

# **Bifurcation Analysis of DDEs**

**Simplest local bifurcations.  
Critical normal forms for codim 1  
bifurcations of equilibria.**

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# 1. Simplest critical equilibria and their computation

Consider a **DDE** with  $m$  delays for  $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and parameter  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ :

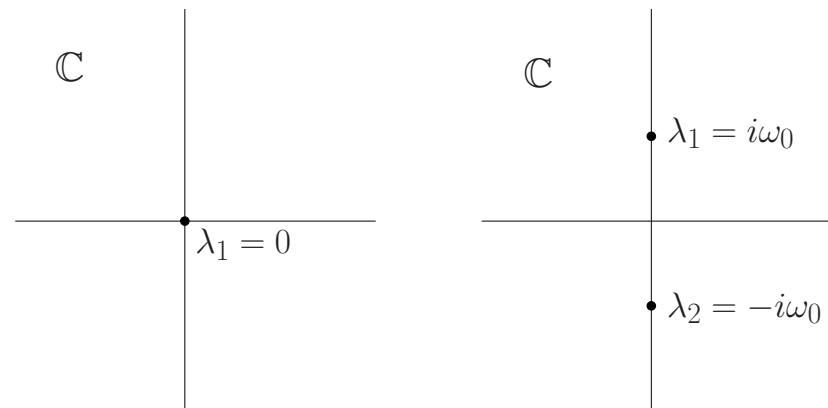
$$\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), x(t - \tau_1), x(t - \tau_2), \dots, x(t - \tau_m), \alpha),$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R}^{(m+1)n} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is smooth and  $0 = \tau_0 < \tau_1 < \dots < \tau_m = h$ . Assume that  $f(0) := f(0, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 0) = 0$ , i.e.  $x = 0$  is an **equilibrium** at  $\alpha = 0$ .

- Let  $\lambda_j \in \mathbb{C}$  be roots of the **characteristic equation**  $\det \Delta(\lambda) = 0$ ,

$$\Delta(\lambda) = \lambda I_n - \sum_{j=0}^m A_j e^{-\lambda \tau_j}, \quad A_j = D_j f(0, 0), j = 0, 1, \dots, m.$$

- Codim 1 **critical cases** for stability:  $\Re(\lambda) = 0$



## Defining systems

Let

$$\Delta(\lambda, u, \alpha) := \lambda I_n - \sum_{j=0}^m \tilde{A}_j(u, \alpha) e^{-\lambda \tau_j},$$

where  $\tilde{A}_j(u, \alpha) := D_j f(u, u, u, \dots, u, \alpha)$ ,  $\tilde{A}_j(0, 0) = A_j$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, m$ .

- **Fold:**  $\lambda_1 = 0$

$$\begin{cases} f(u, u, u, \dots, u, \alpha) = 0, \\ \Delta(0, u, \alpha)q = 0, \\ cq = 1, \end{cases}$$

where  $(q, u, \alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n+1}$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}^{n*}$ .

- **Andronov-Hopf:**  $\lambda_{1,2} = \pm i\omega_0$ ,  $\omega_0 > 0$

$$\begin{cases} f(u, u, u, \dots, u, \alpha) = 0, \\ \Delta(i\omega_0, u, \alpha)q = 0, \\ cq = 1, \end{cases}$$

where  $(q, u, \alpha, \omega_0) \in \mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{C}^{n*}$ .

## 2. Center manifold reduction

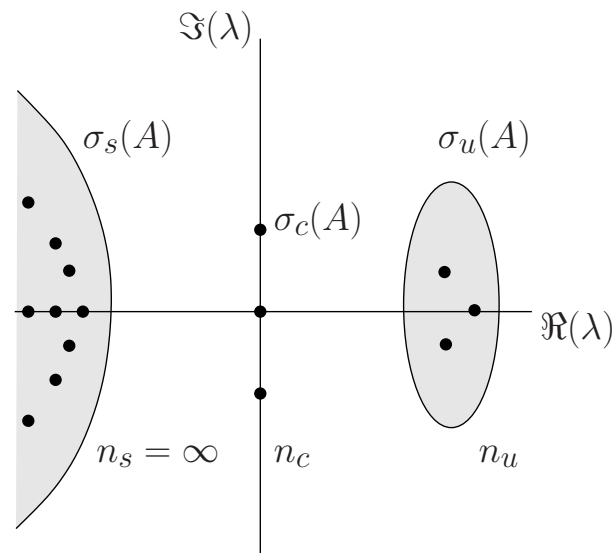
- Let  $T(t)$  be the **semigroup** on  $X = C([-h, 0], \mathbb{R}^n)$  defined by

$$\dot{y}(t) = A_0 y(t) + \sum_{j=1}^m A_j y(t - \tau_j),$$

and  $A$  its **infinitesimal generator**:  $(A\phi)(\theta) = \dot{\phi}(\theta)$  for  $\phi \in D(A)$ ,

$$D(A) = \left\{ \phi \in X : \dot{\phi} \in X \text{ and } \dot{\phi}(0) = \sum_{j=0}^m A_j \phi(-\tau_j) \right\}.$$

- Suppose that  $A$  has  $n_c$  **critical eigenvalues**/characteristic roots:

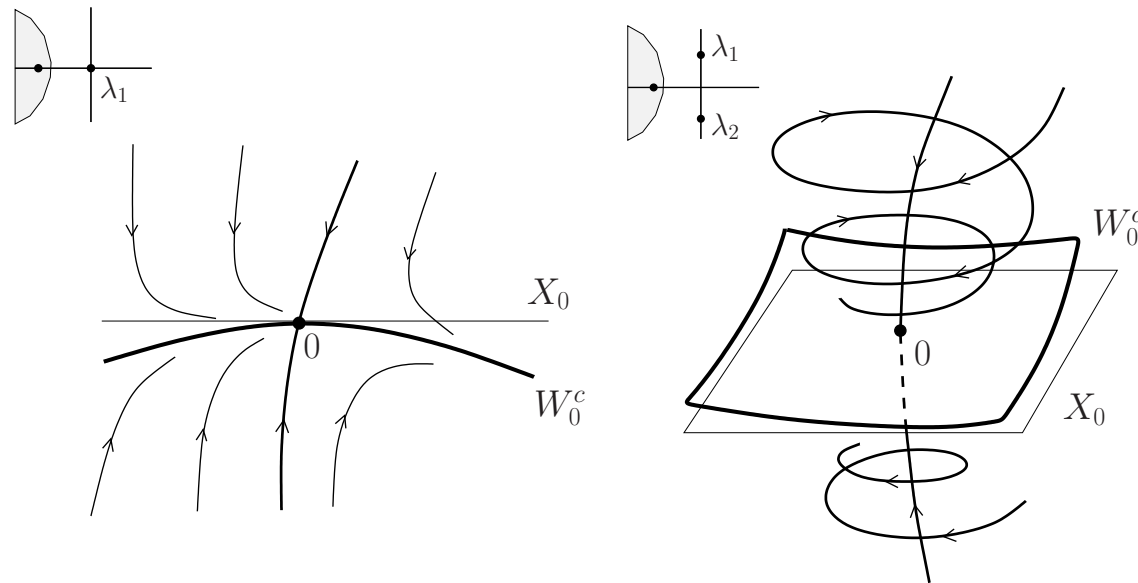


## Center Manifold Theorem

- Let  $S_\alpha(t) : X \rightarrow X$  be the semigroup generated by a smooth DDE

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), x(t - \tau_1), x(t - \tau_2), \dots, x(t - \tau_m), \alpha).$$

- Suppose, at  $\alpha = 0$  the equilibrium  $x = 0$  has critical eigenvalues. Denote by  $X_0$  the (generalized) critical eigenspace of  $A$  with  $\dim X_0 = n_c < \infty$ .
- For each sufficiently small  $|\alpha|$ , there exists a smooth  $n_c$ -dimensional manifold  $W_\alpha^c$  (called **center manifold**) that is locally invariant and normally hyperbolic for  $S_\alpha(t)$ . Moreover,  $W_0^c$  is tangent at  $x = 0$  to  $X_0$ .



### 3. Local bifurcations in one-parameter DDEs

The restriction of  $S_\alpha(t)$  to  $W_\alpha^c$  is locally generated by a smooth ODE

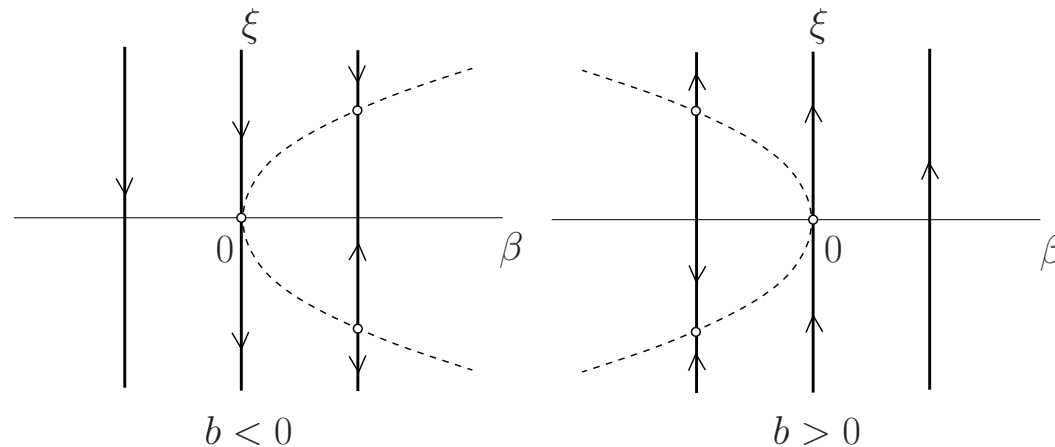
$$\dot{\xi} = g(\xi, \alpha), \quad \xi \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}.$$

**Fold:**

- ODE on  $W_0^c$ :  $\dot{\xi} = b_0 \xi^2 + \dots$ ,  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$

- Smooth normal form on  $W_\alpha^c$  when  $b_0 \neq 0$ :

$$\dot{\xi} = \beta(\alpha) + b(\alpha)\xi^2 + \dots, \quad \beta(0) = 0, b(0) = b_0.$$



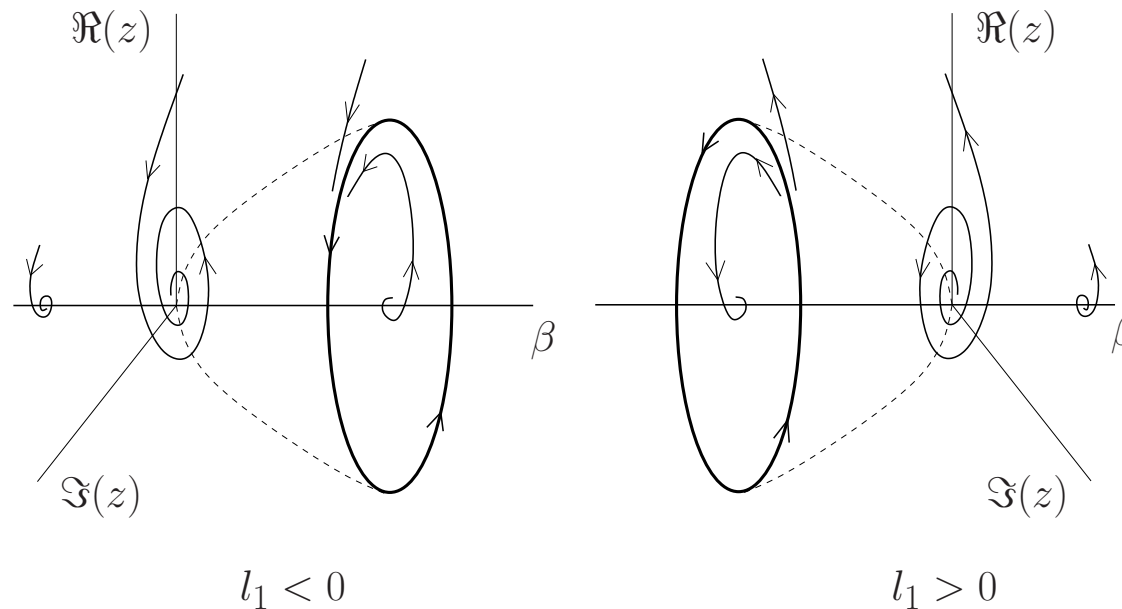
Equilibria:  $\xi_{1,2} \approx \pm \sqrt{-\frac{\beta}{b}}$



## Andronov-Hopf:

- Normalized ODE on  $W_0^c$  :  $\dot{z} = i\omega_0 z + c_1 z|z|^2 + \dots$ ,  $\omega_0 > 0, z \in \mathbb{C}$ .
- Smooth normal form on  $W_\alpha^c$  when  $l_1 := \frac{1}{\omega_0} \Re(c_1) \neq 0$ :

$$\dot{z} = (\beta(\alpha) + i\omega(\alpha))z + c(\alpha)z|z|^2 + \dots, \quad \beta(0) = 0, \omega(0) = \omega_0, c(0) = c_1.$$



$$\text{Limit cycle: } \begin{cases} \dot{\rho} = \rho(\beta + \Re(c)\rho^2) + \dots, \\ \dot{\varphi} = \omega + \Im(c)\rho^2 + \dots, \end{cases} \Rightarrow \rho_0 \approx \sqrt{-\frac{\beta}{\Re(c)}}$$

#### 4. The fold critical normal form coefficient

- Let  $G(u, \alpha) := -f(u, u, u, \dots, u, \alpha)$ , so that

$$J = D_u G(0, 0) = -A_0 - \sum_{j=1}^m A_j = \Delta(0),$$

where  $A_j = D_j f(0)$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, m$ .

- Let  $q \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{R}^{n^*}$  be such that  $Jq = 0$  and  $pJ = 0$  with  $p\Delta'(0)q \neq 0$ .
- There is a coordinate  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$  on  $W_0^c$  such that the **normal form coefficient**

$$b_0 = \frac{1}{2} p D_u^2 G(0, 0)(q, q).$$

This follows from the approximation of the curve  $G(u, \alpha) = 0$  near  $(u, \alpha) = (0, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ , which is the **finite-dimensional** problem.

## 5. Sun-star calculus

- Consider a **nonlinear DDE**

$$\dot{x}(t) = Lx_t + F(x_t), \quad x_t \in X = C([-h, 0], \mathbb{R}^n),$$

where  $F : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is smooth and contains only nonlinear terms, while

$$L\phi = \int_0^h d\zeta(\theta)\phi(-\theta), \quad \zeta \in \text{NBV}([0, h], \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}).$$

Here  $\text{NBV}([0, h], \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$  is the space of normalized bounded-variation matrix-valued functions.

- The **linearized DDE**  $\dot{y} = Lx_t$  defines the strongly continuous semi-group  $T(t) : X \rightarrow X$  with the infinitesimal generator  $A$ . Its characteristic matrix can now be written as

$$\Delta(\lambda) = \lambda I_n - \int_0^h e^{-\lambda\theta} d\zeta(\theta)$$

## Duality:

- Let  $T^*(t) : X^* \rightarrow X^*$  be the **adjoint semigroup**, i.e. for  $t \geq 0$

$$\langle T^*(t)\phi^*, \phi \rangle = \langle \phi^*, T(t)\phi \rangle, \quad \phi^* \in X^*, \phi \in X.$$

Denote by  $X^\odot$  the maximal subspace of  $X^*$  on which  $T^*(t)$  is strongly continuous, and define

$$T^\odot(t) = T^*(t)|_{X^\odot}$$

Denote its infinitesimal generator by  $A^\odot$ .

- Let  $A^{\odot*}$  be the generator of the adjoint semigroup  $T^{\odot*}(t) : X^{\odot*} \rightarrow X^{\odot*}$ . Define  $X^{\odot\odot}$  as the maximal subspace of  $X^{\odot*}$  on which  $T^{\odot*}(t)$  is strongly continuous.
- Introduce the **embedding**  $j : X \rightarrow X^{\odot*}$  by

$$\langle jx, x^\odot \rangle := \langle x^\odot, x \rangle, \quad \forall x \in X, \forall x^\odot \in X^\odot.$$

In general,  $j(X) \subset X^{\odot\odot}$ . However, the space  $X = C([-h, 0], \mathbb{R}^n)$  is **sun-reflexive**:  $j(X) = X^{\odot\odot}$ .

## Concrete representations:

- **Spaces:**

space	representation	duality pairing
$X$ $X^*$	$\phi \in C([-h, 0], \mathbb{R}^n)$ $\eta \in \text{NBV}([0, h], \mathbb{R}^{n*})$	$\langle \eta, \phi \rangle = \int_0^h d\eta(\theta) \phi(-\theta)$
$X$ $X^\odot$	$\phi \in C([-h, 0], \mathbb{R}^n)$ $(c, g) \in \mathbb{R}^{n*} \times L^1([0, h], \mathbb{R}^{n*})$	$\langle (c, g), \phi \rangle = c\phi(0) + \int_0^h g(\theta) \phi(-\theta) d\theta$
$X^\odot$ $X^{\odot*}$	$(c, g) \in \mathbb{R}^{n*} \times L^1([0, h], \mathbb{R}^{n*})$ $(\alpha, \psi) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times L^\infty([-h, 0], \mathbb{R}^n)$	$\langle (\alpha, \psi), (c, g) \rangle = c\alpha + \int_0^h g(\theta) \psi(-\theta) d\theta$

- **Embedding:**

$$j\phi = (\phi(0), \phi) \in X^{\odot*}, \quad \phi \in X.$$

- **Nonlinearity**  $R : X \rightarrow X^{\odot*}$  is defined by

$$R(\phi) := \sum_{i=1}^n F_i(\phi) r_i^{\odot*}, \quad \phi \in X,$$

where

$$r_i^{\odot*} := (e_i, 0) \in X^{\odot*}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

and  $e_i$  is the  $i$ -th standard basis vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

## 6. The first Lyapunov coefficient for Andronov-Hopf bifurcation

- The solution  $u(t) := x_t \in W_0^c \subset X$  satisfies a well-defined **ODE** in  $X^{\odot*}$ :

$$\frac{d}{dt} j u(t) = A^{\odot*} j u(t) + R(u(t)),$$

where  $R : X \rightarrow X^{\odot*}$  can be expanded as

$$R(u) = \frac{1}{2} B(u, u) + \frac{1}{6} C(u, u, u) + O(\|u\|^4).$$

- The parametrization of  $W_0^c$ :  $u = \mathcal{H}(z, \bar{z})$  with

$$\mathcal{H}(z, \bar{z}) = z\phi + \bar{z}\bar{\phi} + \sum_{2 \leq j+k \leq 3} \frac{1}{j!k!} h_{jk} z^j \bar{z}^k + O(|z|^4), \quad z \in \mathbb{C},$$

where  $A\phi = i\omega_0\phi$ ,  $A^*\phi^{\odot} = i\omega_0\phi^{\odot}$ ,  $\langle \phi^{\odot}, \phi \rangle = 1$ .

- Poincaré normal form on  $W_0^c$ :  $\dot{z} = i\omega_0 z + c_1 z|z|^2 + O(|z|^4)$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .

- **Homological equation**

$$j (D_z \mathcal{H}(z, \bar{z}) \dot{z} + D_{\bar{z}} \mathcal{H}(z, \bar{z}) \dot{\bar{z}}) = A^{\odot*} j \mathcal{H}(z, \bar{z}) + R(\mathcal{H}(z, \bar{z}))$$

- **Quadratic terms**

$$z^2 : -A^{\odot*} j h_{20} = B(\phi, \bar{\phi}),$$

$$z\bar{z} : (2i\omega_0 - A^{\odot*}) j h_{11} = B(\phi, \phi),$$

which are uniquely solvable and define  $h_{20}$  and  $h_{11}$ .

- **Resonance cubic term**

$$z^2 \bar{z} : (i\omega_0 I - A^{\odot*}) j h_{21} = C(\phi, \phi, \bar{\phi}) + B(\bar{\phi}, h_{20}) + 2B(\phi, h_{11}) - 2c_1 j \phi.$$

This system is **singular**. Pairing with  $\phi^{\odot}$  gives

$$c_1 = \frac{1}{2} \langle \phi^{\odot}, C(\phi, \phi, \bar{\phi}) + B(\bar{\phi}, h_{20}) + 2B(\phi, h_{11}) \rangle$$

- **The first Lyapunov coefficient**  $l_1 = \frac{1}{\omega_0} \Re(c_1)$ .

## Computational formulas:

- Eigenfunctions

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(\theta) &= e^{i\omega_0\theta}q, \\ \phi^\odot &= \left( p, p \int_\theta^h e^{i\omega_0(\theta-\tau)} d\zeta(\tau) \right)\end{aligned}$$

where  $q \in \mathbb{C}^n, p \in \mathbb{C}^{n*}$  satisfy

$$\Delta(i\omega_0)q = 0, \quad p\Delta(i\omega_0) = 0, \quad p\Delta'(i\omega_0)q = 1.$$

- Quadratic coefficients

$$\begin{aligned}h_{20} &= e^{2i\omega_0\theta} \Delta(2i\omega_0)^{-1} D^2F(0)(\phi, \phi) \\ h_{11} &= \Delta(0)^{-1} D^2F(0)(\phi, \bar{\phi})\end{aligned}$$

- The normal form coefficient

$$\begin{aligned}c_1 &= \frac{1}{2}p \left[ D^2F(0)(\bar{\phi}, e^{2i\omega_0\theta} \Delta(2i\omega_0)^{-1} D^2F(0)(\phi, \phi)) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2D^2F(0)(\phi, \Delta(0)^{-1} D^2F(0)(\phi, \bar{\phi})) + D^3F(0)(\phi, \phi, \bar{\phi}) \right]\end{aligned}$$

(implemented in **DDE-BIFTOOL** to compute the first Lyapunov coefficient  $l_1$ ).



**Computation of derivatives:** DDE at the critical parameter values:

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), x(t - \tau_1), x(t - \tau_2), \dots, x(t - \tau_m))$$

- Recall that  $f : \mathbb{R}^{n(m+1)} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  with

$$X := (x^0, x^1, x^2, \dots, x^m) \mapsto f(x^0, x^1, x^2, \dots, x^m), \quad x^j \in \mathbb{R}^n, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m.$$

- The (multi-)linear forms:

For  $Q, P, R \in \mathbb{R}^{n(m+1)}$  with components  $q_k^j, p_k^j, r_k^j$  define

$$D^2 f^0(Q, P) := \sum_{k_1, k_2=1}^n \sum_{j_1, j_2=0}^m \frac{\partial^2 f(0)}{\partial x_{k_1}^{j_1} \partial x_{k_2}^{j_2}} q_{k_1}^{j_1} p_{k_2}^{j_2}$$

$$D^3 f^0(Q, P, R) := \sum_{k_1, k_2, k_3=1}^n \sum_{j_1, j_2, j_3=0}^m \frac{\partial^3 f(0)}{\partial x_{k_1}^{j_1} \partial x_{k_2}^{j_2} \partial x_{k_3}^{j_3}} q_{k_1}^{j_1} p_{k_2}^{j_2} r_{k_3}^{j_3}$$

## Computation of derivatives:

$$F : C([-h, 0], \mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \quad F(\phi) = f(\phi(0), \phi(-\tau_1), \phi(-\tau_2), \dots, \phi(-\tau_m))$$

- 2nd Differentials:

$$\begin{aligned} D^2 F(0)(\phi, \phi) &= D^2 f^0(\Phi, \Phi), \\ D^2 F(0)(\phi, \bar{\phi}) &= D^2 f^0(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}), \\ D^2 F(0)(\bar{\phi}, h_{20}) &= D^2 f^0(\bar{\Phi}, H_{20}), \\ D^2 F(0)(\phi, h_{11}) &= D^2 f^0(\Phi, H_{11}), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi &= (\phi(0), \phi(-\tau_1), \dots, \phi(-\tau_m)), \\ H_{20} &= (h_{20}(0), h_{20}(-\tau_1), \dots, h_{20}(-\tau_m)), \\ H_{11} &= (h_{11}(0), h_{11}(-\tau_1), \dots, h_{11}(-\tau_m)). \end{aligned}$$

- 3rd Differential:

$$D^3 F(0)(\phi, \phi, \bar{\phi}) = D^3 f^0(\Phi, \Phi, \bar{\Phi}).$$