

# BIFURCATIONS IN A DISCRETE NONLINEAR DIFFUSION EQUATION

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**ABSTRACT.** We consider an infinite dimensional dynamical system what is called Lattice Dynamical System given by a discrete nonlinear diffusion equation. By assuming the nonlinearity to be a general nonlinear function with mild restrictions, we show that as the diffusion parameter changes the stationary states of the given system undergoes bifurcations from the zero state to a bounded invariant set or a 3- or 4-periodic state in the global phase space of the given system according to the values of the coefficient of the linear part of the given nonlinearity.

## 1. Introduction

Over the past ten years, a new class of infinite dimensional dynamical systems, so called Lattice Dynamical Systems (LDS), have been studied by many researchers. These systems proved to be a very useful tool for the investigation of behavior of physical systems with particle-like localized unbounded media. They are also effectively used in computer simulations of discretized partial differential equations [1, 2, 3].

Now suppose that at each site  $j$  of a  $d$ -dimensional lattice  $\mathbf{Z}^d$ , we have a finite dimensional local dynamical system which is defined by some map  $f_j : M_j \rightarrow M_j$ , where  $M_j$  is a local phase space at the site  $j$ . For simplicity, we consider an infinite chain ( $d = 1$ ) and  $M_j = \mathbf{E}^p \forall j \in \mathbf{Z}$ , where  $\mathbf{E}^p$  is a  $p$ -dimensional Euclidean space with ordinary inner product  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  and the norm  $|\cdot| = \sqrt{(\cdot, \cdot)}$ . Then we have an infinite dimensional dynamical system with the phase space  $M = \prod_{j \in \mathbf{Z}} M_j$  and a

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point  $u \in M$  can be thought of as a biinfinite sequence  $u = \{u_j\}$ , where  $u_j \in M_j$ ,  $j \in \mathbf{Z}$ . To make the linear space  $M$  (with componentwise addition and scalar multiplication) to be a Hilbert space, we equip  $M$  with the inner product defined by

$$\langle u, v \rangle_q = \sum_{j \in \mathbf{Z}} \frac{(u_j, v_j)}{q^{|j|}} \quad \forall u, v \in M,$$

where  $q > 1$  is some fixed number depending on the particular problem.

Define  $\|\cdot\|_q = \sqrt{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_q}$  and  $B_q = \{u \in M \mid \|u\|_q < \infty\}$ . Then it can be easily shown that  $B_q$  is a Hilbert space [1].

DEFINITION 1. Define the evolution operator  $\Phi : B_q \longrightarrow B_q$  by

$$(1) \quad (\Phi u)_j = H(\{u_j\}^s),$$

where  $\{u_j\}^s = \{u_i \mid |i - j| \leq s, j \in \mathbf{Z}, s \geq 1 \text{ integer}\}$  and  $H : (\mathbf{E}^p)^{2s+1} \longrightarrow \mathbf{E}^p$  is a differentiable map of class  $C^2$  such that

$$(2) \quad \left| \frac{\partial H}{\partial u_i} \right| \leq A, \quad \left| \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial u_i \partial u_j} \right| \leq A,$$

for any collection  $\{u_j\}^s$  and some constant  $A$ .

Then it is easy to verify that under the condition (2),  $\Phi(B_q) \subset B_q$  and  $\Phi$  is Lipschitz continuous with the constant  $L = C(2s + 1)^{\frac{3}{2}} q^{\frac{s}{2}}$  [1].

DEFINITION 2. Given a state  $u(n) = \{u_j(n)\}_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \in B_q$  at the moment  $n$ , we can obtain via (1) the next state  $u(n + 1)$ , that is,

$$(3) \quad \begin{aligned} u(n + 1) &= \Phi(u(n)) \quad \text{or} \\ u_j(n + 1) &= (\Phi(u(n)))_j = H(\{u_j(n)\}^s). \end{aligned}$$

The dynamical system  $(\Phi^n, B_q)_{n \in \mathbf{Z}^+}$  is called a *lattice dynamical system* (LDS).

**DEFINITION 3.** A state (or solution)  $u_j(n)$  for (3) is *spatially homogeneous* if  $u_j(n) = \xi(n) \forall j \in \mathbf{Z}$  and is *stationary* if  $u_j(n) = \psi_j \forall n \in \mathbf{Z}^+$ . If  $\Phi^m u = u$  for some  $m \in \mathbf{Z}^+$ , then  $u$  is *time  $m$ -periodic* and  $u_{j+k} = u_j \forall j \in \mathbf{Z}$  for some  $k \in \mathbf{Z}^+$ , then  $u$  is *space  $k$ -periodic*. If  $u$  is both time  $m$ -periodic and space  $k$ -periodic, then we shall briefly call such  $u$  an  *$(m, k)$ -periodic solution*.

For instance, the spatially homogeneous stationary solutions are  $(1, 1)$ -solutions.

**DEFINITION 4.** The translational group  $\{S^j\}_{j \in \mathbf{Z}}$  acts on  $B_q$  by

$$(4) \quad (S^{j_0} u)_j = u_{j+j_0},$$

where  $S : B_q \rightarrow B_q$  is a shift operator defined by

$$(Su)_j = u_{j+1}$$

and  $S^j$  is the  $n$ th iteration of  $S$ . The dynamical system  $(\{S^j\}, B_q)_{j \in \mathbf{Z}}$  is called a *translational dynamical system (TDS)*.

Obviously, the TDS  $\{S^j\}_{j \in \mathbf{Z}}$  is generated by the shift map  $S^1 = S$ .

## 2. Discrete diffusion equations with general nonlinearity

Consider a discrete version of one-dimensional nonlinear diffusion equation of the form

$$(5) \quad u_j(n+1) = u_j(n) + f(u_j(n)) + ((1+\varepsilon)u_{j-1}(n) - 2u_j(n) + u_{j+1}(n)),$$

where  $\varepsilon$  is a sufficiently small real parameter and it represents a symmetric or asymmetric diffusion coupling according to  $\varepsilon = 0$  or  $\varepsilon \neq 0$  respectively, and  $f$  is a nonlinear function of class  $C^\infty$  in the form

$$(6) \quad \begin{aligned} f(u) &= au + \mathcal{O}(|u|^2), \quad 0 < a < 4 \quad \text{for } |u| \leq R, R \gg 1, \text{ and} \\ |f'(u)| &\leq A, \quad |f''(u)| \leq A \quad \forall u \in \mathbf{R} \quad \text{and for some constant } A. \end{aligned}$$

In this paper, we will restrict our attention to stationary solutions of (5) and investigate bifurcation phenomena of them as  $\varepsilon$  varies. Setting

$u_j(n) = \psi_j \forall j \in \mathbf{Z}, n \in \mathbf{Z}^+$ , (5) becomes a second order difference equation

$$(7) \quad f(\psi_j) + (1 + \varepsilon)\psi_{j-1} - 2\psi_j + \psi_{j+1} = 0.$$

and putting again

$$(8) \quad x_j = \psi_{j-1}, y_j = \psi_j$$

we obtain a 2D discrete dynamical system

$$(9) \quad \begin{aligned} x_{j+1} &= y_j \\ y_{j+1} &= 2y_j - (1 + \varepsilon)x_j - f(y_j) \end{aligned}$$

This system is generated by the Hénon-type map

$$(10) \quad F_\varepsilon : (x, y) \longrightarrow (y, 2y - (1 + \varepsilon)x - f(y))$$

and, in fact, a TDS on the set of stationary states of (5).

Note that bounded orbits of (9)  $(\dots, (x_j, y_j), (x_{j+1}, y_{j+1}), \dots)$  are bounded solutions of (7)  $\psi = (\dots, \psi_j = y_j, \psi_{j+1} = y_{j+1}, \dots)$  which are in turn bounded stationary states  $\psi \in B_q$  of (5). Now, we investigate the bounded orbits of (9). Let

$$K = \{(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}^2 \mid |F_\varepsilon^j(x, y)| < \infty \forall j \in \mathbf{Z}\}.$$

Define a map  $h : K \longrightarrow B_q$  by

$$(h(x, y))_j = \pi_2 \circ F_\varepsilon^j(x, y) \quad \forall (x, y) \in K, j \in \mathbf{Z},$$

where  $\pi_2$  is a projection onto the  $y$ -axis in the  $(x, y)$ -plane. Then,  $h : K \longrightarrow h(K) \subset B_q$  is a homomorphism and  $h \circ F_\varepsilon = S \circ h$ , i.e.,  $F_\varepsilon|_K$  and  $S|_{h(K)}$  are topologically conjugate.

### 3. Bifurcation analysis

Consider again the Hénon-type map (10)

$$F_\varepsilon : (x, y) \longrightarrow (y, 2y - (1 + \varepsilon)x - f(y)),$$

where  $f$  satisfies the conditions (6). Notice that  $(0, 0)$  is a fixed point of  $F_\varepsilon \forall \varepsilon \in \mathbf{R}$  and via (8) it corresponds to a spatially homogeneous stationary state  $u_j(n) = 0 \forall j \in \mathbf{Z}, n \in \mathbf{Z}^+$  in (5). When  $\varepsilon = 0$ , the linear part  $DF_0(0, 0)$  of the map  $F_0$  at  $(0, 0)$  has complex conjugate eigenvalues  $\lambda_0, \bar{\lambda}_0$  with  $|\lambda_0| = 1$  and

$$(11) \quad \lambda_0 = \frac{1}{2} \left[ (2 - a) + i\sqrt{a(4 - a)} \right].$$

Here we assume that  $0 < a < 4$  and  $a \neq 1, 2, 3$  so that  $\lambda_0^n \neq 1$  for  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4$ .

When  $\varepsilon \neq 0$ , let  $A_\varepsilon = DF_\varepsilon(0, 0)$ . Then  $A_\varepsilon$  has also complex conjugate eigenvalues  $\lambda(\varepsilon), \bar{\lambda}(\varepsilon)$  with  $\lambda(0) = \lambda_0$  if  $|\varepsilon|$  is sufficiently small so that  $|\varepsilon| < a(4 - a)/4$ . Moreover, we note that  $|\lambda(\varepsilon)| = \sqrt{1 + \varepsilon}$  and so  $\frac{d}{d\varepsilon} |\lambda(\varepsilon)| \Big|_{\varepsilon=0} = \frac{1}{2} > 0$ . In other words, the map  $F_\varepsilon$  satisfies the Hopf condition at weak resonance.

Since  $F_\varepsilon$  is at least of class  $C^2$  near  $(0, 0)$ ,  $\lambda_\varepsilon$  is at least of class  $C^1$  and we can write

$$(12) \quad \lambda(\varepsilon) = \lambda_0(1 + \lambda_1\varepsilon + \mathcal{O}(|\varepsilon|^2)).$$

Let

$$\lambda_0 = e^{i2\pi\theta_0}, \quad \lambda_1 = Re\lambda_1 + i2\pi\theta_1, \quad \lambda(\varepsilon) = |\lambda(\varepsilon)|e^{i2\pi\theta(\varepsilon)}.$$

Then from (12), we can write

$$(13) \quad \begin{aligned} |\lambda(\varepsilon)| &= 1 + \varepsilon Re\lambda_1 + \mathcal{O}(|\varepsilon|^2), \\ \theta(\varepsilon) &= \theta_0 + \varepsilon\theta_1 + \mathcal{O}(|\varepsilon|^2), \end{aligned}$$

where  $Re\lambda_1 > 0$  since  $\frac{d}{d\varepsilon} |\lambda_\varepsilon| \Big|_{\varepsilon=0} > 0$ . With slight abuse of notation, let us write

$$(14) \quad F_\varepsilon(x) = A_\varepsilon x + \mathcal{O}(|x|^2), \quad \text{where } x = (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbf{R}^2.$$

Note that the higher order term is in general form because of the arbitrariness of the nonlinearity  $f$  in (5). Since  $A_\varepsilon$  has complex conjugate eigenvalues  $\lambda(\varepsilon), \bar{\lambda}(\varepsilon)$  with  $\lambda(\varepsilon) = |\lambda(\varepsilon)|e^{i2\pi\theta(\varepsilon)}$ , it may be put in the Jordan form by a linear transformation and henceforth we may assume that (14) has been written in this form with

$$(15) \quad A_\varepsilon = |\lambda(\varepsilon)| \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2\pi\theta(\varepsilon) & -\sin 2\pi\theta(\varepsilon) \\ \sin 2\pi\theta(\varepsilon) & \cos 2\pi\theta(\varepsilon) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now we may identify  $\mathbf{R}^2$  and  $\mathbf{C}$  by setting  $z = x_1 + ix_2$ , and considering  $z, \bar{z}$  as independent variables.

Then (14) can be rewritten in the following complex form, again denoted as  $F_\varepsilon$ ,

$$(16) \quad F_\varepsilon(z) = \lambda(\varepsilon)z + R(z, \bar{z}, \varepsilon),$$

where  $\lambda(\varepsilon)$  satisfies (13) and  $R(z, \bar{z}, \varepsilon) = \mathcal{O}(|z|^2)$ .

Now, according to the theory of normal form in the case of weak resonance ( $\lambda_0^n \neq 1, n = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ), [4], there exists a  $C^\infty$   $\varepsilon$ -dependent change of coordinates such that in the new coordinates  $F_\varepsilon$  has the form, again denoted as  $F_\varepsilon$ ,

$$(17) \quad F_\varepsilon(z) = \lambda(\varepsilon)z + \alpha(\varepsilon)z^2\bar{z} + \beta(\varepsilon)\bar{z}^4 + R_5(z, \bar{z}, \varepsilon),$$

where  $R_5(z, \bar{z}, \varepsilon) = \mathcal{O}(|z|^5)$  and one can make  $\beta(\varepsilon) = 0$  if  $\lambda_0^5 \neq 1$ .

We first consider the case of weak resonance. Writing again  $F_\varepsilon$  in polar coordinates  $z = re^{i2\pi\phi}$ ,  $F_\varepsilon(z) = Re^{i2\pi\Phi}$  and after some calculations we obtain

$$(18) \quad \begin{cases} R = (1 + \varepsilon Re\lambda_1)r - \alpha r^3 + Re(\beta_0\bar{\lambda}_0 e^{-i10\pi\phi})r^4 + \mathcal{O}(|\varepsilon|^2 r + |\varepsilon|r^3 + r^5), \\ \Phi = \phi + \theta_0 + \varepsilon\theta_1 + \omega_1 r^2 + \mathcal{O}(|\varepsilon|^2 + |\varepsilon|r^2 + r^3) \pmod{1}, \end{cases}$$

where  $\alpha_0 = \alpha(0)$ ,  $\beta_0 = \beta(0)$  and  $\alpha = -Re(\alpha_0\bar{\lambda}_0)$ ,  $\omega_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi}Im(\alpha_0\bar{\lambda}_0)$ . We assume that  $\alpha \neq 0$ . When  $\varepsilon = 0$ , the first equation of (18) becomes

$$(19) \quad R = r(1 - \alpha r^2) + \mathcal{O}(r^4)$$

and by simple graphical analysis we know that the fixed point  $r = 0$  is asymptotically stable if  $\alpha > 0$  and is unstable if  $\alpha < 0$ . When  $\varepsilon \neq 0$ , from (18), we have a fixed point  $r = 0$  and invariant circles  $\varepsilon = \frac{\alpha}{Re\lambda_1} r^2 + \mathcal{O}(r^3)$ . When  $\alpha > 0$ , the fixed point  $r = 0$  is asymptotically stable for  $\varepsilon \leq 0$  and becomes unstable for  $\varepsilon > 0$ , when a stable attracting invariant circle bifurcates from the origin  $r = 0$ . When  $\alpha < 0$ , the fixed point  $r = 0$  is unstable for  $\varepsilon \geq 0$  and becomes stable for  $\varepsilon < 0$ , when an unstable (repelling) invariant circle bifurcates from  $r = 0$ .

Returning to the map (9) and our original equation (5), the fixed point  $r = 0$  corresponds to the spatially homogeneous stationary state  $\psi_j = 0 \forall j \in \mathbf{Z}$  and the invariant circle corresponds to the bounded invariant set  $S = \{\psi \in B_q \mid \|\psi\|_\infty \leq r\}$  in  $B_q$ . Summarizing the above analysis, we obtain the following results.

**THEOREM 1.** *Suppose that the nonlinearity  $f$  of (5) is of class  $C^\infty$  and satisfies the conditions (6) and assume that  $0 < a < 4$  and  $a \neq 1, 2, 3$ . Suppose also that the associated Hénon-type map (10) has been put in a complex normal form*

$$F_\varepsilon(z) = \lambda(\varepsilon) + \alpha(\varepsilon)z^2\bar{z} + \mathcal{O}(|z|^4),$$

where  $\lambda(\varepsilon) = \lambda_0(1 + \lambda_1\varepsilon + \mathcal{O}(|\varepsilon|^2))$  and  $\lambda_0 = \lambda(0)$ . Assume that  $\alpha = -Re(\alpha_0\lambda_0) \neq 0$ , where  $\alpha_0 = \alpha(0)$ . Then, when  $\alpha > 0$ , the zero stationary state  $u = 0$  of (5) is asymptotically stable for  $\varepsilon \leq 0$ , and becomes unstable for  $\varepsilon > 0$  and an attracting invariant bounded set in  $B_q$  of the form

$$\{u \in B_q \mid \|u\|_\infty \leq r\}, \quad r = \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon Re\lambda_1}{\alpha}} + o(|\varepsilon|^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

bifurcates from the zero state  $u = 0$ .

When  $\alpha < 0$ , the zero stationary  $u = 0$  of (5) is unstable for  $\varepsilon \geq 0$ , and become stable for  $\varepsilon < 0$  and a repelling invariant bounded set of the above form bifurcates from the zero state  $u = 0$ .

Next, we consider the case of strong resonance. In this case, the normal form of the associated Hénon-type map takes the form

$$(20) \quad F_\varepsilon(z) = \lambda(\varepsilon)z + c_{02}(\varepsilon)\bar{z}^2 + c_{21}(\varepsilon)z^2\bar{z} + \mathcal{O}(|z|^4)$$

when  $\lambda_0^3 = 1$  and

$$(21) \quad F_\varepsilon(z) = \lambda(\varepsilon)z + d_{21}(\varepsilon)z^2\bar{z} + d_{03}(\varepsilon)\bar{z}^3 + \mathcal{O}(|z|^5)$$

when  $\lambda_0^4 = 1$ , respectively [4]. To examine the periodic orbits of  $F_\varepsilon(z)$ , write the equation  $F_\varepsilon^n(z) = z$  in the equivalent system

$$(22) \quad F_\varepsilon(x_i) = x_{i+1}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n-1, \quad F_\varepsilon(x_n) = x_1,$$

where  $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n \subset \mathbf{C}$ , is a  $n$ -cycle of  $F_\varepsilon$ . Rewriting (22) in the vector-matrix form, we have

$$(23) \quad Sx = \mathcal{F}_\varepsilon(x),$$

where  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbf{C}^n$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_\varepsilon(x) = (F_\varepsilon(x_1), \dots, F_\varepsilon(x_n)) \in \mathbf{C}^n$ , and

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and diagonalizing  $S$  by a linear change of coordinates  $y = Px$ , (23) can be written as

$$(24) \quad \Phi(y, \varepsilon) = P\mathcal{F}_\varepsilon(P^{-1}y) - \Lambda y = 0,$$

where

$$\Lambda = PSP^{-1} = \text{diag}(1, \bar{\lambda}_0, \bar{\lambda}_0^2, \dots, \bar{\lambda}_0^{n-1}), \quad \Phi : \mathbf{C}^n \times \mathbf{R} \longrightarrow \mathbf{C}^n.$$

Since the linear part  $L \equiv Dy\Phi(0, 0)$  has the kernel which is a  $1D$  subspace of  $\mathbf{C}^n$ , we can apply the Liapunov-Schmidt method [5] to obtain a bifurcation function

$$(25) \quad g(y_n, \varepsilon) \equiv \langle \Phi(y, \varepsilon), v_n \rangle = 0,$$

where  $y = y_n v_n + \theta(y_n, \varepsilon)$ ,  $v_n = (0, \dots, 0, 1) \in \text{Ker}L$ ,  $\theta(y_n, \varepsilon) \in (\text{Ker}L)^\perp$  and we know that  $\theta(y_n, \varepsilon) = \mathcal{O}(|\varepsilon| \cdot |y_n| + |y_n|^2)$  by implicit



differentiation. Also letting  $z = \frac{1}{n}y_n$ , one can easily show that equation (25) is equivalent to the equation

$$(26) \quad \lambda_0 z = F_\varepsilon(z) = \lambda(\varepsilon)z + R(z, \bar{z}, \varepsilon),$$

where  $R(z, \bar{z}, \varepsilon)$  is in normal form and satisfies the relation  $R(\lambda_0 z, \overline{\lambda_0 z_0}, \varepsilon) = \lambda_0 R(z, \bar{z}, \varepsilon)$ . Note that the solution  $z$  in (26) is not the fixed point  $z$  in (22). The fixed point of  $F_\varepsilon^n$  is  $x_1$  which is given by

$$(27) \quad \begin{aligned} x_1 &= (p^{-1}y)_1 = \frac{1}{n}(y_n + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \theta_i(y_n, \varepsilon)) \\ &= z + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \theta_i(nz, \varepsilon) = z + \mathcal{O}(|\varepsilon| \cdot |z| + |z|^2), \end{aligned}$$

where  $(z, \varepsilon)$  is a solution of (26). Also note that if  $(z, \varepsilon)$  is a solution of (26), then  $(\lambda_0^k z, \varepsilon) (k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1)$  is also a solution of (26) which gives  $n$  fixed points  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  of (22), where

$$(28) \quad x_k = \lambda_0^{k-1} z + \mathcal{O}(|\varepsilon| \cdot |z| + |z|^2).$$

Now our problem of finding fixed points of (22) has been reduced to solving the equation (26), where  $F_\varepsilon(z)$  is in normal form.

Consider first the case  $\lambda_0^3 = 1$ . The normal form of  $F_\varepsilon(z)$  in this case is

$$F_\varepsilon(z) = \lambda(\varepsilon)z + c_{02}(\varepsilon)\bar{z}^2 + c_{21}(\varepsilon)z^2\bar{z} + \mathcal{O}(|z|^4).$$

Writing  $\lambda(\varepsilon) = \lambda_0(1 + \varepsilon\lambda_1 + \mathcal{O}(|\varepsilon|^2))$ , the equation (26) becomes

$$(29) \quad \varepsilon\lambda_1 z + \bar{\lambda}_0\beta\bar{z}^2 + \mathcal{O}(|\varepsilon|^2|z| + |\varepsilon||z|^2 + |z|^3) = 0,$$

where  $\beta = c_{02}(0)$  and we assume that  $\beta \neq 0$ .

Letting  $z = re^{2\pi i\phi}$  in (29), we obtain  $r = 0$  and

$$(30) \quad \varepsilon\lambda_1 + \bar{\lambda}_0\beta e^{-6\pi i\phi} r + \frac{1}{n}g(\varepsilon, r, \phi) = 0,$$

where  $g \in C^\infty$ ,  $g(\varepsilon, r, \phi + \frac{1}{3}) = g(\varepsilon, r, \phi) = \mathcal{O}(r(|\varepsilon| + r)^2)$ . Set

$$(31) \quad \begin{cases} |\varepsilon| = |\frac{\beta}{\lambda_1}|r(1 + \varepsilon_1), \\ \phi = \phi_0 + \phi_1, \\ \phi_0 = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{6\pi} \arg\left(-\frac{\bar{\lambda}_0\beta}{\lambda_1}\right) \pmod{\frac{1}{3}}, & \text{for } \varepsilon > 0 \\ -\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6\pi} \arg\left(-\frac{\bar{\lambda}_0\beta}{\lambda_1}\right) \pmod{\frac{1}{3}}, & \text{for } \varepsilon < 0, \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

where  $\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_1(r)$ ,  $\phi_1 = \phi_1(r)$  are to be determined. Now applying the implicit function theorem, we can easily show that  $\varepsilon_1(r) = \mathcal{O}(r)$  and  $\phi_1(r) = \mathcal{O}(r)$ . Hence we obtain the 3-cycle given by

$$(32) \quad \begin{aligned} x_1 &= z(r) + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1}^2 \theta_i(3z(r), \varepsilon(r)) = z(r) + \mathcal{O}(r^2), \\ x_2 &= \lambda_0 z(r) + \mathcal{O}(r^2), \\ x_3 &= \bar{\lambda}_0 z(r) + \mathcal{O}(r^2), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\lambda_0 = e^{2\pi i/3}$  and  $r$  depends on  $\varepsilon$  by (31).

Note that from (31), when  $\varepsilon < 0$ , we have the 3-cycle with the phase delayed by  $\frac{\pi}{3}$  and so the orientation is reversed from the case when  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Returning to the map (9) and LDS (5), we can state the following theorem.

**THEOREM 2.** *Suppose that the nonlinearity  $f$  of (5) satisfies the conditions as in (6). Assume that  $a = 3$  which implies  $\lambda_0^3 = 1$ . Suppose also that the associated Hénon-type map (10) has been put in a complex normal form*

$$F_\varepsilon(z) = \lambda(\varepsilon) + c_{02}(\varepsilon)\bar{z}^2 + c_{21}z^2\bar{z} + \mathcal{O}(|z|^4),$$

where  $\beta = c_{02}(0)$  is also assumed to be  $\beta \neq 0$ . Then, as  $\varepsilon$  passes through  $\varepsilon = 0$ , the zero state  $u = 0$  of the LDS (5) bifurcates to a 1-parameter family of 3-periodic orbits on both sides of  $\varepsilon = 0$ , where the 3-periodic orbit  $\{\psi_i | \psi_{i+3} = \psi_i, i \in \mathbf{Z}\}$  is given by

$$\psi_i = \lambda_0^{i-1}r \sin 2\pi\phi + \mathcal{O}(r^2), \quad i = 1, 2, 3$$

with  $r$  and  $\phi$  depends on  $\varepsilon$  by (31).

In the case of  $\lambda_0^4 = 1$ , we follow the same procedure as above and obtain the following results.

**THEOREM 3.** *Suppose that the nonlinearity  $f$  of (5) satisfies the conditions as in (6) and that  $a = 2$  so that  $\lambda_0^4 = 1$ . Suppose also that the associated Hénon-type map (10) has been put in a complex normal form*

$$F_\varepsilon(z) = \lambda(\varepsilon)z + d_{21}(\varepsilon)z^2\bar{z} + d_{03}(\varepsilon)\bar{z}^3 + \mathcal{O}(|z|^5),$$

where  $z = re^{2\pi i\phi}$  and we set  $a_1 = \lambda_0 d_{21}(0)$ ,  $a_2 = \bar{\lambda}_0 d_{03}(0)$  and assume that  $\text{Im}\left(\frac{a_1}{\lambda_1}\right) < \left|\frac{a_2}{\lambda_1}\right|$  (otherwise there does not exist any 4-periodic orbits bifurcating from  $u = 0$ ). Then, as  $\varepsilon$  passes through  $\varepsilon = 0$ , the zero state  $u = 0$  of the LDS (5) bifurcates to a pair of one-parameter families of 4-periodic orbits  $\{\psi_i^{(1)}\}, \{\psi_i^{(2)}\}$  on the same side of  $\varepsilon > 0$  if  $|a_1| > |a_2|$  and  $\text{Re}\left(\frac{a_1}{\lambda_1}\right) < 0$  and on the same side of  $\varepsilon < 0$  if  $|a_1| > |a_2|$  and  $\text{Re}\left(\frac{a_1}{\lambda_1}\right) > 0$  and on the opposite side of  $\varepsilon = 0$  if  $|a_1| < |a_2|$ . Furthermore, the 4-periodic orbits are given by

$$\psi_i^{(j)} = \lambda_0^{i-1} r \sin 2\pi\phi^{(j)}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4, \quad j = 1, 2,$$

where  $r$  and  $\phi$  depend on  $\varepsilon$  by the relation

$$\varepsilon^{(j)} = \varepsilon_0^{(j)} r^2 + \mathcal{O}(r^4), \quad j = 1, 2$$

$$\phi^{(j)} = \phi_0^{(j)} + \mathcal{O}(r^2), \quad j = 1, 2 \quad \text{and}$$

$$\varepsilon_0^{(j)} = -\text{Re}\left(\frac{a_1}{\lambda_1}\right) + (-1)^{j-1} \left[ \left|\frac{a_2}{\lambda_1}\right|^2 - \left\{ \text{Im}\left(\frac{a_1}{\lambda_1}\right) \right\}^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad j = 1, 2,$$

$$\phi_0^{(j)} = -\frac{1}{8\pi} \arg \left[ -\frac{\varepsilon_0^{(j)} \lambda_1 + a_1}{a_2} \right] + \mathcal{O}(r^2) \pmod{\frac{1}{4}}, \quad j = 1, 2.$$

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