

An Introduction to Numerical Continuation Methods

with Applications

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Persistence of Solutions

- Newton's method for solving a nonlinear equation [B83]¹

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0} , \quad \mathbf{G}(\cdot) , \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n ,$$

may not converge if the “initial guess” is not close to a solution.

- However, one can put a homotopy parameter in the equation.
- Actually, most equations already have parameters.
- We will discuss persistence of solutions to such equations.

¹ See Page 83⁺ of the Background Notes on Elementary Numerical Methods.

The Implicit Function Theorem

Let $\mathbf{G} : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfy

- (i) $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0) = \mathbf{0}$, $\mathbf{u}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\lambda_0 \in \mathbb{R}$.
- (ii) $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0)$ is nonsingular (*i.e.*, \mathbf{u}_0 is an isolated solution) ,
- (iii) \mathbf{G} and $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}$ are smooth near \mathbf{u}_0 .

Then there exists a unique, smooth solution family $\mathbf{u}(\lambda)$ such that

- $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}(\lambda), \lambda) = \mathbf{0}$, for all λ near λ_0 ,
- $\mathbf{u}(\lambda_0) = \mathbf{u}_0$.

NOTE : The IFT also holds in more general spaces ...

EXAMPLE : A Simple Homotopy .

(Course demo : Simple-Homotopy²)

Let

$$g(u, \lambda) = (u^2 - 1)(u^2 - 4) + \lambda u^2 e^{\frac{1}{10}u} .$$

When $\lambda = 0$ the equation

$$g(u, 0) = 0 ,$$

has four solutions , namely,

$$u = \pm 1 , \quad \text{and} \quad u = \pm 2 .$$

We have

$$g_u(u, \lambda) \Big|_{\lambda=0} \equiv \frac{d}{du}(u, \lambda) \Big|_{\lambda=0} = 4u^3 - 10u .$$

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Since

$$g_u(u, 0) = 4u^3 - 10u ,$$

we have

$$g_u(-1, 0) = 6 , \qquad g_u(1, 0) = -6 ,$$

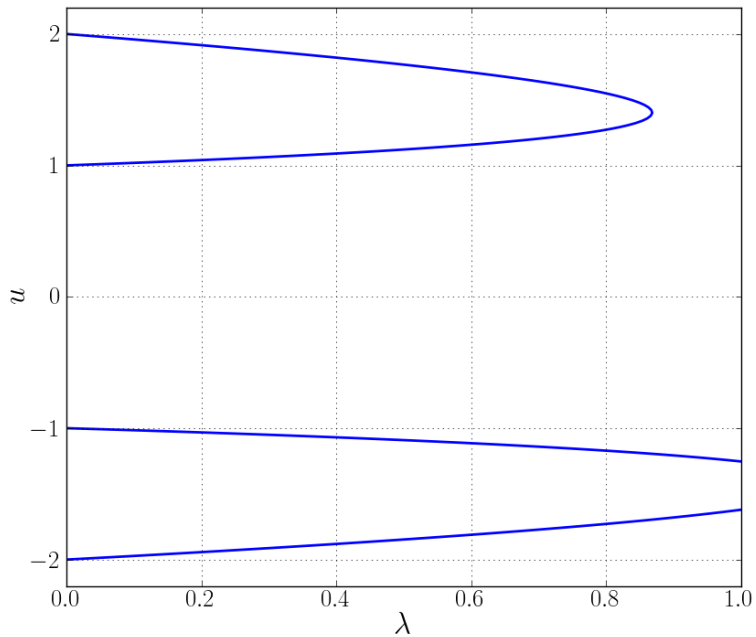
$$g_u(-2, 0) = -12 , \qquad g_u(2, 0) = 12 ,$$

which are all **nonzero** .

Thus each of the four solutions when $\lambda = 0$ is **isolated** .

Hence each of these solutions **persists** as λ becomes nonzero,

(at least for “small” values of $|\lambda| \cdots$).



Solution families of $g(u, \lambda) = 0$. Note the [fold](#) .

NOTE :

- Each of the four solutions at $\lambda = 0$ is **isolated** .
- Thus each of these solutions **persists** as λ becomes nonzero.
- Only two of the four homotopies reach $\lambda = 1$.
- The other two homotopies meet at a **fold** .
- IFT condition (ii) is **not satisfied** at the fold. (**Why not?**)

In the equation

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) = \mathbf{0} , \quad \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{G}(\cdot, \cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^n , \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R} ,$$

let

$$\mathbf{x} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u} \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} .$$

Then the equation can be written

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0} , \quad \mathbf{G} : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n .$$

DEFINITION :

A solution \mathbf{x}_0 of $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$ is **regular** if the matrix

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \equiv \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}_0) , \quad (\text{with } n \text{ rows and } n + 1 \text{ columns})$$

has **maximal rank** , *i.e.*, if

$$\text{Rank}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0) = n .$$

In the [parameter formulation](#) ,

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

we have

$$\text{Rank}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0) = \text{Rank}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 \mid \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0) = n \iff \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{(i)} \quad \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 \text{ is nonsingular,} \\ \text{or} \\ \text{(ii)} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0) = 1 , \\ \text{and} \\ \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0 \notin \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0) . \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right.$$

Here

$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)$ denotes the [null space](#) of $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0$,

and

$\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)$ denotes the [range](#) of $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0$,

i.e., $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0)$ is the linear space spanned by the n columns of $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0$.

COROLLARY (to the IFT) : Let

$$\mathbf{x}_0 \equiv (\mathbf{u}_0 , \lambda_0)$$

be a **regular solution** of

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0} .$$

Then, near \mathbf{x}_0 , there exists a **unique** one-dimensional **solution family**

$$\mathbf{x}(s) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0 .$$

PROOF : Since $\text{Rank}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0) = \text{Rank}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0 \mid \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^0) = n$, we have that

(i) either $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^0$ is nonsingular and by the IFT we have

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}(\lambda) \quad \text{near} \quad \mathbf{x}_0 ,$$

(ii) or else we can **interchange columns** in the Jacobian $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0$ to see that the solution can locally be parametrized by one of the components of \mathbf{u} .

Thus a (locally) unique solution family passes through \mathbf{x}_0 .

QED !

NOTE :

- Such a solution family is sometimes called a solution branch .
- Case (i) is where the IFT applies directly .
- Case (ii) is that of a simple fold .
- Thus even near a simple fold there is a unique solution family .
- However, near such a fold, the family cannot be parametrized by λ .

More Examples of IFT Application

- We give examples where the IFT shows that a given solution **persists**
(at least **locally**) when a problem parameter is changed.
- We also consider cases where the conditions of the IFT are **not satisfied** .

EXAMPLE : The $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ Reaction .

(Course demo : Chemical-Reactions/ABC-Reaction/Stationary)

$$u_1' = -u_1 + D(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} ,$$

$$u_2' = -u_2 + D(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} - D\sigma u_2 e^{u_3} ,$$

$$u_3' = -u_3 - \beta u_3 + DB(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} + DB\alpha\sigma u_2 e^{u_3} ,$$

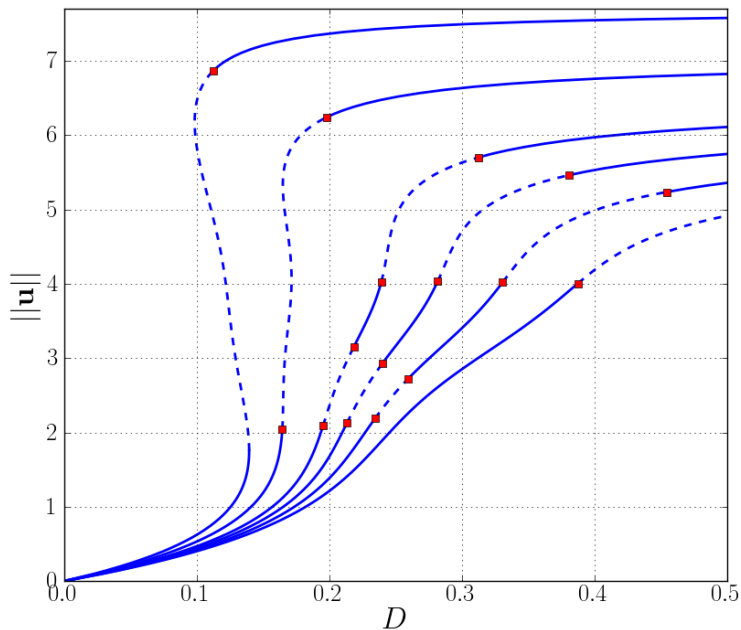
where

$1 - u_1$ is the concentration of A , u_2 is the concentration of B ,

u_3 is the temperature, $\alpha = 1$, $\sigma = 0.04$, $B = 8$,

D is the Damkohler number , $\beta > 0$ is the heat transfer coefficient .

NOTE : The zero stationary solution at $D = 0$ persists (locally), because the Jacobian is nonsingular there, having eigenvalues -1 , -1 , and $-(1 + \beta)$.



Families of [stationary solutions](#) of the $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction.
 (From left to right : $\beta = 1.1, 1.3, 1.5, 1.6, 1.7, 1.8$.)

NOTE :

In the preceding bifurcation diagram:

- $\| \mathbf{u} \| = \sqrt{u_1^2 + u_2^2 + u_3^2}$.
- Solid/dashed curves denote **stable/unstable** solutions.
- The **red** squares are **Hopf bifurcations**.

From the basic theory of ODEs:

- \mathbf{u}_0 is a **stationary solution** of $\mathbf{u}'(t) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t))$ if $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}_0) = \mathbf{0}$.
- \mathbf{u}_0 is **stable** if all eigenvalues of $\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_0)$ are in the negative half-plane.
- \mathbf{u}_0 is **unstable** if one or more eigenvalues are in the positive half-plane.
- At a **fold** there is zero eigenvalue.
- At a **Hopf bifurcation** there is a pair of purely imaginary eigenvalues.

EXAMPLE (of IFT application) : **The Gelfand-Bratu Problem** .
(**Course demo** : **Gelfand-Bratu/Original**)

The **boundary value problem**

$$\begin{cases} u''(x) + \lambda e^{u(x)} &= 0, & \forall x \in [0, 1], \\ u(0) = u(1) &= 0, \end{cases}$$

defines the stationary states of a **solid fuel ignition model**.

If $\lambda = 0$ then $u(x) \equiv 0$ is a solution.

This problem can be thought of as an **operator equation** $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}; \lambda) = 0$.

We can use (a generalized) IFT to prove that there is a **solution family**

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}(\lambda), \quad \text{for } |\lambda| \text{ small} .$$

The **linearization** of $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}; \lambda)$ acting on \mathbf{v} , *i.e.*, $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}; \lambda)\mathbf{v}$, leads to the homogeneous equation

$$v''(x) + \lambda e^{u(x)}v = 0 ,$$

$$v(0) = v(1) = 0 ,$$

which for the solution $u(x) \equiv 0$ at $\lambda = 0$ becomes

$$v''(x) = 0 ,$$

$$v(0) = v(1) = 0 .$$

Since this equation **only has the zero solution** $v(x) \equiv 0$, the IFT applies.

Thus (locally) **a unique solution family** passes through $u(x) \equiv 0$, $\lambda = 0$.

In **Course demo : Gelfand-Bratu/Original** the BVP is implemented as a **first order system** :

$$u_1'(t) = u_2(t) ,$$

$$u_2'(t) = -\lambda e^{u_1(t)} ,$$

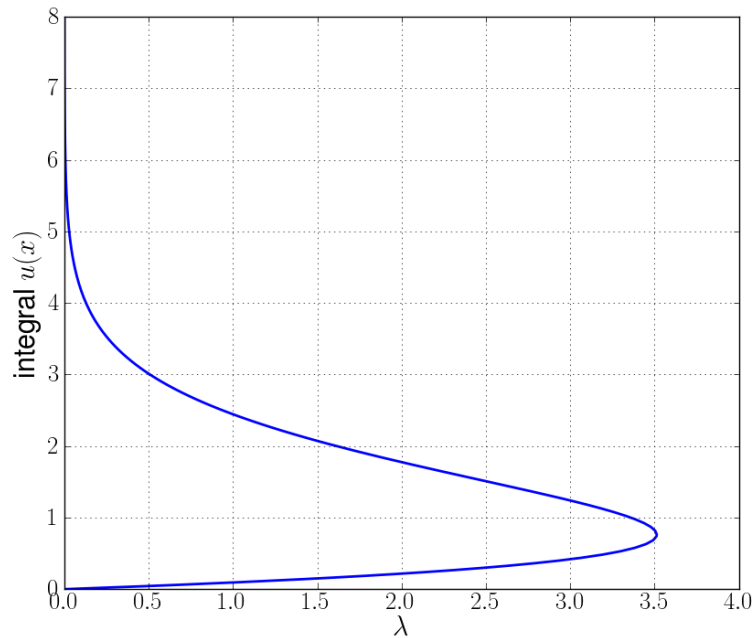
with **boundary conditions**

$$u_1(0) = 0 ,$$

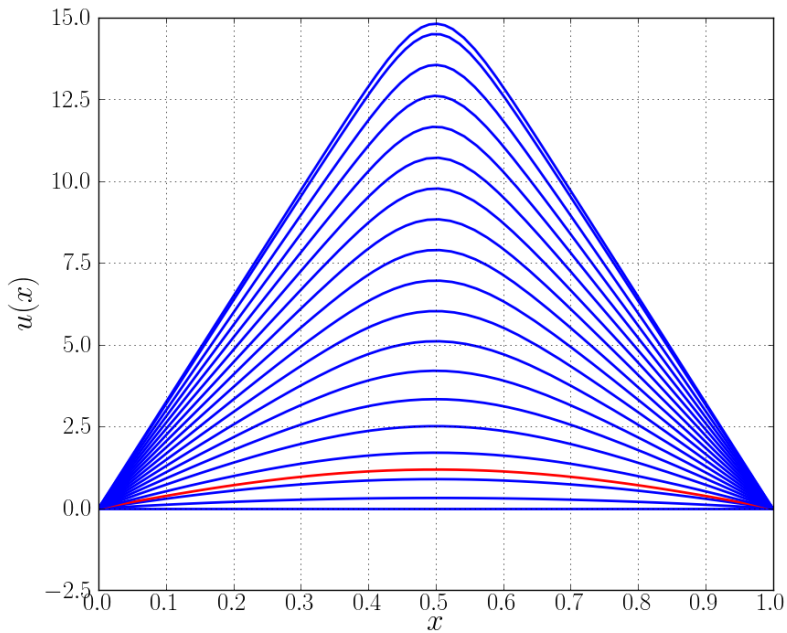
$$u_1(1) = 0 .$$

A convenient **solution measure** in the **bifurcation diagram** is the value of

$$\int_0^1 u_1(x) \, dx .$$



Bifurcation diagram of the Gelfand-Bratu equation.



Some solutions of the Gelfand-Bratu equation.
(The solution at the **fold** is colored **red**).

EXAMPLE : A Boundary Value Problem with Bifurcations .

(Course demo : Basic-BVP/Nonlinear-Eigenvalue)

$$u'' + \hat{\lambda} u(1 - u) = 0 ,$$

$$u(0) = u(1) = 0 ,$$

has $u(x) \equiv 0$ as a solution for all $\hat{\lambda}$.

QUESTION : Are there more solutions ?

Again, this problem corresponds to an operator equation $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}; \hat{\lambda}) = 0$.

Its **linearization** acting on \mathbf{v} leads to the equation $\mathbf{G}_u(\mathbf{u}; \hat{\lambda})\mathbf{v} = 0$, i.e.,

$$v'' + \hat{\lambda} (1 - 2u)v = 0 ,$$

$$v(0) = v(1) = 0 .$$

In particular, the [linearization](#) about the zero solution family $u \equiv 0$ is

$$v'' + \hat{\lambda} v = 0 ,$$

$$v(0) = v(1) = 0 ,$$

which for [most](#) values of $\hat{\lambda}$ only has the [zero solution](#) $v(x) \equiv 0$.

However, when

$$\hat{\lambda} = \hat{\lambda}_k \equiv k^2 \pi^2 ,$$

then there are [nonzero solutions](#) , namely,

$$v(x) = \sin(k\pi x) ,$$

Thus the IFT does not apply at $\hat{\lambda}_k = k^2 \pi^2$.

(We will see that these solutions are [bifurcation points](#) .)

In the [implementation](#) we write the BVP as a [first order system](#) .

We also use a [scaled](#) version of λ .

The equations are then

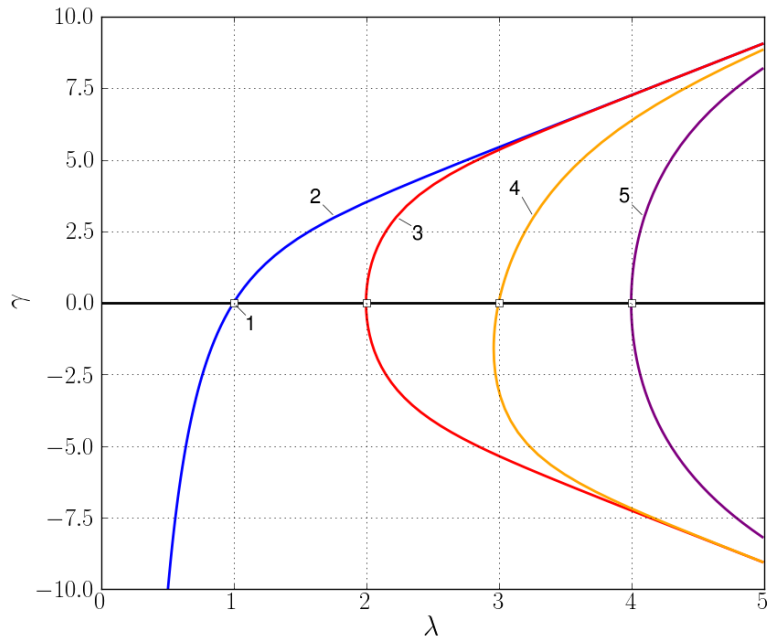
$$u_1' = u_2 ,$$

$$u_2' = \lambda^2 \pi^2 u_1 (1 - u_1) ,$$

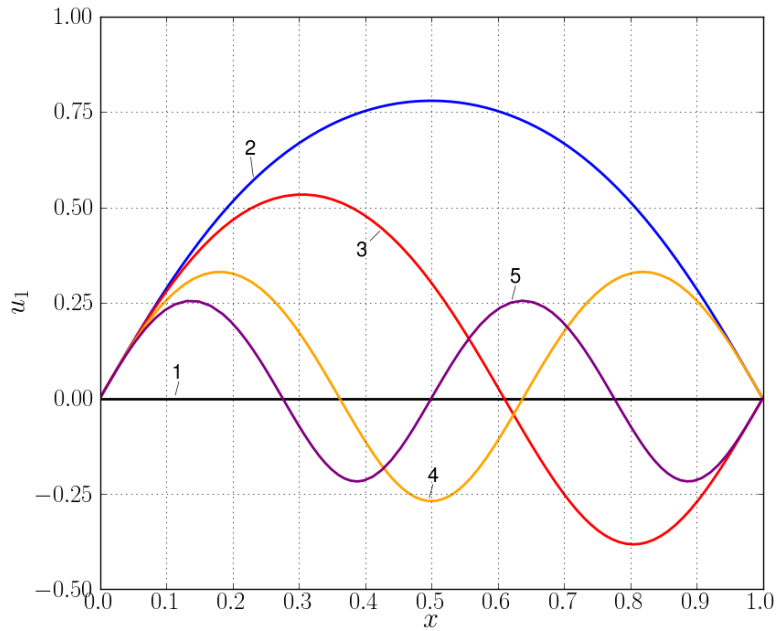
with $\hat{\lambda} = \lambda^2 \pi^2$.

A convenient [solution measure](#) in the [bifurcation diagram](#) is

$$\gamma \equiv u_2(0) = u_1'(0) .$$



Solution families to the nonlinear eigenvalue problem.



Some solutions to the nonlinear eigenvalue problem.

Hopf Bifurcation

THEOREM : Suppose that along a stationary solution family $(\mathbf{u}(\lambda), \lambda)$, of

$$\mathbf{u}' = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) ,$$

a complex conjugate pair of eigenvalues

$$\alpha(\lambda) \pm i \beta(\lambda) ,$$

of $f_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}(\lambda), \lambda)$ crosses the imaginary axis transversally , *i.e.*, for some λ_0 ,

$$\alpha(\lambda_0) = 0 , \quad \beta(\lambda_0) \neq 0 , \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{\alpha}(\lambda_0) \neq 0 .$$

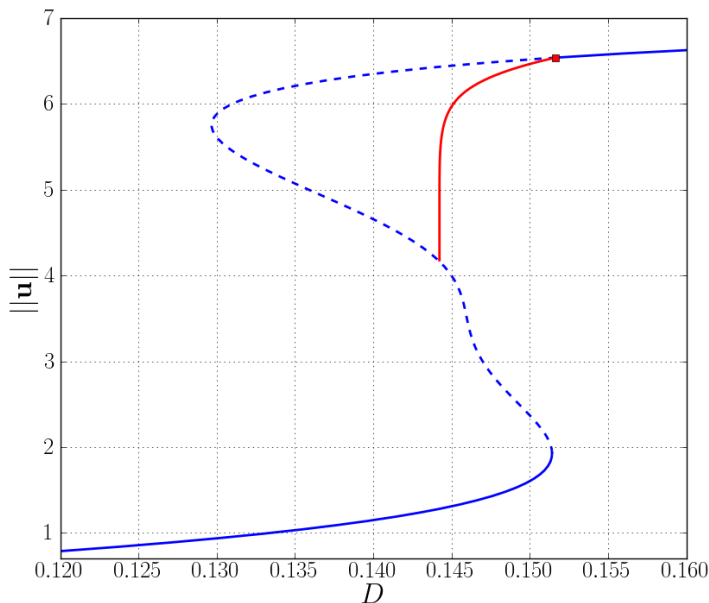
Also assume that there are no other eigenvalues on the imaginary axis .

Then there is a Hopf bifurcation, that is, a family of periodic solutions bifurcates from the stationary solution at $(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0)$.

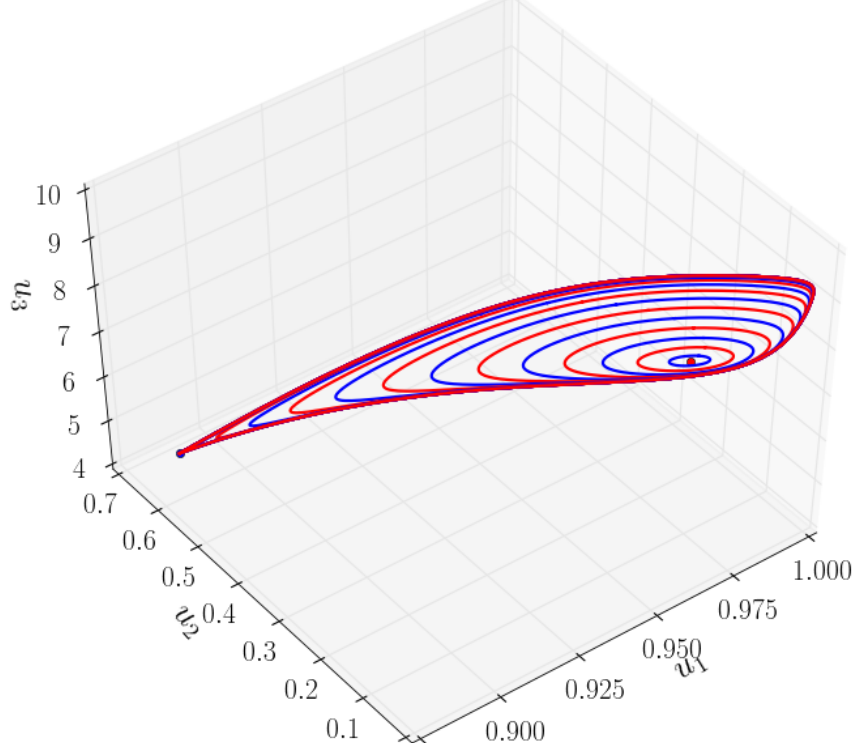
NOTE : The assumptions imply that $\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}^0$ is nonsingular, so that the stationary solution family is indeed (locally) a function of λ .

EXAMPLE : The $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction .

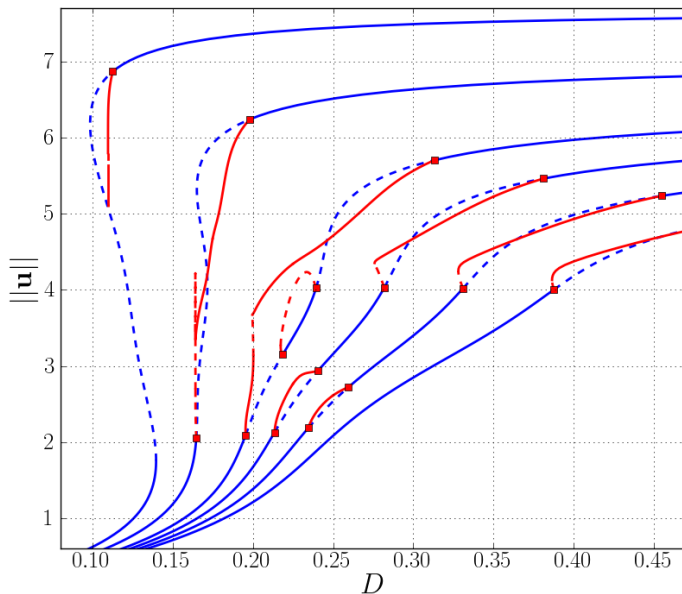
(Course demo : Chemical-Reactions/ABC-Reaction/Homoclinic)



A stationary (blue) and a periodic (red) family of the $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction for $\beta = 1.2$. The periodic orbits are stable and terminate in a homoclinic orbit .



The periodic family orbit family approaching a homoclinic orbit (black). The red dot is the Hopf point; the blue dot is the saddle point on the homoclinic.



Bifurcation diagram for $\beta = 1.1, 1.3, 1.5, 1.6, 1.7, 1.8$.

(For periodic solutions $\|\mathbf{u}\| = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \sqrt{u_1^2 + u_2^2 + u_3^2} dt$, where T is the period.)

EXAMPLE : A Predator-Prey Model .

(Course demo : Predator-Prey/ODE/2D)

$$\begin{cases} u_1' = 3u_1(1 - u_1) - u_1u_2 - \lambda(1 - e^{-5u_1}) , \\ u_2' = -u_2 + 3u_1u_2 . \end{cases}$$

Here u_1 may be thought of as “fish ” and u_2 as “sharks ”, while the term

$$\lambda (1 - e^{-5u_1}) ,$$

represents “fishing”, with “fishing-quota ” λ .

When $\lambda = 0$ the stationary solutions are

$$\left. \begin{array}{rcl} 3u_1(1 - u_1) - u_1u_2 & = & 0 \\ -u_2 + 3u_1u_2 & = & 0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (u_1, u_2) = (0, 0) , (1, 0) , \left(\frac{1}{3}, 2\right) .$$

The **Jacobian matrix** is

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(u_1, u_2 ; \lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 - 6u_1 - u_2 - 5\lambda e^{-5u_1} & -u_1 \\ 3u_2 & -1 + 3u_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

so that

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(0, 0 ; 0) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \text{real eigenvalues } 3, -1 \quad (\text{unstable})$$

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(1, 0 ; 0) = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \text{real eigenvalues } -3, 2 \quad (\text{unstable})$$

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}\left(\frac{1}{3}, 2 ; 0\right) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 6 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \text{complex eigenvalues } -\frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{7}i \quad (\text{stable})$$

All three Jacobians at $\lambda = 0$ are **nonsingular**.

Thus, by the IFT, all three stationary points **persist** for (small) $\lambda \neq 0$.

In this problem we can **explicitly** find all solutions:

Family 1 : $(u_1, u_2) = (0, 0)$

Family 2 :

$$u_2 = 0, \quad \lambda = \frac{3u_1(1-u_1)}{1-e^{-5u_1}}$$

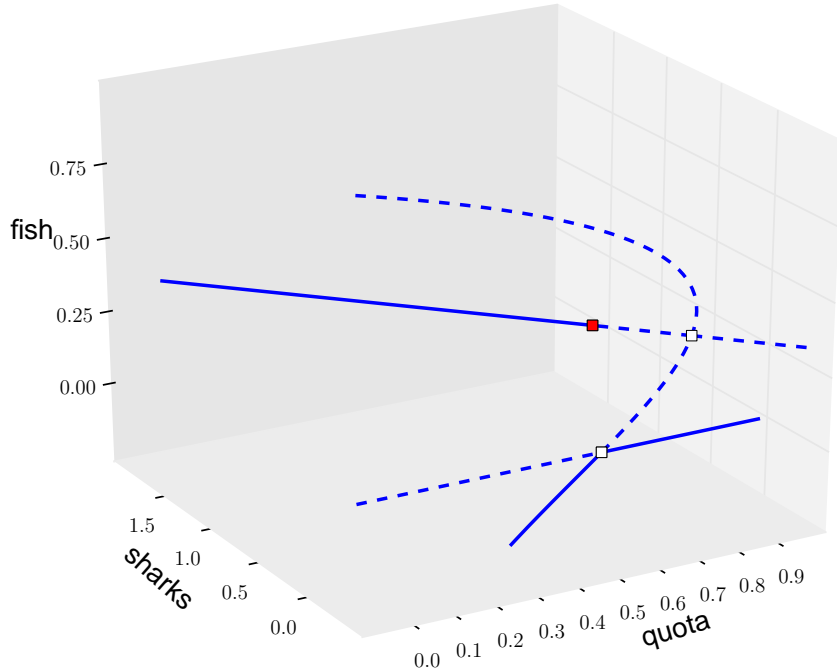
$$(\text{ Note that } \lim_{u_1 \rightarrow 0} \lambda = \lim_{u_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{3(1-2u_1)}{5e^{-5u_1}} = \frac{3}{5})$$

Family 3 :

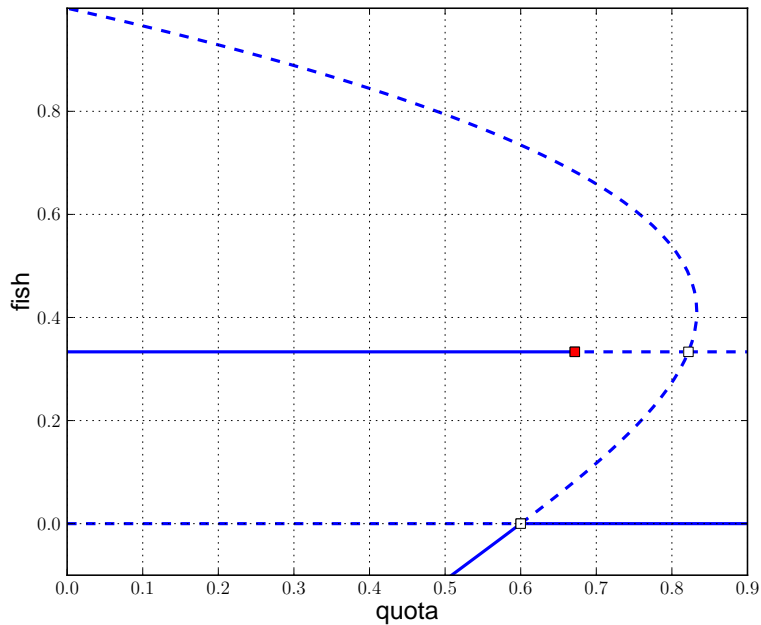
$$u_1 = \frac{1}{3}, \quad \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3} u_2 - \lambda(1-e^{-5/3}) = 0 \Rightarrow u_2 = 2 - 3\lambda(1-e^{-5/3})$$

These solution families intersect at two **bifurcation points** , one of which is

$$(u_1, u_2, \lambda) = (0, 0, 3/5) .$$



Stationary solution families of the predator-prey model.
 Solid/dashed curves denote stable/unstable solutions.
 Note the **bifurcations** and **Hopf bifurcation** (red square).



Stationary solution families, showing fish versus quota .
Solid/dashed curves denote stable/unstable solutions.

Stability of Family 1 :

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(0,0 ; \lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} 3-5\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \text{eigenvalues } 3-5\lambda, \quad -1 .$$

Hence the zero solution is :

unstable if $\lambda < 3/5$,

and

stable if $\lambda > 3/5$.

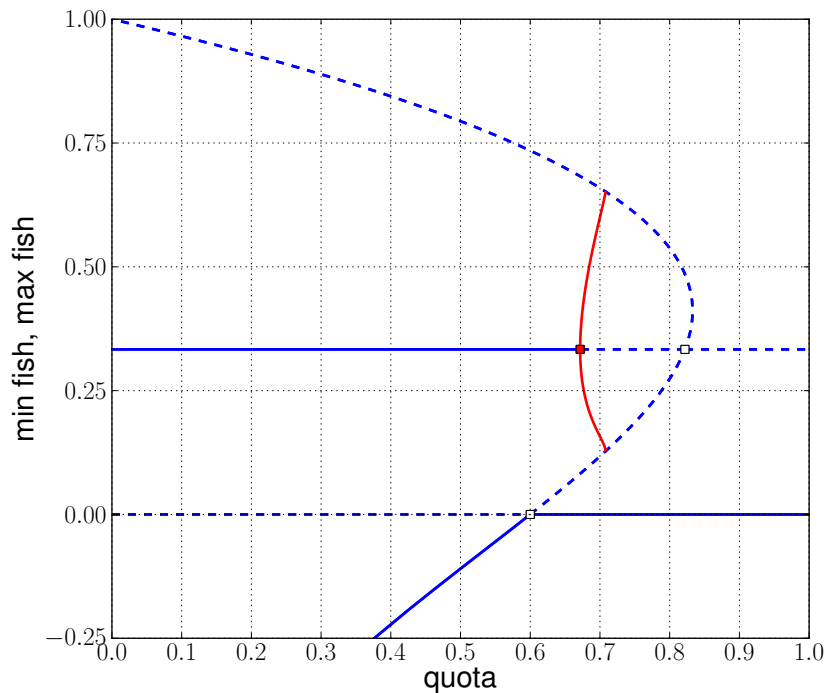
Stability of Family 2 :

This family has no stable positive solutions.

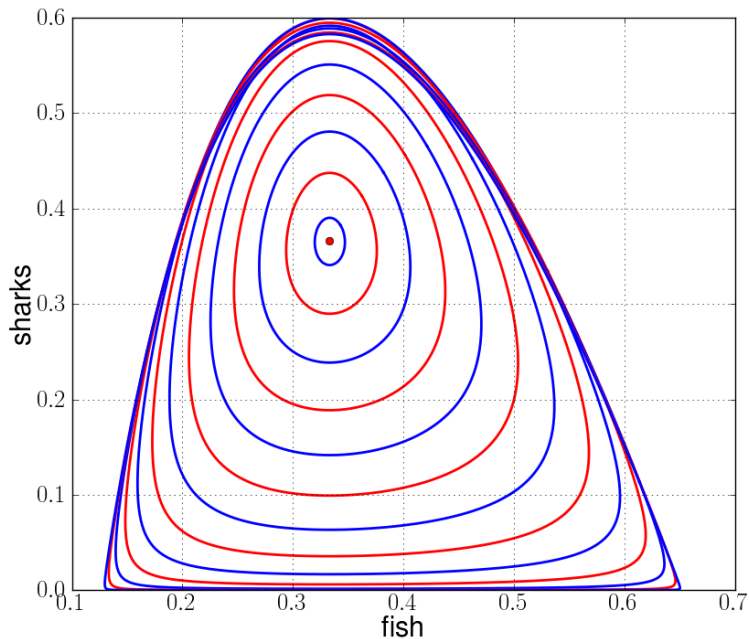
- **Stability of Family 3 :**

At $\lambda_H \approx 0.67$ the complex eigenvalues cross the imaginary axis:

- This crossing is a **Hopf bifurcation** ,
- Beyond λ_H there are **stable periodic solutions** .
- Their period T increases as λ increases.
- The period becomes infinite at $\lambda = \lambda_\infty \approx 0.70$.
- This final orbit is a **heteroclinic cycle** .



Stationary (blue) and periodic (red) solution families of the predator-prey model.
 (For the periodic solution family both the maximum and minimum are shown.)



Periodic solutions of the predator-prey model.
The largest orbits are close to a [heteroclinic cycle](#).

The bifurcation diagram shows the [solution behavior](#) for (slowly) increasing λ :

- Family 3 is followed until $\lambda_H \approx 0.67$.
- Periodic solutions of increasing period until $\lambda = \lambda_\infty \approx 0.70$.
- Collapse to trivial solution (Family 1).

Continuation of Solutions

Parameter Continuation

Suppose we have a solution $(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0)$ of

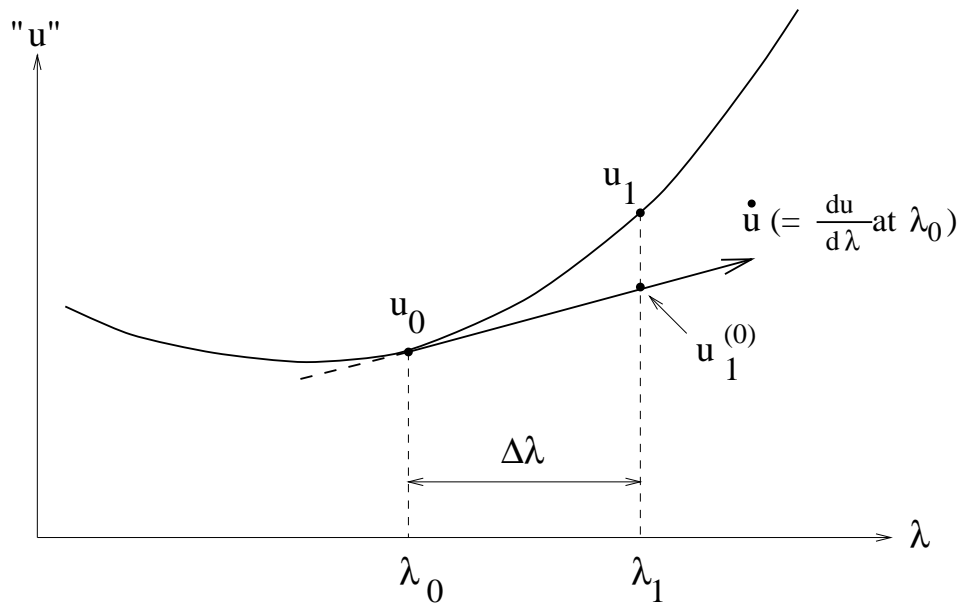
$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

as well as the derivative $\dot{\mathbf{u}}_0$.

Here

$$\dot{\mathbf{u}} \equiv \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{d\lambda} .$$

We want to compute the solution \mathbf{u}_1 at $\lambda_1 \equiv \lambda_0 + \Delta\lambda$.



Graphical interpretation of parameter-continuation.

To solve the equation

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1) = \mathbf{0},$$

for \mathbf{u}_1 (with $\lambda = \lambda_1$ fixed) we use [Newton's method](#)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)}, \lambda_1) \Delta \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)} &= -\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)}, \lambda_1), \\ \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu+1)} &= \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)} + \Delta \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)}.\end{aligned}\quad \nu = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

As [initial approximation](#) use

$$\mathbf{u}_1^{(0)} = \mathbf{u}_0 + \Delta\lambda \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0.$$

If

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1) \text{ is nonsingular,}$$

and $\Delta\lambda$ sufficiently small then this iteration will converge [\[B55\]](#).

After convergence, the new **derivative** $\dot{\mathbf{u}}_1$ is computed by solving

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1) \dot{\mathbf{u}}_1 = -\mathbf{G}_{\lambda}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1) .$$

This equation is obtained by differentiating

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}(\lambda), \lambda) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

with respect to λ at $\lambda = \lambda_1$.

Repeat the procedure to find \mathbf{u}_2 , \mathbf{u}_3 , \cdots .

NOTE :

- $\dot{\mathbf{u}}_1$ can be computed without another *LU*-factorization of $\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1)$.
- Thus the **extra work** to compute $\dot{\mathbf{u}}_1$ **is negligible** .

EXAMPLE : The Gelfand-Bratu Problem .

$$u''(x) + \lambda e^{u(x)} = 0 \quad \text{for } x \in [0, 1] , \quad u(0) = 0 , \quad u(1) = 0 .$$

We know that if $\lambda = 0$ then $u(x) \equiv 0$ is an isolated solution .

Discretize by introducing a mesh ,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= x_0 < x_1 < \cdots < x_N = 1 , \\ x_j - x_{j-1} &= h , \quad (1 \leq j \leq N) , \quad h = 1/N . \end{aligned}$$

The discrete equations are :

$$\frac{u_{j+1} - 2u_j + u_{j-1}}{h^2} + \lambda e^{u_j} = 0 , \quad j = 1, \dots, N-1 ,$$

with $u_0 = u_N = 0$.

Let

$$\mathbf{u} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1} \end{pmatrix} .$$

Then we can write the [discrete equations](#) as

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u} , \lambda) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

where

$$\mathbf{G} : \mathbb{R}^{N-1} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N-1} .$$

Parameter-continuation :

Suppose we have λ_0 , \mathbf{u}_0 , and $\dot{\mathbf{u}}_0$. Set $\lambda_1 = \lambda_0 + \Delta\lambda$.

Newton's method :

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)}, \lambda_1) \Delta \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)} = -\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)}, \lambda_1) ,$$

$$\mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu+1)} = \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)} + \Delta \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)} ,$$

for $\nu = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, with

$$\mathbf{u}_1^{(0)} = \mathbf{u}_0 + \Delta\lambda \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 .$$

After convergence compute $\dot{\mathbf{u}}_1$ from

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1) \dot{\mathbf{u}}_1 = -\mathbf{G}_{\lambda}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1) .$$

Repeat the procedure to find \mathbf{u}_2 , \mathbf{u}_3 , \dots .

Here

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{2}{h^2} + \lambda e^{u_1} & \frac{1}{h^2} & & & \\ \frac{1}{h^2} & -\frac{2}{h^2} + \lambda e^{u_2} & \frac{1}{h^2} & & \\ & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \\ & & \cdot & \cdot & \\ & & & \frac{1}{h^2} & -\frac{2}{h^2} + \lambda e^{u_{N-1}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus we must solve a [tridiagonal system](#) for each Newton iteration.

NOTE :

- The solution family has a [fold](#) where [parameter-continuation fails](#) !
- A better continuation method is “[pseudo-arclength continuation](#)”.
- There are also better discretizations, namely [collocation](#) , as used in **AUTO** .

Pseudo-Arclength Continuation

This method allows **continuation** of a solution family **past a fold** .

It was introduced by H. B. Keller (1925-2008) in 1977.

Suppose we have a solution $(\mathbf{u}_0, \lambda_0)$ of

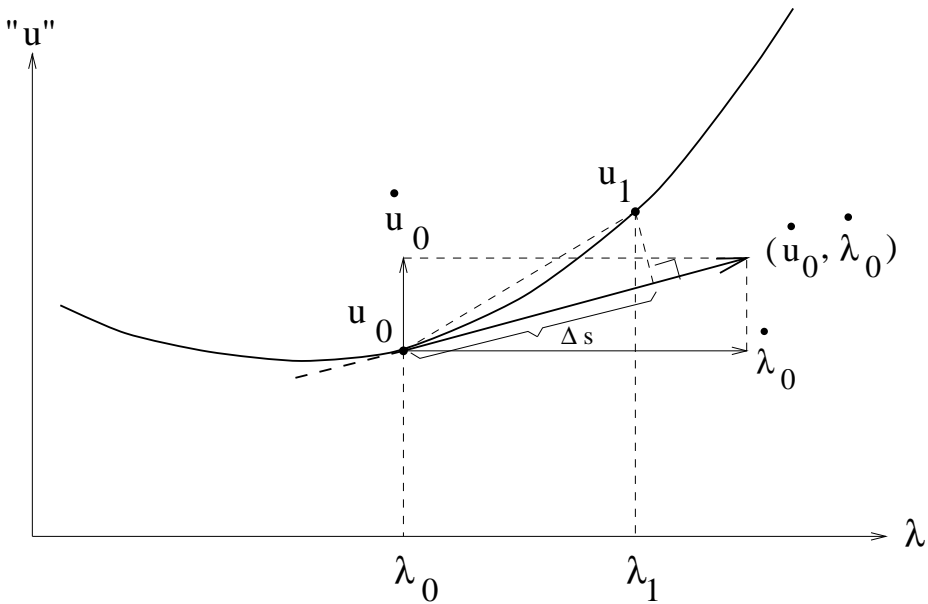
$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

as well as the normalized **direction vector** $(\dot{\mathbf{u}}_0, \dot{\lambda}_0)$ of the solution family.

Pseudo-arclength continuation consists of solving these equations for $(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1)$:

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

$$\langle \mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_0 , \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 \rangle + (\lambda_1 - \lambda_0) \dot{\lambda}_0 - \Delta s = 0 .$$



Graphical interpretation of [pseudo-arclength continuation](#).

Solve the equations

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

$$\langle \mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_0 , \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 \rangle + (\lambda_1 - \lambda_0) \dot{\lambda}_0 - \Delta s = 0 .$$

for $(\mathbf{u}_1, \lambda_1)$ by [Newton's method](#) :

$$\begin{pmatrix} (\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^1)^{(\nu)} & (\mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^1)^{(\nu)} \\ \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0^* & \dot{\lambda}_0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)} \\ \Delta \lambda_1^{(\nu)} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)}, \lambda_1^{(\nu)}) \\ \langle \mathbf{u}_1^{(\nu)} - \mathbf{u}_0 , \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 \rangle + (\lambda_1^{(\nu)} - \lambda_0) \dot{\lambda}_0 - \Delta s \end{pmatrix} .$$

Compute the next [direction vector](#) by solving

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}^1 & \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^1 \\ \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0^* & \dot{\lambda}_0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{u}}_1 \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} ,$$

and [normalize](#) it.

NOTE :

- We can compute $(\dot{\mathbf{u}}_1, \dot{\lambda}_1)$ with only one extra backsubstitution .
- The orientation of the family is preserved if Δs is sufficiently small.
- Rescale the direction vector so that indeed $\|\dot{\mathbf{u}}_1\|^2 + \dot{\lambda}_1^2 = 1$.

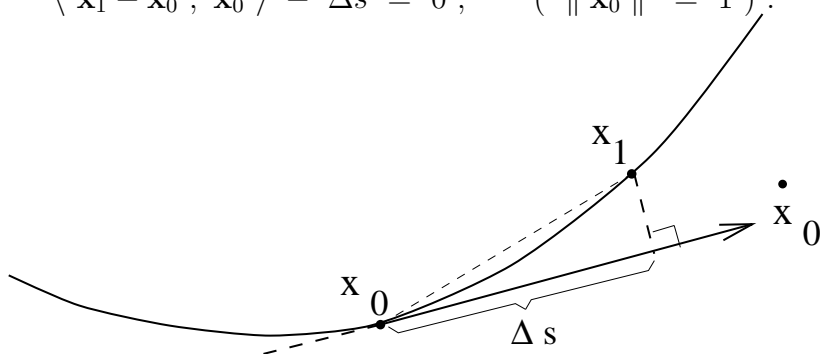
FACT : The **Jacobian** is **nonsingular** at a **regular** solution.

PROOF : Let $\mathbf{x} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u} \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$.

Then pseudo-arclength continuation can be simply written as

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_1) = 0 ,$$

$$\langle \mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_0 , \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 \rangle - \Delta s = 0 , \quad (\| \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 \| = 1) .$$



Pseudo-arclength continuation.

The pseudo-arclength equations are

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_1) = 0 ,$$

$$\langle \mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_0 , \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 \rangle - \Delta s = 0 , \quad (\| \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 \| = 1) .$$

The **Jacobian matrix** in Newton's method at $\Delta s = 0$ is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \end{pmatrix} .$$

At a **regular** solution $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0) = \text{Span}\{\dot{\mathbf{x}}_0\}$.

We must show that $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{x}}^0 \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \end{pmatrix}$ is **nonsingular** at a regular solution.

If on the contrary $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_x^0 \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0^* \end{pmatrix}$ is **singular** then for some vector $\mathbf{z} \neq \mathbf{0}$ we have :

$$\mathbf{G}_x^0 \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{0} ,$$

$$\langle \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 , \mathbf{z} \rangle = 0 ,$$

Since by assumption $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_x^0) = \text{Span}\{\dot{\mathbf{x}}_0\}$, we have

$$\mathbf{z} = c \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 , \quad \text{for some constant } c .$$

But then

$$0 = \langle \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 , \mathbf{z} \rangle = c \langle \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 , \dot{\mathbf{x}}_0 \rangle = c \|\dot{\mathbf{x}}_0\|^2 = c ,$$

so that $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{0}$, which is a **contradiction** .

QED !

EXAMPLE : The Gelfand-Bratu Problem .

Use pseudo-arclength continuation for the discretized Gelfand-Bratu problem.

Then the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_x \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G}_u & \mathbf{G}_\lambda \\ \dot{\mathbf{u}}^* & \dot{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} ,$$

in Newton's method is a bordered tridiagonal matrix :

$$\begin{pmatrix} \star & \star & & & & & & & \star \\ \star & \star & \star & & & & & & \star \\ & \star & \star & \star & & & & & \star \\ & & \star & \star & \star & & & & \star \\ & & & \star & \star & \star & & & \star \\ & & & & \star & \star & \star & & \star \\ & & & & & \star & \star & \star & \star \\ & & & & & & \star & \star & \star \\ & & & & & & & \star & \star \\ \star & \star & \star & \star & \star & \star & \star & \star & \star \end{pmatrix} .$$

which can be decomposed very efficiently .

Following Folds and Hopf Bifurcations

- At a fold the the **behavior** of a system can **change** drastically.
- How does the fold location change when a **second parameter** varies ?
- Thus we want the compute a **locus of folds** in 2 parameters.
- We also want to compute **loci of Hopf bifurcations** in 2 parameters.

Following Folds

Treat **both parameters** λ and μ as unknowns , and compute a solution family

$$\mathbf{X}(s) \equiv (\mathbf{u}(s) , \phi(s) , \lambda(s) , \mu(s)) ,$$

to

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}) \equiv \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda, \mu) = \mathbf{0} , \\ \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{u}}(u, \lambda, \mu) \phi = \mathbf{0} , \\ \langle \phi , \phi_0 \rangle - 1 = 0 , \end{array} \right.$$

and the added **continuation equation**

$$\langle \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_0 , \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 \rangle + \langle \phi - \phi_0 , \dot{\phi}_0 \rangle + (\lambda - \lambda_0)\dot{\lambda}_0 + (\mu - \mu_0)\dot{\mu}_0 - \Delta s = 0 .$$

As before,

$$(\dot{\mathbf{u}}_0 , \dot{\phi}_0 , \dot{\lambda}_0 , \dot{\mu}_0) ,$$

is the **direction** of the family at the current solution point

$$(\mathbf{u}_0 , \phi_0 , \lambda_0 , \mu_0) .$$

EXAMPLE : The $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ Reaction .

(Course demo : Chemical-Reactions/ABC-Reaction/Folds-SS)

The equations are

$$u_1' = -u_1 + D(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} ,$$

$$u_2' = -u_2 + D(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} - D\sigma u_2 e^{u_3} ,$$

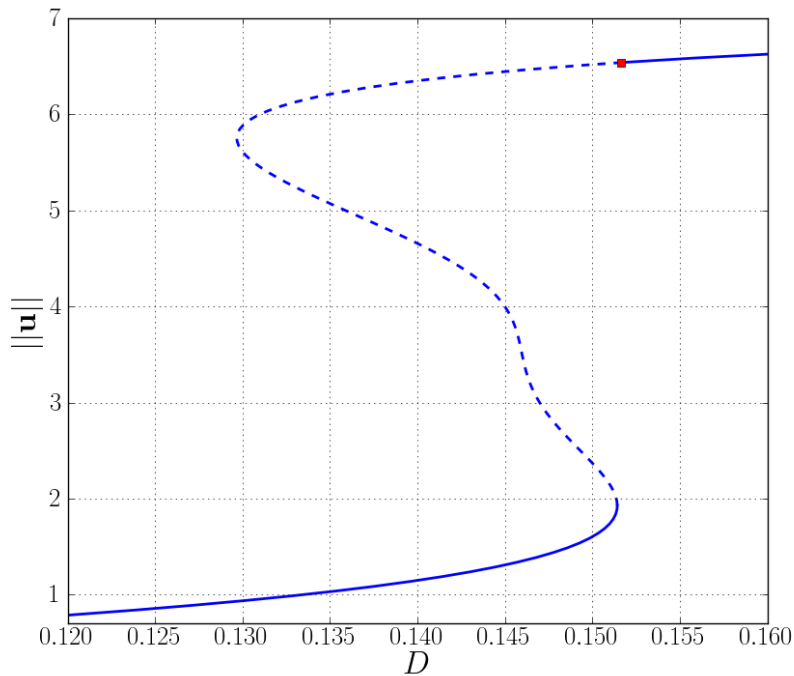
$$u_3' = -u_3 - \beta u_3 + DB(1 - u_1)e^{u_3} + DB\alpha\sigma u_2 e^{u_3} ,$$

where

$1 - u_1$ is the concentration of A , u_2 is the concentration of B ,

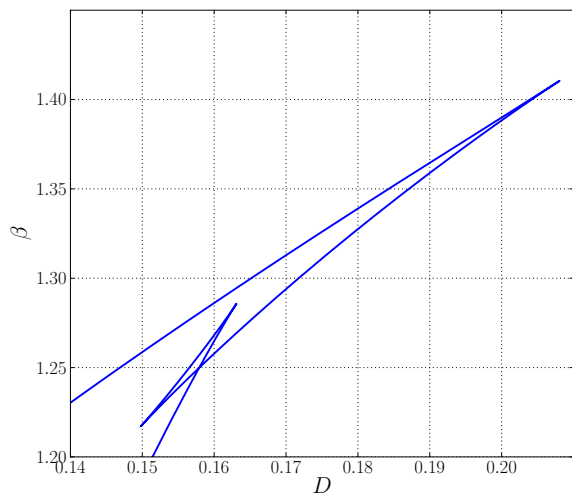
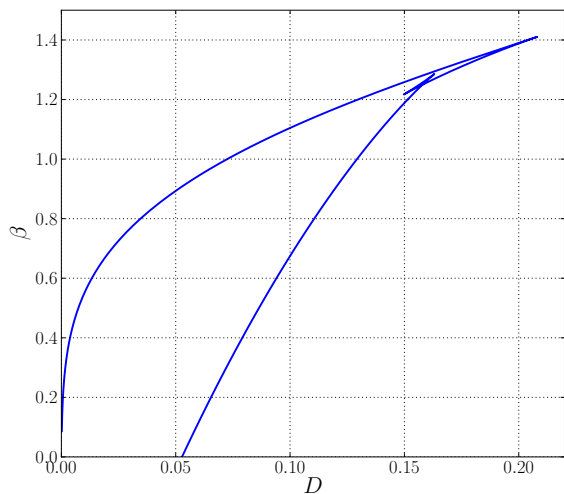
u_3 is the temperature , $\alpha = 1$, $\sigma = 0.04$, $B = 8$,

D is the Damkohler number , β is the heat transfer coefficient .



A stationary solution family for $\beta = 1.20$.

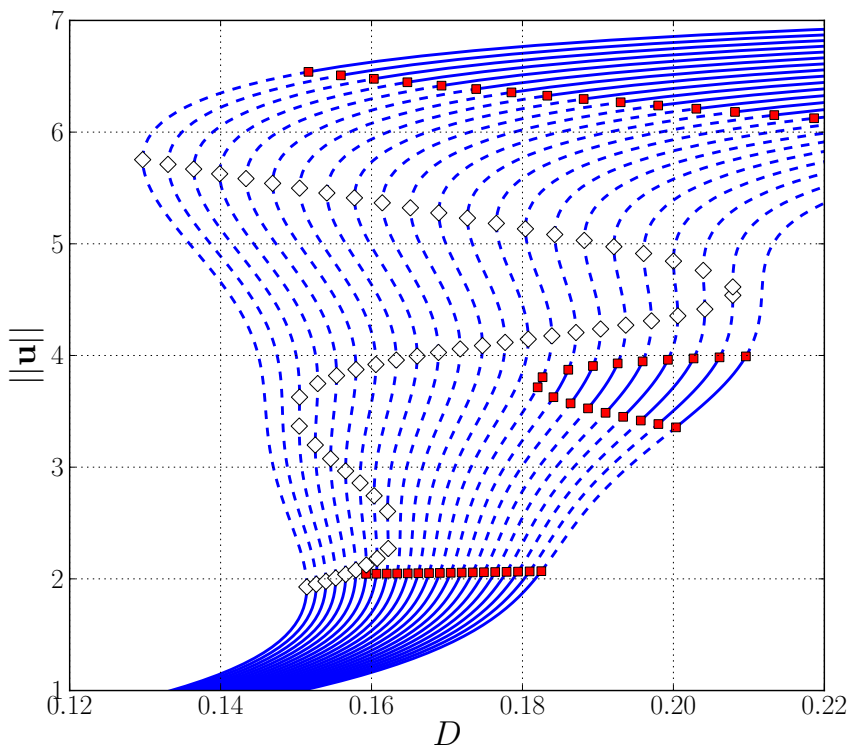
Note the two [folds](#) and the [Hopf bifurcation](#) .



A [locus of folds](#) (with blow-up) for the $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction.

Notice the two [cusp](#) singularities along the 2-parameter locus.

(There is a [swallowtail](#) singularity in nearby 3-parameter space.)



Stationary solution families for $\beta = 1.20, 1.21, \dots, 1.42$.
 (Open diamonds mark folds, solid red squares mark Hopf points.)

Following Hopf Bifurcations

The [extended system](#) is

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}, \phi, \beta, \lambda; \mu) \equiv \begin{cases} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda, \mu) = \mathbf{0} , \\ \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}, \lambda, \mu) \phi - i \beta \phi = \mathbf{0} , \\ \langle \phi , \phi_0 \rangle - 1 = 0 , \end{cases}$$

where

$$\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C} ,$$

and to which we want to compute a [solution family](#)

$$(\mathbf{u} , \phi , \beta , \lambda , \mu) ,$$

with

$$\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n , \quad \phi \in \mathbb{C}^n , \quad \beta, \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R} .$$

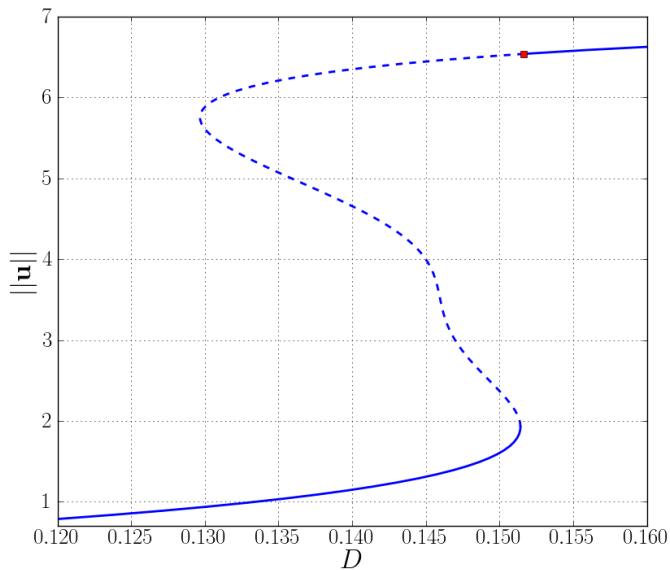
Above ϕ_0 belongs to a “[reference solution](#)”

$$(\mathbf{u}_0 , \phi_0 , \beta_0 , \lambda_0 , \mu_0) ,$$

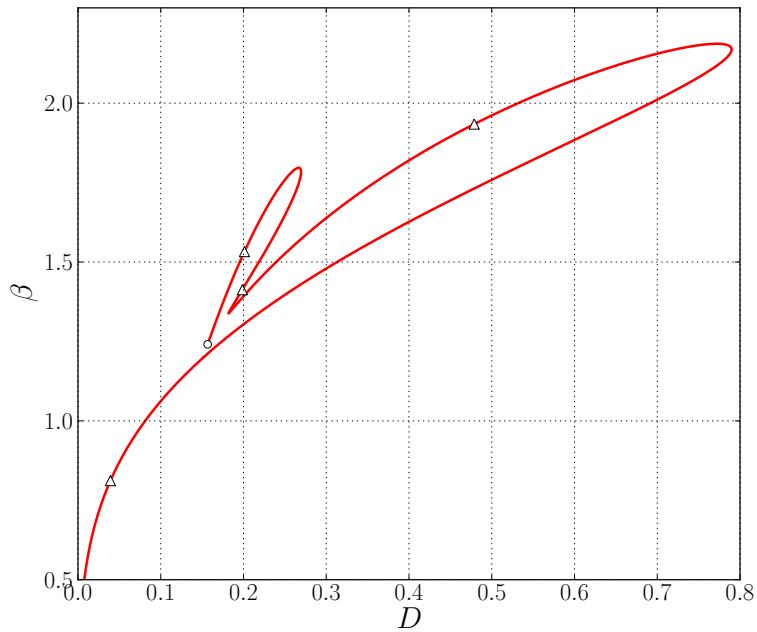
which normally is the latest computed solution along a family.

EXAMPLE : The $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ Reaction .

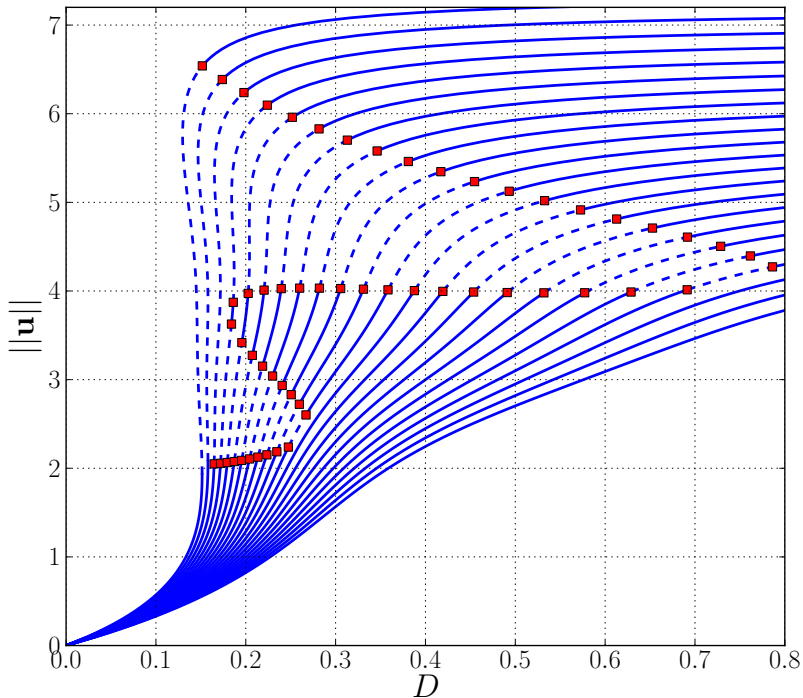
(Course demo : Chemical-Reactions/ABC-Reaction/Hopf)



The stationary family with Hopf bifurcation for $\beta = 1.20$.



The [locus of Hopf bifurcations](#) for the $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction.



Stationary solution families for $\beta = 1.20, 1.20, 1.25, 1.30, \dots, 2.30$,
with Hopf bifurcations (the red squares) .

Boundary Value Problems

Consider the first order system of ordinary differential equations

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \mu, \lambda) = \mathbf{0}, \quad t \in [0, 1],$$

where

$$\mathbf{u}(\cdot), \mathbf{f}(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \mu \in \mathbb{R}^{n_\mu},$$

subject to boundary conditions

$$\mathbf{b}(\mathbf{u}(0), \mathbf{u}(1), \mu, \lambda) = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{b}(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_b},$$

and integral constraints

$$\int_0^1 \mathbf{q}(\mathbf{u}(s), \mu, \lambda) ds = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{q}(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q}.$$

This [boundary value problem](#) (BVP) is of the form

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

where

$$\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{u} , \mu , \lambda) ,$$

to which we add the [continuation equation](#)

$$\langle \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X}_0 , \dot{\mathbf{X}}_0 \rangle - \Delta s = 0 ,$$

where \mathbf{X}_0 represents the [latest solution](#) computed along the family.

In [detail](#) , the continuation equation is

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{u}(t) - \mathbf{u}_0(t) , \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0(t) \rangle dt + \langle \mu - \mu_0 , \dot{\mu}_0 \rangle \\ + (\lambda - \lambda_0)\dot{\lambda}_0 - \Delta s = 0 . \end{aligned}$$

NOTE :

- In the context of **continuation** we solve this BVP for $(\mathbf{u}(\cdot), \lambda, \mu)$.
- In order for problem to be **formally well-posed** we must have

$$n_\mu = n_b + n_q - n \geq 0 .$$

- A **simple case** is

$$n_q = 0 , \quad n_b = n , \quad \text{for which } n_\mu = 0 .$$

Discretization: Orthogonal Collocation

Introduce a **mesh**

$$\{ 0 = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_N = 1 \} ,$$

where

$$h_j \equiv t_j - t_{j-1} , \quad (1 \leq j \leq N) ,$$

Define the space of (vector) **piecewise polynomials** \mathbb{P}_h^m as

$$\mathbb{P}_h^m \equiv \{ \mathbf{p}_h \in C[0,1] : \mathbf{p}_h|_{[t_{j-1}, t_j]} \in \mathbb{P}^m \} ,$$

where \mathbb{P}^m is the space of (vector) polynomials of degree $\leq m$.

The collocation method consists of finding

$$\mathbf{p}_h \in \mathbb{P}_h^m, \quad \mu \in \mathbb{R}^{n_\mu},$$

such that the following [collocation equations](#) are satisfied :

$$\mathbf{p}'_h(z_{j,i}) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{p}_h(z_{j,i}), \mu, \lambda), \quad j = 1, \dots, N, \quad i = 1, \dots, m,$$

and such that

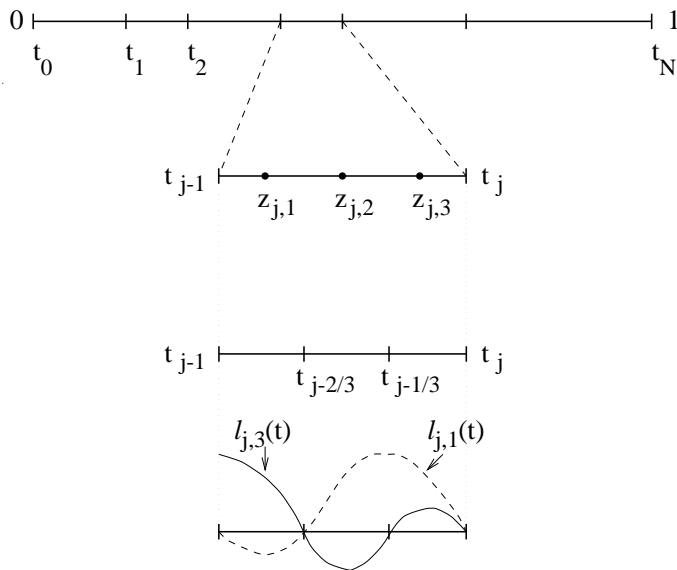
\mathbf{p}_h satisfies the [boundary and integral conditions](#) .

The [collocation points](#) $z_{j,i}$ in each subinterval

$$[t_{j-1}, t_j],$$

are the (scaled) [roots of the \$m\$ th-degree orthogonal polynomial](#) ([Gauss points](#)³).

³ See Pages 261, 287 of the Background Notes on Elementary Numerical Methods.



The [mesh](#) $\{0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_N = 1\}$, with [collocation points](#) and [extended-mesh points](#) shown for $m = 3$. Also shown are two of the four [local Lagrange basis polynomials](#).

Since each local polynomial is determined by

$$(m + 1) n ,$$

coefficients, the total **number of unknowns** (considering λ as fixed) is

$$(m + 1) n N + n_{\mu} .$$

This is matched by the total **number of equations** :

$$\text{collocation : } m n N ,$$

$$\text{continuity : } (N - 1) n ,$$

$$\text{constraints : } n_b + n_q \quad (= n + n_{\mu}) .$$

Assume that the solution $\mathbf{u}(t)$ of the BVP is sufficiently smooth.

Then the **order of accuracy** of the orthogonal collocation method is m , *i.e.*,

$$\| \mathbf{p}_h - \mathbf{u} \|_{\infty} = \mathcal{O}(h^m) .$$

At the main meshpoints t_j we have **superconvergence** :

$$\max_j | \mathbf{p}_h(t_j) - \mathbf{u}(t_j) | = \mathcal{O}(h^{2m}) .$$

The **scalar** variables λ and μ are also **superconvergent** .

Implementation

For each subinterval $[t_{j-1}, t_j]$, introduce the [Lagrange basis polynomials](#)

$$\{ \ell_{j,i}(t) \}, \quad j = 1, \dots, N, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, m,$$

defined by

$$\ell_{j,i}(t) = \prod_{k=0, k \neq i}^m \frac{t - t_{j-\frac{k}{m}}}{t_{j-\frac{i}{m}} - t_{j-\frac{k}{m}}},$$

where

$$t_{j-\frac{i}{m}} \equiv t_j - \frac{i}{m} h_j.$$

The [local polynomials](#) can then be written

$$\mathbf{p}_j(t) = \sum_{i=0}^m \ell_{j,i}(t) \mathbf{u}_{j-\frac{i}{m}}.$$

With the above choice of basis

$$\mathbf{u}_j \sim \mathbf{u}(t_j) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{u}_{j-\frac{i}{m}} \sim \mathbf{u}(t_{j-\frac{i}{m}}),$$

where $\mathbf{u}(t)$ is the solution of the continuous problem.

The [collocation equations](#) are

$$\mathbf{p}'_j(z_{j,i}) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{p}_j(z_{j,i}), \mu, \lambda), \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \quad j = 1, \dots, N.$$

The [boundary conditions](#) are

$$b_i(\mathbf{u}_0, \mathbf{u}_N, \mu, \lambda) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_b.$$

The [integral constraints](#) can be discretized as

$$\sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{i=0}^m \omega_{j,i} q_k(\mathbf{u}_{j-\frac{i}{m}}, \mu, \lambda) = 0, \quad k = 1, \dots, n_q,$$

where the $\omega_{j,i}$ are the Lagrange [quadrature weights](#).

The [continuation equation](#) is

$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{u}(t) - \mathbf{u}_0(t), \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0(t) \rangle dt + \langle \mu - \mu_0, \dot{\mu}_0 \rangle + (\lambda - \lambda_0) \dot{\lambda}_0 - \Delta s = 0 ,$$

where

$$(\mathbf{u}_0, \mu_0, \lambda_0) ,$$

is the [previous solution](#) along the solution family, and

$$(\dot{\mathbf{u}}_0, \dot{\mu}_0, \dot{\lambda}_0) ,$$

is the normalized [direction](#) of the family at the previous solution .

The discretized [continuation equation](#) is of the form

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{i=0}^m \omega_{j,i} \langle \mathbf{u}_{j-\frac{i}{m}} - (\mathbf{u}_0)_{j-\frac{i}{m}}, (\dot{\mathbf{u}}_0)_{j-\frac{i}{m}} \rangle \\ + \langle \mu - \mu_0, \dot{\mu}_0 \rangle + (\lambda - \lambda_0) \dot{\lambda}_0 - \Delta s = 0 . \end{aligned}$$

Numerical Linear Algebra

The complete discretization consists of

$$m \, n \, N + n_b + n_q + 1 ,$$

nonlinear equations , with unknowns

$$\{\mathbf{u}_{j-\frac{i}{m}}\} \in \mathbb{R}^{mnN+n} , \quad \mu \in \mathbb{R}^{n_\mu} , \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R} .$$

These equations are solved by a Newton-Chord iteration .

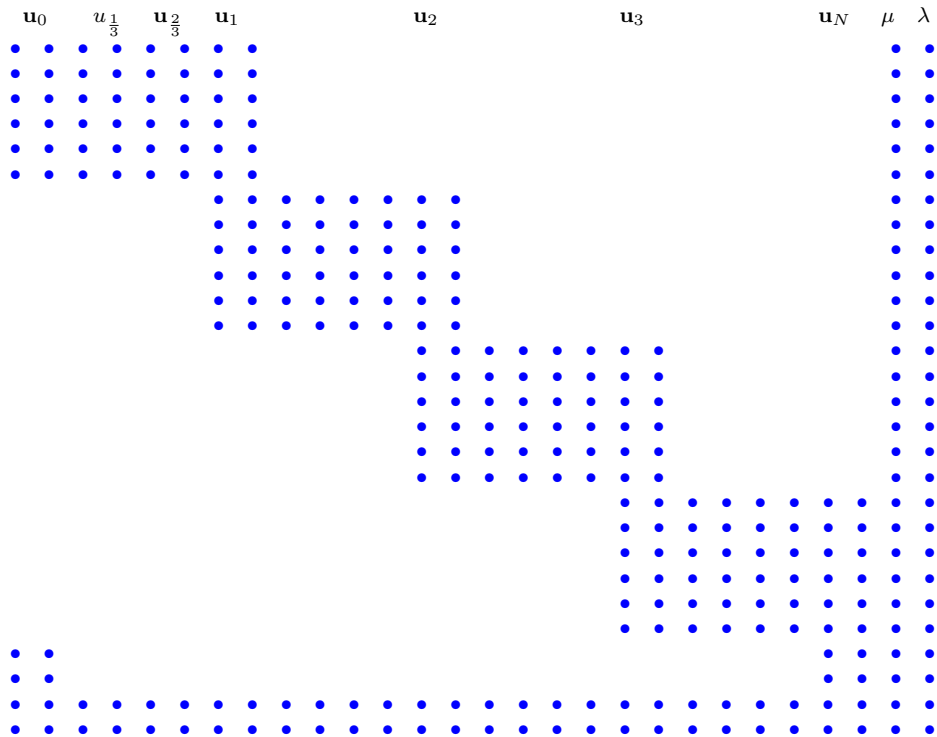
We illustrate the [numerical linear algebra](#) for the case

$$n = 2 \text{ ODEs} \quad , \quad N = 4 \text{ mesh intervals} \quad , \quad m = 3 \text{ collocation points} \quad ,$$

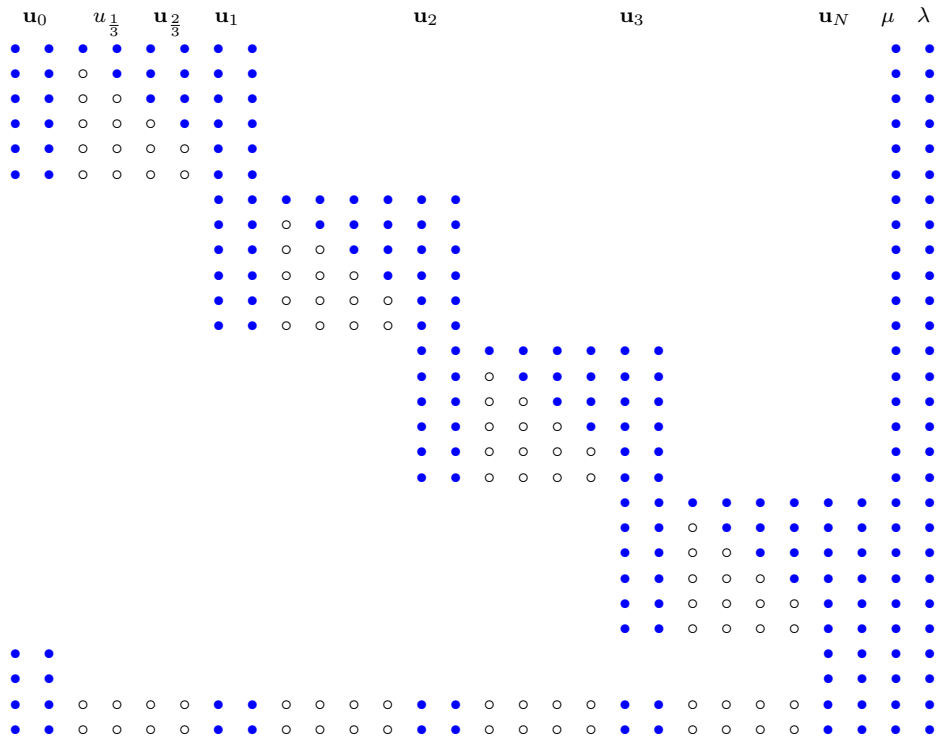
$$n_b = 2 \text{ boundary conditions} \quad , \quad n_q = 1 \text{ integral constraint} \quad ,$$

and the continuation equation.

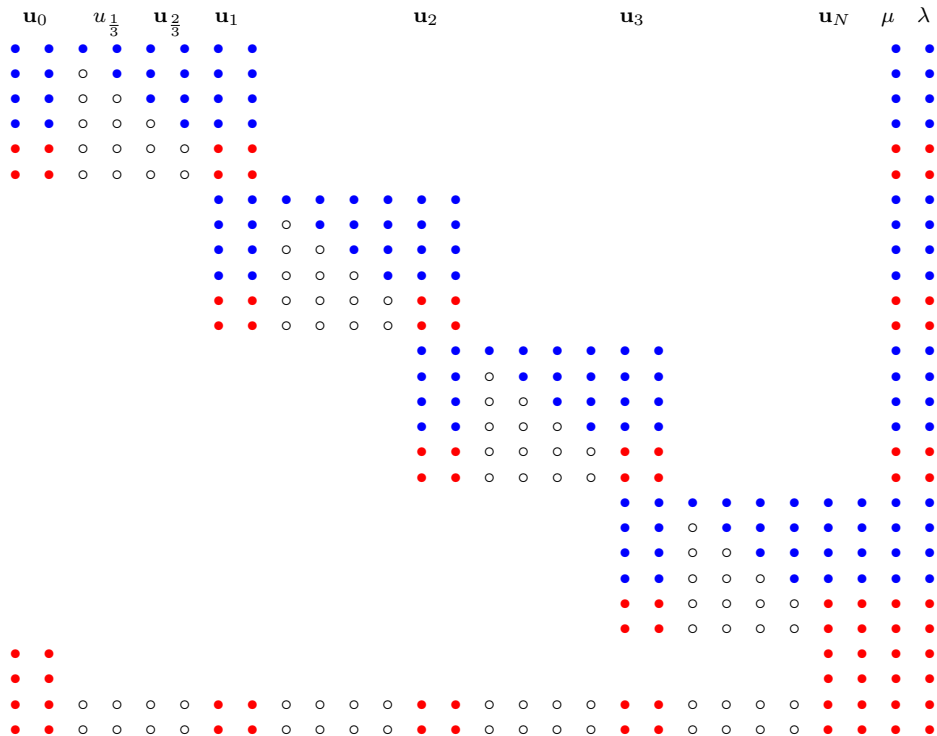
- The operations are also done on the [right hand side](#) , which is not shown.
- Entries marked “o” have been [eliminated](#) by Gauss elimination.
- Entries marked “.” denote [fill-in](#) due to [pivoting](#) .
- Most of the operations can be done [in parallel](#) .



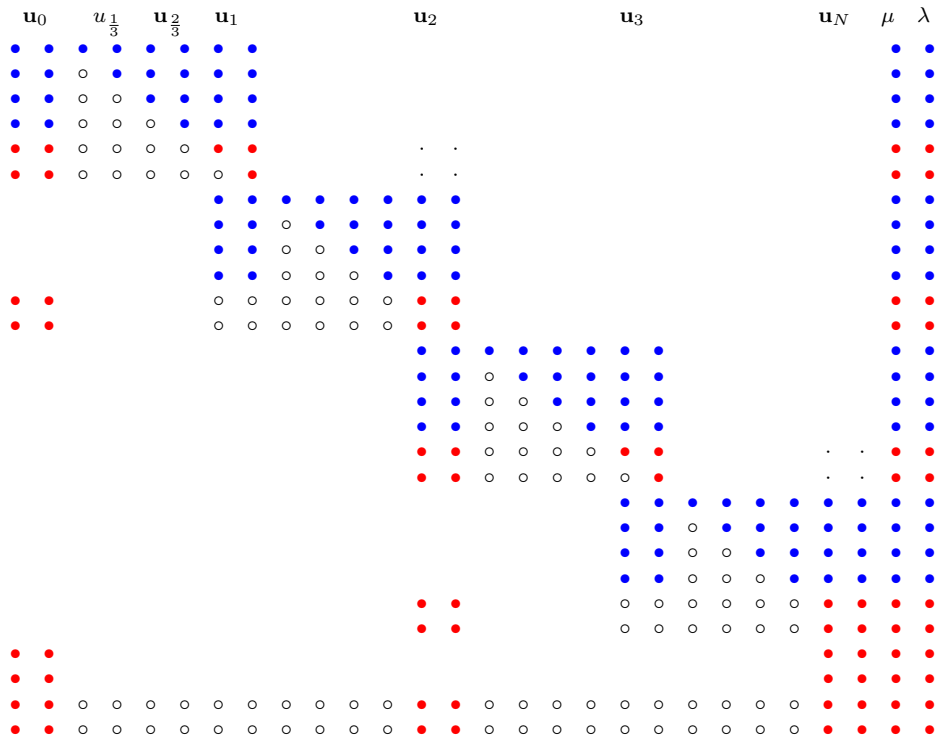
The structure of the [Jacobian](#) .



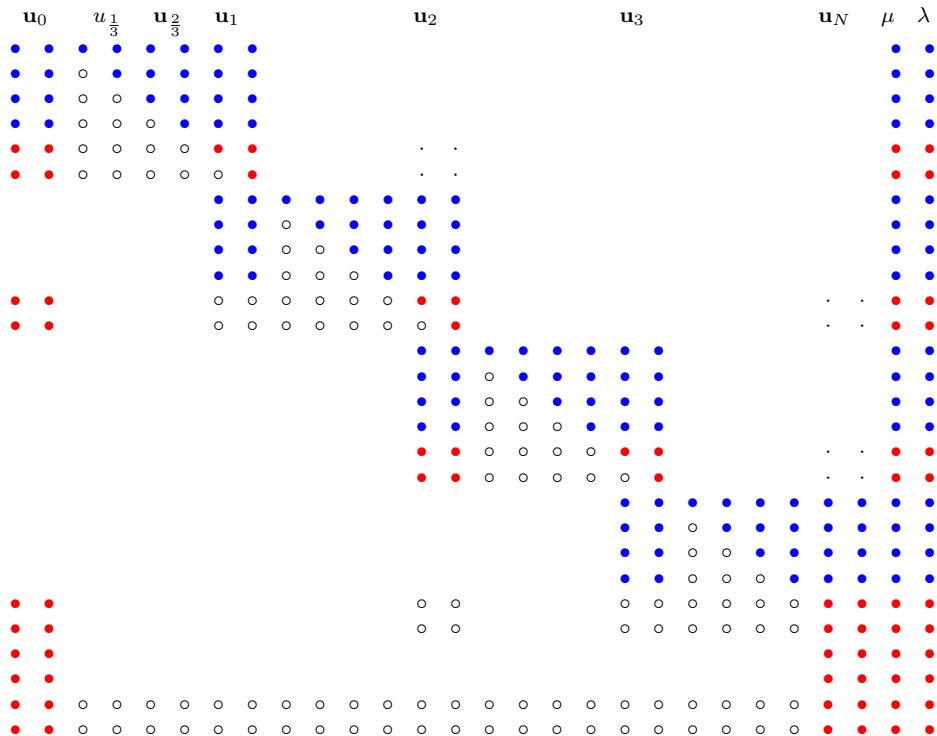
The system after [condensation of parameters](#), which can be done in [parallel](#) .

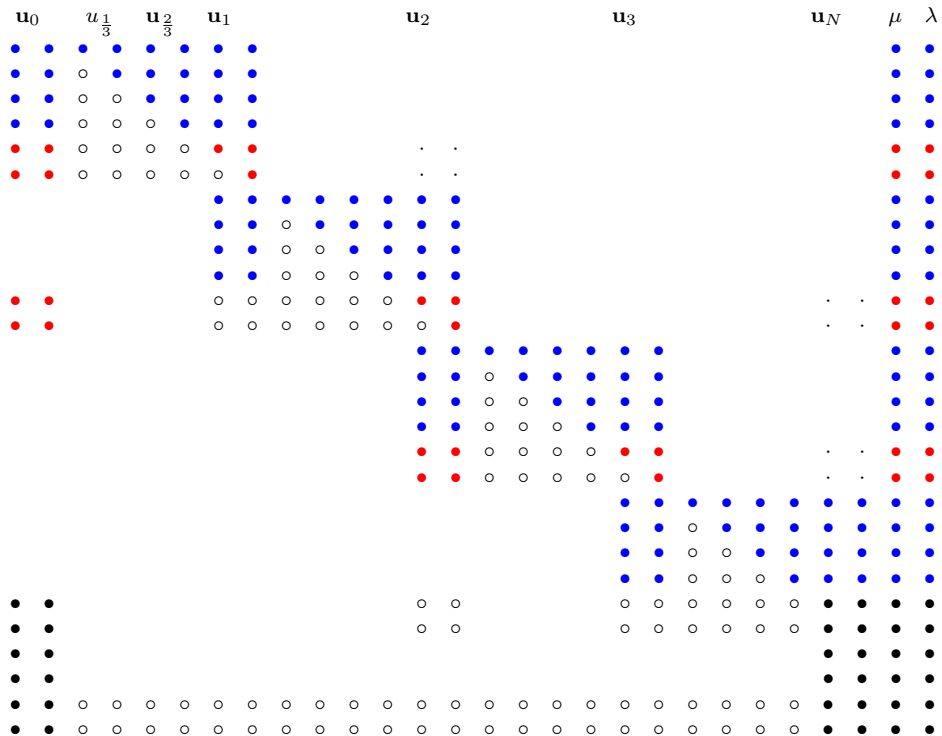


The preceding matrix, showing the **decoupled** **red** subsystem .



Stage 1 of the **nested dissection** to solve the decoupled **red** subsystem.

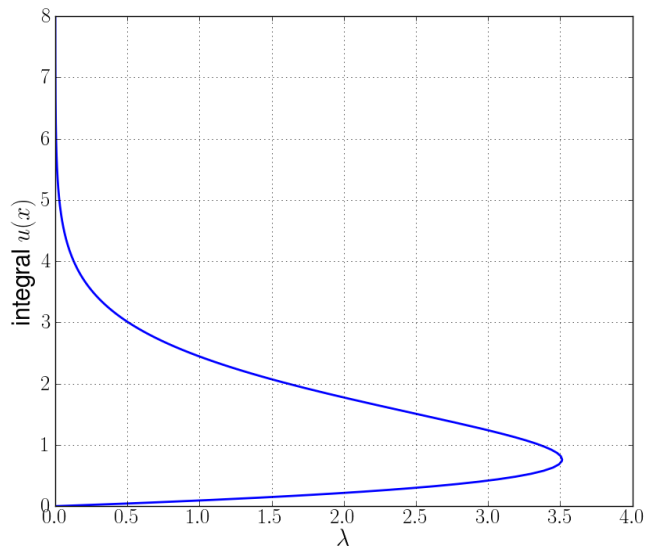




The preceding matrix showing the final decoupled \bullet subsystem .

Accuracy Test

The Table shows the **location of the fold** in the Gelfand-Bratu problem, for 4 Gauss **collocation points** per mesh interval, and N **mesh intervals**.



N	Fold location
2	3.5137897550
4	3.5138308601
8	3.5138307211
16	3.5138307191
32	3.5138307191

Periodic Solutions

- Periodic solutions can be computed **efficiently** using a BVP approach.
- This method also determines the **period** very accurately.
- Moreover, the technique can compute **unstable** periodic orbits.

Consider

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda), \quad \mathbf{u}(\cdot), \mathbf{f}(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Fix the [interval of periodicity](#) by the transformation

$$t \rightarrow \frac{t}{T}.$$

Then the equation becomes

$$\boxed{\mathbf{u}'(t) = T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda)}, \quad \mathbf{u}(\cdot), \mathbf{f}(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad T, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}.$$

and we seek solutions of [period 1](#), *i.e.*,

$$\boxed{\mathbf{u}(0) = \mathbf{u}(1)}.$$

Note that the [period](#) T is one of the [unknowns](#).

The above equations do **not uniquely** specify \mathbf{u} and T :

Assume that we have computed

$$(\mathbf{u}_{k-1}(\cdot) , T_{k-1} , \lambda_{k-1}) ,$$

and we want to compute the next solution

$$(\mathbf{u}_k(\cdot) , T_k , \lambda_k) .$$

Then $\mathbf{u}_k(t)$ can be **translated** freely in time :

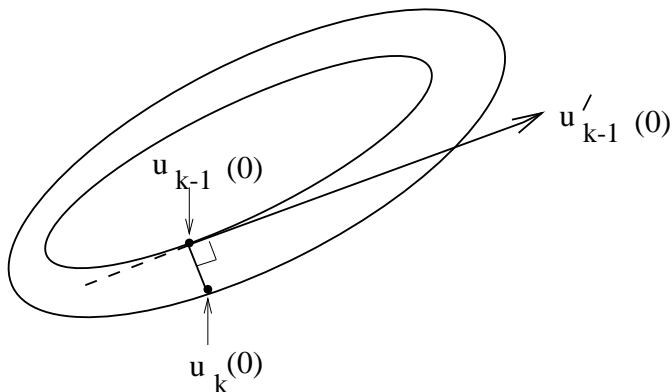
If $\mathbf{u}_k(t)$ is a periodic solution, then so is $\mathbf{u}_k(t + \sigma)$, for any σ .

Thus, a **phase condition** is needed.

An example is the [Poincaré phase condition](#)

$$\langle \mathbf{u}_k(0) - \mathbf{u}_{k-1}(0), \mathbf{u}'_{k-1}(0) \rangle = 0 .$$

(But we will derive a numerically more suitable [integral phase condition](#) .)



Graphical interpretation of the Poincaré phase condition.

An Integral Phase Condition

If $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_k(t)$ is a solution then so is

$$\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_k(t + \sigma) ,$$

for any σ .

We want the solution that minimizes

$$D(\sigma) \equiv \int_0^1 \| \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_k(t + \sigma) - \mathbf{u}_{k-1}(t) \|_2^2 dt .$$

The optimal solution

$$\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_k(t + \hat{\sigma}) ,$$

must satisfy the necessary condition

$$D'(\hat{\sigma}) = 0 .$$

Differentiation gives the [necessary condition](#)

$$\int_0^1 \langle \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_k(t + \hat{\sigma}) - \mathbf{u}_{k-1}(t) , \tilde{\mathbf{u}}'_k(t + \hat{\sigma}) \rangle dt = 0 .$$

Writing

$$\mathbf{u}_k(t) \equiv \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_k(t + \hat{\sigma}) ,$$

gives

$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{u}_k(t) - \mathbf{u}_{k-1}(t) , \mathbf{u}'_k(t) \rangle dt = 0 .$$

Integration by parts, using periodicity, gives

$$\boxed{\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{u}_k(t) , \mathbf{u}'_{k-1}(t) \rangle dt = 0 .}$$

This is the [integral phase condition](#).

Continuation of Periodic Solutions

- Pseudo-arclength continuation is used to follow periodic solutions .
- It allows computation past folds along a family of periodic solutions.
- It also allows calculation of a “vertical family ” of periodic solutions.

For periodic solutions the continuation equation is

$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{u}_k(t) - \mathbf{u}_{k-1}(t) , \dot{\mathbf{u}}_{k-1}(t) \rangle dt + (T_k - T_{k-1})\dot{T}_{k-1} + (\lambda_k - \lambda_{k-1})\dot{\lambda}_{k-1} = \Delta s .$$

SUMMARY :

We have the following equations for [periodic solutions](#) :

$$\mathbf{u}'_k(t) = T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}_k(t), \lambda_k),$$

$$\mathbf{u}_k(0) = \mathbf{u}_k(1),$$

$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{u}_k(t), \mathbf{u}'_{k-1}(t) \rangle dt = 0,$$

with [continuation equation](#)

$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{u}_k(t) - \mathbf{u}_{k-1}(t), \dot{\mathbf{u}}_{k-1}(t) \rangle dt + (T_k - T_{k-1})\dot{T}_{k-1} + (\lambda_k - \lambda_{k-1})\dot{\lambda}_{k-1} = \Delta s,$$

where

$$\mathbf{u}(\cdot), \mathbf{f}(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \lambda, T \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Stability of Periodic Solutions

In our continuation context, a [periodic solution](#) of period T satisfies

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) = T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t)) , \quad \text{for } t \in [0, 1] ,$$

$$\mathbf{u}(0) = \mathbf{u}(1) ,$$

(for given value of the continuation parameter λ).

A small perturbation in the initial condition

$$\mathbf{u}(0) + \epsilon \mathbf{v}(0) , \quad \epsilon \text{ small} ,$$

leads to the [linearized equation](#)

$$\mathbf{v}'(t) = T \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}(t)) \mathbf{v}(t) , \quad \text{for } t \in [0, 1] ,$$

which induces a [linear map](#)

$$\mathbf{v}(0) \rightarrow \mathbf{v}(1) ,$$

represented by

$$\mathbf{v}(1) = \mathbf{M} \mathbf{v}(0) .$$

$$\mathbf{v}(1) = \mathbf{M} \mathbf{v}(0)$$

The eigenvalues of \mathbf{M} are the [Floquet multipliers](#) that determine stability.

\mathbf{M} always has a multiplier $\mu = 1$, since differentiating

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) = T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t)) ,$$

gives

$$\mathbf{v}'(t) = T \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}(t)) \mathbf{v}(t) ,$$

where

$$\mathbf{v}(t) = \mathbf{u}'(t) , \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{v}(0) = \mathbf{v}(1) .$$

$$\mathbf{v}(1) = \mathbf{M} \mathbf{v}(0)$$

- If \mathbf{M} has a Floquet multiplier μ with $|\mu| > 1$ then $\mathbf{u}(t)$ is **unstable**.
- If all multipliers (other than $\mu = 1$) satisfy $|\mu| < 1$ then $\mathbf{u}(t)$ is **stable**.
- At **folds** and **branch points** there are two multipliers $\mu = 1$.
- At a **period-doubling** bifurcation there is a real multiplier $\mu = -1$.
- At a **torus bifurcation** there is a complex pair on the unit circle.

EXAMPLE : The Lorenz Equations .

(Course demo : Lorenz)

These equations were introduced in 1963 by Edward Lorenz (1917-2008)

as a simple model of atmospheric convection :

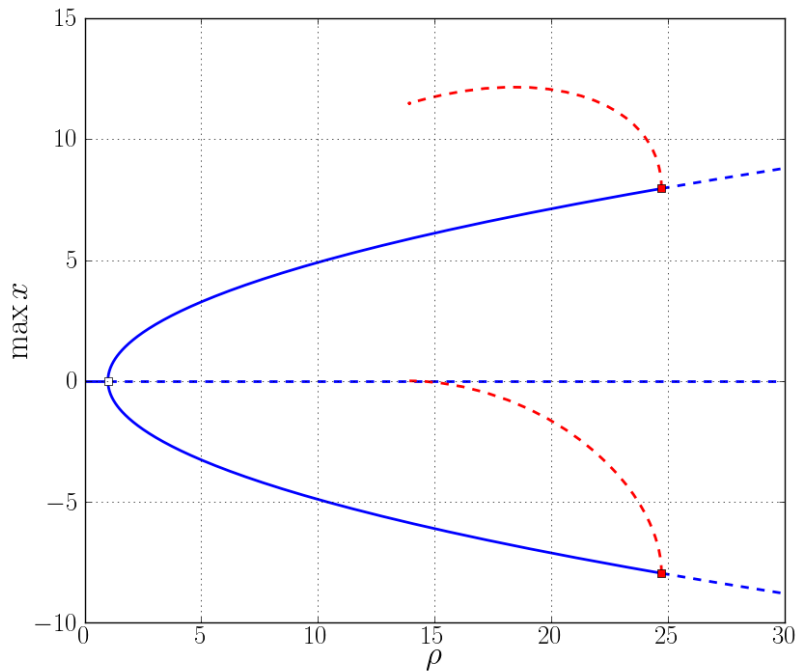
$$x' = \sigma (y - x) ,$$

$$y' = \rho x - y - x z ,$$

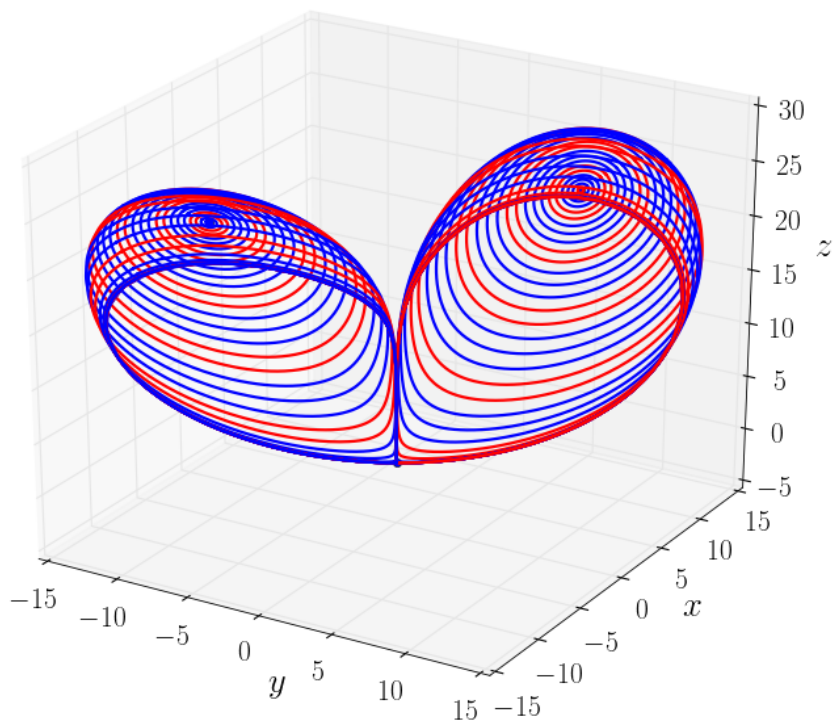
$$z' = x y - \beta z ,$$

where (often)

$$\sigma = 10 \quad , \quad \beta = 8/3 \quad , \quad \rho = 28 .$$



Bifurcation diagram of the Lorenz equations for $\sigma = 10$ and $\beta = 8/3$.



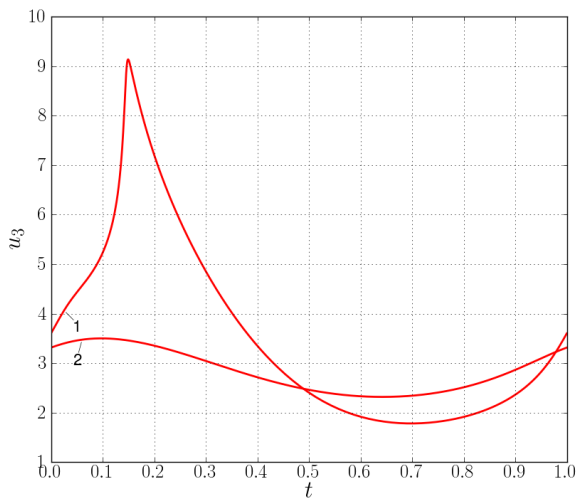
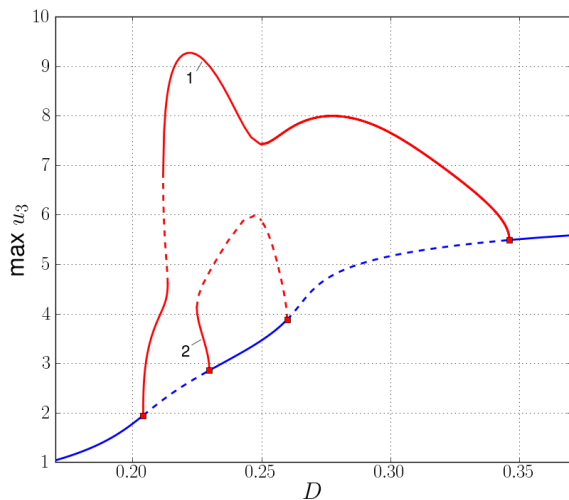
Unstable periodic orbits of the Lorenz equations.

In the Lorenz Equations :

- The zero stationary solution is unstable for $\rho > 1$.
- Two nonzero stationary families bifurcate at $\rho = 1$.
- The nonzero stationary solutions are unstable for $\rho > \rho_H$.
- At $\rho_H \approx 24.7$ there are Hopf bifurcations .
- Unstable periodic solution families emanate from the Hopf bifurcations.
- These families end in homoclinic orbits (infinite period) at $\rho \approx 13.9$.
- At $\rho = 28$ (and a range of other values) there is the Lorenz attractor .

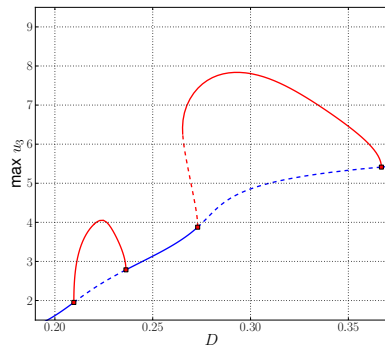
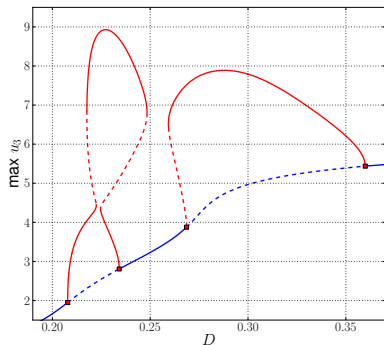
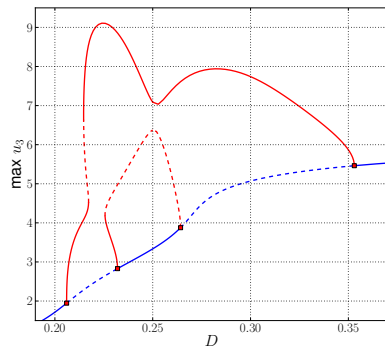
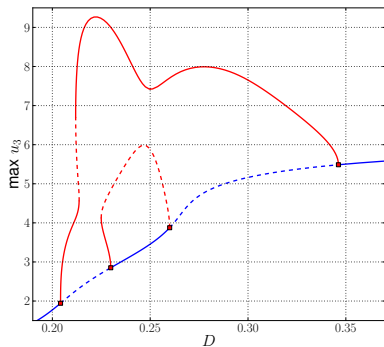
EXAMPLE : The $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ Reaction .

(Course demo : Chemical-Reactions/ABC-Reaction/Periodic)



Stationary and periodic solution families of the $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction: $\beta = 1.55$.

Note the **coexistence of stable solutions**, for example, solutions 1 and 2 .



Top left: $\beta = 1.55$, right: $\beta = 1.56$, Bottom left: $\beta = 1.57$, right: $\beta = 1.58$.

(**QUESTION** : Is something missing somewhere ?)

Following Folds for Periodic Solutions

Recall that [periodic orbits families](#) can be computed using the equations

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) - T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{u}(0) - \mathbf{u}(1) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{u}'_0(t) \rangle dt = 0,$$

where \mathbf{u}_0 is a [reference orbit](#), typically the latest computed orbit.

The above [boundary value problem](#) is of the form

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}, \lambda) = \mathbf{0},$$

where

$$\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{u}, T).$$

At a **fold** with respect to λ we have

$$\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{X}, \lambda) \Phi = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\langle \Phi, \Phi \rangle = 1,$$

where

$$\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{u}, T), \quad \Phi = (\mathbf{v}, S),$$

i.e., the **linearized equations** about \mathbf{X} have a **nonzero solution** Φ .

$$\text{In detail: } \mathbf{v}'(t) - T \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda) \mathbf{v} - S \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{v}(0) - \mathbf{v}(1) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{v}(t), \mathbf{u}'_0(t) \rangle dt = 0,$$

$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{v}(t), \mathbf{v}(t) \rangle dt + S^2 = 1.$$

The complete [extended system](#) to follow a fold is

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}, \lambda, \mu) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{X}, \lambda, \mu) \Phi = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\langle \Phi, \Phi \rangle - 1 = 0,$$

with [two free problem parameters](#) λ and μ .

To the above we [add the continuation equation](#)

$$\langle \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X}_0, \dot{\mathbf{X}}_0 \rangle + \langle \Phi - \Phi_0, \dot{\Phi}_0 \rangle + (\lambda - \lambda_0) \dot{\lambda}_0 + (\mu - \mu_0) \dot{\mu}_0 - \Delta s = 0.$$

In detail :

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) - T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda, \mu) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{u}(0) - \mathbf{u}(1) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{u}'_0(t) \rangle dt = 0,$$

$$\mathbf{v}'(t) - T \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda, \mu) \mathbf{v} - S \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda, \mu) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{v}(0) - \mathbf{v}(1) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{v}(t), \mathbf{u}'_0(t) \rangle dt = 0,$$

with [normalization](#)

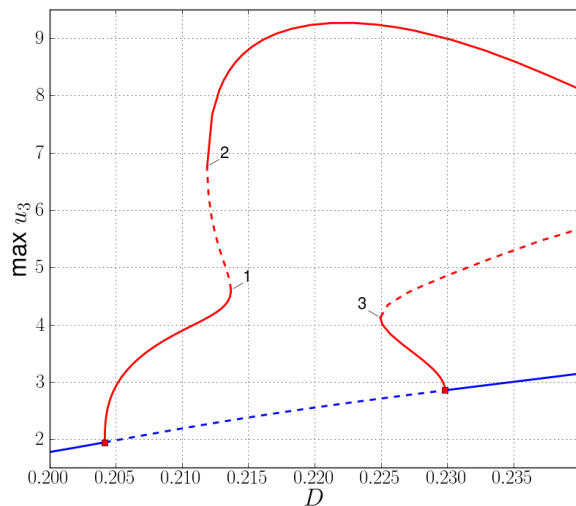
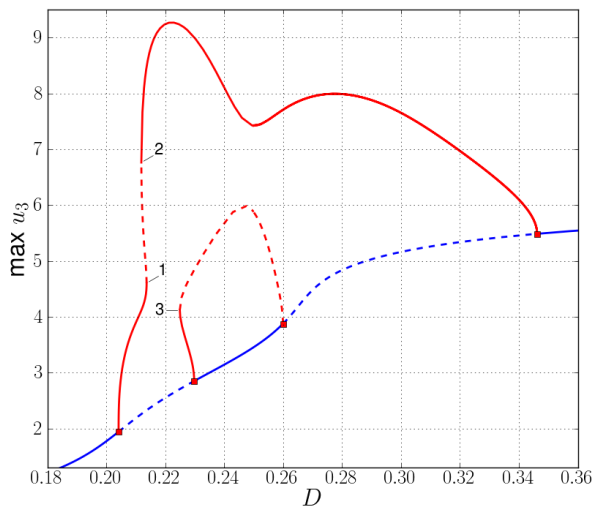
$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{v}(t), \mathbf{v}(t) \rangle dt + S^2 - 1 = 0,$$

and [continuation equation](#)

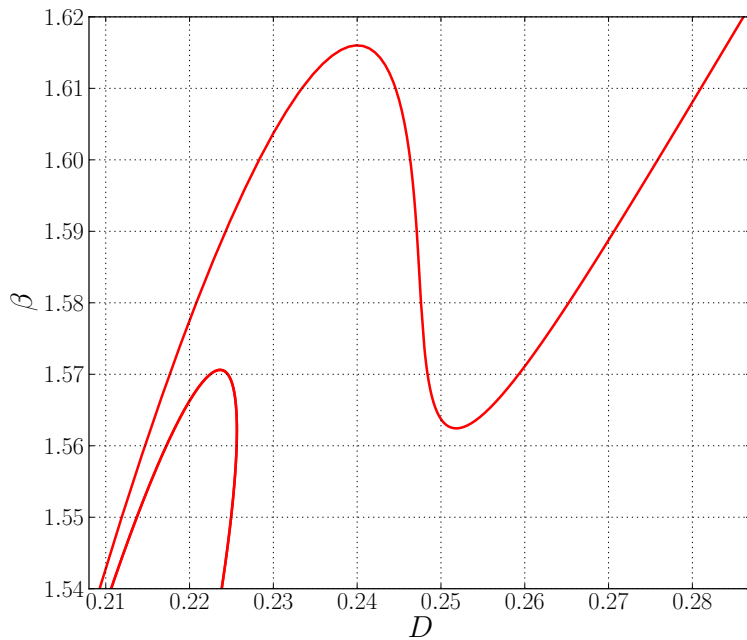
$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{u}(t) - \mathbf{u}_0(t), \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0(t) \rangle dt + \int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{v}(t) - \mathbf{v}_0(t), \dot{\mathbf{v}}_0(t) \rangle dt + \\ & + (T_0 - T)\dot{T}_0 + (S_0 - S)\dot{S}_0 + (\lambda - \lambda_0)\dot{\lambda}_0 + (\mu - \mu_0)\dot{\mu}_0 - \Delta s = 0. \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE : The $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ Reaction .

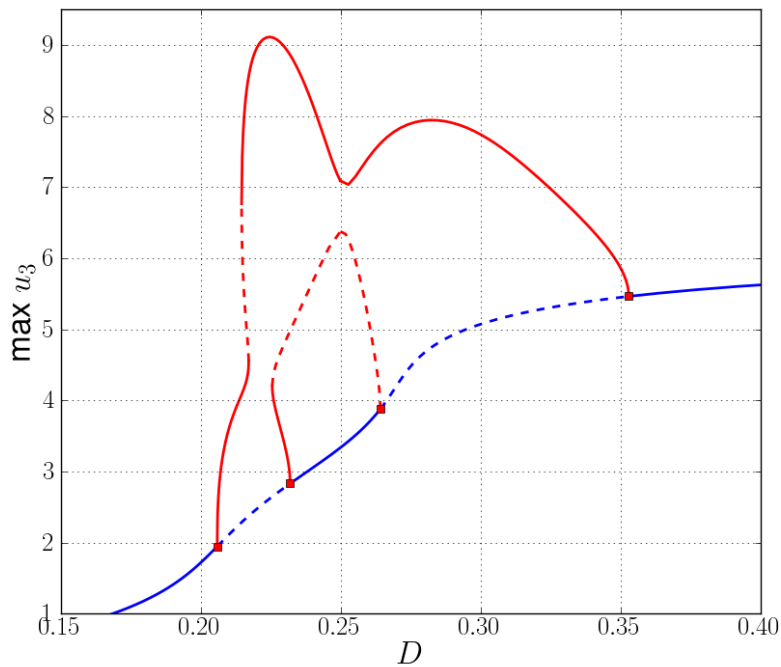
(Course demo : Chemical-Reactions/ABC-Reaction/Folds-PS)



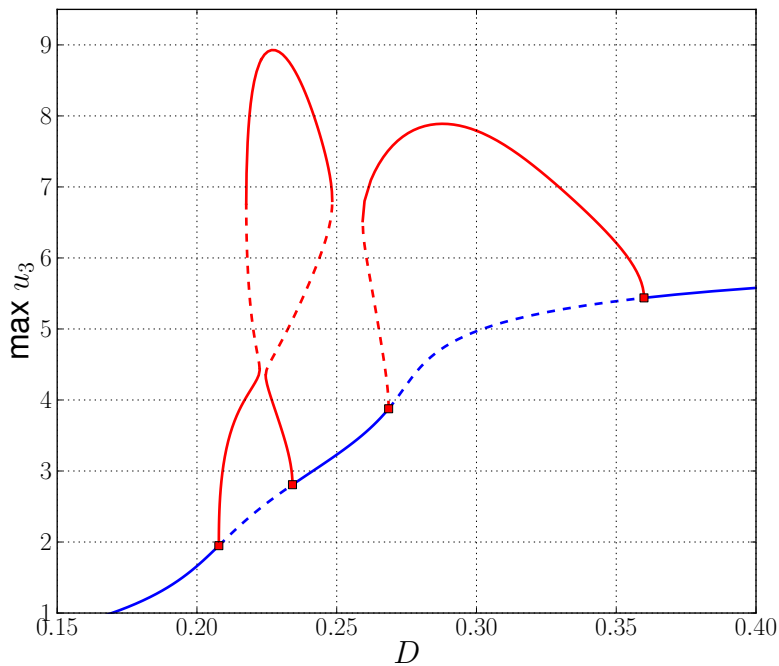
Stationary and periodic solution families of the $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction .
(with blow-up) for $\beta = 1.55$. Note the **three folds** , labeled 1, 2, 3 .



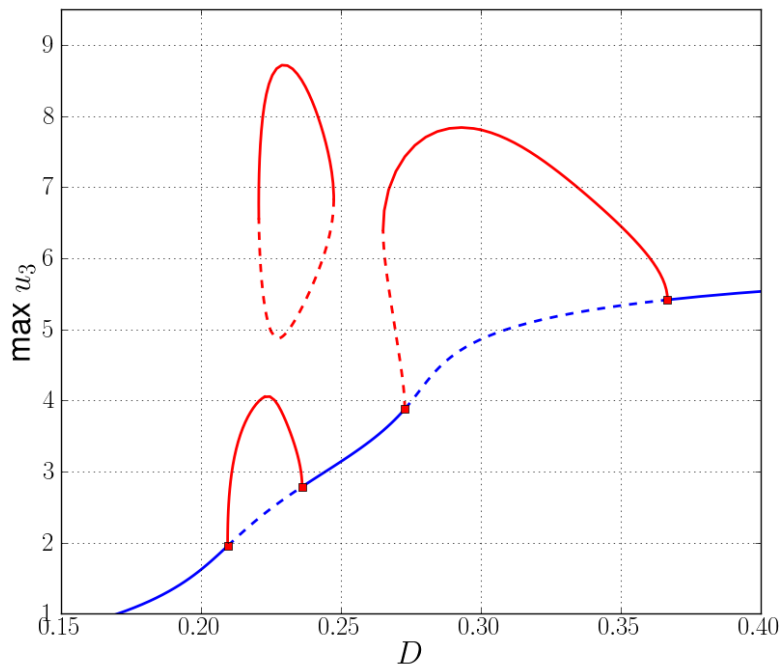
Loci of folds along periodic solution families for the $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction.



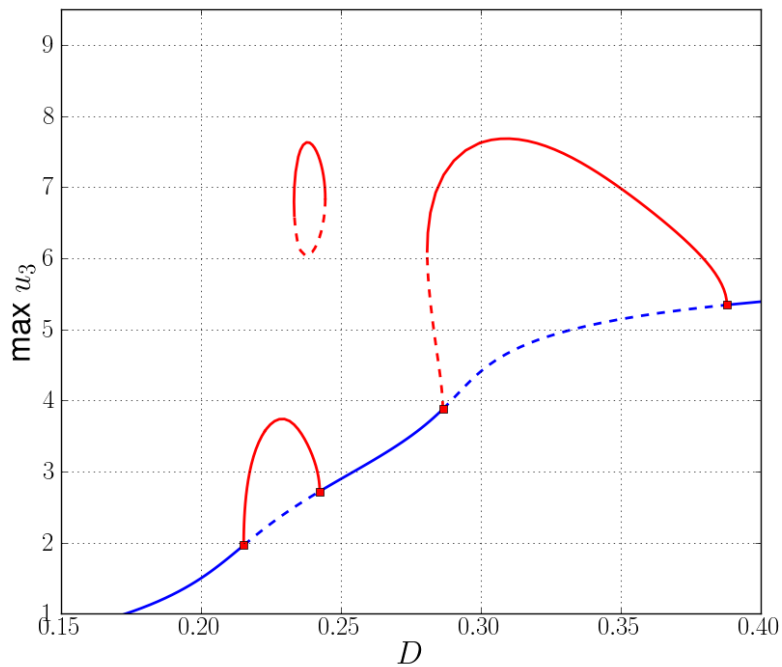
Stationary and periodic solution families of the $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction: $\beta = 1.56$.



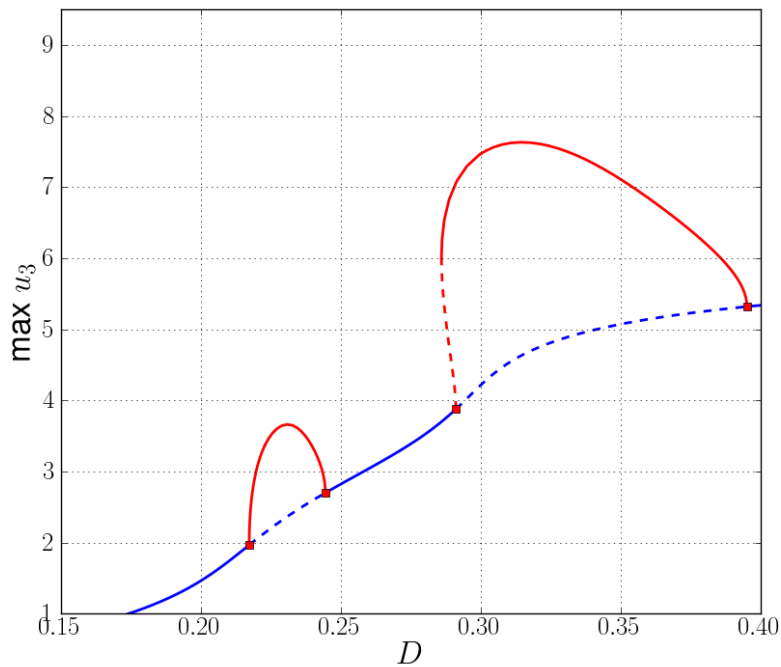
Stationary and periodic solution families of the $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction: $\beta = 1.57$.



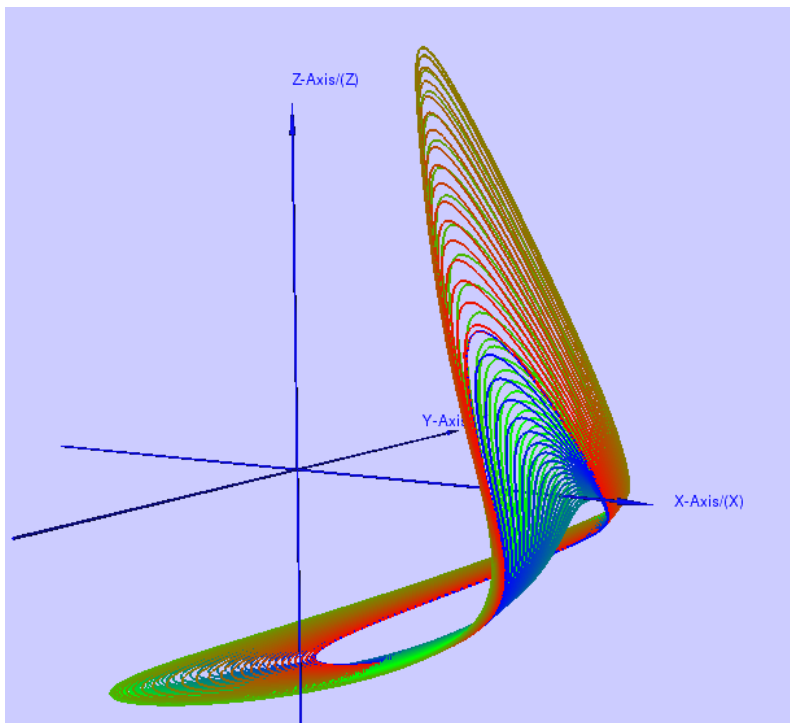
Stationary and periodic solution families of the $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction: $\beta = 1.58$.



Stationary and periodic solution families of the $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction: $\beta = 1.61$.



Stationary and periodic solution families of the $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ reaction: $\beta = 1.62$.



Periodic solutions along the *isola* for $\beta = 1.58$.
(Stable solutions are blue, unstable solutions are red.)

Following Period-doubling Bifurcations

Let $(\mathbf{u}(t), T)$ be a **periodic solution**, *i.e.*, a solution of

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) - T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{u}(0) - \mathbf{u}(1) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{u}_0'(t) \rangle dt = 0,$$

where \mathbf{u}_0 is a **reference orbit**.

A necessary **condition** for a **period-doubling** bifurcation is that the following linearized system have a nonzero solution $\mathbf{v}(t)$:

$$\mathbf{v}'(t) - T \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda) \mathbf{v}(t) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{v}(0) + \mathbf{v}(1) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{v}(t), \mathbf{v}(t) \rangle dt = 1.$$

The complete [extended system](#) to follow a period-doubling bifurcation is

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) - T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda, \mu) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{u}(0) - \mathbf{u}(1) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{u}_0'(t) \rangle dt = 0,$$

$$\mathbf{v}'(t) - T \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}(t), \lambda) \mathbf{v}(t) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{v}(0) + \mathbf{v}(1) = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{v}(t), \mathbf{v}(t) \rangle dt - 1 = 0,$$

and [continuation equation](#)

$$\int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{u}(t) - \mathbf{u}_0(t), \dot{\mathbf{u}}_0(t) \rangle dt + \int_0^1 \langle \mathbf{v}(t) - \mathbf{v}_0(t), \dot{\mathbf{v}}_0(t) \rangle dt +$$

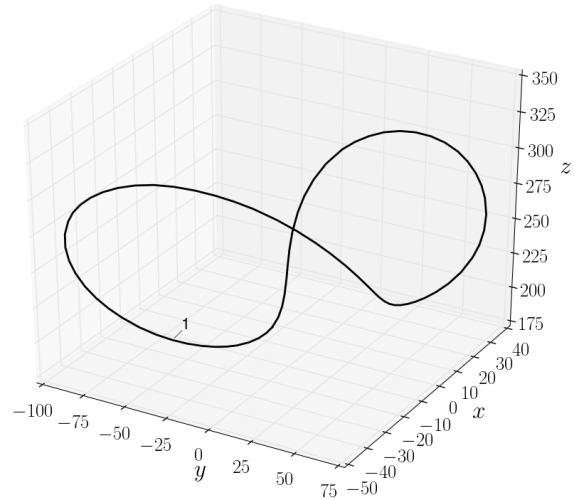
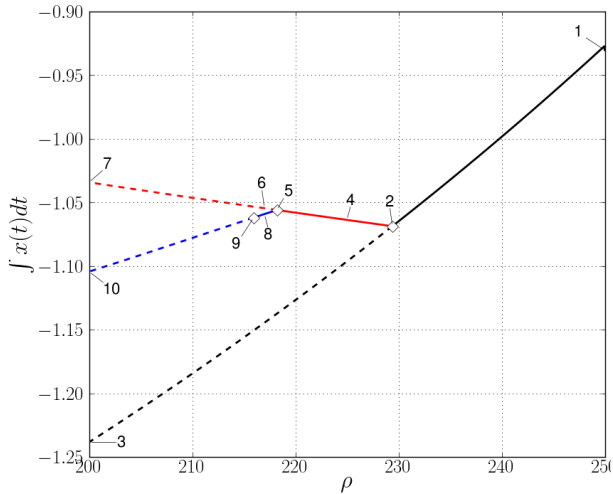
$$+ (T_0 - T)\dot{T}_0 + (\lambda - \lambda_0)\dot{\lambda}_0 + (\mu - \mu_0)\dot{\mu}_0 - \Delta s = 0.$$

EXAMPLE : Period-Doubling Bifurcations in the Lorenz Equations .

(Course demo : Lorenz/Period-Doubling)

- The Lorenz equations also have [period-doubling](#) bifurcations .
- In fact, there is a period-doubling [cascade](#) for large ρ .
- We start from [numerical data](#) .
- (Such data may be from [simulation](#) , *i.e.*, initial value integration .)
- We also want to compute [loci](#) of period-doubling bifurcations .

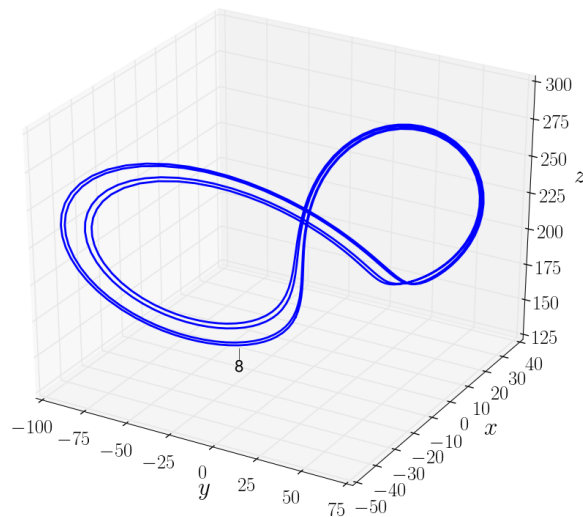
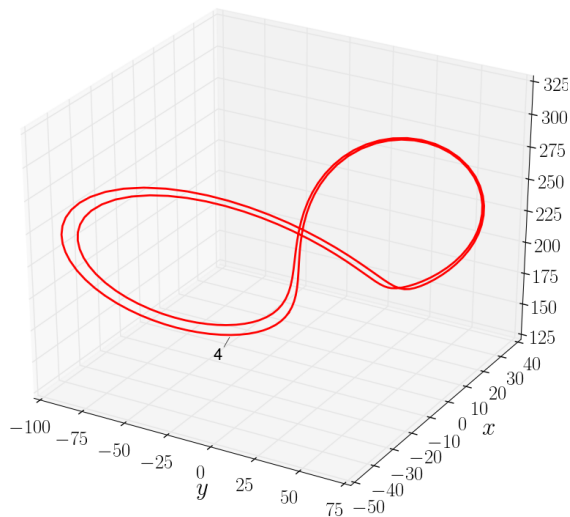
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Left panel : Solution families of the Lorenz equations.
The open diamonds denote period-doubling bifurcations .

Right panel : Solution 1 was found by initial value integration .

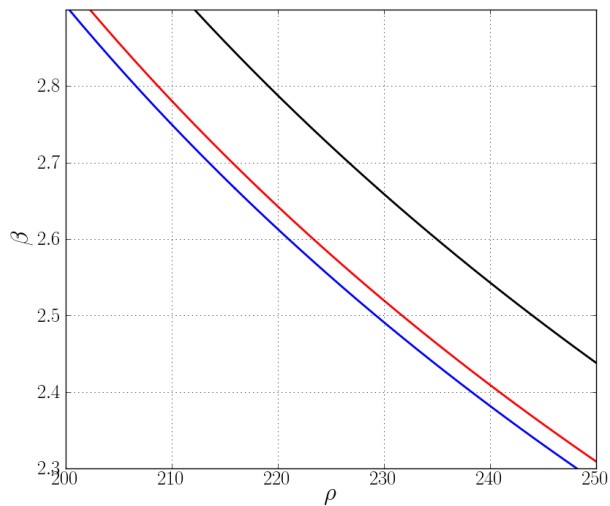
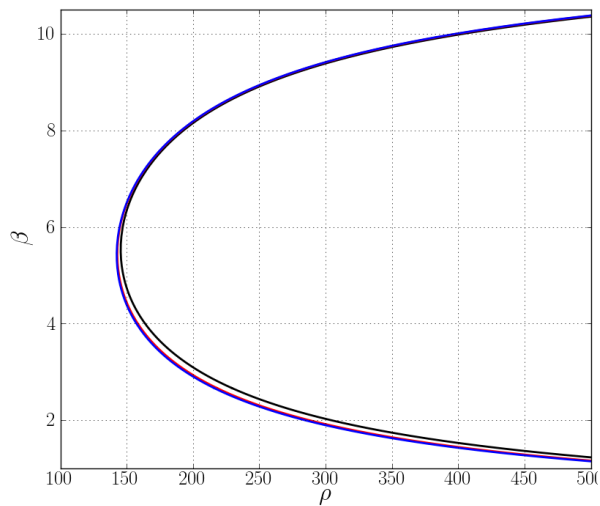
(Course demo : Lorenz/Period-Doubling)



Left panel : A primary period-doubled solution.

Right panel : A secondary period-doubled solution.

(Course demo : Lorenz/Period-Doubling)



Loci of period-doubling bifurcations for the Lorenz equations (with blow-up) .

Black: primary, Red: secondary, Blue: tertiary period-doublings .

Periodic Solutions of Conservative Systems

EXAMPLE : A Model Conservative System .

(Course demo : Vertical-HB)

$$u_1' = -u_2 ,$$

$$u_2' = u_1 (1 - u_1) .$$

PROBLEM :

- This system has a family of periodic solutions, but no parameter !
- The system has a constant of motion , namely the Hamiltonian

$$H(u_1, u_2) = -\frac{1}{2} u_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} u_2^2 + \frac{1}{3} u_1^3 .$$

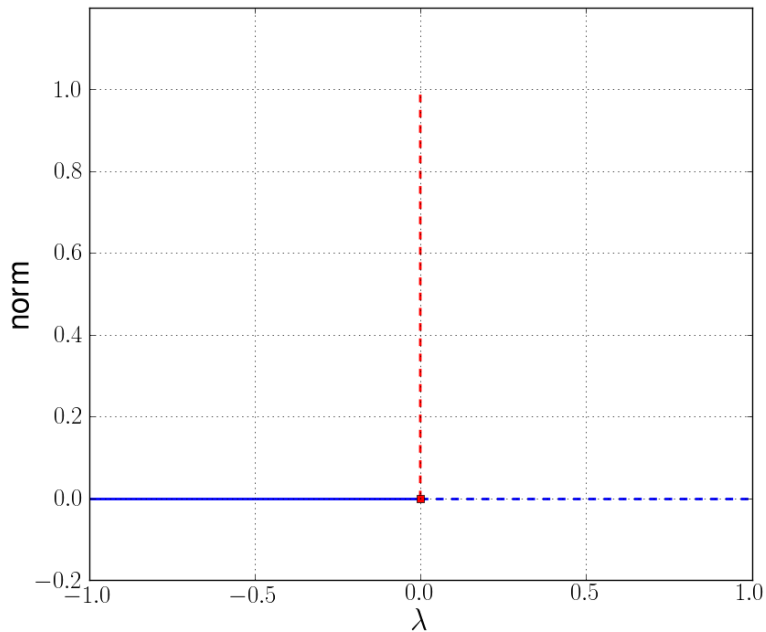
REMEDY :

Introduce an **unfolding term** with **unfolding parameter** λ :

$$u'_1 = \lambda u_1 - u_2 ,$$

$$u'_2 = u_1 (1 - u_1) .$$

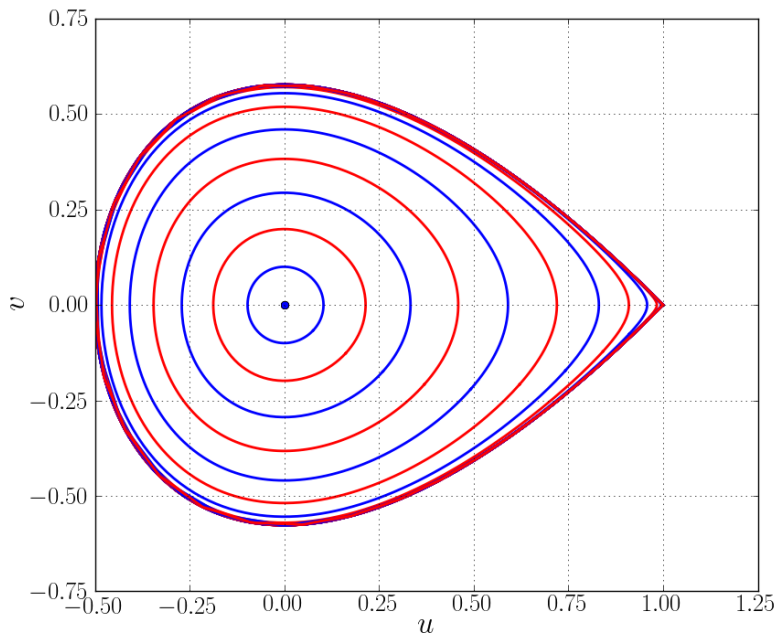
Then there is a **vertical Hopf bifurcation** from the trivial solution at $\lambda = 0$.



Bifurcation diagram of the vertical Hopf bifurcation problem.
(Course demo : Vertical-HB)

NOTE :

- The family of periodic solutions is **vertical** .
- The parameter λ is **solved** for in each continuation step.
- Upon solving, λ is found to be **zero** , up to numerical precision.
- One can use **standard** BVP continuation and bifurcation algorithms.



A phase plot of some periodic solutions.

EXAMPLE : The Circular Restricted 3-Body Problem (CR3BP) .

(Course demo : Restricted-3Body/Earth-Moon/Orbits)

$$\begin{aligned}x'' &= 2y' + x - \frac{(1-\mu)(x+\mu)}{r_1^3} - \frac{\mu(x-1+\mu)}{r_2^3} , \\y'' &= -2x' + y - \frac{(1-\mu)y}{r_1^3} - \frac{\mu y}{r_2^3} , \\z'' &= -\frac{(1-\mu)z}{r_1^3} - \frac{\mu z}{r_2^3} ,\end{aligned}$$

where

$$r_1 = \sqrt{(x+\mu)^2 + y^2 + z^2} , \quad r_2 = \sqrt{(x-1+\mu)^2 + y^2 + z^2} .$$

and

(x , y , z) denotes the position of the zero-mass body .

NOTE : For the Earth-Moon system $\mu \approx 0.01215$.

The CR3BP has one [integral of motion](#) , namely, the “[Jacobi-constant](#)” :

$$J = \frac{x'^2 + y'^2 + z'^2}{2} - U(x, y, z) - \mu \frac{1 - \mu}{2} ,$$

where

$$U = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2) + \frac{1 - \mu}{r_1} + \frac{\mu}{r_2} ,$$

and

$$r_1 = \sqrt{(x + \mu)^2 + y^2 + z^2} , \quad r_2 = \sqrt{(x - 1 + \mu)^2 + y^2 + z^2} .$$

Boundary value formulation :

$$x' = T v_x$$

$$y' = T v_y$$

$$z' = T v_z$$

$$v'_x = T [2v_y + x - (1 - \mu)(x + \mu)r_1^{-3} - \mu(x - 1 + \mu)r_2^{-3} + \lambda v_x]$$

$$v'_y = T [-2v_x + y - (1 - \mu)yr_1^{-3} - \mu yr_2^{-3} + \lambda v_y]$$

$$v'_z = T [-(1 - \mu)zr_1^{-3} - \mu zr_2^{-3} + \lambda v_z]$$

with periodicity boundary conditions

$$x(1) = x(0) \quad , \quad y(1) = y(0) \quad , \quad z(1) = z(0) \quad ,$$

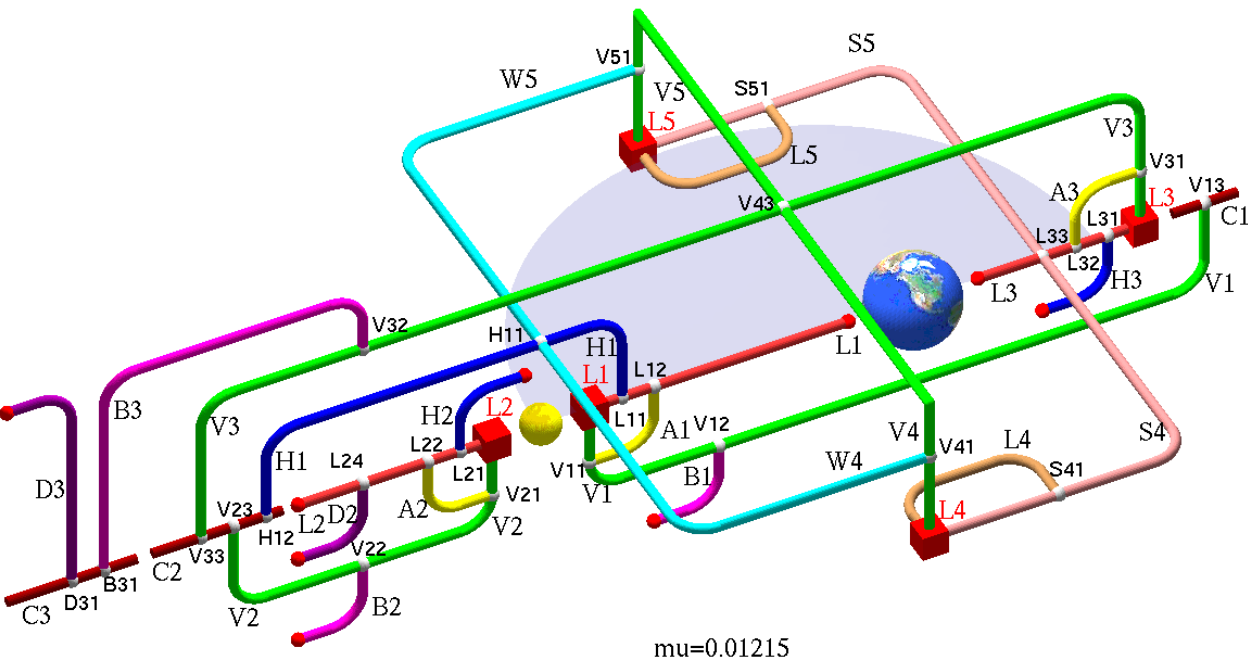
$$v_x(1) = v_x(0) \quad , \quad v_y(1) = v_y(0) \quad , \quad v_z(1) = v_z(0) \quad ,$$

+ phase constraint + continuation equation .

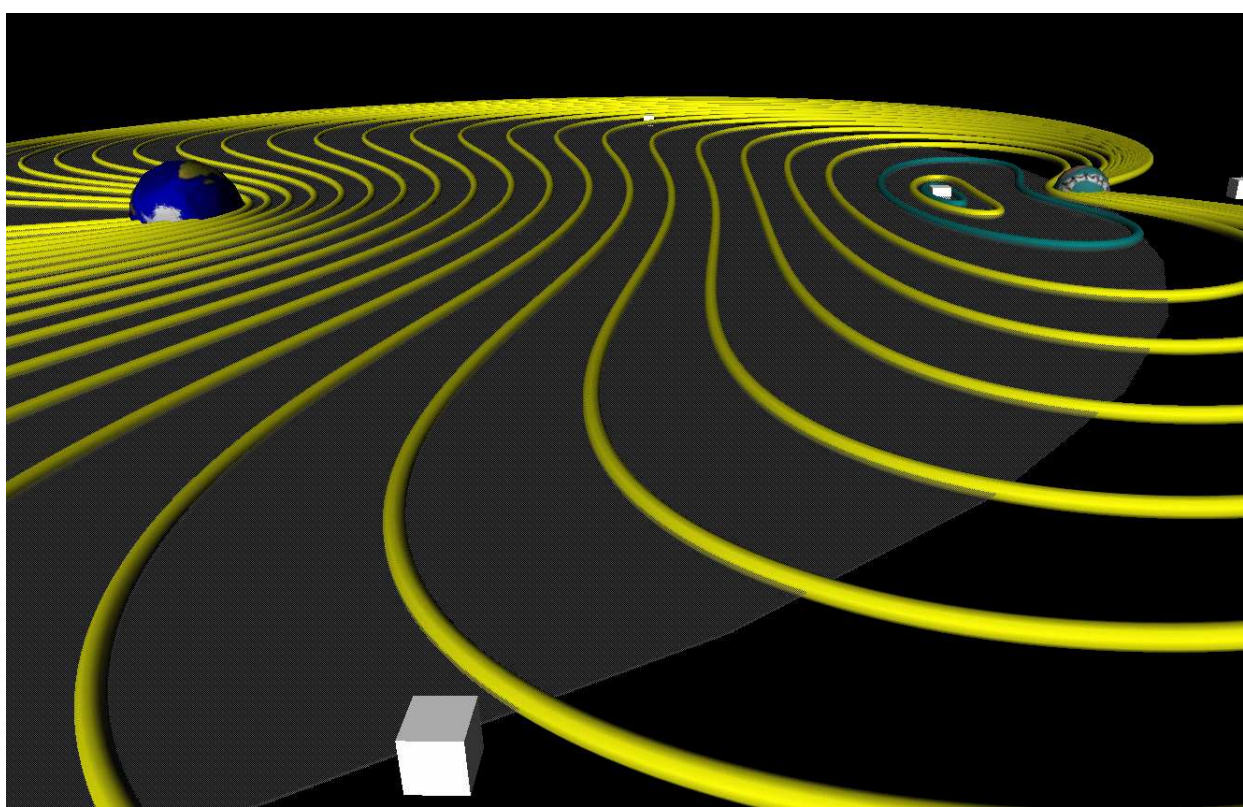
Here T is the period of the orbit.

NOTE :

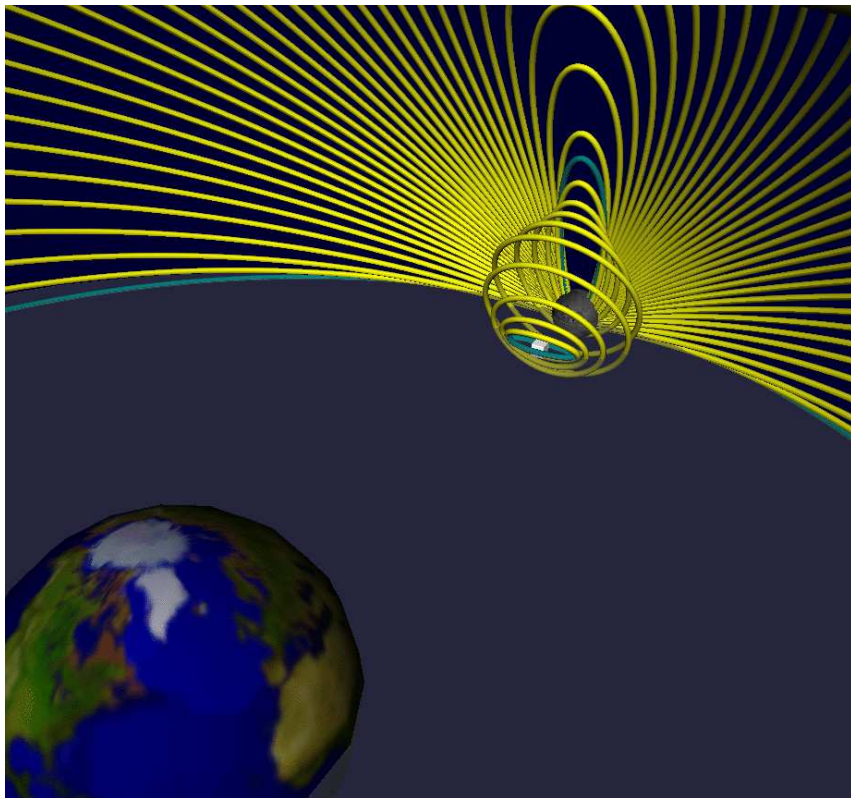
- One can use BVP continuation and bifurcation algorithms.
- The **unfolding term** $\lambda \nabla v$ regularizes the continuation.
- λ will be **zero** , once solved for.
- Other unfolding terms are possible.



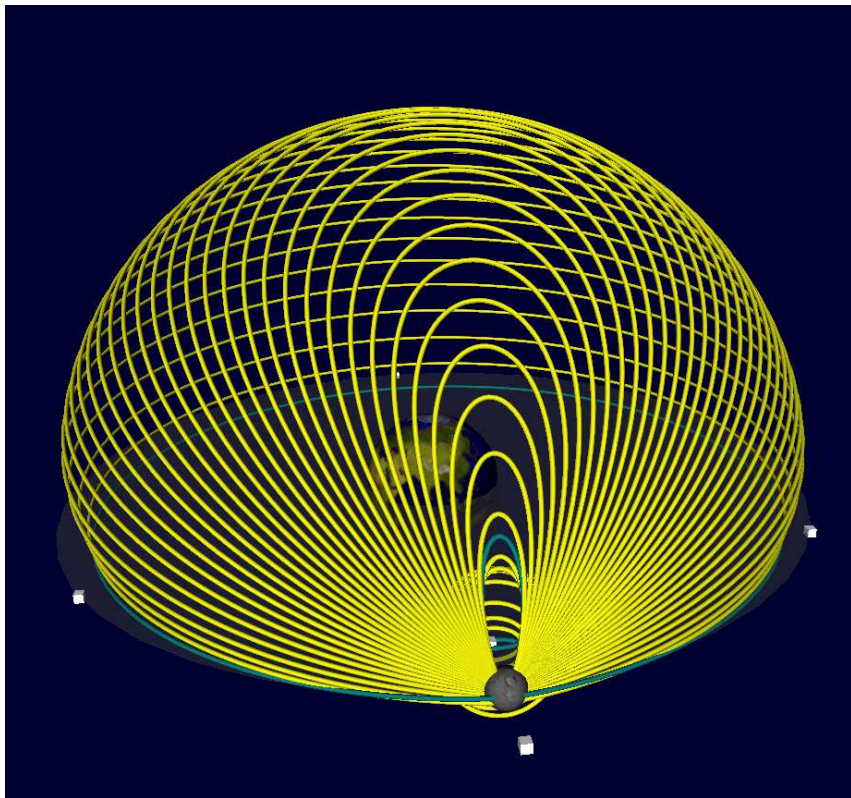
Schematic [bifurcation diagram](#) of periodic solution families of the [Earth-Moon](#) system .



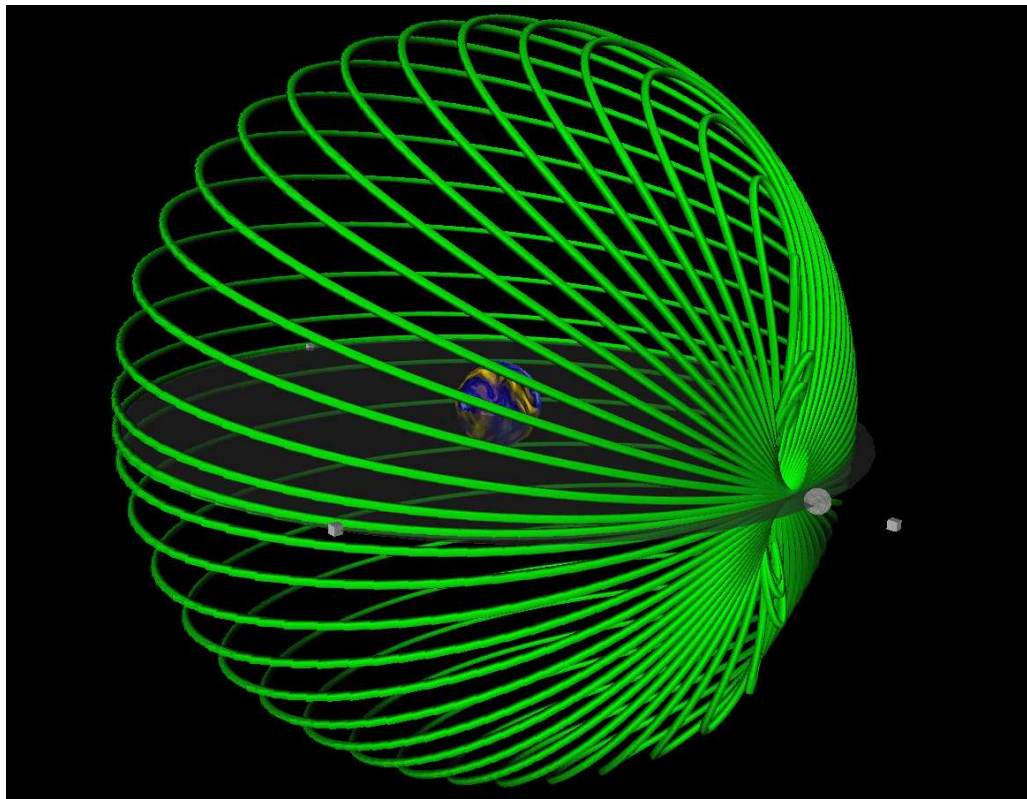
The planar [Lyapunov](#) family L1.



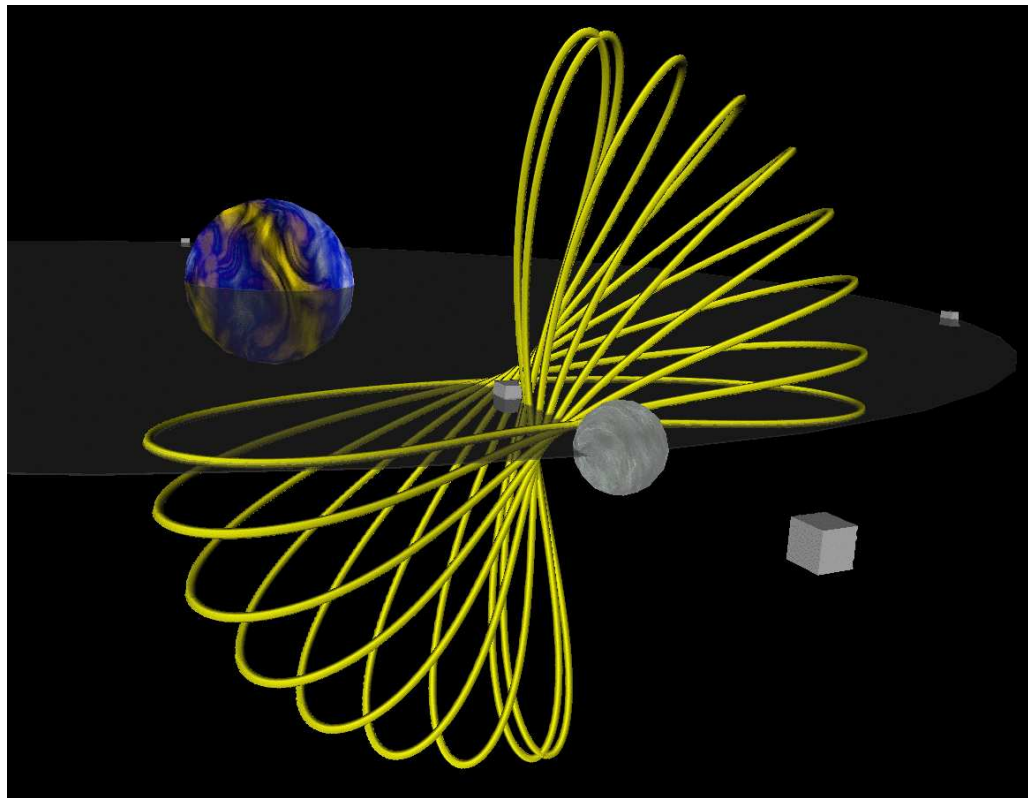
The [Halo](#) family H1.



The [Halo](#) family H1.



The [Vertical](#) family V1.



The [Axial](#) family A1.

Stable and Unstable Manifolds

EXAMPLE : Phase-plane orbits: Fixed length .

These can be computed by orbit continuation .

Model equations are

$$x' = \epsilon x - y^3 ,$$

$$y' = y + x^3 .$$

where $\epsilon > 0$ is small.

- There is only one equilibrium , namely, $(x, y) = (0, 0)$.
- This equilibrium has eigenvalues ϵ and 1 ; it is a source .

For the computations :

- The time variable t is scaled to $[0, 1]$.
- The actual integration time T is then an explicit parameter :

$$x' = T (\epsilon x - y^3) ,$$

$$y' = T (y + x^3) .$$

These **constraints** are used :

- To put the **initial point** on a small circle around the origin :

$$\begin{aligned}x(0) - r \cos(2\pi\theta) &= 0 , \\ y(0) - r \sin(2\pi\theta) &= 0 .\end{aligned}$$

- To keep track of the **end points** :

$$\begin{aligned}x(1) - x_1 &= 0 , \\ y(1) - y_1 &= 0 .\end{aligned}$$

- To keep track of the **length** of the orbits

$$\int_0^1 \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} dt - L = 0 .$$

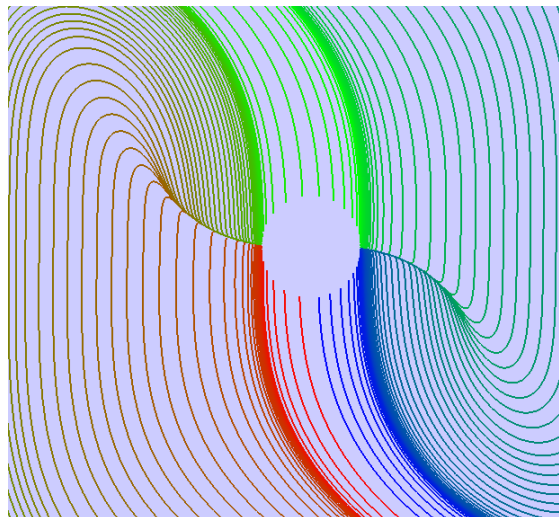
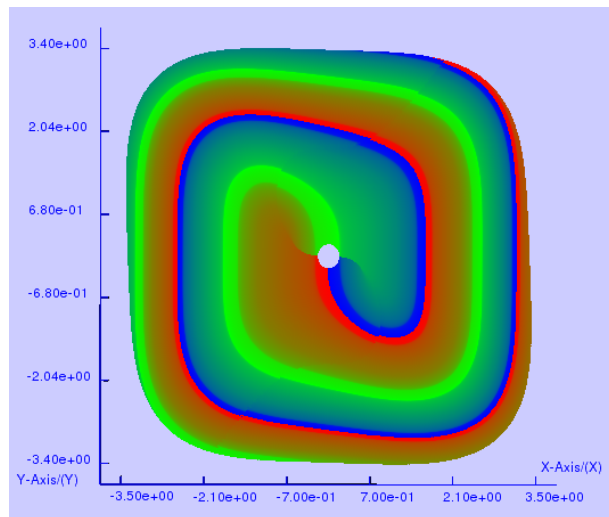
The computations are done in 3 stages :

- In the first run an orbit is **grown** by continuation :
 - The free parameters are T, L, x_1, y_1 .
 - The starting point is on the small circle of radius r .
 - The starting point is in the **strongly unstable** direction .
 - The value of ϵ is 0.5 in the first run.

- In the second run the value of ϵ is **decreased** to 0.01 :
 - The free parameters are ϵ, T, x_1, y_1 .

- In the third run the initial point is free to **move** around the circle :
 - The free parameters are θ, T, x_1, y_1 .

(Course demo : Basic-Manifolds/2D-ODE/Fixed-Length)



Unstable Manifolds in the Plane: Orbits of **Fixed Length** .
(The right-hand panel is a blow-up, and also shows fewer orbits.)

EXAMPLE : Phase-plane orbits: Variable length .

These can also be computed by [orbit continuation](#) .

Model equations are

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= \epsilon x - y^2 , \\ y' &= y + x^2 .\end{aligned}$$

- The origin $(x, y) = (0, 0)$ is an [equilibrium](#) .
- The origin has eigenvalues ϵ and 1 ; it is a [source](#) .
- Thus the origin has a 2-dimensional [unstable manifold](#) .
- We compute this stable manifold using [continuation](#) .
- (The equations are 2D; so we actually compute a [phase portrait](#).)

For the **computations** :

- The time variable t is **scaled** to $[0, 1]$.
- The actual **integration time** T is then an explicit parameter :

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= T(\epsilon x - y^2) , \\ y' &= T(y + x^2) .\end{aligned}$$

NOTE :

- There is also a **nonzero equilibrium**

$$(x, y) = (\epsilon^{\frac{1}{3}}, -\epsilon^{\frac{2}{3}}) .$$

- It is a **saddle** (1 positive, 1 negative eigenvalue).

These **constraints** are used :

- To put the **initial point** on a small circle at the origin :

$$\begin{aligned}x(0) - r \cos(2\pi\theta) &= 0 , \\ y(0) - r \sin(2\pi\theta) &= 0 .\end{aligned}$$

- To keep track of the **end points** :

$$\begin{aligned}x(1) - x_1 &= 0 , \\ y(1) - y_1 &= 0 .\end{aligned}$$

- To keep track of the **length** of the orbits we add an integral constraint :

$$\int_0^1 \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} dt - L = 0 .$$

- To allow the length L to **contract** :

$$(T_{\max} - T)(L_{\max} - L) - c = 0 .$$

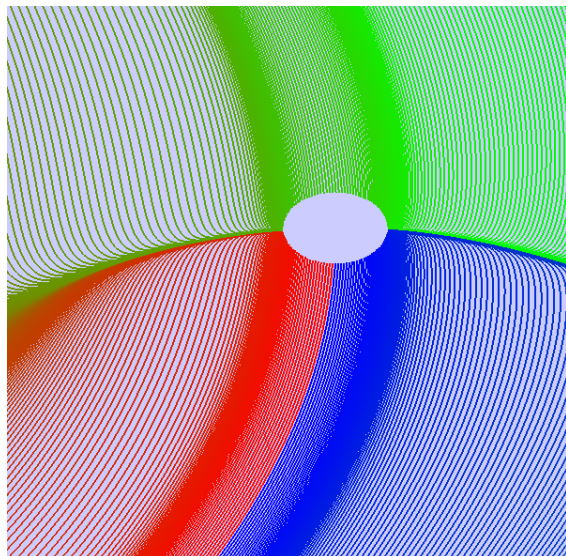
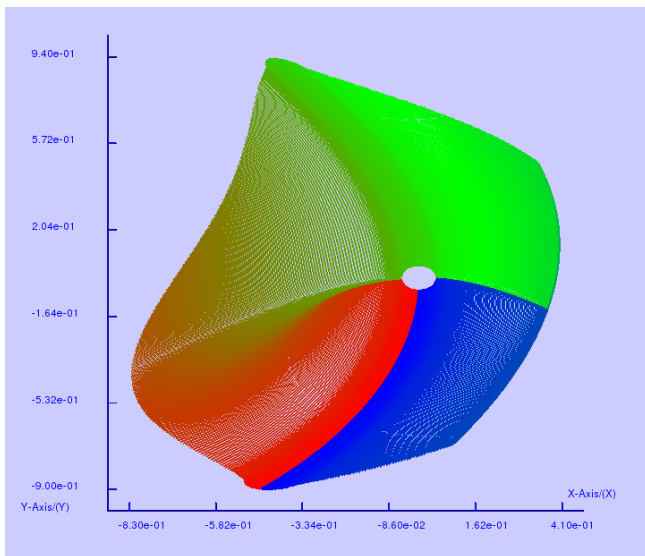
Again the computations are done in 3 stages :

- In the first run an orbit is **grown** by continuation :
 - The free parameters are T, L, x_1, y_1, c .
 - The starting point is on a small circle of radius r .
 - The starting point is in the **strongly unstable** direction .
 - In this first run $\epsilon = 0.5$.

- In the second run the value of ϵ is **decreased** to 0.05 :
 - The free parameters are ϵ, T, L, x_1, y_1 .

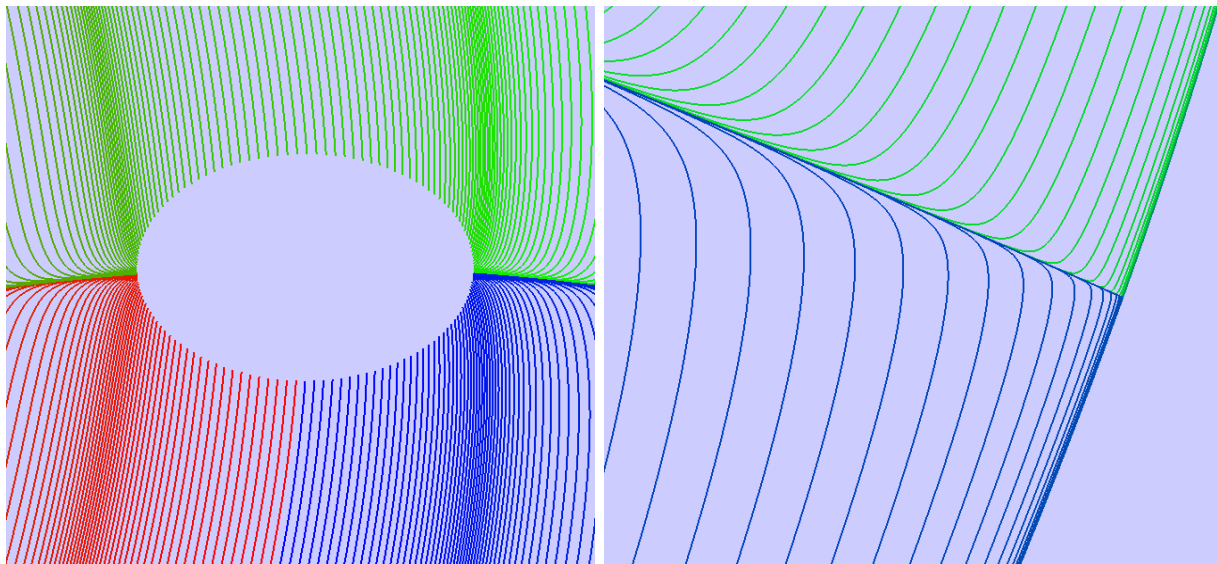
- In the third run the initial point is free to **move** around the circle :
 - The free parameters are θ, T, L, x_1, y_1 .

(Course demo : Basic-Manifolds/2D-ODE/Variable-Length)



Unstable Manifolds in the Plane: Orbits of [Variable Length](#) .

(Course demo : Basic-Manifolds/2D-ODE/Variable-Length)



Unstable Manifolds in the Plane: Orbits of Variable Length (Blow-up).

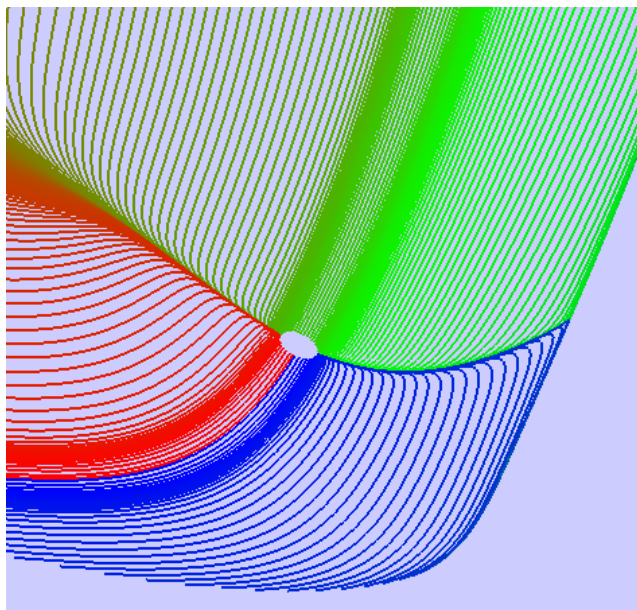
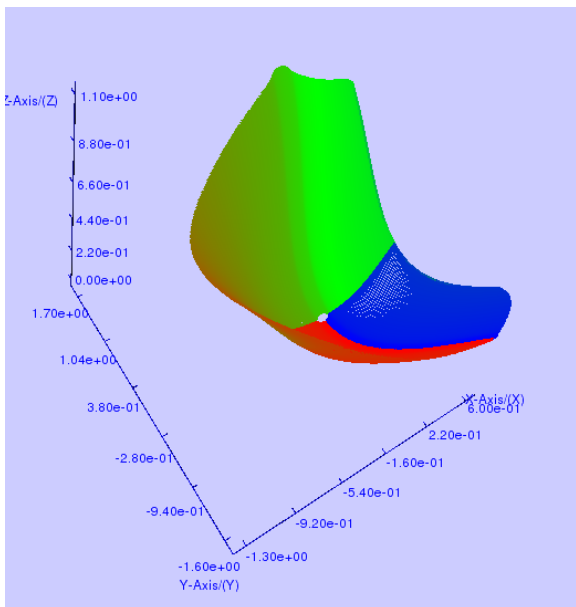
EXAMPLE : A 2D unstable manifold in \mathbb{R}^3 .

This can also be computed by [orbit continuation](#). The model equations are

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= \epsilon x - z^3 , \\y' &= y - x^3 , \\z' &= -z + x^2 + y^2 .\end{aligned}$$

- We take $\epsilon = 0.05$.
- The origin is a [saddle](#) with eigenvalues ϵ , 1, and -1 .
- Thus the origin has a 2-dimensional [unstable manifold](#) .
- The initial point moves around a circle in the 2D [unstable eigenspace](#) .
- The equations are 3D; so we will compute a 2D [manifold](#) in \mathbb{R}^3 .
- There is also a [nonzero saddle](#) , so we use [retraction](#) .
- The set-up is similar to the 2D phase-portrait example.

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Unstable Manifolds in \mathbb{R}^3 : Orbits of Variable Length .

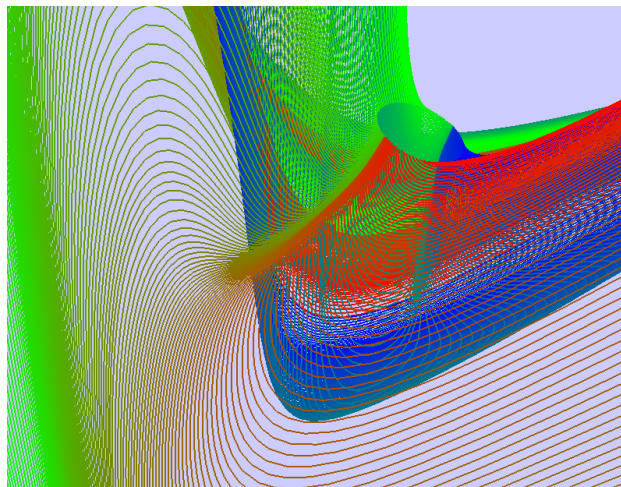
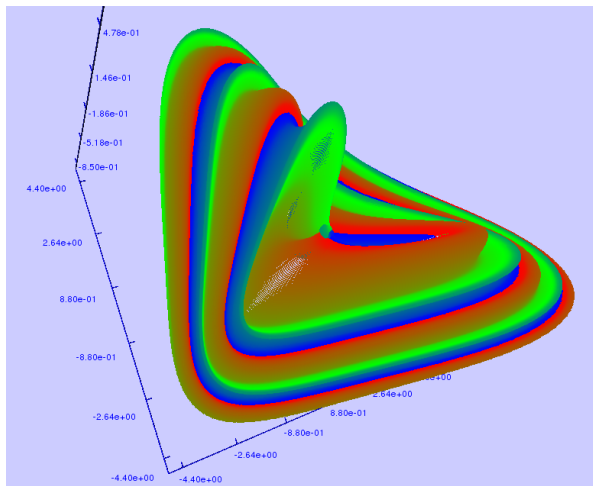
EXAMPLE : Another 2D unstable manifold in \mathbb{R}^3 .

The model equations are

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= \epsilon x - y^3 + z^3 , \\y' &= y + x^3 + z^3 , \\z' &= -z - x^2 + y^2 .\end{aligned}$$

- We take $\epsilon = 0.05$.
- The origin is a **saddle** with eigenvalues ϵ , 1, and -1 .
- Thus the origin has a 2-dimensional **unstable manifold** .
- The initial point moves around a circle in the 2D **unstable eigenspace** .
- The equations are 3D; so we will compute a 2D **manifold** in \mathbb{R}^3 .
- No retraction is needed, so we choose to compute orbits of **fixed length** .
- The set-up is similar to the 2D phase-portrait example.

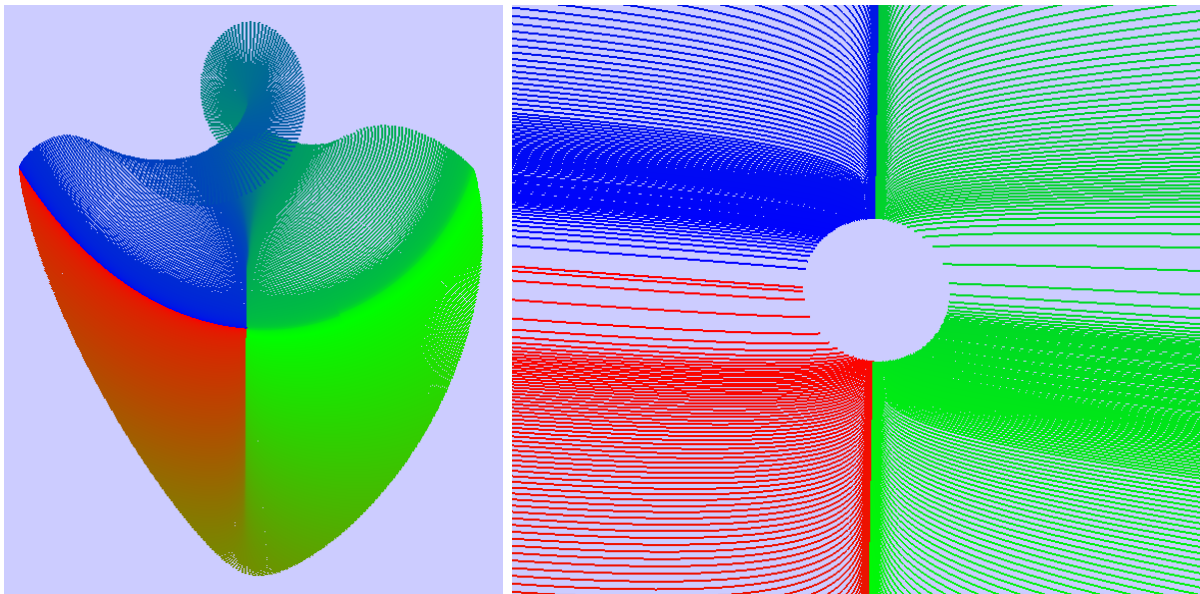
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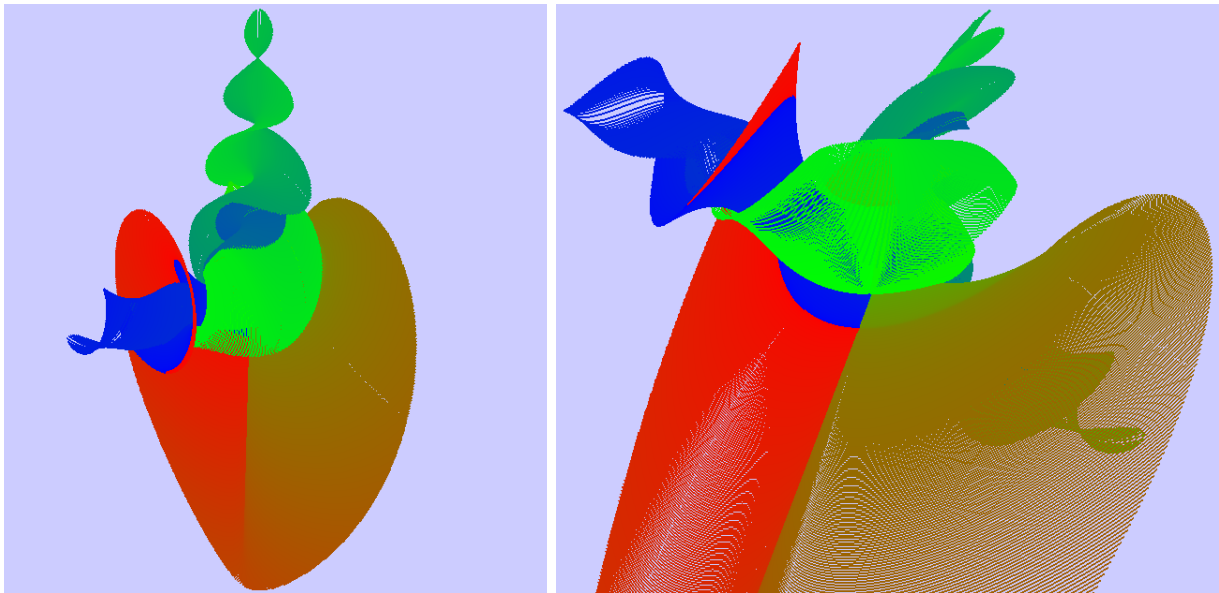
Unstable Manifolds in \mathbb{R}^3 : Orbits of Fixed Length .

The Lorenz Manifold

- For $\rho > 1$ the origin is a saddle point .
- The Jacobian has two negative and one positive eigenvalue .
- The two negative eigenvalues give rise to a 2D stable manifold .
- This manifold is known as the Lorenz Manifold .
- The set-up is as for the earlier 3D model, using fixed length .



Part of the Lorenz Manifold (with blow-up). Orbits have fixed length $L = 60$.

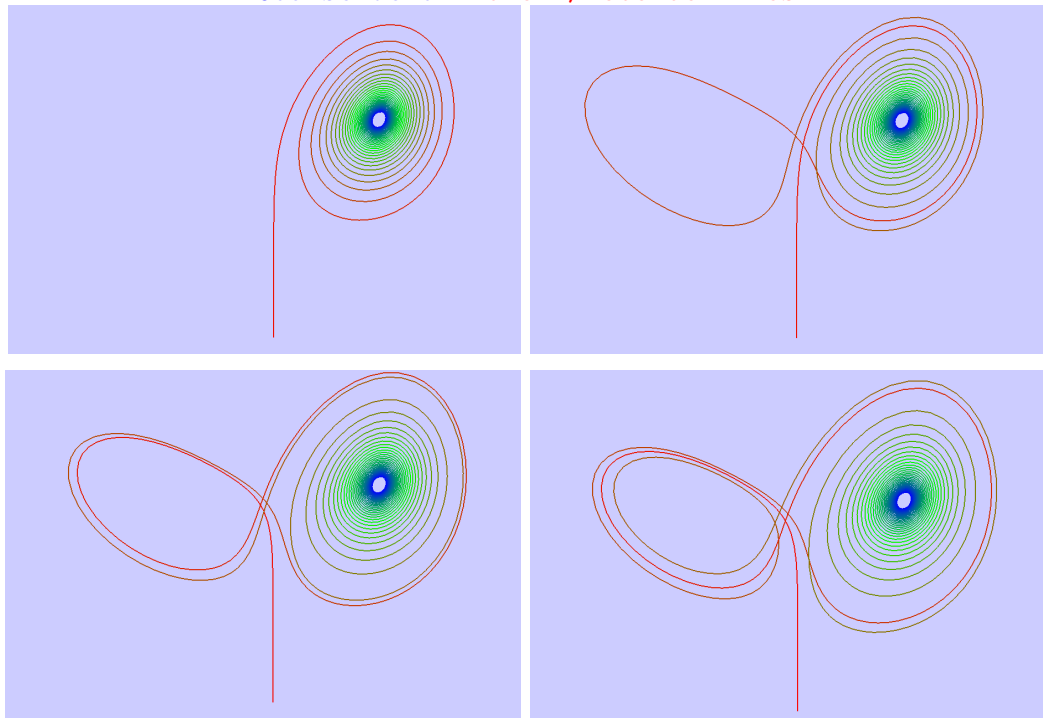


Part of the Lorenz Manifold. Orbits have fixed length $L = 200$.

Heteroclinic Connections.

- The Lorenz Manifold helps understand the Lorenz attractor .
- Many orbits in the manifold depend sensitively on initial conditions .
- During the manifold computation one can locate heteroclinic orbits .
- These are also in the 2D unstable manifold of the nonzero equilibria.
- The heteroclinic orbits have a combinatorial structure ⁴.
- One can also continue heteroclinic orbits as ρ varies.

⁴ Nonlinearity 19, 2006, 2947-2972.



Four heteroclinic orbits with very close initial conditions

One can also determine the [intersection](#) of the Lorenz manifold [with a sphere](#) .

The set-up is as follows :

$$x' = T \sigma (y - x) ,$$

$$y' = T (\rho x - y - x z) ,$$

$$z' = T (x y - \beta z) ,$$

which is of the form

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) = T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t)) , \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1 ,$$

where

- T is the [actual integration time](#) , which is [negative](#) !

To this we add [boundary](#) and [integral constraints](#) .

The **complete set-up** consists of the ODE

$$\mathbf{u}'(t) = T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}(t)) , \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1 ,$$

subject to the following **constraints** :

$$\mathbf{u}(0) - \epsilon (\cos(\theta) \mathbf{v}_1 - \sin(\theta) \mathbf{v}_2) = 0 \quad \mathbf{u}(0) \text{ is on a small } \text{circle}$$

$$\mathbf{u}(1) - \mathbf{u}_1 = 0 \quad \text{to keep track of the } \text{end point } \mathbf{u}(1)$$

$$\|\mathbf{u}_1\| - R = 0 \quad \text{distance of } \mathbf{u}_1 \text{ to the origin}$$

$$\langle \mathbf{u}_1 / \|\mathbf{u}_1\| , \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}_1) / \|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}_1)\| \rangle - \tau = 0 \quad \text{to locate } \text{tangencies}, \text{ where } \tau = 0$$

$$T \int_0^1 \|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u})\| ds - L = 0 \quad \text{to keep track of the orbit } \text{length}$$

$$(T - T_n) (L - L_n) - c = 0 . \quad \text{allows } \text{retraction} \text{ into the sphere}$$

The **continuation system** has the form

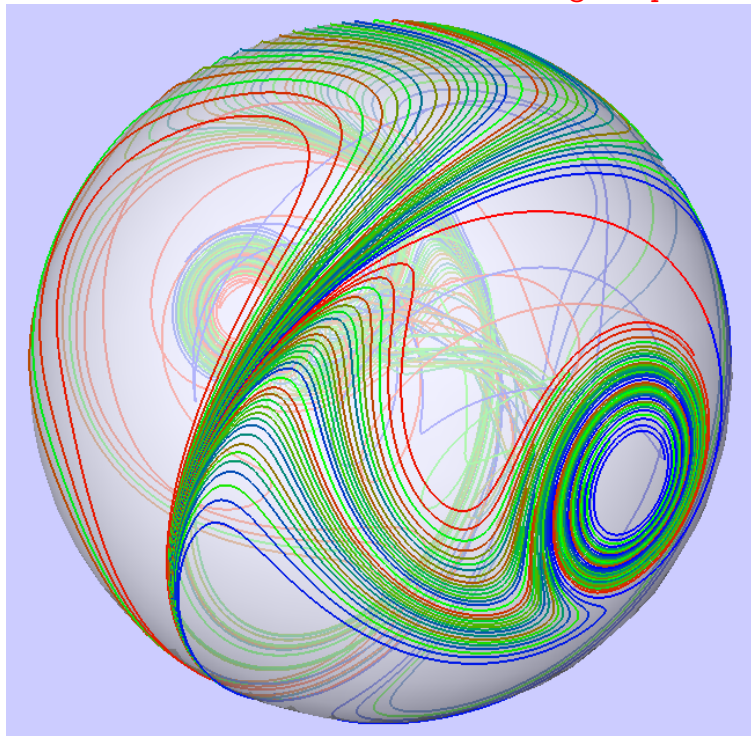
$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}_k) = 0, \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{u}(\cdot), \Lambda).$$

with **continuation equation**

$$\langle \mathbf{X}_k - \mathbf{X}_{k-1}, \dot{\mathbf{X}}_{k-1} \rangle - \Delta s = 0, \quad (\|\dot{\mathbf{X}}_{k-1}\| = 1).$$

The computations are done in 2 **stages** :

- In the first run an orbit is **grown** by continuation :
 - The starting point is on the small circle of radius ϵ .
 - The starting point is in the **strongly stable** direction .
 - The free parameters are $\Lambda = (T, L, c, \tau, R, \mathbf{u}_1)$.
- In the second run the orbit **sweeps** the stable manifold.
 - The initial point is free to **move** around the circle :
 - The free parameters are $\Lambda = (T, L, \theta, \tau, R, \mathbf{u}_1)$.



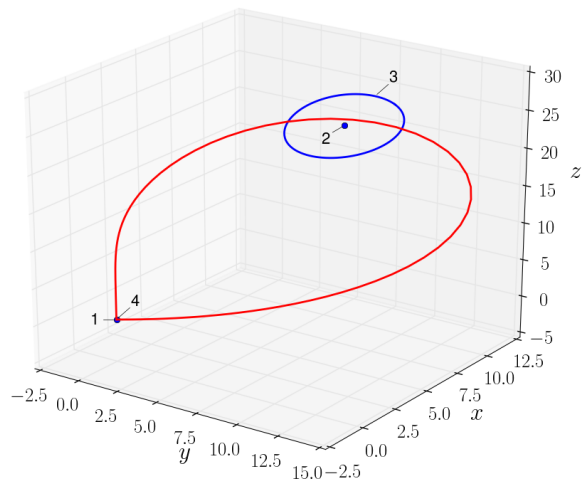
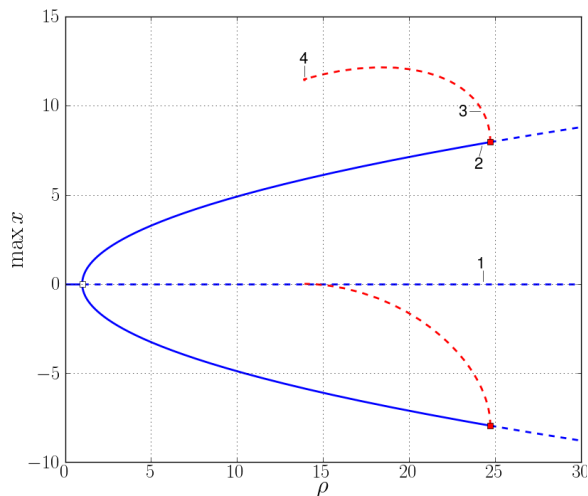
Intersection of the Lorenz Manifold with a sphere

NOTE :

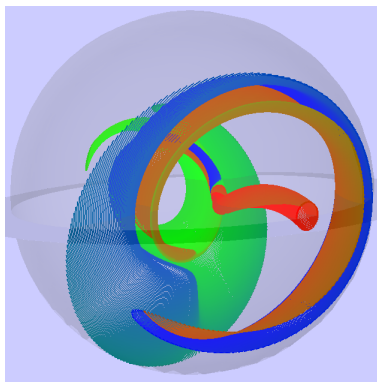
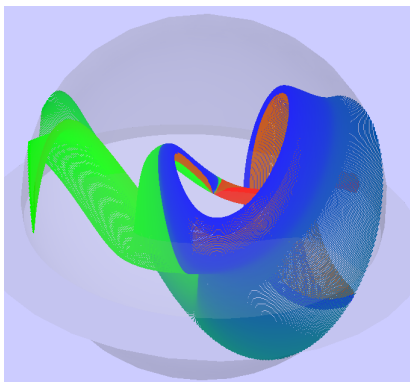
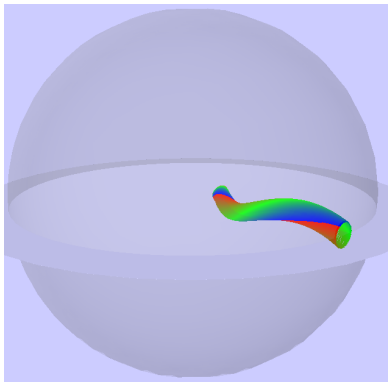
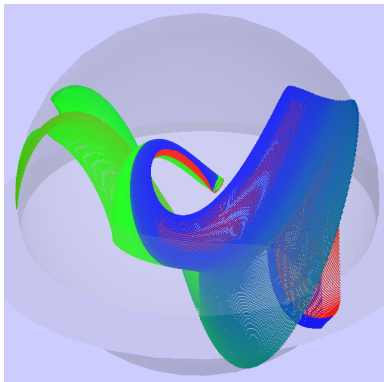
- We do **not** just change the initial point (*i.e.*, θ) and **integrate** !
- Every continuation step requires solving a **boundary value problem** .
- The continuation **stepsize** Δs controls the change in \mathbf{X} .
- \mathbf{X} can only change a **little** in any continuation step.
- This way the **entire** manifold (up to a given length L) is computed.
- The **retraction** constraint allows the orbits to retract into the sphere.
- This is necessary when **heteroclinic connections** are encountered.

EXAMPLE : Unstable Manifolds of a Periodic Orbit .

(Course demo : Lorenz/Manifolds/Orbits/Rho24.3)



Left: Bifurcation diagram of the Lorenz equations. Right: Labeled solutions.

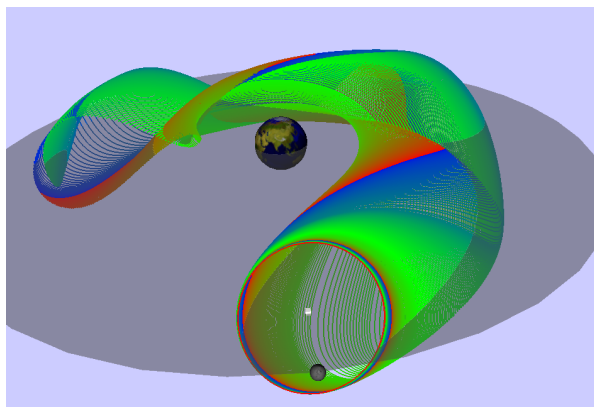
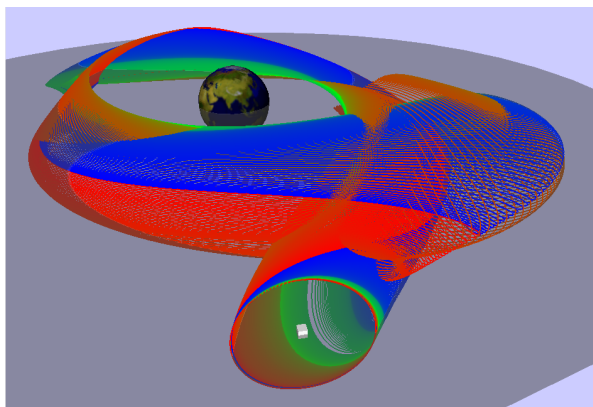
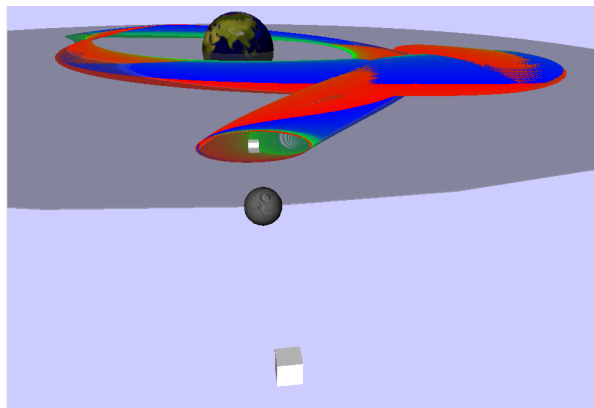
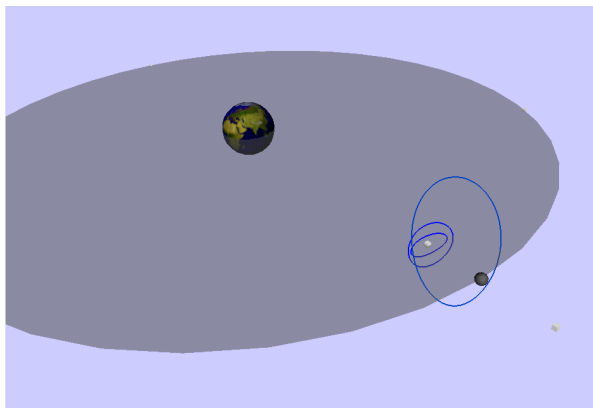


Both sides of the unstable manifold of periodic orbit 3 at $\rho = 24.3$.

EXAMPLE : Unstable Manifolds in the CR3BP .

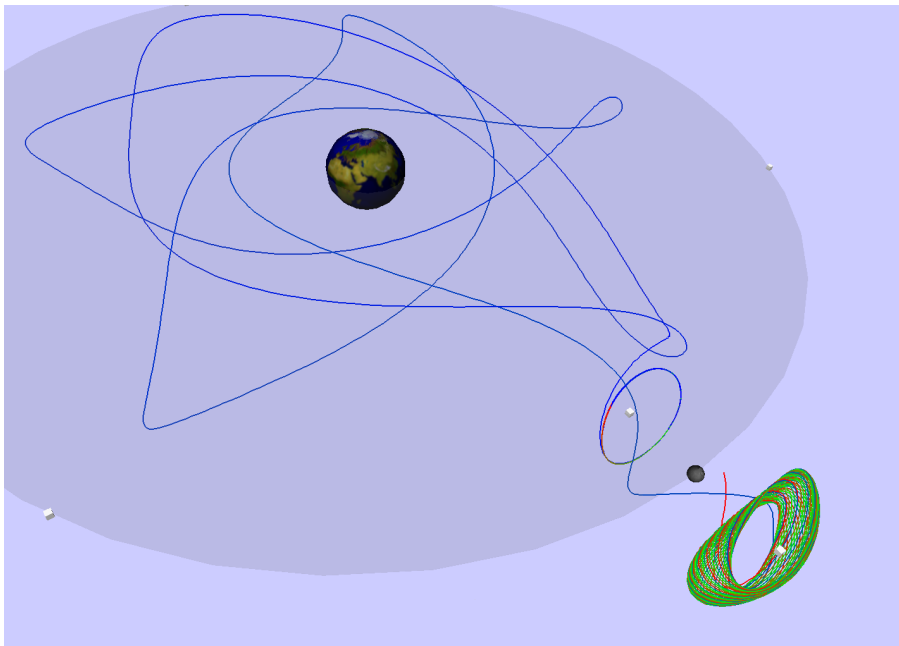
(Course demo : Restricted-3Body/Earth-Moon/Manifolds/H1)

- "Small" Halo orbits have one real Floquet multiplier outside the unit circle.
- Such Halo orbits are unstable .
- They have a 2D unstable manifold .
- The unstable manifold can be computed by continuation .
- First compute a starting orbit in the manifold.
- Then continue the orbit keeping, for example, $x(1)$ fixed .



Part of the unstable manifold of three Earth-Moon L1-Halo orbits.

- The initial orbit can be taken to be **much longer** ...
- Continuation with $x(1)$ fixed can lead to a **Halo-to-torus** connection!



- The Halo-to-torus connection can be continued as a solution to

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}_k) = \mathbf{0} ,$$

$$\langle \mathbf{X}_k - \mathbf{X}_{k-1} , \dot{\mathbf{X}}_{k-1} \rangle - \Delta s = 0 .$$

where

$$\mathbf{X} = (\text{Halo orbit} , \text{Floquet function} , \text{connecting orbit}) .$$

In detail , the continuation system is

$$\frac{du}{d\tau} - T_u f(u(\tau), \mu, l) = 0 ,$$

$$u(1) - u(0) = 0 ,$$

$$\int_0^1 \langle u(\tau) , \dot{u}_0(\tau) \rangle d\tau = 0 ,$$

$$\frac{dv}{d\tau} - T_u D_u f(u(\tau), \mu, l)v(\tau) + \lambda_u v(\tau) = 0 ,$$

$$v(1) - sv(0) = 0 \quad (s = \pm 1) ,$$

$$\langle v(0) , v(0) \rangle - 1 = 0 ,$$

$$\frac{dw}{d\tau} - T_w f(w(\tau), \mu, 0) = 0 ,$$

$$w(0) - (u(0) + \varepsilon v(0)) = 0 ,$$

$$w(1)_x - x_\Sigma = 0 .$$

The system has

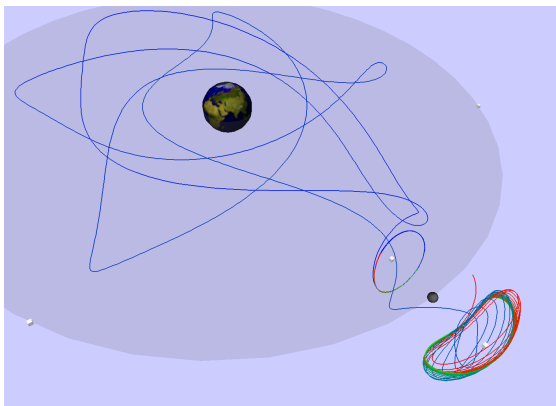
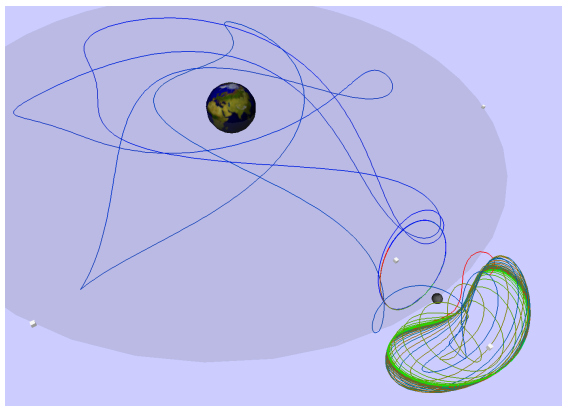
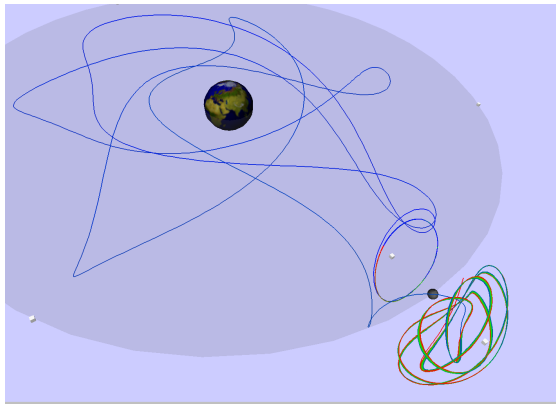
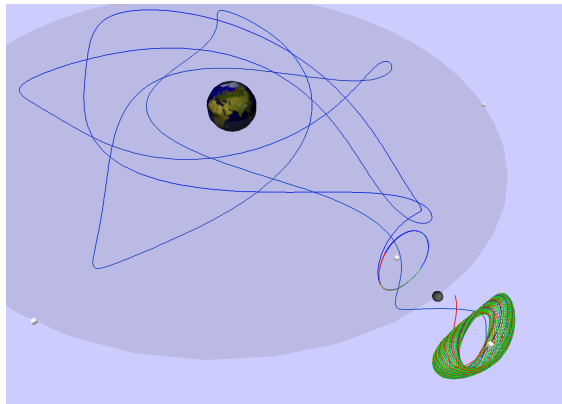
18 ODEs , 20 boundary conditions , 1 integral constraint .

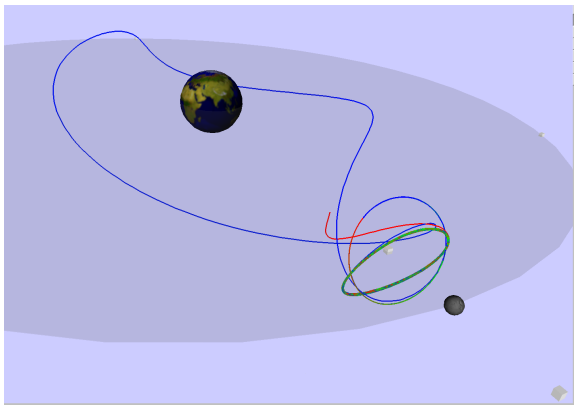
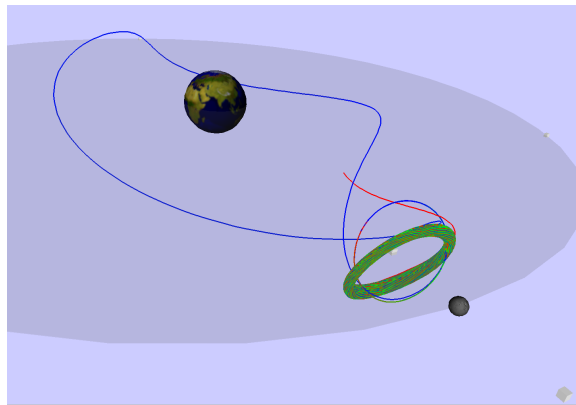
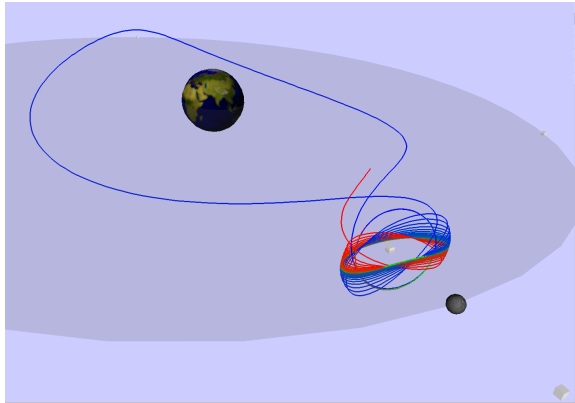
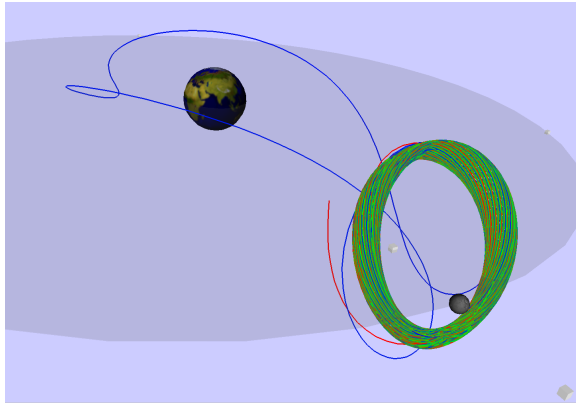
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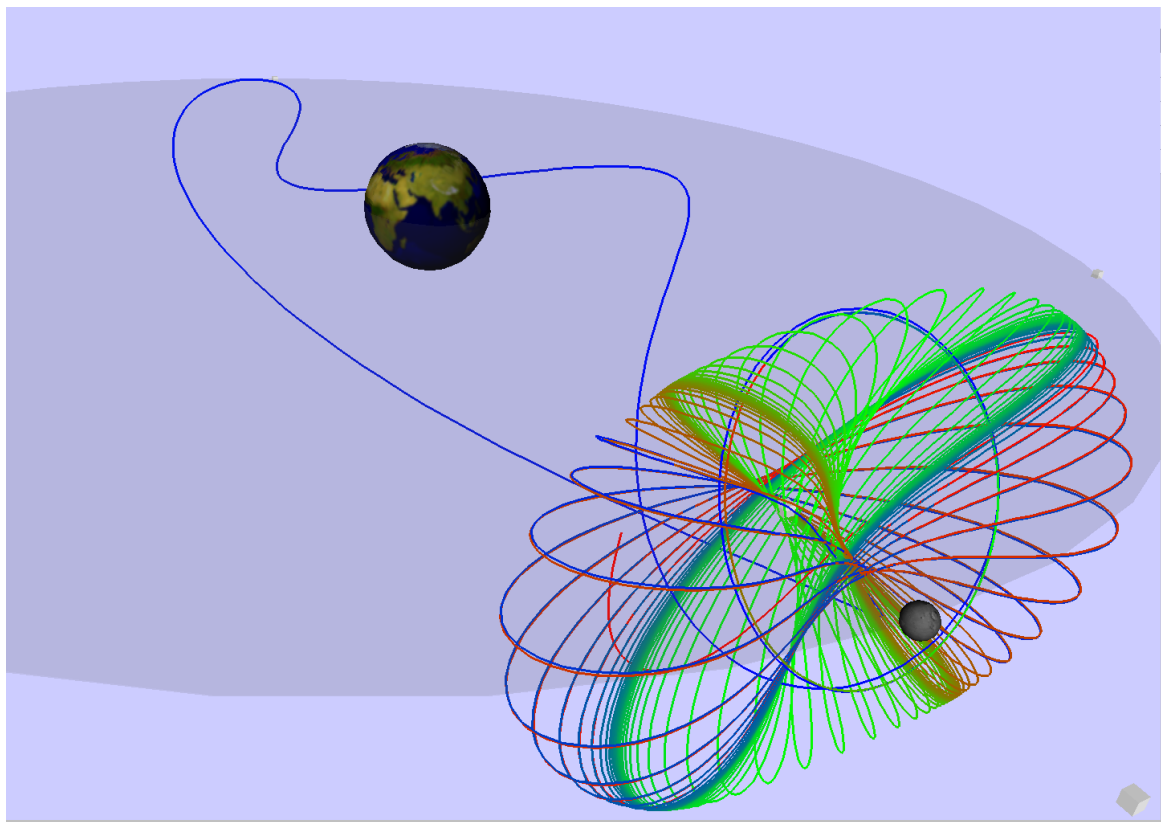
$$20 + 1 + 1 - 18 = 4 \text{ free parameters .}$$

Parameters :

- An orbit in the unstable manifold: T_w , l , T_u , x_Σ
- Compute the unstable manifold: T_w , l , T_u , ε
- Follow a connecting orbit: λ_u , l , T_u , ε







The Solar Sail Equations

The equations in [Course demo : Solar-Sail/Equations/equations.f90](#) :

$$x'' = 2y' + x - \frac{(1-\mu)(x+\mu)}{d_S^3} - \frac{\mu(x-1+\mu)}{d_P^3} + \frac{\beta(1-\mu)D^2N_x}{d_S^2}$$

$$y'' = -2x' + y - \frac{(1-\mu)y}{d_S^3} - \frac{\mu y}{d_P^3} + \frac{\beta(1-\mu)D^2N_y}{d_S^2}$$

$$z'' = -\frac{(1-\mu)z}{d_S^3} - \frac{\mu z}{d_P^3} + \frac{\beta(1-\mu)D^2N_z}{d_S^2}$$

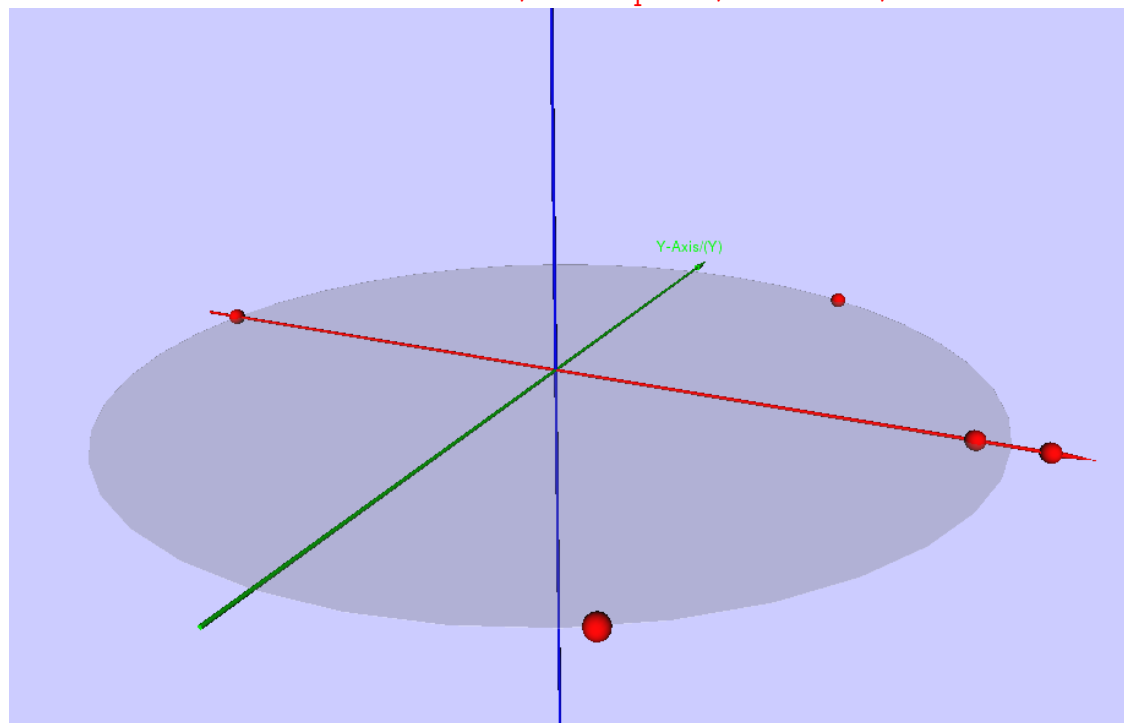
where

$$d_S = \sqrt{(x+\mu)^2 + y^2 + z^2}, \quad d_P = \sqrt{(x-1+\mu)^2 + y^2 + z^2}, \quad r = \sqrt{(x+\mu)^2 + y^2}$$

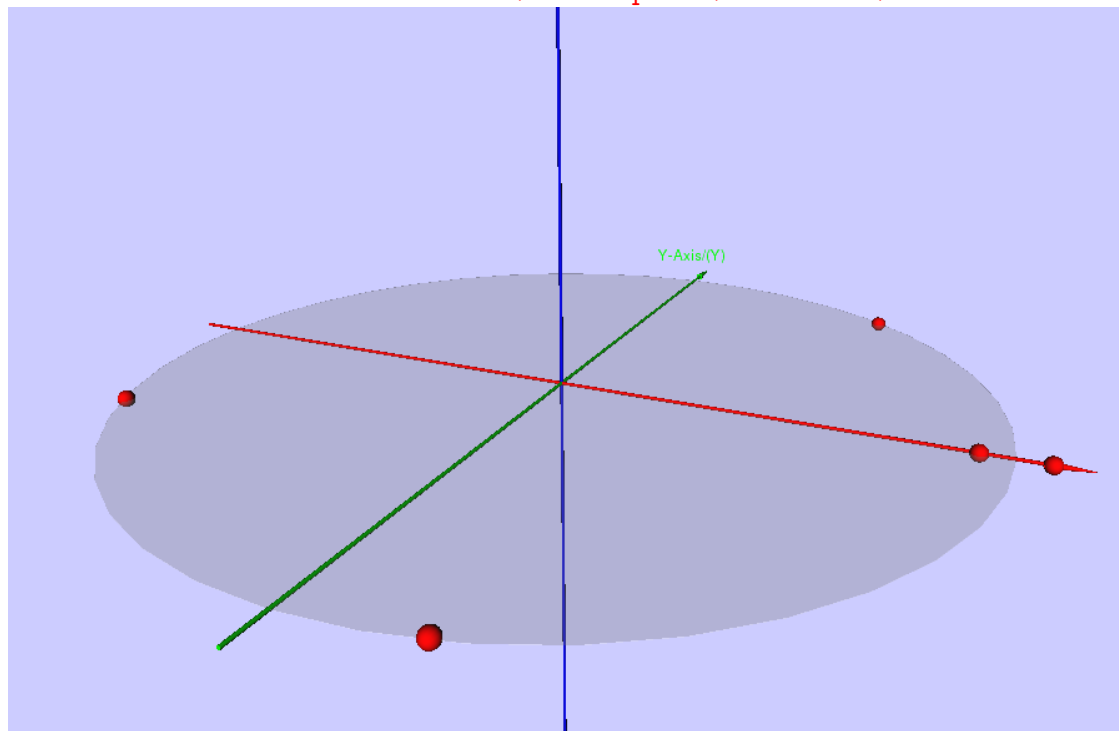
$$N_x = [\cos(\alpha)(x+\mu) - \sin(\alpha)y] [\cos(\delta) - \frac{\sin(\delta)z}{r}]/d_S$$

$$N_y = [\cos(\alpha)y + \sin(\alpha)(x+\mu)] [\cos(\delta) - \frac{\sin(\delta)z}{r}]/d_S$$

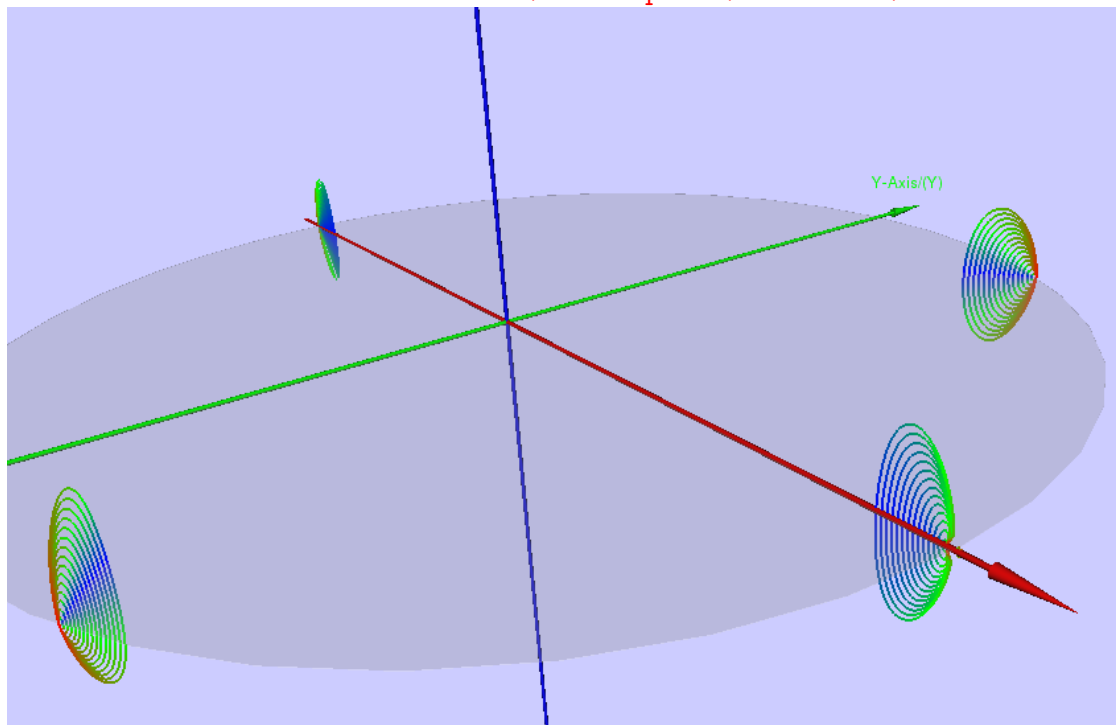
$$N_z = [\cos(\delta)z + \sin(\delta)r]/d_S, \quad D = \frac{x+\mu}{d_S}N_x + \frac{y}{d_S}N_y + \frac{z}{d_S}N_z$$



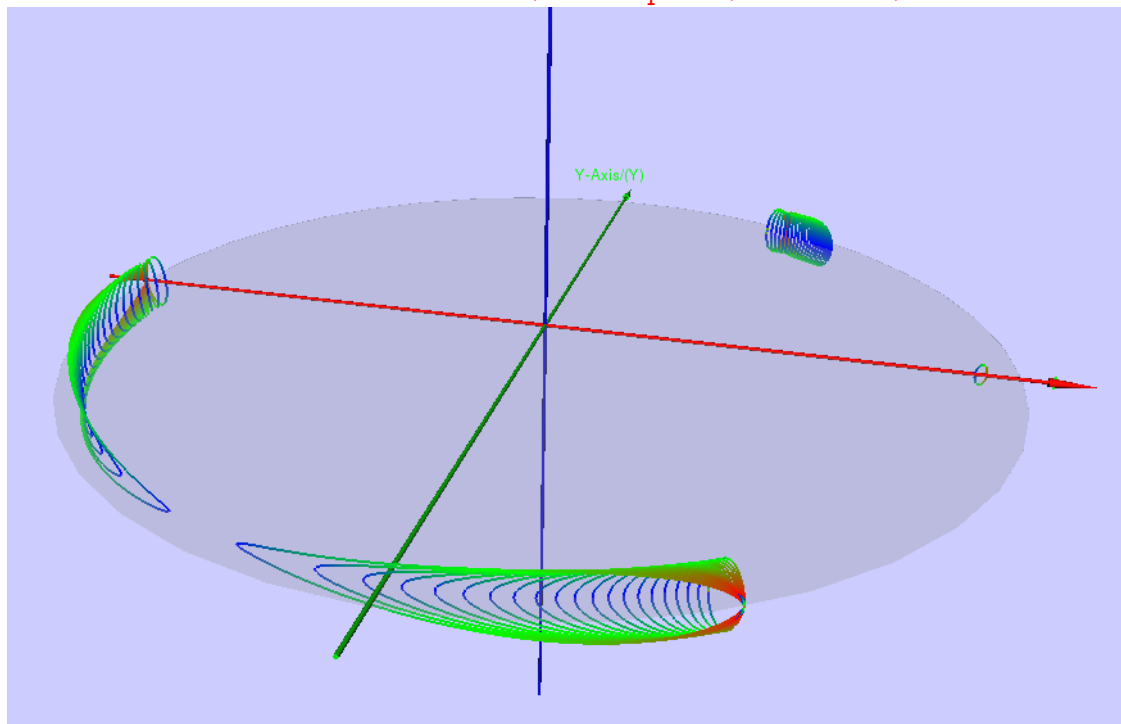
Sun-Jupiter libration points, for $\beta = 0$, $\alpha = 0$, $\delta = 0$.



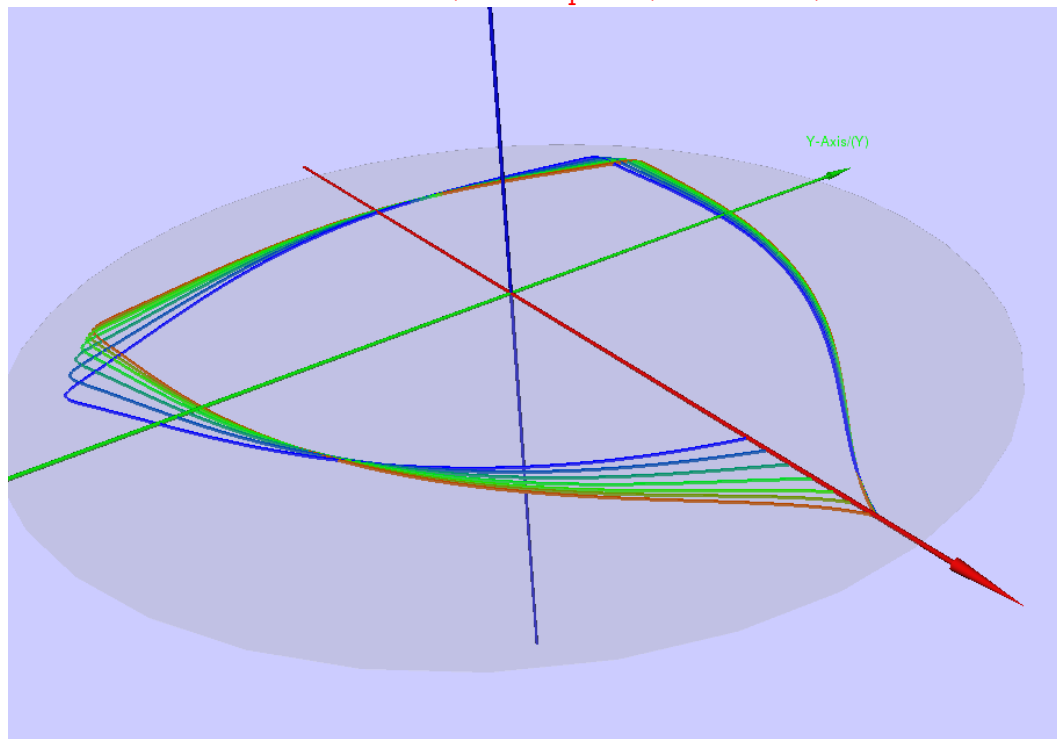
Sun-Jupiter libration points, for $\beta = 0.02$, $\alpha = 0.02$, $\delta = 0$.



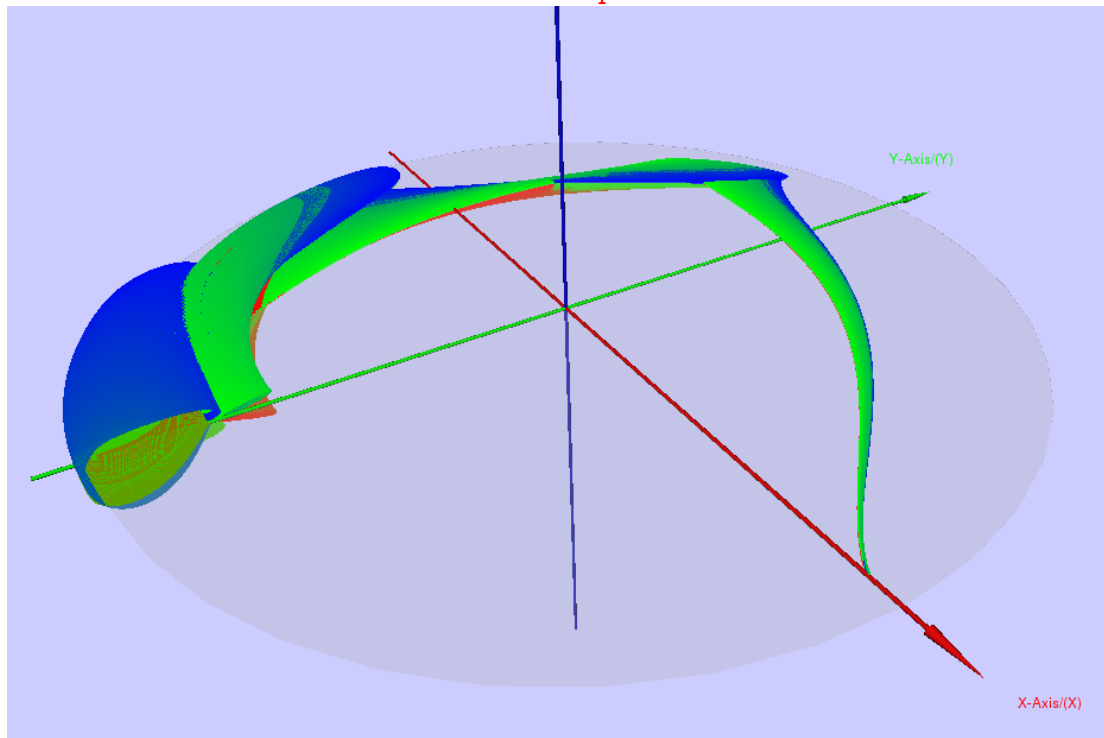
Sun-Jupiter libration points, with $\delta \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$, for various β , with $\alpha = 0$.



Sun-Jupiter libration points, with $\delta \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$, for various α , with $\beta = 0.15$.

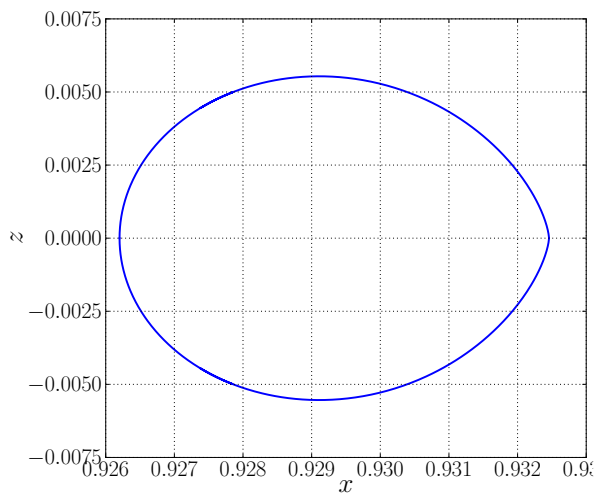


Sun-Jupiter: detection of a homoclinic orbit at $\beta = 0.050698$, with $\alpha = 0$, $\delta = 0$.

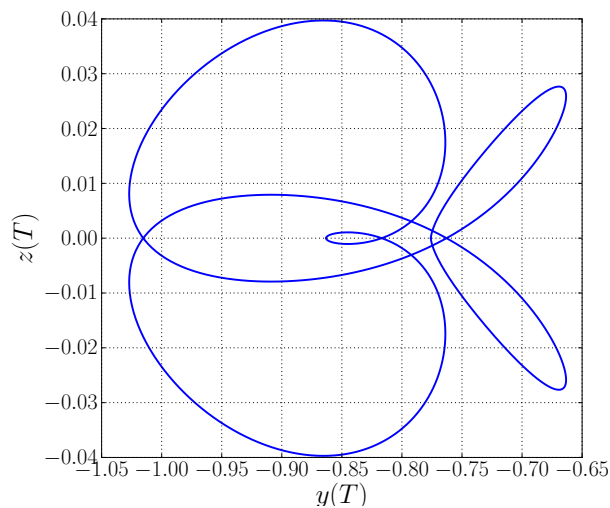


Sun-Jupiter: unstable manifold orbits for $\delta \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$, with $\beta = 0.05$, $\alpha = 0.1$.

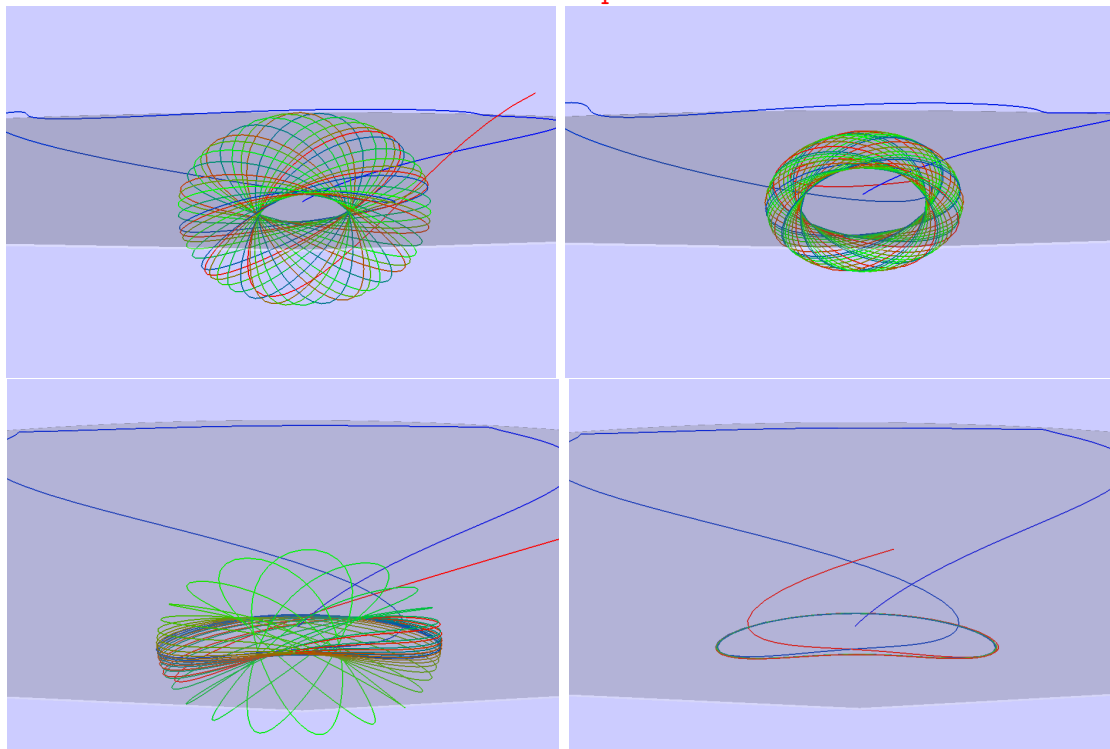
Course demo : Solar-Sail/Sun-Jupiter/Libration/Manifolds



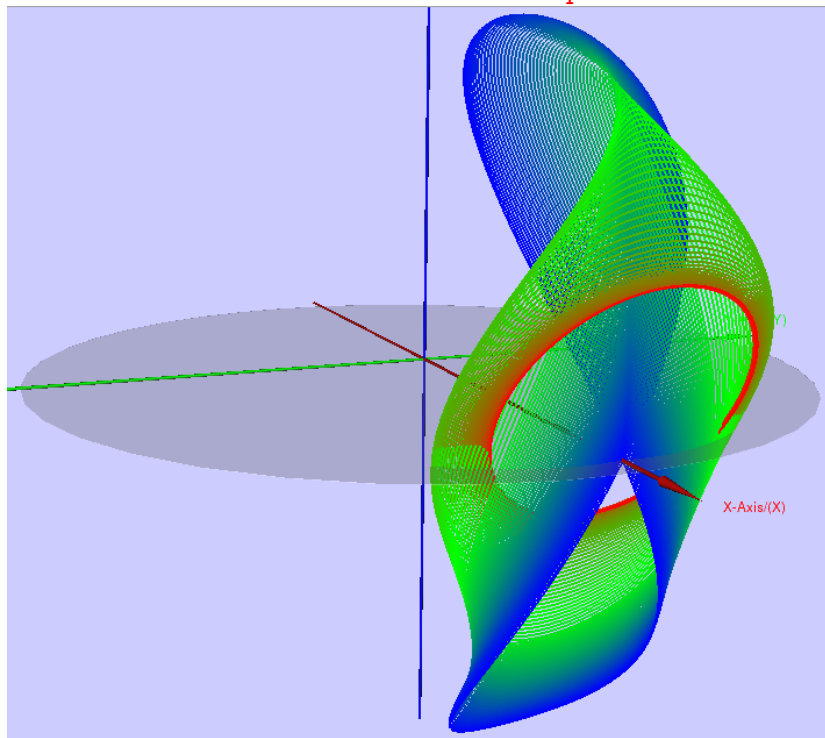
The libration points



The end points



Some connecting orbits for $\alpha = 0.07$ and varying β and δ .



V_1 -orbits with $\beta = 0.15$, $T = 6.27141$, $\delta \in [0, 0.6415]$.