

Decision Dynamics via Coupled 2-D Map

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- Motivation
- Empirical basis
- Mathematical model
- Python simulation
- Future development



Why bother?

- Population biology
 - Spatial ecology
 - Behavioral ecology
 - Population dynamics
 - Evolution
- Economics
- Sociology
 - Global commons
- Future models require:
 - State-dependency
 - Past-dependency (memory)
 - Rationality
 - Information flow
 - Suboptimality



Decision dynamics

- Tradeoff
 - Rewards/Strategies
 - 'Commitment' cost - Time/Fitness-related variable
 - * Preference*



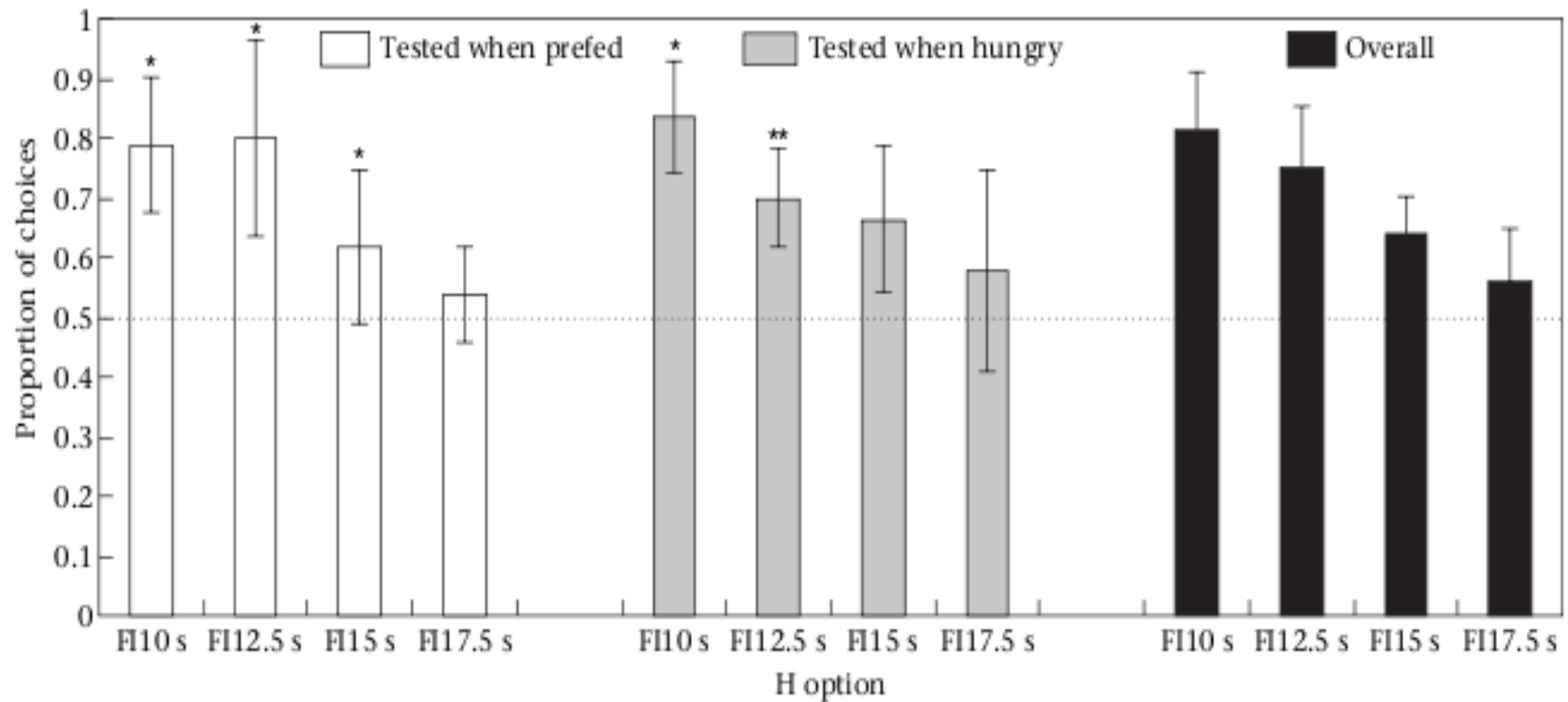
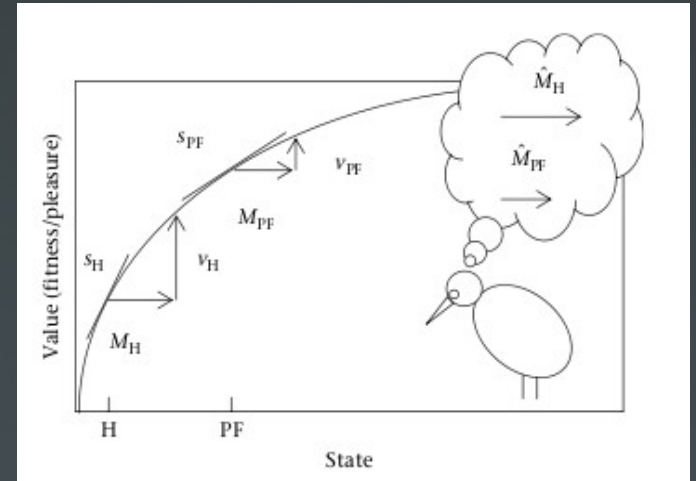
Case study



- Two Food options of equal 'intrinsic' value
- Trained under hungry/prefed conditions
- Test for preference under both conditions



In a nut shell..



In other words..

ω : intrinsic option value

v : fitness gain

E : agent weariness

S : agent satiation / activeness

δ : metabolic decay

ϵ : chance of occurrence

β : suboptimal preference

φ : impatience exponent

if $\omega_t = \omega_t^p$

$$E_{t+1} = E_t e^{\delta(1-E_t)} - \epsilon_t \omega_t$$

$$\beta_{t+1} \approx 0$$

else

$$E_{t+1} = E_t e^{\delta(1-E_t)} - \epsilon_t \omega_t \beta_t$$

$$\beta_{t+1} = \beta_t e^{\varphi}$$



Memory Box

For each $\epsilon_t = 1$,

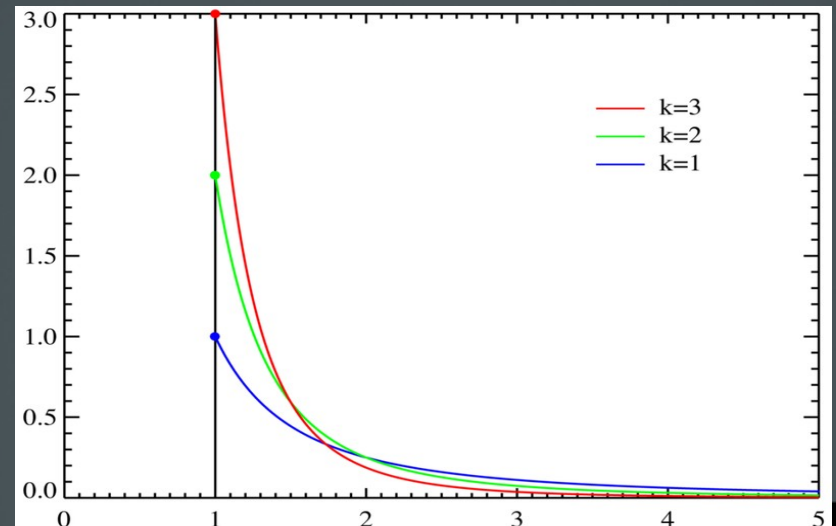
$$\omega_t = \text{pareto.rv}(k_t)\zeta, \quad k_t = f(E_t)$$

$\{\omega_t\}_{t \geq 0} \rightarrow \text{storage}$

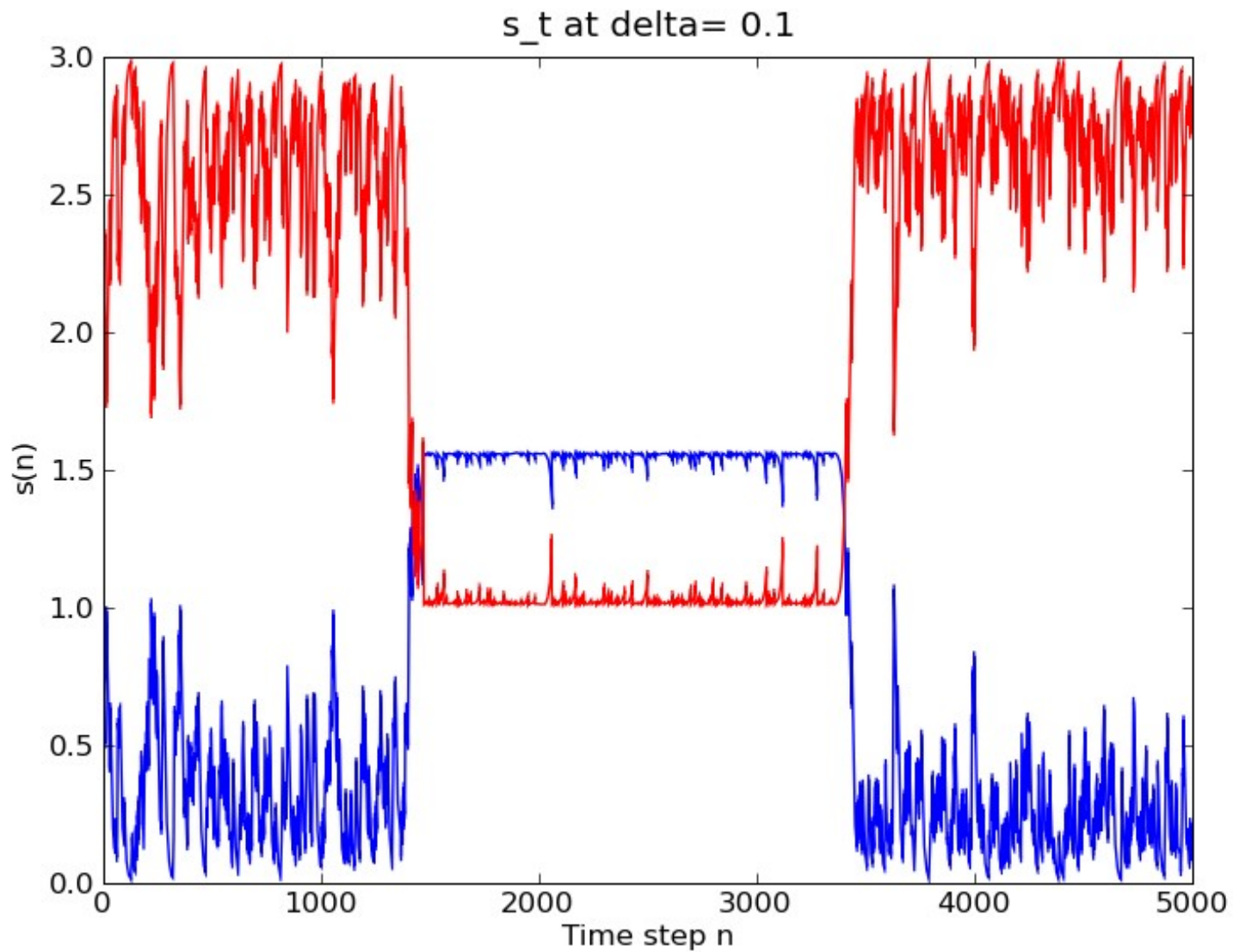
$$v_t = \sin(S_t + \omega_t) - \sin(S_t), \quad S_t = \frac{\pi}{2} - E_t$$

$\{v_t\}_{t \geq 0} \rightarrow \text{storage}$

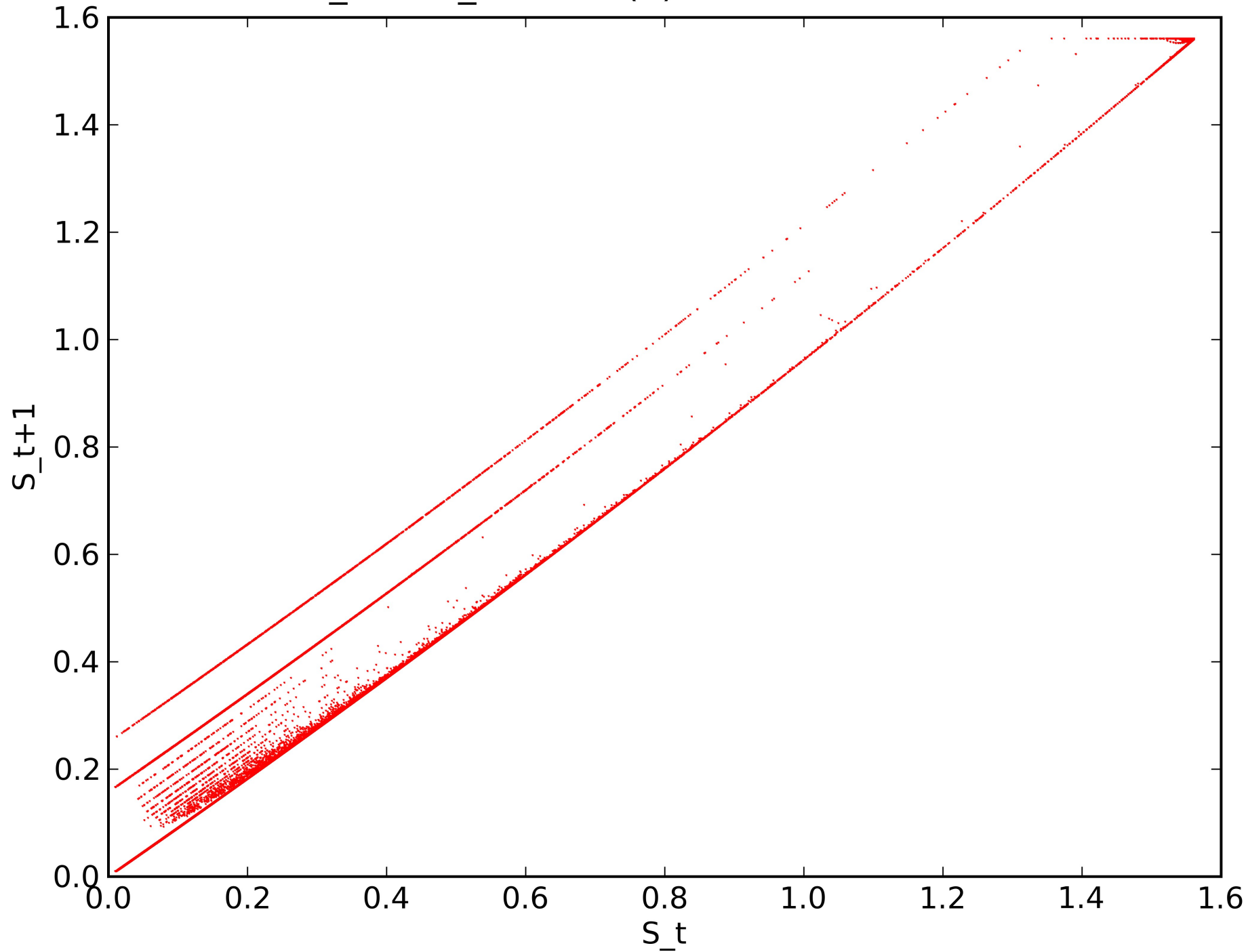
$$\omega_t^p = \{\omega_t : v_t = \max\{v_t\}_{t \geq 0}\}$$

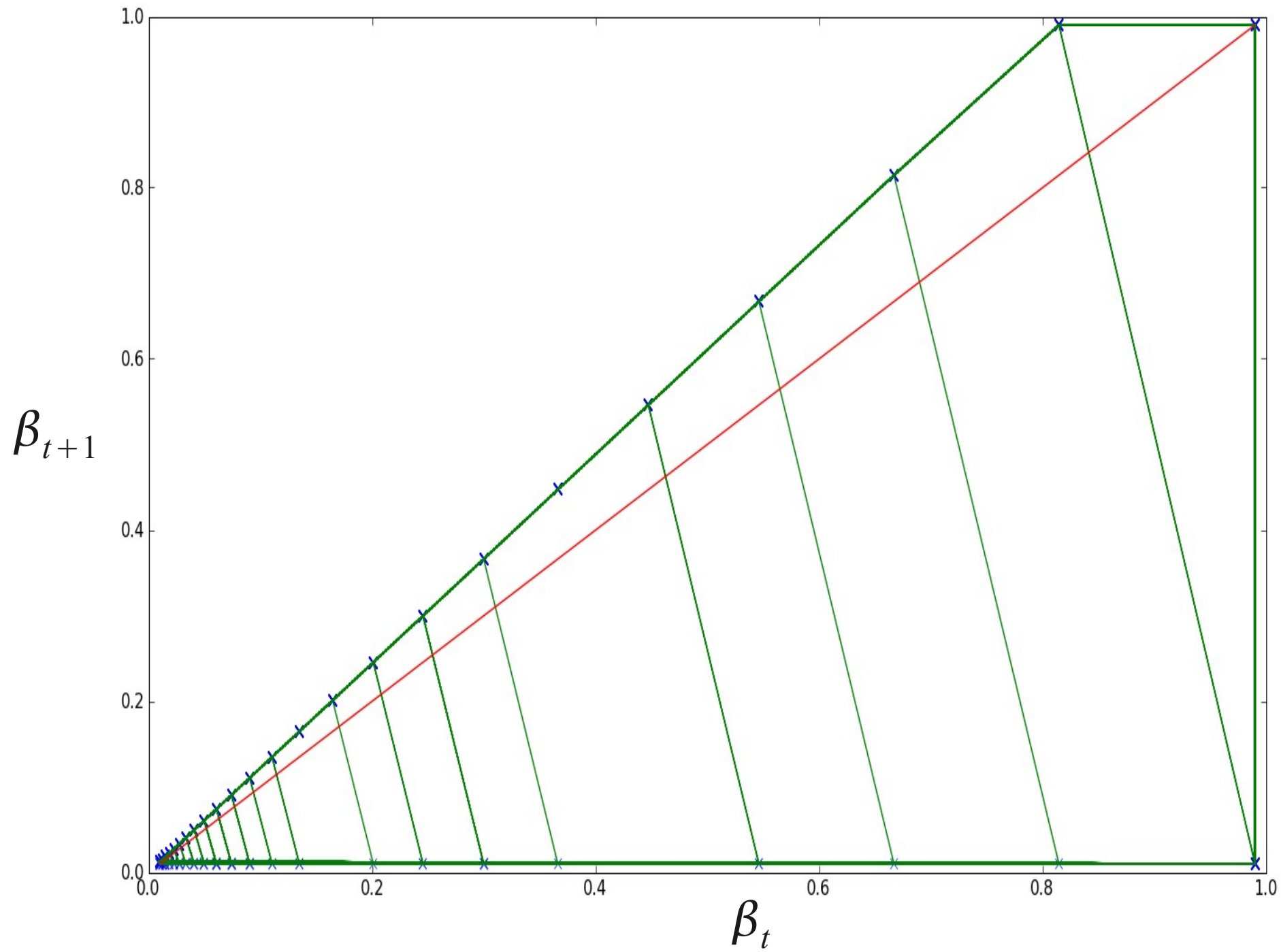


Python it up!!

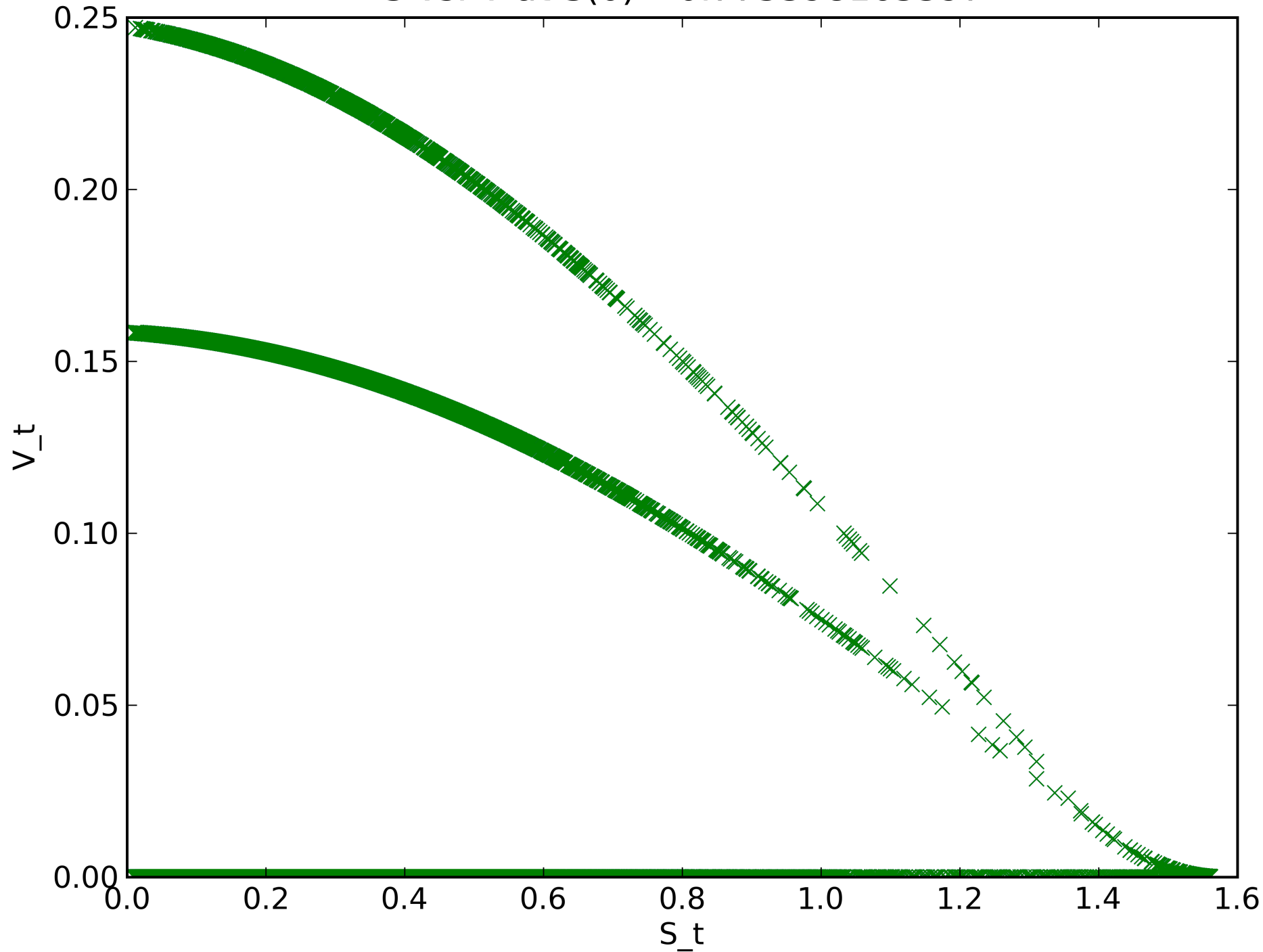


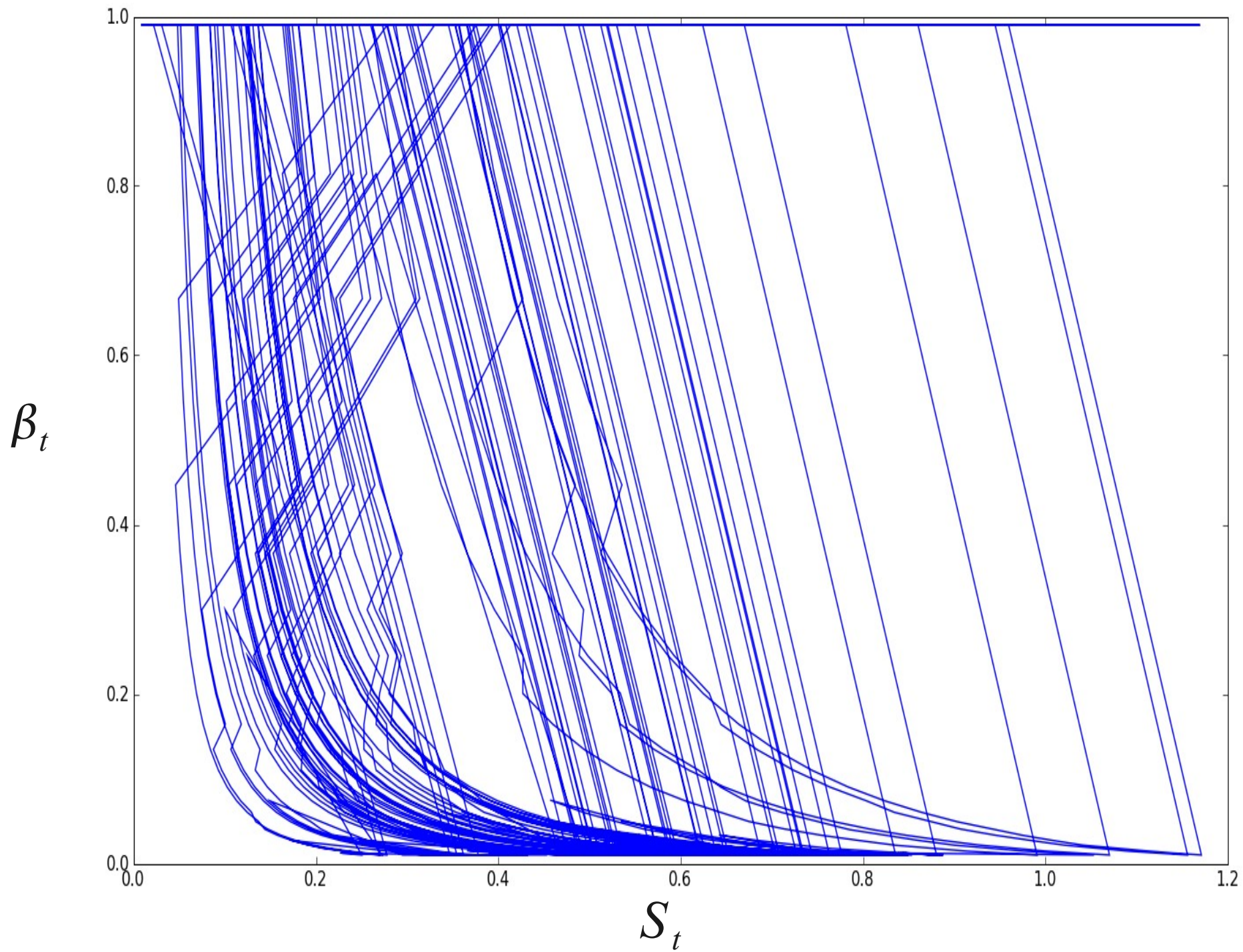
S_t vs. S_{t+1} at $S(0) = 0.775398163397$





S vs. V at $S(0) = 0.775398163397$





Still so much more to do..

- Translate to continuous system
 - Options + time
- Incorporate rationality
 - Expected commitment
 - Environmental assessment
 - Future prediction
 - Learning
- Relate to game theory
- Multi-dimensionality
- Greater realism in behavioral response
 - Benefit delay
 - Parametric state-dependence
 - Memory loss/gain through repetition
 - Choice-locking
- Stability analysis
- Scaling law present?

