

# 10K Feet View of Universality

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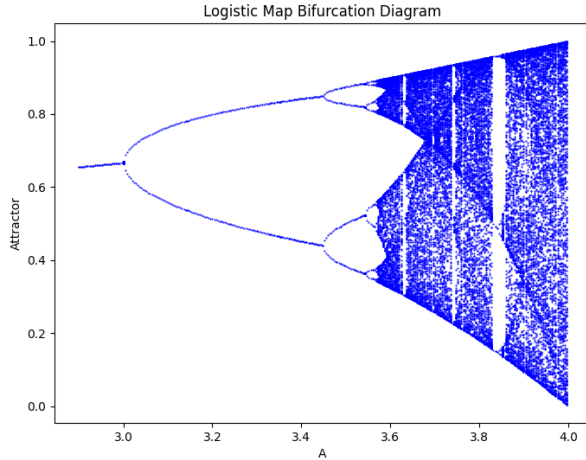
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- For a one dimensional map the bifurcation parameter is shown on the horizontal axis of the plot and the vertical axis shows the set of values of the iterated function visited asymptotically from some initial condition.

# Example Bifurcation Diagram



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- The Lyapunov exponent is **positive** for chaotic systems, **zero** for non-chaotic systems (or bifurcation points), and **negative** for systems that converge to fixed points.

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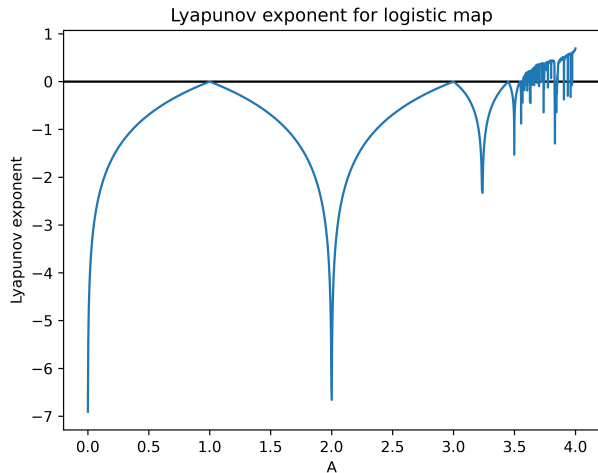
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- Typically, the lyapunov exponent is zero at the bifurcation points, and highly negative (Read:  $-\infty$ ) at the superstable points.

# Example Lyapunov Exponent Plot



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Figure: Mitchell Feigenbaum, 1987. Photo by Ingbert Grüttner



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- The logistic map and the sine map are just two examples of this large universality class. The great significance of this result is that the global details of the dynamical system do not matter.

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- In fact, this universality class extends beyond one-dimensional maps to nonlinear dynamical systems described by more realistic physical models corresponding to two-dimensional maps, systems of ordinary differential equations, and even partial differential equations.

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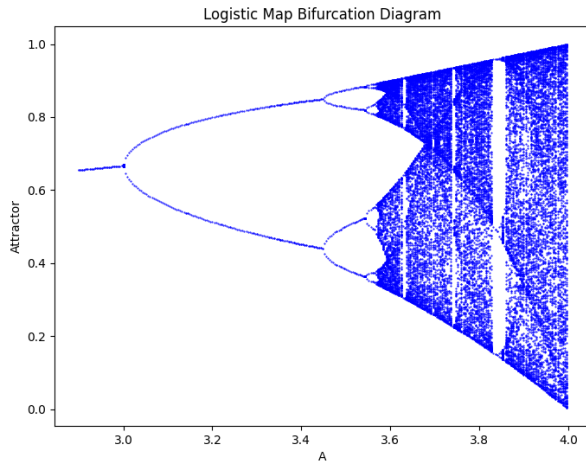
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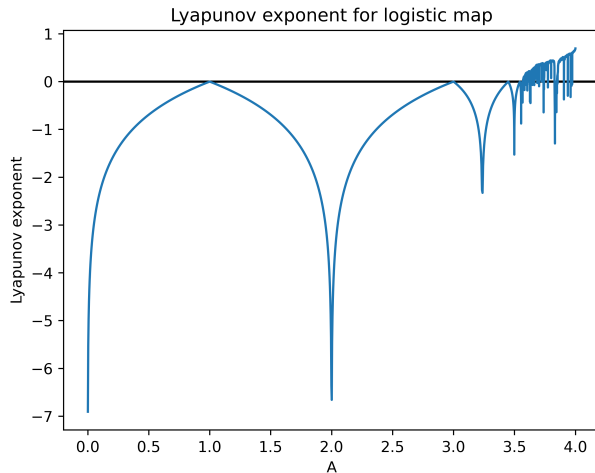
$$x_{n+1} = Ax_n(1 - x_n) \quad (3)$$

where  $x_n$  denotes the ratio of existing population to the maximum possible population at discrete time  $n$ , and  $A$  denotes a parameter measuring the rate of growth.

# Results: Bifurcation Plot



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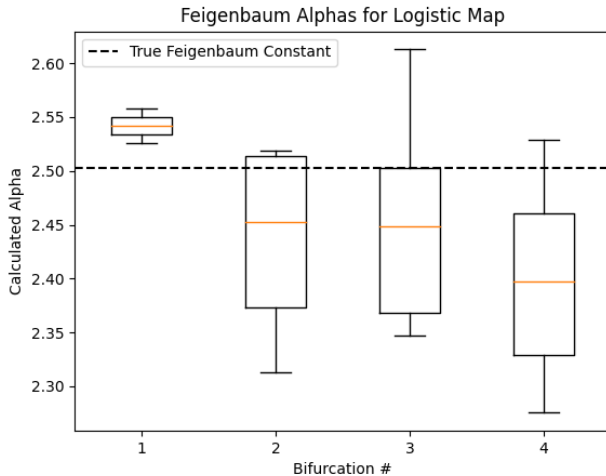
$$\delta_n = \frac{A_n - A_{n-1}}{A_{n+1} - A_n}$$

$$\delta_2 = \frac{A_2 - A_1}{A_3 - A_2} = 4.751$$

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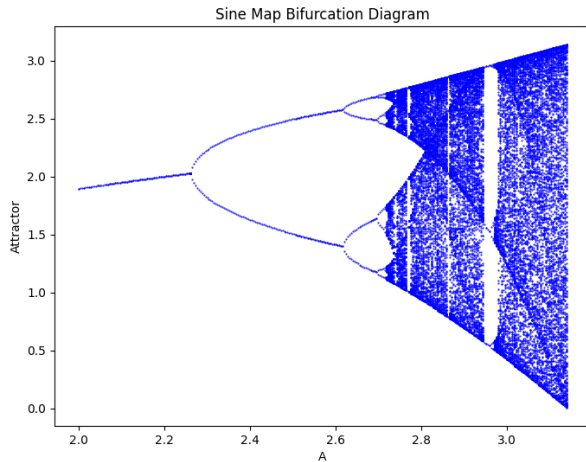
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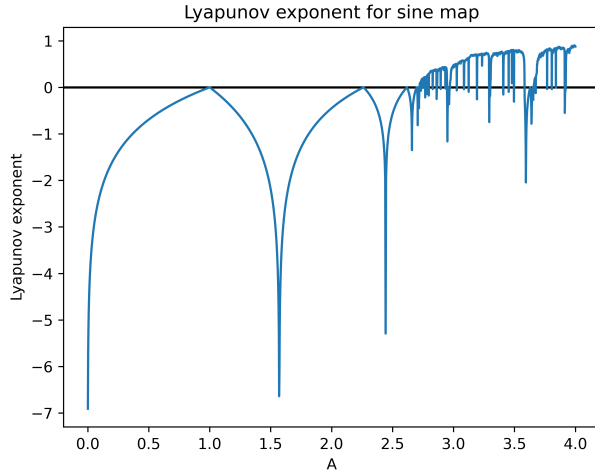
$$f(x) = A \sin(x)$$

$$f'(x) = A \cos(x)$$

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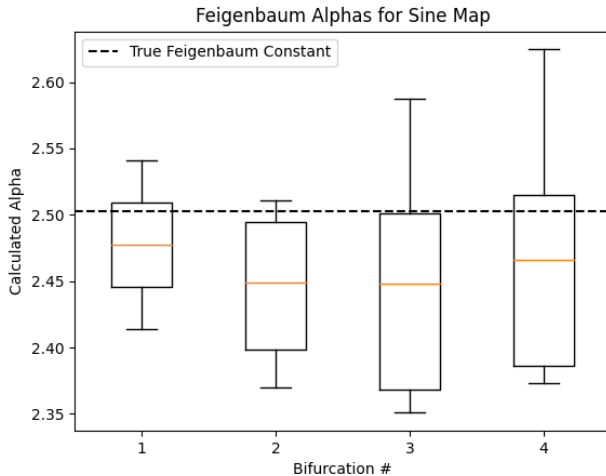
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# Quadratic Map: Background

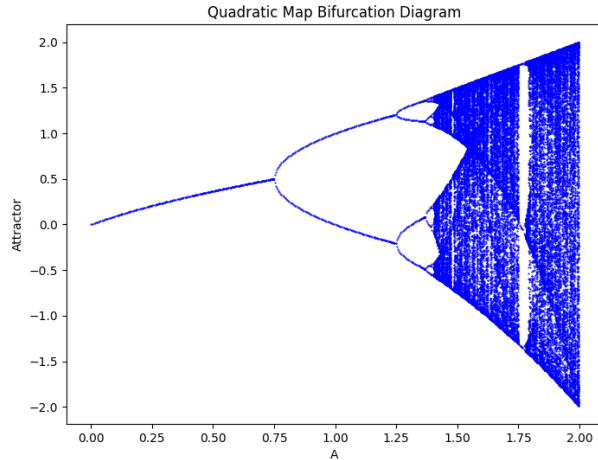
$$x_{n+1} = f(x_n) , \text{ where}$$

$$f(x) = A - x^2$$

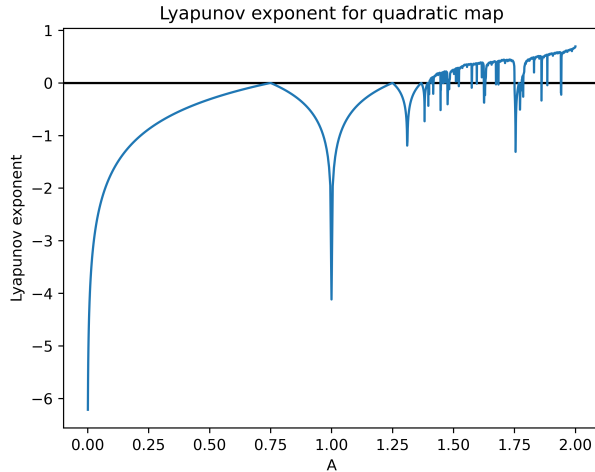
$$f'(x) = -2x$$



# Results: Bifurcation Diagram Plot



# Results: Lyapunov Exponent Plot



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