

DYNAMIC ANALYSIS OF A FRACTIONAL-ORDER RIKITAKE SYSTEM

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Abstract. The dynamic behaviors of fractional-order differential systems have received increasing attention in recent decades. But many results about fractional-order chaotic systems are attained only by using analytic and numerical methods. Based on the qualitative theory, the existence and uniqueness of solutions for a class of fractional-order Rikitake chaotic systems are investigated theoretically in this paper. The stability of the corresponding equilibria is also argued similarly to the integer-order counterpart. According to the obtained results, the bifurcation conditions of these two systems are significantly different. Numerical solutions, together with simulations, finally verify the correctness of our analysis.

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