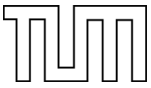

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1 Dynamical Systems

1.1 Motivation

Our goal is to investigate the qualitative, long-term behavior of systems in which a given function describes the trajectory of a point in an ambient space. Such dynamical systems are used in modelling physcial phenomena, economic forecasting, differential equations, etc. We wish to construct topological *covers* of sets which describe the infinite-time dynamics of some portions of the system, as well as statistical *invariant measures* which describe much larger sets in the space, but with less information.

The basic technique of all the topological algorithms is to split a compact set Q into a partition $\mathcal{P}$ of *boxes* - that is, generalized rectangles $[c_1-r_1,\ c_1+r_1)\times\ldots\times[c_d-r_d,\ c_d+r_d)$, with center vector $c \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and componentwise radii $r \in \mathbb{R}^d$. The algorithms will begin with a set of boxes $\mathcal{B}$, and then repeatedly subdivide each box in $\mathcal{B}$ into two (or more) smaller boxes, examine the dynamics of the subdivided boxes, and refine the box set to include only the boxes we are interested in.

The algorithms described in the present paper have been previously implemented in the statistical programming language `matlab` [20], but is now being fully refactored and reimplemented in the open-source, composable language `julia` [6]. The reason for this change is julia's high-level abstraction capabilities, just-in-time compilation, and in-built set-theoretical functions, which create short, elegant code which is nonetheless more performant. Source code for `GAIO` in `matlab` and `julia` and be found in [13] and [14], respectively.

1.2 Definitions

This section should be treated as an index of definitions, to be referred back to as necessary during reading. In the following, we assume M is a compact or a smooth manifold in $\mathbb{R}^d$, endowed with a metric d, and the map $f : M \to M$ is at least $\mathcal{C}^0$. We further assume that P is a partition of a compact set $Q \subset M$ of (up to a null set) disjoint boxes, and $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{P}$ is a subset of boxes. Our setting is a *discrete, autonomous dynamical system*, that is, a system of the form:

$$x_{k+1} = f(x_k), \quad k = 0,\ 1,\ 2,\ \ldots \tag{1.1}$$

A continuous dynamical system $\dot{x} = F(x)$ can be *discretized* by, for example, considering the *Poincaré time-t map* over some $d-1$ dimensional hyperplane, or by setting one "step" of the system as integrating F for a set time t.

First, we set some notation for convenience.

Definition 1.1 (Image of a Box Set)**.** We will call the *image of* $\mathcal{B}$ *under* f the set of boxes which intersect with the image $f(B)$, for at least one $B \in \mathcal{B}$. More precisely, it is

$$f(\mathcal{B}) = \left\{ R \in \mathcal{P} \quad | \quad f^{-1}(R) \cap \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{B}} B \neq \emptyset \right\}. \tag{1.2}$$

Theorem 1.2 (Image of a Box Set)**.** $f(\mathcal{B})$ is the inclusion-minimal cover of $f(\bigcup_{B\in\mathcal{B}} B)$ with boxes from $\mathcal{P}$.

Proof. We have the equivalent characterisation

$$f(\mathcal{B}) = \{R \in \mathcal{P} \quad | \quad \exists\ B \in \mathcal{B} \text{ and } x \in B \ :\ f(x) \in R\}. \tag{1.3}$$

Hence if we remove one box R from $f(\mathcal{B})$, then there exists an $x \in \bigcup_{B\in\mathcal{B}} B$ which maps outside of the created box set.

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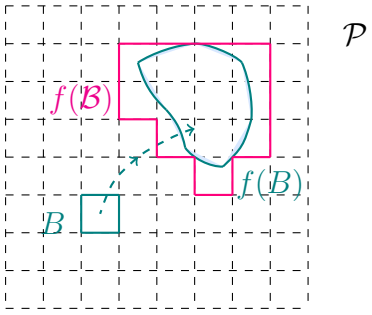

Figure 1.1: Image of the simple box set $\mathcal{B} = \{B\}$

We continue with a set of topological definitions of sets we wish to approximate.

Definition 1.3 ((Forward-, Backward-) Invariant)**.** [10] A set A is called *forward-invariant* if $f(A) \subset A$, *backward-invariant* if $f^{-1}(A) \subset A$, and *invariant* if it is both forward- and backward-invariant.

Definition 1.4 (Attracting Set)**.** [8] An invariant set A is called *attracting* with *fundamental neighborhood* U if for every open set $V \supset A$ there is an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that the tail $\bigcup_{k\geq N} f^k(U)$ lies entirely within A. The attracting set is also called *global* if the *basin of attraction*

$$B(A) = \bigcap_{k\geq 0} f^{-k}(U) \tag{1.4}$$

is the whole of $\mathbb{R}^n$.

The basin of attraction acts in some sense as the set for which all points eventually arrive in A. Since the map f is smooth, then the closure $\bar{A}$ is invariant too. With continuity it becomes clear that

$$A = \bigcap_{k \geq 0} f^k(U). \tag{1.5}$$

The global attractor is maximal in the sense that it contains all backward-invariant sets within the system. In particular, it contains local unstable manifolds.

Definition 1.5 (Stable and Unstable Manifolds)**.** [24] Let $\bar{x}$ be a fixed point of the diffeomorphism f, and U a neighborhood of x. Then the *local unstable manifold* is given by

$$W^u(\bar{x}, U) = \left\{ x \in U \mid \lim_{k \to \infty} d(f^{-k}(x),\ \bar{x}) = 0 \text{ and } f^{-k}(x) \in U\ \forall\, k \geq 0 \right\}. \tag{1.6}$$

The *global unstable manifold* is given by

$$W^u(\bar{x}) = \bigcup_{k \geq 0} f^k(\, W^u(\bar{x}, U)\,). \tag{1.7}$$

The dual definition of the *(local) stable manifold* is obtained by reversing the sign of k in the above equations.

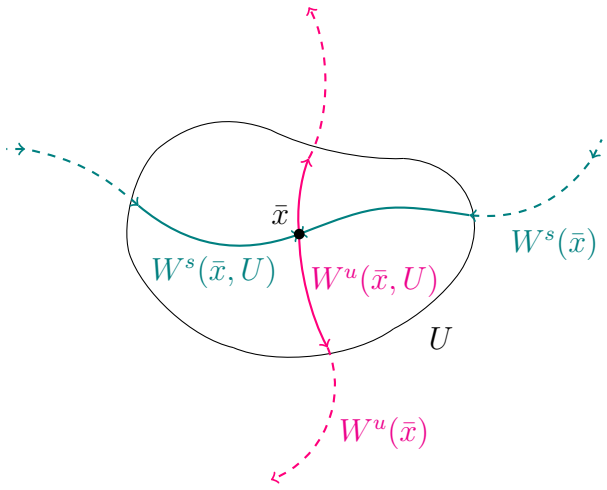

Figure 1.2: [12] Stable and unstable manifolds, local and global

Definition 1.6 (Pseudoperiodic)**.** [24] Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. A set $\{x_k \mid k \in \{0,\ \ldots,\ n\}\}$ is called *ϵ-pseudoperiodic* if for any k, $\quad d(x_{k \bmod n},\ x_{k+1 \bmod n}) < \epsilon$.

As the name suggests, an ϵ-pseudoperiodic orbit is "almost" periodic inthe sense that it represents a "small" perturbation of a theoretically periodic orbit. In practice, such direct orbits may not be known, but it will preresent a naturally useful definition in our approximations.

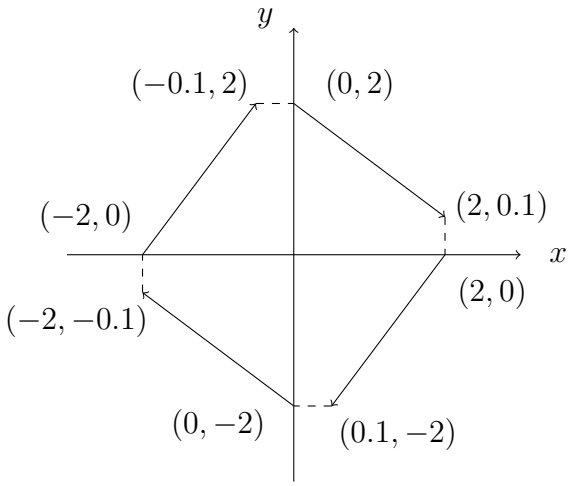

Figure 1.3: [24] A 0.1-pseudoperiodic orbit of the map $f(x, y) = (y,\ 0.05\,(1 - x^2)\,y - x)$

Definition 1.7 (Chain Recurrent)**.** [24] The point $\bar{x} \in M$ is called *chain recurrent* if for any $\epsilon > 0$ there exists an ϵ-pseudoperiodic orbit. The *chain recurrent set* $R_M(f)$ is the set of all chain recurrent points in M.

As shown in [10] we have the inclusion $R_M(f) \subset \bigcap_{k\geq 0} f^k(M)$, which also shows that $R_M(f)$ is an invariant set.

Finally, we give a set of measure-theoretical definitions for types of measures we wish to approximate.

Since our goal is to partition the manifold into a finite set of boxes, we must accept some amount of "uncertainty" in how our sets look, and how *exactly* f maps such a set. We describe this noise using a stochastic transition function.

Definition 1.8 (Transition Function)**.** [9] Let $\mathcal{A}$ be a σ-agebra on M. A function $p : M \times \mathcal{A} \to [0, 1]$ is called *transition function* if

1. $p(\cdot, A) : M \to [0, 1]$ is measurable for all $A \in \mathcal{A}$,
2. $p(x, \cdot) : \mathcal{A} \to [0, 1]$ is a probability measure for all $x \in M$.

Example 1.9.

- [9] We can model the deterministic system using the dirac measure $p(x,\, A) = \delta_{f(x)}(A)$.
- The approximate box version of the system can be modelled as using a uniform probability density: for a point x let $\mathcal{B}(x) = \{B \in \mathcal{B} \mid x \in B\}$ be the (singleton) box set containing x. The define p as

$$p(x, A) = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\ A \cap f(\mathcal{B}(x))\ )}{\mathcal{L}(\ f(\mathcal{B}(x))\ )} \tag{1.8}$$

where $\mathcal{L}$ represents the d-dimensional Lebesque measure.

Definition 1.10 (Perron-Frobenius Operator, Invariant Measure)**.** [9] Let p be a transition function, and μ a measure on M. We define the *Perron-Frobenius operator* as

$$(P\mu)(A) = \int p(x,\ A)\ d\mu(x) \tag{1.9}$$

A measure μ is called *invariant* if it is a fixed point of P.

Remark. The Perron-Frobenius operator is often also called *transfer operator.*

Example 1.11. [9] We calculate

$$(P\mu)(A) = \int \delta_{f(x)}(A)\ d\mu(x) = \int \chi_A(f(x))\ d\mu(x) = \mu \circ f^{-1}(A). \tag{1.10}$$

In this case P simply becomes the *pushforward operator.*

An invariant measure can be used to understand the global behavior of a dynamical system, with more μ-mass assigned to regions which are visited frequently over long trajectories, and less μ-mass to regions visited less frequently.

Our "noisy" approximated system poses the benefit that while deterministic dynamical systems generally support the existence of multiple invariant measures, the stochastic system will (if the transition function has a strictly positive density for each $x \in M$) have a unique invariant measure, as shown in [17].

Definition 1.12 (Almost Invariant)**.** [9] A set $A \subset M$ is called *δ-almost invariant* with respect to μ if $\mu(A) \neq 0$ and

$$\int_A p(x, A)\ d\mu(x) = \delta\mu(A) \tag{1.11}$$

Example 1.13. [9] Consider the deterministic case $p(x, \cdot) = \delta_{f(x)}$. Then using the same calcuation as Ex. 1.11 we get

$$\delta = \frac{1}{\mu(A)} \int_A p(x, A)\ d\mu(x) = \frac{\mu(A \cap f^{-1}(A))}{\mu(A)}. \tag{1.12}$$

Theorem 1.14 (Hahn-decomposition)**.** [1] Let $(M, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$ be a measure space on M, where μ is any signed measure. Then there exists $E^+ \in \mathcal{A}$ with

$$\mu(E \cap E^+) \geq 0, \quad \mu(E \setminus E^+) \leq 0 \quad \text{for all } E \in \mathcal{A}\,. \tag{1.13}$$

In particular $\mu(E^+) \geq 0$ and $\mu(M \setminus E^+) \leq 0$.

A fixed point - or eigenmeasure with eigenvalue 1 - is not the only object of interest when considering the operator P. Suppose instead we have a finite (complex valued) measure with $P\nu = \lambda\nu$. Then we must have

$$\lambda\nu(M) = P\nu(M) = \int p(x, M)\ d\nu(x) = \int 1\ d\nu(x) = \nu(M). \tag{1.14}$$

Hence either $\lambda = 1$ or $\nu(M) = 0$. Now assume $\lambda \neq 0$, and that ν is scaled such that $|\nu|$ is a probability measure. Then by the Hahn decomposition we have two sets E^+ and $E^- = M \setminus E^+$ which partition M into positive and negative "regions" of M. From σ-additivity we have

$$0 = \nu(M) = \nu(E^+ \cup E^-) = \nu(E^+) + \nu(E^-), \tag{1.15}$$

hence $\nu(E^+) = -\nu(E^-)$. This means $|\nu|(E^+) = |\nu|(E^-) = \frac{1}{2}$.

Theorem 1.15 (Almost Invariant Decomposition)**.** [9] Suppose ν is scaled such that $|\nu|$ is a probability measure, and $\nu(E^+) = \frac{1}{2}$. Then $\nu = |\nu|$ over E^+ and

$$\delta + \sigma = \lambda + 1 \tag{1.16}$$

if E^+ is δ-almost invariant and $E^- = M \setminus E^+$ is σ-almost invariant.

Example 1.16. Finally, we can consider the deterministic case with $\lambda \approx -1$. Then the sets E^+ and E^- satisfy

$$\delta = \nu(E^+ \cap f^{-1}(E^+)) \,/\, \nu(E^+)\ \geq 0, \tag{1.17}$$
$$\sigma = \nu(E^- \cap f^{-1}(E^-)) \,/\, \nu(E^-)\ \geq 0, \tag{1.18}$$
$$\delta + \sigma = \lambda + 1 \approx 0. \tag{1.19}$$

This implies that nearly all the ν-mass of E^+ gets transported to E^-, and vice versa. We call this an *almost invariant two-cycle*.

2 Algorithms

2.1 Relative Attractor

The construction of a fundamental neighborhood U for a global attractor A is relatively difficult, but the description Eq. 1.4 lends to a natural *ansatz* for its approximation using a compact subdomain $Q \subset M$.

Definition 2.1 (Relative Global Attractor)**.** Let Q be compact. Then we define the *attractor relative to* A as

$$A_Q = \bigcap_{k \geq 0} f^k(Q) \tag{2.1}$$

Remark. It follows from the definition that the relative global attractor is a subset of the global attractor.

The idea to approximate the relative gloabl attractor is in two steps: first, we subdivide each of the boxes and second, discard all those boxes which do not intersect with the previous box set. The algorithm requires a map f, a box set $\mathcal{B}$, and a predefined number of steps n.

Algorithm 1 Relative Attractor

```
1: B_0 ← B
2: for i = {1, ..., n} do
3:     B_i ← SUBDIVIDE( B_{i-1} )
4:     B_i ← B_i ∩ f( B_i )
5: return B_n
```

Remark.

- Optionally, the set $\{\mathcal{B}_0,\ \mathcal{B}_1,\ \ldots,\ \mathcal{B}_n\}$ can be returned instead. This will be true for all algorithms of this type.
- The precise technique for subdivision can be tuned depending on the situation. In `GAIO.jl`, boxes are bisected evenly along one dimension $k \in \{1,\ \ldots,\ d\}$. The dimension k along which to bisect is cycled through during the steps.

Proposition 2.2. [10, 8] Set $Q_i = \bigcup_{B\in\mathcal{B}_i} B, \quad Q_\infty = \bigcap_{n\geq 1} Q_n$. For all i we have

1. $Q_{i+1} \subset Q_i$
2. $A_Q \subset Q_i$
3. $A_Q = Q_\infty$

In particular, this shows that Q_∞ is backward-invariant.

2.2 Unstable Manifold

From the definition of the local unstable manifold $W^u(\bar{x}, U)$ we see that the relative gloabl attractor $R_Q(f)$ contains the local unstable manifold, and, provided the set Q is sufficiently small, $W^u(\bar{x}, U)$ coincides with $R_Q(f)$. For further details, see [7, 25]. Using this knowledge, we can approximate the global unstable manifold $W^u(\bar{x})$:

1. first, we perform an *initialiation step*: replace the calculation of the local unstable manifold with the calculation of the relative attractor for a small set Q' surrounding the fixed point $\bar{x}$, using Algorithm 1.

Algorithm 2 Continuation Step

$\mathcal{B}_0 \leftarrow \mathcal{B}$
$\mathcal{B}_1 \leftarrow \mathcal{B}$
while $\mathcal{B}_1 \neq \emptyset$ **do**
    $\mathcal{B}_1 \leftarrow f(\mathcal{B}_1)$
    $\mathcal{B}_1 \leftarrow \mathcal{B}_1 \setminus \mathcal{B}_0$
    $\mathcal{B}_0 \leftarrow \mathcal{B}_1 \cup \mathcal{B}_0$
return $\mathcal{B}_0$

2. Second, we repeat the following *continuation step*: map the current box set forward one iteration, and note any new boxes which are hit. These new boxes get added to the box set. Repeat until there are no new boxes added to the set.

Proposition 2.3. [7] The algorithm in general cannot guarantee covering of the entire unstable manifold, nor can it guarantee covering of the entirety of $W^u(\bar{x}) \cap Q$. This is because $W^u(\bar{x})$ could in theory exit Q, but return at another point. The algorithm can however guarantee covering of the connected component of $W^u(\bar{x}) \cap Q$ which contains $\bar{x}$.

2.3 Chain Recurrent Set

The algorithm to compute the chain recurrent set is first due to [23]. The idea is to construct a directed graph whose vertices are the box set $\mathcal{B}$, and for which edges are drawn from B_1 to B_2 if f maps any part of B_1 into B_2. Call this graph $\textsc{graph}(f,\ \mathcal{B})$, and call $\bar{d}$ the maximum *diameter* of a box in our partition, ie $\bar{d} = \max_{\substack{B \in \mathcal{P}, \\ x,\, y \in B}} d(x, y)$.

We can now ask for a subset of the vertices, for which each vertex is part of a directed cycle. We can equivalently characterize this set as follows:

Definition 2.4 (Strongly Connected)**.** For a directed graph $G = (V, E)$, a subset $H \subset V$ of vertices is called *strongly connected* if for all $u, v \in H$ there exist paths in both directions between v and u. Denote by $\textsc{scc}(G, v)$ the strongly connected subgraph which includes v, and by $\textsc{sccs}(G) = \bigcup_{v \in V} \textsc{scc}(G, v)$ the subgraph induced by union of strongly connected components.

Algorithm 3 Chain Recurrrent Set

$\mathcal{B}_0 \leftarrow \mathcal{B}$
for $i = \{1,\ \ldots,\ n\}$ **do**
    $\mathcal{B}_i \leftarrow \textsc{subdivide}(\mathcal{B}_{i-1})$
    $G \leftarrow \textsc{graph}(f,\ \mathcal{B}_{i-1})$
    $\mathcal{B}_i \leftarrow \textsc{sccs}(G)$
return $\mathcal{B}_n$

Proposition 2.5. A cycle $\{B_0,\ B_1,\ \ldots,\ B_{n-1}\}$ exists in G of and only if there exists an ϵ-pseudoperiodic orbit $\{x_0,\ x_1,\ \ldots,\ x_{n-1}\}$ with $x_i \in B_i$. In particular, the vertices of G form a covering of the chain recurrent set with Hausdorff distance at most $\bar{d}$.

Proof. Consider now a cycle in G. Then by construction, for each edge (B_i, B_{i+1}) in the cycle we can find a point $x_i \in B_i$ which gets mapped to B_{i+1}. Doing this for all edges we get a set $\{x_0,\ x_1,\ \ldots,\ x_{n-1}\}$ which satisfies $d(x_{i \bmod n},\ x_{i+1 \bmod n}) \leq \bar{d}$, ie a $\bar{d}$-pseudoperiodic orbit.

Conversely, consider an ϵ-pseudoperiodic orbit $\{x_0,\ x_1,\ \ldots,\ x_{n-1}\}$, $\epsilon \leq \bar{d}$. Then each x_i is in a box B_i, and since $d(x_{i \bmod n},\ x_{i+1 \bmod n}) \leq \bar{d}$, there is an edge (B_i, B_{i+1}) in G. Hence $\{B_0,\ B_1,\ \ldots,\ B_{n-1}\}$ is a cycle in G.

□

Corollary 2.6. Proposition 2.2 holds for Algorithm 3. For further details, see [23].

2.4 Invariant Measure

We shift focus to approximating invariant measures for the Perron-Frobenius operator P. For simplicity we will work only with measures absolutely continuous with respect to the Lebesque measure on M, ie measures for which there exists a *kernel* k with

$$p(x, A) = \int_A k(x, y)\, dy. \tag{2.2}$$

In this case we can define $P : L^1 \to L^1$ as

$$(P\phi)(y) = \int \phi(x)\, k(x, y)\, dx. \tag{2.3}$$

Note that ϕ is the density of an invariant measure $\mu_\phi(A) = \int_A \phi(x)\, dx$.

We will use a Galerkin approximation for P which maintains the eigenvalues and cyclic behavior of P. Let $\mathcal{P}$ be a partition of the compact set Q into equally sized, (up to Lebesque null sets) disjoint closed sets. Then we project to a subspace $\chi_\mathcal{P}$ generated by the basis $\{\chi_B \mid B \in \mathcal{P}\}$ of indicator functions on the boxes of our partition. For $\mathcal{P} = \{B_1,\ B_2,\ \ldots,\ B_n\}$ we define the matrix

$$P_{ij} = \frac{\mathcal{L}\left(B_j \cap f(B_i)\right)}{\mathcal{L}(B_j)}, \quad i,\ j = 1, \ldots, n, \tag{2.4}$$

as well as a linear operator $Q_n P : \chi_\mathcal{P} \to \chi_\mathcal{P}$ as

$$(Q_n P)\, \chi_{B_i} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} P_{ij}\, \chi_{B_j}. \tag{2.5}$$

To realize this approximation, we need to calculate P_{ij}. For this there are two techniques discussed in [10]. Currently the only technique built into `GAIO.jl` is a Monte Carlo

approach. Namely, we choose a fixed number r of test points in B_i, and set P_{ij} as the fraction of test points which land in B_j:

Algorithm 4 Invariant Measure

1: **for** $i, j \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$ **do**
2: $\quad p \leftarrow$ Choose $\{p_1, \ldots, p_r\}$ randomly from a uniform distribution on B_i
3: $\quad P_{ij} \leftarrow \mid B_j \cap f(p) \mid / \mid p \mid$
4: $v \leftarrow$ Find a fixed point of P
5: $\phi_n \leftarrow \sum_{i=1}^{n} v_i \chi_{B_i}$
6: **return** ϕ_n

Remark.

- In practice the test points are only generated once from the unit cube $[-1, 1]^d$, and then scaled to fit inside the box B_i.
- Line 4 is acheived using the Fortran library ARPACK [18], which has been wrapped in julia by the creators of Arpack.jl [22]. Recently, the underlying algorithm (known as implicitly restarted Arnoldi method) has been implemented in pure julia under the package name ArnoldiMethod.jl [28].

Proposition 2.7. [17] Let $p(x, A)$ be a transition function with globally lipschitz continuous kernel k. Then the operator P is compact. Further, if k is strictly positive, P has a unique fixed point $\phi \in L^1$.

Proposition 2.8. [9, 19, 10, 16, 15] Suppose the transition function $p = p_\epsilon$ converges in the weak* sense to the dirac measure, ie

$$p_\epsilon(x, \cdot) \xrightarrow{*} \delta_{f(x)} \quad \text{as} \quad \epsilon \to 0. \tag{2.6}$$

(An example of this would be Ex. 1.9 for a sequence of partitions $\mathcal{P}_\epsilon$ with diameters $\bar{d}_\epsilon = \max_{\substack{B \in \mathcal{P}_\epsilon, \\ x, y \in B}} d(x, y) \to 0$). Suppose further that the diffeomorphism f has a hyperbolic attracting set A with and an open set $U \supset A$ such that for the kernels we have

$$k_\epsilon(f(x), y) = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad x \in \overline{U},\ y \notin U. \tag{2.7}$$

Let P_ϵ be the Perron-Frobenius operator for the transition function p_ϵ. Then there exist unique fixed points ϕ_ϵ^n of $Q_n P_\epsilon$, and the sequence of fixed points converge to the fixed point ϕ of the true operator P, ie

$$\phi_\epsilon^n \to \phi \quad \text{as} \quad n \to \infty,\ \epsilon \to 0. \tag{2.8}$$

2.5 Almost Invariant Sets (and Cycles)

Our final algorithm is quite analogous to the algorithm for invariant measures of P. We begin with a theorem about the convergence our discretized operator.

Theorem 2.9. [9] Suppose our transition function p has a kernel k (see Eq. 2.2) which satisfies

$$\iint |k(x,y)|^2 \, dx \, dy < \infty \tag{2.9}$$

Then the Frobenius Perron operator $P : L^2 \to L^2$ is compact. Further $Q_n P$ converges strongly to P in the operator norm on L^2, ie

$$\| Q_n P - P \| \to 0 \quad \text{as} \quad n \to \infty. \tag{2.10}$$

Assume now that $Q_n P$ has an eigenvalue 1 with multiplicity 2. Then by the above theorem, the eigenvalue will split into two simple eigenvalues, one of which will move away from 1 (the other will stay at 1 since $Q_n P$ is column stochastic). If we now find this eigenvector ϕ_n, then (again by the above theorem and the continuity of P) the positive and negative regions of ϕ_n will converge to the sets E^+ and E^- from Theorem 1.15. That is, they are almost invariant.

Algorithm 5 Almost Invariant Sets

1: **for** $i, j \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$ **do**
2: $\quad p \leftarrow$ Choose $\{p_1, \ldots, p_r\}$ randomly from a uniform distribution on B_i
3: $\quad P_{ij} \leftarrow \mid B_j \cap f(p) \mid / \mid p \mid$
4: $v \leftarrow$ Find an eigenvector to the second largest eigenvalue of P
5: $E^+ \leftarrow \cup \{B_i \mid v_i \geq 0\}$
6: $E^- \leftarrow \cup \{B_i \mid v_i < 0\}$
7: **return** $E^+, \; E^-$

Remark. The algorithm can also be used to find almost invariant cycles. In this case line 4 simply needs to be changed to find an eigenvector near -1.

3 Julia

3.1 A (Very) Brief Introduction to the Julia Language

The julia language GitHub page decribes julia as "a high-level, high-performance dynamic language for technical computing" [4]. Its creators come from Matlab, Python, Lisp among others, and they desired a langauge as syntactically simple as Python, as powerful for linear algebra as Matlab, and as fast as C [6]. To achieve this, julia is just-in-time compiled using LLVM to generate native machine code. Further, "julia uses

multiple dispatch as a paradigm, which makes it easy to express many object-oriented and functional programming patterns" [5]. As a brief example of multiple dispatch, consider a simple user defined type `2dBox` (similar to the implementation in `GAIO.jl`):

```
struct 2dBox
    center::Tuple{Float64,Float64}
    radius::Tuple{Float64,Float64}
end
```

Then we can create a `2dBox` by calling `b = 2dBox((0.0, 0.0), (1.0, 1.0))`. A natural question to ask is whether a vector, say `x = [0.5, 0.6]`, lies within `b`. To do this, we can *overload* the function `in` from julia base:

```
function Base.in(x::Vector, b::2dBox)
    all( b.center .- b.radius .≤ x .≤ b.center .+ b.radius )
end
```

This function uses julia's *dot-syntax* to vectorize operations, eg. `+` by writing `.+`. We can now call the base function `in` or its unicode alias `∈`:

```
x = [0.5, 0.6]
b = 2dBox((0.0, 0.0), (1.0, 1.0))

x ∈ b           # returns true
x .- 2 ∈ b      # returns false
x .- 2 ∉ b      # returns true
```

The above example demonstrates the syntactical simplicity of julia. It should be noted that despite this simplicity, julia can generate highly performant machine code. For further illustration, consider the algorithm for the global unstable manifold (see Algorithm 2) implemented in matlab (Listing 1) and in julia (Listing 2). The julia code is one third as long, mirrors the pseudocode much more closely, and still runs faster than the matlab code.

3.2 GAIO.jl

This section is meant as an introduction to the most important concepts in the implementation of `GAIO.jl`. For more information see the respective docstrings, eg. by typing `julia> ? Box` into the julia REPL.

The package is built off of three base structures `Box`, `BoxPartition`, `BoxMap`:

```
struct Box{N,T <: AbstractFloat}
    center::SVector{N,T}
```

Listing 1: Unstable manifold algorithm in matlab

```
function gum(t, f, X, depth)
dim = t.dim;
none = 0; ins = 2; expd = 4;              % defining flags
nb0 = 0;  nb1 = t.count(depth);           % bookkeeping the no. of boxes
tic; j = 1;
t.set_flags('all', ins, depth);
while nb1 > nb0                           % while new boxes nonempty
t.change_flags('all', ins, expd);         % mark inserted boxes
b = t.boxes(depth); M = size(b,2);        % get the geometry of the boxes
flags = b(2*dim+1, :);
I = find(bitand(flags,expd));             % find boxes to expand
b = b(:,I); N = size(b,2);
S = whos('X'); l = floor(5e7/S.bytes);
for k = 0:floor(N/l),                     % split in chunks of size l
    K = k*l+1:min((k+1)*l,N);
    c = b(1:dim,K);                       % center ...
    r = b(dim+1:2*dim,1);                 % ... and radii of the boxes
    n = size(c,2); E = ones(n,1);
    P = kron(E,X)*diag(r) + ...           % sample points in all boxes
        kron(c',ones(size(X,1),1));
    t.insert(f(P)', depth, ins, none);    % map sample points, insert boxes
end
t.unset_flags('all', expd);               % unflag recently expanded boxes
nb0 = nb1; nb1 = t.count(depth);
j = j+1;
end
```

Listing 2: Unstable manifold algorithm in julia

```
function unstable_set(F::BoxMap, B::BoxSet)
    B₀ = B
    B₁ = B
    while B₁ ≠ ∅
        B₁ = F(B₁)
        B₁ = B₁ \ B₀
        B₀ = B₁ ∪ B₀
    end
    return B₀
end
```

```
3         radius::SVector{N,T}
4     end
```

A Box is a half-open generalized rectangle, that is, a product of half-open intervals $[a_1, b_1) \times [a_2, b_2) \times \ldots \times [a_d, b_d)$. We now need to represent a partition $\mathcal{P}$ of boxes:

```
1     struct BoxPartition{N,T,I<:Integer} <: AbstractBoxPartition{Box{N,T}}
2         domain::Box{N,T}
3         left::SVector{N,T}
4         scale::SVector{N,T}
5         dims::SVector{N,I}
6         dimsprod::SVector{N,I}
7     end
```

Instead of keeping track of positions for each individual box, we use integer indices for an equidistant *box grid* and only store the dimensions of the grid using the attribute `dims`. The attributes `left, scale, dimsprod` are used to quickly calculate box indices from a given point (see `point_to_key, key_to_box` in `GAIO.jl`).

Finally, we need a way to convert a map f defined on Q to a map `F` defined on boxes of a `BoxPartition`:

```
1     struct SampledBoxMap{A,N,T,F,D,I} <: BoxMap
2         map::F
3         domain::Box{N,T}
4         domain_points::D
5         image_points::I
6         acceleration::A
7     end
```

When a `SampledBoxMap` is initialized, we require a function to calculate test points that are mapped by the given function f. This is `domain_points`. These test points are then mapped forward by f, and the boxes which are hit become the image set.

Tha `acceleration` attribute is what we will concern ourselves with for the remainder of the present paper. Naturally, if an increase in accuracy is required, a larger set of test points may be chosen. This leads to a dilemma: the more accurate we wish our approximation `F` to be, the more we need to map very similar test points forward, causing a considerable slow down for complicated dynamical systems. However, the process of mapping each test point forward is completely independent on other test points. This means we do not need to perform each calculation sequentially; we can *parallelize*.

4 Parallelization using the CPU

4.1 CPU Architechture

When referring to CPU architecture one typically either means *instruction set architecture (ISA)* when referring to a range of CPUs, or the *microarchitechture* of a specific CPU model. The ISA is the blueprint for a set of abstract characteristics such as supported instructions, data types, register count, etc. The microarchitechture is the *implementation* of this blueprint for a CPU. We restrict to the discussion of the microarchitecture for the Intel 3rd gen (Ivy Lake) line of processors, though the level of detail is low enough that the statements will apply to most modern CPUs built on the x86 64-bit ISA.

A processor microarchitecture can be further split to 3 components:

- The front end, which consists of instruction cache and instruction fetch / decode units. This is responsible for fetching batches of instructions from memory, storing the batches in the instruction cache, and decoding the instructions into a set of *micro-operations, or μOps.*
- The back end (or execution engine), which includes the reorder buffer, unified scheduler (also called reservation station), and various execution ports. Since not all instructions are necessarily dependent on one-another, they often be reordered, or multiple instructions can be executed simultaneously. This is known as *out-of-order execution.* The reorder buffer stores the the *order* of μOps until they are retired. The scheduler takes μOps and dispatches them to the various ports, each of which is specialized for a subset of instructions.
- The memory system. This includes (typically) three cache levels: L1, L2, and L3. The L1 cache is faster than L2, but has a lower storage capacity. The same holds for L2 vs L3 cache.

All three can be limiting factors in a computation, though we will mainly consider optimizations for the back end. Additionally, a modern processor will copy this basic structure multiple times, each copy is referred to as a *thread.*

The naivest but most practically difficult technique to increase performance is to utilize the whole instruction set available in the acrhitecture. Obviously it can't be expected that the programmer optimizes for every microarchitecture and every instruction; if that were true we would all be writing pure assembly language. But there are some easy changes one can make, primarily using *fused-multiply-add (FMA)* instructions. An example from [21]: consider the simple dynamical system over $\mathbb{R}$:

$$x_{k+1} = x_k^2 + p \tag{4.1}$$

for some p. To perform one iteration, the CPU needs to call `MUL` once and then `ADD` once, both of which have latency of roughly 5 clock cycles. Using `FMA`, this can be performed

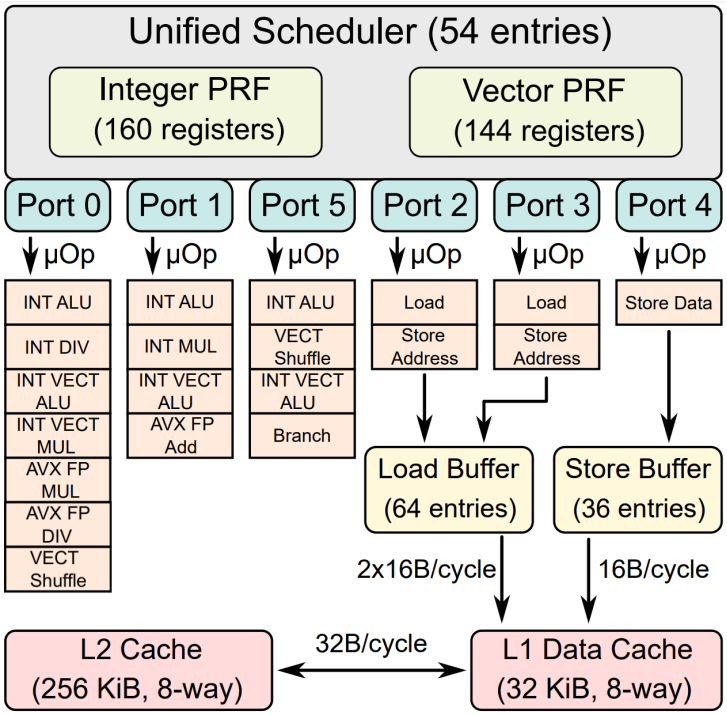

Figure 4.1: [21] Back end for the Intel Ivy Bridge architecture.

in one operation, nearly doubling performance. A consequence of this is that code which does not harness FMA instructions can harness at most half of the peak theoretical power of the CPU.

In julia, this can be performed with the `@muladd` macro from `MuladdMacro.jl` [26], which automatically converts all combinations of multiply and add into calls to the inbuilt `muladd` function.

Conversely, a conceptually difficult but practically easy technique to implement is multithreading. Multithreading is more conceptually difficult because the process of creating, scheduling and synchronizing processes over multiple cores is relatively complicated. However, due to the obvious benefit offered by multithreaded programming, mature libraries have developed to hide these complications under a layer of abstraction. In julia, examples include the `Threads` module from julia base, as well as the package `Transducers.jl` [3] which offers a backend for packages such as `FLoops.jl` [2]. Both options offer macros - `@threads` and `@floop` respectively - which can simply be appended to `for` loops to automatically execute them over multiple threads.

Our main technique for parallelization on the CPU is the *Advanced Vector eXtension (AVX)*. The philosophy of AVX was initially characterized in [11] as *Single Instruction Multiple Data (SIMD)*. As the name would suggest: when a single instruction, eg. `ADD`, needs to be applied to multiple floating point numbers, then one could pack 4 double

precision or 8 single precision floating point numbers into a single *vector* stored into the YMM (vector) register. This ic alled a *gather* operation. Two of these vectors can then be passed into port 1 to the AVX floating point arithmetic-logic-unit (`AVX FP ADD` in Fig. 4.1), and added all at once. This reduces the execution time from 20 clock cycles (4 double precision add operations at 5 clock cycles each) to just 5 clock cycles (1 packed add operation at 5 clock cycles).

The majority of modern compilers can automatically convert simple loops and vectorized functions into SIMD instructions. This however is not gauranteed, as the compiler neeeds to first prove that there are no data dependencies. Hence to reach peak CPU performance, it is often required to manually vectorize.

4.2 Implementation in GAIO.jl

We wish to map an array of test points $x = (x_1,\ x_2,\ \ldots,\ x_n),\ \ x_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$ forward, with as much parallelism as possible. For example, consider for $d = 3$ and a box $[0, 1]^3$ the test points:

```
x = [   # each tuple is seen as a point in 3d space
    (1., 0., 0.),
    (0., 1., 0.),
    (0., 0., 1.),
    (0., 0., 0.)
    # etc ...
]
```

We could equivalently characterize this array as an array of packed floats in the ”packed” space $(\mathbb{R}^4)^3$:

```
x = [   # three 4xFloat64<...> are seen as a point in our "packed" 3d space
    (
        4xFloat64<1., 0., 0., 0.>,
        4xFloat64<0., 1., 0., 0.>,
        4xFloat64<0., 0., 1., 0.>
    )
    # etc ...
]
```

The packed SIMD vectors can be constructed using the `Vec` type from `SIMD.jl` [27], a convenience wrapper around julia’s base SIMD vector type (which itself is just special tuple). So our goal becomes managing memory careully to (efficiently) convert from one vector of vectors to a vector of packed vectors, and vice versa.

A convenient fact about the `Tuple` type in julia is that if its elements are ”bits” types (that is, they can be represented by a string of bits that can be *stack-allocated*), then the tuple

is stored *contiguously* in memory. For eg. numeric types like `Float32`, this means that the exact positions in memory of each element can be deduced from the memory positions of the tuple. Julia provides the convenience function `reinterpret` which changes the type interpretation of a block of memory.

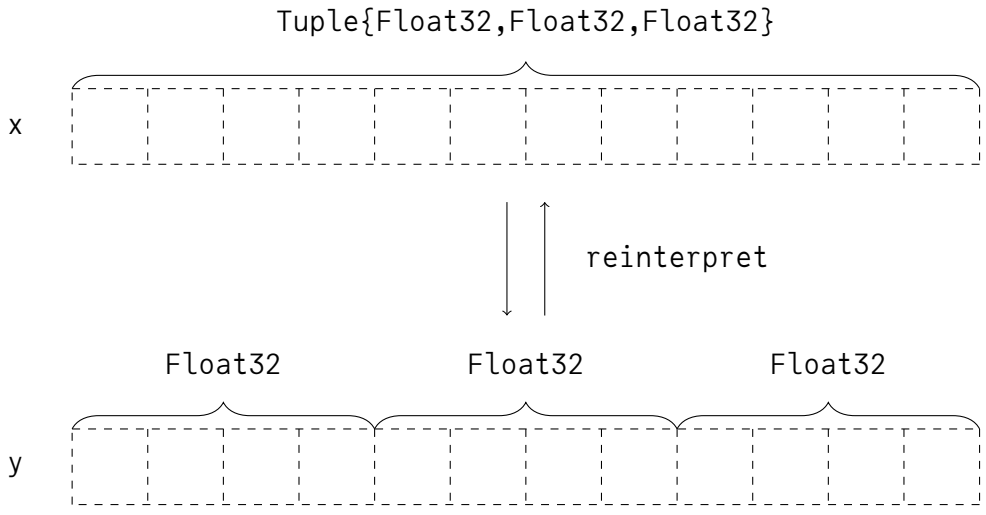

Figure 4.2: Illustration of julia's `reinterpret` function, where each square is 1 byte

Using `reinterpret`, we can change the problem to reordering the indices of x. Hence consider the vector i of indices of x:

$$i = (\underbrace{1,\ 2,\ 3,}_{\text{first point}}\quad \underbrace{4,\ 5,\ 6,}_{\text{second point}}\quad \ldots,\ \underbrace{3n-2,\ 3n-1,\ 3n}_{\text{nth point}}\ ) \tag{4.2}$$

We wish to permute i such that each group of four points has its respective elements stored contiguously. Once this is done, we can call `reinterpret` again to convert the type representation to a vector of packed tuples. In particular we therefore require that the number of points n is divisible by 4.

$$S(i) = (\underbrace{\underbrace{1,\ 4,\ 7,\ 10,}_{\text{first elements}}\quad \underbrace{2,\ 5,\ 8,\ 11,}_{\text{second elements}}\quad \underbrace{3,\ 6,\ 9,\ 12,}_{\text{third elements}}}_{\text{first packed point}}\ \ldots,\ 3n-6,\ 3n-3,\ 3n\ ) \tag{4.3}$$

We generalize this permutation S to arbitrary dimension d, SIMD vector length s and vector of points x with length n in Listing 3.

This function provides the fundamental technique for parallelization on the CPU. We first gather the points, then pass the gathered points to the function f. However, we still need to convert the packed mapped points back to single points for use with other functions

Listing 3: Conversion function to packed tuples

```
function tuple_vgather(x::Vector{NTuple{d,T}}, s) where {d,T}
    # x is a vector of tuples, each of length d and datatype T

    n = length(x)
    m = n ÷ s
    if n != m * s
        throw(DimensionMismatch("length of input not divisible by simd"))
    end

    # Change type interpretation of x's memory
    vr = reinterpret(T, x)

    # Initialize the vector of packed tuples
    vo = Vector{NTuple{d,Vec{s,T}}}(undef, m)

    # The indices that form the first element of the first packed vector
    idx = Vec(ntuple( i -> (i-1) * d, s ))

    # Grab the indices of the first element of the i-th packed vector,
    # then jump by d*s to grab the indices of the second element, and so on
    for i in 1:m
        vo[i] = ntuple( j -> vr[idx + (i-1) * d * s + j], d )
    end

    return vo
end
```

Listing 4: Conversion back to single tuples

```
function tuple_vscatter(y::Vector{NTuple{d,Vec{s,T}}}) where {s,d,T}
    # y is a vector of packed tuples, tuples of SIMD Vecs

    # Initialize the unpacked vector
    vo = Vector{NTuple{d,T}}(undef, s * length(y))

    # Create a view of vo which is made of individual numbers of type T
    vr = reinterpret(T, vo)

    # The indices that form the first element of the first packed vector
    idx = Vec(ntuple( i -> d * (i-1), s ))

    # set the values of vr as the permuted values of y
    for i in 1:d, j in 1:length(vi)
        vr[idx + (j-1) * d * s + i] = y[i + (j-1) * d]
    end

    return vo
end
```

afterward. This is the inverse of a gather operation, and is called *scatter* (see Listing 4).

It is important to note that not all elementary instructions have SIMD equivalents. Hence some more complicated functions cannot be parallelized in this way.

4.3 Results

5 Parallelization using the GPU

5.1 GPU Architechture

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