

ON PERIODIC SOLUTIONS OF DYNAMIC, SECOND ORDER, NEARLY PIECEWISE ANALYTIC SYSTEMS

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Necessary and sufficient conditions of existence and stability of periodic solutions of various types are obtained for a particular type of second order, nearly piecewise analytic dynamic systems.

Let us consider the system

$$dx/dt = y, \quad dy/dt = -\psi(x) + \mu f(x, y) \quad (1)$$

and let

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(x) &= \psi_i(x) \quad \text{when } x_{i-1} < x < x_i & f(x, y) &= f_i^{(1)}(x, y) \quad \text{when } x_{i-1} < x < x_i, y > 0 \\ f(x, y) &= f_i^{(2)}(x, y) \quad \text{when } x_{i-1} < x < x_i, y < 0 & (i = \dots -1, 0, 1, \dots) \end{aligned}$$

Here $\psi_i(x)$ and $f_i^{(j)}(x, y)$ ($j = 1, 2$) are analytic functions and μ is a small positive parameter. We assume that at the coordinate origin ($x = 0, y = 0$) the system (1), has the state of equilibrium of the center or "joined center" type.

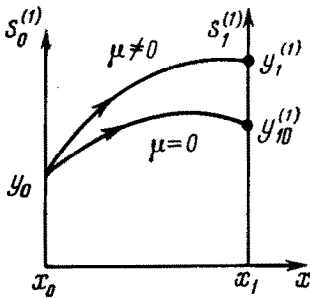


Fig. 1

Let us denote by $S_1^{(1)}$ the lines $x = x_i$ for $y > 0$ and by $S_1^{(2)}$ the lines $x = x_i$ for $y < 0$ and let us consider phase trajectories of the system (1) when $\mu = 0$ and when $\mu \neq 0$, satisfying in both cases the same initial conditions

$$x = x_0, \quad y = y_0 \quad \text{when } t = 0 \quad (2)$$

Assuming that the trajectories of (1) intersect the lines $S_k^{(j)}$ at the points $P_{k0}^{(j)}(x_k, y_{k0}^{(j)})$ when $\mu = 0$ and at $P_k^{(j)}(x_k, y_k^{(j)})$ when $\mu \neq 0$, we shall prove that

$$y_k^{(j)} = y_{k0}^{(j)} + \frac{\mu}{y_{k0}^{(j)}} \int_{L_k^{(j)}} f(x, y) dx + \mu^2(\dots) \quad (3)$$

where $L_k^{(j)}$ is the integral curve of (1) passing, at $\mu = 0$, from the point $P_0(x_0, y_0)$ to the point $P_{k0}^{(j)}(x_k, y_{k0}^{(j)})$.

We shall prove first that Formulas (3) hold when the line $S_0^{(1)}$ is transformed into the line $S_1^{(1)}$ (Fig. 1).

Solution of (1) satisfying the initial conditions (2) can be written, when $\mu = 0$, as

$$x = x_1(h_0, t + \varphi_0), \quad y = y_1(h_0, t + \varphi_0) \quad (4)$$

where h_0 and φ_0 are constants.

Considering that the system (1) has the integral

$$H_1(x, y) \equiv \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \int \psi_1(x) dx = h_0 \quad (x_0 < x < x_1)$$

when $\mu = 0$, we can write a solution for this system when $\mu \neq 0$ which will satisfy the initial conditions (2), in the following form

$$x = x_1 [\alpha_0(t), t + \beta_0(t)] \equiv \xi_1(t), \quad y = y_1 [\alpha_0(t), t + \beta_0(t)] \equiv \eta_1(t) \quad (5)$$

Here $\alpha_0(t)$ and $\beta_0(t)$ represent a solution of

$$\frac{d\alpha_0}{dt} = \mu f_1^{(1)}[\xi_1(t), \eta_1(t)] \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial t}, \quad \frac{d\beta_0}{dt} = -\mu f_1^{(1)}[\xi_1(t), \eta_1(t)] \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial h_0} \quad (6)$$

satisfying the initial conditions $\alpha_0(t) = h_0$ and $\beta_0(t) = \varphi_0$ when $t = 0$.

Writing $\alpha_0(t)$ and $\beta_0(t)$ as power series in μ , we obtain

$$\alpha_0(t) = h_0 + \mu\alpha_{01}(t) + \mu^2(\dots), \quad \beta_0(t) = \varphi_0 + \mu\beta_{01}(t) + \mu^2(\dots)$$

where

$$\alpha_{01}(t) = \int_0^t f_1^{(1)}[x_1(h_0, t + \varphi_0), y_1(h_0, t + \varphi_0)] \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial t} dt \quad (7)$$

(explicit expression for $\beta_{01}(t)$ shall not be utilised, since it can be eliminated from the equations).

Let $t_1^{(1)}$ be the least time in which the representative point moving along the trajectory of (1) reaches the line $S_1^{(1)}$ at the point $P_1^{(1)}(x_1, y_1^{(1)})$.

Putting $t = t_1^{(1)}$ in (5) and expanding the resulting relation into a power series in μ , we obtain

$$t_1^{(1)} = t_{10}^{(1)} + \mu t_{11}^{(1)} + \mu^2(\dots)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= x_1 + \mu \left[y_{10}^{(1)} t_{11}^{(1)} + \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial h_0} \alpha_{01}(t_{10}^{(1)}) + y_{10}^{(1)} \beta_{01}(t_{10}^{(1)}) \right] + \mu^2(\dots) \\ y_1^{(1)} &= y_{10}^{(1)} + \mu \left[\frac{\partial y_1}{\partial t} t_{11}^{(1)} + \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial h_0} \alpha_{01}(t_{10}^{(1)}) + \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial t} \beta_{01}(t_{10}^{(1)}) \right] + \mu^2(\dots) \end{aligned}$$

Taking into account the fact that

$$y_{10}^{(1)} \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial h_0} + \psi_1[x_1(h_0, t_{10}^{(1)} + \varphi_0)] \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial h_0} \equiv 1 \quad (8)$$

we obtain

$$y_1^{(1)} = y_{10}^{(1)} + \frac{\mu}{y_{10}^{(1)}} \int_{L_1^{(1)}} f_1^{(1)}(x, y) dx + \mu^2(\dots) \quad (9)$$

where $L_1^{(1)}$ is a curve defined by (4) and passing through the points $P_0(x_0, y_0)$ and $P_{10}^{(1)}(x_1, y_{10}^{(1)})$.

Assuming that Formula (3) holds during the transformation of the line $S_0^{(1)}$ into $S_{k-1}^{(1)}$ we can show, that it also holds when $S_0^{(1)}$ goes into $S_k^{(1)}$ in the upper semiplane. Moreover, it holds when $S_0^{(1)}$ goes into $S_k^{(2)}$ (when the representative point passes through the straight line $y = 0$ on which the pieces of the function $f(x, y)$ are joined), and the argument which led to the latter statement applies fully to the transformation of the line $S_k^{(2)}$ (in the lower semiplane) into the initial line $S_0^{(1)}$ (in the upper semiplane).

Let us now assume that for $\mu = 0$, the system (1) has a family of periodic solutions $L(y_0)$ depending on the parameter y_0 . Then the point transformation of the line $S_0^{(1)}$ into itself near the closed curve L , have the form

$$y_0^{(1)} = y_0 + \frac{\mu}{y_0} \int_L f(x, y) dx + \mu^2(\dots) \equiv y_0 + \mu F(y_0) + \mu^2(\dots) \quad (10)$$

where $L = L(y_0)$ is a closed integral curve passing through $P_0(x_0, y_0)$.

We have two obvious theorems:

Theorem 1. The condition

$$P_0(x_0, y_0^0 + \mu y_1)$$

is necessary and sufficient for the transformation (10) to have, at sufficiently small μ , a fixed point

$$F(y_0^0) = 0 \quad (11)$$

which tends to $P(x_0, y_0^0)$ as $\mu \rightarrow 0$.

Theorem 2. Let y_0^0 be a solution of (11). If

$$F'(y_0^0) \neq 0$$

then (10) has a fixed point

$$P_0(x_0, y_0^0 + \mu y_1)$$

which tends to $P(x_0, y_0^0)$ when $\mu \rightarrow 0$. This point is stable if $F'(y_0^0) < 0$ and unstable if $F'(y_0^0) > 0$.

The above conditions of existence and stability of periodic solutions of (1) are analogous to the corresponding conditions given in [1] for the systems which are almost Hamiltonian.

If the functions $\psi(x)$ and $f(x, y)$ are periodic in x and their period is 2π , then the phase space of (1) will be cylindrical with two similar lines $x = x_0$ and $x = x_0 + 2\pi$. Theorems 1 and 2 will then refer to the fixed point corresponding to the periodic solution enveloping the phase cylinder. The curve $L(y_0^0)$ will in this case be a closed integral curve of (1) with $\mu = 0$, it will pass through the point (x_0, y_0) and envelope the phase cylinder.

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