



LOCA: Library of Continuation Algorithms

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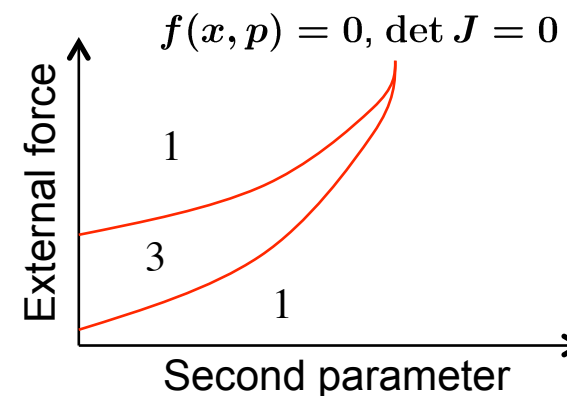
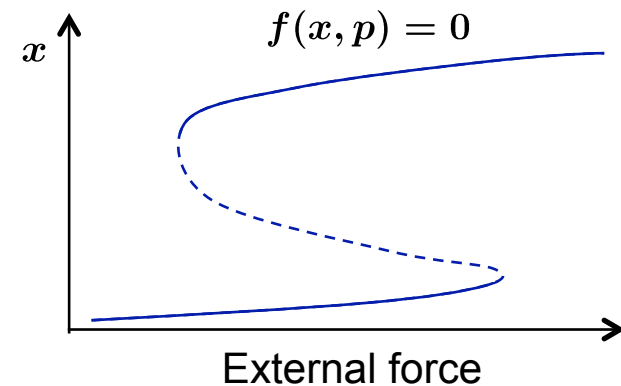
- Nonlinear steady-state residual and Jacobian fill:

$$f(x, p) = \text{internal} - \text{external force}, \quad J = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$$

- Newton-like linear solves: $J\Delta x = -f$

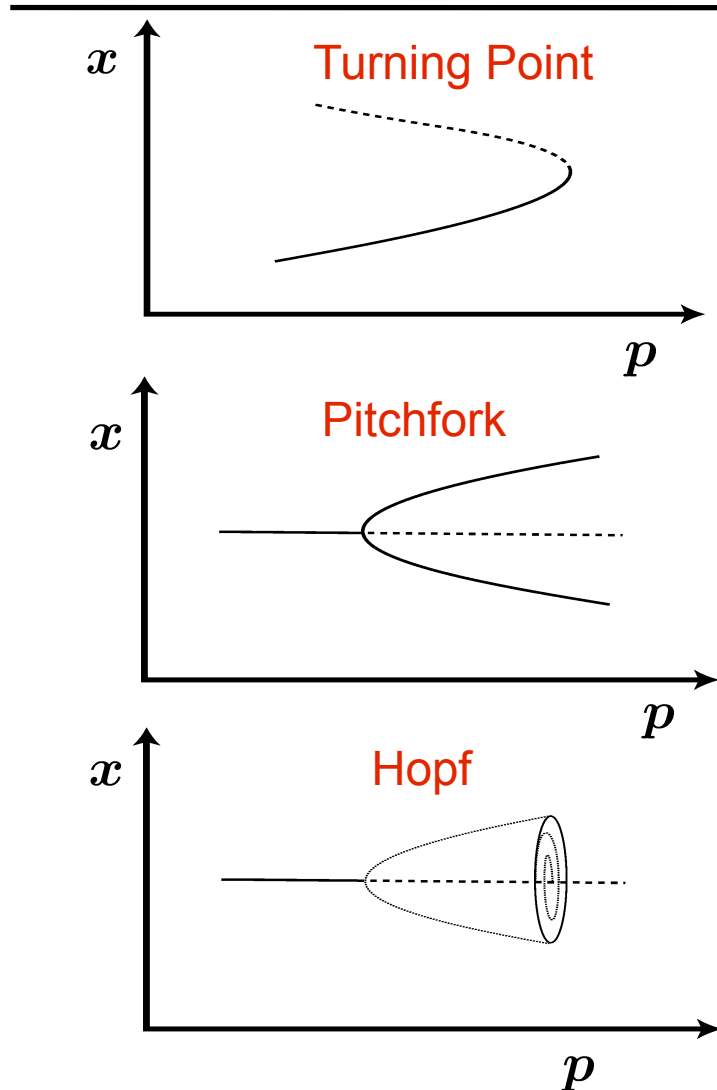
LOCA provides:

- **Parameter Continuation:** Tracks a family of steady state solutions with parameter
- **Linear Stability Analysis:** Calculates leading eigenvalues via Anasazi
- **Bifurcation Tracking:** Locates neutral stability point (x, p) and tracks as a function of a second parameter





Codimension 1 Bifurcations



- Combustion
- Buckling of an Arch

- Buckling of a Beam
- Pattern formation
- Cell differentiation (morphogenesis)

- Vortex Shedding
- Predator-Prey models
- Flutter
- El Niño



LOCA Builds Algorithms From NOX's Nonlinear Solver Interface

Application Interface	Matrix Operations on v	Required for
Compute Residual $f(x)$ Compute Jacobian J	Apply Jacobian Jv Apply Jacobian Inverse $J^{-1}v$	NOX Nonlinear Solver
Set Parameter: p		Parameter Continuation Turning Point Tracking Pitchfork Tracking
Compute Mass Matrix M	Apply Shifted Matrix Apply Shifted Matrix Inverse $(J - \sigma M)v, (J - \sigma M)^{-1}v$	Eigensolver
	Apply Complex Matrix Apply Complex Matrix Inverse $(J - i\sigma M)v, (J - i\sigma M)^{-1}v$	Hopf Tracking
	Bordered Matrix Inverse $\begin{bmatrix} J & a^T \\ b & c \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} V \\ W \end{bmatrix}$	Minimally Augmented Bifurcations Better arclength implementation



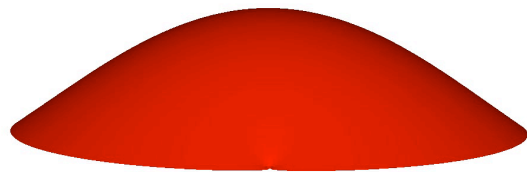


Ready-Made Implementation for Epetra and Thyra Linear Algebra

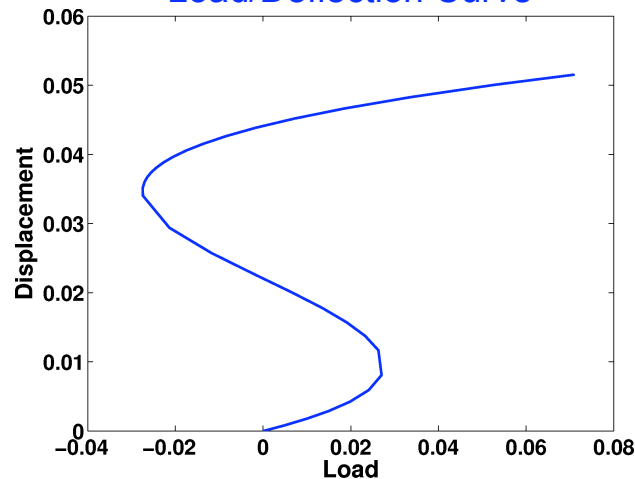
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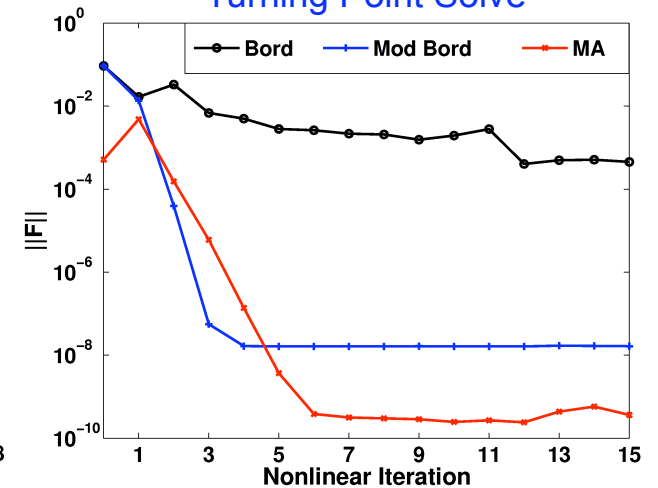
Snap-through Buckling of a Symmetric Cap (Salinas/FEI, 200K unknowns, 16 procs)



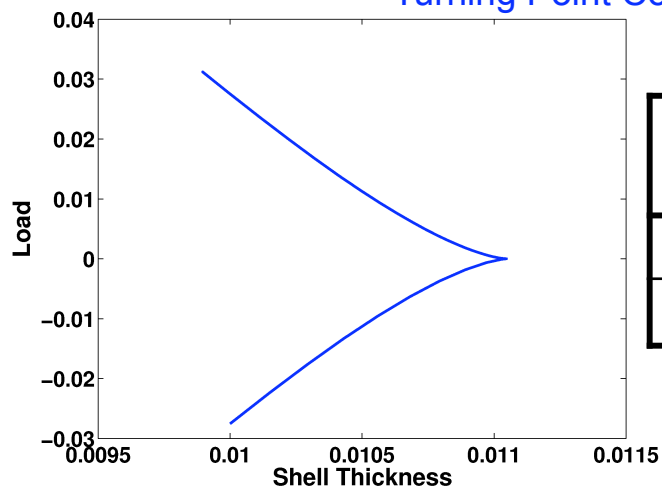
Load/Deflection Curve



Turning Point Solve

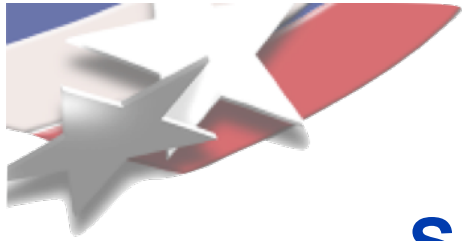


Turning Point Continuation



Method	Total Time (hrs)
Mod. Bordering	4.2
Min. Augmented	1.2

- Provides robust buckling info almost 4 times faster than previous best method
- Increases scalability



Summary of LOCA Capabilities

- LOCA provide robust, scalable algorithms for
 - Parameter continuation
 - Linear stability analysis
 - Bifurcation analysis
 - Periodic orbit tracking
- LOCA builds on NOX's application code interface
 - Most advanced capabilities using Epetra data structures
- LOCA has been successfully leveraged in many research projects
 - Highly encourage external collaborations
- LOCA is in maintenance mode, but new features can always be added if requested
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