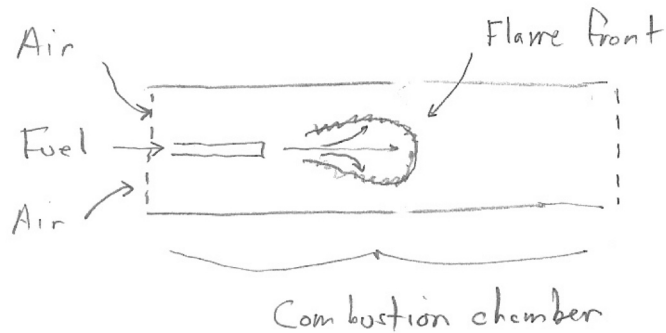


CDS 140b: Control of Limit Cycles

Motivating Example: Combustion Instabilities



Essential physics:

- Fuel + air mix at inlet
- Fuel/air mixture burns and releases heat (pressure source)
- Flame area depends on pressure

Culick model: η = acoustic mode amplitude, A_f = normalized flame area

$$\ddot{\eta} + 2\alpha\dot{\eta} + \omega_c^2\eta = N \frac{d}{dt} \left((1 + A_f) \Delta H_m(\dot{\eta}(t-\tau), \phi) \right)$$

fuel/air ratio (input)

$$\dot{A}_f = b(\sigma\eta - A_f)$$

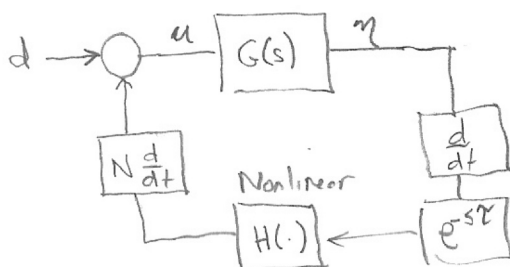
coupling parameter (gain)

Nonlinear heat release model

time delay (nozzle → flame front)

Remarks

1. Model has 3 states, + time delay $\Rightarrow$ infinite dimensional
2. Model is mainly linear, w/ single nonlinearity



Rough analysis: if phasing of acoustics and heat release line up $\rightarrow$ get instability leading to limit cycle.

3. Bifurcation around $(\eta, \dot{\eta}, A_f) = 0$: Homework

Bifurcation control of limit cycles

Consider a nonlinear control system

$$(*) \quad \dot{x} = f(x, u, \mu) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, u \in \mathbb{R}, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$$

Assumptions

A1. f smooth

A2. For $u=0$, $\exists$ nominal eq pt $x_e(\mu)$

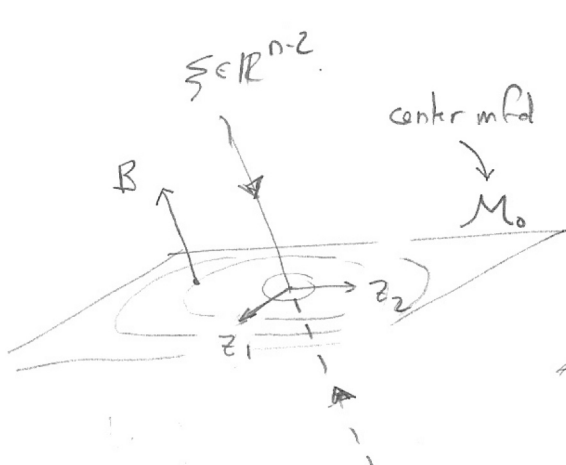
A3. $\exists$ a pair of eigenvalue $\lambda(\mu), \lambda^(\mu)$ for the linearization $(x_e(\mu), 0)$ with $\text{Im}(\lambda(\mu)) \neq 0$, $\frac{d}{d\mu} \text{Re}(\lambda(\mu)) \neq 0$

A4. The eigenspace for $\lambda(\mu)$ is not reachable for the linearization and all other eigenspaces are stable.

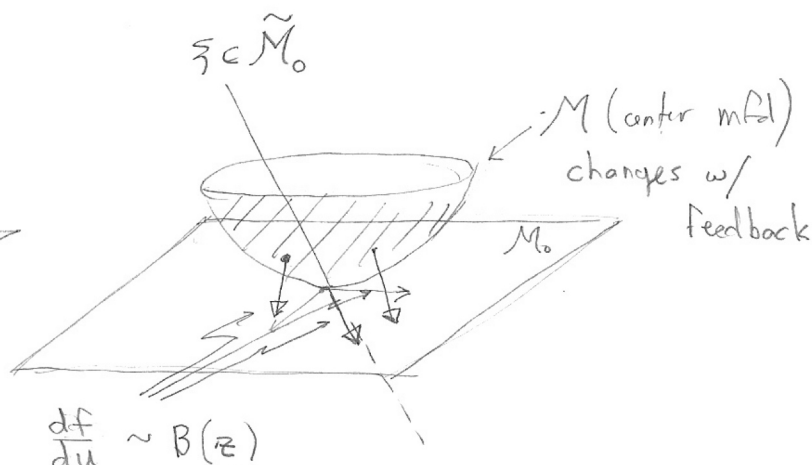
Q: Under what conditions can we cause Hopf bifurcation to be subcritical ($\Rightarrow$ limit cycles grow slowly, no hysteresis, etc)

A1: Rely on algebraic analysis (Abad & Fu, Wong & M, Keng, etc)

A2: Slightly more geometric formulation:



$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} z \\ \xi \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} z \\ \xi \end{bmatrix} + Bu$$



$$\dot{x} = f(x, u, \mu)$$

Geometric Formulation: convert to center mfd coordinates at $\mu = \mu^* = 0$

$$A = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(0,0)$$

$$B = \frac{\partial f}{\partial u}(0,0)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} I \\ \tilde{L}^* \\ \tilde{L} \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} r & r^* & \tilde{r} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i\omega & -i\omega & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$L R = I$$

$$L B = 0$$

Change of coordinates: Let $z \in \mathbb{C}$ parametrize the center manifold:

$$z = L x$$

$$z^* = L^* x$$

$$\tilde{x} = \tilde{L} x$$

$$u = \beta(z, z^*) \text{ [nonlinear]}$$

$$\xi = \beta(u, z, z^*)$$

$$\mathcal{M} = \{x_M \in \mathbb{R}^n : x_M = (\operatorname{Re}(z), \operatorname{Im}(z), \beta(u, z, z^*))\}$$

“Controlled” center manifold
(depends on control law κ)

Geometric objects:

$$\left. \frac{df}{du} \right|_{\mathcal{M}}^{u=0} := \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(\bar{x}, 0) \frac{\partial x_M}{\partial u}(\bar{x}) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial u}(\bar{x}, 0) \quad \text{Control vector evaluated on } \mathcal{M}$$

$$\bar{x} := (\operatorname{Re}(z), \operatorname{Im}(z), \beta(0, z, z^*)) \quad \text{Point on (uncontrolled) center manifold}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_0 := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x = rz + r^* z^*, z \in \mathbb{C}\}$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_0 := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x = \tilde{r} \xi, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^{n-2}\} \quad \leftarrow \text{Linear subspaces}$$

$$P_r := \text{projection to } r \text{ along } \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_0 \oplus \operatorname{span}\{r^*\}$$

$$L_r := \text{directional derivative along } r: L_r f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} r$$

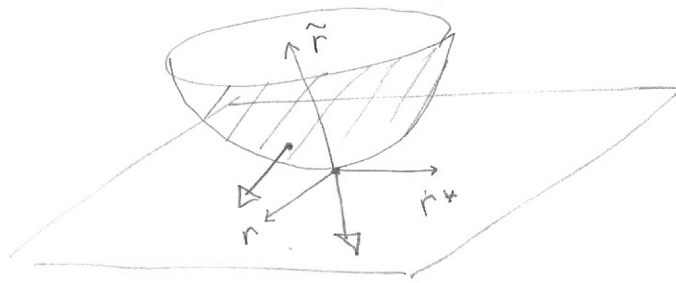
Thm (Wang, 2000) System is stabilizable at $\mu = \mu^*$ if either

$$1) \operatorname{Re} L_r \left\langle L, \left. \frac{df}{du} \right|_{\mathcal{M}}^{u=0} \right\rangle \neq 0 \Rightarrow u = K|z|^2, K \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$2) L_{r^*} \left\langle L, \left. \frac{df}{du} \right|_{\mathcal{M}}^{u=0} \right\rangle \neq 0 \Rightarrow u = Kz^2 + K^* z^{*2}, K \in \mathbb{C}$$

Remarks:

1. Conditions capture the ability of the input to nonlinearly affect the dynamics on the center manifold



$$\left\langle l, \frac{df}{du} \Big|_{u=0} \right\rangle = \text{Effective input vector on center mfd } (l \cdot r = 1)$$

$$L_r(\quad) = \text{nonlinear terms as } I \text{ move on center mfd}$$

Use of Re , r^* , etc makes sure we get real-valued controls.

2. PF follows approach for bifurcation of eq pts (extended to Hopf)
3. Example: Moore-Greitzer with stall amplitude and phase:

$$\dot{\Phi} = \frac{1}{\ell_c} \left(-\Psi + \Phi_c(\Phi) + \Phi_c'' |z|^2 \right)$$

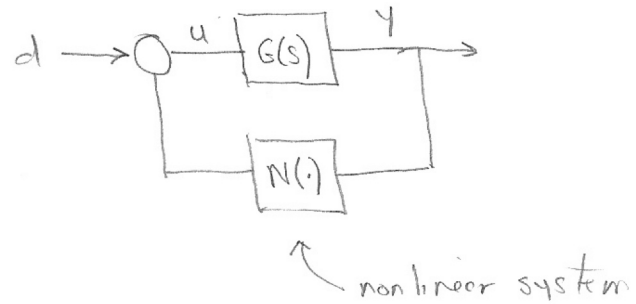
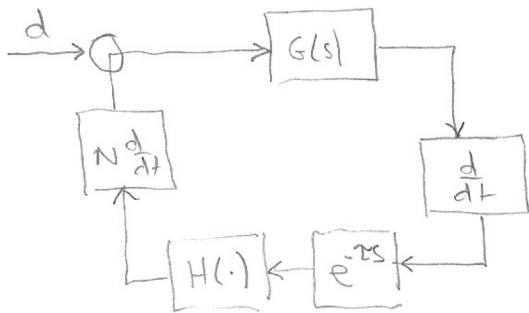
$$\dot{\Psi} = \frac{1}{4B^2 \ell_c} \left(\Phi - \Phi_+(\Psi, \gamma) \right)$$

$$\dot{z} = \frac{1}{m + \mu} \left((\Phi_c'(\Phi) - i\lambda) z + \frac{1}{2} \Phi_c''' |z|^2 z \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow u = K|z|^2 = KJ$$

Loop Analysis of Nonlinear Systems

If nonlinearities enter in a simple way, can often find more constructive techniques:

Approach #1: small gain thm

Let $H: L_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow L_2(\mathbb{R})$ be a linear operator taking square integrable signals to square integrable signals. Define

$$\|H\|_\infty := \sup_{\|u\|_2 \leq 1} \|H(u)\|$$

Thm (small gain) If H_1 and H_2 are connected in a feedback loop then system is stable if $\|H_1 \circ H_2\|_\infty < 1$

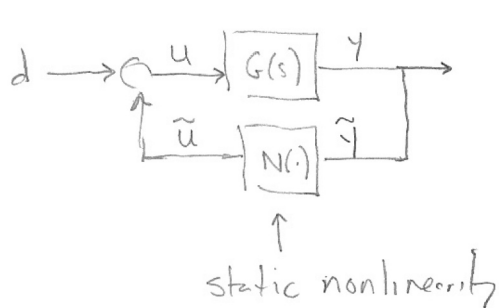
Remarks:

1. In frequency domain, this says $\|L(s)\|_\infty < 1 \Rightarrow$ can't get encirclements of -1 pt $\Rightarrow$ stable via Nyquist.
2. Various nonlinear extensions: circle criterion, ISS-Lyapunov, etc
3. Only useful when we can stabilize the system...

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Approach #2: Harmonic balance

Idea: try to find nonzero solution of loop equations



$$\tilde{y} = \sum_{i=1}^N a_i e^{i\omega_i t}$$

$$\tilde{u} = \sum_{i=1}^N (M_i(a_i) e^{i(\omega_i t + \phi_i(a_i))} + \text{harmonics})$$

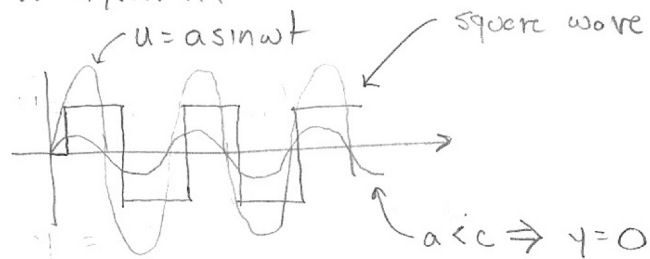
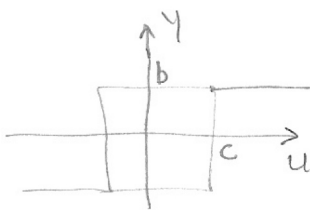
$$u = - \sum_{i=1}^N N(a_i) a_i e^{i\omega_i t} + \text{harmonics}$$

Get nonzero solution if $y = \tilde{y}$:

$$y = - \sum N(a_i, \omega_i) G(i\omega) a_i e^{i\omega_i t} + \text{harmonics} \stackrel{?}{=} \sum_{i=1}^N a_i e^{i\omega_i t}$$

Can use this when harmonics are small compared to primary frequency (often true for highly resonant systems since $G(i\omega)$ is small away from resonance)

Example (AM08): relay with hysteresis



Can show switching times occur at $\omega t = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{c}{a}\right) + n\pi$

First harmonic: $y_1(t) = \left(\frac{4b}{\pi}\right) \sin(\omega t - a)$

$$N(a) = \frac{4b}{a\pi} \left(\sqrt{1 - \frac{c^2}{a^2}} - i \frac{c}{a} \right) \quad a \geq c$$

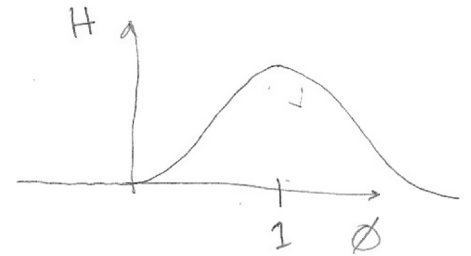
Harmonic balance applied to combustion model

$$\ddot{\eta} = -\omega_0^2 \eta - 2\alpha \dot{\eta} + N \frac{d}{dt} [H(\eta(t-\tau))(1+A)]$$

$$\dot{A} = b(\sigma \dot{\eta} - A)$$

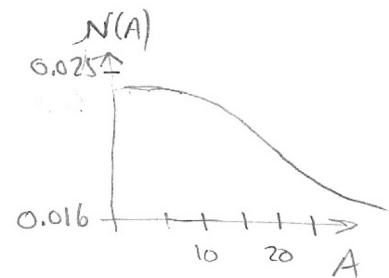
The nonlinear heat release term can be approximated by

$$H(\phi) = \begin{cases} 0 & \phi < 0 \\ N_s \left(1 - \frac{(\phi/k)^p}{1 + (\phi/k)^p} \right) & 0 < \phi \leq 1 \\ \phi e^{-(1-\phi)} & \phi > 1 \end{cases}$$

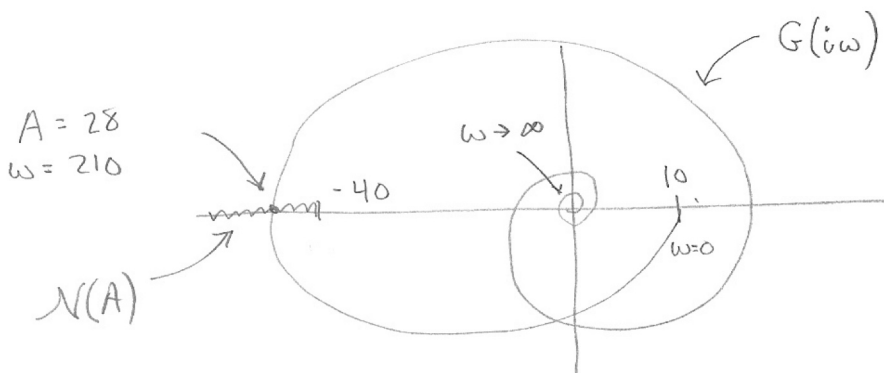


$$\phi = \frac{\eta}{1 + \eta(t-\tau)}$$

$$N(A) = \frac{M_1(A)}{A} \text{ by numerical computation}$$



$$G(s) = \frac{N s^2}{s^2 + 2\alpha s + \omega_0^2} e^{-s\tau}$$



Remarks

1. Effect of control: modify either $G(s)$ or $N(A)$