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## Appendix A Sets and matlab code of $\mathcal{S}$ in Theorem 2.2

### A.1 Sets of parameters

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{I}_3 \cap \mathcal{B}_2 &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho < \varpi, \frac{e_2}{h} < d_2 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_2} + \frac{e_2}{h}, \frac{d_1}{1-\alpha_1 d_1} < \kappa_1 < \kappa_2 < 1 \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_3 \cap \mathcal{B}_{11} &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho < \varpi, \max\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, \frac{e_2}{h}\right\} < d_2 < \min\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2} + \frac{e_2}{h}, 1\right\}, \right. \\
&\quad \left. \frac{d_1}{1-\alpha_1 d_1} < \kappa_1 < \kappa_2 < 1 \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{21} \cap \mathcal{B}_2 &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho < \varpi, \frac{e_2}{h} < d_2 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, \kappa_2 < 1 \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{22} \cap \mathcal{B}_2 &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho \geq \varpi, \frac{e_2}{h} < d_2 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, \frac{d_1}{1-\alpha_1 d_1} < \kappa_2 < 1 \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{21} \cap \mathcal{B}_{11} &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho < \varpi, \max\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, \frac{e_2}{h}\right\} < d_2 < \min\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2} + \frac{e_2}{h}, 1\right\}, \kappa_2 < 1 \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{22} \cap \mathcal{B}_{11} &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho \geq \varpi, \max\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, \frac{e_2}{h}\right\} < d_2 < \min\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2} + \frac{e_2}{h}, 1\right\}, \right. \\
&\quad \left. \frac{d_1}{1-\alpha_1 d_1} < \kappa_2 < 1 \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{11} \cap \mathcal{B}_2 &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho < \varpi, \frac{e_2}{h} < d_2 < \min\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, \kappa_2 < 1\right\} \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{12} \cap \mathcal{B}_2 &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho \leq \varpi, \frac{e_2}{h} < d_2 < \min\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, \kappa_1 < \frac{d_1}{1-\alpha_1 d_1}, \kappa_2 < 1\right\} \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{13} \cap \mathcal{B}_2 &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho < \varpi, \frac{e_2}{h} < d_2 < \min\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, \frac{d_1}{1-\alpha_1 d_1} < \kappa_1 < 1 < \kappa_2\right\} \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{14} \cap \mathcal{B}_2 &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho < \varpi, \frac{e_2}{h} < d_2 < \min\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, \kappa_1 < \frac{d_1}{1-\alpha_1 d_1} < \kappa_2 < 1\right\} \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{01} \cap \mathcal{B}_2 &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho \geq \varpi, \frac{e_1 + [(1+\alpha_1)d_1 - 1]e_2}{e_1(1+\alpha_2)} < d_2 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, \kappa_2 < \frac{d_1}{1-\alpha_1 d_1} \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{02} \cap \mathcal{B}_2 &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho < \varpi, 0 < d_2 \leq \frac{e_1 + [(1+\alpha_1)d_1 - 1]e_2}{e_1(1+\alpha_2)}, \kappa_2 < \frac{d_1}{1-\alpha_1 d_1} \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{03} \cap \mathcal{B}_2 &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, 0 < d_2 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, \kappa_1 > 1 \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{04} \cap \mathcal{B}_2 &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, 0 < d_2 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, e_2 \varrho > \varpi \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{11} \cap \mathcal{B}_{11} &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho < \varpi, \max\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, \frac{e_2}{h}\right\} < d_2 < \min\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2} + \frac{e_2}{h}, 1\right\}, \kappa_2 < 1 \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{12} \cap \mathcal{B}_{11} &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho \leq \varpi, \max\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, \frac{e_2}{h}\right\} < d_2 < \min\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2} + \frac{e_2}{h}, 1\right\}, \right. \\
&\quad \left. \kappa_1 < \frac{d_1}{1-\alpha_1 d_1}, \kappa_2 < 1 \right\},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{I}_{13} \cap \mathcal{B}_{11} &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho < \varpi, \max\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, \frac{e_2}{h}\right\} < d_2 < \min\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2} + \frac{e_2}{h}, 1\right\}, \right. \\
&\quad \left. \frac{d_1}{1-\alpha_1 d_1} < \kappa_1 < 1 < \kappa_2 \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{14} \cap \mathcal{B}_{11} &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho < \varpi, \max\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2}, \frac{e_2}{h}\right\} < d_2 < \min\left\{\frac{1}{1+\alpha_2} + \frac{e_2}{h}, 1\right\}, \right. \\
&\quad \left. \kappa_1 < \frac{d_1}{1-\alpha_1 d_1} < \kappa_2 < 1 \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{01} \cap \mathcal{B}_{11} &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, e_2 \varrho \geq \varpi, \frac{1}{1+\alpha_2} \leq d_2 < 1, \kappa_2 < \frac{d_1}{1-\alpha_1 d_1} \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{03} \cap \mathcal{B}_{11} &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, \frac{1}{1+\alpha_2} \leq d_2 < 1, \kappa_1 > 1 \right\}, \\
\mathcal{I}_{04} \cap \mathcal{B}_{11} &= \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < d_1 < \frac{1}{1+\alpha_1}, \frac{1}{1+\alpha_2} \leq d_2 < 1, e_2 \varrho > \varpi \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

## A.2 Matlab code for $\mathcal{S}$

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alpha = zeros(1,2); d = zeros(1,2); e = zeros(1,2); A = zeros(1,4);
alpha(1)=input('Please enter alpha[1]: '); alpha(2)=input('Please enter alpha[2]: ');
d(1)=input('Please enter d[1]: '); d(2)=input('Please enter d[2]: ');
e(1)=input('Please enter e[1]: '); e(2)=input('Please enter e[2]: ');
h = input('Please enter h: '); A(1)=e(1)*d(2)*(1+h) - e(2)*(d(1)+e(1));
A(2)=e(2)*(1-alpha(1)*d(1))*e(1)*((alpha(2)*d(2)-1-h)+(1-alpha(1)-alpha(2))*(e(2)-h*d(2)));
A(3)=e(1)*alpha(1)*(e(2)-h*d(2)) + e(1)*(1-alpha(1))*(h + (e(2)-h*d(2))*alpha(2));
A(4)=e(1)*alpha(1)*(h + (e(2)-h*d(2))*alpha(2));
Delta=(A(2)*A(3)-9*A(1)*A(4))^2 - 4*(A(3)^2-3*A(2)*A(4))*(A(2)^2-3*A(1)*A(3));
symbol_Sequence = arrayfun(@(x) '+' , A, 'UniformOutput', false);
symbol_Sequence(A < 0) = {'-'};
symbol_Sequence(A == 0) = {'0'};
if Delta > 0
    symbol_Sequence{5} = '+';
elseif Delta < 0
    symbol_Sequence{5} = '-';
else
    symbol_Sequence{5} = '0';
end
disp('symbolic_Sequence_S is: ');
disp(['[A[0], A[1], A[2], A[3], Delta]=', ...
    '[', strjoin(symbol_Sequence, ', '), ']' ]);

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## A.3 Expressions

The expressions in Theorem 4.2 is

$$\begin{aligned}
T_1 \Psi_1 + \Psi_2 T_2 &= \{-\alpha_2 \gamma_2 (\alpha_2 - 1)^2 [\gamma_1 \gamma_2 (\alpha_2 + 4) (1 + \alpha_2)^3 (\alpha_1 \alpha_2 - \alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2)^2 e_1 + 4 (\alpha_1^2 + 4\alpha_1 + 2\gamma_1 + 4) \alpha_2^6 \\
&\quad + 4 (\alpha_1 \gamma_1 \gamma_2 + 2\gamma_1 \gamma_2 + 4\alpha_1 + 8\gamma_1 + 8) \alpha_2^5 + ((-4\gamma_1 \gamma_2 - 8\gamma_1 - 8) \alpha_1^2 + (-4\gamma_1 \gamma_2 - 32\gamma_1 - 16) \alpha_1 + 16 + (8\gamma_2 + 24) \gamma_1) \\
&\quad \alpha_2^4 + (-4\alpha_1^2 \gamma_1 \gamma_2 + (-52\gamma_1 \gamma_2 - 32\gamma_1 - 16) \alpha_1 - 72\gamma_1 \gamma_2) \alpha_2^3 - 20\gamma_2 (3\alpha_1 + 4) \gamma_1 \alpha_1 \alpha_2 + ((44\gamma_1 \gamma_2 + 8\gamma_1 + 4) \alpha_1^2 \\
&\quad + 132\alpha_1 \gamma_1 \gamma_2 + 56\gamma_1 \gamma_2) \alpha_2^2 + 24\alpha_1^2 \gamma_1 \gamma_2\}];
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P_2 \mid \tilde{d}_1 = & -\gamma_2 \vartheta_1 e_2^3 (\bar{x}\alpha_1 + 1)^2 (\bar{x}\alpha_2 + 1) [(\bar{x}\alpha_2 + 1) \vartheta_1 \vartheta_2 \gamma_1 + \bar{x} (\bar{x} - 1) (\bar{x}\alpha_1 + 1)] + \vartheta_1 \vartheta_2 \{\gamma_2 (\bar{x}\alpha_1 + 1)^2 \\
& [2h (\bar{x}\alpha_2 + 1) \vartheta_1 \vartheta_2 \gamma_1 + \bar{x} (h\bar{x}^2 \alpha_1 - h\bar{x}\alpha_1 + h\bar{x} - h - 1)] + \bar{x} \gamma_1 (\bar{x}\alpha_2 + 1) [(\bar{x}\alpha_1 + 1)^2 (2\bar{x}\alpha_2 - \alpha_2 + 1) \vartheta_1 h \\
& + \bar{x}\alpha_2 + 1]\} - h\gamma_1 e_2 \vartheta_1^2 \vartheta_2^2 \{h (\bar{x}\alpha_1 + 1)^2 [\vartheta_2 \gamma_2 + \bar{x} (2\bar{x}\alpha_2 - \alpha_2 + 1)] + \bar{x} (\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\}; \\
P_1' P_2 \mid \tilde{d}_1 = & \{-\gamma_2 \vartheta_1 e_2^3 (\bar{x}\alpha_1 + 1)^2 (\alpha_2 \bar{x} + 1) [(\alpha_2 \bar{x} + 1) \vartheta_1 \vartheta_2 \gamma_1 + \bar{x} (\bar{x} - 1) (\bar{x}\alpha_1 + 1)] + \vartheta_1 \vartheta_2 \{\gamma_2 (\bar{x}\alpha_1 + 1)^2 \\
& [2h (\alpha_2 \bar{x} + 1) \vartheta_1 \vartheta_2 \gamma_1 + \bar{x} (h\bar{x}^2 \alpha_1 - h\bar{x}\alpha_1 + h\bar{x} - h - 1)] + \bar{x} \gamma_1 (\alpha_2 \bar{x} + 1) [(\bar{x}\alpha_1 + 1)^2 (2\alpha_2 \bar{x} - \alpha_2 + 1) \vartheta_1 h \\
& + \alpha_2 \bar{x} + 1]\} - h\gamma_1 e_2 \vartheta_1^2 \vartheta_2^2 \{h (\bar{x}\alpha_1 + 1)^2 [\vartheta_2 \gamma_2 + \bar{x} (2\alpha_2 \bar{x} - \alpha_2 + 1)] + \bar{x} (\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\} \} [\gamma_1 e_1 \vartheta_2^2 h^2 - \gamma_1 e_1 (\bar{x}\alpha_2 + 1) e_2 \vartheta_2 h \\
& - \bar{x}\alpha_2 e_2^2] / [h\vartheta_2 - e_2 (\bar{x}\alpha_2 + 1)] (\bar{x}\alpha_2 + 1) e_1 e_2.
\end{aligned}$$

## Appendix B Proof of Theorem 4.2.(ii-iii)

*Proof.* (ii) First, we compute the Jacobian matrix of the system at  $E_2$  as follows

$$J_{E_2} = \begin{pmatrix} d_2(1 + \alpha_2) - \frac{2d_2}{1 - \alpha_2 d_2} & \frac{d_2}{1 + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)d_2} & -d_2 \\ 0 & a_{22} & 0 \\ \gamma_2 [1 - d_2(1 + \alpha_2)] & \frac{\gamma_2 e_2 [1 - d_2(1 + \alpha_2)]}{(1 - \alpha_2 d_2)^2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (\text{B.1})$$

and then obtain the corresponding characteristic equation (B.2)

$$(\lambda - \theta_1)(\lambda^2 + \theta_2 \lambda + \theta_3 d_2) = 0, \quad (\text{B.2})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\theta_1 &= \frac{2d_2}{1 - \alpha_2 d_2} - d_2(1 + \alpha_2), \quad \theta_3 = \gamma_2 [1 - d_2(1 + \alpha_2)], \\
\theta_2 &= \gamma_1 \left[ \frac{d_2}{1 + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)d_2} - \frac{e_1(1 - d_2(1 + \alpha_2))}{(1 - \alpha_2 d_2)^2} - d_1 \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Assuming that equation (B.2) has a pair of conjugate complex roots  $\lambda_{1,2} = u_2(d_2) \pm iv_2(d_2)$  and  $u_2(d_2^0) = 0$ , then by substituting into the equation (B.2) and taking the derivative for the bifurcation parameter  $d_2^0 = \frac{\alpha_2 - 1}{\alpha_2(1 + \alpha_2)}$ , and separate the real and imaginary parts. Then we obtain that  $v_2(d_2^0) = \frac{\sqrt{\gamma_2(\alpha_2^2 - 1)}}{\alpha_2(\alpha_2 + 1)} \neq 0$ . The verification of the transversality condition for the Hopf bifurcation follows a process similar to the proof of Theorem 4.2, and thus is not detailed here for brevity. By calculation, we derive the following formula

$$\frac{\partial u_2}{\partial d_2} \Big|_{d_2=d_2^0} = \frac{\Psi_1(d_2)T_1(d_2) + \Psi_2(d_2)T_2(d_2)}{T_1^2(d_2) + T_2^2(d_2)}, \quad (\text{B.3})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
T_1(d_2) &= \theta_1 \theta_2 + 4d_2 \theta_3, \quad \Psi_2(d_2) = -v_2(d_2) \left( \frac{\partial(\theta_1 \theta_2)}{\partial d_2} + \frac{\partial(d_2 \theta_3)}{\partial d_2} \right), \\
\Psi_1(d_2) &= -\frac{\partial(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}{\partial d_2} + \frac{\partial(d_2 \theta_2 \theta_3)}{\partial d_2}, \quad T_2(d_2) = 2v_2(d_2)(\theta_1 + \theta_2).
\end{aligned}$$

Due to the extensive computation required, we used symbolic computation software. The transversality condition  $\frac{\partial u_2}{\partial d_2} \Big|_{d_2=d_2^0} \neq 0$  for a Hopf bifurcation is satisfied when the condition  $T_1 \Psi_1 + \Psi_2 T_2 \Big|_{d_2=d_2^0} \neq 0$  holds. Hence, system (2) will undergo a Hopf bifurcation at the boundary equilibrium  $E_2$  when the parameter  $d_2$  crosses the critical value  $d_2^0$ .

(iii) According to the characteristic equation (8) of the system at the interior equilibrium  $\bar{E}$ , the equation (8) can be written as

$$H(\lambda) = \lambda^3 + P_1 \lambda^2 + P_2 \lambda + P_3 = (\lambda^2 + P_2)(\lambda + P_1) = 0. \quad (\text{B.4})$$

Thus, equation (B.4) has a pair of pure imaginary characteristic roots and a negative root at  $d_1 = \tilde{d}_1$ . Specifically, the roots are:  $\lambda_1 = \sqrt{P_2}i, \lambda_2 = -\sqrt{P_2}i, \lambda_3 = -P_1$ . Next, we will verify the transversality

condition for the Hopf bifurcation in system (2). First, we compute the partial derivative of the function (B.4) with respect to  $d_1$  as follows,

$$\frac{\partial H(\lambda)}{\partial d_1} = (3\lambda^2 + 2P_1\lambda + P_2)\lambda' + P_1'\lambda^2 + P_2'\lambda + P_3' = 0, \quad (\text{B.5})$$

further, we have

$$\lambda'|_{\lambda=\lambda_{1,2}=\pm\sqrt{P_2}} = \frac{(P_2P_1' \pm iP_2'\sqrt{P_2} + P_3')(P_2 \pm iP_1\sqrt{P_2})}{2P_2(P_1^2 + P_2)},$$

where  $'$  denotes the partial derivative concerning  $d_1$ . Hence, we get

$$\text{Re}\left(\frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial d_1}\right)|_{\lambda_{1,2}=\pm\sqrt{P_2}} = \frac{P_1'P_2}{P_2 + P_1^2}|_{d_1=\tilde{d}_1}. \quad (\text{B.6})$$

From the condition  $P_1'P_2 \neq 0$ , then we have  $\text{Re}(\frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial d_1})|_{d_1=\tilde{d}_1} \neq 0$ , which confirms that the transversality condition for the Hopf bifurcation is satisfied. Therefore, a Hopf bifurcation will occur at the interior equilibrium  $\bar{E}$  of system (2) near the critical value  $d_1 = \tilde{d}_1$ . ■

## Appendix C Stability and Direction of Hopf bifurcation

*Proof.* We first perform a translation transformation on system (2), moving the boundary equilibrium  $E_1(d_1^0) = (\frac{\alpha_1-1}{2\alpha_1}, \frac{(\alpha_1+1)^2}{4\alpha_1}, 0)$  to the origin. i.e.,

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = x - \frac{\alpha_1-1}{2\alpha_1} \\ x_2 = y - \frac{(\alpha_1+1)^2}{4\alpha_1} \\ x_3 = z. \end{cases} \quad (\text{C.1})$$

Then, system (2) becomes system (C.2) as follow:

$$\dot{X} = J_{E_1}(d_1^0)X + F(X), X = (x_1, x_2, x_3)^T, F(X) = (F_1, F_2, F_3)^T, \quad (\text{C.2})$$

where  $F_i(X)(i = 1, 2, 3)$  are the non-linear terms of the right hand functions of (C.2), detailed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} F_1 &= -\frac{x_1^2(\alpha_1 - 1)}{\alpha_1 + 1} - \frac{4x_1x_2}{(\alpha_1 + 1)^2} - \frac{4\alpha_1^2x_1x_3}{((\alpha_2 + 2)\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)^2} - \frac{4\alpha_1x_1^3}{(\alpha_1 + 1)^2} + \frac{8\alpha_1x_1^2x_2}{(\alpha_1 + 1)^3} \\ &\quad + \frac{8\alpha_2\alpha_1^3x_1^2x_3}{((\alpha_2 + 2)\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)^3} + O(X^4), \\ F_2 &= -\frac{2\gamma_1x_1^2}{\alpha_1 + 1} + \frac{4\gamma_1x_1x_2}{(\alpha_1 + 1)^2} - \frac{16\gamma_1e_1\alpha_1^2x_2x_3}{(\alpha_1^2h + (2h + 4)\alpha_1 + h)^2} + \frac{4\alpha_1\gamma_1x_1^3}{(\alpha_1 + 1)^2} - \frac{8\gamma_1\alpha_1x_1^2x_2}{(\alpha_1 + 1)^3} \\ &\quad + \frac{64\gamma_1e_1h\alpha_1^3x_2^2x_3}{(\alpha_1^2h + (2h + 4)\alpha_1 + h)^3} + O(X^4), \\ F_3 &= \frac{4\gamma_2\alpha_1^2x_1x_3}{((\alpha_2 + 2)\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)^2} + \frac{16e_2\gamma_2\alpha_1^2x_2x_3}{(\alpha_1^2h + (2h + 4)\alpha_1 + h)^2} - \frac{8\gamma_2\alpha_2\alpha_1^3x_1^2x_3}{((\alpha_2 + 2)\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)^3} \\ &\quad - \frac{64e_2\gamma_2\alpha_1^3hx_2^2x_3}{(\alpha_1^2h + (2h + 4)\alpha_1 + h)^3} + O(X^4). \end{aligned}$$

Secondly, introduce an invertible transformation as follows:

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3)^T = P(y_1, y_2, y_3)^T,$$

where

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 - \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1}}{\sqrt{\gamma_1(1+\alpha_1)}} & \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1}}{\sqrt{\gamma_1(1+\alpha_1)}} \\ \xi_2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_1 = & \{(\alpha_1 - 1)(\alpha_1 + 1)(h\alpha_1^2 + 2h\alpha_1 + h + 4\alpha_1)[e_1(\alpha_1 + 1)(\alpha_1\alpha_2 + 2\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)^2(h\alpha_1^2 + 2h\alpha_1 \\ & + h + 4\alpha_1)\gamma_1 + 4\alpha_1^2\gamma_2(h + 1)(h\alpha_1^3\alpha_2d_2 + 2h\alpha_1^3d_2 + h\alpha_1^2\alpha_2d_2 - \alpha_1^3\alpha_2e_2 - h\alpha_1^3 + 4h\alpha_1^2d_2 \\ & - h\alpha_1\alpha_2d_2 - 2\alpha_1^3e_2 + 4\alpha_1^2\alpha_2d_2 - \alpha_1^2\alpha_2e_2 - h\alpha_1^2 + 2h\alpha_1d_2 - h\alpha_2d_2 + 8\alpha_1^2d_2 - 4\alpha_1^2e_2 \\ & - 4\alpha_1\alpha_2d_2 + \alpha_1\alpha_2e_2 + h\alpha_1 - 4\alpha_1^2 - 2\alpha_1e_2 + \alpha_2e_2 + h + 4\alpha_1)]\}/\{4(h + 1)[(\alpha_1 - 1) \\ & (h\alpha_1^2 + 2h\alpha_1 + h + 4\alpha_1)^2(\alpha_1\alpha_2 + 2\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)^2\gamma_1 + \alpha_1^2\gamma_2^2(\alpha_1 + 1)(h\alpha_1^3\alpha_2d_2 + 2h\alpha_1^3d_2 - h\alpha_1^2 \\ & + h\alpha_1^2\alpha_2d_2 - \alpha_1^3\alpha_2e_2 - h\alpha_1^3 + 4h\alpha_1^2d_2 - h\alpha_1\alpha_2d_2 - 2\alpha_1^3e_2 + 4\alpha_1^2\alpha_2d_2 - \alpha_1^2\alpha_2e_2 + 2h\alpha_1d_2 \\ & - h\alpha_2d_2 + 8\alpha_1^2d_2 - 4\alpha_1^2e_2 - 4\alpha_1\alpha_2d_2 + \alpha_1\alpha_2e_2 + h\alpha_1 - 4\alpha_1^2 - 2\alpha_1e_2 + \alpha_2e_2 + h + 4\alpha_1)^2]\}, \\ \xi_2 = & \{\alpha_1\gamma_1(\alpha_1 + 1)(\alpha_1\alpha_2 + 2\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)(h\alpha_1^2 + 2h\alpha_1 + h + 4\alpha_1)[h\alpha_1^5\alpha_2d_2e_1\gamma_2 + 2h\alpha_1^5d_2e_1\gamma_2 \\ & + 3h\alpha_1^4\alpha_2d_2e_1\gamma_2 - \alpha_1^5\alpha_2e_1e_2\gamma_2 - h\alpha_1^5e_1\gamma_2 + 8h\alpha_1^4d_2e_1\gamma_2 + 2h\alpha_1^3\alpha_2d_2e_1\gamma_2 - 2\alpha_1^5e_1e_2\gamma_2 \\ & + 4\alpha_1^4\alpha_2d_2e_1\gamma_2 - 3\alpha_1^4\alpha_2e_1e_2\gamma_2 - 3h\alpha_1^4e_1\gamma_2 + 12h\alpha_1^3d_2e_1\gamma_2 - 2h\alpha_1^2\alpha_2d_2e_1\gamma_2 + 8\alpha_1^4d_2e_1\gamma_2 \\ & - 8\alpha_1^4e_1e_2\gamma_2 + 4\alpha_1^3\alpha_2d_2e_1\gamma_2 - 2\alpha_1^3\alpha_2e_1e_2\gamma_2 - 2h\alpha_1^3e_1\gamma_2 + 8h\alpha_1^2d_2e_1\gamma_2 - 3h\alpha_1\alpha_2d_2e_1\gamma_2 \\ & - 4\alpha_1^4e_1\gamma_2 + 16\alpha_1^3d_2e_1\gamma_2 - 12\alpha_1^3e_1e_2\gamma_2 - 4\alpha_1^2\alpha_2d_2e_1\gamma_2 + 2\alpha_1^2\alpha_2e_1e_2\gamma_2 - 4h^2\alpha_1^3 + 2h\alpha_1^2e_1\gamma_2 \\ & + 2h\alpha_1d_2e_1\gamma_2 - h\alpha_2d_2e_1\gamma_2 - 4\alpha_1^3e_1\gamma_2 + 8\alpha_1^2d_2e_1\gamma_2 - 8\alpha_1^2e_1e_2\gamma_2 - 4\alpha_1\alpha_2d_2e_1\gamma_2 + 3\alpha_1\alpha_2e_1e_2\gamma_2 \\ & - 4h^2\alpha_1^2 - 4h\alpha_1^3 + 3h\alpha_1e_1\gamma_2 + 4\alpha_1^2e_1\gamma_2 - 2\alpha_1e_1e_2\gamma_2 + \alpha_2e_1e_2\gamma_2 + 4h^2\alpha_1 - 20h\alpha_1^2 + h e_1\gamma_2 \\ & + 4\alpha_1e_1\gamma_2 + 4h^2 + 20h\alpha_1 - 16\alpha_1^2 + 4h + 16\alpha_1]\}/\{4(h + 1)[(\alpha_1 - 1)(h\alpha_1^2 + 2h\alpha_1 + h + 4\alpha_1)^2 \\ & (\alpha_1\alpha_2 + 2\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)^2\gamma_1 + \alpha_1^2\gamma_2^2(\alpha_1 + 1)(h\alpha_1^3\alpha_2d_2 + 2h\alpha_1^3d_2 + h\alpha_1^2\alpha_2d_2 - \alpha_1^3\alpha_2e_2 - h\alpha_1^3 + 4h\alpha_1^2d_2 \\ & - h\alpha_1\alpha_2d_2 - 2\alpha_1^3e_2 + 4\alpha_1^2\alpha_2d_2 - \alpha_1^2\alpha_2e_2 - h\alpha_1^2 + 2h\alpha_1d_2 - h\alpha_2d_2 + 8\alpha_1^2d_2 - 4\alpha_1^2e_2 - 4\alpha_1\alpha_2d_2 \\ & + \alpha_1\alpha_2e_2 + h\alpha_1 - 4\alpha_1^2 - 2\alpha_1e_2 + \alpha_2e_2 + h + 4\alpha_1)^2]\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then, system (C.2) becomes

$$\dot{Y} = P^{-1}J_{E_1}(d_1^0)PY + Q, Y = (y_1, y_2, y_3)^T, Q = (Q^1, Q^2, Q^3)^T, \quad (\text{C.3})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} P^{-1}J_{E_1}(d_1^0)P = & \begin{pmatrix} \beta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 - \frac{\sqrt{\gamma_1(\alpha_1^2-1)}}{\alpha_1(\alpha_1+1)} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{\sqrt{\gamma_1(\alpha_1^2-1)}}{\alpha_1(\alpha_1+1)} \end{pmatrix}, \\ \beta = & \gamma_2 \left( \frac{\alpha_1 - 1}{(\alpha_2 + 2)\alpha_1 - \alpha_2} + \frac{e_2(\alpha_1 + 1)^2}{h\alpha_1^2 + (2h + 4)\alpha_1 + h} - d_2 \right), \\ Q^1 = & \frac{4\alpha_1^2\gamma_2y_1y_3}{(\alpha_2 - (\alpha_2 + 2)\alpha_1)^2} + \frac{16e_2\gamma_2\alpha_1^2y_2y_3}{(\alpha_1^2h + (2h + 4)\alpha_1 + h)^2} + \frac{8\alpha_1^3\alpha_2\gamma_2y_1^2y_3}{(\alpha_2 - (\alpha_2 + 2)\alpha_1)^3} \\ & - \frac{64e_2\gamma_2\alpha_1^3hy_2^2y_3}{(\alpha_1^2h + (2h + 4)\alpha_1 + h)^3} + O(Y^4), \\ Q^2 = & -\frac{\gamma_1y_1^2}{\alpha_1 + 1} + \frac{2\gamma_1y_1y_2}{(\alpha_1 + 1)^2} - \frac{8\gamma_1e_1\alpha_1^2y_2y_3}{(\alpha_1^2h + (2h + 4)\alpha_1 + h)^2} - \frac{4\gamma_1\alpha_1y_1^2y_2}{(\alpha_1 + 1)^3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{2\alpha_1\gamma_1y_1^3}{(\alpha_1+1)^2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1}} \left\{ \left( \frac{\xi_1\sqrt{\gamma_1}}{2} - \frac{\xi_2\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1}}{2} + \frac{\alpha_1\xi_1\sqrt{\gamma_1}}{2} \right) \left[ \frac{4\alpha_1^2\gamma_2y_1y_3}{(\alpha_2-(\alpha_2+2)\alpha_1)^2} \right. \right. \\
& + \frac{8\alpha_1^3\alpha_2\gamma_2y_1^2y_3}{(\alpha_2-(\alpha_2+2)\alpha_1)^3} + \frac{16e_2\gamma_2\alpha_1^2y_2y_3}{(\alpha_1^2h+(2h+4)\alpha_1+h)^2} - \left. \frac{64e_2\gamma_2\alpha_1^3hy_2^2y_3}{(\alpha_1^2h+(2h+4)\alpha_1+h)^3} \right] \Big\} \\
& + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1}} \left\{ \sqrt{\gamma_1}(\alpha_1+1) \left[ \frac{(\alpha_1-1)y_1^2}{\alpha_1+1} + \frac{4y_1y_2}{(\alpha_1+1)^2} + \frac{4\alpha_1y_1^3}{(\alpha_1+1)^2} - \frac{8\alpha_1y_1^2y_2}{(\alpha_1+1)^3} \right. \right. \\
& + \left. \frac{4\alpha_1^2y_1y_3}{(\alpha_2-(\alpha_2+2)\alpha_1)^2} + \frac{8\alpha_1^3\alpha_2y_1^2y_3}{(\alpha_2-(\alpha_2+2)\alpha_1)^3} \right] \Big\} + \frac{32\gamma_1e_1h\alpha_1^3y_2^2y_3}{(\alpha_1^2h+(2h+4)\alpha_1+h)^3} + O(Y^4), \\
Q^3 = & - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1}} \left\{ \left( \frac{\xi_1\sqrt{\gamma_1}}{2} + \frac{\xi_2\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1}}{2} + \frac{\alpha_1\xi_1\sqrt{\gamma_1}}{2} \right) \left[ \frac{4\alpha_1^2\gamma_2y_1y_3}{(\alpha_2-(\alpha_2+2)\alpha_1)^2} \right. \right. \\
& + \frac{16e_2\gamma_2\alpha_1^2y_2y_3}{(\alpha_1^2h+(2h+4)\alpha_1+h)^2} + \frac{8\alpha_1^3\alpha_2\gamma_2y_1^2y_3}{(\alpha_2-(\alpha_2+2)\alpha_1)^3} - \left. \frac{64e_2\gamma_2\alpha_1^3hy_2^2y_3}{(\alpha_1^2h+(2h+4)\alpha_1+h)^3} \right] \Big\} \\
& - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1}} \left\{ \sqrt{\gamma_1}(\alpha_1+1) \left[ \frac{(\alpha_1-1)y_1^2}{\alpha_1+1} + \frac{4y_1y_2}{(\alpha_1+1)^2} + \frac{4\alpha_1y_1^3}{(\alpha_1+1)^2} - \frac{8\alpha_1y_1^2y_2}{(\alpha_1+1)^3} \right. \right. \\
& + \left. \frac{4\alpha_1^2y_1y_3}{(\alpha_2-(\alpha_2+2)\alpha_1)^2} + \frac{8\alpha_1^3\alpha_2y_1^2y_3}{(\alpha_2-(\alpha_2+2)\alpha_1)^3} \right] \Big\} - \frac{\gamma_1y_1^2}{\alpha_1+1} + \frac{2\alpha_1\gamma_1y_1^3}{(\alpha_1+1)^2} + \frac{2\gamma_1y_1y_2}{(\alpha_1+1)^2} \\
& - \frac{4\gamma_1y_1^2y_2\alpha_1}{(\alpha_1+1)^3} - \frac{8\gamma_1y_2y_3e_1\alpha_1^2}{(\alpha_1^2h+(2h+4)\alpha_1+h)^2} + \frac{32\gamma_1y_2^2y_3e_1h\alpha_1^3}{(\alpha_1^2h+(2h+4)\alpha_1+h)^3} + O(Y^4).
\end{aligned}$$

Next, we calculate the following of the nonlinear terms

$$\begin{aligned}
g_{20}(0,0,0) &= \frac{\sqrt{\gamma_1}(\alpha_1^2-1)}{(\alpha_1+1)(\alpha_1^2-1)} + \frac{2\gamma_1-i\gamma_1(\alpha_1+3)}{2(\alpha_1+1)^2} + \frac{i[(\alpha_1^2-5)\sqrt{\gamma_1}\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1}(\alpha_1-1)]}{4(\alpha_1+1)^2(\alpha_1-1)}, \\
g_{11}(0,0,0) &= \frac{i}{4} \left( -\frac{2\gamma_1}{\alpha_1+1} + \frac{\sqrt{\gamma_1}(\alpha_1^2-1)}{\alpha_1+1} \right), \quad W_{11}(0,0,0) = \frac{2\gamma_1+\sqrt{\gamma_1}(\alpha_1^2-1)}{4\beta_1(\alpha_1+1)}, \\
g_{02}(0,0,0) &= -\frac{\sqrt{\gamma_1}(\alpha_1^2-1)}{(\alpha_1+1)(\alpha_1^2-1)} - \frac{\gamma_1}{(\alpha_1+1)^2} + \frac{i((\alpha_1^2+3)\sqrt{\gamma_1}\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1}-2\gamma_1(\alpha_1-1)^2)}{4(\alpha_1+1)^2(\alpha_1-1)}, \\
g_{21}(0,0,0) &= G_{101}W_{20} + 2G_{110}W_{11} + G_{21}, \quad G_{21} = \frac{i}{8}, \\
G_{110}(0,0,0) &= \frac{2\alpha_1^2\gamma_2}{(\alpha_2-(\alpha_2+2)\alpha_1)^2} + \frac{4(-\xi_2\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1}+\xi_1\sqrt{\gamma_1}(\alpha_1+1))e_2\gamma_2\alpha_1^2}{(\alpha_1^2h+(2h+4)\alpha_1+h)^2\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1}}, \\
& - \frac{4\gamma_1e_1\alpha_1^2}{(\alpha_1^2h+(2h+4)\alpha_1+h)^2} + i \left[ \frac{(\xi_1\sqrt{\gamma_1}(\alpha_1-1)-\xi_2\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1})\alpha_1^2\gamma_2}{(\alpha_2-(\alpha_2+2)\alpha_1)^2\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1}} \right. \\
& + \left. \frac{\sqrt{\gamma_1}(\alpha_1+1)\alpha_1^2}{(\alpha_2-(\alpha_2+2)\alpha_1)^2\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1}} - \frac{8e_2\gamma_2\alpha_1^2}{(\alpha_1^2h+(2h+4)\alpha_1+h)^2} \right], \\
W_{20}(0,0,0) &= -\frac{(2i\sqrt{\gamma_1}\sqrt{\alpha_1^2-1}+\beta\alpha_1^2+\beta\alpha_1)\alpha_1}{\{(\alpha_1+1)(\beta^2\alpha_1^3+\beta^2\alpha_1^2+4\alpha_1\gamma_1-4\gamma_1)\}} \left\{ \left[ -\sqrt{\gamma_1}(\alpha_1^2-1)\alpha_1^2 \right. \right. \\
& + 4i\alpha_1\gamma_1 - 2\alpha_1^2\gamma_1 + 4i\sqrt{\gamma_1}(\alpha_1^2-1) - 4i\gamma_1 + \sqrt{\gamma_1}(\alpha_1^2-1) + 2\gamma_1 \Big] \Big\},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
G_{101}(0, 0, 0) = & \frac{2\alpha_1^2\gamma_2}{(\alpha_2 - (\alpha_2 + 2)\alpha_1)^2} - \frac{4\left(-\xi_2\sqrt{\alpha_1^2 - 1} + \xi_1\sqrt{\gamma_1}(\alpha_1 + 1)\right)e_2\gamma_2\alpha_1^2}{(\alpha_1^2h + (2h + 4)\alpha_1 + h)^2\sqrt{\alpha_1^2 - 1}} \\
& + \frac{4\gamma_1e_1\alpha_1^2}{(\alpha_1^2h + (2h + 4)\alpha_1 + h)^2} + i \left[ -\frac{\left(-\xi_2\sqrt{\alpha_1^2 - 1} + \xi_1\sqrt{\gamma_1}(\alpha_1 + 1)\right)\alpha_1^2\gamma_2}{(\alpha_2 - (\alpha_2 + 2)\alpha_1)^2\sqrt{\alpha_1^2 - 1}} \right. \\
& \left. - \frac{\sqrt{\gamma_1}(\alpha_1 + 1)\alpha_1^2}{(\alpha_2 - (\alpha_2 + 2)\alpha_1)^2\sqrt{\alpha_1^2 - 1}} + \frac{8e_2\gamma_2\alpha_1^2}{(\alpha_1^2h + (2h + 4)\alpha_1 + h)^2} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, according to [Singh et al. 2013], we have

$$l_1 = \frac{\alpha_1(\alpha_1 + 1)i}{2\sqrt{\gamma_1(\alpha_1^2 - 1)}} \left( g_{20}g_{11} - 2|g_{11}|^2 - \frac{1}{3}|g_{02}|^2 \right) + \frac{g_{21}}{2}, \quad l_1^0 = \text{Re}\{l_1\}, \quad \sigma = -\frac{4l_1^0}{1 - \alpha_1^2},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
l_1^0 = & \{64\alpha_1^4[(h^2\alpha_1^4\gamma_2 + 4\gamma_2h(h + 2)\alpha_1^3 + ((2\alpha_2^2e_2\xi_2 + 8e_2\alpha_2\xi_2 + 6h^2 + 8e_2\xi_2 + 16h + 16)\gamma_2 \\
& + 2e_1\gamma_1(\alpha_2 + 2)^2)\alpha_1^2 + ((-4\alpha_2^2e_2\xi_2 - 8e_2\alpha_2\xi_2 + 4h^2 + 8h)\gamma_2 - 4e_1\alpha_2\gamma_1(\alpha_2 + 2))\alpha_1 \\
& + (2\alpha_2^2e_2\xi_2 + h^2)\gamma_2 + 2\alpha_2^2e_1\gamma_1)(\alpha_1^2 - 1)^{1/2} - 2\xi_1e_2\gamma_2((\alpha_2 + 2)\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)^2(\alpha_1 + 1)\gamma_1^{1/2}] \\
& \{\{\beta(\alpha_1 + 1)^2\gamma_1^{1/2} + 32\gamma_1^3(\alpha_1 - 1)\}(\alpha_1 - 1)(\alpha_1^2 - 1)^{1/2}\}/64 + (\gamma_1^{5/2} + \beta\gamma_1/32)\alpha_1^3 \\
& + (-\gamma_1^{5/2} + \beta\gamma_1/32)\alpha_1^2 + (-\gamma_1^{5/2} - \beta\gamma_1/32)\alpha_1 + \gamma_1^{5/2} + (\alpha_1^2 - 1)^{3/2}\gamma_1^2/2 - \beta\gamma_1/32\}\} \\
& / \{(\alpha_1 + 1)(\alpha_1^2 - 1)^{1/2}(\alpha_1^3\beta^2 + \alpha_1^2\beta^2 + 4\gamma_1(\alpha_1 - 1))(\alpha_1\alpha_2 + 2\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)^2(\alpha_1^2h + 2h\alpha_1 + h \\
& + 4\alpha_1)^2\} - \{[12\gamma_1(\alpha_1^2 - 2\alpha_1 - 3)(\alpha_1^2 - 1)\gamma_1^{1/2} + 12(\alpha_1 - 2\gamma_1 + 1)\gamma_1(\alpha_1 - 1)(\alpha_1 + 1)]\alpha_1\} \\
& / \{384(\alpha_1 + 1)^3(\alpha_1 - 1)[\gamma_1(\alpha_1^2 - 1)]^{1/2}\} + \{2\gamma_1 + [\gamma_1(\alpha_1^2 - 1)]^{1/2}\}/[4\beta(\alpha_1 + 1)] \\
& \{2\alpha_1^2\gamma_2/[(\alpha_2 - (\alpha_2 + 2)\alpha_1)^2] + [4(-\xi_2(\alpha_1^2 - 1)^{1/2} + \xi_1\gamma_1^{1/2}(\alpha_1 + 1))e_2\gamma_2\alpha_1^2] \\
& /[(\alpha_1^2h + (2h + 4)\alpha_1 + h)^2(\alpha_1^2 - 1)^{1/2}] - 4\gamma_1e_1\alpha_1^2/[(\alpha_1^2h + (2h + 4)\alpha_1 + h)^2]\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, according to [Singh et al. 2013], the limit cycle of system is unstable and the hopf bifurcation is subcritical if  $\sigma < 0$ , and the limit cycle of system is stable and the hopf bifurcation is supercritical if  $\sigma > 0$ . For the equilibrium  $E_2, \bar{E}$  can be derived similarly and will not be proved here. ■