

## 1 Writing out the whole system

When we assemble the whole expression for the Ott-Antonsen manifold as found in [1] we obtain the following:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial z(\mathbf{k}, t)}{\partial t} &= -i \frac{(z(\mathbf{k}, t) - 1)^2}{2} + \frac{(z(\mathbf{k}, t) + 1)^2}{2} \cdot I(\mathbf{k}) \\ I(\mathbf{k}) &= -\Delta(\mathbf{k}) + i\eta_0(\mathbf{k}) + id_n\kappa \cdot H_n(\mathbf{k}, t) \\ H_n(\mathbf{k}, t) &= \frac{a_n}{\langle k \rangle} \sum_{\mathbf{k}'} P(\mathbf{k}') a(\mathbf{k}' \rightarrow \mathbf{k}) \cdot \left[ A_0 + \sum_{p=1}^n A_p (z(\mathbf{k}', t)^p + \bar{z}(\mathbf{k}', t)^p) \right]\end{aligned}\quad (1)$$

Here  $z(\mathbf{k}, t) \in \mathbb{C}^{M_k}$ . Following [2],  $H_2(\mathbf{k}, t)$  is computed as:

$$H_2(\mathbf{k}, t) = \frac{1}{\langle k \rangle} \sum_{\mathbf{k}'} P(\mathbf{k}') a(\mathbf{k}' \rightarrow \mathbf{k}) \cdot \left( 1 + \frac{z(\mathbf{k}', t)^2 + \bar{z}(\mathbf{k}', t)^2}{6} - \frac{4}{3} \text{Re}(z(\mathbf{k}', t)) \right) \quad (2)$$

## 2 Fixpoint iteration

In [1] a fixpoint iteration is suggested to find attractive fixpoints of the system (1). If we set  $\frac{\partial z(\mathbf{k}, t)}{\partial t} = 0$  we can solve the following system:

$$\begin{aligned}i \frac{(z(\mathbf{k}, t) - 1)^2}{2} &= \frac{(z(\mathbf{k}, t) + 1)^2}{2} \cdot I(\mathbf{k}) \\ i \left( \frac{z(\mathbf{k}, t) - 1}{z(\mathbf{k}, t) + 1} \right)^2 &= I(\mathbf{k}) \\ \frac{z(\mathbf{k}, t) - 1}{z(\mathbf{k}, t) + 1} &\equiv b(\mathbf{k}, t) \\ z(\mathbf{k}, t) - 1 &= b(\mathbf{k}, t)z(\mathbf{k}, t) + b(\mathbf{k}, t) \\ z(\mathbf{k}, t) \cdot (1 - b(\mathbf{k}, t)) &= b(\mathbf{k}, t) + 1\end{aligned}$$

We can then obtain the stable equilibria from:

$$ib(\mathbf{k}, t)^2 = I(\mathbf{k}) \quad z(\mathbf{k}, t)_{\pm} = \frac{1 \pm b(\mathbf{k}, t)}{1 \mp b(\mathbf{k}, t)} \quad (3)$$

where the signs are chosen so that  $|z(\mathbf{k}, t)| \leq 1$ .

## 3 A Newton-Raphson iteration for all fixpoints

### 3.1 Theory behind the method

The fixpoint iteration only gives us the stable equilibria of the system (1). We can obtain all equilibria and the Jacobian from a Newton-Raphson iteration. We define the equilibria  $\mathbf{x}^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$  of a multivariate function  $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$ . Expanding  $\mathbf{f}$  as a Taylor series, we obtain:

$$f_i(\mathbf{x} + \delta\mathbf{x}) = f_i(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial f_i(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_j} \delta x_j + O(\delta\mathbf{x}^2) \approx f_i(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial f_i(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_j} \delta x_j, \quad (i = 1, \dots, n) \quad (4)$$

We can also write this in vector notation, by setting  $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{d}{d\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x} + \delta\mathbf{x}) \approx \begin{bmatrix} f_1(\mathbf{x}) \\ \vdots \\ f_N(\mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_N} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_N}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_N}{\partial x_N} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \delta x_1 \\ \vdots \\ \delta x_N \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x})\delta\mathbf{x} \quad (5)$$

By assuming  $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x} + \delta\mathbf{x}) = 0$  we can find that  $\delta\mathbf{x} = -\mathbf{J}^{-1}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$  so that  $\mathbf{x} + \delta\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{J}^{-1}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$ . This expression converges to  $\mathbf{x}^*$ . When the equations are nonlinear, the equations converge to the real root as  $\mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{J}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_k)\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_k)$ .

For (1), we can compute the Jacobian for the diagonal and off-diagonal elements separately. But as  $z(\mathbf{k}, t)$  is a complex function, first we need to understand what the derivative of a complex function is.

### 3.2 Derivatives of complex functions

For  $z = x + iy \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  the conjugate is defined as  $\bar{z} = x - iy$ . That means that we can write the real and imaginary parts as:

$$x = \frac{z + \bar{z}}{2} \text{ and } y = -i \frac{z - \bar{z}}{2}$$

Using the chain rule, we can write the partial derivative with respect to  $z$  in function of  $x$  and  $y$  as  $x$  and  $y$  are functionally independent and find the first Wirtinger operator:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial z} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \longrightarrow \frac{\partial x}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} = -\frac{i}{2} \longrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - i \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right)$$

We note the following properties:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} z = 1 \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \bar{z} = \frac{1}{2} (1 - i^2) = 0$$

### 3.3 Derivatives of the complex mean field equations

We can now compute derivatives of the complex functions  $z(\mathbf{k}, t)$ . When setting  $z(\mathbf{k}, t) = z_k$  the diagonal elements are found as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_k} \left( \frac{\partial z_k}{\partial t} \right) &= -i(z_k - 1) + (z_k + 1) \cdot I(z_k) + \frac{(z_k + 1)^2}{2} \cdot \frac{\partial I(z_k)}{\partial z_k} \\ \frac{\partial I(z_k)}{\partial z_k} &= i\kappa \cdot \frac{\partial H_{2,k}}{\partial z_k} \\ \frac{\partial H_{2,k}}{\partial z_k} &= \frac{1}{\langle k \rangle} P_k a_{kk} \cdot \left( \frac{2z_k}{6} - \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{\langle k \rangle} P_k a_{kk} \cdot \frac{z_k - 2}{3} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

When setting  $z(\mathbf{k}', t) = z_{k'}$  the off-diagonal elements are found as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_{k'}} \left( \frac{\partial z_k}{\partial t} \right) &= \frac{(z_k + 1)^2}{2} \cdot \frac{\partial I(z_k)}{\partial z_{k'}} \\ \frac{\partial I(z_k)}{\partial z_{k'}} &= i\kappa \cdot \frac{\partial H_{2,k}}{\partial z_{k'}} \\ \frac{\partial H_{2,k}}{\partial z_{k'}} &= \frac{1}{\langle k \rangle} P_{k'} a_{k'k} \cdot \frac{z_{k'} - 2}{3} \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

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