

BIFURCATION THEORY

X, Y Banach spaces. We want to study problems of the form

$$F(\lambda, u) = 0 \quad , \quad F: \mathbb{R} \times X \rightarrow Y, C^2$$

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parameter

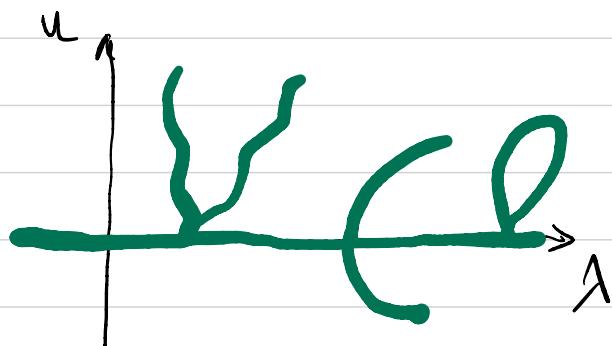
We shall consider situation in which

$$F(\lambda, 0) = 0 \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \text{no trivial sol}$$

Look for non trivial sol, before

$$S = \{ (\lambda, u) \in \mathbb{R} \times X : u \neq 0, F(\lambda, u) = 0 \}$$

We want to find some values of λ for which there are 1 or more solutions



The values of λ for which solutions branch off are called
BIFURCATION POINTS

Def λ^* is a bifurcation point for F if

$$\exists (u_n, \lambda_n) \in \mathbb{R} \times X \text{ with}$$

$$\begin{cases} u_n \neq 0 \\ F(\lambda_n, u_n) = 0 \\ (\lambda_n, u_n) \rightarrow (\lambda^*, 0) \end{cases}$$

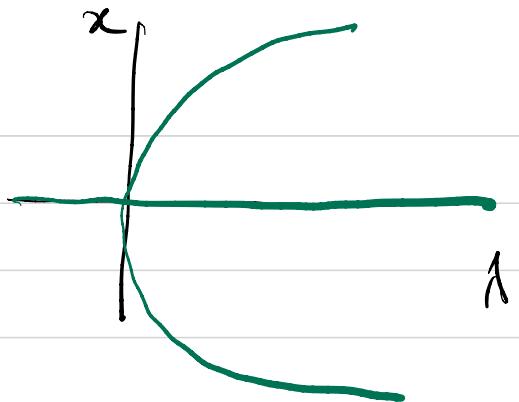
Trivial example

$$F: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad x=0 \text{ is a sol } \forall \lambda$$

$$x^3 - \lambda x = 0, \quad F(\lambda, x) = x^3 - \lambda x = x(x^2 - \lambda)$$

If $\lambda < 0$ is the only sol
 $\lambda > 0$ also $\pm\sqrt{\lambda}$ are sol

$\Rightarrow \lambda = 0$ is a bif. point



Necessary condition

For λ^* to be a bifurcation point, then $D_u F(\lambda^*, 0)$ not invertible!

otherwise if $D_u F(\lambda^*, 0)$ is invertible with b⁻¹ inv,
 by IFT ∃ neigh $B_\epsilon^R(\lambda^*) \times B_{f(0)}^\lambda$ st

$$F(\lambda, u) = 0 \text{ in } \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad u = 0$$

↓ in this neigh sol is unique and we know
 $u=0$ is sol

Interesting case $F(\lambda, u) = \lambda u - G(u)$ with $G \in C^1$

then if λ^* bif. point $\Rightarrow \lambda^* \in \sigma(G'(0))$

$$\text{Indeed: } D_u F(\lambda^*, 0) = \lambda^* I - G'(0)$$

so $D_u F(\lambda^*, 0)$ is invertible $\Leftrightarrow \lambda^* \in \rho(G'(0))$
 not " $\Leftrightarrow \lambda^* \in \sigma(G'(0))$

Rem it is not suff.: λ^* can be in $\sigma(G'(0))$
 but not be bif. points.

$G'(0)$

$$F: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \quad F(\lambda, (x, y)) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & x \\ y & y - x^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

then $G'(0) = I$ so $\lambda^* = 1$ is eigenvalue.

But $F(\lambda, (x, y)) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \lambda(x) = \begin{pmatrix} x+y^3 \\ y-x^3 \end{pmatrix}$

 $\Rightarrow x^4 + y^4 = 0 \Rightarrow x=y=0 \quad (\text{no bifurcation})$

\hookrightarrow multiply $\stackrel{x^4}{\text{eq}}$ by $\stackrel{y^3}{y^3}$ and sum

LYAPUNOV - SCHMIDT REDUCTION

It is a general method to deal with bifurcation problems!

$$F \in C^2(\mathbb{R} \times X, V) \quad \text{st} \quad F(\lambda_0) = 0 \neq \lambda$$

We know that $D_u F(\lambda^*, 0)$ not invertible if
 λ^* bifurcation.

We assume that

$$\begin{cases} X = V + W, V \cap W = \{0\} \\ V, W \text{ closed} \end{cases}$$

(A1) $V := \ker D_v F(\lambda^*, 0)$ is complementable

(A2) $R := \text{Im } D_v F(\lambda^*, 0)$ is closed and complementable
 $(Y = R + Z, R, Z \text{ closed}, R \cap Z = \{0\})$

Let $P: Y \rightarrow Z$ (proj over complement of range)
 $Q: Y \rightarrow R$ (proj over range)

P, Q are continuous because R, Z are complementable

We project $F(\lambda, u) = 0$ using P, Q and
we also decompose

$$u = v + w \in V + W \quad (\text{kernel + cpl})$$

$$F(\lambda, u) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} P F(\lambda, v+w) = 0 \\ Q F(\lambda, v+w) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Goal: solve the \mathcal{Q} eq:

start by writing

$$F(\lambda u) - L_\lambda u$$

$$F(\lambda u) = \underbrace{F(\lambda_0)}_{\textcircled{u}} + \underbrace{d_u F(\lambda_0)[u]}_{\textcircled{u} L_\lambda} + f(\lambda, u)$$

Apply \mathcal{Q} , $u = v+w$:

$$0 = \mathcal{Q} F(\lambda, v+w) = \mathcal{Q}(L_\lambda(v+w) + f(\lambda, v+w))$$

Set $\phi(\lambda, v, w) := \mathcal{Q} L_\lambda(v+w) + \mathcal{Q} f(\lambda, v+w)$

We know $\phi \in C^2(\mathbb{R} \times V \times W, \mathbb{R})$

$$\phi(\lambda^*, 0, 0) = \mathcal{Q} f(\lambda^*, 0, 0) = \mathcal{Q} F(\lambda^*, 0) = 0$$

Goal: given (λ, v) , find $w = w(\lambda, v)$ solving $\phi(\lambda, v, w) = 0$

so $d_w \phi(\lambda^*, 0, 0) : W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ must be invertible

$$d_w \phi(\lambda^*, 0, 0)[\hat{w}] = \mathcal{Q} L_{\lambda^*} \hat{w} + \mathcal{Q} d_w f(\lambda^*, 0)[\hat{w}]$$

\mathcal{Q} proj over
 $R = \text{Im } \underbrace{d_w F(\lambda^*, 0)}_{L_{\lambda^*}}$

$$= L_{\lambda^*} \hat{w} + \mathcal{Q} \left(\underbrace{d_w F(\lambda^*, 0)[\hat{w}]}_{\textcircled{u} L_{\lambda^*} \hat{w}} - L_{\lambda^*} \hat{w} \right)$$
$$= L_{\lambda^*} \hat{w}$$

Consider: $L_{\lambda^*} : W \rightarrow R$
complement of ker L range L_{λ^*}

-) continuous ✓
-) surjective ✓
-) injective ✓
-) W, R closed \Rightarrow Banach

open mapping th.

$L_{\lambda^*}|_W : W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is invertible with b^d inverse!

We apply IFT to Φ and solve it locally with respect to w .

Precisely we find a function

$$\gamma: B_\epsilon^R(\lambda^*) \times B_\epsilon^V(0) \xrightarrow{\lambda, v} B_\delta^W(0)$$

$$\text{so that } \Phi(\lambda, v, \gamma(\lambda, v)) = 0 \quad \forall (\lambda, v) \in B_\epsilon^R(\lambda^*) \times B_\epsilon^V(0)$$

and it is the unique sol in $B_\epsilon^R(\lambda^*) \times B_\epsilon^V(0) \times B_\delta^W(0)$

$$\gamma(\lambda, 0) = 0 \quad \forall \lambda \in B_\epsilon^R(\lambda^*)$$

$$d_v \gamma(\lambda^*, 0) = \left(d_v \Phi(\cdot) \right)^{-1} d_v \phi \Rightarrow \\ = -[\cdot]^{-1} L_{\lambda^*} \hat{w} \Rightarrow$$

so we have solved for w , now we can substitute $w = \gamma(\lambda, v)$ in the P- eq

$$P F(\lambda, v + \gamma(\lambda, v)) = 0 \quad \text{BIFURCATION}$$

We are in good pos if the P-eq is simpler than the original one.

This is the case for example if

$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \ln L < \infty$

Let us see an example when there are 1.

Thm (Gronwall - Rebinowitz) $F \in C^2(\mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{U}, \mathbb{V})$,

\mathcal{U} open in X with $F(\lambda_0) = 0 \forall \lambda$
Assume that

$$(1) \quad V = \ker \mathbb{D}_\lambda F(\lambda^*, \cdot) = \langle u^* \rangle \quad (\text{1-dim})$$

$$(2) \quad R = \text{Im } \mathbb{D}_\lambda F(\lambda^*, \cdot) \text{ closed with codim } 1 \quad (\dim V/R = 1)$$

$$(3) \quad (\mathbb{D}_{\lambda, u} F)(\lambda^*, \cdot)[u^*] \notin R \quad \text{TRANSVERSALITY condition}$$

then (λ^*, \cdot) is a bif. point and $\exists \varepsilon_0$ and
a local bif curve parametrized by $\varepsilon \in (-\varepsilon_0, \varepsilon_0)$
 $\{(N(\varepsilon), u(\varepsilon)) \in \mathbb{R} \times X\}$ of class C^1

so that $F(N(\varepsilon), u(\varepsilon)) = 0 \quad |\varepsilon| \leq \varepsilon_0$

and

$$\begin{cases} N(\varepsilon) = \lambda^* + \sigma(\varepsilon) \\ u(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon u^* + o(\varepsilon^2) \end{cases}$$

Finally $\{(\lambda_u) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{U} : u \neq 0 \text{ and } F(\lambda_u) = 0\}$

$$\{(\lambda(\varepsilon), u(\varepsilon)) \in \mathcal{U} : |\varepsilon| \leq \varepsilon_0\}$$

proof We apply Lyapunov-Schmidt decomposition

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{proj complement range} \\ \text{proj. range} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} PF(\lambda, v+w) = 0 \\ QF(\lambda, v+w) = 0 \end{array}, \quad v \in V, w \in W$$

We solve the range eq: $w = \gamma(\lambda v)$ solves Q -eq:

$$QF(\lambda, v + \gamma(\lambda v)) = 0 \quad \forall \lambda, v \text{ in a certain neighborhood}$$

So we need to solve: $R F(\lambda, v + \gamma(\lambda, v)) = 0$

Let us compute R : recall $y = R + z$,
 within $R = 1 \Rightarrow z = \langle z_0 \rangle$ 1-dim

$$\forall y \in Y: \quad y = \alpha z_0 + r, \quad r \in R, \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

so the operator $P: Y \rightarrow Z$, so we need α
 $y \mapsto \alpha z_0$

R closed lin sub \Rightarrow by Hahn-Banach, $\exists y^* \in Y^*$, $y^* \neq 0$
 with $y^*|_R = 0$

$$\Rightarrow y^*(y) = y^*(\alpha z_0 + r) = \alpha y^*(z_0) \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{y^*(y)}{y^*(z_0)}$$

so we find: $Py = 0 \Leftrightarrow y^*(y) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow PF(\lambda, v + \gamma(\lambda, v)) = 0 \Leftrightarrow y^*(F(\lambda, v + \gamma(\lambda, v))) = 0$$

We set $\lambda = \lambda^* + \mu$ and since $v \in \ker d_v F(\lambda^*, 0) = \langle u^* \rangle$
 we can write $v = t u^*$ and put

$$\beta(\mu, t) = y^*\left(F(\lambda^* + \mu, t u^* + \gamma(\lambda^* + \mu, t u^*))\right)$$

β is real valued and defined in a neighborhood of $(0, 0)$ in $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$
 and it is of class C^2 , since F, γ are C^2

Goal: solve $\beta(\mu, t) = 0$ using classical IFT

In particular we want, given t , find $\mu(t)$ solving

$$\beta(\mu(t), t) = 0$$

Problem (β₁) $\beta(\mu, 0) = \gamma^*(F(\lambda^+ + \mu, \overbrace{\gamma^*(\lambda^+ + \mu, 0)}^{\text{no}})) = \gamma^*\mu$

(β₂) $\partial_\mu \beta(0, 0) = 0$

(CHECK THEM!)

(β₃) $\partial_t \beta(0, 0) = 0$

so no IFT immediately: we need to "desingularize" $\beta(\mu, t)$

Define $h(\mu, t) := \begin{cases} \frac{\beta(\mu, t)}{t} & \text{for } t \neq 0 \\ \partial_t \beta(\mu, 0) & \text{for } t = 0 \end{cases}$

then for $t \neq 0$ $h(\mu, t) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \beta(\mu, t) = 0$

so we try to apply IFT to h

Note that $h \in C^1$ and $h(0, 0) = \partial_t \beta(0, 0) = 0$

Moreover:

$$\partial_\mu h(0, 0) = \partial_{\mu, t} \beta(0, 0)$$

$$\partial_t h(\mu, 0) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(\mu, \varepsilon) - h(\mu, 0)}{\varepsilon} =$$

$$= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\underbrace{\frac{\beta(\mu, \varepsilon)}{\varepsilon} - \partial_t \beta(\mu, 0)}_{\varepsilon}}{\varepsilon}$$

$$= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \left(\beta(\mu, \varepsilon) - \underbrace{\beta(\mu, 0)}_{=0} - \varepsilon \partial_t \beta(\mu, 0) \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\partial_t^2 \beta)(\mu, 0)$$

so we need to compute $\partial_{t, \mu} \beta(0, 0)$ and $\partial_t^2 \beta(0, 0)$

We have

$$(\beta_4) \quad \partial_{t,\mu} \beta(0,0) = \gamma^* \left(\partial_{u,\lambda} F(\lambda^*, 0) [u^*] \right)$$

$$(\beta_5) \quad \partial_{t,t} \beta(0,0) = \gamma^* \left(\partial_{u,u} F(\lambda^*, 0) [u^*, u^*] \right)$$

Let us prove (β_4) :

$$\partial_t \beta(\mu, t) \leq \gamma^* \left(\int_0^t F(\lambda^* + \mu, tu^* + \gamma(\lambda^* + \mu, tw^*)) [w^* + \int_0^w \gamma(\lambda^* + \mu, tw) [w^*]] \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \partial_t \beta(\mu, 0) &= \gamma^* \left(\int_0^t F(\lambda^* + \mu, \underbrace{\gamma(\lambda^* + \mu, 0)}_{=0}) [w^* + \int_0^w \gamma(\lambda^* + \mu, w) [w^*]] \right) \\ &= \gamma^* \left(\int_0^t F(\lambda^* + \mu, 0) [w^* + \int_0^w \gamma(\lambda^* + \mu, w) [w^*]] \right) \end{aligned}$$

Now take $\partial_{\mu t}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_\mu \partial_t \beta(\mu, 0) &= \gamma^* \left(\partial_{\mu, u} F(\lambda^* + \mu, 0) [u^* + \int_0^u \gamma(\lambda^* + \mu, w) [w^*]] \right) \\ &\quad + \gamma^* \left(\int_0^t F(\lambda^* + \mu, 0) [\partial_{\mu, u} \gamma(\lambda^* + \mu, w) [w^*]] \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \partial_\mu \partial_t \beta(0, 0) &= \gamma^* \left(\partial_{\mu, u} F(\lambda^*, 0) [u^* + \underbrace{\int_0^u \gamma(\lambda^*, w) [w^*]}_{=0}] \right) \\ &\quad + \underbrace{\gamma^* \left(\int_0^t F(\lambda^*, 0) [\partial_{\mu, u} \gamma(\lambda^*, w) [w^*]] \right)}_{=0} \\ &= \gamma^* \left(\partial_{\mu, u} F(\lambda^*, 0) [u^*] \right) \end{aligned}$$

(β_5) is proved similarly.

Going back to $h(\mu, t)$. We have let

$$\partial_{\mu t} h(0, 0) = \gamma^* \left(\partial_{\mu, u} F(\lambda^*, 0) [u^*] \right)$$

By assumption, $\partial_{\mu, u} F(\lambda^*, 0) [u^*] \notin R \rightarrow \partial_{\mu t} h(0, 0) \neq 0$

We can apply IFT to h and get a map

$$(-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} \mu(t) = 0 \\ h(\mu(t), t) = 0 \quad \forall |t| \leq \varepsilon \\ t \mapsto \mu(t) + e^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{cases}$$

so in particular, for $t \neq 0$ we have

$$\beta(\mu(t), t) = 0 \quad \forall |t| \leq \varepsilon$$

so we have solved the P eq!

$$\Rightarrow F(\lambda^* + \mu(t), \underbrace{t u^*}_{\lambda(t)} + \gamma(\lambda^* + \mu(t), t u^*)) = 0 \quad \forall |t| \leq \varepsilon$$

and it is not trivial since $\gamma(\lambda^* + \mu(t), t u^*) = O(t^2)$

Application

Nonlinear Sturm-Liouville problem

$$(*) \begin{cases} -u'' + \lambda u + f(u) = 0 \\ u(0) = u(1) = 0 \end{cases}, \quad f \in C^2, \quad f(0) = 0, \quad f'(0) = 0$$

Solutions are zeroes of

$$F(\lambda, u) = -u'' + \lambda u + f(u), \quad F: \mathbb{R} \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{X}$$

$$X = \{ u \in C^2([0,1]): \quad u(0) = u(1) = 0 \}$$

$$Y = \{ u \in C^0([0,1]) \}$$

$$\text{Clearly } F(\lambda, 0) = \neq \lambda$$

$$\text{Bifurcation values: } \exists \lambda^+ \text{ s.t. } \begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_0 F(\lambda^+, 0)[h] &= -h'' + \lambda h + f'(0) \cdot h \\ &= -h'' + \lambda h \end{aligned}$$

not invertible

$$\mathcal{L}_0 F(\lambda^+, 0) \text{ invertible} \iff \forall g \in C^0, \exists! h \in C^2 \text{ sol of} \\ \begin{cases} -h'' + \lambda h = g \\ h(0) = h(1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

\Leftrightarrow hom problem has only trivial sol

$$\begin{cases} -h'' + \lambda h = 0 \\ h(0) = h(1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda \notin \{ -n^2\pi^2, n \in \mathbb{N} \}$$

Moreover, if $\lambda = -n^2\pi^2$, \exists sol of $\begin{cases} -u'' + \lambda u = f \\ u(0) = u(\pi) = 0 \end{cases}$

$\Leftrightarrow f \perp$ sol of homg problem with $\lambda = -n^2\pi^2$

$$\Leftrightarrow \langle f, \underbrace{\sin(n\pi x)}_{u_n} \rangle = 0$$

Equivalently $f \in \text{Im } \mathcal{L}_0 F(\lambda_n^+, 0) \Leftrightarrow f \perp \sin(n\pi x)$
 $\lambda_n^+ = -n^2\pi^2$

Can we apply Crandall - Rabinowitz to find solutions
in case $\lambda = -n^2\pi^2$?

Put $V = \ker \mathcal{L}_0 F(\lambda_n^+, 0) = \langle \sin(n\pi x) \rangle$

$$R = \text{Im } \mathcal{L}_0 F(\lambda_n^+, 0) = \left\{ f \in X : \int f(x) \sin(n\pi x) dx = 0 \right\}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \text{Im } V = \text{co Im } R = \mathbb{R}, \quad R \text{ closed}$$

$$R = \langle \psi^{-1}(0) \rangle \text{ with}$$

$$\psi: Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ lin-funct}$$

$$\psi(f) = \int f(x) \sin(n\pi x) dx$$

It remains to check the transversality condition:

$$(\partial_{\lambda, u} F)(\lambda_n^+, 0)[u^+] \notin R$$

$$\text{As } (\partial_\lambda \mathcal{L}_0 F)(\lambda_n^+, 0)[\hat{u}] = \partial_\lambda (-\hat{u}'' + \lambda \hat{u}) = \hat{u},$$

we need $(\partial_x \mathcal{L}_0 F)(\lambda_n^+, 0)[v^+] = v^+ \notin R$

But $v^+ \in R \Leftrightarrow \int v^+(x)^2 = 0$ FALSE! so transversality condition ✓!

CR $\Rightarrow \forall n, \exists$ a continuous family of nontrivial
sol of \approx with

$$\begin{cases} u(\epsilon) = \epsilon \sin(n\pi x) + o(\epsilon^2) \\ \lambda(\epsilon) = -n^2\pi^2 + o(\epsilon) \end{cases}$$