

45. Hopf Bifurcation of Semilinear Evolution Equations

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1. Introduction and the assumptions. The present paper is concerned with the two problems. The first problem is the Hopf bifurcation problem for a semilinear evolution equation in a real Banach space X (with norm $\| \cdot \|$) with a real parameter λ ;

$$(E) \quad \frac{du}{dt} = Lu + N(u, \lambda) \quad t > 0.$$

The second one is to determine a local ω -limit set of a solution $u(t, x_0)$ of a semilinear evolution equation in X ;

$$(E') \quad \frac{du}{dt} = Lu + N(u) \quad t > 0$$

with an initial value: $u(0) = x_0$. Here we assume

Assumption 1. L is the generator of the holomorphic semigroup, having $\pm i$ as isolated eigenvalues with the algebraic multiplicity one and the other spectrum $\sigma'(L)$ of L being properly contained in the left half-(complex)plane;

$$\sup_{\mu \in \sigma'(L)} \operatorname{Re} \mu < -c$$

(c : a positive constant).

Assumption 2. $N(x, \lambda)$ is a C^3 -mapping of a neighborhood of 0 in $X \times \mathbb{R}^1$ into X such that $N(0, 0) = 0$, $D_x N(0, 0) = 0$. ($D_x N(0, 0)$ means the Fréchet derivative of $N(x, \lambda)$ with respect to x at $x = 0$, $\lambda = 0$.)

Assumption 2'. $N(x)$ is a C^3 -mapping of a neighborhood V of 0 (in X) into X such that $N(0) = 0$.

Before stating our results, we shall give the definition of a local ω -limit set of a solution $u(t, x_0)$ of (E'). Let U_1, U_2 be neighborhoods of 0 with $U_1 \subset U_2 \subset V$. For $x_0 \in U_1$ we define a local ω -limit set $\Omega_{U_1, U_2}(x_0)$ of a solution $u(t, x_0)$ of (E') by

$$\Omega_{U_1, U_2}(x_0) = \begin{cases} \bigcap_{s \geq 0} \text{closure} \{u(t, x_0); t \geq s\} & (\text{if } u(t, x_0) \in U_2, t \geq 0) \\ \phi & (\text{otherwise}) \end{cases}.$$

2. Results. Theorem 1. *Under Assumptions 1 and 2, if a null solution 0 of (E) changes its stability at $\lambda = 0$, then non-stationary periodic orbits bifurcate from $(x, \lambda) = (0, 0)$.*

Theorem 2. *Under Assumptions 1 and 2', there exists a neighborhood $U_1(\subset V)$ of 0 such that if $\sup_{x \in V} \|D_x N(x)\|$ is sufficiently small, then for some $U_2(U_1 \subset U_2 \subset V)$ and for any $x_0 \in U_1$ with $\Omega_{U_1, U_2}(x_0) \neq \phi$, $\Omega_{U_1, U_2}(x_0)$ consists only of a periodic orbit $\gamma(x_0)$ of (E') in U_2 ($\gamma(x_0)$ may be $\{0\}$).*

Moreover, $u(t, x_0) \rightarrow \gamma(x_0)$ ($t \rightarrow \infty$). In particular, the condition $\Omega_{U_1, U_2}(x_0) \neq \emptyset$ is satisfied if we further assume; (i) a null solution 0 is unstable, and (ii) there exists a unique non-stationary periodic orbit of (E') in U_2 , which is stable.

The proofs of theorems will be published elsewhere.

3. Remarks. Remark 1. Let $\kappa(\lambda)$ be the eigenvalue near i of the linearized operator $L + D_x N(0, \lambda)$. E. Hopf [3] showed that if

$$(1) \quad \partial \operatorname{Re} \kappa(0) / \partial \lambda \neq 0,$$

then non-stationary periodic orbits of (E) bifurcate from $(x, \lambda) = (0, 0)$. The condition (1) can be replaced by the condition (2): $\operatorname{Re} \kappa(\lambda) > 0$ ($\lambda > 0$) and a null solution 0 is asymptotically stable at $\lambda = 0$ ([1]), or the condition (3): $\operatorname{Re} \kappa(\lambda)$ changes its sign at $\lambda = 0$ ([4]). All the above conditions are sufficient in order that a null solution 0 changes its stability at $\lambda = 0$ ([2]).

Remark 2. Under the condition (2), Chafee [1] showed that if $\lambda > 0$ is sufficiently small and if an initial value x_0 is sufficiently near 0, then as $t \rightarrow \infty$, a solution $u(t, x_0, \lambda)$ of (E) converges either to $\{0\}$ or to an invariant set, which lies on a locally invariant manifold of dimension two.

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