# Symbolic dynamics of a driven time-delay system

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### Motivation

Ryan, Keane & Amann; Chaos 30, 023121 (2020)

- While time delay and periodic drive have both been heavily studied individually, the combination of the two features has received less attention.
- Such systems can be difficult to study analytically, and must be studied numerically.
- Goal: To study the combination of time delay and periodic drive in a system so simple it can be studied analytically.

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Ghil, Zaliapin & Thompson; Nonlin. Proc. Geophys, 15(3), 417-433, 2008.

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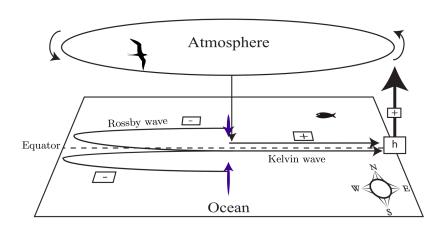
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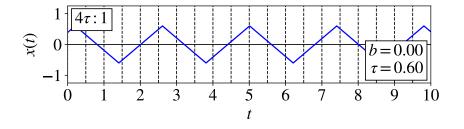
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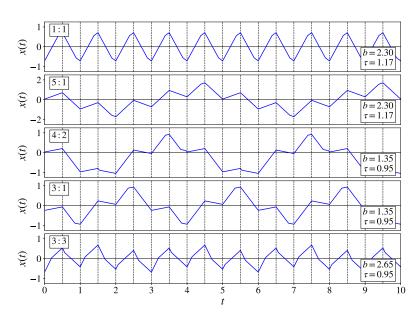
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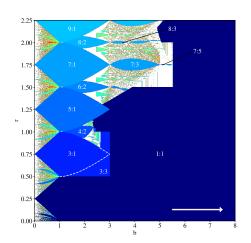
**P** : **R solution:** A solution with period P and R crossings from x < 0 to x > 0 per period.

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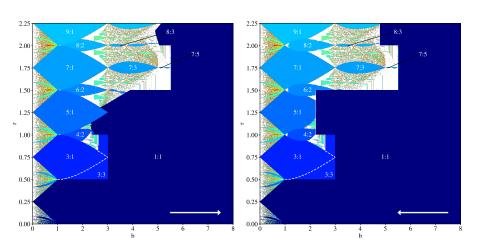
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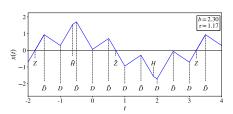
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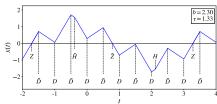
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Six distinct event symbols. A P:R solution has a sequence which repeats after 2P+4R events.

# Symbolic dynamics





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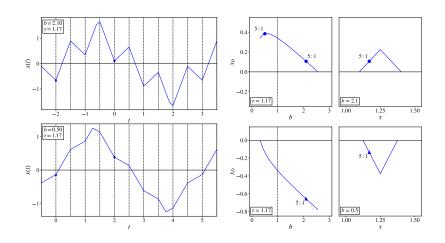
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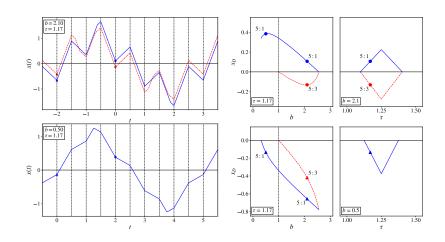
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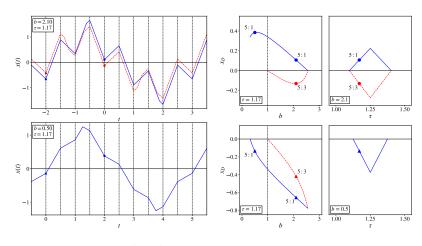
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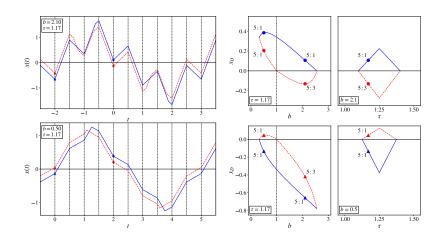
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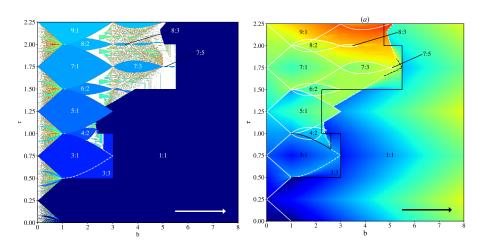
$$\mathbb{B}_{P}(x_{D}) = \begin{cases} -\left(\frac{b-1}{b+1}\right)x_{D} + \frac{2b}{b+1} - \frac{b+|P-4\tau|}{2} & x_{D} \ge 0\\ \left(\frac{4b}{b^{2}-1} - \frac{b-1}{b+1}\right)x_{D} + \frac{2b}{b+1} - \frac{b+|P-4\tau|}{2} & x_{D} < 0 \end{cases}$$



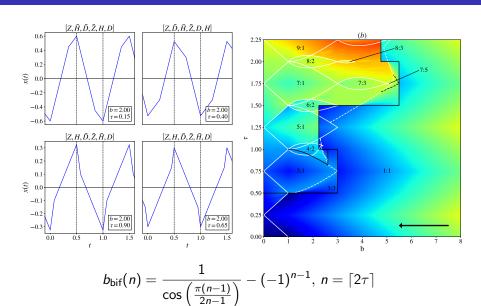
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# Bifurcation curves in the $(b, \tau)$ plane



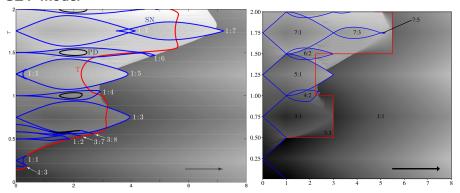
Solid white curves are BCSN bifurcations. Solid black curves are T and BCT bifurcations.



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