

Economic Dynamics and Complexity

Lecture 09: Discrete Dynamics and Chaos

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Continuous vs. discrete time

- **Continuous time:** Mathematical abstraction
 - Time step $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$, convenient math treatment
 - **Irreversibility:** The arrow of time (in one direction)
- **Discrete time:** In line with experience, measurements
 - Different units of Δt (hour, day,)
 - Smallest unit: Planck time $\approx 5 \times 10^{-44} \text{ s}$
- Δt required for **numerical calculations**
 - Introduce **discrete time**: $t_n = t_{n-1} + \Delta t = t_0 + n\Delta t$
 - Discretize dynamic equation: $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$, Euler Method

$$\mathbf{x}(t_0 + \Delta t) \approx \mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_0) \cdot \Delta t$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{n+1} = \mathbf{x}_n + \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_n) \cdot \Delta t$$
 - Correct value at time t_n : $\mathbf{x}(t_n)$, approximate value \mathbf{x}_n
 - Error $E := \|\mathbf{x}(t_n) - \mathbf{x}_n\|$: $E \propto (\Delta t)$

What is time?

"If no one asks me, I know what it is. If I wish to explain it to him who asks, I do not know."
Saint Augustine

- Improved Euler: $E \propto (\Delta t)^2$
- 4th-order Runge-Kutta: $E \propto (\Delta t)^4$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_{n+1} &= \mathbf{x}_n + 1/6(\mathbf{k}_1 + 2\mathbf{k}_2 + 2\mathbf{k}_3 + \mathbf{k}_4) \\ \mathbf{k}_1 &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_n)\Delta t \\ \mathbf{k}_2 &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_n + 1/2\mathbf{k}_1)\Delta t \\ \mathbf{k}_3 &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_n + 1/2\mathbf{k}_2)\Delta t \\ \mathbf{k}_4 &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_n + \mathbf{k}_3)\Delta t \end{aligned}$$

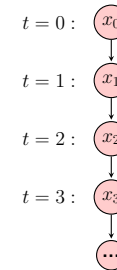
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Remark:

- Smaller time steps seem to be more accurate, but require more computation.
- Each computation involves a *round-off error*, that accumulates in a serious way, if Δt is too small!!

Discrete case: Long term solutions

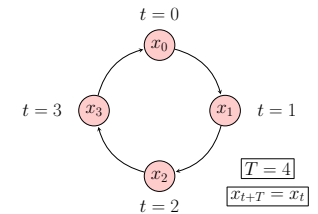
- Discrete time: $t = 0, t = 1, \dots, t = n$
 - Time steps of size $\Delta t = 1$
 - Discrete orbit $\mathcal{X}(t) = \{X(t)\} = X_t$: Set of all values X takes on over time t
- Discretization \rightarrow **New dynamical regimes**
 - Impacts **number/ stability** of stationary solutions
 - Fixed Points, $\mathcal{X} = \{\bar{X}\}$
 - $X_t = X_{t+\Delta t} = \bar{X}$ for all t
 - Periodic Orbits, e.g. $\mathcal{X} = \{X_0, X_1, X_2, X_3\}$
 - $X_t = X_{t+T}$ for all t , where T is the period
 - Solution encompasses a finite number of states



Fixed points:

$t = T$: 1 time step

Periodic orbits:



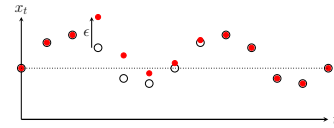
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- In the two cases above we are assuming that the starting point is in the particular orbit chosen, i.e. $X_0 \in \mathcal{X}$
- The problem: the periodic orbit can become very large. How can we still know that it is periodic, i.e. that the sequence of states will repeat some day?

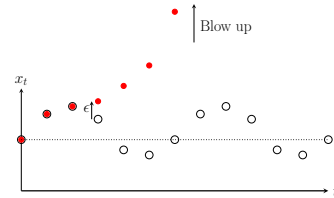
Discrete case: Stability

- **Stability** of fixed point or periodic orbit:
For small perturbations the new orbit stays 'close' to the original orbit
- Example: Small perturbation ε of a periodic orbit
 - Stability: Orbit is regained
 - Instability: Orbit is lost

Stable periodic orbit:



Unstable periodic orbit:



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Remember: Saturated growth

- **Logistic equation:** (Verhulst, 1838)
- **Size dependent growth factor:** $\alpha(x) = a - bx$
- b is assumed to be small
- **Continuous dynamics,** $x(t) > 0$

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = \alpha(x)x = ax - bx^2; \quad x(t \rightarrow \infty) = \frac{a}{b}$$

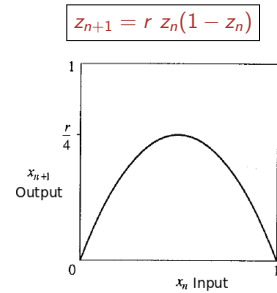
- **Discretization, transformation: Logistic map**

- $t \rightarrow n: x(t) \rightarrow x_n, x_n \rightarrow z_n$

$$\begin{aligned} x_{n+1} &= x_n + a x_n - b x_n^2 \\ z_{n+1} &= \frac{b}{1+a} x_{n+1} = \frac{b}{1+a} [(1+a)x_n - b x_n^2] \end{aligned}$$

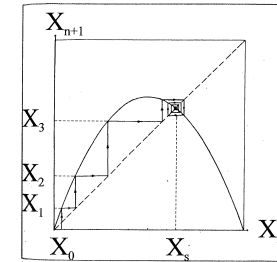
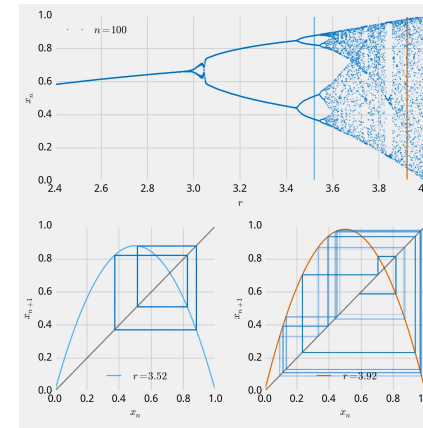
$$z_{n+1} = r z_n (1 - z_n); \quad (r = 1 + a)$$

- **Discrete dynamics:** $0 \leq z_n \leq 1$



- Control parameter $r > 0$
- Initial condition: $0 < z_0 < 1$

Iterating the logistic map



- z_n is now called: x_n
- **Role of r**
 - Scales the time step: $r \propto \Delta t$
 - Determines the max of the parabola
 - if $0 \leq x_n \leq 1$, then $0 \leq r \leq 4$

Notes:

- The logistic equation was rediscovered by R. Pearl in 1920 and by A. Lotka in 1925.

Notes:

- Understand that the role of the diagonal in the recurrence plot is to map back x_{n+1} on the x_n axis, to become the starting point for the next iteration.
- Can x_0 be zero? Explain!
- The video shows the iterated x values for 2 different r values ($r = 3.52$ and $r = 3.92$). For $r = 3.52$, x settles and oscillate between 2 values, where as for $r = 3.92$, the x value is chaotic, with no observable pattern.

Role of control parameter r

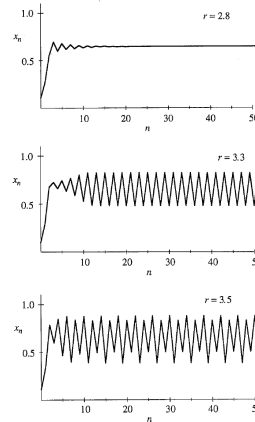
$0 < r < 1$: $x^{stat} \rightarrow 0$ (recall: $r = a + 1$, i.e. $a < 0$)

$1 < r < 3$: $x^{stat} = 1 - (1/r) \Rightarrow$ **stationary regime**

- Because $x_{n+1} = x_n \Rightarrow 1 = r(1 - x)$
- Remember: $x = a/b$ is the same as $x = 1 - (1/r)$

$3 < r < 4$: **Oscillations** \rightarrow period doubling

- $r = 3.3$: 2 solutions (period-2 cycle, stable)
- $r = 3.5$: 4 solutions (period-4 cycle, stable)
- period-doublings: 8, 16, 32, ... as r increases



Period doubling

► r_n : value of r where a 2^n -cycle first appears

$r_1 = 3$	period 2 is born
$r_2 = 3.449$	4
$r_3 = 3.544$	8
\vdots	
$r_\infty = 3.569$	∞

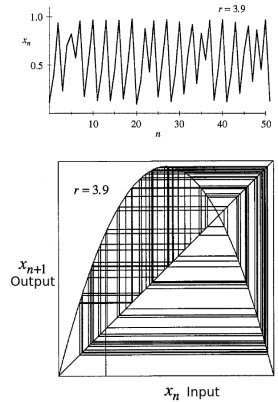
► Sequence of r_n converges to $r_\infty = 3.56994$

► Universal Feigenbaum constant

$$F = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r_{n+1} - r_n}{r_{n+2} - r_{n+1}} = 4.6692$$

► Scaling of r_n : $r_n \approx r_\infty - cF^{-n}$; $c = 2.632$

Chaos at r_∞ : Sequence of $\{x_n\}$ never settles down to a fixed point or a periodic orbit



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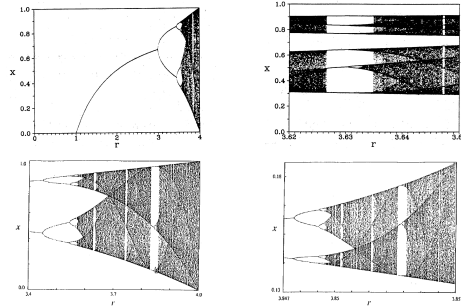
- Pictures: Strogatz (2000), p. 354
- Important note: for the continuous time dynamics, there is ONLY the solution $x = a/b$, i.e. $x = 1 - (1/r)$. But for the discrete dynamics, for larger r solutions are found that do not exist for the continuous time dynamics.
- This becomes clear if you think of r as the scaling parameter of the time step. For large enough r , the "integration" with large time steps becomes numerically unstable.
- Remember that $r = 1 + a$. For a "realistic" growth system we would expect r to be not much bigger than 1. Referring back to the model of saturated growth, you can see why a large r (and thus a large a) would lead to instability: With a large a , the growth rate $\alpha(x)$ becomes large for small x , and small for large x (remember: $\alpha = a - bx$). The system grows a lot in one timestep, and then decreases a lot in the next, possibly never becoming stable.

Notes:

- Strogatz (2000), pp. 355, 356
- Chaos means here that the sequence of x to be followed becomes infinitely long. Does it also mean that all x between 0 and 1 are involved? Obviously not. You can get an infinite number of points also in a finite domain (recall the meaning of irrational numbers)

Orbit Diagrams: “Chaos” with “windows”

- ▶ $r_\infty = 3.569$: 1st appearance of chaos → attractor changes from finite to infinite set of points
- ▶ $r_\infty \leq r \leq 4$: **Mixture of order and chaos**
 - ▶ Windows appear periodically
 - ▶ **Example**: large window near $r \sim 3.83$ with stable period-3 cycle
 - ▶ **Self-similarity**: pattern repeats at different scales
- ▶ $r = 4$: fully developed chaos



SS09: Logistic Map Exploration in Python

- ▶ Exploring the Logistic Map with Python.
- ▶ **Learning Objectives:**
 - ▶ Contrast the dynamics of the logistic equation in continuous time with the logistic map in discrete time.
 - ▶ Examine the effects of the control parameter on the behavior of the logistic map.
 - ▶ Use a Cobweb diagram to visualize and understand the behavior of the Logistic map.
 - ▶ Study the progression to chaos through period-doubling.
 - ▶ Construct and analyze the bifurcation diagram.

Notes:

- R. Mahnke, *Nichtlineare Physik in Aufgaben*, Stuttgart: Teubner, 1994, pp. 169, 171
- Sometimes also called the “bifurcation diagram”.
- The vertical axis of the diagram shows the possible values x_n can take after many iterations. The role of r is clearly visible in this diagram: For $r < 1$, x_n will always approach zero for large n . For $1 < r < 3$ there is only one possible value for x_n , at the stable point. For $r > 3$ the number of possible values grows, and for $r \rightarrow 4$, x_n can take on any value, if n is large enough.
- The right figure shows the “windows”, where there is a finite amount of possible values for x_n .

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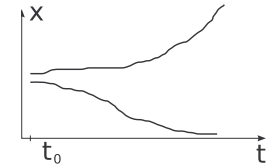
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Chaos: A working definition

- ▶ *On one hand:* **Deterministic** dynamics
 - ▶ initial condition x_0 fixed, coupling constant r fixed
 - ▶ each step determined: $x_n \rightarrow x_{n+1}$
- ▶ *On the other hand:* Long-term **forecast impossible** x_n ($n \rightarrow \infty$)
 - ▶ Reason: **Exponential divergence** of trajectories
 - ▶ Transition: **Order** \rightarrow **Chaos** (dependent on r)



- ▶ **Chaos:** **Aperiodic long-term behaviour** in a **deterministic** system that exhibits **sensitive dependence** on initial conditions.

- 1 **aperiodic long term behavior:** Trajectories which do *not* settle down to fixed points, periodic orbits or quasiperiodic orbits as $t \rightarrow \infty$.
- 2 **deterministic:** System has no random or noisy inputs or parameters
 \Rightarrow irregular behavior arises from the system's nonlinearity
- 3 **sensitivity to initial conditions:** Nearby trajectories separate *exponentially fast* \Rightarrow system has a *positive Liapunov exponent* λ

Notes:

- Quasiperiodic Orbit: The type of motion executed by a dynamical system containing two incommensurate frequencies.
- The system $\dot{x} = x$ is deterministic and shows exponential divergence of nearby trajectories. Should we call this system chaotic?
 - Answer: No. Trajectories are repelled to infinity and never return. So infinity acts like an attracting *fixed point*.
- *Chaotic* behavior should be *aperiodic* \Rightarrow excludes fixed points as well as periodic behavior. (Strogatz, 2000, p. 324)

Calculating the Liapunov Exponent

- Consider initial condition x_0 and a nearby point $x_0 + \delta_0$
- Distance δ_n between trajectories after n iterations:

$$x_{n+1} = f(x_n) \rightarrow x_{n+1} + \delta_{n+1} = f(x_n + \delta_n)$$

$$\frac{\delta_{n+1}}{\delta_n} = \frac{f(x_n + \delta_n) - f(x_n)}{\delta_n} = f'(x_n)$$

- Calculate distance $|\delta_n| = |\delta_0|e^{n\lambda}$

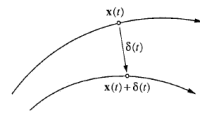
$$\frac{\delta_n}{\delta_0} = \frac{\delta_n}{\delta_{n-1}} \cdot \frac{\delta_{n-1}}{\delta_{n-2}} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{\delta_1}{\delta_0}$$

$$\ln \left| \frac{\delta_n}{\delta_0} \right| = \ln \left| \frac{\delta_n}{\delta_{n-1}} \right| + \ln \left| \frac{\delta_{n-1}}{\delta_{n-2}} \right| + \dots + \ln \left| \frac{\delta_1}{\delta_0} \right| = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \ln |f'(x_i)|$$

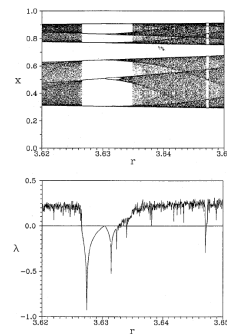
- Liapunov exponent λ for $\delta_0 \rightarrow 0$:

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{n} \ln \left| \frac{\delta_n}{\delta_0} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \ln |f'(x_i)|$$

- $\lambda > 0$: necessary but not sufficient for chaos



Example: Logistic map



Example: Tent map

- Piecewise linear function:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} rx & 0 \leq x \leq 0.5 \\ r - rx & 0.5 < x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

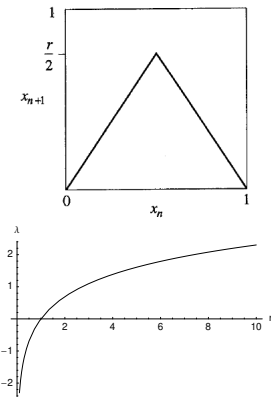
- Tent map $x_{n+1} = f(x_n)$:

- Chaotic behavior for $r > 1$, i.e. $\ln(r) > 0$
- Calculation of Lyapunov exponent: Since for all x : $f'(x) = \pm r$

$$\lambda = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \ln |f'(x_i)|$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \ln r = \ln(r)$$

- Control parameter $r = 1$ determines transition to chaos



Notes:

- A positive maximal Liapunov exponent is usually taken as an *indication* that the system is chaotic. But note that this describes a necessary, but not a sufficient condition. Remember that other conditions have to be met, as well.
- Top Figure: Strogatz, p. 321, Bottom Figure: Mahnke (1994), p. 171

Exponential divergence of trajectories:

Question: If x is bound to values between 0 and 1, the maximum difference δ_n can be not larger than 1. But shouldn't exponential divergence imply that it becomes infinity?

Answer: We are considering the divergence of trajectories starting from two *very* close x_0 , e.g. 0.5 and 0.50000001. So, $\delta_0 = 10^{-8}$. Hence, for a typical λ of 0.1, it would take $n \geq 180$ iterations, before $\delta_n \rightarrow 1$, which is quite close to $n \rightarrow \infty$. If you want larger n , just choose δ_0 much smaller!

After all, what matters is according to what rule δ_n grows over time, and this is indeed *exponentially* (independent of whether it can reach infinity).

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Example: Logistic map

► **Fixed points:** $x_{n+1} = x_n \rightarrow x = rx(1-x)$
 $rx^2 + x(1-r) = 0 \rightarrow x_1^* = 0; \quad x_2^* = 1 - \frac{1}{r}$

► 1st derivative: $\lambda = \ln |f'(x)| = \ln |r(1-2x)|$
 $\lambda_1 = \ln r; \quad \lambda_2 = \ln |2-r|$

► Stability analysis \rightarrow **bifurcations:** $r_1^{cr} = 1, \quad r_2^{cr} = 3$

► **Periodic orbits!** 2-cycle $\rightarrow x = f(f(x)) \equiv f^2(x)$

$$x = r^2 x(1-x)[1-rx(1-x)]$$

► 4 Solutions: $x_1^* = 0, \quad x_2^* = 1 - (1/r)$

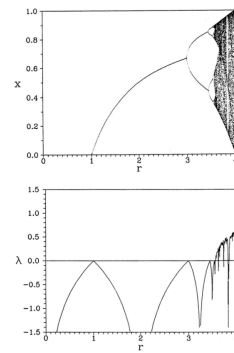
$$x_{3,4} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{r} \right) \pm \frac{1}{2r} \sqrt{r^2 - 2r - 3}$$

► Stability for $3 < r < 3.449$

$$-1 < f'(x_1^*)f'(x_2^*) < 1$$

$$-1 < 4 + 2r - r^2 < 1$$

Dynamics: $x_{n+1} = rx_n(1-x_n)$



Deterministic chaos: Unpredictable dynamics, but exactly solvable

► **Chaotic regime:** $r = 4 \rightarrow x_{n+1} = 4x_n(1-x_n)$

► Variable transformation: $x_n = \frac{1}{2} [1 - \cos(2\pi y_n)]$

► Recursive equation:

$$\frac{1}{2} [1 - \cos(2\pi y_{n+1})] = \frac{1}{2} [1 - \cos(4\pi y_n)]$$

► Result: $y_{n+1} = 2y_n \mod 1 = 2^n y_0 \mod 1$

► **Closed-form solution** dependent on initial condition

$$x_n = \sin^2(2^n \arcsin \sqrt{x_0})$$

► **rational** $x_0 < 1 \rightarrow$ fixed points, periodic cycles

e.g. $x_0 = 1/5 \rightarrow x = (5 \pm \sqrt{5})/8$ (period-2 cycle)

► **irrational** $x_0 \rightarrow$ chaos, Application: stability of planetary system

Notes:

- Source: Mahnke (1994)
- Remember that chaos does not mean that all x between 0 and 1 have to be involved. The Lyapunov exponent shows that chaos also exist in a finite subset of possible x .

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- Mahnke (1994), p. 176

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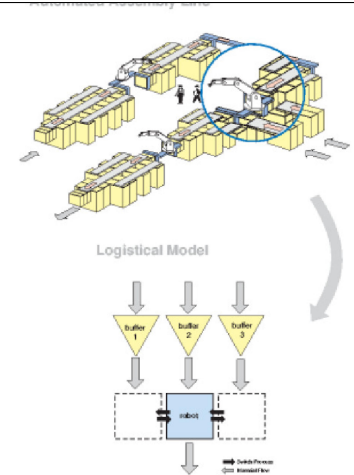
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Chaos in manufacturing systems



► Example: car assembly line

- focus on parallel buffers (tanks) with limited capacity
 - dynamic system: influx/outflux for each buffer
 - optimal strategy: prevent *overflowing* or *vacancies*
- what is the optimal schedule for filling/emptying buffers?

Notes:

- A system without irregularities can behave chaotically. Here we consider manufacturing systems without any irregularities, such as breakdown of parts or irregular influx/outflux.

Server and arrival systems

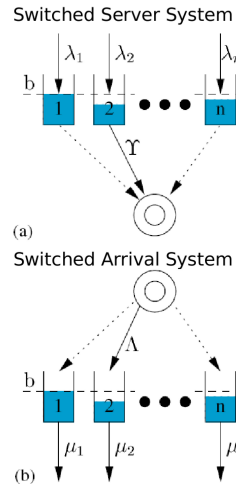
- Model with $i = 1, \dots, N$ parallel buffers, and one server
 - buffer content x_i , maximum capacities $b_i \equiv b$
 - **Scheduling task:** NO buffer should be empty $x_i \leq 0$ or full $x_i \geq b$

(a) Switched Server System:

- server has to **empty** all buffers with rate Υ
- buffers are filled continuously with rates λ_i

(b) Switched Arrival System:

- server has to **fill** all buffers with rate Λ
- buffers are emptied continuously with rates μ_i



Modeling the server system

1 System dynamics implies conservation of mass

$$\text{inflow rate } \sum_{m=1}^N \lambda_m = 1 = \text{outflow rate } \Upsilon$$

$$\sum \frac{dx_i}{dt} = \text{inflow}(t) - \text{outflow}(t) = 0$$

2 Dynamics of buffer x_i for $t \leq s \leq t + \tau$:

- Server switches at time t and again at time $t + \tau$
- $q(t) = j$: position of server at time t

$$x_i(s) = \begin{cases} x_i(t) + \lambda_i \cdot (s - t) & \text{if } i \neq j \\ x_i(t) - (\Upsilon - \lambda_i) \cdot (s - t) & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$

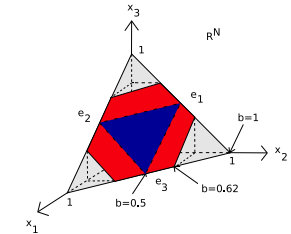
3 Switching rules:

- Buffer x_i is full: Server instantaneously switches to i
- If i is empty, server switches to the next buffer

- Each buffer can only be filled up to $b \leq C$: $x_i(t) \leq b, \forall i$
- Total content is constant:

$$x_1(t) + x_2(t) + x_3(t) = C = 1$$

- Feasible region: Hexagon Simplex of (C, C, C)



Notes:

- What is a **rate**? It is some quantity *per time unit*, i.e. it is a flow variable (either inflow or outflow).
- It is also possible to model systems with different buffer sizes per tank, i.e. b_i instead of just b .

■ K. Peters, J.Worbs, U. Parlitz, and H.P. Wiendahl.
Manufacturing Systems with Restricted Buffer Sizes.
Nonlinear Dynamics of Production Systems, 2004.

■ Peters, K. and Parlitz, U.
Hybrid systems forming strange billiards
International Journal of Bifurcation and Chaos, 2003
volume 19, number 9, pages 2575-2588

Notes:

- Note: the server is at position j
- all buffers $i \neq j$ just fill automatically at their individual rates λ_i for the time interval $s - t$
- the one buffer with the server also fills automatically at rate λ_i , but gets emptied at the same time at rate $\Upsilon = 1$, hence $(\Upsilon - \lambda_i) \times [s - t]$, or $(1 - \lambda_i) \times [s - t]$
- the next buffer that becomes full $b = x_i$ is the one that will be served. This cannot be j because the server is already at position j .
- for a system with three buffers (buffers), the state space corresponds to a plane in 3 dimensional space
- the state space is constrained to this plane because the total content within all three buffers must remain constant (inflow = outflow)
- because buffers cannot have a negative content, this further restricts the state space to the strictly positive portion of the plane
- the control parameter, b , also imposes a constraint on the state space, by defining the maximum possible values of the state
- the hexagon forms because when a buffer x_1 is empty there can be multiple possible states of the other two buffers such that

$$x_2 + x_3 = C \ \& \ x_2 \leq b \ \& \ x_3 \leq b$$

- See also: Chase et al (1993)

State progression for the switched server system

- Dynamics with $\Upsilon = 1$:

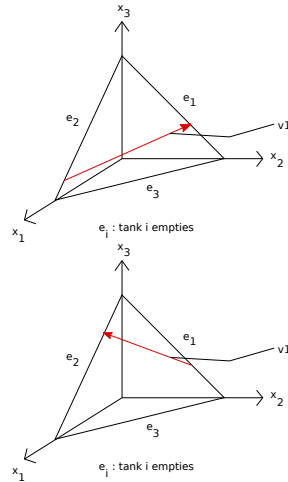
$$\dot{x}_i = \begin{cases} \lambda_i - 1, & \text{if } i = q \text{ (location of server)} \\ \lambda_i, & \text{if } i \neq q \end{cases}$$

- **Example** $i = 1$: $\lambda_1 = 0.1$, $\lambda_2 = 0.5$, $\lambda_3 = 0.4$

- Dynamics $\dot{x} = [-0.9, 0.5, 0.4]^T \rightarrow x_1$: emptied, x_2 and x_3 filled
- Continues until x_1 becomes empty, or x_2 or x_3 become full

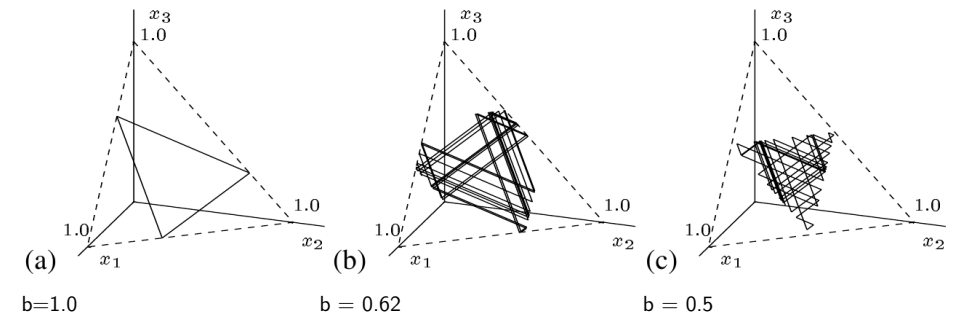
- **Example** $j = 2$: Dynamics now $\dot{x} = [0.1, -0.5, 0.4]^T$

- q changes from $i = 1$ to $j = 2$ (depending on initial conditions, also change to $j = 3$ possible)
- Server now empties buffer $j = 2$ at the rate $\dot{x}_2 = \lambda_2 - 1$.



Occurrence of chaos dependent on b

- System dynamics reveals the structure of a strange (chaotic) billiard
 - Current state moves uniformly and linearly inside the bounded region and gets reflected at the boundary.
 - Chaos becomes apparent as the buffer size, b , becomes too small



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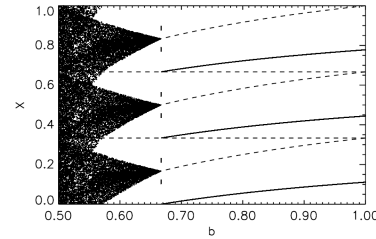
- The red line ($v1$) shows the direction in which the volumes of the buffers are being modified.
- Example: the server switches from buffer 1 to buffer 2. Therefore all the red lines move toward the boundary marked between x_1 and x_3 .
- Precisely, the values of x_2 become smaller (thanks to the server), while all other values (x_3 , x_1) can only increase (thanks to λ_3 , λ_1).
- If $x_2 = 0$, the server has to move again. Whether it moves to buffer 1 or 3 depends on the initial condition.

Notes:

- The figures highlight the fact that with smaller b the server switches more often as one buffer is filled before the one that is served has been emptied
- This is reflected by the increasing number of switching points in the interior of the triangle (along the perimeter of the hexagon described)

Bifurcation Diagram

- ▶ Switched server system with 3 buffers where $\lambda_1 = 1/3$, $\lambda_2 = 1/3$, $\lambda_3 = 1/3$
- ▶ For $b < \frac{2}{3}$ chaotic behaviour occurs with period doubling scenario



- ▶ **Chaotic regime:** dynamics of buffer contents is **not predictable** in the long run
 - ▶ Server switching times cannot be planned → inefficiency in the production process
- ▶ Chaos can be **mitigated** or avoided:
 - ▶ Increase buffer capacity b (may be costly)
 - ▶ Modify the filling rates λ_i .
 - ▶ Chaos control methods (e.g. OGY): Chaos → breaks down and becomes periodic motion

Outline

Discrete time

Logistic map

Deterministic chaos

Chaos in manufacturing systems

Chaos in time-continuous systems

Notes:

- We do not aim to understand the complex bifurcation diagram completely
- Meaning of parameter X : Normalized 1-dimensional representation of 3-dimensional simplex
- Again, note how the system enters chaotic regime as the buffer capacity, b , becomes too small
- Since all λ_i have the same value, bifurcation diagram is symmetric
- Penetration of straight dashed lines corresponds to a reflection point at a boundary in the simplex.
- OGY-technique: see Fritz Colonius, Lars Grüne: Dynamics Bifurcations and Control, Springer 2002.
 - The disadvantage of having chaos in the system is the difficulty of prediction. However chaos is not inherently bad.
 - In the case of $b = 0.5$, the system is too close to breakdown, any disturbance that pushes b to be less than 0.5 will collapse the system
 - In the case of $b = 0.62$, as long as the hardware and software can handle frequent switching, it is acceptable.

Notes:

Is there chaos in the system?

1 Discrete dynamical systems: Possible in any dimension

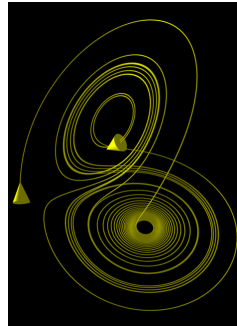
- ▶ Discretize simple continuous dynamics (e.g. population growth)
- ▶ Chaos obtained only in a subset of the parameter space

2 Continuous dynamical systems: 3 or more dimensions

- ▶ Example: **Lorenz equations** (1963) ("butterfly effect")
 - ▶ Developed for weather forecast → convection rolls in the atmosphere
 - ▶ also holds for laser, dynamos, waterwheel, ...

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= \sigma(y - x) \\ \dot{y} &= x(\rho - z) - y \\ \dot{z} &= xy - \beta z\end{aligned}$$

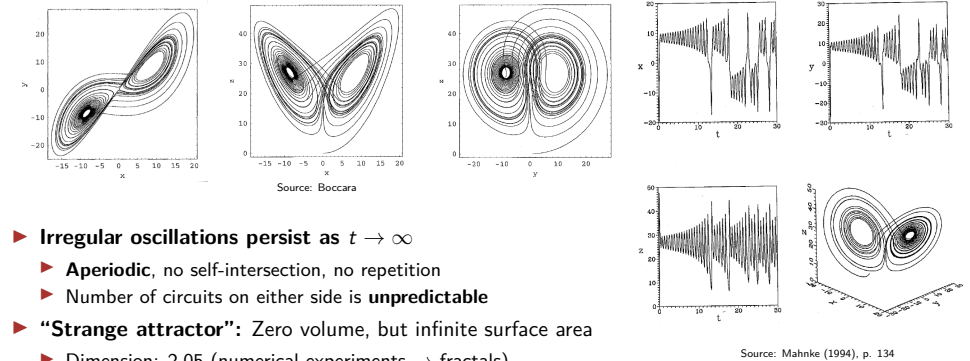
- ▶ 1. **Nonlinearity**: quadratic terms xy and xz
- ▶ 2. **Symmetry**: Same equations if $(x, y) \rightarrow (-x, -y)$
- ▶ **Chaotic attractors** also occur in real, continuous systems!



Notes:

- If you want to know if there is chaos in the system, keep in mind the **3 point working definition**.
- From Wikipedia: The term butterfly effect is related to the work of Lorenz, who in a 1963 paper for the New York Academy of Sciences noted that "One meteorologist remarked that if the theory were correct, one flap of a seagull's wings could change the course of weather forever." Later speeches and papers by Lorenz used the more poetic butterfly. According to Lorenz, upon failing to provide a title for a talk he was to present at the 139th meeting of the AAAS in 1972, Philip Merilees concocted Does the flap of a butterfly's wings in Brazil set off a tornado in Texas? as a title.
- **Chaotic waterwheel**: Mechanical model of Lorenz equations invented at MIT in 1970s (for construction see: Strogatz, 2000, p 302)

Chaotic dynamics in continuous time



- ▶ **Irregular oscillations persist as $t \rightarrow \infty$**
 - ▶ **Aperiodic**, no self-intersection, no repetition
 - ▶ Number of circuits on either side is **unpredictable**
- ▶ **"Strange attractor"**: Zero volume, but infinite surface area
 - ▶ Dimension: 2.05 (numerical experiments → fractals)

Notes:

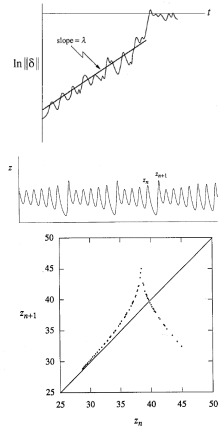
- (right) Source: Mahnke (1994), p. 134
- Note: the term *strange attractor* was coined by Ruelle and Takens (1971).
- (left) Source: Boccara, pp. 174/175
- Trajectory appears to cross itself repeatedly → artefact of projecting 3-dim trajectory into 2-dim plane

Liapunov exponent for the Lorenz model

- ▶ Motion **on** the attractor **after** transients decayed
 - ▶ very sensitive dependence on initial conditions
 - ▶ two close trajectories rapidly diverge from each other

$$\mathbf{x}(t) + \delta(t) \rightarrow \|\delta(t)\| \sim \|\delta_0\| e^{\lambda t}$$

- ▶ Numerical studies of the Lorenz attractor: $\lambda = 0.9$
- ▶ **Lorenz Map:** Trick to extract order from chaos
 - ▶ Lorenz' procedure: Numerical integration of $\dot{z} = xy - bz$
 - ▶ Plot maxima of $z(t)$: z_{n+1} vs $z_n \rightarrow$ **chaotic time series**
 - ▶ Lorenz map: $z_{n+1} = f(z_n)$ with $|f'(z)| > 1|$



Questions

- 1 What are periodic orbits? Why do they appear in discrete dynamics?
- 2 Derive the logistic map equation from the saturated growth dynamics.
- 3 Explain the logistic map and its control parameter. What is the meaning of a period-doubling scenario?
- 4 What is meant by deterministic chaos and how does it arise?
- 5 What is the Liapunov exponent and how can it be calculated?
- 6 What is the difference between the switched server system and the switched arrival system?
- 7 Explain the role of the maximum capacity, b , for the dynamics. What is the meaning of “chaos” in such a production system?
- 8 Is chaos an artefact or a real world phenomenon? Does it occur in continuous time dynamics?

Notes:

- Strogatz (2000), p.321
- Note (1): the curve $\ln \|\delta\|$ vs. t is never a straight line, as the strength of the exponential divergence varies along the attractor.
- Note (2): Exponential divergence must stop when the separation is comparable to the “diameter” of the attractor \Rightarrow “saturation effect”

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