

Nonlinear Autonomous Dynamical systems of two dimensions

Part B

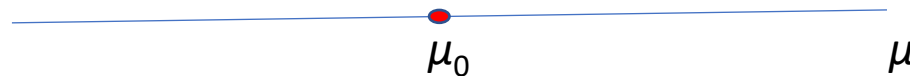
Bifurcations

Structural stability and Bifurcations

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= f(x, y; \mu) \\ \dot{y} &= g(x, y; \mu), \quad \mu \in R\end{aligned}$$

If in the parameter domain (μ_1, μ_2) the system shows qualitatively (topologically) the same phase space portrait, e.g. the same equilibrium points with the “same stability”, the system is called **structurally stable**.

If for $\mu_0 \in (\mu_1, \mu_2)$ the system shows qualitatively (topologically) different phase space portrait in the two intervals (μ_1, μ_0) and (μ_0, μ_2) , namely different equilibrium points with respect to their number or stability, we say that μ_0 is a **bifurcation point** for the system.



If for all equilibrium points the **real parts of eigenvalues*** of the linearized system are **non-zero** for $\mu = \mu'$, then the system is **structurally stable** at least in a small parameter interval around μ' .

* For area preserving systems, where centers exist with $\lambda_{1,2} = \pm ib$, structural stability is guaranteed when $\lambda \neq 0$

Bifurcations. Typical cases on plane

A. Saddle-Node bifurcation

$$\dot{x} = \mu - x^2,$$
$$\dot{y} = y$$

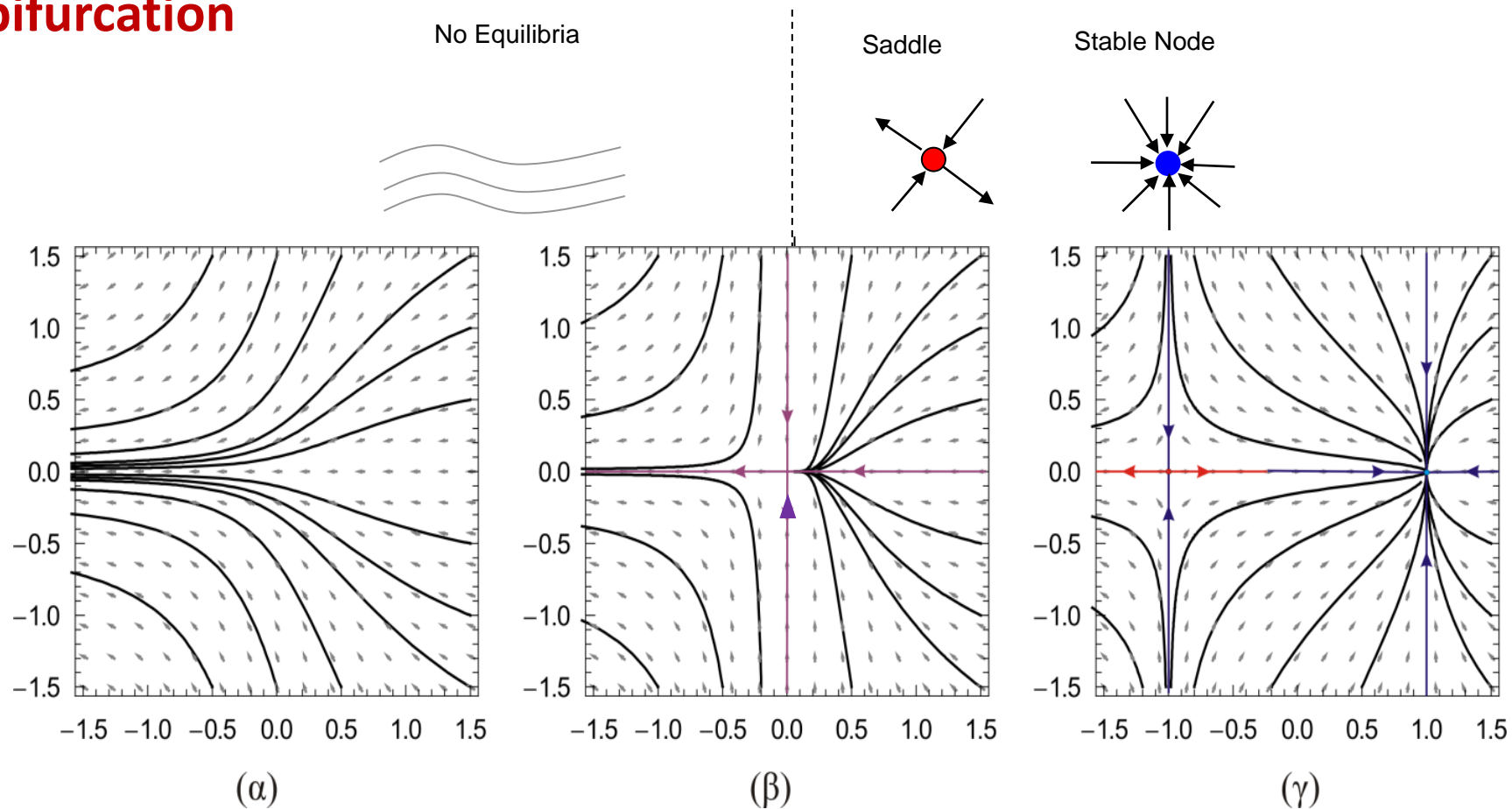
if $\mu < 0$ no EQPs

if $\mu = 0$ EQP=(0,0)

if $\mu > 0$

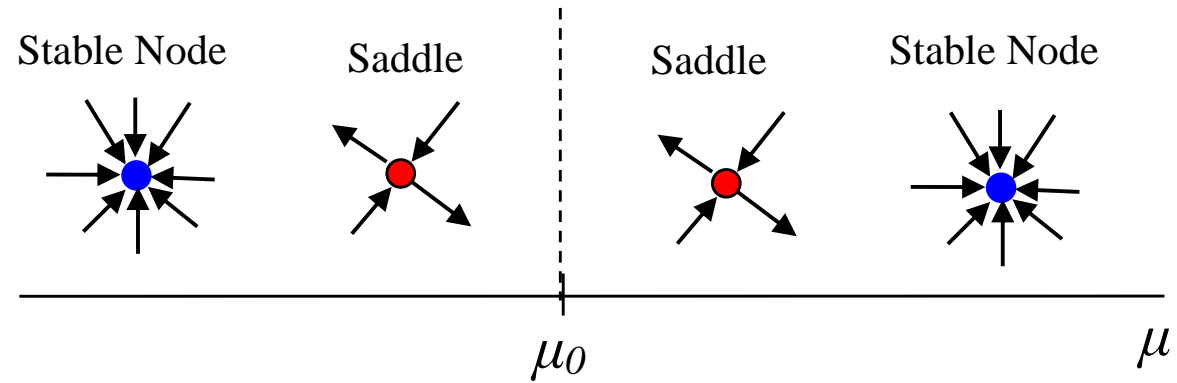
1stEQP $(-\sqrt{\mu}, 0)$

2ndEQP $(\sqrt{\mu}, 0)$



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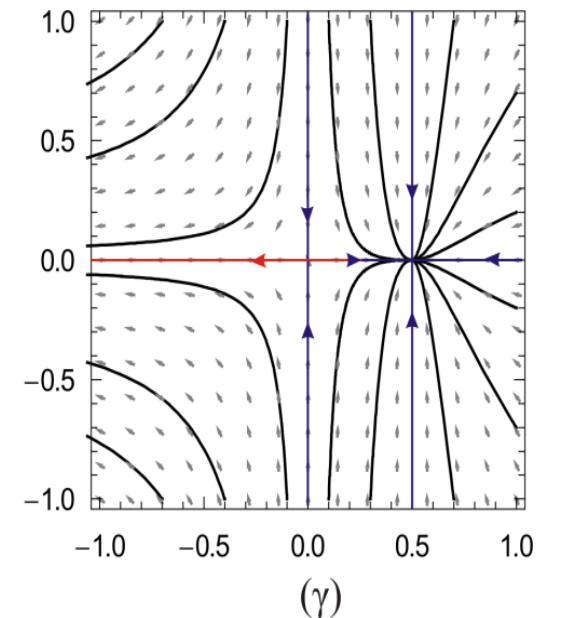
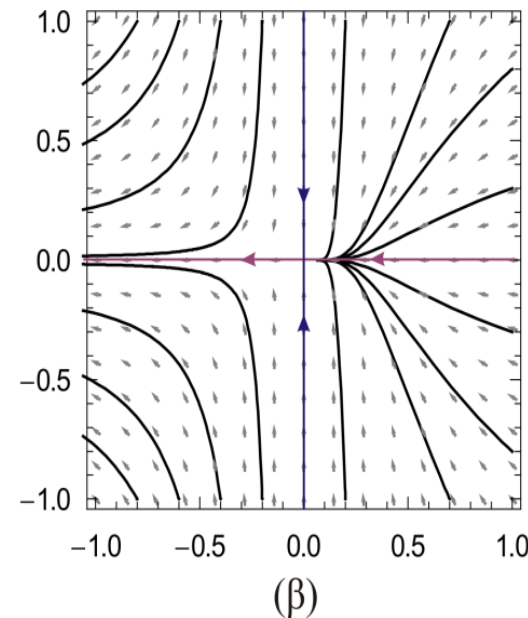
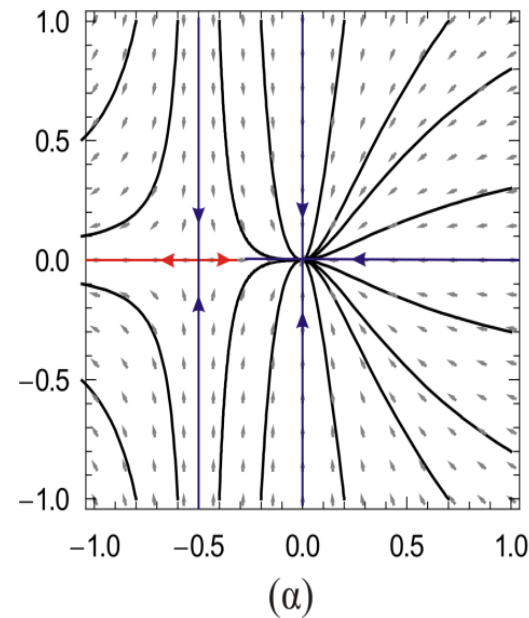
B. Transcritical bifurcation



$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= x(\mu - x), \\ \dot{y} &= -y\end{aligned}$$

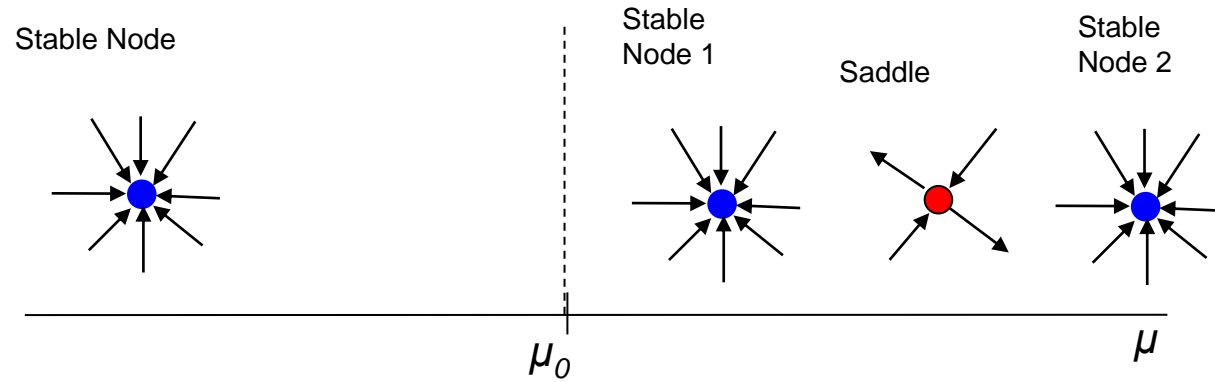
1stEQP $(0, 0)$

2ndEQP $(\mu, 0)$



Bifurcations. Typical cases on plane

C. Pitchfork bifurcation



$$\dot{x} = \mu x - x^3,$$

$$\dot{y} = -y$$

if $\mu < 0$ EQP=(0,0)

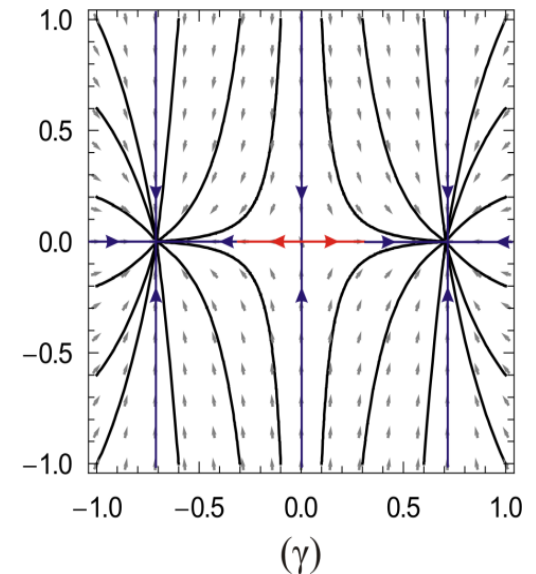
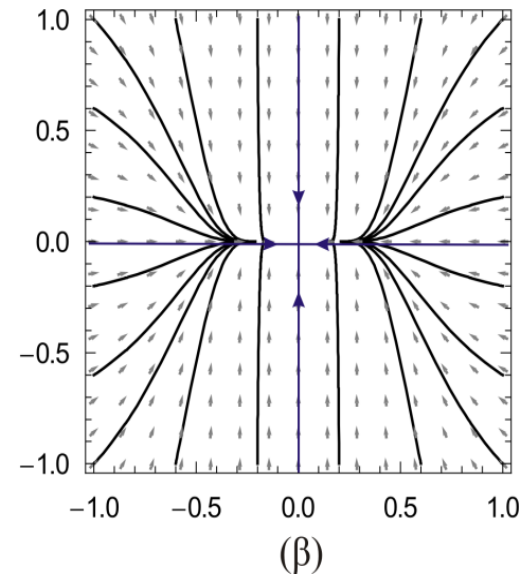
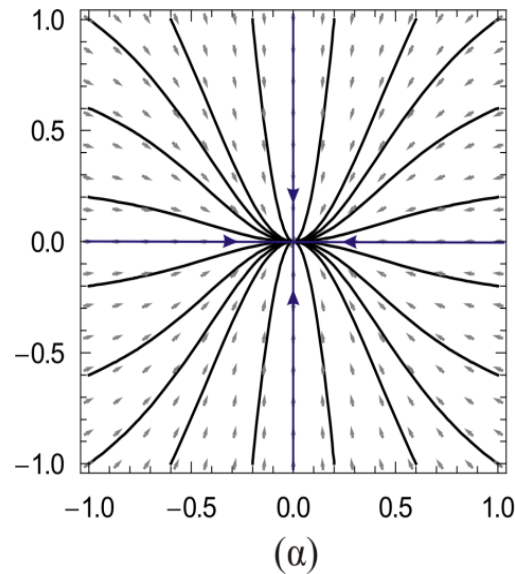
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if $\mu > 0$

1stEQP $(-\sqrt{\mu}, 0)$

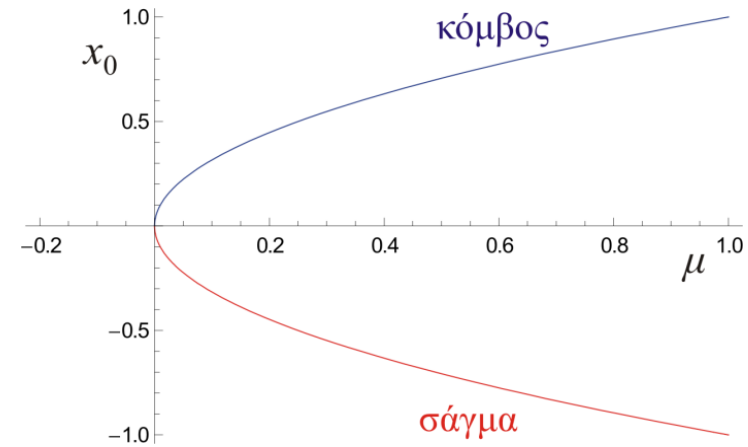
2ndEQP $(0, 0)$

3rdEQP $(\sqrt{\mu}, 0)$



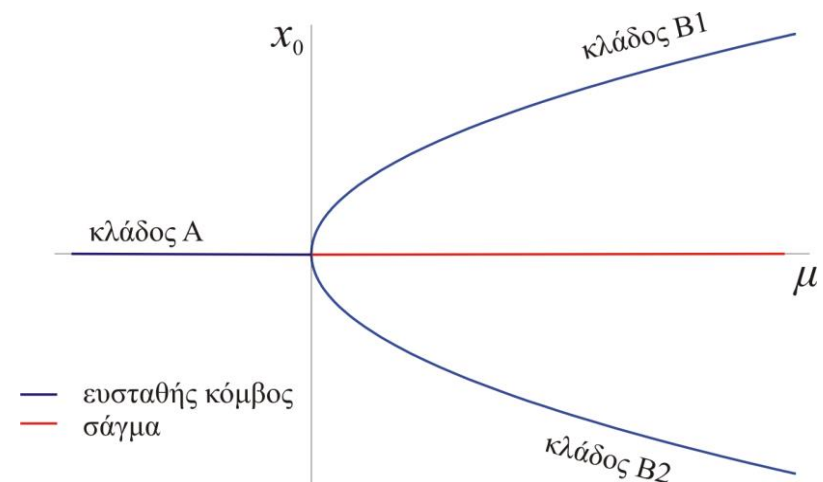
Bifurcation Diagrams : *Parameter/position/stability*

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= \mu - x^2 \\ \dot{y} &= y \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} (x_0, y_0) &= (\sqrt{\mu}, 0), \quad \mu > 0 \quad (\text{stable node}) \\ (x_0, y_0) &= (-\sqrt{\mu}, 0), \quad \mu > 0 \quad (\text{saddle}) \end{aligned}$$



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(Pitchfork)

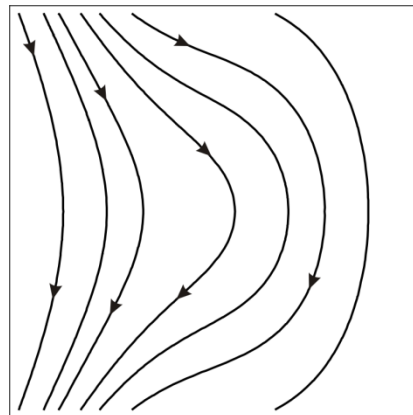
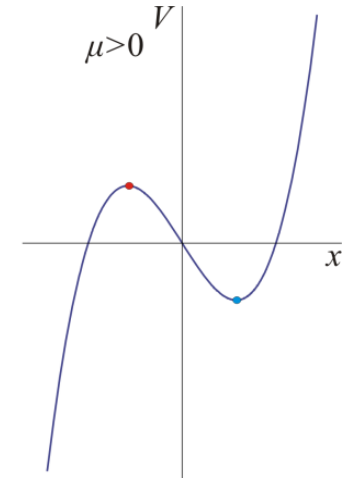
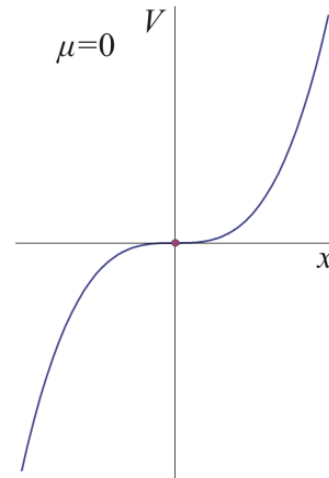
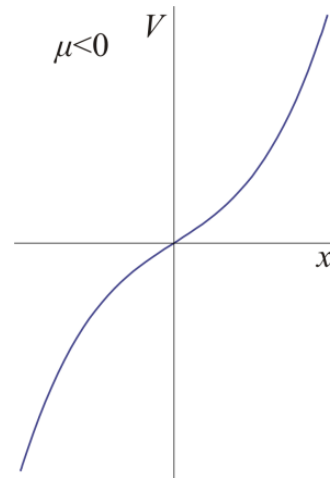


Bifurcations in mechanical systems

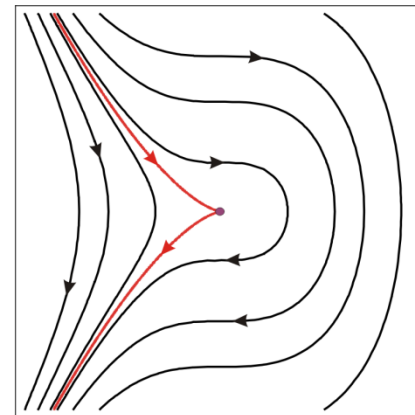
$$\ddot{x} = f(x), \quad V(x) = -\int f(x) dx$$

- **fold bifurcation**

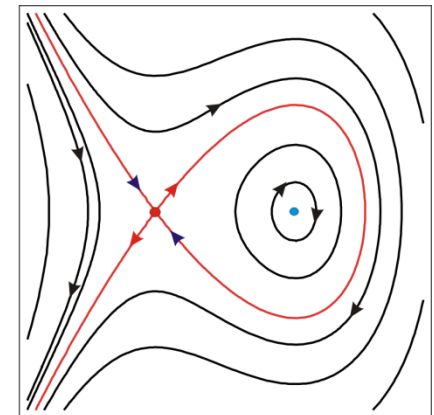
(saddle-center bifurcation)



$\mu = -0.5$



$\mu = 0$

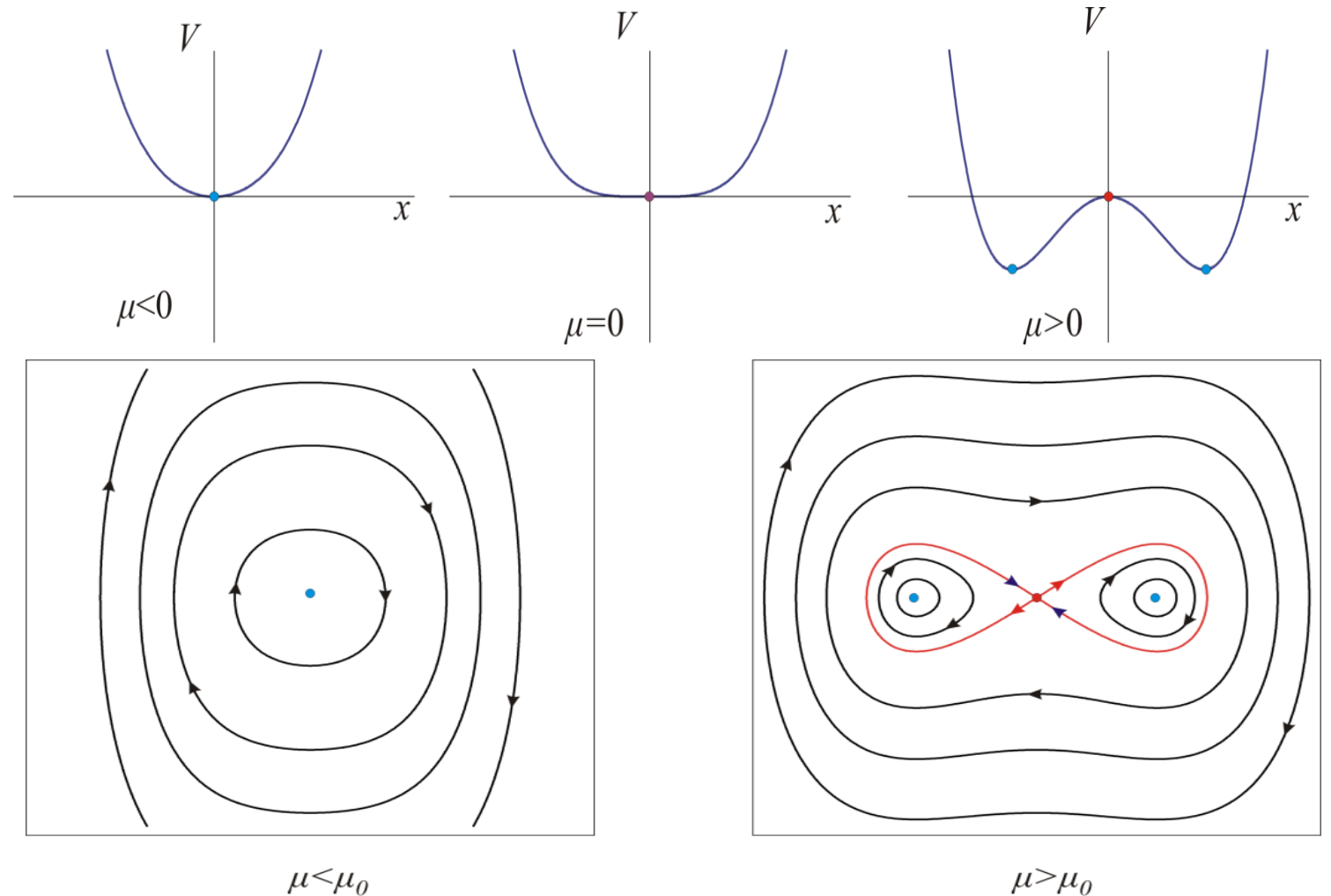


$\mu = 0.5$

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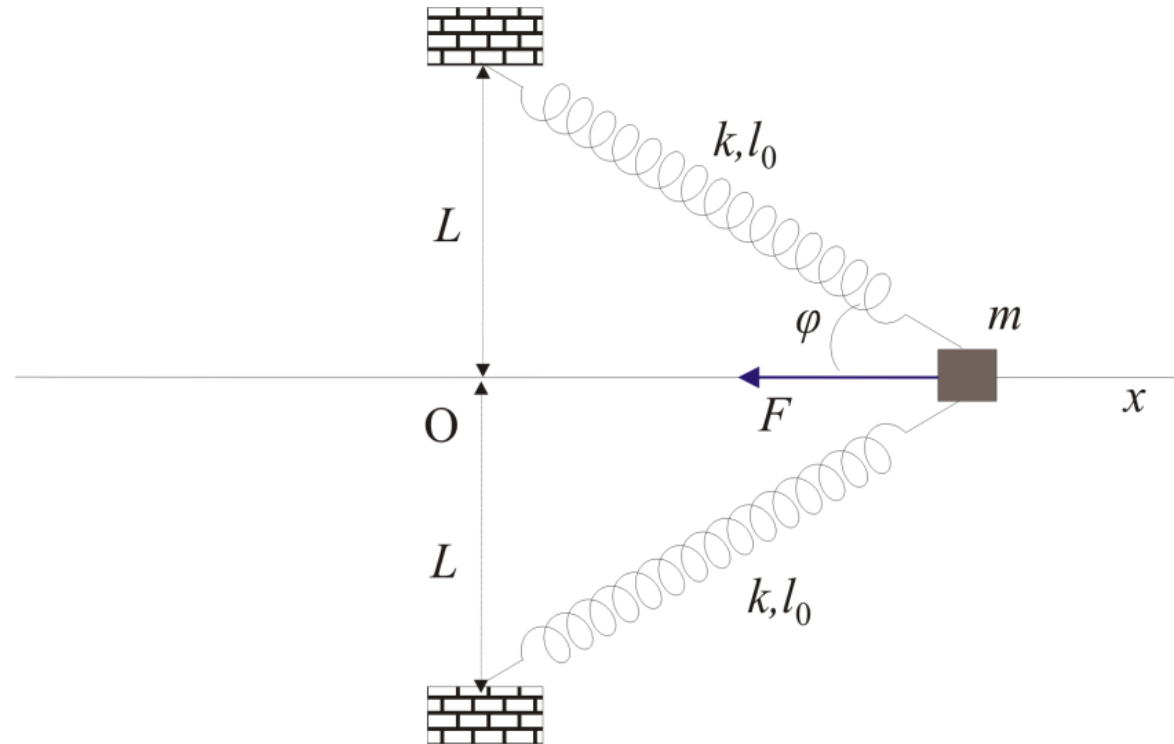
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- Pitchfork bifurcation**



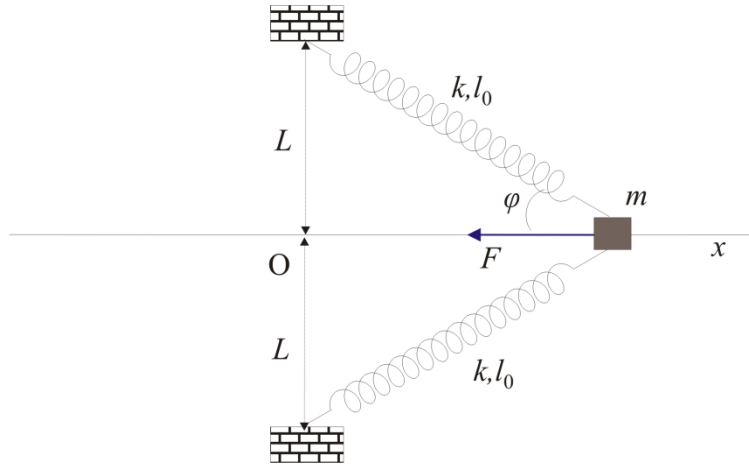
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example : a nonlinear oscillator

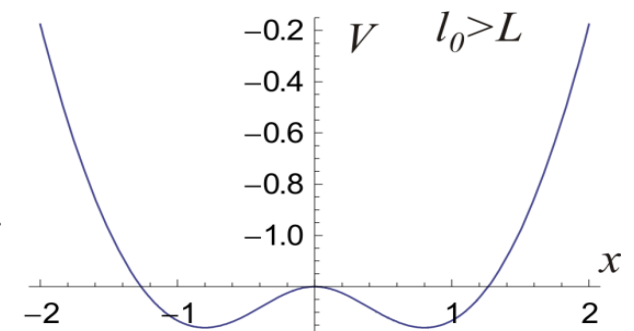
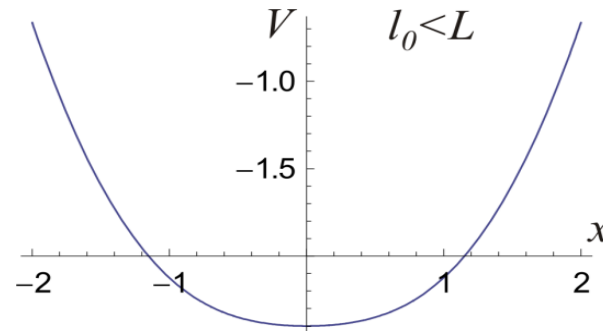


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$$m\ddot{x} = -2k \left(1 - \frac{l_0}{\sqrt{x^2 + L^2}} \right) x, \quad V = -\int F dx = k \left(x^2 + L^2 - 2l_0 \sqrt{x^2 + L^2} \right)$$



Equilibrium points and stability

$$x_{01} = 0, \quad x_{02}, x_{03} = \pm \sqrt{l_0^2 - L^2}$$

$$\kappa(x_{01}) = 2k \left(1 - \frac{l_0}{L} \right), \quad \kappa(x_{02,03}) = 2k \left(1 - \frac{L}{l_0} \right)$$

if $l_0 < L$, $\kappa > 0$ x_{01} is stable (center)

if $l_0 = L$, $\kappa = 0$ critical stability (bifurcation)

if $l_0 > L$, $\kappa < 0$ x_{01} is unstable (saddle)

x_{02}, x_{03} are stable (centers)

