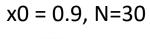
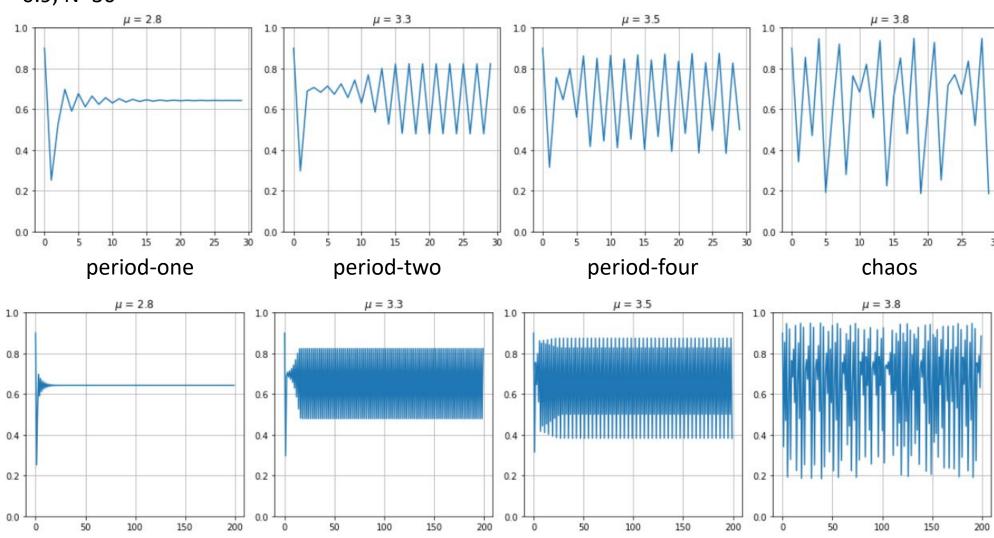


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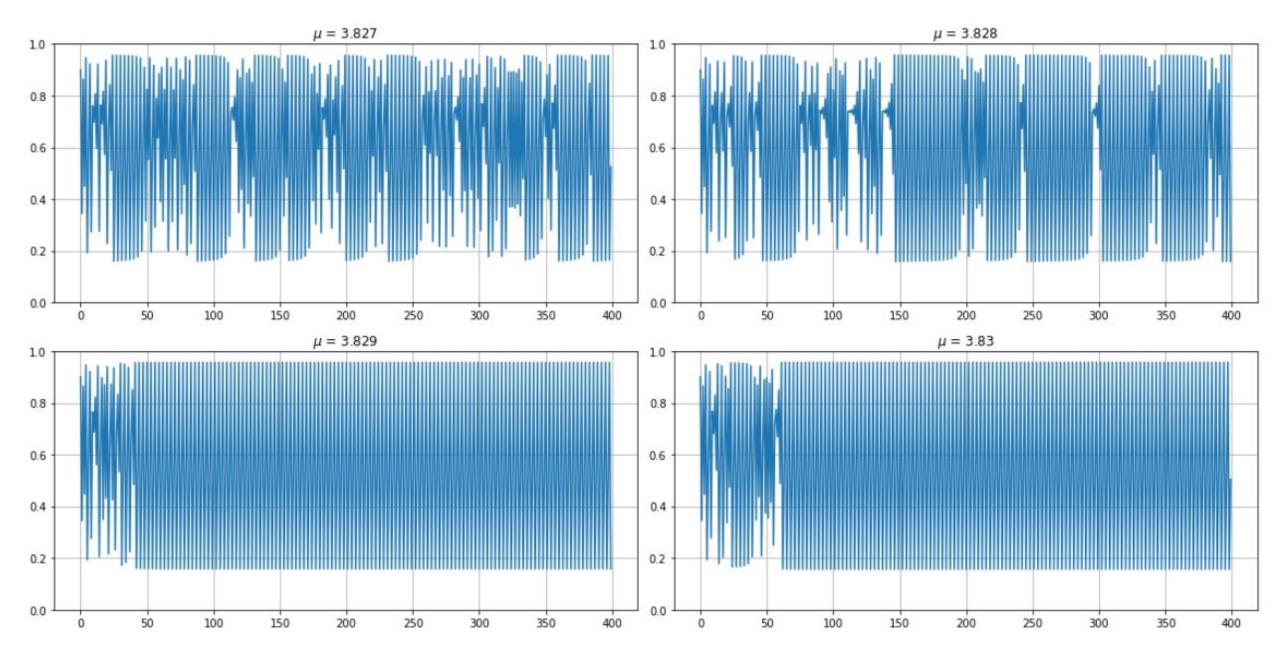
$$f(x) = \mu x(1-x), \qquad x_{i+1} = f(x_i)$$



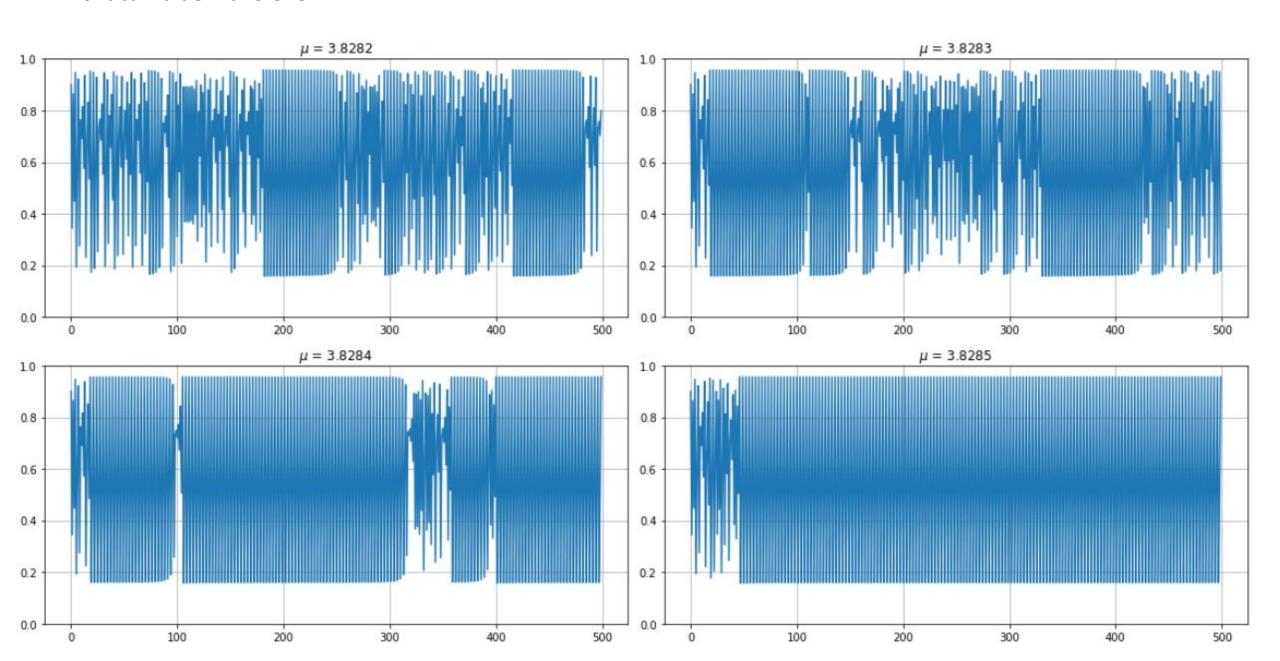


$$x0 = 0.9, N=200$$

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# Bifurcation Diagram

Visualize dependence on  $\mu$ . The algorithm is:

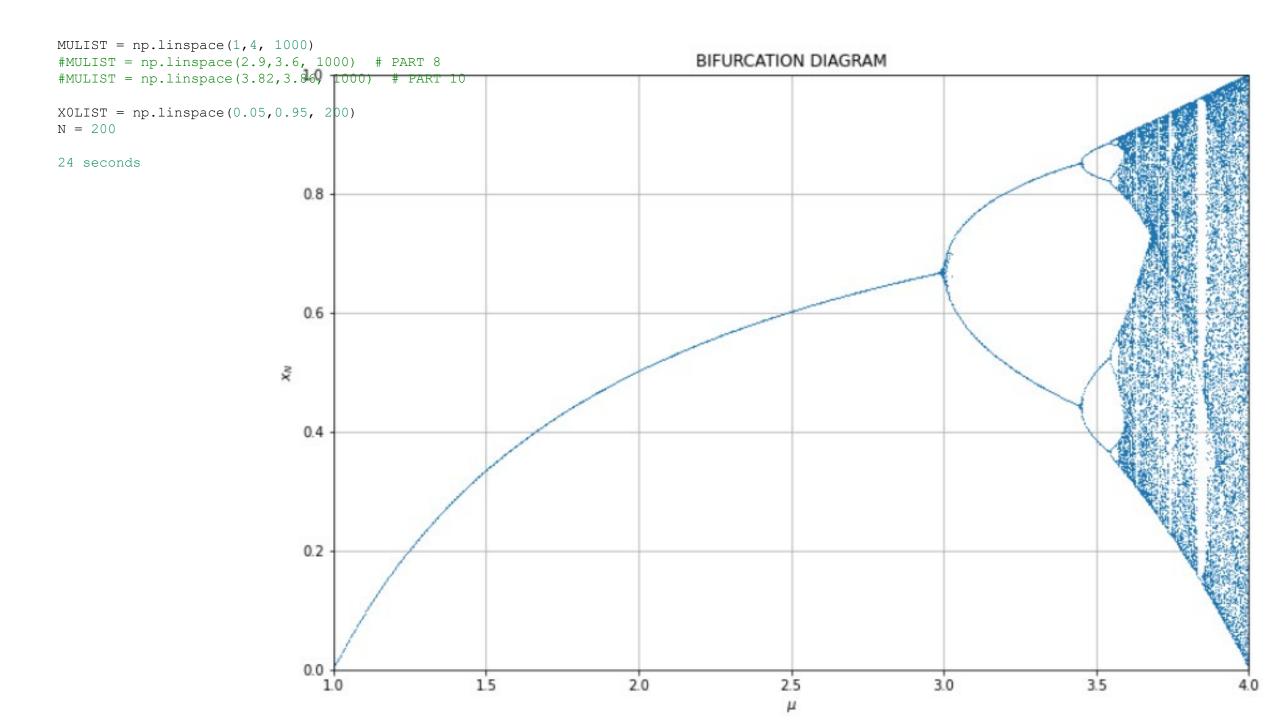
For each  $\mu$  value:

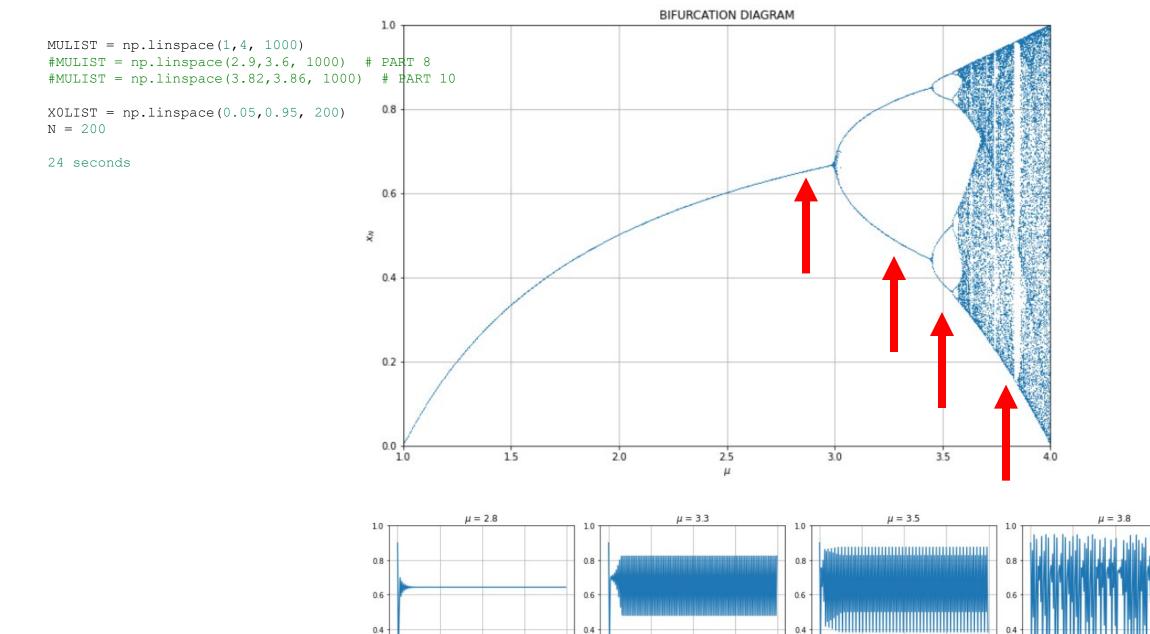
- choose  $x_0$
- ullet run N generations
- ullet plot only the last value  $x_N$
- ullet repeat for many  $x_0$  values

Systemically do this for many  $\mu$ 's and you get a diagram that shows where system is periodic or chaotic.

### Features to notice:

- ullet period doubling how a small change in  $\mu$  causes number of outcomes to double
- onset of chaos when period doubles infinitely fast
- fractals from self-similar behavior!

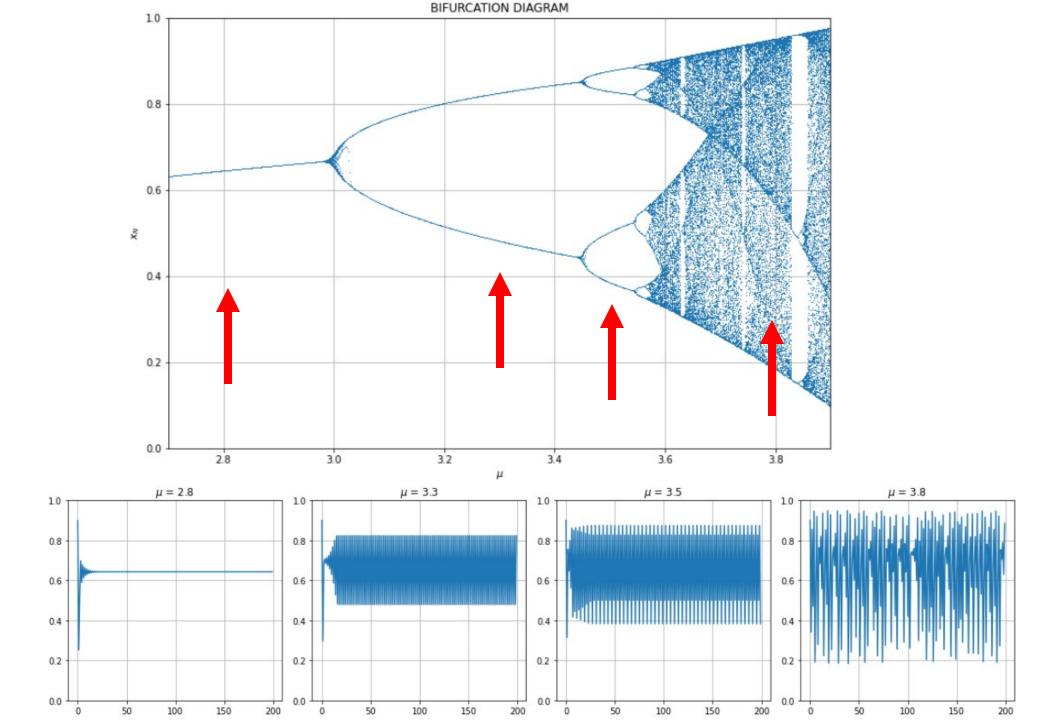


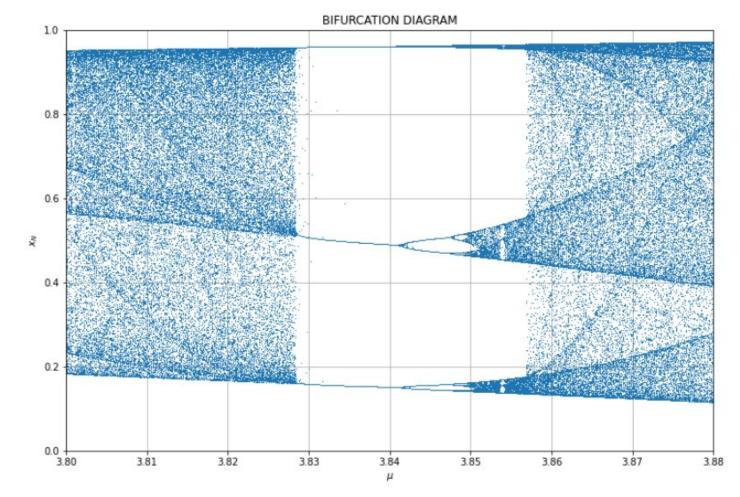


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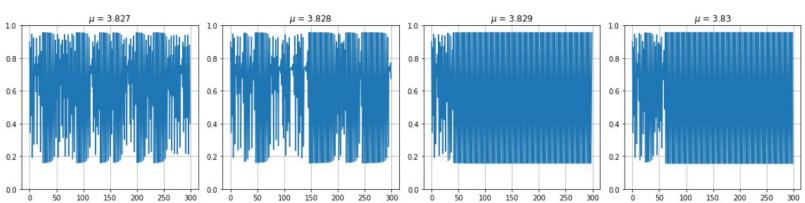
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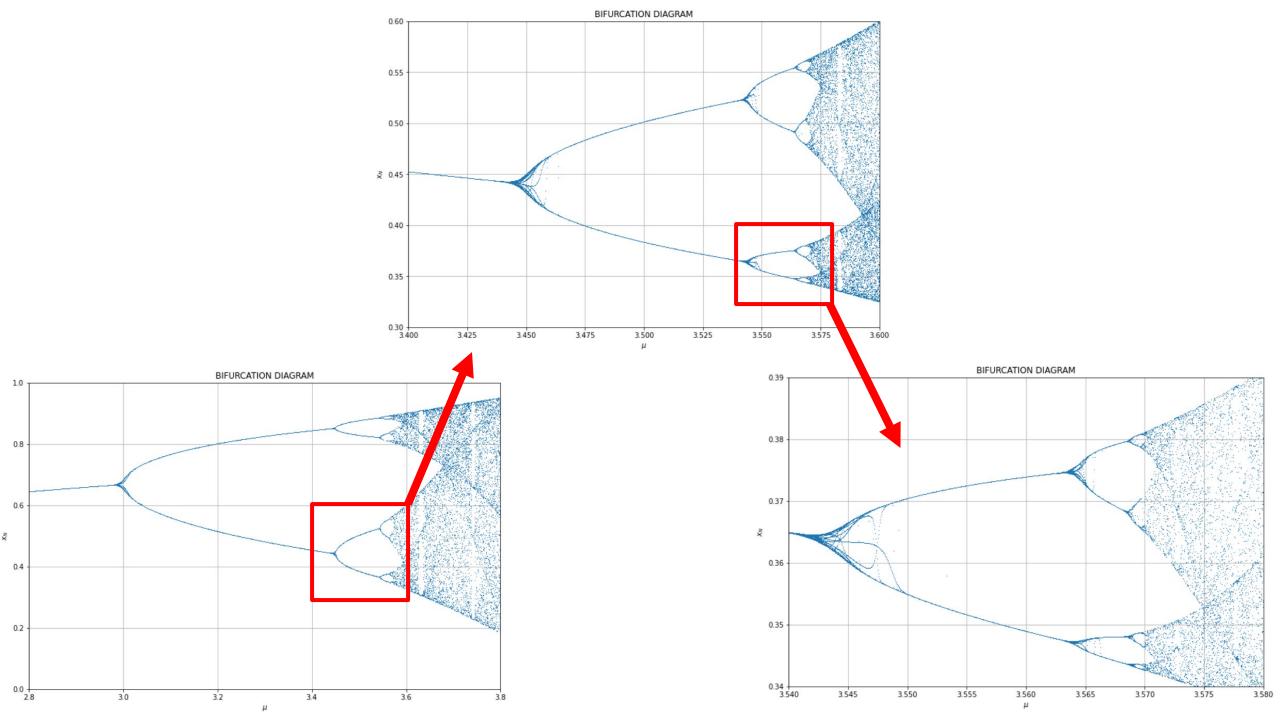
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# Things to Know

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