

Lecture №10: 1-D unimodal maps, the Lorenz, logistic and sine maps, period doubling bifurcation, tangent bifurcation, intermittency, orbit diagram, the Feigenbaum constants

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Lecture outline

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The logistic map

The logistic map¹ has the following form:

$$x_{n+1} = rx_n(1 - x_n), \quad x_0 \in [0, 1], \quad r \in [0, 4], \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \quad (1)$$

where r is the control parameter.

Read: Robert M. May, "Simple mathematical models with very complicated dynamics," *Nature* **261**, pp. 459–467, 1976.

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¹See Mathematica .nb file (cobweb diagram and orbit diagram) uploaded to the course webpage.

The Lyapunov exponent of the logistic map

Chaos is characterised by **sensitive dependence on initial conditions**. If we take two close-by initial conditions, say x_0 and $y_0 = x_0 + \eta$ with $\eta \ll 1$, and iterate them under the map, then the difference between the two time series $\eta_n = y_n - x_n$ should grow exponentially

$$|\eta_n| \sim |\eta_0 e^{\lambda n}|, \quad (2)$$

where λ is the Lyapunov exponent. For maps, this definition leads to a very simple way of measuring the Lyapunov exponents. Solving (2) for λ gives

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{n} \ln \left| \frac{\eta_n}{\eta_0} \right|. \quad (3)$$

By definition $\eta_n = f^n(x_0 + \eta_0) - f^n(x_0)$. Thus

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{n} \ln \left| \frac{f^n(x_0 + \eta_0) - f^n(x_0)}{\eta_0} \right|. \quad (4)$$

The Lyapunov exponent of the logistic map

For small values of η_0 , the quantity inside the absolute value signs is just the derivative of f^n with respect to x evaluated at $x = x_0$:

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{n} \ln \left| \frac{df^n}{dx} \right|_{x=x_0}. \quad (5)$$

Since $f^n(x) = f(f(f(\dots f(x)))) \dots$, by the chain rule

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{df^n}{dx} \right|_{x=x_0} &= |f'(f^{n-1}(x_0)) \cdot f'(f^{n-2}(x_0)) \cdot \dots \cdot f'(x_0)| \\ &= |f'(x_{n-1}) \cdot f'(x_{n-2}) \cdot \dots \cdot f'(x_0)| = \left| \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} f'(x_i) \right|. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Our expression for the Lyapunov exponent becomes

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{n} \ln \left| \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} f'(x_i) \right| = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \ln |f'(x_i)|. \quad (7)$$

The Lyapunov exponent of the logistic map

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The Lyapunov exponent is the large iterate n limit of this expression, and so we have,

$$\lambda = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \ln |f'(x_i)|. \quad (8)$$

This formula can be used to study the Lyapunov exponent² as a function of control parameter r

$$\lambda(r) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \ln |f'(x_i, r)|. \quad (9)$$

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The logistic map, period-2 window

Period-2 window for $3 \leq r < 1 + \sqrt{6}$.

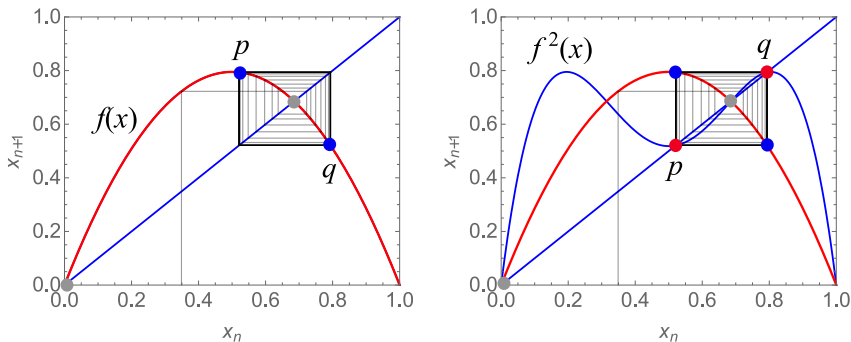


Figure: The logistic map where $r = 3.18$ and $x_0 = 0.35$. Fixed points (f.p.s) in the case where $r < 3$ are shown with the grey bullets. Period-2 points of $f(x)$ map for $r \geq 3$ are shown with the blue bullets. The fixed points of $f^2(x)$ map for $r \geq 3$ are shown with the red bullets.

The logistic map, period-2 window

Period-2 window for $3 \leq r < 1 + \sqrt{6}$.

$$\begin{cases} f(p) = rp(1-p) = q, \\ f(q) = rq(1-q) = p, \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

where period-2 point values p and q are the f.p.s of $f(x)$ map.

On the other hand it also holds

$$\begin{cases} f(p) = f(f(q)) \equiv f^2(q) = r[rq(1-q)][1 - (rq(1-q))] = q, \\ f(q) = f(f(p)) \equiv f^2(p) = r[rp(1-p)][1 - (rp(1-p))] = p, \end{cases} \Rightarrow \quad (11)$$

$$\Rightarrow f^2(x) = r[rx(1-x)][1 - (rx(1-x))] = x, \quad (12)$$

where period-2 point values p and q are the f.p.s of $f^2(x)$ map.

Stability of f.p.s of f^2 map in period-2 orbit

We need to know the slopes of period-2 points

$$\begin{cases} f(p) = rp(1-p) = q, \\ f(q) = rq(1-q) = p. \end{cases}$$

According to the chain rule it holds that

$$(f^2(x))' \equiv (f(f(x)))' = f'(f(x)) \cdot f'(x). \quad (13)$$

In our case

$$\left. \begin{aligned} (f^2(p))' &= f'(f(p)) \cdot f'(p) = f'(q) \cdot f'(p) \\ (f^2(q))' &= f'(f(q)) \cdot f'(q) = f'(p) \cdot f'(q) \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow (f^2(p))' = (f^2(q))'. \quad (14)$$

Above follows from the commutative property of multiplication.

The logistic map, period doubling

Even number periods.

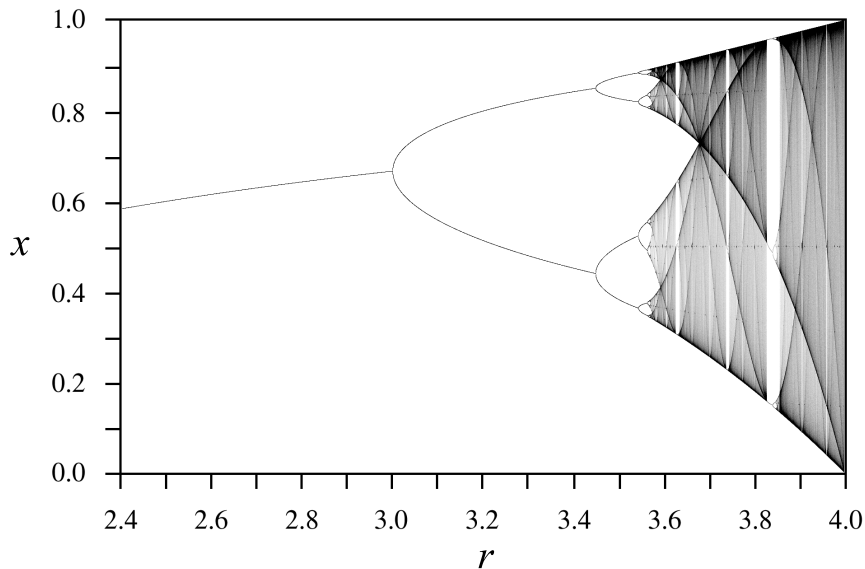
r_n – bifurcation point, onset of stable period- 2^n orbit.

$r_1 = 3.0$	period-2
$r_2 = 1 + \sqrt{6} \approx 3.44949$	period-4
$r_3 \approx 3.54409$	period-8
$r_4 \approx 3.56441$	period-16
$r_5 \approx 3.56875$	period-32
$r_6 \approx 3.56969$	period-64
\vdots	\vdots
$r_\infty \approx 3.569946$	period- 2^∞

r_∞ – onset of chaos (the accumulation point).

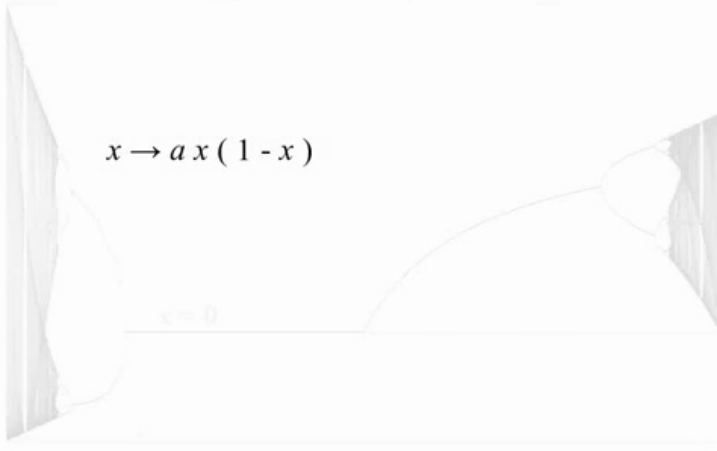
$$\delta = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r_{n-1} - r_{n-2}}{r_n - r_{n-1}} \approx 4.669201609\dots \quad (15)$$

Orbit diagram and period doubling



Zooming into the logistic map, self-similarity

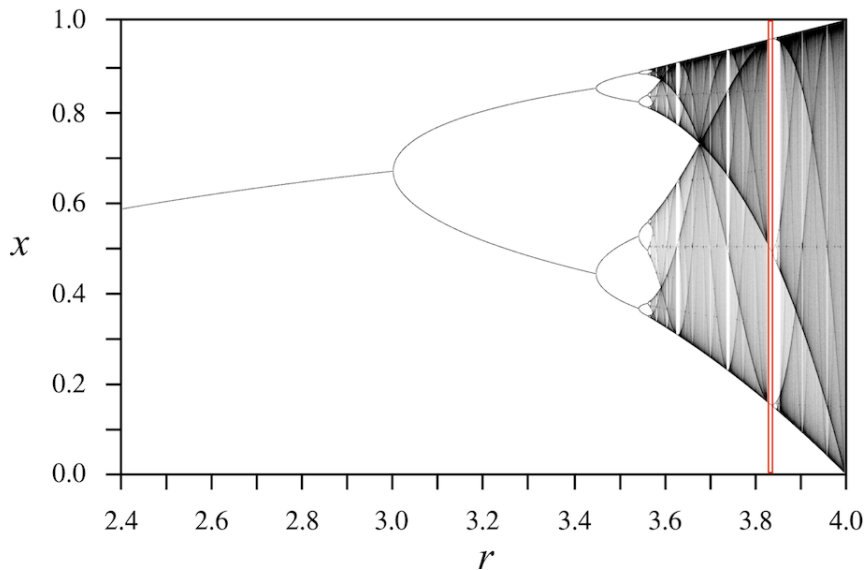
The logistic map

$$x \rightarrow ax(1-x)$$


The image shows a graph of the logistic map function $x \rightarrow ax(1-x)$. The graph is a parabola opening downwards, with its vertex at $x=0.5$. A horizontal line is drawn at $x=0$. The graph is zoomed in to show self-similarity at the boundaries. The left boundary shows a fractal-like structure, and the right boundary shows a similar structure. The equation $x \rightarrow ax(1-x)$ is written in the center of the graph. The horizontal line is labeled $x=0$.

Credit: <https://www.youtube.com/user/logicedges/>

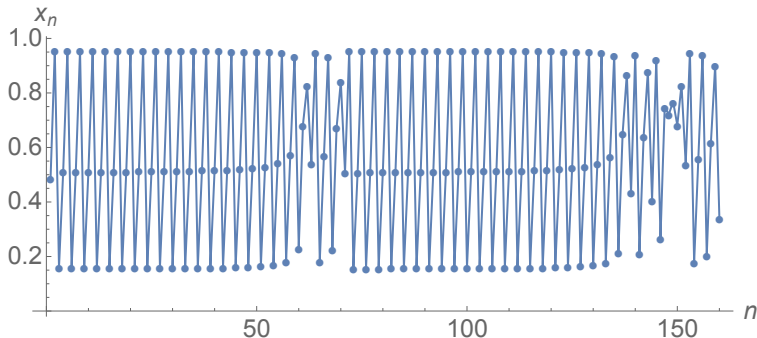
Orbit diagram, period-3 window



Intermittency³ and period-3 window

Transient chaos and intermittency in dynamical systems.

Tangent bifurcation occurs at $r = 1 + \sqrt{8} \approx 3.8284$ (period-3 orbit).



Iterates of the logistic map shown for $r = 3.8282$ and $x_0 = 0.15$.

³See Mathematica .nb file uploaded to the course webpage.

Universality of period doubling in unimodal maps

1-D sine map⁴. The sine map has the form

$$x_{n+1} = r \sin(\pi x_n), \quad x_0 \in [0, 1], \quad r \in [0, 1], \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \quad (16)$$

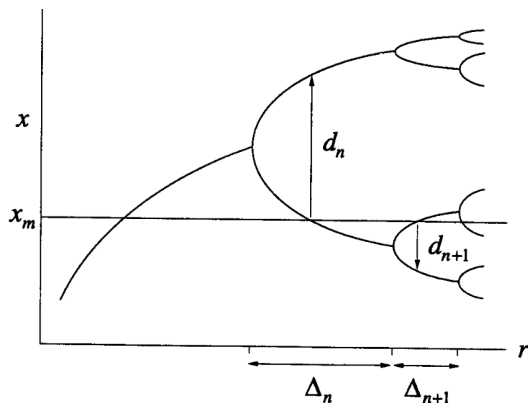
where r is the control parameter.

Read: Mitchell J. Feigenbaum, “Quantitative universality for a class of nonlinear transformations,” *Journal of Statistical Physics* **19**(1), pp. 25–52, 1978, doi:10.1007/BF01020332

Read: Mitchell J. Feigenbaum, “Universal behavior in nonlinear systems,” *Physica D: Nonlinear Phenomena* **7**(1–3), pp. 16–39, 1983, doi:10.1016/0167-2789(83)90112-4

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1-D unimodal maps and the Feigenbaum constants



$$\delta = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\Delta_{n-1}}{\Delta_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r_{n-1} - r_{n-2}}{r_n - r_{n-1}} \approx 4.669201609... \quad (17)$$

$$\alpha = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{d_{n-1}}{d_n} \approx -2.502907875... \quad (18)$$

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Revision questions

- What is cobweb diagram?
- What is recurrence map or recurrence relation?
- What is 1-D map?
- How to find fixed points of 1-D maps?
- What is the Lorenz map?
- What is the logistic map?
- What is sine map?
- What is period doubling?
- What is period doubling bifurcation?
- What is tangent bifurcation?
- Do odd number periods (period- p orbits) exist in chaotic systems?
- Do even number periods (period- p orbits) exist in chaotic systems?

Revision questions

- Can maps produce transient chaos?
- Can maps produce intermittency?
- Can maps produce intermittent chaos?
- What is orbit diagram (or the Feigenbaum diagram)?
- What are the Feigenbaum constants?