

Resonances and linearization: vector field case

Let $x' = X(x) = Ax + u(x)$, such that $u(0) = 0$ and $Du(0) = 0$.

If $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ are the eigenvalues of A we write

$$m \cdot \lambda \quad \text{for} \quad m_1 \lambda_1 + \dots + m_n \lambda_n,$$

being $m \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$ and $|m| = m_1 + \dots + m_n$.

In this setting we call resonance to

$$\lambda_j = m \cdot \lambda, \quad m \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, \quad |m| \geq 2, \quad j \in \{1, \dots, n\}.$$

To each resonance $\lambda_j = m \cdot \lambda$ we associate the monomial $x^m e_j$ and we call it resonant monomial

Definition (Poincaré's and Siegel's domains for vector fields)

Given $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$, we say that λ is in the Poincaré domain if

$$\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) > 0, \quad \forall i \quad \text{or} \quad \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0, \quad \forall i$$

Otherwise (the real part of different eigenvalues have different sign or some eigenvalues have real part equal to zero), we say that λ is in the Siegel domain.

Theorem (Poincaré's Theorem for vector fields)

Let X be analytic in some open U , $0 \in U$ and $X(0) = 0$. Assume the eigenvalues of A are in the Poincaré domain and they are non resonant. Then, X is locally analytically conjugate to its linear part A in a neighbourhood of 0 .

Theorem (Siegel's Theorem for vector fields)

Let X be analytic in some open U , $0 \in U$ and $X(0) = 0$. Assume the eigenvalues of A are in the Siegel domain and satisfy the Diophantine condition: $\exists C, \tau > 0$ such that

$$|\lambda_j - m \cdot \lambda| \geq \frac{C}{|m|^\tau}, \quad \forall m \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |m| \geq 2, 1 \leq j \leq n:$$

Then, X is locally analytically conjugate to its linear part A in a neighbourhood of 0 .

Normal forms for vector fields

Theorem (Normal forms)

Let $X(x) = Ax + X_2(x) + \dots + X_r(x) + o(\|x\|^r)$. There exists a polynomial change of variables that transforms X into

$$Y(y) = Ay + X_2^{(r)}(y) + \dots + X_r^{(r)}(y) + o(\|y\|^r), \text{ where}$$

$$X_k^{(r)}(y) = \sum_{\substack{|m|=k \\ \lambda_j = m \cdot \lambda}} c_{m,j} y^m e_j$$

Theorem (Sternberg's theorem for attractors)

Given $X(x)$ as before, $\text{Spec}(A) = \{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n\}$ such that:

- 1) $\text{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0$
- 2) $\lambda_i \neq m \cdot \lambda$

Let $k > \frac{\max\{|\text{Re}(\lambda_i)|\}}{\min\{|\text{Re}(\lambda_i)|\}}$. Then, if $X \in C^k$, we have that X is C^k -locally conjugate to its linear part A in a neighbourhood of the origin.

Sketch of the proof of the normal form theorem for vector fields

Assume that A is in diagonal form.

Suppose we have made consecutive changes of variables $x = y + h_\ell(y)$, $2 \leq \ell \leq k-1$ and we have reached

$$x' = Ax + X_2^{(r)}(x) + \dots + X_{k-1}^{(r)}(x) + X_k(x) + o(\|x\|^k).$$

Now we perform the change $x = y + h_k(y)$, $h_k \in E_k$, to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} y' + Dh_k(y)y' &= A(y + h_k(y)) + X_2^{(r)}(y + h_k(y)) + \dots + X_{k-1}^{(r)}(y + h_k(y)) \\ &\quad + X_k(y + h_k(y)) + o(\|y\|^k), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= [Id + Dh_k(y)]^{-1}[Ay + X_2^{(r)}(y) + \dots + X_{k-1}^{(r)}(y) + Ah_k(y) \\ &\quad + X_k(y) + o(\|y\|^k)] \\ &= Ay + X_2^{(r)}(y) + \dots + X_{k-1}^{(r)}(y) \\ &\quad + Ah_k(y) + X_k(y) - Dh_k(y)Ay \\ &\quad + o(\|y\|^k) \end{aligned}$$

In order to study the terms of order k in the previous equation:

$$Ah_k(y) + X_k(y) - Dh_k(y)Ay$$

we introduce the operator:

$$L_k : E_k \longrightarrow E_k, \quad (L_k h)(x) = Dh(x)Ax - Ah(x)$$

Lemma

Assuming A is a diagonal matrix,

$$\{x^m e_j \mid |m| = k, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}\}$$

is a basis of eigenvectors of L_k .

The corresponding eigenvalues are

$$m \cdot \lambda - \lambda_j$$

Proof: The operator L_k is defined by $(L_k h)(x) = Dh(x)Ax - Ah(x)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_k(x^m e_j) &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ m_1 x_1^{m_1-1} x_2^{m_2} \cdots x_n^{m_n} & m_2 \frac{x^m}{x_2} & \cdots & m_n \frac{x^m}{x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 x_1 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_n x_n \end{pmatrix} \\
 &\quad - \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & \ddots \\ & & & & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ x^m \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= m \cdot \lambda x^m e_j - \lambda_j x^m e_j
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$L_k(x^m e_j) = (m \cdot \lambda - \lambda_j) x^m e_j.$$

In particular, in the case there are no resonances of order k , L_k becomes exhaustive.

We write $E_k = \text{Ker } L_k \oplus \text{Im } L_k$

and

$$X_k(y) = X_k^{(r)}(y) + X_k^{(nr)}(y) \in \text{Ker } L_k \oplus \text{Im } L_k.$$

Therefore,

$$X_k^{(r)}(y) + X_k^{(nr)}(y) - Dh_k(y) + Ah_k(y) = X_k^{(r)}(y) + X_k^{(nr)}(y) - (L_k h_k)(y) = X_k^{(r)}(y),$$

where we have taken

$$L_k h_k = X_k^{(nr)}$$

Center manifolds for maps

Let $f : U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, U open set, $0 \in U$ and $f(0) = 0$.

Let $A = Df(0)$.

Let $\text{Spec}(A) = \sigma^s \cup \sigma^c \cup \sigma^u \subset \mathbb{C}$ and consider the decomposition of \mathbb{R}^n corresponding to this splitting of the spectrum:

$$\mathbb{R}^n = E^s \oplus E^c \oplus E^u.$$

Center manifold theorem for maps

Theorem

Let f be as before such that $f \in \mathcal{C}^r$, $r \geq 1$. Then, there exists a manifold W^c such that:

- 1) W^c is invariant by f ,
- 2) $T_0 W^c = E^c$,
- 3) W^c is \mathcal{C}^r .

This manifold is called center manifold.

Remark

- 1) There is not uniqueness for W^c by imposing $T_0 W^c = E^c$ and W^c invariant. But, if $f \in \mathcal{C}^r$ and $W^c = \text{graph}(\varphi)$, the Taylor expansion up to order r of φ is unique.
- 2) As we will see by means of an example, $f \in \mathcal{C}^\omega$ does not imply $W^c \in \mathcal{C}^\omega$.
- 3) Even more, $f \in \mathcal{C}^\omega$ does not imply $W^c \in \mathcal{C}^\infty$.

Center manifold computations

Given a map f such that $f(0) = 0$ we write it as

$$f \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Ax + g(x, y) \\ By + h(x, y) \end{pmatrix}$$

with

$$\text{Spec}(A) \subset \{\lambda \mid |\lambda| = 1\}, \quad \text{Spec}(B) \subset \{\lambda \mid |\lambda| \neq 1\}$$

and

$$g(0, 0) = h(0, 0) = 0, \quad Dg(0, 0) = Dh(0, 0) = 0.$$

We look for W^c as an invariant graph of some function φ . We write

$$f \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \varphi(x) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Ax + g(x, \varphi(x)) \\ B\varphi(x) + h(x, \varphi(x)) \end{pmatrix}.$$

The invariance condition by f of the graph of φ is

$$B\varphi(x) + h(x, \varphi(x)) = \varphi(Ax + g(x, \varphi(x))). \quad (1)$$

Assuming $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}^r$, we can expand:

$$\varphi(x) = \varphi_2(x) + \varphi_3(x) + \dots \quad \text{with } \varphi_k \in E_k$$

and substitute this expansion into (1).

Comparing terms of the same order we can obtain φ_j recursively.

Reduction to the center manifold

One can reduce the study of the dynamics on the center manifold on the whole n -dimensional space to the one of the lower-dimensional map:

$$x \longmapsto Ax + g(x, \varphi(x))$$

This map is called the reduced map to the center manifold.

Application to stability

Remark

If at least one of the eigenvalues of B has modulus greater than one, then $W^u \neq \{0\}$ and 0 is unstable.

Theorem (Stability Theorem)

If $\text{Spec}(B) \subset \{\lambda \mid |\lambda| < 1\}$, then the character of 0 (stable, asymptotically stable or unstable) as a fixed point of f is the same as the character of 0 corresponding to f reduced to W^c

Remark

In the case that W^c is one-dimensional, it is very easy to study the stability of 0 . Indeed, in this case, if the eigenvalue is 1 , the reduced map is

$$x \mapsto x + a_k x^k + \dots$$

The origin is asymptotically stable when k is odd and $a_k < 0$.

Theorem

Using the previous notation, if $f \in \mathcal{C}^1$ there exists a topological conjugation from f to \tilde{f} , being

$$\tilde{f}(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} Ax + g(x, \varphi(x)) \\ By \end{pmatrix}.$$

Center manifolds for vector fields

We can develop an analogous theory for vector fields X . Assume $X(0) = 0$.

We write $\mathbb{R}^n = E^s \oplus E^c \oplus E^u$, where now E^c is the spectral subspace generated by the eigenvalues that have real part equal to zero.

If X is C^r , $r \geq 1$, there exists an invariant manifold (by the flow of X), tangent to E^c at 0 of class C^r . We denote it by W^c .

We can write the system in the form

$$\begin{cases} x' = Ax + g(x, y) \\ y' = By + h(x, y) \end{cases}$$

with

$$\lambda \in \text{Spec}(A) \Leftrightarrow \text{Re}(\lambda) = 0, \quad \lambda \in \text{Spec}(B) \Leftrightarrow \text{Re}(\lambda) \neq 0$$

and

$$g(0, 0) = h(0, 0) = 0, \quad Dg(0, 0) = Dh(0, 0) = 0.$$

In these variables there exists φ such that $W_{loc}^c = \{(x, y) \mid y = \varphi(x)\}$ with $\varphi(0) = 0$, $D\varphi(0) = 0$.

Invariance equation for φ

Here we find an equation for φ .

Let $(x(t), y(t))$ be the solution such that $(x(0), y(0)) = (x_0, y_0)$.

The invariance by X of W^c means that if $(x_0, y_0) \in W^c$, $(x(t), y(t)) \in W^c$ and hence $y(t) = \varphi(x(t))$ for all t .

Differentiating both sides of $y(t) = \varphi(x(t))$ we have

$$y'(t) = D\varphi(x(t))x'(t).$$

Substituting $y = \varphi(x)$ into the equation:

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = Ax(t) + g(x(t), \varphi(x(t))) \\ y'(t) = B\varphi(x(t)) + h(x(t), \varphi(x(t))). \end{cases}$$

Then

$$B\varphi(x(t)) + h(x(t), \varphi(x(t))) = D\varphi(x(t))[Ax(t) + g(x(t), \varphi(x(t)))] .$$

Evaluating at $t = 0$ and writing (x, y) instead of (x_0, y_0) :

$$B\varphi(x) + h(x, \varphi(x)) = D\varphi(x)[Ax + g(x, \varphi(x))] .$$

The condition

$$B\varphi(x) + h(x, \varphi(x)) = D\varphi(x)[Ax + g(x, \varphi(x))]$$

is a partial differential equation that let us to find, together with $\varphi(0) = 0$ and $D\varphi(0) = 0$ the Taylor polynomial of φ at 0. If the equation is C^∞ we can obtain its (formal) power series.

Reduced equation

We call

$$x' = Ax + g(x, \varphi(x))$$

the reduced equation to the center manifold.

Stability

Theorem

Suppose that all eigenvalues of B have negative real part. Then the character (stable, asymptotically stable, unstable) of the origin as an equilibrium point of the reduced equation $x' = Ax + g(x, \varphi(x))$ is the same as the one of the original equation.

When E^c is one dimensional the reduced equation is a one dimensional equation. The only center eigenvalue is 0. The reduced equation is of the form

$$x' = a_n x^n + a_{n+1} x^{n+1} + \dots, \quad n \geq 2.$$

If $a_n \neq 0$, the stability is easy to study.

Several examples:

Example 1:

We look for the center manifold of $(0,0)$ for the system

$$\begin{cases} x' = -x^3 \\ y' = -y \end{cases}, \quad DX(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The explicit solutions are obtained as

$$x' = -x^3 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2x^2} - \frac{1}{2x_0^2} = t \quad \text{if } x_0 \neq 0, \quad x(t) = \frac{x_0}{(1+2x_0^2 t)^{1/2}}.$$

$$y' = -y \Rightarrow \ln\left(\frac{y_0}{y}\right) = t \quad \text{if } y_0 \neq 0, \quad y(t) = e^{-t} y_0.$$

Equating t from the above equations we obtain the solutions are contained in $y = y(x)$ where

$$\frac{y_0}{y} = \exp\left(\frac{1}{2x^2} - \frac{1}{2x_0^2}\right).$$

Therefore,

$$y(x) = c \exp\left(\frac{-1}{2x^2}\right), \quad c = y_0 \exp\left(\frac{1}{2x_0^2}\right).$$

Then, maps h that satisfy the invariance condition are:

$$\varphi(x, c_1, c_2) = \begin{cases} c_1 \exp\left(\frac{-1}{2x^2}\right) & x < 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \\ c_2 \exp\left(\frac{-1}{2x^2}\right) & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

which is a biparametric family of center manifolds of class \mathcal{C}^∞ . This example shows the lack of uniqueness of W^c .

Example 2:

Example that shows we cannot expect analyticity for a center manifold even if $f \in \mathcal{C}^\omega$, as has been asserted in previous pages. The system is

$$\begin{cases} x' = -x^3 \\ y' = -y + x^2 \end{cases}, \quad DX(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Suppose that the equation has an analytic center manifold. We can then look it as the graph of φ having a power series: $y = \varphi(x) = a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + \dots$

We derive the invariance condition:

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= D\varphi(x)x', \\ -y + x^2 &= D\varphi(x)(-x^3), \\ -\varphi(x) + x^2 &= D\varphi(x)(-x^3), \\ x^3 D\varphi(x) - \varphi(x) + x^2 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting the expansion we get

$$x^3 \left(\sum_{n \geq 2} n a_n x^{n-1} \right) - \left(\sum_{n \geq 2} a_n x^n \right) + x^2 = 0.$$

$$\left(\sum_{n \geq 2} n a_n x^{n+2} \right) - \left(\sum_{n \geq 0} a_{n+2} x^{n+2} \right) + x^2 = 0$$

Comparing terms of the same degree:

$$\begin{aligned} -a_2 + 1 &= 0, \\ -a_3 &= 0, \\ n a_n - a_{n+2} &= 0, \quad \forall n \geq 2. \end{aligned}$$

Then, it is immediate to deduce that the odd coefficients are zero and the even ones satisfy the recursive relation $a_2 = 1$, $a_{n+2} = n a_n$. Therefore, for all $n \geq 0$,

$$a_{2n+1} = 0, \quad a_{2n} = (2n-2)(2n-4) \dots 2 = 2^{n-1} (n-1)!$$

Then, coefficients of the power expansion of h grow as a factorial as we increase n , so the power series is not convergent and h is not analytic.

Example 3:

This example shows that we cannot expect φ to be \mathcal{C}^∞ even if $f \in \mathcal{C}^\omega$. The system of equations is:

$$\begin{cases} x' = -\varepsilon x - x^3 \\ y' = -y + x^2 \\ \varepsilon' = 0 \end{cases}, \quad DX(0, 0, 0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Suppose there exists $\varphi(x, \varepsilon) \in \mathcal{C}^\infty$, defined on $(-\delta, \delta) \times (-\delta, \delta)$ whose graph is W_{loc}^c .

Choose $n > \frac{1}{2\delta}$, $n \geq 2$, and consider $\varphi(x, \frac{1}{2n})$, which is \mathcal{C}^∞ on $(-\delta, \delta)$. Then, by Taylor's Theorem, there exist coefficients a_0, \dots, a_{2n} such that

$$\varphi(x, \frac{1}{2n}) = \sum_{i=0}^{2n} a_i x^i + O(x^{2n+1})$$

The invariance condition for graph of φ gives

$$\begin{aligned}y' &= D_t(\varphi(x, \varepsilon)) = D_x\varphi(x, \varepsilon)x' + D_\varepsilon\varphi(x, \varepsilon)\varepsilon' , \\ -y + x^2 &= D_x\varphi(x, \varepsilon)(-\varepsilon x - x^3) , \\ -\varphi(x, \varepsilon) + x^2 &= D_x\varphi(x, \varepsilon)(-\varepsilon x - x^3) .\end{aligned}$$

If $x = 0$ we get $\varphi(0, \varepsilon) = 0$. Taking derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned}-D_x\varphi(x, \varepsilon) + 2x &= D_{xx}\varphi(x, \varepsilon)(-\varepsilon x - x^3) + D_x\varphi(x, \varepsilon)(-\varepsilon - 3x^2) , \\ -D_x\varphi(0, \varepsilon) &= D_{xx}\varphi(0, \varepsilon)0 + D_x\varphi(0, \varepsilon)(-\varepsilon) \\ (1 - \varepsilon)D_x\varphi(0, \varepsilon) &= 0 .\end{aligned}$$

So, taking ε small enough (smaller than 1), $D_x\varphi(0, \varepsilon)$ has to be 0.

Therefore, the coefficients a_0, a_1 of the Taylor polynomial of $\varphi(., \frac{1}{2n})$ are 0. Now we can replace $\varphi(., \frac{1}{2n})$ by its Taylor polynomial of order $2n$ on the invariance condition for φ :

$$\begin{aligned}
-\varphi(x, \varepsilon) + x^2 &= D_x \varphi(x, \varepsilon)(-\varepsilon x - x^3) , \\
-\sum_{i=2}^{2n} a_i x^i + O(x^{2n+1}) + x^2 &= \left[\sum_{i=2}^{2n} i a_i x^{i-1} + \tilde{O}(x^{2n}) \right] \left(\frac{-1}{2n} x - x^3 \right) , \\
-\sum_{i=2}^{2n} a_i x^i + x^2 + \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=2}^{2n} i a_i x^i + \sum_{i=2}^{2n} i a_i x^{i+2} &= O(x^{2n+1}) + \tilde{O}(x^{2n}) \left(\frac{-1}{2n} x - x^3 \right) , \\
-\sum_{i=2}^{2n} a_i x^i + x^2 + \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=2}^{2n} i a_i x^i + \sum_{i=4}^{2n} (i-2) a_{i-2} x^i &= O(x^{2n+1}) .
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, proceeding as in the previous example, solving the equations for the coefficients at each degree:

$$-a_2 + 1 + \frac{1}{2n}2a_2 = 0 \Rightarrow a_2 = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{n}} \neq 0$$

$$-a_3 + \frac{3}{2n}a_3 = 0 \Rightarrow a_3 = 0$$

$$-a_i + \frac{i}{2n}a_i + (i-2)a_{i-2} = 0 \Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{i}{2n}\right)a_i = (i-2)a_{i-2}, \quad 4 \leq i \leq 2n.$$

Then for $4 \leq i \leq 2n-2$, i even, we can write (since $1 - \frac{i}{2n} \neq 0$)

$$a_i = \frac{i-2}{1 - \frac{i}{2n}} a_{i-2} = \dots = \frac{(i-2)(i-4)\dots 2}{\left(1 - \frac{i}{2n}\right)\left(1 - \frac{i-2}{2n}\right)\dots\left(1 - \frac{4}{2n}\right)} a_2, \quad 4 \leq i \leq 2n-2.$$

for even values of i . In particular: $a_{2n-2} \neq 0$. However, when $i = 2n$,

$$0 \cdot a_{2n} = (2n-2)a_{2n-2} \neq 0$$

reaching the wished contradiction.