) > 0$ and we can invoke the flow-box theorem and transform (8.8) to

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{x}' &= 0, \\
\tilde{y}' &= 1.
\end{aligned}$$
(8.9)

Similar to section 4.1, we determine the fate of the plane of equilibria by the implicitfunction theorem. It is transformed to the family of curves

$$\tilde{x} = p(\tilde{y}, \lambda) = a\tilde{y}^3 + b\lambda\tilde{y} + \mathcal{O}(\tilde{y}^4, \tilde{y}^2\lambda, \tilde{y}\lambda^2), \qquad (8.10)$$

with $a = -\frac{1}{6}\partial_y^2 \tilde{f}(0)\tilde{g}^2(0) > 0$ and $b = -\partial_\lambda \tilde{f}(0) < 0$, due to (iv, v). We can transform this, by another smooth coordinate change of y alone, to the standard cubic $\hat{x} = \frac{1}{3}\hat{y}^3 - \lambda\hat{y}$.

We arrive at the normal form

$$\begin{aligned}
x' &= \lambda x - xy^2, \\
y' &= x,
\end{aligned}$$
(8.11)

which has the same orbits and flow direction as (8.6) under a suitable coordinate transformation, see figure 8.2. We conclude:

Theorem 8.1 Consider a C^4 vector field (8.6) satisfying conditions (*i*–*v*). Then, there exists a C^1 -diffeomorphism which maps orbits of the vector field (8.6) to orbits of the normal form (8.11) with preserved time orientation.

8.3 Planes of Equilibria

Along a plane of equilibria both singularities discussed in sections 8.1, 8.2 above turn out to be equivalent, see remark 8.3.

Replacing the parameter λ discussed in section 8.1 with an additional direction of a plane of equilibria, the drift along this manifold of equilibria is now a twodimensional vector. It will not vanish along generic one-dimensional curves. The drift singularity along curves of transcritical points is therefore not characterized by a vanishing drift but rather by a drift direction tangential to the curve of transcritical points. (A drift in λ -direction was not possible in sections 8.1, 8.2 above.)

The correct setup is given by a system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} = F(x,y) = \begin{pmatrix} f(x,y) \\ g(x,y) \end{pmatrix}, \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^2, \tag{8.12}$$

 $y = (y_1, y_2), g = (g_1, g_2)$, with the following properties:

(i) The y-plane consists of equilibria, $F(0, y) \equiv 0$.

- (ii) There is a transcritical point at the origin, i.e. the *y*-plane loses normal hyperbolicity at this point, $\partial_x f(0,0) = 0$.
- (iii) This loss of normal hyperbolicity is caused by the transverse eigenvalue crossing zero transversally, $\nabla_y \partial_x f(0,0) \neq 0$. Without loss of generality, the gradient points in y_1 -direction, i.e. $\partial_{y_1} \partial_x f(0,0) > 0$ and $\partial_{y_2} \partial_x f(0,0) = 0$. By the implicit-function theorem, this gives rise to a curve of transcritical points tangential to the y_2 -axis.
- (iv) At the origin, the drift non-degeneracy transverse to the curve of transcritical points fails, $\partial_x g_1(0,0) = 0$.
- (v) This drift degeneracy is transverse, i.e. the drift direction crosses the tangent to the curve of transcritical points with nonvanishing speed along the curve of transcritical points, $\partial_{y_1} \partial_x f(0,0) \ \partial_{y_2} \partial_x g_1(0,0) + \partial_{y_2}^2 \partial_x f(0,0) \ \partial_x g_2(0,0) \neq 0.$
- (vi) The drift does not vanish at the origin, i.e. there is a component tangential to the curve of transcritical points, $\partial_x g_2(0,0) > 0$.

Note that conditions (i–v) correspond to the conditions of section 8.1. Again, the singularity described by (ii,iv) is robust under perturbations satisfying (i), provided the non-degeneracy conditions (iii,v,vi) hold. Signs in (iii,vi) are chosen without loss of generality, by switching signs of y_1 and y_2 , if necessary.

The non-degeneracy condition (vi) indeed yields

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}y_2} \left\langle \nabla_y \partial_x f, \partial_x g \right\rangle (0, \vartheta(y_2), y_2) \bigg|_{y_2 = 0} \neq 0, \tag{8.13}$$

where $(x, y_1, y_2) = (0, \vartheta(y_2), y_2), \ \vartheta(0) = 0, \ \vartheta'(0) = 0$, is the curve γ of transcritical points. Locally, we could reparametrize y to achieve $\vartheta \equiv 0$. Conditions (iii,v) would then read: $\partial_x f(0, 0, y_2) \equiv 0, \ \partial_{y_1} \partial_x f(0, 0, 0) > 0, \ \partial_{y_2} \partial_x g_1(0, 0, 0) \neq 0$. But let us continue with the original setup.

As in the parameter-dependent case (8.14), we can factor out x due to condition (i),

$$F(x,y) = x\tilde{F}(x,y) = x \left(\begin{array}{c} \tilde{f}(x,y)\\ \tilde{g}(x,y) \end{array}\right).$$
(8.14)

However, this time, due to non-degeneracy (vi) no equilibrium remains,

$$F(0,0,0) = (0,0,\partial_x g_2(0,0,0)) \neq 0.$$
(8.15)

We apply the flow-box theorem: there exists a local smooth diffeomorphism

$$h(z_0, z_1, z_2) = \tilde{\Phi}_{z_2}(z_0, z_1, 0),$$
 (8.16)

where $\tilde{\Phi}_t$ denotes the flow generated by the vector field \tilde{F} . This diffeomorphism fixes the origin and transforms \tilde{F} into the constant vector field,

$$[Dh(z_0, z_1, z_2)]^{-1} \tilde{F}(h(z_0, z_1, z_2)) = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\ 0\\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (8.17)

Applying the same transformation to the original vector field F, we obtain

$$[Dh(z)]^{-1}F(h(z)) = [Dh(z)]^{-1}h_0(z)\tilde{F}(h(z)) = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\ 0\\ h_0(z) \end{pmatrix}, \qquad (8.18)$$

where $h = (h_0, h_1, h_2)$.

In a suitable neighborhood of the origin, the vector field F is flow-equivalent to a vector field

$$\dot{z}_2 = h_0(z_0, z_1, z_2)$$
 (8.19)

on the real line depending on two (classical) parameters (z_0, z_1) . Expansion of h_0 using (8.16) and conditions (ii-vi) yields

$$\dot{z}_2 = az_2^3 + (c_0z_0 + c_1z_1)z_2^2 + (bz_1 + c_2z_0 + c_3z_0^2 + c_4z_0z_1 + c_5z_1^2)z_2 + z_0 + \mathcal{O}(|z|^4) \quad (8.20)$$

with

$$a = \left(\partial_{y_1}\partial_x f(0) \ \partial_{y_2}\partial_x g_1(0) + \partial_{y_2}^2 \partial_x f(0) \ \partial_x g_2(0)\right) \partial_x g_2(0) \neq 0,$$

$$b = \partial_{y_1}\partial_x f(0) \neq 0.$$
(8.21)

In particular, $h_0(0, 0, z_2) = az_2^3 + \mathcal{O}(|z_2|^4)$. This is a cusp singularity. See [GG73, Gib79, Arn94, AGZV85, Mur03] for a background on singularity theory and its connection to dynamical systems. In fact, non-degeneracies (8.21) allow to diffeomorphically transform (8.20) into the normal form

$$\dot{z}_2 = \pm z_2^3 + z_1 z_2 + z_0 + \mathcal{O}(z_2^N),$$
 (8.22)

for arbitrary normal-form order N, see for example [BG92], proposition 6.10. This is a minimal versal unfolding of the cusp singularity. See figure 8.3.



Cusp singularity $\dot{z}_2 = az_2^3 + z_1z_2 + z_0$ with a = -1. Reverse direction of trajectories and signs of z_0 , z_1 for a = +1. The fold line γ is connected by heteroclinic orbits to the curve σ , both curves have a common tangent at the origin.

Figure 8.3: Cusp singularity

Reverting the flow-box transformation, the cusp singularity yields a description of the local dynamics near a transcritical point with drift singularity on a twodimensional manifold of equilibria. Note in particular the cusp-shaped fold line

$$\gamma: \qquad z_1^3 = \mp \frac{27}{4} z_0^2 + \mathcal{O}(z_0^{N/3}), \qquad z_2^3 = \pm \frac{1}{2} z_0 + \mathcal{O}(z_0^{N/3})$$

of the manifold of equilibria that is connected by heteroclinic orbits to the curve

$$\sigma: \qquad z_1^3 = \mp \frac{27}{4} z_0^2 + \mathcal{O}(z_0^{N/3}), \qquad z_2^3 = \mp 4z_0 + \mathcal{O}(z_0^{N/3})$$

Theorem 8.2 Under conditions (*i*–v*i*) the vector field (8.12) in a local neighborhood U of the origin is flow-equivalent to the cusp singularity (8.22). Depending on the sign of the cubic term

$$a = \operatorname{sign} \left(\partial_{y_1} \partial_x f(0) \ \partial_{y_2} \partial_x g_1(0) + \partial_{y_2}^2 \partial_x f(0) \ \partial_x g_2(0) \right)$$

all trajectories in U converge to an equilibrium (0, y) in forward time (a = -1) or backward time (a = +1).

In U, the transcritical points on the manifold of equilibria form a curve γ through the origin. The unstable (for a = -1) and stable (for a = +1) sets, respectively, of the two components γ_1, γ_2 of $\gamma \setminus \{0\}$ form manifolds of heteroclinic orbits on opposite sides of the manifold of equilibria. Their targets in forward time (a = -1) or backward time (a = +1) again form curves $\sigma_{1,2}$ on the manifold of equilibria with $\sigma_1 \cup \{0\} \cup \sigma_2$ being a tangential curve to γ . See figure 8.4.



Stable set of the line γ of transcritical points in green, unstable set in red, selected trajectories in blue. Two different views for a = -1. Reverse direction of trajectories and switch colors of manifolds for a = +1.

Figure 8.4: Transcritical point with drift singularity on a plane of equilibria

Remark 8.3 There is no difference between drift and fold singularities, as discussed in sections 8.1 and 8.2 of one-parameter families of lines of equilibria, in the case of a plane of equilibria without parameters. Indeed, by a coordinate transformation of y, alone, the curve γ of transcritical points can be mapped onto the y₂-axis onto a parabola tangential to the y₁ axis.

Remark 8.4 In contrast to the parameter-dependent drift singularity, equilibria do not bifurcate. In fact, the drift non-degeneracy excludes any kind of recurrent or stationary orbits except the primary manifold of equilibria.

Chapter 9

Degenerate Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf Bifurcation

In this chapter we study the Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcation without parameters, see chapter 5, with an additional degeneracy of the drift or transversality due to an additional parameter or an additional dimension of the primary manifold of equilibria.

It turns out that degeneracies of drift and transversality are equivalent, without parameters. The mixed case of a one-parameter family of lines of equilibria and the pure case of a plane of equilibria, however, yield different bifurcation scenarios.

9.1 Families of Lines of Equilibria: Singular Drift

Let us start with a Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf point on a curve of equilibria. Let a degeneracy of the drift, see chapter 5, be unfolded by one additional parameter. Again, we restrict the problem to the now 4-dimensional center manifold in a neighborhood of the degenerate Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf point. In the restricted system we deform the one-parameter family of curves of equilibria to a family of straight lines. This yields the following setting: we consider a system

 $x = (x_1, x_2), f = (f_1, f_2)$, with the following properties:

- (i) For all parameter values, there exists a line of equilibria, $F(0, y, \lambda) \equiv 0$, forming a plane of equilibria in the extended phase space.
- (ii) For all parameter values, the origin is an Andronov-Hopf point, i.e. the origin, has a pair of purely imaginary, nonzero eigenvalues in transverse direction to the equilibrium plane:

$$\partial_x f(0,0,\lambda) \equiv \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & -1\\ 1 & 0 \end{array}\right)$$

- (iii) For all parameter values, this nontrivial eigenvalue pair crosses the imaginary axis with nonvanishing speed as y increases, $\partial_y \operatorname{div}_x f(0, 0, \lambda) > 0$.
- (iv) At $\lambda = 0$, the drift non-degeneracy condition fails, $\Delta_x g(0,0,0) = 0$, with $\Delta_x = \partial_{x_1}^2 + \partial_{x_2}^2$.
- (v) This drift degeneracy is transverse, i.e. the drift changes direction with nonvanishing speed, as λ increases, $\partial_{\lambda} \Delta_x g(0,0,0) > 0$.

The first condition is our structural assumption, (iii,v) are non-degeneracy assumptions fulfilled generically, and (ii,iv) describe our bifurcation point. Note that we chose coordinates $x = (x_1, x_2)$ such that $\partial_x f(0, 0, \lambda)$ is in Jordan normal form. We further normalized the critical eigenvalue to $\pm i$. This can always be achieved by a λ -dependent time rescaling, i.e. a scalar multiplier to the system, which preserves the trajectories of the system. This setup is robust, i.e. under small perturbations of F respecting (i) there is a point near the origin satisfying (ii–v) for the perturbed system. From the point of view of singularity theory, (ii,iv) define a singularity of codimension two, which is unfolded versally by the coordinate y along the line of trivial equilibria and the parameter λ .

The linearization

$$A = DF(0,0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

at the origin is normal. Thus, the normal-form procedure, see chapters 2.2, 2.3, and [Van89], yields a normal form which is equivariant with respect to the group
of rotations $\{\exp\left(DF(0,0,0,0)^{\mathrm{T}}\tau\right); \tau \in \mathbb{R}\}$. Writing (x_1, x_2) in polar coordinates, $(x_1 + ix_2) = r \exp(i\varphi)$, we obtain

$$\dot{r} = rh_r(r^2, y, \lambda) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{\varphi} = h_{\varphi}(r^2, y, \lambda) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{y} = h_y(r^2, y, \lambda) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{\lambda} = 0.$$
(9.2)

with polynomials h_r, h_{φ}, h_y , in normal form, depending on r^2, y, λ but not on the angle φ . The terms of higher order, not in normal form, depend on all variables r, φ, y, λ and generically break the normal-form symmetry.

The plane of equilibria and the linearization at the origin remain unchanged by the normal form procedure, thus $h_r(0,0,0) = 0$, $h_{\varphi}(0,0,0) = 1$, $h_y(0,y,\lambda) \equiv 0$, due to conditions (i) and (ii). The multiplier $1/\dot{\varphi}$ is close to 1, preserves trajectories, and normalizes the rotation speed. Thus we can put $\dot{\varphi} = 1$ in (9.2). Condition (iii) translates to $\partial_y h_r(0,0,0) > 0$. We can introduce a new variable $\tilde{y} = h_r(0,y,\lambda)$ and obtain

$$\dot{r} = r\tilde{y} + r^{3}\dot{h}_{r}(r^{2},\tilde{y},\lambda) + \text{h.o.t.},$$

$$\dot{\varphi} = 1,$$

$$\dot{\tilde{y}} = r^{2}\tilde{h}_{y}(r^{2},\tilde{y},\lambda) + \text{h.o.t.},$$

$$\dot{\lambda} = 0.$$
(9.3)

Finally, the drift-degeneracy conditions (iv) and (v) imply $\tilde{h}_y(0,0,0) = 0$ and $\partial_{\lambda} \tilde{h}_y(0,0,0) \neq 0$. We set $\tilde{\lambda} = \tilde{h}_y(0,0,\lambda)$ and obtain

$$\dot{r} = r\tilde{y} + r^{3}\tilde{h}_{r}(r^{2},\tilde{y},\tilde{\lambda}) + \text{h.o.t.},$$

$$\dot{\varphi} = 1,$$

$$\dot{\tilde{y}} = \lambda r^{2} + r^{2}\tilde{\tilde{h}}_{y}(r^{2},\tilde{y},\tilde{\lambda}) + \text{h.o.t.},$$

$$\dot{\tilde{\lambda}} = 0,$$
(9.4)

with $\tilde{\tilde{h}}_y(0,0,\tilde{\lambda}) \equiv 0.$

Dropping tildes to simplify the notation, and omitting the trivial φ and λ directions as well as terms beyond normal form order, we obtain the (truncated) normal form

$$\dot{r} = ry + r^{3}h_{r}(r^{2}, y, \lambda),
\dot{y} = \lambda r^{2} + r^{2}h_{y}(r^{2}, y, \lambda),$$
(9.5)

still with $h_y(0,0,\lambda) \equiv 0$.

As we are interested in the local dynamics close to the origin, we rescale this system by

$$r = \sigma \tilde{r},$$

$$y = \sigma^2 \tilde{y},$$

$$\lambda = \sigma^2 \tilde{\lambda},$$

$$t = \sigma^{-1} \tilde{t}.$$

(9.6)

For $0 < \sigma \ll 1$, to leading order in σ we obtain the rescaled, truncated normal form

$$\dot{r} = ry + r\mathcal{O}(\sigma),$$

$$\dot{y} = \lambda r^2 + \varrho_1 y r^2 + \varrho_2 r^4 + r^2 \mathcal{O}(\sigma).$$
(9.7)

If $\rho_1 < 0$ then we switch its sign by replacing $(y,t) \mapsto -(y,t)$. If $\rho_1 > 0$, then we can normalize it to $\rho_1 = 1$ by scaling r, λ . To ensure $\rho_1 \neq 0$, we assume the additional non-degeneracy condition:

(vi)
$$0 \neq \partial_y \left(\partial_{x_1}^2 + \partial_{x_2}^2 \right) g(0,0,0) = \partial_y \Delta_x g(0,0,0).$$

Then we obtain to leading order in the rescaling parameter σ :

$$\dot{r} = ry, \dot{y} = \lambda r^2 + yr^2 + \varrho r^4.$$

$$(9.8)$$

To this system, we apply the multiplier 1/r. Trajectories in the domain $\{r > 0\}$ are preserved. The boundary $\{r = 0\}$ still represents the line of equilibria. We arrive at the truncated normal form

$$\begin{aligned} r' &= y, \\ y' &= \lambda r + yr + \varrho r^3. \end{aligned}$$
 (9.9)

Note the reversibility with respect to the reflection $r \mapsto -r$ induced by the normalform symmetry, that is the independence of (9.5) of the angle φ . The equilibria of (9.9) are the origin, (r, y) = (0, 0), and the points $(r, y) = (\pm \sqrt{-\lambda/\varrho}, 0)$.

Of course, for $\lambda \neq 0$, we find a generic Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcation without parameters at the origin: compare our setting (9.1) with chapter 5, in particular the truncated normal forms (9.8) and (5.11). We find the elliptic case for $\lambda < 0$ and the hyperbolic case for $\lambda > 0$.

The pair of bifurcating equilibria

$$\begin{pmatrix} r \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \pm \sqrt{-\lambda/\varrho} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ with linearization } \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2\lambda & \pm \sqrt{-\lambda/\varrho} \end{pmatrix} \quad (9.10)$$

accompany the elliptic or the hyperbolic Hopf points depending on the sign of ρ . It corresponds to a periodic orbit of the full system (9.4). Indeed, for $\lambda \neq 0$ the equilibria (9.10) are hyperbolic, i.e. their linearizations have no purely imaginary eigenvalues. They are also hyperbolic fixed points of the time- 2π map to the vector field (9.8). Thus, they persist under small perturbations. This yields a hyperbolic equilibrium of the Poincaré map to the full system (9.4): the claimed hyperbolic periodic orbit.

For $\rho > 0$, we find the bifurcating equilibria (9.10) for $\lambda < 0$ accompanying the elliptic Hopf points. The determinant of the linearization is negative: we find a saddle periodic orbit, its stable/unstable manifolds bound the elliptic bubble of bounded trajectories. See figure 9.1. We call this the subcritical case.

For $\rho < 0$, we find the bifurcating equilibria (9.10) for $\lambda > 0$ accompanying the hyperbolic Hopf points. The determinant of the linearization is negative: we find a periodic orbit inside the elliptic bubble of bounded trajectories. The periodic orbit is of node type, i.e. with real Floquet exponents, for $|\rho| \leq 1/8$, and of focus type for $|\rho| > 1/8$. Due to our choice of sign of ρ_1 in (9.7), it is unstable. All trajectories close to the origin remain bounded. See figure 9.2. We call this the supercritical case.

Theorem 9.1 Under the conditions (*i*-*v*, *vi*) the vector field (9.1) in rescaled polar coordinates (and possibly under time reversal) has the truncated normal form

$$\dot{r} = ry, \dot{\varphi} = 1, \dot{y} = \lambda r^2 + yr^2 + \varrho r^4.$$

In the subcritical case, $\rho > 0$, non-trivial bounded local trajectories exist for $\lambda < 0$. The set of bounded trajectories is formed by heteroclinic orbits to trivial equilibria on opposite sides of the elliptic Hopf point at the origin. It is bounded by the stable and unstable manifolds to the bifurcating saddle periodic orbit.

In the supercritical case, $\rho < 0$, all local trajectories are bounded. For $\lambda \leq 0$, the set of bounded trajectories is formed by heteroclinic orbits to trivial equilibria on opposite sides of the elliptic Hopf point at the origin. For $\lambda > 0$, additional heteroclinic orbits connect the bifurcating unstable (or stable) periodic orbit to the trivial equilibria on one side of the hyperbolic Hopf point.



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Poincaré map with separatrix splitting

Stable set of the origin or the bifurcating saddle in green, unstable set in red. Nullclines in black. Note the elliptic Hopf point, for $\lambda < 0$, and the hyperbolic Hopf point, for $\lambda > 0$.

Figure 9.1: Drift singularity along a one-parameter family of Hopf points, subcritical case

Terms of higher order in (9.3) beyond normal form depend on φ and will cause the separatrices to split, as already observed close to the generic Hopf point, chapter 5. In addition to the splitting of 2-dimensional stable/unstable manifolds of primary equilibria, we find that the stable/unstable manifold of the bifurcating periodic orbit in the subcritical case connects to a small interval of primary equilibria. For analytic vector fields, Neishtadt averaging yields exponential smallness of this splitting with respect to the distance from the origin, that is exponential smallness in λ .



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Stable set of the origin in green, unstable set in red. Nullclines in black. Note the elliptic Hopf point, for $\lambda < 0$, and the hyperbolic Hopf point, for $\lambda > 0$.

Figure 9.2: Drift singularity along a one-parameter family of Hopf points, supercritical case

9.2 Families of Lines of Equilibria: Fold

As we have done in section 8.2 for the transcritical point, we study the failure of transversality of the Andronov-Hopf point. Let us start with an Andronov-Hopf point on a curve of equilibria. We consider a system

 $x = (x_1, x_2), f = (f_1, f_2)$, with the following properties:

- (i) For all parameter values, there exists a line of equilibria, $F(0, y, \lambda) \equiv 0$, forming a plane of equilibria in the extended phase space.
- (ii) The origin is a Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf point, i.e. the origin has pair of purely imaginary, nonzero eigenvalues in transverse direction to the equilibrium plane:

$$\partial_x f(0,0,0) = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & -1\\ 1 & 0 \end{array}\right).$$

(iii) Transversality of the purely imaginary eigenvalue pair, as y increases, fails at the origin: $0 = \partial_y \operatorname{div}_x f(0, 0, 0) = \partial_y (\partial_{x_1} f_1(0) + \partial_{x_2} f_2(0)).$

- (iv) The non-transversality in (iii) is unfolded versally, that is $\partial_{\lambda} \operatorname{div}_{x} f(0,0,0) > 0$ and $\partial_{y}^{2} \operatorname{div}_{x} f(0,0,0) < 0$.
- (v) The drift along the line of equilibria is non-degenerate, i.e. $\Delta_x g(0,0,0) > 0$, with $\Delta_x = \partial_{x_1}^2 + \partial_{x_2}^2$.

The first condition is our structural assumption, (iv,v) are non-degeneracy assumptions fulfilled generically, and (ii,iii) describe our bifurcation point. Signs in (iii,v) are chosen without loss of generality, by switching signs of time, y, and λ , if necessary.

Note how (iii,iv) and the implicit-function theorem again yield a fold-shaped curve of Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf points $(0, y, \lambda(y))$, two for each $\lambda > 0$ and none for $\lambda < 0$. Again, the setup is robust.

In analogy to the previous section, we find a normal form with additional rotationally symmetry,

$$\dot{r} = rh_r(r^2, y, \lambda) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{\varphi} = 1,
\dot{y} = r^2 h_y(r^2, y, \lambda) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{\lambda} = 0.$$
(9.12)

The conditions (iii-v) are equivalent to $h_r(0) = 0$, $\partial_{\lambda}h_r(0) > 0$, $\partial_y^2h_r(0) < 0$, and $h_y(0) > 0$. We set $\tilde{\lambda} = h_r(0, 0, \lambda)$ and $\tilde{y}^2 = h_r(0, 0, \lambda) - h_r(0, y, \lambda)$ to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{r} &= r(\tilde{\lambda} - \tilde{y}^2) + r^3 \tilde{h}_r(r^2, \tilde{y}, \tilde{\lambda}) + \text{h.o.t.}, \\ \dot{\varphi} &= 1, \\ \dot{\tilde{y}} &= cr^2 + r^2 \tilde{h}_y(r^2, \tilde{y}, \tilde{\lambda}) + \text{h.o.t.}, \\ \dot{\tilde{\lambda}} &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$(9.13)$$

with $\tilde{h}_y(0,0,0) = 0$ and a constant c > 0 which can be normalized to 1 by scaling of r.

Dropping tildes to simplify the notation, and omitting the trivial φ and λ directions as well as terms beyond normal form order, we obtain the (truncated) normal form

$$\dot{r} = r(\lambda - y^2) + r^3 h_r(r^2, y, \lambda),
\dot{y} = r^2 + r^2 h_y(r^2, y, \lambda),$$
(9.14)

still with $h_y(0, 0, 0) = 0$.



normal form alias drift singularity of pitchfork bifurcations, $\lambda > 0$.

Stable set of the hyperbolic Andronov-Hopf point in green, unstable set in red.

Figure 9.3: Drift singularity along a one-parameter family of Andronov-Hopf points

We rescale this system by

$$r = \sigma^{3}\tilde{r},$$

$$y = \sigma^{2}\tilde{y},$$

$$\lambda = \sigma^{4}\tilde{\lambda},$$

$$t = \sigma^{-4}\tilde{t}.$$
(9.15)

For $0 < \sigma \ll 1$, to leading order in σ we obtain the rescaled, truncated normal form

$$\dot{r} = r\lambda - ry^2 + r\mathcal{O}(\sigma),$$

$$\dot{y} = r^2 + r^2\mathcal{O}(\sigma).$$
(9.16)

Theorem 9.2 Assume (i–v) for the vector field (9.11). Then, for $\lambda < 0$ we find a hyperbolic Andronov-Hopf point at $y \approx -\sqrt{\lambda}$ and an elliptic Andronov-Hopf point at $y \approx +\sqrt{\lambda}$, both of the generic type discussed in chapter 5. See figure 9.3. They collide at the degenerate Andronov-Hopf point at the origin, for $\lambda = 0$. Finally, for $\lambda < 0$, no bifurcation occurs, i.e. the y-axis is normally stable and consists of stable foci.

Again we expect the separatrices to split as discussed for the elliptic Andronov-Hopf point. In particular, the unstable set of the hyperbolic Andronov-Hopf point connects to a interval of the stable branch of the line of equilibria "behind" the elliptic Andronov-Hopf point. By Neishtadt averaging, for analytic vector fields, the size of the splitting is exponentially small in the distance of the two Andronov-Hopf points, that is in λ .

9.3 Planes of Equilibria

Along a plane of equilibria both singularities discussed before turn out to be equivalent, see remark 9.4.

We start analogously to section 8.3 with a line of Hopf points instead of transcritical points. Replacing the parameter λ discussed in section 9.1 with an additional direction of a plane of equilibria, the drift along this manifold of equilibria is now a two-dimensional vector. Along generic one-dimensional curves, it will not vanish. Therefore, the drift singularity along curves of Hopf points is not characterized by a vanishing drift but rather by a drift direction tangential to the curve of Hopf points. (A drift in λ -direction was not possible in sections 9.1, 9.2 above.)

We consider a system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} = F(x,y) = \begin{pmatrix} f(x,y) \\ g(x,y) \end{pmatrix}, \quad x,y \in \mathbb{R}^2,$$
(9.17)

 $x = (x_1, x_2), y = (y_1, y_2), f = (f_1, f_2), g = (g_1, g_2)$, with the following properties:

- (i) The y-plane consists of equilibria, $F(0, y) \equiv 0$.
- (ii) There is a Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf point at the origin, i.e. the y-plane loses normal hyperbolicity at this point caused by a pair of purely imaginary eigenvalues of the linearization,

$$\partial_x f(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (iii) This eigenvalue pair crosses the imaginary axis transversely, $\nabla_y \operatorname{div}_x f(0,0) \neq 0$. Without loss of generality, the gradient points in y_1 -direction, we can choose $\partial_{y_1} \operatorname{div}_x f(0,0) > 0$ and $\partial_{y_2} \operatorname{div}_x f(0,0) = 0$. By the implicit-function theorem, this gives rise to a curve of Hopf points tangential to the y_2 -axis.
- (iv) At the origin, the drift non-degeneracy transverse to the curve of Hopf points fails, $\Delta_x g_1(0,0) = 0$, with $\Delta = \partial_{x_1}^2 + \partial_{x_2}^2$.
- (v) This drift degeneracy is transverse, i.e. the drift direction crosses the tangent to the curve of Hopf points with nonvanishing speed along the curve of Hopf points, $\partial_{y_1} \operatorname{div}_x f(0,0) \ \partial_{y_2} \Delta_x g_1(0,0) + \partial_{y_2}^2 \operatorname{div}_x f(0,0) \ \Delta_x g_2(0,0) > 0.$

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(vi) The drift does not vanish at the origin, i.e. there is a component tangential to the curve of Hopf points, $\Delta_x g_2(0,0) < 0$.

Again, conditions (i–v) correspond to those of section 9.1, the singularity described by (ii,iv) is robust under perturbations satisfying (i), provided the nondegeneracy conditions (iii,v,vi) hold. Signs in (iii,v,vi) are chosen without loss of generality, by switching signs of time, y_1 , and y_2 , if necessary.

The non-degeneracy condition (vi) indeed yields

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}y_2} \left\langle \nabla_y \mathrm{div}_x f, \Delta_x g \right\rangle \left(0, \vartheta(y_2), y_2 \right) \bigg|_{y_2 = 0} > 0, \tag{9.18}$$

where $(x, y_1, y_2) = (0, \vartheta(y_2), y_2), \ \vartheta(0) = 0, \ \vartheta'(0) = 0$, is the curve γ of Hopf points. Locally, we could reparametrize y to achieve $\vartheta \equiv 0$. Conditions (iii,v) then read:

 $\operatorname{div}_{x} f(0,0,y_{2}) \equiv 0, \qquad \partial_{y_{1}} \operatorname{div}_{x} f(0,0,0) > 0, \qquad \partial_{y_{2}} \Delta_{x} g_{1}(0,0,0) > 0.$ (9.19)

We assume this to hold.

In analogy to the previous sections, we find a normal form with additional rotationally symmetry,

$$\dot{r} = rh_r(r^2, y_1, y_2) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{\varphi} = 1,
\dot{y}_1 = r^2 h_{y_1}(r^2, y_1, y_2) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{y}_2 = r^2 h_{y_2}(r^2, y_1, y_2) + \text{h.o.t.},$$
(9.20)

Conditions (9.19) and (iv,vi) and are equivalent to $h_r(0,0,y_2) \equiv 0, \partial_{y_1}h_r(0,0,0) > 0,$ $h_{y_1}(0,0,0) = 0, \ \partial_{y_2}h_{y_1}(0,0,0) > 0, \ h_{y_2}(0,0,0) < 0.$

We set $\tilde{y}_1 = h_r(0, y_1, y_2)$, to obtain

$$\dot{r} = ry_1 + r^3 \tilde{h}_r(r^2, \tilde{y}_1, y_2) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{\varphi} = 1,
\dot{\tilde{y}}_1 = r^2 \tilde{h}_{y_1}(r^2, \tilde{y}_1, y_2) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{y}_2 = r^2 \tilde{h}_{y_2}(r^2, \tilde{y}_1, y_2) + \text{h.o.t.},$$
(9.21)

still with $\tilde{h}_{y_1}(0,0,0) = 0$, $\partial_{y_2}\tilde{h}_{y_1}(0,0,0) > 0$, $\tilde{h}_{y_2}(0,0,0) < 0$. We drop tildes to simplify the notation, and omit the trivial φ direction as well as terms beyond normal form order. We obtain the (truncated) normal form

$$\dot{r} = ry_1 + r^3 h_r(r^2, y),
\dot{y}_1 = c_1 r^2 y_2 + r^2 h_{y_1}(r^2, y),
\dot{y}_2 = c_2 r^2 + r^2 h_{y_2}(r^2, y),$$
(9.22)

with $h_{y_1}(0,0,0) = 0$, $\partial_{y_2}\tilde{h}_{y_1}(0,0,0) = 0$, $\tilde{h}_{y_2}(0,0,0) = 0$. The constants can be normalized to $c_1 = 1$ and $c_2 = -1$.

We rescale this system by

$$r = \sigma^{3} \tilde{r},$$

$$y = \sigma^{4} \tilde{y},$$

$$\lambda = \sigma^{2} \tilde{\lambda},$$

$$t = \sigma^{-4} \tilde{t}.$$

(9.23)

For $0 < \sigma \ll 1$, to leading order in σ we obtain the rescaled, truncated normal form

$$\dot{r} = ry_1 + r\mathcal{O}(\sigma),
\dot{y}_1 = r^2y_2 + r^2\mathcal{O}(\sigma),
\dot{y}_2 = -r^2 + r^2\mathcal{O}(\sigma).$$
(9.24)

Note that the rescaling used in section 9.1 is not applicable, as it would be singular in the y_2 -component. It is, however, reminiscent of the scaling used in section 9.2.

System (9.24) is restricted to $r \ge 0$. Note the equilibrium plane $\{r = 0\}$ which is normally hyperbolic for $y_1 \ne 0$. The flow in y can be multiplied by $1/r^2 > 0$, keeping orbits and flow directions

$$y'_1 = y_2,$$

 $y'_2 = -1.$
(9.25)

Solutions are just parabolas. It remains to discuss the convergence of r to zero along these curves. In (9.24) r can converge to 0 in forward time only for $y_1 < 0$ and in backward time only for $y_2 > 0$. Note also the elliptic Hopf points $y_1 = 0, y_2 < 0$ and the hyperbolic Hopf points $y_1 = 0, y_2 > 0$. We find a phase portrait as shown in figure 9.4.

Theorem 9.3 Under conditions (i-vi), a truncated normal form of the vector field (9.17) is given by (9.24).

For the normal form, a local neighborhood U of the origin is filled with

- (i) heteroclinic orbits connecting equilibria $\{y_1 > 0\}$ to equilibria $\{-\frac{3}{8}y_2^2 < y_1 < 0; y_2 < 0\}$, forming en extended "elliptic bubble" around the elliptic Hopf points $\{y_1 = 0; y_2 < 0\}$
- (ii) orbits entering the neighborhood and converging to equilibria $\{y_1 < -y_2^2; y_2 < 0\} \cup \{y_1 < 0; y_2 \ge 0\}$ in forward time



Note the elliptic Hopf point, for $y_2 < 0$, and the hyperbolic Hopf point, for $y_2 > 0$, and the return of the unstable manifold of the half line of hyperbolic Hopf points to the plane of equilibria.

Signs of y_1, y_2 are chosen w.l.o.g., the timereversed phase portrait is also possible.

Figure 9.4: Degenerate Hopf point of a plane of equilibria

The curve $\{y_1 = -\frac{3}{8}y_2^2; y_2 < 0\}$ is the limit of the strong unstable manifold of the hyperbolic Hopf points $\{y_1 = 0; y_2 > 0\}$ in the equilibrium plane. See figure 9.4

The phase portrait of the full system has the same structure, although separatrix splitting occurs, i.e. the boundary of the two regions on the equilibrium plane depends on the phase angle. In particular, the hyperbolic Hopf points $\{y_1 = 0; y_2 > 0\}$ connect to a small wedge shaped region $\{y_1 \approx -\frac{3}{8}y_2^2; y_2 < 0\}$ on the equilibrium plane.

Proof. Equation (9.25) and normal stability of the half plane $\{y_1 < 0\}$ of equilibria ensures that all trajectories must converge to the plane of equilibria, in forward time. The domain of strong unstable manifolds of the normally unstable equilibria $\{y_1 > 0\}$ is bounded by the strong unstable manifolds of the hyperbolic Hopf points $\{y_1 = 0; y_2 > 0\}$. This hold true for their limit points on the y-plane.

Due to normal stability/instability of the half planes $\{y_1 \neq 0\}$ this remains true under perturbations.

It only remains to calculate the limit of the strong unstable manifold of the hyperbolic Hopf points $\{y_1 = 0; y_2 > 0\}$ on the equilibrium plane in the normal form (9.24). We multiply by 1/r, keeping orbits, and drop higher-order terms.

$$\dot{r} = y_1,$$

 $\dot{y}_1 = ry_2,$ (9.26)
 $\dot{y}_2 = -r.$

Now consider a trajectory $(r(t), y_1(t), y_2(t))$ connecting a hyperbolic Hopf point $(0, 0, y_2^- > 0)$, for $t \to -\infty$, to a point on the y-plane $(r, y_1, y_2) = (0, y_1^+, y_2^+ < 0)$, for t = 0. We have $dy_1/dy_2 = -y_2$, see also (9.25) Thus $2y_1(t) = (y_2^-)^2 - y_2(t)^2$ and

$$\dot{r}(t) = \frac{1}{2}(y_2^-)^2 - \frac{1}{2}y_2(t)^2, \dot{y}_2(t) = -r.$$

$$(9.27)$$

Separation of variables yields

$$0 = \int_{y_2^-}^{y_2^+} \left(\frac{1}{2}(y_2^-)^2 - \frac{1}{2}y_2(t)^2\right) dy_2$$

= $\frac{1}{6}(y_2^+)^3 - \frac{1}{2}(y_2^-)^2y_2^+ + \frac{1}{3}(y_2^-)^3$
= $\frac{1}{6}(y_2^+ - y_2^-)^2(y_2^+ + 2y_2^-)$ (9.28)

and therefore $y_2^+ = -2y_2^-$ and $y_1^+ = \frac{1}{2}((y_2^-)^2 - (y_2^+)^2) = -\frac{3}{8}(y_2^+)^2$.

Remark 9.4 There is no difference between drift and fold singularities, as discussed in sections 9.1 and 9.2 of one-parameter families of lines of equilibria, in the case of a plane of equilibria without parameters. Indeed, by a coordinate transformation of y, alone, the y_2 -axis can be mapped to a parabola tangential to the y_1 axis.

Remark 9.5 Ignoring φ -dependence, i.e. without splitting of separatrices, the analysis in this chapter coincides with the analysis of the \mathbb{Z}_2 equivariant transcritical points with additional drift or fold degeneracy.

Chapter 10

Bogdanov-Takens Bifurcation

Classical Bogdanov-Takens bifurcation [Bog76a, Bog76b, Bog81a, Bog81b, Tak73, Tak74] is the most prominent bifurcation of codimension two. It is characterized by a versal unfolding of a nilpotent linearization with algebraically double and geometrically simple eigenvalue zero by two parameters. The rescaled normal form

features a Hamiltonian core to leading order in the scaling

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \sigma^3 \tilde{x}_1, \\ x_2 &= \sigma^2 \tilde{x}_2, \\ \lambda_1 &= \sigma^4 \tilde{\lambda}_1, \\ \lambda_2 &= \sigma^2 \tilde{\lambda}_2, \\ t &= \sigma^{-1} \tilde{t}. \end{aligned}$$
 (10.2)

This integrable system is then perturbed by terms of higher order and facilitates expansions of curves in the parameter space of (classical) Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcations, saddle-node bifurcations and homoclinic orbits, see also [GH82, Arn83].

In analogy to this classical case, we call a singularity with an algebraically double and geometrically simple eigenvalue zero in the transverse directions to a surface — or plane — of equilibria a Bogdanov-Takens point. Alternatively, a one-parameter family of lines of equilibria could be considered. In chapters 8, 9, these settings differed. Here, it turns out that, for Bogdanov-Takens points, both settings lead to similar results, see (10.14).

Without parameters, we consider a system

$$\dot{z} = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} = F(z) = \begin{pmatrix} f(x,y) \\ g(x,y) \end{pmatrix}, \quad x,y \in \mathbb{R}^2,$$
 (10.3)

 $x = (x_1, x_2), y = (y_1, y_2), f = (f_1, f_2), g = (g_1, g_2)$, with the following properties:

- (i) The *y*-plane consists of equilibria, $F(0, y) \equiv 0$.
- (ii) At the origin, the linearization exhibits a nilpotent Jordan block,

$$DF(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (10.4)

(iii) This nilpotent linearization is versally unfolded by y. Specific non-degeneracy conditions (10.13) are given below. They yield a coordinate transformation such that

$$D_x f(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} -y_1 + y_2 & -y_1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

10.1 Normal Form

Note that (10.4) is the generic linearization for a geometrically simple and algebraically double eigenvalue in x-direction, i.e. for nilpotent $D_x f(0,0)$ with onedimensional kernel,

$$Df(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0\\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (10.5)

Indeed, the y-plane of equilibria implies that

range
$$DF(0) \cap \{x = 0\}$$
 (10.6)

is invariant under DF(0). Furthermore the kernel of DF(0) has dimension at least 2, due to the manifold of equilibria, and generically no additional kernel vectors arise. Therefore the range of DF(0) has also dimension 2. Due to (10.5), x_2 is in the range of DF(0). Thus (10.6) is one-dimensional, generically, and w.l.o.g. orthogonal to the y_2 -axis. This yield a linearization

$$DF(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ c & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$
 (10.7)

and we are almost done. The shear in x given by $\tilde{x}_2 = cx_1 + x_2$ yields (10.4).

In [FL01] a normal form, adjusted to preserve the equilibrium manifold, has been calculated, see also section 2.3. After suitable rescalings, the normal form can be written as the 3rd-order equation

$$\ddot{v} + \dot{v}v = \varepsilon \left(\dot{v}(\lambda - v) + b\dot{v}^2 \right) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2), \tag{10.8}$$

with fixed parameters b, λ and ε . The (v, λ) -plane is the original y plane of equilibria, b depends on the nonlinearity, ε is a rescaling (or blow-up) parameter. Note the algebraically triple zero eigenvalue, double in the transverse directions $x = (\dot{v}, \ddot{v})$, for $\lambda = v = 0$.

In fact, a complete normal form procedure is not necessary. Start with the system (10.3) satisfying conditions (i,ii). Then the coordinate transformation

$$\tilde{x}_{1} = Dg(x, y) \cdot F(x, y) = x_{1} + \cdots,
\tilde{x}_{2} = g_{1}(x, y) = x_{2} + \cdots,$$
(10.9)

$$\tilde{y} = y$$

yields the transformed system

$$\dot{x}_{1} = 0 + h_{1}(x, y),
\dot{x}_{2} = x_{1},
\dot{y}_{1} = x_{2},
\dot{y}_{1} = 0 + h_{4}(x, y),$$
(10.10)

where we have dropped tildes to simplify the notation, expansions of h_1 , h_4 start with quadratic terms, and vanish at the *y*-plane. We expand

 $h_1(x,y) = c_{11}x_1y_1 + c_{12}x_1y_2 + c_{21}x_2y_1 + c_{22}x_2y_2 + c_3x_2^2 + c_4x_1^2 + \mathcal{O}(|z|^3).$ (10.11) Then the linear transformation

$$\tilde{x}_{1} = -c_{21}x_{1},
\tilde{x}_{2} = -c_{21}x_{2},
\tilde{y}_{1} = -c_{21}y_{1} - c_{22}y_{2},
\tilde{y}_{2} = (c_{12}c_{21}/c_{11} - c_{22})y_{2},$$
(10.12)

with the non-degeneracy conditions

$$0 \neq c_{11}, c_{21}, c_{12}c_{21} - c_{11}c_{22} \tag{10.13}$$

yields

$$\dot{x}_{1} = a(-y_{1} + y_{2})x_{1} - y_{1}x_{2} + \hat{c}_{3}x_{2}^{2} + \hat{c}_{4}x_{1}^{2} + \mathcal{O}(|z|^{3}),$$

$$\dot{x}_{2} = x_{1},$$

$$\dot{y}_{1} = x_{2} + \mathcal{O}(|z|^{2}),$$

$$\dot{y}_{2} = \mathcal{O}(|z|^{2}),$$
(10.14)

with $a = c_{11}/c_{21} \neq 0$ and $\hat{c}_3 = -c_3/c_{21}$. Again we have dropped tildes to simplify notation.

Note the unfolding

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc} a(-y_1+y_2) & -y_1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{array}\right)$$

of the nilpotent Jordan block. The y_2 -axis $\{y_1 = 0\}$ is a family of transcritical points, chapter 4, the diagonal $\{y_1 = y_2 > 0\}$ is a family of Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf points, chapter 5. Both families emerge from the Bogdanov-Takens point. Again this reminds of the emergence of families of saddle-node bifurcations and Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcations from a classical Bogdanov-Takens point.

The final rescaling

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= (\varepsilon/a)^4 \tilde{x}_1, \\ x_2 &= (\varepsilon/a)^3 \tilde{x}_2, \\ y_1 &= (\varepsilon/a)^2 \tilde{y}_1, \\ y_2 &= (\varepsilon/a)^2 \tilde{y}_2, \\ t &= (\varepsilon/a)^{-1} \tilde{t}, \end{aligned}$$
(10.15)

and dropping tildes yield

$$\dot{x}_{1} = -y_{1}x_{2} + \varepsilon \left((-y_{1} + y_{2})x_{1} + bx_{2}^{2} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{2}),
\dot{x}_{2} = x_{1},
\dot{y}_{1} = x_{2} + \mathcal{O}(|\varepsilon|^{2}),
\dot{y}_{2} = \mathcal{O}(|\varepsilon|^{2}),$$
(10.16)

with $b = \hat{c}_2/a = -c_3/c_{11}$. This is (10.8) with $u = y_1, \lambda = y_2$.

Here we also note that, to leading order, $\lambda = y_2$ is a classical parameter. Thus the cases of a plane of equilibria and a y_2 -family of lines of equilibria are equivalent to leading order. Perturbations $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$ will only introduce a small drift in y_2 . This drift will preserve qualitative results relying on transverse splitting of order $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$.



Unstable dimensions u of trivial equilibria (0, y) of (10.8) are indicated by (u); "*n*-het" indicate saddle-saddle heteroclinics with n revolutions around the positive y_1 -axis. Cases are distinguished by the coefficient b of (10.8): (A) b < -17/12, (B) -17/12 < b < -1, (C) -1 < b.

Figure 10.1: Three cases of Bogdanov-Takens bifurcations without parameters



Figure 10.2: Bogdanov-Takens point, integrable scaled flow, at order zero in ε .

Figure 10.1 shows for the three resulting cases relevant parameter regions. Arrows indicate heteroclinic connection between equilibria of the given two-dimensional manifold.

10.2 Integrable Core

For $\varepsilon = 0$, system (10.8) becomes completely integrable. This system represents the blow-up boundary, see section 2.6. Two first integrals are then given by

$$\Theta = \ddot{v} + \frac{1}{2}v^2, H = \frac{1}{2}\dot{v}^2 - \ddot{v}v - \frac{1}{3}v^3,$$
 (10.17)

For fixed Θ , we obtain a Hamiltonian system, see figure 10.2. The phase space $(v, \dot{v}, \ddot{v}) = (y_1, x_2, x_1)$ can be parametrized by (v, Θ, H) :

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \Theta - \frac{1}{2}v^2 \\ x_2^2 &= -\frac{1}{12}q(v), \end{aligned}$$
 (10.18)

with Weierstrass polynomial

$$q(v) = q(v; 24\Theta, 24H) = 4v^3 - 24\Theta v - 24H.$$
(10.19)

Note the scaling symmetry: for $\Theta > 0$,

$$v^{\Theta,H}(t) = \Theta^{1/2} v^{1,\hat{H}}(\Theta^{1/4}t)$$
(10.20)

is a solution of

$$\ddot{v} - \frac{1}{2}v^2 - 1 = 0, \tag{10.21}$$

with energy

$$\tilde{H} = \Theta^{-3/2} H. \tag{10.22}$$

The region of bounded solutions of the integrable system, and simultaneously a parametrization of the Poincaré section $\{x_2 = 0, x_1 < 0\}$, see figure 10.2, is then given by $|\tilde{H}| < \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{2}, \Theta > 0$.

10.3 Poincaré Flow

For $\varepsilon > 0$, the quantities Θ, H are no longer conserved. We find a slow drift

$$\dot{\Theta} = \varepsilon \left[(\Theta - \frac{1}{2}v^2)(-v + \lambda) - \frac{1}{12}bq(v) \right] \dot{H} = -\varepsilon y \left[(\Theta - \frac{1}{2}v^2)(-v + \lambda) - \frac{1}{12}bq(v) \right].$$

$$(10.23)$$

We study this drift in (Θ, H) for the return map to the Poincaré section $\{x_2 = 0, x_1 < 0\}$. To leading order, the drift is given by its average over the periodic orbits of the integrable system. In fact this average is the time- ε map of the flow

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\Theta} \\ \dot{H} \end{pmatrix} = \int_0^{T^0} \left[(\Theta - \frac{1}{2}v^2)(-v + \lambda) - \frac{1}{12}bq(v) \right] \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -v \end{pmatrix} dt$$
(10.24)

on the Poincaré section. The Poincaré return time T^0 is given by the minimal period of the periodic orbit v(t) of the integrable order zero vector field. Moreover, the flow (10.24) can be calculated in terms of Weierstrass elliptic integrals.

$$J_k = J_k(\Theta, H) = \int_0^{T^0} (v(t))^k dt = \Theta^{k/2 - 1/4} J_k(\tilde{H}).$$
(10.25)

In [FL01], the recursion relations

$$J_{0} = J_{0}(\tilde{H})$$

$$J_{1} = J_{1}(\tilde{H})$$

$$J_{2} = 2J_{0}$$

$$J_{3} = \frac{6}{5}(3J_{1} + 2\tilde{H}J_{0})$$

$$J_{4} = \frac{12}{7}(2\tilde{H}J_{1} + 5J_{0})$$
(10.26)



Figure 10.3: Plots of the nonlinearities $2J_1 + 3\tilde{H}J_0$, $3\tilde{H}J_1 + 4J_0$, and $g(\tilde{H})$

have been used to calculate the integrals and the Poincaré flow

$$\dot{\Theta} = \frac{2}{5} \Theta^{5/4} (b+1) (2J_1 + 3\tilde{H}J_0), \dot{\tilde{H}} = \frac{2}{5} \Theta^{1/4} (b+1) (2J_1 + 3\tilde{H}J_0) \left(\frac{\lambda}{b+1} \Theta^{-1/2} - \frac{3}{2}\tilde{H} - \alpha g(\tilde{H})\right),$$

$$(10.27)$$

with

$$\alpha = \frac{b+2}{b+1} = 1 + \frac{1}{b+1},$$

$$g(\tilde{H}) = \frac{5}{7} \frac{3\tilde{H}J_1(\tilde{H}) + 4J_0(\tilde{H})}{2J_1(\tilde{H}) + 3\tilde{H}J_0(\tilde{H})}.$$
(10.28)

However, numerical observations were necessary to find g to be monotone in \hat{H} between the analytically calculated boundary values $\sqrt{2}$ and $5\sqrt{2}/7$, see figure 10.3. We close this gap in the following section and thank Stephan van Gils for pointing out this approach.

10.4 Elliptic Integrals & the Ricatti Equation

We recall the Hamiltonian structure

$$\frac{1}{2}\dot{v}^2 = -\frac{1}{24}q(v;\tilde{H}) = -\frac{1}{6}v^3 + v + \tilde{H}$$
(10.29)

and the elliptic integrals

$$J_k(\tilde{H}) = \int_0^T v(t)^k \, \mathrm{d}t = 2 \int_{e_2}^{e_1} \frac{v^k}{\dot{v}} \, \mathrm{d}v, \qquad (10.30)$$

where $e_1 > e_2 > e_3$ denote the three real zeros of q.

Now, we define

$$I_k(\tilde{H}) = \int_0^T \dot{v}(t)^2 v(t)^k \, \mathrm{d}t = 2 \int_{e_2}^{e_1} \dot{v} v^k \, \mathrm{d}y.$$
(10.31)

Then, we can view \dot{v} as a function of v and \tilde{H} , at least locally, and obtain from (10.29)

$$\dot{v} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\tilde{H}} \dot{v} = 1,$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\tilde{H}} I_{k} = J_{k}.$$
(10.32)

Differentiation of (10.29) by v,

$$\dot{v}\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}v}\dot{v} + \frac{1}{2}v^2 - 1 = 0, \qquad (10.33)$$

multiplication by v^k/\dot{v} and integration over one period yields the recursion

$$-kI_{k-1} + \frac{1}{2}J_{k+2} - J_k = 0, \qquad k \ge 0.$$
(10.34)

For k = 0, ..., 3 we obtain explicitly

$$\frac{1}{2}J_{2} = J_{0},
\frac{1}{2}J_{3} = J_{1} + I_{0},
\frac{1}{2}J_{4} = J_{2} + 2I_{1} = 2J_{0} + 2I_{1},
\frac{1}{2}J_{5} = J_{3} + 3I_{2} = 2J_{1} + 3I_{2} + 2I_{0}.$$
(10.35)

A second recursion formula results from the multiplication of \tilde{H} and J_k :

$$-\tilde{H}J_k + \frac{1}{2}I_k + \frac{1}{6}J_{k+3} - J_{k+1} = 0.$$
(10.36)

Together with (10.34), we can again obtain the recursion relations (10.26) of J_k alone. In addition, we find the expressions

$$\tilde{H}J_0 = \frac{5}{6}I_0 - \frac{2}{3}J_1,
\tilde{H}J_1 = \frac{7}{6}I_1 - \frac{4}{3}J_0.$$
(10.37)

This system can be rewritten as

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\tilde{H}} \begin{pmatrix} I_0\\I_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} J_0\\J_1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\frac{8}{9} - \tilde{H}^2} \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{5}{6}\tilde{H} & \frac{7}{9}\\\frac{10}{9} & -\frac{7}{6}\tilde{H} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I_0\\I_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$
(10.38)

Note that the first factor is positive for $|\tilde{H}| < \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{2}$.

The quotient $g(\tilde{H})$, see (10.28), turns out to be given by

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$$g(H) = I_1/I_0. (10.39)$$

The integral I_0 is positive, for $\tilde{H} > -\frac{2}{3}\sqrt{2}$, by definition. Positiveness of I_1 is proved by the following argument:

At the center equilibrium, $\tilde{H} = -\frac{2}{3}\sqrt{2}$, the value of I_1 vanishes. For slightly larger values of \tilde{H} , the corresponding periodic orbit is near the center equilibrium at $v = \sqrt{2} > 0$ and, therefore, I_1 has to be positive. Now assume that at some point, $-\frac{2}{3}\sqrt{2} < \tilde{H}^* < \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{2}$, there exists a zero, $I_1(\tilde{H}^*) = 0$. Chose \tilde{H}^* to be minimal. Then the second component of (10.38) reads

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\tilde{H}}I_1\Big|_{\tilde{H}=\tilde{H}^*} = \frac{1}{\frac{8}{9}-\tilde{H}^2}\frac{10}{9}I_0 > 0.$$
(10.40)

This is a contradiction to the positiveness of I_1 on the left boundary. We have proved the positiveness of I_1 .

The last open statement claims the monotonicity of the quotient (10.39), see also (10.28). The proof uses the Ricatti equation which usually is written for the inverse quotient I_0/I_1 . Again, we differentiate by \tilde{H} and use (10.38) to obtain the Ricatti equation:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\tilde{H}}g(\tilde{H}) = \frac{J_1}{I_0} - \frac{I_1J_0}{I_0^2} = -\frac{1}{\frac{8}{9} - \tilde{H}^2} \left(\frac{7}{9}g^2 + \frac{1}{3}\tilde{H}g - \frac{10}{9}\right).$$
(10.41)

We determine the value of g, in fact of its continuation, at the center equilibrium $v = \sqrt{2}$ by L'Hôpital's rule, see (10.31, 10.39):

$$g(-\frac{2}{3}\sqrt{2}) = \sqrt{2}. \tag{10.42}$$

Assume that there exists a local extremum of g at some point $-\frac{2}{3}\sqrt{2} < \tilde{H}^* < \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{2}$. Then we obtain from (10.41):

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\tilde{H}}g(\tilde{H}^{*}) = 0,
\frac{\mathrm{d}^{2}}{\mathrm{d}\tilde{H}^{2}}g(\tilde{H}^{*}) = -\frac{1}{\frac{8}{9} - (\tilde{H}^{*})^{2}} \frac{g(\tilde{H}^{*})}{3}.$$
(10.43)

We already know that g is positive in the considered domain. Therefore, only local maxima of g are possible but no local minima. However, the existence of a local maximum of g at \tilde{H}^* without an accompanying minimum would require that $g(\tilde{H}^*)$ is larger than the value at the left boundary, $g(\tilde{H}^*) > \sqrt{2}$. The contradiction is

again shown by the Ricatti equation (10.41):

$$0 = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\tilde{H}}g(\tilde{H}^{*})$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\frac{8}{9} - (\tilde{H}^{*})^{2}} \left(\frac{7}{9}g^{2} + \frac{1}{3}\tilde{H}^{*}g - \frac{10}{9}\right).$$

$$> -\frac{1}{\frac{8}{9} - (\tilde{H}^{*})^{2}} \left(\left(\frac{7}{9}\sqrt{2} - \frac{2}{9}\sqrt{2}\right)g - \frac{10}{9}\right). \quad (10.44)$$

$$> -\frac{1}{\frac{8}{9} - (\tilde{H}^{*})^{2}} \left(\frac{5}{9}2 - \frac{10}{9}\right).$$

$$= 0.$$

Thus, finally, the monotone decay of g in the interval $-\frac{2}{3}\sqrt{2} < \tilde{H} < \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{2}$ is proved.

10.5 Poincaré Return Map & Bounded Solutions

We now return to the Poincaré flow (10.27), and note again that we assumed $b \neq -1$. Moreover, $\Theta > 0$ is invariant, and $2J_1 + 3\tilde{H}J_0 > 0$ except for the centers $\tilde{H} = -\frac{2}{3}\sqrt{2}$. We parametrize (Θ, \tilde{H}) -orbits over $\tau = \log \Theta$ and write $' = \frac{d}{d\tau}$. This simplifies (10.27) to

$$\tilde{H}'(\tau) = \pm e^{-\tau/2} - \frac{3}{2}\tilde{H} - \alpha g(\tilde{H}).$$
 (10.45)

The flow profiles from this equation are shown in figure 10.4. For calculations, we refer to [FL01]. For the elliptic case (C), b > -1, $\lambda > 0$, the Poincaré return map of the full system including splittings of separatrices due to higher-order terms is sketched in figure 10.5. The hyperbolic case (B), -17/12 < b < -1, $\lambda > 0$, is sketched in figure 10.6.

The equilibrium v-axis, a cusp in (Θ, H) coordinates, transforms to the top (saddles) and bottom (foci) horizontal boundaries, with v = 0 shifted to $\tau = -\infty$. Since τ and \tilde{H} are constants of the flow, for $\varepsilon = 0$, they represent slow drifts superposed on the unperturbed periodic motion, for small $\varepsilon > 0$ and \tilde{H} between the top and bottom boundaries, $\tilde{H}^2 < \frac{8}{9}$. The top boundary also represents homoclinics to the saddles, for $\varepsilon = 0$.

Special care is needed at the point of tangency of the Poincaré flow lines and the top saddle line. Indeed, the angle between the vector field and the top boundary



The Poincaré flow given by the averaged drift in the conserved quantities of the leading-order integrable flow, figure 10.2. The Poincaré map of the full system amounts to a first-order discretization of this flow.

Figure 10.4: Bogdanov-Takens point, Poincaré flow

has a simple zero there, hence the splitting is transverse and thus robust under small perturbations.

Along the bottom focus line we observe Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf bifurcations without parameters, corresponding to $v = \lambda > 0$. The value of *b* distinguishes elliptic and hyperbolic cases. In addition, lines of saddle-focus heteroclinic orbits and isolated saddle-saddle heteroclinics are generated, for $\varepsilon > 0$, as the homoclinic sheets of the integrable case split. Note in particular the infinite swarm of saddlesaddle heteroclinics, in the hyperbolic case.



Intersection of stable/unstable manifolds with Poincaré section. Compare with figure 10.4. Coding of manifolds: magenta = W^{cu} (saddle), blue = W^{cs} (saddle), red = W^{u} (center), and green = W^{ss} (center).



Set of bounded orbits in the Poincaré section

Figure 10.5: Bogdanov-Takens point, Poincaré map, case (C), $\lambda > 0$



Intersection of stable/unstable manifolds with Poincaré section. Compare with figure 10.4. Coding of manifolds: magenta = $W^{cu}(saddle)$, blue = $W^{cs}(saddle)$, red = $W^{uu}(center)$, and green = $W^{ss}(center)$.



Set of bounded orbits in the Poincaré section

Figure 10.6: Bogdanov-Takens point, Poincaré map, case (B), $\lambda>0$

Chapter 11

Zero-Hopf Bifurcation

In this chapter we study a bifurcation characterized by a zero eigenvalue and a pair of nonzero purely imaginary eigenvalues of the linearization transverse to a plane of equilibria. It turns out that instead we can study a one-parameter family of lines in a system depending on one parameter. Indeed, the rescaled normal form (11.6) is the same in both cases.

Consider a system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} = F(x,y) = \begin{pmatrix} f(x,y) \\ g(x,y) \end{pmatrix}, \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}^3, \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^2, \tag{11.1}$$

 $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3), y = (y_1, y_2), f = (f_1, f_2, f_3), g = (g_1, g_2)$, with the following properties:

- (i) The *y*-plane consists of equilibria, $F(0, y) \equiv 0$.
- (ii) At the origin, the linearization takes the form

(iii) The critical eigenvalues cross the imaginary axis transversely:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \partial_{y_1} \operatorname{div}_{x_{1,2}} f_{1,2}(0,0) & \neq & 0, \\ \partial_{y_1} \partial_{x_3} f_3(0,0) & \neq & 0, \\ \nabla_y \operatorname{div}_{x_{1,2}} f_{1,2}(0,0) & \nexists & \nabla_y \partial_{x_3} f_3(0,0). \end{array}$$

(iv) We impose an additional non-degeneracy condition

$$\Delta_{x_{1,2}} f_3(0,0) \neq 0.$$

Note that (ii) is the generic form of a (suitably rescaled) linearization with one zero eigenvalue and one purely imaginary pair of eigenvalues along a plane of equilibria. Indeed, we take x_1, x_2 as the generalized real eigenvectors to the purely imaginary pair and x_3 as the eigenvector to the zero eigenvalue. We rescale time to normalize the imaginary eigenvalue and obtain the upper part $D_x f(0,0)$ of (ii). The kernel of DF(0,0) has dimension at least 2, due to the plane of equilibria. Thus, generically, the kernel has dimension 2. Then the image of DF(0,0) has dimension 3 and its intersection with the y-plane is one-dimensional and invariant under DF(0,0). We take y_2 orthogonal to image $DF(0,0) \cap \{x=0\}$. Hence

$$DF(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ c_1 & c_2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (11.2)

The shear $\tilde{y}_1 = y_1 + c_2 x_1 - c_1 x_2$ yields (ii).

Due to (iii) and the implicit-function theorem, there exist a curve of Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf points and a curve of transcritical points in the y plane. Both curves intersect transversely at the origin. A suitable shear transformation

$$\tilde{x}_3 = c_1 x_3, \qquad \tilde{y}_1 = c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2, \qquad \tilde{y}_2 = c_3 y_2.$$

preserves the linearization and normalizes

$$\nabla_y \operatorname{div}_{x_{1,2}} f_{1,2}(0,0) = \rho \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \nabla_y \partial_{x_3} f_3(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (11.3)$$

with real coefficient $\rho \neq 0$. Then the curve of transcritical points is tangential to the y_2 -axis, and the curve of Hopf points is tangential to the diagonal $y_1 = y_2$. Both are still transverse to the linear drift direction y_2 .

The normal-form procedure, see chapters 2.2, 2.3, and [Van89], yields a normal

form with additional rotational equivariance:

$$\dot{r} = rh_r(r^2, x_3, y) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{\varphi} = h_{\varphi}(r^2, x_3, y) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{x}_3 = h_3(r^2, x_3, y) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{y}_1 = x_3 + h_1(r^2, x_3, y) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{y}_2 = h_2(r^2, x_3, y) + \text{h.o.t.}.$$
(11.4)

Polynomials h, in normal form, do not depend on the angle φ . Terms of higher order, beyond normal form, depend on all variables and generically break the normal-form symmetry.

The plane of equilibria and the linearization at the origin are preserved by the normal form procedure, thus $h_r(0,0,0) = 0$, $h_{\varphi}(0,0,0) = 1$, $h_k(0,0,y) \equiv 0$, due to conditions (i) and (ii). The multiplier $1/\dot{\varphi}$ is close to 1, preserves trajectories, and normalizes the rotation speed. Thus we can put $\dot{\varphi} = 1$ in (11.4). Condition (11.3) implies $\nabla_y h_r(0,0,0) = \rho \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\nabla_y \partial_{x_3} f_3(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

We drop the ϕ component and rescale the system by

$$r = \sigma^{3} \tilde{r},$$

$$x_{3} = \sigma^{4} \tilde{u},$$

$$y_{1} = \sigma^{2} \tilde{v},$$

$$y_{2} = \sigma^{2} \tilde{\lambda},$$

$$t = \sigma^{-2} \tilde{t}.$$
(11.5)

For $0 < \sigma \ll 1$, to leading order in σ , we obtain the rescaled normal form

$$\dot{r} = \varrho(v - \lambda)r + r\mathcal{O}(\sigma),
\dot{u} = uv + ar^2 + \mathcal{O}(\sigma),
\dot{v} = u + \mathcal{O}(\sigma),
\dot{\lambda} = \mathcal{O}(\sigma).$$
(11.6)

Note the renaming of variables to simplify notation and to emphasize the role of $y_2 = \sigma^2 \lambda$ as a parameter of the truncated rescaled normal form. As we remarked in the beginning of this chapter, a Zero-Hopf point on a plane of equilibria without parameters and a Zero-Hopf on a line of equilibria with additional parameter both result in the same rescaled normal form (11.6).

Note further that (11.6) is also the normal form for a crossing of a transcritical point and another transcritical point with \mathbb{Z}_2 equivariance.

System (11.6) displays a line of transcritical points for r = u = v = 0 and a line of Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf points for $r = u = 0, v = \lambda$. The coefficient $\varrho \neq 0$ can be interpreted as the ratio of the crossing speeds of the Hopf and the transcritical eigenvalues through the imaginary axis, at $v = \lambda = 0$ as v is varied.

In (11.6) we can normalize $\lambda = \pm 1$, by the scaling $v = \lambda \tilde{v}$, $u = \lambda^2 \tilde{u}$, $t = \lambda^{-1} \tilde{t}$, Condition (iv) ensures $a \neq 0$, and we can normalize $a = \pm 1$, by scaling of r. We finally arrive at the truncated normal form

$$\dot{r} = \varrho(v-1)r, \dot{u} = uv + ar^2,$$

$$\dot{v} = u,$$

$$(11.7)$$

with $\rho \neq 0$ and $a = \pm 1$. In this normal-form flow, we find the v-axis of equilibria, a transcritical point at the origin with critical eigenvector u, and a transcritical point with reflection symmetry — alias a Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf point — at r = 0, u = 0, v = 1. The absolute value $|\varrho|$ is the ratio of the speeds of the transverse eigenvalue crossings of the Hopf and the zero eigenvalue.

Let us verify the Hopf point and determine its type. The linearization at r = 0, u = 0, v = 1 is

$$\left(\begin{array}{rrr} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array}\right),$$

with kernel vectors (1,0,0) and (0,0,1) and unstable eigenvector (0,1,1). The projection

$$\Pi_c = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

of (11.7) onto the center eigenspace at v = 1 yields the reduced vector field on the center manifolds to second order

$$\dot{\delta_r} = \dot{r} = \rho \delta_v \delta_r,
\dot{\delta_v} = \dot{u} - \dot{v} = u(\delta_v + 1) + ar^2 - u = a\delta_r^2.$$
(11.8)

Here $(\delta_r, \delta_v) = (r, v - 1)$ are the local coordinates on the center eigenspace. Note that a nonlinear expansion of the center manifold is not needed to determine the reduced vector field to second order.



The pictures show the 4 main cases of Zero-Hopf bifurcation (11.7). Note the relative position of transcritical and Hopf point, the unstable dimension (u) of the equilibria, and the drift directions in the coordinate planes. Compare with figures 4.1(b) and 4.3, 5.1.

Figure 11.1: Cases of Zero-Hopf bifurcation

We compare (11.8) with chapter 5 and section 4.2 to find a hyperbolic Hopf point, for $\rho a > 0$, and an elliptic Hopf point, for $\rho a < 0$. The 4 main cases are shown in figure 11.1.

Note that v(t) is almost a Lyapunov function for the normal-form flow (11.7). Indeed, if u > 0 then v strictly increases. If u < 0, then v strictly decreases. However u cannot cross zero more than once, and the crossing direction is determined by the sign of a: $\dot{u}|_{u=0} = ar^2$ has fixed nonzero sign outside the line r = u = 0 of equilibria. In particular, we conclude:

Remark 11.1 Given (11.1) with conditions (i-iv). Then the set of small bounded trajectories near the bifurcation point at the origin consists of the given plane of equilibria and of heteroclinic orbits between them.

Let us study the case a = -1, $0 < \rho$ of (11.7) in more detail. The line of equilibria is normally stable for v < 0, and normally stable in reversed time for v > 1. The Hopf point v = 1 is elliptic.

Lemma 11.2 Let a = -1 and $0 < \rho$. Orbits (r, u, v)(t) starting for t = 0 in the half plane $\{u = 0, r > 0\}$ converge to the line of equilibria for $t \to \infty$.

Proof. Orbits (r, u, v)(t) starting for t = 0 in the half plane $\{u = 0, r > 0\}$ cross

the plane transversely, $\dot{u}(0) = ar^2 < 0$, and stay in $\{u < 0\}$ for all t > 0. Therefore v(t) is a strict Lyapunov function for t > 0.

If v(t) is bounded, then it converges: $\lim_{t\to\infty} v(t) = v_{\infty}$. Then, necessarily, $\lim_{t\to\infty} u(t) = 0$ and $\lim_{t\to\infty} r(t) = 0$ due to (11.7). Thus, the limit is an equilibrium as claimed.

Therefore, assume that $\lim_{t\to\infty} v(t) = -\infty$. Then r decays to zero, in fact with decay rate $\varrho(v-1) \to -\infty$. As soon as r is small enough, u decay to zero. The equilibria v < 0 are normally stable, thus $r, u \to 0$ implies convergence to a single equilibrium. This is a contradiction to the assumption $v(t) \to -\infty$.

This convergence result holds true for the full system (11.1) in a small enough neighborhood of the bifurcation point. Indeed, transversal crossing persists under perturbation. Furthermore, the normal-form flow only needs finite time to enter the the domain of attraction of the equilibria. Thus, the perturbed flow will also enter the domain of attraction.

Remark 11.3 Let a = -1 and $0 < \varrho$. The strong stable local manifolds $W_{loc}^{ss}(v)$ to equilibria $v \approx 0$ near the transcritical point forms a manifold tangential to the (r, v)plane. It is the unique sets of orbits which converge to the equilibria and are tangent to the (r, v)-plane. Therefore $W^{ss}(v) \subset \{u > 0\}$. In particular, along trajectories on $W^{ss}(v)$, the component v strictly increases.

Proof. Orbits z(t) = (r, u, v)(t) starting for t = 0 in the half plane $\{u = 0, r > 0\}$ cross the plane transversely, $\dot{u}(0) = ar^2 < 0$. Then they stay in $\{u < 0\}$ for all t > 0 and converge to the equilibrium line.

Assume that a piece of W^{ss} would be contained in $\{u < 0\}$. Then the entire forward orbit of this piece must be contained in $\{u < 0\}$. But the forward orbit is also tangential to the (r, v)-plane. Therefore, orbits starting between W^{ss} and the (r, v)-plane converge to the line of equilibria and are also tangent to the (r, v)-plane. This contradicts the uniqueness of W^{ss} .

Theorem 11.4 Let a = -1 and $1/2 < \varrho$. Consider an arbitrary initial value $z(0) = (r_0, u_0, v_0)$ with $r_0 > 0$ to the normal-form system (11.7). Then the trajectory converges for $t \to \infty$ to an equilibrium $(0, 0, v_{\infty})$. For $0 < \varrho < 1/2$ orbits may escape to infinity.

Proof. As soon as u becomes non-positive, lemma 11.2 yields the claim. We assume

u(0) > 0. The r component stays positive for all time. We obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{u}{r^2}\right) = \frac{1}{r^4} \left(\dot{u}r^2 - 2ur\dot{r} \right)
= \frac{1}{r^4} \left(uvr^2 - r^4 - 2\varrho(v-1)ur^2 \right)
= \frac{u}{r^2} \left(v - 2\varrho(v-1) \right) - 1.$$
(11.9)

Assume that u stays positive. Then v strictly increases. It it converges to a limit, then the solution converges to an equilibrium, due to the same arguments as in the proof of lemma 11.2. Assume, on the other hand, that v is unbounded. Then $v - 2\rho(v - 1)$ becomes and stays negative, provided $1/2 < \rho$. (If $0 < \rho < 1/2$ and v is large enough then $v - 2\rho(v - 1)$ stays positive and the trajectory escapes.) Therefore, u/r^2 eventually becomes negative. Hence, u cannot stay positive.

For $\rho > 1/2$, that is if the transverse crossing of the Hopf eigenvalue pair is fast enough compared to the crossing speed of the transcritical simple zero eigenvalue, then there is no escape in forward time, except on the singular boundary r = 0. Although the manifold of equilibria becomes normally unstable at the bifurcation points, all trajectories which are repelled from the unstable region of the manifold are recovered by the stable side. Geometrically, the elliptic bubble emerging from the Hopf point extends to a cusp shaped domain touching the saddles v < 0 from the negative u direction.

Remark 11.5 Theorem 11.4 holds true for the case a = +1 and the reversed flow, by an analogous calculation. There is no escape for $1/2 < \rho$ in backward direction. Escape is possible for $0 < \rho < 1/2$.

For the other two cases, $\rho < 0$, sources and sinks (with unstable dimension 3 and 0) do not appear simultaneously, thus heteroclinic orbits do not fill open regions.

Taking terms of higher order into account, the open regions of heteroclinic orbits persist. The escape on the singular boundary, for the normal form, could induce an open region of escaping trajectories: higher-order terms could drive orbits towards the boundary. Further research is necessary to get more refined results.
Chapter 12

Double-Hopf Bifurcation

The final bifurcation of codimension 2 is characterized by the intersection of 2 curves of Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf points on a 2-dimensional surface of equilibria. As we shall see, the drift direction at the Hopf lines play an important role. In the case of a parameter-dependent fixed line of equilibria, drifts at both Hopf-lines can be opposite and spiraling orbits appear, see section 12.1. In the generic case with a plane of equilibria without parameters, both drifts are transverse and generate a Lyapunov function. Only heteroclinic orbits arise. See section 12.2.

12.1 Family of Lines of Equilibria

Consider a system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} = F(x, y, \lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} f(x, y, \lambda) \\ g(x, y, \lambda) \end{pmatrix} \\ \dot{\lambda} = 0, \end{cases}$$
 $x \in \mathbb{R}^{4}, y, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, (12.1)$

 $x = (x_1, x_2) = (x_{11}, x_{12}, x_{21}, x_{22}), f = (f_1, f_2)$, with the following properties:

- (i) For all parameter values, there exists a line of equilibria, $F(0, y, \lambda) \equiv 0$, forming a plane of equilibria in the extended phase space.
- (ii) The linearization at the origin possesses two pairs of purely imaginary eigen-

values with irrational quotient: w.l.o.g.

(iii) The critical eigenvalues cross the imaginary axis transversely:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \partial_y \mathrm{div}_{x_1} f_1(0) & \neq & 0, \\ \partial_y \mathrm{div}_{x_2} f_2(0) & \neq & 0, \\ \nabla_{y,\lambda} \mathrm{div}_{x_1} f_1(0) & \nexists & \nabla_{y,\lambda} \mathrm{div}_{x_2} f_2(0) \end{array}$$

The implicit-function theorem then yields curves of Hopf-points orthogonal to $\nabla_{y,\lambda} \operatorname{div}_{x_1} f_1(0)$ and $\nabla_{y,\lambda} \operatorname{div}_{x_2} f_2(0)$.

(iv) The drift along the line of equilibria is non-degenerate:

$$0 \neq \Delta_{x_1} g(0) \neq \Delta_{x_2} g(0) \neq 0.$$

In particular, the aforementioned Hopf-points are generic outside the origin, and therefore of the form discussed in chapter 5.

Given (iii), we can normalize

$$\nabla_{y,\lambda} \operatorname{div}_{x_1} f_1(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \nabla_{y,\lambda} \operatorname{div}_{x_2} f_2(0) = a \begin{pmatrix} 1\\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad (12.2)$$

with $a \neq 0$.

The normal-form procedure, see chapters 2.2, 2.3, and [Van89], yields a normal form with additional equivariance with respect to rotations by $\{(\alpha, \omega\alpha); \alpha \in \mathbb{R}\}$ in (x_1, x_2) . We write $x_k = r_k \exp(i\phi_k)$, k = 1, 2 in polar coordinates. Due to the irrationality of ω this group of rotations is dense on the torus $S^1 \times S^1$ and the normal form is independent of both angles ϕ_1, ϕ_2 :

$$\dot{r}_{1} = r_{1}h_{r_{1}}(r_{1}^{2}, r_{2}^{2}, y, \lambda) + \text{h.o.t.}, \dot{\varphi}_{1} = 1 + h_{\varphi_{1}}(r_{1}^{2}, r_{2}^{2}, y, \lambda) + \text{h.o.t.}, \dot{r}_{2} = r_{2}h_{r_{1}}(r_{1}^{2}, r_{2}^{2}, y, \lambda) + \text{h.o.t.}, \dot{\varphi}_{2} = \omega + h_{\varphi_{2}}(r_{1}^{2}, r_{2}^{2}, y, \lambda) + \text{h.o.t.}, \dot{y} = h_{y_{1}}(r_{1}^{2}, r_{2}^{2}, y, \lambda) + \text{h.o.t.},$$

$$(12.3)$$

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Polynomials h, in normal form, do not depend on the angle φ . Terms of higher order, beyond normal form, depend on all variables and generically break the normal-form symmetry. Conditions (i–iv) and (12.2) imply

$$\dot{r}_{1} = r_{1}y + \mathcal{O}(||z||^{3}),
\dot{r}_{2} = ar_{2}(y + \lambda) + \mathcal{O}(||z||^{3}),
\dot{y} = b_{1}r_{1}^{2} + b_{2}r_{2}^{2} + \mathcal{O}(||z||^{3}),$$
(12.4)

with $z = (r_1, r_2, y, \lambda)$. Coefficients a, b_1, b_2 are nonzero. We can normalize $\lambda = -1$ by scaling of λ, y and time. Then, by scaling of b_1, b_2 , we can normalize $r_1 = \pm 1$ and $r_2 = \pm 1$. The final truncated normal form reads

$$\dot{r}_{1} = r_{1}y,
\dot{r}_{2} = ar_{2}(y-1),
\dot{y} = b_{1}r_{1}^{2} + b_{2}r_{2}^{2},$$
(12.5)

width $a \neq 0, b_1 = \pm 1, b_2 = \pm 1.$

The drifts b_1, b_2 can be of the same or of opposite direction, and the Hopf points can be both elliptic, both hyperbolic, or one of each type. These are six main cases.

Consider, for example the case $b_1 = -1$, $b_2 = 1$, a < 0 of 2 elliptic Hopf points with opposite drift. Then the distances

$$d_1 = y^2 + r_1^2 - \frac{1}{a}r_2^2, \qquad d_2 = (y-1)^2 + r_1^2 - \frac{1}{a}r_2^2$$

from the two Hopf points monotonically increase,

$$\dot{d}_1 = 2r_2^2, \qquad \dot{d}_2 = 2r_1^2,$$

outside the singular boundary $\{r_1r_2 = 0\}$. Furthermore,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}(r_1 r_2) = [(1+a)y - 1]r_1 r_2.$$

If $a \approx -1$, i.e. if the both pairs of Hopf eigenvalues cross the imaginary axis as approximately the same speed, then r_1r_2 decreases near the bifurcation point. Trajectories approach the singular boundary $\{r_1r_2 = 0\}$ while alternately following the heteroclinic connections of the two elliptic Hopf bubbles.

In Bianchi models, chapter 13, the flow near Taub exhibits a singular version of this flow. There, additional symmetries yield a = -1 and $\lambda = 0$, i.e. the unfolding parameter is missing.

A detailed analysis of this normal form has not yet been carried out.

12.2 Plane of Equilibria

Consider a system

 $x = (x_1, x_2) = (x_{11}, x_{12}, x_{21}, x_{22}, f = (f_1, f_2), y = (y_1, y_2), g = (g_1, g_2)$, with the following properties:

- (i) There exists a plane of equilibria, $F(0, y) \equiv 0$.
- (ii) The linearization at the origin possesses two pairs of purely imaginary eigenvalues with irrational quotient: w.l.o.g.

(iii) The critical eigenvalues cross the imaginary axis transversely, and the drift along the plane of equilibria is non-degenerate: every two of the following vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 are transverse

$$\nabla_y \operatorname{div}_{x_1} f_1(0), \qquad \nabla_y \operatorname{div}_{x_2} f_2(0), \qquad \Delta_{x_1} g(0), \qquad \Delta_{x_2} g(0),$$

i.e. all vectors are nonzero and none are parallel. The implicit-function theorem then yields curves of Hopf-points which are orthogonal to $\nabla_{y,\lambda} \operatorname{div}_{x_1} f_1(0)$ and $\nabla_{y,\lambda} \operatorname{div}_{x_2} f_2(0)$.

Given (iii), we can take $\Delta_{x_1}g(0)$ and $\Delta_{x_2}g(0)$ as new coordinates y_1, y_2 . Therefore, we assume w.l.o.g. that

$$\Delta_{x_1}g(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \Delta_{x_2}g(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1 \end{pmatrix}.$$
(12.8)

The transversality of these two drift direction is also the main difference to the mixed case of section 12.1 where both drifts were restricted to the y_1 direction and therefore parallel by definition.

The normal-form procedure, see chapters 2.2, 2.3, and [Van89], yields a normal form with additional equivariance with respect to rotations by $\{(\alpha, \omega\alpha); \alpha \in \mathbb{R}\}$ in (x_1, x_2) . We write $x_k = r_k \exp(i\phi_k)$, k = 1, 2 in polar coordinates. Due to the irrationality of ω this group of rotations is dense on the torus $S^1 \times S^1$ and the normal form is independent of both angles ϕ_1, ϕ_2 :

$$\dot{r}_{1} = r_{1}h_{r_{1}}(r_{1}^{2}, r_{2}^{2}, y) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{\varphi}_{1} = 1 + h_{\varphi_{1}}(r_{1}^{2}, r_{2}^{2}, y) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{r}_{2} = r_{2}h_{r_{1}}(r_{1}^{2}, r_{2}^{2}, y) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{\varphi}_{2} = \omega + h_{\varphi_{2}}(r_{1}^{2}, r_{2}^{2}, y) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{y}_{1} = h_{y_{1}}(r_{1}^{2}, r_{2}^{2}, y) + \text{h.o.t.},
\dot{y}_{2} = h_{y_{2}}(r_{1}^{2}, r_{2}^{2}, y) + \text{h.o.t.}.$$
(12.9)

Polynomials h, in normal form, do not depend on the angle φ . Terms of higher order, beyond normal form, depend on all variables and generically break the normal-form symmetry. Conditions (i–iii) and (12.8) imply

$$\dot{r}_{1} = r_{1}(a_{11}y_{1} + a_{12}y_{2}) + \mathcal{O}(||z||^{3}),
\dot{r}_{2} = r_{2}(a_{21}y_{1} + a_{22}y_{2}) + \mathcal{O}(||z||^{3}),
\dot{y}_{1} = r_{1}^{2} + \mathcal{O}(||z||^{3}),
\dot{y}_{2} = r_{2}^{2} + \mathcal{O}(||z||^{3}),$$
(12.10)

with $z = (r_1, r_2, y_1, y_2)$. All a_{kl} and the determinant $a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$ are nonzero.

In particular, we find the Lyapunov function $V(z) = -(y_1 + y_2)$ strictly decreasing along trajectories except at equilibria $r_1 = r_2 = 0$. Again, recurrent dynamics does not arise.

Remark 12.1 Given (12.6) with conditions (i-iii). Then the set of small bounded trajectories near the bifurcation point at the origin consists of the given plane of equilibria and of heteroclinic orbits between them.

A detailed analysis of this normal form has not yet been carried out.

CHAPTER 12. DOUBLE-HOPF BIFURCATION

Chapter 13

Application: Cosmological Models of Bianchi Type, the Tumbling Universe

Cosmological models are solutions of the Einstein equations

$$\operatorname{Ric}(g) - \frac{1}{2}\operatorname{Scal}(g)g = T \tag{13.1}$$

relating the geometry of spacetime — the curvature of a 4-dimensional Lorentzian metric g — to the matter content. The Einstein equations are usually coupled to kinetic equations of the matter.

Solving the full PDE system (13.1) is beyond anybody's abilities up to now. Therefore, additional symmetries are assumed to discuss special solutions.

The simplest model — and core of the standard model used to describe the evolution of our universe — is the Friedmann model of spatially homogeneous and isotropic spacetimes. This assumption of a 6-dimensional symmetry group allows a reduction of (13.1) to one scalar ODE that determines the expansion rate of the universe. This expansion rate can be compared with the measurements of the Hubble constant and with the consequences of large-scale thermodynamics of the matter part.

The next step towards the full PDE system are Bianchi models of spatially homogeneous but anisotropic spacetimes. In other words, the spacetime is assumed to be foliated into spatial hypersurfaces given by the orbits of a three-dimensional symmetry group. In the simplest case of Bianchi class A, system (13.1) with perfect-fluid



Figure 13.1: Kasner circle \mathcal{K} of equilibria and heteroclinic cap \mathcal{H}_1^+ .

matter model can then be reduced to a 5-dimensional ODE system in expansionreduced variables,

$$N'_{1} = (q - 4\Sigma_{+})N_{1},$$

$$N'_{2} = (q + 2\Sigma_{+} + 2\sqrt{3}\Sigma_{-})N_{2},$$

$$N'_{3} = (q + 2\Sigma_{+} - 2\sqrt{3}\Sigma_{-})N_{3},$$

$$\Sigma'_{+} = (q - 2)\Sigma_{+} - 3S_{+},$$

$$\Sigma'_{-} = (q - 2)\Sigma_{-} - 3S_{-},$$
(13.2)

with the abbreviations

$$S_{+} = \frac{1}{2} \left((N_{2} - N_{3})^{2} - N_{1} (2N_{1} - N_{2} - N_{3}) \right),$$

$$S_{-} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{3} (N_{3} - N_{2}) (N_{1} - N_{2} - N_{3}),$$

$$q = 2 \left(\Sigma_{+}^{2} + \Sigma_{-}^{2} \right) + \frac{1}{2} (3\gamma - 2)\Omega,$$

$$\Omega = 1 - \Sigma_{+}^{2} - \Sigma_{-}^{2} - K,$$

$$K = \frac{3}{4} \left(N_{1}^{2} + N_{2}^{2} + N_{3}^{2} - 2 (N_{1}N_{2} + N_{2}N_{3} + N_{3}N_{1}) \right).$$
(13.3)

This system is due to Wainwright and Hsu [WH89]. The initial big-bang singularity is approached in the limit time to $-\infty$. Variables N_k describe the curvature of spatial hypersurfaces. Their signs determine the Lie-algebra type of the associated spatial symmetry imposed by the homogeneity assumption. Due to Bianchi's classifications of three-dimensional Lie algebras — the tangent spaces to the assumed symmetry group — these models are called Bianchi models, although they have been introduced by Gödel and Taub. The variables Σ_{\pm} relate to the second fundamental form of



Figure 13.2: Kasner map: heteroclinic Bianchi solutions in reversed time direction towards the big-bang singularity

the spatial hypersurfaces. The matter density Ω is positive, the boundary $\Omega = 0$ is invariant. The coefficient $\gamma < 2$ describes the perfect fluid, e.g. $\gamma = 4/3$ for radiation and $\gamma = 1$ for dust. See also [WE05] for further details on this dynamics approach to cosmology and [HU09] for a review on current knowledge of Bianchi models and open questions.

Prominent feature of system (13.2) is the Kasner circle \mathcal{K} of equilibria,

$$\mathcal{K} = \{ \Sigma_{+}^{2} + \Sigma_{-}^{2} = 1, N_{1} = N_{2} = N_{3} = 0 \},$$
(13.4)

and the caps

$$\mathcal{H}_{k}^{\pm} = \{ \Sigma_{+}^{2} + \Sigma_{-}^{2} = 1 - N_{k}^{2}, \ \pm N_{k} > 0 \ N_{k+1} = N_{k-1} = 0, \ k \ \text{mod} \ 3 \},$$
(13.5)

filled with heteroclinic orbits connecting equilibria on \mathcal{K} . The projection of the heteroclinic orbits to the Σ -plane lie on straight lines through the corners of a circumscribed triangle, see figure 13.1.

The Kasner circle itself is normally hyperbolic except at the Taub points

$$T_1 = (-1,0), \quad T_2 = (1/2,\sqrt{3}/2), \quad T_3 = (1/2,-\sqrt{3}/2), \quad (13.6)$$

in coordinates (Σ_+, Σ_-) . At the Taub points, two nontrivial eigenvalues of the linearization at Kasner equilibria cross zero in opposite direction.

Thus, bifurcations without parameters arise. However, the system is not in "generic" position. In particular, additional equivariances

reflection
$$(N, \Sigma) \mapsto (-N, \Sigma),$$

cyclic permutation $(N_1, N_2, N_3, \Sigma) \mapsto (N_2, N_3, N_1, e^{2\pi i/3}\Sigma)$ (13.7)

are inherited from the geometric origin of the model, see also section 12.1. Furthermore, we are not interested in small bounded solutions near T_k . Rather than small solutions, passages near the Taub points and global re-entry into the neighborhood of another Taub point are of interest, see figure 13.2.

The task is to study trajectories following formal chains of heteroclinic orbits, given by the heteroclinic caps \mathcal{H}_k and inducing (in backward direction) a nonuniformly expanding map of the Kasner circle \mathcal{K} onto itself. This Kasner map is believed to govern the dynamics of the early universe, at least in the Bianchi model, close to the big-bang singularity $t \to -\infty$. The mixing properties of the formal shift dynamics of heteroclinic sequences are conjectured to induce a mixing of the early universe [Mis69]. Rigorous results on this correspondence have been missing for 40 years. First answers are given in [LHWG11, Bég10, LRT12], albeit excluding the neighborhoods of the Taub points. Questions on the passage near the bifurcation points and the global return of trajectories are still open. Answers are required for the discussion of the Mixmaster idea and the BKL-conjecture [BKL70] on the approach to the big-bang singularity, see also [HU09] for current state of the art.

Chapter 14

Application: Fluid Flow in a Planar Channel, Spatial Dynamics with Reversible Bogdanov-Takens Bifurcation

In [AFL08, AFL11] the Kolmogorov problem of viscous incompressible planar fluid flow under external spatially periodic forcing has been studied. Kirchgässner reduction has been used to find time-independent bounded solutions at the onset of instability of the system when the Reynolds number increases. We regard bounded solutions as evolutions in the unbounded direction of a cross-sectional profile, and find a 6-dimensional center manifold. Three conserved quantities yield a reduction to a 3-dimensional reversible system with a line of equilibria. When we take the Reynolds number into account, a Bogdanov-Takens point along a one-parameter family of lines of equilibria appears, see chapter 10. Additional reversibilities, however, change the resulting dynamics.

Consider the viscous incompressible fluid flow governed by the 2-dimensional Navier-Stokes equations

$$\partial_t u = \nu \Delta u - (u \cdot \nabla) u - \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p + \sigma \begin{pmatrix} \mathfrak{f}(x_2) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(14.1)
$$0 = \nabla \cdot u$$

on the plane channel $x = (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R} \times S^1 = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}/2\pi\mathbb{Z}$ with periodic boundary



Figure 14.1: Fluid flow in a plane channel

conditions. The forcing is assumed to be independent of x_1 and acts only in x_1 direction, see also figure 14.1.

Kolmogorov's original suggestion of a force is

$$\mathfrak{f}(x_2) = \sqrt{2}\sin x_2, \tag{14.2}$$

see also [MS61]. This forcing gives rise to two symmetries

$$S_1: x_1 \mapsto -x_1, \quad x_2 \mapsto -x_2,$$

$$S_2: x_1 \mapsto -x_1, \quad x_2 \mapsto x_2 + \pi.$$
(14.3)

A less symmetric, generalized forcing

$$f(x_2) = c_1 \sin x_2 + c_2 \sin 2x_2 \tag{14.4}$$

breaks the second symmetry.

In both cases, the basic steady state

$$u(x_1, x_2) = (U(x_2), 0)^{\mathrm{T}}$$
(14.5)

of zero average, $\langle U \rangle = 0$, becomes unstable with increasing Reynolds number $R = \nu^{-2}\sigma$. The classical approach to this bifurcation through imposing artificial periodic boundary conditions in x_1 fails, because the onset of instability at the critical Reynolds number is due to long-wavelength instabilities [MS61], see also [AM05].

Therefore, in [AFL08, AFL11] the unbounded domain is considered and stationary solutions are regarded as evolutions of a cross sectional profile $u(x_1, \cdot)$ evolving in x_1 . Although the corresponding initial-value problem is ill-posed for the elliptic stationary problem (14.1), on a center manifold of the basic steady state (14.5) this *spatial dynamics* is well posed. This reduction method goes back to Kirchgässner [Kir82, IMD89].

The center manifold of the x_1 -flow turns out to be 6-dimensional, with a 3dimensional set of equilibria and 3 first integrals. The level sets of the integral are, however, not transverse to the manifold of equilibria. In a critical level set, a line of equilibria survives. along this line, viewed as a one parameter family of lines together with the Reynolds number as parameter, a Bogdanov-Takes point appears.

After suitable rescaling, the normal form, written as a 3rd-order equation, reads

$$\ddot{y} + \dot{y} - 3y^2 \dot{y} = ay\ddot{y} + b\dot{y}^2 + \text{ small terms}$$
(14.6)

The parameter, i.e. the Reynolds number is already scaled out. The line of equilibria is given by $\{\dot{y} = \ddot{y} = 0\}$ Note the time-reversibilities

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}}_{S_1} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{S_2 (a = b = 0 \text{ only})} (14.7)$$

with respect to $(\ddot{y}, \dot{y}, y)^T$ and inherited from (14.3).

The Kolmogorov forcing (14.2) gives rise to both reversibilities. In particular, the line of equilibria is then enforced by the reversibility S_2 with 2-dimensional fixed-point space, see also section 1.2.3. The generalized forcing (14.4) gives rise to reversibility S_1 , only. The fixed-point space of this reversibility is of dimension one and cannot enforce the line of equilibria.

System (14.6) is indeed the normal form of a Bogdanov-Takens bifurcation without parameters, see chapter 10, with additional reversibility S_1 with one-dimensional fixed-point space. Instead of a plane of equilibria we start with a one-parameter family of lines of equilibria as we have found in the Kolmogorov problem. Both settings yield the same rescaled normal form, as in chapter 10. Given a vector field

$$\dot{z} = F(z,\lambda), \qquad z = (x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}, \quad F = (f_1, f_2, g), \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R},$$
(14.8)

with $F(0, y, \lambda) \equiv 0$ and the linearization at the origin

$$DF(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (14.9)

In addition to the generic setting of chapter 10, we assume the reversibility S_1 , see (14.7),

$$F(S_1 z, \lambda) = -S_1 F(z, \lambda). \tag{14.10}$$

Instead of a complete normal form, we use the "crude" transformation $\tilde{z} = \Psi(z, \lambda)$,

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{x}_1 &= D_z g(z, \lambda) \cdot F(z, \lambda) &= x_1 + \cdots, \\
\tilde{x}_2 &= g(z, \lambda) &= x_2 + \cdots, \\
\tilde{y} &= y.
\end{aligned}$$
(14.11)

Due to (14.10), the transformation commutes with the reversibility,

$$\Psi(S_{1}z,\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} D_{z}g(S_{1}z,\lambda) \cdot F(S_{1}z,\lambda) \\ g(S_{1}z,\lambda) \\ -y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} (S_{1}D_{z}g(z,\lambda)) \cdot (-S_{1}F(z,\lambda)) \\ g(z,\lambda) \\ -y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -D_{z}g(z,\lambda) \cdot F(z,\lambda) \\ g(z,\lambda) \\ -y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= S_{1}\Psi(z,\lambda).$$
(14.12)

Thus, the transformed vector field

$$\dot{\tilde{x}}_{1} = \tilde{f}_{1}(\tilde{z}, \lambda),$$

 $\dot{\tilde{x}}_{2} = \tilde{x}_{1},$

 $\dot{\tilde{y}} = \tilde{x}_{2}$
(14.13)

is again reversible under S_1 . In particular, the Taylor expansion of \tilde{f}_1 contains only monomials of the form $\tilde{z}^{\alpha} = \tilde{x}_1^{\alpha_1} \tilde{x}_2^{\alpha_2} \tilde{y}^{\alpha_3}$ with $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 > 0$ (equilibria x = 0), $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2$ even (reversibility S_1), and $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 \ge 2$ (linearization (14.9)). The rescaling

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{x}_1 &= \sigma^3 \hat{x}_1, \\
\tilde{x}_2 &= \sigma^2 \hat{x}_2, \\
\tilde{y} &= \sigma^1 \hat{y}, \\
\tilde{\lambda} &= \sigma^2 \hat{\lambda}, \\
t &= \sigma^{-1} \hat{t}.
\end{aligned}$$
(14.14)

then yields

$$\hat{x}'_{1} = c_{1}\hat{\lambda}\hat{x}_{2} + c_{2}\hat{x}^{2}_{1} + c_{3}\hat{x}_{1}\hat{y} + c_{4}\hat{x}^{2}_{2} + c_{5}\hat{x}_{2}\hat{y}^{2} + \mathcal{O}(\sigma),
\hat{x}'_{2} = \hat{x}_{1},
\hat{y}' = \hat{x}_{2}.$$
(14.15)

We impose the following non-degeneracy conditions, $c_1 \neq 0$, $c_3 \neq 0$, to ensure a versal unfolding of the nilpotent linearization (14.9) in (y, λ) , and $c_5 \neq 0$. Then coefficients can be normalized to obtain (14.6), as claimed.



Figure 14.2: Fully reversible Bogdanov-Takens point

14.1 Fully Symmetric Case

In the case a = b = 0 of both reversibilities and after dropping small terms of higher order, we find the integrable system

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
0 & = & \ddot{y} + \dot{y} - 3y^2 \dot{y}, \\
\Theta & = & \ddot{y} - y^3 + y, \\
H & = & \frac{1}{2} \dot{y}^2 - \frac{1}{4} y^4 + \frac{1}{2} y^2 - \Theta y,
\end{array}$$
(14.16)

a Hamiltonian core on each level set of Θ , see figure 14.2a). Bounded solutions are given by a "bubble" of periodic orbits $y_{\text{per}}^{\Theta,H}$ parametrized by the two conserved quantities Θ, H . The boundary of the periodic bubble consists of homoclinic orbits $y_{\text{hom}}^{\Theta,H}$ and a heteroclinic pair $y_{\text{het}}^{0,\frac{1}{4}}$, see figure 14.2b). All bounded orbits intersect a Poincaré section { $\ddot{y} = 0$ } parametrized by Θ, H as shown in figures 14.2c,d). The only exceptions are the heteroclinic orbits: here the pair has one intersection with the section.

Perturbations respecting both reversibilities, or at least reversibility S_2 with 2-dimensional fixed-point space $\{\dot{y} = 0\}$, preserve the periodic bubble. Indeed, all periodic orbits intersect the fixed-point space twice and transversely. Transverse intersections are preserved by small perturbations, Thus the orbits of the perturbed system intersect the fixed-point space twice and, hence, are periodic.

For a thorough discussion of this case and its implications for the fluid-flow problem, see [AFL08].

14.2 Symmetry-Breaking Perturbations

The general case $a, b \neq 0$ of (14.6) has been studied in [AFL11]. However, a, b are assumed to be small. In other words, reversibility S_2 of the fully integrable system (14.16) is broken by a small perturbation which still respects the other reversibility S_1 ,

$$\ddot{y} + \dot{y} - 3y^2 \dot{y} = \varepsilon a y \ddot{y} + \varepsilon b \ddot{y}^2 + \text{ small terms}$$
 (14.17)

The former first integrals

$$\Theta = \ddot{y} - y^3 + y$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2}\dot{y}^2 - \frac{1}{4}y^4 + \frac{1}{2}y^2 - \Theta y$$
(14.18)





Elliptic Hopf point and Melnikov zeros, for a(b-a) < 0. Arrows indicate the flow direction for a > b, and have to be reversed in case a < b.

Hyperbolic Hopf point, without Melnikov zeros, for a(b-a) > 0. Arrows indicate the flow direction for a > b, and are reversed for a < b.

Figure 14.3: Reversible Bogdanov-Takens point, Poincaré flow

are no longer conserved but subject to a slow drift

$$\dot{\Theta} = \varepsilon (a\ddot{y}y + b\dot{y}^2) = \varepsilon a(\Theta - y + y^3)y + \varepsilon 2b(H - \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{4}y^4 + \Theta y),$$

$$\dot{H} = -y\dot{\Theta}.$$

$$(14.19)$$

Averaging over the fast rotation inside the periodic bubble yields this drift to leading order. This drift is interpreted as a flow on the Poincaré section $\Sigma = \{\ddot{y} = 0\}$, see figure 14.2c).

$$\dot{\Theta} = \varepsilon \oint a\ddot{y}y + b\dot{y}^2 \,\mathrm{d}\tau = \varepsilon(b-a) \oint \dot{y}^2 \,\mathrm{d}\tau,$$

$$\dot{H} = \varepsilon \oint -a\ddot{y}y^2 - b\dot{y}^2y \,\mathrm{d}\tau = \varepsilon(2a-b) \oint \dot{y}^2y \,\mathrm{d}\tau.$$

$$(14.20)$$

Dropping the coefficient ε , the Poincaré return map of the full system is given by some first-order discretization with step size ε of the flow

$$\dot{\Theta} = (b-a) \oint \dot{y}^2 \, \mathrm{d}\tau,$$

$$\dot{H} = (2a-b) \oint \dot{y}^2 y \, \mathrm{d}\tau.$$
(14.21)

See figure 14.3. Note that Θ becomes a Lyapunov function for (14.21) under the nondegeneracy condition $b \neq a$. Indeed, for b < 1, chosen w.l.o.g., Θ strictly decreases along solutions except at equilibria.





Simplest scenario of strong stable and strong unstable manifolds of saddles in the hyperbolic case 0 > a > b. Angles of intersection are exaggerated. Coding: magenta = W^{cu} (saddle), blue = W^{cs} (saddle), red = W^{uu} (focus), and green = W^{ss} (focus).

Simplest scenario of the set \mathcal{B}_0 of all bounded solutions in the hyperbolic case 0 > a > b. All bounded solutions are heteroclinic.

Figure 14.4: Reversible Bogdanov-Takens point, Poincaré map, hyperbolic case

The origin $(\Theta, H) = (0, 0)$ corresponds to the origin of (14.17) and is a Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf point, see chapter 5. Indeed, the linearization of (14.17) at equilibria $(\ddot{y}, \dot{y}, y) = (0, 0, y_c)$ reads

$$\ddot{y} + \dot{y} - 3y_c^2 \dot{y} = \varepsilon a y_c \ddot{y}. \tag{14.22}$$

It yields non-trivial eigenvalues

$$\mu_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon a y_c \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} \varepsilon^2 a^2 y_c^2 - 1 + 3y_c^2}.$$
(14.23)

We find a center at $y_c = 0$, a spiral sink for $ay_c \leq 0$, and a spiral source for $ay_c \geq 0$. (For $3y_c^2 > 1$ we find saddles, the points $y_c = \pm 1/\sqrt{3}$ are the cusp points in figure 14.3.) Comparing the direction of the flow in Θ and the change of stability along the line of equilibria with the analysis of chapter 5, we find an elliptic Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf point for a(b-a) < 0 and a hyperbolic Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf point for a(b-a) > 0. This also motivates an additional non-degeneracy condition

$$a(b-a) \neq 0 \tag{14.24}$$

In the hyperbolic case, we can follow the return of the strong stable/unstable



Three-dimensional view of saddle-saddle heteroclinics and their intersection with the Poincaré plane. Orbits hit the symmetry line $Fix(S_1)$, the $\dot{y} - axis$, in its positive part inside the Poincaré section, (a), or in its negative part outside the Poincaré section, (b).

Figure 14.5: Reversible Bogdanov-Takens point, heteroclinic orbits

manifolds of the saddles equilibria. We find regions of continuous families of saddlefocus heteroclinic connections and a region of discrete saddle-saddle heteroclinics. The boundary is given by the stable/unstable cones of the hyperbolic Hopf point, see figure 14.4. In the Poincaré-flow figure 14.3(b) the points B_{\pm} denote this boundary. Saddle-saddle heteroclinic orbits in original coordinates are sketched in figure 14.5.

The elliptic case is more relevant for the Kolmogorov problem, as the normalform reduction of the stationary PDE problem yields (14.6) with b = 0, hence only the elliptic case occurs.

We find a point y_* and its image $-y_*$ of tangency of the Poincaré flow (14.21) to the boundary

$$\Theta(y_c) = y_c - y_c^3, \qquad H(y_c) = 3y_c^4/4 - y_c^2/2, \qquad |y_c| > 1/\sqrt{3}, \qquad (14.25)$$

see (14.18) and figure 14.3(a). The boundary represents the homoclinic orbits to saddle equilibria of the reversible system, $\varepsilon = 0$. The splitting of these homoclinic orbits for $\varepsilon > 0$ near y_* is determined by a Melnikov integral. This Melnikov integral is given by the angle between the Poincaré flow (14.21) and the boundary (14.25). It has a simple zero at y_* as the boundary point is varied.

This crossing is transverse [AFL11]. We find a saddle-saddle heteroclinic orbit



Simplest scenario of strong stable and strong unstable manifolds of saddles in the elliptic case 0 < a > b. Angles of intersection are exaggerated. Coding: magenta = W^{cu} (saddle), blue = W^{cs} (saddle), red = W^{uu} (focus), and green = W^{ss} (focus).

Figure 14.6: Reversible Bogdanov-Takens point, Poincaré map, elliptic case

close to the homoclinic orbit to y_* of the integrable system. It connects to distinct equilibria close to y_* . In the Poincaré return map, figure 14.6, this orbit is represented by Y_0^+ . Points Y_k^+ denote its iterates under the return map. The k-th return of the strong stable and unstable manifolds to equilibria $y_c > 1/\sqrt{3}$ is denoted by W_k^{+s} and W_k^{+u} . Intersections of W_k^{+u} with W_ℓ^{-s} — the ℓ -th return of the strong stable manifolds to equilibria $y_c < -1/\sqrt{3}$ — are heteroclinic saddle-saddle connections winding k + l + 3/2 times around the y-axis, see figure 14.5. The region of finitely many saddle-saddle connections are bounded be the elliptic Hopf bubble filled with source-sink heteroclinics and touching the lines of saddles near y_* . Close



Simplest scenario of the set \mathcal{B}_0 of all bounded solutions in the elliptic case 0 < a > b. All bounded solutions are heteroclinic.

Figure 14.7: Set of bounded orbits in the Poincaré section, elliptic case

to the cusp points $y = \pm 1/\sqrt{3}$ we find saddle-sink and source-saddle heteroclinics.

At the boundary of the elliptic Hopf bubble, separatrices split with finite angle determined by the simple zero of the Melnikov integral at y_* .

Figure 14.7 sketches the set of bounded solutions near the Bogdanov-Takens point, in the elliptic case. Every point of this set represents a bounded stationary profile of the original fluid-flow problem (14.1) on a plane channel with the generalized forcing (14.4). See [AFL11] for further details.

Part IV

Beyond Codimension Two

Chapter 15

Codimension-One Manifolds of Equilibria

Here we discuss a special situation in which we can deal with singularities of arbitrary codimension. In chapters 4, 8, and after normal form transformation also in chapters 5, 9, we removed the manifold of equilibria by multiplying with a singular factor 1/x or 1/r. This idea required that there is only one transverse direction to the manifold of equilibria. For such manifolds of codimension one, in phase space, we can generalize the idea.

We consider the general case of a manifold of equilibria of codimension one,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} = F(x,y) = \begin{pmatrix} f(x,y) \\ g(x,y) \end{pmatrix}, \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$
(15.1)

Typically, such a system will arise as a reduced system on a center manifold of finite smoothness. Following the discussion in the section 8.3, we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 15.1 There exists a generic subset of the class of all smooth vector fields (15.1) with an equilibrium manifold $\{x = 0\}$ of codimension one. For every vector field in that class the following holds true:

At every point (x = 0, y) the vector field is locally flow equivalent to an mparameter family

$$\dot{z}_m = \pm z_m^{\ell+1} + \sum_{k=0}^{\ell-1} z_k z_m^k + \mathcal{O}(z_m^N), \qquad (15.2)$$

 $0 \leq \ell \leq m$, of vector fields on the real line. Here N is the arbitrary but finite normalform order bounded by the smoothness of the initial vector field (15.1), $f, g \in C^M$, $N \leq M, N < \infty$. This is a versal unfolding of the singularity $\dot{z}_m = \pm z_m^{\ell+1}$ at the origin.

In particular, near bifurcation points of codimension m, that appear robustly at isolated points on the equilibrium manifold, the vector field is locally flow equivalent to

$$\dot{z}_m = \pm z_m^{m+1} + \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} z_k z_m^k + \mathcal{O}(z_m^N),$$
 (15.3)

i.e. an universal unfolding of the singularity $\dot{z}_m = \pm z_m^{m+1}$ at the origin.

Proof. The equilibrium condition f(0, y) = g(0, y) = 0 for all $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$ allows us to factor out x.

$$F(x,y) = x\tilde{F}(x,y) = x \left(\begin{array}{c} \hat{f}(x,y)\\ \tilde{g}(x,y) \end{array}\right).$$
(15.4)

The resulting vector field $\tilde{F} : \mathbb{R}^{m+1} \to \mathbb{R}^{m+1}$ does not vanish on the *m*-dimensional submanifold $\{x = 0\}$, for generic *F*. Without loss of generality, consider a neighborhood $U \subset \mathbb{R}^{m+1}$ of the origin.

We can apply the flow-box theorem to \tilde{F} : Take a local smooth section

$$\Sigma: \mathbb{R}^m \supset V \longrightarrow U, \tag{15.5}$$

through the origin, $\Sigma(0) = 0$, transverse to the vector field \tilde{F} in U. Let $\tilde{\Phi}_t$ be the flow generated by \tilde{F} . Then the flow-box transformation

$$h(z_0, ..., z_m) = \tilde{\Phi}_{z_m}(\Sigma(z_0, ..., z_{m-1}))$$
(15.6)

transforms \tilde{F} into the constant vector field $[Dh]^{-1}(\tilde{F} \circ h) = (0, ..., 0, 1)$. Again, $\tilde{\Phi}_t$ denotes the flow to the vector field \tilde{F} . Applying the transformation h to the vector field $F|_U$, we obtain an m-parameter family $[Dh]^{-1}(F \circ h) = (0, ..., 0, \pi_x h)$ of vector fields on the real line in a neighborhood V of the origin.

Classification of germs of vector fields and their versal unfoldings is the topic of singularity or catastrophe theory.

Singularities on the real line have the form $\dot{z}_m = \pm z_m^{\ell+1}$. In generic *m*-parameter families at most m+1 leading coefficients of the Tailor expansion vanish, i.e. $\ell \leq m$ and

$$\dot{z}_m = \pm z_m^{\ell+1} + \sum_{k=0}^{\ell-1} \zeta_k(z_0, ..., z_{m-1}) z_m^k + \mathcal{O}(z_m^{\ell+2}).$$

The coefficient ζ_{ℓ} vanishes by linear transformation of z_m . Furthermore, the map $(z_0, ..., z_{m-1}) \mapsto (\zeta_0, ..., \zeta_{\ell-1})$ has full rank, generically. Remainder terms, $\mathcal{O}(z_m^{\ell+2})$, can be pushed to any finite normal-form order, by a suitable coordinate change. This procedure yields system (15.2). See also [BG92], chapter 6.

Genericity conditions are expressed as algebraic conditions on the coefficients of the Taylor expansion at the origin. These conditions correspond via (15.6) to generic conditions on F.

The versal unfolding (15.2), one the other hand, is a system of the form (15.1). Therefore, it represents the versal unfolding of a generic singularity along *m*-dimensional manifolds of equilibria in (m + 1)-dimensional phase space.

The removal of the manifold of equilibria by a scalar, albeit singular, multiplier greatly facilitates the analysis but restricts it to the case of manifolds of codimension one in the phase space, see (8.14) and (15.4).

Most bifurcations previously discussed do not fall into this class, most notably Poincaré-Andronov-Hopf- and Bogdanov-Takens bifurcations. Their analysis uses a blow-up or rescaling procedure reminiscent of the scalar multiplier used here. It seems worthwhile to closer connect these bifurcations without parameters to singularity theory. This might provide a suitable setting to include singularities of the set of equilibria and generalize the manifold to varieties.

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Chapter 16

Discussion & Outlook

Along given manifold of equilibria, bifurcations without parameters display a surprisingly rich and complicated structure of heteroclinic connections. Although manifolds of equilibria appear to be a rather degenerate feature of a vector field, the large variety of applications exhibiting this structure requires a systematic analysis of the emerging bifurcation problems. Techniques including center manifolds, normal forms and blow-up methods are indispensable for the theory.

Despite the possibility of similar algebraic classification, bifurcations without parameters are beyond the scope of classical bifurcation theory. Furthermore, dynamical properties of the respective bifurcation types differ significantly from their classical counterparts. Classical bifurcations are a degenerate case of bifurcations without parameters. In applications, it is of vital importance to check the non-degeneracy conditions of the respective bifurcations types to distinguish the generic case, without parameters, from the degenerate case, with — probably hidden — parameters.

We attempted a systematic approach towards a classification of bifurcations without parameters. Zero-Hopf and Hopf-Hopf points still require further study. Aside from the investigations of bifurcations of codimension three and beyond, several directions of future research promise interesting results.

16.1 Singularity Theory

Bifurcation theory is closely related to singularity theory, or catastrophe theory. This relation has been exploited in chapters 4, 8, 15 to study bifurcations without parameters along equilibrium manifolds of codimension one in phase space. In these cases, the manifold of equilibria could be desingularized by a scalar multiplier, such that the resulting vector field fits into the framework of singularity theory. An extension of this approach to manifolds with more than one transverse direction is necessary.

Furthermore, the bifurcations studied here exhibit singularities of the vector field along smooth manifolds of equilibria. Singularities of the manifold itself have not been discussed. Their study will enrich the theory and provides an even closer connection of bifurcation theory and singularity theory.

16.2 Symmetries

In our classification of bifurcations without parameters of codimension one and two, symmetries only appeared as normal-form symmetries near Poincaé-Andronov-Hopf points. Applications, however, frequently exhibit additional symmetries due to their geometric properties or particular modeling assumptions. Cosmological models of Bianchi type, chapter 13, and fluid flows in a plane channel, chapter 14, are examples.

The methods used for the generic cases remain applicable in equivariant settings and together with classical equivariant bifurcation theory [CL00] should be extended to a rigorous equivariant bifurcation theory without parameters.

16.3 Global Bifurcation

The bifurcation analysis, presented here, has been local. It has been our aim to describe all solutions emerging from the bifurcations, i.e. all solutions which stay in a small neighborhood of the origin for all times. We have been rewarded with sets of heteroclinic orbits of intriguing complexity.

Aside from the study of small bounded solutions, the passage near manifolds of equilibria and their bifurcation points a question of vast importance. Quantitative estimates of those passages are for example needed to answer relevant questions in Bianchi models, chapter 13. Blow-up methods and rescaling methods are crucial tools here.

In singularly perturbed problems, they have been successfully used to study global trajectories which pass by singularities. A fixed rescaling of coordinates does not suffice, though. Full spherical blow ups are required. Alternatively several charts covering the blow-up sphere have to be studied to follow a passing orbit [KS01, KS11]. Adaptation of these methods to bifurcations without parameters is necessary.

16.4 Recurrence

Contrary to classical bifurcation theory, no recurrent dynamics has been found so far near bifurcation points without parameters. Only in mixed cases of families of manifolds of equilibria we have found bifurcating equilibria or periodic orbits.

For codimension-one manifolds of equilibria discussed in chapter 15, the drift non-degeneracy prevents any recurrent dynamics and permits a flow-box transformation of the vector field. Similar drift conditions hold true at generic Hopf and Bogdanov-Takens points. In fact, as already mentioned in the introduction, it is this drift which distinguishes bifurcations without parameters from classical bifurcations by preventing any flow-invariant transverse foliation. Recurrent dynamics should be possible at bifurcation points of higher codimension as the drift condition becomes less restrictive.

Recurrence could still be induced by global properties of the systems. Such global recurrence is one of the intriguing properties of the Bianchi cosmologies introduced in chapter 13. This is another reason embed to the local analysis of bifurcations without parameters into global structures.

But even without recurrent dynamics, the structure of heteroclinic orbits found close to bifurcations without parameters is astonishingly rich and needs to be further investigated in order to improve the reliability of the answers to corresponding problems in applications.

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