

Mechanisms of Chaos: Stable Instability

Reading for this lecture:

NDAC, Sec. 12.0-12.3, 9.3, and 10.5.

Mechanisms of Chaos ...

Unpredictability:

- Orbit complicated: difficult to follow
- Repeatedly convergent and divergent
- Net amplification of small variations

What geometry produces this?

Stretch and fold:

- Flow stretches state space

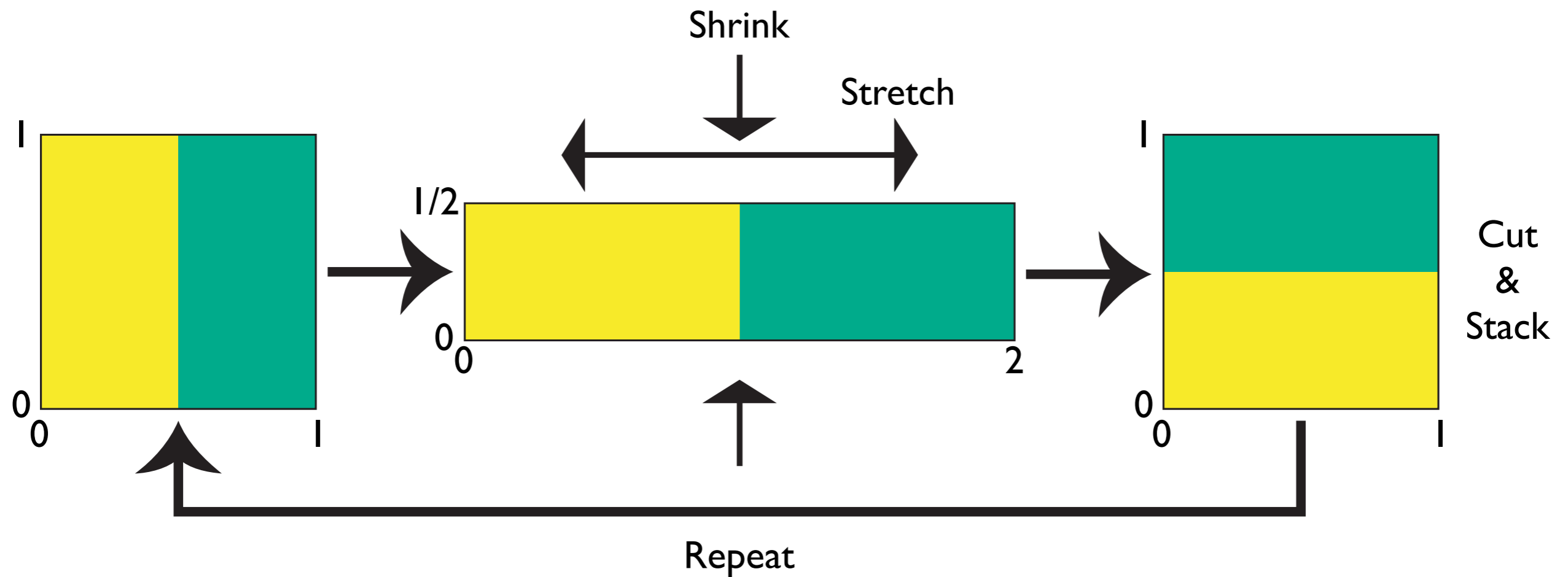
- But to be stable (i.e., have an attractor):

 - Must be done in a compact region

 - So flow must fold back into region

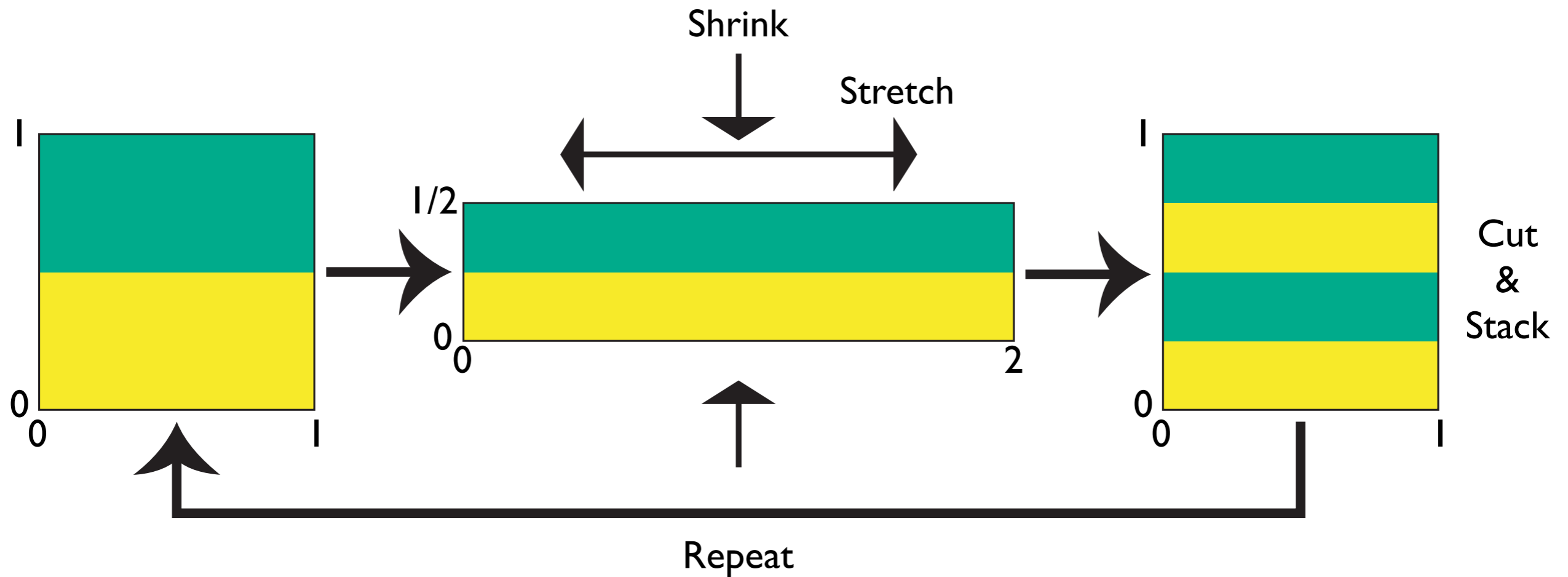
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Baker's transformation: kneading state space



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2D Baker's Map:

$$(x_n, y_n) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$$

$$x_{n+1} = 2x_n \pmod{1}$$

$$y_{n+1} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}y_n, & x_n \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}y_n, & x_n > \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

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Baker's transformation ...

Stability? $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$

Calculate:

$\lambda_1 = 2$ Stretch $\vec{v}_1 = (1, 0)$ Only horizontal

$\lambda_2 = 1/2$ Shrink $\vec{v}_2 = (0, 1)$ Only vertical

$\text{Det}(A) = 1$

Area preserving:

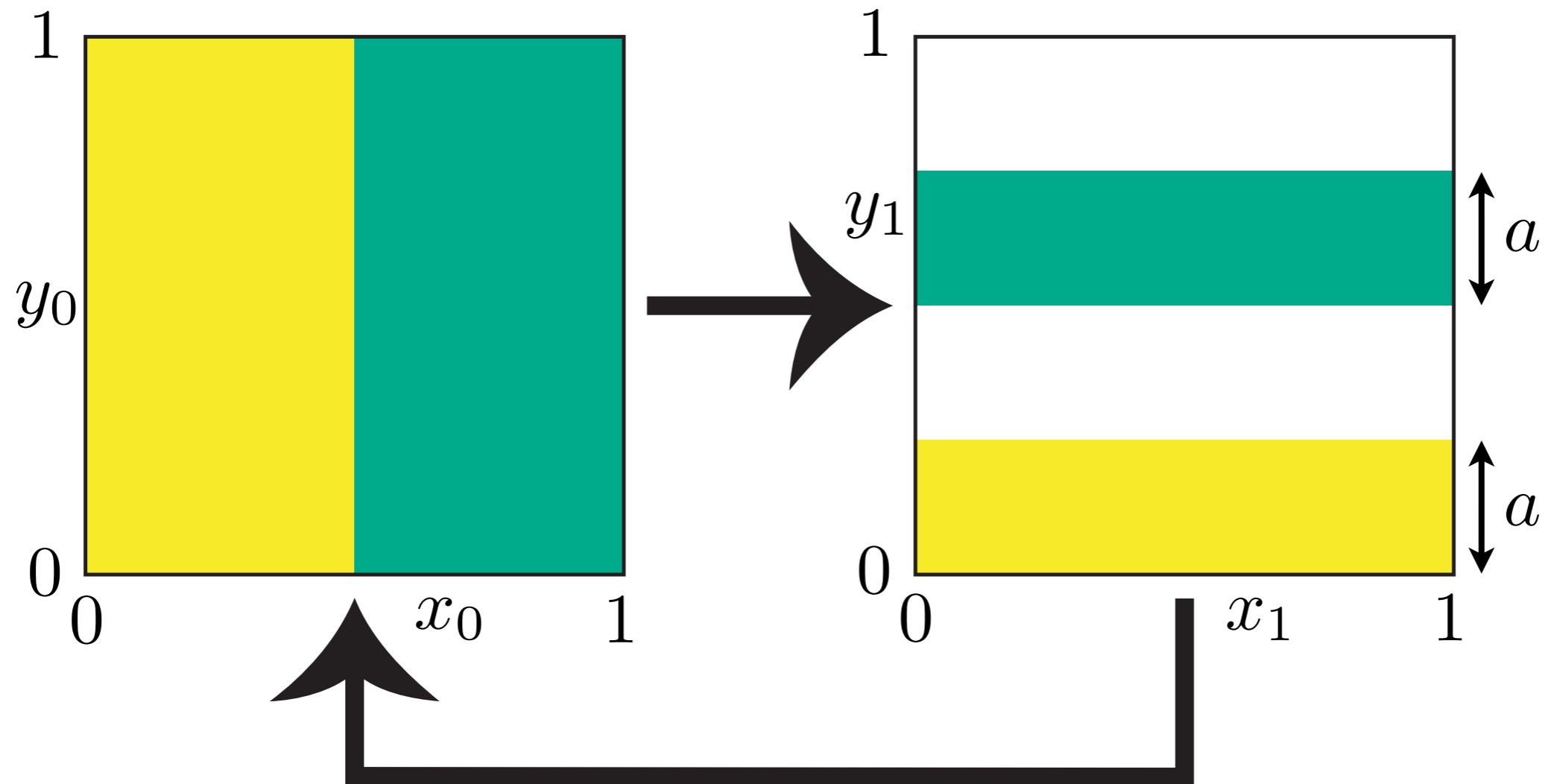
No attractor per se

But confined to compact region

Independent of \vec{x}

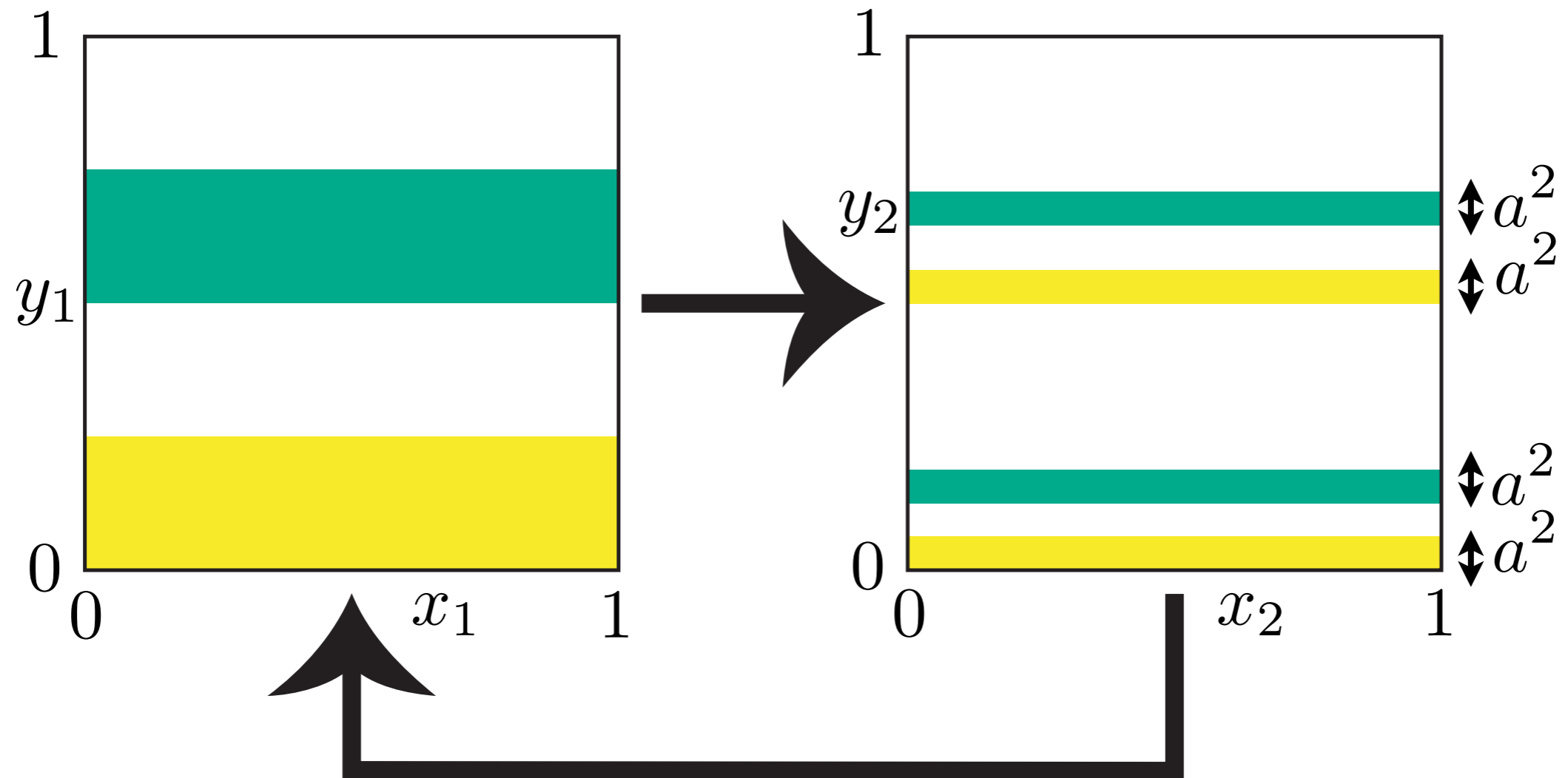
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Dissipative Baker's Map:



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Dissipative Baker's Map ... again!



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Dissipative Baker's Map ...

$$x_{n+1} = 2x_n \pmod{1}$$

$$y_{n+1} = \begin{cases} ay_n, & x_n \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} + ay_n, & x_n > \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$a \in \left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right]$$

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Dissipative Baker's Map ...

Stability? $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix}$

Calculate:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \lambda_1 = 2 & \vec{v}_1 = (1, 0) \\ \lambda_2 = a & \vec{v}_2 = (0, 1) \end{array} \quad \text{Independent of } \vec{x}$$

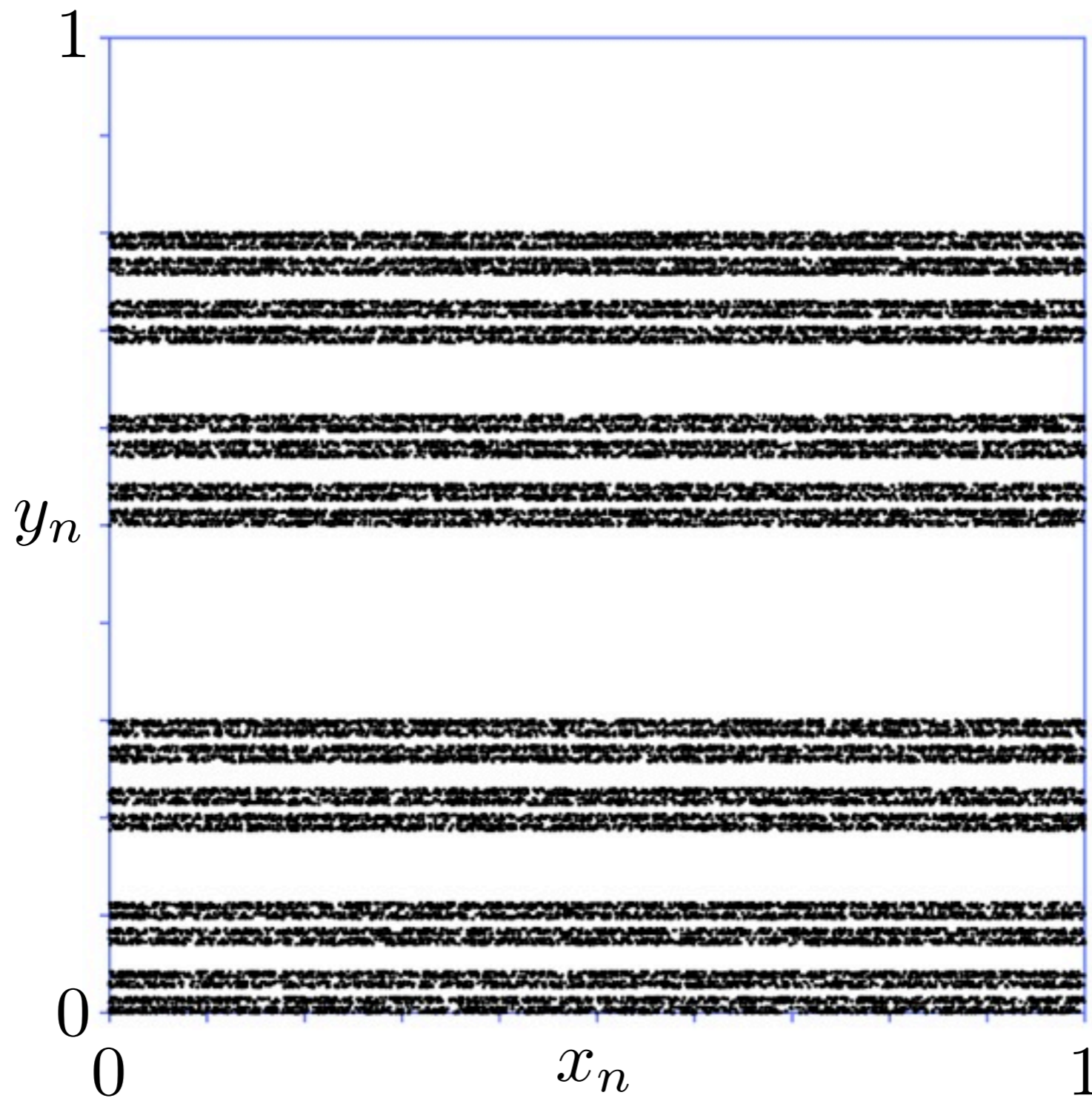
$$\text{Det}(A) = 2a \quad \text{Dissipative: } a < 1/2$$

Volume contraction

Attractor!

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Dissipative Baker's Map Simulation: $a = 0.3$



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Dissipative Baker's Map ...

Stability? (x, y) versus $(x + \epsilon, y + \delta)$

$$\Delta x_1 = 2(x_0 + \epsilon) - 2x_0 = 2\epsilon$$

$$\Delta y_1 = a(y_0 + \delta) - ay_0 = a\delta$$

$$\Delta x_n = 2^n \epsilon \quad \text{Exponential Growth of Errors}$$

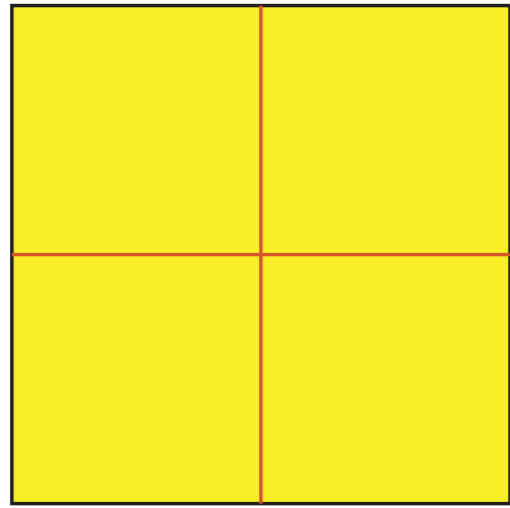
$$\Delta y_n = a^n \delta \quad \text{Exponential Stability}$$

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Dimension of a Set:

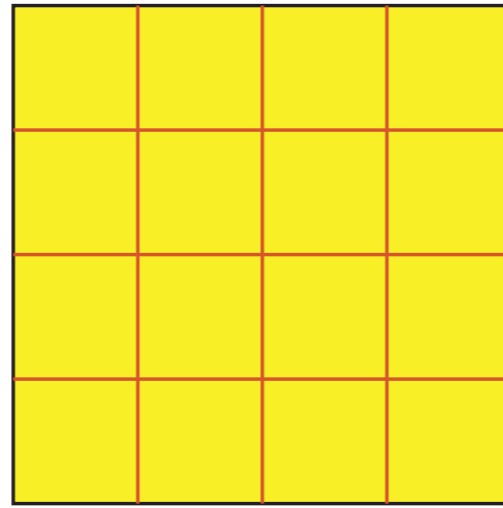
Number of boxes to cover set at measurement resolution ϵ :

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{2} \quad N = 4$$



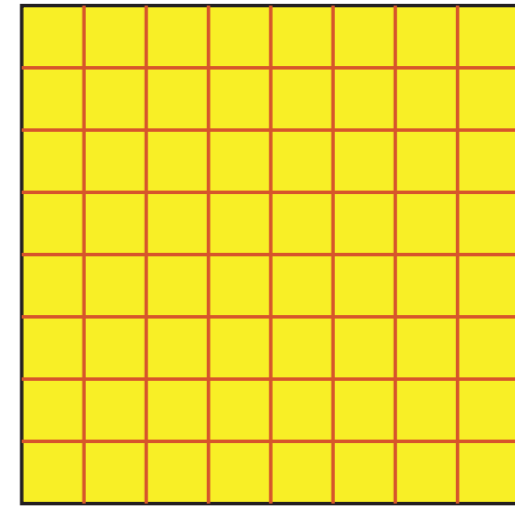
$$n = 1$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{4} \quad N = 16$$



$$n = 2$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{8} \quad N = 64$$



$$n = 3$$

$$N(\epsilon = \frac{1}{2^n}) = \left(\frac{1}{2^n}\right)^{-2} = 2^{2n}$$

$$N(\epsilon) \propto \epsilon^{-2}$$

Generalizing

$$N(\epsilon) \propto \epsilon^{-d}$$

Or (Definition) **dimension**: $d = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} -\frac{\log N(\epsilon)}{\log \epsilon}$

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Dimension of Dissipative Baker's Attractor ...

At iteration n :

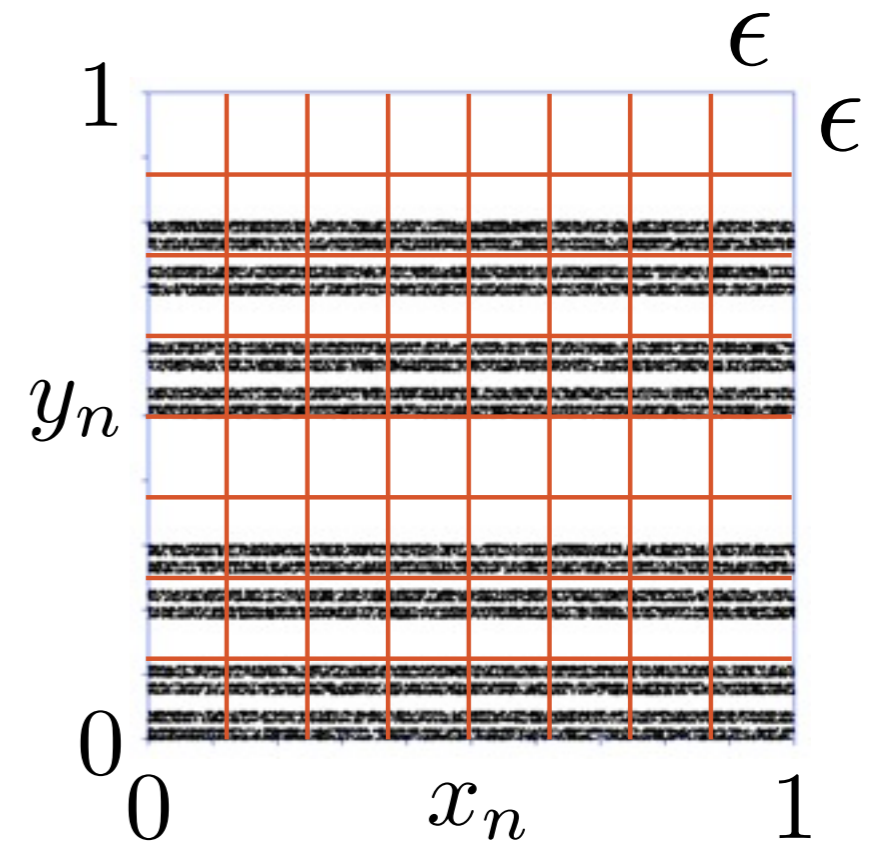
2^n strips of thickness a^n

How many boxes $N(\epsilon)$ to cover attractor at resolution ϵ ?

Take: $\epsilon = a^n$

Number of boxes for each strip: a^{-n}

$$N(\epsilon) = a^{-n} \times 2^n = \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^{-n}$$

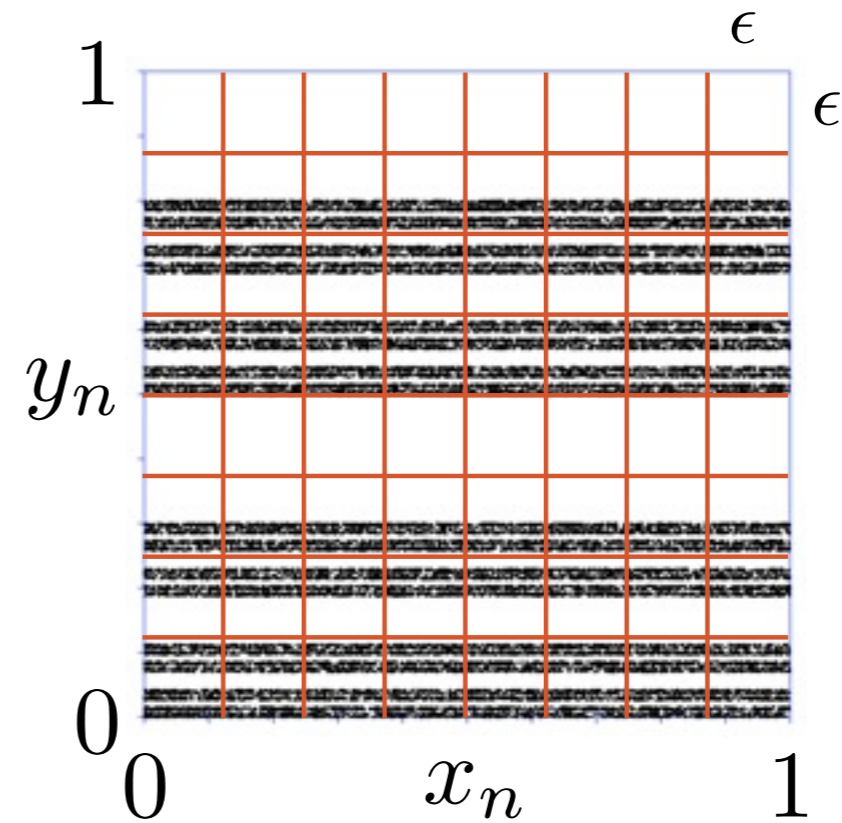


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Dimension of Dissipative Baker's Attractor ...

Dimension:

$$\begin{aligned}d &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} - \frac{\log N(\epsilon)}{\log \epsilon} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} - \frac{\log(a/2)^{-n}}{\log a^n} \\ &= 1 + \frac{\log \frac{1}{2}}{\log a}\end{aligned}$$



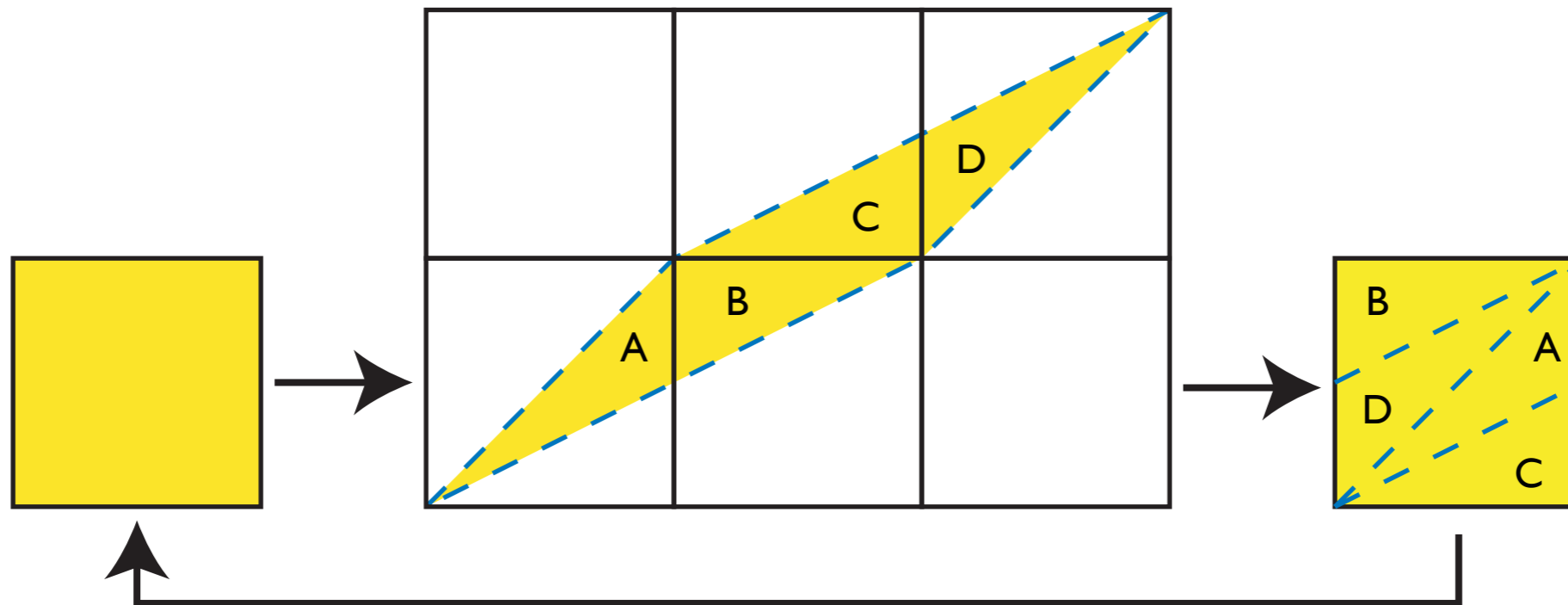
$$a = 0.3 \Rightarrow d = 1.576 \dots < 2 !$$

Area preserving: as $a \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$, $d \rightarrow 2$

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Cat map (aka **Toral automorphism**): $(x, y) \in \mathbf{T}^2$

Intrinsic stretch/shrink directions



$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{n+1} \\ y_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} \pmod{1}$$

Fixed point: $\vec{x}^* = (0, 0)$

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Cat map (aka Toral automorphism) ...

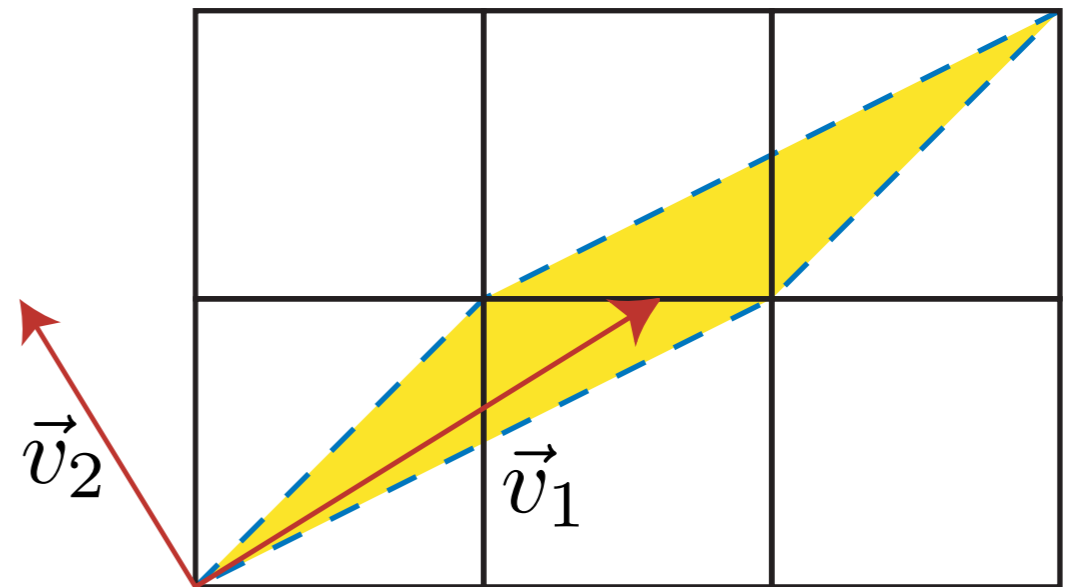
$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{n+1} \\ y_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} \pmod{1}$$

Calculate:

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2} > 1 \quad \text{stretch} \quad \vec{v}_1 = \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}, 1 \right)$$
$$\lambda_2 = \frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2} < 1 \quad \text{shrink} \quad \vec{v}_2 = \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}, 1 \right)$$

$$\text{Det}(A) = 1 \quad \text{area preserving}$$

Independent of \vec{x}



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Poincare stretch demo:

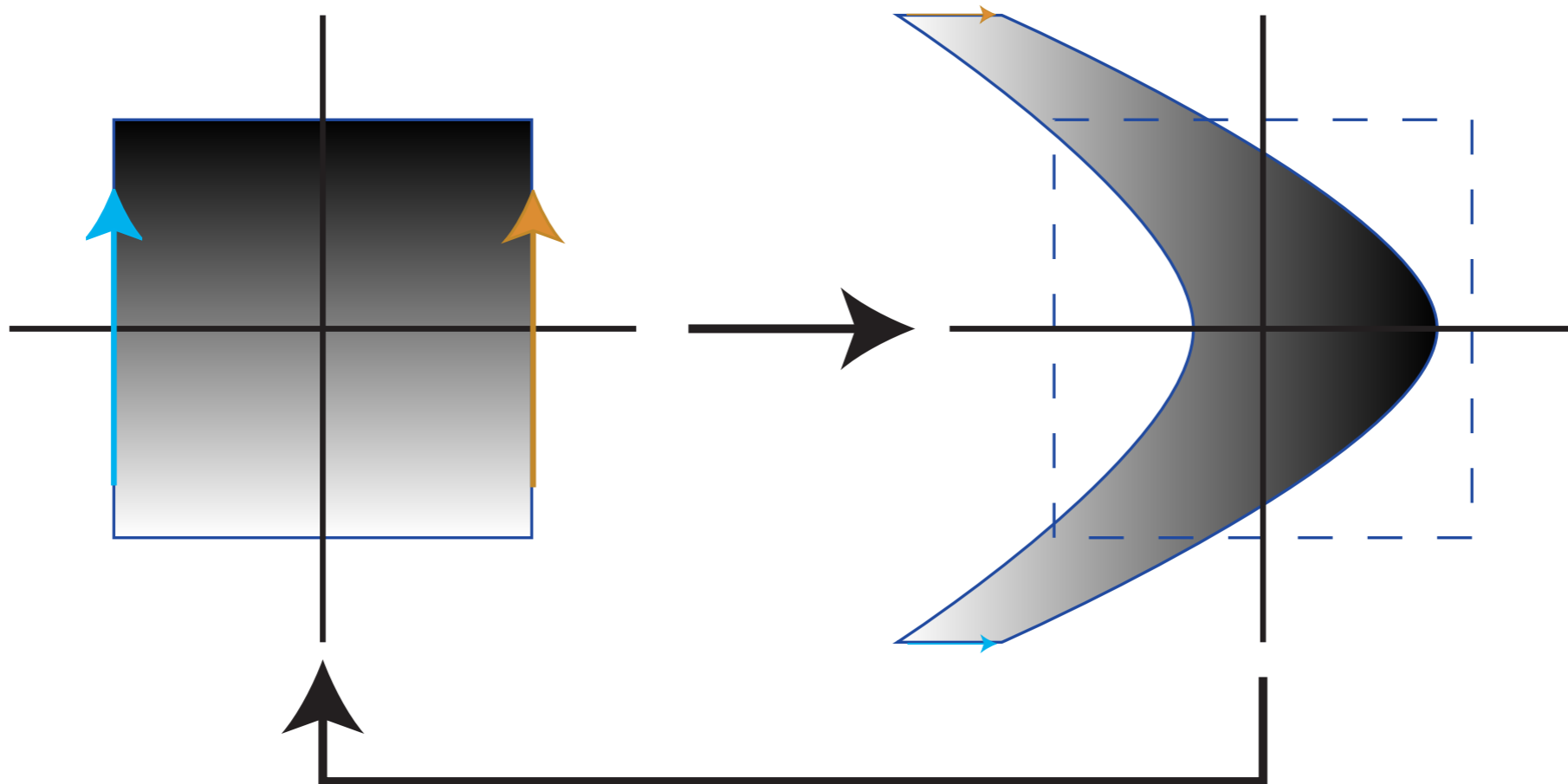
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Hénon map: $(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}^2$

$$x_{n+1} = y_n + 1 - ax_n^2$$

$$y_{n+1} = bx_n$$



Stretch and fold depend on location

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Henon map ...

Stretch & fold depend on location:

Jacobian:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -2ax_n & 1 \\ b & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

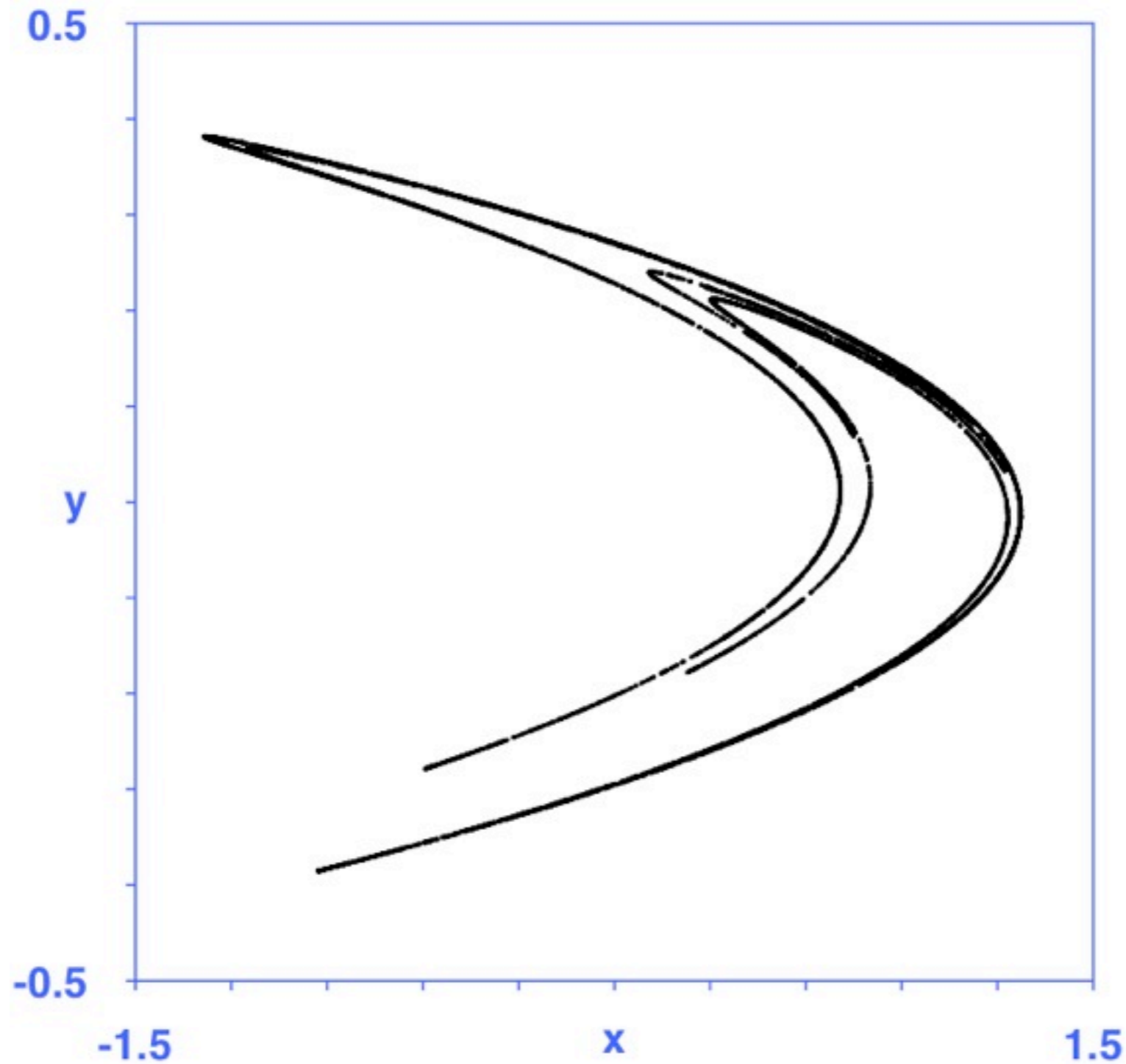
Dissipative when $|b| < 1$ (and orientation reversing):

$$\text{Det}(A) = -b$$

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Henon Attractor:

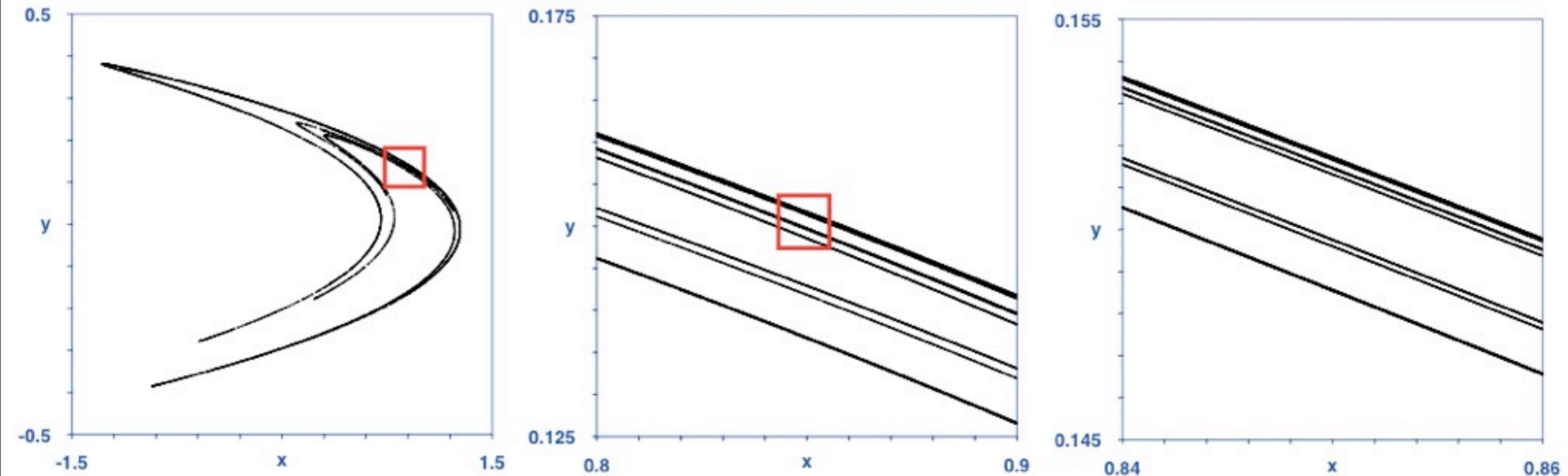
Control parameters: $(a, b) = (1.4, 0.3)$



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Henon Attractor ...

Self-similar:



Self-similar attractor = Dissipation + Instability

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Chaotic Mechanisms in ODEs:

1. Rössler attractor

2. Lorenz attractor

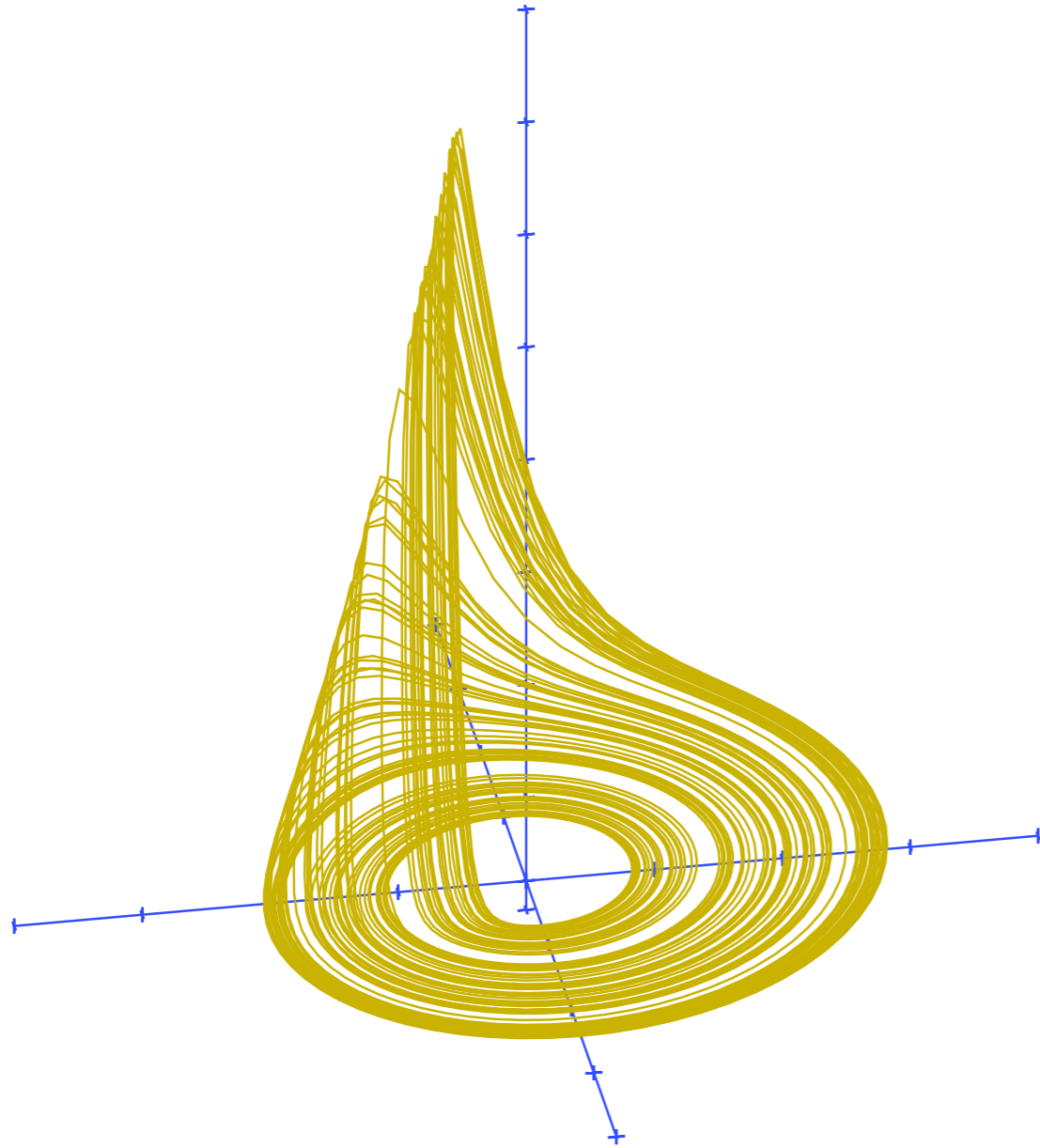
3. How to quantify chaos & stability?

Lyapunov characteristic exponents

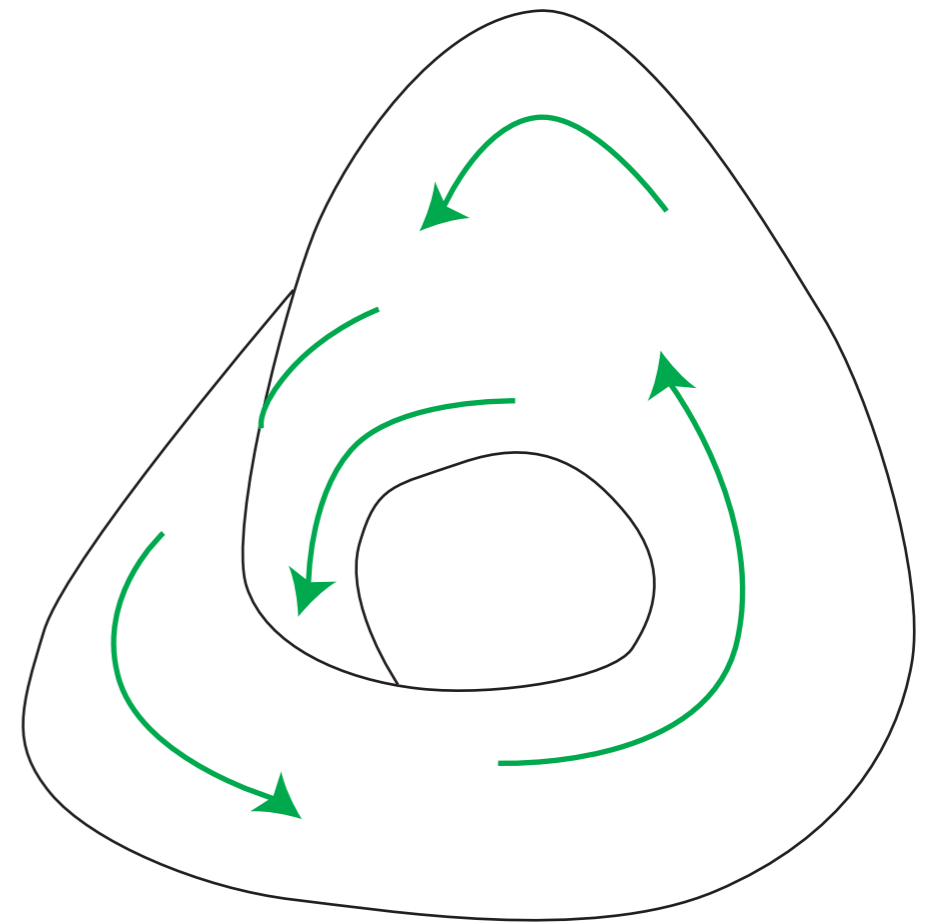
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Chaotic Mechanisms in ODEs:

Rössler Chaotic Attractor:



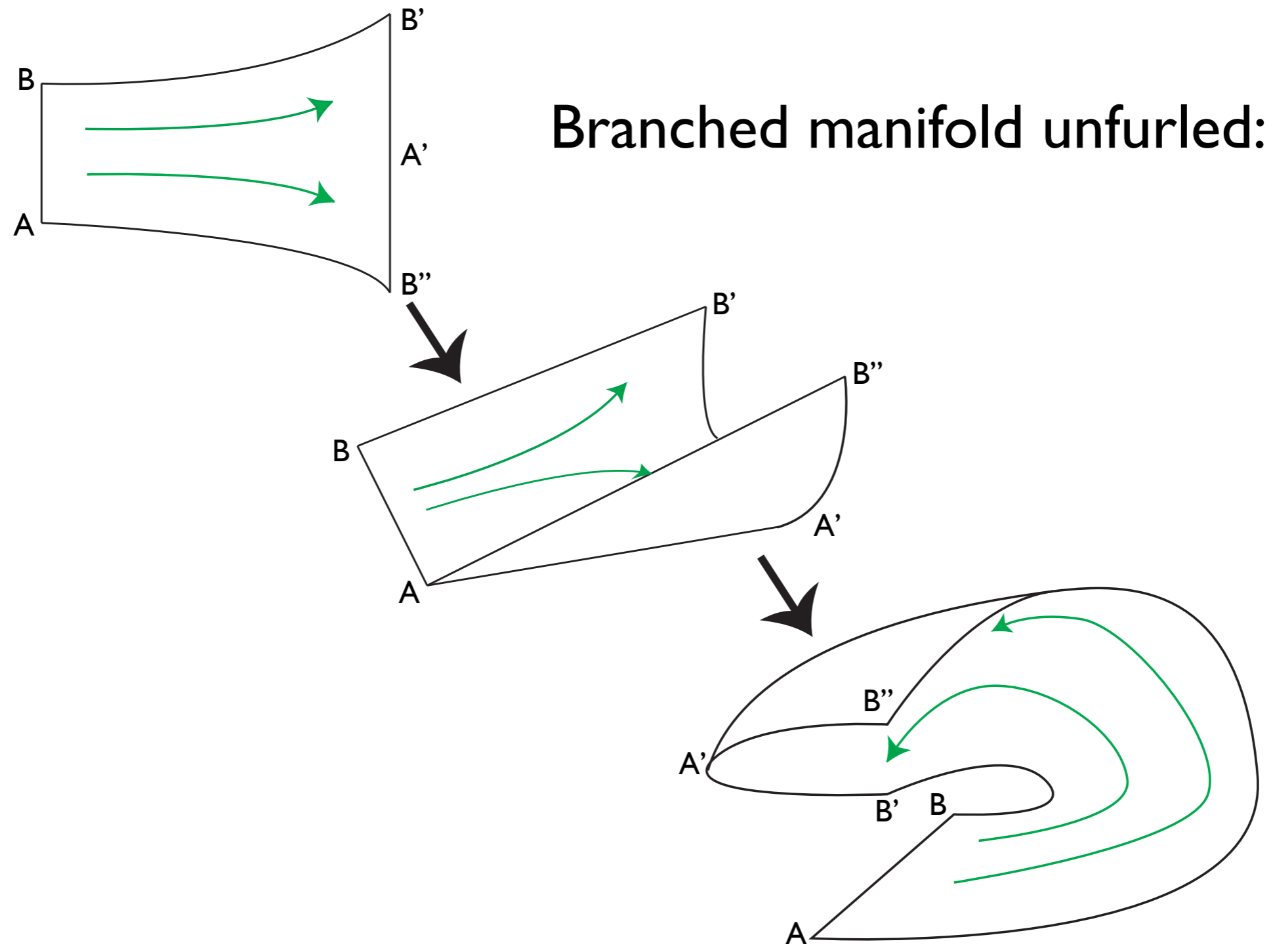
Branched manifold:



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Chaotic Mechanisms in ODEs ...

Rössler Chaotic Attractor ...



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Chaotic Mechanisms in ODEs ...

Rössler stability + instability:

Dot spreading demo (ds)

Integration step = 0.02

IC = (0,-6,0)

Remembered trajectory = 6000

Orient

5000 e

nEns = 10K

IC = (0,-6,0)

radius = .1

1, 1, 1

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Chaotic Mechanisms in ODEs ...

Lorenz stability + instability:

Dot spreading demo (ds)

Remembered trajectory = 6000

Orient

1000 e

nEns = 50K

IC = (5,5,5)

radius = .05

1, 1, 1

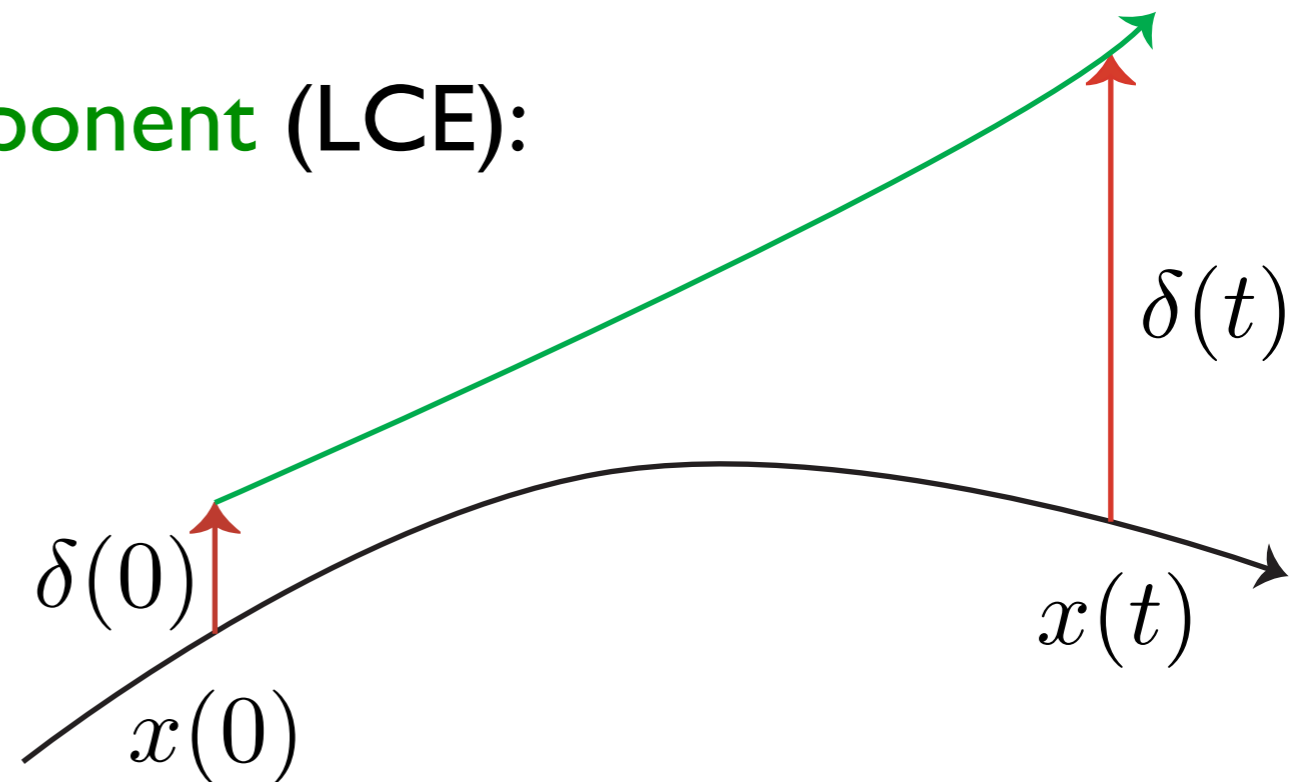
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Quantifying instability:

Lyapunov Characteristic Exponent (LCE):

$$\|\delta(t)\| \sim \|\delta(0)\| e^{\lambda t}$$

$$\lambda \sim t^{-1} \ln \frac{\|\delta(t)\|}{\|\delta(0)\|}$$



$$\lambda = \lim_{\|\delta(0)\| \rightarrow 0} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log_2 \frac{\|\delta(t)\|}{\|\delta(0)\|}$$

Exponential rate of growth of errors.

Note: $\delta(t)$ aligns with most unstable direction!

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Measurement Resolution: ϵ

Number of scale factors to locate initial state: $I_0 = -\log_2 \epsilon$

Prediction horizon: $t_{\text{unpredict}} \sim \frac{I_0}{\lambda}$

Resolution loss rate (bits per second): λ

Error doubles each second $\Rightarrow \lambda = 1$ bit/second

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Prediction horizon ...

Examples:

Loss rate = Factor of 2 each second: $\lambda = 1$ bit/second

1. Measurement resolution: $\epsilon = 10^{-3}$

$$I_0 = 10 \text{ bits}$$

$$t_{\text{unpredict}} = 10 \text{ seconds}$$

2. Thousand times higher resolution: $\epsilon = 10^{-6}$

$$I_0 = 20 \text{ bits}$$

$$t_{\text{unpredict}} = 20 \text{ seconds}$$

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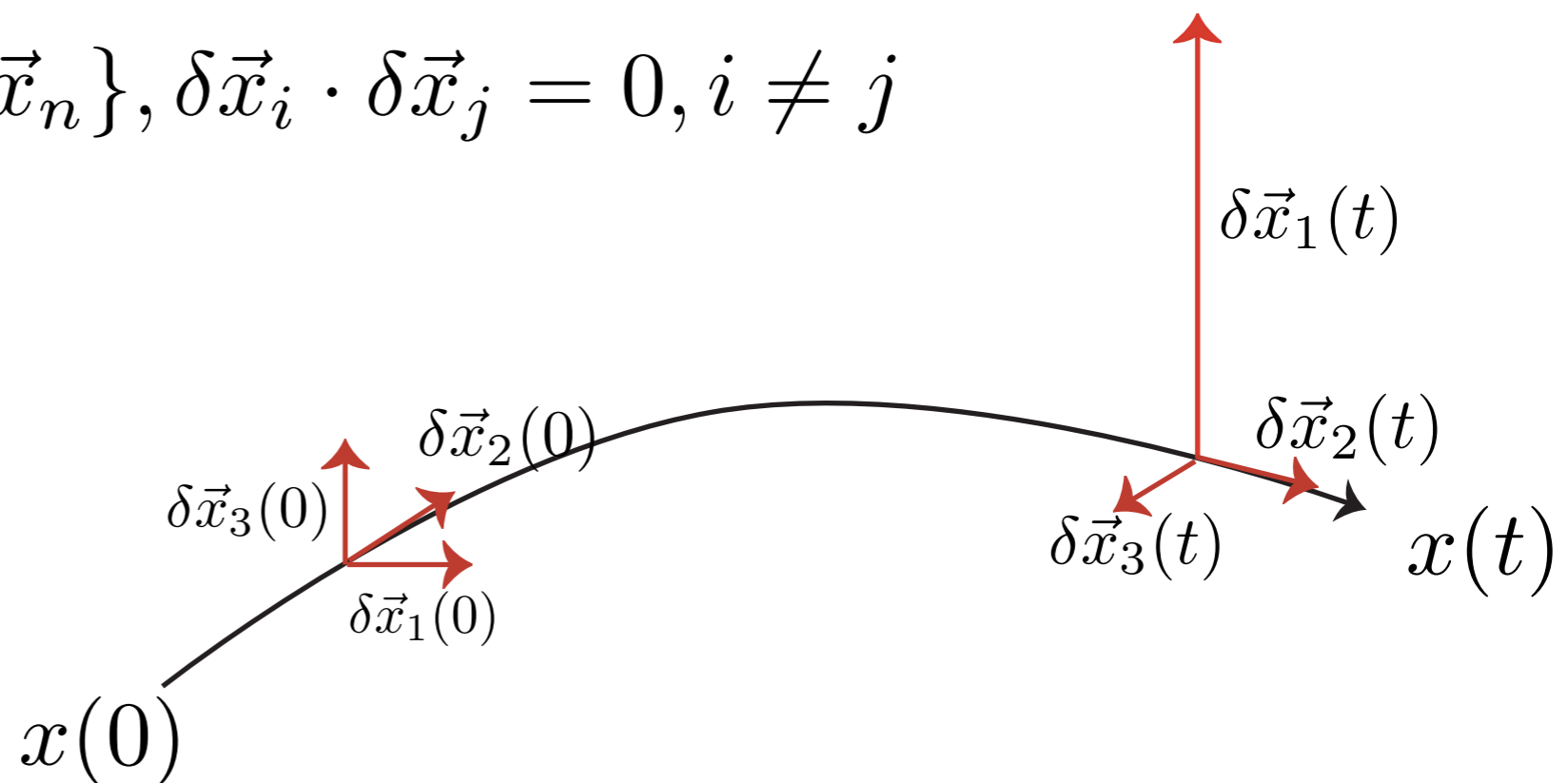
Quantifying instability and stability ...

Lyapunov Characteristic Exponent Spectrum:

$$\chi = \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n\}, \quad \lambda_i \geq \lambda_{i+1}$$

$$\lambda_i = \lim_{\|\delta(0)\| \rightarrow 0} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log_2 \frac{\|\delta \vec{x}_i(t)\|}{\|\delta \vec{x}_i(0)\|}$$

$$\{\delta \vec{x}_1, \delta \vec{x}_2, \dots, \delta \vec{x}_n\}, \quad \delta \vec{x}_i \cdot \delta \vec{x}_j = 0, \quad i \neq j$$



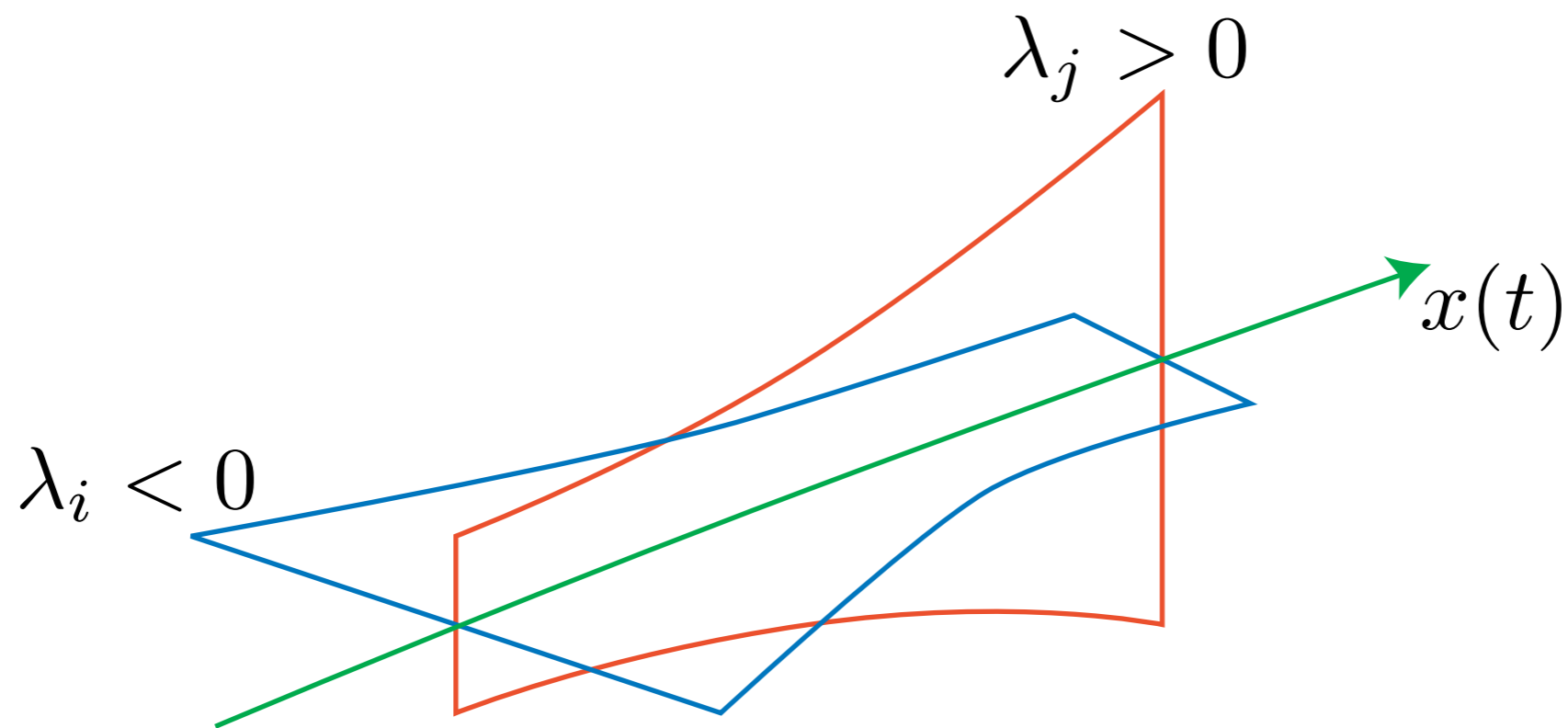
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Quantifying instability and stability ...

LCE Spectrum and Submanifolds:

$\lambda_i < 0 \iff$ stable manifold

$\lambda_i > 0 \iff$ unstable manifold



LCE Spectrum: Key to characterizing attractors

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Divergence of vector field: Local volume change.

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{F}(\vec{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_i} \bigg|_{\vec{x}} = \text{Tr}(A(\vec{x}))$$

Dissipation rate:

$$\mathcal{D} = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T dt \nabla \cdot \vec{F}(\vec{x}(t))$$

Theorem: $\mathcal{D} = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$

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LCE Spectrum Attractor Classification:

Attractor: $\mathcal{D} < 0$

Need net volume contraction for global stability

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Fractal dimension of attractor:

$$d = j + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^j \lambda_i}{|\lambda_{j+1}|}$$

j largest integer such that $\sum_{i=1}^j \lambda_i \geq 0$

(Conjectured)

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Metric entropy of attractor:

$$h_{\mu}(\Lambda) = \sum_{\lambda_i > 0} \lambda_i$$

Total information production rate: [bits per second]

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LCE Spectrum Attractor Classification ...

Dimension	LCE Spectrum	Attractor
1	(-)	Fixed Point
2	(-,-)	Fixed Point
2	(0,-)	Limit Cycle
3	(-,-,-)	Fixed Point
3	(0,-,-)	Limit Cycle
3	(0,0,-)	Torus
3	(+,0,-)	Chaotic
4	(0,0,0,-)	3-Torus
4	(+,0,0,-)	Chaotic 2-Torus
4	(+,+,0,-)	Hyperchaos

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Definition of **chaotic attractor**:

(1) Attractor: $\Lambda \subset \mathcal{X}$

(a) Invariant set:

$$\Lambda = \phi_T(\Lambda)$$

(b) Attracts an open set $U \subset \mathcal{X}$:

$$\Lambda \subset U \text{ \& } \Lambda \subset_{T \rightarrow \infty} \phi_T(U)$$

(c) Minimal: no proper subset is also (a) & (b)

(2) Aperiodic long-term behavior of a deterministic system with exponential amplification

(2') Positive maximum LCE: $\lambda_{\max}(\Lambda) > 0$

(2'') Positive metric entropy: $h_{\mu}(\Lambda) > 0$

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Reading for next lecture:

NDAC, Sections 10.5-10.7.