Trends in Bifurcation Software: *From CONTENT to MATCONT*

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IV: Open environments (MATCONT, ...)



Features of AUTO, CONTENT, and MATCONT

	A	С	М
time-integration		+	+
Poincaré maps			+
continuation of equilibria	+	+	+
detection of branch points and			
codim 1 bifurcations (limit and Hopf points) of equilibria	+	+	+
computation of normal forms			
for codim 1 bifurcations of equilibria		+	+
continuation of codim 1 bifurcations of equilibria	+	+	+



Features of AUTO, CONTENT, and MATCONT

	А	С	Μ
detection of codim 2 equilibrium bifurcations			
(cusp, Bogdanov-Takens, fold-Hopf,			
generalized and double Hopf)		+	+
continuation of limit cycles	+	+	+
detection of branch points and			
codim 1 bifurcations (limit points, flip and			
Neimark-Sacker (torus)) of cycles	+	+	+
continuation of codim 1 bifurcations of cycles	+		+



Features of AUTO, CONTENT, and MATCONT

	А	С	Μ
branch switching at equilibrium and cycle bifurcations	+	+	+
continuation of branching points			
of equilibria and cycles			+
computation of normal forms for			
codim 1 bifurcations of cycles			+
detection of codim 2 bifurcations of cycles			+
continuation of orbits homoclinic to equilibria	+		



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$$= 2YH_2 + O_2 + 2H^+ \to 2YH^+ + 2H_2O$$

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$$\begin{cases} \dot{A} = -k_1 ABX - k_3 ABY + k_7 - k_{-7}A, \\ \dot{B} = -k_1 ABX - k_3 ABY + k_8, \\ \dot{X} = k_1 ABX - 2k_2 X^2 + 2k_3 ABY - k_4 X + k_6, \\ \dot{Y} = -k_3 ABY + 2k_2 X^2 - k_5 Y. \end{cases}$$



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Bifircation curves



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Bifircation curves (zoom)



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- **Compiling of defining functions and their Jacobian matrices**

