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**Abstract**

**Full Text**

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## **ON A DISCONTINUOUS POINT TRANSFORMATION OF THE LINE INTO THE LINE**

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**1.** The investigation of a number of problems in the theory of oscillations and the theory of automatic control reduces to the study of a point transformation of the line into the line. A continuous point transformation of the line into the line has been studied sufficiently well; a discontinuous one, however, up to the present time, with the exception of the piecewise-linear case with one discontinuity of continuity <sup>(9)</sup>, has not been studied in general form, and occurs only in particular problems of the theory of oscillations and the theory of automatic control <sup>(1-8)</sup>.

In the present note we set forth the results of an investigation of a point transformation  $T$  of the line into the line of the form

$$\bar{x} = T(\mu)x = \begin{cases} T_1(x) = a(\mu) + f(\mu, x), & x < 0, \\ T_2(x) = b(\mu) + \varphi(\mu, x), & x > 0, \end{cases}$$

depending on the parameter  $\mu$  ( $\mu \geq 0$ ), under the assumptions that: 1)  $a(0) = b(0) = 0$ ; 2)  $f(\mu, 0) = \varphi(\mu, 0) = 0$ ; 3)  $a(\mu)$  and  $b(\mu)$  are continuously differentiable; 4)  $f(\mu, x)$  is continuous and has first and second derivatives with respect to  $x$ , continuous in  $\mu$  and  $x$ , for  $x \leq 0$ ; 5)  $\varphi(\mu, x)$  is continuous and has first and second derivatives with respect to  $x$ , continuous in  $\mu$  and  $x$ , for  $x \geq 0$ . In other words, we consider a transformation continuous for  $\mu = 0$ , for which, when  $\mu > 0$ , one discontinuity of the first kind appears. A discontinuous piecewise-linear transformation of the line into the line of this type was considered in greater detail in the author's papers <sup>(9)</sup>.

As is known <sup>(10)</sup>, if  $x^*$  is a fixed point of multiplicity  $n$  of the transformation  $T$ , i.e.  $T^n x^* = x^*$ , while  $T^k x^* \neq x^*$  ( $k < n$ ), then the points  $Tx^*, T^2x^*, \dots, T^{n-1}x^*$  are also fixed points of  $T$  of multiplicity  $n$ ; together with  $x^*$  they form the so-called  $n$ -member cycle of the transformation  $T$ ; all fixed points of one cycle have equal characteristic roots.

**2.** It has been established that, in the cases considered, as a result of the appearance of a discontinuity of the transformation  $T$  for  $\mu > 0$  at the point  $x = 0$ , cycles of stable fixed points of the transformation  $T$  of arbitrarily large multiplicity may appear, but of a quite definite type. Moreover, in a number

of cases the transformation  $T$  has no stable fixed points, while on the  $x$ -axis there exists such a region  $G$  that  $T^p x \in G$  for any point  $x \in G$  and any natural number  $p$  \*.

In order to characterize as briefly as possible the cycles of fixed points of the transformation  $T$ , let us denote by  $T_{i_1 j_1}$  the product of transformations  $T_1^{i_1} T_2^{j_1}$ , by  $T_{i_1 j_1 i_2 j_2}$  the product of transformations  $T_{i_1 j_1}^{i_2} \times T_{i_1 - \eta_1, j_1 + 1 - \eta_1}^{j_2}$ , ..., by  $T_{i_1 j_1 \dots i_N j_N}$  the product of transformations  $T_{i_1 j_1 \dots i_{N-1} j_{N-1}}^{i_N} T_{i_1 j_1 \dots i_{N-2} j_{N-2}, i_{N-1} - \eta_{N-1}, j_{N-1} + 1 - \eta_{N-1}}^{j_N}$ , where  $i_s$  and  $j_s$  ( $s = 1, 2, \dots, N$ ) are natural, nonzero numbers, and  $i_s$  and  $j_s$  cannot, for the same  $s$ , both be greater than one simultaneously, while  $\eta_s = 1$  when

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\* These results have also been obtained for a transformation  $T$  smooth at  $\mu = 0$ , and for a transformation  $T$  having, at  $\mu = 0$ , a discontinuity of the first derivative with respect to  $x$  at the point  $x = 0$ .

$i_s > 1$  and  $\eta_s = 0$  when  $i_s = 1$ . We shall denote a simple fixed point (of multiplicity 1) of the transformation  $T_{i_1 j_1 \dots i_N j_N}$  by  $x_{i_1 j_1 \dots i_N j_N}^*$ , and the cycle containing this fixed point by  $C_{i_1 j_1 \dots i_N j_N}$ . The fixed point  $x_{i_1 j_1 \dots i_N j_N}^*$  is a fixed point of the transformation  $T$  of multiplicity  $r_N = I_N i_N + J_N j_N$ , where

$$I_{k+1} = I_k i_k + J_k j_k, \quad J_{k+1} = I_k (i_k - \eta_k) + J_k (j_k + 1 - \eta_k)$$

( $k = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$ ),  $I_1 = J_1 = 1$ . By  $x_1^*$  and  $x_2^*$  we shall denote the simple fixed points of the transformations  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ , respectively.

The results of the study are set forth in the following theorems.

**Theorem 1.** Suppose that for  $\mu > 0$ ,  $a(\mu) > 0$ ,  $b(\mu) < 0$ , and one of the conditions is satisfied:

- 1)  $0 < f'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ,  $0 < \varphi'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ;
- 2)  $0 < f'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ,  $\varphi'_x(0, 0) > 1$ ,  $b < a - \varphi(\mu, a)$ ;
- 3)  $f'_x(0, 0) > 1$ ,  $0 < \varphi'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ,  $a < b - f(\mu, a)$ .

Then there exists a  $\mu_0 > 0$  such that for all  $\mu \in (0, \mu_0)$  the transformation  $T$  can have a unique stable cycle of type  $C_{i_1 j_1 \dots i_N j_N}$  ( $N = 1, 2, \dots$ ).

**Theorem 2.** Suppose  $a(\mu) > 0$ ,  $b(\mu) < 0$  for  $\mu > 0$ , and one of the conditions is satisfied:

- 1)  $f'_x(0, 0) < 0$ ,  $0 < \varphi'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ;
- 2)  $0 < f'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ,  $\varphi'_x(0, 0) < 0$ ;
- 3)  $f'_x(0, 0) < 0$ ,  $\varphi'_x(0, 0) > 1$ ,  $b < a - \varphi(\mu, a)$ ;
- 4)  $f'_x(0, 0) > 1$ ,  $\varphi'_x(0, 0) < 0$ ,  $a < b - f(\mu, b)$ .

Then there exists a  $\mu_1 > 0$  such that for all  $\mu \in (0, \mu_1)$  the transformation  $T$  can have no more than two stable cycles. If conditions 1) or 3) are satisfied, these are the cycles  $C_{1n}, C_{1, n+1}$ , while if conditions 2) or 4) are satisfied, these are the cycles  $C_{n1}$  and  $C_{n+1, 1}$  ( $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ).

Denote by  $b = A(\mu, a)$  the function given implicitly in the form

$$a + f(\mu, b) = b + \varphi(\mu, a + f(\mu, b)),$$

and by  $a = B(\mu, b)$  the function given implicitly in the form

$$a + f(\mu, b + \varphi(\mu, a)) - b - \varphi(\mu, a) = 0.$$

**Theorem 3.** Suppose the transformation  $T$ , for  $\mu > 0$ , has no stable fixed points,  $a(\mu) > 0$ ,  $b(\mu) < 0$ , and one of the conditions is satisfied:

- 1)  $0 < f'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ,  $0 < \varphi'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ;
- 2)  $f'_x(0, 0) < 0$ ,  $0 < \varphi'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ;
- 3)  $0 < f'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ,  $\varphi'_x(0, 0) < 0$ ;
- 4)  $0 < f'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ,  $\varphi'_x(0, 0) > 1$ ,  $b < a - \varphi(\mu, a)$ ;
- 5)  $0 < \varphi'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ,  $f'_x(0, 0) > 1$ ,  $a < b - f(\mu, b)$ ;
- 6)  $f'_x(0, 0) < 0$ ,  $\varphi'_x(0, 0) > 1$ ,  $b < A(\mu, a)$ ;
- 7)  $f'_x(0, 0) > 1$ ,  $\varphi'_x(0, 0) < 0$ ,  $a < B(\mu, b)$ .

Then there exist a  $\mu_2 > 0$  and a domain  $G$  on the  $x$ -axis such that, for all  $\mu \in (0, \mu_2)$ ,  $T^p x \in G$  for any natural  $p$ , if  $x \in G$ .

**Theorem 4.** Suppose that for  $\mu > 0$ ,  $a(\mu) > 0$ ,  $b(\mu) < 0$ ,  $\varphi'_x(0, 0) < -1$ , and one of the conditions is satisfied:

- 1)  $-1 < f'_x(0, 0) < 0$ ,  $b < a - \varphi(\mu, a)$ ,  $a < b - f(\mu, b + \varphi(\mu, b))$ ;
- 2)  $0 < f'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ,  $b > a - \varphi(\mu, a)$ ,  $a > -f(\mu, b + \varphi(\mu, b))$ ;
- 3)  $0 < f'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ,  $b > a - \varphi(\mu, a)$ ,  $a < -f(\mu, b + \varphi(\mu, b))$ .

Then there exists a  $\mu_3 > 0$  such that for all  $\mu \in (0, \mu_3)$  the transformation  $T$  can have a unique stable cycle of type  $C_{i_1 j_1 \dots i_N j_N}$  ( $N = 1, 2, \dots$ ).

If condition 1) is satisfied,  $i_1 = 1$ , and  $C_{1 j_1}$  is a cycle containing a simple fixed point of the transformation

$$T_{1 j_1} = T_1 T_2^{2j_1+1} \quad (j_1 = 0, 1, 2, \dots);$$

if condition 2) is satisfied,  $i_1 = 1$ , and  $C_{1 j_1}$  is a cycle containing a simple fixed point of the transformation

$$T_{1 j_1} = T_1 T_2^{2j_1} \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots);$$

if condition 3) is satisfied,  $j_1 = 2$ ,  $i_1 = 1, 2, \dots$ , and  $C_{i_1 2}$  is a cycle containing a simple fixed point of the transformation

$$T_{i_1 2} = T_1^{i_1} T_2^2.$$

**Theorem 5.** Suppose that for  $\mu > 0$ ,  $a(\mu) < 0$ ,  $b(\mu) < 0$ ,  $f'_x(0, 0) < -1$ , and one of the conditions is satisfied:

- 1)  $-1 < \varphi'_x(0, 0) < 0$ ,  $a < b - f(\mu, b)$ ,  $b < a - \varphi(\mu, a + f(\mu, a))$ ;

- 2)  $0 < \varphi'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ,  $a > b - f(\mu, b)$ ,  $b > -\varphi(\mu, a + f(\mu, a))$ ;  
 3)  $0 > \varphi'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ,  $a > b - f(\mu, b)$ ,  $b < -\varphi(\mu, a + f(\mu, a))$ .

Then there exists a  $\mu_4 > 0$  such that, for all  $\mu \in (0, \mu_4)$ , the transformation  $T$  can have a unique stable cycle of type  $C_{i_1 \dots i_N j_N}$  ( $N = 1, 2, \dots$ ). If condition 1) is fulfilled,  $j_1 = 1$ , and  $C_{i_1}$  is a cycle containing the simple fixed point of the transformation

$$T_{i_1} = T_1^{2i_1+1} T_2 \quad (i_1 = 0, 1, 2, \dots);$$

if condition 2) is fulfilled,  $j_1 = 1$ , and  $C_{i_1}$  is a cycle containing the simple fixed point of the transformation

$$T_{i_1} = T_1^{2i_1} T_2 \quad (i_1 = 1, 2, \dots);$$

if condition 3) is fulfilled,  $i_1 = 2$ ,  $j_1 = 1, 2, \dots$ , and  $C_{2j_1}$  is a cycle containing the simple fixed point of the transformation

$$T_{2j_1} = T_1^2 T_2^{j_1}.$$

Denote by  $a = C(\mu, b)$  the function given implicitly in the form

$$a + f(\mu, b + \varphi(\mu, b)) = b + \varphi(\mu, a + f(\mu, b + \varphi(\mu, b))),$$

and by  $b = D(\mu, a)$  the function given implicitly in the form

$$b + \varphi(\mu, a + f(\mu, a)) = a + f(\mu, b + \varphi(\mu, a + f(\mu, a))).$$

**Theorem 6.** Suppose that for  $\mu > 0$  either  $a(\mu) > 0$ ,  $b(\mu) > 0$ ,  $\varphi'_x(0, 0) < -1$ , and one of the conditions is fulfilled: 1)  $-1 < f'_x(0, 0) < 0$ ,  $b > a - \varphi(\mu, a)$ ,  $a < C(\mu, b)$ ; 2)  $0 < f'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ,  $a < b < a - \varphi(\mu, a)$ ,  $a > C(\mu, b)$ ; or  $a(\mu) < 0$ ,  $b(\mu) < 0$ ,  $f'_x(0, 0) < -1$ , and one of the conditions is fulfilled: 3)  $-1 < \varphi'_x(0, 0) < 0$ ,  $a > b - f(\mu, b)$ ,  $b < D(\mu, a)$ ; 4)  $0 < \varphi'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ,  $b < a < b - f(\mu, b)$ ,  $b > D(\mu, a)$ .

Then there exists a  $\mu_5 > 0$  such that, for all  $\mu \in (0, \mu_5)$ , the transformation  $T$  can have no more than two stable cycles. These are the cycles  $C_{1,2n}, C_{1,2n+2}$  when condition 1) is fulfilled; the cycles  $C_{2n,1}, C_{2n+2,1}$  when condition 2) is fulfilled; the cycles  $C_{1,2n-1}, C_{1,2n+1}$  when condition 3) is fulfilled; and the cycles  $C_{2n-1,1}, C_{2n+1,1}$  when condition 4) is fulfilled ( $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ).

**Theorem 7.** Suppose that for  $\mu > 0$  either  $a(\mu) > 0$ ,  $b(\mu) > 0$ ,  $0 < f'_x(0, 0) < 1$ ,  $\varphi'_x(0, 0) < -1$ , and one of the conditions is fulfilled: 1)  $a > b$ ,  $a < -f(\mu, b + \varphi(\mu, a))$ ; 2)  $a < b < a - \varphi(\mu, a)$ ,  $a < -f(\mu, b + \varphi(\mu, a))$ ; or  $a(\mu) < 0$ ,  $b(\mu) < 0$ ,  $f'_x(0, 0) < -1$ ,  $0 < \varphi'_x(0, 0) < 1$ , and one of the conditions is fulfilled: 3)  $b > a$ ,  $b < -\varphi(\mu, a + f(\mu, b))$ ; 4)  $b < a < b - f(\mu, b)$ ,  $b < -\varphi(\mu, a + f(\mu, a))$ .

Then there exists a  $\mu_6 > 0$  such that, for all  $\mu \in (0, \mu_6)$ , the transformation  $T$  can have a unique stable cycle. In the first two cases this is  $C_{m1}$ , and in the remaining cases  $C_{1m}$  ( $m = 1, 2, \dots$ ).

3. In the general case, the transformation  $T$  of the line into the line depends on the parameters  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_m$ . Bifurcations of fixed points of a sufficiently smooth transformation of the line into the line have been studied in <sup>(11)</sup> and occur when passing through the bifurcation surfaces  $N_{+1}, N_{-1}$ , and also through the surfaces corresponding to the arrival of a fixed point of the transformation  $T$  at the boundary of the domain of definition of this transformation.

In the case of a discontinuous transformation of the line into the line with a single discontinuity, new types of bifurcation surfaces have been found. Among them, we first point out those bifurcation surfaces on one side of each of which there is a domain of existence of a unique cycle of stable fixed points of the transformation  $T$ , while on the other side, in an arbitrarily thin layer, there is a countable set of pairwise nonintersecting domains of existence of various stable cycles of this transformation and an uncountable set of domains of existence of the corresponding domains  $G$ .

For other types of bifurcation surfaces the following is characteristic: on one side of each of them there is a domain of existence of a unique cycle of stable fixed points of the transformation  $T$ , while on the other side there is located: 1) either a domain of existence of two different stable cycles of the transformation  $T$ ; 2) or a domain of existence of the domain  $G$ ; 3) or a domain for which the transformation  $T$  has neither stable cycles nor a domain  $G$ . Bifurcation surfaces have also been found which separate the domain of existence of the domain  $G$  from the domain of absence, for the transformation  $T$ , of both stable cycles and a domain  $G$ .

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