

- This problem set is due by 5pm on Friday Oct 23rd. Upload your written work and screenshots of your Mathematica work to Gradescope. Upload your Mathematica file to Canvas.
- Fill out the online cover sheet (on Canvas) for each assignment to name your collaborators, list resources you used, and estimate the time you spent on the assignment.

**Academic Integrity and Collaboration on Problem Sets:**

Collaborating with classmates in planning and designing solutions to homework problems is encouraged. Collaboration, cooperation, and consultation can all be productive. Work with others by

- discussing the problem,
- brainstorming,
- walking through possible strategies,
- outlining solution methods

For problem sets, you may consult or use:

- Course text (including answers in back)
- Other books
- Internet
- Your notes (taken during class)
- Class notes of other students
- Course handouts
- Piazza or Slack posts from the course staff
- Computational tools such as Mathematica or Desmos
- Calculators

You may **not** consult:

- Solution manuals
- Problem sets from prior years
- Solutions to problem sets from prior years
- Other sources of solutions
- Emails from the course staff

You may:

- Look at communal work while writing up your own solution
- Copy computer code from the source files provided with the problem sets
- Look at a screenshare of another student's computer code

You may **not**

- Look at the individual mathematical work of others
- Post about problems online
- Copy and paste computer code from another student (or otherwise directly use the code of another student)

[link to book on Hollis](#)

1. (8.6.9)

We are exploring a model of tree frogs. We want the model to explain experimental results that are observed with two tree frogs and with three tree frogs.

- (a) With two tree frogs, the observation is that they alternate their croak rhythms to croak a half-cycle apart. This is called *antiphase synchronization*.

Assume the frogs have identical natural frequencies and the same response function to hearing other frogs.

A model of the interaction is

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\theta}_1 &= \omega + H(\theta_2 - \theta_1) \\ \dot{\theta}_2 &= \omega + H(\theta_1 - \theta_2),\end{aligned}$$

where  $H$  is the coupling function. Assume it is odd, smooth, and  $2\pi$ -periodic.

Rewrite this system in terms of the phase difference  $\phi = \theta_1 - \theta_2$ .

Recall that an odd function is a function where  $f(-x) = -f(x)$ .

- (b) Identify the values of  $\phi$  that should be associated with stable fixed points for the model to be consistent with the experimental results. *Provide your (brief) reasoning.*
- (c) Show that the experimental results for two frogs are consistent with the simple interaction function  $H(x) = a \sin x$ , if the sign of  $a$  is chosen appropriately.
- (d) With three of the frogs interacting, they cannot each be half a cycle away from the others. They have been observed to settle into one of two distinctive patterns. One stable pattern involves a pair calling in unison with the third half a cycle out of phase of both. The other stable pattern has the three frogs maximally out of sync, with each calling one-third of a cycle apart from the other two.

A model of the interaction for three frogs is

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\theta}_1 &= \omega + H(\theta_2 - \theta_1) + H(\theta_3 - \theta_1) \\ \dot{\theta}_2 &= \omega + H(\theta_3 - \theta_2) + H(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \\ \dot{\theta}_3 &= \omega + H(\theta_1 - \theta_3) + H(\theta_2 - \theta_3).\end{aligned}$$

The interaction function needs to be the same as for the two-frog model (since it is the same frogs interacting).

Rewrite this system in terms of the phase differences  $\phi = \theta_1 - \theta_2$  and  $\psi = \theta_2 - \theta_3$ .

- (e) Identify the values of  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  that should be associated with stable fixed points for the model to be consistent with the experimental results.
- (f) Show that  $H(x) = a \sin x$  cannot account for the three-frog results.

*You can use Mathematica for your analysis of the fixed points. Submit your \*.nb file and include screenshots of your work on Gradescope.*

- (g) Consider a family of more complicated interaction functions of the form  $H(x) = a \sin x + \sin 2x$ . Show that for a single suitable choice of  $a$  you can explain the experimental results for **two frogs** and those for **three frogs**.

*I suggest starting with the two frog system, and finding the range of  $a$  that works for that system first.*

*You will likely find it helpful to construct a bifurcation diagram for the two frog system*

*Use Mathematica to plot phase portraits in the  $(\phi, \psi)$ -plane for various values of  $a$ .*

2. For 8.2.6 and 8.2.7, use numerical methods to determine whether the Hopf at  $\mu = 0$  appears to be supercritical or subcritical.

*Identifying whether 8.2.5 is subcritical or supercritical is worked as an example in AM108F20PSet08.nb.*

Use a Poincaré map as part of your work.

3. Read 8.1.15. **There is a typo in the equations in the text for 8.1.15.** Use

$$\dot{n}_A = (p + n_A)n_{AB} - n_A n_B$$

$$\dot{n}_B = n_B n_{AB} - (p + n_A)n_B$$

rather than the equations in the text.

- (a) Do part (a) as written.

- (b) Create two streamplots, one on either side of  $p = 0.134$  (choose  $p$  close to 0.134). Add the trajectory described in the text (initial conditions of everyone believing in  $B$  except the true believers) to each streamplot.

- (c) Use Mathematica to find all of the fixed points. Plot the  $x$  values vs  $p$  for each fixed point.

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fp = Solve[f[x, y] == 0, {x, y}]
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Plot[Evaluate[x /. fp], {p, 0, 1}]
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(Using "Evaluate" will make the four curves different colors).

- (d) Use Mathematica to find the trace and determinant for each fixed point:

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jacobian = Grad[f[x, y], {x, y}];
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tr[p_] = Tr[jacobian] /. fp
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det[p_] = Det[jacobian] /. fp
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Plot[Evaluate[tr[p]], {p, 0, 1}, PlotRange -> All]
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Plot[Evaluate[det[p]], {p, 0, 1}, PlotRange -> All]
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- (e) Use the trace and determinant plots to identify the stable fixed points (there are two). What type of bifurcation occurs at  $p \approx 0.134$ ? What kinds of fixed points are involved?

- (f) For  $p < 0.134$  very small, and  $n_A = 0, n_B = 1 - p$ , describe the beliefs of people in this system after a long time (according to this model). For  $p > 0.134$  and  $n_A = 0, n_B = 1 - p$ , describe the beliefs after a long time.