

Bifurcation in parameter dependent systems

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Overview

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Introduction: Fixed Point Analysis

Given the system of differential equations:

$$y' = f(y)$$

Definition

A *fixed point* y^* is defined by $f(y^*) = 0$.

- Solve the equation $f(y) = 0$
- Analyse eigenvalues of the Jacobian at fixed points.

Now: System with *control parameter* μ .

$$y' = f(y, \mu)$$

How does μ influence the number, location and stability of fixed points?

Bifurcation

Definition

Bifurcation is the changing of the character of an equilibrium point and/or the creation of extra ones by alteration of a control parameter.

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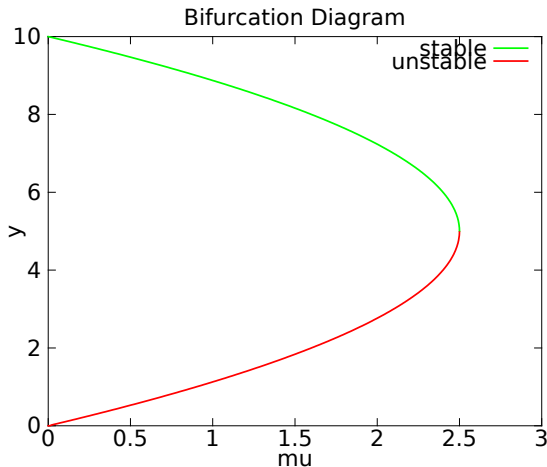
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Fixed points at

$$y_{1/2} = 5 \pm \sqrt{25 - 10\mu}$$

Stability:

$$\frac{df}{dy} = -\frac{2}{10}y + 1$$



Hopf Bifurcation

Definition

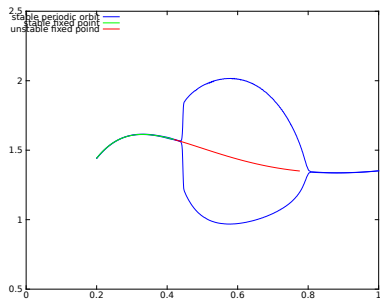
A *Hopf Bifurcation* is the appearance or disappearance of a periodic orbit through a local change in the stability properties of a fixed point.

Appears when a pair of complex conjugate eigenvalues around the fixed point crosses the imaginary axis of the complex plane.

$$x' = -x + ay + x^2y \quad (1)$$

$$y' = b - ay - x^2y \quad (2)$$

Hopf Bifurcation example:



Numerical Bifurcation Analysis

How to draw the bifurcation diagram and find bifurcation points?

Fixed point analysis for equidistant parameters μ is inefficient.

Idea

Follow the fixed point around the fold bifurcation curve.

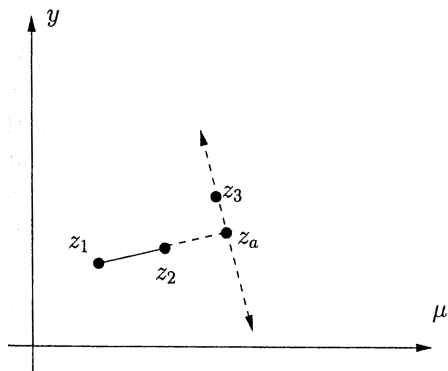
Treating μ as an additional dependent variable in phase space and solve

$$f(y, \mu) = 0$$

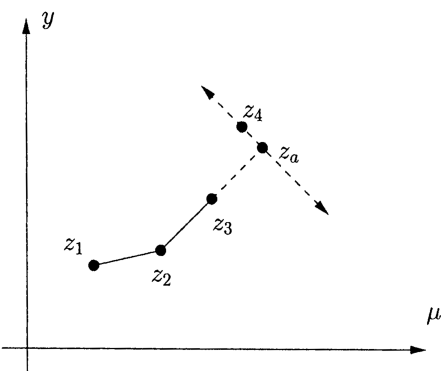
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Numerical Bifurcation Analysis

- Given two nearby points $z_1 = (y_1, \mu_1)$ and $z_2 = (y_2, \mu_2)$
- Initial approximation $z_a = 2z_2 - z_1$ as starting point for Newton's method.
- Additional equation: $(z_3 - z_a) \cdot (z_a - z_2) = 0$



(a)



(b)

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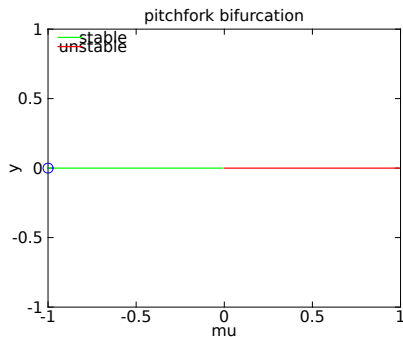
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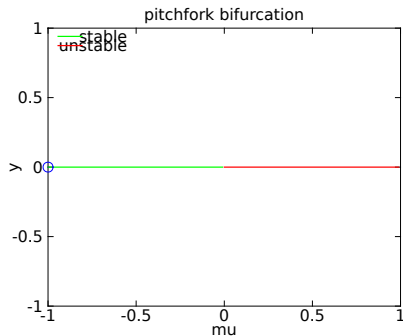
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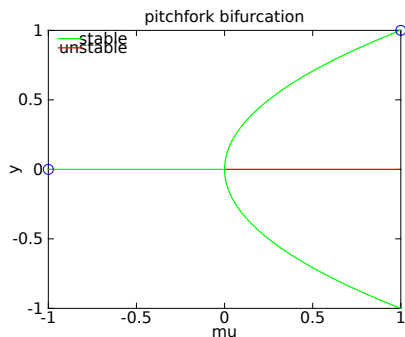
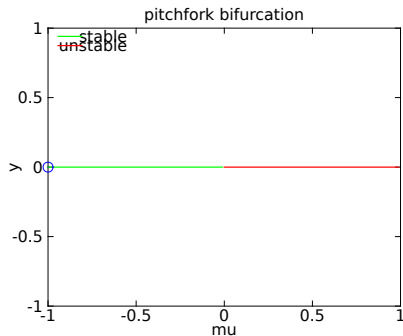
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