Asymptotic Methods

Hopf bifurcations and delay differential equations

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Consider differential delay equation $u_t = -au(t - \tau) +$ nonlinear terms. Inserting $u = e^{i\sigma t}$ into the linear part, get

$$i\sigma = -a[\cos(\sigma t) - i\sin(\sigma t)]$$

Hopf must occur where σ is real, i.e. where $\sigma \tau = \pi/2 + n\pi$ and $\sigma = a \sin(\sigma \tau)$. First occurrence is $\tau = \pi/(2a)$.

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Observe that $u_0(x, t - \tau_0, s) = Ae^{-i\pi/2}e^{iat} = -iAe^{iat}$, and the cubic term expands

$$(Ae^{iat} + c.c.)^3 = |A|^2 Ae^{iat} + c.c. + non-secular terms$$

Therefore to avoid resonance, get complex Ginzburg-Landau equation

$$(1+i\pi/2)A_s = A_{xx} + A(a^2 - 3b|A|^2).$$

Epidemic model with delayed infection

SIQR model with delayed infection (Wang & Chen, 2016)

$$\begin{split} \dot{S} &= \Lambda - \frac{\beta S \left(t - \tau \right) I \left(t - \tau \right)}{S \left(t - \tau \right) + I \left(t - \tau \right)} - dS, \\ \dot{I} &= \frac{\beta S \left(t - \tau \right) I \left(t - \tau \right)}{S \left(t - \tau \right) + I \left(t - \tau \right)} - \left(c_1 + k + d + \mu_1 \right) I, \\ \dot{Q} &= kI - \left(c_2 + d + \mu_2 \right) Q, \\ \dot{R} &= c_1 I + c_2 Q - dR, \end{split}$$

Equilibrium:

$$S^* = \frac{\Lambda}{\beta + d - (c_1 + k + d + \mu_1)},$$

$$I^* = \frac{[\beta - (c_1 + k + d + \mu_1)]\Lambda}{(c_1 + k + d + \mu_1)[\beta + d - (c_1 + k + d + \mu_1)]}.$$

There are several intervals $[\tau_c, \tau_c^-]$ where Hopf bifurcation exists.

Expand just past onset
$$\tau = \tau_c + \epsilon$$
,
 $\mathbf{x}(t) = \varepsilon \mathbf{x}_1 (T_0, T_2) + \varepsilon^2 \mathbf{x}_2 (T_0, T_2) + \varepsilon^3 \mathbf{x}_3 (T_0, T_2)$
 $+ O(\varepsilon^4)$,

where $T_n = \epsilon^n t$. Leading order solution: $\mathbf{x}_1 = A(T_2) \mathbf{u} e^{i\omega T_0} + \overline{A}(T_2) \overline{\mathbf{u}} e^{-i\omega T_0}$

After a long calculation, get normal form

$$\dot{a} = aR_1 + \frac{1}{4}R_{11\bar{1}}a^3$$
$$\dot{\theta} = I_1 + \frac{1}{4}I_{11\bar{1}}a^2,$$

where $A = a \exp(i\theta)$. If $R_{111} < 0$ supercritical, i.e. exists stable oscillations