

An Analytical Approach to Codimension-2 Sliding Bifurcations in the Dry-Friction Oscillator*

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Abstract. In this paper, we analytically consider sliding bifurcations of periodic orbits in the dry-friction oscillator. The system depends on two parameters: F , which corresponds to the intensity of the friction, and ω , the frequency of the forcing. We prove the existence of infinitely many codimension-2 bifurcation points and focus our attention on two of them: $A_1 := (\omega^{-1}, F) = (2, 1/3)$ and $B_1 := (\omega^{-1}, F) = (3, 0)$. We derive analytic expressions in (ω^{-1}, F) parameter space for the codimension-1 bifurcation curves that emanate from A_1 and B_1 . Our results show excellent agreement with the numerical calculations of Kowalczyk and Piiroinen [*Phys. D*, 237 (2008), pp. 1053–1073].

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1. Introduction.

1.1. Preliminaries. The study of nonsmooth (or piecewise smooth) dynamical systems has gained considerable ground in recent years. These systems are interesting for two reasons: first they behave in ways that are distinct from smooth systems, and second they are found in many important application areas. For example, DC/DC power converters [2, 15], impacting systems [26], hybrid dynamical systems [4], systems with backlash or free-play [3], and mechanical systems with friction [29, 17] are all examples of nonsmooth systems. The recent book [11] gives an excellent introduction to the subject.

Nonsmooth systems differ from smooth systems in the way that bifurcations can occur. The study of local bifurcations has been done by many authors either numerically or analytically for discontinuous maps and flows [25, 1, 5, 35, 36, 37, 38, 31, 32, 33, 18], but this is not the subject of this paper.

Global nonsmooth bifurcations can happen when the system Ω -limit set, for instance a limit cycle, collides with a system *switching manifold* (a hyperplane in phase space across which the system dynamics varies nonsmoothly). Up to now, the global bifurcations of periodic

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orbits have been studied either using the zero discontinuity map [26, 16, 27] or by numerical continuation methods [23, 10]. In this paper we present a more classical constructive approach which allows us to rigorously prove the existence of some of these bifurcations in a specific model. This is possible in our model for two reasons: the system is piecewise linear, and we can explicitly construct pieces of periodic orbits as they visit the different regions of the phase space. Nevertheless, gluing these pieces together is not an easy analytical problem, since it involves solving transcendental equations. However, construction is made easier because when the periodic orbit undergoes a nonsmooth bifurcation it has to contain some specific points in the switching manifold.

When the vector field on either side of a switching manifold points toward the manifold, then it is possible for the system trajectory to be restricted to that part of the switching manifold known as the *sliding region*. A *sliding bifurcation* occurs when, under parameter variation, a trajectory in the Ω -limit set no longer enters the sliding region. These bifurcations are summarized in [14]. See also the excellent introduction in [23] for a detailed account of these bifurcations in the case of periodic orbits.

The dry-friction oscillator is a very good example of a nonsmooth system containing sliding bifurcations of periodic orbits. It is a system of great engineering importance and has been the subject of intense study for many years, from analytical, numerical, and experimental points of view (see [19, 30, 9, 7, 8, 34, 40]).

A mass sits on a rough table. It is connected to a fixed wall via a spring and is excited sinusoidally. In the simplest manifestation of the problem, the friction is modeled by Coulomb's law (see [6]); that is, friction is assumed to be constant and opposed to the relative velocity between the mass and the table. In this case, the mass can undergo three different types of motion, *stick*, *slip*, and *stick-slip*. In the first type of motion, the mass never moves because the amplitude of the driving force is insufficient to overcome the frictional force between the mass and the table. In the second case, friction is not strong enough to make the block stop. It is the third case that concerns us here, where the mass sticks to the table with zero velocity (thus defining the sliding region) for some nonzero time interval less than the period of oscillation of the table. Note that this leads to an unavoidable linguistic ambiguity; physically the mass *sticks* to the table, yet mathematically it is said to be *sliding*.

The assumption of Coulomb friction leads to a system with two parameters ω and F , which refer to the frequency of the sinusoidal forcing and the strength of the friction, respectively. Thus, one can study the nonsmooth sliding bifurcations that the system can undergo when these two parameters are varied. The codimension-2 bifurcation points organize the (ω^{-1}, F) bifurcation diagram. Further work [21, 23] has shown that all the bifurcations detected in this system have a nonsmooth character. To have smooth bifurcations in dry-friction oscillator models, it is necessary to consider a more sophisticated friction law (see [28]).

With a suitable scaling, the dry-friction oscillator with Coulomb friction can be described by the following equation:

$$(1.1) \quad \ddot{x} = -x + \sin(\omega t) - F \operatorname{sgn}(\dot{x}),$$

where the sign function is given by

$$(1.2) \quad \operatorname{sgn}(z) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } z > 0, \\ -1 & \text{if } z < 0. \end{cases}$$

In this paper, we will study analytically the existence, behavior, and bifurcations of periodic orbits of (1.1).

The dry-friction oscillator has been widely studied numerically. Early work in this area [13] showed that there are a number of bifurcations in (ω^{-1}, F) parameter space, and numerical evidence was presented of nonsmooth codimension-2 bifurcations at the intersection of codimension-1 bifurcation curves (see also [21]). In particular, the phase space topology around the codimension-2 sliding bifurcation point $(\omega^{-1}, F) = (2, 1/3)$ was partially determined analytically. In [22] and [23], a unique symmetric $2\pi/\omega$ -periodic orbit, whose existence was proved by Kunze in [24] for $\omega^{-1} \notin \mathbb{N}$ (see section 1.4), was numerically found in a certain range of the parameters. Then, using numerical continuation, sliding bifurcations of the limit cycle were detected.

The main goal of the present paper is to study analytically this periodic orbit and to determine locally its codimension-1 bifurcation curves in (ω^{-1}, F) parameter space. We prove rigorously the existence of an infinite number of two types of codimension-2 bifurcation points, A_n, B_n . The points A_n are classical codimension-2 nonsmooth bifurcations (see [8]) where the periodic orbit grazes on a cusp of the discontinuity surface. The points B_n are bifurcation points that occur in the “limiting” smooth system without friction. We also give implicit analytic expressions for several codimension-1 curves through the points A_n , and we give some asymptotic expansions of these curves at A_1 , which was numerically studied in [23]. In particular, we show that the behavior encountered numerically in A_1 in that paper is a universal behavior in any point A_n . Concerning the second set of bifurcation points B_n , we focus our attention on B_1 , and we give local asymptotic expansions for several codimension-1 bifurcation curves through it.

A_n, B_n are not the only codimension-2 bifurcation points of this system. In fact, in [23], the authors detected numerically several more codimension-2 bifurcation points within a fixed range of the parameters, and, moreover, the whole bifurcation diagram is far from being completely understood.

1.2. The dry-friction oscillator as a Filippov system. Rewriting the nonautonomous equation (1.1) as a first order autonomous system, we obtain

$$(1.3) \quad \begin{cases} \dot{x} = y, \\ \dot{y} = -x + \sin(s) - F \operatorname{sgn}(y), \\ \dot{s} = \omega, \end{cases}$$

which can be written as $\dot{z} = X(z)$, where $z = (x, y, s)$ is defined in $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^1$, where $\mathbb{T}^1 = \mathbb{R}/2\pi\mathbb{Z}$.

This system is continuous and even analytic in

$$(1.4) \quad \begin{aligned} G_1 &= \{(x, y, s) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^1, y > 0\}, \\ G_2 &= \{(x, y, s) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^1, y < 0\}. \end{aligned}$$

It has a unique surface of discontinuity

$$(1.5) \quad \Sigma = \{(x, y, s) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^1, f(x, y, s) = 0\}, \quad \text{where } f(x, y, s) = y.$$

Mathematically, Σ is the switching manifold; physically it corresponds to zero velocity. We denote the vector field defined in G_1 as X_1 and the vector field defined in G_2 as X_2 .

The switching manifold Σ can be split into the following three regions (see Figure 1):

1. Crossing region pointing upwards:

$$\Sigma_c^+ = \{(x, y, s) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^1, y = 0, x < -F + \sin s\},$$

where the vector field points away from Σ in G_1 and toward Σ in G_2 .

2. Sliding region:

$$\Sigma_s = \{(x, y, s) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^1, y = 0, -F + \sin s < x < F + \sin s\},$$

where the vector field points toward Σ_s in both G_1 and G_2 .

3. Crossing region pointing downwards:

$$\Sigma_c^- = \{(x, y, s) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^1, y = 0, F + \sin s < x\},$$

where the vector field points toward Σ in G_1 and away from Σ in G_2 .

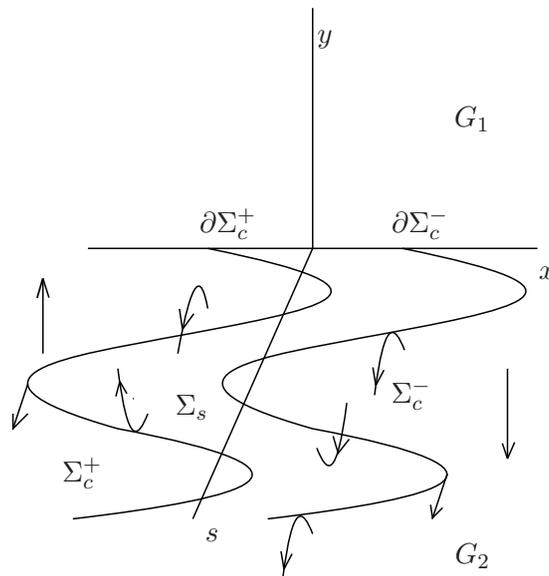


Figure 1. Phase space of system (1.3).

In Σ_s both vector fields point toward the discontinuity surface. Thus, following Filippov's convex method [14], also called Utkin's *equivalent control* method [39], the dynamics of (1.3) in this region is given by the sliding vector field, which in this case is given by [23]

$$(1.6) \quad X_s(x, 0, s) = (0, 0, \omega).$$

Physically, in the model of the dry-friction oscillator, sliding corresponds to the *absence* of motion in the oscillator due to friction, as is clear from (1.6). In fact, one of the main challenges in the study of this system is to ascertain whether certain trajectories (for instance, symmetric periodic orbits) slip or stick-slip.

We also consider $\partial\Sigma_c^+$ and $\partial\Sigma_c^-$ as the boundaries between Σ_c^+ and Σ_s and Σ_s and Σ_c^- , respectively. These boundaries correspond to tangential contact between Σ and X_1 or X_2 . In system (1.3), these sets are defined as

$$\begin{aligned}\partial\Sigma_c^+ &= \{(x, y, s) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^1, f(x, y, s) = 0, X_1 f(x, y, s) = 0\} \\ &= \{y = 0, x = -F + \sin s\}, \\ \partial\Sigma_c^- &= \{(x, y, s) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^1, f(x, y, s) = 0, X_2 f(x, y, s) = 0\} \\ &= \{y = 0, x = F + \sin s\},\end{aligned}$$

where $X_i f(p)$ is the Lie derivative of f with respect to the vector field X_i in p . The dynamics around any point $p \in \partial\Sigma_c^\pm$ is significantly distinct, depending on the kind of tangency at that point. Generically, the tangencies in $\partial\Sigma_c^\pm$ are quadratic. They are called *folds* in [37] and are the points $p \in \partial\Sigma_c^\pm$ where $X_i f(p) = 0$ and $X_i^2 f(p) \neq 0$. In [25] they are classified as visible and invisible tangencies depending on the sign of $X_i^2 f(p)$ (see Figure 1). In system (1.3), the points $(x, y, s) \in \partial\Sigma_c^+$ are visible quadratic tangencies of X_1 , provided $s \in (0, \pi/2) \cup (3\pi/2, 2\pi) \subset \mathbb{T}^1$, and invisible quadratic tangencies of X_1 , provided $s \in (\pi/2, 3\pi/2) \subset \mathbb{T}^1$, and the other way around of points in $\partial\Sigma_c^-$, which are tangencies for X_2 .

The points $p = (x, y, s) \in \partial\Sigma_c^\pm$ with $s = \pi/2 + k\pi$ with $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ satisfy $X_i^2 f(p) = 0$ and $X_i^3 f(p) \neq 0$, and therefore they are cubic tangencies. Generically, in 3-dimensional systems these points are isolated. In this system, they are the points

$$(-F + 1, 0, \pi/2), \quad (-F - 1, 0, 3\pi/2) \quad \text{for } X_1$$

and

$$(F + 1, 0, \pi/2), \quad (F - 1, 0, 3\pi/2) \quad \text{for } X_2.$$

In [37] these points are called *cusps*, and the trajectory through them is tangent not only to Σ but also to $\partial\Sigma_c^\pm$. In contrast the folds form curves in Σ .

Remark 1.1. *As is already known and will be recalled in section 1.3, the tangency points play an important role in the nonsmooth bifurcations of periodic orbits: a periodic orbit undergoes a sliding bifurcation precisely when it passes through one of these points.*

The codimension of the bifurcation is also clear in this setting. Since the folds generically form curves in Σ , the fact that a periodic orbit crosses Σ through a fold is a codimension-1 phenomenon. Nevertheless, cusps are isolated points in Σ , so the periodic orbit will encounter these points as a codimension-2 phenomenon.

Remark 1.2. *We observe that system (1.3) can be called dissipative since it has a sliding region which acts as an “attractor.” In [24] the system $\ddot{x} = -x + \text{sgn}(x) + p(t)$ with a periodic function p was also considered. For this conservative (Hamiltonian) nonsmooth dynamical system, the existence of periodic and bounded solutions was studied, using differential inclusion and KAM techniques, but the study of bifurcations was not carried out.*

1.3. Bifurcations of periodic orbits and symmetries in Filippov systems. As we explained in section 1.1, besides the classical bifurcations, Filippov systems can undergo other types of bifurcations due to the discontinuity. One of the main sources of these new kind of bifurcations (usually called *discontinuity-induced bifurcations*) is the change of interaction

between invariant objects and the sliding region. Focusing on bifurcations of periodic orbits, the planar case was studied in [25].

For 3-dimensional Filippov systems the discontinuity-induced bifurcations of periodic orbits are not yet completely understood, and there are few results about their existence in concrete systems. The main work done in this area deals with bifurcations in which the periodic orbit persists and only changes its interaction with the sliding region. In [12], the authors study numerically this kind of interaction focusing on several models for dry-friction oscillators. Assuming that the periodic orbit is persistent, they study in great detail four cases which they call *grazing-sliding*, *crossing-sliding*, *switching-sliding*, and *adding-sliding*, denoted as *gs*, *cs*, *ss*, and *as*, respectively. Bifurcations in which the periodic orbit is not persistent have been only numerically studied for systems in \mathbb{R}^3 in [11]. A recent study of bifurcations of periodic orbits from the point of view of catastrophe theory can be found in [20].

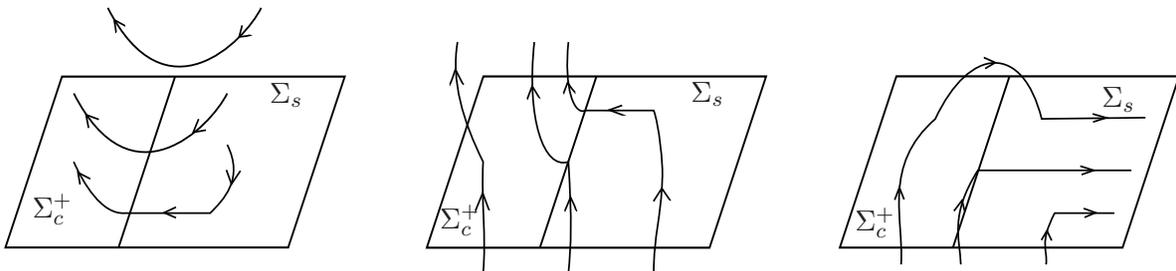


Figure 2. The grazing-sliding, crossing-sliding, and switching-sliding bifurcations.

In this paper we will analyze examples of the first three cases (see Figure 2). For general systems, the *grazing-sliding* bifurcation occurs when the periodic orbit hits Σ at a point of $\partial\Sigma_c^+$ ($\partial\Sigma_c^-$) which is a visible tangency. Hence, for nearby parameter values, either the periodic orbit belongs to G_1 or G_2 and does not hit Σ , or the periodic orbit has a small piece of sliding motion.

The *crossing-sliding* bifurcation corresponds to a periodic orbit which crosses Σ_c^+ (Σ_c^-) and tends to $\partial\Sigma_c^+$ ($\partial\Sigma_c^-$) as the parameter tends to the bifurcation value. For different parameter values, as in the grazing-sliding bifurcation, a small segment of sliding motion appears in the periodic orbit.

Finally, the *switching-sliding* bifurcation corresponds to the case when the bifurcating periodic orbit has a piece of regular trajectory, for instance in G_2 , then hits Σ in an invisible tangency in $\partial\Sigma_c^+$ ($\partial\Sigma_c^-$), and then slides. Thus, after the regular motion, there is a complete sliding motion; that is, both edges of it belong also to $\partial\Sigma_c^\pm$. Then, when the system is perturbed, on one side the periodic orbit does regular motion in G_2 and then slides, and on the other side it does regular motion in G_2 , then in G_1 , and finally slides.

The codimension-2 nonsmooth bifurcations of periodic orbits have been less well studied. As we said at the end of section 1.2, all the previous bifurcations correspond to codimension-1 bifurcations, due to the fact that the folds form curves in Σ . But if we ask the periodic orbit to have a more degenerate tangency with Σ , as is the case of a cusp, the phenomenon can be encountered only in two parameter families, that is, it is a codimension-2 bifurcation. In [22, 21], the authors study numerically some codimension-2 bifurcations of periodic orbits

and show that the presence of cusp points in the periodic orbit is one of the main sources of codimension-2 bifurcations.

System (1.3), as happens in some of the examples of [22, 21], has a symmetry, which is given by

$$(1.7) \quad R(x, y, s) = (-x, -y, s + \pi).$$

We will study periodic orbits which are symmetric with respect to R . Therefore, the piece of the periodic orbit for $s \in (\pi, 2\pi)$ will be symmetric with respect to its piece for $s \in (0, \pi)$ and will undergo symmetric bifurcations. That is, the grazing-sliding, crossing-sliding, and switching-sliding, and also the codimension-2 bifurcations, will come in pairs, one in each of both half periods.

1.4. Previous results for the dry-friction oscillator. The dry-friction oscillator has already been studied by several authors using different approaches; see, for instance, [7, 8, 24, 22, 21, 12].

Using differential inclusion techniques, Kunze in [24] (see p. 40) established the existence of periodic orbits in system (1.3) when $F > 0$. His results are summarized in the following theorems.

Theorem 1.3. *Provided $F \in (0, 1)$ and $\omega^{-1} \notin \mathbb{N}$, system (1.3) has exactly one $2\pi/\omega$ -periodic solution $\Gamma_{\omega, F}(t) = (x^*(t), y^*(t), s^*(t))$, and it is asymptotically stable. That is, for any other solution $(x(t), y(t), s(t))$ of system (1.3),*

$$(1.8) \quad (x(t) - x^*(t))^2 + (y(t) - y^*(t))^2 \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow +\infty.$$

Theorem 1.4. *Provided $F > 1$ and $\omega^{-1} \notin \mathbb{N}$, there exists a family of periodic orbits $\Gamma_{\omega, F}^c(t) = (c, 0, \omega t)$ for $c \in [-F + 1, F - 1]$ of system (1.3). Moreover, if $(x(t), y(t), s(t))$ is any other solution of (1.3), there exists $c \in [-F + 1, F - 1]$ such that*

$$(1.9) \quad (x(t) - c)^2 + y(t)^2 \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow +\infty.$$

Remark 1.5. *The case $\omega = 1$ is the resonant case, and it has unbounded motion for certain range in F . We will not study this case, which has been considered in [24] in great detail.*

Remark 1.6. *For $\omega^{-1} \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}$, in some range of values of F , there exists a continuum of nonsymmetric periodic orbits, which contains only one symmetric periodic orbit (see [24, 8]). In this paper, we focus our attention on the symmetric periodic orbit.*

The approach in [24] does not give any information about the behavior of the trajectories and their bifurcations; for instance, one cannot know whether the periodic orbit intersects the sliding region or not. Therefore, with these techniques, one is unable to detect sliding bifurcations and hence distinguish between stick and stick-slip motions.

For the case $F > 1$, the form of the periodic orbits $\Gamma_{\omega, F}^c$ is known, and they are contained in Σ_s . Improving on previous work (see [13, 22]), the behavior of the symmetric periodic orbit was studied numerically in [23] for parameters in the range $F \in (0, 1)$ and $\omega^{-1} \in (1, 8)$. Their bifurcation diagram is reproduced in Figure 3.

In [23], the authors compute the codimension-1 sliding bifurcation curves for the periodic orbit using numerical continuation techniques and discover codimension-2 sliding bifurcation

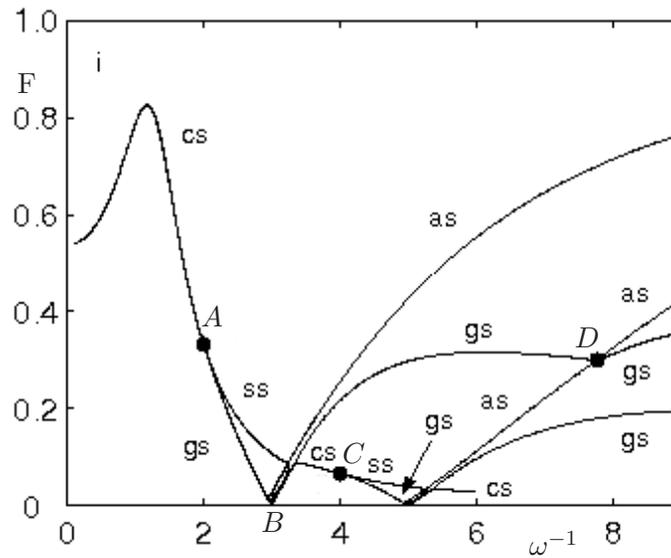


Figure 3. Bifurcation diagram in [23].

points. These codimension-1 curves correspond to the bifurcations explained in section 1.3. The codimension-2 sliding bifurcation points are shown to act as organizing centers of the codimension-1 sliding bifurcations, and are then unfolded to explain dynamical features of the dry-friction oscillator.

We will study the system analytically in section 3 and detect infinitely many codimension-2 bifurcation points $A_n := (\omega_n^{-1}, F_n) = (2n, 1/(4n^2 - 1))$, and we will analytically compute the symmetric periodic orbit in this case, using the fact that it crosses Σ (nontransversally) through the cusp point. We will then rigorously analyze the behavior of the periodic orbit for parameters in a neighborhood of these points, proving the existence of three codimension-1 bifurcation curves which emanate from them. We then focus our attention on point A_1 , called A in [23], and give some asymptotic expansions of these curves that will be compared with numerical computations.

In section 4 we will study the system when F is small, that is, considering the nonsmooth system as a small perturbation of an integrable smooth system. We will see that for $\omega \neq 1/(2n + 1)$, where n is an integer, the nonsmooth symmetric periodic orbit behaves as the corresponding smooth symmetric one for $F = 0$. For $\omega = 1/(2n + 1)$ we also show that the points $B_n := (\omega_n^{-1}, F_n) = (2n + 1, 0)$ are codimension-2 bifurcation points. The first of them, $B_1 := (\omega_1^{-1}, F_1) = (3, 0)$, was already numerically detected and carefully studied in [23]. In section 5, we study this first point B_1 analytically and examine the codimension-1 bifurcations around it. The study of B_n , for $n > 1$, seems more cumbersome. Even if for $n > 1$ we can give some partial results in sectorial neighborhoods S_1^\pm of the points B_n , the dynamics around these points can be more complex and needs more study.

We recall that we study periodic orbits symmetric with respect to R in (1.7) and therefore, for this reason, our approach will be to look for a symmetric periodic orbit. Then we will

have to describe only half of the period, and our analysis will be considerably simplified. This periodic orbit is the only one which exists for $\omega^{-1} \notin \mathbb{N}$.

2. Crossing periodic orbits. In this section we will obtain formulas for the one-turn symmetric crossing periodic orbit of system (1.3) and conditions for it to exist, which will be used to study the sliding bifurcations that the symmetric periodic orbit undergoes. We want to point out that we look for it assuming that it makes only one turn per period; that is, it crosses Σ only twice in every period. The periodic orbit of the system will satisfy this condition for a certain range of parameters. For some other values of the parameters, the symmetric periodic orbit crosses Σ more than twice in every period, as was seen numerically in [23]. Nevertheless, in this paper we restrict ourselves to studying the one-turn crossing periodic orbit and its sliding bifurcations.

Consider the trajectory $\Gamma_{\omega,F}(t) = (x(t), y(t), s(t))$ with initial condition $(x_0, 0, s_0) \in \Sigma_c^+$. Then, since the periodic orbit leaving this point (for certain s_0 , yet to be determined) has to stay in G_1 until it hits Σ again symmetrically after time π/ω , the following equations must be satisfied:

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{cases} x(\pi/\omega) = -x_0, \\ y(\pi/\omega) = 0. \end{cases}$$

These equations can be explicitly solved to give the periodic orbit for a certain range of the parameters, as can be seen in the following proposition. Of course not every solution of (2.1) gives a periodic orbit of system (1.3), since this solution can cross Σ for $t \in (0, \pi/\omega)$ and therefore be a solution of X_1 but not a solution of the Filippov system.

Proposition 2.1. *Equations (2.1) can be explicitly solved, provided $\omega \neq \frac{1}{2n+1}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and*

$$(2.2) \quad \left| F \frac{\omega^2 - 1}{\omega} \frac{\sin(\pi/\omega)}{1 + \cos(\pi/\omega)} \right| \leq 1,$$

to give the solution

$$(2.3) \quad \Gamma_{\omega,F}(t) = \begin{cases} x(t) = F \cos t + F \frac{\sin(\pi/\omega)}{1 + \cos(\pi/\omega)} \sin t - F + \frac{1}{1 - \omega^2} \sin(\omega t + s_0), \\ y(t) = -F \sin t + F \frac{\sin(\pi/\omega)}{1 + \cos(\pi/\omega)} \cos t + \frac{\omega}{1 - \omega^2} \cos(\omega t + s_0), \\ s(t) = s_0 + \omega t \end{cases}$$

for $t \in (0, \pi/\omega)$, where s_0 is given by

$$(2.4) \quad s_0 = 2\pi - \arccos \left(F \frac{\omega^2 - 1}{\omega} \frac{\sin(\pi/\omega)}{1 + \cos(\pi/\omega)} \right).$$

For $t \in (\pi/\omega, 2\pi/\omega)$, $\Gamma_{\omega,F}(t)$ is given by the symmetry (1.7).

Moreover, this solution corresponds to a symmetric periodic orbit of system (1.3) which does not intersect Σ_s and crosses Σ_c^+ and Σ_c^- once every period, provided that the following conditions hold:

$$(2.5) \quad x(0) - \sin s(0) \leq -F,$$

$$(2.6) \quad y(t) > 0 \quad \text{for } t \in (0, \pi/\omega).$$

Remark 2.2. We want to point out that for the parameters to which Proposition 2.1 cannot be applied, that is, for the parameters for which the periodic orbit given by (2.3) and (2.4) does not exist, the periodic orbit which does exist may not necessarily hit the sliding zone Σ_s (and therefore it may not perform stick-slip motions). In Proposition 2.1 we have looked for crossing periodic orbits making one turn per period, but for other ranges of the parameters where Proposition 2.1 fails, the periodic orbit can also be crossing but making more turns. In fact, in [23] it was seen numerically that in a sectorial neighborhood of $B_1 = (\omega^{-1}, F) = (3, 0)$ in the parameter space, the corresponding periodic orbit does not hit Σ_s and makes two turns per period. We conjecture that an analogous behavior occurs around the points $B_n = (\omega^{-1}, F) = (2n + 1, 0)$.

Remark 2.3. Condition (2.5) can also be written as

$$(2.7) \quad \frac{\omega^2}{1 - \omega^2} \sin s_0 \leq -F$$

and ensures, jointly with (2.1), that the crossing points $(x(0), y(0), s(0))$ and $(x(\pi/\omega), y(\pi/\omega), s(\pi/\omega))$ belong to Σ_+^c and Σ_-^c , respectively.

Condition (2.7), using (2.4), gives a necessary condition in the parameter space for these orbits to exist, namely:

$$(2.8) \quad F \leq \frac{1}{\frac{1-\omega^2}{\omega^2} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\omega \sin(\pi/\omega)}{1 + \cos(\pi/\omega)} \right)^2}}.$$

Finally, condition (2.6) ensures that these points $(x(0), y(0), s(0))$ and $(x(\pi/\omega), y(\pi/\omega), s(\pi/\omega))$ are the only points of the periodic orbit that belong to Σ .

Proof of Proposition 2.1. Since X_1 is a linear vector field, provided $\omega \neq 1/(2n + 1)$, one can easily obtain its flow and impose (2.1) to obtain (2.3), which depends on ω , F , and s_0 , where s_0 satisfies the equation

$$(2.9) \quad \cos s_0 = F \frac{\omega^2 - 1}{\omega} \frac{\sin(\pi/\omega)}{1 + \cos(\pi/\omega)}.$$

This equation has a solution, provided that (2.2) holds, and thus this condition is necessary to ensure the existence of the periodic orbit. On the other hand, when this condition holds, (2.9) has two solutions in every period. Nevertheless, only one of them gives a periodic orbit of system (1.3). Indeed, if we denote these solutions $s_0^{(1)}$ and $s_0^{(2)}$, then $\sin s_0^{(1)} > 0$ and $\sin s_0^{(2)} < 0$, and thus since $\omega < 1$, inequality (2.7) can hold only for $s_0^{(2)}$. Therefore s_0 is given by (2.4). ■

3. Analytic study of codimension-2 bifurcations A_n . Checking analytically that conditions (2.5) (or equivalently (2.7)) and (2.6) hold is, in general, difficult. Nevertheless, this computation is considerably easier in the particular case $\omega = 1/2n$.

For $\omega = 1/2n$, condition (2.8) (and then (2.5)) reads $F \leq \frac{1}{4n^2 - 1}$. In addition, it can be seen that the symmetric crossing periodic orbit for F satisfying (2.8), that is, $F \leq \frac{1}{4n^2 - 1}$, exists until it undergoes a sliding bifurcation as the periodic orbit hits the cusp point at

$F = F_n = 1/(4n^2 - 1)$. This phenomenon was numerically studied in [23] at the points $A_1 = (\omega_1, F_1) = (1/2, 1/3)$ and $A_2 = (\omega_2, F_2) = (1/4, 1/15)$, which were called A and C there, respectively.

Moreover, as was seen in [8], a continuum of nonsymmetric periodic orbits (containing the symmetric one), which exist for $F = F_n = 1/(4n^2 - 1)$, merge together at this point.

The next lemma gives some properties of the symmetric periodic orbit at the points A_n which are necessary to unfold the bifurcation (see [8]).

Lemma 3.1. *At $A_n = (\omega_n, F_n) = (\frac{1}{2n}, \frac{1}{4n^2-1})$, the symmetric periodic orbit given by (2.3) exists. Moreover, for the half period in which the $4n\pi$ -periodic orbit stays in G_1 , the periodic orbit is given by*

$$(3.1) \quad \Gamma_{\omega_n, F_n}(t) = \begin{cases} x_{\omega_n, F_n}(t) = \frac{1}{4n^2 - 1}(\cos t - 1) - \frac{4n^2}{4n^2 - 1} \cos\left(\frac{t}{2n}\right), \\ y_{\omega_n, F_n}(t) = -\frac{1}{4n^2 - 1} \sin t + \frac{2n}{4n^2 - 1} \sin\left(\frac{t}{2n}\right), \\ s_{\omega_n, F_n}(t) = \frac{t}{2n} + \frac{3\pi}{2}, \end{cases}$$

with $t \in (0, 2n\pi)$, and the other half is given by the symmetry (1.7). Moreover, $\Gamma_{\omega_n, F_n}(0) = (-\frac{4n^2}{4n^2-1}, 0, \frac{3\pi}{2})$ and $\Gamma_{\omega_n, F_n}(2n\pi) = (\frac{4n^2}{4n^2-1}, 0, 5\pi/2)$, which correspond to the cusp points in the boundaries of the sliding surface (that is, $\partial\Sigma_c^+$ and $\partial\Sigma_c^-$, respectively).

Consequently, the points A_n correspond to codimension-2 bifurcation points.

Proof. It is straightforward to see that taking $(\omega, F) = (\omega_n, F_n)$ satisfies condition (2.2), and that the periodic orbit (2.3) exists and is given by (3.1). Moreover, since for $t = 0$ this periodic orbit passes through the cusp, condition (2.5) also holds. Therefore, it only remains to check the fulfillment of condition (2.6). For that purpose, it is enough to check that $y(t) > 0$ in all the extrema of $y(t)$, where we have taken $y(t) = y_{\omega_n, F_n}(t)$ to simplify the notation. Since

$$\dot{y}(t) = \frac{1}{4n^2 - 1} \left(\cos\left(\frac{t}{2n}\right) - \cos t \right),$$

it is straightforward to see that $\dot{y}(t) = 0$ has two families of solutions:

$$\begin{aligned} t_+^k &= \frac{2n}{2n-1} 2k\pi \quad \text{for } k \in \mathbb{Z}, \\ t_-^k &= \frac{2n}{2n+1} 2k\pi \quad \text{for } k \in \mathbb{Z}. \end{aligned}$$

To check that $y(t_{\pm}^k) > 0$, we use that

$$y(t_{\pm}^k) = \frac{1}{2n \pm 1} \sin\left(\frac{t_{\pm}^k}{2n}\right).$$

Since we are interested only in t_{\pm}^k such that $t_{\pm} \in (0, 2n\pi)$ (modulus $4n\pi$), we have that $y(t_{\pm}^k) > 0$. ■

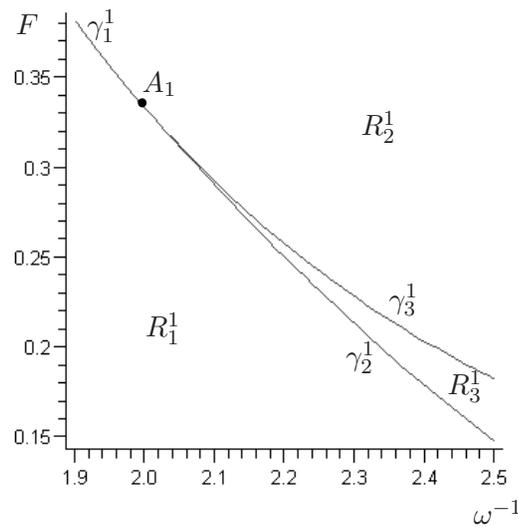


Figure 4. Bifurcation diagram near the point A_1 .

3.1. Codimension-1 bifurcations curves emanating from A_n . In this section we will focus our attention on the study of the codimension-1 bifurcation curves that emanate from A_n . The study of all the points A_n is analogous, and we will see that around them one obtains exactly the same behavior (see [23] for the numerical study of A_1 and A_2 , called there A and C , respectively). In fact, geometrically, the behavior of the periodic orbit at all the A_n is the same. It leaves the cusp point $(-\frac{4n^2}{4n^2-1}, 0, \frac{3\pi}{2}) = (-F_n - 1, 0, \frac{3\pi}{2})$ through G_1 until it reaches, at time $t = 2\pi n = \pi/\omega_n$, the symmetric point $(\frac{4n^2}{4n^2-1}, 0, \frac{5\pi}{2}) = (F_n + 1, 0, \frac{5\pi}{2})$.

For this reason, the codimension-1 bifurcations that the orbit undergoes when the parameters move from A_n will be the same.

We prove, as shown numerically in [22] in the case of A_1 and A_2 , that three curves, which correspond to codimension-1 bifurcations, emanate from points A_n in such a way as to divide the neighborhood of A_n into three regions. These curves correspond to *grazing-sliding*, *switching-sliding*, and *crossing-sliding* bifurcations.

We provide expressions (3.3), (3.4), (3.5) for these curves, valid around the points A_n . Nevertheless, the local asymptotic expansions for these curves will be computed only in the case of A_1 , mainly to compare with the previous numerical results in [23]. In particular, around A_1 , we see that between the crossing-sliding and grazing-sliding curves, and between the grazing-sliding and switching-sliding curves, the contact is only \mathcal{C}^1 , but between the crossing-sliding and switching-sliding curves, the contact is \mathcal{C}^3 .

We denote by γ_1^n , γ_2^n , and γ_3^n the codimension-1 sliding bifurcation curves which emanate from A_n , and by R_1^n , R_2^n , and R_3^n the regions in between these curves (see Figure 4).

Points in R_1^n correspond to the case of the periodic orbit $\Gamma_{\omega, F}$ undergoing only *slip* motion; that is, the orbit does not intersect the sliding region. Therefore it is just given by (2.3) and (2.4) and verifies (2.5) and (2.6). In R_2^n , $\Gamma_{\omega, F}$ undergoes *stick-slip* motion. In this region,

taking as initial condition $(x_0, 0, s_0) \in \partial\Sigma_c^+$, the orbit goes through G_1 until it again hits Σ_s , then slides until it reaches the boundary of the sliding region at the symmetric point $(-x_0, 0, s_0 + \pi)$. Finally, for parameters in R_3^n , after moving through G_1 , the periodic orbit hits Σ_c^- instead of Σ_s , and then hits the sliding region from below and slides.

We shall now discuss these curves and regions in greater detail and give expressions for the curves around A_n . Later, in section 3.2, we will give local asymptotic expansion for these curves in the case of A_1 .

The boundary of R_1^n is reached when one of conditions (2.5) and (2.6) no longer holds. In fact, depending on the value of ω , the orbit can change in two different ways, giving rise to γ_1^n or γ_2^n . When $\omega^{-1} < 2n$ and F is increased, condition (2.5) fails first, along γ_1^n . Here, the trajectory hits Σ in $(x_0, 0, s_0) \in \partial\Sigma_c^+$, in such a way that a further increase in F leads to the appearance of a small sliding trajectory. This is a *crossing-sliding* bifurcation. For $\omega^{-1} > 2n$, condition (2.6) fails first. Here another contact between the trajectory and Σ appears in $\partial\Sigma_c^+$ in every half period. Since this new contact is tangential, γ_2^n corresponds to a *grazing-sliding* bifurcation.

First, we focus our attention on the crossing-sliding curves γ_1^n . Given condition (2.2), condition (2.5) fails along γ_1^n , so that $\Gamma_{\omega,F}(0) \in \partial\Sigma_c^+$. Thus, in order to obtain an analytic expression for γ_1^n , it is enough to consider the condition

$$(3.2) \quad x(0) - \sin s(0) = -F,$$

where $(x(t), y(t), s(t))$ is the orbit defined in (2.3) and (2.4). See [30, 34] for other derivations of this curve.

Proposition 3.2. *The curve γ_1^n , on which the crossing sliding bifurcation occurs, is given by*

$$(3.3) \quad F = \frac{1}{\frac{1-\omega^2}{\omega^2} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\omega \sin(\pi/\omega)}{1+\cos(\pi/\omega)}\right)^2}}, \quad \omega^{-1} < 2n,$$

close to the point A_n given in Lemma 3.1.

For parameters in this curve, the periodic orbit is given by (2.3), (2.4), and it holds that for $t = 0$ and $t = \pi/\omega$ it belongs to $\partial\Sigma_+^c$ and $\partial\Sigma_-^c$, respectively.

Proof. Equation

$$x(0) - \sin s(0) = -F,$$

where $(x(t), y(t), s(t))$ is the orbit defined in (2.3) and (2.4), leads straightforwardly to (3.3). Moreover, it is clear that then (2.3) satisfies condition (2.5). Therefore, to assure that (2.3) corresponds to a periodic orbit of (1.3), it remains only to check that condition (2.6) is also satisfied.

First we check the condition for $t \in (0, \pi/\omega)$ close to $t_+ = 0$ and $t_- = \pi/\omega$. Since for these points the periodic orbit passes through a fold in Σ , one has that $y(t_\pm) = \dot{y}(t_\pm) = 0$. To assure that close to these points $y(t) > 0$, it is enough to compute $\ddot{y}(t_\pm)$, which is given by

$$\ddot{y}(t_\pm) = F(\pm\omega^2 - 1) \frac{\sin(\pi/\omega)}{1 + \cos(\pi/\omega)},$$

and therefore, since $\omega^{-1} < 2$, one has that $\dot{y}(t_{\pm}) > 0$. Hence, there exists $\delta > 0$ small enough such that $y(t) > 0$ for $t \in (0, \delta) \cup (\pi/\omega - \delta, \pi/\omega)$. To check condition (2.6) for $t \in [\delta, \pi/\omega - \delta]$, it is enough to use that this set is compact and that $y(t)$ is close to the y component of the periodic orbit for parameters in A_n , which is given by $y_{\omega_n, F_n}(t)$ in (3.1). Thus, since $y_{\omega_n, F_n}(t) > 0$ for $t \in [\delta, \pi/\omega - \delta]$, for ω^{-1} close to $2n$ this fact implies that $y(t) > 0$ for $t \in [\delta, \pi/\omega - \delta]$. ■

The form of the periodic orbit for values along curve γ_1^1 can be seen in Figure 5.

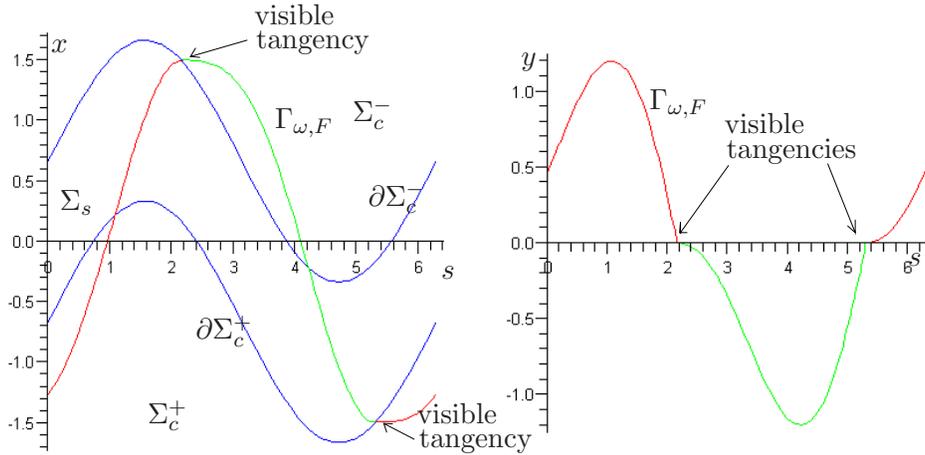


Figure 5. Projection of $\Gamma_{\omega, F}$ onto the (s, x) (left) and (s, y) (right) planes for parameters in the curve γ_1^1 . Red and green correspond respectively to the parts of the periodic orbit in G_1 and G_2 . The tangency points occur approximately at $s = 2.2$ and $s = 2.2 + \pi$.

The second curve which emanates from A_n is called γ_2^n , and on it grazing-sliding bifurcations take place. If we consider the prolongation of the curve γ_1^n to $\omega^{-1} > 2$, it is easy to check, analogously to the proof of Proposition 3.2, that condition (2.6) does not hold. Therefore, for parameters below this curve, a curve γ_2^n must exist where this condition fails first giving rise to the grazing-sliding bifurcation. In order to derive an expression for γ_2^n we do not use (2.3) and (2.4) anymore, because the equation $y(t) = 0$ cannot be solved explicitly. Instead, we consider the equations which determine the behavior of the periodic orbit at the grazing-sliding bifurcation, taking into account that we can explicitly compute the general solution of the smooth components of X .

We look for this periodic orbit taking as initial condition a visible tangency point $z_0 = (x_0, 0, s_0) \in \partial\Sigma_c^+$, namely $x_0 = -F + \sin(s_0)$ and $s_0 \in (\pi/2, \pi) \cup (3\pi/2, 2\pi)$ (see Figure 6), whose trajectory can be obtained easily in terms of s_0 . Thus, the corresponding trajectory $\Gamma_{\omega, F}(t) = (x(t), y(t), s_0 + \omega t)$ hits Σ backwards and forwards in time at some symmetric points $(x_1, 0, s_1) \in \Sigma_c^+$ and $(-x_1, 0, s_1 + \pi) \in \Sigma_c^-$, at times $-h$ and $\pi/\omega - h$, respectively, for some $h \in (0, \pi/\omega)$ along trajectories of X_1 .

Proposition 3.3. *The curve γ_2^n is defined implicitly for suitable values h and s_0 and for*

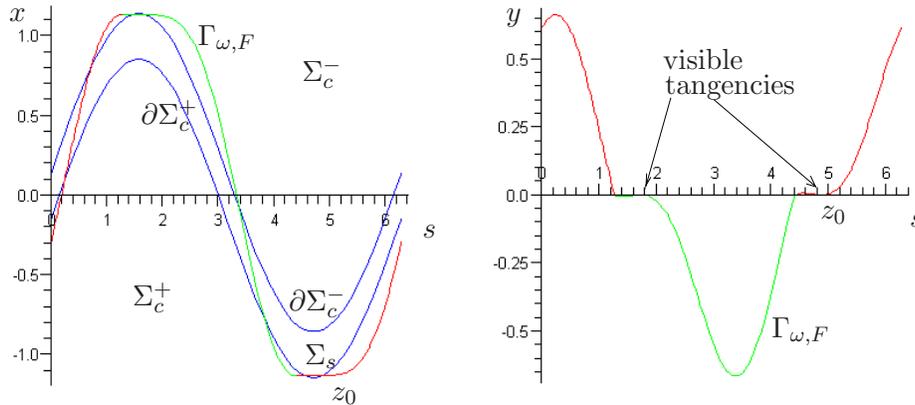


Figure 6. Projection of $\Gamma_{\omega,F}$ onto the (s, x) (left) and (s, y) (right) planes for parameters in the curve γ_2^1 . Red and green correspond respectively to the parts of the periodic orbit in G_1 and G_2 . The grazing points occurs approximately at $s = s_0 = 4.9$ and $s = s_0 - \pi$.

$\omega^{-1} > 2$ by the equations

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{cases} y(\pi/\omega - h) = 0, \\ y(-h) = 0, \\ x(\pi/\omega - h) + x(-h) = 0, \end{cases}$$

where $(x(t), y(t), s(t))$ is the trajectory of X_1 with initial condition at the fold $z_0 = (x_0, 0, s_0) \in \partial\Sigma_c^+$ with $x_0 = -F + \sin(s_0)$.

Proof. It is straightforward to check that the fulfillment of (3.4) is a necessary condition to undergo a grazing-sliding bifurcation. On the other hand, for $\omega_n^{-1} = 2n$, the solution of (3.4) is given by $F_n = 1/(4n^2 - 1)$, $h = 0$, and $s_0 = 3\pi/2$, and the corresponding periodic orbit is (3.1). Nevertheless, the implicit function theorem cannot be applied directly since equations in (3.4) are degenerate close to A_n since the orbit passes through the cusp point. Therefore, one has to rescale the variables and the equations first. Taking $\omega^{-1} = 2n + \varepsilon$ and considering the function

$$\mathcal{G}(F, h, s_0, \varepsilon) = (\varepsilon^{-1}y(\pi/\omega - h), \varepsilon^{-3}y(-h), \varepsilon^{-1}(x(\pi/\omega - h) + x(-h)))$$

with (3.4) rescaled and performing the change $(F, h, s) = (F_n + \varepsilon\bar{F}, \varepsilon\bar{h}, 3\pi/2 + \varepsilon\bar{s})$, the implicit function theorem can be applied around the point $(\bar{F}, \bar{h}, \bar{s}) = (-4/9, 3\pi/4, \pi/8)$. This theorem gives us a curve $F \equiv F(\omega)$ in a neighborhood of $\omega^{-1} = 2n$ in the parameter space; nevertheless, it corresponds only to a bifurcation curve for $\omega^{-1} > 2$, since for $\omega^{-1} < 2$, as we saw in Proposition 3.2, condition (2.5) fails first. ■

As will be done in section 3.2 for $n = 1$, using (3.4), one can obtain local expansions of the curves γ_2^n by expanding the variables F , h , and s_0 in power series of $\varepsilon = \omega^{-1} - 2n$.

Once we have crossed γ_2^n , for $(\omega^{-1}, F) \in R_3^n$, in every half period the periodic orbit visits both G_1 and G_2 once and then slides. Switching-sliding occurs on the boundary of this region

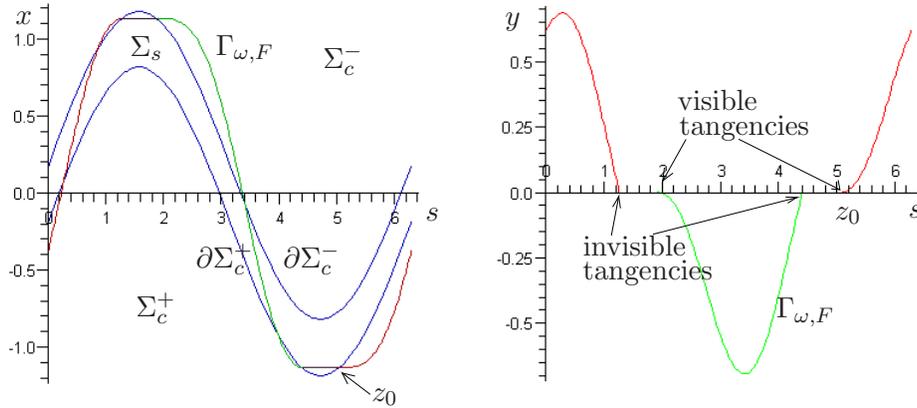


Figure 7. Projection of $\Gamma_{\omega,F}$ onto the (s, x) (left) and (s, y) (right) planes for parameters in curve γ_3^1 . Red and green correspond respectively to the parts of the periodic orbit in G_1 and G_2 , and violet corresponds to the sliding motion. The visible tangencies are approximately at $s = s_0 = 5$ and $s = s_0 - \pi$ and the invisible ones at $s = 4.4$ and $s = 4.4 - \pi$.

(see Figure 7), in which the periodic orbit consists, in every half period, of a trajectory arriving to an invisible tangency followed by sliding, then a visible tangency and a regular trajectory.

We look for the periodic orbit $\Gamma_{\omega,F}(t) = (x(t), y(t), s(t))$ as the trajectory with initial condition $z_0 = (-F + \sin s_0, 0, s_0) \in \partial\Sigma_c^+$, $s_0 \in (\pi, 2\pi)$ (see Figure 7). This orbit hits Σ again, in $\partial\Sigma_c^-$, after a piece of regular orbit in G_1 , at a point $(F + \sin s_1, 0, s_1) \in \partial\Sigma_c^-$ after time $t_0 = (s_1 - s_0)/\omega$. From this point the trajectory slides until $(F + \sin s_1, 0, 5\pi - s_1) \in \partial\Sigma_c^-$. As we want the periodic orbit to be symmetric, this last point has to satisfy

$$(F + \sin s_1, 0, 5\pi - s_1) = (F - \sin s_0, 0, s_0 + \pi),$$

which holds provided that $s_1 = 4\pi - s_0$, and then $t_0 = (4\pi - 2s_0)/\omega$.

Proposition 3.4. *The curve γ_3^n is defined implicitly for suitable values of s_0 and for $\omega^{-1} > 2$ by the equations*

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{cases} x((4\pi - 2s_0)/\omega) = F - \sin(s_0), \\ y((4\pi - 2s_0)/\omega) = 0, \end{cases}$$

where $(x(t), y(t), s(t))$ is the trajectory of X_1 leaving from the fold $z_0 = (x_0, 0, s_0) \in \partial\Sigma_c^+$ with $x_0 = -F + \sin(s_0)$.

Proof. It is straightforward to check that the fulfillment of (3.5) is a necessary condition to undergo a switching-sliding bifurcation. On the other hand, at the point $A_n = (\omega_n^{-1}, F_n) = (2n, 1/(4n^2 - 1))$, the solution of (3.5) is given by $s_0 = 3\pi/2$, and the corresponding periodic orbit is (3.1).

To prove that (3.5) implicitly defines the curve, it is enough to use the implicit function theorem, which in this case can be applied directly with no need for rescaling. Thus, we obtain a curve $F \equiv F(\omega)$ in a neighborhood of $\omega^{-1} = 2$. Nevertheless, as in Proposition 3.3, this curve corresponds to a bifurcation curve only for $\omega^{-1} > 2$. ■

3.2. Local expansions of γ_1^1 , γ_2^1 , and γ_3^1 . In this section we provide some local expansions in terms of $\varepsilon = \omega^{-1} - 2$ of the codimension-1 bifurcations curves γ_1^1 , γ_2^1 , and γ_3^1 , which emanate from point A_1 and which have been studied in Propositions 3.2, 3.3, and 3.4.

Proposition 3.5. *The curves γ_1^1 , γ_2^1 , and γ_3^1 are given locally by $F = \gamma_i(\varepsilon)$, where $\varepsilon = \omega^{-1} - 2$, as*

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{aligned} \gamma_1^1(\varepsilon) = & \frac{1}{3} - \frac{4}{9}\varepsilon + \left(\frac{13}{27} - \frac{\pi^2}{96}\right)\varepsilon^2 + \frac{1}{6}\left(\frac{7}{48}\pi^2 - \frac{80}{27}\right)\varepsilon^3 \\ & + \left(\frac{121}{243} - \frac{127}{3456}\pi^2 - \frac{23}{18432}\pi^4\right)\varepsilon^4 + \mathcal{O}_5(\varepsilon) \end{aligned}$$

for $\varepsilon < 0$, and

$$(3.7) \quad \gamma_2^1(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{4}{9}\varepsilon + \left(\frac{13}{27} - \frac{13}{384}\pi^2\right)\varepsilon^2 + \mathcal{O}_3(\varepsilon),$$

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{aligned} \gamma_3^1(\varepsilon) = & \frac{1}{3} - \frac{4}{9}\varepsilon + \left(\frac{13}{27} - \frac{\pi^2}{96}\right)\varepsilon^2 + \frac{1}{6}\left(\frac{7}{48}\pi^2 - \frac{80}{27}\right)\varepsilon^3 \\ & + \left(\frac{121}{243} - \frac{127}{3456}\pi^2 + \frac{1}{18432}\pi^4\right)\varepsilon^4 + \mathcal{O}_5(\varepsilon) \end{aligned}$$

for $\varepsilon > 0$.

Therefore, the contact between γ_1^1 and γ_2^1 is \mathcal{C}^1 , while the contact between γ_3^1 and γ_1^1 is \mathcal{C}^3 , and between γ_3^1 and γ_2^1 is \mathcal{C}^1 .

Proof. For γ_1^1 we just need to use the explicit expression (3.3), and Taylor expand it at point A_1 , obtaining the desired result.

In the case of γ_2^1 , we can solve (3.4), expanding the variables F , h , and s_0 in a power series of $\varepsilon = \omega^{-1} - 2$ to obtain

$$\begin{cases} F = \frac{1}{3} + F_1\varepsilon + F_2\varepsilon^2 + \mathcal{O}_3(\varepsilon), \\ h = h_1\varepsilon + h_2\varepsilon^2 + \mathcal{O}_3(\varepsilon), \\ s_0 = \frac{3\pi}{2} + s_{0,1}\varepsilon + s_{0,2}\varepsilon^2 + \mathcal{O}_3(\varepsilon), \end{cases}$$

where the coefficients can be determined by straightforward computations giving the local expansion.

In the case of γ_3^1 , we just need to solve (3.5) expanding (F, s_0) as

$$\begin{cases} F = \frac{1}{3} + \sum_{k=1}^4 F_k\varepsilon^k + \mathcal{O}_5(\varepsilon), \\ s_0 = \frac{3\pi}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^4 s_{0,k}\varepsilon^k + \mathcal{O}_5(\varepsilon), \end{cases}$$

where the coefficients can be determined by straightforward computations.

Comparing expressions (3.6), (3.7), and (3.8), one can see that the contact between γ_1^1 and γ_2^1 is only \mathcal{C}^1 , the contact between γ_3^1 and γ_1^1 is \mathcal{C}^3 , and between γ_3^1 and γ_2^1 is \mathcal{C}^1 . ■

3.3. Comparison with previous numerical work. In Proposition 3.5 we have obtained local expansions for the codimension-1 bifurcation curves which emanate from point A_1 . Now we compare our analytical results with the numerical ones which were obtained in [23]. In Figure 8 we plot the two sets of the three curves, and one can see that they fit very well close to point A_1 .

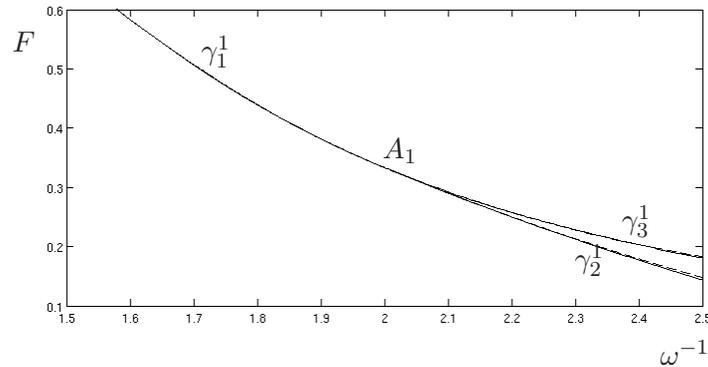


Figure 8. Comparison between the codimension-1 bifurcation curves emanating from point A_1 obtained numerically in [23] (solid lines) and the local expansions obtained in this article (dashed lines).

4. The periodic orbit for F small. In this section, we study system (1.3) for arbitrarily small F . For $F = 0$, system (1.3) becomes smooth and integrable, and it is straightforward to check that the following hold:

1. For $\omega \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$, there is a unique $2\pi/\omega$ -periodic orbit $\Gamma_{\omega,0}$, which is symmetric with respect to (1.7). All other trajectories are quasi-periodic and rotate around the periodic orbit, densely filling invariant tori.

2. For $\omega \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \{1/n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$, there is a unique $2\pi/\omega$ -periodic orbit $\Gamma_{\omega,0}$, which is symmetric. All other trajectories are periodic with higher period and also rotate around the periodic orbit.

3. For $\omega = 1/n$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ (but $\omega \neq 1$), all the trajectories are $2\pi/\omega$ -periodic. Moreover, for even n among these periodic orbits there exists only one which is symmetric, whereas for odd n all the periodic orbits are symmetric.

We want to study what happens in the perturbed case $F > 0$, when the sliding region Σ_s is small. We recall that we already know the existence and uniqueness of the $2\pi/\omega$ -periodic orbit for $\omega^{-1} \notin \mathbb{N}$ and $F \in (0,1)$ from Theorem 1.3, which, moreover, is symmetric with respect to (1.7). As we will see in the next proposition, in most of the cases the nonsmooth symmetric periodic orbit is just the continuation of the unique symmetric smooth periodic orbit existing in the limiting case $F = 0$.

Proposition 4.1. *Let us consider system (1.3) with $\omega^* \in (0,1)$ but $(\omega^*)^{-1} \notin \mathbb{N}$. Then, for (ω, F) close enough to $(\omega^*, 0)$, there exists a unique $2\pi/\omega$ -periodic orbit $\Gamma_{\omega,F}$ symmetric with respect to (1.7) which does not hit the sliding surface. Moreover, in every half period the orbit hits the discontinuity surface Σ only once in Σ_c^\pm and, in the half period for which it belongs to G_1 , is given by (2.3) and (2.4).*

Furthermore, if $\Gamma_{\omega^*,0}$ is the unique symmetric periodic orbit given by (2.3) and (2.4) with $F = 0$, then $\Gamma_{\omega,F} \rightarrow \Gamma_{\omega^*,0}$ as $(\omega, F) \rightarrow (\omega^*, 0)$.

Proof. The existence and uniqueness of the periodic orbit for $F > 0$ is already known due to Theorem 1.3. We first prove that the periodic orbit is given by (2.3) and (2.4).

For ω close enough to ω^* , one has that $\omega^{-1} \notin \mathbb{N}$. On the other hand, taking $F < F_0$ for certain $F_0 \equiv F_0(\omega) > 0$, condition (2.2) also holds. Therefore, (2.3)–(2.4) is well defined. Therefore, it remains only to check that conditions (2.5) and (2.6) hold, to ensure that (2.3) and (2.4) give a periodic orbit of (1.3).

Reducing F if necessary, one has that condition (2.8) holds, and this condition implies (2.5). We check (2.6) in two steps, first for $t \in (0, \pi/\omega)$ close to $t_+ = 0$ and $t_- = \pi/\omega$. Since for these points the periodic orbit intersects Σ , one has $y(t_{\pm}) = 0$. To assure that, close to these points, $y(t) > 0$ it is enough to consider

$$\dot{y}(t_{\pm}) = -F \mp \frac{\omega^2}{1 - \omega^2} \sin s_0.$$

Therefore, using (2.7), which is equivalent to (2.5), already shown to hold, one obtains that $\dot{y}(0) > 0$ and $\dot{y}(\pi/\omega) < 0$, and therefore there exists $\delta > 0$ small enough such that $y(t) > 0$ for $t \in (0, \delta) \cup (\pi/\omega - \delta, \pi/\omega)$. For $t \in [\delta, \pi/\omega - \delta]$, we use that $y(t)$ is close to the y component of $\Gamma_{\omega^*,0}$ (see (2.3)), which is given by

$$y_{\omega^*,0}(t) = -\frac{\omega^*}{1 - (\omega^*)^2} \sin(\omega t).$$

Thus, since $y_{\omega^*,0}(t) > 0$ for $t \in [\delta, \pi/\omega - \delta]$, which is a compact set, taking (ω, F) closer to $(\omega^*, 0)$, we have that $y(t) > 0$.

Once we know that the periodic orbit is given by (2.3) and (2.4), taking $(\omega, F) \rightarrow (\omega^*, 0)$ in expression (2.3), it is straightforward to obtain the last statement. ■

Remark 4.2. From the proof of Proposition 4.1, it is straightforward to see that the symmetric periodic orbit given by (2.3) and (2.4) is well defined for (ω, F) arbitrarily close to $(\omega^*, 0) = (1/2n, 0)$. Moreover, conditions (2.2), (2.5), and (2.6) are satisfied.

Therefore, in that case there exists also a symmetric $2\pi/\omega$ -periodic orbit $\Gamma_{\omega,F}$ which does not hit the sliding surface, crosses the discontinuity surface Σ only once per period, and satisfies

$$\Gamma_{\omega,F} \rightarrow \Gamma_{\omega^*,0} \quad \text{as } (\omega, F) \rightarrow (\omega^*, 0),$$

where $\Gamma_{\omega^*,0}$ is the unique symmetric periodic orbit of system (1.3) with $(\omega, F) = (\omega^*, 0)$.

If $\omega^{-1} \notin \mathbb{N}$, by Theorem 1.3, $\Gamma_{\omega,F}$ is the only periodic orbit that exists. Nevertheless, if we take $\omega = 1/2n$, this symmetric periodic orbit coexists with a continuum of asymmetric $2\pi/\omega$ -periodic orbits (see [8]).

4.1. The codimension-2 bifurcation points B_n . Following Proposition 4.1 and Remark 4.2, we know the behavior of the periodic orbit for any (ω, F) close enough to $(\omega^*, 0)$ with $\omega^* \neq 1/(2n + 1)$. Moreover, close to the points $B_n = (\omega_n^{-1}, F_n) = (2n + 1, 0)$, there exist sectorial neighborhoods S_1^{\pm} where the crossing symmetric periodic orbit given by Proposition 2.1 exists, and they correspond to the parameters for which conditions (2.5) and (2.6) hold. As has

been pointed out in section 3, in general it is difficult to check when these conditions hold. Nevertheless, for the points B_n we already know, thanks to Proposition 4.1, that the sectorial neighborhoods S_1^\pm exist.

In the next proposition, whose proof is straightforward, we will see that, depending upon the path in these sectorial neighborhoods S_1^\pm in parameter space that we choose to approach the bifurcation point B_n , the limiting periodic orbit is different.

Proposition 4.3. *Let us consider parameters $(\omega^{-1}, F) \in S_1^\pm$ in lines of the form*

$$(4.1) \quad \begin{cases} \omega^{-1} = 2n + 1 + k\delta, \\ F = \delta \end{cases}$$

for $\delta > 0$ small. Then, taking $\delta \rightarrow 0$, the crossing periodic orbit $\Gamma_{\omega, F}$ given in Proposition 2.1 tends to the smooth periodic orbit

$$(4.2) \quad \Gamma_{1/(2n+1), 0}^k(t) = \begin{cases} x(t) = -\frac{2}{k\pi} \sin t + \frac{2(2n+1)}{k\pi} \sin\left(\frac{t}{2n+1}\right) \\ \quad - \frac{2n+1}{4\pi} \sqrt{\pi^2 \left(\frac{2n+1}{n^2+n}\right)^2 - \frac{64}{k^2}} \cos\left(\frac{t}{2n+1}\right), \\ y(t) = -\frac{2}{k\pi} \cos t + \frac{2}{k\pi} \cos\left(\frac{t}{2n+1}\right) \\ \quad + \frac{1}{4\pi} \sqrt{\pi^2 \left(\frac{2n+1}{n^2+n}\right)^2 - \frac{64}{k^2}} \sin\left(\frac{t}{2n+1}\right), \\ s(t) = \frac{t}{2n+1} + s_0, \end{cases}$$

where $s_0 = \frac{3}{2}\pi + \arcsin\left(\frac{8n(n+1)}{k\pi(2n+1)}\right)$.

5. Analytic study of the codimension-2 bifurcation point B_1 . The first case in which Proposition 2.1 cannot be applied is the point $B_1 := (\omega^{-1}, F) = (3, 0)$, whose study is the subject of this section. Throughout this section, for simplicity, we refer to B_1 as B . The study of the other points B_n seems to be more involved and, as far as the authors know, these points have not been studied even numerically. At point B , the phase space is foliated by 6π -periodic orbits, which are symmetric. The fact that the limiting periodic orbit depends upon the path in the parameter space considered to approach B , as has been seen in Proposition 4.3, will lead to several bifurcations. In [23], six codimension-1 bifurcation curves which emanated from B were detected numerically. In this section, we will prove the existence of these curves and will compute their local expansions. At the same time, we will show the behavior of the periodic orbit for parameters belonging to these curves.

We denote these curves by σ_i^\pm for $i = 1, 2, 3$, and the regions between the curves are denoted by S_i^\pm for $i = 1, \dots, 3$ and S_4 (see Figure 9). In fact, $S_1^- = R_1^1$, $S_2^- = R_3^1$, and also $\sigma_1^- = \gamma_2^1$, which were studied in section 3. Thus, in S_1^- the periodic orbit does not hit the sliding region and along σ_1^- undergoes a grazing-sliding bifurcation. In S_2^- it visits both G_1 and G_2 and then slides.

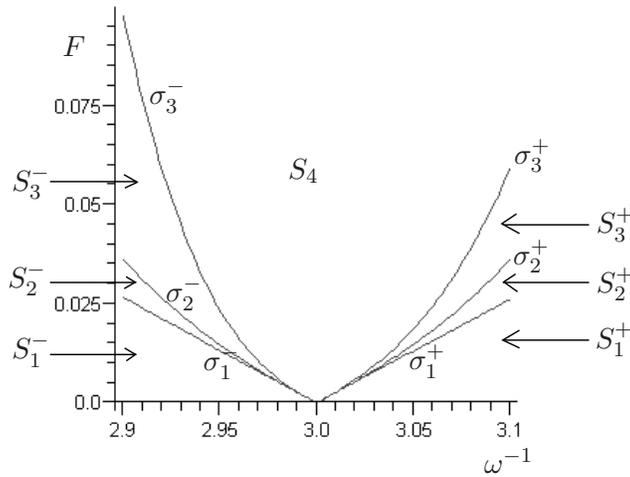


Figure 9. Codimension-1 bifurcation curves in a neighborhood of point B.

The curve σ_2^- corresponds to a switching-sliding bifurcation. Along it the periodic orbit consists, in every half period, of a trajectory arriving at an invisible tangency in $\partial\Sigma_c^-$ followed by sliding, then a visible tangency in $\partial\Sigma_c^+$, and a regular trajectory which visits both G_1 and G_2 . For parameters in S_3^- , the periodic orbit visits G_2 , G_1 , and G_2 before it slides, and then leaves Σ through $\partial\Sigma_c^+$ and has another segment of regular trajectory in G_1 . The limiting behavior corresponds to a crossing-sliding bifurcation which occurs along σ_3^- . In this case, the periodic orbit has regular trajectories in G_2 , G_1 , and G_2 and then hits Σ in $\partial\Sigma_c^+$. In region S_4 the periodic orbit does not hit Σ_s , and in every half period it crosses Σ three times always in Σ_c^\pm . The behavior in the other regions and curves is symmetric. That is, σ_3^+ , σ_2^+ , and σ_1^+ correspond to crossing-sliding, switching-sliding, and grazing-sliding bifurcations, respectively. For a more detailed explanation of the different behaviors, see [23].

5.1. Crossing periodic orbit in regions S_1^\pm . We begin the study of the neighborhood of point B by analyzing regions S_1^\pm around it. As we showed in section 3, the nonsmooth periodic orbit in regions S_1^\pm is given by (2.3) and (2.4) subject to conditions (2.2), (2.5), and (2.6).

As was seen in Proposition 3.3, the boundary of region S_1^- is reached when condition (2.6) fails, and the orbit undergoes a grazing-sliding bifurcation.

As we are using perturbation techniques, to look for a local expression of curve σ_1^- we need a good approximation of the periodic orbit. In the case of point A_n , the periodic orbit was well approximated by Γ_{ω_n, F_n} in (3.1), which was the periodic orbit existing at the codimension-2 bifurcation point. Nevertheless, Proposition 4.1 fails in point B so that we do not know the first order approximation of $\Gamma_{\omega, F}$ in this case. In the following lemma, whose proof is straightforward, we obtain the limiting periodic orbit and the slope of the curve σ_1^- .

Lemma 5.1. *The limiting smooth symmetric periodic orbit (4.2) obtained in Proposition 4.3, taking parameters (4.1) with $\delta \rightarrow 0$, is a one-turn crossing periodic orbit; that is, it crosses Σ*

only twice per period and transversally, provided $|k| \geq 16\sqrt{5}/3\pi$.

Therefore,

$$m^\pm = \frac{1}{k^\pm} = \pm \frac{3\pi}{16\sqrt{5}}$$

are the slopes of the curves σ_1^\pm , and the limiting periodic orbit for parameters in these curves is just (4.2) with $n = 1$ and $k = k^\pm$. Moreover, this periodic orbit intersects Σ tangentially at $(\sin(s_0^\pm), 0, s_0^\pm)$ with

$$s_0^- = \frac{7\pi}{4} - \arcsin \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \quad \text{and} \quad s_0^+ = \frac{5\pi}{4} + \arcsin \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}},$$

respectively, and also in the corresponding symmetric points.

Remark 5.2. The generalization of this result to the other points B_n seems more involved. First, the proof of this lemma relies on finding double zeros of $y(t)$ in (4.2). At B_1 , this problem can be reduced to finding the zeros of a degree two polynomial. Nevertheless, for $n > 1$, one obtains higher degree polynomials, and then it is more difficult to obtain the tangency points analytically.

On the other hand, for $n > 1$ the symmetric periodic orbits for $F = 0$ can make more turns per period, and then they can present more tangencies, and thus around points B_n it is expected that more bifurcations can occur. It would be interesting to study numerically the points B_n for $n > 1$ to see which part of the structure encountered in B_1 persists and which new bifurcations appear.

In the forthcoming sections, we will see that these tangencies of the limiting periodic orbits make possible all the sliding bifurcations of the nonsmooth periodic orbit undergone in the bifurcation curves $\sigma_1^\pm - \sigma_3^\pm$. Indeed, we will see that m^\pm are the slopes of all the bifurcation curves, and that the limiting orbit through these curves is given by (4.2) for $k = k^\pm$ in all the cases.

5.2. The grazing-sliding bifurcation curves σ_1^\pm . Since σ_1^- is the curve γ_2^1 which has been studied in Proposition 3.3, it has to satisfy the implicit equations (3.4).

Proposition 5.3. The grazing-sliding codimension-1 bifurcation curve σ_1^- emanating from B is defined implicitly for suitable values h and s_0 and for $\omega^{-1} < 3$ close to $\omega^{-1} = 3$ by the equations (3.4) given in Proposition 3.3.

Proof. When $(\omega^{-1}, F) \in \sigma_1^-$, the parameters are given, up to first order, by (4.1) with $k = k^-$, so that the periodic orbit $\Gamma_{\omega, F}$ is well approximated by (4.2) with $n = 1$ and $k = k^-$ which satisfies (3.4) when

$$h = \frac{3\pi}{4} \quad \text{and} \quad s_0 = \frac{7\pi}{4} - \arcsin \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}.$$

Therefore, using the suitable rescaling and change of variables, and applying the implicit function theorem as we did in Proposition 3.3, it is straightforward to prove that (3.4) define implicitly σ_1^- for ω^{-1} close enough to $\omega^{-1} = 3$. Nevertheless, it corresponds to a bifurcation curve only for $\omega^{-1} < 3$, since $\omega^{-1} > 3$ implies $F < 0$ which does not have physical meaning. ■

Expanding the variables of (3.4) in power series of $\varepsilon = \omega^{-1} - 3$ for $\varepsilon < 0$ as

$$\begin{cases} F = -\frac{3}{80}\pi\sqrt{5}\varepsilon + F_2\varepsilon^2 + F_3\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}_4(\varepsilon), \\ h = \frac{3\pi}{4} + h_1\varepsilon + h_2\varepsilon^2 + h_3\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}_4(\varepsilon), \\ s_0 = \frac{7\pi}{4} - \arcsin\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} + s_{0,1}\varepsilon + s_{0,2}\varepsilon^2 + s_{0,3}\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}_4(\varepsilon), \end{cases}$$

one can obtain the local expansion of σ_1^- .

Corollary 5.4. *The local expansion of curve σ_1^- is given by*

$$(5.1) \quad \begin{aligned} \sigma_1^-(\varepsilon) = & -\frac{3\pi\sqrt{5}}{80}\varepsilon - \frac{\sqrt{5}\pi}{1600}(-25 + 6\pi)\varepsilon^2 \\ & - \frac{1}{32000}\pi\sqrt{5}\left(195 - 110\pi + \frac{71}{2}\pi^2\right)\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^4) \end{aligned}$$

for $\varepsilon < 0$.

The proof of the existence and the computation of the local expansion for σ_1^+ can be done analogously. Recall that in that case the visible tangency with $s_0 \in (\pi, 2\pi)$ belongs to $\partial\Sigma_c^-$. Therefore, one has to consider (3.4) around $h = 9\pi/4$ and $s_0 = 5\pi/4 + \arcsin(1/\sqrt{5})$.

Corollary 5.5. *The local expansion of curve σ_1^+ is given by*

$$(5.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \sigma_1^+(\varepsilon) = & \frac{3\pi\sqrt{5}}{80}\varepsilon + \frac{\sqrt{5}\pi}{1600}(-25 + 6\pi)\varepsilon^2 \\ & + \frac{1}{32000}\pi\sqrt{5}\left(195 - 110\pi + \frac{71}{2}\pi^2\right)\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^4) \end{aligned}$$

for $\varepsilon > 0$.

5.3. The switching-sliding bifurcation curves σ_2^\pm . Once we have crossed σ_1^- , for $(\omega^{-1}, F) \in S_2$, in every half period, the periodic orbit visits both G_1 and G_2 once and then slides. Switching-sliding occurs on the boundary of this region (see Figure 10) in which the periodic orbit consists of regular trajectories in G_2 and G_1 arriving at an invisible tangency followed by sliding, then a visible tangency and a regular trajectory. The main difference between the curve σ_2^- and the curve γ_3 , explained in Proposition 3.4, is that now the invisible tangency, where the regular orbit arrives in Σ , belongs to $\partial\Sigma_c^-$ instead of $\partial\Sigma_c^+$ (since F is very small).

The construction of the periodic orbit is done as follows. We denote by $z_0 = (F + \sin s_0, 0, s_0) \in \partial\Sigma_c^-$ and $z_1 = (-F + \sin s_1, 0, s_1) \in \partial\Sigma_c^+$ the endpoints of the sliding motion (see Figure 10). Then we define $(x^0(t), y^0(t), s^0(t))$ as the trajectory leaving the first of these points in backward time and $(x^1(t), y^1(t), s^1(t))$ as the trajectory leaving the second of these points in forward time.

Since the union of these trajectories has to occur in a half period and the two endpoints of this union of trajectories have to be symmetric and to belong to Σ , the equations that have

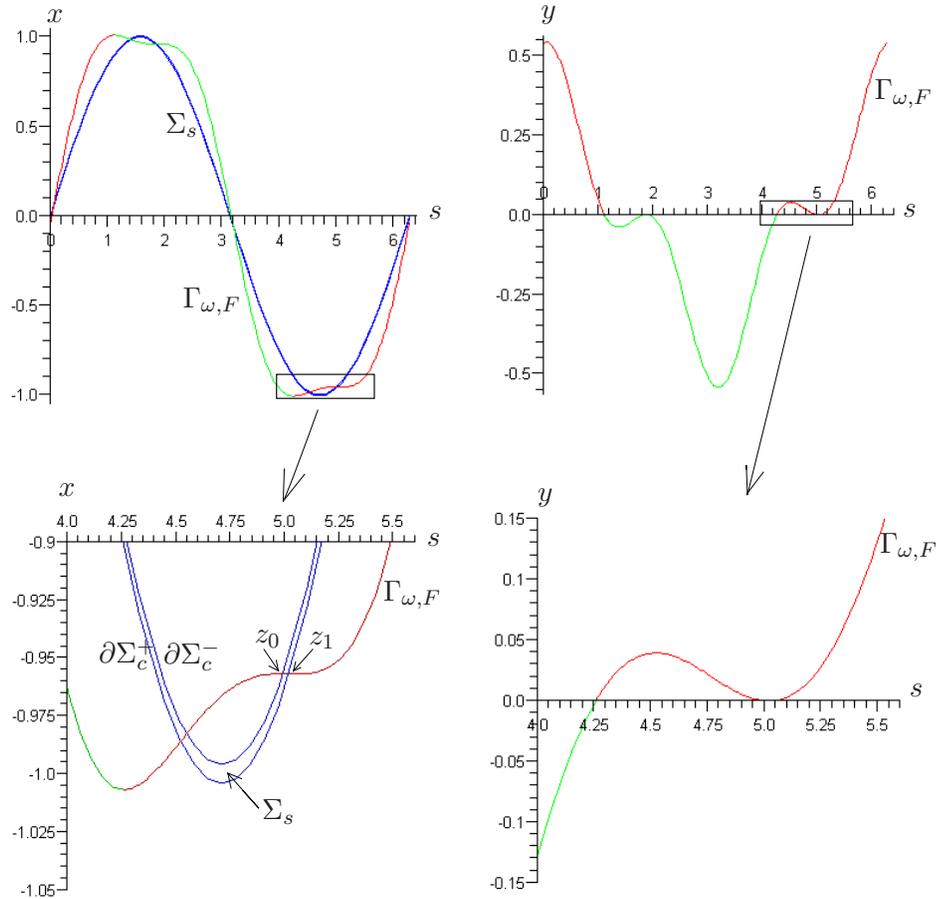


Figure 10. Top panels: Projection of $\Gamma_{\omega,F}$ onto the planes (s,x) (left) and (s,y) (right) for parameters in the curve σ_2^- . Lower panels: A zoom of the rectangle around the sliding motion. On the left, one can see z_0 and z_1 , which are the limiting points of the sliding motion. As in the previous figures, red and green correspond respectively to the parts of the periodic orbit in G_1 and G_2 , and violet corresponds to the sliding motion.

to hold on σ_2^- are

$$(5.3) \quad \begin{cases} F + \sin s_0 = -F + \sin s_1, \\ y^1(h) = 0, \\ y^0(h + (s_1 - s_0)/\omega - \pi/\omega) = 0, \\ x^1(h) + x^0(h + (s_1 - s_0)/\omega - \pi/\omega) = 0, \end{cases}$$

where we have used the fact that the time taken by the sliding motion is $(s_1 - s_0)/\omega$. The first equation denotes that in the sliding trajectories the x coordinate remains constant, and the other ones that the two limiting points of this half periodic orbit belong to Σ and are symmetric.

Proposition 5.6. *The switching-sliding codimension-1 bifurcation curve σ_2^- emanating from*

B is defined implicitly for suitable values h, s_0 , and s_1 , and for $\omega^{-1} < 3$ close to $\omega^{-1} = 3$ by (5.3).

Proof. Taking into account that the three bifurcations undergone along $\sigma_1^-, \sigma_2^-,$ and σ_3^- involve sliding motion, and that the sliding region reduces to the curve $x = \sin s$ when F tends to 0, one can easily see that the limiting periodic orbit through these curves must be the same, and corresponds to (4.2) with $k = k^-$. Therefore, it can be seen that $F = 0, \omega^{-1} = 3, h = 9\pi/4,$ and $s_i = 7\pi/4 - \arcsin(1/\sqrt{5})$ is the solution of (5.3). Thus, using a suitable rescaling of the equations and change of variables and applying the implicit function theorem as we did in Proposition 3.3, it is straightforward to prove that (5.3) define implicitly σ_2^- for $\omega^{-1} - 3$ small enough. Finally, we have to recall that the implicit function theorem gives a curve for ω^{-1} close to 3. Nevertheless, it corresponds to a bifurcation curve only for $\omega^{-1} < 3$, since $\omega^{-1} > 3$ implies $F > 0$, which does not have physical meaning. ■

Expanding the variables of (5.3) in power series of $\varepsilon = \omega^{-1} - 3$ for $\varepsilon < 0$ as

$$\begin{cases} F = -\frac{3}{80}\pi\sqrt{5}\varepsilon + F_2\varepsilon^2 + F_3\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}_4(\varepsilon), \\ h = \frac{9\pi}{4} + h_1\varepsilon + h_2\varepsilon^2 + h_3\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}_4(\varepsilon), \\ s_i = \frac{7\pi}{4} - \arcsin \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} + s_{i,1}\varepsilon + s_{i,2}\varepsilon^2 + s_{i,3}\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}_4(\varepsilon) \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \end{cases}$$

one can obtain the local expansion of σ_2^- .

Corollary 5.7. *The local expansion of curve σ_2^- is given by*

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_2^-(\varepsilon) = & -\frac{3\pi\sqrt{5}}{80}\varepsilon + \left(\frac{1}{64} + \frac{57}{6400}\pi\right)\pi\sqrt{5}\varepsilon^2 \\ & - \frac{\pi\sqrt{5}}{2048000} \left(48089\pi^2\sqrt{2} + 14840\pi\sqrt{2} + 64800\pi^2 + 6240\sqrt{2}\right)\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}_4(\varepsilon) \end{aligned} \tag{5.4}$$

for $\varepsilon < 0$.

The computation for σ_2^+ is analogous, but now the sliding motion starts in $\partial\Sigma_c^+$ and ends in $\partial\Sigma_c^-$, and to first order h and s_i are given by $h = 3\pi/4$ and $s_i = 5\pi/4 + \arcsin(1/\sqrt{5})$.

Corollary 5.8. *The local expansion of curve σ_2^+ is given by*

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_2^+(\varepsilon) = & \frac{3\pi\sqrt{5}}{80}\varepsilon + \left(-\frac{1}{64} + \frac{21}{1280}\pi\right)\pi\sqrt{5}\varepsilon^2 \\ & + \left(\frac{39}{6400} - \frac{547}{25600}\pi + \frac{8581}{204800}\pi^2 - \frac{81}{2560}\pi^2\sqrt{2}\right)\pi\sqrt{5}\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}_4(\varepsilon) \end{aligned} \tag{5.5}$$

for $\varepsilon > 0$.

5.4. The crossing-sliding bifurcation curves σ_3^\pm . The curves σ_3^- and σ_3^+ correspond to crossing-sliding bifurcations (see Figure 11). We explain the construction of the periodic orbit for parameters in σ_3^- . The situation for σ_3^+ is similar. We let $z_0 = (x_0, 0, s_0) \in \Sigma_c^-$ and $z_1 = (-F + \sin(s_1), 0, s_1) \in \partial\Sigma_c^+$ for certain s_0 and s_1 be the points where the periodic orbit hits Σ . Moreover, we consider $(x^0(t), y^0(t), s^0(t))$ the backward trajectory with initial condition

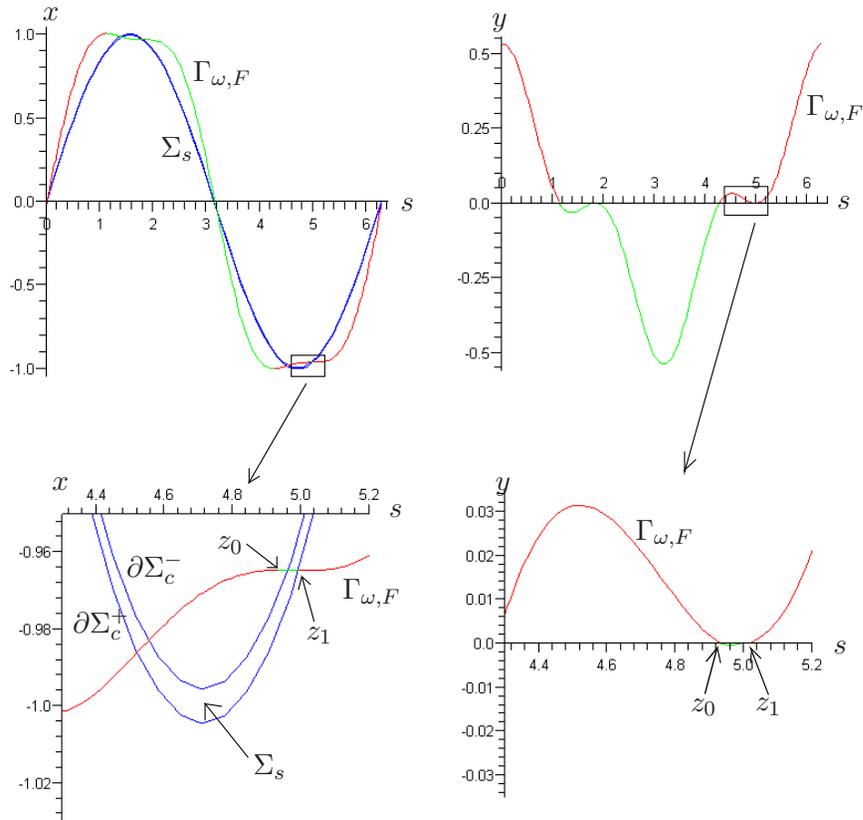


Figure 11. Upper panels: Projection of $\Gamma_{\omega,F}$ onto the planes (s, x) (left) and (s, y) (right) for parameters in the curve σ_3^- . Lower panels: A zoom of the rectangle around the fold point of the periodic orbit. The points z_0 and z_1 are used in the construction of the periodic orbit. The first one belongs to the crossing region Σ_c^- and the second one to $\partial\Sigma_c^+$. Therefore z_1 is a fold point. As in the previous figures, red and green correspond respectively to the parts of the periodic orbit in G_1 and G_2 .

z_0 , and $(x^1(t), y^1(t), s^1(t))$ and $(x^2(t), y^2(t), s^2(t))$ the backward and forward trajectories with initial condition $z_1 = (-F + \sin(s_1), 0, s_1)$. Thus, in order to obtain the periodic orbit for parameters in σ_3^- , the following conditions must hold:

$$(5.6) \quad \begin{cases} x^1(-(s_1 - s_0)/\omega) = x_0, \\ y^1(-(s_1 - s_0)/\omega) = 0, \\ y^2(h) = 0, \\ y^0(h + (s_1 - s_0)/\omega - \pi/\omega) = 0, \\ x^2(h) + x^0(h + (s_1 - s_0)/\omega - \pi/\omega) = 0. \end{cases}$$

The first two equations guarantee that the trajectories $(x^1(t), y^1(t), s^1(t))$ and $(x^2(t), y^2(t), s^2(t))$ match at z_0 , and the remainder that the limiting points of this half of the periodic orbit belong to Σ and are symmetric.

Proposition 5.9. *The crossing-sliding codimension-1 bifurcation curve σ_3^- emanating from B is defined implicitly for suitable values h , x_0 , s_0 , and s_1 and for $\omega^{-1} < 3$ close enough to $\omega^{-1} = 3$ by (5.6).*

Proof. Proceeding as in the proof of Proposition 5.6, the limiting periodic orbit for parameters in σ_3^- tending to B is given by (4.2) with $k = k^-$. It can be seen that $F = 0$, $\omega^{-1} = 3$, $h = 9\pi/4$, $x_0 = -3\sqrt{10}/10$, and $s_i = 7\pi/4 - \arcsin(1/\sqrt{5})$ is solution of (5.6). Thus, using the suitable rescaling and change of variables and applying the implicit function theorem as we did in Proposition 3.3, it is straightforward to prove that (5.3) define implicitly σ_3^- for $\omega^{-1} - 3$ small enough. Nevertheless, σ_3^- corresponds to a bifurcation curve only for $\omega^{-1} < 3$. ■

Expanding the variables of (5.6) in a power series of $\varepsilon = \omega^{-1} - 3$ for $\varepsilon < 0$ as

$$\begin{cases} F = -\frac{3}{80}\pi\sqrt{5}\varepsilon + F_2\varepsilon^2 + F_3\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}_4(\varepsilon), \\ h = \frac{9\pi}{4} + h_1\varepsilon + h_2\varepsilon^2 + h_3\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}_4(\varepsilon), \\ x_0 = -\frac{3\sqrt{10}}{10} + x_{0,1}\varepsilon + x_{0,2}\varepsilon^2 + x_{0,3}\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}_4(\varepsilon), \\ s_i = \frac{7\pi}{4} - \arcsin\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} + s_{i,1}\varepsilon + s_{i,2}\varepsilon^2 + s_{i,3}\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}_4(\varepsilon) \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \end{cases}$$

one can obtain the local expansion of σ_3^- .

Corollary 5.10. *The local expansion of curve σ_3^- is given by*

$$(5.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \sigma_3^-(\varepsilon) = & -\frac{3\pi\sqrt{5}}{80}\varepsilon + \frac{\pi\sqrt{5}}{64}(1 + 3\pi)\varepsilon^2 \\ & - \frac{\pi\sqrt{5}}{12800}\left(2187\pi^2\sqrt{2} + 874\pi + 7720\pi^2 + 78\right)\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}_4(\varepsilon) \end{aligned}$$

for $\varepsilon < 0$.

The study of σ_3^+ is analogous, but now the tangency point belongs to $\partial\Sigma_c^-$, and at first order h , x_0 , and s_i are given by $h = 3\pi/4$, $x_0 = -3\sqrt{10}/10$, and $s_i = 5\pi/4 + \arcsin(1/\sqrt{5})$.

Corollary 5.11. *The local expansion of curve σ_3^+ is given by*

$$(5.8) \quad \begin{aligned} \sigma_3^+(\varepsilon) = & \frac{3\pi\sqrt{5}}{80}\varepsilon + \pi\sqrt{5}\left(-\frac{1}{64} + \frac{87}{1600}\pi\right)\varepsilon^2 \\ & + \frac{\pi\sqrt{5}}{100}\left(\frac{39}{64} - \frac{481}{64}\pi + \frac{4663}{80}\pi^2 - \frac{2187}{128}\pi^2\sqrt{2}\right)\varepsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}_4(\varepsilon) \end{aligned}$$

for $\varepsilon > 0$.

5.5. Comparison with previous numerical work. In sections 5.2–5.4 we have obtained local expansions for the codimension-1 bifurcation curves which emanate from point B . We now can compare our analytical results with the numerical results obtained in [23]. In Figure 12 we plot the two sets of six curves, and one can see that they fit very well close to the point B .

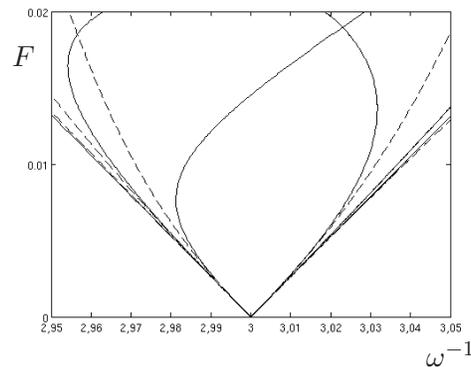


Figure 12. Comparison between the codimension-1 bifurcation curves emanating from B obtained numerically in [23] (solid lines) and the local expansions obtained in this article (dashed lines).

6. Conclusion. In this paper, we have analytically studied the two parameter bifurcation diagram of the friction oscillator with Coulomb friction. This model depends on two parameters and is a paradigm for Filippov systems. In a certain range of these parameters the system has an attractor periodic orbit which undergoes a wide set of sliding bifurcations.

First, we have detected an infinite set of codimension-2 bifurcation points, A_n , which correspond to the periodic orbit cusp bifurcation. We have rigorously unfolded these bifurcations, proving that from them emanate three codimension-1 bifurcation curves corresponding to crossing-sliding, grazing-sliding, and switching-sliding bifurcations. For the first of these points, $A_1 := (\omega^{-1}, F) = (2, 1/3)$, we have computed the local expansions of these curves and found excellent agreement with the numerical results [23].

The analysis done in this paper relies on the fact that the orbits of the smooth components can be explicitly computed. Nevertheless, for the derivation of the bifurcation curves, at least at low order, not all the information we use might be necessary, and therefore our approach could be adapted to do a systematic study of this type of bifurcation for general systems.

Second, we have considered the parameters for which the nonsmoothness disappears, which physically correspond to the absence of friction. In that case we have seen that for most values of the frequency parameter, when we perturb the system, the obtained nonsmooth system mainly behaves like the smooth one; that is, taking the friction to zero, the nonsmooth symmetric periodic orbit tends to the unique smooth symmetric periodic orbit. Nevertheless, for infinite (and discrete) values of the frequency for which all the smooth periodic orbits are symmetric, we obtain a second set of codimension-2 bifurcation points B_n around which seems to appear a very rich behavior. We have focused our attention on the first of these points, $B_1 := (\omega^{-1}, F) = (3, 0)$, and we have proved the existence of several codimension-1 bifurcation curves. We have also computed the local expansions of these curves, which also show excellent agreement with the numerical results in [23]. Around the other points B_n there seems to exist more involved dynamics, and, as far as the authors know, the possible bifurcations around them have not been studied even numerically.

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