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**Abstract** The paper is composed of three main parts: the first part presents a two degrees of freedom coupled oscillators with rheology. One of the oscillators is intended to be the main structure and the second one is a nonlinear energy sink. The rheology of the system is represented via a set of internal variables that are governed by either differential inclusions or differential equations or direct algebraic relations between system variables. A step by step methodology is explained to trace system behaviors around a 1 : 1 resonance at different time scales. Invariant of the system at fast time scale is detected while possible periodic and strongly modulated regimes around its invariant are traced at slow time scales. The second part of the paper considers a set of several degrees of freedom main oscillators which are coupled to several nonlinear energy sinks. The overall system can house several rheologies. Explained methodology of the first part is expanded to this general case for tracing system responses at different time scales around 1 : 1 resonances. The third part of the paper presents two practical examples: The proposed methodology is used to detect invariants of systems and their equilibrium and singular points. This methodology provides some tools for designing equilibrium and singular points, i.e. periodic and strongly modulated regimes which lead to the design of nonlinear energy sinks for passively controlling and/or energy harvesting of the main oscillators.

**Keywords** energy transfer, 1 : 1 resonance, nonlinear energy sink, time multi scale behavior, passive control, energy harvesting, rheology

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## 1 Introduction

Energy exchanges between two oscillators can be tuned for passive control or harvesting the energy of one of them. One of the well known methods for this aim is coupling a linear oscillator as the controller or the harvester to main systems. This linear oscillator is known as Frahm or tuned mass damper [1]. This system is quite heavy and modifies the frequency of the main structural systems while is efficient for narrow frequency ranges. In the past decade the nonlinear energy sink (NES) device is proposed for passive control or for energy harvesting of main structural systems [2–15]. Most of past studies consider that the NES possesses cubic nonlinearity [15] and the main structure is linear or presents smooth nonlinearity [16]. Some studies have been carried out which consider other types of nonlinearities for the NES such as vibro-impact and non-polynomial nonlinearities [17–21] or non-smooth potential function with constant or time-dependent mass [22–25]. Meanwhile, some research works have been studied which consider nonsmooth main oscillator and coupled nonsmooth or cubic NES. For instance, following coupled oscillators have been studied: a main oscillator with piecewise linear, Dahl-type and hardening elasto-plastic behaviors which are coupled nonsmooth NES [26–28]; a main oscillator with hysteresis behavior of Bouc-Wen type and a NES with general nonlinear potential function [29]; a main structure with single or several Saint-Venant elements [30] in parallel and a NES with cubic or general potential functions [31, 32]. In this paper, we present a general methodology for studying the time multi-scale responses of main oscillators with general behaviors (nonlinear, nonsmooth, ...) and coupled NES with general potentials (smooth, nonsmooth,...). The paper is followed by two special cases which consider two different types of coupled systems with different rheologies. Organization of the paper is as it follows: The general academic model of a two degrees of freedom (dof) system is presented in Sect.2. Primary treatments of system equations, i.e. possible change of system coordinates, complexification and using a Galerkin method are described in Sect. 2.1. System behaviors at fast and slow time scales which contains tracing invariant manifold of the system, its equilibrium and singular points are explained in Sect. 2.2. Another general system with rheologies composed of several dof main forced oscillators and several coupled NES is studied in Sect. 3. There, explained methodology in previous section is expanded to detect invariant, equilibrium points and singularities of considered several dof coupled oscillators. In Sect. 4 explained general methodology is endowed to study time multi-scale energy exchanges between a main linear system and a nonsmooth NES in the gravitational field. Sect. 5 uses the same methods for detection of time multi-scale behaviors of a main system with hysteresis behavior which is coupled to a NES with cubic potential function. Finally, the paper is concluded in Sect. 6.

## 2 A two dof system with internal variables in the main dof

The system under consideration is composed of two coupled oscillators: The main one with the mass 1, the displacement  $x$  and internal variables  $z_j$  and  $\dot{z}_j$  ( $j = 1, \dots, n$ ) (representing parameters of a rheology) is under external force  $\epsilon f_0 \sin(\omega T)$ . This oscillator is attached to a NES with the displacement  $y$ , the mass  $\epsilon$  and a cubic or nonsmooth

potential function. We summarize governing equations of the system as:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \underbrace{\ddot{x} + \tilde{f}_1(x, \dot{x}, z_1, \dots, z_n, \dot{z}_1, \dots, \dot{z}_n)}_{\text{initial system with internal variables } z_j, \dot{z}_j, j=1, \dots, n} + \underbrace{\tilde{f}_2(x, \dot{x}, y, \dot{y})}_{\text{coupling}} = \epsilon f_0 \sin(\omega T) \\ \underbrace{\epsilon \ddot{y} - \epsilon f_2(y, \dot{y}, x, \dot{x})}_{\text{additional dof (NES)}} = 0 \\ \text{Rheology} \rightarrow z_1, \dots, z_n, \dot{z}_1, \dots, \dot{z}_n (\text{Dimension } n). \text{ Constitutive laws for } z_1, \dots, z_n \\ \text{in neighbourhood of } (0, \dots, 0). \end{array} \right. \quad (1)$$

Internal variables  $z_j$  and  $\dot{z}_j$  ( $j = 1, \dots, n$ ) are governed by either differential inclusions, eg.  $S^l$ -Venant elements [30], or differential equations, eg. Bouc-Wen models [35], or piece-wise direct algebraic relations between  $z_j, \dot{z}_j, x$  and  $\dot{x}$  (or  $y$  and  $\dot{y}$ ) via  $\tilde{f}_1(x, \dot{x}, z_1, \dots, z_n, \dot{z}_1, \dots, \dot{z}_n)$ .

We emphasize that:

- Equations 1 are re-scaled forms of original system equations with respect to the new time domain  $T$ .
- The parameter  $\epsilon$  which is in fact the mass ratio of the main oscillator and the NES, is very small:  $0 < \epsilon \ll 1$ .
- We study system behavior around a 1 : 1 resonance. This is carried out by setting  $\omega = \omega_0 + \sigma\epsilon$ , where  $\omega_0$  is the re-scaled linear frequency of the main system, eg.  $\omega_0 = 1$ . The detuning parameter  $\sigma$  permits to detect system behaviors around the 1 : 1 resonance.

In order to study and to predict behaviors of two oscillators at different scales of time, the system 1 is treated as it follows:

## 2.1 Possible change of system coordinates, complexifications and using the Galerkin technique

Some preliminary treatments of system 1 are carried out in order to prepare it for the time multi-scale analysis. They are listed here:

- Linear transformation for  $x$  and  $y$  coordinates via  $\mathbb{A}$  matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} v \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \mathbb{A} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

For instance, transferring the system to the center of the mass and the relative displacement of two oscillators:

$$\mathbb{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \epsilon \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

- Depending on the condition of the system, complex variables of Manevitch (for systems without pre-stress) [33] or their extended versions (for pre-stressed systems)

[23, 28] are applied ( $i^2 = -1$ ):

$$\begin{cases} ib_1 + \varphi_1 e^{i\omega T} = \dot{v} + i\omega v \\ ib_2 + \varphi_2 e^{i\omega T} = \dot{w} + i\omega w \\ \varphi_{3j} e^{i\omega T} = \dot{z}_j + i\omega z_j \quad j = 1, \dots, n \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

It should be mentioned that we can consider higher harmonics such as  $(\varphi_{12} e^{2i\omega T} + \varphi_{13} e^{3i\omega T} + \dots)$ ,  $(\varphi_{22} e^{2i\omega T} + \varphi_{23} e^{3i\omega T} + \dots)$  and  $(\varphi_{3j2} e^{2i\omega T} + \varphi_{3j3} e^{3i\omega T} + \dots)$ .

- We consider different scales of the time, fast time scale ( $\tau_0$ ), slow time scale ( $\tau_1$ ),... connecting to each other by  $\epsilon$  parameter:

$$T = \tau_0, \quad \tau_1 = \epsilon \tau_0, \quad \tau_2 = \epsilon^2 \tau_0, \quad \dots \quad (5)$$

- We use the Galerkin method, i.e. a truncated Fourier series (constant terms and first harmonics). For a general function  $\mathcal{T}(b_1, b_2, \varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_{31}, \dots, \varphi_{3n})$ , it reads:

$$\chi(b_1, b_2, \varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_{31}, \dots, \varphi_{3n}) = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} \int_0^{\frac{2\pi}{\omega}} \mathcal{T}(b_1, b_2, \varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_{31}, \dots, \varphi_{3n}) e^{-li\omega T} dT \quad (6)$$

with  $l = 0, 1$  for evaluating constant terms and first harmonics of the Fourier series, respectively. For evaluating the integral of the Eq. 6, we assume that  $b_1, b_2, \varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_{31}, \dots, \varphi_{3n}$  do not depend on fast time scale, i.e.  $\tau_0 = T$ . This will be either verified during the time multi-scale analysis of the system or we will suppose that after a long transient response, the system reaches to an asymptotic state which is independent to time  $T$  (mathematically  $\tau_0 \rightarrow \infty$ ).

## 2.2 Detection of system behaviors at different scales of time

A multiple scale method [36] for detecting system behaviors at different scales of time is used. After embedding the time  $T$  into different scales, i.e. via Eq. 5, we would like to study system behaviors at each time scale, which means that we should consider system equations at different orders of  $\epsilon$ . If we consider constant terms of Fourier series, i.e. by setting  $l = 0$  in Eq. 6, then  $\epsilon^0$  and  $\epsilon^1$  orders of system equations provide both constant terms of Eq. 4,  $b_1$  and  $b_2$ , as a function of pre-stressing terms. In the next sections we will focus on the evolutions of first harmonics of the system at different time scales.

### 2.2.1 System behavior at fast time scale: $\epsilon^0$ order of system equations

Let us consider first harmonics of the system via setting  $l = 1$  in Eq. 6. At fast time scale the system yields to:

$$\frac{\partial \varphi_1}{\partial \tau_0} = 0 \Rightarrow \varphi_1 = \varphi_1(\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots) \quad (7)$$

$$\frac{\partial \varphi_2}{\partial \tau_0} + \Lambda(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_{31}, \varphi_{32}, \dots, \varphi_{3n}) = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$\Upsilon(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_{31}, \varphi_{32}, \dots, \varphi_{3n}) = 0 \quad (9)$$

Let us consider Eq. 8 at the infinity of fast time scale, i.e.  $\frac{\partial \varphi_2}{\partial \tau_0} \rightarrow 0$ :

$$A(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_{31}, \varphi_{32}, \dots, \varphi_{3n}) = 0 \quad (10)$$

Equations 9 and 10 present an asymptotic equilibrium governed by a manifold called slow invariant manifold (SIM). Equations 7, 9 and 10 show that  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_{31}, \dots, \varphi_{3n}$  are constant during the time  $\tau_0 = T$ , so our assumption for evaluating the constant and first terms of Fourier series in Eq. 6 is verified a posteriori. We can distinguish two possible cases for the SIM:

### Case 1

Let us assume that Eq. 9 provides following explicit relation:

$$\varphi_{3j} = \mathbb{H}_{3j}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2), \quad j = 1, \dots, n \quad (11)$$

so, Eq. 10 reads:

$$A(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_{31}, \varphi_{32}, \dots, \varphi_{3n}) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \tilde{A}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2) = 0 \quad (12)$$

We set  $\varphi_j = N_j e^{i\delta_j}$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ . There are two possibilities on the relation between  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$ :

I There is an explicit relation between  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$ , i.e.:

$$\varphi_1 = \mathbb{H}(\varphi_2) \quad (13)$$

or,

$$\begin{cases} \delta_1 = h_1(\delta_2, N_2) \\ N_1 = h_2(\delta_2, N_2) \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \delta_1 \\ N_1 \end{pmatrix} = h(\delta_2, N_2) \quad (14)$$

II There is not an explicit relation between  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$ . In this case Eq. 12 provides two relations:

$$\tilde{A}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \hat{A}(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (15)$$

Functions  $\tilde{A}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)$  are equations defined in the complex domain and  $\hat{A}(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1)$  correspond to the same equations in the real domain.

### Case 2

This case considers a very general form of the SIM supposing that there is not explicit relations between system variables. By combining Eqs. 9 and 10, the general form of the SIM can be written in the compact form as:

$$\mathcal{S}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_{31}, \varphi_{32}, \dots, \varphi_{3n}) = 0 \quad (16)$$

which is a set of equations in the complex domain. The same equations in the real domain read:

$$\widehat{\mathcal{S}}(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1, \delta_{31}, N_{31}, \dots, N_1, \delta_{3n}, N_{3n}) = 0 \quad (17)$$

### 2.2.2 System behavior at slow time scale: $\epsilon^1$ order of system equations

We are interested to study the system at slow time scale but around its SIM. This means that in the developments of system equations at  $\epsilon^1$  order, we should consider equations of the SIM which are obtained in Sect.2.2.1. The core idea is to detect equilibrium and singular points of the system which correspond to its periodic regimes and strongly modulated responses (SMR) [34]. We can distinguish different scenarios according to different cases which have been defined in Sect.2.2.1:

#### Scenario 1

Let us suppose that the SIM follows assumptions of the **Case 1**:

I There is an explicit relation between  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$ .

$$\frac{\partial \varphi_1}{\partial \tau_1} = \mathcal{H}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2) \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \delta_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_1}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{H}_1(\delta_2, N_2) \\ \mathcal{H}_2(\delta_2, N_2) \end{pmatrix} \quad (18)$$

Let us consider evolution of the system along the SIM at  $\tau_1$  time scale. We inject Eq. 14 in the Eq. 18,

$$\nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} h \begin{pmatrix} N_2 \frac{\partial \delta_2}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_2}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\delta_2, N_2) \quad (19)$$

where  $\nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} h$  denotes the jacobian matrix of  $h$  versus variables  $\delta_2$  and  $N_2$  (similar notations are used here after). Equilibrium points of the system are those which provide:

$$\begin{cases} \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\delta_2, N_2) = 0 \\ \& \\ \nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} h \text{ be invertible} \end{cases} \quad (20)$$

while singular points provide:

$$\begin{cases} \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\delta_2, N_2) = 0 \\ \& \\ \nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} h \text{ not to be invertible} \end{cases} \quad (21)$$

II There is not an explicit relation between  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$ .

$$\frac{\partial \varphi_1}{\partial \tau_1} = \mathcal{F}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2) \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \delta_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_1}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{F}_1(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1) \\ \mathcal{F}_2(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1) \end{pmatrix} \quad (22)$$

Let us consider system modulations along the SIM at  $\tau_1$  time scale. Equation 15 is derived versus  $\tau_1$  time scale:

$$\nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1)} \widehat{\Lambda} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \delta_2}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_2}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial \delta_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_1}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (23)$$

The dimension of the matrix  $\nabla \widehat{\Lambda}(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1)$  is  $(2 \times 4)$ . In the blocked form it can be re-written as:

$$\nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1)} \widehat{\Lambda} = \left[ \nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} \widehat{\Lambda} \middle| \nabla_{(\delta_1, N_1)} \widehat{\Lambda} \right] \quad (24)$$

So, Eq. 23 reads:

$$\nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} \widehat{\Lambda} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \delta_2}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_2}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} + \nabla_{(\delta_1, N_1)} \widehat{\Lambda} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \delta_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_1}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (25)$$

This equation can be rearranged by considering Eq. 22:

$$\nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} \widehat{\Lambda} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \delta_2}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_2}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = -\nabla_{(\delta_1, N_1)} \widehat{\Lambda} \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{F}_1(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1) \\ \mathcal{F}_2(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1) \end{pmatrix} \quad (26)$$

Equations 15, 22 and 26 provide useful information relevant to positions of equilibrium and singular points. Equilibrium points of the system provide:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \widehat{\Lambda}(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \& \\ \mathcal{F}_1(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1) = \mathcal{F}_2(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1) = 0 \\ \& \\ \nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} \widehat{\Lambda} \text{ be invertible} \end{array} \right. \quad (27)$$

Singular points of the system provide:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \widehat{\Lambda}(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \& \\ \mathcal{F}_1(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1) = \mathcal{F}_2(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1) = 0 \\ \& \\ \nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} \widehat{\Lambda} \text{ not to be invertible} \end{array} \right. \quad (28)$$

## Scenario 2

Let us consider a very general form of the SIM (see Eq. 16) which has been explained in **Case 2** of the Sect. 2.2.1.



$\epsilon^1$  order of system equations read (i.e. the system at slow time scale):

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \varphi_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial \varphi_{31}}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \varphi_{3n}}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = \mathcal{M}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_{31}, \dots, \varphi_{3n}) \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \delta_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial \delta_{31}}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_{31}}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \delta_{3n}}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_{3n}}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbb{M} \quad (29)$$

with

$$\mathbb{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_1(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1, \delta_{31}, N_{31}, \dots, N_1, \delta_{3n}, N_{3n}) \\ \mathcal{M}_2(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1, \delta_{31}, N_{31}, \dots, N_1, \delta_{3n}, N_{3n}) \\ \mathcal{M}_3(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1, \delta_{31}, N_{31}, \dots, N_1, \delta_{3n}, N_{3n}) \\ \vdots \\ \mathcal{M}_{2n+3}(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1, \delta_{31}, N_{31}, \dots, N_1, \delta_{3n}, N_{3n}) \\ \mathcal{M}_{2n+4}(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1, \delta_{31}, N_{31}, \dots, N_1, \delta_{3n}, N_{3n}) \end{pmatrix} \quad (30)$$

Equation 17 can be derived versus  $\tau_1$  time scale as:

$$\nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1, \delta_{31}, N_{31}, \dots, N_1, \delta_{3n}, N_{3n})} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \delta_2}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_2}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial \delta_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial \delta_{31}}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_{31}}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \delta_{3n}}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_{3n}}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (31)$$

Dimension of the  $\nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1, \delta_{31}, N_{31}, \dots, N_1, \delta_{3n}, N_{3n})} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}$  is  $(2n+2) \times (2n+4)$ . So, Eq. 31 provides  $(2n+2)$  relations. In the blocked form we can write:

$$\nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1, \delta_{31}, N_{31}, \dots, N_1, \delta_{3n}, N_{3n})} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} = \left[ \nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} \mid \nabla_{(\delta_1, N_1, \delta_{31}, N_{31}, \dots, N_1, \delta_{3n}, N_{3n})} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} \right] \quad (32)$$

Equation 31 reads;

$$\nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \delta_2}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_2}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} + \nabla_{(\delta_1, N_1, \delta_{31}, N_{31}, \dots, N_1, \delta_{3n}, N_{3n})} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \delta_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial \delta_{31}}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_{31}}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \delta_{3n}}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_{3n}}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (33)$$

or

$$\nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \delta_2}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_2}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = -\nabla_{(\delta_1, N_1, \delta_{31}, N_{31}, \dots, N_1, \delta_{3n}, N_{3n})} \widehat{\mathcal{M}} \quad (34)$$

Equilibrium and singular points of the system can be traced via Eqs. 17, 29 and 34. Equilibrium points can be detected via

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1, \delta_{31}, N_{31}, \dots, N_1, \delta_{3n}, N_{3n}) = 0 \\ \quad \& \\ \quad \quad \quad \mathbb{M} = 0 \\ \quad \quad \quad \& \\ \quad \quad \quad \nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} \text{ be invertible} \end{array} \right. \quad (35)$$

Singular points of the system provide:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1, \delta_{31}, N_{31}, \dots, N_1, \delta_{3n}, N_{3n}) = 0 \\ \quad \& \\ \quad \quad \quad \mathbb{M} = 0 \\ \quad \quad \quad \& \\ \quad \quad \quad \nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} \text{ not to be invertible} \end{array} \right. \quad (36)$$

### 3 Time multi-scale energy exchanges between a multiple degrees of freedom main oscillator and multiple NES including rheologies

All developments which are explained in Sect.2 are based on a two dof system which includes a rheology of dimension  $n$  (see Eq. 1). In this section we would like to expand

all of previous developments to a system which is composed of  $n_m$  dof main oscillators which are coupled to  $n_n$  dof NES. The dimension of the rheology is assumed to be  $n_r$ . Let us assume that system equations read:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \ddot{\mathbf{Y}}_1 + \mathbf{\Delta}_1 \mathbf{Y}_1 + \epsilon \mathbf{\Delta}_2 \dot{\mathbf{Y}}_1 + \underbrace{\epsilon \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_1(\mathbf{Y}_1, \mathbf{Y}_2) + \epsilon \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}_2(\dot{\mathbf{Y}}_1, \dot{\mathbf{Y}}_2)}_{\epsilon \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}(\mathbf{Y}_1, \mathbf{Y}_2, \dot{\mathbf{Y}}_1, \dot{\mathbf{Y}}_2)} + \mathfrak{C}(\mathbf{Y}_1, \mathbf{Y}_2, \dot{\mathbf{Y}}_3) = \epsilon \mathbf{f}_0 \sin(\omega T) \\ \epsilon \ddot{\mathbf{Y}}_2 - \epsilon \tilde{\mathfrak{F}}(\mathbf{Y}_1, \mathbf{Y}_2, \dot{\mathbf{Y}}_1, \dot{\mathbf{Y}}_2) = \mathbf{0} \\ \dot{\mathbf{Y}}_3 + \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{Y}_1, \mathbf{Y}_2, \mathbf{Y}_3) = \mathbf{0} \text{ or } (\dot{\mathbf{Y}}_3 + \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{Y}_1, \mathbf{Y}_2, \mathbf{Y}_3)) \ni \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right. \quad (37)$$

Where  $\mathbf{Y}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{Y}_2$  and  $\mathbf{Y}_3$  are vectors of dimensions  $n_m$ ,  $n_n$  and  $n_r$ , respectively.  $\mathbf{f}_0$  is the vector of applied external forcing amplitudes on each dof of the main system (with dimension  $n_m$ ). Since we would like to study system behaviors around 1 : 1 resonances, we assume that:

$$\mathbf{\Delta}_1 = \omega^2 \mathbf{I}_d + \epsilon \mathbf{\Sigma} \quad (38)$$

$\mathbf{\Sigma}$  is a diagonal matrix of detuning parameters and  $\mathbf{I}_d$  is the unity matrix. To detect system behaviors at different scales of time, we follow similar steps which have been explained in Sect.2.

### 3.1 Complexifications and using the Galerkin technique

System variables could be submitted to the following linear transformation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{V} \\ \mathbf{W} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbb{A} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y}_1 \\ \mathbf{Y}_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (39)$$

In order to simplify, let us assume that  $\mathbb{A} = \mathbf{I}_d$ . Complex variables of Manevitch [33] or their extended versions [23, 28] are applied to system variables:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} i\mathbf{B}_1 + \mathbf{\Phi}_1 e^{i\omega T} = \dot{\mathbf{V}} + i\omega \mathbf{V} \\ i\mathbf{B}_2 + \mathbf{\Phi}_2 e^{i\omega T} = \dot{\mathbf{W}} + i\omega \mathbf{W} \\ \mathbf{\Phi}_3 e^{i\omega T} = \dot{\mathbf{Y}}_3 + i\omega \mathbf{Y}_3 \end{array} \right. \quad (40)$$

The Galerkin technique is endowed for keeping constant and first harmonics of the Fourier series. For any arbitrary function  $\mathfrak{T}(\mathbf{B}_1, \mathbf{B}_1, \mathbf{\Phi}_1, \mathbf{\Phi}_2, \mathbf{\Phi}_3)$  this task is carried out via:

$$\chi(\mathbf{B}_1, \mathbf{B}_1, \mathbf{\Phi}_1, \mathbf{\Phi}_2, \mathbf{\Phi}_3) = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} \int_0^{\frac{2\pi}{\omega}} \mathfrak{T}(\mathbf{B}_1, \mathbf{B}_1, \mathbf{\Phi}_1, \mathbf{\Phi}_2, \mathbf{\Phi}_3) e^{-li\omega T} dT \quad (41)$$

with  $l = 0, 1$ . For solving integrals of Eq. 41 we use the same assumptions that are explained in Sect. 2.1.

### 3.2 Time multi-scale behaviors of the system

If we use  $l = 0$  in Eq. 41, i.e. we keep constant terms of the Fourier series, then vectors  $\mathbf{B}_1$  and  $\mathbf{B}_2$  can be revealed by considering system equations at  $\epsilon^0$  and  $\epsilon^1$  orders. Let us concentrate at first harmonics of Fourier series, i.e. we set  $l = 1$  in Eq. 41.  $\epsilon^0$  order of system equations provide:

$$\frac{\partial \Phi_1}{\partial \tau_0} = 0 \Rightarrow \Phi_1 = \Phi_1(\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots) \quad (42)$$

$$\frac{\partial \Phi_2}{\partial \tau_0} + \Lambda(\Phi_1, \Phi_2, \Phi_3) = 0 \quad (43)$$

$$\Upsilon(\Phi_1, \Phi_2, \Phi_3) = 0 \quad (44)$$

Equation 42 provides  $n_m$  relations in the complex domain. When  $\tau_0 \rightarrow \infty$  ( $\frac{\partial \Phi_2}{\partial \tau_0} = 0$ ), Eq. 43 and 44 provide asymptotic responses of the system which are in fact its SIM. In the compact form and as a set of equations in the complex domain, it reads:

$$\mathcal{S}(\Phi_1, \Phi_2, \Phi_3) = \mathbf{0} \quad (45)$$

which provides  $n_m + n_r$  relations in the complex domain. Equations 45 in the real domain read:

$$\widehat{\mathcal{S}}(\delta_2, \mathbf{N}_2, \delta_1, \mathbf{N}_1, \delta_3, \mathbf{N}_3) = \mathbf{0} \quad (46)$$

where  $\delta_j, \mathbf{N}_j, j = 1, 2, 3$  are phase and amplitude vectors of  $\Phi_j, j = 1, 2, 3$ , respectively. Equation 46 provides  $2(n_m + n_r)$  relations. Detection of system behaviors at slow time scale  $\tau_1$  demands consideration of system equations at  $\epsilon^1$  order. We can write:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \Phi_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial \Phi_3}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = \mathcal{M}(\Phi_1, \Phi_2, \Phi_3) \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \delta_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{N}_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial \delta_3}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{N}_3}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbb{M} \quad (47)$$

Let us find the evolution of the SIM at  $\tau_1$  time scale. Equation 46 is derived versus  $\tau_1$  time scale:

$$\nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1, \delta_3, N_3)} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \delta_2}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_2}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial \delta_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial \delta_3}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_3}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0} \quad (48)$$

Dimension of  $\nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1, \delta_3, N_3)} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}$  is  $2(n_n + n_r) \times 2(n_m + n_n + n_r)$ . System of equations 48 can be reorganized as:

$$\nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \delta_2}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_2}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} + \nabla_{(\delta_1, N_1, \delta_3, N_3)} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \delta_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_1}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial \delta_3}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_3}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0} \quad (49)$$

Dimension of  $\nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}$  is  $2(n_n + n_r) \times 2n_n$  while dimension of  $\nabla_{(\delta_1, N_1, \delta_3, N_3)} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}$  is  $2(n_n + n_r) \times 2(n_m + n_r)$ . Equations 46, 47 and 49 provide useful tools for detecting equilibrium and singular points of the system. Equilibrium points of the system can be traced by:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1, \delta_3, N_3) = \mathbf{0} \\ \& \\ \mathbb{M} = 0 \\ \& \\ \nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} \text{ be invertible} \end{array} \right. \quad (50)$$

Singular points of system can be revealed by:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}(\delta_2, N_2, \delta_1, N_1, \delta_3, N_3) = \mathbf{0} \\ \& \\ \mathbb{M} = 0 \\ \& \\ \nabla_{(\delta_2, N_2)} \widehat{\mathcal{F}} \text{ not to be invertible} \end{array} \right. \quad (51)$$

#### 4 Example 1: Time multi scale energy exchanges between a linear oscillator and a coupled nonsmooth NES in the gravitational field

The system under consideration is composed of two coupled oscillators in the gravitational field: the main system is linear with the scaled mass 1; it is coupled to a NES with the mass  $\epsilon$  ( $0 < \epsilon \ll 1$ ), scaled nonsmooth potential  $\epsilon\tilde{F}$  and scaled damping  $\epsilon\lambda$ . We suppose that the main oscillator is under external scaled force  $\epsilon f_0 \sin(\omega T)$ . Governing system equations are summarized as [23]:

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{y}_1 + y_1 + \epsilon\tilde{F}(y_1 - y_2) + \epsilon\lambda(\dot{y}_1 - \dot{y}_2) + \gamma = \epsilon f_0 \sin(\omega T) \\ \epsilon\ddot{y}_2 + \epsilon\tilde{F}(y_2 - y_1) + \epsilon\lambda(\dot{y}_2 - \dot{y}_1) + \epsilon\gamma = 0 \end{cases} \quad (52)$$

with

$$\tilde{F}(z) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } -\delta \leq z \leq \delta \\ k(z - \delta) & \text{if } z \geq \delta \\ k(z + \delta) & \text{if } z \leq -\delta \end{cases} \quad (53)$$

and  $\gamma$  is related to the scaled weight of both oscillators. Since we would like to analyze system behaviors around the 1 : 1 resonance, we set  $\omega = 1 + \sigma\epsilon$ .

##### 4.1 Change of variables, complexification and truncated Fourier series of system equations

Since in the system under consideration there is a pre-stressing term  $\gamma$ , we use the extended version of complex variables of Manevitch (see Eq. 4). By following explained procedures of Sect. 2.1, constant and first terms of the Fourier series read:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{1+\epsilon} \left( \frac{b_1}{\omega} + \epsilon \frac{b_2}{\omega} \right) + (1+\epsilon)\gamma = 0 \\ \frac{1}{1+\epsilon} \left( \frac{b_1}{\omega} + \epsilon \frac{b_2}{\omega} \right) + (1+\epsilon)f_z(b_2, \varphi_2, \varphi_2^*) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (54)$$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\varphi}_1 = -\frac{i}{2}\epsilon f_0 + \frac{i}{2\omega(1+\epsilon)}(\varphi_1 + \epsilon\varphi_2) - \frac{i}{2}\omega\varphi_1 \\ \dot{\varphi}_2 = -\frac{i}{2}\epsilon f_0 + \frac{i}{2\omega(1+\epsilon)}(\varphi_1 + \epsilon\varphi_2) - \frac{\lambda(1+\epsilon)}{2}\varphi_2 - \frac{i}{2}\omega\varphi_2 - (1+\epsilon)f_f(b_2, \varphi_2, \varphi_2^*) \end{cases} \quad (55)$$

Definitions of  $f_z(b_2, \varphi_2, \varphi_2^*)$  and  $f_f(b_2, \varphi_2, \varphi_2^*)$  are given in Appendix (see Eqs. 83-85).

##### 4.2 Time multi scale behavior of the system

For detecting system behaviors at different time scales we implement the explained methods of the Sect. 2.2.

#### 4.2.1 Constant terms

The general form of the system (54) show that  $\gamma = f_z(N_2^2)$ . During the  $\epsilon^0$  order, it leads to:

$$b_1 = -\gamma \quad (56)$$

while during the  $\epsilon^1$  order we have:

$$b_2 = -\gamma(2 + \sigma) \quad (57)$$

#### 4.2.2 First harmonics

Here, we would like to detect time multi-scale responses of first harmonics of the system which are defined in Eq. 55. At fast time scale there is an explicit relation between  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  [23]. This means that we should consider part I of the **Case 1** in Sect 2.2.1. Equations 12 and 14 read:

$$\tilde{\Lambda}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2) = \frac{i(1 - G_f(|\varphi_2^2|)) + \lambda}{2} \varphi_2 - \frac{i}{2} \varphi_1 = 0 \quad (58)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \delta_1 \\ N_1 \end{pmatrix} = h(\delta_2, N_2) = \begin{pmatrix} \delta_2 - \arctan\left(\frac{\lambda}{1 - G_f(N_2^2)}\right) \\ N_2 \sqrt{\lambda^2 + (1 - G_f(N_2^2))^2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (59)$$

Stability borders of the SIM are written as [23]:

$$\lambda^2 + (1 - G_f(N_2^2))(1 - 2N_2 G'_f(N_2^2)N_2^2 - G_f(N_2^2)) > 0 \quad (60)$$

At slow time scale, Eq. 18 can be detected by keeping the  $\epsilon^1$  order of the first equation of the system (55),

$$\frac{\partial \varphi_1}{\partial \tau_1} = \mathcal{H}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2) = -\frac{i}{2} f_0 + \frac{i}{2} (\varphi_2 - \varphi_1 - \sigma \varphi_1) - \frac{i}{2} \sigma \varphi_1 \quad (61)$$

Here, Eq. 19 reads:

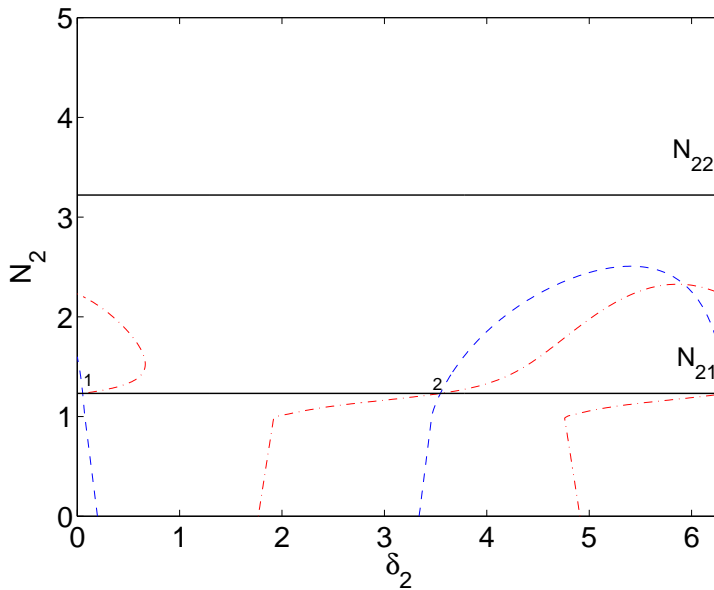
$$g(N_2) \begin{pmatrix} N_2 \frac{\partial \delta_2}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_2}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{\mathcal{H}}(\delta_2, N_2) = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(N_2, \delta_2) \\ f_2(N_2, \delta_2) \end{pmatrix} \quad (62)$$

$f_1(N_2, \delta_2)$ ,  $f_2(N_2, \delta_2)$  and  $g(N_2)$  are defined in Appendix (see Eqs. 86-88). Equilibrium points of the system are those which provide  $f_1(N_2, \delta_2) = f_2(N_2, \delta_2) = 0$  and  $g(N_2) \neq 0$  while fold singularities are those that give  $f_1(N_2, \delta_2) = f_2(N_2, \delta_2) = g(N_2) = 0$ .  $g(N_2) = 0$  provides two values for  $N_2$ , namely  $N_{21}$  and  $N_{22}$ . They are called as fold lines of the system. Comparing Eqs. 60 and 88, one can see that  $g(N_2) = 0$  provides stability borders of the SIM. So, fold lines  $N_{21}$  and  $N_{22}$  are in fact stability borders of the invariant.



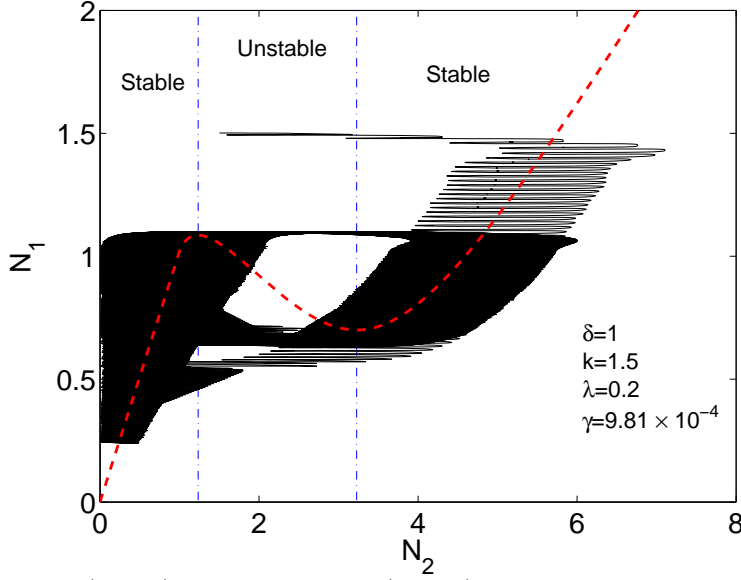
### 4.3 A numerical example

We set  $\delta = 1$ ,  $k = 1.5$ ,  $\lambda = 0.2$ ,  $\gamma = 9.81 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\epsilon = 10^{-3}$ ,  $f_0 = 1.6$  and  $\sigma = 0.1$ . Fold line of the system can be obtained via Eq. 88 by setting  $g(N_2) = 0$ : they read  $N_{21} = 1.2310$  and  $N_{22} = 3.2130$ . Positions of equilibrium and singular points are presented in Fig. 1 which are obtained by using Eqs. 86-88. It can be seen that for the given forcing amplitude and detuning parameter, the system possesses a pair of fold singularities, namely no.1 and no.2 on the fold line  $N_{21}$ . There is an equilibrium point which is inside the unstable zone of the system i.e. between fold line  $N_{21}$  and  $N_{22}$ , so it can not be reached. As a summary, the system does not possess any equilibrium points. Existence of fold singularities predicts a SMR for the system under consideration. Let us assume that the initial conditions of Eqs. 52 are  $(y_1(0), y_2(0), \dot{y}_1(0), \dot{y}_2(0)) =$



**Fig. 1** Positions of equilibrium and singular points for the system under external forcing term  $f_0 = 1.6$  and detuning parameter  $\sigma = 0.1$ :  $g(N_2) = 0$  or  $N_{21}, N_{22}$  (—),  $f_2(N_2, \delta_2) = 0$  (---),  $f_1(N_2, \delta_2) = 0$  (-·-·-). The zone between  $N_{21}$  and  $N_{22}$  is unstable. The system possesses a pair of fold singularities on the fold line  $N_{21}$ , namely no. 1 and no. 2. The system does not possess any equilibrium points.

$(1.5 + y_{10}, y_{20}, 0, 0)$ .  $y_{10}$  and  $y_{20}$  are initial equilibrium positions of the main system and the NES due to their weight (i.e. positions at rest). Equations 52 are directly integrated by the Runge-Kutta method in Matlab via function “ode45”. The SIM of the system (Eq. 59), its stability borders (Eq. 60) and included numerical results are depicted in Fig. 2. It is seen that the system presents SMR with repeated bifurcations between its stable zones. This behavior has been already predicted by analytically detection of equilibrium and singular points of the system which have been illustrated in Fig. 1. Histories of amplitudes of two oscillators which are shown in Fig. 3 show the existence of SMR for a quite long time span.



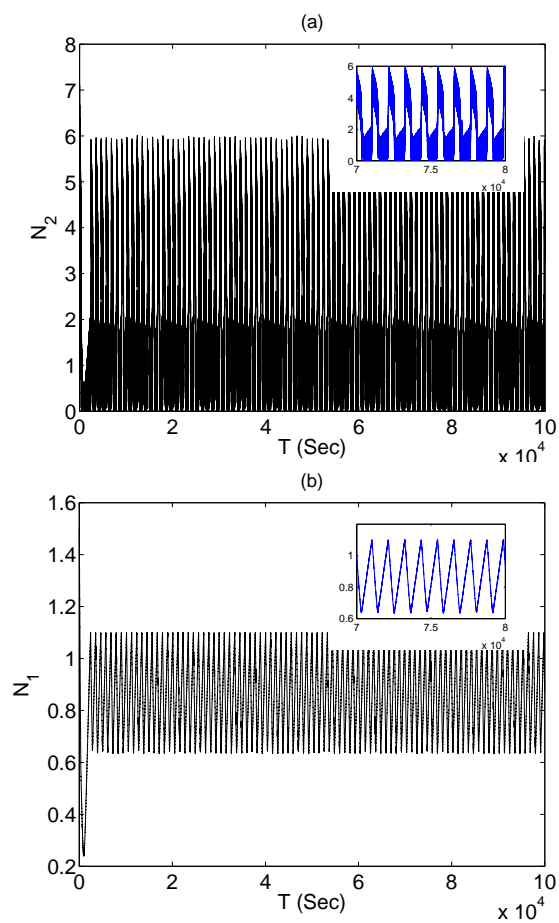
**Fig. 2** The SIM (---), its stability borders (-.-.-) and corresponding numerical results (—) of the system with  $f_0 = 1.6$  and  $\sigma = 0.1$ . Numerical results are obtained by direct integration of Eqs. (52).

### 5 Example 2: Time multi-scale energy exchanges between a Bouc-Wen type oscillator coupled to a NES with cubic potential

We consider two coupled oscillators: The main one is with the scaled mass, initial linear stiffness and damping as 1, 1 and  $\epsilon\zeta$ , respectively. It is under external force  $\epsilon f_0 \sin(\omega T)$  and presents a hysteresis behavior of Bouc-Wen type with following characteristics: the post-yield stiffness  $K_p$ , ratio of the post-yield stiffness and initial stiffnesses as  $a$ , i.e.  $a = \frac{K_p}{1}$ , and  $A, \beta > 0, \gamma$  and  $n$  are dimensionless parameters which control the hysteresis behavior of the model. This oscillator is coupled to a NES with the scaled mass  $\epsilon$  ( $0 < \epsilon \ll 1$ ), scaled damping  $\epsilon\lambda$  and the scaled cubic potential function  $\epsilon\hat{F}(\alpha) = \epsilon k\alpha^3$ . If we assume that  $z$  and  $\dot{z}$  are internal variables for Bouc-Wen model, then governing system equations can be summarized [29]:

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{y}_1 + \epsilon\zeta\dot{y}_1 + y_1 + \frac{1-a}{a}z + \epsilon\hat{F}(y_1 - y_2) + \epsilon\lambda(\dot{y}_1 - \dot{y}_2) = \epsilon f_0 \sin(\omega T) \\ \epsilon\ddot{y}_2 + \epsilon\hat{F}(y_2 - y_1) + \epsilon\lambda(\dot{y}_2 - \dot{y}_1) = 0 \\ \dot{z} = A\dot{y}_1 - \beta|\dot{y}_1||z|^{n-1}z - \gamma\dot{y}_1|z|^n \end{cases} \quad (63)$$

with  $z(0) = 0$ . We suppose that  $k = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^0)$  and  $\frac{1-a}{a} = \epsilon a_0 = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^1)$ .



**Fig. 3** Histories of system amplitudes with  $f_0 = 1.6$  and  $\sigma = 0.1$ : a)  $N_2$ ; b)  $N_1$ . Results are obtained by direct integration of Eqs. (52). Figures are zoomed for the interval of  $T \in [7 \times 10^4, 8 \times 10^4]$ .

### 5.1 Change of variables, complexification and truncated Fourier series of system equations

Let us follow the explained procedure of Sect. 2.1. In the described system of Eqs. 63 there is not any pre-stressing term. So, in Eq. 4 we set  $b_1 = b_2 = 0$  and we keep just “first harmonics” of the system by setting  $l = 1$  in Eq. 6. Following system is obtained

around the 1 : 1 resonance ( $\omega = 1 + \sigma\epsilon$ ) [29]:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{\varphi}_1 + \frac{i}{2}(1 + \sigma\epsilon)\varphi_1 + \frac{\epsilon\zeta}{2(1 + \epsilon)}(\varphi_1 + \epsilon\varphi_2) - \frac{i}{2(1 + \epsilon)(1 + \sigma\epsilon)}(\varphi_1 + \epsilon\varphi_2) - \\ \frac{1 - a}{a} \frac{i}{2(1 + \sigma\epsilon)}\varphi_3 = \frac{\epsilon f_0}{2i} \\ \dot{\varphi}_2 + \frac{i}{2}(1 + \sigma\epsilon)\varphi_2 + \frac{\epsilon\zeta}{2(1 + \epsilon)}(\varphi_1 + \epsilon\varphi_2) - \frac{i}{2(1 + \epsilon)(1 + \sigma\epsilon)}(\varphi_1 + \epsilon\varphi_2) - \\ \frac{1 - a}{a} \frac{i}{2(1 + \sigma\epsilon)}\varphi_3 - \frac{i}{2}(1 + \epsilon)\varphi_2 G(|\varphi_2|^2) + \frac{1 + \epsilon}{2}\lambda\varphi_2 = \frac{\epsilon f_0}{2i} \\ \varphi_3 = \frac{A}{1 + \epsilon}(\varphi_1 + \epsilon\varphi_2) - \frac{1}{\pi}e^{i\delta_3} \frac{\rho}{1 + \epsilon} \left(\frac{N_3}{\omega}\right)^n \left( (\beta + \gamma)I(n, 0, s_1, \text{order of } \epsilon) + \right. \\ \left. (-\beta + \gamma)I(n, s_1, \pi, \text{order of } \epsilon) + (-1)^n(\beta + \gamma)I(n, \pi, s_2, \text{order of } \epsilon) + \right. \\ \left. (-1)^n(-\beta + \gamma)I(n, s_2, 2\pi, \text{order of } \epsilon) \right) \end{array} \right. \quad (64)$$

with:

$$G(|\varphi_2|^2) = \frac{3}{4}k|\varphi_2|^2 \quad (65)$$

$$\rho = \left( (N_1 \cos(\delta_1) + \epsilon N_2 \cos(\delta_2))^2 + (N_1 \sin(\delta_1) + \epsilon N_2 \sin(\delta_2))^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (66)$$

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{N_1 \sin(\delta_1) + \epsilon N_2 \sin(\delta_2)}{N_1 \cos(\delta_1) + \epsilon N_2 \cos(\delta_2)} \quad (67)$$

$$q(s) = \cos(s + \theta - \delta_3)(\sin(s))^n e^{-is} \quad (68)$$

$$s_1 = \frac{\pi}{2} + \delta_3 - \theta \quad (69)$$

$$s_2 = s_1 + \pi$$

$$I(n, \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \text{order of } \epsilon) = \int_{\alpha_1}^{\alpha_2} q(s) ds \quad (70)$$

$I(n, \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \text{order of } \epsilon)$  can be calculated for any Bouc-Wen parameter  $n$ .

## 5.2 Time multi-scale behavior of the system

At fast time scale the functions  $\Lambda$  of Eq. 10 reads:

$$\Lambda(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_3) = \frac{i(1 - G(|\varphi_2|^2)) + \lambda}{2}\varphi_2 - \frac{i}{2}\varphi_1 = 0 \quad (71)$$

To deal with all types of Bouc-Wen type behavior with any  $n$  parameter, demands a lot of technical computational efforts. So, in this example we focus on the special case

when  $n = 3$ . The function  $\mathcal{Y}$  in Eq. 9 can be obtained from the third equation of the Eq. 64 at  $\epsilon^0$  order:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Y}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_3) = & A\varphi_1 - \frac{1}{\pi} e^{i\delta_3} N_3 N_1 \left( (\beta + \gamma) I(3, 0, \frac{\pi}{2} + \delta_3 - \delta_1, 0) + \right. \\ & (-\beta + \gamma) I(3, \frac{\pi}{2} + \delta_3 - \delta_1, \pi, 0) + (-1)^3 (\beta + \gamma) I(3, \pi, \frac{3\pi}{2} + \delta_3 - \delta_1, 0) + \\ & \left. (-1)^3 (-\beta + \gamma) I(3, \frac{3\pi}{2} + \delta_3 - \delta_1, 2\pi, 0) \right) - \varphi_3 = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (72)$$

Equation 72 indicates that there is not any explicit relations between  $\varphi_3$ ,  $\varphi_2$  and  $\varphi_1$ . So, the system under consideration follows **Case 2** of the Sect. 2.1. Equation 71 provides following relations:

$$\delta_2 - \arctan\left(\frac{\lambda}{1 - G(N_2^2)}\right) - \delta_1 = 0 \quad (73)$$

$$N_2 \sqrt{\lambda^2 + (1 - G(N_2^2))^2} - N_1 = 0 \quad (74)$$

Equation 74 provides a two-dimensional flow of energies of two oscillators, i.e.  $N_2$  and  $N_1$ . This SIM has stability borders as [29]:

$$\lambda^2 + (1 - G(N_2^2))(1 - 2N_2 G'(N_2^2) N_2^2 - G(N_2^2)) > 0 \quad (75)$$

$G'(N_2^2)$  is the derivative of  $G(N_2^2)$  with respect to the  $N_2^2$ .

At slow time scale, Eqs. 29 yield to:

$$\frac{\partial \varphi_1}{\partial \tau_1} = \mathcal{M}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_{31}, \dots, \varphi_{3n}) = -\frac{i}{2} f_0 + \frac{i}{2} (-2\sigma - 1 + i\zeta) \varphi_1 + \frac{i}{2} \varphi_2 + \frac{ia_0}{2} \varphi_3 \quad (76)$$

After consideration of definitions of  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_3$  from Eqs. 71 and 72 in Eq. 76, Eq. 34 reads [29]:

$$g_1(N_2) \begin{pmatrix} N_2 \frac{\partial \delta_2}{\partial \tau_1} \\ \frac{\partial N_2}{\partial \tau_1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} F_1(N_2, \delta_2) \\ F_2(N_2, \delta_2) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda \Xi + (1 - G(N_2^2) - 2N_2^2 G'(N_2^2)) \Theta \\ (1 - G(N_2^2)) \Xi - \lambda \Theta \end{pmatrix} \quad (77)$$

$\Xi$ ,  $\Theta$  and  $g_1(N_2)$  are presented in Appendix (see Eqs. 89-91). Eq. 91 is also stability borders of the SIM of the system which already defined in Eq.75. Equilibrium and singular points of the system can be traced via 77: Equilibrium points are those that provide  $F_1 = F_2 = 0$  and  $g_1(N_2) \neq 0$ . Singular points of the system are those which give  $F_1 = F_2 = g_1(N_2) = 0$ . Let us set  $F_1 = F_2 = 0$ . We will have:

$$\begin{cases} (1 - G(N_2^2)) \Xi - \lambda \Theta = 0 \\ \lambda \Xi + (1 - G(N_2^2) - 2N_2^2 G'(N_2^2)) \Theta = 0 \end{cases} \quad (78)$$

Equation 78 is a homogeneous system of two equations with respect to  $\Xi$  and  $\Theta$ . Its characteristic equation which provides its eigenvalues is equal to  $g_1(N_2) = 0$ . If

$g_1(N_2) \neq 0$ , then  $\Xi = \Theta = 0$  will be only solutions of the homogeneous system of two equations. So, the system at equilibrium points reads:

$$\begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2}f_0 \sin(\delta_2) - \frac{1}{2}N_2\lambda(2\sigma + 1) - \frac{1}{2}N_2\zeta(1 - G(N_2^2)) - \\ \frac{1}{2}N_3a_0 \sin(\delta_3 - \delta_2) = 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2}f_0 \cos(\delta_2) - \frac{1}{2}N_2(1 - G(N_2^2))(2\sigma + 1) + \frac{1}{2}N_2\zeta\lambda + \frac{1}{2}N_2 + \\ \frac{1}{2}N_3a_0 \cos(\delta_3 - \delta_2) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (79)$$

From Eq. 79 following relations can be obtained:

$$N_3 = \frac{1}{a_0} \left( \left( -f_0 \sin(\delta_2) - N_2\lambda(2\sigma + 1) - N_2\zeta(1 - G) \right)^2 + \left( -f_0 \cos(\delta_2) - N_2(1 - G)(2\sigma + 1) + N_2\zeta\lambda + N_2 \right)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (80)$$

$$\delta_3 = \delta_2 - \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{f_0 \sin(\delta_2) + N_2\lambda(2\sigma + 1) + N_2\zeta(1 - G)}{a_0 N_3} \right) \quad (81)$$

Let us define real and imaginary parts of the Eq.(72), as  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , respectively. Equilibrium points of the system in the surface of  $(\delta_2, N_2)$  can be traced via consideration of the definition of  $N_3$  and  $\delta_3$  from Eqs. 80 and 81 in  $C_1(\delta_2, N_2) = C_2(\delta_2, N_2) = 0$ . Amplitudes of fold singularities of the system can be detected by setting  $g_1(N_2) = 0$  which provides two values for  $N_2$  (fold lines), namely  $N_{21}$  and  $N_{22}$ :

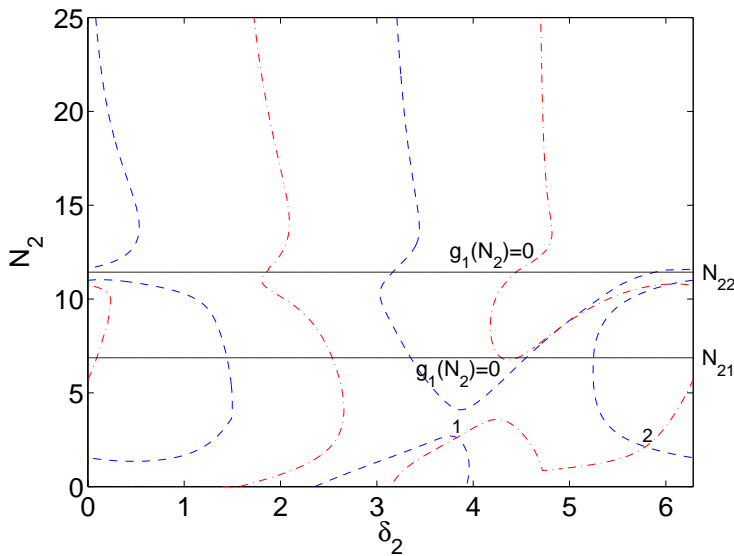
$$\begin{aligned} N_{21} &= \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{\frac{2}{k} - \frac{\sqrt{1 - 3\lambda^2}}{k}} \\ N_{22} &= \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{\frac{2}{k} + \frac{\sqrt{1 - 3\lambda^2}}{k}} \end{aligned} \quad (82)$$

Phases in the fold lines are obtained by injecting Eqs. 80 and 82 in  $C_1(\delta_2, \delta_3) = C_2(\delta_2, \delta_3) = 0$ .

### 5.3 A numerical example

Let us assume following system parameters:  $\epsilon = 10^{-3}$ ,  $\lambda = 0.2$ ,  $\zeta = 0.1$ ,  $\sigma = 1$ ,  $A = 1$ ,  $a = 0.99$ ,  $\beta = 0.5$ ,  $\gamma = 0$ ,  $n = 3$ ,  $k = 0.01$  and  $f_0 = 15$ . We assume that  $y_1(0) = 10$  and  $y_2(0) = \dot{y}_1(0) = \dot{y}_2(0) = 0$ . Equations 63 are integrated directly by “ode45” function of Matlab and are compared with analytical predictions. Positions of equilibrium points are highlighted in Fig. 4. The system possesses two equilibrium points, namely no. 1 and no. 2. There are other equilibrium points but their positions are in the unstable zone of the system, i.e. between two fold line, so they are unstable and we do not consider them. Singular points should be detected on fold lines  $N_{21}$  and  $N_{22}$ . Their locations on these lines are illustrated in Figs. 5 and 6, respectively. As a summary there is a pair of singular points on the fold line  $N_{21}$  while fold line  $N_{22}$  does not host any singular points. The SIM of the system obtained from Eq. 74 and

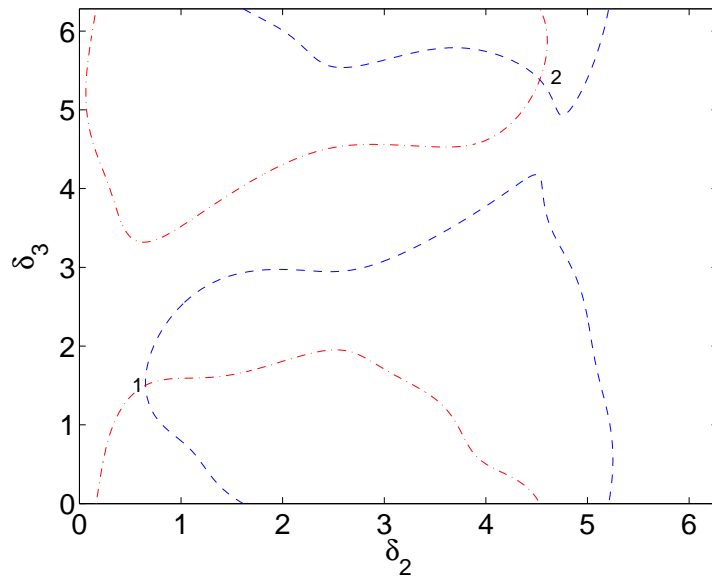
corresponding results from numerical integration of the Eqs. 63 are depicted in Fig. 7. Histories of system amplitudes detected via numerical integration are shown in Fig. 8. These figures show that the system presents SMR which houses repeated bifurcations between its stability borders. This behavior is due to existence of singular points on the first fold line which prepare the system for reverse bifurcations. The energy of the main oscillator is trapped in the closed loop cycle. This behavior is desirable from passive control view point if the system behavior during the closed loop bifurcations via SMR, presents allowable energy variations for the main oscillator. This can be carried out by appropriate design of the NES. The system possesses two equilibrium points (see Fig. 4) which can be stable or unstable; they can be seen after very long time during  $\tau_1$  time scale or during other time scales such as  $\tau_2$  time scale. Detection of this behavior via numerical integration of main equations demands a lot of computational efforts and is out of the scope of the current paper.



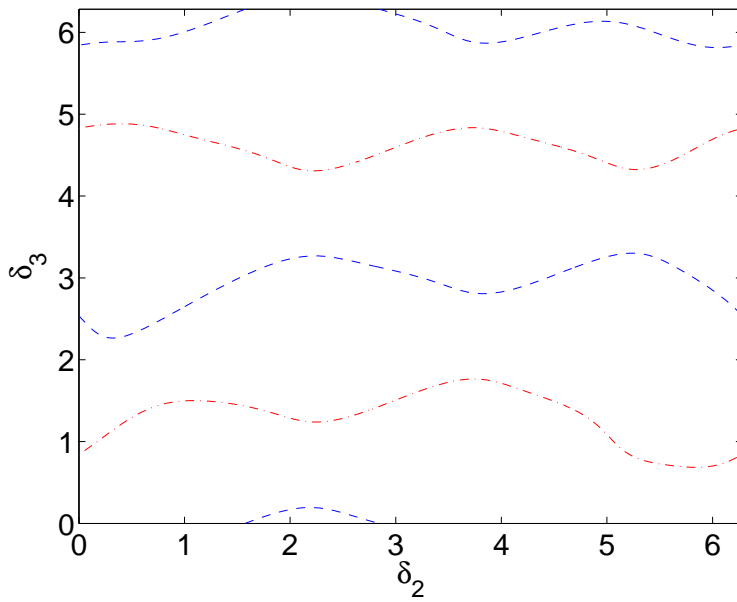
**Fig. 4** Positions of equilibrium points for the system under external forcing term  $f_0 = 15$ :  $g_1(N_2) = 0$  (—), i.e.  $N_{21}$ ,  $N_{22}$  lines,  $C_1(N_2, \delta_2) = 0$  (---),  $C_2(N_2, \delta_2) = 0$ , (-·-·-): the system has two equilibrium points namely no. 1 and no. 2.

## 6 Conclusions

A general methodology for detection of time multi-scale behaviors of general coupled oscillators is presented. The first set of the oscillators is considered to be the main ones and the other set is nonlinear energy sink devices with very light masses compared to the masses of the first set. The rheology of the system can be represented via constitutive laws by either differential inclusions, differential equations or algebraic relations between internal variables. Step by step treatments of primary system equations in the complex domain permit us to use a Galerkin technique by keeping constant terms and

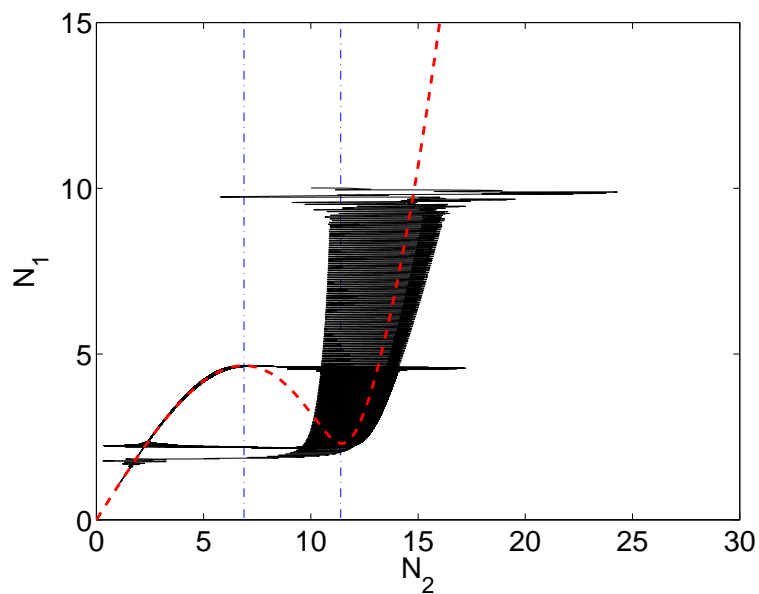


**Fig. 5** Positions of fold singularities for the system under external forcing term  $f_0 = 15$  on the fold line  $N_{21}$ :  $C_1(\delta_2, \delta_3) = 0$  (---),  $C_2(\delta_2, \delta_3) = 0$ , (-·-·-). The system has two singular points namely no.1 and no. 2, on the fold line  $N_{21}$ .



**Fig. 6** Positions of fold singularities for the system under external forcing term  $f_0 = 15$  on the fold line  $N_{22}$ :  $C_1(\delta_2, \delta_3) = 0$  (---),  $C_2(\delta_2, \delta_3) = 0$ , (-·-·-). The system does not have any singular point on the fold line  $N_{22}$ .

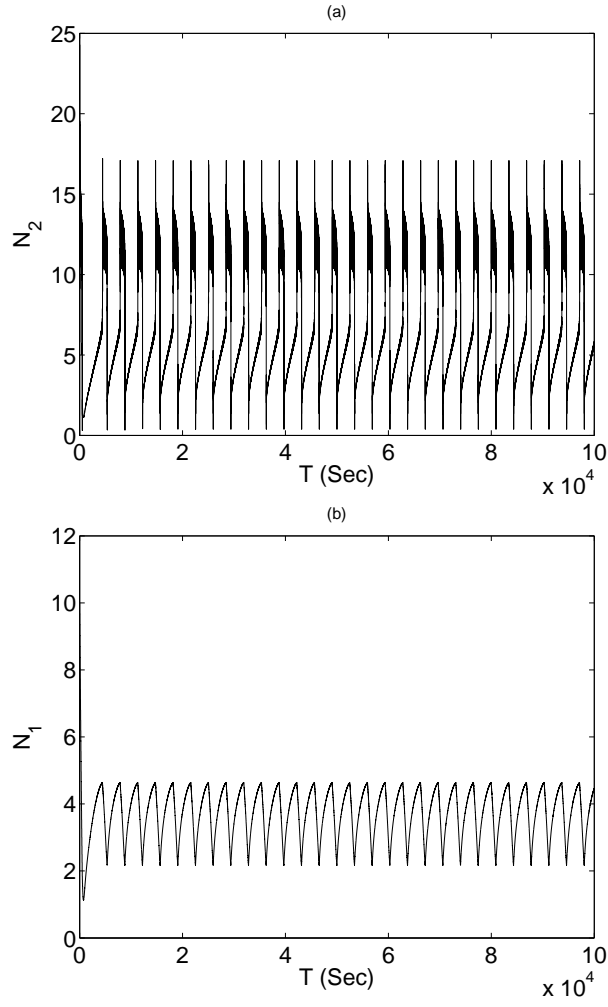




**Fig. 7** The SIM (—), its stability borders (— · —) and corresponding numerical results (—) for the system with  $f_0 = 15$ . Numerical results are obtained via direct integration of Eqs. 63.

first harmonics of the Fourier series. Studying the system at fast time scale provides its invariant while its behavior at slow time scale provides positions of equilibrium and singular points on the invariant. Equilibrium and singular points correspond to periodic and possible strongly modulated responses, respectively. Application of the proposed methodology is demonstrated in two special cases representing two different coupled oscillators with different rheologies. Developed analytical tools permit us to design “desired” equilibrium and singular points which is equivalent to the design of nonlinear energy sink according to the demand, which can be passive control and/or energy harvesting of main oscillators.

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**Fig. 8** Histories of system amplitudes with  $f_0 = 15$ : a)  $N_2$ ; b)  $N_1$ . These results are obtained via direct integration of Eqs. 63.

## Appendix

For any variable  $\chi \geq 0$

$$f_z(\chi) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \frac{b_2}{\omega} + \frac{\sqrt{\chi}}{\omega} < \delta \\ \frac{k}{\pi\omega} \left( b_2\pi + \sqrt{(b_2 + \sqrt{\chi} - \delta\omega)(-b_2 + \sqrt{\chi} + \delta\omega)} - \right. \\ \left. \sqrt{(-b_2 + \sqrt{\chi} - \delta\omega)(b_2 + \sqrt{\chi} + \delta\omega)} + \right. \\ \left. (b_2 - \delta\omega) \arcsin\left(\frac{b_2 - \delta\omega}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right) + (b_2 + \delta\omega) \arcsin\left(\frac{b_2 + \delta\omega}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right) \right) & \\ \text{if } \frac{b_2}{\omega} + \frac{\sqrt{\chi}}{\omega} \geq \delta \end{cases} \quad (83)$$

$$f_f(b_2, \varphi_2, \varphi_2^*) = -\frac{i\varphi_2}{2} G_f(|\varphi_2|^2) \quad (84)$$

$$G_f(\chi) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \frac{b_2}{\omega} + \frac{\sqrt{\chi}}{\omega} < \delta \\ \frac{k}{2\pi\omega} \left( \pi + \frac{2b_2}{\chi} \sqrt{\chi - (b_2 - \delta\omega)^2} - \frac{2\delta\omega}{\chi} \sqrt{\chi - (b_2 - \delta\omega)^2} - \right. \\ \left. \frac{2b_2}{\chi} \sqrt{\chi - (b_2 + \delta\omega)^2} - \frac{2\delta\omega}{\chi} \sqrt{\chi - (b_2 + \delta\omega)^2} + \right. \\ \left. 2 \arccos\left(\frac{b_2 + \delta\omega}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right) + 2 \arcsin\left(\frac{b_2 - \delta\omega}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right) \right) & \text{if } \frac{b_2}{\omega} + \frac{\sqrt{\chi}}{\omega} \geq \delta \end{cases} \quad (85)$$

$$f_1(N_2, \delta_2) = -\left(1 - G_f(N_2^2) - 2N_2^2 G'_f(N_2^2)\right) f_0 \cos(\delta_2) - \lambda f_0 \sin(\delta_2) - N_2 \lambda^2 (1 + 2\sigma) + N_2 \left(1 - G_f(N_2^2) - 2N_2^2 G'_f(N_2^2)\right) \left(-2\sigma + 2\sigma G_f(N_2^2) + G_f(N_2^2)\right) \quad (86)$$

$$f_2(N_2, \delta_2) = f_0 \sin(\delta_2) \left(G_f(N_2^2) - 1\right) - \lambda N_2 + \lambda f_0 \cos(\delta_2) \quad (87)$$

$$g(N_2) = 2 \left( \lambda^2 + (1 - G_f(N_2^2)) (1 - 2N_2^2 G'_f(N_2^2) N_2^2 - G_f(N_2^2)) \right) \quad (88)$$

$$\Xi = -\frac{1}{2} f_0 \sin(\delta_2) - \frac{1}{2} N_2 \lambda (2\sigma + 1) - \frac{1}{2} N_2 \zeta \left(1 - G(N_2^2)\right) - \frac{1}{2} N_3 a_0 \sin(\delta_3 - \delta_2) \quad (89)$$

$$\Theta = -\frac{1}{2} f_0 \cos(\delta_2) - \frac{1}{2} N_2 \left(1 - G(N_2^2)\right) (2\sigma + 1) + \frac{1}{2} N_2 \zeta \lambda + \frac{1}{2} N_2 + \frac{1}{2} N_3 a_0 \cos(\delta_3 - \delta_2) \quad (90)$$

$$g_1(N_2) = \left(-1 + G(N_2^2)\right)^2 + \lambda^2 + 2 \left(-1 + G(N_2^2)\right) N_2^2 G'(N_2^2) \quad (91)$$

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