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INTRODUCTION

The Technical Faculty “Mihajlo Pupin”, Zrenjanin, of the University of Novi Sad, the Republic of Serbia organizes VIIIth International Scientific Professional Conference “Information Technologies and Development of Education 2017” (ITRO 2017). The Conference will be held on 22nd June 2017 at the Technical Faculty “Mihajlo Pupin” in Zrenjanin, Serbia.

The Conference “Information Technologies and Development of Education 2017” (ITRO 2017) is organized due to the needs to connect science, profession and education through topics and content concept, first of all concerning the teaching process as base of information society. The tendencies of developed countries are in accordance with the efforts of UNESCO to improve this area related to the needs of life and work in the XXIst century. It is necessary to assess the state, detect the problems and perspectives of the development of education by competent professionals and teachers as well as the influence of the development of education on the development of the society as a whole.

The central topic of the meeting is the model of dual education as base for creating good base for the development of industry. Thus, our aim is to gather the representative entities who are able constructively contribute to establishing link between the educational system and industry as follows: Chamber of Commerce of Serbia – Centre for Dual Education, Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development, Union of Employers of Serbia, ZREPOK – Business Organization of Zrenjanin and Companies that run their business in the region, directors of grammar schools and secondary vocational school, members of the academic communities and other participants who are interested in the topics.

The main topics of the scientific professional conference are:

- Model of dual education
- Teaching based on the concept of entrepreneurship

Other thematic areas of the Conference:

- Theoretical and methodological questions of contemporary Pedagogy
- Digital didactics media
- Contemporary communication in teaching
- Curriculum of contemporary teaching
- Developing teaching
- E-learning
- Management in Education
- Teaching methods of natural and technical subjects
- Information-communication technologies

The Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the ITRO 2017 Prof. Dragana Glušac opened the Conference. The participants were addressed by the vice dean of the Technical Faculty »Mihajlo Pupin«, Prof. Dijana Karuović; provincial secretary for science, higher education and scientific Research prof. Zoran Milošević, and the vice-major of Zrenjanin Mr. Dusko Radisic.

There were total of 143 authors that took part at the Conference from 12 countries, 2 continents: 82 from the Republic of Serbia and 61 from foreign countries such as: Macedonia, Bulgaria, Slovakia, Austria, Cyprus, Albania, Hungary, Spain, Bosnia and Herzegovina, USA, Portugal.

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Examples of fold bifurcation in a one-dimensional systems

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Abstract – In this paper will be analyzed a fold bifurcation (or saddle-node bifurcation) in one-dimensional systems, which depend of one parameter r . The analysis will be made via two examples. The examples will analyze the graphical presentations and bifurcation diagram. Finally, we will show that the models of the examples can be represented in one of the normal forms for a fold bifurcation.

I. INTRODUCTION

The fold bifurcations (or saddle-node bifurcation) in a one-dimensional systems $\dot{x} = f(x, r), x \in R$, which depend of a parameter $r \in R$ is discussed in mathematical literature as [1], [2], [3], [4], [5], [6], [7], [8].

In the dynamics of the one-dimensional systems $\dot{x} = f(x, r), x \in R, r \in R$ interesting is the behavior on the system in dependence of the parameter $r \in R$. The fixed points in these systems can exist or can disappear and their stability can change. These qualitative changes on the dynamics of the system are called bifurcations and the values for the parameter $r=r_c$ for which comes to these changes are called a bifurcation point. In other words, for $r=r_c$ occurs a bifurcation, if the qualitative changes of the system are different for $r>r_c$ and $r<r_c$. Then the parameter r is called a bifurcation (control) parameter. Usually for presenting a bifurcation, we use a bifurcation diagram, which is the graphical presentation on the dependence of x from r . In other side, for marking the vector field on the line for the differential equations $\dot{x} = f(x, r)$ is the graphical presentation on the dependence of \dot{x} from x where for $\dot{x} > 0$ the arrows of vector field are targeted to the right and for $\dot{x} < 0$ the arrows of vector field are targeted to the left.

In this paper, we will consider two examples of a fold bifurcation that belong to group on the local bifurcations where the change of stability on fixed point is limited to small regions around her

in the phase space. Because, a fold bifurcation is defined as a local bifurcation where the two fixed points in continuous dynamical system collide and are destroyed (disappear).

The first example is similar with an example in paper [1] on page 35. The second example is unsolved exercise with the title “Fold bifurcation in ecology” in paper [2] on page 104.

The normal forms of the fold bifurcation for a differential equation that depend on one parameter are $\dot{x}=r+x^2$ (i) and $\dot{x}=r-x^2$ (ii) where r is control parameter, [1], [2], [3], [7]. In (i) for $r < 0$ and in (ii) for $r > 0$ there are two fixed points where one is stable, but another is unstable. In (i) and (ii) for $r=r_c=0$ the two fixed points collide and appears a fixed point that is semi-stable fixed point. In (i) for $r > 0$ and in (ii) for $r < 0$, there are not fixed points (they disappeared) and the system is unstable. A bifurcation point appears for $r_c=0$ because in her appears change in behavior of the system where the vector fields for $r < 0$ and $r > 0$ are different.

Close to the fold bifurcation a differential equation which describes the dynamics for one-dimensional system can be reduced to a normal forms (i) or (ii) by [1],[2].

In graphical presentation on the paper, the stable fixed point will be marked with a black point, the unstable fixed point with white point and semi-stable fixed point with the grey point.

II. SIMPLE EXAMPLE FOR A FOLD BIFURCATION

One simple example for a fold bifurcation on a differential equation depending on one control parameter $r \in R$ is

$$\dot{x}=r+x-e^x, x \in R \quad (1)$$

In this example, the fixed points of the system will be found with the geometric approach, because the differential equation $\dot{x} = 0$ does not have the

explicit solution for $r \in R$. An intersection of the functions $r+x$ and e^x are the fixed points for the system (1), where exist a three cases: intersection in two points, intersection in one point and the functions do not have an intersection. An intersection of the functions is presented in Figure 1 with marked vector field. The arrows of vector field are targeted to the right for $r+x > e^x$ ($\dot{x} > 0$) and the arrows of vector field are targeted to the left for $r+x < e^x$ ($\dot{x} < 0$). The two fixed points of the system (1) where x_1 is unstable fixed point and x_2 is stable fixed point are shown also in Figure 1, a). The two fixed points of the system (1) collide and appears one fixed point (semi-stable) $x=0$ which is shown in Figure 1, b). The system does not have a fixed points and it is unstable, Figure 1, c).

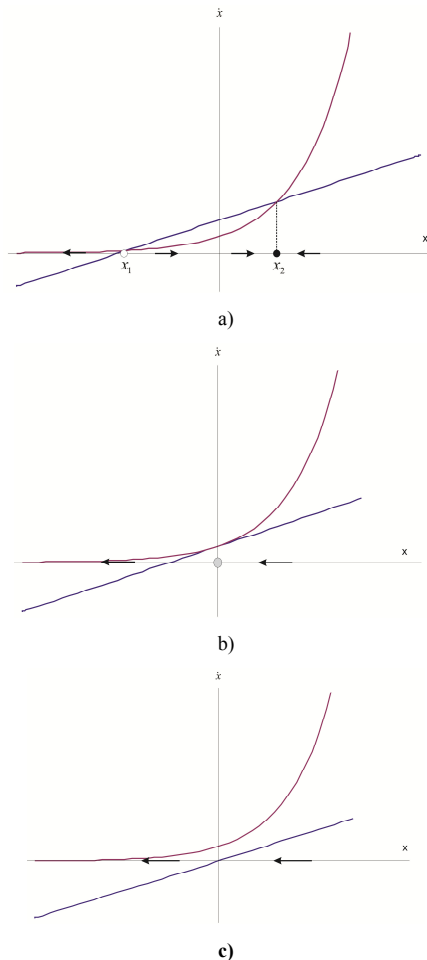


Figure 1. Fold bifurcation for (1)

The fixed point $x=0$ on the Figure 1, b) is a bifurcation point. This bifurcation point is found analytical with an equation

$$r+x=e^x \Leftrightarrow \frac{d(r+x)}{dx} = \frac{d(e^x)}{dx}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1=e^x \Leftrightarrow x=0$$

For $x=x^*=0$ and $\dot{x}=0$ in the equation (1), we obtained the value for the control parameter $r=r_c=1$. This value for the control parameter $r=r_c$ is a fold bifurcation for the system (1), because the vectors fields for $r < 1$ and $r > 1$ are different. This can be seen in Figure 1.

To show that the system (1) can be represented in one of the normal forms ((i) or (ii)) given in the introduction we used the development of the function $e^x = 1+x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + o(x^3)$ in Taylor series (to the third order) in neighborhood of the bifurcation point $x^*=0$. With using (1), we obtain

$$\dot{x} = r+x - (1+x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + o(x^3))$$

$$= (r-1) - \frac{x^2}{2} + o(x^3)$$

Really, the differential equation $\dot{x} = (r-1) - \frac{x^2}{2} + o(x^3)$ corresponds with the normal forms mentioned in the introduction.

III. A FOLD BIFURCATION IN ECOLOGY

A simple ecological model (as a model for single population) is given with following differential equation

$$\dot{x} = a x (1 - \frac{x}{K}) - r \quad (2)$$

where $x(t) > 0$ is the population number in the time t . a is the intrinsic growth rate of the population, K is the carrying capacity of the population and r is the harvest rate as control parameter. We will focus only on the mathematical aspect.

The fixed points are obtained of the equation $\dot{x} = a x (1 - \frac{x}{K}) - r = 0$. There are three cases:

two fixed points, one fixed point and no fixed points. In Figure 2 is marked the fixed point (if there is some) and vector field. The two fixed points of the system (2) where

$$x_1 = \frac{aK - \sqrt{a^2K^2 - 4aKr}}{2a}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{aK + \sqrt{a^2K^2 - 4aKr}}{2a}$$

is unstable fixed point and is stable fixed point are shown in Figure 2, a). The two fixed points of the system (2) collide and appears one fixed point

(semi - stable) $x = \frac{K}{2}$ is shown in Figure 2, b). The system does not have a fixed points and it is unstable, Figure 2, c).

$r_c = \frac{aK}{4}$ with the stable points $x > \frac{K}{2}$ and unstable points $x < \frac{K}{2}$ are shown. Moreover, in Figure 3, c) instability on (2) is shown.

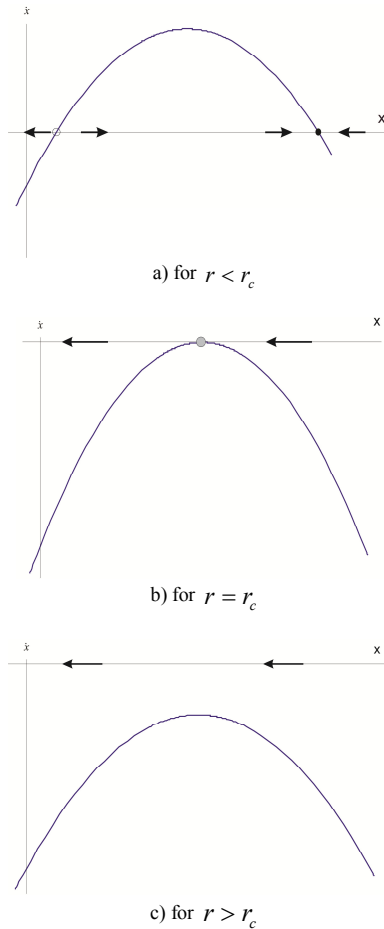


Figure 2. Fold bifurcation for the model (2)

The fixed point $x = \frac{K}{2}$ in Figure 2, b) is a bifurcation point, which will be marked with $x = x^* = \frac{K}{2}$. For $x^* = \frac{K}{2}$ and $\dot{x} = 0$ in the model (2), we obtain the value for the control parameter $r = r_c = \frac{aK}{4}$. This value is a fold bifurcation for the system (2), because the vector field for $r < \frac{aK}{4}$ and $r > \frac{aK}{4}$ are different. This can be seen in Figure 2.

The dependence of $x(t)$ for different initial values for the differential equation (2) is shown in Figure 3. In Figure 3, a) an unstable fixed point x_1 and a stable fixed point x_2 are shown. In Figure 3, b) a semi-stable fixed point (the bifurcation point) $x^* = \frac{K}{2}$ for the values of the control parameter

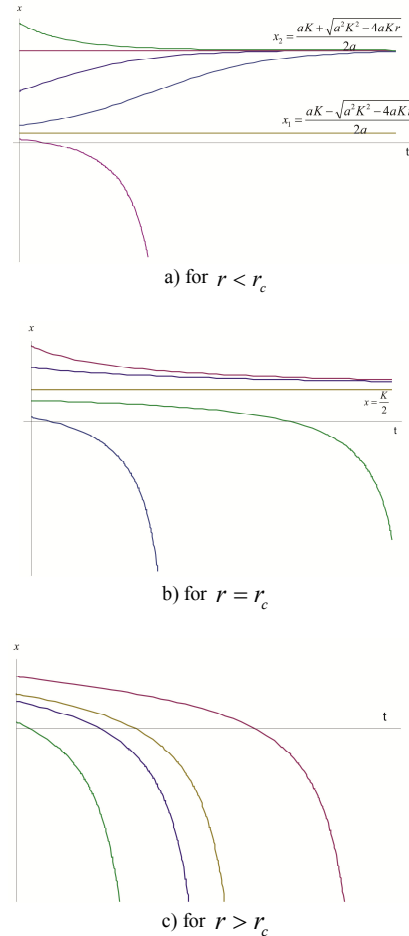


Figure 3. The integral curves for the model (2)

In Figure 4 are shows a bifurcation diagram for the system (2), which presents depends of x from the control parameter r , $x(r)$. For $x > \frac{K}{2}$, the system (2) is stable, for $x < \frac{K}{2}$, the system (2) is unstable and for $x^* = \frac{K}{2}$, x^* is a bifurcation point for the values of the control parameter $r_c = \frac{aK}{4}$.

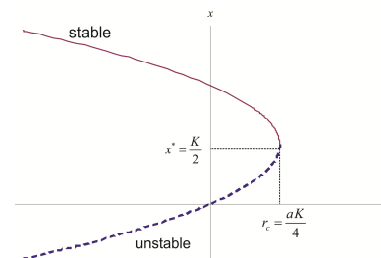


Figure 4. Bifurcation diagram of fold bifurcation for the model (2)

Finally, we come to the following conclusion.

1. When the function has two fixed points then the value of the control parameter is $r < r_c$: If the population $x(t)$ is close to the unstable fixed point x_1 of left then the population $x(t)$ is dying out. If $x(t)$ is close to the unstable fixed point x_1 of right then the population $x(t)$ grows and it is approaching to the stable fixed point x_2 . If $x(t)$ is close to the stable fixed point x_2 of right then the population $x(t)$ is reducing and it is approaching to the stable fixed point x_2 .
2. When the function has one fixed point then the value of the control parameter is $r = r_c$: If $x(t)$ is close to the semi-stable fixed point $x^* = \frac{K}{2}$ of left then the population $x(t)$ is dying out. If $x(t)$ is close to the semi-stable fixed point $x^* = \frac{K}{2}$ of right then the population $x(t)$ is reducing and it is approaching to the stable fixed point $x^* = \frac{K}{2}$. The point $x^* = \frac{K}{2}$ has maximum value for the population, which depends of the K - the carrying capacity.
3. When the function does not have fixed point then the value of the control parameter is $r > r_c$: The system (2) is instable and the population is dying out.

To show that the system (2) can be represented in one of the normal forms ((i) or (ii)) given in the introduction we used the function

$f(x, r) = a x (1 - \frac{x}{K}) - r$ as a function of two variables x and r . In order to analyze the dynamics of the system (2) in neighborhood of the bifurcation point $x^* = \frac{K}{2}$ and when $r_c = \frac{aK}{4}$, the function $f(x, r)$ is developed in Taylor series (to the third order)

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} = f(x, r) = & f(x^*, r_c) + (x - x^*) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{(x^*, r_c)} \\ & + (r - r_c) \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \Big|_{(x^*, r_c)} + \frac{1}{2} (x - x^*)^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \Big|_{(x^*, r_c)} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

where the square member $(r - r_c)$ is discarded. The members $f(x^*, r_c)$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{(x^*, r_c)}$ are zeros, because the point $x^* = \frac{K}{2}$ is a fixed point and because tangential condition of fold bifurcation, respectively. Really,

$$f(x^*, r_c) = a x^* (1 - \frac{x^*}{K}) - r_c = 0$$

and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{(x^*, r_c)} = a - \frac{2ax^*}{K} = 0$. The other expressions are

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \Big|_{(x^*, r_c)} = -\frac{2a}{K} \text{ and } \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \Big|_{(x^*, r_c)} = -1$$

and we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} = & (r - r_c) \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \Big|_{(x^*, r_c)} + \frac{1}{2} (x - x^*)^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \Big|_{(x^*, r_c)} + \dots \\ = & -(r - \frac{aK}{4}) - \frac{a}{K} (x - \frac{K}{2})^2 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

The differential equation

$$\dot{x} = -(r - \frac{aK}{4}) - \frac{a}{K} (x - \frac{K}{2})^2 + \dots$$

correspond with the normal forms mentioned in the introduction.

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