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Deterministic Chaos

The Art of Modeling Dynamic Systems A Classification Scheme for Dynamic Systems

Table 12-1. Summary of the Hierarchy of Dynamic Systems.

Туре	Constraints	Description
Zero	Absolute	Constant state '
1	Analytic integrals	Solvable dynamic system
П	Approximate analytic integrals	Amenable to perturbation theory
Ш	Quasi-deterministic; smooth but erratic trajectory	Chaotic dynamic system
IV	Rigorously defined only by averages over time or state space	Turbulent/stochastic

Table 12-2. A few examples of the types of dynamic systems.

Type	Examples	
Zero	Images, gravity models, structures	
I	Gear trains, 2-body problem, physical pendulum	
H	Satellite orbits, lunar and planetary theories	
III	Climatology, Lorenz equations, discrete logistic equation	
IV	Quantum mechanics, turbulent flow, statistical mechanics	

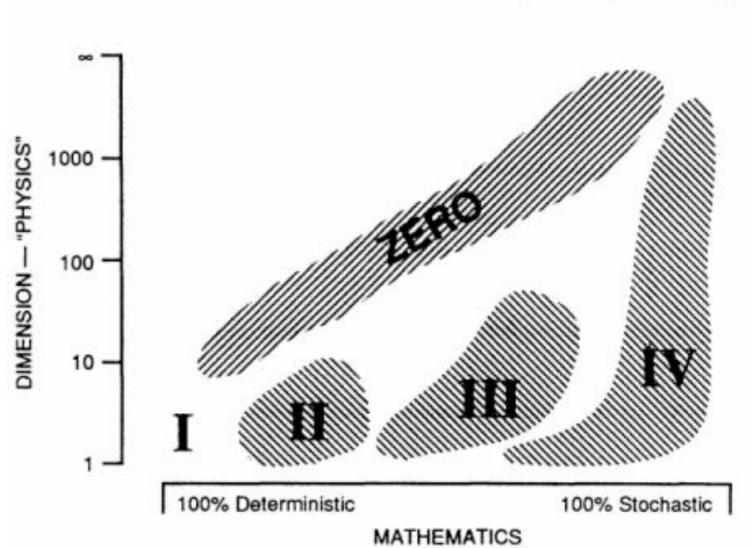


Figure 12-1. Schematic representation of the Hierarchy of Dynamic Systems.