

## Problem 11

For the following systems determine if the equilibrium point  $x^* = 0$  is semi-asymptotically stable from the left or the right.

(i)  $x(n+1) = (x(n))^3 + (x(n))^2 + x(n)$

(ii)  $x(n+1) = (x(n))^3 - (x(n))^2 + x(n)$

### Attempt:

(i) To check the semi-asymptotic stability, we need to know three things:

- what are the equilibrium points,  $x^*$ .
- Do the equilibrium points satisfy the definition of semi-stable: An equilibrium point  $x^*$  of  $x(n+1) = f(x(n))$  is semistable from the right if given  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that if  $x(0) > x^*$ ,  $x(0) - x^* < \delta$ , then  $x(n) - x^* < \varepsilon$ .
- If the equilibrium points are semi-stable, do they satisfy the definition of semi-asymptotic stability:

If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x(n) = x^*$ , whenever  $x(0) - x^* < \eta \{(x^* - x(0)) < n\}$ , then  $x^*$  is said to be semi-asymptotically stable from the right. If  $f'(x^*) = 1$  and

- $f''(x^*) < 0$ , then  $x^*$  is semiasymptotically stable from the right.
- $f''(x^*) > 0$ , then  $x^*$  is semiasymptotically stable from the left.

Since I am lazy, and I can't figure out how to do the *actual* analysis (I tried, but couldn't get the definitions to work), we are just going to use the last 2 conditions.

$$f'(0) = 3(0^2) + 2(0) + 1 = 1$$

$$f''(0) = 6(0) + 2 = 2$$

So this is semi-asymptotically stable from the left.

(ii) Similarly,

$$f'(0) = 3(0^2) - 2(0) + 1 = 1$$

$$f''(0) = 6(0) - 2 = -2$$

So this is asymptotically stable from the right.

## Problem 12

Consider the logistic equation:

$$x(n+1) = \mu x(n)(1 - x(n))$$

- (i) Let  $\mu = 3.4$  and  $x(0) = 0.45$ . Show that we get a 2-periodic point (compute the periodic orbit).
- (ii) Let  $\mu = 3.5$  and  $x(0) = 0.5$ . Show that we get a 4-periodic point. (compute the periodic orbit). Provide the code you used.

### Attempt:

1. we get the values, 0.451965325993535, 0.842155078316515

Listing 1: 2 values

```

1 %% Problem 12
2 %% Initial conditions
3 mu = 3.4;
4 x(1) = .45; %x(0)
5
6 %% loop
7 n=50;
8 for i=1:n+1
9     x(i+1)=logisticeq(3.4,x(i));
10 end
11 x= reshape(x,2,(n+2)/2) '
12
13 %% Functions
14 function output = logisticeq(mu,x)
15     output = mu*x*(1-x);
16 end

```

2. we get the values:

0.500884210307218, 0.874997263602464, 0.382819683017324, 0.826940706591439

Listing 2: 2 values

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1 %% Problem 12b
2 %% Initial conditions
3 mu = 3.5;
4 x(1) = .5; %x(0)
5

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```
6 %% loop
7 rows = 50;
8 cols = 4;
9 n=rows*cols-1;
10 for i=1:n
11     x(i+1)=logisticeq(mu,x(i));
12 end
13 x=reshape(x,cols,rows) '
14
15 %% Functions
16 function output = logisticeq(mu,x)
17     output = mu*x*(1-x);
18 end
19 function output = logisticeqsq(mu,x)
20     a = mu*x*(1-x);
21     output = mu*a*(1-a);
22 end
23 function output = logisticeqcube(mu,x)
24     one = mu*x*(1-x);
25     two = mu*one*(1-one);
26     output =mu*two*(1-two);
27 end
28 function output = logisticeqqquad(mu,x)
29     one = mu*x*(1-x);
30     two = mu*one*(1-one);
31     three=mu*two*(1-two);
32     output =mu*three*(1-three);
33 end
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**Problem 13**

Consider the tent map:

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x, & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 2(1-x), & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

The tent map iteration is given by:

$$x(n+1) = f(x(n))$$

Let  $y(n+1) = g(y(n))$ , with  $g(y) = f^2(y) = f(f(y))$

- (a) Obtain an explicit form for the function  $g(x)$ .
- (b) Find the fixed points of  $g$ .
- (c) Determine the two-cycles of  $f$ .

**Attempt:**

- (a) we know that  $g(x) = f(f(x))$ , so we must put  $2x$  into each, and  $2(1-x)$  into each, and adjust the initial intervals. This gives us:

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 2(2(x)), & 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{4} \\ 2(1 - (2x)) & \frac{1}{4} \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 2(1 - 2(1-x)) & \frac{1}{2} \leq x < \frac{3}{4} \\ 2(2(1-x)) & \frac{3}{4} \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

- (b) Our fixed points are:

$$\begin{cases} 4x^* - x^* = 0, & 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{4} \\ 2 - 4x^* - x^* = 0 & \frac{1}{4} \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 4x^* - 2 - x^* = 0 & \frac{1}{2} \leq x < \frac{3}{4} \\ 4 - 4x^* - x^* = 0 & \frac{3}{4} \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} x^* = 0, & 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{4} \\ x^* = \frac{2}{5} & \frac{1}{4} \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ x^* = \frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{2} \leq x < \frac{3}{4} \\ x^* = \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{4} \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

(c) The two cycles are .8, .4.

Listing 3: 2 values

```
1 %% Problem 13c
2 clear all
3 %% Initial conditions
4 x(1) = .9; %x(0)
5
6 %% loop
7 rows = 8;
8 cols = 2;
9 n=rows*cols-1;
10 for i=1:n
11     x(i+1)=prob13c(x(i));
12 end
13 x=reshape(x,cols,rows) '
14
15 %% Functions
16 function output = prob13c(x)
17     if x<=.5
18         output = 2*x;
19     else
20         output = 2*(1-x);
21     end
22 end
```

## Problem 14

Recall that the tent map problem:

$$x(n+1) = f(x(n)), \text{ with } f(x) \begin{cases} 2x, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 2(1-x), & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

What is the stability of the two cycles?

**Attempt:**

We can apply the following Theorem:

**Theorem 1.21:**

Let  $O(b) = \{b = x(0), x(1), \dots, x(k-1)\}$  be a  $k$ -cycle of a continuously differentiable function  $f$ . Then the following statements hold:

(i) The  $k$ -cycle  $O(b)$  is asymptotically stable if:

$$|f'(x(0))f'(x(1)) \dots f'(x(k-1))| < 1$$

(ii) The  $k$ -cycle  $O(b)$  is asymptotically unstable if:

$$|f'(x(0))f'(x(1)) \dots f'(x(k-1))| > 1$$

Then

$$|f'(.4)f'(.8)| = |2 * (-2)| = 4 > 1$$

So this is asymptotically unstable.

## Problem 15

Consider the function  $B(x)$  (Baker's function) given by:

$$B(x) = \begin{cases} 2x, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 2x - 1, & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

Sketch the graph of  $B^2$  and find the two-cycles of  $B$

**Attempt:**

- (a) we know that  $g(x) = f(f(x))$ , so we must put  $2x$  into each, and  $2x - 1$  into each, and adjust the initial intervals. This gives us:

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 2(2(x)), & 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{4} \\ 2(2x) - 1 & \frac{1}{4} \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 2(2x - 1) & \frac{1}{2} \leq x < \frac{3}{4} \\ 2(2x - 1) - 1 & \frac{3}{4} \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

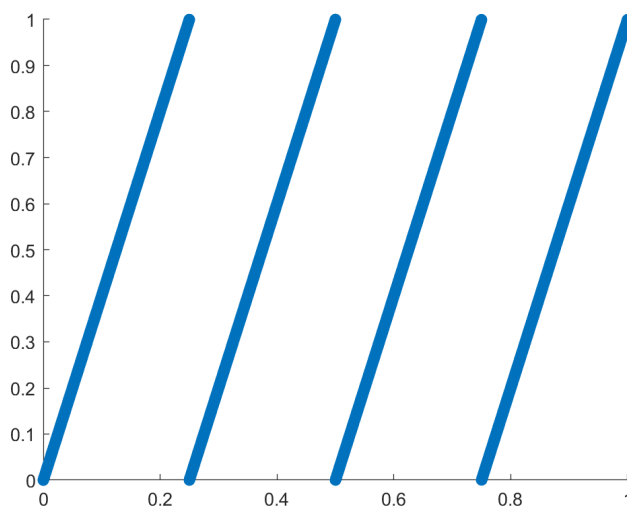


Figure 1: plot of  $B^2$

- (b) Our fixed points are:

$$\begin{cases} 4x^* - x^* = 0, & 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{4} \\ 4x^* - 1 - x^* = 0 & \frac{1}{4} \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 4x^* - 2 - x^* = 0 & \frac{1}{2} \leq x < \frac{3}{4} \\ 4x^* - 3 - x^* = 0 & \frac{3}{4} \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} x^* = 0, & 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{4} \\ x^* = \frac{1}{3}, & \frac{1}{4} \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ x^* = \frac{2}{3}, & \frac{1}{2} \leq x < \frac{3}{4} \\ x^* = 1 & \frac{3}{4} \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

- (c) Since  $x^* = 0, 1$  are solutions of  $B(x)$ , they cannot be solutions, therefore the 2-cycle is given by  $\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}$

We can see these plotted here:

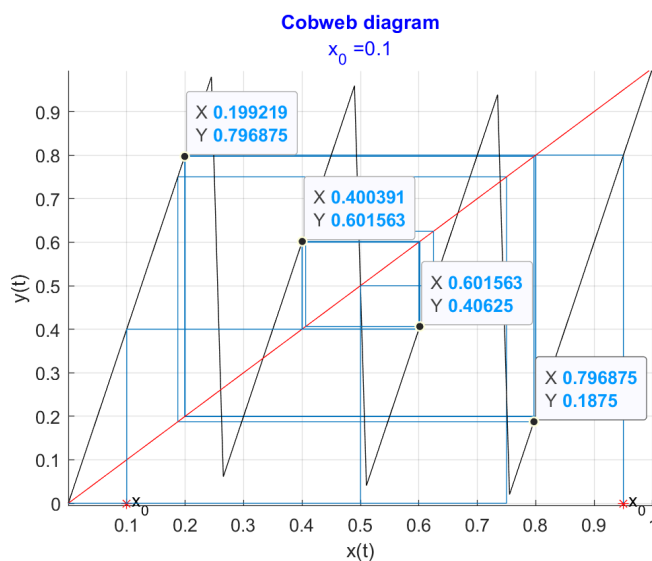


Figure 2: An image of the cycles (code included at the end)

## Problem 16

what is the stability of the two cycle for  $\mu = 1 + \sqrt{6}$ ? Justify your answer.

**Attempt:**

$F_\mu(x) = \mu x(1 - x)$ , and so

$$\begin{aligned} [F_\mu^2(x(0))]' &= F'_\mu(x(0))F'_\mu(x(1)) \\ &= \mu(1 - 2x(0))\mu(1 - 2x(1)) \\ &= \mu^2(1 - 2x(0))(1 - 2x(1)) \end{aligned}$$

If:

$$x(0) = \frac{[(1 + \mu) - \sqrt{(\mu - 3)(\mu + 1)}]}{2\mu}$$



$$x(1) = \frac{[(1 + \mu) + \sqrt{(\mu - 3)(\mu + 1)}]}{2\mu}$$

We can write this as:

$$\mu^2 \left( 1 - 2 \frac{[(1 + \mu) - \sqrt{(\mu - 3)(\mu + 1)}]}{2\mu} \right) \left( 1 - 2 \frac{[(1 + \mu) + \sqrt{(\mu - 3)(\mu + 1)}]}{2\mu} \right)$$

simplifying further:

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu^2 \left( \frac{\mu - [(1 + \mu) - \sqrt{(\mu - 3)(\mu + 1)}]}{\mu} \right) \left( \frac{\mu - [(1 + \mu) + \sqrt{(\mu - 3)(\mu + 1)}]}{\mu} \right) \\ & \left( \mu - [(1 + \mu) - \sqrt{(\mu - 3)(\mu + 1)}] \right) \left( \mu - [(1 + \mu) + \sqrt{(\mu - 3)(\mu + 1)}] \right) \\ & \left( [-1 + \sqrt{(\mu - 3)(\mu + 1)}] \right) \left( [-1 - \sqrt{(\mu - 3)(\mu + 1)}] \right) \\ & ([1 - (\mu - 3)(\mu + 1)]) \\ & ([1 - \mu^2 + 2\mu + 3]) \\ & ([4 - (1 + \sqrt{6})^2 + 2(1 + \sqrt{6})]) \\ & ([4 - 1 - 2\sqrt{6} - 6 + 2 + 2\sqrt{6}] = -1) \end{aligned}$$

To assess the stability let's first try (**Thm 1.16**) and check the first derivative of our function:

$$\begin{aligned} F''(x) &= [F'(x(0))F'(x(1))]' \\ &= F''(x(0))F'(x(1)) + F'(x(0))F''(x(1)) \\ &= -2\mu(F'(x(1)) + F'(x(0))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F'''(x) &= [F'(x(0))F'(x(1))]' \\ &= [F''(x(0))F'(x(1)) + F'(x(0))F''(x(1))]' \\ &= [-2\mu F'(x(1)) - 2\mu F'(x(0))]' \\ &= 4\mu^2 + 4\mu^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Sf &= -f'''(x^*) - \frac{3}{2}(f''(x^*))^2 = -8\mu^2 - \frac{3}{2}(-2\mu(-1))^2 \\ &= -8\mu^2 - 3\mu^2 = -11(7 + 2\sqrt{6}) < 0 \end{aligned}$$

so we know that this is asymptotically stable.

## Problem 17

Iterate  $x(n+1) = F_\mu(x(n))$  for a large number of iterations. Plot the last portion of the sequence  $\{x(n)\}$  as a function of  $\mu$  to get a bifurcation diagram of  $F_\mu$

**Attempt:**

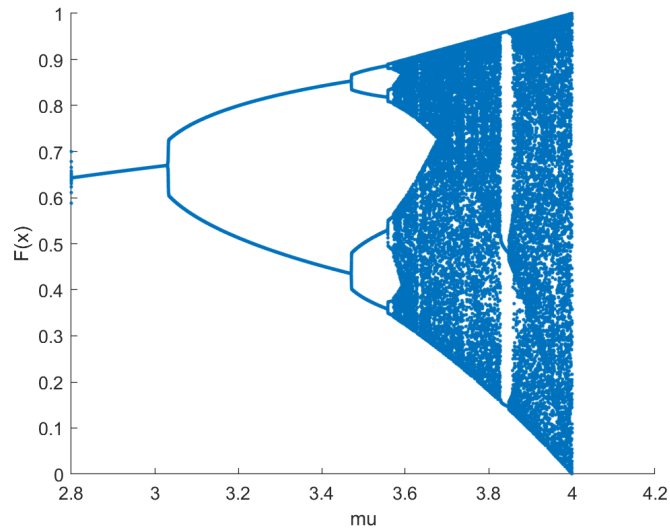


Figure 3: Bifurcation diagram

Listing 4: bifurcation

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1 %% Problem 17
2 clear all
3 %% Initial conditions
4 x(1) = .7; %x(0)
5
6 %% loop
7 rows = 70000;
8 cols = 1;
9 n=rows*cols-1;
10 xplot=linspace(2.8,4,n+1);
11 for i=1:n
12     x(i+1)=logistic(xplot(i),x(i));
13 end
14 x=reshape(x,cols,rows)'
15
16 scatter(xplot,x, '. ')
17 xlabel('mu')
18 ylabel('F(x)')
```

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19 %% Functions
20 function output = logistic(mu,x)
21
22     output = mu*x-mu*x*x;
23 end

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## Problem 18

Show that:

$$E^k x(n) = \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} \Delta^{k-i} x(n)$$

**Attempt:**

From before we know that  $\Delta = E - I$ , so using the previous proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta^k x(n) &= (E - I)^k x(n) \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^i \binom{k}{i} E^{k-i} x(n) \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^i \binom{k}{i} x(n + k - i)
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $E = \Delta + I$ , and  $E^k = (\Delta + I)^k$ , and  $(a + b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^{n-k} b^k$  :

$$\begin{aligned}
 E^k &= (\Delta + I)^k \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} \Delta^{k-i} (I)^i
 \end{aligned}$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned}
 E^k x(n) &= \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} \Delta^{k-i} (I)^i x(n) \\
 E^k x(n) &= \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} \Delta^{k-i} (I) x(n) \\
 E^k x(n) &= \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} \Delta^{k-i} x(n)
 \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 19**

Show that  $E$  and  $\Delta$  are linear operators. That is, show that for all constants  $a$  and  $b$ :

$$\Delta[ax(n) + by(n)] = a\Delta x(n) + b\Delta y(n)$$

and

$$E[ax(n) + by(n)] = aEx(n) + bEy(n)$$

**Attempt:**

$$\begin{aligned} a\Delta[x(n)] + b\Delta[y(n)] &= a[x(n+1) - x(n)] + b[y(n+1) - y(n)] \\ &= [ax(n+1) - ax(n)] + [by(n+1) - by(n)] \\ &= [ax(n+1) + by(n+1)] - [ax(n) + by(n)] \\ &= \Delta[ax(n) + by(n)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[ax(n) + by(n)] &= [ax(n+1) + by(n+1)] \\ &= a[x(n+1)] + b[y(n+1)] \\ &= aEx(n) + bEy(n) \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 20**

Prove that the following statements hold:

$$(i) \sum_{i=n_0}^{n-1} \Delta x(n) = x(n) - x(n_0)$$

$$(ii) \Delta \left( \sum_{k=n_0}^{n-1} x(k) \right) = x(n)$$

**Attempt:**

(i)

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=n_0}^{n-1} \Delta x(n) &= \sum_{i=n_0}^{n-1} x(i+1) - x(i) \\ &= \sum_{i=n_0}^{n-1} -x(i) + x(i+1) \\ &= [-x(n_0) + x(n_0+1)] + [-x(n_0+1) + x(n_0+2)] + \dots \\ &\quad + [-x(n-2) + x(n-2+1)] + [-x(n-1) + x(n-1+1)] \end{aligned}$$

But it is easy to observe that the terms between cancel:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -x(n_0) + [x(n_0 + 1) - x(n_0 + 1)] + [x(n_0 + 2) - x(n_0 + 2)] \dots \\
 &[x(n - 2) - x(n - 2)] + [x(n - 2 + 1) - x(n - 1)] + x(n - 1 + 1) \\
 &= -x(n_0) + x(n)
 \end{aligned}$$

So we get:  $\sum_{i=n_0}^{n-1} \Delta x(n) = x(n) - x(n_0)$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta \left( \sum_{k=n_0}^{n-1} x(k) \right) &= \\
 &= \left( \sum_{k=n_0}^n x(k) \right) - \left( \sum_{k=n_0}^{n-1} x(k) \right) \\
 &= x(n) + \left( \sum_{k=n_0}^{n-1} x(k) \right) - \left( \sum_{k=n_0}^{n-1} x(k) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

so  $\Delta \left( \sum_{k=n_0}^{n-1} x(k) \right) = x(n)$

Listing 5: cobweb

```

1 %% Initializing variables
2 clear all
3 clc
4 % Initial Conditions
5 a=2;
6 b=1;
7 x0 = -3 ;
8 fp = (a-1)/b;
9
10 %% Cobweb
11 for i =-7:7
12 cobweb(@fiveb,i,-10,10,100)
13 hold off
14 end
15 %% Functions
16 function output = nm(x)
17     output = .5.*(x+3./x);
18 end

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19
20 function output = fiveb(x)
21     output=2*x/(1+x);
22 end
23
24 function cobweb(f,initialpoint,intervalstart,intervalend,iterations)
25 x=linspace(intervalstart,intervalend,iterations);
26 y=f(x);
27 hold on
28 grid on
29 %axis([intervalstart intervalend intervalstart intervalend ])
30 plot(initialpoint,0,'r*')
31 text(initialpoint,0,' x_0')
32 title(['Cobweb diagram'],['x_0 =', num2str(initialpoint)],'Color','blue');
33 plot(x,y,'k');
34 plot(x,x,'r');
35 xlabel('x(t)');
36 ylabel('y(t)');
37 x(1)=initialpoint;
38
39 line( [x(1),x(1)], [0,f(x(1))] );
40 line([x(1),f(x(1))],[f(x(1)),f(x(1))]);
41 for i=1:iterations
42     x(i+1)= f(x(i));
43     line([x(i+1),x(i+1)], [x(i+1),f(x(i+1))]);
44     line([x(i+1),f(x(i+1))],[f(x(i+1)),f(x(i+1))]);
45 end
46
47 end
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