# Canard dynamics: applications to the biosciences and theoretical aspects

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# Outline

- I Canards in two dimensions
- 2 Mixed-mode oscillations
- 3 Spike adding in square wave bursters
- 4 Mixed-mode bursting oscillations
- 5 Analysis of the canard phenomenon
- 6 Other directions

Take VdP with  $\alpha$  large and constant forcing a

Second order ODE: 
$$\ddot{x} + \alpha(x^2 - I)\dot{x} + x = a$$

Rewritten as first order system:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \dot{\mathbf{y}} - \dot{\mathbf{x}}^3 / 3 + \mathbf{x}$$
  
 $\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{x}$ 

where: 
$$0 < \epsilon = 1/\alpha \ll 1$$

Long-term dynamics of when a is varied:



#### Benoît, Callot, Diener & Diener (1981)



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Van der Pol oscillator

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Hopf bifurcation at a=1

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Limiting system for the **slow** dynamics:

 $\epsilon > 0$  $\epsilon \dot{x} = y - x^{3}/3 + x$  $\dot{y} = a - x$   $\epsilon = 0$ : Reduced sys.  $0 = y - x^3/3 + x$  $\dot{y} = a - x$ 

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Limiting system for the **fast** dynamics:

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y' =  $\epsilon(a-x)$ 

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y' = 0

 $\dot{\mathbf{x}} \sim \mathbf{O}(1/\epsilon) \Rightarrow \mathbf{x} \text{ is } \mathbf{fast}$ 

$$\dot{y} \sim O(1) \Rightarrow y \text{ is slow}$$

#### Limiting system for the **slow** dynamics:

 $\epsilon = 0$ : Reduced sys.  $0 = y - x^3/3 + x$  $\dot{y} = a - x$ 

slow subsystem

ODE defined on the cubic S:= $\{y=x_{/3}^3-x\}$ 

Limiting system for the **fast** dynamics:

$$\epsilon = 0$$
: Layer sys.  
x' = y-x<sup>3</sup>/<sub>3</sub>+x  
y' = 0

fast subsystem

family of ODEs param. by y S is a set of equilibria

### Time-scale analysis: dynamics from $\varepsilon = 0$ to $\varepsilon > 0$



- away from the slow curve S, the overall dynamics is **fast**
- in an E-neighbourhood of S, the overall dynamics is **slow**
- Transition: bifurcation points of the **fast** dynamics

**Note** S has 2 fold points  $\Rightarrow$  different stability on each side: S<sup>a</sup> is attracting and S<sup>r</sup> is repelling

#### Fenichel theory: dynamics from $\varepsilon = 0$ to $\varepsilon > 0$



For  $\varepsilon > 0$  there are Fenichel slow manifolds or rivers

### Back to Benoît et al.



#### The VdP system has limit cycles which

✓ follow the attracting part S of the cubic nullcline  $S^{a}$ ... ✓ all the way down to the fold point and then ... ✓ continue along the repelling part S<sup>r</sup> of S!

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# Why do canard cycles exist in an exponentially small parameter range?

#### **Answer:**

 $S^r$  is repelling so to follow it for a time  $t = O(1/\varepsilon)$ the solution (cycle) must be exponentially close to it.



# Applications

#### aerodynamics

Bifurcations and instabilities in the Greitzer model for compressor system surge

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#### chemical reactions

Canard Explosion and Excitation in a Model of the Belousov-Zhabotinsky Reaction

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#### False bifurcations in chemical systems: canards

BY BO PENG, VILMOS GÁSPÁR<sup>†</sup> AND KENNETH SHOWALTER Department of Chemistry, West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia 26506-6045, U.S.A.

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# Asymptotic analysis of canards in the EOE equations and the role of the inflection line $\dagger$

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# Applications (...)

Jeff Moehlis

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J. Moehlis, J. Math. Biol. **52**: 141-153, 2006

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Canard phenomenon and localization of oscillations in the Belousov-Zhabotinsky reaction with global feedback.

J. Chemical Physics, 2003;119:8824-32

# 4D Hodgkin-Huxley

 $Cdv/dt = I - I_L - I_{Na} - I_K \qquad I \text{ (applied current) is const}$   $I_L = g_L(v - V_L) \quad I_{Na} = g_{Na}m^3h(v - V_{Na}) \quad I_K = g_K n^4(v - V_K)$   $x = m, \ h, \ n \quad \text{gating variables.}$   $dx/dt = \frac{1}{\tau_x(v)} (x - x_\infty(v))$   $4D \longrightarrow 2D \text{ reduction}$ 

Known time scale separation: v and m are fast, h and m are slow.

- $4D \rightarrow 3D$  reduction:  $m = m_{\infty}(v)$
- $3D \rightarrow 2D$  reduction (Rinzel): h(t) = 0.8 n(t)

# 2D Hodgkin-Huxley



# Mixed mode oscillations

# Canard explosion with a drift

# Mixed mode oscillations



# Mixed mode oscillations



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# Applications, mixed mode oscillations

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The dynamic structure underlying subthreshold oscillatory activity and the onset of spikes in a model of medial entorhinal cortex stellate cells.

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# Spike adding canard explosion and mixed-mode bursting oscillations MMBOs

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# Square wave burster

Context: Morris-Lecar type system (extra slow variable):

$$v' = I - 0.5(v + 0.5) - 2w(v + 0.7) - 0.5(1 + \tanh(\frac{v - 0.1}{0.145}))(v - 1)$$
  
$$w' = 1.15(0.5(1 + \tanh(\frac{v + 0.1}{0.15}) - w)\cosh(\frac{v - 0.1}{0.29})$$
  
$$I' = \varepsilon(k - v)$$

# Two fast and one slow variable

# Bursting (square wave burster)



# **The Hindmarsh-Rose burster**





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# Spike-adding via canards (cont) $t^t$



 $t^{t}$ 

# Adding a spike within canard explosion



# Combination of MMO and bursting (II)





- different time scales, fast and slow complex oscillations
  - → Minimal system: 2 fast & 2 slow variables









![](_page_36_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_37_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_38_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_39_Figure_1.jpeg)

Combine theories ... and questions: what patterns of oscillations ? what organising centres ?

# Our strategy to construct and analyse a 4D slow-fast system with MMBOs

- start from a **burster** (Hindmarsh-Rose in our case)
- add a slow variable
- similarly to the MMO case, we want MMBOs to be the result to a **slow passage** through a canard explosion
- we will construct a *slow passage through a spike-adding canard explosion*

![](_page_40_Figure_5.jpeg)

# Understanding MMBOs as a slow passage

 $\begin{aligned} x' &= y - ax^{3} + bx^{2} + I - z \\ y' &= c - dx^{2} - y \\ z' &= \varepsilon(s(x - x_{1}) - z) \\ I' &= \varepsilon(k - h_{x}(x - x_{\text{fold}})^{2} - h_{y}(y - y_{\text{fold}})^{2} - h_{I}(I - I_{\text{fold}})) \end{aligned}$ 

# Controlling the number of SAOs using folded node theory

 $\begin{aligned} x' &= y - ax^{3} + bx^{2} + I - z \\ y' &= c - dx^{2} - y \\ z' &= \varepsilon(s(x - x_{1}) - z) \\ I' &= \varepsilon(k - h_{x}(x - x_{\text{fold}})^{2} - h_{y}(y - y_{\text{fold}})^{2} - h_{I}(I - I_{\text{fold}})) \end{aligned}$ 

![](_page_42_Figure_2.jpeg)

# Reducing the value of epsilon to match theoretical formulas

 $\begin{aligned} x' &= y - ax^{3} + bx^{2} + I - z \\ y' &= c - dx^{2} - y \\ z' &= \varepsilon(s(x - x_{1}) - z) \\ I' &= \varepsilon(k - h_{x}(x - x_{\text{fold}})^{2} - h_{y}(y - y_{\text{fold}})^{2} - h_{I}(I - I_{\text{fold}})) \end{aligned}$ 

![](_page_43_Figure_2.jpeg)

# Analysis: canard phenomenon and MMOs Naive approach: rescaling

We first translate the singularity to the origin:

$$\dot{x} = y - x^2 - \frac{1}{3}x^3$$
$$\dot{y} = \lambda - x \qquad \qquad \lambda = a - 1$$

Now rescale:

$$x = \sqrt{\varepsilon} \bar{x}, \qquad y = \varepsilon \bar{y} \qquad \lambda = \sqrt{\varepsilon} \bar{\lambda}$$

Rescaled equations (we drop the bars):

$$\dot{x} = \sqrt{\varepsilon}(y - x^2 - \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{\varepsilon}x^3)$$
$$\dot{y} = \sqrt{\varepsilon}(\lambda - x)$$

# After time rescaling:

$$\dot{x} = y - x^2 - \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{\varepsilon}x^3$$
$$\dot{y} = \lambda - x$$

### What is the problem?

$$x = \sqrt{\varepsilon} \bar{x}, \qquad y = \varepsilon \bar{y} \qquad \lambda = \sqrt{\varepsilon} \bar{\lambda}$$

If  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  were assumed uniformly bounded with respect to  $\varepsilon$  then the corresponding neighborhood in (x, y) is  $O(\varepsilon)$  in size. Too small for Fenichel theory!

# **Possible approaches:**

# Nonstandard analysis

E. Benoît, J.-L. Callot, F. Diener and M. Diener, *Chasse au canard*, Collectanea Mathematica **32** (1-2): 37-119, 1981.

# Classical analysis, using stretch variables

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# Blow-up

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# **Blow-up**

# Singular coordinate transformation:

$$\Phi: \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{S}^4 \mapsto \mathbb{R}^4$$

$$x = r\bar{x}, \quad y = r^2\bar{y}, \quad \varepsilon = r^2\bar{\varepsilon}, \quad \lambda = r\bar{\lambda}$$

-it contains the rescaling

-it covers a neighborhood of fixed size (wrt to  $\varepsilon$ )

Charts of the blow-up, i.e. charts of the sphere, correspond to parts of the phase space

![](_page_49_Figure_1.jpeg)

Chart K1 connects to the slow flow

Chart K2 is the rescaling

Chart K3 connects to the fast flow

#### 2D problems lead to 3D problems

### **Case I: Simple fold**

![](_page_50_Figure_2.jpeg)

![](_page_50_Figure_3.jpeg)

# **Case II: canard point**

Canard point is a degenerate fold defined by the condition g(0,0) = 0 The following equations give an example:

$$\varepsilon \dot{x} = -y + x^2$$
$$\dot{y} = x - \lambda \qquad \lambda \approx 0$$

![](_page_51_Figure_3.jpeg)

# Unfoldings of a canard point, $\varepsilon > 0$

![](_page_52_Figure_1.jpeg)

## Case III: folded node (two slow one fast dimensions)

$$\varepsilon \dot{x} = -y + x^2$$

$$y = x - z$$

 $\dot{z} = \mu$ 

#### The slow subsystem

![](_page_54_Figure_1.jpeg)

#### **Explanation**: $\lambda$ unfoldings of a canard point

![](_page_55_Figure_1.jpeg)

## **Explanation**: $\lambda$ unfoldings of a canard point

![](_page_56_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_57_Figure_0.jpeg)

![](_page_58_Figure_0.jpeg)

The green trajectory and the magenta trajectory are called **primary canards** 

The black trajectory is a **secondary canards** 

### **Computed slow manifolds and canards**

![](_page_59_Figure_1.jpeg)

computed by Mathieu Desroches

## Secondary canard obtained by continuation

![](_page_60_Picture_1.jpeg)

computed by Mathieu Desroches

# Selected references on folded node

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## Multiple secondary canards

![](_page_62_Figure_1.jpeg)

Computed by M. Desroches

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# **Torus canards: transition from spiking to bursting** (related to discrete canards?)

Early work by Izhikievich, SIAM Review, 43, 315-344, 2001.

Canonical system:

$$\dot{z} = (u+i\omega)z + 2z|z|^2 - z|z|^4 + \dots$$
$$\dot{u} = \varepsilon(a-|z|^2) + \dots$$

# Canard explosion for amplitude equations

# Transition from bursting to spiking

![](_page_65_Figure_1.jpeg)

# Activity of a Purkinje cell

Burke, Barry, Kramer, Kaper, Desroches

![](_page_66_Figure_2.jpeg)

# **Other directions**

- Extensions to infinite dimensions, delay eqs, PDES Krupa, Touboul
- Fine aspects of the dynamics, e.g. chaotic MMOs

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ursday, March 22, 2012 Systems with more than two timescales

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Noise driven canards

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• Networks of canard oscillators, synchronization

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