

Tutorial 3 : Bifurcation theory -

Selected solutions + Extra comments (see end)

2D, 1 co=0.

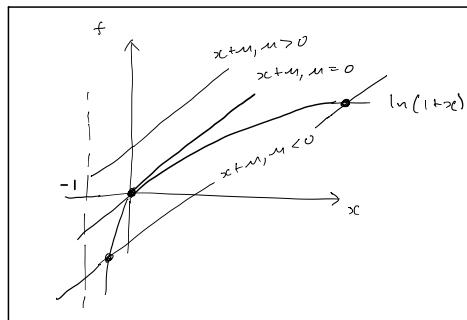
a) - c) : see lecture notes.

d). See later in this doc →

3. a). $x_c = \underbrace{m + x_c}_{\text{FP}} - \underbrace{\ln(1+x)}_{f(x; m)} = f(x; m)$

FP: $f(x; m) = 0$

graphically or using computer: (Harder case)



Note!

$$\frac{d(\ln(1+x))}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+x}$$

at $x=0$

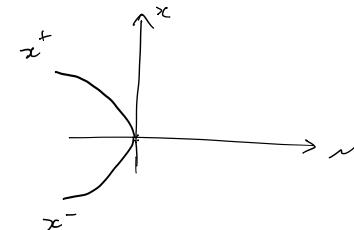
$$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln(1+x)) = 1$$

for $x > 0, < 1.$

expect : no solⁿ for $m > 0$
 1 solⁿ for $m = 0$
 2 solⁿ for $m < 0$

saddle-node

Diagram without stability



Stability

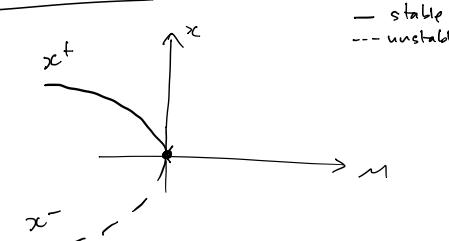
$$f(x; m) = m + x - \ln(1+x)$$

$$Df(x; m) = 1 - \frac{1}{1+x}$$

$$\begin{cases} > 0 \\ \text{if } 1 > \frac{1}{1+x} \\ \text{ie } 1+x > 1 \\ \text{ie } x > 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{unstable}$$

$$\begin{cases} < 0 \\ \text{if } 1 < \frac{1}{1+x} \\ \text{ie } x < 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{stable}$$

Diagram with stability



— stable
--- unstable

Note: Taylor series near bifurcation point. $(0, 0)$

$$f(x; \mu) = \mu + x - \ln(1+x)$$

Taylor series in $x \& \mu$ near $x=0, \mu=0$:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x; \mu) &\approx \mu + x - \left[x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots \right] \\ &= \mu + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow Looks like saddle node form

as expected

* in general need to at least find these from full equations before doing local analysis ... but then often easy enough to just substitute in some values to full Df
 \hookrightarrow I want you to use this explicit approach

The Taylor series approach is common tho' and leads to Normal Form theory

& various 'genericity conditions' in terms of $f_x, f_{xx}, f_\mu, f_{x\mu}, f_{\mu\mu}, \dots$ etc.

\rightarrow requires more theory than above } implicit
 \hookrightarrow which terms, etc? } function theorem.

\rightarrow see e.g. Blendingham etc.

3e). $\dot{x} = x + \frac{\mu x}{1+x^2}$ (another 'harder-ish' case)

I.F.P. $f(x; \mu) = 0$

$$x + \frac{\mu x}{1+x^2} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{x(1+x^2+\mu x)}{1+x^2} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x(1+x^2+\mu x) = 0 \quad \& \quad 1+x^2 \neq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \underbrace{x=0}_{\text{always exists}} \quad \text{or} \quad \underbrace{1+x^2+\mu x=0}_{x = \pm \sqrt{-\mu-1}}$$

Introduce $\lambda = -\mu$ for convenience.

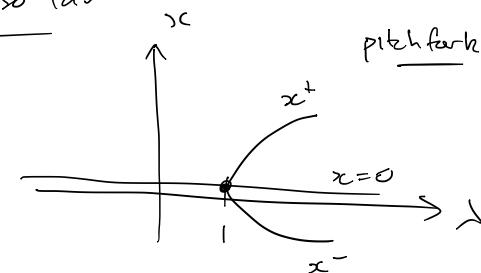
$$\Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{\lambda - 1}$$

$$\lambda < 1 \Rightarrow \text{no real soln } (+x=0)$$

$$\lambda = 1 \Rightarrow \text{one real soln } (+x=0)$$

$$\lambda > 1 \Rightarrow \text{two real soln } (+x=\pm)$$

Diagram so far



Stability [long & explicit way]

$$f = x + \frac{mx}{1+x^2}$$

$$Df = 1 + \frac{(1+x^2)m - mx \cdot 2x}{(1+x^2)^2} \quad (\text{quotient rule})$$

$$= 1 + \frac{m + x^2(m-2m)}{(1+x^2)^2}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{m(1-x^2)}{(1+x^2)^2}$$

Convenient points



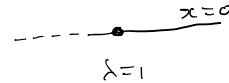
$$\underline{x=0}$$

$$Df = 1 + m = 1 - \lambda$$

$$> 0 \text{ if } \lambda < 1$$

$$< 0 \text{ if } \lambda > 1$$

So:



Next consider x^+ & x^- .

$$Df(x, \lambda) = 1 - \lambda \frac{(1-x^2)}{(1+x^2)^2}$$

x^+ & x^- have same stability
(x^2 only in Df).

convenient:

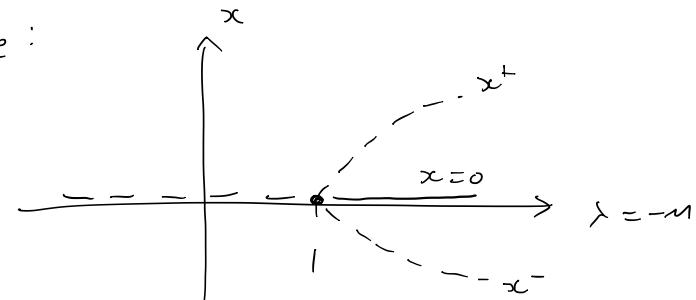
$$x^+ = \sqrt{\lambda-1}$$

$$\text{set } \underline{x^+} = 1 \Rightarrow \underline{\lambda} = 2$$

$$Df = 1 - \cancel{\lambda}$$

$$= 1 > 0 \text{ unstable.}$$

So:



pitchfork at $\lambda = 1$
i.e. $m = -1$.

Note: Taylor series near bifurcation point (x_c, u_c)
 \hookrightarrow after find where !

$$f = x + u \frac{x}{1+x^2}$$

$$= x + (-1+\alpha)x(1-x^2+\dots)$$

$$\approx \alpha x + x^3 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{same form as} \\ \text{pitchfork.} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{near } x=0, u_c=-1$$

$$\text{where: } u = -1 + \alpha$$

BUT:
I want you to do in longer/intuitive/
more explicit way, ie actually
checking Df etc, or at least graphical
arguments

\hookrightarrow Taylor series approach would require
more rigorous development that
can get ugly quickly (lots of different
derivatives req.)
 \hookrightarrow see eg Glendinning.

Two-dim, 1-co-dim.

$$1. \quad \dot{x} = -y + ux + xy^2$$

$$\dot{y} = xc + uy - x^2$$

$$\text{FP: } (0,0) \Rightarrow \dot{x} = \dot{y} = 0 \checkmark$$

$$Df(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} u & -1 \\ 1 & u \end{pmatrix} = A.$$

$$\text{tr} = 2u$$

$$\det = u^2 + 1$$



expect pure imag. / Hopf
for $\text{tr} = 0 \Rightarrow u = 0$.

charac. equation:

$$\lambda^2 - 2u\lambda + u^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$= (\lambda - u)^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$\lambda = u \pm i \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} u < 0 \Rightarrow \text{stable spiral} \\ u = 0 \Rightarrow \text{pure ir.} \\ u > 0 \Rightarrow \text{unstable spiral} \end{array} \right\}$$

$\xrightarrow{\text{crossing}}$ speed $\left. \frac{d(\text{Re}(\lambda))}{du} \right|_{u=0} = 1 \neq 0$
 \Rightarrow non-degenerate.

Assume supercritical (should use computer to check):



2d. More complicated example

$$\dot{x} = \mu x + x^3 - x^5$$

$$\text{Eq. } x(\mu + x^2 - x^4) = 0$$

$$x=0 \text{ or}$$

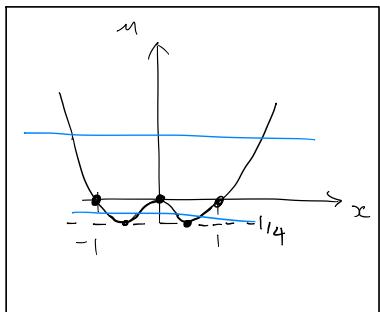
$$\mu + x^2 - x^4 = 0.$$

better to

think about μ vs x :

$$\text{ie } \mu = \underline{x^4 - x^2} \approx x^2(x^2 - 1)$$

shape



Solutions: (for $\mu = x^4 - x^2$)

$\mu > 0 \Rightarrow$ two sol's

$\mu = 0 \Rightarrow$ three sol's

$-1/4 < \mu < 0 \Rightarrow$ four sol's

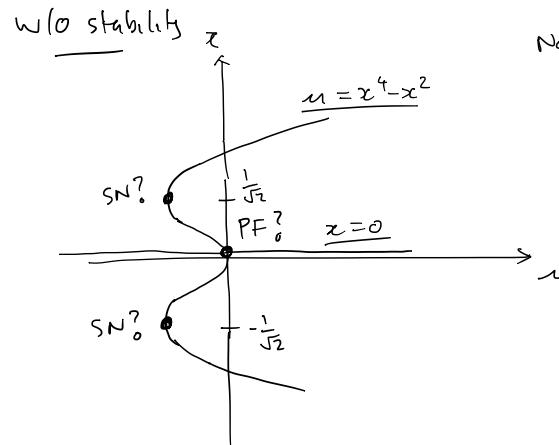
$\mu = -1/4 \Rightarrow$ two sol's

$\mu < -1/4 \Rightarrow$ zero sol's.

$$\text{minima: } \frac{d\mu}{dx} = 4x^3 - 2x = 0 \Rightarrow 2x(2x^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$\text{ie } x=0 \Rightarrow \mu=0$$

$$x = \pm 1/\sqrt{2} \Rightarrow \mu = -1/4$$



Note: symmetric in $x \rightarrow -x$.

→ deformed pitchfork at origin

↳ expected since small higher power modification of $\underline{\mu x + x^3 - (x^5)}$
expect higher power to drop out near $x=0$

→ other bifurcations appear to be saddle-nodes.

Stability

$$Df = \mu + 3x^2 - 5x^4$$

$$Df(x=0) = \mu$$

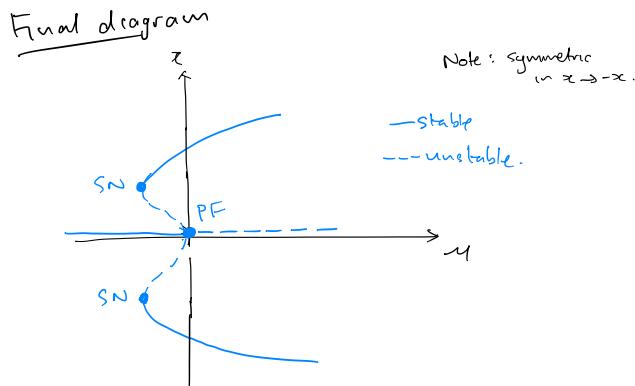
If $\mu > 0 \Rightarrow Df > 0$ unstable
 $\mu < 0 \Rightarrow Df < 0$ stable.

$$Df(\mu = x^4 - x^2) = x^4 - x^2 + 3x^2 - 5x^4$$

$$= 2x^2 - 4x^4$$

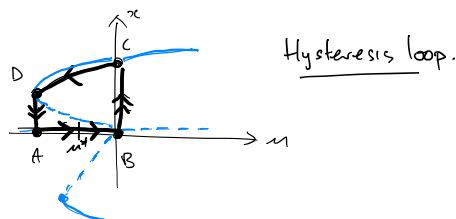
$$= 2x^2(1 - 2x^2)$$

$\left. \begin{cases} > 0 & \text{if } x^2 < \frac{1}{2} \\ < 0 & \text{if } x^2 > \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \right\}$ unstable
stable



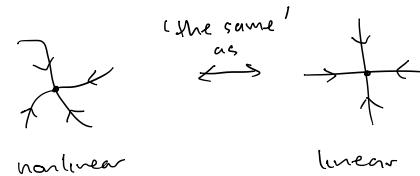
Notes:

- The pitchfork is subcritical: new solns are unstable
 - The diagram below illustrates hysteresis & jumps can occur here.
 - Consider increasing m from m^* up to B , $m \in (A, B)$
 - the system will follow stable branches.
 - on $A \rightarrow B$, $x=0$ is stable.
 - when $m > 0$ the system jumps to x^+ or x^- (say x^+).
 - when m is decreased back from its B value, x stays at $x \neq 0$, rather than $x=0$, until D .
 - Thus we have a source of irreversibility/hysteresis: to return to $(x, m) = (0, m^*)$, $m^* \in (A, B)$, we have to first decrease m all the way back past A (& m^*) & then back up to m^* .
 - If once we go past B , we can't just decrease m back to m^* & get $x=0$.



Comments on bifurcation theory & 'qualitative' analysis

Recall in analysing dynamics we were interested in connecting



The idea is that the dynamics are qualitatively the same near hyperbolic fixed points

→ they are 'the same' in
the key/interesting respects

- ↳ fixed points
- ↳ stability

→ we don't care about the rest
of the exact 'quantitative'
details!

Formally, 'the same' usually means:

can continuously transform one to other & back. called a 'Homeomorphism'

informally: equivalent up to 'stretching' etc.

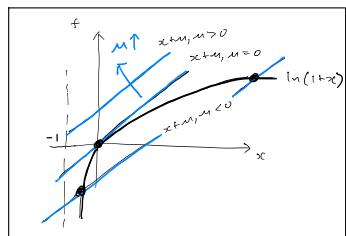
Similarly in bifurcation theory, we near non-hyperbolic fixed points, we focused on the key 'qualitative' properties:

- number of fixed points
- stability

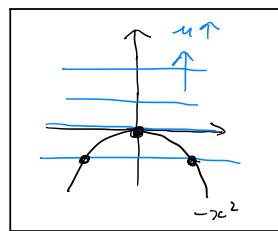
& how these change as a parameter varies

Two bifurcations are 'qualitatively the same' if they 'change' in the 'same way'.

Eg we saw more complicated cases give rise to the same types of bifurcation as in simple examples:



(the same)
as
normal
form
theory]



$$\begin{aligned} \text{FP: } & x + m - \ln(1+x) = 0 \\ \text{i.e. } & y = x + m \\ & \text{intersects} \\ & y = \ln(1+x) \end{aligned}$$

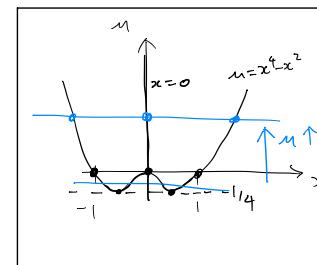
$$\begin{aligned} \text{FP: } & m + x^2 = 0 \\ \text{i.e. } & y = m \\ & \text{intersects} \\ & y = -x^2 \end{aligned}$$

The 'key property' is 'looking like': hence turning point, lat.!

i.e. the appearance/disappearance of fixed points $0 \Leftrightarrow 2 \text{ FP.}$

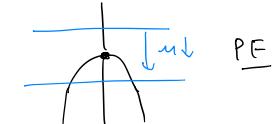
Similarly, $\text{FP: } x(m + x^2 - x^4) = 0$

\Rightarrow



$$\begin{aligned} x &= 0 \\ \text{or} \\ m &= x^4 - x^2 \\ &= x^2(1-x^2) \end{aligned}$$

Has local regions that 'look like'!



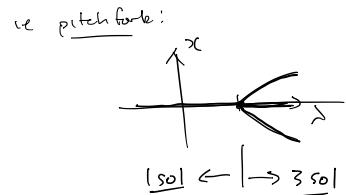
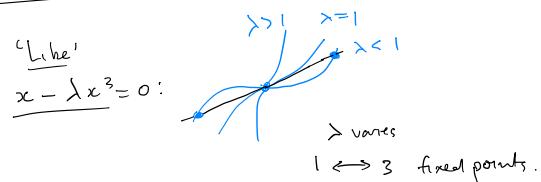
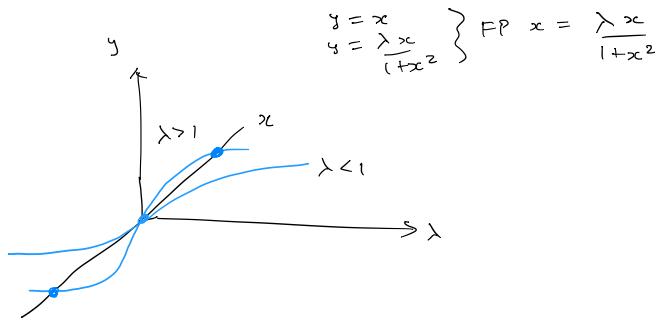
{ can consider Taylor series of $f(x, m)$ near $f(x^*, m^*)$ for each x^*, m^* }.

Exercise: sketch similar diagrams for

$$f = x - \frac{\lambda x}{1+x^2}$$

Hint: split into two functions of x one depending on λ , one independent of λ , & consider λ variations.

Partial solution



[Could also deduce from]
Taylor series

Lesson: geometrically, the 'same' things
are happening in the more complicated
systems as happen in the 'simple'
systems.

→ rigorous: coordinate change that
preserves key features. } normal
form theory