BIFURCATION PHENOMENA
Lecture 4: Bifurcations in n-dimensional ODEs

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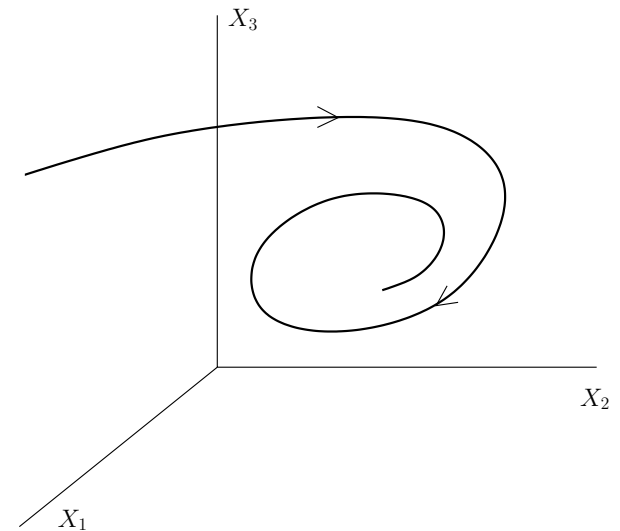
1. SOLUTIONS AND ORBITS

Consider a smooth system

$$\dot{X} = f(X), \quad X \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Orbits, **phase portraits**, and **topological equivalence** are defined as in the case $n = 2$


• **Equilibria**: $f(X_0) = 0$

Definition 1 *An equilibrium is called **hyperbolic** if $\Re(\lambda) \neq 0$ for all eigenvalues of its Jacobian matrix $A = f_X(X_0)$.*

Theorem 1 (Grobman-Hartman) *If equilibrium $X_0 = 0$ is hyperbolic, $\dot{X} = f(X)$ is locally topologically equivalent near the origin to $\dot{Y} = AY$.*

Stable and unstable invariant manifolds of equilibria:

If a hyperbolic equilibrium X_0 has n_s eigenvalues with $\Re(\lambda) < 0$ and n_u eigenvalues with $\Re(\lambda) > 0$, it has the n_s-dimensional smooth invariant manifold W^s composed of all orbits approaching X_0 as $t \to \infty$, and the n_u-dimensional smooth invariant manifold W^u composed of all orbits approaching X_0 as $t \to -\infty$
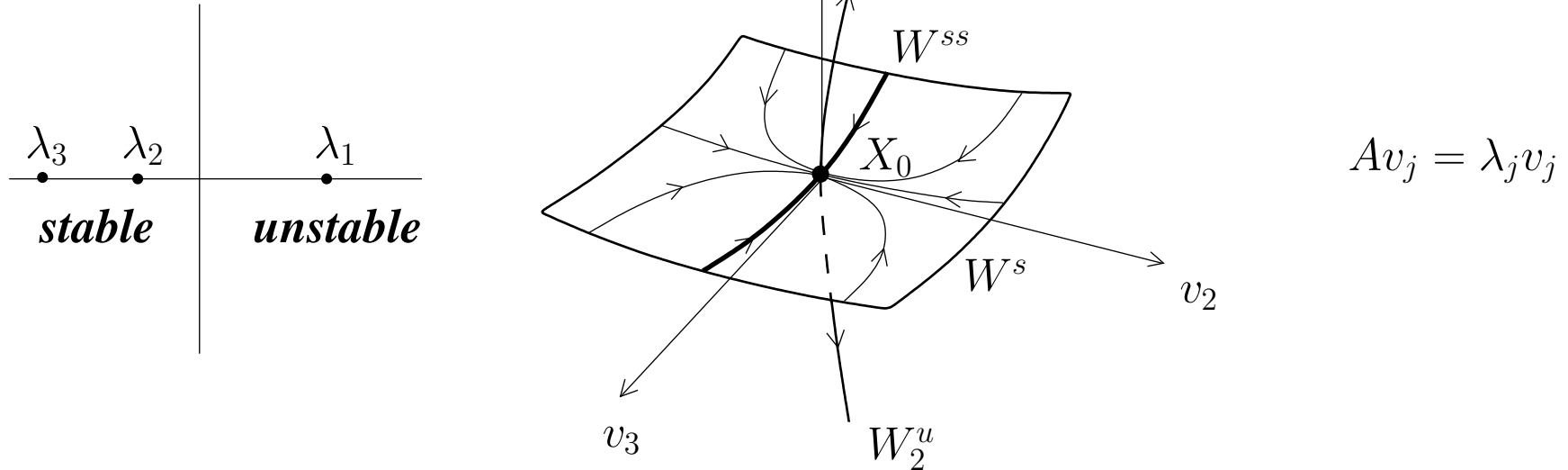
- **Periodic orbits (cycles)**

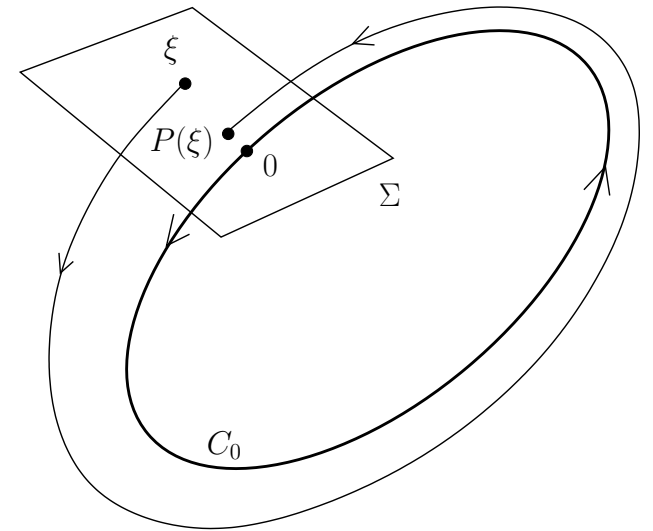The **Poincaré map** $\xi \mapsto \tilde{\xi} = P(\xi)$ is defined on a smooth $(n-1)$-dimensional crossection:

$$P : \Sigma \to \Sigma.$$

If C_0 coresponds to $\xi = 0$ then
$P(0) = 0$ and $P(\xi) = M\xi + O(2)$

$$\mu_1 \mu_2 \cdots \mu_{n-1} = \exp\left(\int_0^{T_0} (\text{div } f)(X^0(t))dt\right) > 0$$

**Definition 2** *A cycle is called* **hyperbolic** *if* $|\mu| \neq 1$ *for all eigenvalues* (**multipliers**) *of the matrix* $M = P_\xi(0)$.

Theorem 2 (Grobman-Hartman for maps) *The Poincaré map* $\xi \mapsto P(\xi)$ *of a hyperbolic cycle is locally topologically equivalent near the origin to* $\xi \mapsto M\xi$.

Stable and unstable invariant manifolds of cycles:

If a hyperbolic cycle C_0 has m_s multipliers with $|\mu| < 1$ and m_u multipliers with $|\mu| > 1$, it has the $(m_s + 1)$-dimensional smooth invariant manifold W^s composed of all orbits approaching C_0 as $t \to \infty$, and the $(m_u + 1)$-dimensional smooth invariant manifold W^u composed of all orbits approaching C_0 as $t \to -\infty$
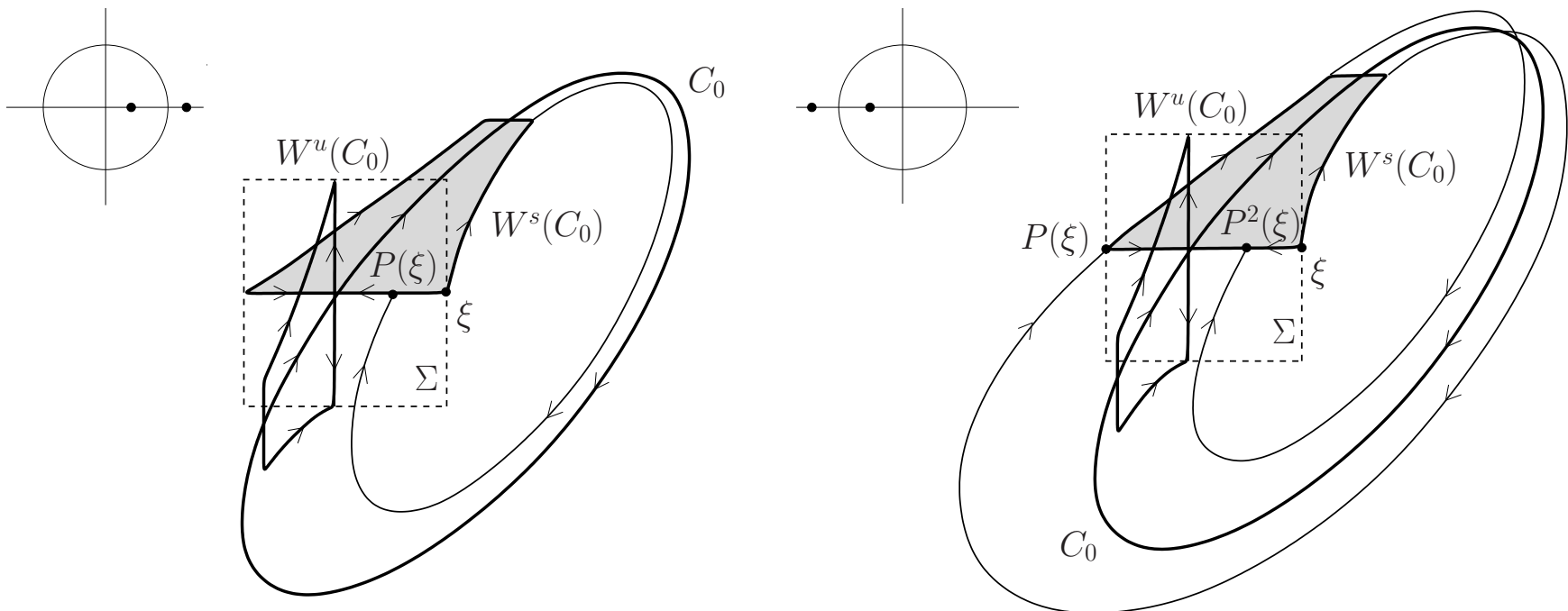
- **Connecting orbits**
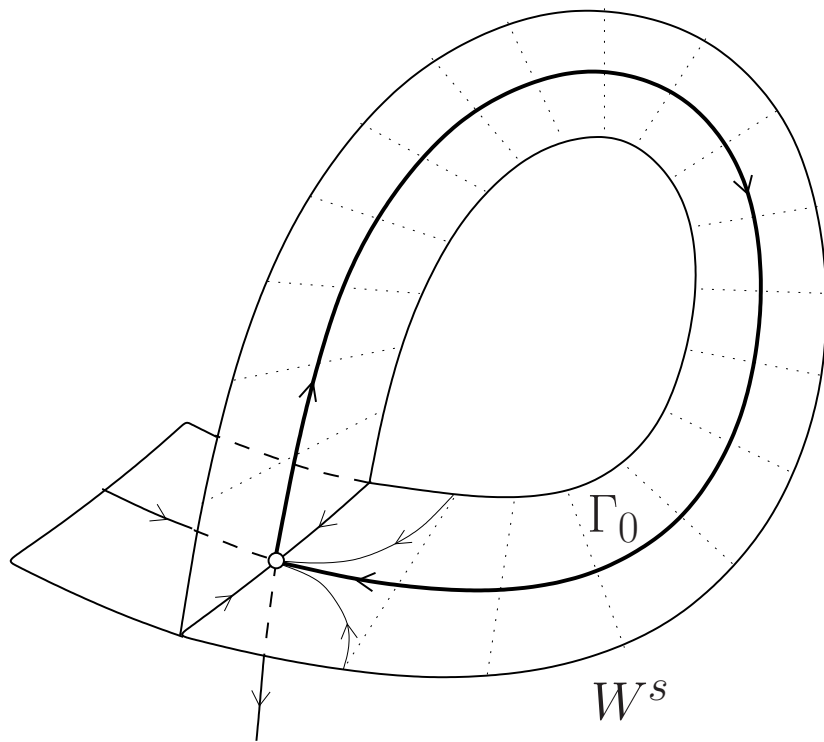
Homoclinic orbits are intersections of W^u and W^s of an equilibrium/cycle.
Heteroclinic orbits are intersections of W^u and W^s of two different equilibria/cycles.
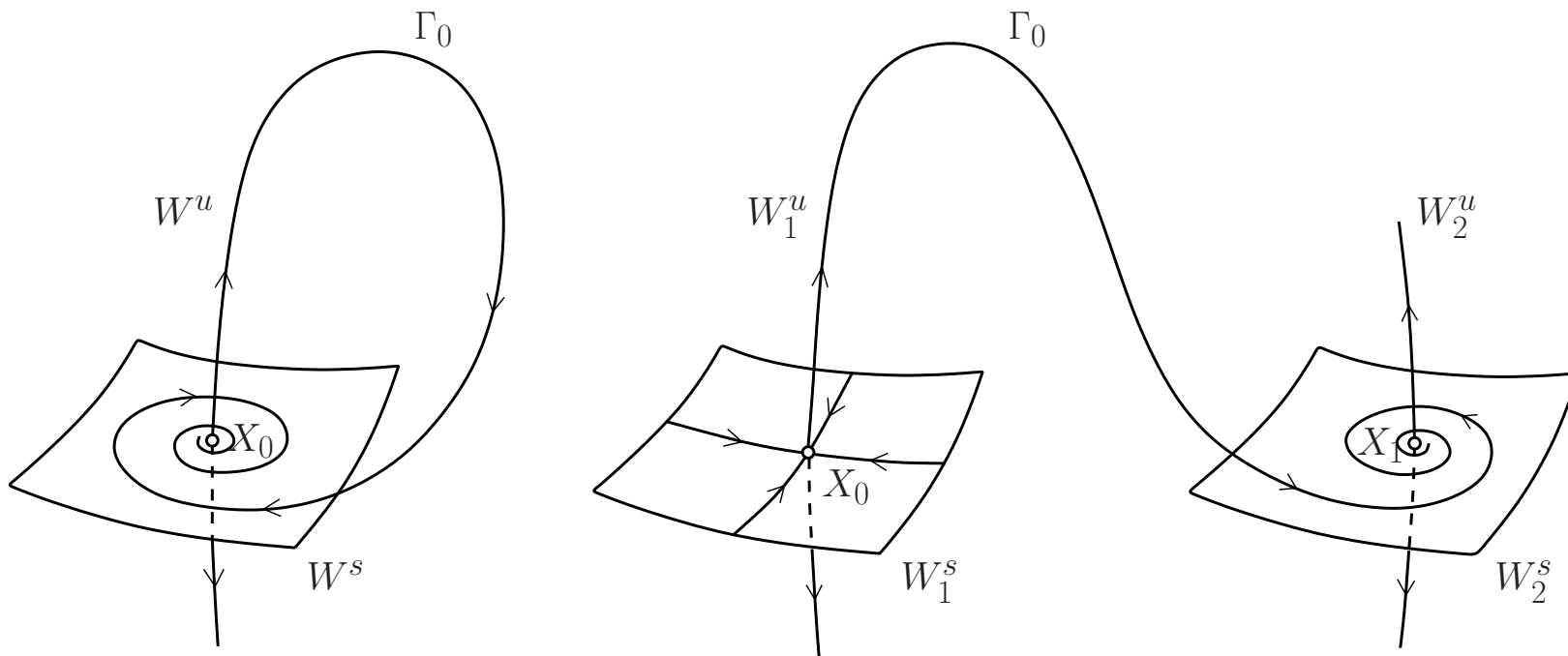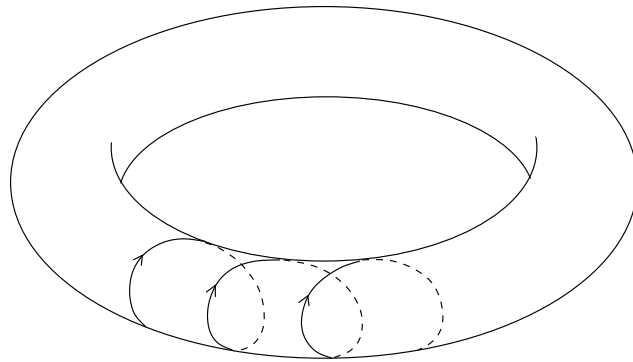
Generically, the closure of the 2D invariant manifold near a homoclinic orbit Γ_0 to an equilibriun with real eigenvalues (**saddle**) in $\mathbb{R}^3$ is either **simple (orientable)** or **twisted (non-orientable)**:
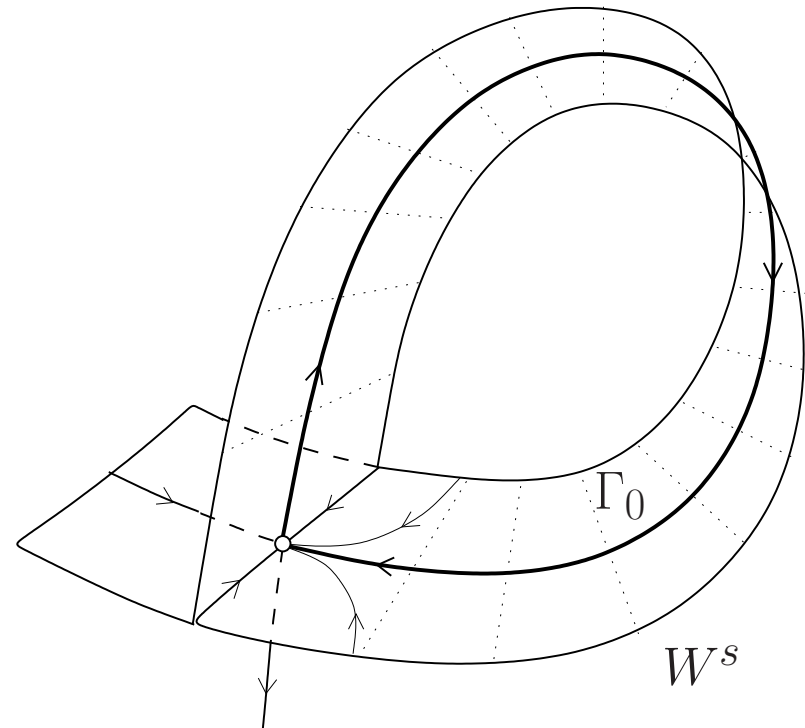
- **Compact invariant manifolds**

1. tori

   Example: 2D-torus $\mathbb{T}^2$ with periodic or quasi-periodic orbits


2. spheres

3. Klein bottles

- **Strange (chaotic) invariant sets**

  - have **fractal** structure (not a manifold);

  - contain **infinite** number of hyperbolic cycles;

  - demonstrate **sensitive dependence** of solutions on initial conditions;

  - can be attracting (**strange attractors**);

 - orbits can be coded by sequences of symbols (**symbolic dynamics**).

2. BIFURCATIONS OF N-DIMENSIONAL ODES $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$

- ## Local (equilibrium) bifurcations

   Center manifold reduction: Let $X_0 = 0$ be non-hyperbolic with stable, usntable, and critical eigenvalues:
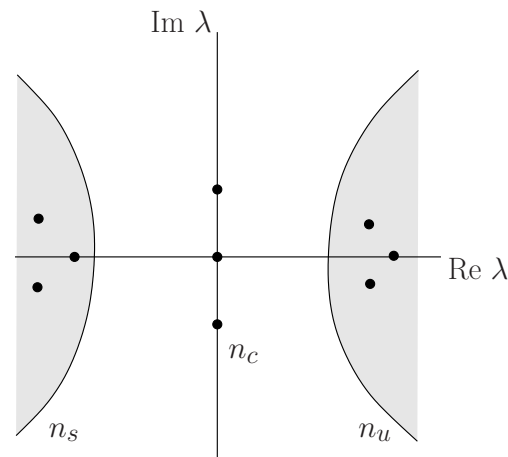
   Theorem 3   *For all sufficiently small $\|\alpha\|$, there exists a local invariant center manifold $W^c(\alpha)$ of dimension n_c that is locally attracting if $n_u = 0$, repelling if $n_s = 0$, and of saddle type if $n_s n_u > 0$. Moreover $W^c(0)$ is tangent to the critical eigenspace of $A = f_X(0, 0)$.*
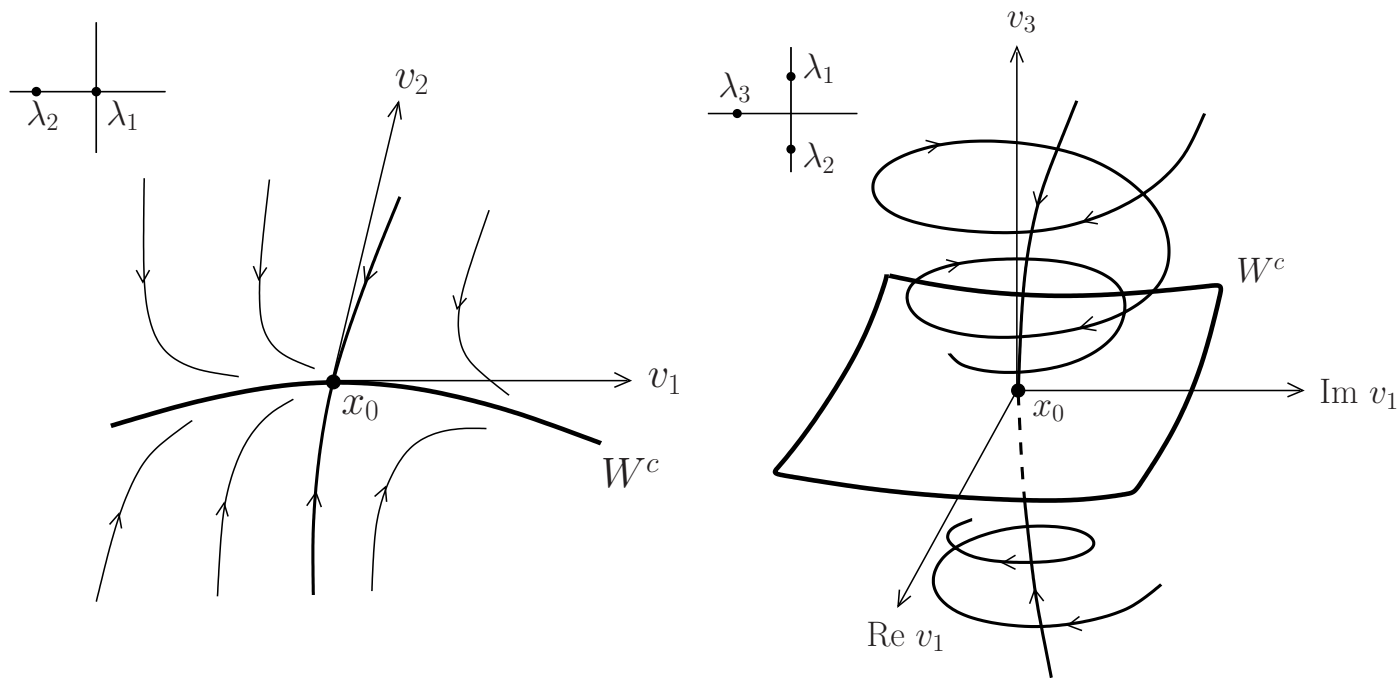
Remark: $W^c(0)$ is **not unique**; however, all $W^c(0)$ have the same Taylor expansion.

Theorem 4   *If $\dot{\xi} = f(\xi, \alpha)$ is the restriction of $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$ to $W^c(\alpha)$, then this system is locally topologically equivalent to*

$$
\begin{cases}
\dot{\xi} & = & f(\xi, \alpha), \quad \xi \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^m, \\
\dot{x} & = & -x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^{n_s}, \\
\dot{y} & = & y, \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^{n_u}.
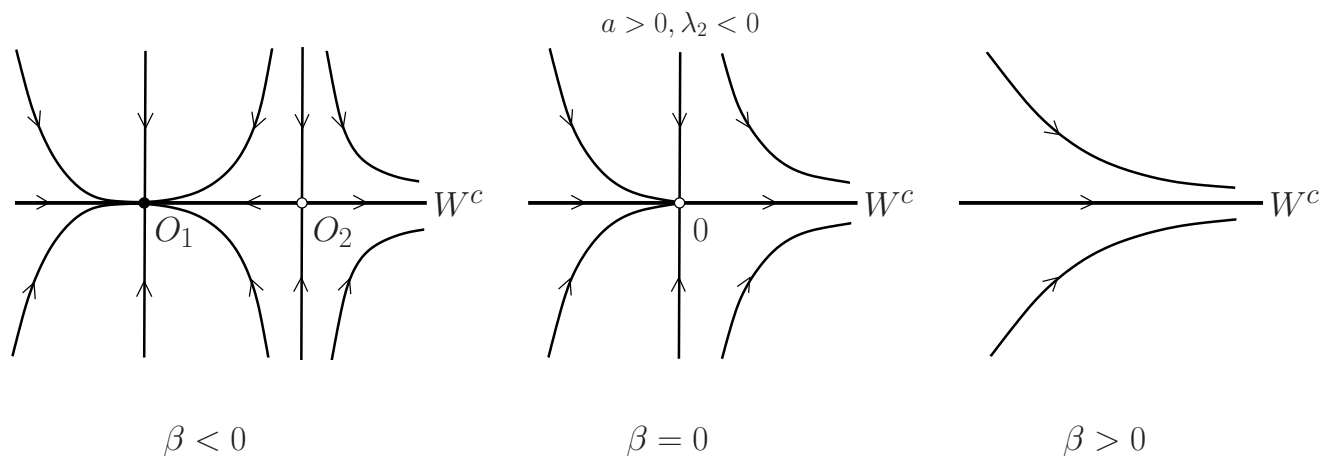\end{cases}
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Codim 1 equilibrium bifurcations: $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

$$f(X, 0) = AX + \frac{1}{2}B(X, X) + \frac{1}{6}C(X, X, X) + O(4)$$

- **Fold (saddle-node):** $\lambda_1 = 0$ $(n_c = 1)$

Let $a = \frac{1}{2}\langle q, B(q, q)\rangle$ where $Aq = A^\top p = 0$ with $\langle p, q\rangle = \langle q, q\rangle = 1$.

If $a \neq 0$ then the restriction of $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$ to its $W^c(\alpha)$ is locally topologically equivalent to $\dot{\xi} = \beta(\alpha) + a\xi^2$.
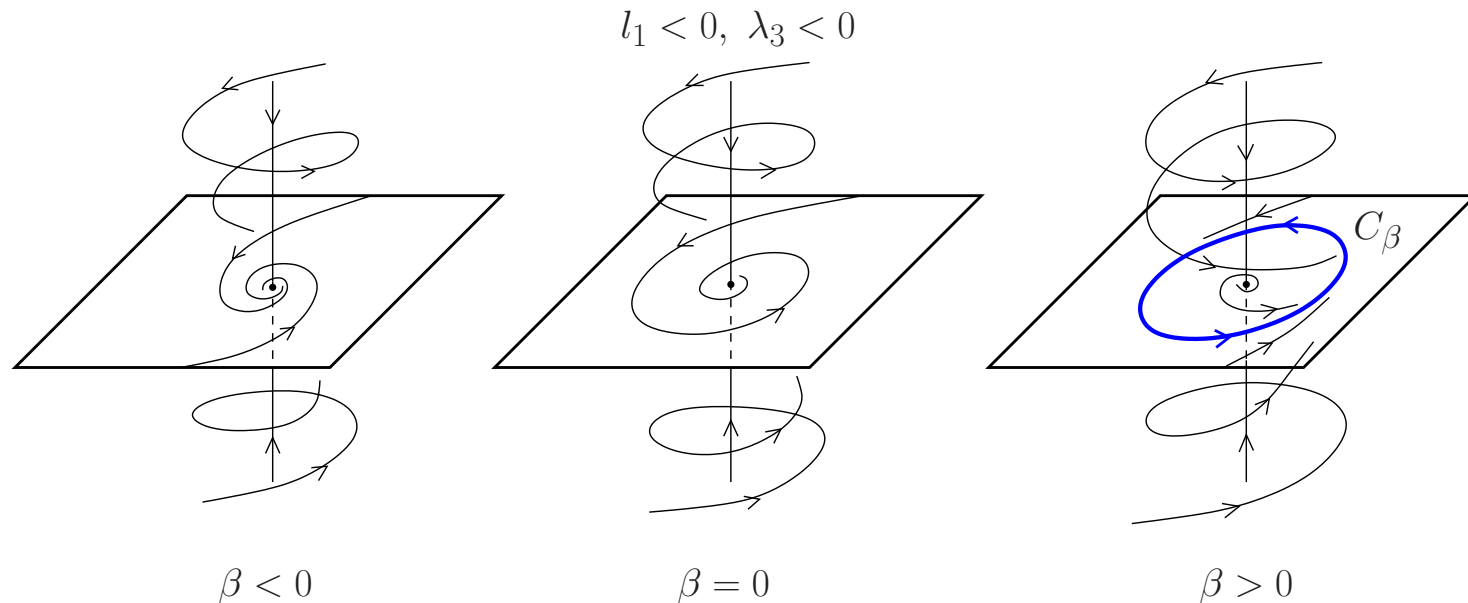

$a > 0, \lambda_2 < 0$

O_1 O_2 W^c 0 W^c W^c

$\beta < 0$ $\beta = 0$ $\beta > 0$

- **Andronov-Hopf:** $\lambda_{1,2} = \pm i\omega, \omega > 0 \quad (n_c = 2)$

$$l_1 = \frac{1}{2\omega}\Re\left[\langle p, C(q, q, \bar{q}) - 2\langle p, B(q, A^{-1}B(q, \bar{q}))\rangle\right.$$
$$\left. + \langle p, B(\bar{q}, (2i\omega E_n - A)^{-1}B(q, q))\rangle\right],$$

where $Aq = i\omega q, \ A^\top p = -i\omega p, \langle p, q\rangle = \langle q, q\rangle = 1$.

If $l_1 \neq 0$ then the restriction of $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$ to its $W^c(\alpha)$ is locally topologically equivalent to $\begin{cases} \dot{\rho} = \rho(\beta(\alpha) + l_1\rho^2), \\ \dot{\varphi} = 1. \end{cases}$

$l_1 < 0, \ \lambda_3 < 0$

$\beta < 0 \qquad\qquad \beta = 0 \qquad\qquad \beta > 0$

Codim 2 equilibrium bifurcations: $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^2$

1. **Cusp**: $\lambda_1 = 0, a = 0$ $(n_c = 1)$

   If $c \neq 0$, then the restriction of $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$ to $W^c(\alpha)$ is locally topologically equivalent to $\dot{\xi} = \beta_1(\alpha) + \beta_2(\alpha)\xi + s\xi^3$, where $s = \text{sign}(c) = \pm 1$.

2. **Bogdanov-Takens**: $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$ $(n_c = 2)$

   If $ab \neq 0$, then the restriction of $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$ to $W^c(\alpha)$ is locally topologically equivalent to $\dot{x} = y$, $\dot{y} = \beta_1(\alpha) + \beta_2(\alpha)x + x^2 + sxy$, where $s = \text{sign}(ab) = \pm 1$.

3. **Bautin**: $\lambda_{1,2} = \pm i\omega, \omega > 0$ $(n_c = 2)$

   If $l_2 \neq 0$, then the restriction of $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$ to $W^c(\alpha)$ is locally topologically equivalent to $\dot{\rho} = \rho(\beta_1(\alpha) + \beta_2(\alpha)\rho^2 + s\rho^4)$, $\dot{\varphi} = 1$, where $s = \text{sign}(l_2) = \pm 1$.

4. **Fold-Hopf**: $\lambda_1 = 0, \ \lambda_{2,3} = \pm i\omega, \omega > 0 \ (n_c = 3)$

Generically, the restriction of $\dot{X} = f(X, \alpha)$ to $W^c(\alpha)$ is smoothly orbitally equivalent to

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\xi} &= \beta_1(\alpha) + \xi^2 + s\rho^2 + P(\xi, \rho, \varphi, \alpha), \\ \dot{\rho} &= \rho(\beta_2(\alpha) + \theta(\alpha)\xi + \xi^2) + Q(\xi, \rho, \varphi, \alpha), \\ \dot{\varphi} &= \omega_1(\alpha) + \theta_1(\alpha)\xi + R(\xi, \rho, \varphi, \alpha), \end{cases}$$

where $s = \pm 1, \ \theta(0) \neq 0, \omega_1(0) > 0, P, Q, R = \mathcal{O}(\|(\xi, \rho)\|^4)$.

The bifurcation diagrams **depend on** $O(4)$-terms. "Big picture" is determined by the 'truncated normal form' without the $O(4)$-terms.

There exist **invariant tori** and **homoclinic orbits** near the fold-Hopf bifurcation.

5. **Hopf–Hopf**: $\lambda_{1,2} = \pm\omega_1$, $\lambda_{3,4} = \pm i\omega_2$, $\omega_j > 0$ $(n_c = 4)$

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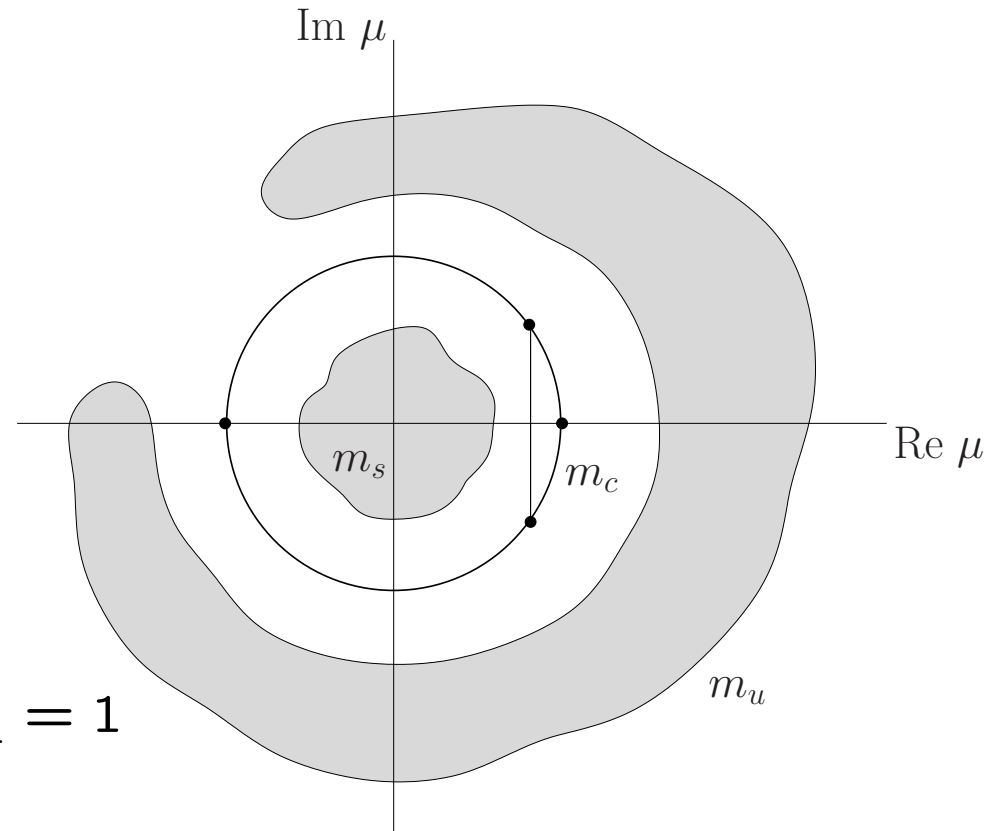
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\begin{cases}
\dot{r}_1 &= r_1(\beta_1(\alpha) + p_{11}(\alpha)r_1^2 + p_{12}(\alpha)r_2^2 + s_1(\alpha)r_2^4) + \Phi_1(r, \varphi, \alpha), \\
\dot{r}_2 &= r_2(\beta_2(\alpha) + p_{21}(\alpha)r_1^2 + p_{22}(\alpha)r_2^2 + s_2(\alpha)r_1^4) + \Phi_2(r, \varphi, \alpha), \\
\dot{\varphi}_1 &= \omega_1(\alpha) + \Psi_1(r, \varphi, \alpha), \\
\dot{\varphi}_2 &= \omega_2(\alpha) + \Psi_2(r, \varphi, \alpha)
\end{cases}
$$

where $\Phi_j = \mathcal{O}(\|r\|^6)$, $\Psi_j = \mathcal{O}(\|r\|)$.

The bifurcation diagrams **depend on** Φ_j- and Ψ_j-terms. "Big picture" is determined by the 'truncated normal form' without these terms.

There exist **invariant tori** and **homoclinic orbits** near the Hopf–Hopf bifurcation.
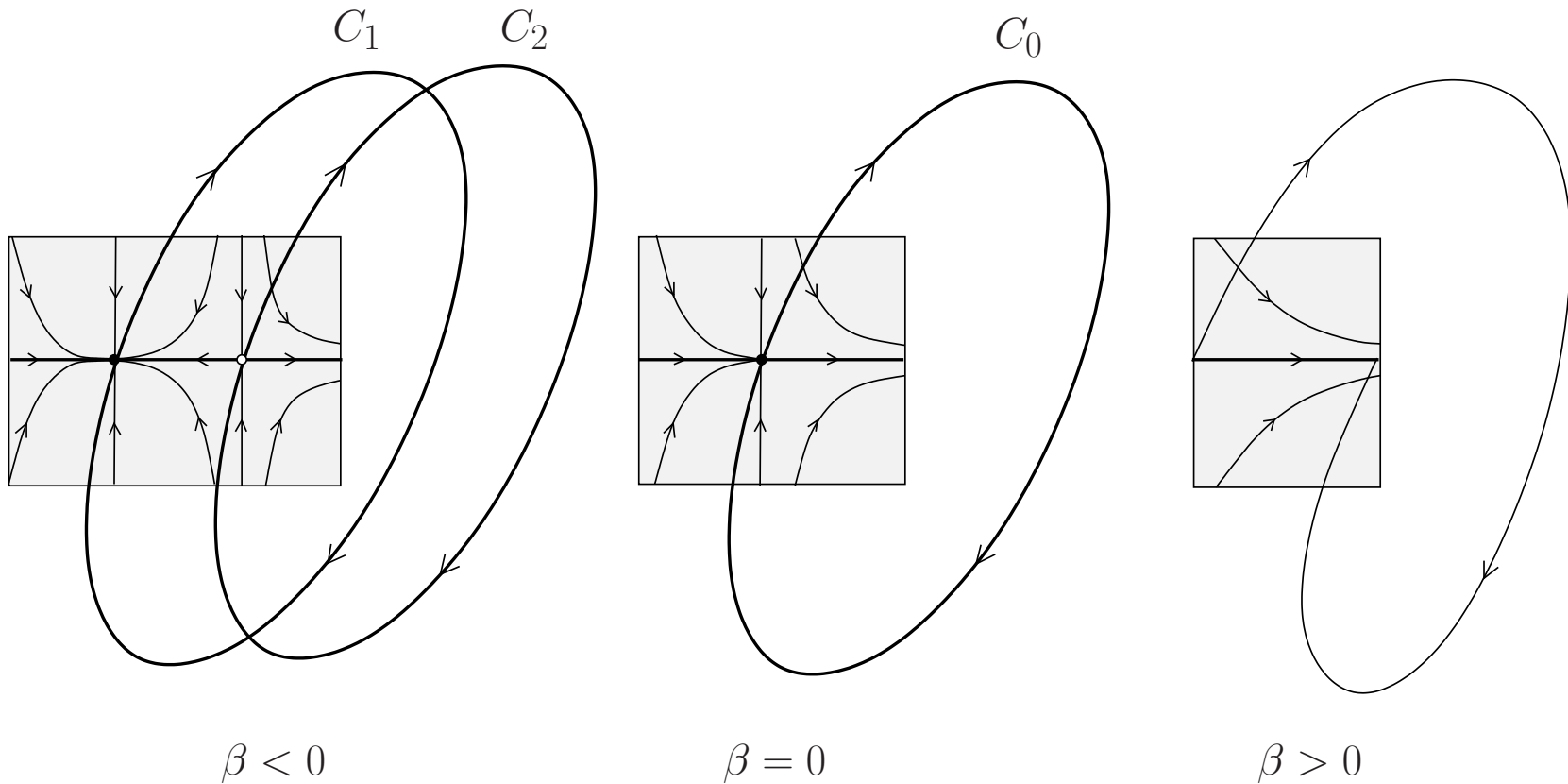
Local bifurcations of cycles

Critical cases of codim 1:

- **cyclic fold (saddle-node):** $\mu_1 = 1$

- **period-doubling:** $\mu_1 = -1$

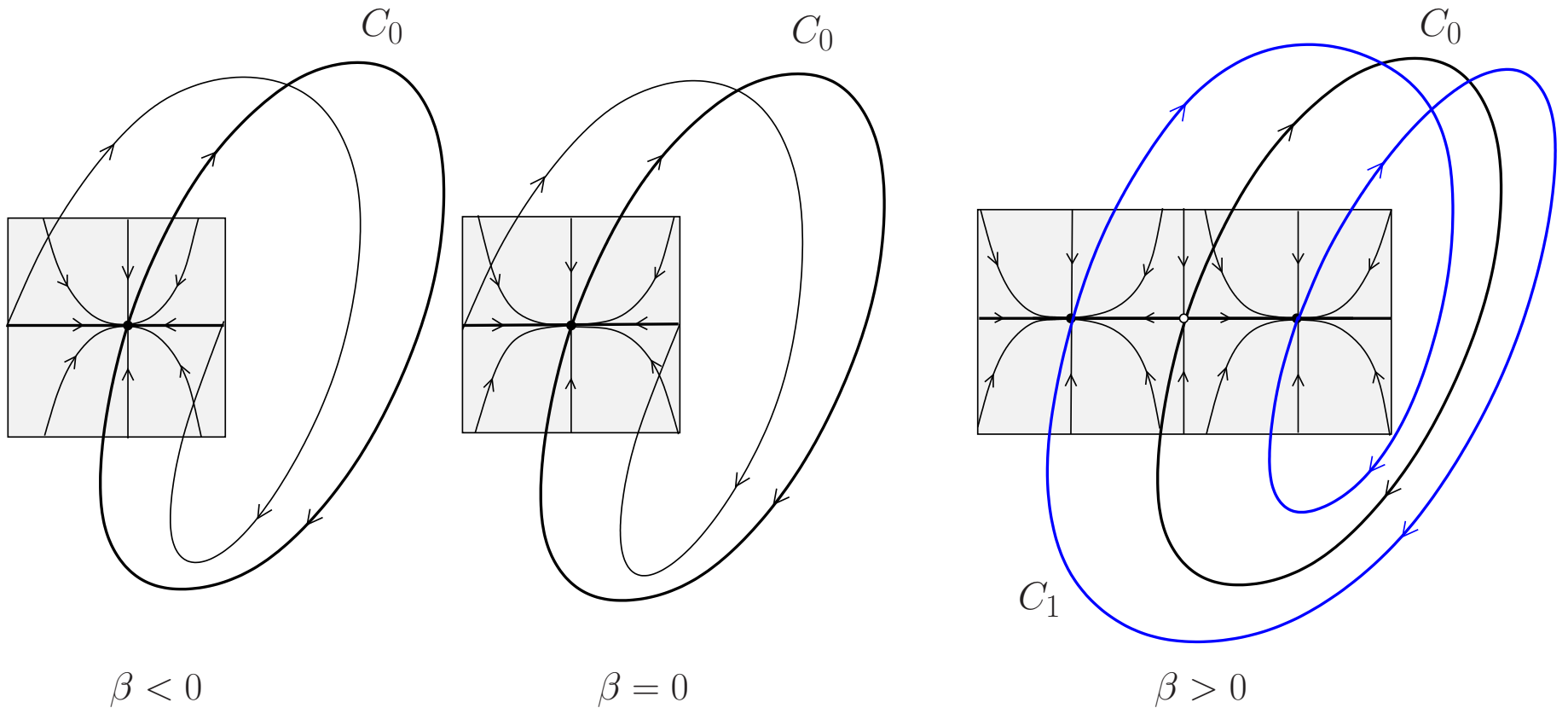- **Neimark-Sacker (torus):** $\mu_{1,2} = e^{\pm i\theta}, \ 0 < \theta < \pi$

- **Fold bifurcation of cycles:** $\mu_1 = 1$ $(m_c = 1)$

If $b \neq 0$ then the restriction of the Poincaré map to its $W^c(\alpha)$ is locally topologically equivalent to $\xi \mapsto \tilde{\xi} = \xi + \beta(\alpha) + a\xi^2$.
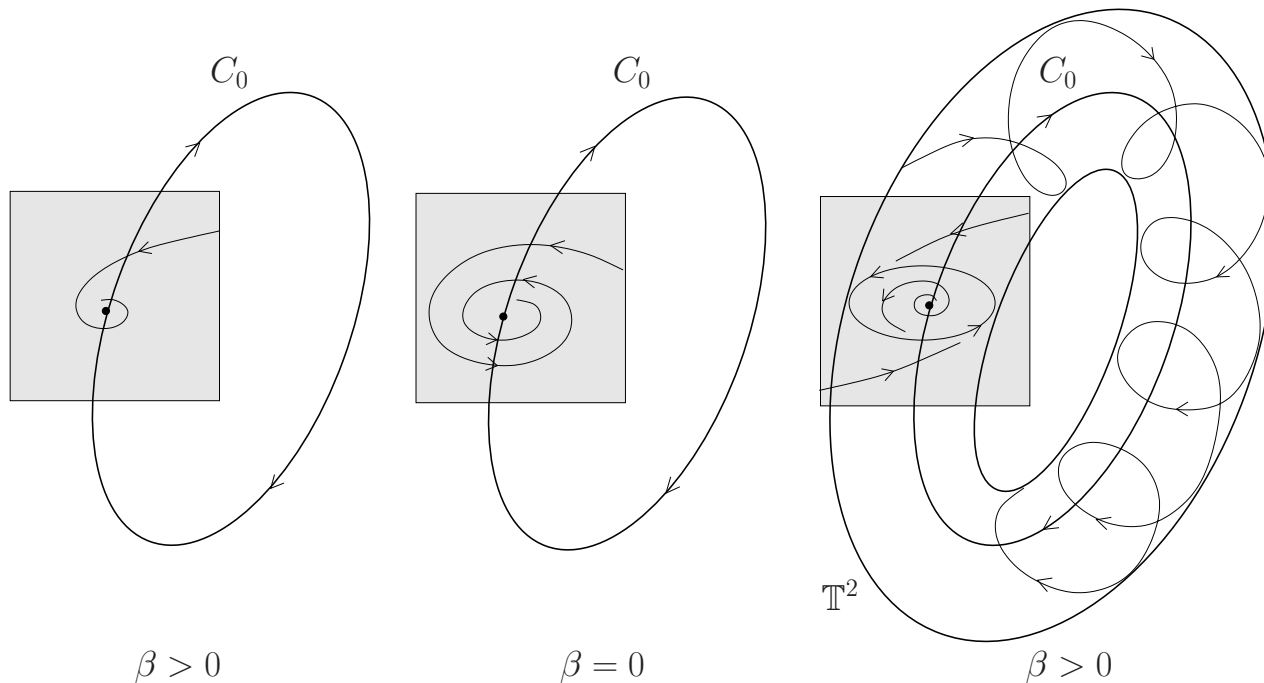
- **Period-doubling:** $\mu_1 = -1$ $(m_c = 1)$

If $c \neq 0$ then the restriction of the Poincaré map to its $W^c(\alpha)$ is locally topologically equivalent to $\xi \mapsto \tilde{\xi} = -(1 + \beta(\alpha))\xi + c\xi^3$.

$\beta < 0$ $\beta = 0$ $\beta > 0$

- **Torus:** $\mu_1 = -1$ ($m_c = 1$)

If $d(0) \neq 0$ and $e^{ik\theta} \neq 1$ for $k = 1, 2, 3, 4$, then the restriction of the Poincaré map to its $W^c(\alpha)$ is locally smoothly equivalent to
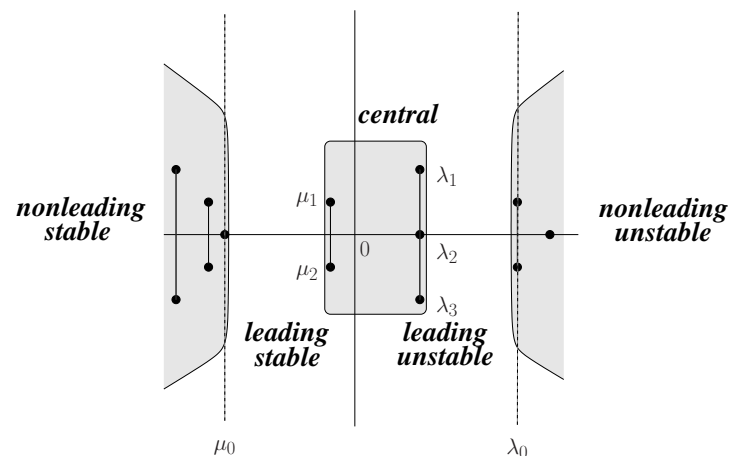
$$
\begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ \varphi \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \rho(1 + \beta(\alpha) + d(\alpha)\rho^2) \\ \varphi + \theta(\alpha) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} R(\rho, \varphi, \alpha) \\ S(\rho, \varphi, \alpha) \end{pmatrix},
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where $R = O(\rho^4)$, $S = O(\rho^2)$

$\beta > 0$ $\beta = 0$ $\beta > 0$

Codim1 bifurcations of homoclinic orbits to equilibria

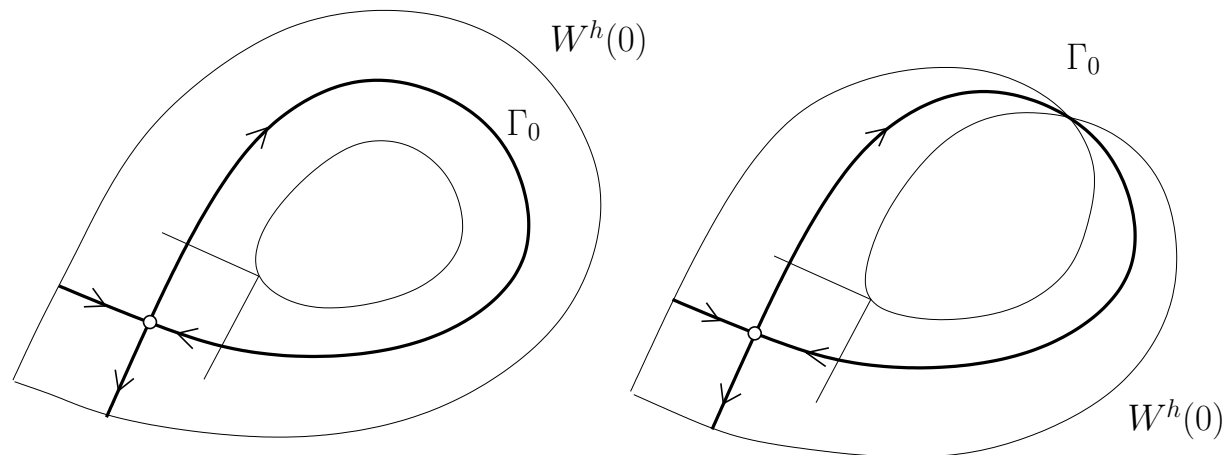- **Homoclinic orbit to a hyperbolic equilibrium**:

Definition 3 Saddle quantity $\sigma = \Re(\mu_1) + \Re(\lambda_1)$.

Theorem 5 (Homoclinic Center Manifold) *Generically, there exists an invariant finitely-smooth manifold $W^h(\alpha)$ that is tangent to the central eigenspace at the homoclinic bifurcation.*

Saddle homoclinic orbit: $\sigma = \mu_1 + \lambda_1$

Assume that Γ_0 approaches X_0 along the leading eigenvectors.

The Poincaré map near Γ_0:

$$\xi \mapsto \tilde{\xi} = \beta + A\xi^{-\frac{\mu_1}{\lambda_1}} + \dots$$

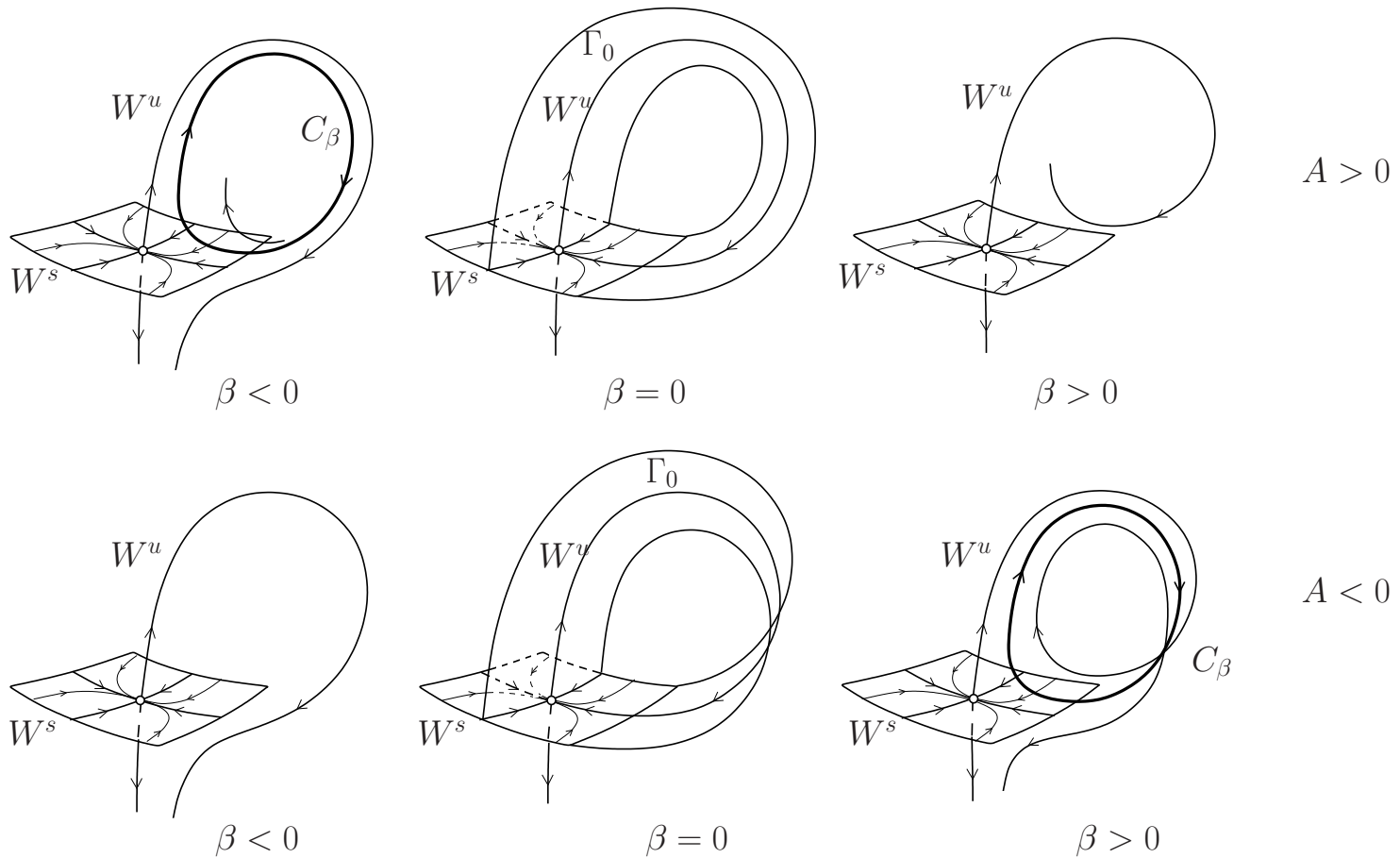where generically $A \neq 0$, so that a unique hyperbolic cycle bifurcates from Γ_0 (stable in W^h if $\sigma < 0$ and unstable in W^h if $\sigma > 0$).

3D saddle homoclinic bifurcation with $\sigma < 0$:

Assume that $\mu_2 < \mu_1 < 0 < \lambda_1$ (otherwise reverse time: $t \mapsto -t$).

$\beta < 0$ $\beta = 0$ $\beta > 0$
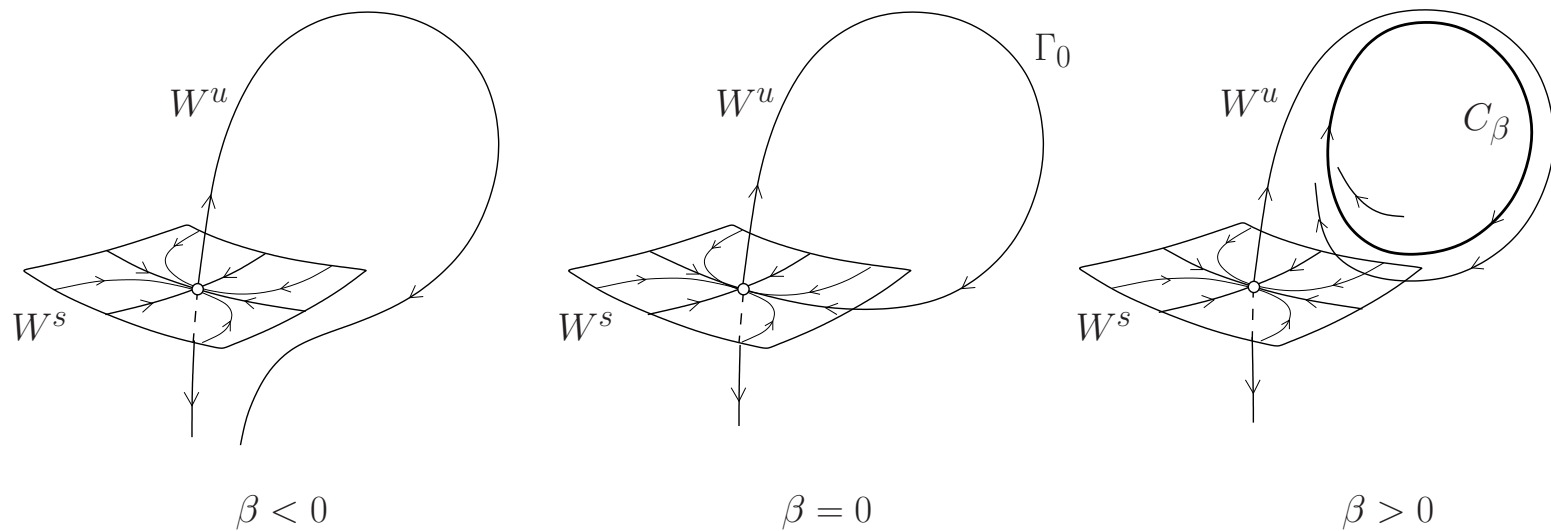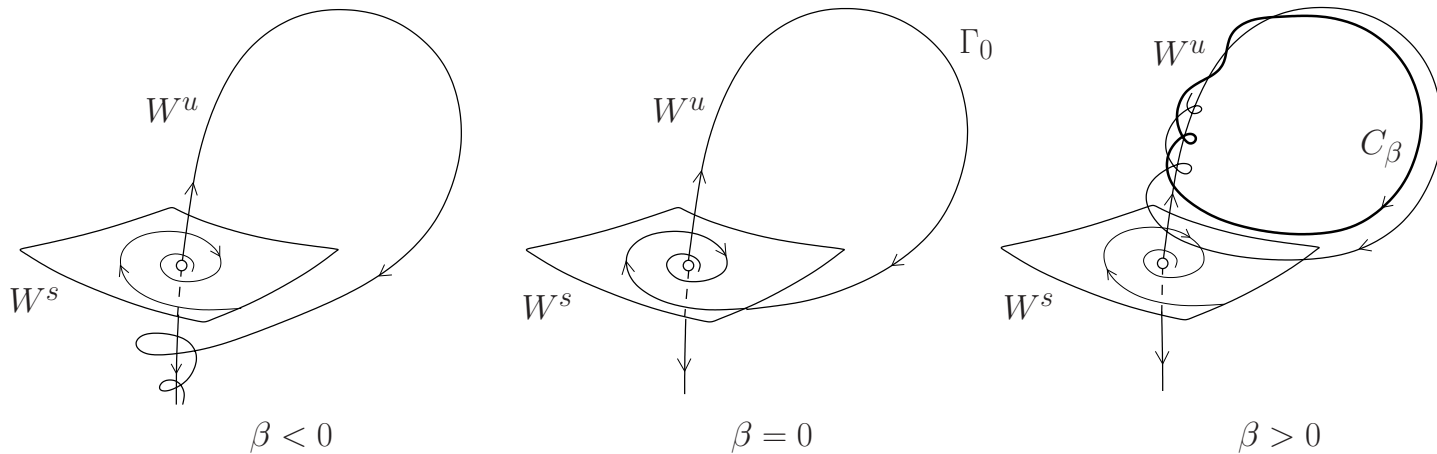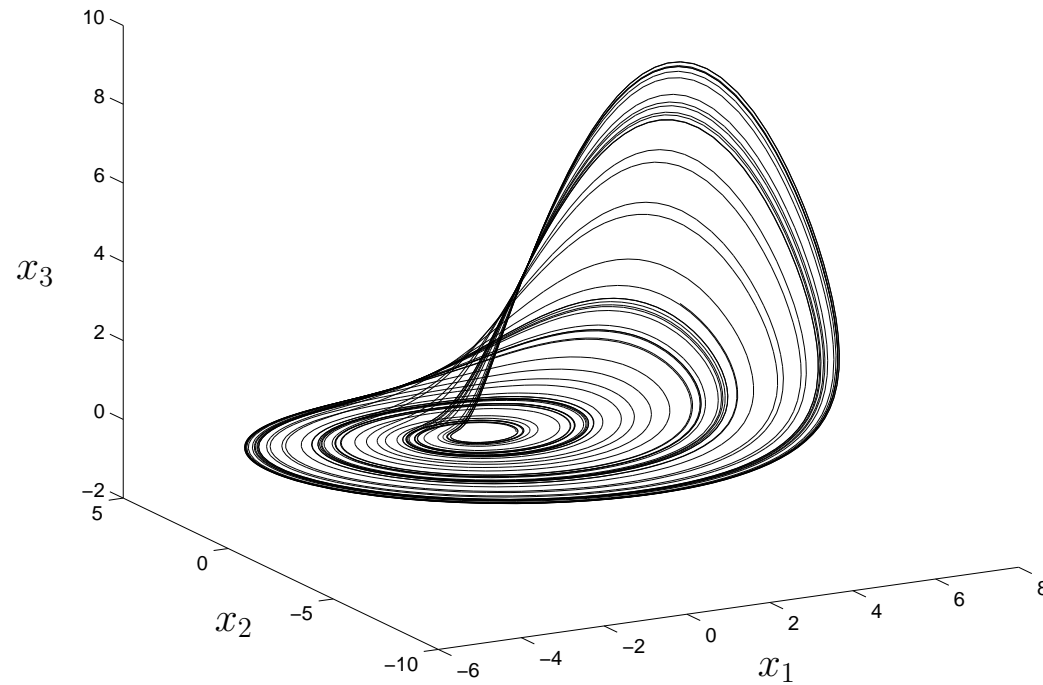
3D saddle homoclinic bifurcation with $\sigma > 0$:

Assume that $\mu_2 < \mu_1 < 0 < \lambda_1$ (otherwise reverse time: $t \mapsto -t$).

Saddle-focus homoclinic orbit: $\sigma = \Re(\mu_1) + \lambda_1$

3D saddle-focus homoclinic bifurcation with $\sigma < 0$:

Assume that $\Re(\mu_2) = \Re(\mu_1) < 0 < \lambda_1$ (otherwise reverse time: $t \mapsto -t$).

$\beta < 0$ $\beta = 0$ $\beta > 0$

3D saddle-focus homoclinic bifurcation with $\sigma > 0$:
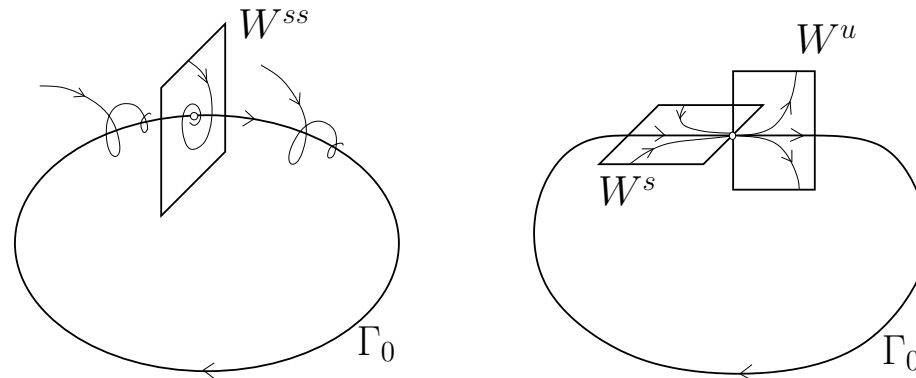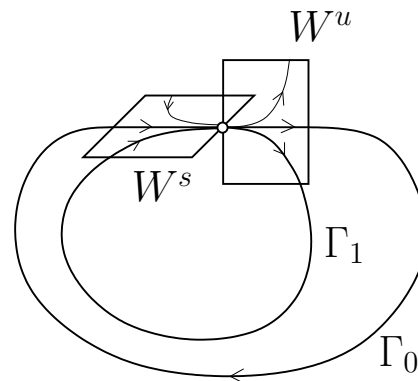

CHAOTIC INVARIANT SET

Focus-focus homoclinic orbit: $\sigma = \Re(\mu_1) + \Re(\lambda_1)$

CHAOTIC INVARIANT SET

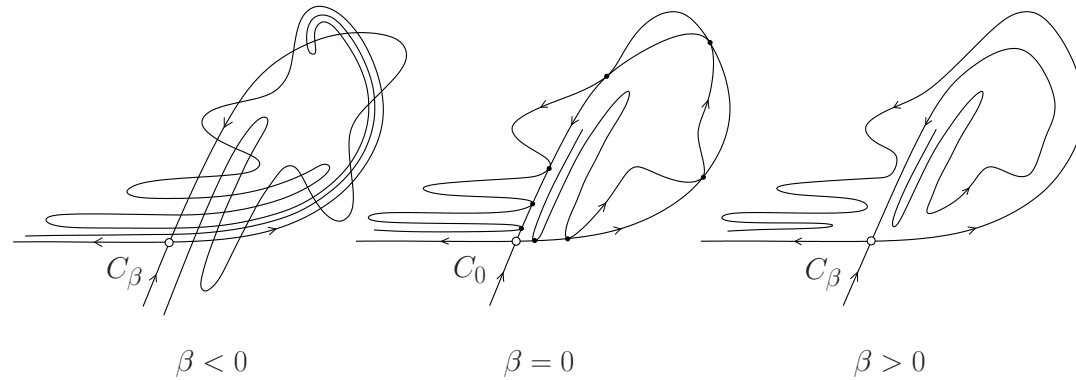- **Homoclinic orbit(s) to a non-hyperbolic equilibrium**

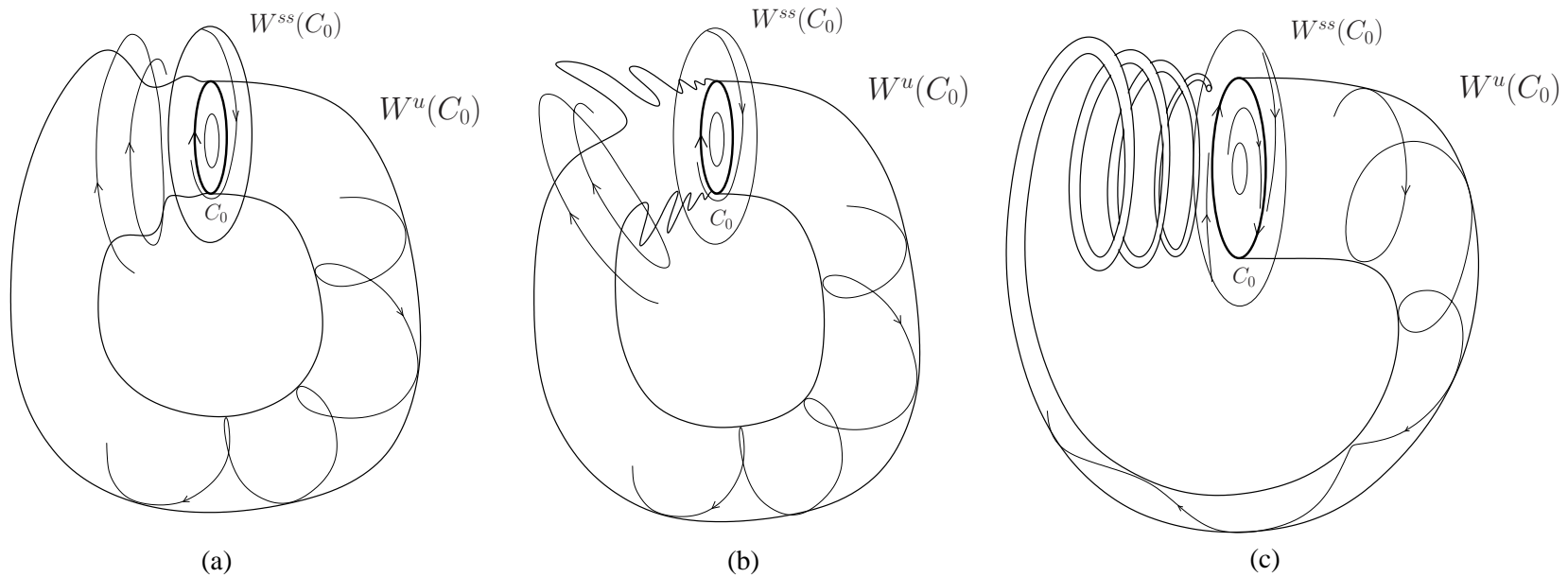**One homoclinic orbit**: $\Rightarrow$ a unique hyperbolic **cycle**

Several homoclinic orbits: $\Rightarrow$ **CHAOTIC INVARIANT SET**

- **Some other cases**

$\beta < 0$ $\beta = 0$ $\beta > 0$

Homoclinic tangency of a hyperbolic cycle: $\Rightarrow$ **CHAOS**

(a)   (b)   (c)

Homoclinics to nonhyperbolic cycle: $\Rightarrow$ **torus/CHAOS/cycle**
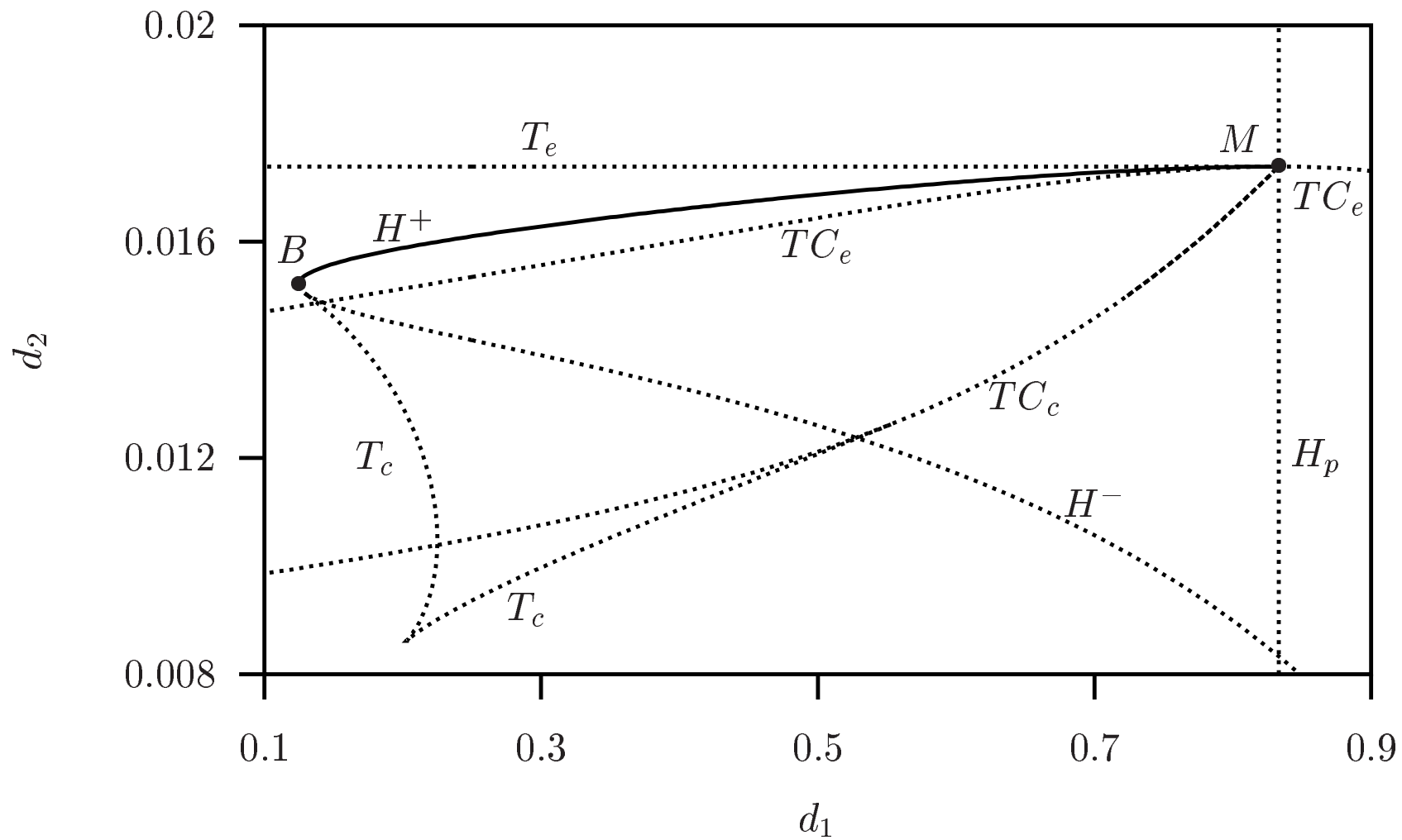
Example: Bifurcations in a food chain model

- The tri-trophic food chain model by Hogeweg & Hesper (1978):

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\begin{cases}
\dot{x}_1 = rx_1\left(1 - \dfrac{x_1}{K}\right) - \dfrac{a_1 x_1 x_2}{1 + b_1 x_1}, \\[2ex]
\dot{x}_2 = e_1\dfrac{a_1 x_1 x_2}{1 + b_1 x_1} - \dfrac{a_2 x_2 x_3}{1 + b_2 x_2} - d_1 x_2, \\[2ex]
\dot{x}_3 = e_2\dfrac{a_2 x_2 x_3}{1 + b_2 x_2} - d_2 x_3,
\end{cases}
$$

where

x_1 prey biomass
x_2 predator biomass
x_3 super$-$predator biomass

Local bifurcations

Local and key global bifurcations