

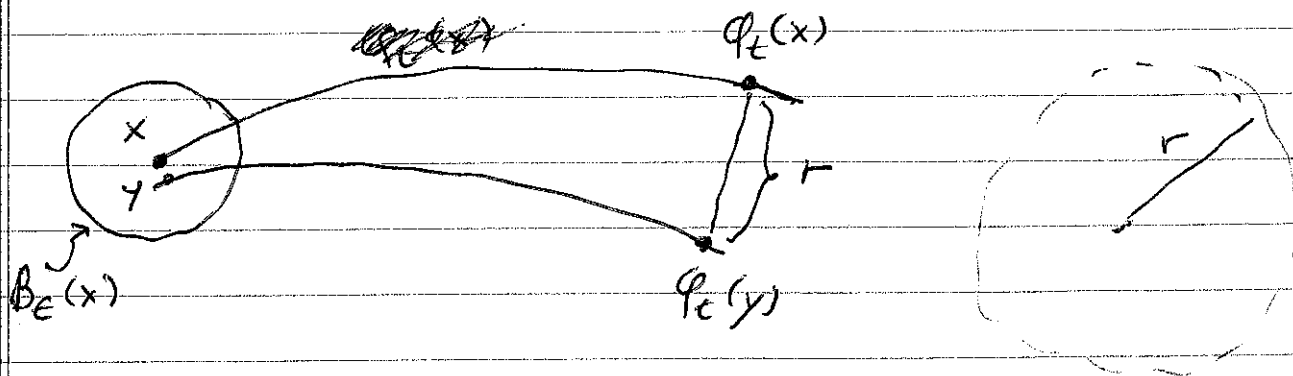
Last topic: chaotic dynamics

Hallmark: "sensitive dependence on initial conditions" on a bounded invariant set

← excludes linear exponential growth

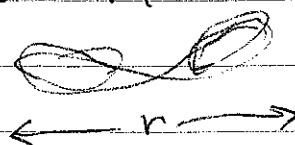
existence of chaos makes long-term prediction impossible.

Def. Flow  $\varphi_t$  exhibits sensitive dependence on initial conditions on invariant set  $X$  if there is a fixed  $r > 0$  s.t. for each  $x \in X$  and any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a nearby  $y \in B_\epsilon(x) \cap X$  s.t.  $|\varphi_t(x) - \varphi_t(y)| > r$  for some  $t > 0$ .



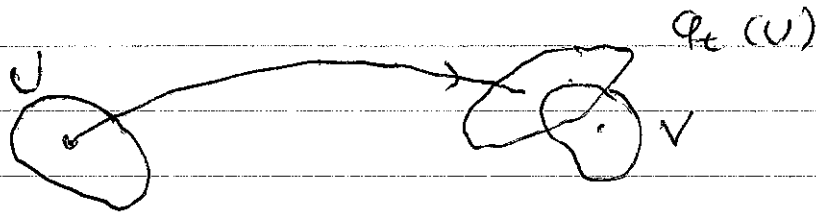
If  $\epsilon$  = precision with which you can specify  $x$ , then inevitably you only know  $\varphi_t(x)$  to be within some radius  $r$ , which may be quite large, e.g. size of invariant set

(decreasing  $\epsilon$  may increase time horizon for knowing  $\varphi_t(x)$  to some precision)



Additional ingredients : we want some recurrence (aperiodic) - an orbit that visits everywhere on  $X$ , the invariant set.

Def. A flow  $\varphi_t$  is topologically transitive on an invariant set  $X$  if for each pair of non-empty sets  $U, V \subseteq X$  there is a  $t > 0$  s.t.  $\varphi_t(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$

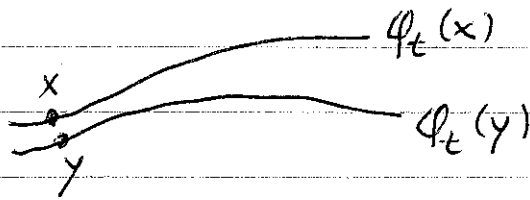


Thm (Birkhoff transitivity): A flow  $\varphi_t$  is transitive on  $X$  if and only if  $\varphi_t$  has an orbit that is dense on  $X$ .

dense orbit  $\varphi_t(x) \in X$  : for each  $\epsilon > 0$ , and  $y \in X$ , there is a  $T > 0$  s.t.  $d(\varphi_T(x), y) < \epsilon$   
 $\nwarrow$  distance function

orbit comes arbitrarily close to each pt.  $y \in X$ .

Lyapunov exponents: quantify sensitive dependence on initial conditions



(initially) find exponential separation

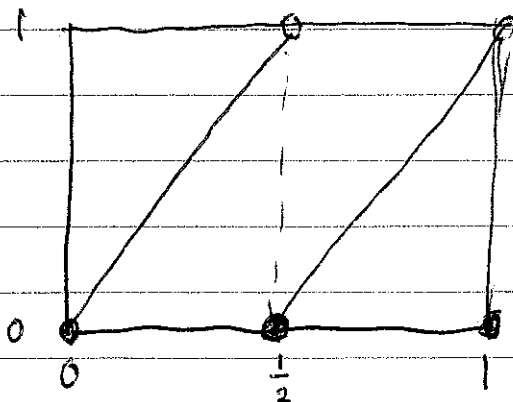
$$\delta(t) = |\phi_t(y) - \phi_t(x)| \sim e^{\lambda t}, \quad \lambda > 0 \text{ for chaotic system}$$

$\lambda$  = largest Lyapunov exponent

HW #7: estimate  $\lambda$  for Lorenz eqns in chaotic regime with 2 methods & share result on canvas.

Example in terms of a map:

$$X_{n+1} = 2X_n \pmod{1}, \quad X \in [0, 1)$$



idea for analysing this: write  $X_n, X_{n+1}$  in terms of their binary representation

in binary:

$$x_n = 0.a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots$$

$$a_j \in \{0, 1\}$$

can convert to decimal form

$$X = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^j$$

map:  $X_{n+1} = 2X_n \pmod{1}$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{j-1} \pmod{1}$$

$$= \cancel{a_1} + a_2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + a_3 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \dots \pmod{1}$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_{j+1} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^j$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_n = 0.a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 \dots \\ x_{n+1} = 0.a_2 a_3 a_4 \dots \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{"shift map"} \\ \text{on 2 symbols"} \\ \{0, 1\} \end{array}$$

Sensitive dependence on initial conditions:

Given any  $\epsilon > 0$ , where  $|x_0 - y_0| < \epsilon$  is initial separation, find  $N$  &  $y_0$  s.t.  
 $|x_N - y_N| \geq r = \frac{1}{2}$

$$x_0 = 0, a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots a_N a_{N+1} a_{N+2} \dots$$

$$y_0 = 0, a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots a_N b_{N+1} b_{N+2} \dots$$

$$\text{let } b_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a_j = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } a_j = 1 \end{cases} \quad j = N+1, \dots$$

may need to fix this mistake as discussed in class.

$$|x_0 - y_0| = \left| \sum_{j=N+1}^{\infty} (a_j - b_j) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^j \right|$$

$$\leq \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^N \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \underbrace{|a_{N+j} - b_{N+j}|}_{=1} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^j$$

$$\leq \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^N = \epsilon$$

after  $N$  iterations

$$x_N = 0, a_{N+1} a_{N+2} a_{N+3} \dots$$

$$y_N = 0, b_{N+1} b_{N+2} b_{N+3} \dots$$

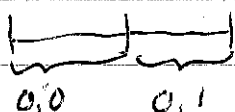
$$|x_N - y_N| > \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{for suitably chosen } a_{N+2}, \dots$$

We can also construct an initial condition for a dense orbit.

Given any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists an  $N$  s.t. we come within  $\epsilon$  of any pt. in our interval.

distance( $\epsilon$ )

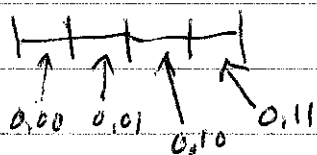
$$\frac{1}{2}$$



approximation of  $X_0$

$$X_0 = 0.01$$

$$\frac{1}{4}$$



~~$X_0 = 0.000001$~~

$$X_0 = 0.0100011011$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_2 \quad \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_8$

$$\frac{1}{8}$$

$$X_0 = 0.0100011011000001\dots$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{1cm}}_{=2 \times 1} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{=4 \times 2} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{=8 \times 3}$

and so on.

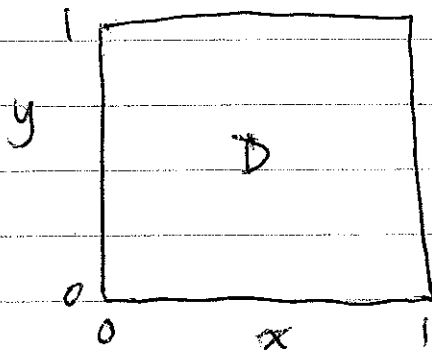
~~There are also periodic pts. of all periods~~  
~~aperiodic pts.~~

Shift map on 2-symbols is relevant to Smale horseshoe, which is relevant to the homoclinic tangle that arises in periodically-forced ode in 2+1 dimensions.

Smale horse shoe: elements of chaos —  
 "stretching" & "folding"

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 gives exponential  
 separation of  
 neighboring trajectories

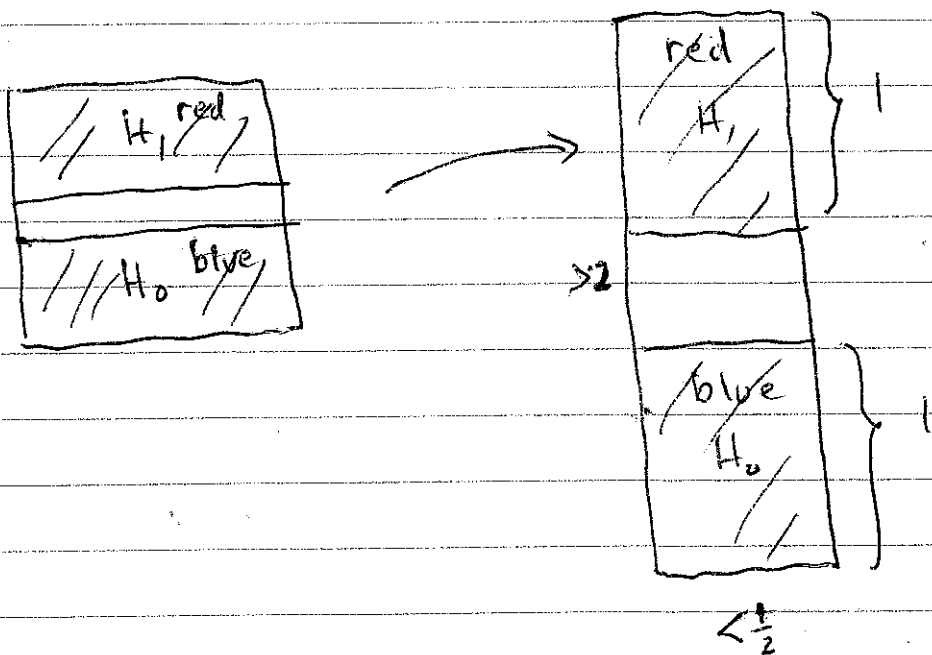
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 keeps it  
 bounded.



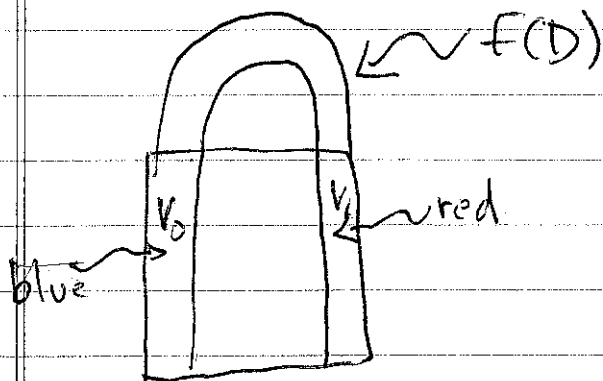
$D = \text{unit square}$

$$x, y \in [0, 1]$$

Step 1: Stretch by factor  $> 2$  in  $y$ -direction,  
 Compress by factor  $< \frac{1}{2}$  in  $x$ -direction



Step 2 : Fold & overlay it on D



$$f = \text{map}$$

$$f(H_0) = V_0$$

$$f(H_1) = V_1$$

$$D \cap f(D) = V_0 \cup V_1$$

$$= \bigcup_{S_{-1} \in S} V_{S_{-1}}$$

$$S = \{0, 1\}$$

forward & backward

idea: keep iterating map<sup>1</sup> to determine the invariant set & examine its dynamics. We'll see it can be related to the shift on 2-symbols...