

Oscillations in three-reaction quadratic mass-action systems

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This document contains the computations of the first focal values in Sections 4.4 and 4.5 in the paper titled “Oscillations in three-reaction quadratic mass-action systems”.

In all cases, the first focal value turns out to be negative, and hence, all the occurring Andronov-Hopf bifurcations are supercritical, leading to stable limit cycles.

0 The first focal value

Theory

The first focal value for the differential equation

$$\dot{x} = -\omega y + \sum_{i+j \geq 2} \frac{F_{ij}}{i!j!} x^i y^j$$

$$\dot{y} = \omega x + \sum_{i+j \geq 2} \frac{G_{ij}}{i!j!} x^i y^j$$

is given by

$$L_1 = F_{30} + F_{12} + G_{03} + G_{21} + \frac{1}{\omega} [F_{11} (F_{20} + F_{02}) - G_{11} (G_{20} + G_{02}) + F_{02} G_{02} - F_{20} G_{20}], \text{ see e.g.}$$

http://www.scholarpedia.org/article/Andronov-Hopf_bifurcation.

Practice

The function **GetDerivatives** brings the ODE to canonical form, and computes the necessary derivatives.

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In[1]:= GetDerivatives[fg_, equilibrium_] :=
Module[{J, xyshift, T, Tinvuv, FG, derivatives, a, b, u, v, i, j},
  J = Simplify[D[fg, {{x, y}}] /. equilibrium];
  xyshift = {x → x + (x /. equilibrium), y → y + (y /. equilibrium)};
  T = {{1, 0}, {-a / ω, -b / ω}};
  Tinvuv = Inverse[T].{u, v};
  FG = (T.fg /. xyshift) /. {x → Tinvuv[[1]], y → Tinvuv[[2]]} /.
    {a → J[[1, 1]], b → J[[1, 2]]};
  derivatives = {};
  For[i = 0, i ≤ 3, i++, For[j = 0, j ≤ 3 - i, j++,
    derivatives =
      Join[derivatives, {Fi,j → (D[FG[[1]], {u, i}, {v, j}] /. {u → 0, v → 0}),
        Gi,j → (D[FG[[2]], {u, i}, {v, j}] /. {u → 0, v → 0})}]]];
  derivatives];

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In[2]:= L1 = F3,0 + F1,2 + G0,3 + G2,1 +  $\frac{1}{\omega}$  (F1,1 (F2,0 + F0,2) - G1,1 (G2,0 + G0,2) + F0,2 G0,2 - F2,0 G2,0);

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4.4 Discussion on Theorem 7

Network on the left (four reactions)

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In[3]:= fg = κ1 x2 {1, 0} + κ2 x y {-1, 1} + κ3 y {0, -1} + κ4 y {1, -1};
equil = Simplify[Solve[fg == 0 && {κ1, κ2, κ3, κ4} > 0 && {x, y} > 0, {x, y}]];
Print["positive equilibrium: ", equil];

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positive equilibrium: $\left\{ \left\{ x \rightarrow \frac{\kappa_3 + \kappa_4}{\kappa_2} \text{ if } \kappa_3 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_4 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_1 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_2 > 0, \right. \right.$

$\left. y \rightarrow \frac{\kappa_1 (\kappa_3 + \kappa_4)^2}{\kappa_2^2 \kappa_3} \text{ if } \kappa_3 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_4 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_1 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_2 > 0 \right\} \right\}$

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In[6]:= equilibrium = Normal[equil[[1]]];
J = D[fg, {{x, y}}] /. equilibrium;
trJ = Simplify[Tr[J]];
detJ = Simplify[Det[J]];
hopf = Normal[Solve[trJ == 0 && {κ1, κ2, κ3, κ4} > 0] [[1]]];
derivatives = Simplify[GetDerivatives[fg, equilibrium] /. hopf];
L1 = Simplify[L1 /. derivatives];
Print["det J = ", detJ];
Print["tr J = ", trJ];
Print["L1 = ", L1];

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$$\det J = \frac{\kappa_1 (\kappa_3 + \kappa_4)^2}{\kappa_2}$$

$$\text{tr} J = \frac{\kappa_1 (\kappa_3 - \kappa_4) (\kappa_3 + \kappa_4)}{\kappa_2 \kappa_3}$$

$$L_1 = -\frac{2 \kappa_1 \kappa_2}{\kappa_3}$$

Network in the middle (trimolecular source)

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In[16]:= fg =  $\kappa_1 \{1, 0\} + \kappa_2 x y^2 \{-1, 1\} + \kappa_3 y \{0, -1\}$ ;
equil = Simplify[Solve[fg == 0 && { $\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \kappa_3$ } > 0 && {x, y} > 0, {x, y}]];
Print["positive equilibrium: ", equil];
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positive equilibrium: $\left\{ \left\{ x \rightarrow \frac{\kappa_3^2}{\kappa_1 \kappa_2} \text{ if } \kappa_1 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_2 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_3 > 0, y \rightarrow \frac{\kappa_1}{\kappa_3} \text{ if } \kappa_1 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_2 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_3 > 0 \right\} \right\}$

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In[19]:= equilibrium = Normal[equil[[1]]];
J = D[fg, {{x, y}}] /. equilibrium;
trJ = Simplify[Tr[J]];
detJ = Simplify[Det[J]];
hopf = Normal[Solve[trJ == 0 && { $\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \kappa_3$ } > 0] [[1]]];
 $\omega$ subst = Simplify[ $\left\{ \omega \rightarrow \sqrt{\det J /. \text{hopf}} \right\}$ ];
derivatives = Simplify[GetDerivatives[fg, equilibrium] /. hopf];
L1 = Simplify[L1 /. derivatives /.  $\omega$ subst];
Print["det J = ", detJ];
Print["tr J = ", trJ];
Print["L1 = ", L1];
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$$\det J = \frac{\kappa_1^2 \kappa_2}{\kappa_3}$$

$$\text{tr} J = -\frac{\kappa_1^2 \kappa_2}{\kappa_3^2} + \kappa_3$$

$$L_1 = -\frac{\kappa_3^3}{\kappa_1^2}$$

Network on the right (tetramolecular target)

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In[30]:= fg =  $\kappa_1 x^2 \{1, 1\} + \kappa_2 x y \{-1, 0\} + \kappa_3 y \{0, -1\}$ ;
equil = Simplify[Solve[fg == 0 && { $\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \kappa_3$ } > 0 && {x, y} > 0, {x, y}]];
Print["positive equilibrium: ", equil];
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positive equilibrium: $\left\{ \left\{ x \rightarrow \frac{\kappa_3}{\kappa_2} \text{ if } \kappa_1 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_2 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_3 > 0, y \rightarrow \frac{\kappa_1 \kappa_3}{\kappa_2^2} \text{ if } \kappa_1 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_2 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_3 > 0 \right\} \right\}$

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In[33]:= equilibrium = Normal[equil[[1]]];
J = D[fg, {{x, y}}] /. equilibrium;
trJ = Simplify[Tr[J]];
detJ = Simplify[Det[J]];
hopf = Normal[Solve[trJ == 0 && { $\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \kappa_3$ } > 0][[1]]];
derivatives = Simplify[GetDerivatives[fg, equilibrium] /. hopf];
L1 = Simplify[L1 /. derivatives];
Print["det J = ", detJ];
Print["tr J = ", trJ];
Print["L1 = ", L1];
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$$\det J = \frac{\kappa_1 \kappa_3^2}{\kappa_2}$$

$$\text{tr } J = \left(-1 + \frac{\kappa_1}{\kappa_2} \right) \kappa_3$$

$$L_1 = -\frac{2 \kappa_2^2 \kappa_3}{\omega^2}$$

4.5 Andronov-Hopf bifurcations

Case 9

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In[43]:=  $\kappa\text{positive} = \kappa_1 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_2 > 0 \text{ \&\& } \kappa_3 > 0$ ;
absbst = {a1 -> 2, b1 -> 0, a2 -> 1, b2 -> 1, a3 -> 0, b3 -> 1};
fg = Sum[ $\kappa_i x^{a_i} y^{b_i} \{c_i, d_i\}$ , {i, 1, 3}] /. absbst;
xy $\mu$  = Normal[Solve[ $\mu \{u_1, u_2, u_3\} = (\{\kappa_1 x^{a_1} y^{b_1}, \kappa_2 x^{a_2} y^{b_2}, \kappa_3 x^{a_3} y^{b_3}\} /. \text{absbst}) \text{ \&\& } \kappa\text{positive} \text{ \&\& } \{x, y\} > 0$ ][[1]]];
Print["positive equilibrium and  $\mu$ : ", xy $\mu$ ];
cross = Cross[{c1, c2, c3}, {d1, d2, d3}];
usbst = {u1 -> cross[[1]], u2 -> cross[[2]], u3 -> cross[[3]]};
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positive equilibrium and μ : $\left\{ x \rightarrow \frac{u_2 \kappa_3}{u_3 \kappa_2}, y \rightarrow \frac{u_2^2 \kappa_1 \kappa_3}{u_1 u_3 \kappa_2^2}, \mu \rightarrow \frac{u_2^2 \kappa_1 \kappa_3^2}{u_1 u_3^2 \kappa_2^2} \right\}$

In[50]:=

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equilibrium = xyμ[{1, 2}];
J = Simplify[D[fg, {{x, y}}] /. equilibrium];
trJ = Simplify[Tr[J]];
detJ = Simplify[Det[J]];
hopf = Solve[trJ == 0, κ1][[1]];
ωsubst = {ω → √detJ};
derivatives = Simplify[GetDerivatives[fg, equilibrium]];
L1 = Simplify[Simplify[L1 /. derivatives] /. ωsubst /. hopf /. usubst];
L1nonneg1 = Reduce[L1 ≥ 0 && c1 > 0 && c2 == -1 && c3 > 0 &&

$$d_1 > 0 \text{ \&\& } d_2 \geq -1 \text{ \&\& } d_3 \geq -1 \text{ \&\& } \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{d_3}{c_3} + \frac{d_1}{c_1} \right) < \frac{d_2}{c_2} < \frac{d_1}{c_1} \text{ \&\& } \{\kappa_2, \kappa_3\} > 0];$$

L1nonneg2 = Reduce[L1 ≥ 0 && c1 > 0 && c2 == -1 &&

$$c_3 == 0 \text{ \&\& } d_1 > 0 \text{ \&\& } d_2 \geq -1 \text{ \&\& } d_3 == -1 \text{ \&\& } \frac{d_2}{c_2} < \frac{d_1}{c_1} \text{ \&\& } \{\kappa_2, \kappa_3\} > 0];$$

Print["tr J = 0 for ", hopf];
Print["L1 = ", L1];
Print["L1 ≥ 0 when c3 > 0: ", L1nonneg1];
Print["L1 ≥ 0 when c3 = 0: ", L1nonneg2];

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$$\text{tr } J = 0 \text{ for } \left\{ \kappa_1 \rightarrow -\frac{u_1 (d_2 u_2 + d_3 u_3) \kappa_2}{u_2 (2 c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2)} \right\}$$

$$L_1 = \frac{\left(2 (c_2 d_1 - c_1 d_2)^2 \left(4 c_1^2 c_3^2 d_2^2 d_3 + c_2^2 d_3 (2 c_3^2 d_1^2 + c_1 c_3 d_1 d_3 + c_1^2 d_3^2) - c_2 c_3 d_2 (c_3^2 d_1^2 + 3 c_1 c_3 d_1 d_3 + 4 c_1^2 d_3^2) \right) \kappa_2^2 \right)}{(c_1 (c_3 d_1 - c_1 d_3)^2 (c_3 d_2 - c_2 d_3) (2 c_1 c_3 d_2 - c_2 (c_3 d_1 + c_1 d_3)) \kappa_3)}$$

$L_1 \geq 0$ when $c_3 > 0$: False

$L_1 \geq 0$ when $c_3 = 0$: False

Hence, L_1 is negative.

Case 10

In[64]:=

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xpositive =  $\kappa_1 > 0 \&\& \kappa_2 > 0 \&\& \kappa_3 > 0$ ;
absubst = {a1 → 2, b1 → 0, a2 → 1, b2 → 1, a3 → 0, b3 → 0};
fg = Sum[ $\kappa_i x^{a_i} y^{b_i} \{c_i, d_i\}$ , {i, 1, 3}] /. absubst;
equil = Reduce[ $\mu \{u_1, u_2, u_3\} == (\{\kappa_1 x^{a_1} y^{b_1}, \kappa_2 x^{a_2} y^{b_2}, \kappa_3 x^{a_3} y^{b_3}\} /. \text{absubst}) \&\&$ 
 $xpositive \&\& \{x, y\} > 0 \&\& \{\mu, u_1, u_2, u_3\} > 0, \{x, y, \mu\}$ ];
Print["positive equilibrium: ", equil];
cross = Cross[{c1, c2, c3}, {d1, d2, d3}];
usubst = {u1 → cross[[1]], u2 → cross[[2]], u3 → cross[[3]]};

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positive equilibrium:

$$u_1 > 0 \&\& u_2 > 0 \&\& u_3 > 0 \&\& \kappa_1 > 0 \&\& \kappa_2 > 0 \&\& \kappa_3 > 0 \&\& x = \sqrt{\frac{u_1 \kappa_3}{u_3 \kappa_1}} \&\& y = \frac{x u_2 \kappa_1}{u_1 \kappa_2} \&\& \mu = \frac{x^2 \kappa_1}{u_1}$$

In[71]:=

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equilibrium = {x →  $\sqrt{\frac{u_1 \kappa_3}{u_3 \kappa_1}}$ , y →  $\frac{u_2}{\kappa_2} \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_1 \kappa_3}{u_1 u_3}}$ };
J = Simplify[D[fg, {{x, y}}] /. equilibrium, xpositive];
trJ = Simplify[Tr[J]];
detJ = Simplify[Det[J], xpositive &\& {u1, u2, u3} > 0];
hopf =
  Normal[Simplify[Solve[trJ == 0 &\& xpositive &\& {u1, u2, u3} > 0], {u1, u2, u3} > 0][[1]]];
 $\omega\text{subst} = \{\omega \rightarrow \sqrt{\det J}\}$ ;
Print["tr J = 0 for ", hopf];
derivatives =
  Simplify[GetDerivatives[fg, equilibrium], xpositive &\& u1 > 0 &\& u2 > 0 &\& u3 > 0];
L1 = Simplify[Simplify[L1 /. derivatives] /.  $\omega\text{subst}$  /. hopf,
  xpositive &\& u1 > 0 &\& u2 > 0 &\& u3 > 0];
Print["L1 = ", L1];

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$$\text{tr } J = 0 \text{ for } \left\{ c_1 \rightarrow -\frac{c_2 u_2}{2 u_1} - \frac{d_2 \kappa_2}{2 \kappa_1} \right\}$$

$$L_1 = \frac{2 u_1 u_3 (c_2 u_2 \kappa_1 - d_2 u_1 \kappa_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{u_1^5 u_3 \kappa_3}{\kappa_1}}}$$

The expression in the numerator of L_1 is never nonnegative:

In[81]:=

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Reduce[Simplify[c2 u2 κ1 - d2 u1 κ2 /. usubst] ≥ 0 &&
  c1 ==  $\left(-\frac{c_2 u_2}{2 u_1} - \frac{d_2 \kappa_2}{2 \kappa_1}\right) /. usubst \&\& \kappa_{\text{positive}} \&\& c_1 > 0 \&\& c_2 == -1 \&\&
  c_3 > 0 \&\& d_1 > 0 \&\& d_2 == -1 \&\& d_3 \geq 0 \&\& \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d_3}{c_3} + \frac{d_1}{c_1}\right) < \frac{d_2}{c_2} < \frac{d_1}{c_1}]$ 
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Out[81]=

False

Hence, L_1 is negative.