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# Chameleon Chaotic Systems With Quadratic Nonlinearities: An Adaptive Finite-Time Sliding Mode Control Approach and Circuit Simulation

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**ABSTRACT** A chameleon chaotic system is a chaotic system in which the chaotic attractor can change between hidden and self-excited attractor depending on the values of parameters. In this work, we construct a family of nine new chameleon chaotic systems by introducing two parameters to the 3-D chaotic systems with quadratic nonlinearities and exhibiting line equilibrium points analyzed by Jafari and Sprott (2013). In the analysis of chameleon chaotic flow of the nine new chaotic systems, we discover three categories of hidden attractors (no equilibria, line of equilibria, one stable equilibrium) and a self-excited attractor. The proposed family of nine new chameleon chaotic systems is a novel class of chaotic systems with interesting dynamic properties. Moreover, this study motivates on the adaptive finite time sliding mode control of one category of these chameleon chaotic systems subjected to uncertainties and disturbances. As an engineering application, we have built an electronic circuit design of a new chameleon chaotic system using MultiSim.

**INDEX TERMS** Chaos, chaotic systems, chameleon systems, adaptive control, circuit design.

## I. INTRODUCTION

A chaotic system is a nonlinear dynamical system with three properties, *viz.* (i) sensitive dependence on initial conditions, (ii) topological transitivity, and (iii) dense periodic points [1]. A three-dimensional dissipative autonomous chaotic system is characterized by the existence of positive, zero and negative Lyapunov characteristic exponents with a negative sum of the Lyapunov characteristic exponents [2]. Dynamical systems with chaotic behavior find several applications in areas such as secure communication [3], encryption [4], etc. Attractors in dynamical systems have been recently classified as self-excited attractors and hidden attractors [2]. A self-excited attractor has a basin of attraction that is associated with an unstable equilibrium, while a hidden attractor has a basin of attraction that does not intersect with small neighborhoods of any equilibrium points. Classical chaotic attractors such as Liu system [5], Rucklidge system [6],

Wang system [7] are self-excited attractors. Hidden attractors exist in chaotic systems with no equilibrium points [8]–[10], with only stable equilibrium points [11], [12], with curves of equilibrium points [13]–[15], with surfaces of equilibrium points [16], etc.

A chameleon chaotic system is a chaotic system in which the chaotic attractor can change between hidden and self-excited attractor based on the values of parameters [17]–[20]. Jafari and Sprott [21] found a family of nine chaotic systems with quadratic nonlinearities exhibiting a line of equilibrium points denoted as  $LE_1, LE_2, \dots, LE_9$ , respectively. In our research work, we have constructed a family of nine new chameleon chaotic systems by introducing constants  $a$  and  $b$  to the chaotic systems  $LE_1, \dots, LE_9$  with line equilibrium [21]. We denote the resulting new chameleon chaotic systems as  $CH-LE_1, \dots, CH-LE_9$ , respectively. We have used Wolf's algorithm [22] to calculate the Lyapunov exponents of the various chaotic systems studied in the work. Whereas the Jafari-Sprott chaotic systems [21] exhibit only a line of equilibrium points, our new family

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consists of chameleon chaotic systems displaying a line of equilibrium points, stable equilibrium, unstable equilibrium or no equilibrium based on different values of the parameters. The discovery of nine new chameleon chaotic systems from the Jafari-Sprott systems [21] is a novelty of our research work. Section II describes the new family of nine chameleon chaotic systems.

Control and regulation of chaotic systems are important topics of research in the chaos literature [2]. Various control approaches have been applied in the recent years such as active control [23], [24], fuzzy logic control [25], backstepping control [26], [27], sliding mode control [28]–[30], etc. In Section III, an adaptive finite-time sliding mode control technique is proposed to guarantee the convergence of the state trajectories of the new chameleon chaotic system  $CH-LE_1$  to the origin in the finite time. Numerical simulation results are provided in Section IV to confirm the acceptable performance of the proposed controller on chameleon hidden chaotic systems. Electronic circuit designs of chaotic systems are very useful for engineering applications [31], [32]. In Section V, we have implemented an electronic circuit design of the new chameleon chaotic system  $CH-LE_1$  using MultiSim.

## II. CHAMELEON CHAOTIC FLOWS

We start this section with a review of nine chaotic systems with line equilibrium (LE) obtained by Jafari and Sprott [21]. These chaotic systems are denoted as  $LE_1, \dots, LE_9$  [21]. The Jafari-Sprott system  $LE_1$  with line equilibrium [21] is described as follows.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2x_3, \\ \dot{x}_3 = -x_1 - 15x_1x_2 - x_1x_3. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

The Jafari-Sprott system  $LE_2$  with line equilibrium [21] is described as follows.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2x_3, \\ \dot{x}_3 = -x_2 - 17x_1x_2 - x_1x_3. \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

The Jafari-Sprott system  $LE_3$  with line equilibrium [21] is described as follows.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2x_3, \\ \dot{x}_3 = x_1^2 - 18x_1x_2 - x_1x_3. \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

The Jafari-Sprott system  $LE_4$  with line equilibrium [21] is described as follows.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2x_3, \\ \dot{x}_3 = -4x_1x_2 - 0.6x_1x_3 - x_2x_3. \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

The Jafari-Sprott system  $LE_5$  with line equilibrium [21] is described as follows.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 = -1.5x_1 + x_2x_3, \\ \dot{x}_3 = -x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 5x_1x_2 \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

The Jafari-Sprott system  $LE_6$  with line equilibrium [21] is described as follows.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2x_3, \\ \dot{x}_3 = -0.04x_2^2 - x_1x_2 - 0.1x_1x_3. \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

The Jafari-Sprott system  $LE_7$  with line equilibrium [21] is described as follows.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_3, \\ \dot{x}_2 = x_1 + x_2x_3, \\ \dot{x}_3 = 1.85x_1^2 - x_1x_2 - 0.3x_2x_3. \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

The Jafari-Sprott system  $LE_8$  with line equilibrium [21] is described as follows.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_3, \\ \dot{x}_2 = x_1 - x_2x_3, \\ \dot{x}_3 = -3x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + x_1x_3. \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

The Jafari-Sprott system  $LE_9$  with line equilibrium [21] is described as follows.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_3, \\ \dot{x}_2 = -1.62x_2 - x_1x_3, \\ \dot{x}_3 = x_3 - 0.2x_3^2 + x_1x_2. \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

In this work, we create a family of nine new 3-D systems by adding constants  $a$  and  $b$  in the Jafari-Sprott chaotic systems with line equilibrium [21] defined by the equations (1)-(9). We denote the members of the resulting family as  $CH-LE_1, CH-LE_2, \dots, CH-LE_9$ , respectively. By dynamic analysis, we show that the new systems are chameleon chaotic systems, *viz.* these systems can change between hidden and self-excited attractors depending on the values of the parameters  $a$  and  $b$ .

### A. THE CHAMELEON CHAOTIC SYSTEM $CH-LE_1$

By adding constants  $a$  and  $b$  in the first and second differential equations, respectively, of the Jafari-Sprott system defined by Eq. (1), we obtain the following 3-D system:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2x_3 + a, \\ \dot{x}_3 = -x_1 - 15x_1x_2 - x_1x_3 + b, \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

where  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  represent the state variables. Also,  $a$  and  $b$  denote the constants that determine the dynamic behaviour of the system (10). We choose the initial condition of the system (10) as  $(x_1(0), x_2(0), x_3(0)) = (0, 0.5, 0.5)$ . We show that the system  $CH-LE_1$  represented by Eq. (10) is a chameleon chaotic system by considering the following four scenarios.

1) LINE OF EQUILIBRIUM POINTS

First, we suppose that  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0$ . Then the system (10) reduces to the system  $LE_1$  [21] defined by Eq. (1). In this special case, the system (10) has a line of equilibrium points, viz. all points on the  $x_3$ -axis. The Lyapunov exponents of the system (10) were calculated as follows:  $\mu_1 = 0.0719$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.5232$ . This establishes that the system (10) is both chaotic and dissipative in this case.

2) STABLE EQUILIBRIUM

If the condition  $a > 0$  and  $b = 0$  is satisfied, then the system (10) contains a unique equilibrium point  $x_e = [a, 0, -1]^T$ . In order to analyze the state trajectories in the vicinity of the equilibrium  $x_e$ , the Jacobian matrix of the system (10) at any point  $x \in R^3$  is computed as follows:

$$J(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & x_3 & x_2 \\ -1 - 15x_2 - x_3 & -15x_1 & -x_1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (11)$$

For the equilibrium  $x_e$ , the Jacobian matrix is determined as follows:

$$J_B = J(x_e) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -15a & -a \end{bmatrix}. \quad (12)$$

The characteristic equation of the matrix  $J_B$  is calculated as follows:

$$|\lambda I - J_B| = 0 \Rightarrow (\lambda + a)(\lambda^2 + \lambda + 1) = 0 \quad (13)$$

Solving the characteristic equation (13), we obtain the eigenvalues of  $J_B$  as follows:

$$\lambda_1 = -a, \quad \lambda_{2,3} = \frac{-1 \pm j\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad (14)$$

If  $a > 0$ , then the linearized system for (10) at the equilibrium  $x_e$  has a negative real eigenvalue and two complex conjugate eigenvalues with negative real parts. This shows that the equilibrium  $x_e$  is a stable focus for the system (10). Figure 1 represents the bifurcation diagram of the system (10). From Figure 1, it is clear that the system (10) has robust chaos for  $0 < a < 0.002$  and  $b = 0$ . When  $a = 0.002$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (10) are calculated as  $\mu_1 = 0.0908$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.5331$ . Thus, the system (10) is both chaotic and dissipative. Figure 2 shows the strange chaotic attractor of the system (10) for  $a = 0.002$  and  $b = 0$ .

3) SELF-EXCITED ATTRACTOR

If  $a < 0$  and  $b = 0$ , the system (10) contains a unique equilibrium point  $x_e = [a, 0, -1]^T$ . Similar to Case (2), the eigenvalues of the linearized system (10) at  $x_e$  are calculated as follows:

$$\lambda_1 = -a, \quad \lambda_{2,3} = \frac{-1 \pm j\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad (15)$$

Since  $a < 0$ ,  $\lambda_1 = -a > 0$ . Thus, the equilibrium  $x_e$  is an unstable focus. Figure 3 represents the bifurcation diagram

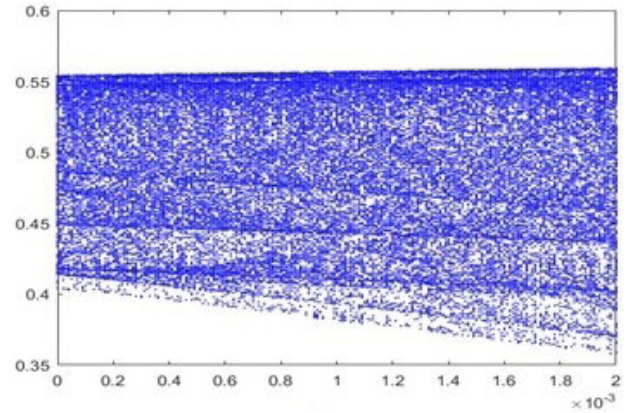


FIGURE 1. Bifurcation diagram of the system (10) for  $0 < a < 0.002$ ,  $b = 0$ .

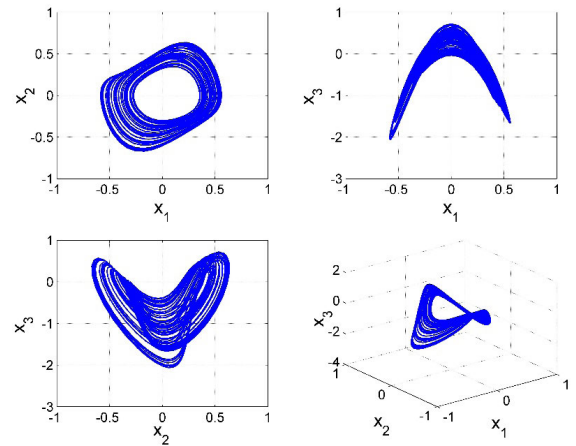


FIGURE 2. Strange chaotic attractor of the system (10) for  $a = 0.002$ ,  $b = 0$ .

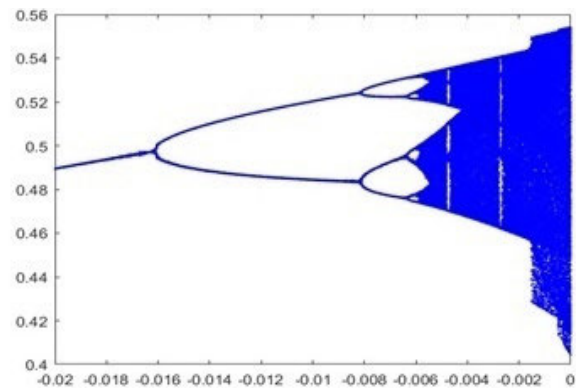


FIGURE 3. Bifurcation diagram of the system (10) for  $-0.02 < a < 0$ ,  $b = 0$ .

for the system (10) for  $-0.02 < a < 0$  and  $b = 0$ . From Figure 3, it is clear that the system (10) displays a routine period doubling route to chaos. When  $a = -0.002$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (10) were

calculated as  $\mu_1 = 0.0654$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.5449$ . Thus, the system (10) is both chaotic and dissipative.

4) NO EQUILIBRIUM POINT

If  $a = 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , the system (10) contains no equilibrium point. Figure 4 depicts the bifurcation diagram for the system (10) for  $a = 0$  and  $-0.02 < b < 0.01$ , which demonstrates a routine period doubling route to chaos for the system (10).

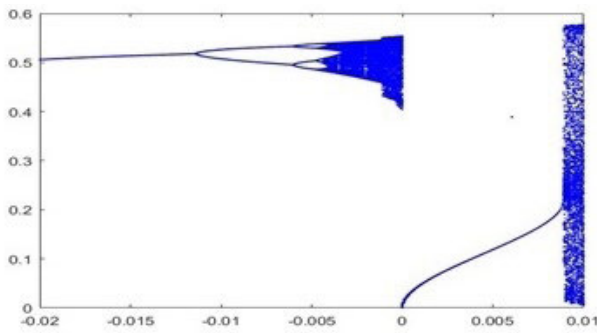


FIGURE 4. Bifurcation diagram of the system (10) for  $a = 0, -0.02 < b < 0.01$ .

When  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0.01$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (10) were calculated as  $\mu_1 = 0.0480$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.2309$ . Thus, the system (10) is both chaotic and dissipative. Thus, we have shown that the new system (10) is a chameleon chaotic system, since this system changes between hidden and self-excited attractors depending on the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

B. THE CHAMELEON CHAOTIC SYSTEM CH-LE<sub>2</sub>

By adding constants  $a$  and  $b$  in the first and second differential equations, respectively, of the Jafari-Sprott system LE<sub>2</sub> defined by Eq. (2), we obtain the following 3-D system:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2x_3 + a, \\ \dot{x}_3 = -x_2 - 17x_1x_2 - x_1x_3 + b. \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

where  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  represent the state variables and  $a, b$  denote the constants that determine the dynamic behaviour of the system (16). We choose the initial condition of the system (16) as  $(x_1(0), x_2(0), x_3(0)) = (0, 0.4, 0)$ . We show that CH-LE<sub>2</sub> represented by Eq. (16) is a chameleon chaotic system by considering the following four scenarios.

1) LINE OF EQUILIBRIUM POINTS

First, we suppose that  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0$ . Then the system (16) reduces to the system LE<sub>2</sub> [21] defined by Eq. (2). In this special case, the system (16) has a line of equilibrium points, viz. all points on the  $x_3$ -axis. The Lyapunov exponents of the system (16) were calculated as follows:  $\mu_1 = 0.0574$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.2938$ . Thus, the system (16) is both chaotic and dissipative.

2) STABLE, marginally stable or UNSTABLE EQUILIBRIUM

If  $a > 0$  and  $b = 0$ , then the system (16) contains a unique equilibrium point  $x_e = [a, 0, 0]^T$ . In order to analyze the state trajectories in the vicinity of the equilibrium  $x_e$ , the Jacobian matrix of the system (16) at any point  $x \in R^3$  is computed as follows:

$$J(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & x_3 & x_2 \\ -17x_2 - x_3 & -1 - 17x_1 & -x_1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (17)$$

For the equilibrium  $x_e = [a, 0, 0]^T$ , the Jacobian matrix is determined as follows:

$$J_B = J(x_e) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 - 17a & -a \end{bmatrix}. \quad (18)$$

The characteristic equation of the matrix  $J_B$  is found as

$$|\lambda I - J_B| = 0 \Rightarrow (\lambda + a)(\lambda^2 + 1) = 0. \quad (19)$$

Solving the characteristic equation (19), we obtain

$$\lambda_1 = -a, \quad \lambda = \pm j. \quad (20)$$

Since one eigenvalue is negative and two of eigenvalues are imaginary, the stability of the equilibrium point  $x_e$  cannot be determined by Lyapunov's first method. Hence, the equilibrium point  $x_e$  of the nonlinear system (16) may be stable, marginally stable or unstable. Figure 5 represents the bifurcation diagram for the system (16) for  $0 < a < 0.003$  and  $b = 0$ . When  $a = 0.0006$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (16) were calculated as follows:  $\mu_1 = 0.0666$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.3022$ . Thus, the system (16) is both chaotic and dissipative. Figure 6 shows the strange chaotic attractor of the system (16) for  $a = 0.0006$  and  $b = 0$ .

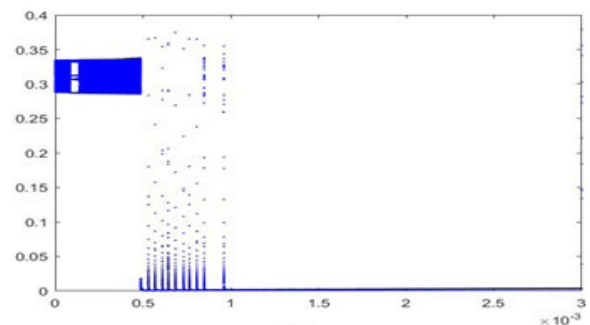


FIGURE 5. Bifurcation diagram of the system (16) for  $0 < a < 0.003, b = 0$ .

3) SELF-EXCITED ATTRACTOR

If  $a < 0$  and  $b = 0$ , the system (16) contains a unique equilibrium point  $x_e = [a, 0, 0]^T$ . Similar to Case (2), the eigenvalues of the system (16) are easily found as:  $\lambda_1 = -a$ ,  $\lambda_{2,3} = \pm j$ . Since  $a < 0$ ,  $\lambda_1 = -a > 0$ . Thus, the equilibrium



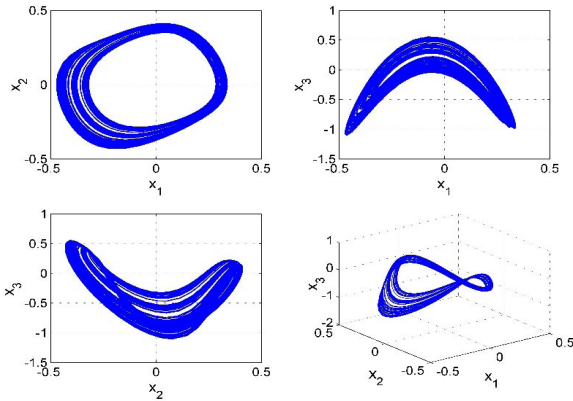


FIGURE 6. Strange chaotic attractor of the system (16) for  $a = 0.0006, b = 0$ .

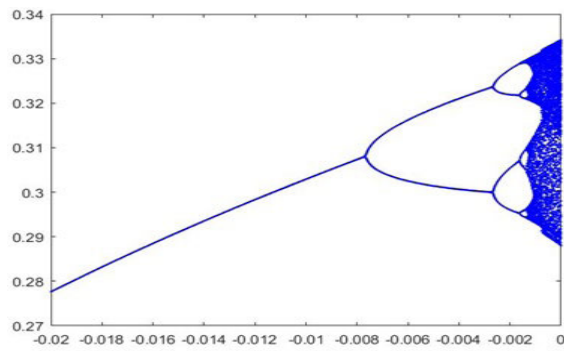


FIGURE 7. Bifurcation diagram of the system (16) for  $-0.02 < a < 0, b = 0$ .

point  $x_e$  is an unstable point. Figure 7 shows the bifurcation diagram for the system (16) for  $-0.02 < a < 0$  and  $b = 0$ . From Figure 7, it is clear that the system (16) displays a routine period doubling route to chaos.

When  $a = -0.0006$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (16) were calculated as  $\mu_1 = 0.0377, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.2772$ . Thus, the system (16) is both chaotic and dissipative.

#### 4) NO EQUILIBRIUM POINT

If  $a = 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , the system (16) contains no equilibrium point. Figure 8 depicts the bifurcation diagram for the system (16) for  $a = 0$  and  $-0.02 < b < 0$ , which demonstrates a routine period doubling route to chaos for the system (16).

When  $a = 0$  and  $b = -0.0006$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (16) were calculated as  $\mu_1 = 0.0377, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.2731$ . Thus, the system (16) is both chaotic and dissipative. Thus, we have shown that the system  $CH-LE_2$  (16) is a chameleon chaotic system, since this system changes between hidden and self-excited attractors depending on the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

### C. THE CHAMELEON CHAOTIC SYSTEM $CH-LE_3$

By adding constants  $a$  and  $b$  in the first and second differential equations, respectively, of the Jafari-Sprott system  $LE_3$

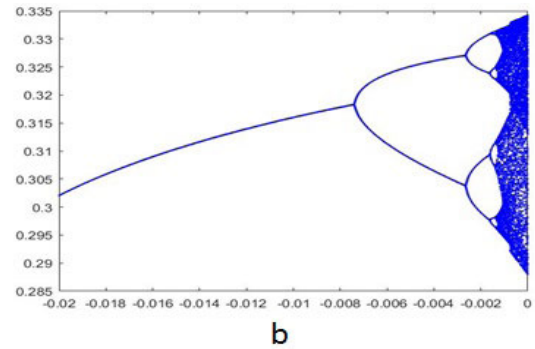


FIGURE 8. Bifurcation diagram of the system (16) for  $a = 0, -0.02 < b < 0$ .

defined by Eq. (3), we obtain the following 3-D system:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2x_3 + a, \\ \dot{x}_3 = x_1^2 - 18x_1x_2 - x_1x_3 + b. \end{cases} \quad (21)$$

where  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  represent the state variables and  $a, b$  denote the constants that determine the dynamic behaviour of the system (21). We choose the initial condition of the system (21) as  $(x_1(0), x_2(0), x_3(0)) = (0, -0.4, 0.5)$ . We show that  $CH-LE_3$  represented by Eq. (21) is a chameleon chaotic system by considering the following four scenarios.

#### 1) LINE OF EQUILIBRIUM POINTS

First, we suppose that  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0$ . Then the system (21) reduces to the system  $LE_3$  [21] defined by Eq. (3). In this special case, the system (21) has a line of equilibrium points, viz. all points on the  $x_3$ -axis. The Lyapunov exponents of the system (21) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0555, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.3243$ . Thus, the system (21) is both chaotic and dissipative.

#### 2) SELF-EXCITED ATTRACTOR

If the condition  $a > 0$  and  $b = 0$  is satisfied, then the system (21) contains a unique equilibrium point  $x_e = [a, 0, a]^T$ . In order to analyze the state trajectories in the vicinity of the equilibrium  $x_e$ , the Jacobian matrix of the system (21) at any point  $x \in R^3$  is computed as follows:

$$J(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & x_3 & x_2 \\ 2x_1 - 18x_2 - x_3 & -18x_1 & -x_1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (22)$$

For the equilibrium  $x_e = [a, 0, a]^T$ , the Jacobian matrix is computed as follows:

$$J_B = J(x_e) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & a & 0 \\ a & -18a & -a \end{bmatrix}. \quad (23)$$

The characteristic equation of the matrix is calculated as follows:

$$|\lambda I - J_B| = 0 \Rightarrow (\lambda + a)(\lambda^2 - a\lambda + 1) = 0. \quad (24)$$

Solving the characteristic equation (24), we obtain the eigenvalues of  $J_B$  as follows:

$$\lambda_1 = -a, \quad \lambda_{2,3} = \frac{a \pm \sqrt{a^2 - 4}}{2}. \quad (25)$$

For  $0 < a < 2$ , we obtain one real negative eigenvalue and two complex eigenvalues with positive real parts. In this case, the equilibrium point  $x_e$  is an unstable focus. For  $a \geq 2$ , we obtain three real eigenvalues with one negative and two positives. In this case, the equilibrium point  $x_e$  is an unstable saddle point.

The system (21) is chaotic for  $0 < a < 0.0006$  and  $b = 0$  as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. The Lyapunov exponents of the system (21) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0614$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.3293$ . Thus, the system (21) is both chaotic and dissipative. Figure 9 shows the strange chaotic attractor of the system (21) for  $a = 0.0006$  and  $b = 0$ .

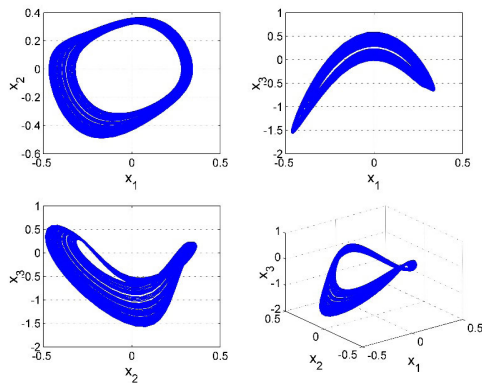


FIGURE 9. Strange chaotic attractor of the system (16) for  $a = 0.0006$ ,  $b = 0$ .

### 3) SELF-EXCITED ATTRACTOR

If  $a < 0$  and  $b = 0$ , the system (21) contains a unique equilibrium point  $x_e = [a, 0, a]^T$ . Similar to Case (2), the eigenvalues of the system (21) are easily found as follows:

$$\lambda_1 = -a, \quad \lambda_{2,3} = \frac{a \pm \sqrt{a^2 - 4}}{2}. \quad (26)$$

Since  $a < 0$ ,  $\lambda_1 = -a > 0$ . Thus, the equilibrium point  $x_e$  is an unstable point. For  $-2 < a < 0$ , the equilibrium point  $x_e$  is a saddle focus, which is unstable. For  $a \leq -2$ , all the eigenvalues are real with two negative and one positive. In this case, the equilibrium point  $x_e$  is an unstable saddle point.

The system (21) is chaotic for  $-0.0006 < a < 0$  and  $b = 0$  as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = -0.0006$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (21) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0377$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.3030$ . Thus, the system (21) is both chaotic and dissipative.

### 4) NO EQUILIBRIUM POINT

If  $a = 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , the system (21) contains no equilibrium point. The system (21) is chaotic for  $a = 0$  and  $-0.0006 < b < 0$  as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = 0$  and  $b = -0.0006$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (21) were calculated as  $\mu_1 = 0.0374$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.3032$ . Thus, the system (21) is both chaotic and dissipative. Thus, we have shown that the system (21) is a chameleon chaotic system, since this system changes between hidden and self-excited attractors depending on the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

### D. THE CHAMELEON CHAOTIC SYSTEM CH-LE4

By adding constants  $a$  and  $b$  in the first and second differential equations, respectively, of the Jafari-Sprott system  $LE_4$  defined by Eq. (4), we obtain the following 3-D system:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2x_3 + a, \\ \dot{x}_3 = -4x_1x_2 - 0.6x_1x_3 - x_2x_3 + b. \end{cases} \quad (27)$$

where  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  represent the state variables and  $a, b$  denote the constants that determine the dynamic behaviour of the system (27). We choose the initial condition of the system (27) as  $(x_1(0), x_2(0), x_3(0)) = (0.2, 0.7, 0)$ . We show that  $CH-LE_4$  represented by Eq. (27) is a chameleon chaotic system by considering the following four scenarios.

#### 1) LINE OF EQUILIBRIUM POINTS

First, we suppose that  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0$ . Then the system (27) reduces to the system  $LE_4$  [21] defined by Eq. (4). In this special case, the system (27) has a line of equilibrium points, viz. all points on the  $x_3$ -axis. The Lyapunov exponents of the system (27) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0544$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$ , and  $\mu_3 = -0.3152$ . Thus, the system (27) is both chaotic and dissipative.

#### 2) STABLE, marginally stable OR UNSTABLE EQUILIBRIUM

If the condition  $a > 0$  and  $b = 0$  is satisfied, then the system (27) contains a unique equilibrium point  $x_e = [a, 0, 0]^T$ . In order to analyze the state trajectories in the vicinity of the equilibrium  $x_e$ , the Jacobian matrix of the system (27) at any point  $x \in R^3$  is calculated as follows:

$$J(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & x_3 & x_2 \\ -4x_2 - 0.6x_3 & -4x_1 - x_3 & -0.6x_1 - x_2 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (28)$$

For the equilibrium  $x_e = [a, 0, 0]^T$ , the Jacobian matrix is determined as follows:

$$J_B = J(x_e) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -4a & -0.6a \end{bmatrix}. \quad (29)$$

The characteristic equation of the matrix  $J_B$  is calculated as follows:

$$|\lambda I - J_B| = 0 \Rightarrow (\lambda + 0.6a)(\lambda^2 + 1) = 0. \quad (30)$$

Solving the characteristic equation (30), we obtain the eigenvalues of  $J_B$  as follows:

$$\lambda_1 = -0.6a, \quad \lambda_{2,3} = \pm j. \tag{31}$$

Since two of the eigenvalues are purely imaginary, the stability of the equilibrium point  $x_e$  cannot be determined by Lyapunov’s first method. Hence, the equilibrium point  $x_e$  may be stable, marginally stable or unstable. The system (27) is chaotic for  $0 < a < 0.0006$  and  $b = 0$  as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters.

When  $a = 0.0006$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (27) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0630, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.3227$ . Thus, the system (27) is both chaotic and dissipative. Figure 10 shows the strange chaotic attractor of the system (27) for  $a = 0.0006$  and  $b = 0$ .

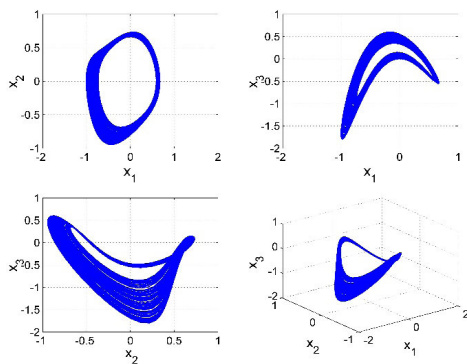


FIGURE 10. Strange chaotic attractor of the system (27) for  $a = 0.0006, b = 0$ .

### 3) SELF-EXCITED ATTRACTOR

If  $a < 0$  and  $b = 0$ , the system (27) contains a unique equilibrium point  $x_e = [a, 0, 0]^T$ . Similar to Case (2), the eigenvalues of the system (27) are easily found as follows:

$$\lambda_1 = -0.6a, \quad \lambda_{2,3} = \pm j. \tag{32}$$

Since  $a < 0, \lambda_1 = -0.6a > 0$ . Thus, the equilibrium point  $x_e$  is an unstable focus. The system (27) is chaotic for  $-0.0006 < a < 0$  and  $b = 0$  as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = -0.0006$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (27) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0345, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.2919$ . Thus, the system (27) is both chaotic and dissipative.

### 4) NO EQUILIBRIUM POINT

If  $a = 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , then the system (27) contains no equilibrium point. The system (27) is chaotic for  $a = 0$  and  $-0.0006 < b < 0$  as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = 0$  and  $b = -0.0006$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (27) were calculated as  $\mu_1 = 0.0198, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.2772$ . Thus, the system (27) is both chaotic and dissipative. Thus, we have shown that the system (27) is a chameleon chaotic system, since this system changes between hidden and self-excited attractors depending on the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

### E. THE CHAMELEON CHAOTIC SYSTEM CH-LE5

By adding constants  $a$  and  $b$  in the first and second differential equations, respectively, of the Jafari-Sprott system  $LE_5$  defined by Eq. (5), we obtain the following 3-D system:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 = -1.5x_1 + x_2x_3 + a, \\ \dot{x}_3 = -x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 5x_1x_2 + b. \end{cases} \tag{33}$$

where  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  represent the state variables and  $a, b$  denote the constants that determine the dynamic behaviour of the system (33). We choose the initial condition of the system (33) as  $(x_1(0), x_2(0), x_3(0)) = (0, 0.1, 0)$ . We show that  $CH-LE_5$  represented by Eq. (33) is a chameleon chaotic system by considering the following five scenarios.

#### 1) LINE OF EQUILIBRIUM POINTS

First, we suppose that  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0$ . Then the system (33) reduces to the system  $LE_5$  [21] defined by Eq. (5). In this special case, the system (33) has a line of equilibrium points, viz. all points on the  $x_3$ -axis. The Lyapunov exponents of the system (33) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.1390, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -1.3765$ . Thus, the system (33) is both chaotic and dissipative.

#### 2) NO EQUILIBRIUM POINT

If  $a \neq 0$  and  $b = 0$ , then the system (33) has no equilibrium point. The system (33) is chaotic for  $-0.006 < a < 0.006$  and  $b = 0$  as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = 0.006$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (33) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0588, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -1.3394$ . Thus, the system (33) is both chaotic and dissipative. Figure 11 shows the strange chaotic attractor of the system (33) for  $a = 0.006$  and  $b = 0$ .

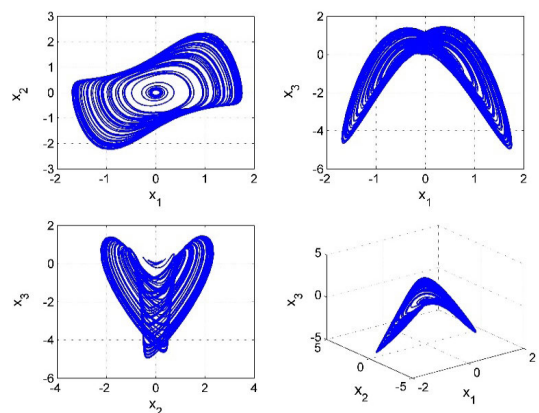


FIGURE 11. Strange chaotic attractor of the system (33) for  $a = 0.006, b = 0$ .

#### 3) NO EQUILIBRIUM POINT

If  $a = 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , then the system (33) has no equilibrium point. The system (33) is chaotic for  $a = 0$  and  $-0.006 < b < 0.006$ , as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this

range of parameters. When  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0.006$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (33) were calculated as  $\mu_1 = 0.1525$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -1.2673$ . Thus, the system (33) is both chaotic and dissipative.

4) NO EQUILIBRIUM POINT

If  $a \neq 0$  and  $b < 0$ , then the system (33) has no equilibrium point. The system (33) is chaotic for  $-0.006 < a < 0$  or  $0 < a < 0.006$  and  $-0.006 < b < 0$ , as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters.

5) LINE OF EQUILIBRIUM POINTS

In this case, we suppose that  $a \neq 0$  and  $b > 0$ . If  $a^2 \neq 0.75b$ , then the system (33) does not have any equilibrium point. In the special case, when  $a^2 = 0.75b$ , the system (33) contains two lines of equilibrium points, viz.  $[\sqrt{b}, 0, \alpha]^T$ , ( $\alpha \in R$ ) and  $[-\sqrt{b}, 0, \alpha]^T$ , ( $\alpha \in R$ ). It is easy to verify that the system (33) is chaotic for small values of  $a$  and  $b$ , where  $|a| < 0.006$  and  $0 < b < 0.006$ . Thus, we have shown that the system *CH-LE<sub>5</sub>* (33) is a chameleon chaotic system, since this system changes between hidden attractors with a line of equilibrium points, two lines of equilibrium points and no equilibrium depending on the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

F. THE CHAMELEON CHAOTIC SYSTEM *CH-LE<sub>6</sub>*

By adding constants  $a$  and  $b$  in the first and second differential equations, respectively, of the Jafari-Sprott system *LE<sub>6</sub>* defined by Eq. (6), we obtain the following 3-D system:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2x_3 + a, \\ \dot{x}_3 = 0.04x_2^2 - x_1x_2 - 0.1x_1x_3 + b. \end{cases} \quad (34)$$

where  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  represent the state variables and  $a, b$  denote the constants that determine the dynamic behaviour of the system (34). We choose the initial condition of the system (34) as  $(x_1(0), x_2(0), x_3(0)) = (1, 2, 0)$ . We show that *CH-LE<sub>6</sub>* represented by Eq. (34) is a chameleon chaotic system by considering the following four scenarios.

1) LINE OF EQUILIBRIUM POINTS

First, we suppose that  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0$ . Then the system (34) reduces to the system *LE<sub>6</sub>* [21] defined by Eq. (6). In this special case, the system (34) has a line of equilibrium points, viz. all points on the  $x_3$ -axis. The Lyapunov exponents of the system (34) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0543$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.6314$ . Thus, the system (34) is both chaotic and dissipative.

2) STABLE, marginally stable or unstable EQUILIBRIUM

If  $a > 0$  and  $b = 0$ , then the system (34) contains a unique equilibrium point  $x_e = [a, 0, 0]^T$ . In order to analyze the state trajectories in the vicinity of the equilibrium  $x_e$ , the Jacobian matrix of the system (34) at any point  $x \in R^3$  is calculated as

follows:

$$J(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & x_3 & x_2 \\ -x_2 - 0.1x_3 & 0.08x_2 - x_1 & -0.1x_1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (35)$$

For the equilibrium  $x_e = [a, 0, 0]^T$ , the Jacobian matrix is determined as follows:

$$J_B = J(x_e) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -a & -0.1a \end{bmatrix}. \quad (36)$$

The characteristic equation of the matrix  $J_B$  is calculated as follows:

$$|\lambda I - J_B| = 0 \Rightarrow (\lambda + 0.1a)(\lambda^2 + 1) = 0. \quad (37)$$

Solving the characteristic equation (37), we obtain the eigenvalues of  $J_B$  as follows:

$$\lambda_1 = -0.1a, \quad \lambda = \pm j. \quad (38)$$

Since one eigenvalue is negative and two of eigenvalues are imaginary, the stability of the equilibrium point  $x_e$  cannot be determined by Lyapunov's first method. Hence, the equilibrium point  $x_e$  of the nonlinear system (16) may be stable, marginally stable or unstable. The system (34) is chaotic for  $0 < a < 0.006$  and  $b = 0$  as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = 0.006$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (34) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0568$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.6312$ . Thus, the system (34) is both chaotic and dissipative.

Figure 12 shows the strange chaotic attractor of the system (34) for  $a = 0.006$  and  $b = 0$ .

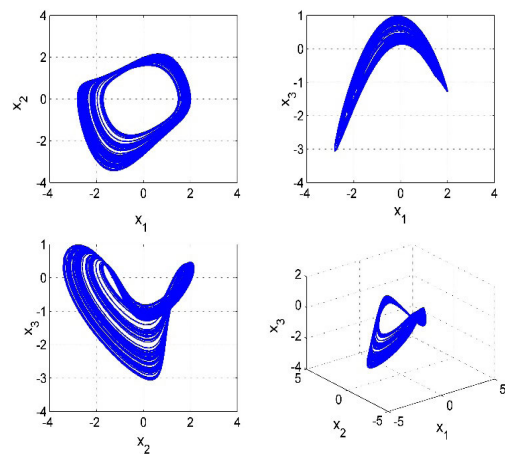


FIGURE 12. Strange chaotic attractor of the system (34) for  $a = 0.006, b = 0$ .

3) SELF-EXCITED ATTRACTOR

If  $a < 0$  and  $b = 0$ , the system (34) contains a unique equilibrium point  $x_e = [a, 0, 0]^T$ . Similar to Case (2), the eigenvalues of the system (34) are easily found as follows:

$$\lambda_1 = -0.1a, \quad \lambda_{2,3} = \pm j. \quad (39)$$



Since  $a < 0, \lambda_1 = -0.1a > 0$ . Thus, the equilibrium point  $x_e$  is an unstable focus. The system (34) is chaotic for  $-0.006 < a < 0$  and  $b = 0$  as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = -0.006$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (27) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0349, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.6003$ . Thus, the system (34) is both chaotic and dissipative.

4) NO EQUILIBRIUM POINT

If  $a = 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , the system (34) contains no equilibrium point. The system (34) is chaotic for  $a = 0$  and  $0 < b < 0.006$ , as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0.006$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (34) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0791, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.5009$ . Thus, the system (34) is both chaotic and dissipative. Thus, we have shown that the system  $CH-LE_6(34)$  is a chameleon chaotic system, since this system changes between hidden and self-excited attractors depending on the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

G. THE CHAMELEON CHAOTIC SYSTEM  $CH-LE_7$

By adding constants  $a$  and  $b$  in the first and second differential equations, respectively, of the Jafari-Sprott system  $LE_7$  defined by Eq. (7), we obtain the following 3-D system:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_3, \\ \dot{x}_2 = x_1 + x_2x_3 + a, \\ \dot{x}_3 = 1.85x_1^2 - x_1x_2 - 0.3x_2x_3 + b. \end{cases} \quad (40)$$

where  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  represent the state variables and  $a, b$  denote the constants that determine the dynamic behaviour of the system (40). We choose the initial condition of the system (40) as  $(x_1(0), x_2(0), x_3(0)) = (5.1, 7, 0)$ . We show that  $CH-LE_7$  represented by Eq. (40) is a chameleon chaotic system by considering the following four scenarios.

1) LINE OF EQUILIBRIUM POINTS

First, we suppose that  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0$ . Then the system (40) reduces to the system  $LE_7$  [21] defined by Eq. (7). In this special case, the system (40) has a line of equilibrium points, viz. all points on the  $x_2$ -axis. The Lyapunov exponents of the system (34) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0130, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -1.0263$ . Thus, the system (40) is both chaotic and dissipative.

2) SELF-EXCITED ATTRACTOR

If  $a > 0$  and  $b = 0$ , then the system (40) contains a unique equilibrium  $x_e = [-a, 1.85a, 0]^T$ . In order to analyze the state trajectories in the vicinity of the equilibrium  $x_e$ , the Jacobian matrix of the system (40) at any point  $x \in R^3$  is calculated as follows:

$$J(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & x_3 & x_2 \\ 3.7x_1 - x_2 & -x_1 - 0.3x_3 & -0.3x_2 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (41)$$

For the equilibrium  $x_e$ , the Jacobian matrix is determined as follows:

$$J_B = J(x_e) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1.85a \\ -5.55a & a & -0.555a \end{bmatrix}. \quad (42)$$

The characteristic equation of the matrix  $J_B$  is calculated as follows:

$$\lambda^3 + 0.555a\lambda^2 - 1.85a(a + 3)\lambda - a = 0. \quad (43)$$

Since there is a change of sign in the coefficients of the characteristic equation (43), it follows by Routh-Hurwitz criterion that the Jacobian matrix  $J_B$  is unstable. Hence, the equilibrium point  $x_e$  is unstable. The system (40) is chaotic for  $0 < a < 0.0001$  and  $b = 0$  as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = 0.0001$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (40) were calculated as follows:  $\mu_1 = 0.0197, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -1.0110$ . Thus, the system (40) is both chaotic and dissipative. Figure 13 shows the strange chaotic attractor of the system (40) for  $a = 0.0001$  and  $b = 0$ .

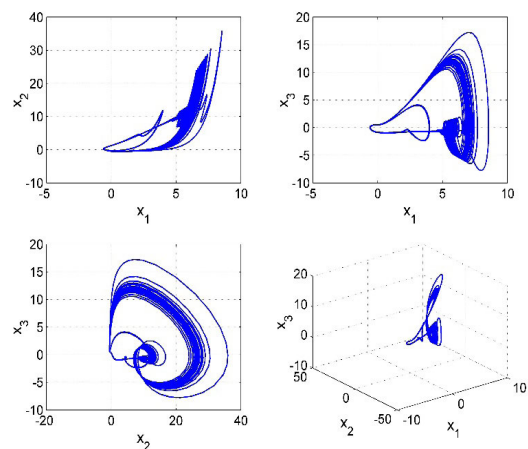


FIGURE 13. Strange chaotic attractor of the system (40) for  $a = 0.0001, b = 0$ .

3) SELF-EXCITED ATTRACTOR

If  $a < 0$  and  $b = 0$ , then the system (40) contains a unique equilibrium  $x_e = [-a, 1.85a, 0]^T$ . Similar to Case (2), the characteristic equation of the matrix  $J_B = J(x_e)$  is calculated as follows:

$$\lambda^3 + 0.555a\lambda^2 - 1.85a(a + 3)\lambda - a = 0. \quad (44)$$

Since there is a change of sign in the coefficients of the characteristic equation (44), it follows by Routh-Hurwitz criterion that the Jacobian matrix  $J_B$  is unstable. Hence, the equilibrium point  $x_e$  is unstable. The system (40) is chaotic for  $-0.0001 < a < 0$  and  $b = 0$  as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = -0.0001$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (40) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0195, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -1.0112$ . Thus, the system (40) is both chaotic and dissipative.

4) NO EQUILIBRIUM POINT

If  $a = 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , the system (40) contains no equilibrium point. The system (40) is chaotic for  $a = 0$  and  $0 < b < 0.0001$ , as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0.0001$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (40) were calculated as  $\mu_1 = 0.0243$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -1.0147$ . Thus, the system (40) is both chaotic and dissipative. Thus, we have shown that the system  $CH-LE_7$  (40) is a chameleon chaotic system, since this system changes between hidden and self-excited attractors depending on the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

H. THE CHAMELEON CHAOTIC SYSTEM  $CH-LE_8$

By adding constants  $a$  and  $b$  in the first and second differential equations, respectively, of the Jafari-Sprott system  $LE_8$  defined by Eq. (8), we obtain the system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_3, \\ \dot{x}_2 = x_1 - x_2x_3 + a, \\ \dot{x}_3 = -3x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + x_1x_3 + b. \end{cases} \quad (45)$$

where  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  represent the state variables and  $a, b$  denote the constants that determine the dynamic behaviour of the system (45). We choose the initial condition of the system (45) as  $(x_1(0), x_2(0), x_3(0)) = (0, -0.3, -1)$ . We show that  $CH-LE_8$  represented by Eq. (45) is a chameleon chaotic system by considering the following four scenarios.

1) LINE OF EQUILIBRIUM POINTS

First, we suppose that  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0$ . Then the system (45) reduces to the system  $LE_8$  [21] defined by Eq. (8). In this special case, the system (45) has a line of equilibrium points, viz. all points on the  $x_2$ -axis. The Lyapunov exponents of the system (45) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0535$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.8061$ . Thus, the system (45) is both chaotic and dissipative.

2) SELF-EXCITED ATTRACTOR

If  $a > 0$  and  $b = 0$ , then the system (45) contains a unique equilibrium  $x_e = [-a, 3a, 0]^T$ . In order to analyze the state trajectories in the vicinity of the equilibrium  $x_e$ , the Jacobian matrix of the system (45) at any point  $x \in R^3$  is computed as follows:

$$J(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -x_3 & -x_2 \\ -6x_1 + x_2 + x_3 & x_1 & x_1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (46)$$

For the equilibrium  $x_e = [-a, 3a, 0]^T$ , the Jacobian matrix is computed as follows:

$$J_B = J(x_e) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -3a \\ 9a & -a & -a \end{bmatrix}. \quad (47)$$

The characteristic equation of the matrix is calculated as follows:

$$\lambda^3 + a\lambda^2 - 3a(a + 3)\lambda + a = 0. \quad (48)$$

Since there are two changes of sign in the coefficients of the characteristic equation (48), it follows by Routh-Hurwitz criterion that the equilibrium point  $x_e$  is unstable. The system (45) is chaotic for  $0 < a < 0.006$  and  $b = 0$  as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = 0.006$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (45) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0343$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.7817$ . Thus, the system (45) is both chaotic and dissipative. Figure 14 shows the strange chaotic attractor of the system (45) for  $a = 0.006$  and  $b = 0$ .

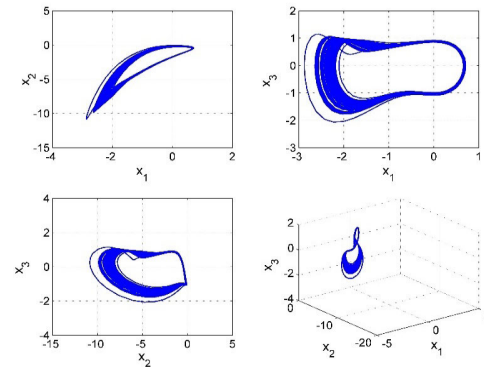


FIGURE 14. Strange chaotic attractor of the system (45) for  $a = 0.006, b = 0$ .

3) SELF-EXCITED ATTRACTOR

If  $a < 0$  and  $b = 0$ , then the system (45) contains a unique equilibrium  $x_e = [-a, 3a, 0]^T$ .

Similar to Case (2), the characteristic equation of the matrix  $J_B = J(x_e)$  is calculated as follows:

$$|\lambda I - J_B| = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^3 + a\lambda^2 - 3a(a + 3)\lambda + a = 0. \quad (49)$$

Since there are two changes of sign in the coefficients of the characteristic equation (49), it follows by Routh-Hurwitz criterion that the Jacobian matrix  $J_B$  is unstable. Hence, the equilibrium point  $x_e$  is unstable. The system (45) is chaotic for  $-0.006 < a < 0$  and  $b = 0$  as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = -0.006$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (45) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0474$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.8123$ . Thus, the system (45) is both chaotic and dissipative.

4) NO EQUILIBRIUM POINT

If  $a = 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , the system (45) contains no equilibrium point. The system (45) is chaotic for  $a = 0$  and  $0 < b < 0.006$ , as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0.006$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (45) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0367$ ,  $\mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.7852$ . Thus, the system (45) is both chaotic and dissipative. Thus, we have shown that the system  $CH-LE_8$  (45) is a chameleon chaotic system, since this system changes between hidden and self-excited attractors depending on the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

I. THE CHAMELEON CHAOTIC SYSTEM CH-LE<sub>9</sub>

By adding constants  $a$  and  $b$  in the first and second differential equations, respectively, of the Jafari-Sprott system  $LE_9$  defined by Eq. (9), we obtain the system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_3, \\ \dot{x}_2 = -1.62x_2 - x_1x_3 + a, \\ \dot{x}_3 = x_3 - 0.2x_3^2 + x_1x_2 + b. \end{cases} \quad (50)$$

where  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  represent the state variables and  $a, b$  denote the constants that determine the dynamic behaviour of the system (50). We choose the initial condition of the system (50) as  $(x_1(0), x_2(0), x_3(0)) = (0, 1, 0.8)$ . We show that  $CH-LE_9$  represented by Eq. (50) is a chameleon chaotic system by considering the following four scenarios.

1) LINE OF EQUILIBRIUM POINTS

First, we suppose that  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0$ . Then the system (50) reduces to the system  $LE_9$  [21] defined by Eq. (9). In this special case, the system (50) has a line of equilibrium points, viz. all points on the  $x_2$ -axis. The Lyapunov exponents of the system (50) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0642, \mu_2 = 0,$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.6842$ . Thus, the system (50) is both chaotic and dissipative.

2) SELF-EXCITED ATTRACTOR

If  $a > 0$  and  $b = 0$ , then the system (50) contains a unique equilibrium  $x_e = [0, a/1.62, 0]^T$ . In order to analyze the state trajectories in the vicinity of the equilibrium  $x_e$ , the Jacobian matrix of the system (50) at any point  $x \in R^3$  is computed as follows:

$$J(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -x_3 & -1.62 & -x_1 \\ x_2 & x_1 & 1 - 0.4x_3 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (51)$$

For the equilibrium  $x_e$ , the Jacobian matrix is determined as follows:

$$J_B = J(x_e) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1.62 & 0 \\ a/1.62 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (52)$$

The characteristic equation of the matrix is calculated as follows:

$$(\lambda + 1.62)(\lambda^2 - \lambda - a/1.62) = 0. \quad (53)$$

Solving (53), we obtain the eigenvalues

$$\lambda_1 = -1.62, \quad \lambda_{2,3} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 \pm \sqrt{1 + \frac{4a}{1.62}} \right) \quad (54)$$

Since  $a > 0$ , the matrix  $J_B$  has one positive and two negative eigenvalues. This shows that  $x_e$  is an unstable saddle point. The system (50) is chaotic for  $0 < a < 0.006$  and  $b = 0$  as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = 0.006$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (50) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0448, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.6662$ . Thus, the system (50) is both chaotic and dissipative. Figure 15 shows the

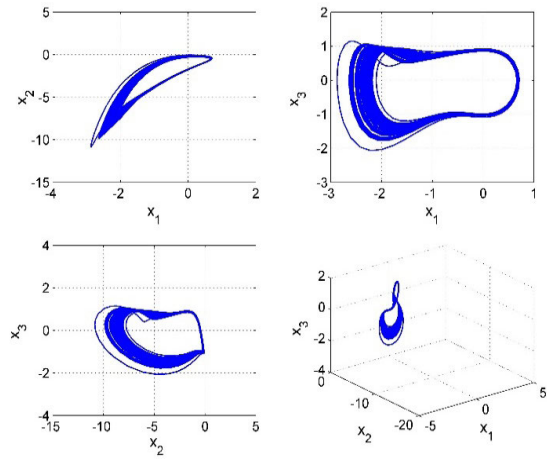


FIGURE 15. Strange chaotic attractor of the system (50) for  $a = 0.006, b = 0$ .

strange chaotic attractor of the system (50) for  $a = 0.006$  and  $b = 0$ .

3) SELF-EXCITED ATTRACTOR

If  $a < 0$  and  $b = 0$ , then the system (50) contains a unique equilibrium  $x_e = [0, a/1.62, 0]^T$ . Similar to Case (2), the eigenvalues of the linearized system matrix at  $x_e$  are easily found as

$$\lambda_1 = -1.62, \quad \lambda_{2,3} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 \pm \sqrt{1 + \frac{4a}{1.62}} \right) \quad (55)$$

Thus, the equilibrium  $x_e$  is an unstable focus for  $a < -0.405$  and an unstable saddle point for  $a \geq -0.405$ . The system (50) is chaotic for  $-0.001 < a < 0$  and  $b = 0$  as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = -0.001$  and  $b = 0$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (50) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0513, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.6676$ . Thus, the system (50) is both chaotic and dissipative.

4) NO EQUILIBRIUM POINT

If  $a = 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , the system (50) contains no equilibrium point. The system (50) is chaotic for  $a = 0$  and  $0 < b < 0.006$ , as it has a positive Lyapunov exponent for this range of parameters. When  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0.006$ , the Lyapunov exponents of the system (50) were computed as  $\mu_1 = 0.0621, \mu_2 = 0$  and  $\mu_3 = -0.6836$ . Thus, the system (50) is both chaotic and dissipative. Thus, we have shown that the system  $CH-LE_9$  (50) is a chameleon chaotic system, since this system changes between hidden and self-excited attractors depending on the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

III. ADAPTIVE FINITE-TIME SLIDING MODE CONTROL

In the present section, the adaptive terminal sliding mode control technique is designed to steer the states of the chameleon chaotic system  $CH-LE_1$  (10) to  $\mathbf{0} \in R^3$  in finite time, in spite of uncertain parameter and exterior perturbation.

*Remark 1:* The proposed controller technique can also be employed on the other new chameleon chaotic systems in a similar manner.

Assuming uncertainties terms in the system dynamics, the chaotic system  $CH-LE_1$  is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_1 + rx_2x_3, \\ \dot{x}_3 &= -x_1 + qx_1x_2 + sx_1x_3. \end{aligned} \quad (56)$$

where  $q, r$  and  $s$  are the uncertain constants. The chaotic system (56) can be rewritten in matrix notation as

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{z}_1 &= A_{11}z_1 + A_{12}z_2 \\ \dot{z}_2 &= A_{21}z_1 + A_{22}z_2 + Bf(z)\theta + B\eta(z) + Bu \end{aligned} \quad (57)$$

where  $z_1 \in R^{1 \times 1}$  and  $z_2 \in R^{2 \times 1}$  are the states of the system (57),  $\theta \in R^{3 \times 1}$  is the uncertainty vector,  $\eta(z)$  is the external disturbance, and  $u(t)$  is the controller signal. Furthermore,  $A_{11}, A_{12}, A_{21}, A_{22}$  and  $B$  signify the known matrices and  $f(z)$  is the nonlinear function, which are defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{11} &= 0, \quad A_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_{21} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ A_{22} &= 0, \quad B = I \end{aligned} \quad (58)$$

$$f(z) = \begin{bmatrix} x_2x_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x_1x_2 & x_1x_3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \theta = \begin{bmatrix} r \\ q \\ s \end{bmatrix}. \quad (59)$$

*Assumption 1 [33]:* The external disturbance  $\eta$  satisfies the following:

$$\|\eta(z)\| \leq P \|z\| \quad (60)$$

where  $z = (z_1, z_2)$  and  $P$  is a positive value.

*Assumption 2 [34]:* There exist constant matrices with suitable dimensions satisfying:

$$(A_{11} - A_{12}C_2^{-1}C_1) + (A_{11} - A_{12}C_2^{-1}C_1)^T \leq 0 \quad (61)$$

$$A_{12}C_2^{-1}C_3 = d \quad (62)$$

where  $C_1 \in R^{2 \times 1}, C_2 \in R^{2 \times 2}, C_3 \in R^{2 \times 1}$  and  $d \geq 0$ .

*Lemma 1 [35]:* Consider the positive-definite Lyapunov functional  $V$  which fulfills the inequality

$$V(t) \leq -cV(t)^\alpha, \quad (63)$$

with  $c$  as a positive value and  $\alpha$  as a fraction of two odd positive integers ( $0 < \alpha < 1$ ). Hence, for initial time  $t_0$ , the Lyapunov functional  $V(t)$  converges to origin in finite time

$$t_s = t_0 + \frac{V^{1-\alpha}(t_0)}{c(1-\alpha)} \quad (64)$$

where  $t_s$  is the settling time.

In the following, we design a fast terminal sliding surface as

$$\sigma = C_1z_1 + C_2z_2 + C_3\text{sign}(z_1) \quad (65)$$

where the state trajectories of the chaotic system (57) are on the switching manifold  $\sigma = 0$  and converge to the origin in

the finite time. If the system states are reached on the sliding surface, i.e.,  $\sigma = 0$ , we obtain

$$C_1z_1 + C_2z_2 + C_3\text{sign}(z_1) = 0. \quad (66)$$

It follows from (66) that

$$z_2 = -C_2^{-1} [C_1z_1 + C_3\text{sign}(z_1)] \quad (67)$$

Substituting (67) into (57), we obtain

$$\dot{z}_1 = (A_{11} - A_{12}C_2^{-1}C_1)z_1 - A_{12}C_2^{-1}C_3\text{sign}(z_1) \quad (68)$$

Next, we construct a Lyapunov candidate functional as

$$V_1(z_1) = z_1^2 \quad (69)$$

Taking the time-derivative of the above equation and using (68), we have

$$\dot{V}_1 = 2z_1(A_{11} - A_{12}C_2^{-1}C_1)z_1 - 2z_1A_{12}C_2^{-1}C_3\text{sign}(z_1) \quad (70)$$

Now, in the light of Assumption 2, we obtain

$$2z_1(A_{11} - A_{12}C_2^{-1}C_1)z_1 \leq 0 \quad (71)$$

and

$$2z_1A_{12}C_2^{-1}C_3\text{sign}(z_1) = 2d\text{sign}(z_1) = 2d\sqrt{V_1} \quad (72)$$

Substituting (71) and (72) into (70), we find that

$$\dot{V}_1 \leq -2d\sqrt{V_1} \quad (73)$$

Then, it can be concluded that  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  converge to the origin in the finite time and based on Lemma 1, the settling time is obtained as

$$t_s = t_0 + \frac{\sqrt{V_1(t_0)}}{d} \quad (74)$$

The adaptive terminal sliding mode controller law is proposed to force the state trajectories of (57) to the switching mode surface  $\sigma = 0$ .

Calculating the time-derivative of (65), we obtain

$$\dot{\sigma} = C_1\dot{z}_1 + C_2\dot{z}_2 \quad (75)$$

Using (57) and (68), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\sigma} &= C_1 \left[ (A_{11} - A_{12}C_2^{-1}C_1)z_1 - A_{12}C_2^{-1}C_3\text{sign}(z_1) \right] \\ &\quad + C_2 [A_{21}z_1 + A_{22}z_2 + Bf(z)\theta + B\eta(z) + Bu] \end{aligned} \quad (76)$$

In order to drive on sliding manifold and eliminate the effects of uncertainties and nonlinearities, the controller law is planned as

$$\begin{aligned} u &= -(C_2B)^{-1} [C_1(R_1z_1 - R_2\text{sign}(z_1))] \\ &\quad - B^{-1}(A_{21}z_1 + A_{22}z_2) - f(z)\tilde{\theta} \\ &\quad - (\tilde{P} \|z\| \cdot \|C_2B\| + m)B^{-1}C_2^{-1} \frac{\sigma}{\|\sigma\|} \end{aligned} \quad (77)$$

where  $R_1 = A_{11} - A_{12}C_2^{-1}C_1, R_2 = A_{12}C_2^{-1}C_3, m$  is a positive value,  $\tilde{\theta}$  and  $\tilde{P}$  are estimates of  $\theta$  and  $P$ , respectively.

The adaptation laws are given by

$$\dot{\tilde{\theta}} = \Psi_1 f^T(z) B^T C_2^T \sigma \quad (78)$$



$$\dot{\tilde{P}} = \Psi_2 \|C_2 B\| \|z\| \|\sigma\| \quad (79)$$

where  $\Psi_1 \in R^{3 \times 3} > 0$  and  $\Psi_2 \in R > 0$ .

*Proof:* Construct the Lyapunov candidate function as

$$V_2 = \frac{1}{2} \sigma^T \sigma + \frac{1}{2} (\tilde{\theta} - \theta)^T \Psi_1^{-1} (\tilde{\theta} - \theta) + \frac{1}{2} (\tilde{P} - P) \Psi_2^{-1} (\tilde{P} - P) \quad (80)$$

Calculating the time-derivative of  $V_2$ , we get

$$\dot{V}_2 = \sigma^T \dot{\sigma} + (\tilde{\theta} - \theta) \Psi_1^{-1} \dot{\tilde{\theta}} + (\tilde{P} - P) \Psi_2^{-1} \dot{\tilde{P}} \quad (81)$$

Substituting (76) into (81), we get the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V}_2 = & \sigma^T C_1 [R_1 z_1 - R_2 \text{sign}(z_1)] \\ & + \sigma^T C_2 [A_2 z_1 + A_{22} z_2 + Bf(z)\theta + B\eta(z) + Bu] \\ & + (\tilde{\theta} - \theta) \Psi_1^{-1} \dot{\tilde{\theta}} + (\tilde{P} - P) \Psi_2^{-1} \dot{\tilde{P}} \end{aligned} \quad (82)$$

Substituting (77)-(79) into (82), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V}_2 = & \sigma^T C_2 B \left\{ f(z)(\theta - \tilde{\theta}) - (\tilde{P} \|z\| \cdot \|C_2 B\| + m) B^{-1} C_2^{-1} \frac{\sigma}{\|\sigma\|} \right\} \\ & + \sigma^T C_2 B \eta(z) + (\tilde{\theta} - \theta)^T \Psi_1^{-1} \Psi_1 f^T(z) B^T C_2^T \sigma \\ & + (\tilde{P} - P)^T \Psi_2^{-1} \Psi_2 \|C_2 B\| \|z\| \|\sigma\| \end{aligned}$$

Simplifying, we get

$$\dot{V}_2 = \sigma^T C_2 B \eta(z) - P \|C_2 B\| \|z\| \|\sigma\| - m \sigma^T \frac{\sigma}{\|\sigma\|} \quad (83)$$

Since  $\sigma^T \sigma = \|\sigma\|^2$ , we can simplify (83) as follows:

$$\dot{V}_2 = \sigma^T C_2 B \eta(z) - P \|C_2 B\| \|z\| \|\sigma\| - m \|\sigma\| \quad (84)$$

Using Assumption 1, we obtain the following:

$$\dot{V}_2 \leq \|\sigma\| \|C_2 B\| (\|\eta(z)\| - P \|z\|) - m \|\sigma\| \leq -m \|\sigma\| \quad (85)$$

Hence, it is concluded from (85) that by the usage of the adaptive input (77) with the parameter estimates (78) and (79), the states of the chaotic system (57) converge to zero in finite time.

#### IV. SIMULATION RESULTS

In order to confirm the performance of the proposed adaptive finite time sliding mode controller in Section III, numerical simulations are carried out in MATLAB for the chaotic system  $CH-LE_1$ .

The system matrices of  $CH-LE_1$  (57) are listed below:

$$A_{11} = 0, \quad A_{12} = [1 \quad 0], \quad A_{21} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (86)$$

$$A_{22} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (87)$$

The design parameters of the control input have been selected by trial and error so that the Assumption 2 is satisfied.

We choose the design parameters as follows:

$$m = 2.2, \quad C_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 34 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0.25 \\ 0.25 & 80 \end{bmatrix} \quad (88)$$

$$C_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.18 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Psi_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.3 & 0.4 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 & 0.4 \\ 0.4 & 0.4 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix} \quad (89)$$

$$\Psi_2 = 1.5, \quad \eta(z) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2z_2z_3 \sin t \\ 0.2z_3 \cos t \end{bmatrix}. \quad (90)$$

In Section III, we defined matrices  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  as

$$R_1 = A_{11} - A_{12} C_2^{-1} C_1, \quad R_2 = A_{12} C_2^{-1} C_3. \quad (91)$$

A simple calculation in MATLAB shows that

$$(1) S = R_1 + R_1^T = -17.0033 < 0.$$

$$(2) R_2 = A_{12} C_2^{-1} C_3 = 0.2499 > 0.$$

Thus, both conditions of Assumption 2 are satisfied for the chosen values of the design parameters. Figure 16 illustrates that the states of  $CH-LE_1$  converge to the origin in the finite time. Figure 17 exhibits the time histories of controller inputs and sliding manifolds. From Figure 17, it is quite clear that the control signals have suitable amplitude and the sliding surfaces converge to origin in finite time even when the disturbances are applied. Moreover, Figure 18 shows the estimation of the uncertain parameters which displays that the final values of estimation parameters are  $r = 0.0725$ ,  $q = 0.0952$  and  $s = 0.1097$ . These simulations prove the success and effectiveness of the proposed adaptive sliding mode control technique.

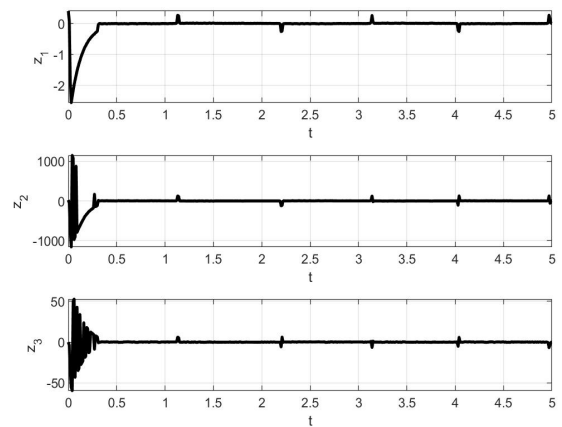


FIGURE 16. Time responses of the controlled states of the system (57).

#### V. CIRCUIT DESIGN OF THE CHAMELEON CHAOTIC SYSTEM $CH-LE_1$

Using MultiSim, we implement an electronic circuit design of the new chameleon chaotic system  $CH-LE_1$  (Case 2) in this section. The implementation of the chaotic circuit based on the new chameleon chaotic system  $CH-LE_1$  (10) is shown in Figure 19. The circuit consists of three integrators made using the operational amplifiers  $U1A$ ,  $U3A$  and  $U5A$ . For the circuit design, we first scale the variables as follows:  $X_1 = 4x_1$ ,  $X_2 = 4x_2$  and  $X_3 = 4x_3$ . From the new chameleon chaotic system  $CH-LE_1$  (10), we obtain the following

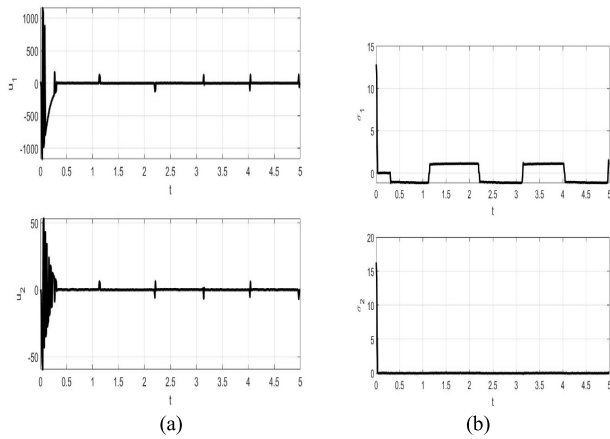


FIGURE 17. Time histories of (a) control signals, and (b) sliding surfaces for the system (57).

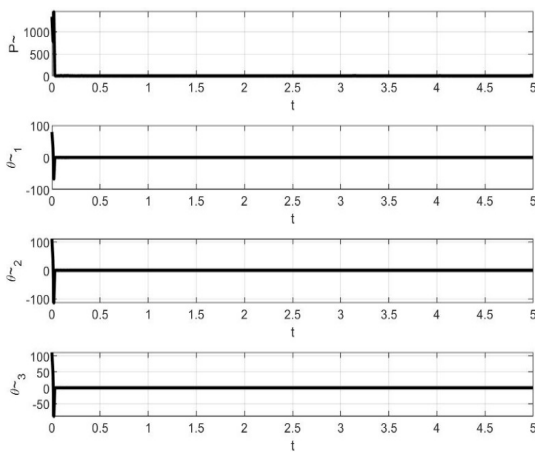


FIGURE 18. Time trajectories of the estimated parameters for the system (57).

dimensionless system:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{X}_1 = X_2 \\ \dot{X}_2 = -X_1 + \frac{1}{4}X_2X_3 + a \\ \dot{X}_3 = -X_1 - \frac{15}{4}X_1X_2 - \frac{1}{4}X_1X_3 \end{cases} \quad (92)$$

By applying Kirchhoff’s circuit laws, we get its circuital equations as follows:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{X}_1 = \frac{1}{C_1R_1}X_2 \\ \dot{X}_2 = -\frac{1}{C_2R_2}X_1 + \frac{1}{C_2R_3}X_2X_3 + \frac{1}{C_2R_4}V_1 \\ \dot{X}_3 = -\frac{1}{C_3R_5}X_1 - \frac{1}{C_3R_6}X_1X_2 - \frac{1}{C_3R_7}X_1X_3 \end{cases} \quad (93)$$

The values of circuit components have been chosen as follows:

$$\begin{cases} R_1 = R_2 = R_5 = R_8 = R_9 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega, \\ R_3 = R_7 = 40 \text{ k}\Omega, \quad R_4 = 1250 \text{ k}\Omega, \quad R_6 = 2.667 \text{ k}\Omega, \\ C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = 10 \text{ nF}, \quad V_1 = -1 \text{ mV}_{DC}. \end{cases} \quad (94)$$

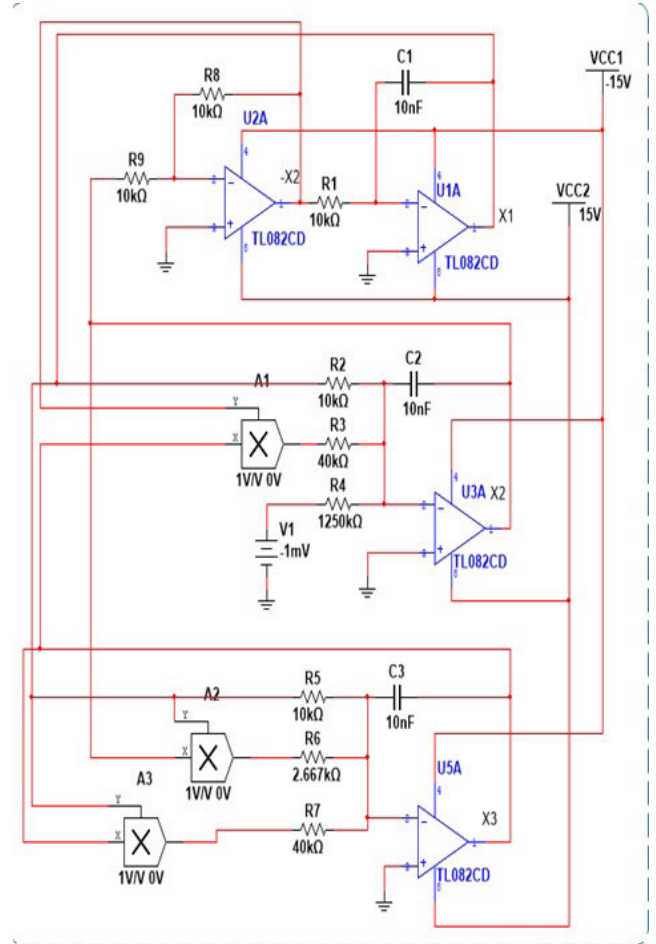


FIGURE 19. The circuit schematic diagram of the new chaotic system CH-LE<sub>1</sub> (93).

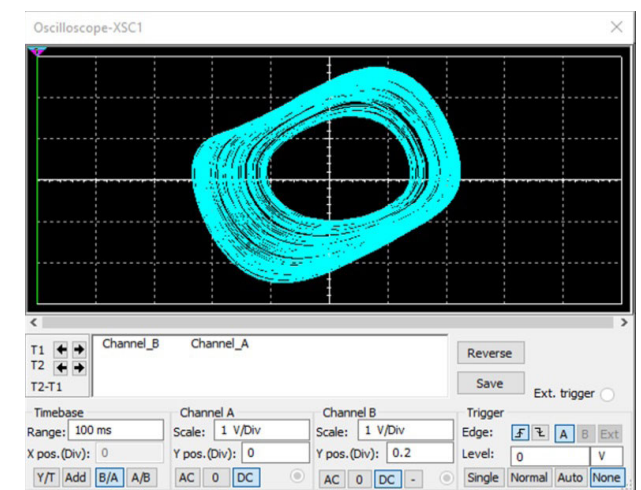


FIGURE 20. The MultiSim output of the system CH-LE<sub>1</sub> (93) in the  $X_1$ - $X_2$  plane.

The MultiSim planar outputs of the circuit (93) are represented in Figures 20-22.

We can observe good similarity between the numerical simulation results as shown in Figure 2 ( $CH$ -LE<sub>1</sub>, Case 2) and MultiSim circuit results as shown in Figures 20-22.

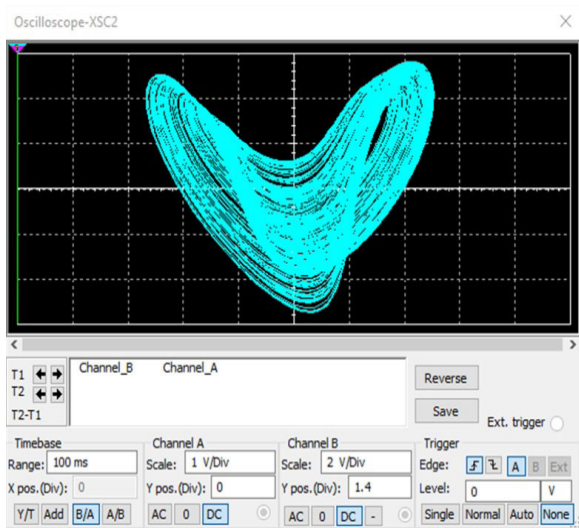


FIGURE 21. The MultiSim output of the system  $CH-LE_1$  (93) in the  $X_2-X_3$  plane.

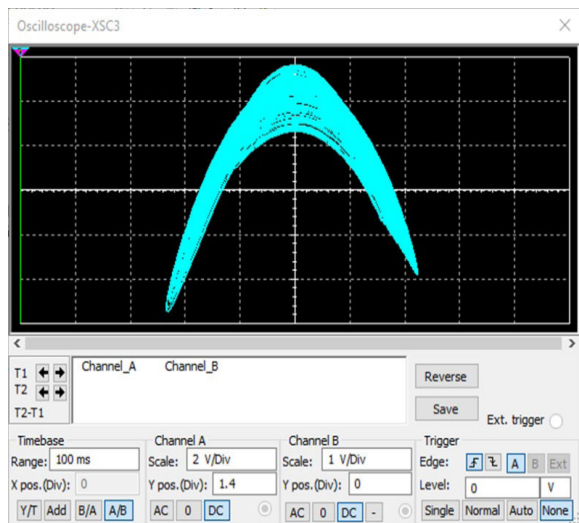


FIGURE 22. The MultiSim output of the system  $CH-LE_1$  (93) in the  $X_1-X_3$  plane.

## VI. CONCLUSION

In the chaos literature, chameleon chaotic system is known as a chaotic system in which the chaotic attractor can change between hidden and self-excited attractor depending on the values of parameters. In this work, we constructed a family of nine new chameleon chaotic systems by introducing two parameters to the 3-D chaotic systems with line equilibrium points analyzed by Jafari and Sprott (2013). In the analysis of chameleon chaotic flow of the nine new chaotic systems, we discovered three categories of hidden attractors (no equilibria, line of equilibria, one stable equilibrium) and a self-excited attractor. As a control application, terminal adaptive sliding mode control technique was developed to steer the states of  $CH-LE_1$  to the origin in finite time, in spite of uncertainty and exterior perturbations. As an engineering application,

we implemented an electronic circuit design of the new chameleon chaotic system  $CH-LE_1$  using MultiSim.

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