# **BIFURCATION PHENOMENA** Lecture 4: Bifurcations in *n*-dimensional ODEs

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# 1. SOLUTIONS AND ORBITS

Consider a smooth system

$$\dot{X} = f(X), \quad X \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

**Orbits**, **phase portraits**, and **topological equivalence** are defined as in the case n = 2

• Equilibria:  $f(X_0) = 0$ 

**Definition 1** An equilibrium is called hyperbolic if  $\Re(\lambda) \neq 0$  for all eigenvalues of its Jacobian matrix  $A = f_X(X_0)$ .

**Theorem 1 (Grobman-Hartman)** If equilibrium  $X_0 = 0$  is hyperbolic,  $\dot{X} = f(X)$  is locally topologically equivalent near the origin to  $\dot{Y} = AY$ .



#### Stable and unstable invariant manifolds of equilibria:

If a hyperbolic equilibrium  $X_0$  has  $n_s$  eigenvalues with  $\Re(\lambda) < 0$  and  $n_u$  eigenvalues with  $\Re(\lambda) > 0$ , it has the  $n_s$ -dimensional smooth invariant manifold  $W^s$  composed of all orbits approaching  $X_0$  as  $t \to \infty$ , and the  $n_u$ -dimensional smooth invariant manifold  $W^u$  composed of all orbits approaching  $X_0$  as  $t \to -\infty$ 



• Periodic orbits (cycles)

The **Poincaré map**  $\xi \mapsto \tilde{\xi} = P(\xi)$ is defined on a smooth (n-1)-dimensional crossection:

$$P: \Sigma \to \Sigma.$$

If  $C_0$  corresponds to  $\xi = 0$  then P(0) = 0 and  $P(\xi) = M\xi + O(2)$ 



$$\mu_1 \mu_2 \cdots \mu_{n-1} = \exp\left(\int_0^{T_0} (\operatorname{div} f)(X^0(t))dt\right) > 0$$

**Definition 2** A cycle is called hyperbolic if  $|\mu| \neq 1$  for all eigenvalues (multipliers) of the matrix  $M = P_{\xi}(0)$ .

**Theorem 2 (Grobman-Hartman for maps)** The Poincaré map  $\xi \mapsto P(\xi)$  of a hyperbolic cycle is locally topologically equivalent near the origin to  $\xi \mapsto M\xi$ .

#### Stable and unstable invariant manifolds of cycles:

If a hyperbolic cycle  $C_0$  has  $m_s$  multipliers with  $|\mu| < 1$  and  $m_u$  multipliers with  $|\mu| > 1$ , it has the  $(m_s + 1)$ -dimensional smooth invariant manifold  $W^s$  composed of all orbits approaching  $C_0$  as  $t \to \infty$ , and the  $(m_u +$ 1)-dimensional smooth invariant manifold  $W^u$  composed of all orbits approaching  $C_0$  as  $t \to -\infty$ 



• Connecting orbits

Homoclinic orbits are intersections of  $W^u$  and  $W^s$  of an equilibrium/cycle. Heteroclinic orbits are intersections of  $W^u$  and  $W^s$  of two different equilibria/cycles.



Generically, the closure of the 2D invariant manifold near a homoclinic orbit  $\Gamma_0$  to an equilibriun with real eigenvalues (saddle) in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is either simple (orientable) or twisted (non-orientable):



- Compact invariant manifolds
- 1. tori

**Example**: 2D-torus  $\mathbb{T}^2$  with periodic or quasi-periodic orbits



- 2. spheres
- 3. Klein bottles

- Strange (chaotic) invariant sets
  - have **fractal** structure (not a manifold);
  - contain infinite number of hyperbolic cycles;
  - demonstrate **sensitive dependence** of solutions on initial conditions;
  - can be attracting (**strange attractors**);
  - orbits can be coded by sequences of symbols (symbolic dynamics).

# **2.** BIFURCATIONS OF N-DIMENSIONAL ODES $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$

## • Local (equilibrium) bifurcations

**Center manifold reduction**: Let  $X_0 = 0$  be non-hyperbolic with stable, usntable, and critical eigenvalues:



**Theorem 3** For all sufficiently small  $||\alpha||$ , there exists a local invariant center manifold  $W^c(\alpha)$  of dimension  $n_c$  that is locally attracting if  $n_u = 0$ , repelling if  $n_s = 0$ , and of saddle type if  $n_s n_u > 0$ . Moreover  $W^c(0)$  is tangent to the critical eigenspace of  $A = f_X(0,0)$ .



**Remark**:  $W^{c}(0)$  is **not unique**; however, all  $W^{c}(0)$  have the same Taylor expansion.

**Theorem 4** If  $\dot{\xi} = f(\xi, \alpha)$  is the restriction of  $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$  to  $W^c(\alpha)$ , then this system is locally topologically equivalent to

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\xi} &= f(\xi, \alpha), \quad \xi \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^m, \\ \dot{x} &= -x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^{n_s}, \\ \dot{y} &= y, \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^{n_u}. \end{cases}$$

Codim 1 equilibrium bifurcations:  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ 

$$f(X,0) = AX + \frac{1}{2}B(X,X) + \frac{1}{6}C(X,X,X) + O(4)$$

• Fold (saddle-node):  $\lambda_1 = 0 \ (n_c = 1)$ 

Let  $a = \frac{1}{2} \langle q, B(q,q) \rangle$  where  $Aq = A^{\mathsf{T}}p = 0$  with  $\langle p,q \rangle = \langle q,q \rangle = 1$ .

If  $a \neq 0$  then the restriction of  $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$  to its  $W^{c}(\alpha)$  is locally topologically equivalent to  $\dot{\xi} = \beta(\alpha) + a\xi^{2}$ .



• Andronov-Hopf:  $\lambda_{1,2} = \pm i\omega, \omega > 0$   $(n_c = 2)$ 

where

$$l_{1} = \frac{1}{2\omega} \Re \left[ \langle p, C(q, q, \bar{q}) \rangle - 2 \langle p, B(q, A^{-1}B(q, \bar{q})) \rangle + \langle p, B(\bar{q}, (2i\omega E_{n} - A)^{-1}B(q, q)) \rangle \right],$$
  

$$Aq = i\omega q, \ A^{\top}p = -i\omega p, \langle p, q \rangle = \langle q, q \rangle = 1.$$

If  $l_1 \neq 0$  then the restriction of  $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$  to its  $W^c(\alpha)$  is locally topologically equivalent to  $\begin{cases} \dot{\rho} = \rho(\beta(\alpha) + l_1 \rho^2), \\ \dot{\varphi} = 1. \end{cases}$ 



Codim 2 equilibrium bifurcations:  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^2$ 

1. **Cusp**: 
$$\lambda_1 = 0, a = 0 \ (n_c = 1)$$

If  $c \neq 0$ , then the restriction of  $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$  to  $W^{c}(\alpha)$  is locally topologically equivalent to  $\dot{\xi} = \beta_{1}(\alpha) + \beta_{2}(\alpha)\xi + s\xi^{3}$ , where  $s = \operatorname{sign}(c) = \pm 1$ .

2. Bogdanov-Takens:  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$  ( $n_c = 2$ )

If  $ab \neq 0$ , then the restriction of  $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$  to  $W^{c}(\alpha)$  is locally topologically equivalent to  $\dot{x} = y$ ,  $\dot{y} = \beta_{1}(\alpha) + \beta_{2}(\alpha)x + x^{2} + sxy$ , where  $s = \text{sign}(ab) = \pm 1$ .

3. **Bautin**:  $\lambda_{1,2} = \pm i\omega, \omega > 0 \ (n_c = 2)$ 

If  $l_2 \neq 0$ , then the restriction of  $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$  to  $W^c(\alpha)$  is locally topologically equivalent to  $\dot{\rho} = \rho(\beta_1(\alpha) + \beta_2(\alpha)\rho^2 + s\rho^4), \ \dot{\varphi} = 1$ , where  $s = \text{sign}(l_2) = \pm 1$ .

4. Fold-Hopf:  $\lambda_1 = 0, \ \lambda_{2,3} = \pm i\omega, \omega > 0 \ (n_c = 3)$ 

Generically, the restriction of  $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$  to  $W^{c}(\alpha)$  is smoothly orbitally equivalent to

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\xi} = \beta_1(\alpha) + \xi^2 + s\rho^2 + P(\xi, \rho, \varphi, \alpha), \\ \dot{\rho} = \rho(\beta_2(\alpha) + \theta(\alpha)\xi + \xi^2) + Q(\xi, \rho, \varphi, \alpha), \\ \dot{\varphi} = \omega_1(\alpha) + \theta_1(\alpha)\xi + R(\xi, \rho, \varphi, \alpha), \end{cases}$$

where  $s = \pm 1$ ,  $\theta(0) \neq 0, \omega_1(0) > 0, P, Q, R = \mathcal{O}(||(\xi, \rho)||^4)$ .

The bifurcation diagrams **depend on** O(4)-terms. "Big picture" is determined by the 'truncated normal form' without the O(4)-terms.

There exist **invariant tori** and **homoclinic orbits** near the fold-Hopf bifurcation.

5. Hopf-Hopf:  $\lambda_{1,2} = \pm \omega_1, \ \lambda_{3,4} = \pm i \omega_2, \omega_j > 0 \ (n_c = 4)$ 

Generically, the restriction of  $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$  to  $W^{c}(\alpha)$  is smoothly orbitally equivalent to

$$\begin{cases} \dot{r}_1 = r_1(\beta_1(\alpha) + p_{11}(\alpha)r_1^2 + p_{12}(\alpha)r_2^2 + s_1(\alpha)r_2^4) + \Phi_1(r,\varphi,\alpha), \\ \dot{r}_2 = r_2(\beta_2(\alpha) + p_{21}(\alpha)r_1^2 + p_{22}(\alpha)r_2^2 + s_2(\alpha)r_1^4) + \Phi_2(r,\varphi,\alpha), \\ \dot{\varphi}_1 = \omega_1(\alpha) + \Psi_1(r,\varphi,\alpha), \\ \dot{\varphi}_2 = \omega_2(\alpha) + \Psi_2(r,\varphi,\alpha) \end{cases}$$

where 
$$\Phi_j = \mathcal{O}(\|r\|^6), \ \Psi_j = \mathcal{O}(\|r\|).$$

The bifurcation diagrams **depend on**  $\Phi_{j}$ - and  $\Psi_{j}$ -terms. "Big picture" is determined by the 'truncated normal form' without these terms.

There exist **invariant tori** and **homoclinic orbits** near the Hopf-Hopf bifurcation.



- Neimark-Sacker (torus):  $\mu_{1,2} = e^{\pm i\theta}, \ 0 < \theta < \pi$

• Fold bifurcation of cycles:  $\mu_1 = 1 \ (m_c = 1)$ 

If  $b \neq 0$  then the restriction of the Poincaré map to its  $W^{c}(\alpha)$  is locally topologically equivalent to  $\xi \mapsto \tilde{\xi} = \xi + \beta(\alpha) + a\xi^{2}$ .



• Period-doubling:  $\mu_1 = -1$  ( $m_c = 1$ )

If  $c \neq 0$  then the restriction of the Poincaré map to its  $W^c(\alpha)$  is locally topologically equivalent to  $\xi \mapsto \tilde{\xi} = -(1 + \beta(\alpha))\xi + c\xi^3$ .



• Torus:  $\mu_1 = -1 \ (m_c = 1)$ 

where

If  $d(0) \neq 0$  and  $e^{ik\theta} \neq 1$  for k = 1, 2, 3, 4, then the restriction of the Poincaré map to its  $W^c(\alpha)$  is locally smoothly equivalent to

$$\begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ \varphi \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \rho(1 + \beta(\alpha) + d(\alpha)\rho^2) \\ \varphi + \theta(\alpha) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} R(\rho, \varphi, \alpha) \\ S(\rho, \varphi, \alpha) \end{pmatrix},$$
$$R = O(\rho^4), \ S = O(\rho^2)$$



Codim1 bifurcations of homoclinic orbits to equilibria

• Homoclinic orbit to a hyperbolic equilibrium:



**Definition 3 Saddle quantity**  $\sigma = \Re(\mu_1) + \Re(\lambda_1)$ .

**Theorem 5 (Homoclinic Center Manifold)** Generically, there exists an invariant finitely-smooth manifold  $W^h(\alpha)$  that is tangent to the central eigenspace at the homoclinic bifurcation.

Saddle homoclinic orbit:  $\sigma = \mu_1 + \lambda_1$ 

Assume that  $\Gamma_0$  approaches  $X_0$  along the leading eigenvectors.



The Poincaré map near  $\Gamma_0$ :

$$\xi \mapsto \tilde{\xi} = \beta + A\xi^{-\frac{\mu_1}{\lambda_1}} + \dots$$

where generically  $A \neq 0$ , so that a unique hyperbolic cycle bifurcates from  $\Gamma_0$  (stable in  $W^h$  if  $\sigma < 0$  and unstable in  $W^h$  if  $\sigma > 0$ ).

### **3D** saddle homoclinic bifurcation with $\sigma < 0$ :

Assume that  $\mu_2 < \mu_1 < 0 < \lambda_1$  (otherwise reverse time:  $t \mapsto -t$ ).



#### **3D** saddle homoclinic bifurcation with $\sigma > 0$ :

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Saddle-focus homoclinic orbit:  $\sigma = \Re(\mu_1) + \lambda_1$ 

#### **3D** saddle-focus homoclinic bifurcation with $\sigma < 0$ :

Assume that  $\Re(\mu_2) = \Re(\mu_1) < 0 < \lambda_1$  (otherwise reverse time:  $t \mapsto -t$ ).



## **3D** saddle-focus homoclinic bifurcation with $\sigma > 0$ :



# CHAOTIC INVARIANT SET

Focus-focus homoclinic orbit:  $\sigma = \Re(\mu_1) + \Re(\lambda_1)$ 

# CHAOTIC INVARIANT SET

• Homoclinic orbit(s) to a non-hyperbolic equilibrium



**One homoclinic orbit**:  $\Rightarrow$  a unique hyperbolic cycle



Several homoclinic orbits:  $\Rightarrow$  CHAOTIC INVARIANT SET

• Some other cases



 $\beta < 0 \qquad \beta = 0 \qquad \beta > 0$ Homoclinic tangency of a hyperbolic cycle:  $\Rightarrow$  CHAOS



Homoclinics to nonhyperbolic cycle:  $\Rightarrow$  torus/CHAOS/cycle

#### Example: Bifurcations in a food chain model

• The tri-trophic food chain model by Hogeweg & Hesper (1978):

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= rx_1 \left( 1 - \frac{x_1}{K} \right) - \frac{a_1 x_1 x_2}{1 + b_1 x_1}, \\ \dot{x}_2 &= e_1 \frac{a_1 x_1 x_2}{1 + b_1 x_1} - \frac{a_2 x_2 x_3}{1 + b_2 x_2} - d_1 x_2, \\ \dot{x}_3 &= e_2 \frac{a_2 x_2 x_3}{1 + b_2 x_2} - d_2 x_3, \end{aligned}$$

where

- $x_1$  prey biomass
- $x_2$  predator biomass
- $x_3$  super-predator biomass

# Local bifurcations



# Local and key global bifurcations

