

Degenerate Bogdanov-Takens bifurcations in two and more dimensions

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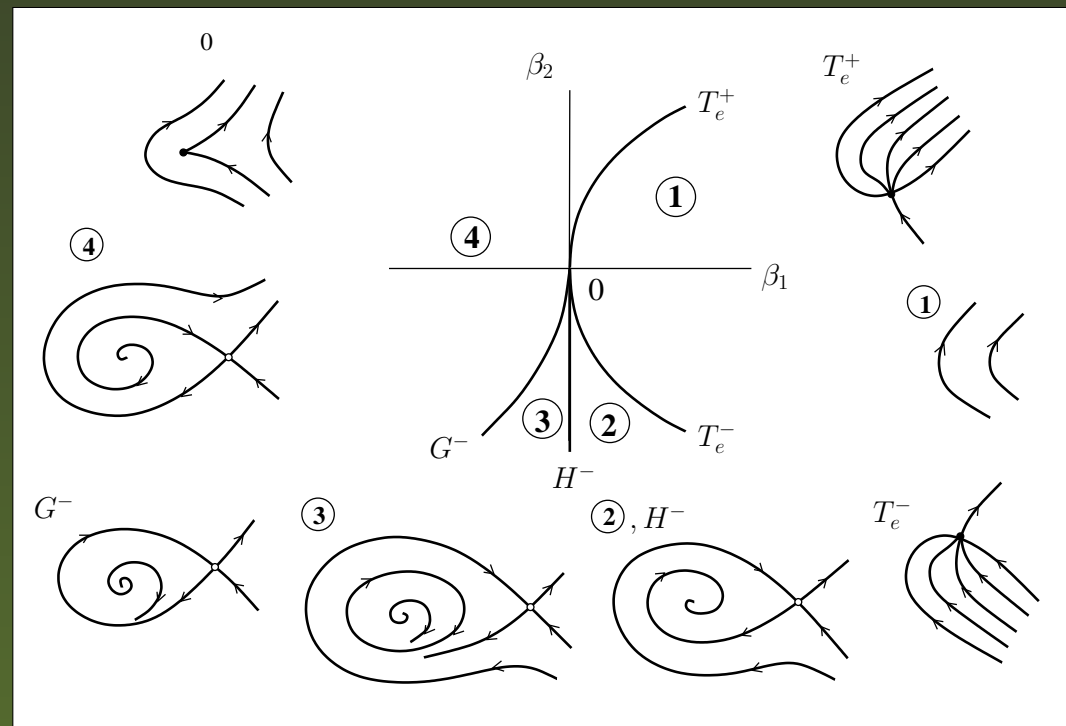


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- The bifurcation diagram includes a neutral saddle homoclinic and a degenerate Andronov-Hopf (Bautin) bifurcation curves.



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- “Versal” unfolding in all cases (Dumortier, Roussarie, Sotomayor & Żoladek [1991]):

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provided $a_3 b_3 \neq 0$ (Carr [1981])



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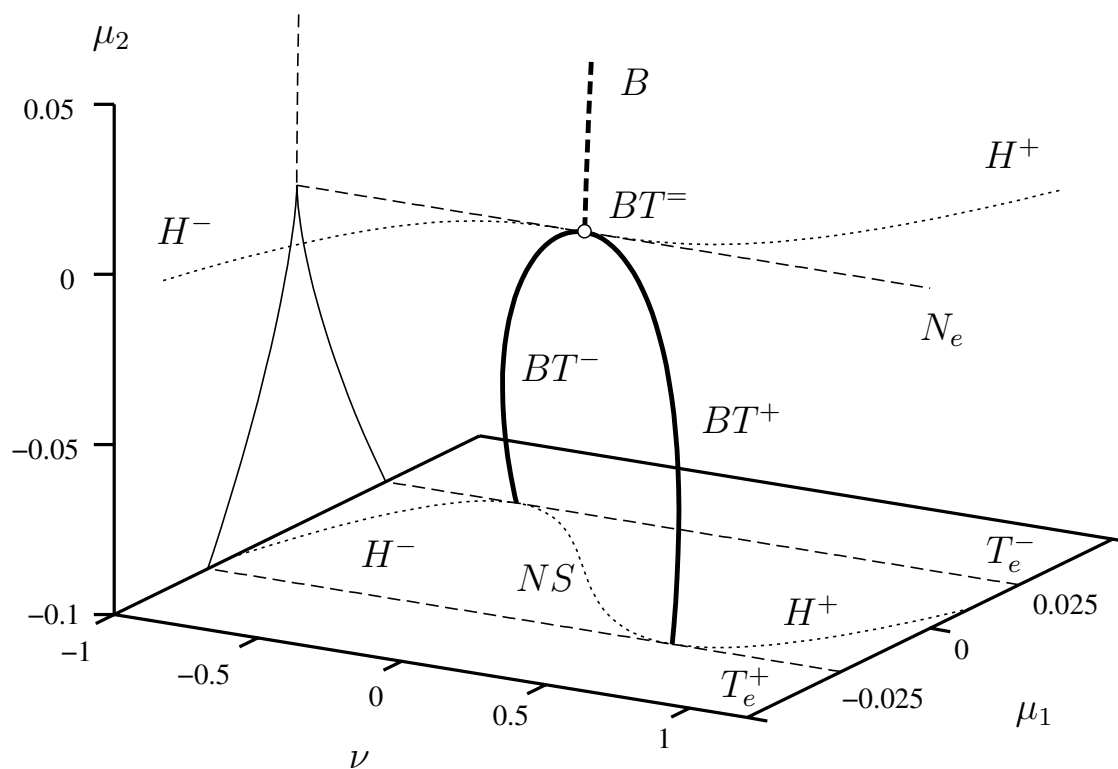
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- Unfolding:

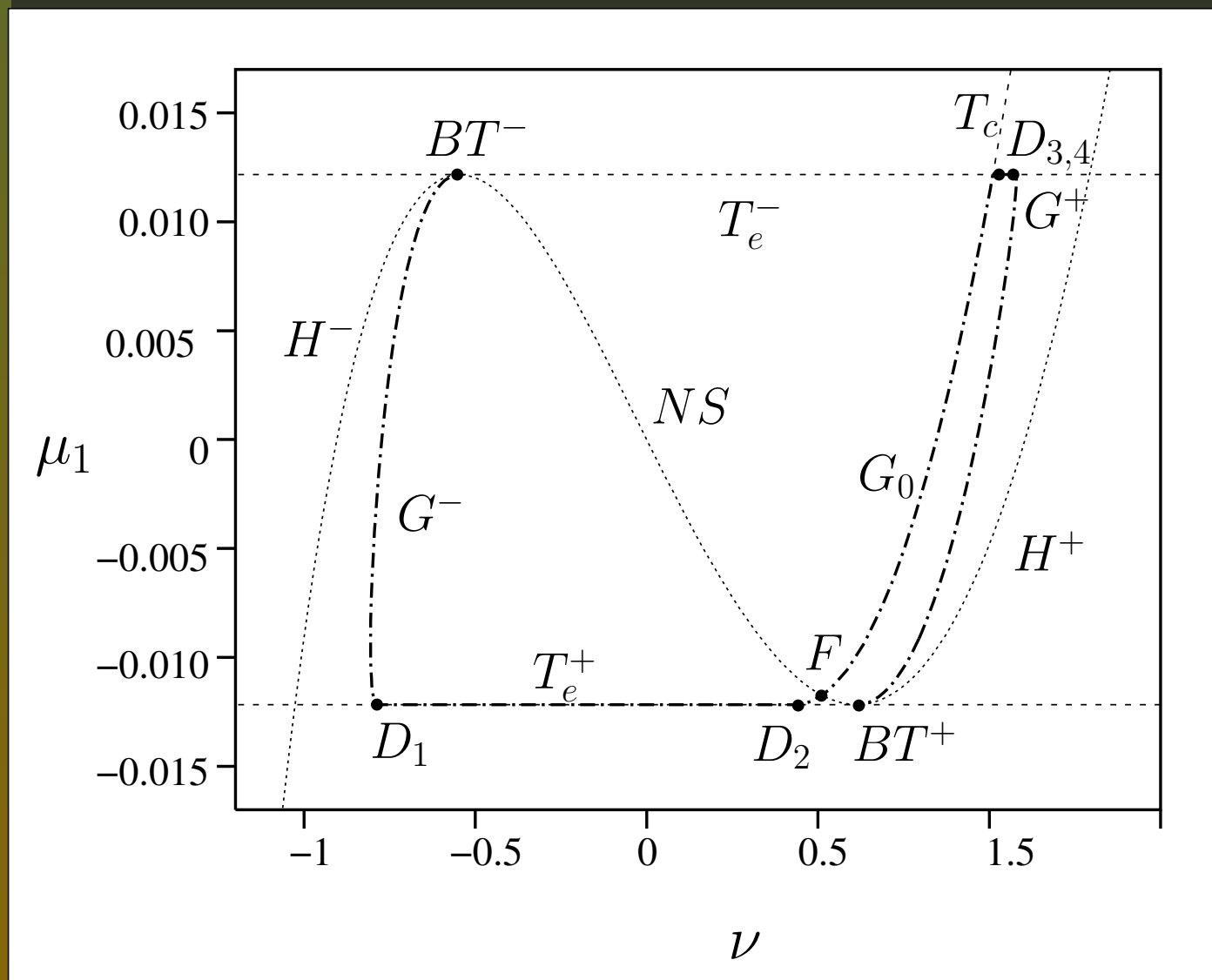
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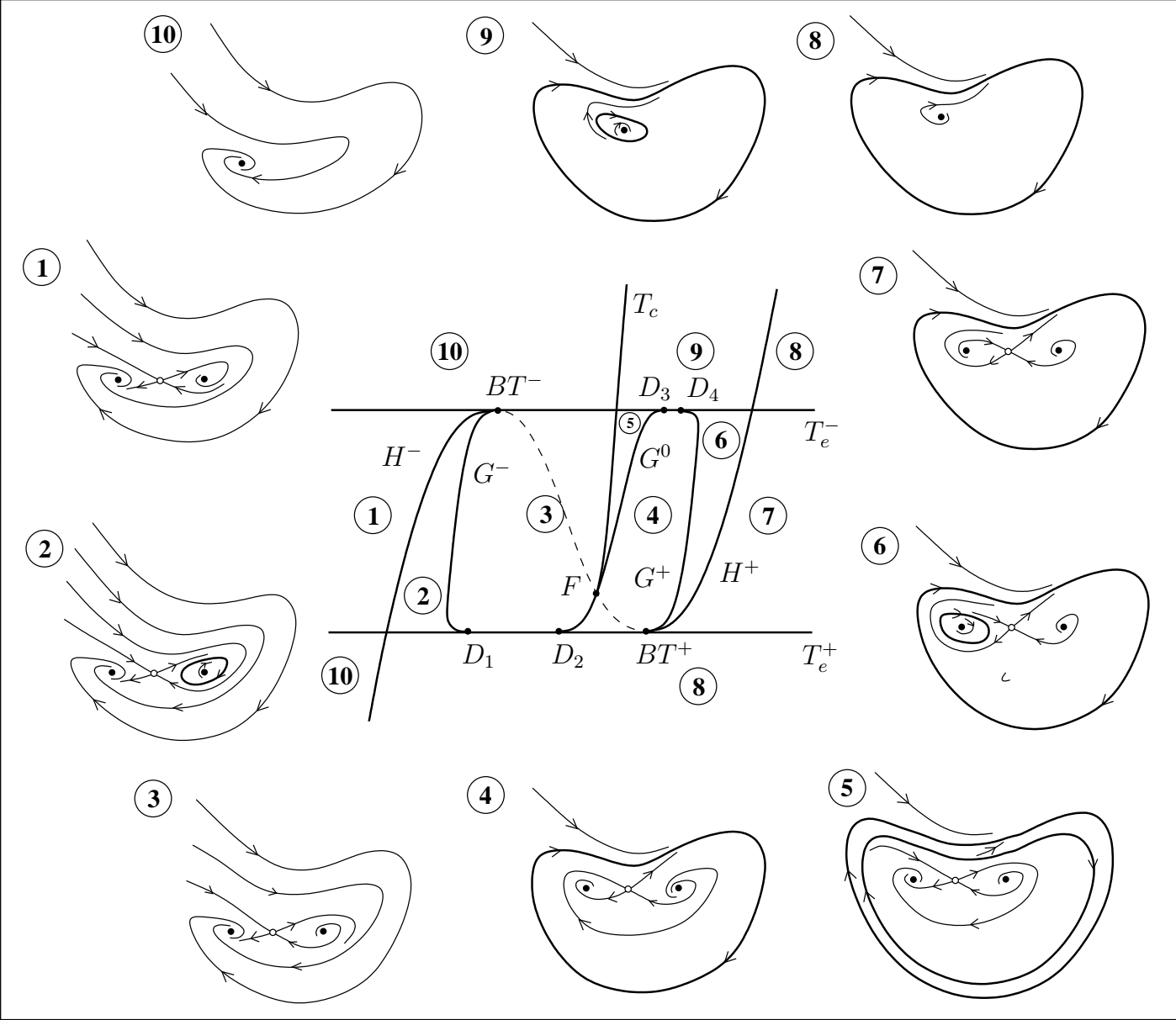
Local bifurcations: $\beta = 3.175849820$



Local and global bifurcations: $\mu_2 = 0.1, \beta = 3.175849820$



Schematic bifurcation diagram in the elliptic case



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- The “big” homoclinic orbit to the neutral saddle (point F) shrinks not to the origin of the phase plane, but to the boundary of the elliptic sector that has a finite size in the unfolding.



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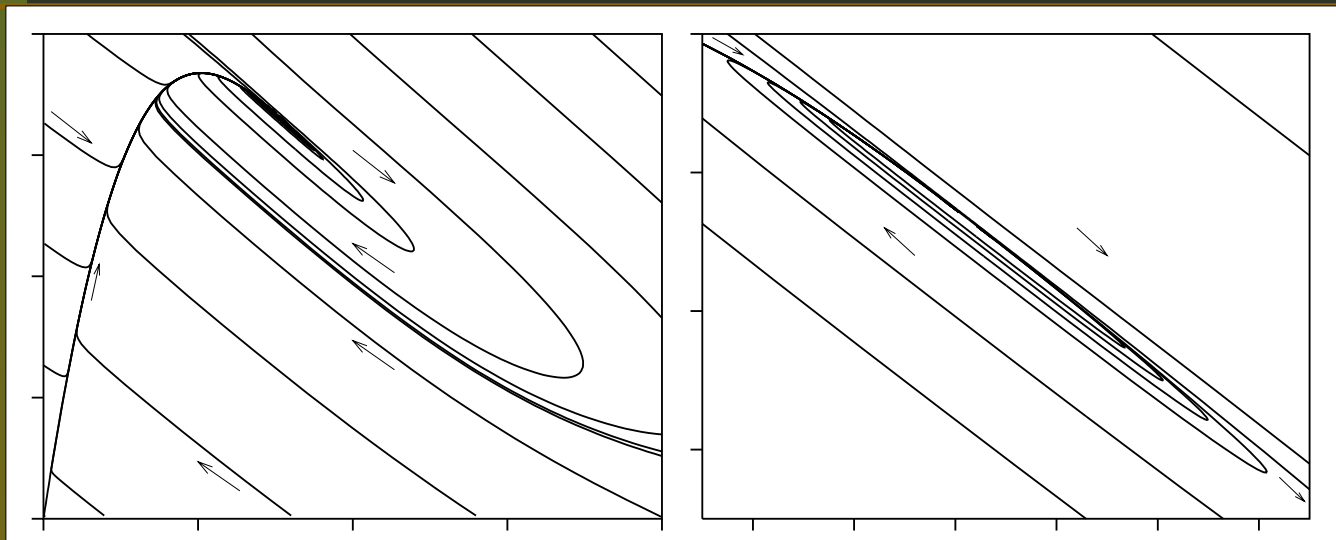
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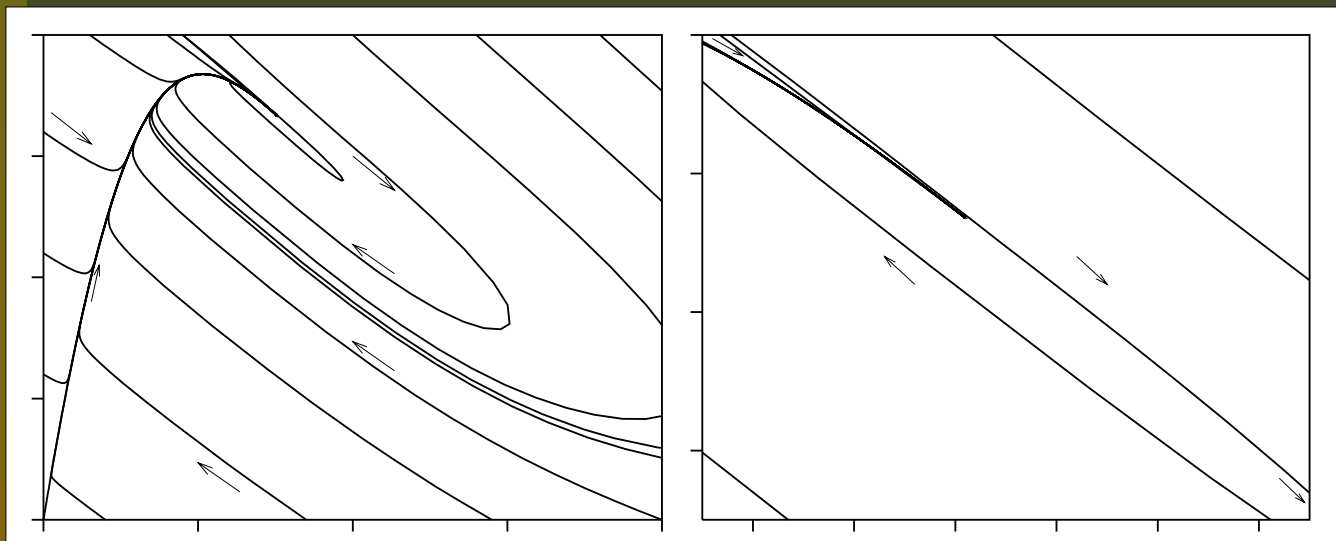
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- For $b = 2.2$, we have
 $\mu^\sharp = 0.01179614$, $m^\sharp = 0.01192386945$, $a^\sharp = 0.4492276697$ and
 $L^\sharp = 1.513180178$, $y^\sharp = 0.33321523$.



Codim 4: $\beta = 2\sqrt{2}$ at $b = b^* = 1.7300228$



$b = 2.2$



$b = 1.5$



NORMAL FORMS ON CENTER MANIFOLDS IN n - DIMENSIONAL ODES

- Combined reduction/normalization technique
- Explicit normal form coefficients
- Example: 6D-model of two coupled Faraday disk homopolar dynamos



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- Critical center manifold:

$$x = H(w_0, w_1) = w_0 q_0 + w_1 q_1 + \sum_{2 \leq j+k \leq 4} \frac{1}{j!k!} h_{jk} w_0^j w_1^k + O(\|(w_0, w_1)\|^5)$$

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■ Collecting the $w_0^j w_1^k$ -terms give singular linear systems for h_{jk} .

Since these systems must be solvable, their right-hand sides should be orthogonal to p_1 . Some of these Fredholm conditions will define the normal form coefficients, others can be satisfied using a freedom in selecting solutions of singular linear systems appearing at lower-order terms.



Explicit normal form coefficients: Quadratic terms

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Its solvability leads to the expression

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$$Ah_{02} = 2h_{11} - B(q_1, q_1).$$

Since

$$\langle p_1, h_{11} \rangle = \langle p_0, h_{20} \rangle - \langle p_0, B(q_0, q_1) \rangle,$$

we get

$$\langle p_1, 2h_{11} - B(q_1, q_1) \rangle = 2\langle p_0, h_{20} \rangle - 2\langle p_0, B(q_0, q_1) \rangle - \langle p_1, B(q_1, q_1) \rangle.$$

The substitution $h_{20} \mapsto h_{20} + \delta_0 q_0$ with a properly selected δ_0 makes the right-hand side of this equation equal to zero. This does not affect the coefficient b_2 , because $\langle p_1, q_0 \rangle = 0$.



Cubic terms

- The w_0^3 -terms give

$$Ah_{30} = 6q_1a_3 + 6h_{11}a_2 - 3B(h_{20}, q_0) - C(q_0, q_0, q_0).$$

Its solvability implies

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{6} \langle p_1, C(q_0, q_0, q_0) \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \langle p_1, B(h_{20}, q_0) \rangle - a_2 \langle p_1, h_{11} \rangle.$$



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- The $w_0^2w_1$ -terms give

$$Ah_{21} = h_{30} + 2b_3q_1 + 2a_2h_{02} + 2b_2h_{11} - 2B(h_{11}, q_0) - B(h_{20}, q_1) - C(q_0, q_0, q_1),$$

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- The singular linear systems resulting from the $w_0 w_1^2$ - and w_1^3 -terms,

$$Ah_{12} = 2h_{21} + 2b_2 h_{02} - B(h_{02}, q_0) - 2B(h_{11}, q_1) - C(q_0, q_1, q_1)$$

and

$$Ah_{03} = 3h_{12} - 3B(h_{02}, q_1) - C(q_1, q_1, q_1),$$

can be made solvable for any h_{02} by substituting $h_{30} \mapsto h_{30} + \delta_1 q_0$ and then $h_{21} \mapsto h_{21} + \delta_2 q_0$ with properly selected δ_1 and δ_2 . This does not change b_3 .



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- Since $\langle p_1, h_{11} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \langle p_1, B(q_1, q_1) \rangle$, we obtain

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{6} \langle p_1, C(q_0, q_0, q_0) \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \langle p_1, B(h_{20}, q_0) \rangle - \frac{1}{2} a_2 \langle p_1, B(q_1, q_1) \rangle.$$

- Similarly, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} b_3 &= \frac{1}{2} \langle p_1, C(q_0, q_0, q_1) + 2B(h_{11}, q_0) + B(h_{20}, q_1) \rangle \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \langle p_0, C(q_0, q_0, q_0) + 3B(h_{20}, q_0) \rangle \\ &- \frac{1}{2} b_2 \langle p_1, B(q_1, q_1) \rangle + a_2 \langle p_0, B(q_1, q_1) \rangle \\ &- 5a_2 \langle p_0, h_{11} \rangle. \end{aligned}$$



6D-model of two coupled Faraday disk homopolar dynamos

The ODE system (Moroz, Hilde & Soward [1998]):

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{x}_1 = mx_4x_2 - x_1 - \beta x_3, \\ \dot{x}_2 = \alpha - \alpha mx_1x_4 - kx_2, \\ \dot{x}_3 = x_1 - \lambda x_3, \\ \dot{x}_4 = x_1x_5 - x_4 - \beta x_6, \\ \dot{x}_5 = \alpha - \alpha x_1x_4 - kx_5, \\ \dot{x}_6 = x_4 - \lambda x_6, \end{array} \right.$$

where $(\alpha, \beta, k, \lambda, m)$ are positive parameters. The system is invariant under the transformation

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6) \mapsto (-x_1, x_2, -x_3, -x_4, x_5, -x_6).$$



For $(\alpha^0, \beta^0) = \left(\frac{(1 + \lambda)k}{\sqrt{m}}, \lambda^2 \right)$ the equilibrium $x^0 = \left(0, \frac{\alpha}{k}, 0, 0, \frac{\alpha}{k}, 0 \right)$ has Jacobian matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & -\lambda^2 & (1 + \lambda)\sqrt{m} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -k & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -\lambda & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1 + \lambda}{\sqrt{m}} & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -\lambda^2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -k & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -\lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

with one double zero eigenvalue, i.e. an *equivariant BT bifurcation* occurs.



$$q_0 = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{m}\lambda \\ 0 \\ \sqrt{m} \\ \lambda \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad q_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{m} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$p_1 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{m}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -\lambda \\ \sqrt{m} \\ 0 \\ -\sqrt{m}\lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad p_0 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{m}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \sqrt{m} \end{pmatrix}.$$



- Bilinear form $B : \mathbb{R}^6 \times \mathbb{R}^6 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^6$,

$$B(v, w) = \begin{pmatrix} m(v_4w_2 + v_2w_4) \\ -k\sqrt{m}(1 + \lambda)(v_4w_1 + v_1w_4) \\ 0 \\ v_4w_1 + v_1w_5 \\ -\frac{(1 + \lambda)k}{\sqrt{m}}(v_4w_1 + v_1w_4) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} .$$



- Since no cubic term is present, the 3-form C vanishes identically.
- Due to the symmetry, we have $a_2 = b_2 = 0$, so that

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{2} \langle p_1, B(h_{20}, q_0) \rangle$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} b_3 &= \langle p_1, 2B(h_{11}, q_0) \rangle \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \langle p_1, B(h_{20}, q_1) \rangle \\ &+ \frac{3}{2} \langle p_0, B(h_{20}, q_0) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$



Solving the corresponding singular linear systems, we obtain

$$h_{20} = -2\lambda^2(1 + \lambda) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ m \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad h_{11} = -\frac{2m\lambda(1 + \lambda)(k - \lambda)}{k} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ m \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Here h_{20} is fixed to assure the solvability of the system for h_{02} , while h_{11} is an arbitrary solution of the corresponding system. Since $a_2 = 0$, its choice does not affect the value of b_3 .



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- A codim 3 bifurcation occurs at $\lambda = \frac{3}{2}k$, since then $b_3 = 0$.



OPEN QUESTIONS

- Other bifurcations with cycle “blow-up”, e.g. ZH ?
- Higher codimension ?
- Parameter-dependent normalization ?

