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In this talk, we present some important aspects of a recent theory that offers a comprehensive characterization of dynamics of strange attractors associated to periodically forced homoclinic loop to a dissipative saddle. We illustrate, through numerical experiments, that, for a family of periodically forced systems, the pattern of dynamical behavioral, which include strange attractors dominated by sinks, Hénon-like, and rank one attractors, repeats itself periodically with respect to  $\ln \mu^{-1}$  as  $\mu \to 0$  where  $\mu$  is the magnitude of the forcing applied. It is shown that the findings of the numerical experiments and the expectations of the theory are in great agreement.

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