

Lecture Notes on

NUMERICAL ANALYSIS

of

OF NONLINEAR EQUATIONS

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Persistence of Solutions

We'll discuss the *persistence* of solutions to nonlinear equations.

- Newton's method for solving a nonlinear equation

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{G}(\cdot), \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

may not converge if the “initial guess” is not close to a solution.

- However, one can put an artificial *homotopy parameter* in the equation.
- Actually, most equations already have parameters.
- We'll discuss *persistence of solutions* to parameter-dependent equations.

The Implicit Function Theorem

Let $\mathbf{G} : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfy

(i) $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0) = \mathbf{0}$, $\mathbf{u}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\lambda_0 \in \mathbb{R}$.

(ii) $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0)$ is nonsingular (*i.e.*, \mathbf{u}_0 is an *isolated solution*),

(iii) \mathbf{G} and $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}$ are smooth near \mathbf{u}_0 .

Then there exists a unique, smooth *solution family* $\mathbf{u}(\lambda)$ such that

- $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}(\lambda), \lambda) = \mathbf{0}$, for all λ near λ_0 ,
- $\mathbf{u}(\lambda_0) = \mathbf{u}_0$.

PROOF : See a good Analysis book ...

EXAMPLE: (course demo hom.)

Let

$$g(u, \lambda) = (u^2 - 1)(u^2 - 4) + \lambda u^2 e^{cu} ,$$

where c is fixed, $c = 0.1$.

When $\lambda = 0$ the equation

$$g(u, 0) = 0 ,$$

has *four* solutions, namely,

$$u = \pm 1 , \quad \text{and} \quad u = \pm 2 .$$

We have

$$g_u(u, \lambda) \Big|_{\lambda=0} \equiv \frac{d}{du}(u, \lambda) \Big|_{\lambda=0} = 4u^3 - 10u .$$

Since

$$g_u(u, 0) = 4u^3 - 10u ,$$

we have

$$g_u(-1, 0) = 6 , \quad g_u(1, 0) = -6 ,$$

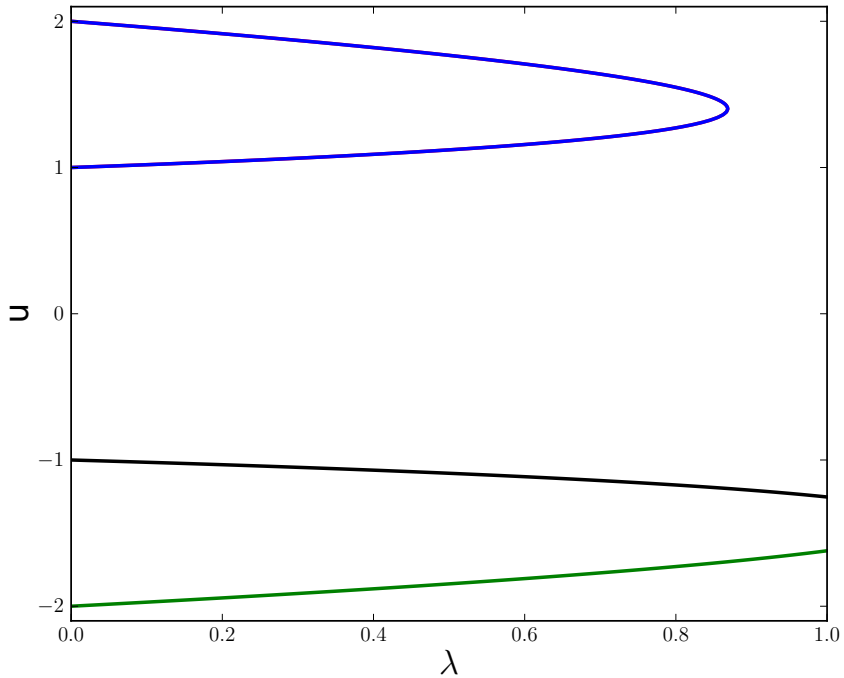
$$g_u(-2, 0) = -12 , \quad g_u(2, 0) = 12 ,$$

which are all nonzero.

Thus each of the four solutions when $\lambda = 0$ is *isolated* .

Hence each of these solutions *persists* as λ becomes nonzero,

(at least for “small” values of $|\lambda| \cdots$).



Four solution families of $g(u, \lambda) = 0$. Note the fold.

NOTE:

- Each of the four solutions at $\lambda = 0$ is *isolated*.
- Thus each of these solutions *persists* as λ becomes nonzero.
- Only two of the four homotopies "reach" $\lambda = 1$.
- The two other homotopies meet at a *fold*.
- IFT condition (ii) is not satisfied at this fold. (Why not?)

Consider the equation

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{G}(\cdot, \cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Let

$$\mathbf{x} \equiv (\mathbf{u}, \lambda).$$

Then the equation can be written

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{G} : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n.$$

DEFINITION.

A solution \mathbf{x}_0 of $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$ is *regular* if the matrix

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \equiv \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}_0), \quad (\text{with } n \text{ rows and } n + 1 \text{ columns})$$

has maximal rank, *i.e.*, if

$$\text{Rank}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0) = n.$$

In the parameter formulation,

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

we have

$$\text{Rank}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0) = \text{Rank}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 \mid \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0) = n \iff \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{(i) } \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 \text{ is nonsingular,} \\ \text{or} \\ \text{(ii) } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0) = 1 , \\ \text{and} \\ \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 \notin \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0) . \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right.$$

Above,

$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)$ denotes the *null space* of $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0$,

and

$\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)$ denotes the *range* of $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0$,

i.e., the linear space spanned by the n columns of $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0$.

THEOREM. Let

$$\mathbf{x}_0 \equiv (\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0)$$

be a regular solution of

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}.$$

Then, near \mathbf{x}_0 , there exists a unique one-dimensional *solution family*

$$\mathbf{x}(s) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0.$$

PROOF. Since

$$\text{Rank}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0) = \text{Rank}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 \mid \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0) = n,$$

then either $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0$ is nonsingular and by the IFT we have

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}(\lambda) \quad \text{near} \quad \mathbf{x}_0,$$

or else we can interchange columns in the Jacobian $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0$ to see that the solution can locally be parametrized by one of the components of \mathbf{u} .

Thus a unique solution family passes through a regular solution. •

NOTE:

- Such a *solution family* is sometimes also called a *solution branch* .
- Case (ii) above is that of a *simple fold* , to be discussed later.
- Thus even near a simple fold there is a unique solution family.
- However, near such a fold, the family can not be parametrized by λ .

EXAMPLE: The $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction. (course demo abc-ss.)

The equations are

$$u_1' = -u_1 + D(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} ,$$

$$u_2' = -u_2 + D(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} - D\sigma u_2 e^{u_3} ,$$

$$u_3' = -u_3 - \beta u_3 + DB(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} + DB\alpha\sigma u_2 e^{u_3} ,$$

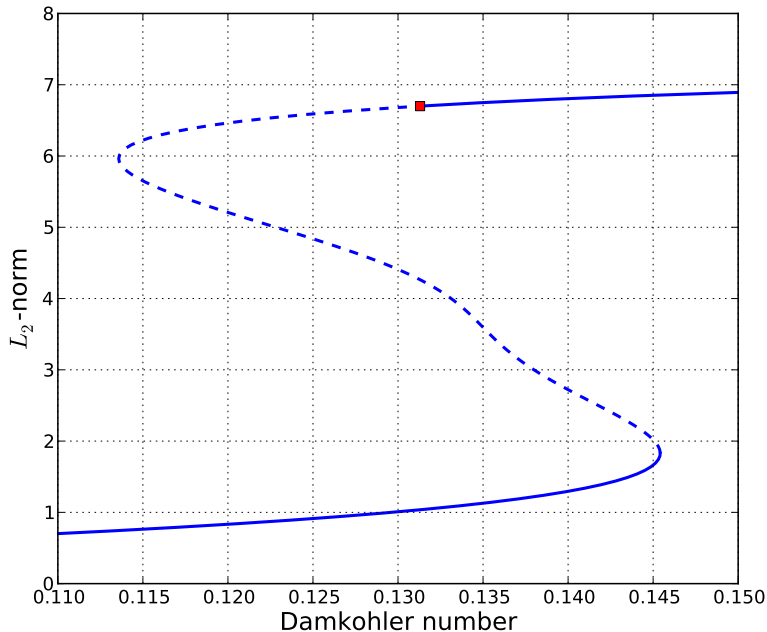
where

$1 - u_1$ is the concentration of A , u_2 is the concentration of B ,

u_3 is the temperature, $\alpha = 1$, $\sigma = 0.04$, $B = 8$,

D is the *Damkohler number* , $\beta = 1.21$ is the heat transfer coefficient .

We compute *stationary* solutions for varying D .



Stationary solution family of the $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction for $\beta = 1.15$.
 Solid/dashed lines denote stable/unstable solutions.
 The red square denotes a Hopf bifurcation.
 (Course demo `abc-ss`). Note the *two folds* .

Examples of IFT Application

We give examples where the IFT shows that a given solution persists, at least locally, when a problem parameter is changed.

We also identify some cases where the conditions of the IFT are not satisfied.

A Predator-Prey Model

(Course demo pp2.)

$$\begin{cases} u_1' = 3u_1(1 - u_1) - u_1u_2 - \lambda(1 - e^{-5u_1}) , \\ u_2' = -u_2 + 3u_1u_2 . \end{cases}$$

Here u_1 may be thought of as “fish” and u_2 as “sharks”, while the term

$$\lambda (1 - e^{-5u_1}) ,$$

represents “fishing”, with “fishing-quota” λ .

When $\lambda = 0$ the *stationary solutions* are

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 3u_1(1 - u_1) - u_1u_2 = 0 \\ -u_2 + 3u_1u_2 = 0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (u_1, u_2) = (0, 0) , (1, 0) , \left(\frac{1}{3}, 2\right) .$$

The Jacobian matrix is

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(u_1, u_2 ; \lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 - 6u_1 - u_2 - 5\lambda e^{-5u_1} & -u_1 \\ 3u_2 & -1 + 3u_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(0, 0 ; 0) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}; \text{ eigenvalues } 3, -1 \text{ (unstable)}$$

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(1, 0 ; 0) = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}; \text{ eigenvalues } -3, 2 \text{ (unstable)}$$

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}\left(\frac{1}{3}, 2 ; 0\right) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 6 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \text{ eigenvalues } (-1 \pm \sqrt{-7})/2 \text{ (stable)}$$

All three Jacobians at $\lambda = 0$ are nonsingular.

Thus, by the IFT, all three stationary points persist for (small) $\lambda \neq 0$.

In this problem we can *explicitly* find all solutions (see Figure 1) :

Branch I :

$$(u_1, u_2) = (0, 0)$$

Branch II :

$$u_2 = 0, \quad \lambda = \frac{3u_1(1-u_1)}{1-e^{-5u_1}}$$

$$\left(\text{Note that } \lim_{u_1 \rightarrow 0} \lambda = \lim_{u_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{3(1-2u_1)}{5e^{-5u_1}} = \frac{3}{5} \right)$$

Branch III :

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{3}, \quad \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3}u_2 - \lambda(1-e^{-5/3}) = 0 \Rightarrow u_2 = 2 - 3\lambda(1-e^{-5/3})$$

These solution families intersect at two *branch points*, one of which is

$$(u_1, u_2, \lambda) = (0, 0, 3/5).$$

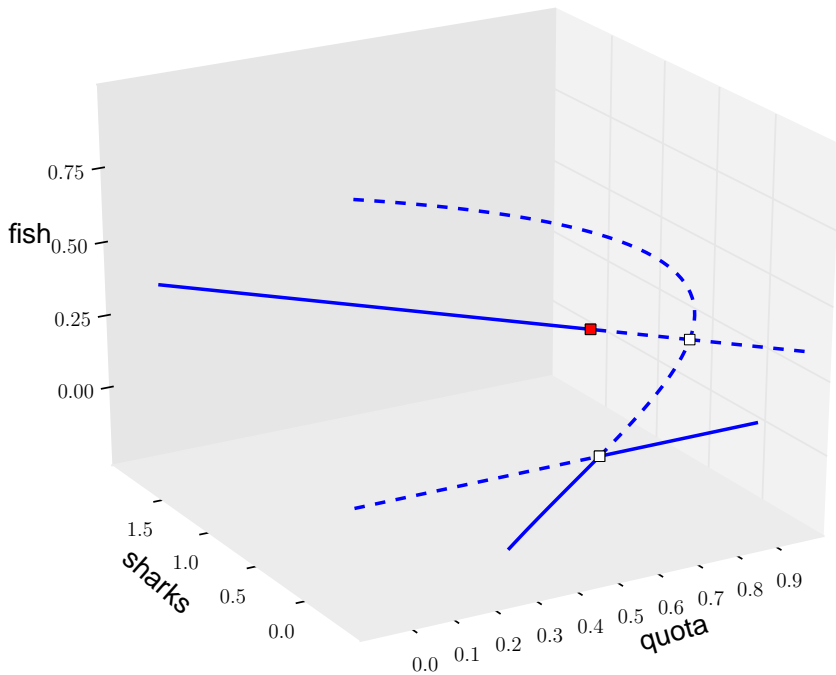


Figure 1: Stationary solution families of the predator-prey model. Solid/dashed lines denote stable/unstable solutions. Note the *fold*, the *bifurcations* (open squares), and the *Hopf bifurcation* (red square).

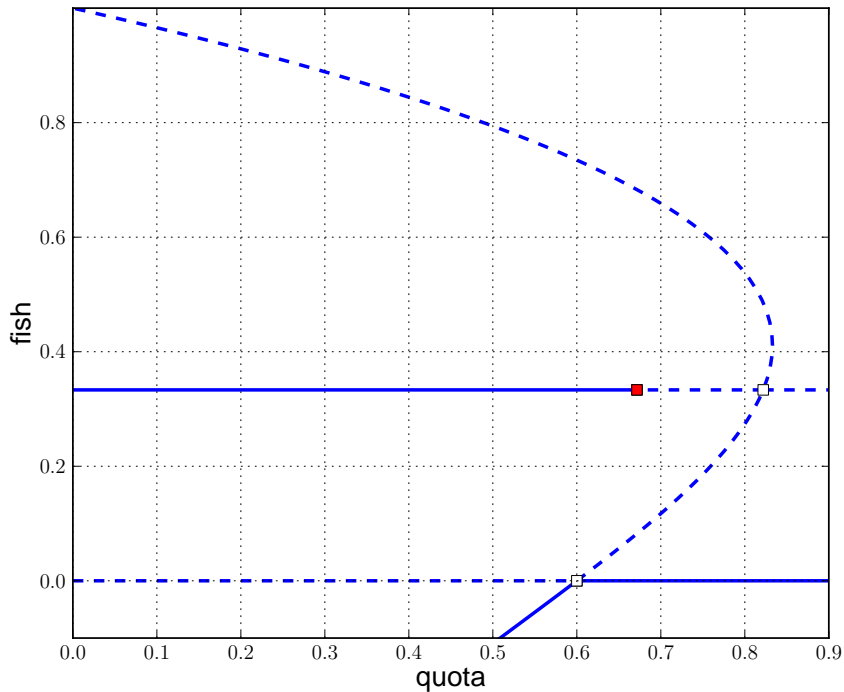


Figure 2: Stationary solution families of the predator-prey model, showing $fish$ versus $quota$. Solid/dashed lines denote stable/unstable solutions.

- Stability of branch I :

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(0,0 ; \lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 - 5\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \text{eigenvalues } 3 - 5\lambda, -1 .$$

Hence the trivial solution is :

unstable if $\lambda < 3/5$,

and

stable if $\lambda > 3/5$,

as indicated in Figure 2.

- Stability of branch II :

This family has no stable positive solutions.

○ Stability of branch III :

At $\lambda_H \approx 0.67$,

(the red square in Figure 2) the complex eigenvalues cross the imaginary axis.

This crossing is a *Hopf bifurcation*, to be discussed later.

Beyond λ_H there are *periodic solutions*.

(See Figure 4 for some representative periodic orbits.)

Their period T increases as λ increases.

The period becomes infinite at $\lambda = \lambda_\infty \approx 0.70$.

This final orbit is called a *heteroclinic cycle*.

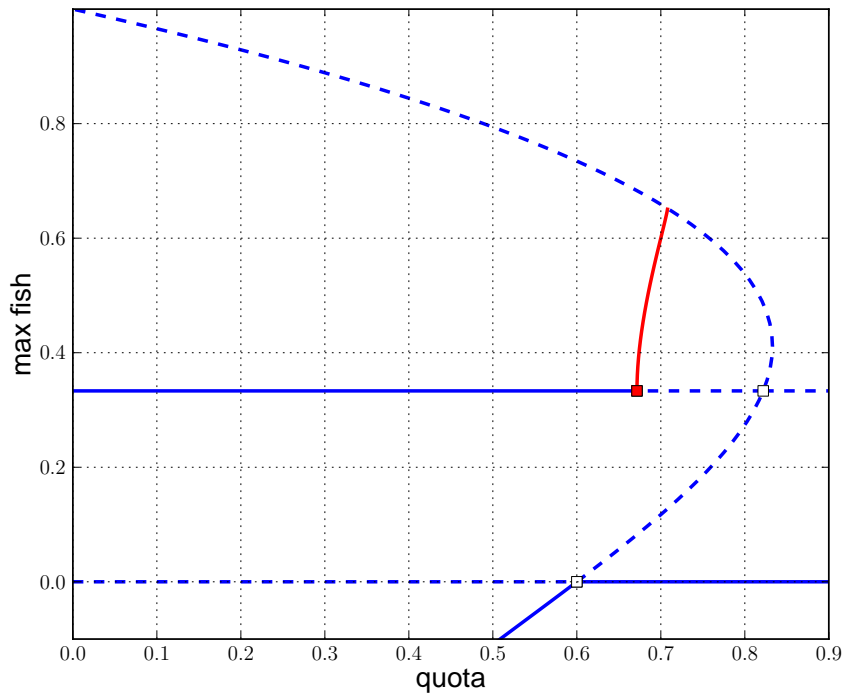


Figure 3: Stationary (blue) and periodic (red) solution families of the predator-prey model.

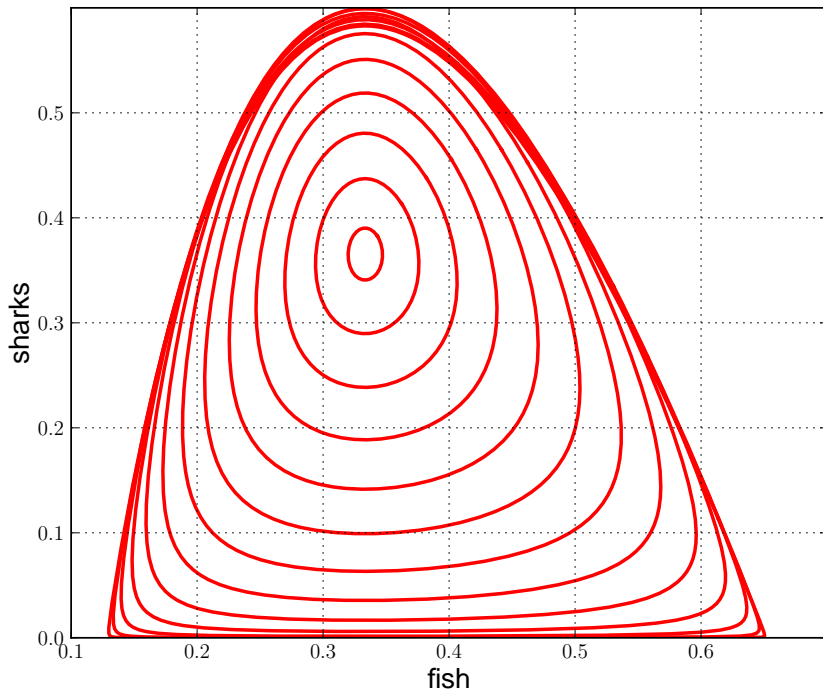


Figure 4: Some periodic solutions of the predator-prey model. The largest orbits are very close to a *heteroclinic cycle*.

From Figure 3 we can deduce the solution behavior for (slowly) increasing λ :

- Branch III is followed until $\lambda_H \approx 0.67$.
- Periodic solutions of increasing period until $\lambda = \lambda_\infty \approx 0.70$.
- Collapse to trivial solution (Branch I).

EXERCISE.

Use **AUTO** to repeat the numerical calculations (course demo **pp2**) .

Sketch *phase plane diagrams* for $\lambda = 0, 0.5, 0.68, 0.70, 0.71$.

The Gelfand-Bratu Problem

(Course demo exp.)

$$\begin{cases} u''(x) + \lambda e^{u(x)} & = 0, & \forall x \in [0, 1], \\ u(0) = u(1) & = 0. \end{cases}$$

If $\lambda = 0$ then $u(x) \equiv 0$ is a solution.

We'll prove that this solution is isolated, so that there is a continuation

$$u = \tilde{u}(\lambda), \quad \text{for } |\lambda| \text{ small.}$$

Consider

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u''(x) + \lambda e^{u(x)} &= 0 \\ u(0) = 0, \quad u'(0) &= p \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow u = u(x; p, \lambda).$$

We want to solve

$$\underbrace{u(1; p, \lambda)}_{\equiv G(p, \lambda)} = 0,$$

for $|\lambda|$ small.

Here

$$G(0, 0) = 0.$$

We must show (IFT) that

$$G_p(0, 0) \equiv u_p(1; 0, 0) \neq 0 :$$
$$\left. \begin{aligned} u_p''(x) + \lambda_0 e^{u_0(x)} u_p(x) &= 0, \\ u_p(0) = 0, \quad u_p'(0) &= 1, \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ where } u_0(x) \equiv 0.$$

Now $u_p(x; 0, 0)$ satisfies

$$\begin{cases} u_p''(x) = 0, \\ u_p(0) = 0, \quad u_p'(0) = 1. \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$u_p(x; 0, 0) = x, \quad u_p(1; 0, 0) = 1 \neq 0.$$

EXERCISE. Compute the solution family of the Gelfand-Bratu problem as represented in Figures 5 and 6. (Course demo **exp.**)

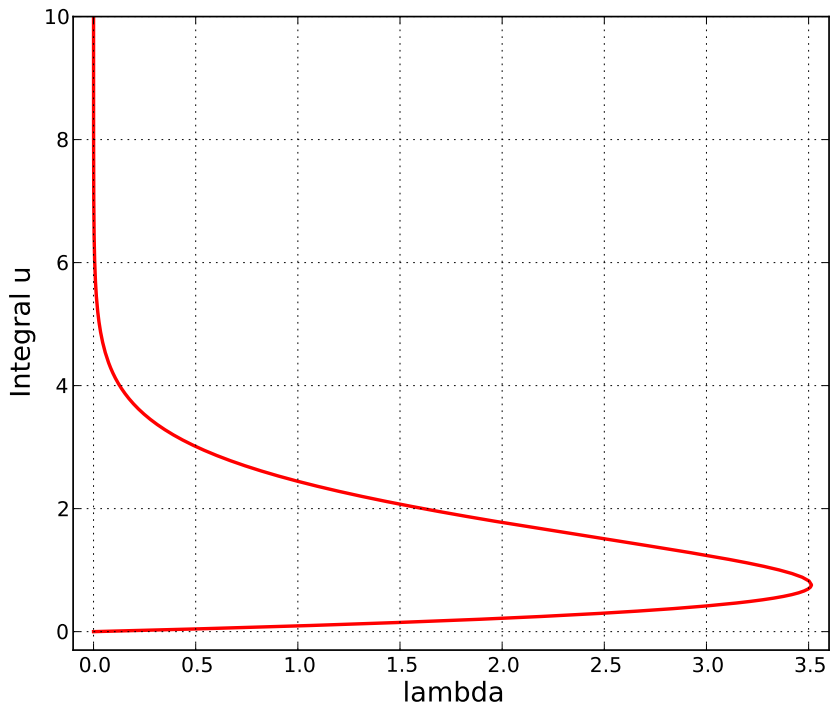


Figure 5: Bifurcation diagram of the Gelfand-Bratu equation.

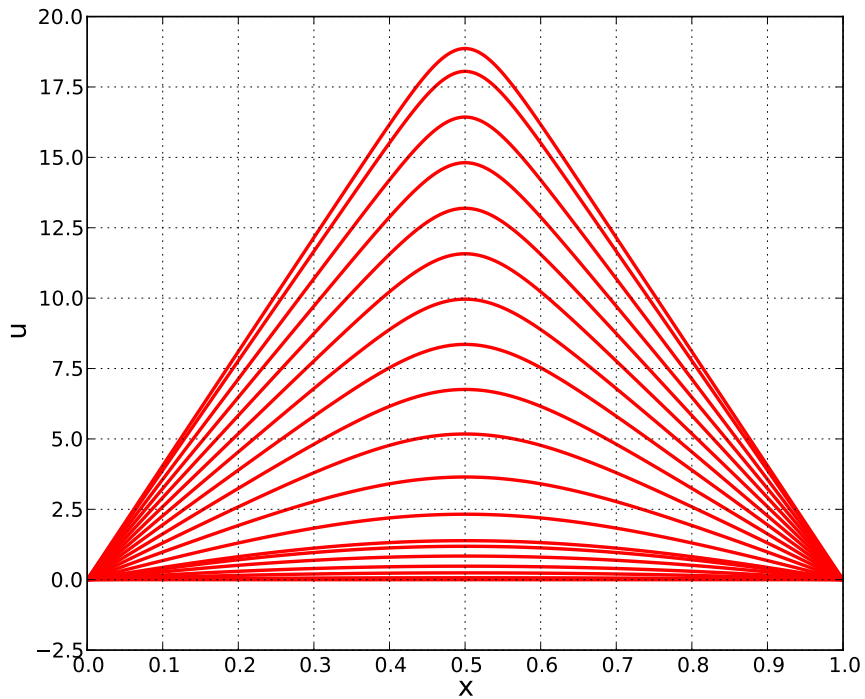


Figure 6: Some solutions to the Gelfand-Bratu equation.

A Nonlinear Eigenvalue Problem

The BVP

$$\begin{cases} u'' + \lambda (u + u^2) = 0, \\ u(0) = u(1) = 0, \end{cases}$$

(course demo nev), has $u(x) \equiv 0$ as solution for all λ .

QUESTION: Are there more solutions?

Equivalently, are there solutions

$$u = u(x; p, \lambda)$$

to the IVP

$$\begin{cases} u'' + \lambda (u + u^2) = 0, \\ u(0) = 0, \quad u'(0) = p, \end{cases}$$

that satisfy

$$G(p, \lambda) \equiv u(1; p, \lambda) = 0, \quad \text{with } p \neq 0,$$

We had

$$\begin{cases} u'' + \lambda (u + u^2) = 0, \\ u(0) = 0, \quad u'(0) = p, \end{cases}$$

and

$$G(p, \lambda) \equiv u(1; p, \lambda).$$

Here

$$G : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

with

$$G(0, \lambda) = 0, \quad \text{for all } \lambda.$$

Let

$$u_p(x; p, \lambda) = \frac{du}{dp}(x; p, \lambda),$$

$$G_p(p, \lambda) = u_p(1; p, \lambda).$$

Then u_p ($= u_p^0$) satisfies

$$\begin{cases} u_p'' + \lambda (1 + 2u) u_p = 0 , \\ u_p(0) = 0 , \quad u_p'(0) = 1 , \end{cases}$$

which, about $u \equiv 0$, gives

$$\begin{cases} u_p'' + \lambda u_p = 0 , \\ u_p(0) = 0 , \quad u_p'(0) = 1 . \end{cases}$$

By the variation of parameters formula

$$u_p(x; p, \lambda) = \frac{\sin \sqrt{\lambda} t}{\sqrt{\lambda}} , \quad \lambda \geq 0 , \quad (\text{independent of } p).$$

$$G_p(0, \lambda) = u_p(1; p, \lambda) = \frac{\sin(\sqrt{\lambda})}{\sqrt{\lambda}} = 0 , \quad \text{if } \lambda = \lambda_k \equiv (k\pi)^2 .$$

Thus the conditions of the IFT *fail to be satisfied* at $\lambda_k = (k\pi)^2$.

(We will see that these solutions are *branch points*.)

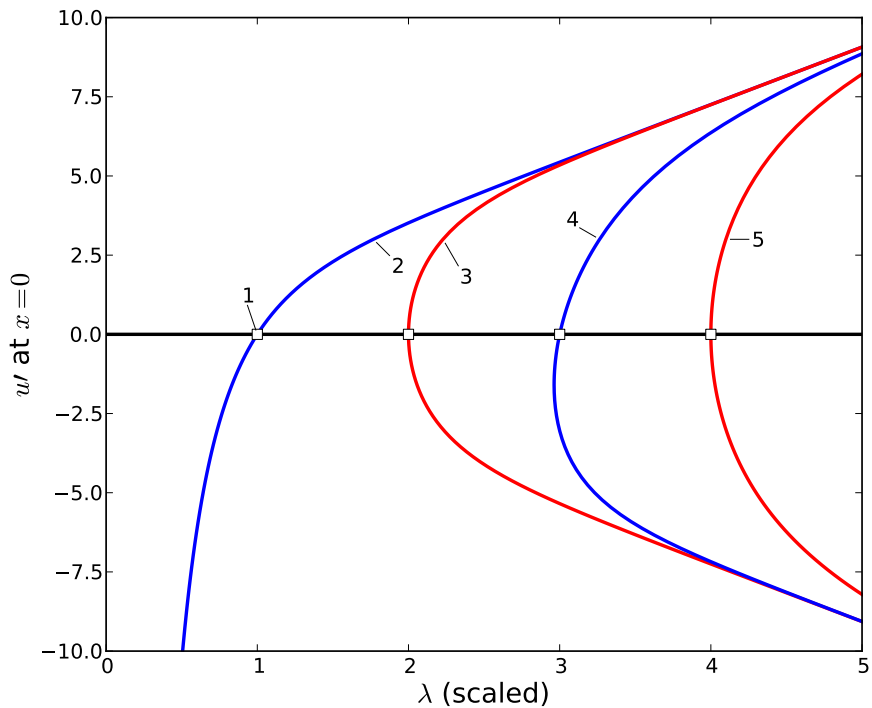


Figure 7: Solution families to the nonlinear eigenvalue problem.

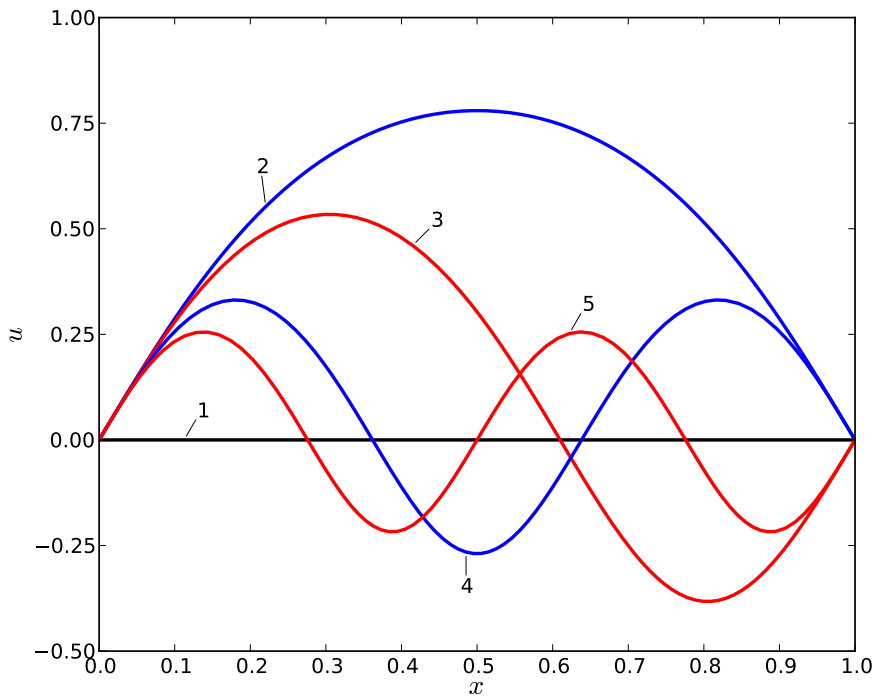


Figure 8: Some solutions to the nonlinear eigenvalue problem.

Numerical Continuation

We discuss algorithms for computing families of solutions to nonlinear equations.

The IFT is important in the design of such continuation methods.

Parameter Continuation

Here the continuation parameter is taken to be λ .

Suppose we have a solution $(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0)$ of

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

as well as the direction vector $\dot{\mathbf{u}}_0$.

Here

$$\dot{\mathbf{u}} \equiv \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{d\lambda} .$$

We want to compute the solution \mathbf{u}_1 at $\lambda_1 \equiv \lambda_0 + \Delta\lambda$.

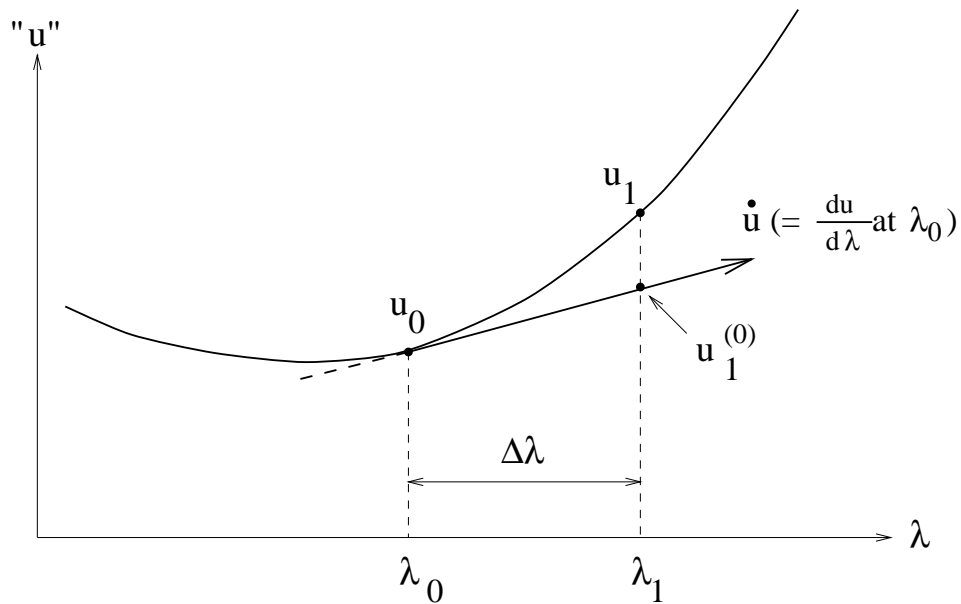


Figure 9: Graphical interpretation of parameter-continuation.

To solve the equation

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1) = \mathbf{0},$$

for \mathbf{u}_1 (with $\lambda = \lambda_1$ fixed) we use Newton's method

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)}, \lambda_1) \Delta \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)} &= -\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)}, \lambda_1), \\ \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu+1)} &= \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)} + \Delta \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)}.\end{aligned}\quad \nu = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

As initial approximation use

$$\mathbf{u}_1^{(0)} = \mathbf{u}_0 + \Delta \lambda \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0.$$

If

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1) \text{ is nonsingular,}$$

and $\Delta \lambda$ sufficiently small, then the Newton convergence theory guarantees that this iteration will converge.

After convergence, the new direction vector $\dot{\mathbf{u}}_1$ can be computed by solving

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1) \dot{\mathbf{u}}_1 = -\mathbf{G}_{\lambda}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1) .$$

This equation follows from differentiating

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}(\lambda), \lambda) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

with respect to λ at $\lambda = \lambda_1$.

NOTE:

- $\dot{\mathbf{u}}_1$ can be computed without another *LU*-factorization of $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1)$.
- Thus the extra work to find $\dot{\mathbf{u}}_1$ is negligible.

EXAMPLE: The Gelfand-Bratu problem (Course demo **exp**) :

$$u''(x) + \lambda e^{u(x)} = 0 \quad \text{for } x \in [0, 1], \quad u(0) = 0, \quad u(1) = 0.$$

If $\lambda = 0$ then $u(x) \equiv 0$ is an isolated solution.

Discretize by introducing a mesh ,

$$0 = x_0 < x_1 < \cdots < x_N = 1, \\ x_j - x_{j-1} = h, \quad (1 \leq j \leq N), \quad h = 1/N.$$

The discrete equations are :

$$\frac{u_{j+1} - 2u_j + u_{j-1}}{h^2} + \lambda e^{u_j} = 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, N-1,$$

with $u_0 = u_N = 0$.

Let

$$\mathbf{u} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \cdot \\ u_{N-1} \end{pmatrix} .$$

Then we can write the above as

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

where

$$\mathbf{G} : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n , \quad n \equiv N - 1 .$$

Parameter-continuation : Suppose we have

$$\lambda_0, \mathbf{u}_0, \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0.$$

Set

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_0 + \Delta\lambda.$$

Newton's method :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)}, \lambda_1) \Delta\mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)} &= -\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)}, \lambda_1), \\ \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu+1)} &= \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)} + \Delta\mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)}, \end{aligned} \quad \nu = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

with

$$\mathbf{u}_1^{(0)} = \mathbf{u}_0 + \Delta\lambda \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0.$$

After convergence find $\dot{\mathbf{u}}_1$ from

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1) \dot{\mathbf{u}}_1 = -\mathbf{G}_{\lambda}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1).$$

Repeat the above procedure to find $\mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3, \dots$.

Keller's Pseudo-Arclength Continuation

This method allows continuation of a solution family past a fold.

Suppose we have a solution $(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0)$ of

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) = \mathbf{0},$$

as well as the direction vector $(\dot{\mathbf{u}}_0, \dot{\lambda}_0)$ of the solution branch.

Pseudo-arclength continuation solves the following equations for $(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1)$:

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$(\mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_0)^* \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 + (\lambda_1 - \lambda_0) \dot{\lambda}_0 - \Delta s = 0.$$

See Figure 10 for a graphical interpretation.

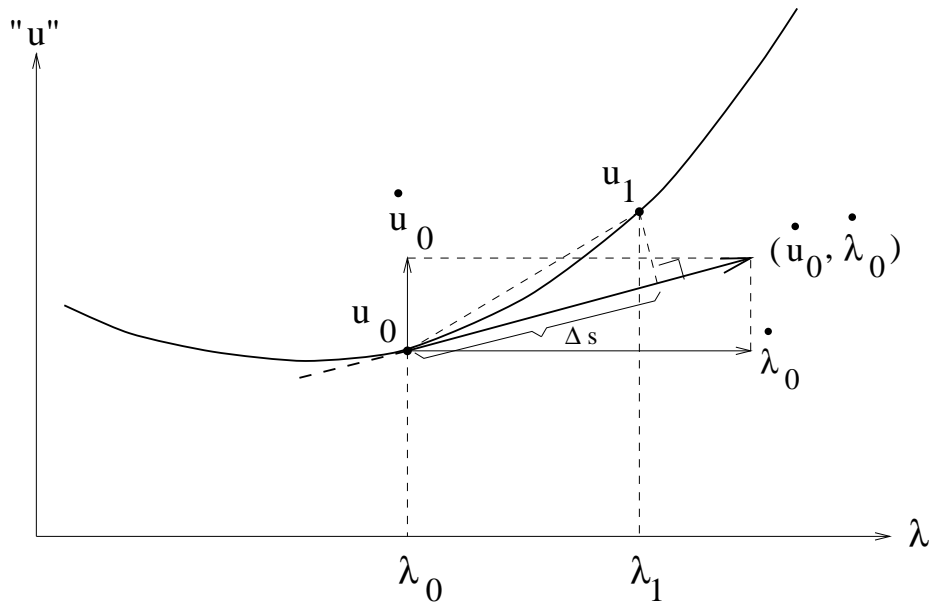


Figure 10: Graphical interpretation of pseudo-arclength continuation.

Solve the equations

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

$$(\mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_0)^* \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 + (\lambda_1 - \lambda_0) \dot{\lambda}_0 - \Delta s = 0 .$$

for $(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1)$ by Newton's method:

$$\begin{pmatrix} (\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^1)^{(\nu)} & (\mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^1)^{(\nu)} \\ \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0^* & \dot{\lambda}_0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)} \\ \Delta \lambda_1^{(\nu)} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)}, \lambda_1^{(\nu)}) \\ (\mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)} - \mathbf{u}_0)^* \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 + (\lambda_1^{(\nu)} - \lambda_0) \dot{\lambda}_0 - \Delta s \end{pmatrix} .$$

Next direction vector :

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^1 & \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^1 \\ \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0^* & \dot{\lambda}_0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{u}}_1 \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} .$$

NOTE:

- We can compute $(\dot{\mathbf{u}}_1, \dot{\lambda}_1)$ with one extra backsubstitution.
- The orientation of the branch is preserved if Δs is sufficiently small.
- Rescale the direction vector so that indeed $\|\dot{\mathbf{u}}_1\|^2 + \dot{\lambda}_1^2 = 1$.

THEOREM.

The *Jacobian* of the continuation system is *nonsingular* at a *regular* solution point.

PROOF. Let

$$\mathbf{x} \equiv (\mathbf{u}, \lambda) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} .$$

Then pseudo-arclength continuation can be written as

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_1) = 0 ,$$

$$(\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_0)^* \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 - \Delta s = 0 , \quad (\| \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 \| = 1) .$$

(See Figure 11 for a graphical interpretation.)

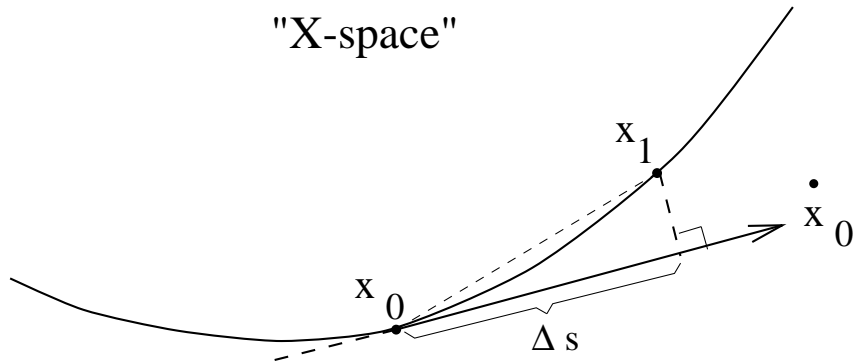


Figure 11: Pseudo-arclength continuation.

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_1) = 0 ,$$

$$(\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_0)^* \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 - \Delta s = 0 , \quad (\| \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 \| = 1) .$$

The matrix in Newton's method at $\Delta s = 0$ is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \end{pmatrix} .$$

At a *regular* solution

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0) = \text{Span}\{\dot{\mathbf{x}}_0\} .$$

We must show that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \end{pmatrix}$$

is *nonsingular* at a regular solution.

If on the contrary

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_x^0 \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \end{pmatrix}$$

is singular then

$$\mathbf{G}_x^0 \mathbf{z} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \mathbf{z} = 0 ,$$

for some vector $\mathbf{z} \neq \mathbf{0}$.

Thus

$$\mathbf{z} = c \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 , \quad \text{for some constant } c .$$

But then

$$0 = \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \mathbf{z} = c \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 = c \|\dot{\mathbf{x}}_0\|^2 = c ,$$

so that $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{0}$, which is a contradiction. •

EXAMPLE:

Use pseudo-arclength continuation for the discretized Gelfand-Bratu problem.

Then the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_x \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_u & \mathbf{G}_\lambda \\ \dot{\mathbf{u}}^* & \dot{\lambda} \end{pmatrix},$$

in Newton's method is a “*bordered tridiagonal*” matrix :

$$\begin{pmatrix} \circ & \circ & & & & & & & \circ \\ \circ & \circ & \circ & & & & & & \circ \\ & \circ & \circ & \circ & & & & & \circ \\ & & \circ & \circ & \circ & & & & \circ \\ & & & \circ & \circ & \circ & & & \circ \\ & & & & \circ & \circ & \circ & & \circ \\ & & & & & \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ \\ & & & & & & \circ & \circ & \circ \\ \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ \end{pmatrix}.$$

Following Folds

At a fold the the behavior of a system can change drastically.

It is often useful to determine how the location of a fold changes when a *second parameter* changes.

Thus we want the compute a “*locus of folds*” in two parameters.

Simple Folds

A regular solution $\mathbf{x}_0 \equiv (\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0)$ of $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) = \mathbf{0}$, is called a *simple fold* if

$$\dim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 \notin \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0) .$$

From differentiating

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}(s), \lambda(s)) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

we have

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}(s), \lambda(s)) \dot{\mathbf{u}}(s) + \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}(\mathbf{u}(s), \lambda(s)) \dot{\lambda}(s) = \mathbf{0} .$$

In particular,

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 = -\dot{\lambda}_0 \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 .$$

At a fold we have $\mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 \notin \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)$. Thus

$$\boxed{\dot{\lambda}_0 = 0} .$$

Hence $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 = 0$. Thus, since $\dim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0) = 1$, we have

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0) = \text{Span}\{\dot{\mathbf{u}}_0\} .$$

Differentiating again, we have

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_0 + \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 \ddot{\lambda}_0 + \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}}^0 \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 + 2\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda}^0 \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 \dot{\lambda}_0 + \mathbf{G}_{\lambda\lambda}^0 \dot{\lambda}_0 \dot{\lambda}_0 = 0 .$$

At a simple fold $(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0)$ let

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0) = \text{Span}\{\boldsymbol{\phi}\} , \quad (\boldsymbol{\phi} = \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0) ,$$

and

$$\mathcal{N}((\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)^*) = \text{Span}\{\boldsymbol{\psi}\} .$$

Multiply by $\boldsymbol{\psi}^*$ and use $\dot{\lambda}_0 = 0$ and $\boldsymbol{\psi} \perp \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)$ to find

$$\boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 \ddot{\lambda}_0 + \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}}^0 \boldsymbol{\phi} \boldsymbol{\phi} = 0 .$$

Here $\boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 \neq 0$, since $\mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 \notin \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)$. Thus

$$\boxed{\ddot{\lambda}_0 = \frac{-\boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}}^0 \boldsymbol{\phi} \boldsymbol{\phi}}{\boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0} .}$$

If the *curvature* $\ddot{\lambda}_0 \neq 0$ then $(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0)$ is called a *simple quadratic fold*.

The Extended System

To continue a fold in two parameters we use the *extended system*

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda, \mu) &= \mathbf{0} , \\ \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda, \mu) \phi &= \mathbf{0} , \\ \phi^* \phi_0 - 1 &= 0 .\end{aligned}$$

Here $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ is a second parameter in the equations.

The vector ϕ_0 is from a “*reference solution*” $(\mathbf{u}_0, \phi_0, \lambda_0, \mu_0)$.

(In practice this is the latest computed solution point on the branch.)

The above system has the form

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{U}, \mu) = \mathbf{0} , \quad \mathbf{U} \equiv (\mathbf{u}, \phi, \lambda), \quad \mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^{2n+1} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2n+1} ,$$

or, using the “parameter-free” formulation,

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{0} , \quad \mathbf{X} \equiv (\mathbf{U}, \mu) , \quad \mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^{2n+2} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2n+1} .$$

Parameter Continuation

First consider continuing a solution

$$(\mathbf{u}_0, \phi_0, \lambda_0) \quad \text{at} \quad \mu = \mu_0,$$

in μ (although, in practice, we use pseudo-arclength continuation).

By the IFT there is a smooth solution family

$$\mathbf{U}(\mu) = (\mathbf{u}(\mu), \phi(\mu), \lambda(\mu)),$$

if the Jacobian

$$\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{U}}^0 \equiv \frac{d\mathbf{F}}{d\mathbf{U}}(\mathbf{U}_0) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 & O & \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 \\ \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{uu}}^0 \phi_0 & \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 & \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda}^0 \phi_0 \\ \mathbf{0}^* & \phi_0^* & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

is nonsingular.

THEOREM.

A simple quadratic fold with respect to λ can be continued locally, using the second parameter μ as continuation parameter.

PROOF.

Suppose $\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{U}}^0$ is singular. Then

$$(i) \quad \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 \mathbf{x} + z \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 = \mathbf{0} ,$$

$$(ii) \quad \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{uu}}^0 \phi_0 \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{y}}^0 + z \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda}^0 \phi_0 = \mathbf{0} ,$$

$$(iii) \quad \phi_0^* \mathbf{y} = 0 ,$$

for some

$$\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n , \quad z \in \mathbb{R} .$$

Since $\mathbf{G}_\lambda^0 \notin \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{G}_u^0)$ we have from (i) that $z = 0$, and hence

$$\mathbf{x} = c_1 \phi_0, \quad \text{for some } c_1 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Multiply (ii) on the left by ψ_0^* , to get

$$c_1 \psi_0^* \mathbf{G}_{uu}^0 \phi_0 \phi_0 = 0.$$

Thus $c_1 = 0$, because by assumption $\psi_0^* \mathbf{G}_{uu}^0 \phi_0 \phi_0 \neq 0$.

Therefore $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$, and from (ii) we now have

$$\mathbf{G}_{uu}^0 \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad \mathbf{y} = c_2 \phi_0.$$

But then by (iii) $c_2 = 0$. Thus

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{0}, \quad z = 0,$$

and hence \mathbf{F}_U^0 is nonsingular. \circ

NOTE:

- The zero eigenvalue of $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0$ need not be algebraically simple.
- Thus, for example, $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0$ may have the form

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

provided the fold is simple and quadratic.

- Parameter-continuation fails at folds w.r.t μ on a solution family to

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{U}, \mu) = \mathbf{0}.$$

- Such points represent *cusps*, *branch points*, or *isola formation points*.

Pseudo-Arclength Continuation of Folds

Treat μ as one of the unknowns, and compute a solution family

$$\mathbf{X}(s) \equiv (\mathbf{u}(s), \phi(s), \lambda(s), \mu(s)),$$

to

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}) \equiv \begin{cases} \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda, \mu) = \mathbf{0}, \\ \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(u, \lambda, \mu) \phi = \mathbf{0}, \\ \phi^* \phi_0 - 1 = 0, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

and the added continuation equation

$$(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_0)^* \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 + (\phi - \phi_0)^* \dot{\phi}_0 + (\lambda - \lambda_0) \dot{\lambda}_0 + (\mu - \mu_0) \dot{\mu}_0 - \Delta s = 0. \quad (2)$$

As before,

$$(\dot{\mathbf{u}}_0, \dot{\phi}_0, \dot{\lambda}_0, \dot{\mu}_0),$$

is the direction of the branch at the current solution point

$$(\mathbf{u}_0, \phi_0, \lambda_0, \mu_0).$$

The Jacobian of \mathbf{F} with respect to \mathbf{u} , ϕ , λ , and μ , at

$$\mathbf{X}_0 = (\mathbf{u}_0, \phi_0, \lambda_0, \mu_0),$$

is now

$$\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{X}}^0 \equiv \frac{d\mathbf{F}}{d\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{X}_0) \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 & O & \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 & \mathbf{G}_{\mu}^0 \\ \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{uu}}^0 \phi_0 & \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 & \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda}^0 \phi_0 & \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}\mu}^0 \phi_0 \\ \mathbf{0}^* & \phi_0^* & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

For pseudo-arclength continuation we must check that $\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{X}}^0$ has full rank.

For a simple quadratic fold with respect to λ this follows from the Theorem.

Otherwise, if

$$\psi_0^* \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{uu}}^0 \phi_0 \phi_0 \neq 0,$$

and

$$\mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0), \quad \mathbf{G}_{\mu}^0 \notin \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0),$$

i.e., if we have a simple quadratic fold with respect to μ , then we can apply the theorem to $\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{X}}^0$ with the second last column struck out, to see that $\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{X}}^0$ still has full rank.

EXAMPLE: The $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction. (AUTO demo abc-1p.)

The equations are

$$u_1' = -u_1 + D(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} ,$$

$$u_2' = -u_2 + D(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} - D\sigma u_2 e^{u_3} ,$$

$$u_3' = -u_3 - \beta u_3 + DB(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} + DB\alpha\sigma u_2 e^{u_3} ,$$

where

$1 - u_1$ is the concentration of A , u_2 is the concentration of B ,

u_3 is the temperature, $\alpha = 1$, $\sigma = 0.04$, $B = 8$,

D is the *Damkohler number* , β is the heat transfer coefficient .

We will compute solutions for varying D and β .

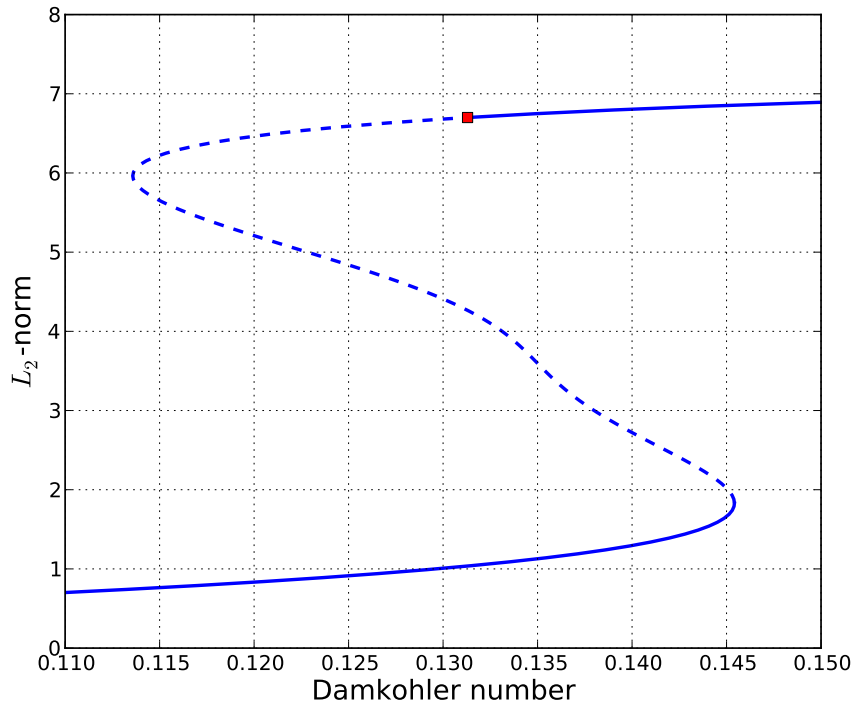


Figure 12: A stationary solution family of demo abc-1p; $\beta = 1.15$.

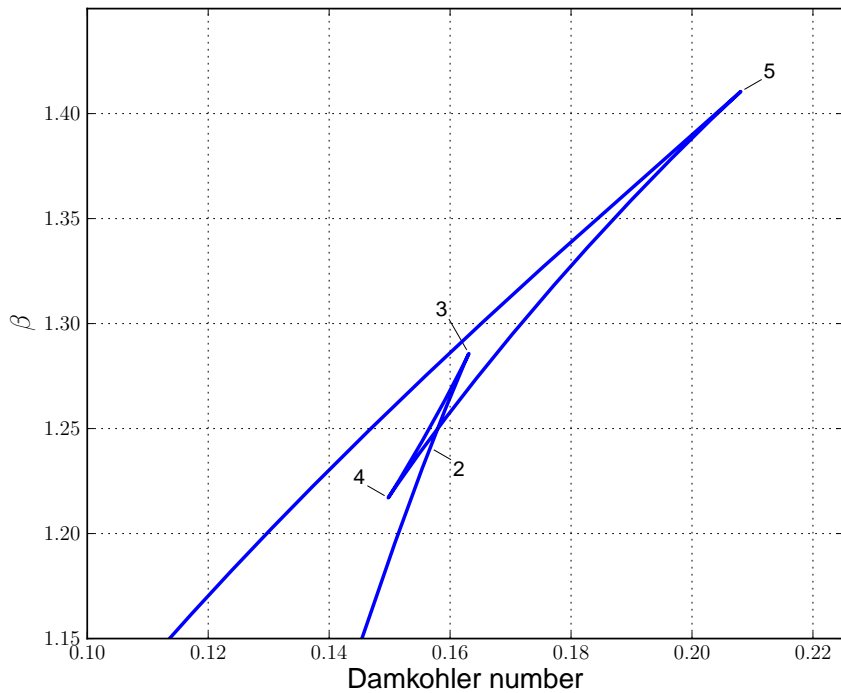


Figure 13: The locus of folds of demo abc-1p.

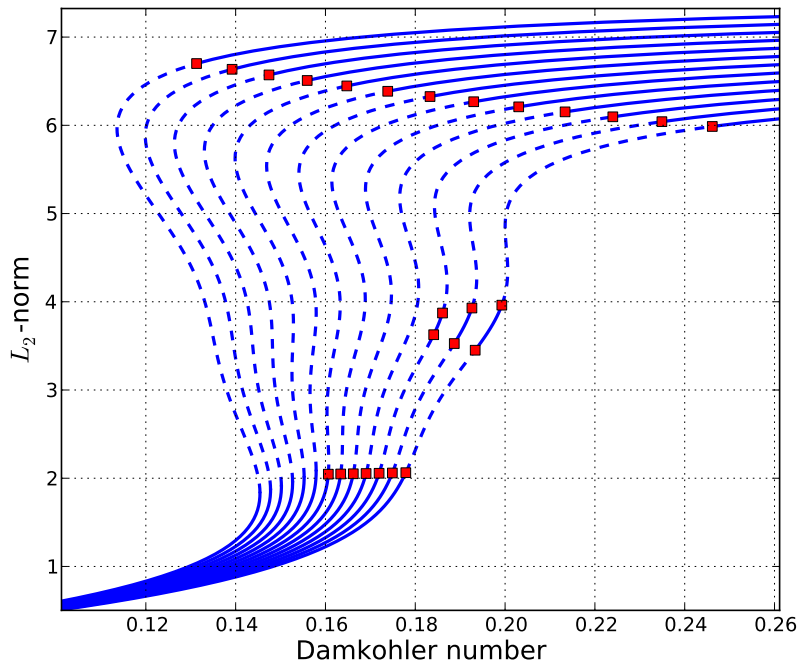


Figure 14: Stationary solution families for $\beta = 1.15, 1.17, \dots, 1.39$.

Numerical Treatment of Bifurcations

Here we discuss branch switching, and the detection of branch points.

Simple Singular Points

Let

$$\mathbf{G} : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n .$$

A solution

$$\mathbf{x}_0 \equiv \mathbf{x}(s_0) \quad \text{of} \quad \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

is called a *simple singular point* if

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \equiv \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}_0) \quad \text{has rank } n - 1 .$$

In the parameter formulation, where

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 = (\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 \mid \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0) ,$$

we have that

$$\mathbf{x}_0 = (\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0) \quad \text{is a simple singular point}$$

if and only if

$$(i) \quad \dim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0) = 1 , \quad \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0) ,$$

or

$$(ii) \quad \dim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0) = 2 , \quad \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 \notin \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0) .$$

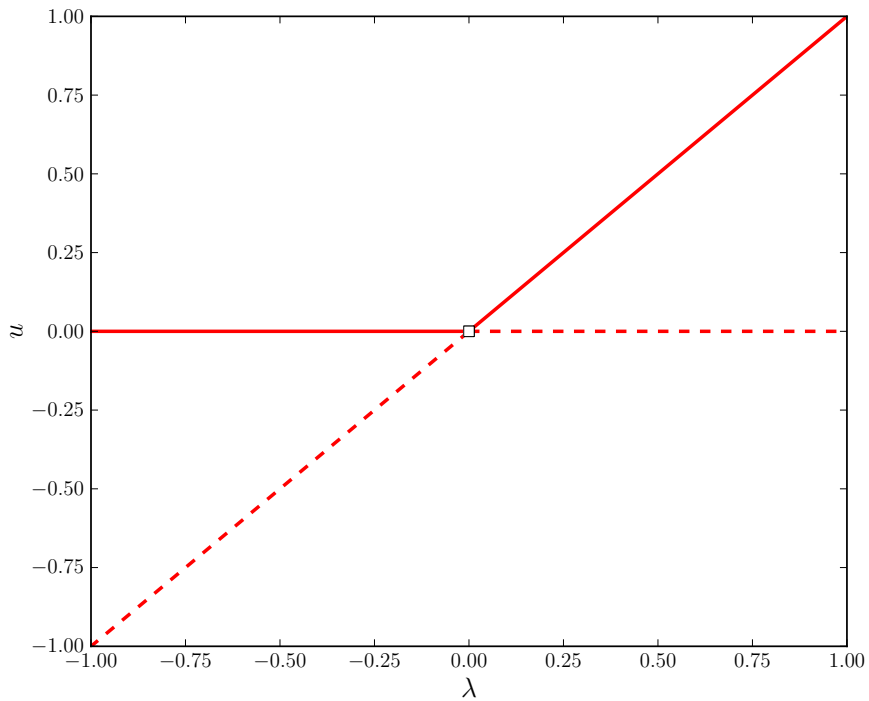


Figure 15: Solution curves of $u(\lambda - u) = 0$, with simple singular point.

An example of case (ii) is

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda - u_1^2 - u_2^2 \\ u_1 u_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{at} \quad \lambda = 0, \quad u_1 = u_2 = 0.$$

Here

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

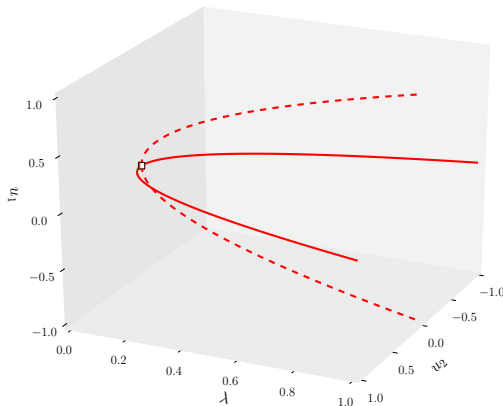


Figure 16: Solution curves of $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) = \mathbf{0}$, with simple singular point.

Suppose we have a solution family $\mathbf{x}(s)$ of

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

where s is some parametrization.

Let

$$\mathbf{x}_0 \equiv (\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0) ,$$

be a simple singular point.

Thus, by definition of simple singular point,

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0) = \text{Span}\{\boldsymbol{\phi}_1, \boldsymbol{\phi}_2\} , \quad \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^{0*}) = \text{Span}\{\boldsymbol{\psi}\} .$$

We also have

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}(s)) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

$$\mathbf{G}^0 = \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_0) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}(s)) \dot{\mathbf{x}}(s) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 = \mathbf{0} ,$$

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}(\mathbf{x}(s)) \dot{\mathbf{x}}(s) \dot{\mathbf{x}}(s) + \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}(s)) \ddot{\mathbf{x}}(s) = \mathbf{0} , \quad \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 + \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \ddot{\mathbf{x}}_0 = \mathbf{0} .$$

Thus $\dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 = \alpha \phi_1 + \beta \phi_2$, for some $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, and

$$\psi^* \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 (\alpha \phi_1 + \beta \phi_2) (\alpha \phi_1 + \beta \phi_2) + \underbrace{\psi^* \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0}_{=0} \ddot{\mathbf{x}}_0 = 0 ,$$

$$\boxed{\underbrace{(\psi^* \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \phi_1 \phi_1)}_{c_{11}} \alpha^2 + 2 \underbrace{(\psi^* \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \phi_1 \phi_2)}_{c_{12}} \alpha \beta + \underbrace{(\psi^* \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \phi_2 \phi_2)}_{c_{22}} \beta^2 = 0} .$$

This is the Algebraic Bifurcation equation (ABE).

We want solution pairs

$$(\alpha, \beta),$$

of the ABE, with not both α and β equal to zero.

If the *discriminant*

$$\Delta \equiv c_{12}^2 - c_{11} c_{22},$$

satisfies

$$\Delta > 0,$$

then the ABE has two real, distinct (*i.e.*, linearly independent) solutions,

$$(\alpha_1, \beta_1) \quad \text{and} \quad (\alpha_2, \beta_2),$$

which are unique up to scaling.

In this case we have a *bifurcation*, (or *branch point*), *i.e.*, two distinct branches pass through \mathbf{x}_0 .

Examples of Bifurcations

First we construct the Algebraic Bifurcation Equation (ABE) for our simple predator-prey model, in order to illustrate the necessary algebraic manipulations. Thereafter we present a more elaborate application to a nonlinear eigenvalue problem

A Predator-Prey Model

In the 2-species predator-prey model

$$\begin{cases} u_1' = 3u_1(1 - u_1) - u_1u_2 - \lambda(1 - e^{-5u_1}) , \\ u_2' = -u_2 + 3u_1u_2 . \end{cases}$$

we have

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}} = (\mathbf{G}_{u_1} | \mathbf{G}_{u_2} | \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 - 6u_1 - u_2 - 5\lambda e^{-5u_1} & -u_1 & -(1 - e^{-5u_1}) \\ & 3u_2 & -1 + 3u_1 \\ & & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

and

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}} = \begin{pmatrix} (-6 + 25\lambda e^{-5u_1}, -1, -5e^{-5u_1}) & (-1, 0, 0) & (-5e^{-5u_1}, 0, 0) \\ (0, 3, 0) & (3, 0, 0) & (0, 0, 0) \end{pmatrix}.$$

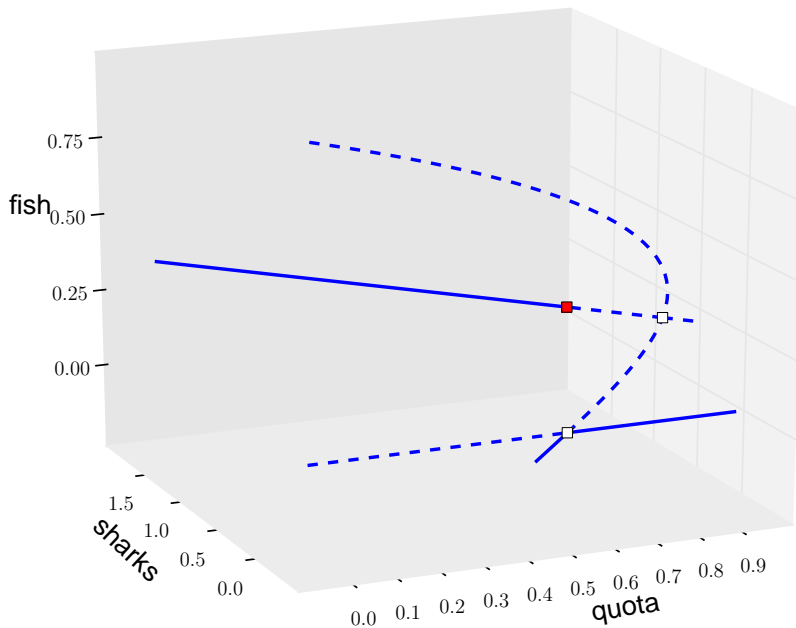


Figure 17: Two branch points (Solutions 2 and 4) in AUTO demo pp2.

At Solution 2 in Figure 17 we have $u_1 = u_2 = 0$, $\lambda = 3/5$, so that

$$\mathbf{x}_0 = (0 , 0 , 3/5) ,$$

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} , \quad \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^{0*} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} ,$$

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0) = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} , \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} , \quad \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^{0*}) = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} ,$$

and

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 = \begin{pmatrix} (9, -1, -5) & (-1, 0, 0) & (-5, 0, 0) \\ (0, 3, 0) & (3, 0, 0) & (0, 0, 0) \end{pmatrix} .$$

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \phi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} , \quad \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \phi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & -1 & -5 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} .$$

Thus

$$\boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \boldsymbol{\phi}_1 \boldsymbol{\phi}_1 = \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\phi}_1 = \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0 ,$$

$$\boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \boldsymbol{\phi}_1 \boldsymbol{\phi}_2 = \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\phi}_2 = \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = -5 ,$$

$$\boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \boldsymbol{\phi}_2 \boldsymbol{\phi}_2 = \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \begin{pmatrix} 9 & -1 & -5 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\phi}_2 = \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 9 .$$

Therefore the ABE is

$$-10 \alpha \beta + 9 \beta^2 = 0 .$$

which has two linearly independent solutions, namely,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} , \quad \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} .$$

Thus the (non-normalized) directions of the two bifurcation families at \mathbf{x}_0 are

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 = (1) \phi_1 + (0) \phi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{u}_1 \\ \dot{u}_2 \\ \dot{\lambda} \end{pmatrix},$$

and

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 = (9) \phi_1 + (10) \phi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 0 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{u}_1 \\ \dot{u}_2 \\ \dot{\lambda} \end{pmatrix}.$$

NOTE:

- The first direction is that of the zero solution family.
- The second direction is that of the bifurcating nonzero solution family.
- Since $\dot{\lambda} \neq 0$ for the second direction, this is a *transcritical bifurcation*.
- (The case where $\dot{\lambda} = 0$ may correspond to a *pitchfork bifurcation*.)

A Nonlinear Eigenvalue Problem

This example makes extensive use of the method of “Variation of Parameters” for solving linear differential equations. We first recall the use of this method.

Variation of Parameters

If

$$\mathbf{v}'(t) = A(t) \mathbf{v}(t) + \mathbf{f}(t) ,$$

then

$$\mathbf{v}(t) = V(t) [\mathbf{v}(0) + \int_0^t V(s)^{-1} \mathbf{f}(s) ds] ,$$

where $V(t)$ is the solution (matrix) of

$$V'(t) = A(t) V(t) ,$$

$$V(0) = I .$$

Here $V(t)$ is called the *fundamental solution matrix*.

EXAMPLE:

Apply Variation of Parameters to the equation

$$v'' + \lambda v = f ,$$

rewritten as

$$\begin{cases} v_1' = v_2 , \\ v_2' = -\lambda v_1 + f , \end{cases}$$

or

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_1' \\ v_2' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\lambda & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f \end{pmatrix} .$$

Then

$$V(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \sqrt{\lambda}t & \sin \sqrt{\lambda}t/\sqrt{\lambda} \\ -\sqrt{\lambda} \sin \sqrt{\lambda}t & \cos \sqrt{\lambda}t \end{pmatrix} .$$

We find that

$$V^{-1}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \sqrt{\lambda}t & -\sin \sqrt{\lambda}t/\sqrt{\lambda} \\ \sqrt{\lambda} \sin \sqrt{\lambda}t & \cos \sqrt{\lambda}t \end{pmatrix},$$

$$V^{-1}(s) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \sqrt{\lambda}s f(s)/\sqrt{\lambda} \\ \cos \sqrt{\lambda}s f(s) \end{pmatrix},$$

so that $\begin{pmatrix} v_1(t) \\ v_2(t) \end{pmatrix} =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \sqrt{\lambda}t & \sin \sqrt{\lambda}t/\sqrt{\lambda} \\ -\sqrt{\lambda} \sin \sqrt{\lambda}t & \cos \sqrt{\lambda}t \end{pmatrix} \left[\begin{pmatrix} v_1(0) \\ v_2(0) \end{pmatrix} + \int_0^t \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \sqrt{\lambda}s f(s)/\sqrt{\lambda} \\ \cos \sqrt{\lambda}s f(s) \end{pmatrix} ds \right]$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} v_1(t) &= \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}t) v_1(0) + \frac{\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}t)}{\sqrt{\lambda}} v_2(0) \\ &\quad - \cos \sqrt{\lambda}t \int_0^t \frac{\sin \sqrt{\lambda}s f(s)}{\sqrt{\lambda}} ds + \frac{\sin \sqrt{\lambda}t}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \int_0^t \cos \sqrt{\lambda}s f(s) ds. \end{aligned}$$

For the specific initial value problem

$$\begin{cases} v'' + \lambda v = f, \\ v(0) = v'(0) = 0, \end{cases}$$

we have

$$v(t) = v_1(t) = \frac{\sin \sqrt{\lambda} t}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \int_0^t \cos \sqrt{\lambda} s f(s) ds - \frac{\cos \sqrt{\lambda} t}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \int_0^t \sin \sqrt{\lambda} s f(s) ds .$$

Singular points

Consider the nonlinear boundary value problem

$$\begin{cases} u'' + \lambda (u + u^2) = 0, \\ u(0) = u(1) = 0, \end{cases}$$

which has $u(t) \equiv 0$ as solution for all λ .

Equivalently, we want the solution

$$u = u(t; p, \lambda),$$

of the initial value problem

$$\begin{cases} u'' + \lambda (u + u^2) = 0, \\ u(0) = 0, \quad u'(0) = p, \end{cases}$$

that satisfies

$$G(p, \lambda) \equiv u(1; p, \lambda) = 0.$$

$$u'' + \lambda (u + u^2) = 0 \quad , \quad u(0) = 0 \quad , \quad u'(0) = p$$

$$G(p, \lambda) \equiv u(1; p, \lambda) = 0$$

We have that

$$G : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} ,$$

with

$$G(0, \lambda) = 0 , \quad \text{for all } \lambda .$$

Let

$$u_p(t; p, \lambda) = \frac{du}{dp}(t; p, \lambda) ,$$

$$G_p(p, \lambda) = u_p(1; p, \lambda) , \quad \text{etc.}$$

$$\boxed{u'' + \lambda (u + u^2) = 0 \quad u(0) = 0 \quad , \quad u'(0) = p}$$

Then u_p ($= u_p^0$) satisfies

$$\begin{cases} u_p'' + \lambda (1 + 2u) u_p = 0 , \\ u_p(0) = 0 , \quad u_p'(0) = 1 , \end{cases}$$

which, about $u \equiv 0$, gives

$$\begin{cases} u_p'' + \lambda u_p = 0 , \\ u_p(0) = 0 , \quad u_p'(0) = 1 . \end{cases}$$

By the variation of parameters formula

$$u_p(t; p, \lambda) = \frac{\sin \sqrt{\lambda} t}{\sqrt{\lambda}} , \quad \lambda \geq 0 , \quad (\text{independent of } p).$$

$$G_p(0, \lambda) = u_p(1; p, \lambda) = \frac{\sin(\sqrt{\lambda})}{\sqrt{\lambda}} = 0 , \quad \text{if } \lambda = \lambda_k \equiv (k\pi)^2 .$$

(We will see that the λ_k are branch points.)

$$u'' + \lambda (u + u^2) = 0 \quad u(0) = 0 \quad , \quad u'(0) = p$$

Next, u_λ satisfies

$$\begin{cases} u''_\lambda + u + u^2 + \lambda (1 + 2u) u_\lambda = 0 , \\ u_\lambda(0) = 0 , \quad u'_\lambda(1) = 0 , \end{cases}$$

which, about $u \equiv 0$, gives

$$\begin{cases} u''_\lambda + \lambda u_\lambda = 0 , \\ u_\lambda(0) = 0 , \quad u'_\lambda(0) = 0 . \end{cases}$$

from which,

$$u_\lambda(t; p, \lambda) \equiv 0 , \quad G_\lambda(0, \lambda) = u_\lambda(1; 0, \lambda) = 0 ,$$

which holds, in particular, at

$$\lambda = \lambda_k = (k\pi)^2 .$$

Thus, so far we know that

$$G(0, \lambda) = 0, \quad \text{for all } \lambda,$$

and if

$$\lambda = \lambda_k \equiv (k\pi)^2,$$

then, with

$$\mathbf{x} \equiv (p, \lambda),$$

we have

$$G_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \equiv (G_p(0, \lambda_k) \mid G_\lambda(0, \lambda_k)) = (0 \mid 0),$$

$$\mathcal{N}(G_{\mathbf{x}}^0) = \text{Span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}, \quad (2D),$$

$$\mathcal{N}(G_{\mathbf{x}}^{0*}) = \text{Span}\{(1)\}, \quad (1D).$$

Thus the solutions

$$p = 0, \quad \lambda = \lambda_k = (k\pi)^2,$$

correspond to simple singular points.

Construction of the ABE

The ABE is

$$(\psi^* G_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \phi_1 \phi_1) \alpha^2 + 2(\psi^* G_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \phi_1 \phi_2) \alpha \beta + (\psi^* G_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \phi_2 \phi_2) \beta^2 = 0 ,$$

where

$$\psi = 1 ,$$

$$G_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 = \left((G_{pp}^0 \mid G_{p\lambda}^0) \mid (G_{\lambda p}^0 \mid G_{\lambda\lambda}^0) \right) ,$$

with

$$G_{pp}^0 = G_{pp}(0, \lambda_k) = u_{pp}(1; 0, \lambda_k) , \quad \textit{etc.}$$

If the ABE has 2 independent solutions then the bifurcation directions are

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{p} \\ \dot{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = \alpha_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta_1 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \beta_1 \end{pmatrix},$$

and

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{p} \\ \dot{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = \alpha_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_2 \\ \beta_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since

$$p = 0,$$

is a solution for all λ , one direction is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{p} \\ \dot{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\boxed{u'' + \lambda (u + u^2) = 0 \quad u(0) = 0 \quad , \quad u'(0) = p}$$

Now u_{pp} satisfies

$$\begin{cases} u''_{pp} + 2\lambda u_p^2 + \lambda (1 + 2u) u_{pp} = 0 , \\ u_{pp}(0) = u'_{pp}(0) = 0 , \end{cases}$$

which, about

$$u \equiv 0 , \quad \lambda = \lambda_k , \quad u_p(t; p, \lambda) = \frac{\sin \sqrt{\lambda} t}{\sqrt{\lambda}} ,$$

gives

$$\begin{cases} u''_{pp} + \lambda_k u_{pp} = -2\lambda_k u_p^2 = -2 \sin^2 \sqrt{\lambda} t , \\ u_{pp}(0) = u'_{pp}(0) = 0 . \end{cases}$$

that is,

$$\begin{cases} u''_{pp} + (k\pi)^2 u_{pp} = -2 \sin^2(k\pi t) , \\ u_{pp}(0) = u'_{pp}(0) = 0 . \end{cases}$$

By the variation of parameters formula

$$u_{pp}(t; p, \lambda) =$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\sin k\pi t}{k\pi} \int_0^t \cos k\pi s (-2 \sin^2 k\pi s) ds - \frac{\cos k\pi t}{k\pi} \int_0^t \sin k\pi s (-2 \sin^2 k\pi s) ds \\ &= - \frac{2 \sin k\pi t}{k\pi} \int_0^t \sin^2 k\pi s \cos k\pi s ds + \frac{2 \cos k\pi t}{k\pi} \int_0^t \sin^3 k\pi s ds, \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$G_{pp}(0, \lambda_k) = u_{pp}(1; 0, \lambda_k) = \frac{2}{3(k\pi)^2} [1 - (-1)^k] = \begin{cases} 0, & k \text{ even}, \\ \frac{4}{3(k\pi)^2}, & k \text{ odd}. \end{cases}$$

$$\boxed{u'' + \lambda (u + u^2) = 0 \quad u(0) = 0 \quad , \quad u'(0) = p}$$

Next, $u_{p\lambda}$ satisfies

$$\begin{cases} u''_{p\lambda} + (1 + 2u) u_p + 2\lambda u_p u_\lambda + \lambda (1 + 2u) u_{p\lambda} = 0 , \\ u_{p\lambda}(0) = u'_{p\lambda}(0) = 0 . \end{cases}$$

which, about

$$u \equiv 0 , \quad \lambda_k = (k\pi)^2 , \quad u_p(t; p, \lambda) = \frac{\sin \sqrt{\lambda} t}{\sqrt{\lambda}} , \quad u_\lambda = 0 ,$$

gives

$$\begin{cases} u''_{p\lambda} + k^2 \pi^2 u_{p\lambda} = -u_p = -\frac{\sin k\pi t}{k\pi} , \\ u_{p\lambda}(0) = u'_{p\lambda}(0) = 0 . \end{cases}$$

Using the variation of parameters formula

$$u_{p\lambda}(t; p, \lambda) =$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\sin k\pi t}{k\pi} \int_0^t \cos k\pi s \left(\frac{-\sin k\pi s}{k\pi} \right) ds - \frac{\cos k\pi t}{k\pi} \int_0^t \sin k\pi s \left(\frac{-\sin k\pi s}{k\pi} \right) ds \\ = & \frac{\sin k\pi t}{(k\pi)^2} \int_0^t \sin k\pi s \cos k\pi s ds + \frac{\cos k\pi t}{(k\pi)^2} \int_0^t \sin^2 k\pi s ds , \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$G_{p\lambda}(0, \lambda_k) = u_{p\lambda}(1; 0, \lambda_k) = \frac{1}{2(k\pi)^2} (-1)^k = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2(k\pi)^2} , & k \text{ even} , \\ \frac{-1}{2(k\pi)^2} , & k \text{ odd} . \end{cases}$$

$$\boxed{u'' + \lambda (u + u^2) = 0 \quad u(0) = 0 \quad , \quad u'(0) = p}$$

Finally $u_{\lambda\lambda}$ satisfies

$$\begin{cases} u''_{\lambda\lambda} + (1 + 2u) u_{\lambda} + (1 + 2u) u_{\lambda} + 2\lambda u_{\lambda}^2 + \lambda (1 + 2u) u_{\lambda\lambda} = 0 , \\ u_{\lambda\lambda}(0) = u'_{\lambda\lambda}(0) = 0 , \end{cases}$$

which, about

$$u = 0 , \quad u_{\lambda} = 0 , \quad \lambda = \lambda_k = k^2 \pi^2 ,$$

gives

$$\begin{cases} u''_{\lambda\lambda} + k^2 \pi^2 u_{\lambda\lambda} = 0 , \\ u_{\lambda\lambda}(0) = u'_{\lambda\lambda}(0) = 0 , \end{cases}$$

so that

$$u_{\lambda\lambda}(t; p, \lambda) \equiv 0 , \quad G_{\lambda\lambda}(0, \lambda_k) = u_{\lambda\lambda}(1; 0, \lambda_k) = 0 .$$

Thus we have found that

$$G_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 = \left((G_{pp}^0 | G_{p\lambda}^0) | (G_{\lambda p}^0 | G_{\lambda\lambda}^0) \right) = \begin{cases} \left((0 | \frac{1}{2(k\pi)^2}) | (\frac{1}{2(k\pi)^2} | 0) \right) & , k \text{ even,} \\ \left((\frac{4}{3(k\pi)^2} | \frac{-1}{2(k\pi)^2}) | (\frac{-1}{2(k\pi)^2} | 0) \right) & , k \text{ odd.} \end{cases}$$

The coefficients of the ABE are

$$\psi^* G_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \phi_1 \phi_1 = \begin{cases} 0, & k \text{ even,} \\ \frac{4}{3(k\pi)^2}, & k \text{ odd,} \end{cases} \quad \psi^* G_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \phi_1 \phi_2 = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2(k\pi)^2}, & k \text{ even,} \\ \frac{-1}{2(k\pi)^2}, & k \text{ odd,} \end{cases}$$

$$\psi^* G_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \phi_2 \phi_2 = \begin{cases} 0, & k \text{ even,} \\ 0, & k \text{ odd.} \end{cases}$$

Thus the ABE is

$$\begin{cases} \alpha \beta = 0, & k \text{ even,} & \text{Roots : } (\alpha, \beta) = (1, 0), (0, 1), \\ \frac{4}{3} \alpha^2 - \frac{1}{2} \alpha \beta = 0, & k \text{ odd,} & \text{Roots : } (\alpha, \beta) = (0, 1), (3, 8). \end{cases}$$

The directions of the bifurcating families are:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{p} \\ \dot{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \phi_1 + \beta \phi_2 = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{p} \\ \dot{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, & k \text{ even, ("pitch-fork bifurcation")}, \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}, & k \text{ odd, ("transcritical bifurcation")}. \end{cases}$$

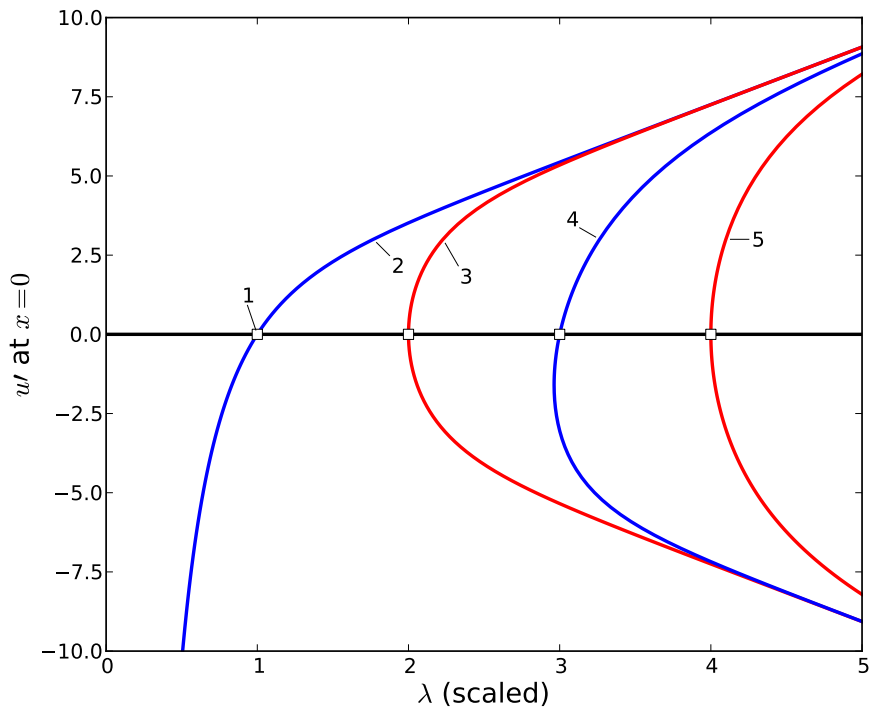


Figure 18: The bifurcating families of the nonlinear eigenvalue problem.

EXERCISE.

- Check the above calculations (!).
- Use the course demo `nev` to compute some bifurcating families.
- Do the numerical results support the analytical results?
- Also carry out the above analysis and `AUTO` computations for

$$\begin{cases} u'' + \lambda (u + u^3) = 0 , \\ u(0) = u(1) = 0 . \end{cases}$$

Branch Switching

- Along a solution family we may find *branch points* .
- We give *two* methods for *switching branches* .
- We also give a method to *detect* branch points.

Computing the bifurcation direction

Let

$$\mathbf{G} : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n .$$

Suppose that we have a solution family $\mathbf{x}(s)$ of

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

and that

$$\mathbf{x}_0 \equiv \mathbf{x}(s_0) ,$$

is a *simple singular point*, i.e., the n by $n + 1$ matrix

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \equiv \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}_0) \text{ has rank } n - 1 ,$$

with

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0) = \text{Span}\{\phi_1, \phi_2\} , \quad \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^{0*}) = \text{Span}\{\psi\} .$$

NOTATION.

- $\dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 = \alpha_1 \boldsymbol{\phi}_1 + \beta_1 \boldsymbol{\phi}_2$ denotes the direction of the "given" family.
- $\mathbf{x}'_0 = \alpha_2 \boldsymbol{\phi}_1 + \beta_2 \boldsymbol{\phi}_2$ denotes the direction of the *bifurcating* family.

The two coefficient vectors

$$(\alpha_1, \beta_1) \quad \text{and} \quad (\alpha_2, \beta_2),$$

correspond to two *linearly independent* solutions of the ABE

$$c_{11} \alpha^2 + 2 c_{12} \alpha \beta + c_{22} \beta^2 = 0.$$

Assume that the *discriminant* is positive:

$$\Delta \equiv c_{12}^2 - c_{11} c_{22} > 0.$$

Since along the "given" family we have

$$\mathbf{G}_x^0 \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 = \mathbf{0} ,$$

we can take

$$\phi_1 = \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 , \quad (\dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 = \alpha_1 \phi_1 + \beta_1 \phi_2) .$$

Thus

$$(\alpha_1, \beta_1) = (1, 0)$$

is a solution of the ABE

$$c_{11} \alpha^2 + 2 c_{12} \alpha \beta + c_{22} \beta^2 = 0 .$$

Thus

$$c_{11} = 0 , \quad \text{and} \quad (\text{since } c_{12}^2 - c_{11}c_{22} > 0) \quad c_{12} \neq 0 .$$

The second solution then satisfies

$$2 c_{12} \alpha + c_{22} \beta = 0 ,$$

from which,

$$(\alpha_2, \beta_2) = (c_{22} , -2c_{12}) , \quad (\text{unique, up to scaling}) .$$

To evaluate c_{12} and c_{22} , we need the null vectors ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 of \mathbf{G}_x^0 .

ϕ_1 : We already have chosen $\phi_1 = \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0$.

ϕ_2 : Choose $\phi_2 \perp \phi_1$. Then ϕ_2 is a null vector of

$$\mathbf{F}_x^0 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_x^0 \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \end{pmatrix} \quad i.e., \quad F_x^0 \phi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_x^0 \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \end{pmatrix} \phi_2 = \mathbf{0}.$$

Note that \mathbf{F}_x^0 is the Jacobian of the pseudo-arclength system at \mathbf{x}_0 !

The null space of \mathbf{F}_x^0 is indeed one-dimensional. (Check!)

ψ : is the left null vector: $(\mathbf{G}_x^0)^* \psi = \mathbf{0}$, so that also

$$(\mathbf{F}_x^0)^* \begin{pmatrix} \psi \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = ((\mathbf{G}_x^0)^* | \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0) \begin{pmatrix} \psi \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0},$$

i.e., ψ is also the left null vector of \mathbf{F}_x^0 .

NOTE:

- Left and right null vectors of a matrix can be computed *at little cost*, once the matrix has been *LU* decomposed.
- After determining the coefficients α_2 and β_2 , scale the direction vector

$$\mathbf{x}'_0 \equiv \alpha_2 \boldsymbol{\phi}_1 + \beta_2 \boldsymbol{\phi}_2 ,$$

of the bifurcating family so that

$$\| \mathbf{x}'_0 \| = 1 .$$

Switching branches

The *first* solution \mathbf{x}_1 on the bifurcating family can be computed from :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_1) &= \mathbf{0} , \\ (\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_0)^* \mathbf{x}'_0 - \Delta s &= 0 ,\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

where

\mathbf{x}'_0 is the direction of the bifurcating branch.

As *initial approximation* in Newton's method take

$$\mathbf{x}_1^{(0)} = \mathbf{x}_0 + \Delta s \mathbf{x}'_0 .$$

For a graphical interpretation see Figure 19.

NOTE: Computing \mathbf{x}'_0 requires evaluation of $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0$.

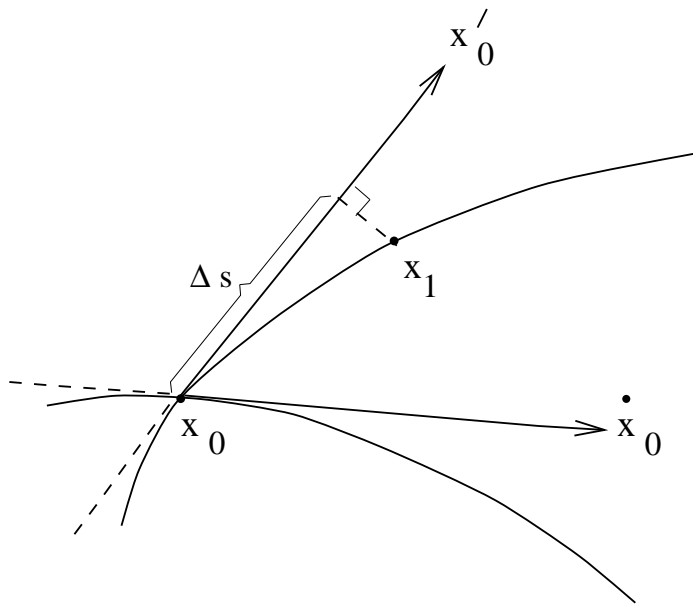


Figure 19: Switching branches using the *correct* bifurcation direction.

Simplified branch switching

Instead of Eqn. (3) for the *first* solution on the bifurcating branch, use :

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_1) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

$$(\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_0)^* \phi_2 - \Delta s = 0 .$$

where ϕ_2 is the second null vector of \mathbf{G}_x^0 , with, as before,

$$\phi_2 \perp \phi_1, \quad (\phi_1 = \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0) ,$$

i.e.,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_x^0 \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \end{pmatrix} \phi_2 = 0 , \quad \|\phi_2\| = 1 .$$

As initial approximation, now use

$$\mathbf{x}_1^{(0)} = \mathbf{x}_0 + \Delta s \phi_2 .$$

For a graphical interpretation see Figure 20.

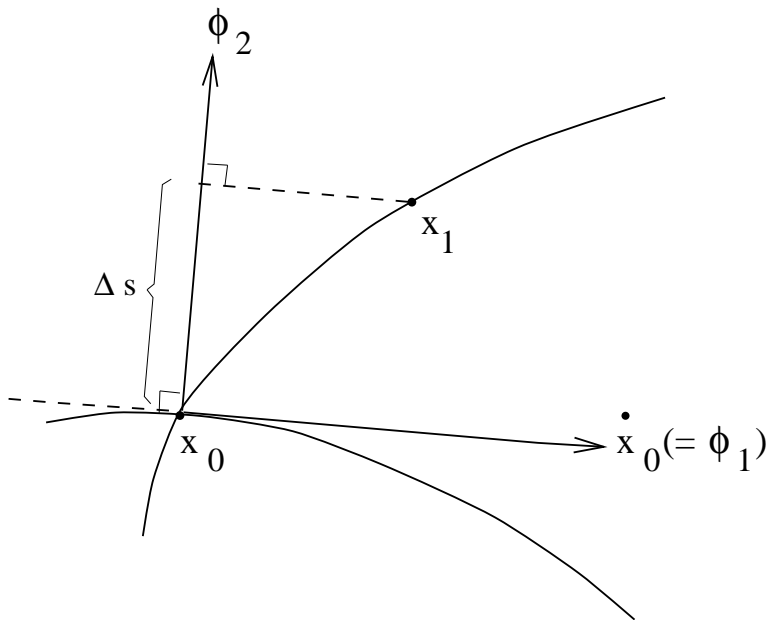


Figure 20: Switching branches using the *orthogonal* direction.

NOTE:

- The simplified branch switching method *may fail* in some situations.
- The advantage is that it *does not need second derivatives* .
- The orthogonal direction ϕ_2 can be computed at *little cost* .
- In fact, ϕ_2 is the *null vector* of the continuation system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_x^0 \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \end{pmatrix}$$

at the branch point.

Detection of Branch Points

Let

$$\mathbf{G} : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n .$$

Recall that a solution

$$\mathbf{x}_0 \equiv \mathbf{x}(s_0) \quad \text{of} \quad \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

is a *simple singular point* if

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \equiv \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}_0) \quad \text{has rank } n - 1 .$$

Suppose that we have a solution family $\mathbf{x}(s)$ of

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

and that

$$\mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{x}(0) ,$$

is a simple singular point.

Let $\dot{\mathbf{x}}_0$ be the unit tangent to $\mathbf{x}(s)$ at \mathbf{x}_0 .

Assume that $\mathbf{x}(s)$ is parametrized by its projection onto $\dot{\mathbf{x}}_0$. (See Figure 21.)

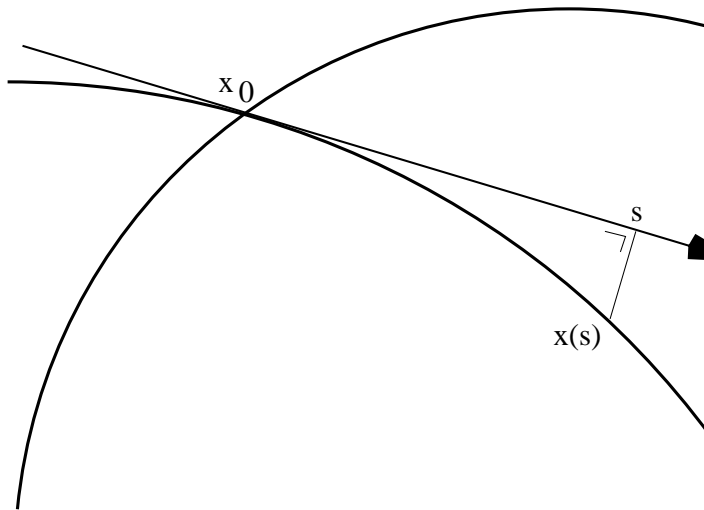


Figure 21: Parametrization of a solution family near a branch point.

Consider the continuation system

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}; s) \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) \\ (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0)^* \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 - s \end{pmatrix}. \quad (4)$$

Then

$$\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}; s) = \mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \end{pmatrix},$$

and

$$\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \equiv \mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}_0) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \end{pmatrix}.$$

NOTE: $\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{x}}$ does not explicitly depend on s .

Take

$$\phi_1 = \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 ,$$

as the first null vector of \mathbf{G}_x^0 .

Thus

$$\mathbf{F}_x^0 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_x^0 \\ \phi_1^* \end{pmatrix} .$$

Choose the second null vector ϕ_2 of \mathbf{G}_x^0 such that

$$\phi_2^* \phi_1 = 0 .$$

Then

$$\mathbf{F}_x^0 \phi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_x^0 \\ \phi_1^* \end{pmatrix} \phi_2 = 0 ,$$

so that ϕ_2 is also a null vector of \mathbf{F}_x^0 , while ϕ_1 is not.

In fact, \mathbf{F}_x^0 has a *one-dimensional nullspace* .

The null vector of

$$\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{x}}^{0*} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \\ \phi_1^* \end{pmatrix}^* = \left((\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0)^* \mid \phi_1 \right),$$

is given by

$$\Psi \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \psi \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where ψ is the null vector of $(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0)^*$.

NOTE: Since

$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0$ has n rows and $n + 1$ columns ,

and

$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0) = \text{Span}\{\phi_1, \phi_2\}$ is assumed *two*-dimensional ,

it follows that

$(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0)^*$ has $n + 1$ rows and n columns ,

and

$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^{0*}) = \text{Span}\{\psi\}$ is *one*-dimensional .

THEOREM. Let

$$\mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{x}(0) ,$$

be a *simple singular point* on a smooth solution family $\mathbf{x}(s)$ of

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0} .$$

Let $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}; s)$ be as above, *i.e.*, $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}; s) \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) \\ (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0)^* \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 - s \end{pmatrix} .$

Assume that

- the *discriminant* Δ of the ABE is *positive* ,
- 0 is an *algebraically* simple eigenvalue of

$$\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \end{pmatrix} .$$

Then

$$\det \mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}(s)) = \det \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}(s)) \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \end{pmatrix} ,$$

changes sign at \mathbf{x}_0 .

PROOF.

Consider the parametrized eigenvalue problem

$$\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}(s)) \boldsymbol{\phi}(s) = \kappa(s) \boldsymbol{\phi}(s) ,$$

where $\kappa(s)$ and $\boldsymbol{\phi}(s)$ are smooth near $s = 0$, with

$$\kappa(0) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \boldsymbol{\phi}(0) = \boldsymbol{\phi}_2 ,$$

i.e., the eigen pair

$$(\kappa(s) , \boldsymbol{\phi}(s)) ,$$

is the continuation of $(0, \boldsymbol{\phi}_2)$.

(This can be done because 0 is an algebraically simple eigenvalue.)

Differentiating

$$\mathbf{F}_x(\mathbf{x}(s)) \phi(s) = \kappa(s) \phi(s) ,$$

gives

$$\mathbf{F}_{xx}(\mathbf{x}(s)) \dot{\mathbf{x}}(s) \phi(s) + \mathbf{F}_x(\mathbf{x}(s)) \dot{\phi}(s) = \dot{\kappa}(s) \phi(s) + \kappa(s) \dot{\phi}(s).$$

Evaluating at $s = 0$, using

$$\kappa(0) = 0 ,$$

and

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 = \phi_1 \quad \text{and} \quad \phi(0) = \phi_2 ,$$

gives

$$\mathbf{F}_{xx}^0 \phi_1 \phi_2 + \mathbf{F}_x^0 \dot{\phi}(0) = \dot{\kappa}_0 \phi_2 .$$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \phi_1 \phi_2 + \mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \dot{\phi}(0) = \dot{\kappa}_0 \phi_2} .$$

Multiplying this on the left by Ψ^* we find

$$\dot{\kappa}_0 = \frac{\Psi^* \mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \phi_1 \phi_2}{\Psi^* \phi_2} = \frac{(\psi^*, 0) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \phi_1 \phi_2}{\Psi^* \phi_2} = \frac{\psi^* \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \phi_1 \phi_2}{\Psi^* \phi_2} .$$

The left and right null vectors (Ψ and ϕ_2) of $\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{x}}^0$ *cannot be orthogonal* (because the eigenvalue 0 is assumed to be *algebraically simple* .

Thus

$$\Psi^* \phi_2 \neq 0 .$$

Note that

$$\boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{xx}}^0 \boldsymbol{\phi}_1 \boldsymbol{\phi}_2 = c_{12} ,$$

is a coefficient of the ABE.

By assumption, the discriminant satisfies

$$\Delta \neq 0 .$$

As before this implies that

$$c_{12} \neq 0 ,$$

and hence

$$\dot{\kappa}_0 \neq 0 \quad \bullet$$

NOTE:

- The Theorem implies that $\det \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}(s)) \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \end{pmatrix}$ *changes sign* .
- Note that $\dot{\mathbf{x}}_0$ is kept fixed.
- We haven't proved that $\det \mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}(s)) = \det \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}(s)) \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}(s)^* \end{pmatrix}$ changes sign.
- The latter follows from a similar, but more elaborate argument.
- Detection of simple singular points is based upon this fact.
- During continuation we *monitor the determinant* of the matrix $\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{x}}$.
- If a *sign change* is detected then an iterative method can be used to *accurately locate* the singular point.
- For large systems *a scaled determinant avoids overflow* .

The following theorem states that there must be a bifurcation at x_0 .
(This result can be proven by *degree theory* .)

THEOREM.

Let $\mathbf{x}(s)$ be a smooth solution family of

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}; s) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

where

$$\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \quad \text{is } C^1 ,$$

and assume that

$$\det \mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}(s); s) \text{ changes sign at } s = 0 .$$

Then $\mathbf{x}(0)$ is a *bifurcation point* , *i.e.*, every open neighborhood of \mathbf{x}_0 contains a solution of $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}; s) = \mathbf{0}$ that does not lie on $\mathbf{x}(s)$.

Boundary Value Problems

Boundary Value Problems.

Consider the first order system of ordinary differential equations

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \mu, \lambda) = \mathbf{0}, \quad t \in [0, 1],$$

where

$$\mathbf{u}(\cdot), \mathbf{f}(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \mu \in \mathbb{R}^{n_\mu},$$

subject to boundary conditions

$$\mathbf{b}(\mathbf{u}(0), \mathbf{u}(1), \mu, \lambda) = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{b}(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_b},$$

and integral constraints

$$\int_0^1 \mathbf{q}(\mathbf{u}(s), \mu, \lambda) ds = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{q}(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q}.$$

This boundary value problem (BVP) is of the form

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{0},$$

where

$$\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{u}, \mu, \lambda),$$

to which we add the *continuation equation*

$$\langle \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X}_0, \dot{\mathbf{X}}_0 \rangle - \Delta s = 0,$$

where \mathbf{X}_0 represents the preceding solution on the branch.

In detail, the continuation equation is

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 (\mathbf{u}(t) - \mathbf{u}_0(t))^* \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0(t) dt + (\mu - \mu_0) \dot{\mu}_0 \\ + (\lambda - \lambda_0) \dot{\lambda}_0 - \Delta s = 0. \end{aligned}$$

- We want to solve BVP for $\mathbf{u}(\cdot)$ and μ .
- We can think of λ as the *continuation parameter*.
- (In *pseudo-arclength continuation*, we don't distinguish μ and λ .)
- In order for problem to be *formally well-posed* we must have

$$n_\mu = n_b + n_q - n \geq 0.$$

- A *simple case* is

$$n_q = 0, \quad n_b = n, \quad \text{for which } n_\mu = 0.$$

Discretization

We discuss “*orthogonal collocation with piecewise polynomials*”,
for solving BVPs.

This method is very accurate, and allows adaptive mesh-selection.

Orthogonal Collocation

Introduce a *mesh*

$$\{ 0 = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_N = 1 \} ,$$

where

$$h_j \equiv t_j - t_{j-1} , \quad (1 \leq j \leq N) ,$$

Define the space of (vector) *piecewise polynomials* \mathbf{P}_h^m as

$$\mathbf{P}_h^m \equiv \{ \mathbf{p}_h \in C[0, 1] : \mathbf{p}_h|_{[t_{j-1}, t_j]} \in \mathbf{P}^m \} ,$$

where \mathbf{P}^m is the space of (vector) polynomials of degree $\leq m$.

The collocation method consists of finding

$$\mathbf{p}_h \in \mathbf{P}_h^m, \quad \mu \in \mathbf{R}^{n_\mu},$$

such that the following *collocation equations* are satisfied:

$$\mathbf{p}'_h(z_{j,i}) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{p}_h(z_{j,i}), \mu, \lambda), \quad j = 1, \dots, N, \quad i = 1, \dots, m,$$

and such that \mathbf{p}_h satisfies the *boundary and integral conditions*.

The *collocation points* $z_{j,i}$ in each subinterval

$$[t_{j-1}, t_j],$$

are the (scaled) roots of the m th-degree orthogonal polynomial (*Gauss points*).

See Figure 22 for a graphical interpretation.

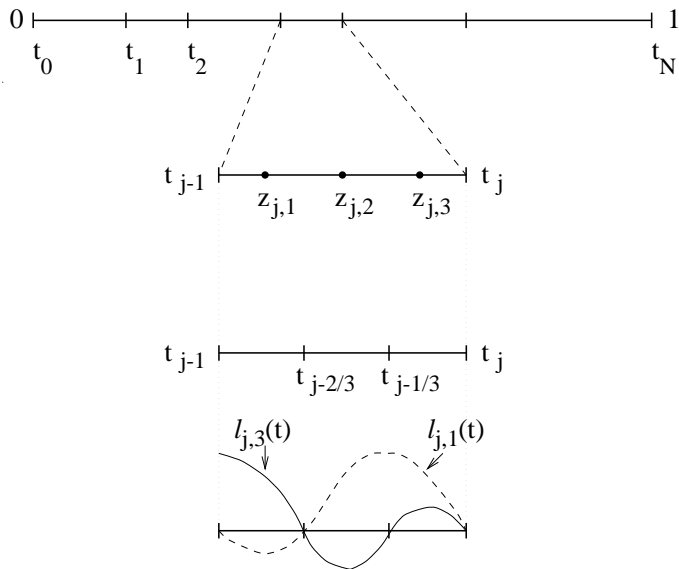


Figure 22: The mesh $\{0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_N = 1\}$. Collocation points and “extended-mesh points” are shown for the case $m = 3$, in the j th mesh interval. Also shown are two of the four local Lagrange basis polynomials.

Since each local polynomial is determined by

$$(m + 1) n ,$$

coefficients, the total number of degrees of freedom (considering λ as fixed) is

$$(m + 1) n N + n_{\mu} .$$

This is matched by the total number of equations :

$$\text{collocation : } m n N ,$$

$$\text{continuity : } (N - 1) n ,$$

$$\text{constraints : } n_b + n_q \quad (= n + n_{\mu}) .$$

Assume that the solution $\mathbf{u}(t)$ of the BVP is sufficiently smooth.

Then the *order of accuracy* of the orthogonal collocation method is m , *i.e.*,

$$\| \mathbf{p}_h - \mathbf{u} \|_{\infty} = \mathcal{O}(h^m) .$$

At the main meshpoints t_j we have *superconvergence* :

$$\max_j | \mathbf{p}_h(t_j) - \mathbf{u}(t_j) | = \mathcal{O}(h^{2m}) .$$

The scalar variables μ are also superconvergent.

Implementation

For each subinterval $[t_{j-1} , t_j]$, introduce the Lagrange basis polynomials

$$\{ \ell_{j,i}(t) \} , \quad j = 1, \dots, N , \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, m ,$$

defined by

$$\ell_{j,i}(t) = \prod_{k=0, k \neq i}^m \frac{t - t_{j-\frac{k}{m}}}{t_{j-\frac{i}{m}} - t_{j-\frac{k}{m}}} ,$$

where

$$t_{j-\frac{i}{m}} \equiv t_j - \frac{i}{m} h_j .$$

The local polynomials can then be written

$$\mathbf{p}_j(t) = \sum_{i=0}^m \ell_{j,i}(t) \mathbf{u}_{j-\frac{i}{m}} .$$

With the above choice of basis

$$\mathbf{u}_j \sim \mathbf{u}(t_j) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{u}_{j-\frac{i}{m}} \sim \mathbf{u}(t_{j-\frac{i}{m}}) ,$$

where $\mathbf{u}(t)$ is the solution of the continuous problem.

The collocation equations are

$$\mathbf{p}'_j(z_{j,i}) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{p}_j(z_{j,i}), \mu, \lambda), \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \quad j = 1, \dots, N.$$

The *discrete boundary conditions* are

$$b_i(\mathbf{u}_0, \mathbf{u}_N, \mu, \lambda) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_b.$$

The *integral constraints* can be discretized as

$$\sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{i=0}^m \omega_{j,i} q_k(\mathbf{u}_{j-\frac{i}{m}}, \mu, \lambda) = 0, \quad k = 1, \dots, n_q,$$

where the $\omega_{j,i}$ are the *Lagrange quadrature weights*.

The *continuation equation* is

$$\int_0^1 (\mathbf{u}(t) - \mathbf{u}_0(t))^* \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0(t) dt + (\mu - \mu_0)^* \dot{\mu}_0 + (\lambda - \lambda_0) \dot{\lambda}_0 - \Delta s = 0 ,$$

where

$$(\mathbf{u}_0 , \mu_0 , \lambda_0) ,$$

is the *previous solution* on the solution branch, and

$$(\dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 , \dot{\mu}_0 , \dot{\lambda}_0) ,$$

is the *normalized direction* of the branch at the previous solution.

The *discretized continuation equation* is

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{i=0}^m \omega_{j,i} [\mathbf{u}_{j-\frac{i}{m}} - (\mathbf{u}_0)_{j-\frac{i}{m}}]^* (\dot{\mathbf{u}}_0)_{j-\frac{i}{m}} \\ + (\mu - \mu_0)^* \dot{\mu}_0 + (\lambda - \lambda_0) \dot{\lambda}_0 - \Delta s = 0 . \end{aligned}$$

Numerical Linear Algebra

The complete discretization consists of

$$m n N + n_b + n_q + 1 ,$$

nonlinear equations, in the unknowns

$$\left\{ \mathbf{u}_{j-\frac{i}{m}} \right\} \in \mathbb{R}^{mnN+n} , \quad \mu \in \mathbb{R}^{n_\mu} , \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R} .$$

These equations can be solved by a *Newton-Chord iteration* .

We illustrate the *numerical linear algebra* for the case

$n = 2$ ODEs , $N = 4$ mesh intervals , $m = 3$ collocation points ,

$n_b = 2$ boundary conditions , $n_q = 1$ integral constraint ,

and the continuation equation.

- The operations are also done on the *right hand side* , which is not shown.
- Entries marked “○” have been *eliminated* by Gauss elimination.
- Entries marked “.” denote *fill-in* due to *pivoting* .
- Most of the operations can be done *in parallel* .

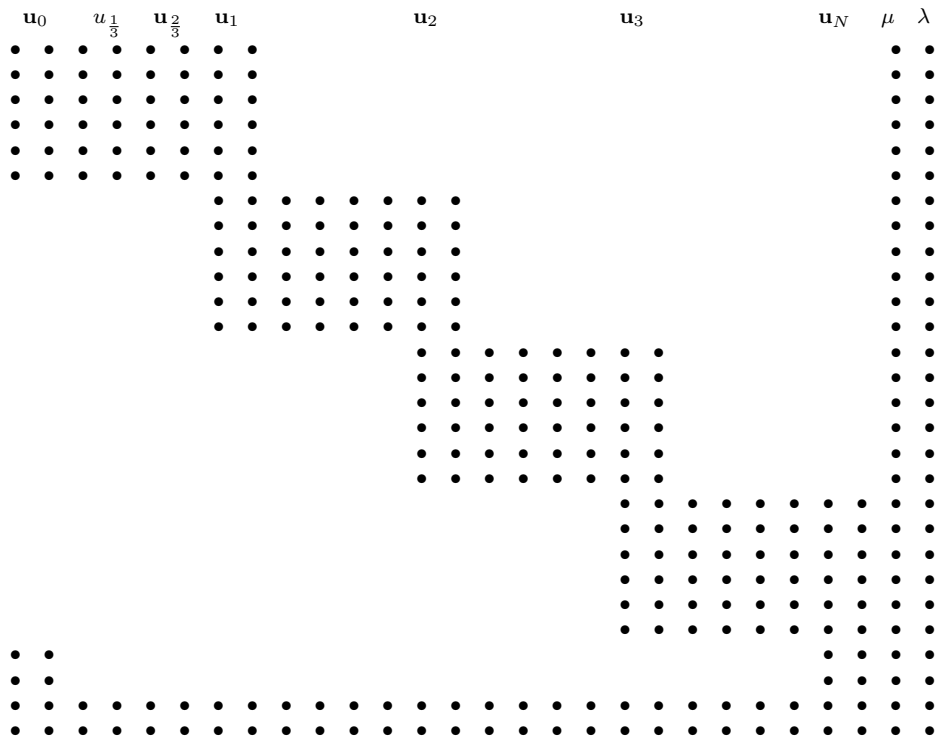


Figure 23: The structure of the Jacobian

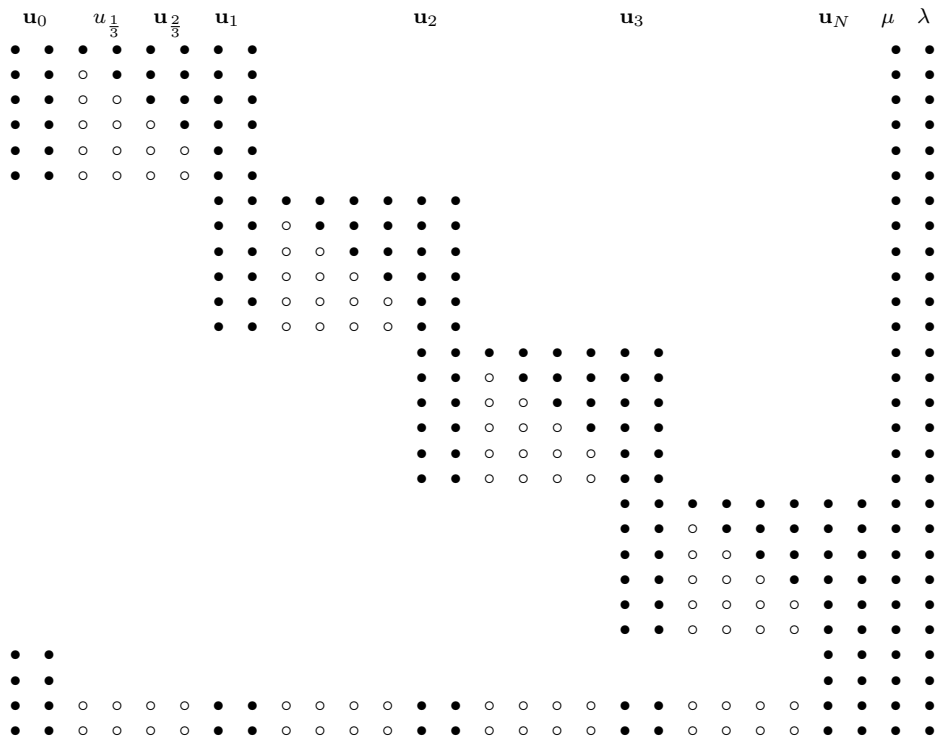


Figure 24: The system after *condensation of parameters*.

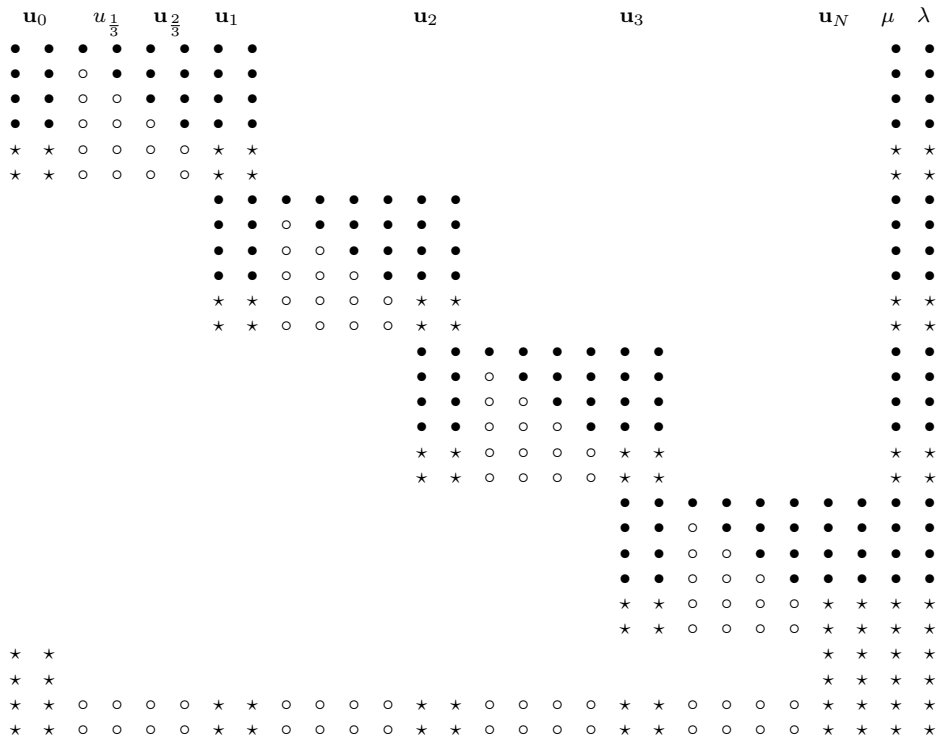


Figure 25: The preceding matrix, showing the decoupled \star sub-system.

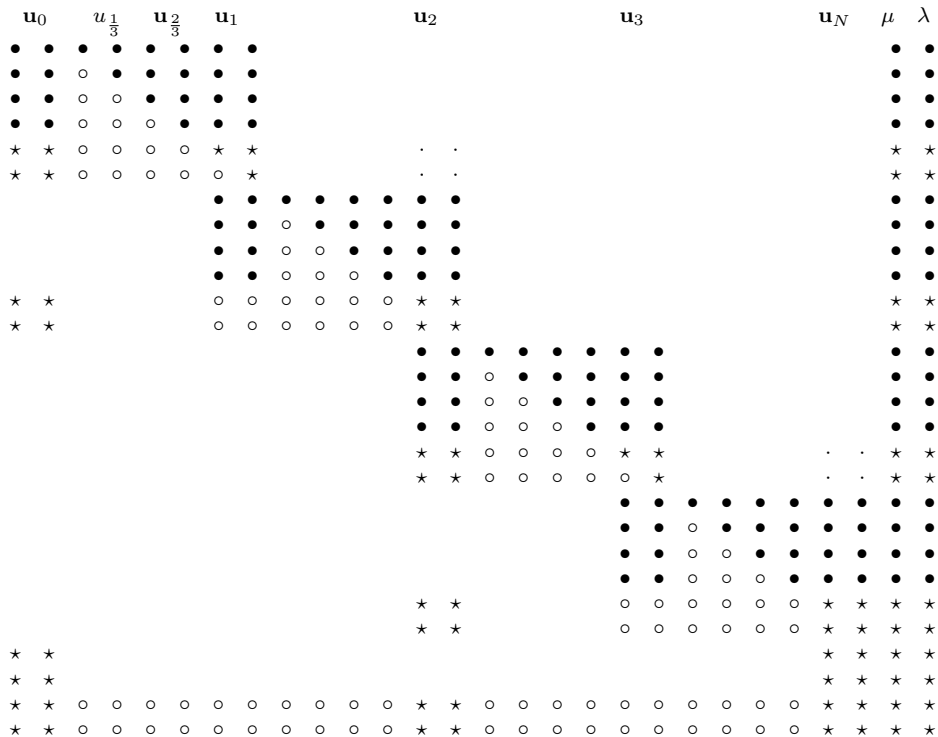


Figure 26: Stage 1 of the *nested dissection* to solve the decoupled \star system.

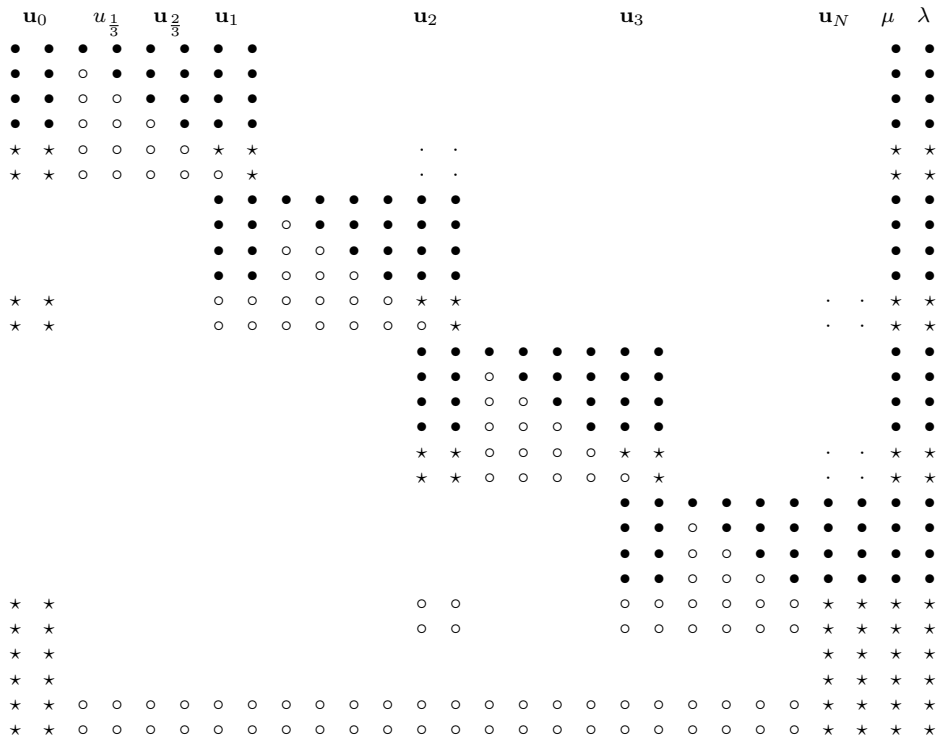


Figure 27: Stage 2 of the *nested dissection* to solve the decoupled \star system.

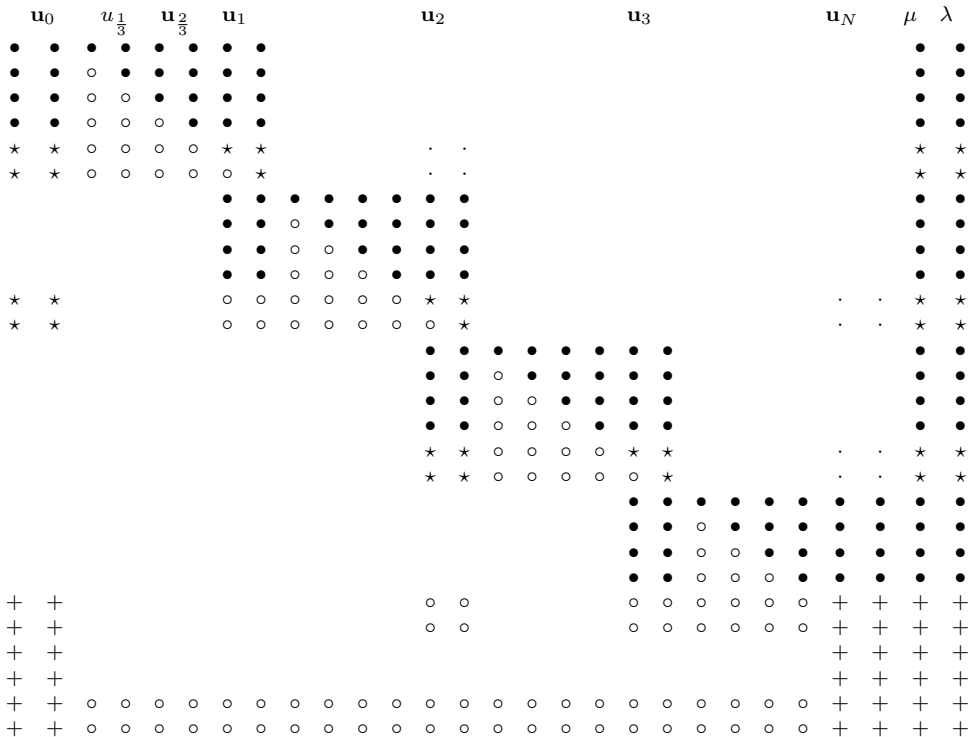


Figure 28: The preceding matrix showing the final decoupled + sub-system.

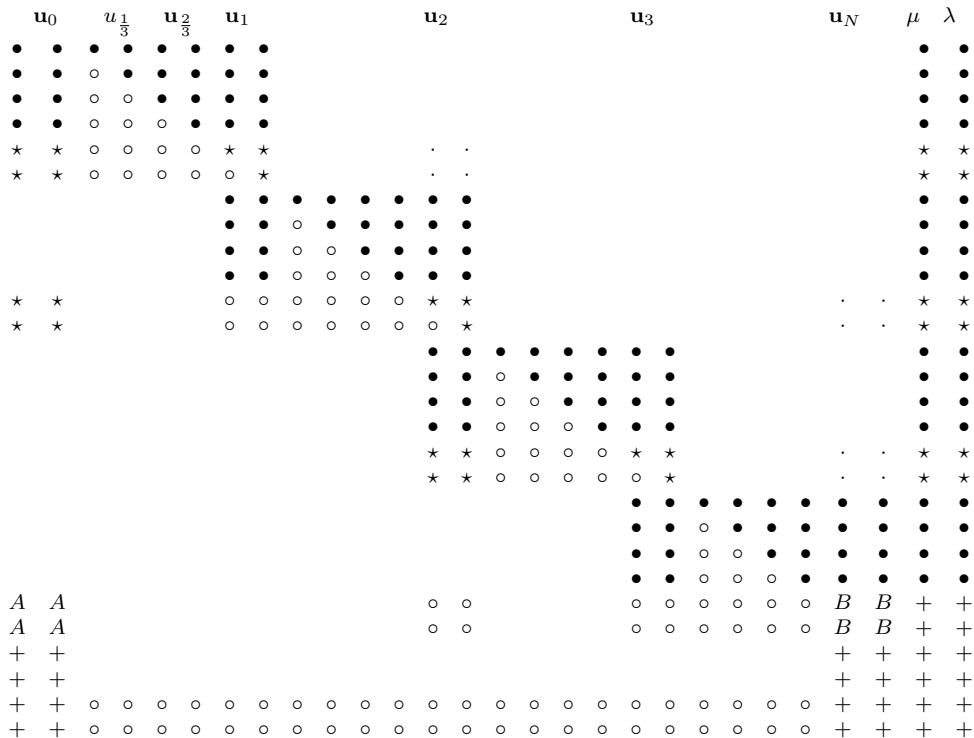


Figure 29: The Floquet Multipliers are the eigenvalues of $-B^{-1}A$.

Accuracy Test

The Table shows the *location of the fold* in the Gelfand-Bratu problem for

- 4 Gauss *collocation points* per mesh interval
- N *mesh intervals*

N	Fold location
2	3.5137897550
4	3.5138308601
8	3.5138307211
16	3.5138307191
32	3.5138307191

A Singularly-Perturbed BVP

$$\epsilon u''(x) = u(x) u'(x) (u(x)^2 - 1) + u(x) .$$

with boundary conditions

$$u(0) = \frac{3}{2} \quad , \quad u(1) = \gamma .$$

Computational formulation

$$u_1' = u_2 ,$$

$$u_2' = \frac{\lambda}{\epsilon} (u_1 u_2 (u_1^2 - 1) + u_1) ,$$

with boundary conditions

$$u_1(0) = 3/2 \quad , \quad u_1(1) = \gamma .$$

When $\lambda = 0$ an *exact solution* is

$$u_1(x) = \frac{3}{2} + \left(\gamma - \frac{3}{2}\right) x \quad , \quad u_2(x) = \gamma - \frac{3}{2} .$$

COMPUTATIONAL STEPS: (Course demo **spb**)

- λ is a *homotopy parameter* to locate a starting solution.
- In the *first run* λ varies from 0 to 1 .
- In the *second run* ϵ is decreased by continuation.
- In the *third run* $\epsilon = 10^{-3}$, and the solution is continued in γ .
- This third run takes many continuation steps if ϵ is very small.

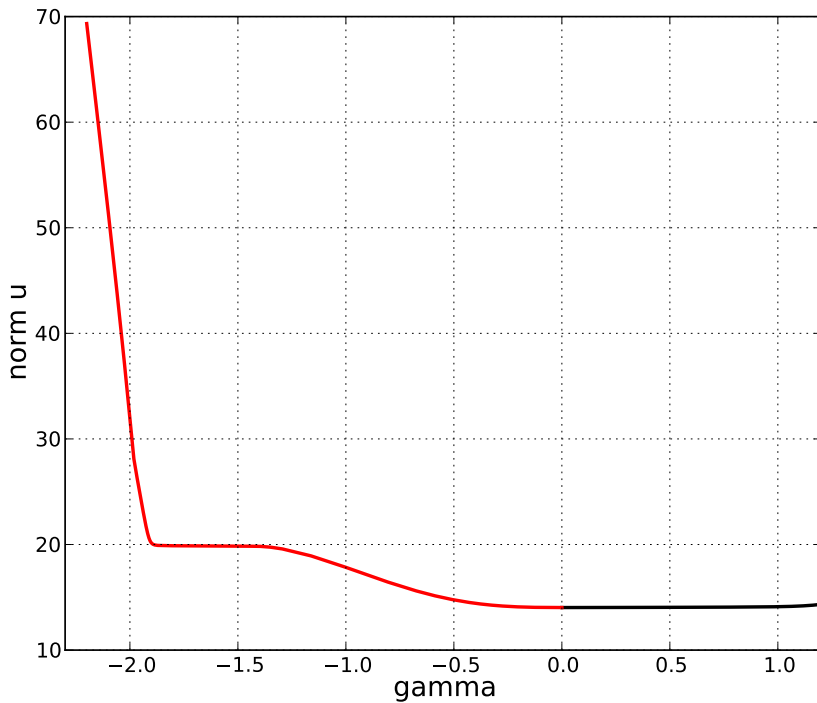


Figure 30: Bifurcation diagram of the singularly-perturbed BVP.

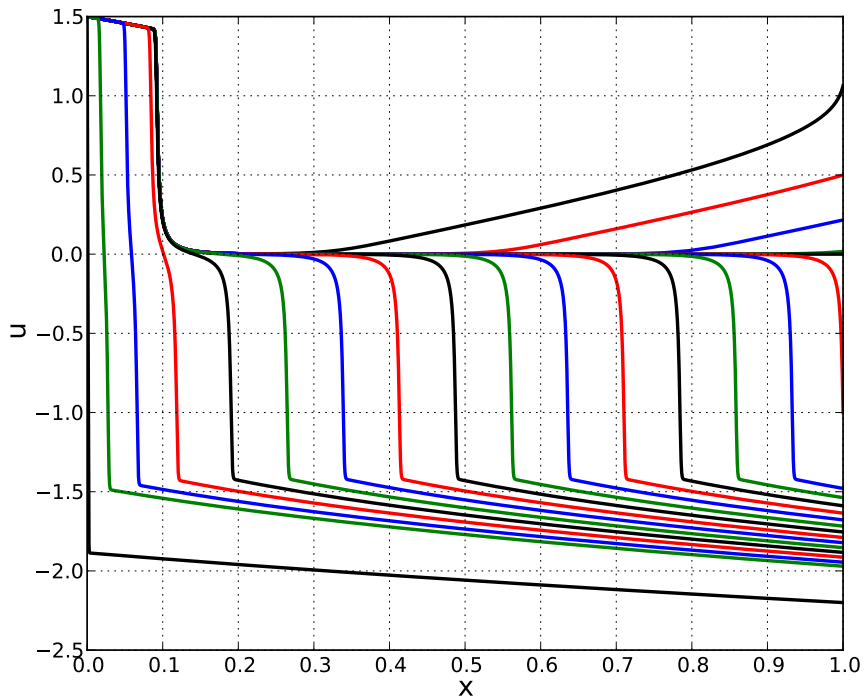


Figure 31: Some solutions along the solution family.

Hopf Bifurcation and Periodic Solutions

We first introduce the concept of Hopf bifurcation for a “linear” problem.

Then we state the Hopf Bifurcation Theorem (without proof).

We give examples of periodic solutions emanating from Hopf bifurcation points.

A Linear Example

The linear problem :

$$\begin{cases} u_1' = \lambda u_1 - u_2 , \\ u_2' = u_1 , \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

which can also be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1' \\ u_2' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} ,$$

is of the form

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) = A(\lambda) \mathbf{u}(t) \equiv \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) ,$$

with stationary solutions,

$$u_1 = u_2 = 0 , \quad \text{for all } \lambda .$$

The eigenvalues μ of the Jacobian matrix

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) = A(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{0}, \lambda),$$

satisfy

$$\det(A(\lambda) - \mu I) = \mu^2 - \lambda \mu + 1 = 0,$$

from which

$$\mu_{1,2} = \frac{\lambda \pm \sqrt{\lambda^2 - 4}}{2}.$$

Consider the initial value problem

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) = A(\lambda) \mathbf{u}(t) \equiv \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda),$$

with

$$\mathbf{u}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} u_1(0) \\ u_2(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \end{pmatrix} \equiv \mathbf{p}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u}(t) &= e^{tA(\lambda)} \mathbf{p} = V(\lambda) e^{t\Lambda(\lambda)} V^{-1}(\lambda) \mathbf{p} \\ &= V(\lambda) \begin{pmatrix} e^{t\mu_1(\lambda)} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{t\mu_2(\lambda)} \end{pmatrix} V^{-1}(\lambda) \mathbf{p},\end{aligned}\tag{6}$$

where

$$A(\lambda) V(\lambda) = V(\lambda) \Lambda(\lambda), \quad A(\lambda) = V(\lambda) \Lambda(\lambda) V^{-1}(\lambda),$$

and

$$\Lambda(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1(\lambda) & 0 \\ 0 & \mu_2(\lambda) \end{pmatrix}, \quad V(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} v_{11}(\lambda) & v_{12}(\lambda) \\ v_{21}(\lambda) & v_{22}(\lambda) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Assume that

$$-2 < \lambda < 2 ,$$

and recall that

$$\mathbf{u}(t) = V(\lambda) \begin{pmatrix} e^{t\mu_1(\lambda)} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{t\mu_2(\lambda)} \end{pmatrix} V^{-1}(\lambda) \mathbf{p} ,$$

and

$$\mu_{1,2} = \frac{\lambda \pm \sqrt{\lambda^2 - 4}}{2} .$$

Thus we see that

$$\mathbf{u}(t) \rightarrow \mathbf{0} \quad \text{if } \lambda < 0 ,$$

and

$$\mathbf{u}(t) \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{if } \lambda > 0 ,$$

i.e., the zero solution is stable if λ is negative, and unstable if λ is positive.

However, if $\lambda = 0$, then

$$A_0 \equiv A(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

and

$$\mu_1 = i, \quad \mu_2 = -i,$$
$$V_0 \equiv V(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i \\ -i & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$V_0^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}(t) &= V_0 e^{t\Lambda} V_0^{-1} \mathbf{p} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i \\ -i & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{it} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-it} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} e^{it} + e^{-it} & i(e^{it} - e^{-it}) \\ -i(e^{it} - e^{-it}) & e^{it} + e^{-it} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, if $\lambda = 0$, then

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1(t) \\ u_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(t) & -\sin(t) \\ \sin(t) & \cos(t) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \cos(t) - p_2 \sin(t) \\ p_1 \sin(t) + p_2 \cos(t) \end{pmatrix},$$

and we see that

- This solution is periodic, with period 2π , for any p_1, p_2 .
- $u_1(t)^2 + u_2(t)^2 = p_1^2 + p_2^2$, (The orbits are circles.),
- We can fix the phase by setting, for example, $p_2 = 0$.
- (Then $u_2(0) = 0$.)
- This leaves a one-parameter family of periodic solutions.
(See Figures 32 and 33.).
- For nonlinear problems the family is generally not “vertical”.

EXERCISE. (Course demo `vhb-lin`)

Use `AUTO` to compute the zero stationary solution family, a Hopf bifurcation, and the emanating family of periodic solutions, of the “linear” Hopf bifurcation problem, *i.e.*, of

$$\begin{cases} u_1' = \lambda u_1 - u_2 , \\ u_2' = u_1 . \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

NOTE:

- The family of periodic solutions is “vertical”, *i.e.*, $\lambda = 0$ along it.
- This is not “typical” (not “*generic*”) for Hopf bifurcation.
- For the numerically computed family, $\lambda = 0$ up to numerical accuracy.
- The period is constant, namely, 2π , along the family.
- This is also not generic for periodic solutions from a Hopf bifurcation.
- The numerical computation of periodic solutions will be considered later.

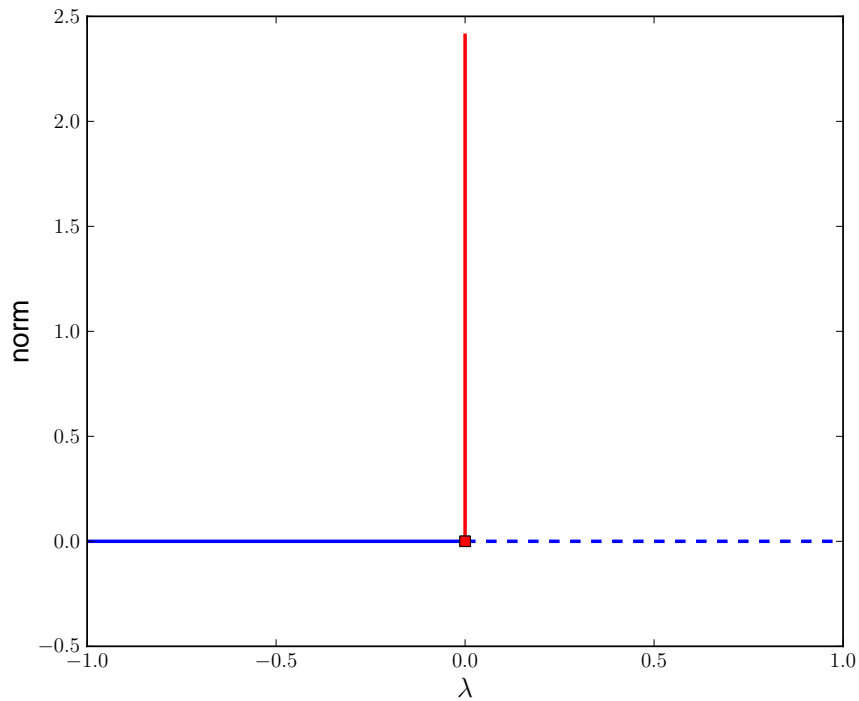


Figure 32: Bifurcation diagram of the “linear” Hopf bifurcation problem.

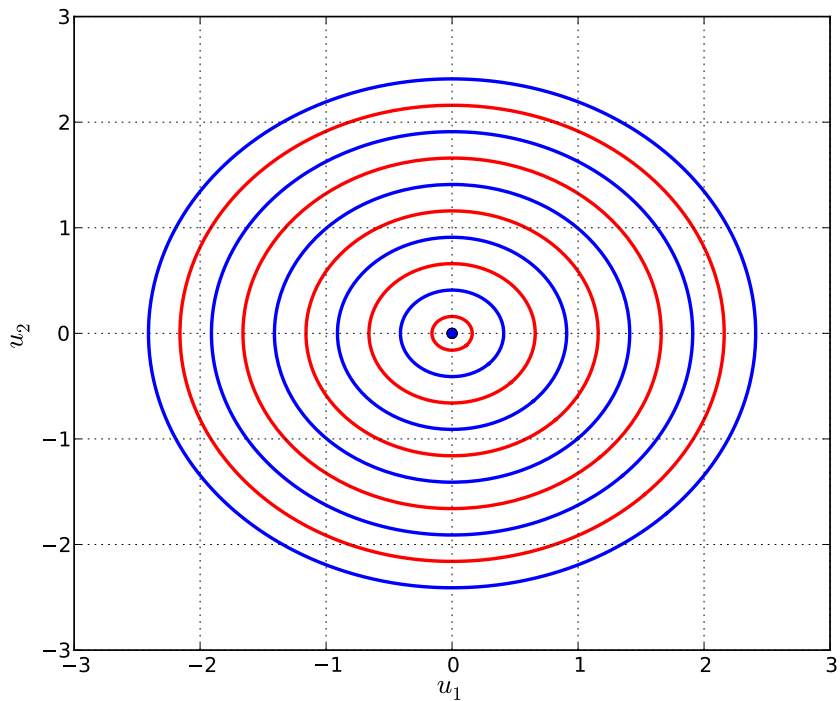


Figure 33: A phase plot of some periodic solutions.

The Hopf Bifurcation Theorem

THEOREM. Suppose that along a stationary solution family $(\mathbf{u}(\lambda), \lambda)$, of

$$\mathbf{u}' = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda),$$

a complex conjugate pair of eigenvalues

$$\alpha(\lambda) \pm i \beta(\lambda),$$

of $f_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}(\lambda), \lambda)$ crosses the imaginary axis transversally, *i.e.*, for some λ_0 ,

$$\alpha(\lambda_0) = 0, \quad \beta(\lambda_0) \neq 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{\alpha}(\lambda_0) \neq 0.$$

Also assume that there are *no other eigenvalues on the imaginary axis*.

Then there is a *Hopf bifurcation*, *i.e.*, a family of periodic solutions bifurcates from the stationary solution at $(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0)$. \circ

NOTE: The assumptions also imply that $\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0$ is nonsingular, so that the stationary solution family can indeed be parametrized locally using λ .

EXERCISE. (Course Demo vhb-hom)

Use AUTO to compute the zero stationary solution family, a Hopf bifurcation, and the emanating family of periodic solutions for the equation

$$\begin{cases} u_1' = \lambda u_1 - u_2 , \\ u_2' = u_1 (1 - u_1) . \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

NOTE:

- $\mathbf{u}(t) \equiv \mathbf{0}$ is a stationary solution for all λ .
- $\mathbf{u}(t) \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix}$ is another stationary solution .

NOTE:

The Jacobian along the solution family $\mathbf{u}(t) \equiv \mathbf{0}$ is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

with eigenvalues

$$\frac{\lambda \pm \sqrt{\lambda^2 - 4}}{2}.$$

- The eigenvalues are complex for $\lambda \in (-2, 2)$.
- The eigenvalues cross the imaginary axis when λ passes through zero.
- Thus there is a Hopf bifurcation along $\mathbf{u} \equiv \mathbf{0}$ at $\lambda = 0$.
- A family of periodic solutions bifurcates from $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ at $\lambda = 0$.

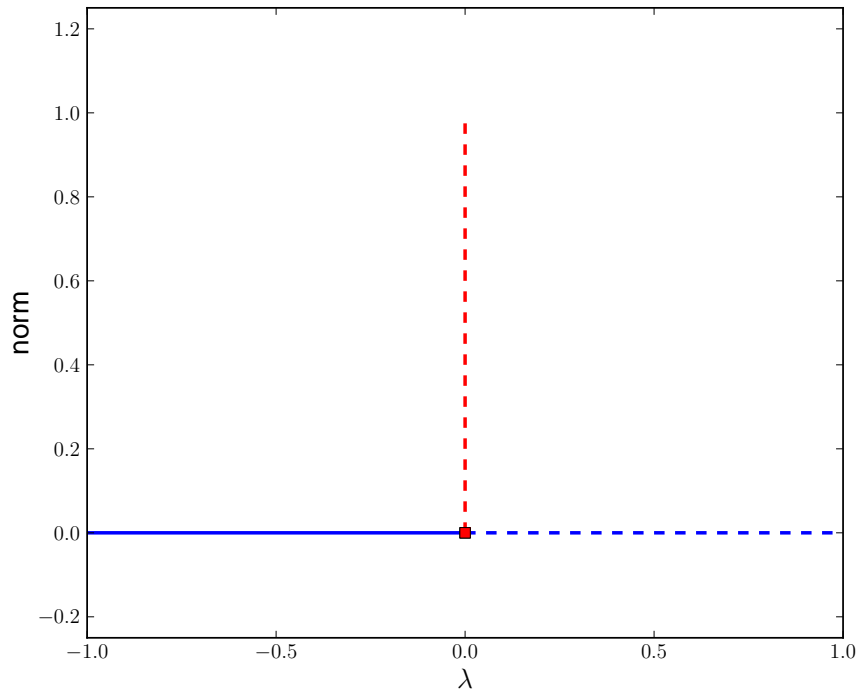


Figure 34: Bifurcation diagram for Equation (8).

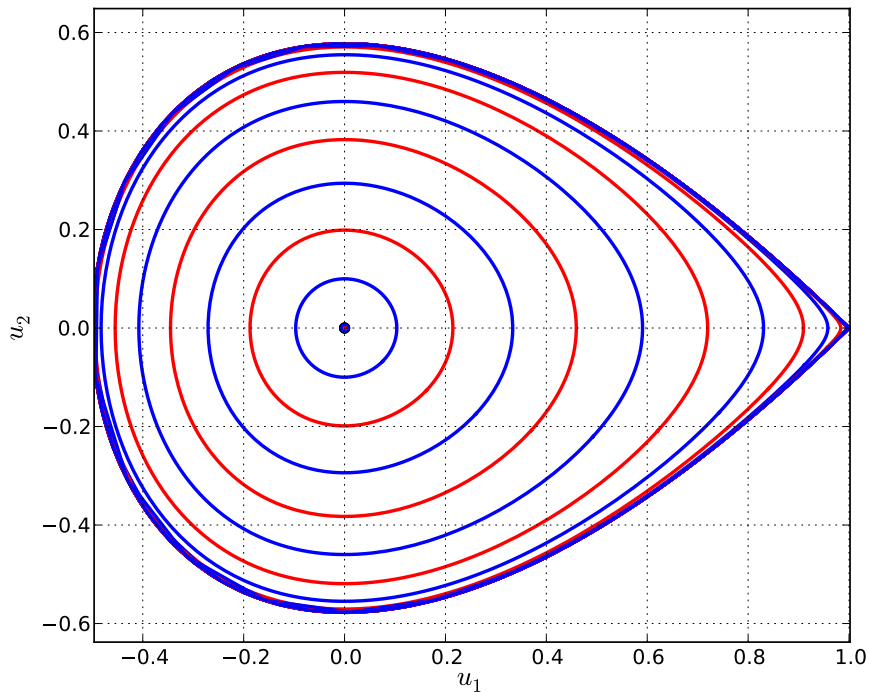


Figure 35: A phase plot of some periodic solutions to Equation (8).

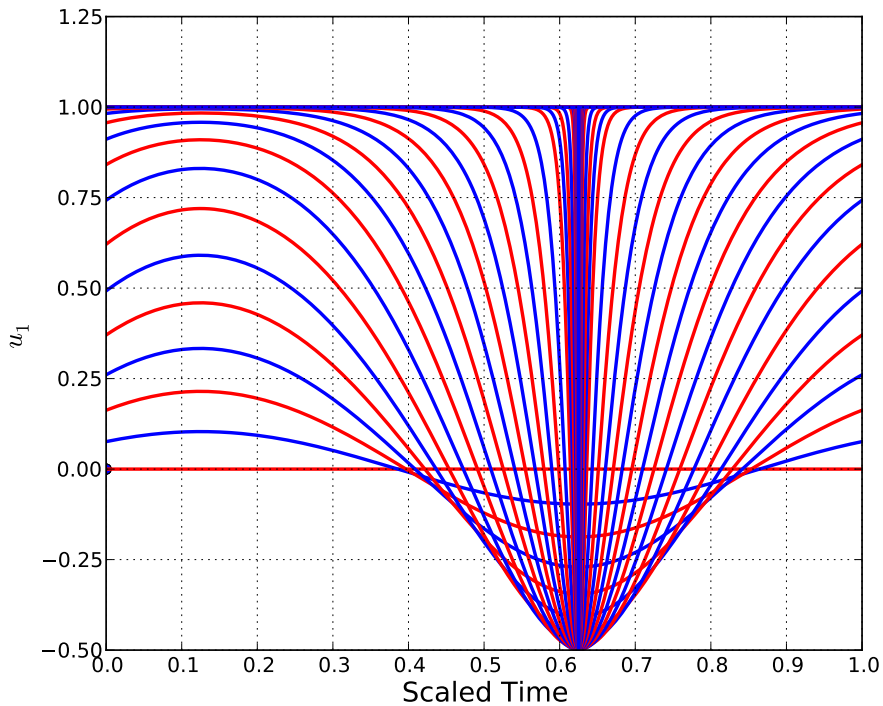


Figure 36: u_1 as a function of the scaled time variable t for Equation (8).

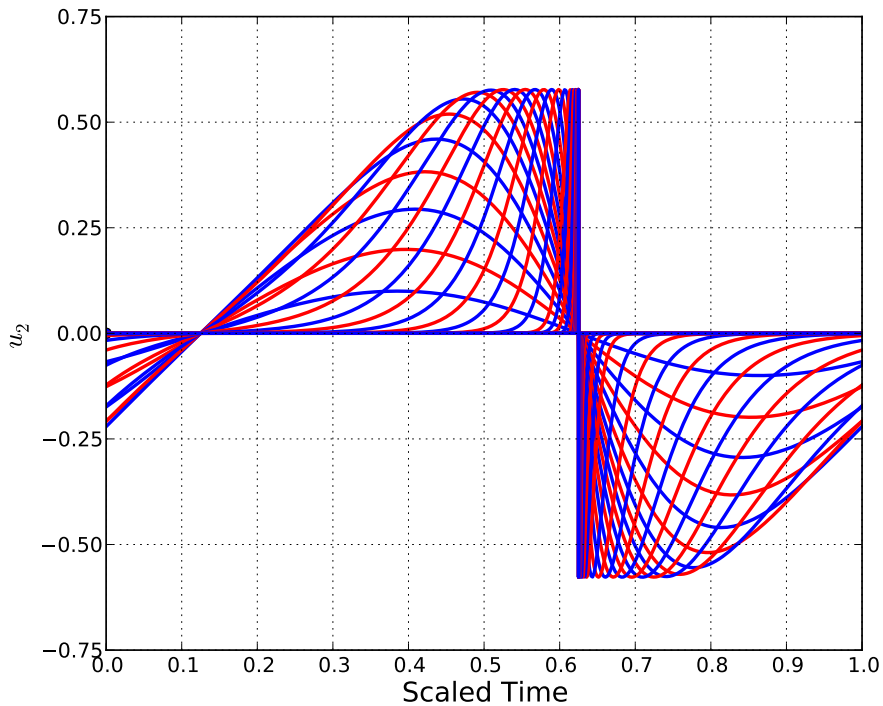


Figure 37: u_2 as a function of the scaled time variable t for Equation (8).

NOTE:

- The family of periodic solutions is also “vertical” (non-generic).
- The period changes along this family; in fact, the period tends to infinity.
- The terminating infinite period orbit is an example of a *homoclinic orbit*.
- This homoclinic orbit contains the stationary point $(u_1, u_2) = (1, 0)$.
- In the solution diagrams, showing u_1 and u_2 versus time t , note how the “peak” in the solution remains in the same location.
- This is a result of the numerical “phase-condition”, to be discussed later.

EXERCISE. (Demo het .)

Use **AUTO** to compute the zero stationary solution family, a Hopf bifurcation, and the emanating family of periodic solutions, of the equation

$$\begin{cases} u_1' = \lambda u_1 - u_2 , \\ u_2' = u_1 (1 - u_1^2) . \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

NOTE:

- $\mathbf{u}(t) \equiv \mathbf{0}$ is a stationary solution for all λ .
- There is a Hopf bifurcation along $\mathbf{u} \equiv \mathbf{0}$ at $\lambda = 0$.
- $\mathbf{u}(t) \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix}$ are two more stationary solutions .

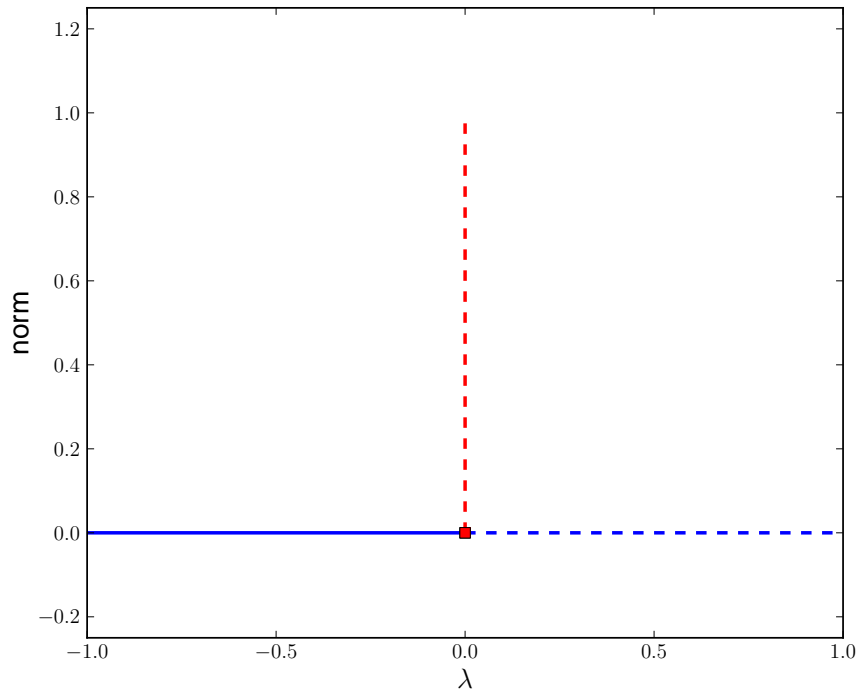


Figure 38: Bifurcation diagram for Equation (9).

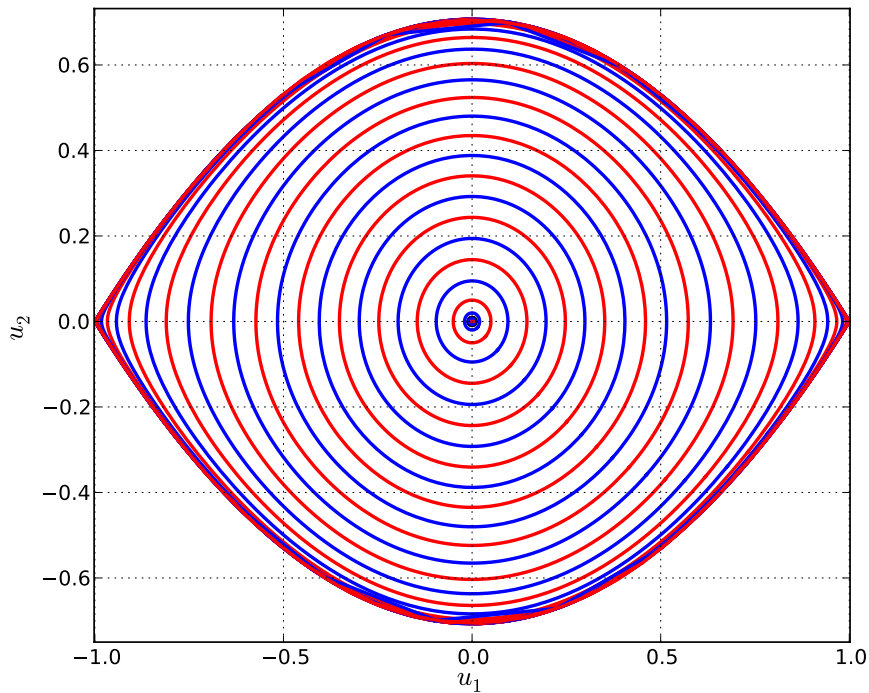


Figure 39: A phase plot of some periodic solutions to Equation (9).

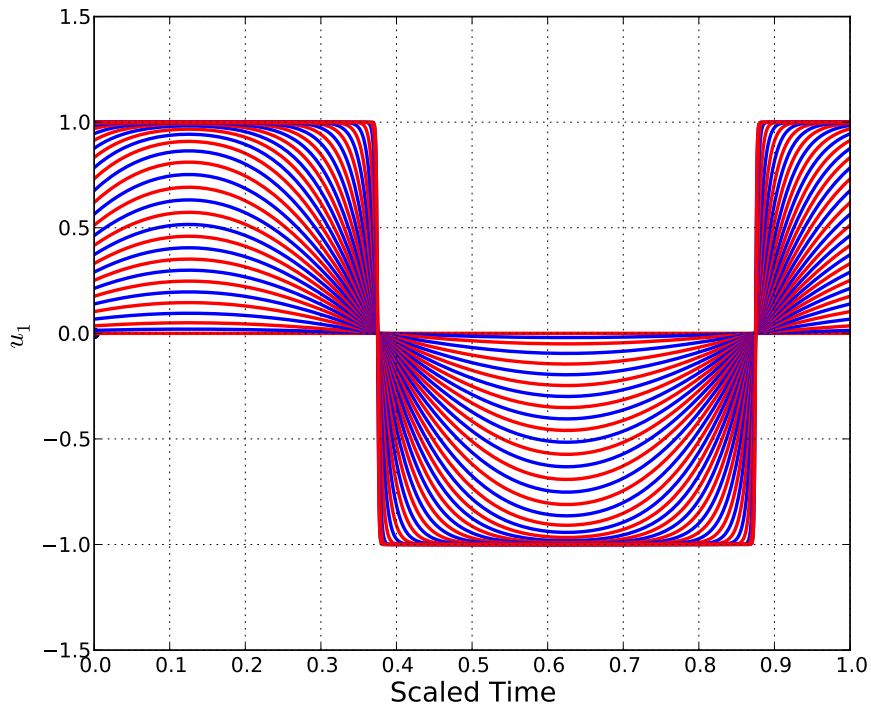


Figure 40: u_1 as a function of the scaled time variable t for Equation (9).

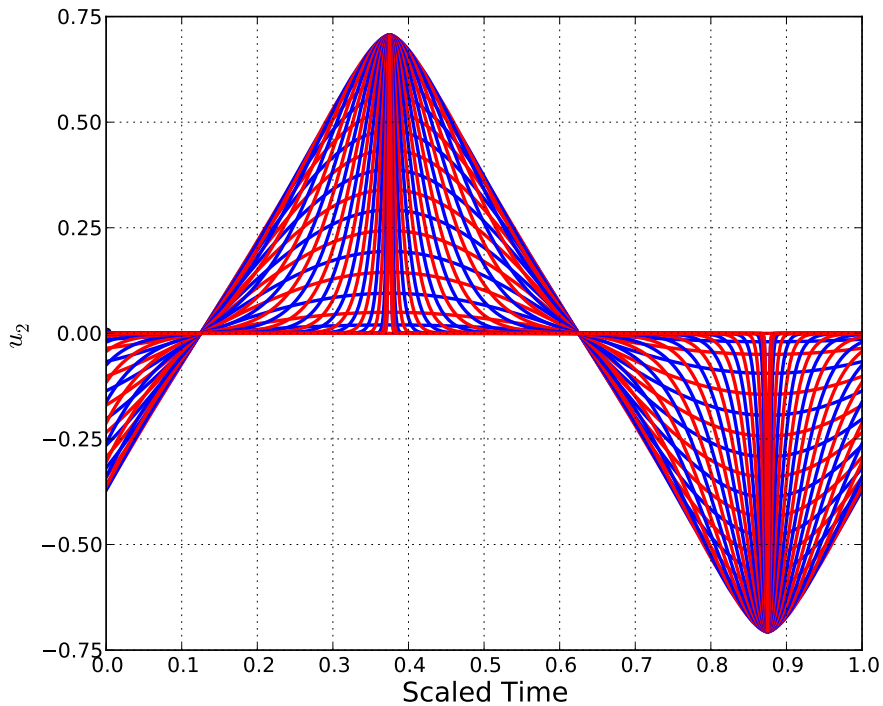


Figure 41: u_2 as a function of the scaled time variable t for Equation (9).

NOTE:

- This family of periodic solutions is also “vertical” (non-generic).
- The period along this family also tends to infinity.
- The terminating infinite period orbit is an example of a *heteroclinic cycle*.
- This heteroclinic cycle is made up of two *heteroclinic orbits*.
- The heteroclinic orbits contains the stationary points

$$(u_1, u_2) = (1, 0) \quad \text{and} \quad (u_1, u_2) = (-1, 0) .$$

EXERCISE. (Course demo pp3 .)

Compute the families of periodic solutions that bifurcate from the four Hopf bifurcation points in the following system; taking $p_4 = 4$.

$$u_1'(t) = u_1 (1 - u_1) - p_4 u_1 u_2 ,$$

$$u_2'(t) = -\frac{1}{4} u_2 + p_4 u_1 u_2 - 3 u_2 u_3 - p_1 (1 - e^{-5u_2}) ,$$

$$u_3'(t) = -\frac{1}{2} u_3 + 3 u_2 u_3 .$$

This is a simple predator-prey model where, say,

$$u_1 = \text{plankton}, \quad u_2 = \text{fish}, \quad u_3 = \text{sharks}, \quad \lambda \equiv p_1 = \text{fishing quota}.$$

The factor

$$(1 - e^{-5u_2}) ,$$

models that the quota cannot be met if the fish population is small.

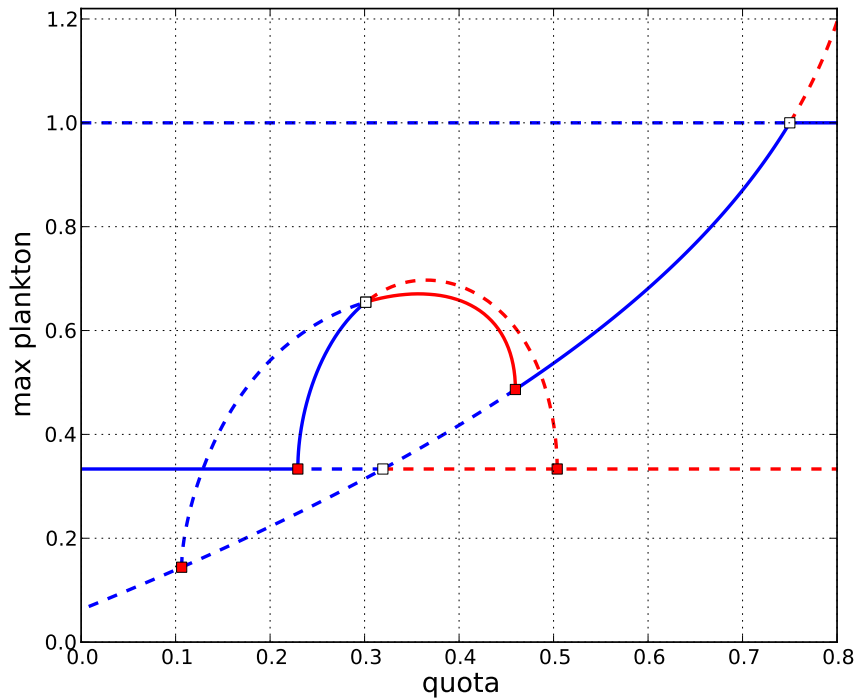


Figure 42: A bifurcation diagram for the 3-species model; with $p_4 = 4$.

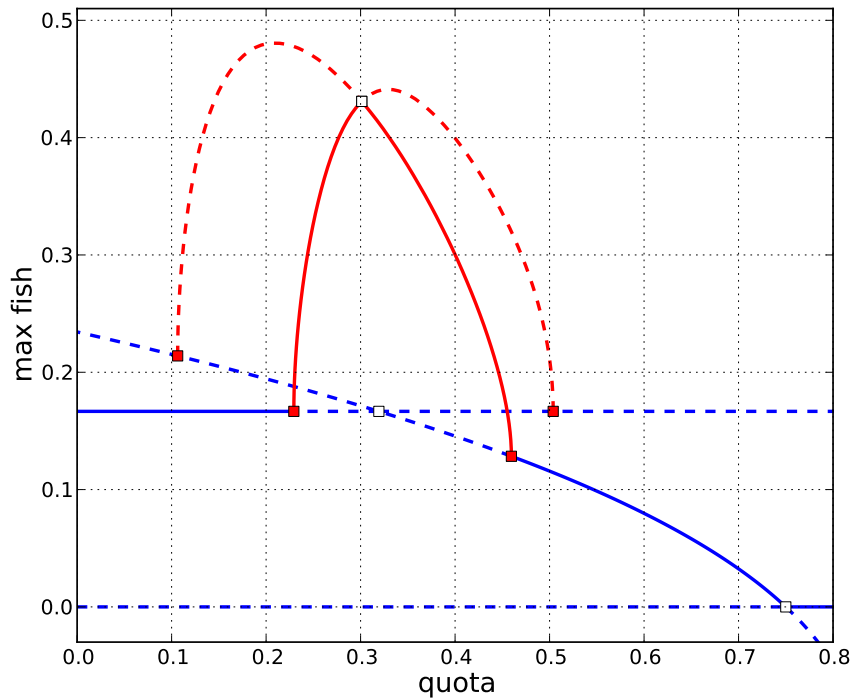


Figure 43: A bifurcation diagram for the 3-species model; with $p_4 = 4$.

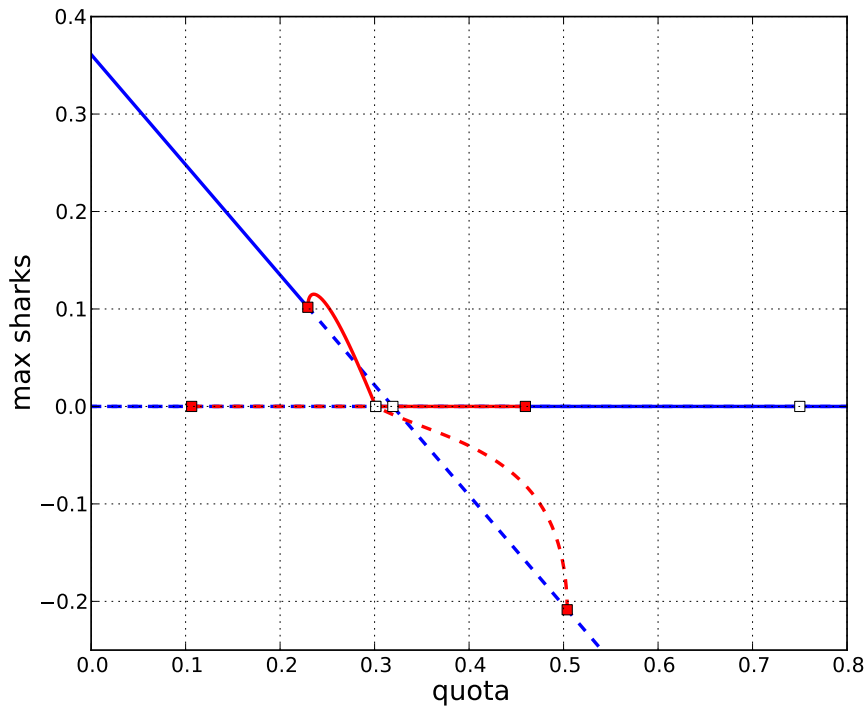


Figure 44: A bifurcation diagram for the 3-species model; with $p_4 = 4$.

NOTE:

- These periodic solution families are not “vertical”. (The generic case.)
- A 3D family connects the two Hopf points along the stationary family along which u_1 is constant.
- The planar family connects the two Hopf points along the stationary family along which u_1 is not constant.
- These two families of periodic solutions “intersect” at a branch point of periodic solutions, at $\lambda \approx 0.3012$.
- At this point there is an “interchange of stability” between the families.
- Stable periodic orbits are denoted by solid blue curves in the diagram.
- Unstable periodic orbits are denoted by dashed blue curves in the diagram.

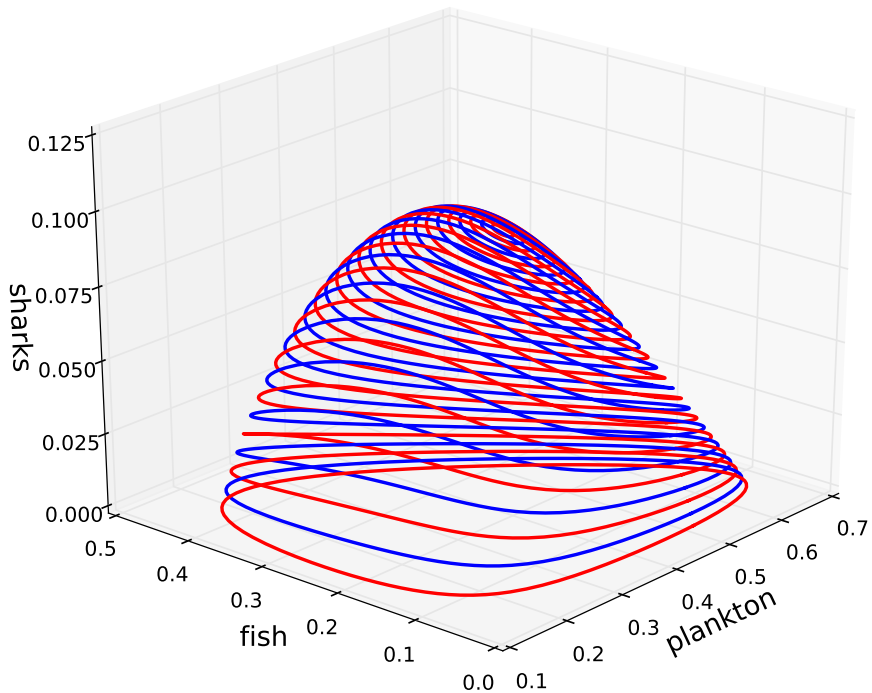


Figure 45: Stable 3D periodic orbits.

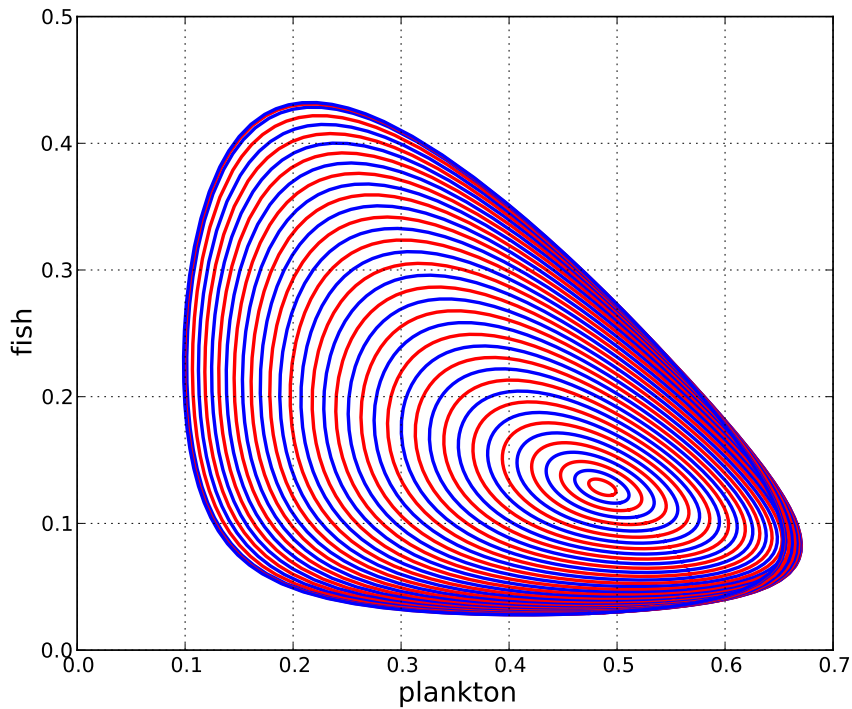


Figure 46: Stable planar periodic orbits.

Computing Periodic Solutions

Periodic solutions can be computed very effectively using a BVP approach.

This method also determines the *period* very accurately.

Moreover, the technique can compute *unstable* periodic orbits.

The BVP Approach.

Consider

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda), \quad \mathbf{u}(\cdot), \mathbf{f}(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Fix the interval of periodicity by the transformation

$$t \rightarrow \frac{t}{T}.$$

Then the equation becomes

$$\boxed{\mathbf{u}'(t) = T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda)}, \quad \mathbf{u}(\cdot), \mathbf{f}(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad T, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}.$$

and we seek solutions of period 1, *i.e.*,

$$\boxed{\mathbf{u}(0) = \mathbf{u}(1)}.$$

Note that the period T is one of the unknowns.

The above equations do not uniquely specify \mathbf{u} and T :

Assume that we have computed

$$(\mathbf{u}_{k-1}(\cdot) , T_{k-1} , \lambda_{k-1}) ,$$

and we want to compute the next solution

$$(\mathbf{u}_k(\cdot) , T_k , \lambda_k) .$$

Specifically, $\mathbf{u}_k(t)$ can be translated freely in time:

If $\mathbf{u}_k(t)$ is a periodic solution, then so is

$$\mathbf{u}_k(t + \sigma) ,$$

for any σ .

Thus, a “*phase condition*” is needed.

An example is the Poincaré orthogonality condition

$$(\mathbf{u}_k(0) - \mathbf{u}_{k-1}(0))^* \mathbf{u}'_{k-1}(0) = 0 .$$

(Below we derive a numerically more suitable phase condition.)

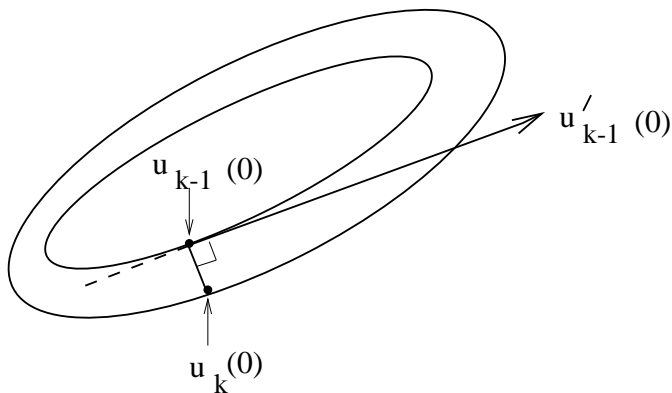


Figure 47: Graphical interpretation of the Poincaré phase condition.

Integral Phase Condition

If $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_k(t)$ is a solution then so is

$$\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_k(t + \sigma) ,$$

for any σ .

We want the solution that minimizes

$$D(\sigma) \equiv \int_0^1 \| \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_k(t + \sigma) - \mathbf{u}_{k-1}(t) \|_2^2 dt .$$

The optimal solution

$$\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_k(t + \hat{\sigma}) ,$$

must satisfy the necessary condition

$$D'(\hat{\sigma}) = 0 .$$

Differentiation gives the necessary condition

$$\int_0^1 (\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_k(t + \hat{\sigma}) - \mathbf{u}_{k-1}(t))^* \tilde{\mathbf{u}}'_k(t + \hat{\sigma}) dt = 0 .$$

Writing

$$\mathbf{u}_k(t) \equiv \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_k(t + \hat{\sigma}) ,$$

gives

$$\int_0^1 (\mathbf{u}_k(t) - \mathbf{u}_{k-1}(t))^* \mathbf{u}'_k(t) dt = 0 .$$

Integration by parts, using periodicity, gives

$$\boxed{\int_0^1 \mathbf{u}_k(t)^* \mathbf{u}'_{k-1}(t) dt = 0} .$$

This is the *integral phase condition*.

Continuation of Periodic Solutions

We use pseudo-arclength continuation to follow a family of periodic solutions.

This allows calculation past folds along a family of periodic solutions.

It also allows calculation of a “vertical family” of periodic solutions.

For periodic solutions the continuation equation is

$$\int_0^1 (\mathbf{u}_k(t) - \mathbf{u}_{k-1}(t))^* \dot{\mathbf{u}}_{k-1}(t) dt + (T_k - T_{k-1})\dot{T}_{k-1} + (\lambda_k - \lambda_{k-1})\dot{\lambda}_{k-1} = \Delta s .$$

In summary, we have the following equations for continuing periodic solutions:

$$\mathbf{u}'_k(t) = T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}_k(t), \lambda_k),$$

$$\mathbf{u}_k(0) = \mathbf{u}_k(1),$$

$$\int_0^1 \mathbf{u}_k(t)^* \mathbf{u}'_{k-1}(t) dt = 0,$$

with continuation equation

$$\int_0^1 (\mathbf{u}_k(t) - \mathbf{u}_{k-1}(t))^* \dot{\mathbf{u}}_{k-1}(t) dt + (T_k - T_{k-1})\dot{T}_{k-1} + (\lambda_k - \lambda_{k-1})\dot{\lambda}_{k-1} = \Delta s.$$

Here

$$\mathbf{u}(\cdot), \mathbf{f}(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \lambda, T \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Starting at a Hopf Bifurcation

Let

$$(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0),$$

be a Hopf bifurcation point, *i.e.*,

$$\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0),$$

has a simple conjugate pair of purely imaginary eigenvalues

$$\pm i \omega_0, \quad \omega_0 \neq 0,$$

and no other eigenvalues on the imaginary axis.

Also, the pair crosses the imaginary axis transversally with respect to λ .

By the Hopf Bifurcation Theorem, a family of periodic solutions bifurcates.

Asymptotic estimates for periodic solutions near the Hopf bifurcation :

$$\mathbf{u}(t; \epsilon) = \mathbf{u}_0 + \epsilon \phi(t) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2),$$

$$T(\epsilon) = T_0 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2),$$

$$\lambda(\epsilon) = \lambda_0 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2).$$

Here ϵ locally parametrizes the family of periodic solutions.

$T(\epsilon)$ denotes the period, and

$$T_0 = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_0}.$$

The function $\phi(t)$ is the normalized nonzero periodic solution of the linearized, constant coefficient problem

$$\phi'(t) = \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0) \phi(t).$$

To compute a first periodic solution

$$(\mathbf{u}_1(\cdot), T_1, \lambda_1),$$

near a Hopf bifurcation $(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0)$, we still have

$$\boxed{\mathbf{u}'_1(t) = T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}_1(t), \lambda_1)}, \quad (10)$$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{u}_1(0) = \mathbf{u}_1(1)}. \quad (11)$$

Initial estimates for Newton's method are

$$\mathbf{u}_1^{(0)}(t) = \mathbf{u}_0 + \Delta s \phi(t), \quad T_1^{(0)} = T_0, \quad \lambda_1^{(0)} = \lambda_0.$$

Above, $\phi(t)$ is a nonzero solution of the time-scaled, linearized equations

$$\phi'(t) = T_0 \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0) \phi(t), \quad \phi(0) = \phi(1),$$

namely,

$$\phi(t) = \sin(2\pi t) \mathbf{w}_s + \cos(2\pi t) \mathbf{w}_c,$$

where

$$(\mathbf{w}_s, \mathbf{w}_c),$$

is a null vector in

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\omega_0 I & \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0) \\ \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0) & \omega_0 I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{w}_s \\ \mathbf{w}_c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T_0}.$$

The nullspace is generically two-dimensional since

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\mathbf{w}_c \\ \mathbf{w}_s \end{pmatrix},$$

is also a null vector.

For the phase equation we “align” \mathbf{u}_1 with $\phi(t)$, *i.e.*,

$$\boxed{\int_0^1 \mathbf{u}_1(t)^* \phi'(t) dt = 0} .$$

Since

$$\dot{\lambda}_0 = \dot{T}_0 = 0 ,$$

the continuation equation for the first step reduces to

$$\boxed{\int_0^1 (\mathbf{u}_1(t) - \mathbf{u}_0(t))^* \phi(t) dt = \Delta s} .$$

Accuracy Test

EXERCISE.

A simple accuracy test is to treat the linear equation

$$u_1'(t) = \lambda u_1 - u_2 ,$$

$$u_2'(t) = u_1 ,$$

(course demo `vhb-lin`) as a bifurcation problem.

- It has a Hopf bifurcation point at $\lambda = 0$ from the zero solution family.
- The bifurcating family of periodic solutions is vertical.
- Along the family, the period remains constant, namely, $T = 2\pi$.

For the above problem:

- Compute the family of periodic solutions, for different choices of the number of *mesh points* and the number of *collocation points*.
- Determine *the accuracy of the period* of the computed solutions.

Typical results are shown in the Table below:

ntst	ncol = 2		ncol = 3		ncol = 4	
4	0.47e-1	(5.5)	0.85e-3	(7.9)	0.85e-5	(8.9)
8	0.32e-2	(4.0)	0.14e-4	(6.0)	0.35e-7	(8.0)
16	0.20e-3	(4.0)	0.22e-6	(6.0)	0.14e-9	(8.0)
32	0.13e-4		0.35e-8		0.54e-11	

Table 1: Accuracy of T for the linear problem

EXAMPLE: (Course demo **fhn**)

The FitzHugh-Nagumo model

$$u_1' = u_1 - \frac{u_1^3}{3} - u_2 + I ,$$

$$u_2' = a(u_1 + b - cu_2) .$$

is a model of spike generation in squid giant axons, where

u_1 is the *membrane potential* ,

u_2 is a *recovery variable* ,

I is the *stimulus current* .

Take I as bifurcation parameter, and

$$a = 0.08 \quad , \quad b = 0.7 \quad , \quad c = 0.8 .$$

If $I = 0$ then $(u_1, u_2) = (-1.19941, -0.62426)$ is a stationary solution.

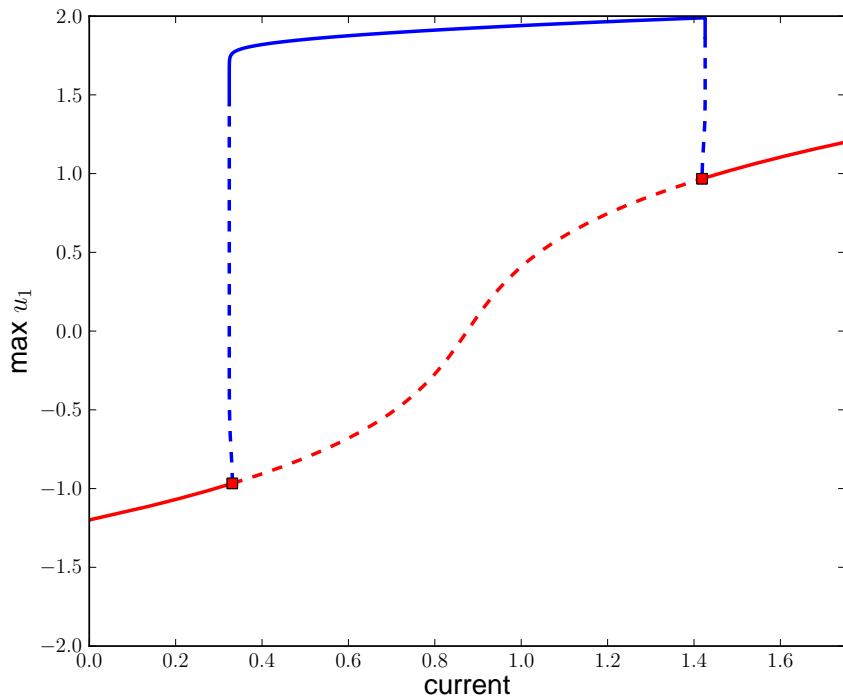


Figure 48: Bifurcation diagram of the Fitzhugh-Nagumo equations.

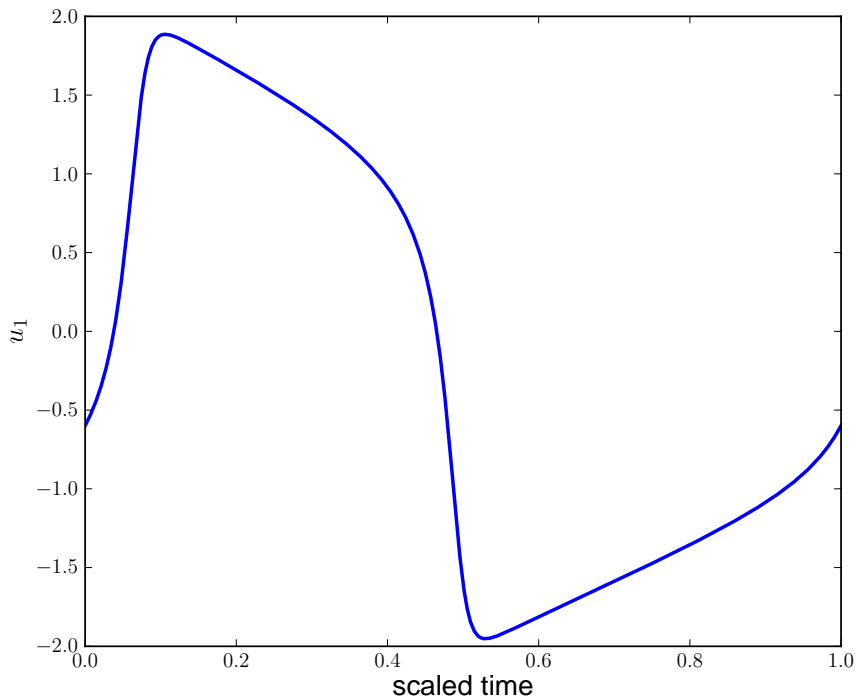


Figure 49: A stable periodic solutions .

Periodically Forced Systems

Here we illustrate computing periodic solutions to a periodically forced system.

In AUTO this can be done by adding a nonlinear oscillator with the desired periodic forcing as one of its solution components.

An example of such an oscillator is

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= x + \beta y - x(x^2 + y^2), \\y' &= -\beta x + y - y(x^2 + y^2),\end{aligned}$$

which has the asymptotically stable solution

$$x = \sin(\beta t), \quad y = \cos(\beta t).$$

EXAMPLE. (Course demo **ffn.**)

Couple the oscillator

$$x' = x + \beta y - x(x^2 + y^2),$$

$$y' = -\beta x + y - y(x^2 + y^2),$$

to the Fitzhugh-Nagumo equations :

$$v' = c \left(v - \frac{v^3}{3} + w - r y \right),$$

$$w' = -(v - a + b * w) / c,$$

where

$$a = 1.0, \quad b = 0.8, \quad c = 3, \quad \text{and} \quad \beta = 10.$$

Note that if

$$a = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad r = 0,$$

then a solution is

$$x = \sin(\beta t), \quad y = \cos(\beta t), \quad v(t) \equiv 0, \quad w(t) \equiv 0.$$

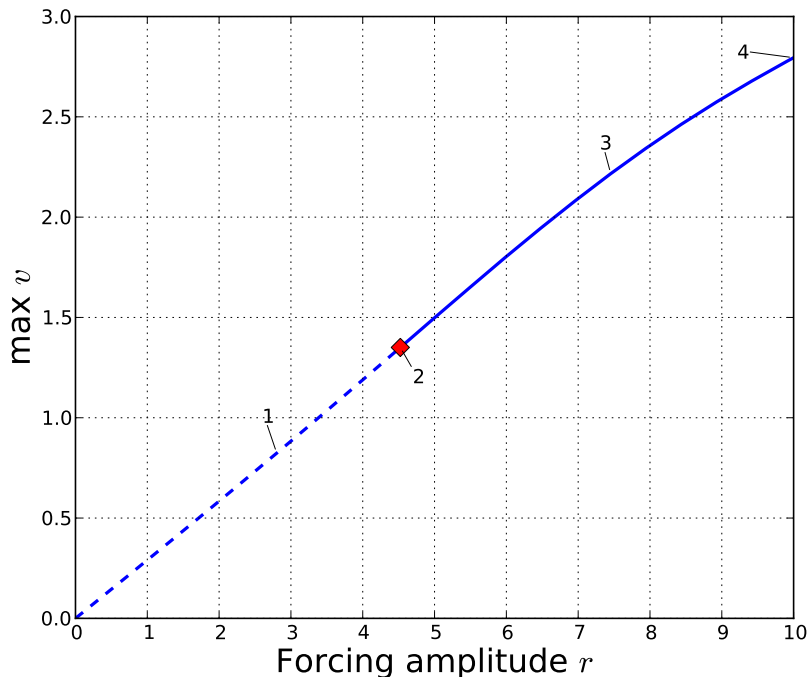


Figure 50: Continuation in r . Solution 2 is a torus bifurcation.

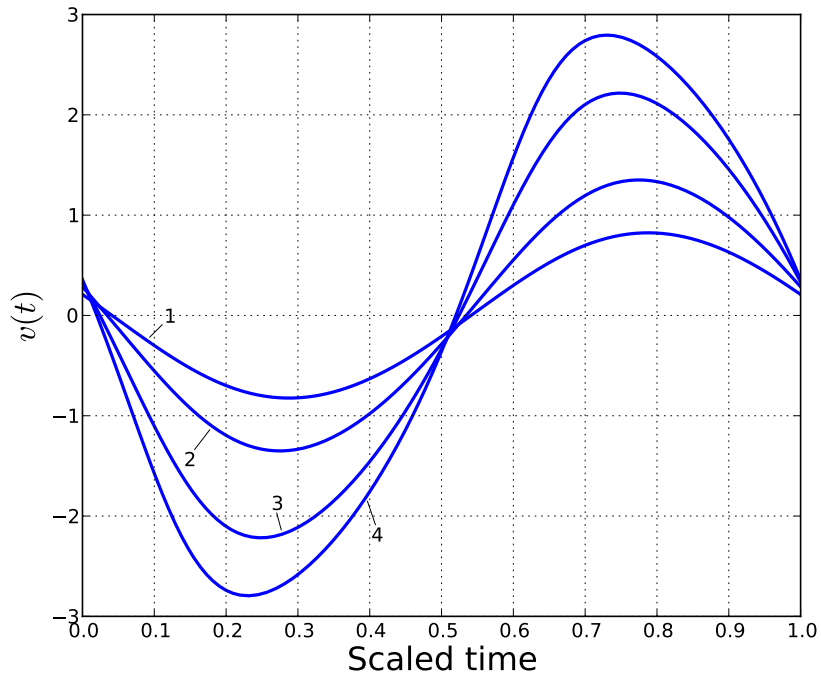


Figure 51: Some solutions along the path from $r = 0$ to $r = 10$.

NOTE:

- The starting solution at $r = 0$, with $v = w = 0$, is unstable.
- The oscillation becomes stable when r passes the value $r_T \approx 4.52$.
- At $r = r_T$ there is a *torus bifurcation*.

General Non-Autonomous Systems

If the forcing is not periodic, or difficult to model by an autonomous oscillator, then the equations can be rewritten in autonomous form as follows:

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) = \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{u}(t)), \quad \mathbf{u}(\cdot), \mathbf{f}(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad t \in [0, 1],$$

$$\mathbf{b}(\mathbf{u}(0), \mathbf{u}(1)) = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{b}(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

can be transformed into

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) = \mathbf{f}(v(t), \mathbf{u}(t)),$$

$$v'(t) = 1, \quad v(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$\mathbf{b}(\mathbf{u}(0), \mathbf{u}(1)) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$v(0) = 0,$$

which is autonomous, with $n + 1$ ODEs and $n + 1$ boundary conditions.

Periodic Solutions of Conservative Systems

EXAMPLE:

$$u_1' = -u_2 ,$$

$$u_2' = u_1 (1 - u_1) .$$

PROBLEM:

- This equation has a family of periodic solutions, but no parameter !
- This system has a constant of motion, namely the Hamiltonian

$$H(u_1, u_2) = -\frac{1}{2} u_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} u_2^2 + \frac{1}{3} u_1^3 .$$

REMEDY:

Introduce an “unfolding term” with “unfolding parameter” λ :

$$u_1' = \lambda u_1 - u_2 ,$$

$$u_2' = u_1 (1 - u_1) .$$

Then there is a “vertical” Hopf bifurcation from the trivial solution at $\lambda = 0$.

(This is course demo **vhb-hom.**)

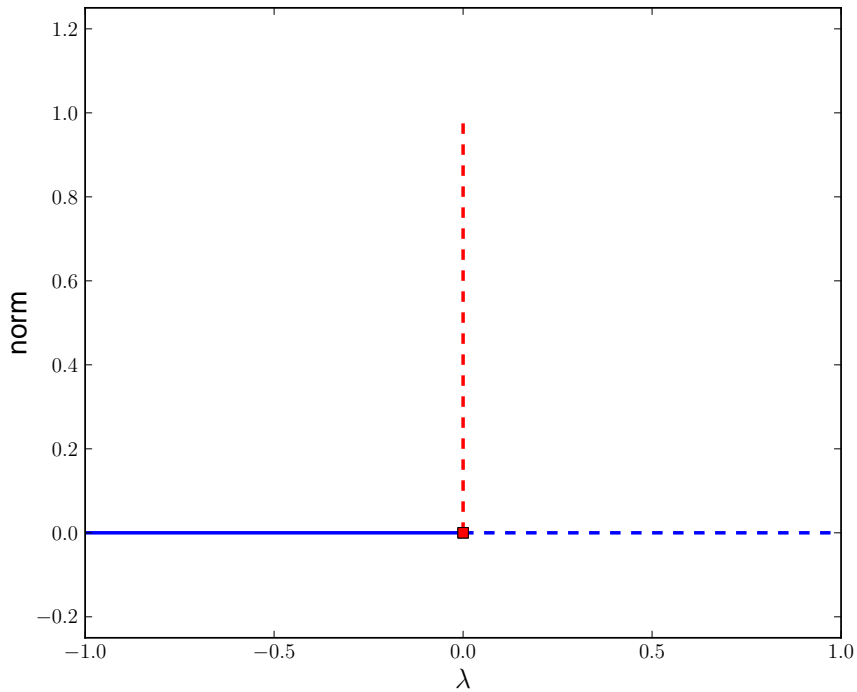


Figure 52: Bifurcation diagram of the “linear” Hopf bifurcation problem.

NOTE:

- The family of periodic solutions is “vertical”.
- The parameter λ is solved for in each continuation step.
- Upon solving, λ is found to be zero, up to numerical precision.
- One can use “standard” BVP continuation and bifurcation software.

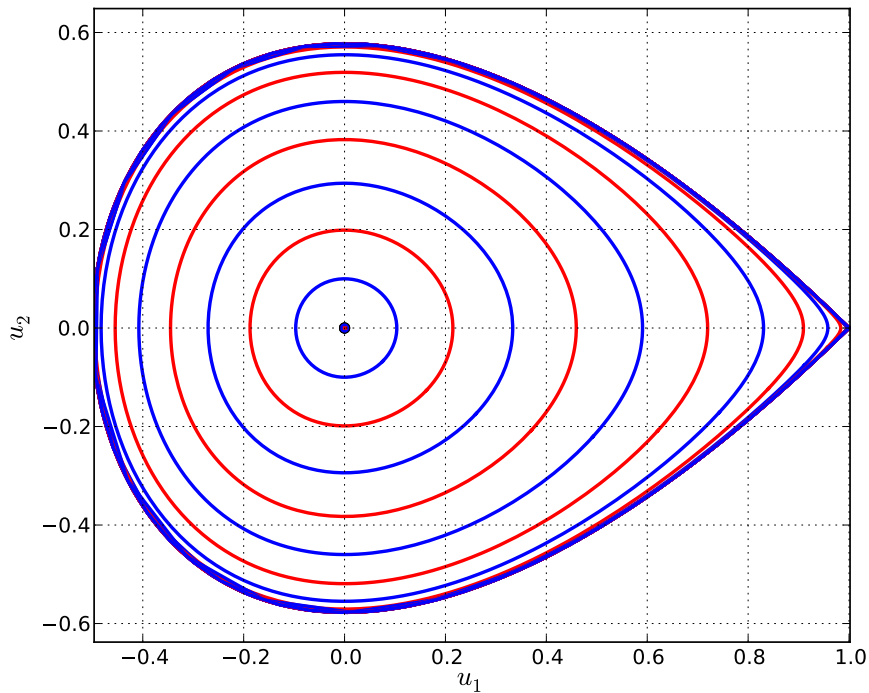


Figure 53: A phase plot of some periodic solutions.

EXAMPLE : The Circular Restricted 3-Body Problem (CR3BP).

$$\begin{aligned}x'' &= 2y' + x - \frac{(1-\mu)(x+\mu)}{r_1^3} - \frac{\mu(x-1+\mu)}{r_2^3}, \\y'' &= -2x' + y - \frac{(1-\mu)y}{r_1^3} - \frac{\mu y}{r_2^3}, \\z'' &= -\frac{(1-\mu)z}{r_1^3} - \frac{\mu z}{r_2^3},\end{aligned}$$

where

$$r_1 = \sqrt{(x+\mu)^2 + y^2 + z^2}, \quad r_2 = \sqrt{(x-1+\mu)^2 + y^2 + z^2}.$$

and

$$(x, y, z),$$

denotes the position of the zero-mass body.

For the Earth-Moon system $\mu \approx 0.01215$.

The CR3BP has one integral of motion, namely, the “*Jacobi-constant*”:

$$J = \frac{x'^2 + y'^2 + z'^2}{2} - U(x, y, z) - \mu \frac{1 - \mu}{2},$$

where

$$U = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2) + \frac{1 - \mu}{r_1} + \frac{\mu}{r_2},$$

where

$$r_1 = \sqrt{(x + \mu)^2 + y^2 + z^2}, \quad r_2 = \sqrt{(x - 1 + \mu)^2 + y^2 + z^2}.$$

BOUNDARY VALUE FORMULATION:

$$x' = T v_x ,$$

$$y' = T v_y ,$$

$$z' = T v_z ,$$

$$v'_x = T [2v_y + x - (1 - \mu)(x + \mu)r_1^{-3} - \mu(x - 1 + \mu)r_2^{-3} + \lambda v_x] ,$$

$$v'_y = T [-2v_x + y - (1 - \mu)yr_1^{-3} - \mu yr_2^{-3} + \lambda v_y] ,$$

$$v'_z = T [-(1 - \mu)zr_1^{-3} - \mu zr_2^{-3} + \lambda v_z] ,$$

with periodicity boundary conditions

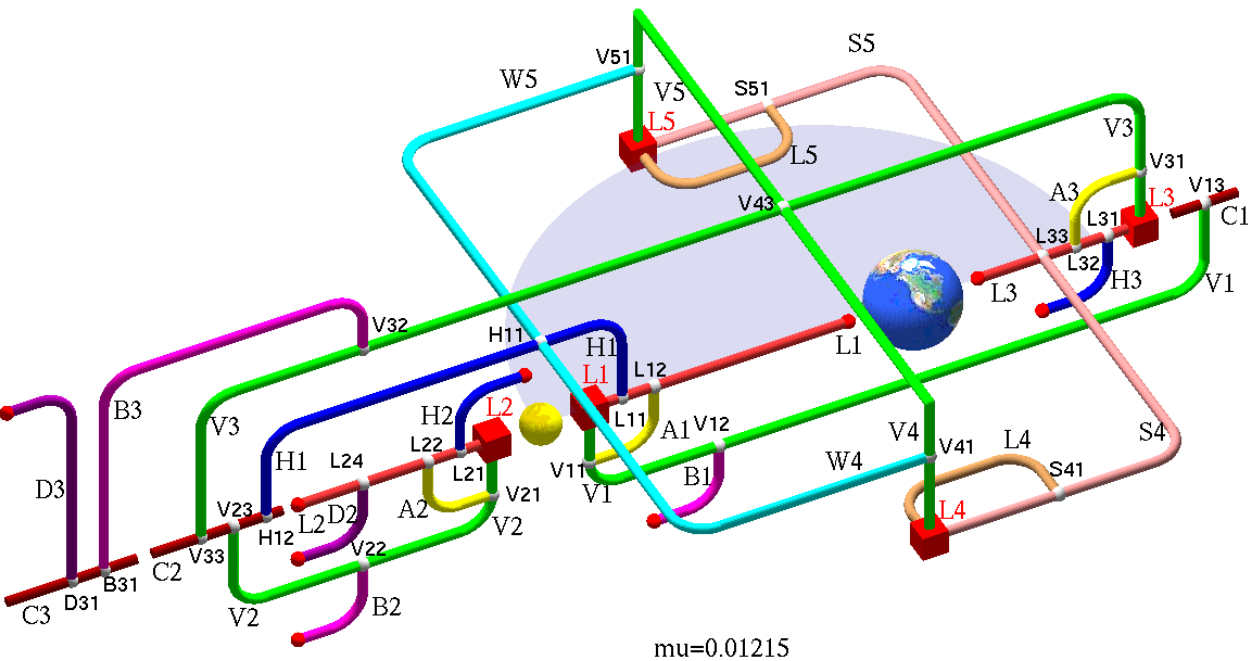
$$x(1) = x(0) \quad , \quad y(1) = y(0) \quad , \quad z(1) = z(0) \quad ,$$

$$v_x(1) = v_x(0) \quad , \quad v_y(1) = v_y(0) \quad , \quad v_z(1) = v_z(0) \quad ,$$

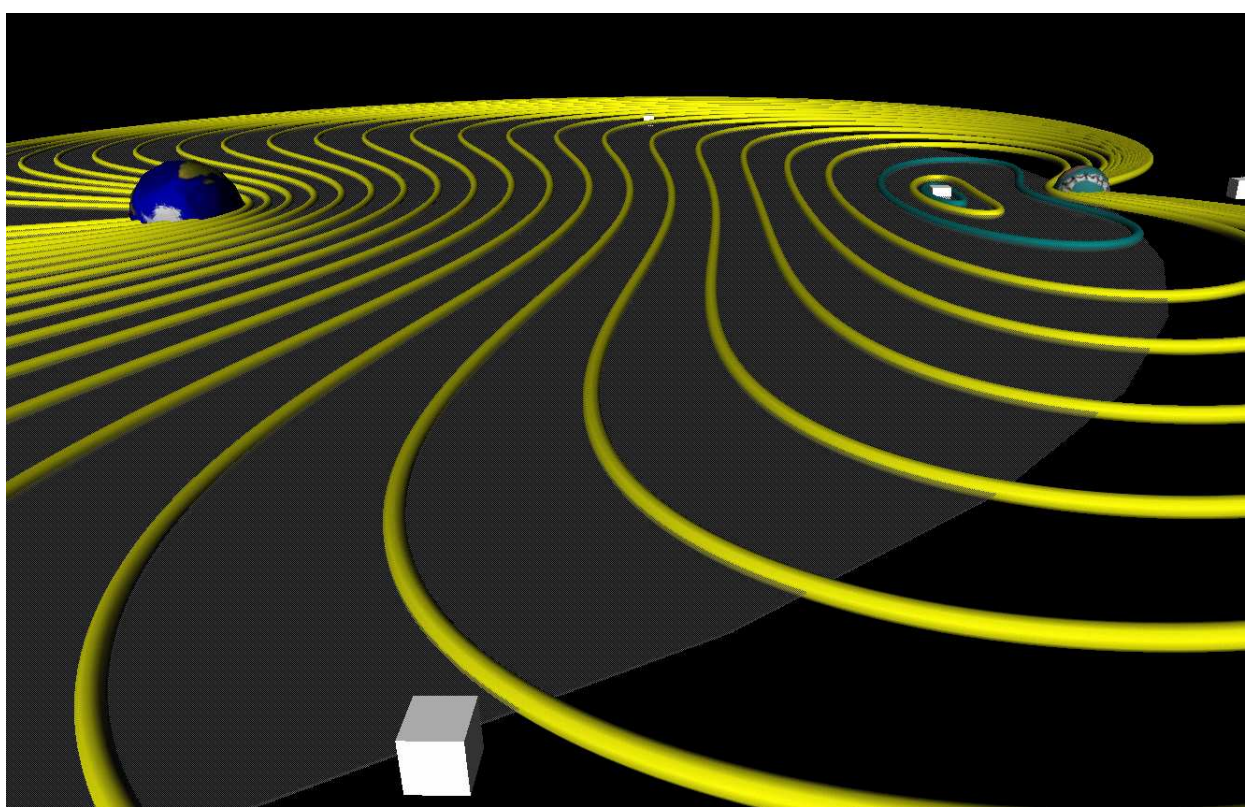
+ phase constraint + pseudo-arclength equation.

NOTE:

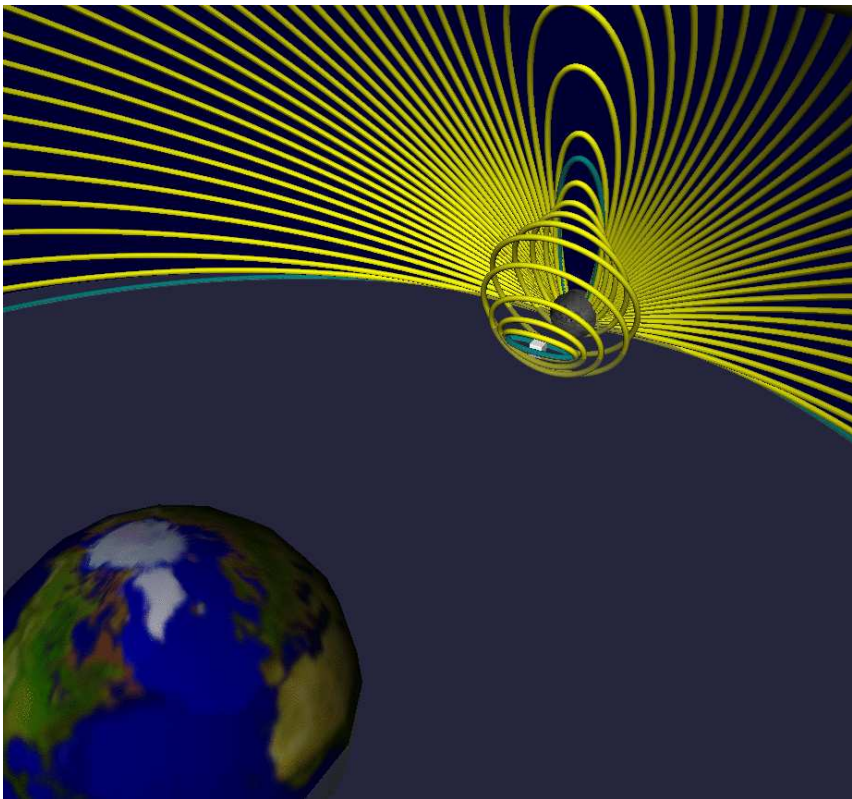
- One can use standard BVP continuation and bifurcation software.
- The “unfolding term” $\lambda \nabla v$ regularizes the continuation.
- λ will be “zero”, once solved for.
- Other unfolding terms are possible.



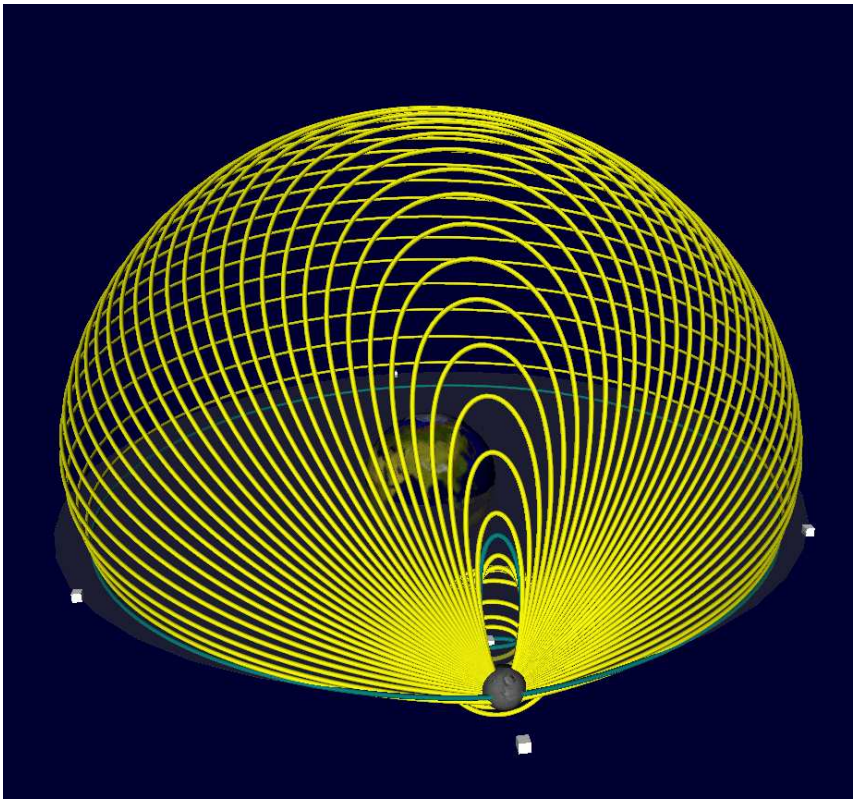
Families of Periodic Solutions of the Earth-Moon system.



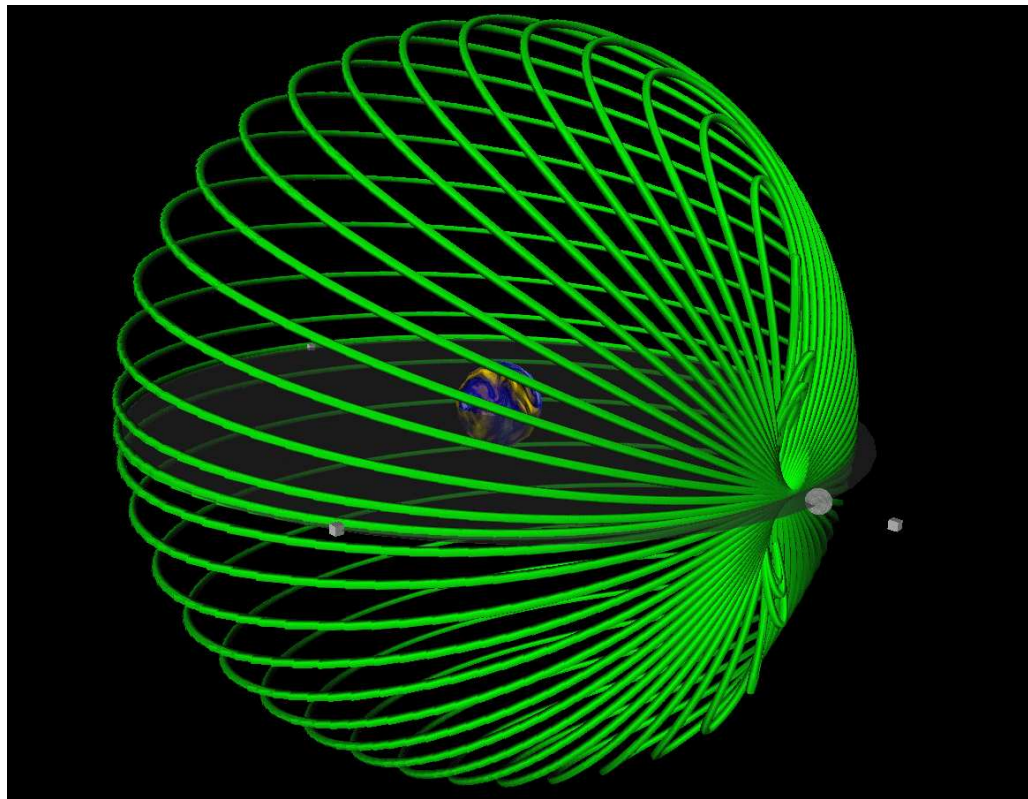
The planar Lyapunov family L1.



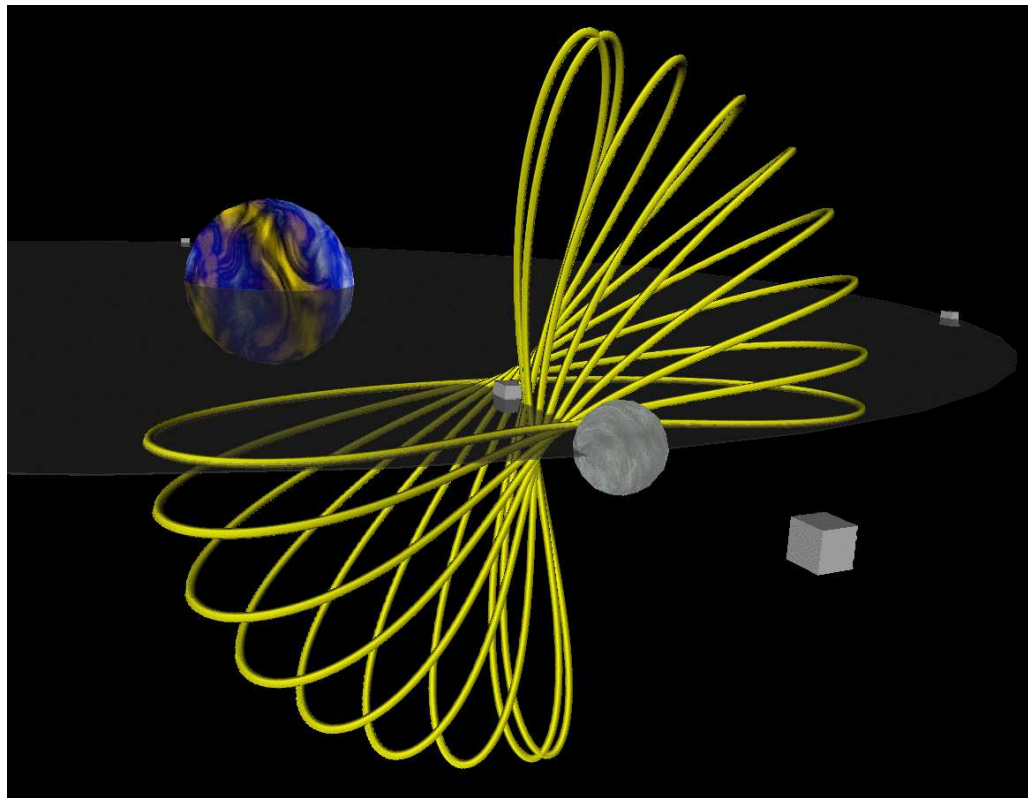
The Halo family H1.



The Halo family H1.



The Vertical family V1.



The Axial family A1.

Following Periodic Orbit Folds

The fold-following algorithm also applies to boundary value problems.

In particular, it applies to folds on families of periodic solutions.

EXAMPLE: The $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction. (Course demo abc-plp)

The equations are

$$u_1' = -u_1 + D(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} ,$$

$$u_2' = -u_2 + D(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} - D\sigma u_2 e^{u_3} ,$$

$$u_3' = -u_3 - \beta u_3 + DB(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} + DB\alpha\sigma u_2 e^{u_3} ,$$

with

$$\alpha = 1 \quad , \quad \sigma = 0.04 \quad , \quad B = 8 \quad .$$

Our varying parameters will be D and β .

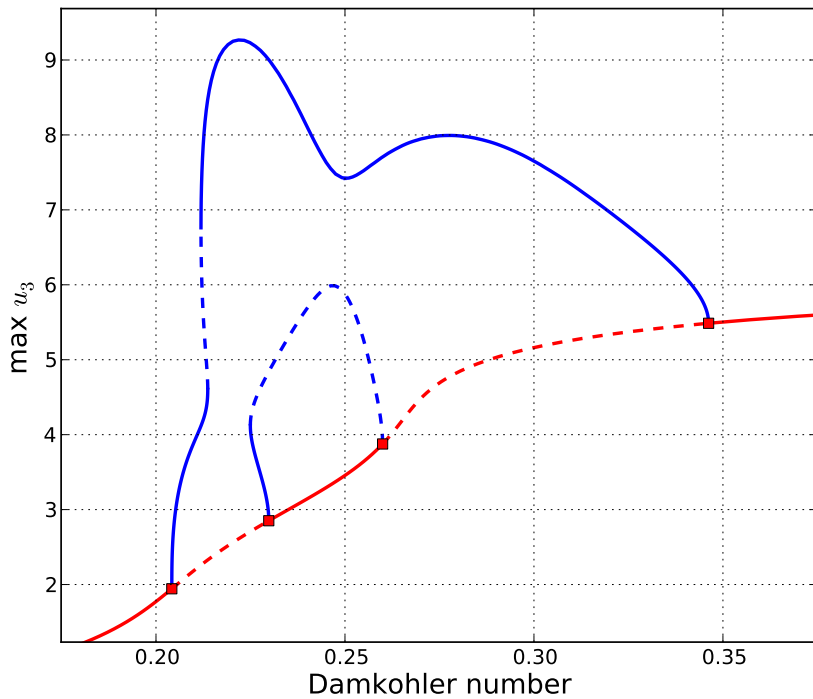


Figure 54: Stationary and periodic solutions of demo `abc-plp`; $\beta = 1.55$.

Recall that periodic orbits families can be computed using the equations

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) - T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{u}(0) - \mathbf{u}(1) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\int_0^1 \mathbf{u}(t)^* \mathbf{u}'_0(t) dt = 0,$$

where \mathbf{u}_0 is a reference orbit, typically the latest computed orbit.

The above boundary value problem is of the form

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}, \lambda) = \mathbf{0},$$

where

$$\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{u}, T).$$

At a fold with respect to λ we have

$$\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{X}, \lambda) \Phi = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\langle \Phi, \Phi \rangle = 1,$$

where

$$\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{u}, T) \quad , \quad \Phi = (\mathbf{v}, S),$$

or, in detail,

$$\mathbf{v}'(t) - T \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda) \mathbf{v} - S \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{v}(0) - \mathbf{v}(1) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\int_0^1 \mathbf{v}(t)^* \mathbf{u}'_0(t) dt = 0,$$

$$\int_0^1 \mathbf{v}(t)^* \mathbf{v}(t) dt + S^2 = 1.$$

The complete *extended system* to follow a fold is

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}, \lambda, \mu) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{X}, \lambda, \mu) \Phi = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\langle \Phi, \Phi \rangle - 1 = 0,$$

with two free problem parameters λ and μ .

To the above we add the continuation equation

$$\langle \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X}_0, \dot{\mathbf{X}}_0 \rangle + \langle \Phi - \Phi_0, \dot{\Phi}_0 \rangle + (\lambda - \lambda_0) \dot{\lambda}_0 + (\mu - \mu_0) \dot{\mu}_0 - \Delta s = 0.$$

In detail:

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) - T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda, \mu) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{u}(0) - \mathbf{u}(1) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\int_0^1 \mathbf{u}(t)^* \mathbf{u}'_0(t) dt = 0,$$

$$\mathbf{v}'(t) - T \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda, \mu) \mathbf{v} - S \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda, \mu) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{v}(0) - \mathbf{v}(1) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\int_0^1 \mathbf{v}(t)^* \mathbf{v}'_0(t) dt = 0,$$

with normalization

$$\int_0^1 \mathbf{v}(t)^* \mathbf{v}(t) dt + S^2 - 1 = 0,$$

and continuation equation

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 (\mathbf{u}(t) - \mathbf{u}_0(t))^* \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0(t) dt + \int_0^1 (\mathbf{v}(t) - \mathbf{v}_0(t))^* \dot{\mathbf{v}}_0(t) dt + \\ & + (T_0 - T)\dot{T}_0 + (S_0 - S)\dot{S}_0 + (\lambda - \lambda_0)\dot{\lambda}_0 + (\mu - \mu_0)\dot{\mu}_0 - \Delta s = 0. \end{aligned}$$

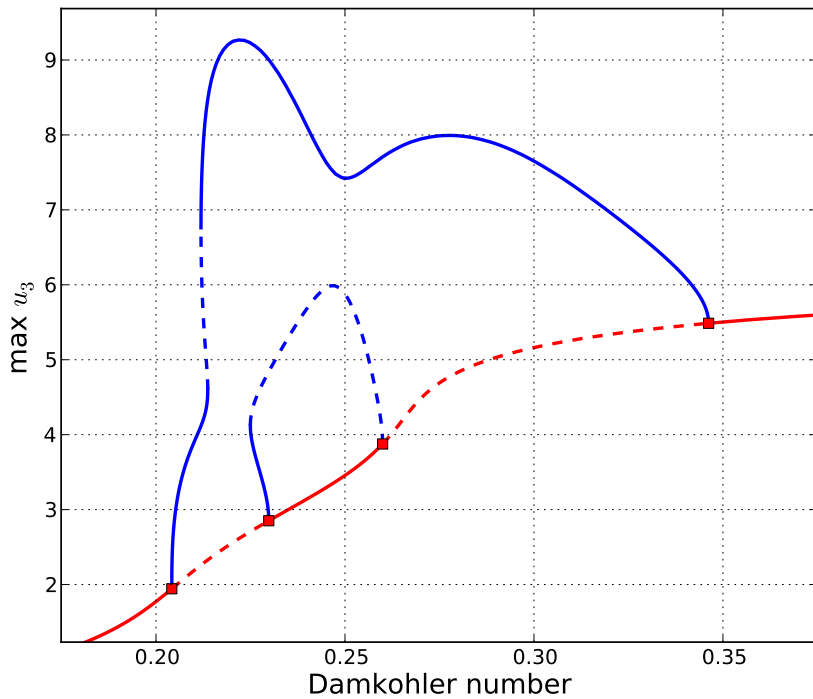


Figure 55: Stationary and periodic solutions of demo `abc-plp`; $\beta = 1.55$.

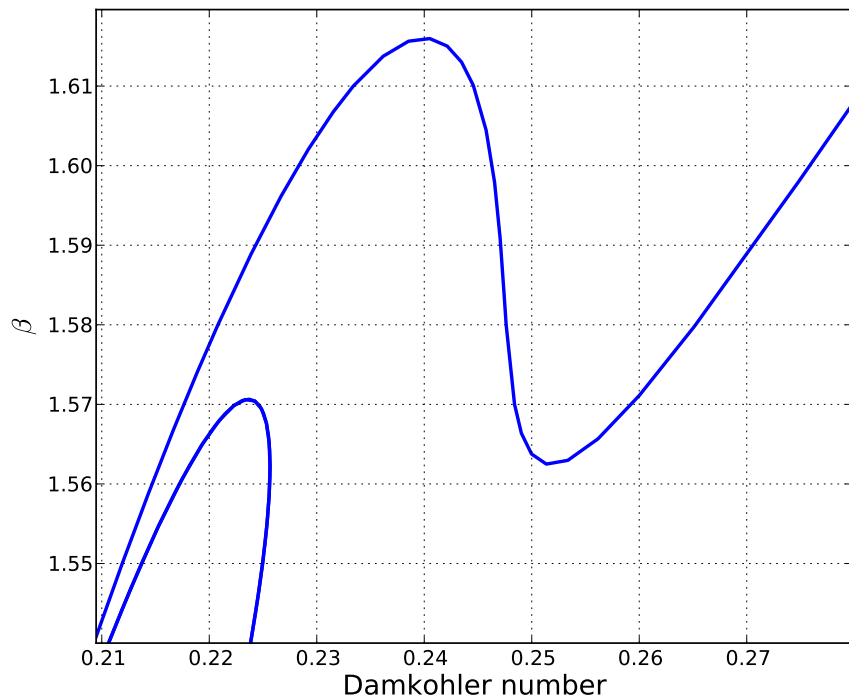


Figure 56: The locus of periodic solution folds of demo abc-plp.

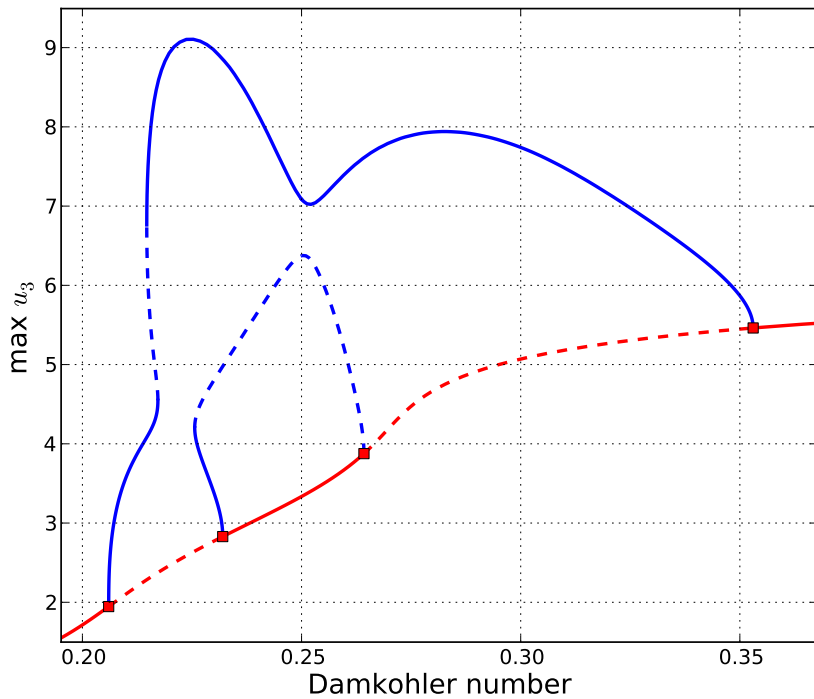


Figure 57: Stationary and periodic solutions of demo `abc-plp`; $\beta = 1.56$.

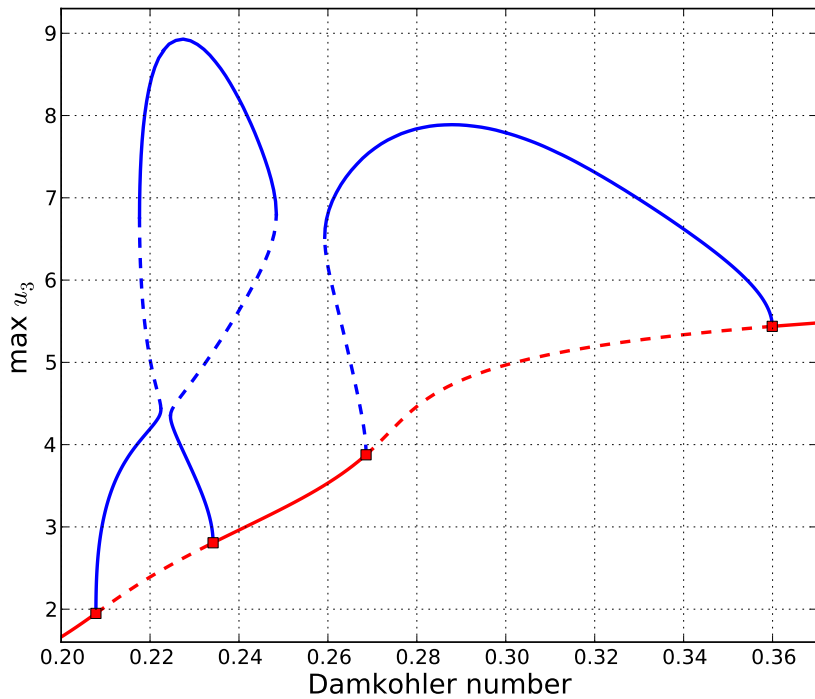


Figure 58: Stationary and periodic solutions of demo abc-plp; $\beta = 1.57$.

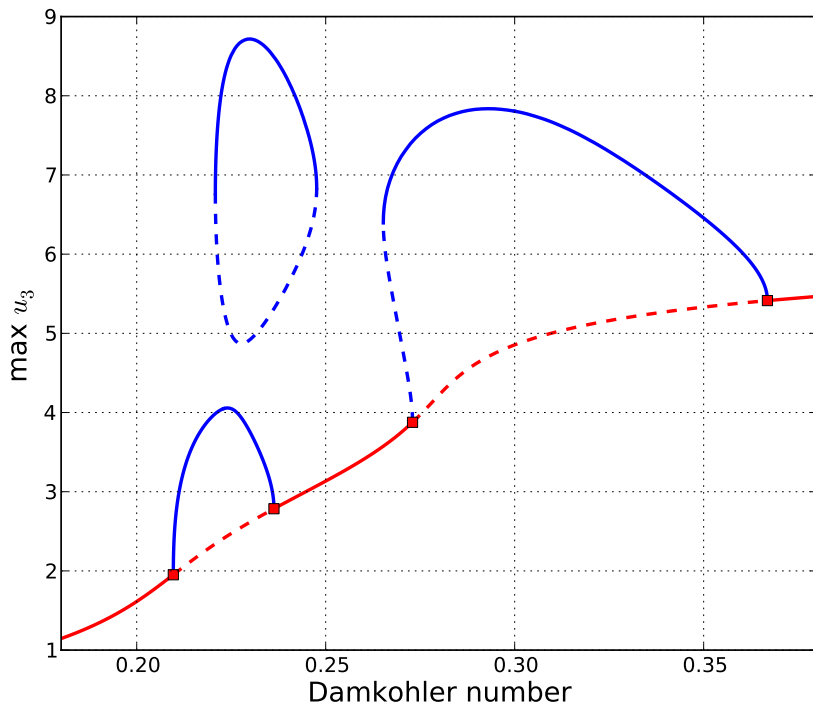


Figure 59: Stationary and periodic solutions of demo abc-plp; $\beta = 1.58$.

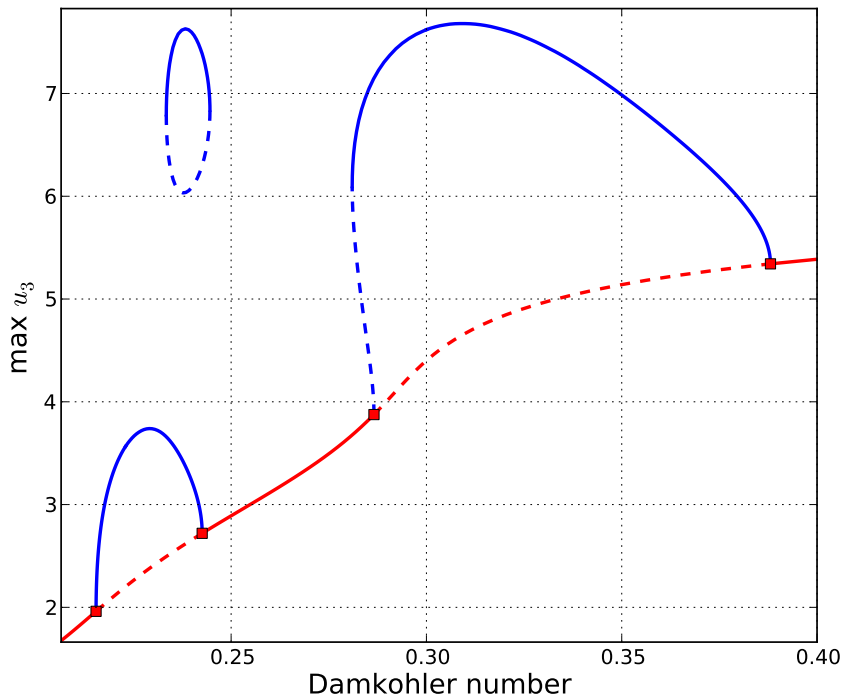


Figure 60: Stationary and periodic solutions of demo `abc-plp`; $\beta = 1.61$.

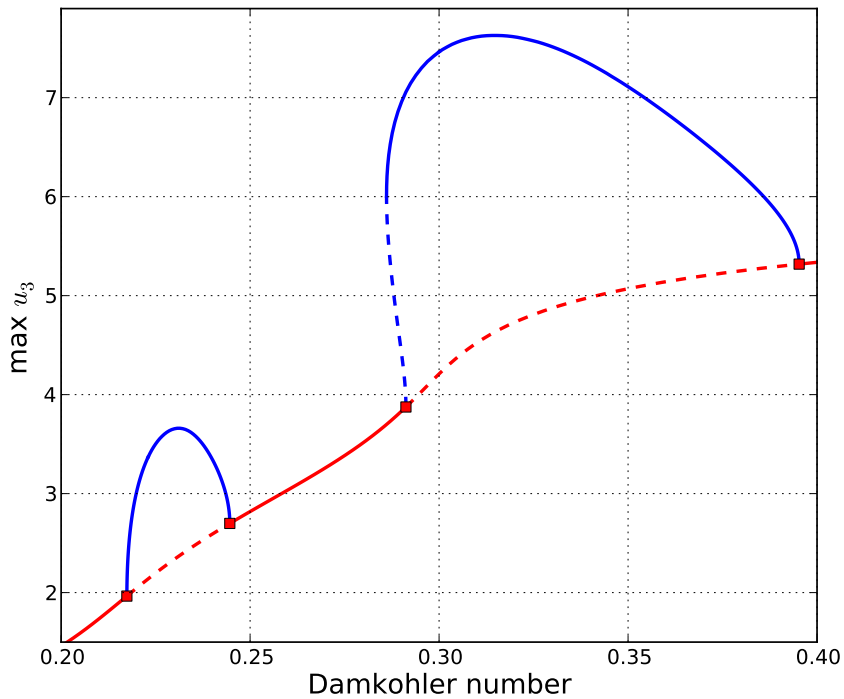


Figure 61: Stationary and periodic solutions of demo `abc-plp`; $\beta = 1.62$.

Following Hopf Bifurcations

We consider the *persistence* of a Hopf bifurcation as a second parameter is varied.

We give an algorithm to compute a 2-parameter *locus of Hopf bifurcations* .

A Hopf bifurcation along a stationary solution family $(\mathbf{u}(\lambda), \lambda)$, of

$$\mathbf{u}' = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda),$$

occurs when a complex conjugate pair of eigenvalues

$$\alpha(\lambda) \pm i \beta(\lambda),$$

of $f_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}(\lambda), \lambda)$ crosses the imaginary axis *transversally*, *i.e.*, for some λ_0 ,

$$\alpha(\lambda_0) = 0, \quad \dot{\alpha}(\lambda_0) \neq 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_0 = \beta(\lambda_0) \neq 0,$$

also assuming there are no other eigenvalues on the imaginary axis.

The assumptions imply that $\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0$ is *nonsingular*, so that stationary solution family can indeed be parametrized locally using λ .

The right and left complex eigenvectors of $\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 = f_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}(\lambda_0), \lambda_0)$ are defined by

$$\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 \phi_0 = i \beta_0 \phi_0, \quad (\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)^* \psi_0 = -i \beta_0 \psi_0.$$

Transversality and Persistence

THEOREM. The eigenvalue crossing in the Hopf Theorem is *transversal* if

$$\operatorname{Re} (\boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* [\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}}^0 (\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)^{-1} \mathbf{f}_{\lambda}^0 - \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda}^0] \boldsymbol{\phi}_0) \neq 0 .$$

PROOF. Since the eigenvalue

$$i \beta_0 ,$$

is algebraically simple, there is a smooth solution family (at least locally) to the parametrized right and left eigenvalue-eigenvector equations :

$$(a) \quad \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}(\lambda), \lambda) \boldsymbol{\phi}(\lambda) = \kappa(\lambda) \boldsymbol{\phi}(\lambda) ,$$

$$(b) \quad \boldsymbol{\psi}(\lambda)^* \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}(\lambda), \lambda) = \kappa(\lambda) \boldsymbol{\psi}^*(\lambda) ,$$

$$(c) \quad \boldsymbol{\psi}(\lambda)^* \boldsymbol{\phi}(\lambda) = 1, \quad (\text{and also } \boldsymbol{\phi}(\lambda)^* \boldsymbol{\phi}(\lambda) = 1) ,$$

with

$$\kappa(\lambda_0) = i \beta_0 .$$

(Above, $*$ denotes conjugate transpose.)

$$\mathbf{f}_u(\mathbf{u}(\lambda), \lambda) \phi(\lambda) = \kappa(\lambda) \phi(\lambda) \quad , \quad \boldsymbol{\psi}(\lambda)^* \mathbf{f}_u(\mathbf{u}(\lambda), \lambda) = \kappa(\lambda) \boldsymbol{\psi}^*(\lambda) \quad , \quad \boldsymbol{\psi}(\lambda)^* \phi(\lambda) = 1$$

Differentiation with respect to λ gives

$$(a) \quad \mathbf{f}_{uu} \dot{\mathbf{u}} \phi + \mathbf{f}_{u\lambda} \phi + \mathbf{f}_u \dot{\phi} = \dot{\kappa} \phi + \kappa \dot{\phi} \quad ,$$

$$(b) \quad \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{f}_{uu} \dot{\mathbf{u}} + \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{f}_{u\lambda} + \dot{\boldsymbol{\psi}}^* \mathbf{f}_u = \dot{\kappa} \boldsymbol{\psi}^* + \kappa \dot{\boldsymbol{\psi}}^* \quad ,$$

$$(c) \quad \dot{\boldsymbol{\psi}}^* \phi + \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \dot{\phi} = 0 \quad .$$

Multiply

$$(a) \quad \text{on the left by } \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \quad ,$$

and

$$(b) \quad \text{on the right by } \phi \quad ,$$

to get

$$(a) \quad \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{f}_{uu} \dot{\mathbf{u}} \phi + \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{f}_{u\lambda} \phi + \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{f}_u \dot{\phi} = \dot{\kappa} \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \phi + \kappa \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \dot{\phi} \quad ,$$

$$(b) \quad \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{f}_{uu} \dot{\mathbf{u}} \phi + \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \mathbf{f}_{u\lambda} \phi + \dot{\boldsymbol{\psi}}^* \mathbf{f}_u \phi = \dot{\kappa} \boldsymbol{\psi}^* \phi + \kappa \dot{\boldsymbol{\psi}}^* \phi \quad .$$

$$\psi^* \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}} \dot{u} \phi + \psi^* \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda} \phi + \psi^* \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}} \dot{\phi} = \dot{\kappa} \psi^* \phi + \kappa \psi^* \dot{\phi}$$

$$\psi^* \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}} \dot{u} \phi + \psi^* \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda} \phi + \dot{\psi}^* \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}} \phi = \dot{\kappa} \psi^* \phi + \kappa \dot{\psi}^* \phi$$

Adding the above, and using

$$\underbrace{\psi^* \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}} \dot{\phi}}_{=\kappa \psi^*} + \dot{\psi}^* \underbrace{\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}} \phi}_{=\kappa \phi} = \kappa (\psi^* \dot{\phi} + \dot{\psi}^* \phi) = \kappa \frac{d}{d\lambda} (\underbrace{\psi^* \phi}_{=1}) = 0,$$

we find

$$\dot{\kappa} = \psi^* [\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}} \dot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda}] \phi.$$

$$\dot{\kappa} = \psi^* [\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}} \dot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda}] \phi$$

From differentiating

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(\lambda), \lambda) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

with respect to λ , we have

$$\dot{\mathbf{u}} = -(\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}})^{-1} \mathbf{f}_{\lambda} ,$$

so that

$$\dot{\kappa} = \psi^* [-\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}} (\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}})^{-1} \mathbf{f}_{\lambda} + \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda}] \phi .$$

Thus the eigenvalue crossing is transversal if

$$\dot{\alpha}(0) = \operatorname{Re}(\dot{\kappa}_0) = \operatorname{Re}(\psi_0^* [\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}}^0 (\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)^{-1} \mathbf{f}_{\lambda}^0 - \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda}^0] \phi_0) \neq 0 . \bullet$$

NOTE:

The *transversality condition* of the Theorem, *i.e.*,

$$\dot{\alpha}(0) = [\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}}^0(\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)^{-1}\mathbf{f}_{\lambda}^0 - \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda}^0] \phi_0 \neq 0 ,$$

is also needed for *persistence* of the Hopf bifurcation, as shown below.

The *extended system* for following Hopf bifurcations is

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}, \phi, \beta, \lambda; \mu) \equiv \begin{cases} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda, \mu) = \mathbf{0} , \\ \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda, \mu) \phi - i \beta \phi = \mathbf{0} , \\ \phi^* \phi_0 - 1 = 0 , \end{cases}$$

where

$$\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C} ,$$

and to which we want to compute a solution family

$$(\mathbf{u} , \phi , \beta , \lambda , \mu) ,$$

with

$$\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \phi \in \mathbb{C}^n, \quad \beta, \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R} .$$

Above ϕ_0 belongs to a “reference solution”

$$(\mathbf{u}_0 , \phi_0 , \beta_0 , \lambda_0 , \mu_0) ,$$

which typically is the latest computed solution point of a family.

First consider parametrizing in the second parameter μ , *i.e.*, we seek a family

$$(\mathbf{u}(\mu), \phi(\mu), \beta(\mu), \lambda(\mu)).$$

(In practice, pseudo-arclength continuation is used.)

The derivative with respect to

$$(\mathbf{u}, \phi, \beta, \lambda),$$

at the solution point

$$(\mathbf{u}_0, \phi_0, \beta_0, \lambda_0, \mu_0),$$

is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 & O & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{f}_{\lambda}^0 \\ \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}}^0 \phi_0 & \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 - i\beta_0 I & -i\phi_0 & \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda}^0 \phi_0 \\ \mathbf{0}^* & \phi_0^* & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (12)$$

The Jacobian is of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & O & \mathbf{0} & c_1 \\ C & D & -i\phi_0 & c_2 \\ \mathbf{0}^* & \phi_0^* & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$A = \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 \quad (\text{nonsingular}), \quad C = \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{uu}}^0 \phi_0, \quad D = \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 - i \beta_0 I,$$

and

$$c_1 = \mathbf{f}_{\lambda}^0, \quad c_2 = \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda}^0 \phi_0,$$

with

$$\mathcal{N}(D) = \text{Span}\{\phi_0\}, \quad \mathcal{N}(D^*) = \text{Span}\{\psi_0\},$$

where

$$\psi_0^* \phi_0 = 1, \quad \phi_0^* \phi_0 = 1.$$

THEOREM.

If the eigenvalue crossing is *transversal*, *i.e.*, if

$$\dot{\alpha}(0) = [\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{uu}}^0(\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)^{-1}\mathbf{f}_{\lambda}^0 - \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda}^0] \phi_0 \neq 0,$$

then the Jacobian matrix (12) is nonsingular.

Hence there locally exists a *solution family*

$$(\mathbf{u}(\mu), \phi(\mu), \beta(\mu), \lambda(\mu))$$

to the extended system

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}, \phi, \beta, \lambda; \mu) = \mathbf{0}.$$

Thus the Hopf bifurcation *persists* under small perturbations of μ .

PROOF. We prove this *by constructing a solution*

$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{C}^n, \quad z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{R},$$

to

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & O & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{c}_1 \\ C & D & -i\phi_0 & \mathbf{c}_2 \\ \mathbf{0}^* & \phi_0^* & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{y} \\ z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{f} \\ \mathbf{g} \\ h \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\mathbf{f} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \mathbf{g} \in \mathbb{C}^n, \quad h \in \mathbb{C}.$$

From the first equation

$$A\mathbf{x} + z_2 \mathbf{c}_1 = \mathbf{f},$$

we have

$$\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{f} - z_2 A^{-1} \mathbf{c}_1.$$

The second equation can then be written

$$C A^{-1}\mathbf{f} - z_2 C A^{-1} \mathbf{c}_1 + D \mathbf{y} - z_1 i \phi_0 + z_2 \mathbf{c}_2 = \mathbf{g}.$$

$$C A^{-1} \mathbf{f} - z_2 C A^{-1} \mathbf{c}_1 + D \mathbf{y} - z_1 i \phi_0 + z_2 \mathbf{c}_2 = \mathbf{g} .$$

Multiply on the left by ψ_0^* to get

$$\psi_0^* C A^{-1} \mathbf{f} - z_2 \psi_0^* C A^{-1} \mathbf{c}_1 - z_1 i \psi_0^* \phi_0 + z_2 \psi_0^* \mathbf{c}_2 = \psi_0^* \mathbf{g} .$$

Recall that

$$\psi_0^* \phi_0 = 1 .$$

Defining

$$\tilde{\mathbf{f}} \equiv C A^{-1} \mathbf{f} , \quad \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1 \equiv C A^{-1} \mathbf{c}_1 .$$

we have

$$i z_1 + \psi_0^* (\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1 - \mathbf{c}_2) z_2 = \psi_0^* (\tilde{\mathbf{f}} - \mathbf{g}) .$$

Computationally $\tilde{\mathbf{f}}$ and $\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1$ are obtained from

$$\boxed{A \hat{\mathbf{f}} = \mathbf{f}} \quad , \quad \boxed{A \hat{\mathbf{c}}_1 = \mathbf{c}_1} \quad ,$$

$$\boxed{\tilde{\mathbf{f}} = C \hat{\mathbf{f}}} \quad , \quad \boxed{\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1 = C \hat{\mathbf{c}}_1} .$$

$$i z_1 + \boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* (\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1 - \mathbf{c}_2) z_2 = \boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* (\tilde{\mathbf{f}} - \mathbf{g})$$

Separate real and imaginary part of this equation, and use the fact that

z_1 and z_2 are real ,

to get

$$\operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* [\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1 - \mathbf{c}_2]) z_2 = \operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* [\tilde{\mathbf{f}} - \mathbf{g}]) ,$$

$$z_1 + \operatorname{Im}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* [\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1 - \mathbf{c}_2]) z_2 = \operatorname{Im}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* [\tilde{\mathbf{f}} - \mathbf{g}]) ,$$

from which

$$z_2 = \frac{\operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* [\tilde{\mathbf{f}} - \mathbf{g}])}{\operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* [\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1 - \mathbf{c}_2])} ,$$

$$z_1 = -z_2 \operatorname{Im}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* [\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1 - \mathbf{c}_2]) + \operatorname{Im}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* [\tilde{\mathbf{f}} - \mathbf{g}]) .$$

Now solve for \mathbf{x} in

$$\boxed{A \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f} - z_2 \mathbf{c}_1},$$

and compute a particular solution \mathbf{y}_p to

$$\boxed{D \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{g} - C \mathbf{x} + i z_1 \boldsymbol{\phi}_0 - z_2 \mathbf{c}_2}.$$

Then

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}_p + \alpha \boldsymbol{\phi}_0, \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{C}.$$

The third equation is

$$\boldsymbol{\phi}_0^* \mathbf{y} = \boldsymbol{\phi}_0^* \mathbf{y}_p + \alpha \boldsymbol{\phi}_0^* \boldsymbol{\phi}_0 = h,$$

from which, using $\boldsymbol{\phi}_0^* \boldsymbol{\phi}_0 = 1$,

$$\boxed{\alpha = h - \boldsymbol{\phi}_0^* \mathbf{y}_p}.$$

The above construction can be carried out if

$$\operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* [\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1 - \mathbf{c}_2]) \neq 0 .$$

However, using the definition of $\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1$ and \mathbf{c}_2 , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* [\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1 - \mathbf{c}_2]) &= \operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* [C A^{-1} \mathbf{c}_1 - \mathbf{c}_2]) \\ &= \operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* [\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}}^0 \boldsymbol{\phi}_0 (\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)^{-1} \mathbf{f}_{\lambda}^0 - \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda}^0 \boldsymbol{\phi}_0]) \\ &= \operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_0^* [\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}}^0 (\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)^{-1} \mathbf{f}_{\lambda}^0 - \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}\lambda}^0] \boldsymbol{\phi}_0) \\ &= \operatorname{Re}(\dot{\kappa}_0) \neq 0 . \bullet \end{aligned}$$

NOTE:

- The proof provides an *efficient algorithm* for the Newton equations.
- (*i.e.* , when using *parameter continuation* \dots)
- In practice we use *pseudo-arclength continuation* .
- This allows passing *folds* w. r. t. the second parameter μ .

Practical Continuation of Hopf Bifurcations

Recall that the *extended system* for following Hopf bifurcations is

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}, \boldsymbol{\phi}, \beta, \lambda; \mu) \equiv \begin{cases} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda, \mu) = \mathbf{0} , \\ \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda, \mu) \boldsymbol{\phi} - i \beta \boldsymbol{\phi} = \mathbf{0} , \\ \boldsymbol{\phi}^* \boldsymbol{\phi}_0 - 1 = 0 , \end{cases}$$

where

$$\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C} ,$$

and to which we want to compute a *solution family*

$$(\mathbf{u} , \boldsymbol{\phi} , \beta , \lambda , \mu) , \quad \text{with } \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n , \quad \boldsymbol{\phi} \in \mathbb{C}^n , \quad \beta, \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R} .$$

Treat μ as an unknown, and add the *continuation equation*

$$(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_0)^* \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 + (\boldsymbol{\phi} - \boldsymbol{\phi}_0)^* \dot{\boldsymbol{\phi}}_0 + (\beta - \beta_0) \dot{\beta}_0 + (\lambda - \lambda_0) \dot{\lambda}_0 + (\mu - \mu_0) \dot{\mu}_0 - \Delta s = 0 .$$

EXERCISE. (Course demo pp3)

Investigate the Hopf bifurcations in the system

$$u_1'(t) = u_1 (1 - u_1) - p_4 u_1 u_2 ,$$

$$u_2'(t) = -\frac{1}{4} u_2 + p_4 u_1 u_2 - 3 u_2 u_3 - p_1 (1 - e^{-5u_2}) ,$$

$$u_3'(t) = -\frac{1}{2} u_3 + 3 u_2 u_3 .$$

This is the predator-prey model, where

$u_1 \sim$ plankton, $u_2 \sim$ fish, $u_3 \sim$ sharks, $\lambda \equiv p_1 \sim$ fishing quota.

(See also Figure 44.)

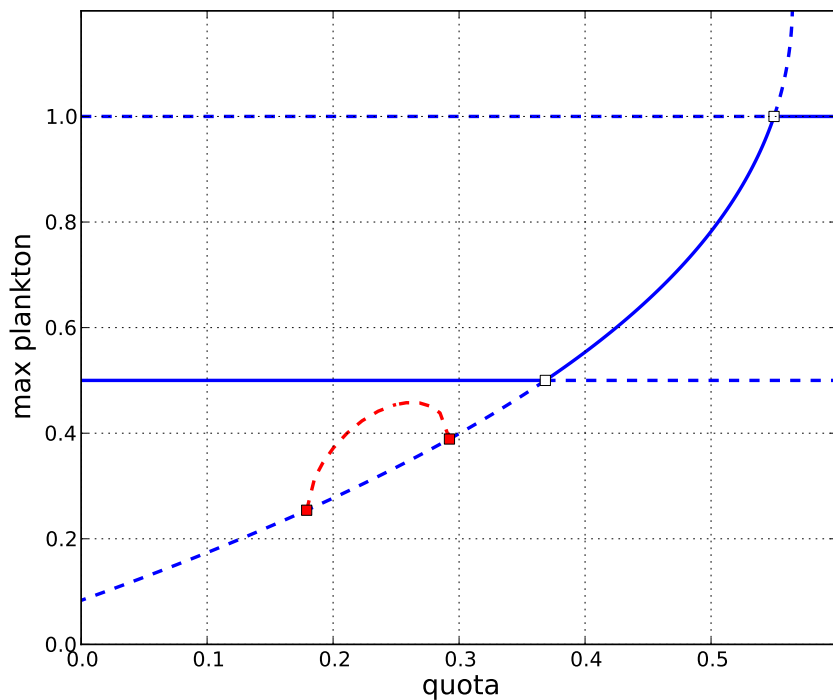


Figure 62: A bifurcation diagram for the 3-species model; with $p_4 = 3$.

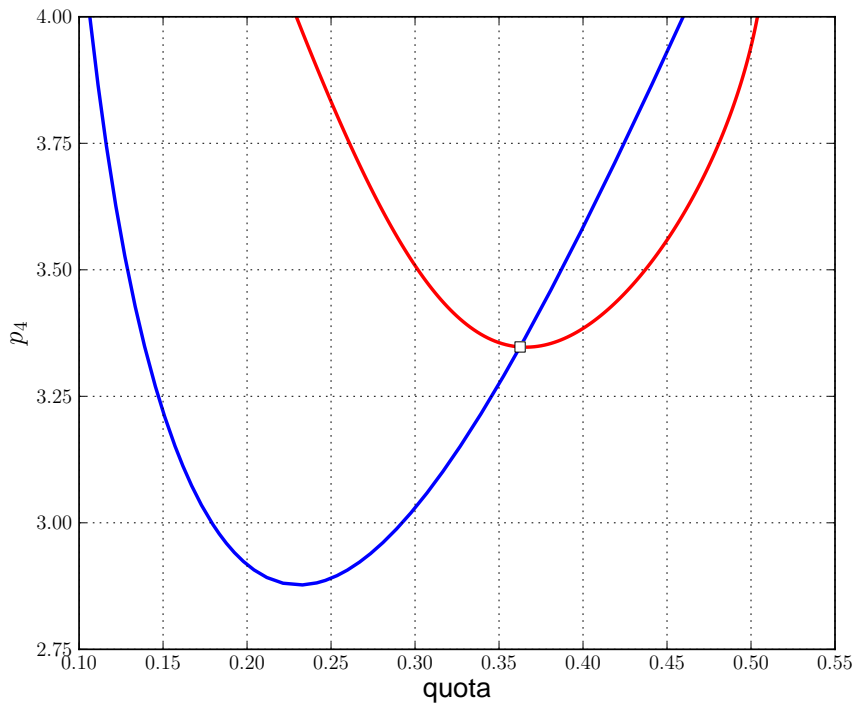


Figure 63: Loci of Hopf bifurcations for the 3-species model.

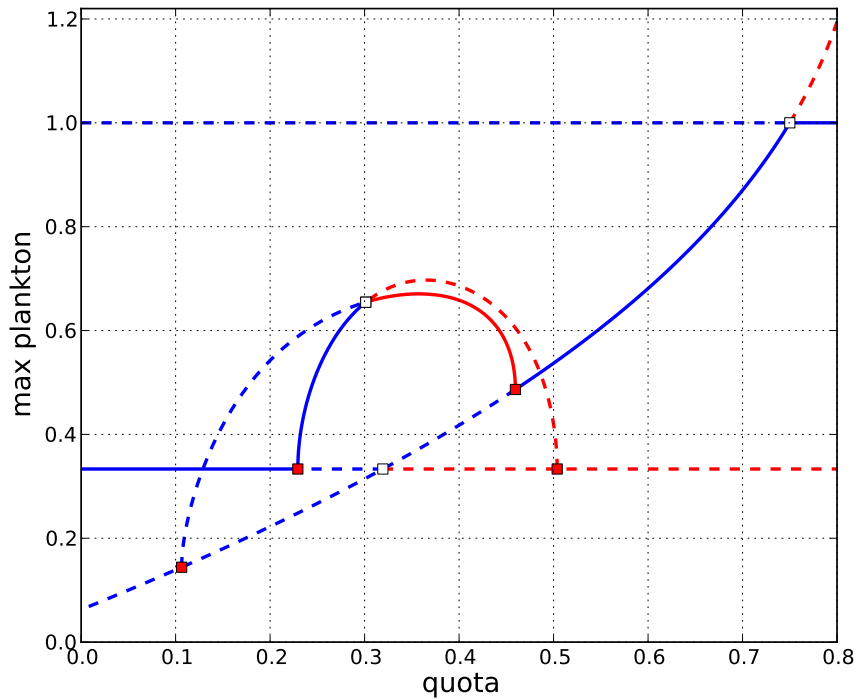


Figure 64: A bifurcation diagram for the 3-species model; with $p_4 = 4$.

EXERCISE. (Course demo abc-hb)

Compute loci of Hopf bifurcation points for the $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction

$$u_1' = -u_1 + D(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} ,$$

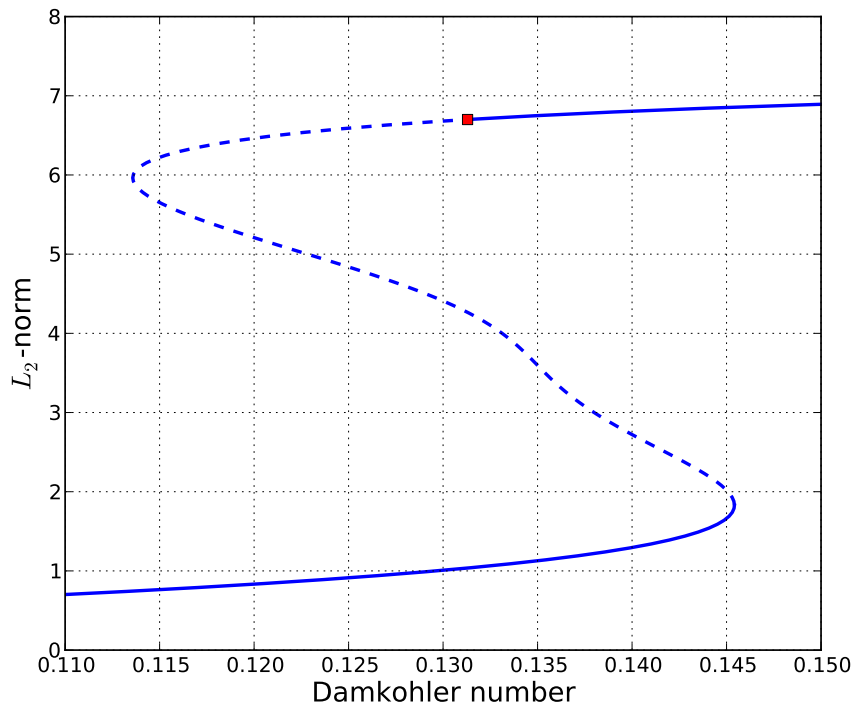
$$u_2' = -u_2 + D(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} - D\sigma u_2 e^{u_3} ,$$

$$u_3' = -u_3 - \beta u_3 + DB(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} + DB\alpha\sigma u_2 e^{u_3} ,$$

with

$$\alpha = 1 \quad , \quad \sigma = 0.04 \quad , \quad B = 8 \quad ,$$

and varying D and β .



Stationary solution family of the $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction for $\beta = 1.15$.

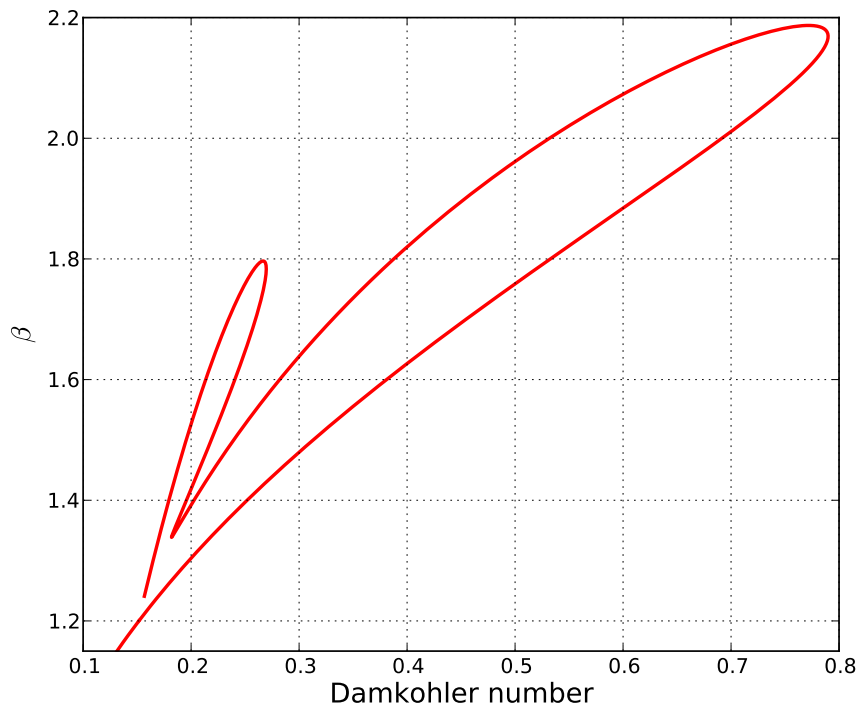


Figure 65: A locus of Hopf bifurcations.

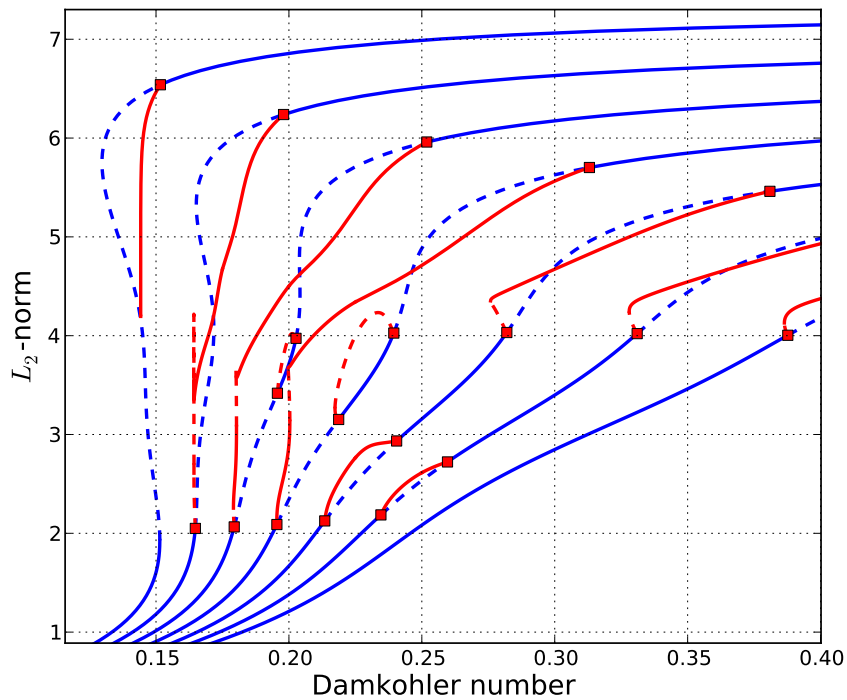


Figure 66: Diagrams for $\beta = 1.2 , 1.3 , 1.4 , 1.5 , 1.6 , 1.7 , 1.8 .$

Stable and Unstable Manifolds

- One can also use continuation to compute solution families of IVP.
- In particular, one can compute *stable and unstable manifolds* .

Example: The Lorenz Equations

(Course demo 1rz)

$$x' = \sigma (y - x) ,$$

$$y' = \rho x - y - x z ,$$

$$z' = x y - \beta z ,$$

where

$$\sigma = 10 \quad \text{and} \quad \beta = 8/3 .$$

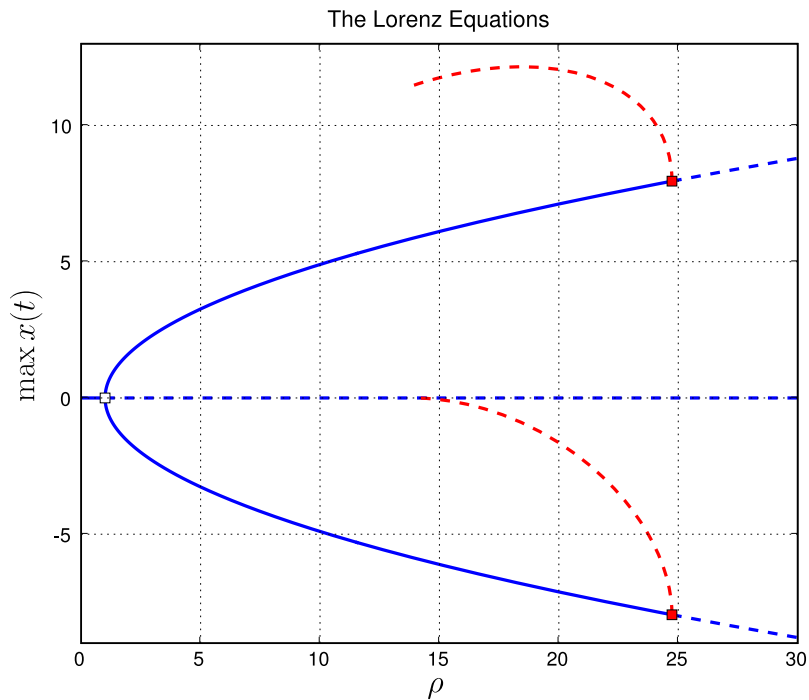


Figure 67: Bifurcation diagram of the Lorenz equations.

NOTE:

- The zero solution is unstable for $\rho > 1$.
- Two nonzero stationary solutions bifurcate at $\rho = 1$.
- The nonzero stationary solutions become unstable for $\rho > \rho_H$.
- At ρ_H ($\rho_H \approx 24.7$) there are Hopf bifurcations.
- Unstable periodic solutions emanate from each Hopf bifurcation.
- These families end in *homoclinic orbits* (infinite period) at $\rho \approx 13.9$.
- For $\rho > \rho_H$ there is the famous *Lorenz attractor*.

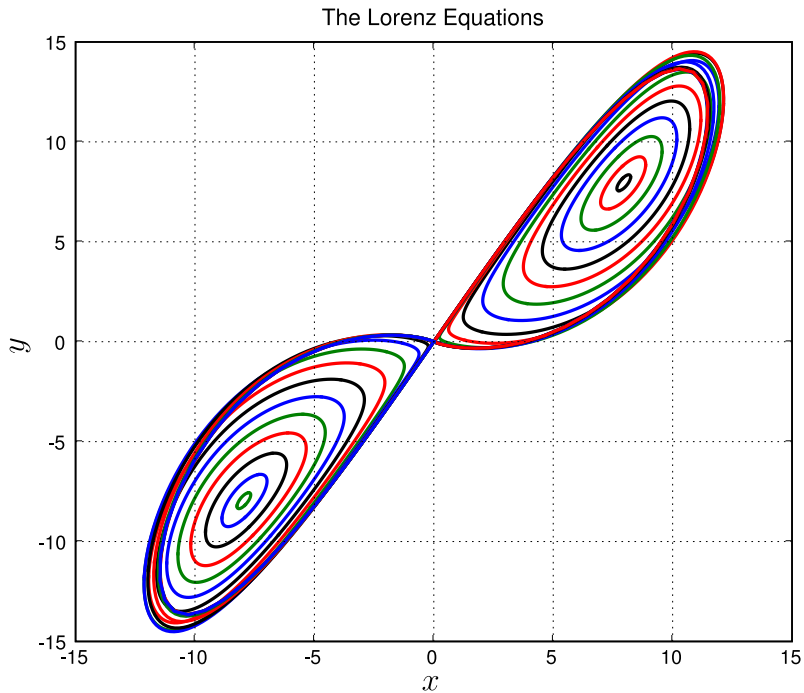


Figure 68: Unstable periodic orbits of the Lorenz equations.

The Lorenz Manifold

(Course demo 1rz-man)

- For $\rho > 1$ the origin is a *saddle point* .
- The Jacobian has two negative eigenvalues and one positive eigenvalue.
- The two negative eigenvalues give rise to a 2D *stable manifold* .
- This manifold is known as as the *Lorenz Manifold* .
- The Lorenz Manifold helps us understand the *Lorenz attractor* .

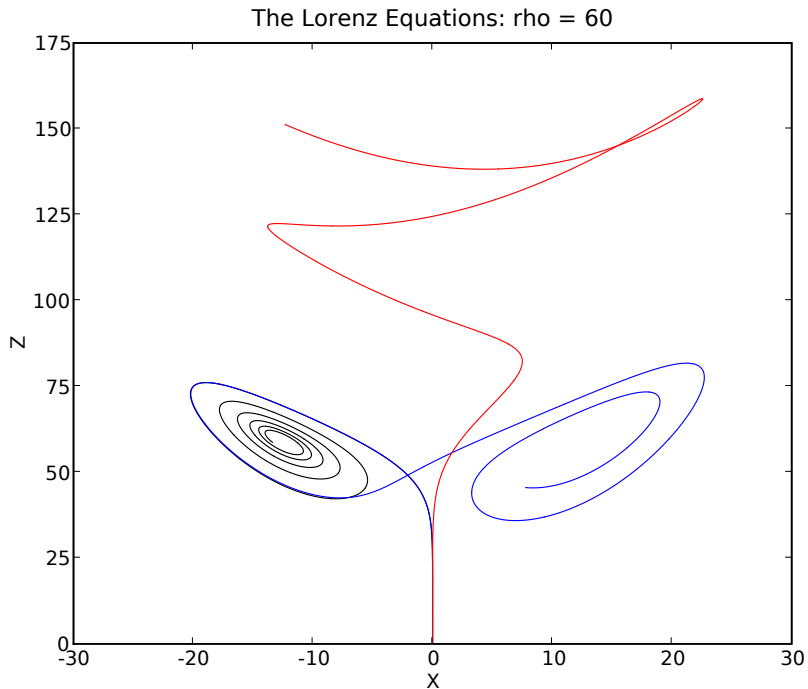


Figure 69: Three orbits whose initial conditions agree to >11 decimal places !

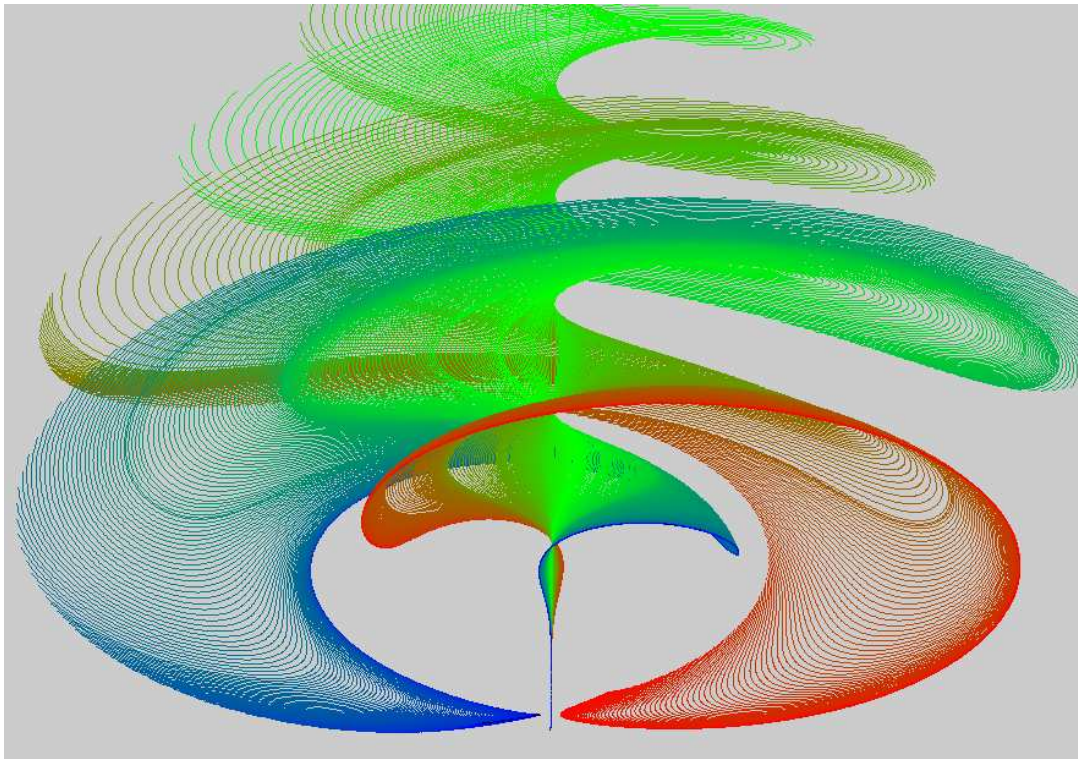


Figure 70: A small portion of a Lorenz Manifold ...

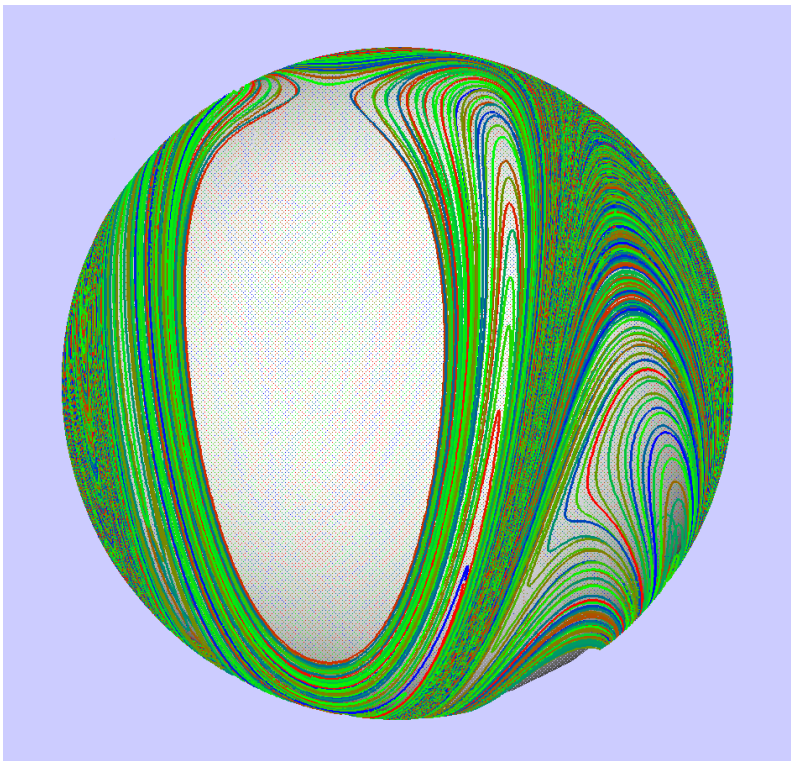


Figure 71: Intersection of a Lorenz Manifold with a sphere ($\rho = 35$, $R = 100$).

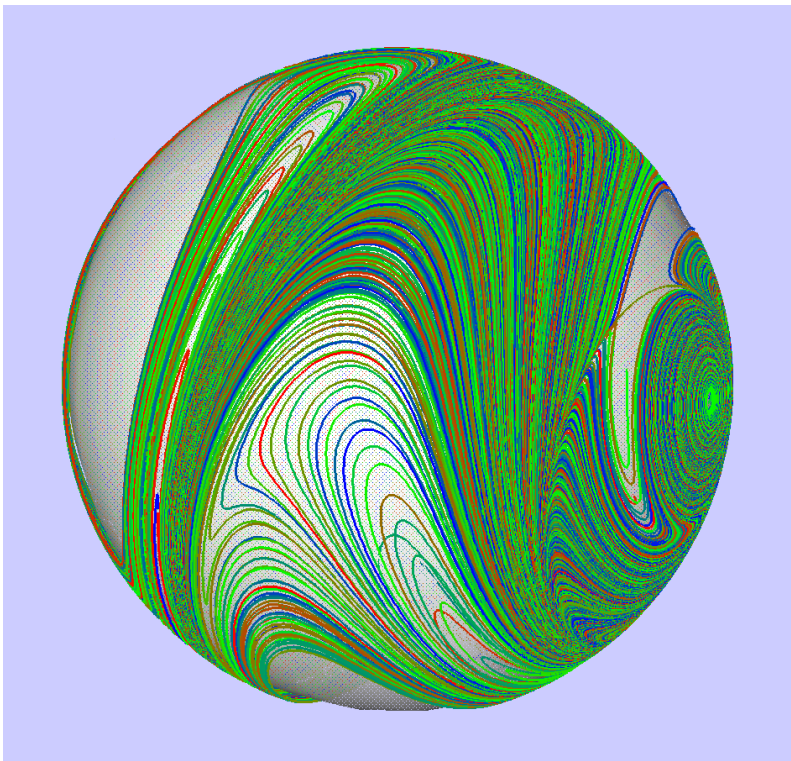


Figure 72: Intersection of a Lorenz Manifold with a sphere ($\rho = 35$, $R = 100$).

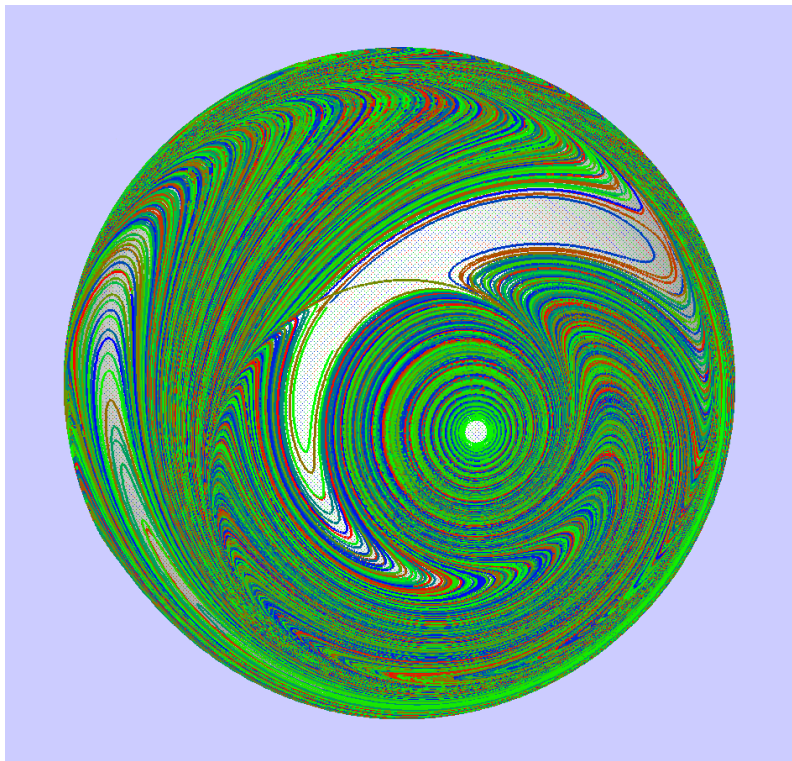


Figure 73: Intersection of a Lorenz Manifold with a sphere ($\rho = 35$, $R = 100$).

How was the Lorenz Manifold computed?

First compute an orbit $\mathbf{u}_0(t)$, for t from 0 to T_0 (where $T_0 < 0$), with

$\mathbf{u}_0(0)$ close to the origin $\mathbf{0}$,

and

$\mathbf{u}_0(0)$ in the *stable eigenspace* spanned by \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 ,

that is,

$$\mathbf{u}_0(0) = \mathbf{0} + \epsilon \left(\frac{\cos(2\pi\theta)}{|\mu_1|} \mathbf{v}_1 - \frac{\sin(2\pi\theta)}{|\mu_2|} \mathbf{v}_2 \right),$$

for, say, $\theta = 0$.

Scale time

$$t \rightarrow \frac{t}{T_0} ,$$

Then the initial orbit satisfies

$$\mathbf{u}'_0(t) = T_0 \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}_0(t)) , \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1 ,$$

and

$$\mathbf{u}_0(0) = \frac{\epsilon}{|\mu_1|} \mathbf{v}_1 .$$

The initial orbit has length

$$L = T_0 \int_0^1 \|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}_0(s))\| ds .$$

Thus the initial orbit corresponds to a solution \mathbf{X}_0 of the equation

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

where

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}) \equiv \begin{cases} \mathbf{u}'(t) - T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t)) \\ \mathbf{u}(0) - \epsilon \left(\frac{\cos(\theta)}{|\mu_1|} \mathbf{v}_1 - \frac{\sin(\theta)}{|\mu_2|} \mathbf{v}_2 \right) \\ T \int_0^1 \|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u})\| ds - L \end{cases}$$

with $\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{u}(\cdot), \theta, T)$, (for given L and ϵ),

and

$$\mathbf{X}_0 = (\mathbf{u}_0(\cdot), 0, T_0) .$$

As before, the continuation system is

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}_k) = 0 ,$$

$$\langle \mathbf{X}_k - \mathbf{X}_{k-1} , \dot{\mathbf{X}}_{k-1} \rangle - \Delta s = 0 , \quad (\| \dot{\mathbf{X}}_{k-1} \| = 1) ,$$

and

$$\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{u}(\cdot) , \theta , T) , \quad (\text{keeping } L \text{ and } \epsilon \text{ fixed}) ,$$

or

$$\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{u}(\cdot) , \theta , L) , \quad (\text{keeping } T \text{ and } \epsilon \text{ fixed}) ,$$

or (for computing the starting orbit $\mathbf{u}_0(t)$) ,

$$\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{u}(\cdot) , L , T) , \quad (\text{keeping } \theta \text{ and } \epsilon \text{ fixed}) .$$

Other variations are possible \dots .

NOTE:

- We do not just change the initial point (*i.e.*, θ) and integrate !
- Every continuation step requires solving a “*boundary value problem*”.
- The continuation stepsize Δs controls the change in \mathbf{X} .
- \mathbf{X} cannot suddenly change a lot in any continuation step.
- This allows the “*entire manifold*” to be computed.

NOTE:

- As shown, crossings of the Lorenz manifold with *a sphere* can be located.
- Crossings of the Lorenz manifold with *the plane* $z = \rho - 1$ can be located.
- Connections between the origin and the nonzero equilibria can be located.
- There are subtle variations on the algorithm !

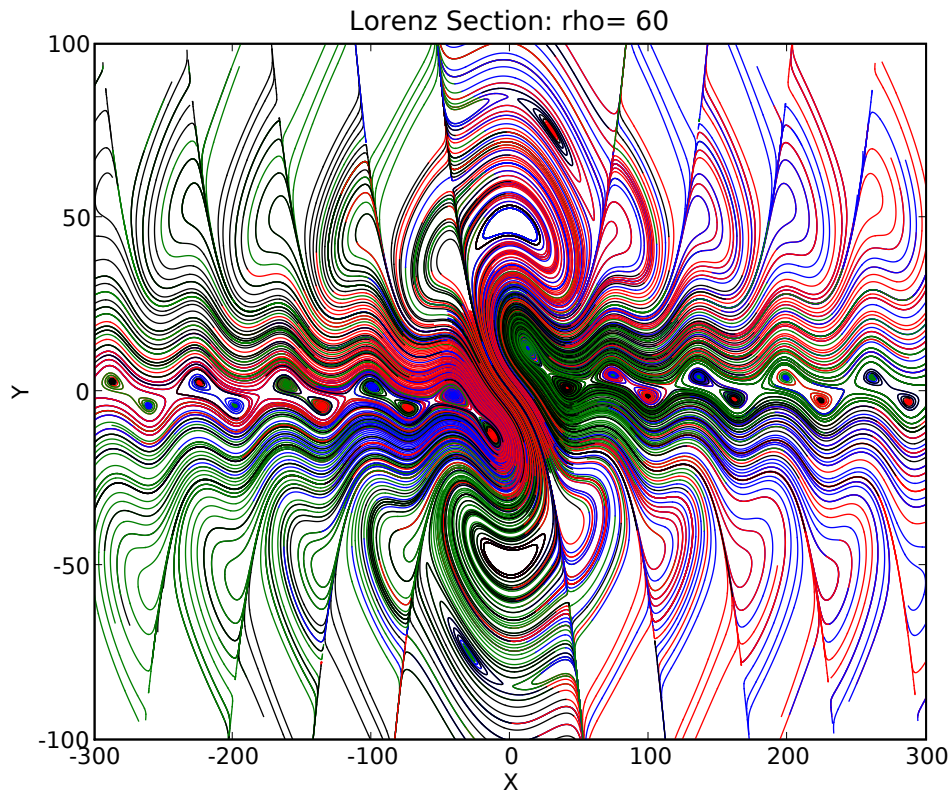
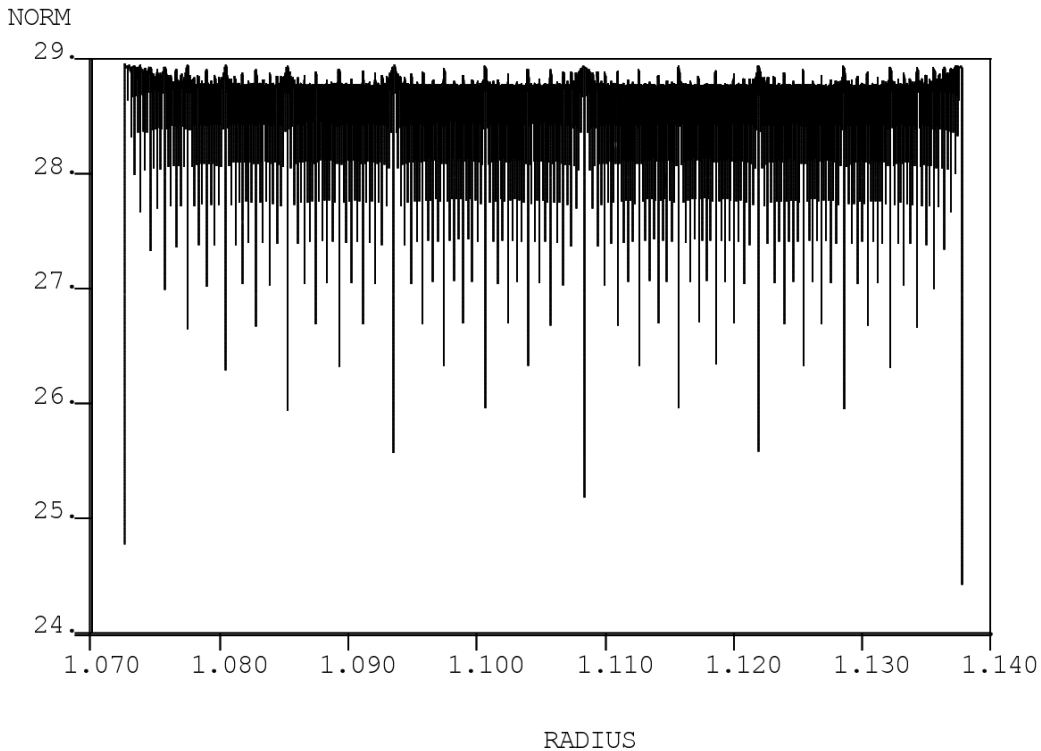


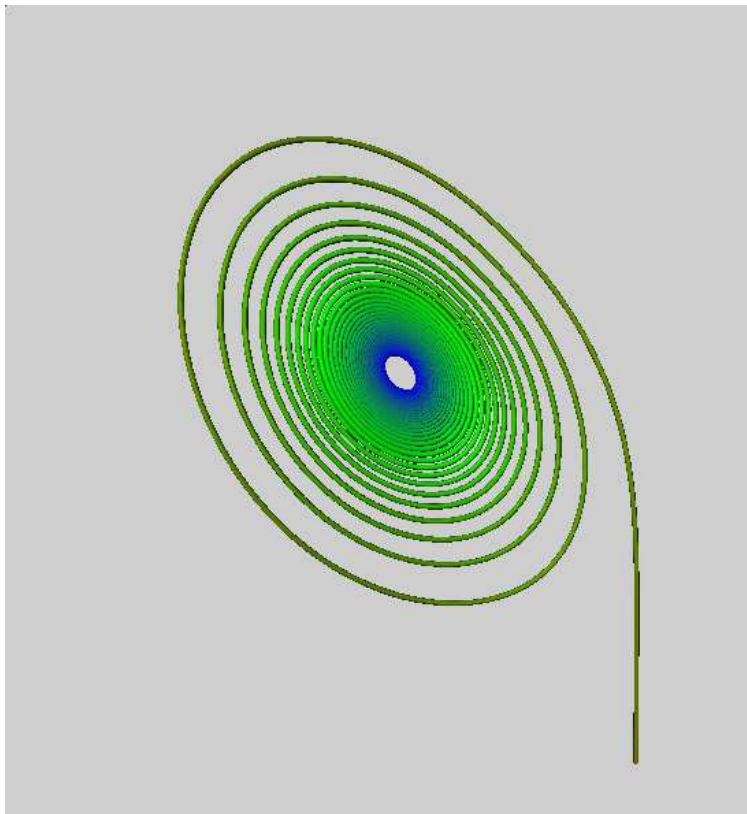
Figure 74: Crossings of the Lorenz Manifold with the plane $z = \rho - 1$

Heteroclinic connections

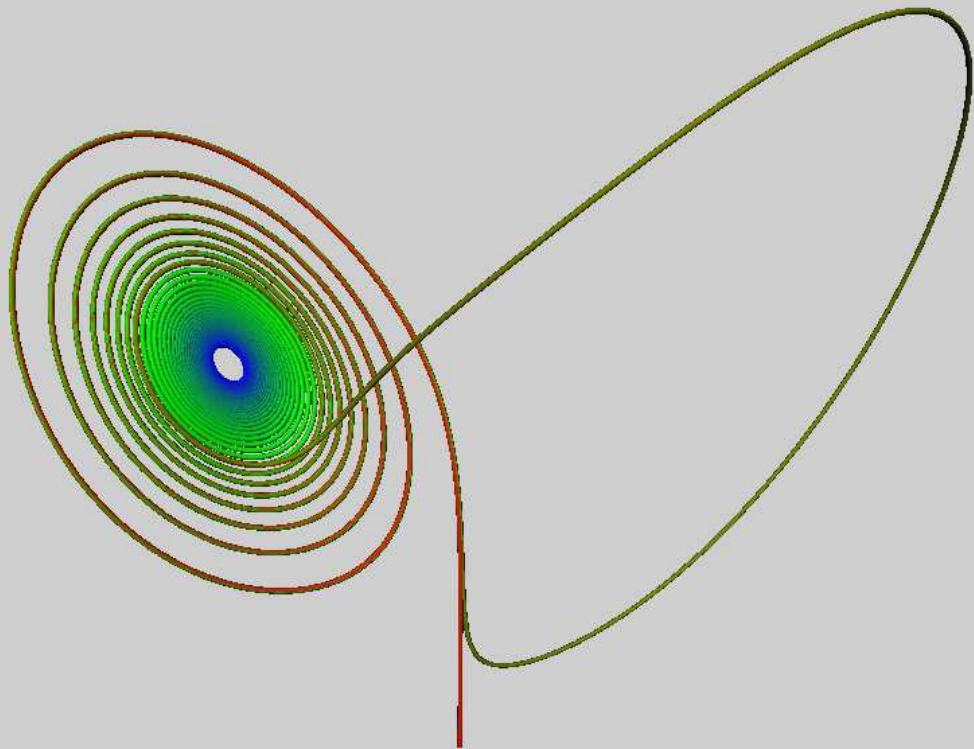
- During the computation of the 2D stable manifold of the origin one can locate *heteroclinic orbits* between the origin and the nonzero equilibria.
- The same heteroclinic orbits can be detected during the computation of the 2D unstable manifold of the nonzero equilibria.



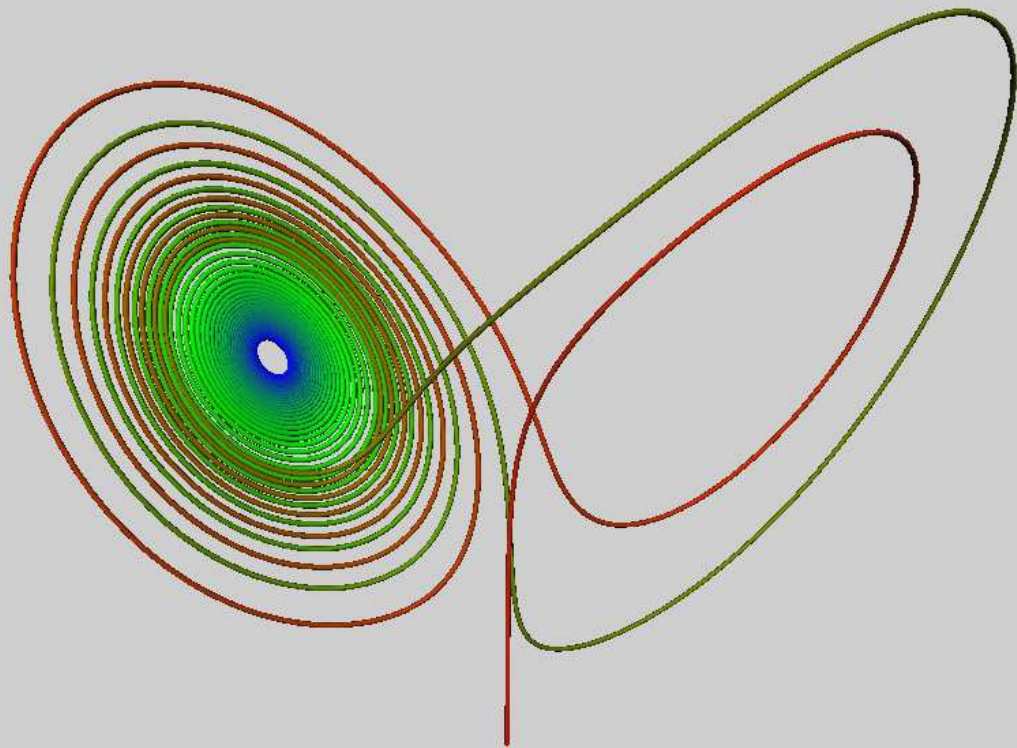
Representation of the orbit family in the stable manifold.



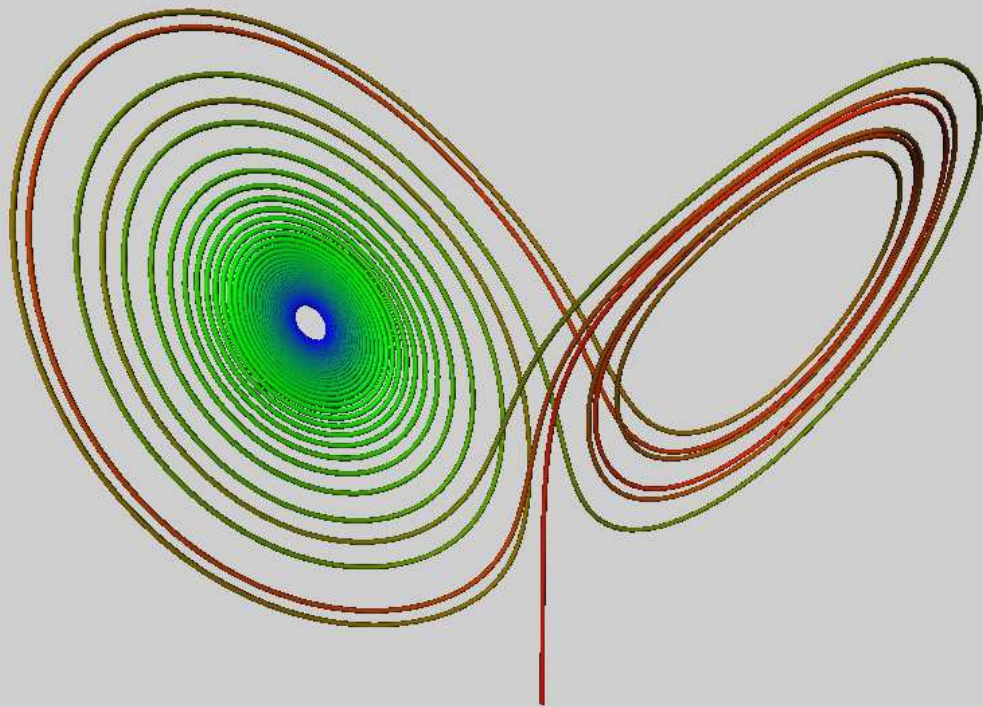
A heteroclinic connection in the Lorenz equations.



Another heteroclinic connection in the Lorenz equations.



... and another ...



... and another ...

NOTE:

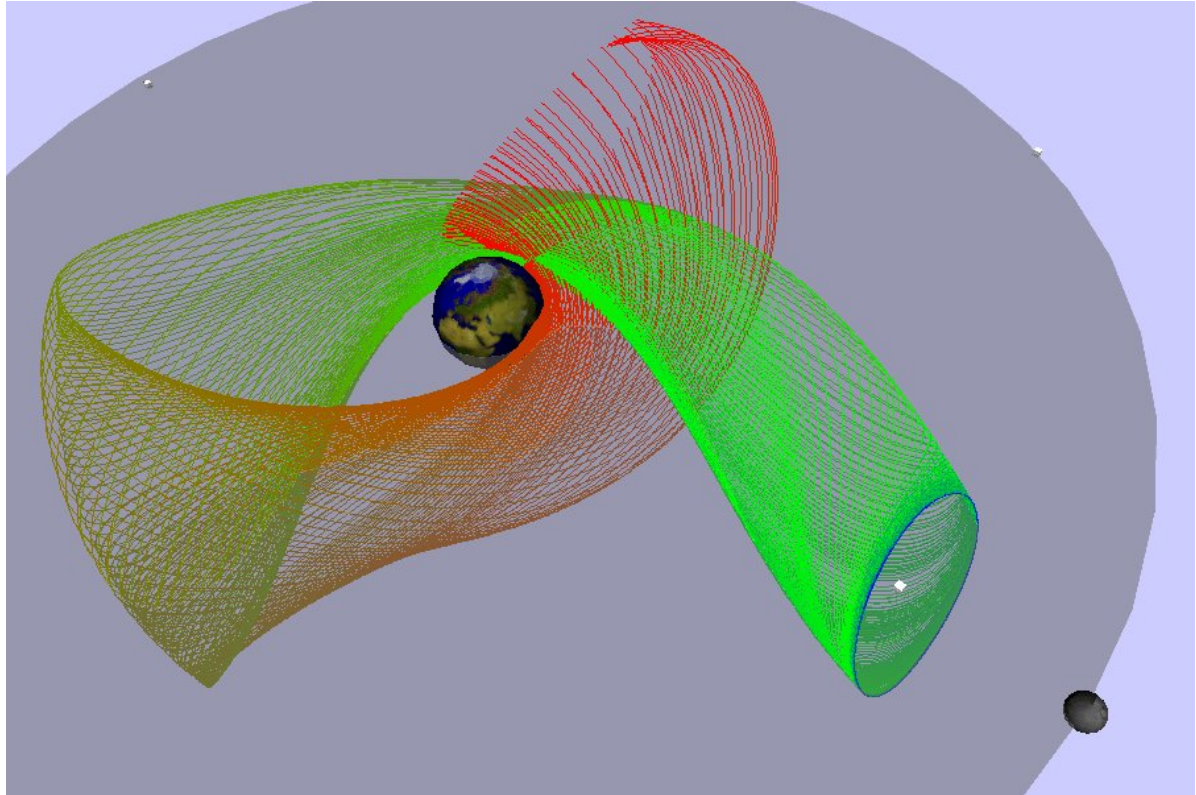
- The heteroclinic connections have a *combinatorial structure* .
- We can also *continue the heteroclinic connections* as ρ varies.
- They spawn *homoclinic orbits* , having their own combinatorial structure.
- These results shed some light on the Lorenz attractor as ρ changes.

More details: Nonlinearity 19, 2006, 2947-2972.

Example: The CR3BP

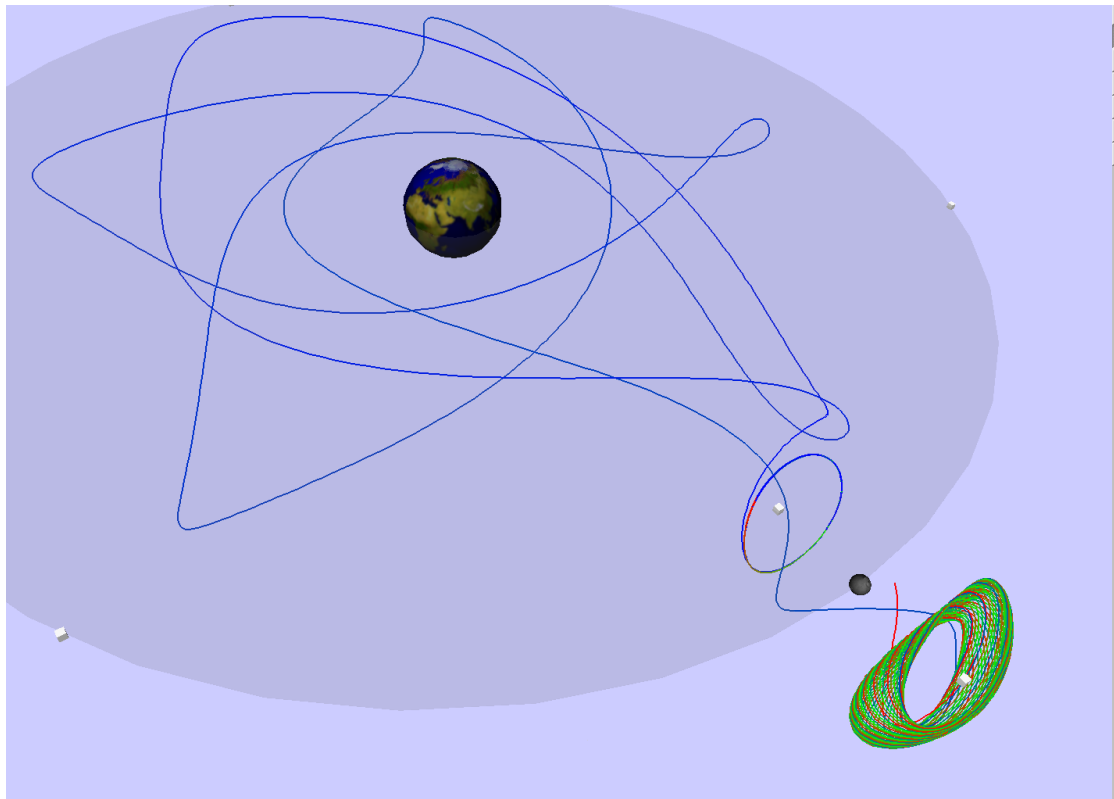
- "Small" Halo orbits have *one* real Floquet multiplier outside the unit circle.
- Such Halo orbits are *unstable* .
- They have a 2D *unstable manifold* .

- The unstable manifold can be computed by *continuation* .
- First compute a *starting orbit* in the manifold.
- Then continue the orbit keeping, for example, $x(1)$ *fixed* .



Continuation, keeping the endpoint $x(1)$ fixed.

- Course demo **r3b** : " auto H1a.auto "
- The initial orbit can be taken to be *much longer* ...
- Continuation with $x(1)$ fixed can lead to a *Halo-to-torus* connection!
- Course demo **r3b** : " auto H1aX.auto " (takes time!)
- Course demo **r3b** : " auto H1bX.auto " (takes time!)



- The Halo-to-*torus* connection can be continued as a solution to

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}_k) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

$$\langle \mathbf{X}_k - \mathbf{X}_{k-1} , \dot{\mathbf{X}}_{k-1} \rangle - \Delta s = 0 .$$

where

$$\mathbf{X} = (\text{Halo orbit} , \text{Floquet function} , \text{connecting orbit}) .$$

In detail, the continuation system is

$$\frac{du}{d\tau} - T_u f(u(\tau), \mu, l) = 0,$$

$$u(1) - u(0) = 0,$$

$$\int_0^1 \langle u(\tau), \dot{u}_0(\tau) \rangle d\tau = 0,$$

$$\frac{dv}{d\tau} - T_u D_u f(u(\tau), \mu, l)v(\tau) + \lambda_u v(\tau) = 0,$$

$$v(1) - sv(0) = 0 \quad (s = \pm 1),$$

$$\langle v(0), v(0) \rangle - 1 = 0,$$

$$\frac{dw}{d\tau} - T_w f(w(\tau), \mu, 0) = 0,$$

$$w(0) - (u(0) + \varepsilon v(0)) = 0,$$

$$w(1)_x - x_\Sigma = 0.$$

The system has

18 ODEs , 20 boundary conditions , 1 integral constraint.

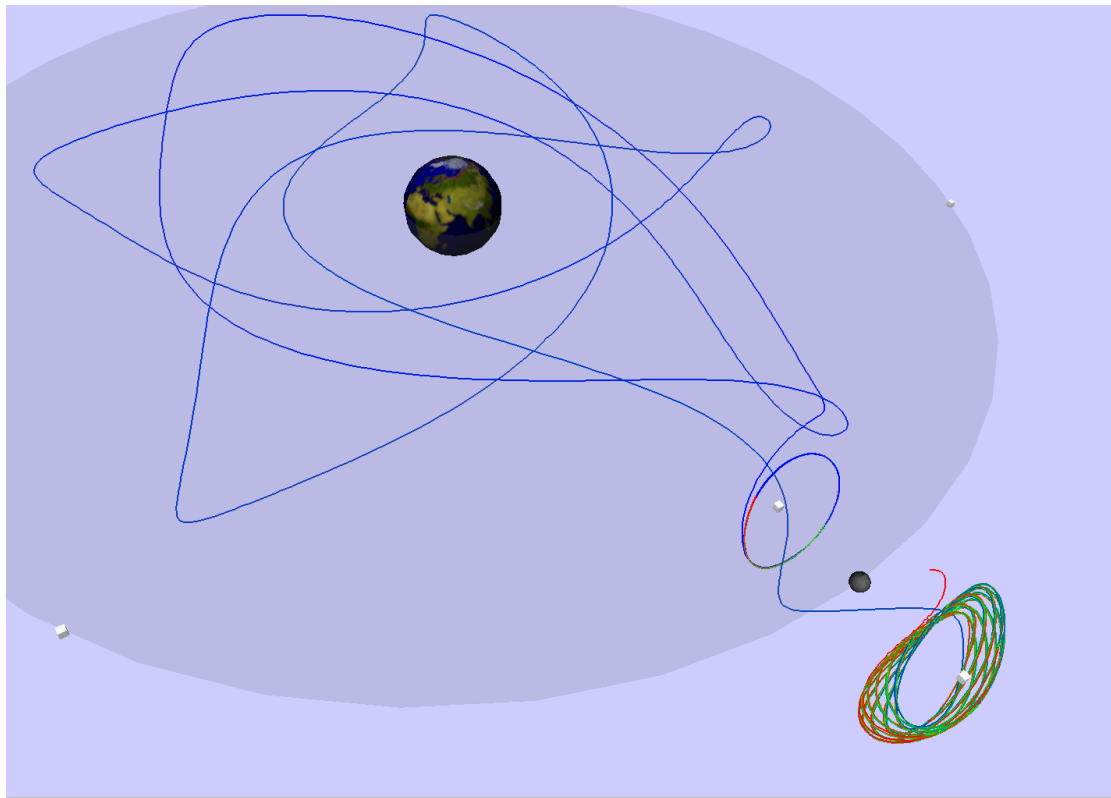
We need

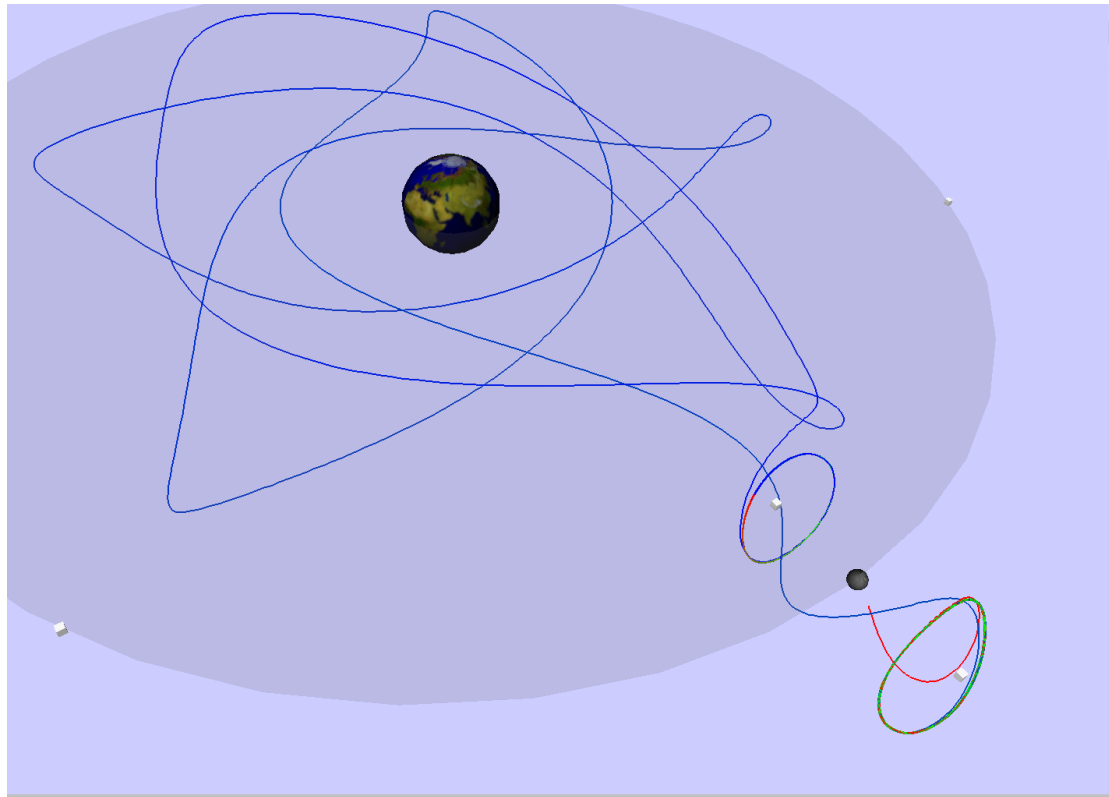
$$20 + 1 + 1 - 18 = 4 \text{ free parameters.}$$

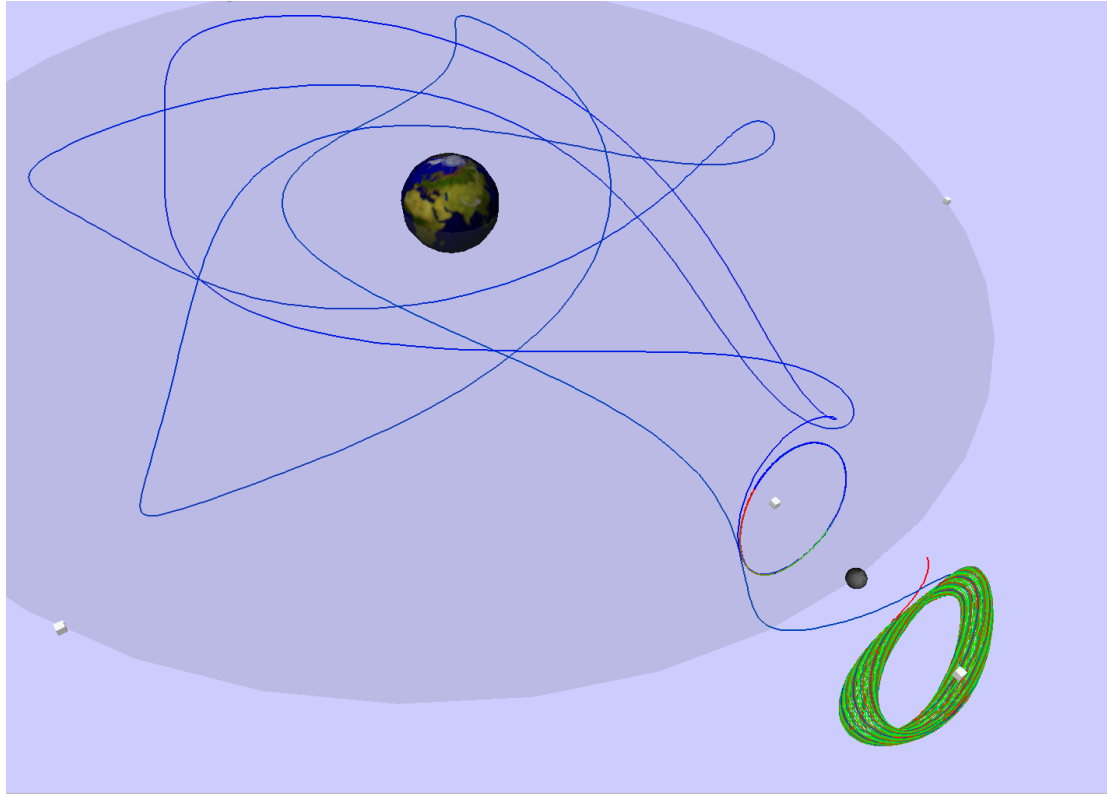
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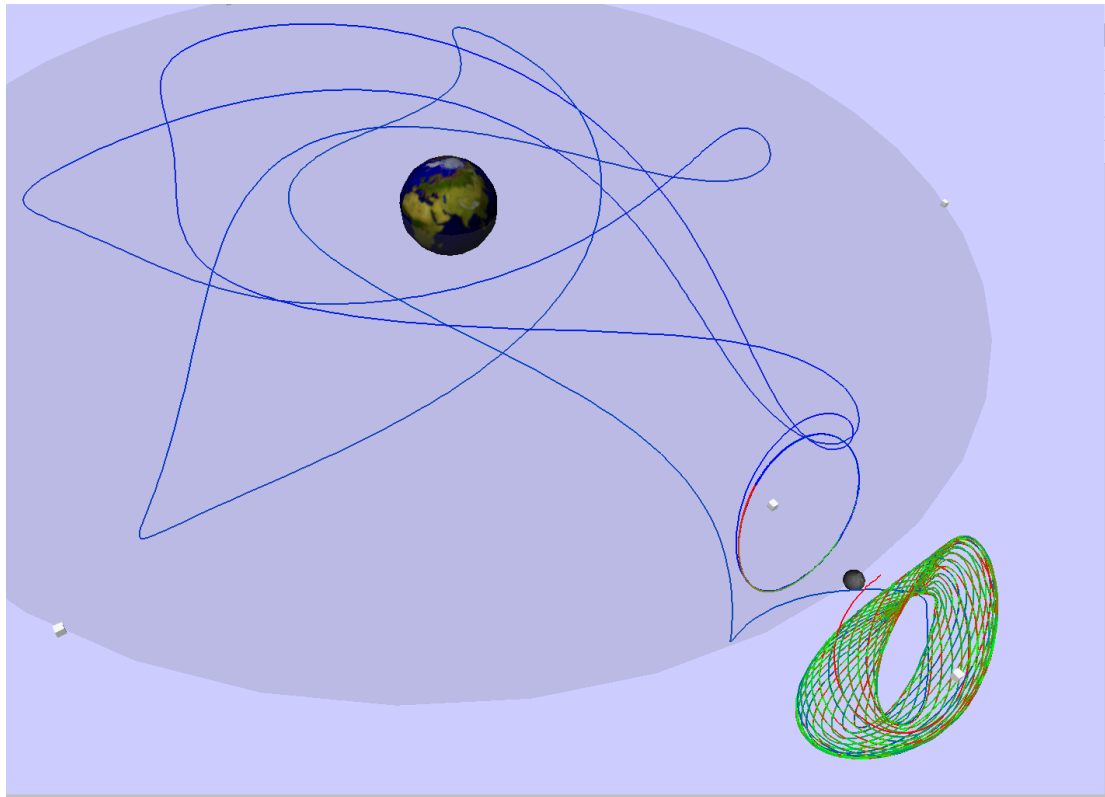
- An orbit in the unstable manifold: T_w , l , T_u , x_Σ
- Compute the unstable manifold: T_w , l , T_u , ε
- Follow a connecting orbit: λ_u , l , T_u , ε

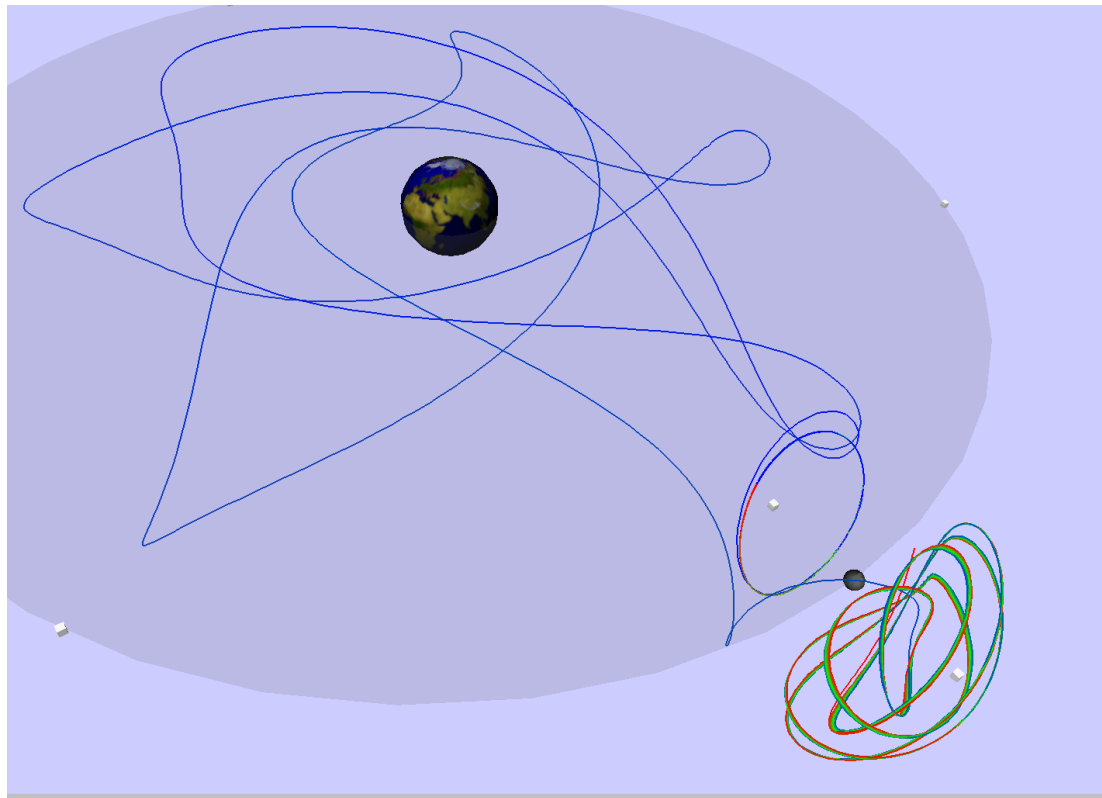
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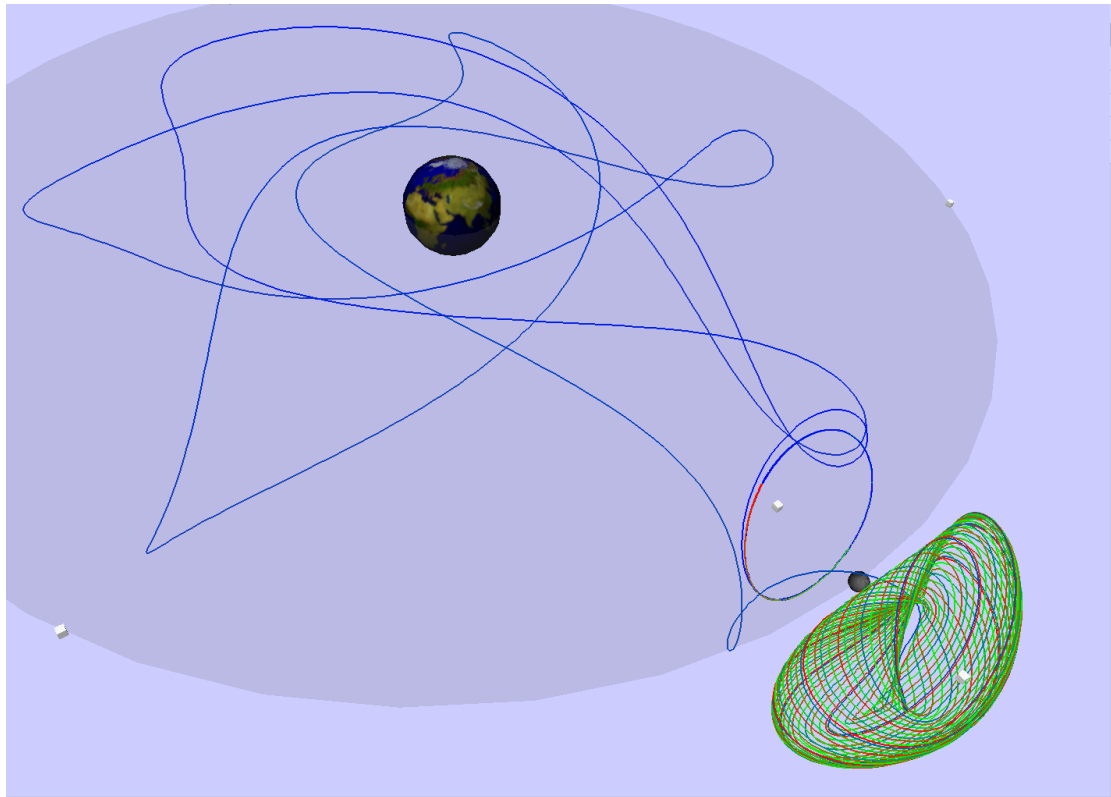


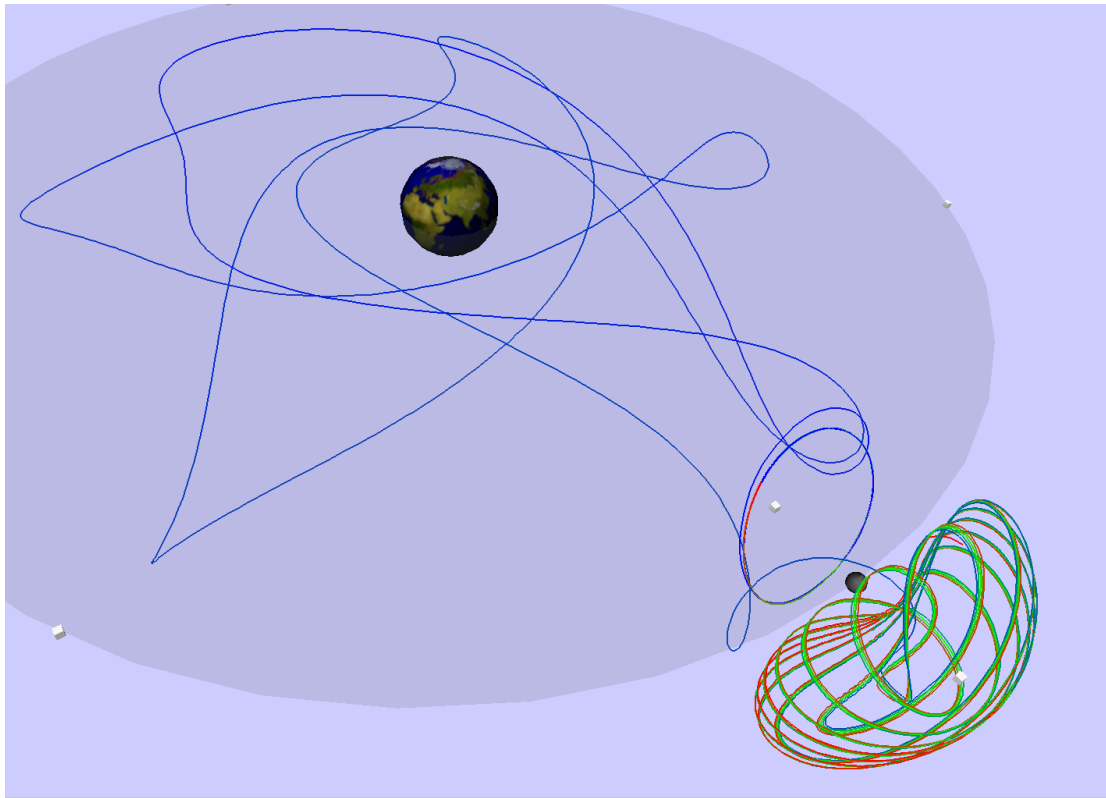


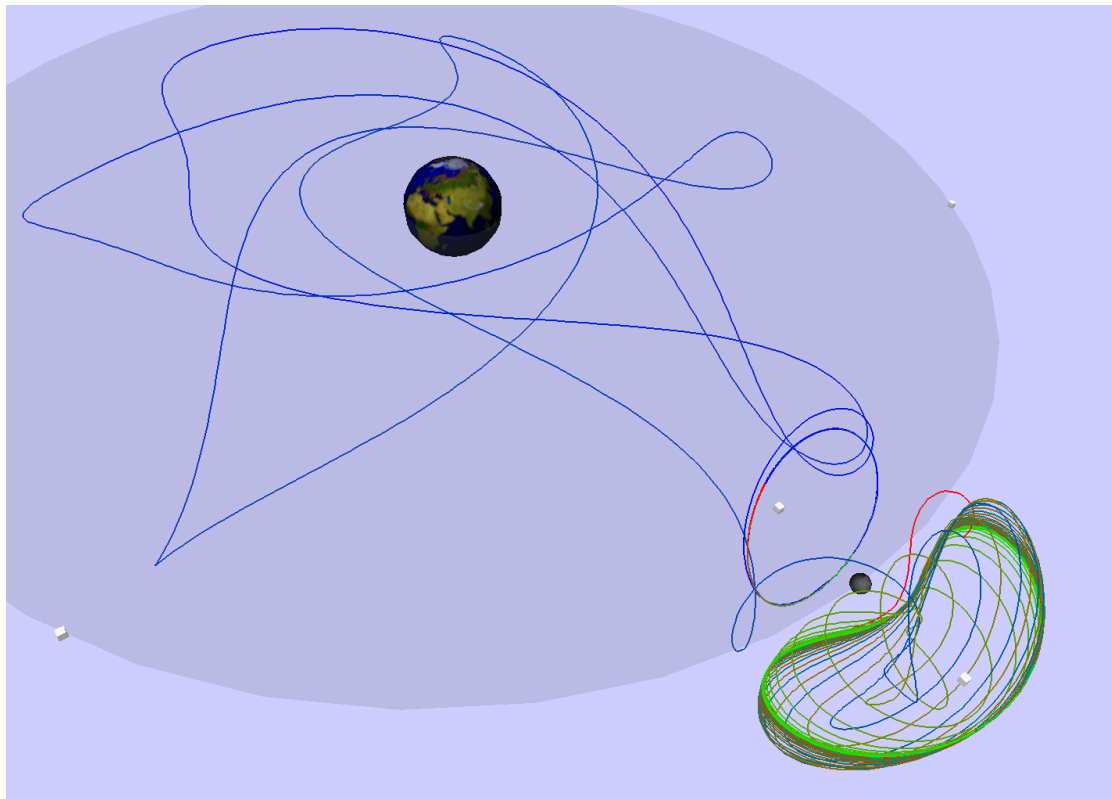


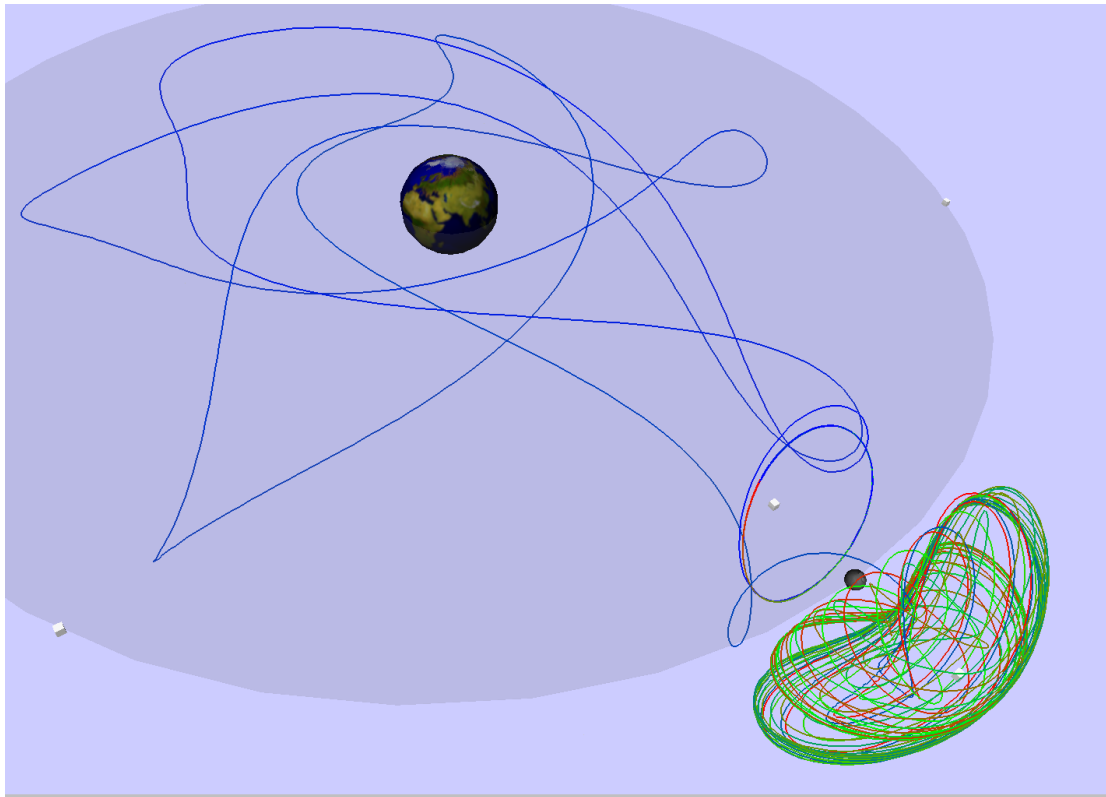


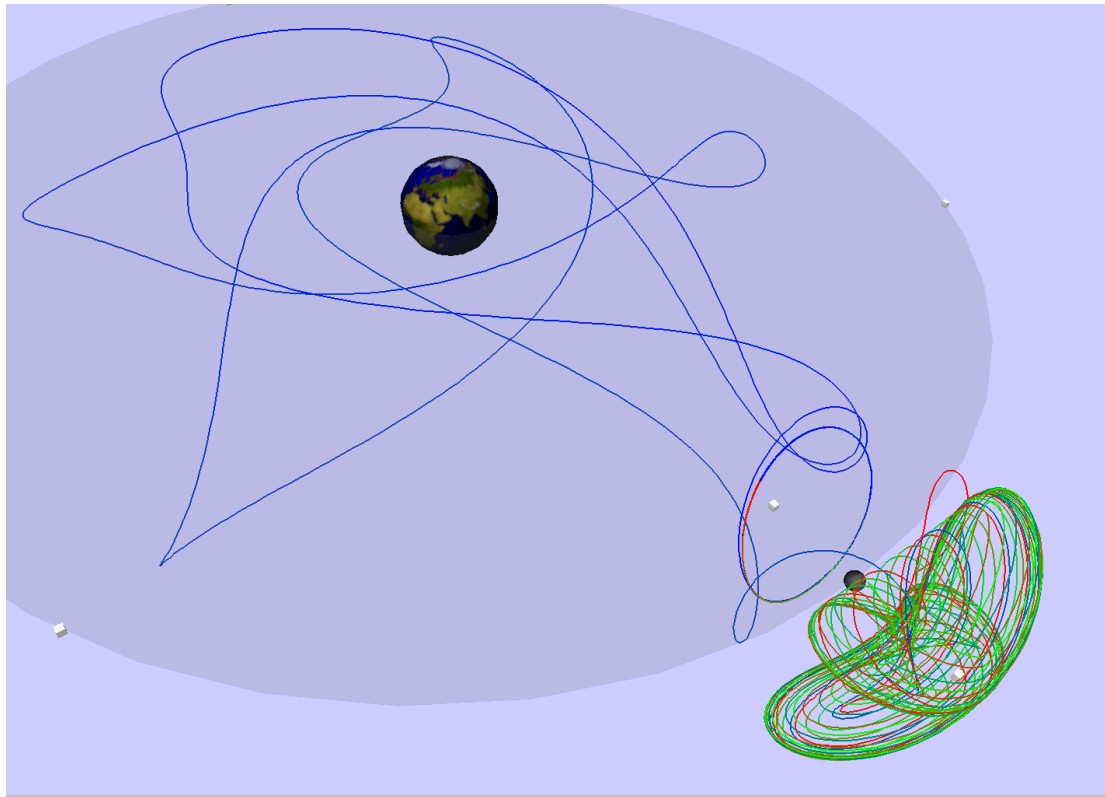


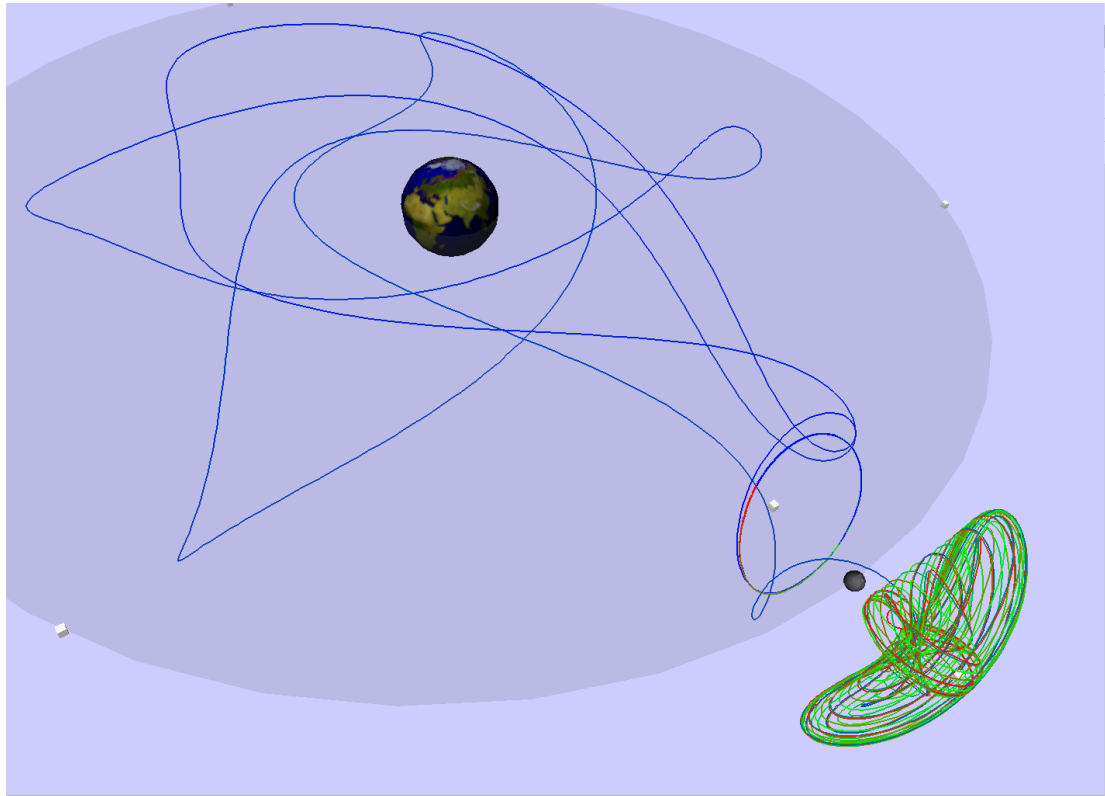


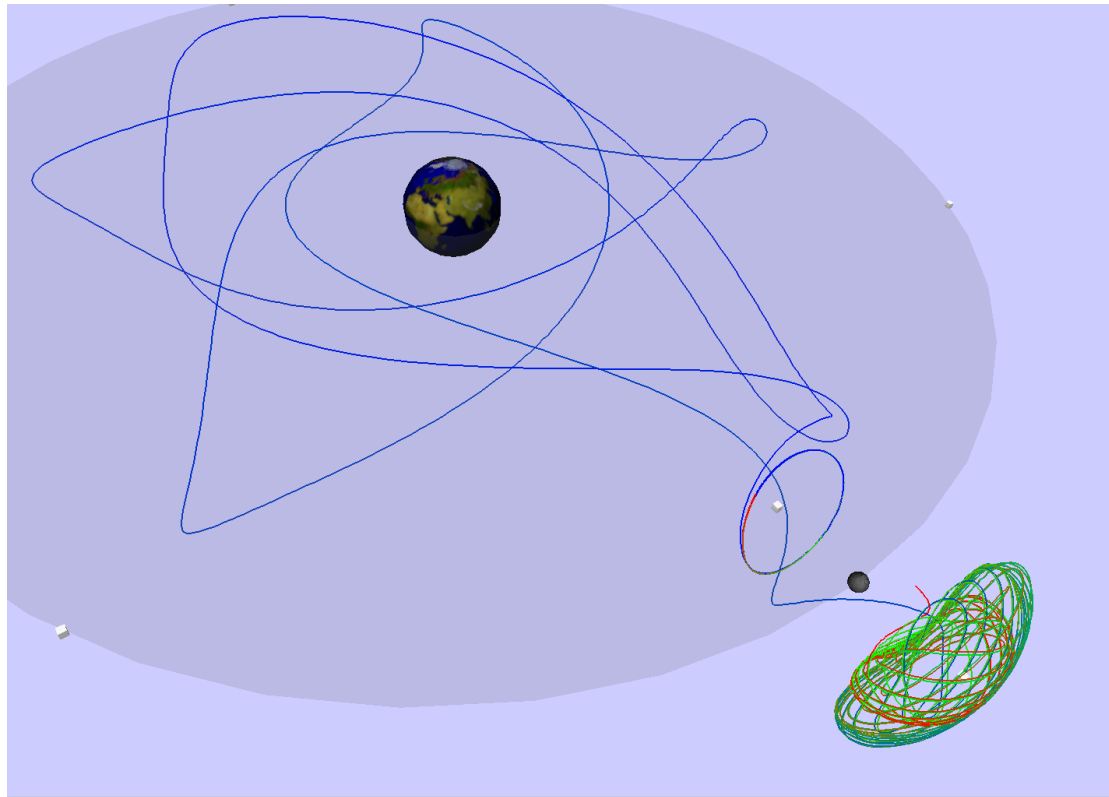


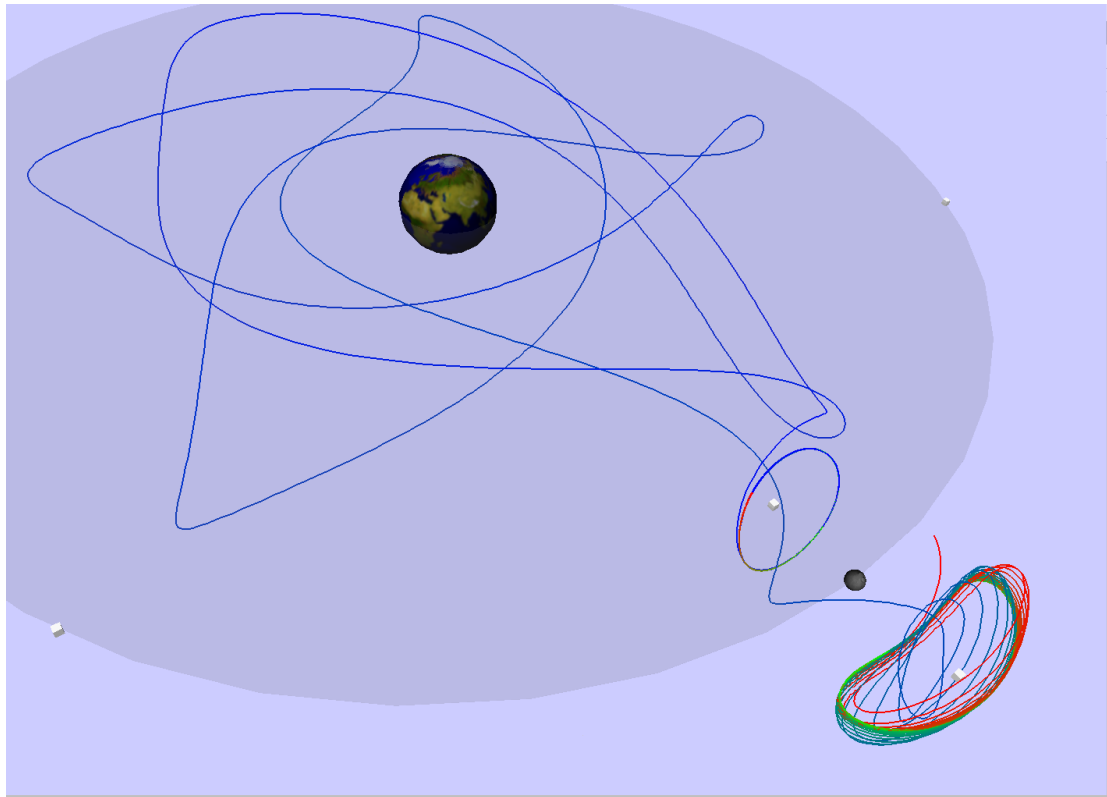












Second Example ...

