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1. **Perko, Section 4.4, Problem 1a** Show that for $a + b \neq 0$ the system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= \mu x - y + a(x^2 + y^2)x - b(x^2 + y^2)y + O(|x|^4) \\ \dot{y} &= x + \mu y + a(x^2 + y^2)x + b(x^2 + y^2)y + O(|x|^4)\end{aligned}$$

has a Hopf bifurcation at the origin at the bifurcation value $\mu = 0$. Determine whether it is supercritical or subcritical.

2. **Perko, Section 4.4, Problem 2** Consider the C^1 system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= \mu x - y - x\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \\ \dot{y} &= x + \mu y - y\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Show that the vector field f defining this system belongs to $C^1(\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R})$: i.e., show that all of the first partial derivatives with respect to x , y and μ are continuous for all x , y and μ
- (b) Write this system in polar coordinates and show that for $\mu > 0$ there is a stable limit cycle around the origin and that for $\mu < 0$ there is no limit cycle around the origin. Sketch the phase portraits for these two cases.
- (c) Sketch the bifurcation diagram for the system, making sure that the size of the limit cycle as a function of μ is accurately represented.
3. The Moore-Greitzer equations model rotating stall and surge in gas turbine engines describe the dynamics of a compression system, such as those in gas turbine engines. The three-state “MG3” equations have the form:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\psi}{dt} &= \frac{1}{4B^2l_c} (\phi - \Phi_T(\psi)), \\ \frac{d\phi}{dt} &= \frac{1}{l_c} \left(\Psi_c(\phi) - \psi + \frac{J}{8} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi_c}{\partial \phi^2} \right), \\ \frac{dJ}{dt} &= \frac{2}{\mu + m} \left(\frac{\partial \Psi_c}{\partial \phi} + \frac{J}{8} \frac{\partial^3 \Psi_c}{\partial \phi^3} \right) J,\end{aligned}$$

where ψ represents the pressure rise across the compressor, ϕ represents the mass flow through the compressor and J represents the amplitude squared of the first modal flow perturbation

(corresponding to a “rotating stall” disturbance). For the Caltech compressor rig, the parameters and characteristic curves are given by:

$$\begin{aligned} B &= 2, & \Phi_T(\psi) &= \gamma\sqrt{\psi}, \\ l_c &= 6, & \Psi_c(\phi) &= 1 + 1.5(\phi - 1) - 0.5(\phi - 1)^3, \\ \mu &= 1.25, & m &= 2. \end{aligned}$$

The parameter γ represents the throttle setting and typically varies between 1 and 2.

- (a) Suppose that we restrict the dynamics of the system to the invariant set given by $J = 0$. Show that the system undergoes a subcritical Hopf bifurcation (this phenomena is called “surge”).
- (b) Compute the bifurcation diagram for the system showing the equilibrium value(s) for J as a function of γ . Make sure to capture the hysteresis loop.
- (c) Suppose that we can modulate the throttle, so that $\gamma = \gamma_0 + u$. Analyze the performance of the system using the Liaw-Abed control law $u = kJ$. Show that if we choose k sufficiently large we can cause the bifurcation to stall to be supercritical.