

# Example Dynamical Systems

Reading for this lecture:

*NDAC*, Sec. 5.0-5.2, 6.0-6.4, 7.0-7.3, & 9.0-9.4

# The Big Picture ...

## The Pendulum

# Example Dynamical Systems ...

**1D Flows: Fixed Points**  
model of static equilibrium

**1D Flow:**  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\dot{x} = F(x)$$

**Fixed Points:**

$x^* \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\dot{x} \Big|_{x^*} = 0$$

or

$$F(x^*) = 0$$

# Example Dynamical Systems ...

## 1D Flows: Fixed Points ...

Stability: What is linearized system at  $x$  ?

Investigate evolution of perturbations:  $x' = x + \delta x$

**Local Flow:** 
$$\delta \dot{x} = \left. \frac{dF}{dx} \right|_{x(t)} \delta x$$

**Local Linear System:** 
$$\delta \dot{x} = \lambda \delta x$$

**Solution:** 
$$\delta x(t) \propto e^{\lambda t} \delta x(0)$$

# Example Dynamical Systems ...

## 1D Flows ...

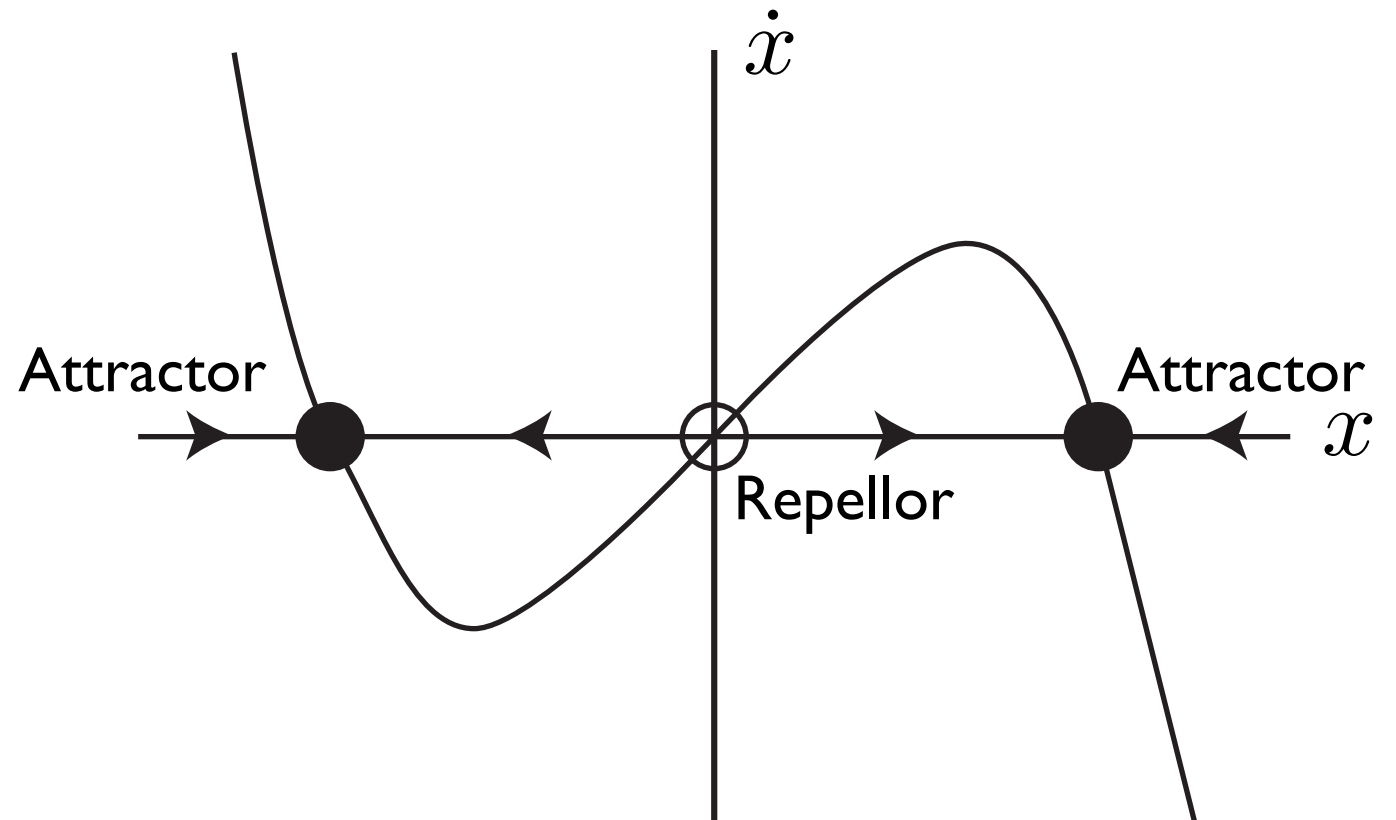
### Stability Classification of Fixed Points:

Slope  $\lambda$  of  $F(x)$  at  $x$  :

1. Stable:  $\lambda < 0$

2. Unstable:  $\lambda > 0$

3. Neutral:  $\lambda = 0$



# Example Dynamical Systems ...

## 2D Flows: Fixed Points

model of static equilibrium

2D Flow:  $\vec{x} \in \mathbf{R}^2$

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = \vec{F}(\vec{x})$$

**or**

$$\vec{x} = (x, y)$$
$$\vec{F} = (f, g)$$

$$\dot{x} = f(x, y)$$

$$\dot{y} = g(x, y)$$

**Fixed Points:**

$(x^*, y^*)$  such that

$$\dot{\vec{x}}|_{(x^*, y^*)} = (0, 0)$$

**or**

$$0 = f(x^*, y^*)$$

$$0 = g(x^*, y^*)$$

# Example Dynamical Systems ...

## 2D Flows: Fixed Points ...

Stability: What is linearized system at  $\vec{x}$ ?

Investigate evolution of perturbations  $\delta x$ :  $\vec{x}' = \vec{x} + \delta\vec{x}$

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = \vec{F}(\vec{x})$$

**Local Flow:**  $\delta\dot{\vec{x}} = \left. \frac{\partial \vec{F}}{\partial \vec{x}} \right|_{\vec{x}(t)} \cdot \delta\vec{x}$

Initial conditions:  $x(0) \quad \delta x(0)$

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## 2D Flows: Fixed Points ...

**Local Linear System:**  $\delta \dot{\vec{x}} = A \cdot \delta \vec{x}$

**Jacobian:**  $A = \frac{\partial \vec{F}}{\partial \vec{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_n} \end{pmatrix}$

**Solution:**

$$\delta \vec{x}(t) \propto e^{At} \delta \vec{x}(0)$$



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## 2D Flows: Fixed Points (an aside) ...

Solve linear ODEs: Find  $\vec{x}(t)$  given

$$\vec{x}(0)$$

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = A\vec{x}$$

Eigenvalues and eigenvectors:  $\lambda_j$  and  $\vec{v}_j$  :

$$A\vec{v}_j = \lambda_j\vec{v}_j, \quad j = 1, 2$$

**Solution:**

$$\vec{x}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^2 \alpha_j e^{\lambda_j t} \vec{v}_j$$

where calculate  $\alpha_j$  so that:

$$\vec{x}(0) = \alpha_1 \vec{v}_1 + \alpha_2 \vec{v}_2$$

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## 2D Flows ...

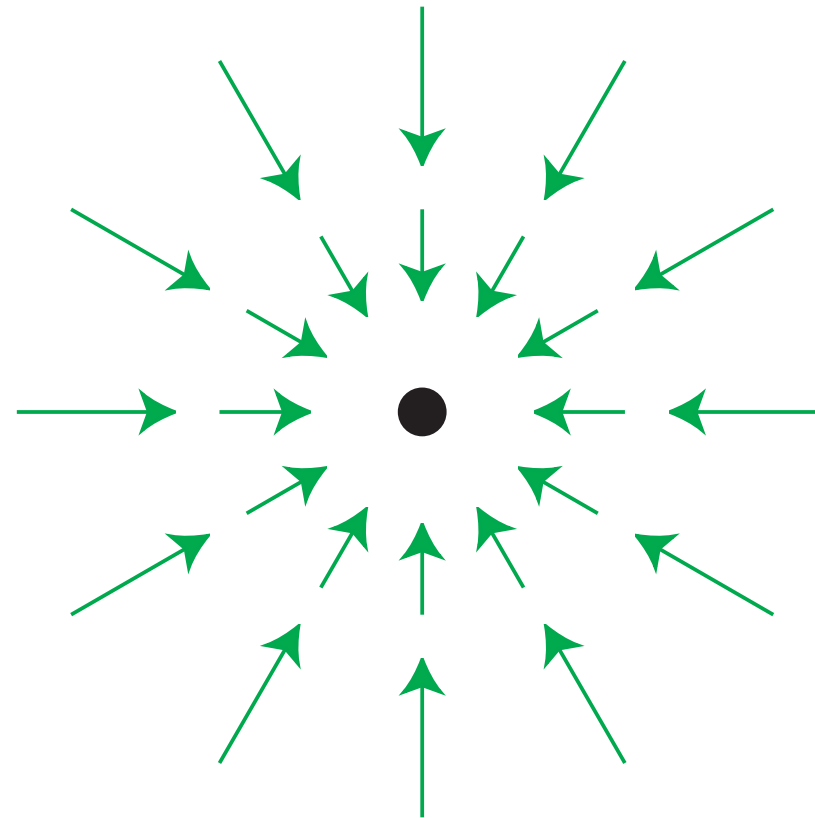
### Stability Classification of Fixed Points:

Eigenvalues of Jacobian  $A$  at  $\vec{x}$  :  $\lambda_1$  &  $\lambda_2 \in \mathbf{C}$

(Review: *NDAC*, Chapter 5)

**Stable fixed point** (aka **sink, attractor**):

$$\Re(\lambda_1), \Re(\lambda_2) < 0$$



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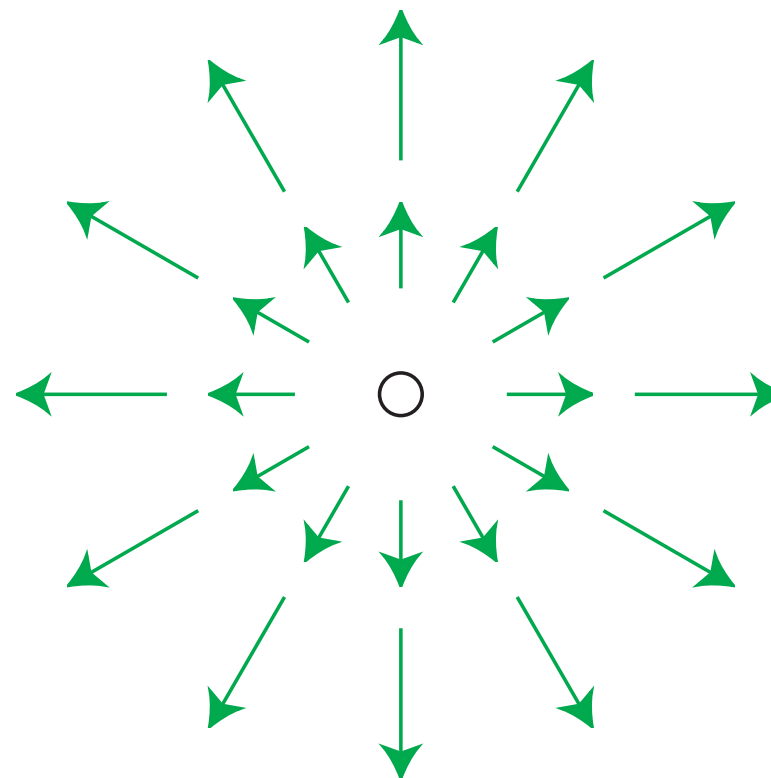
## 2D Flows ...

### Stability Classification of Fixed Points ...

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Unstable fixed point (aka **source**, **repellor**):

$$\Re(\lambda_1), \Re(\lambda_2) > 0$$



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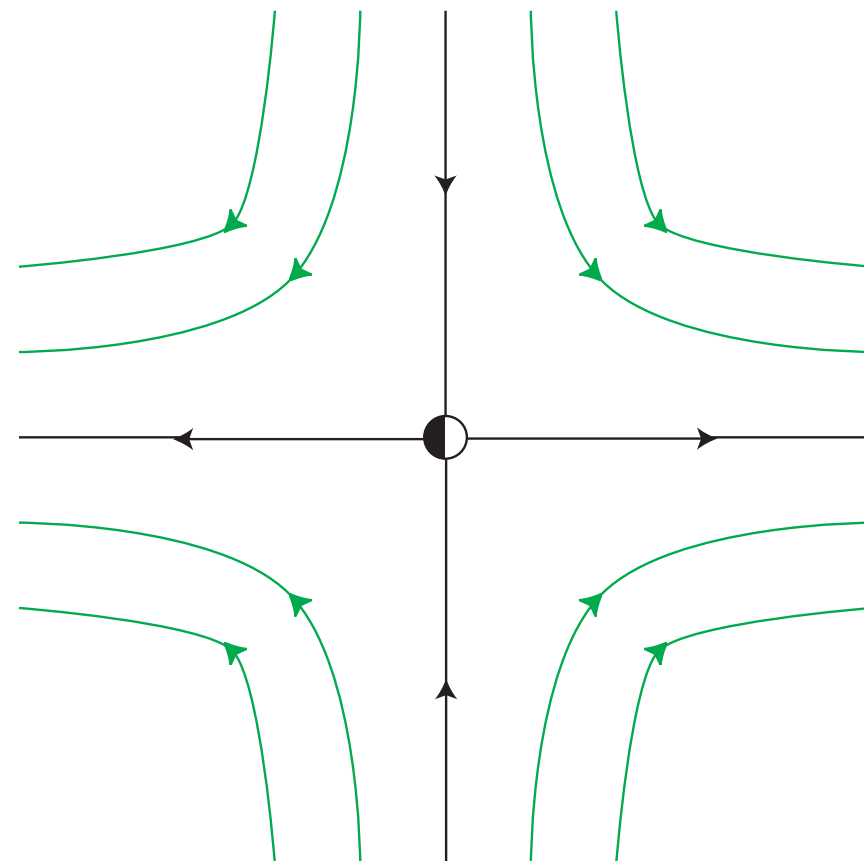
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**Saddle fixed point** (mixed stability):

$$\Re(\lambda_1) > 0 \text{ \& \ } \Re(\lambda_2) < 0$$



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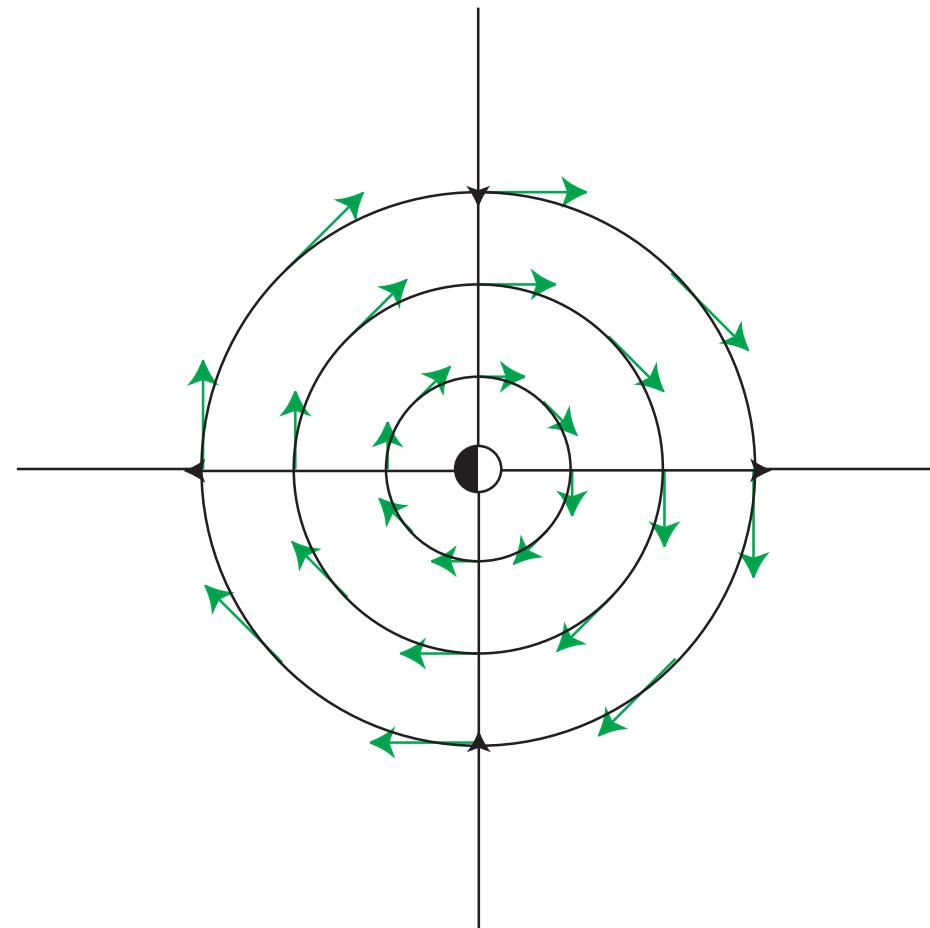
## 2D Flows ...

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Center:

$$\Re(\lambda_1) = \Re(\lambda_2) = 0$$



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## 2D Flows ...

### Stability Classification of Fixed Points ...

Magnitude of (in)stability:  $\text{Det}(A) = \lambda_1 \cdot \lambda_2$

$\text{Det}(A) < 0 : \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbf{R}, \lambda_1 > 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_2 < 0$  **Saddles**

$\text{Det}(A) > 0 :$

**Stable:**  $\text{Tr}(A) < 0$

$$\text{Tr}(A) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$$

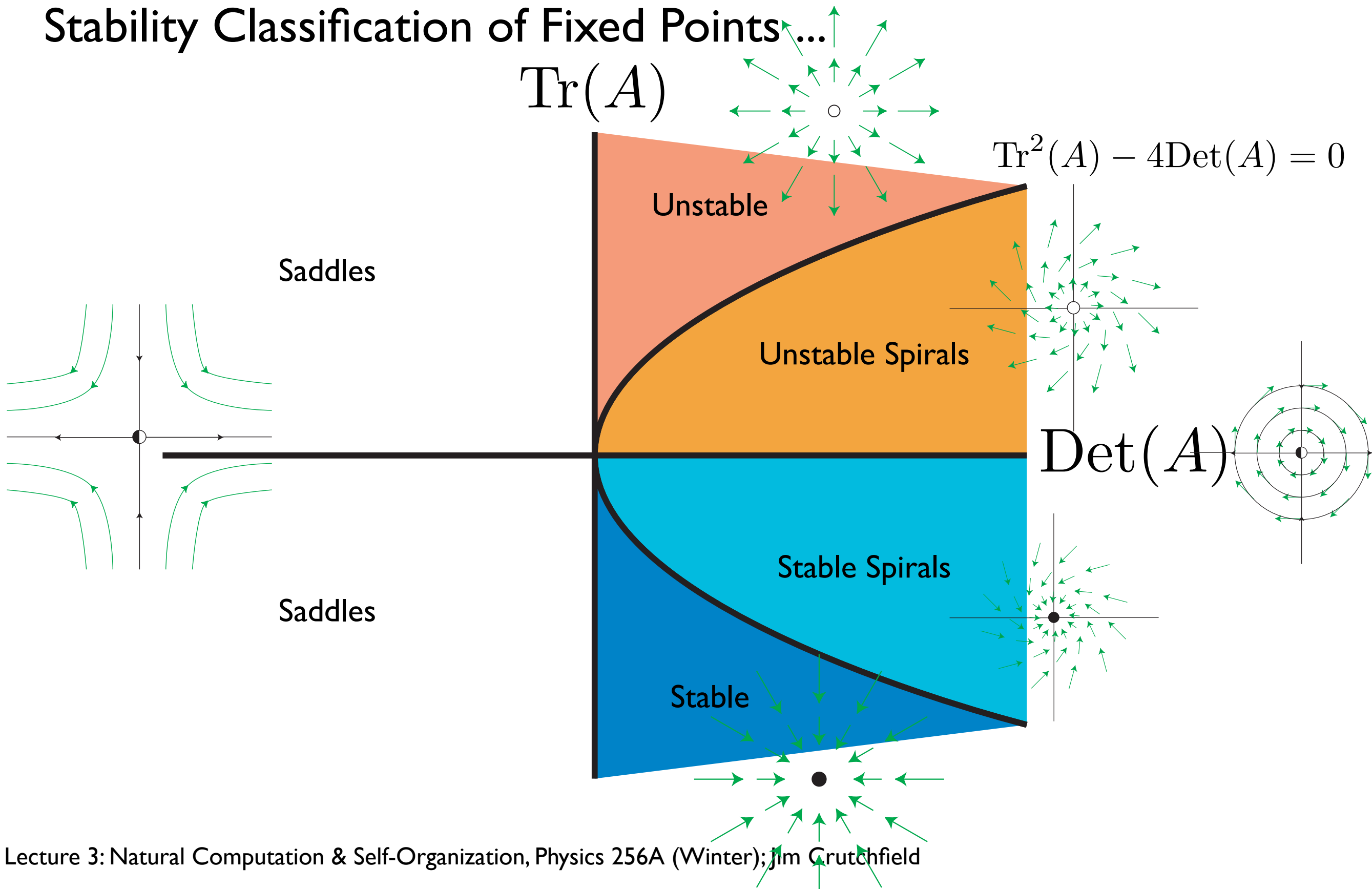
**Unstable:**  $\text{Tr}(A) > 0$

**Marginal:**  $\text{Tr}(A) = 0$

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## 2D Flows ...

### Stability Classification of Fixed Points ...



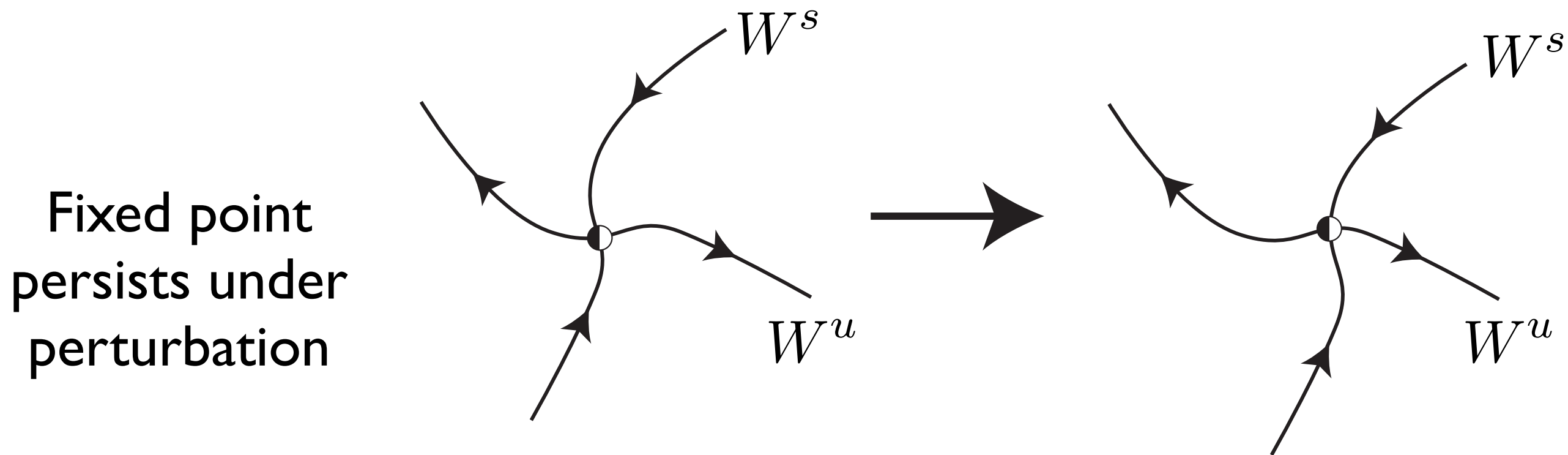
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## 2D Flows ...

### Stability Classification of Fixed Points ...

**Hyperbolic intersection** of  $W^s$  and  $W^u$ :

Robust, if  $\Re(\lambda_i) \neq 0, \forall i$





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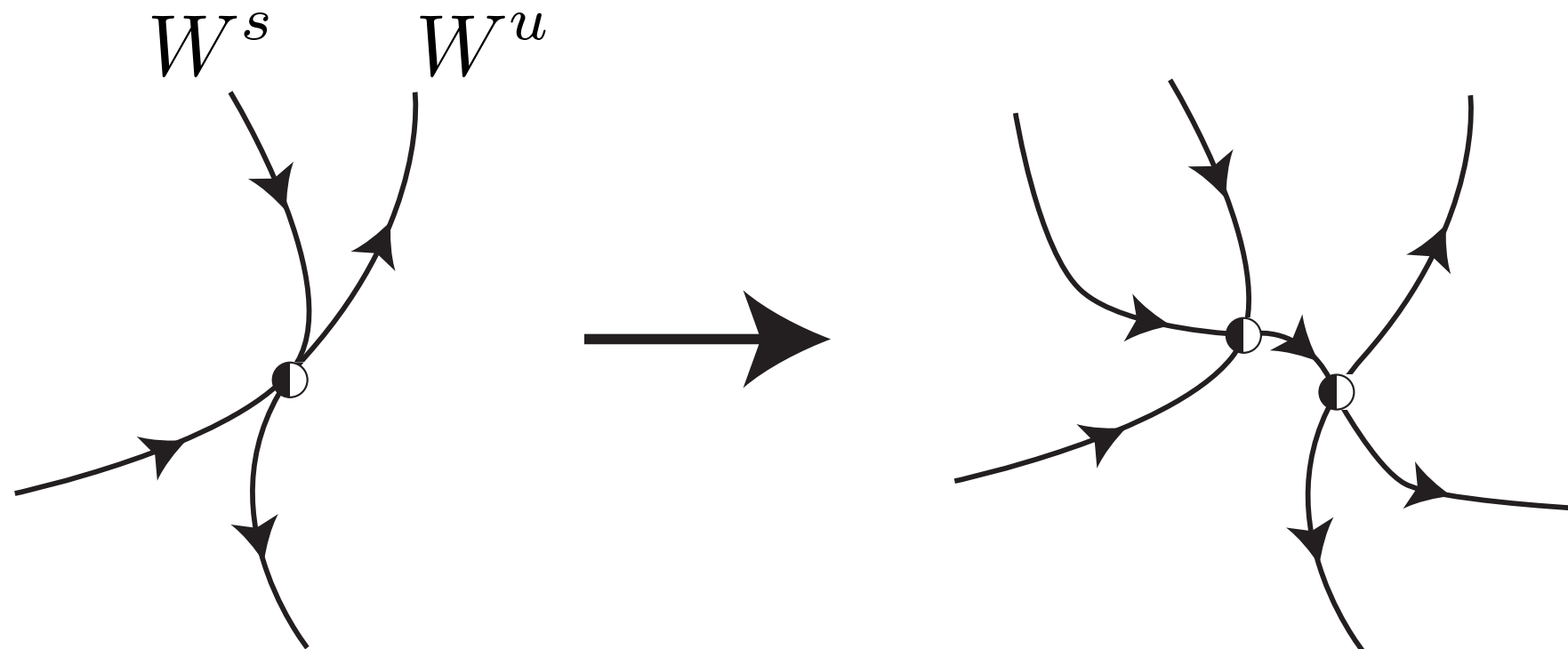
## 2D Flows ...

### Stability Classification of Fixed Points ...

**Non-hyperbolic intersection** of  $W^s$  and  $W^u$ :

Fragile

Fixed point  
changes structure  
under perturbation



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## 2D Flows: **Limit Cycles**

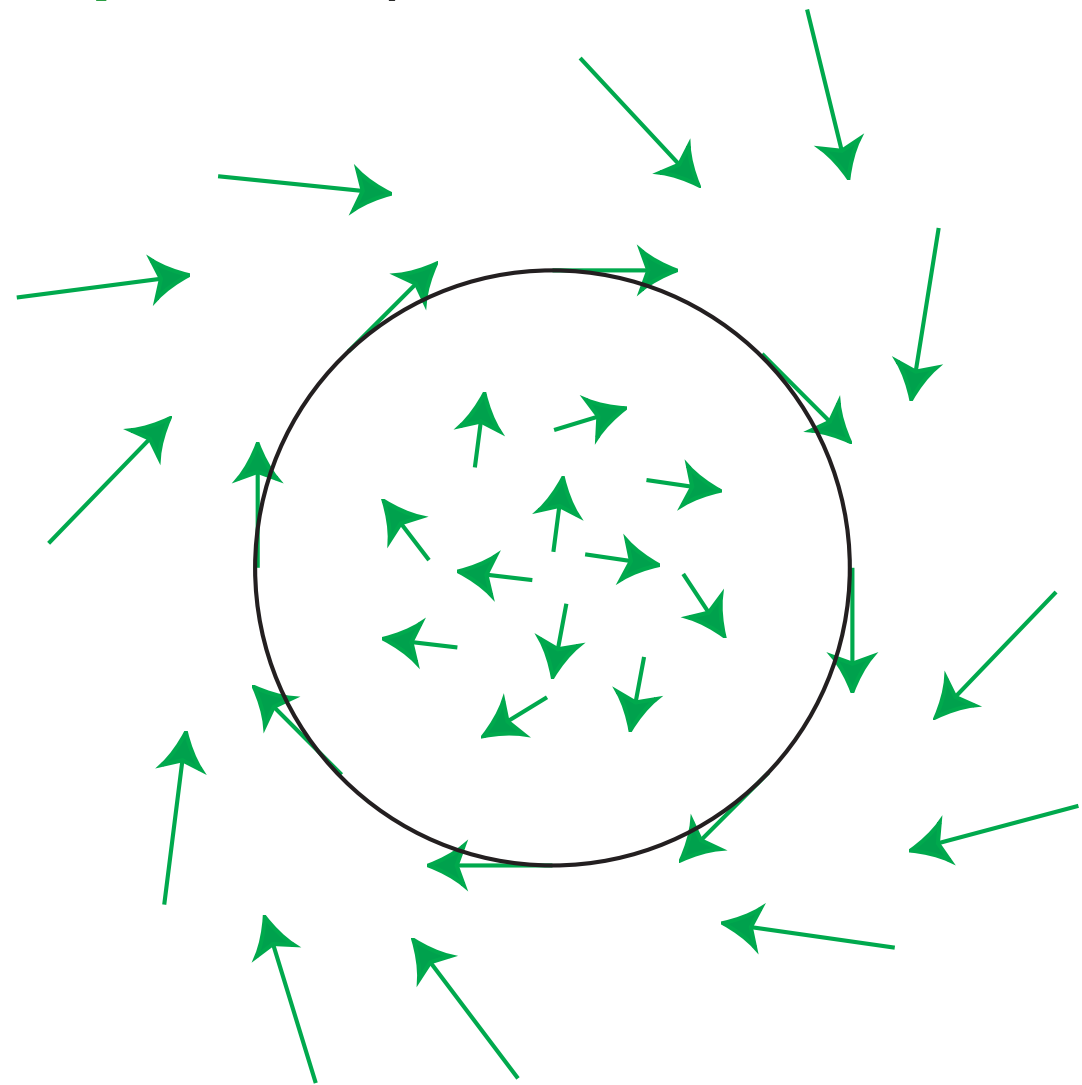
isolated, closed trajectory:

a **periodic orbit**:  $\vec{x}(t) = \vec{x}(t + p)$ , for all  $t$

( $p$  is the **period**)

model of stable oscillation  
this is a new behavior type  
*not possible* in 1D flows

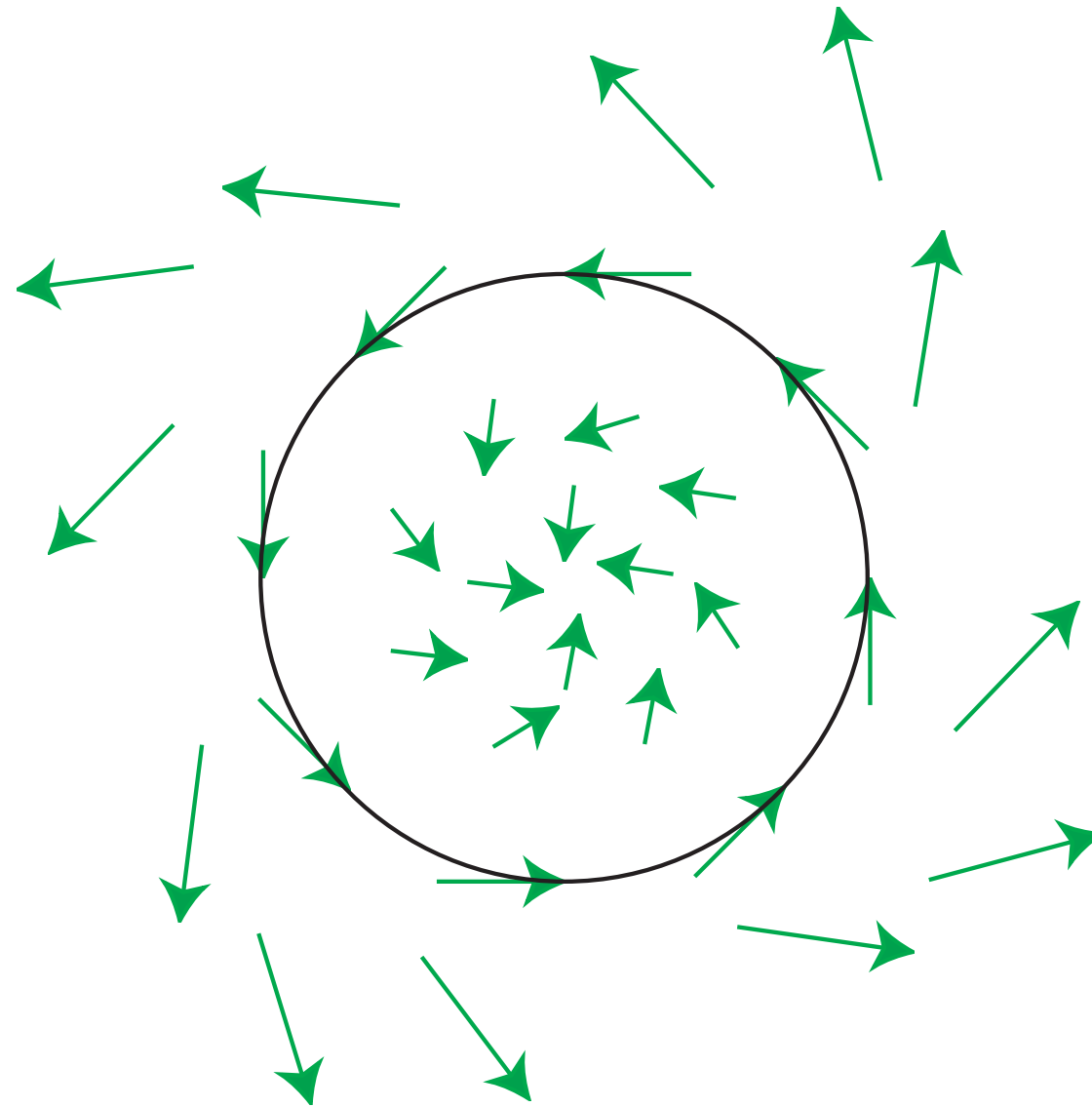
**Stable limit cycle**



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## 2D Flows: **Limit Cycles** ...

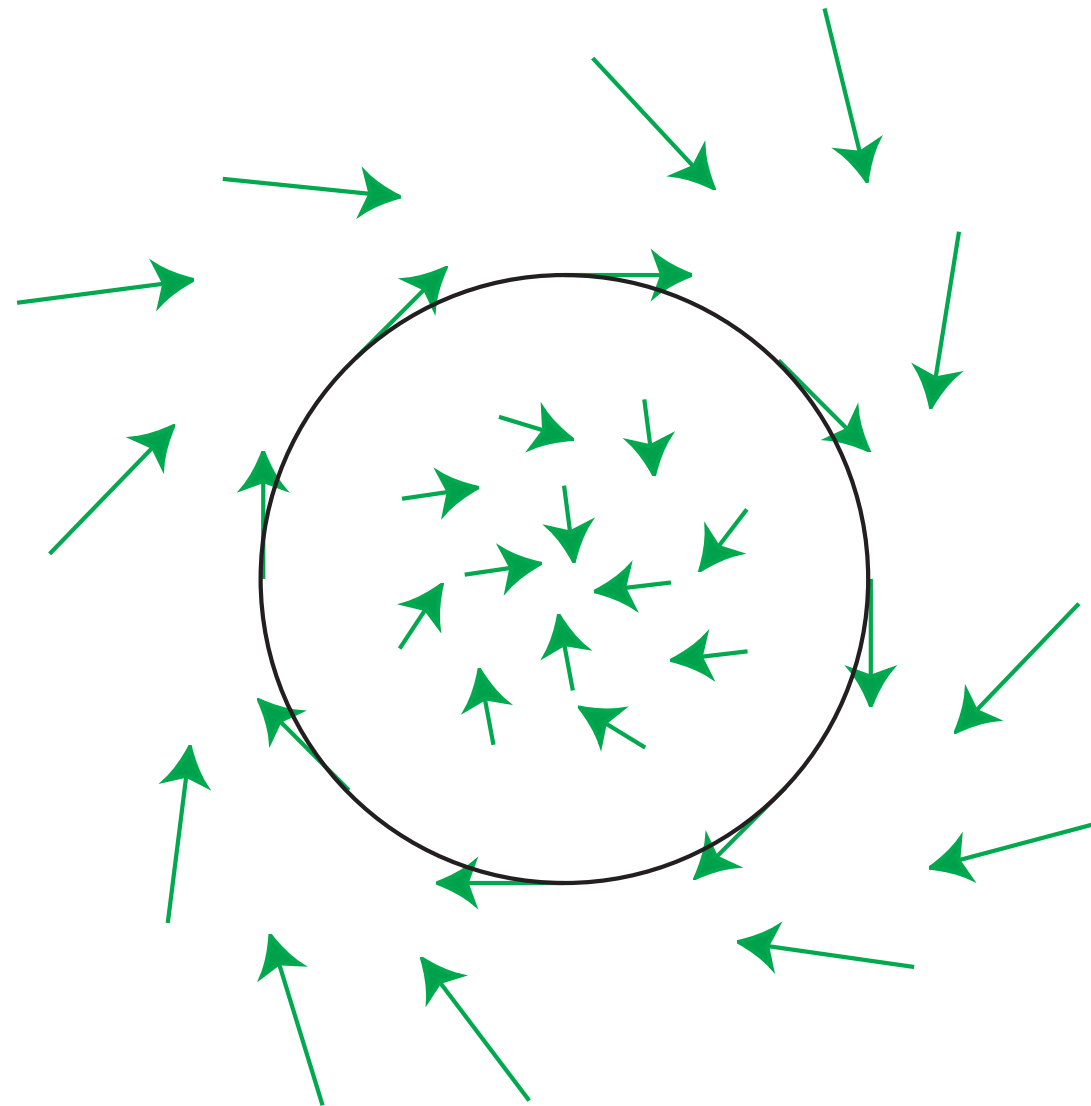
**Unstable cycle**



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## 2D Flows: Limit Cycles ...

Saddle cycle



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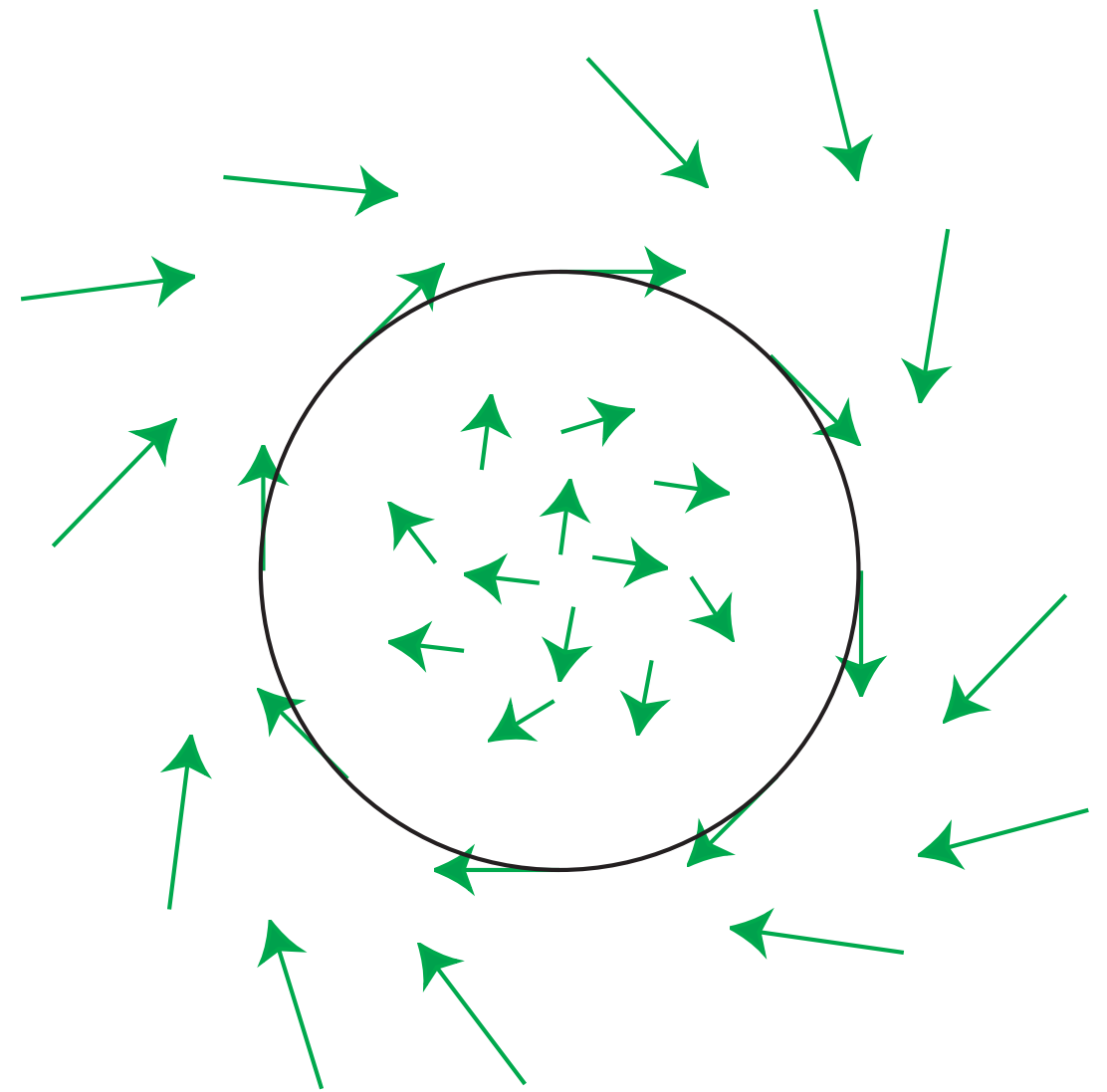
## 2D Flows ...

### Limit Cycle Examples

Easy in polar coordinates:

$$\dot{r} = r(1 - r^2)$$

$$\dot{\theta} = 1$$



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### Limit Cycle Examples ...

### Van der Pol Equations:

$$\ddot{x} + \mu(x^2 - a)\dot{x} + x = 0$$

or

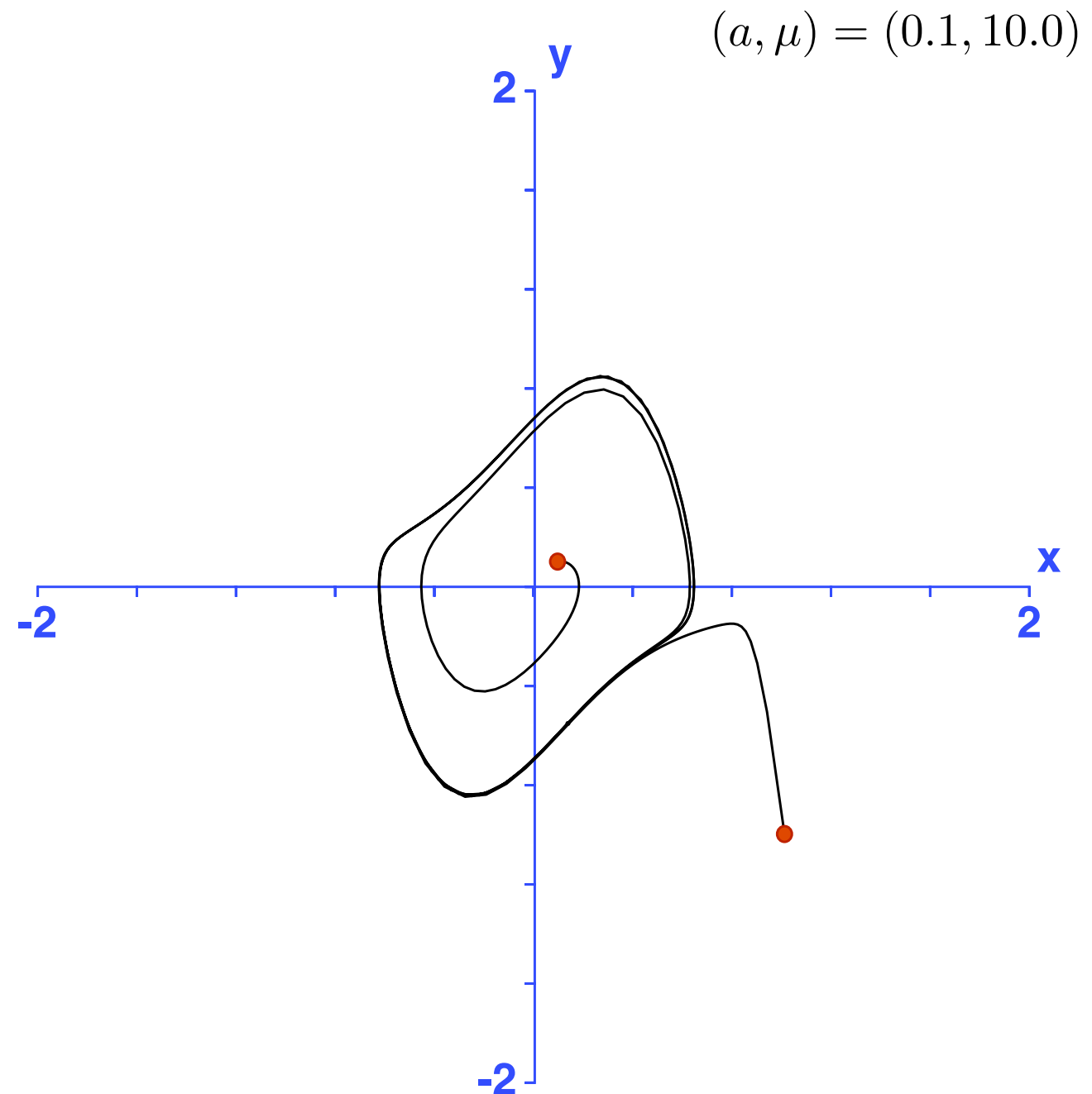
$$\dot{x} = y$$

$$\dot{y} = -x + \mu y(a - x^2)$$

Nonlinear damping changes sign:

Small oscillation: growth

Large oscillation: damped



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## 2D Flows ...

Limit cycle existence  
(requires real work to show!)

Systems that can't have stable oscillations:

1. Simple harmonic oscillator
2. Gradient systems:  $\dot{\vec{x}} = -\nabla V(\vec{x})$
3. Lyapunov systems

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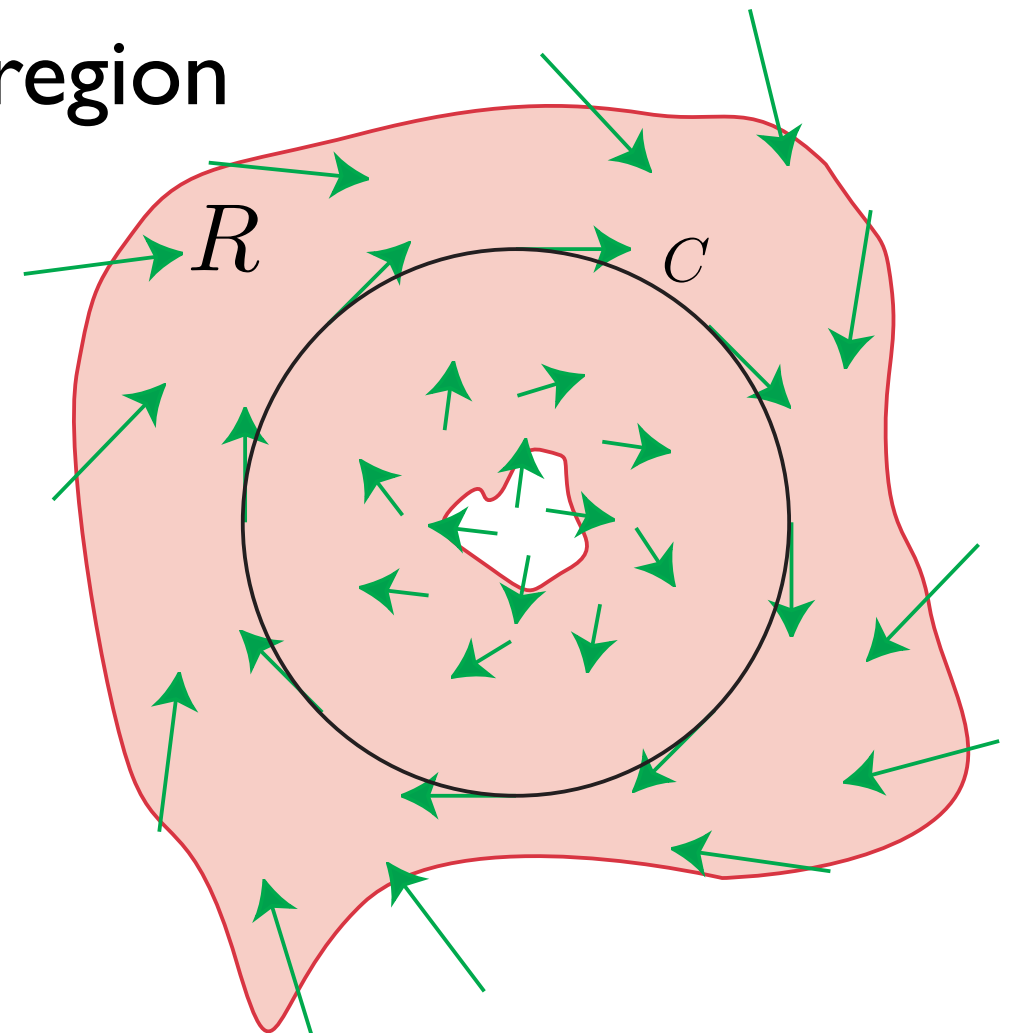
## 2D Flows ...

Limit cycle existence  
(requires real work to show!)

How to find limit cycles?

### Poincaré-Bendixson Theorem:

- (a) trajectory confined to trapping region
  - (b) no fixed points
- then have limit cycle  $C$   
somewhere inside  $R$ .





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3D Flows:

Fixed points

Limit cycles

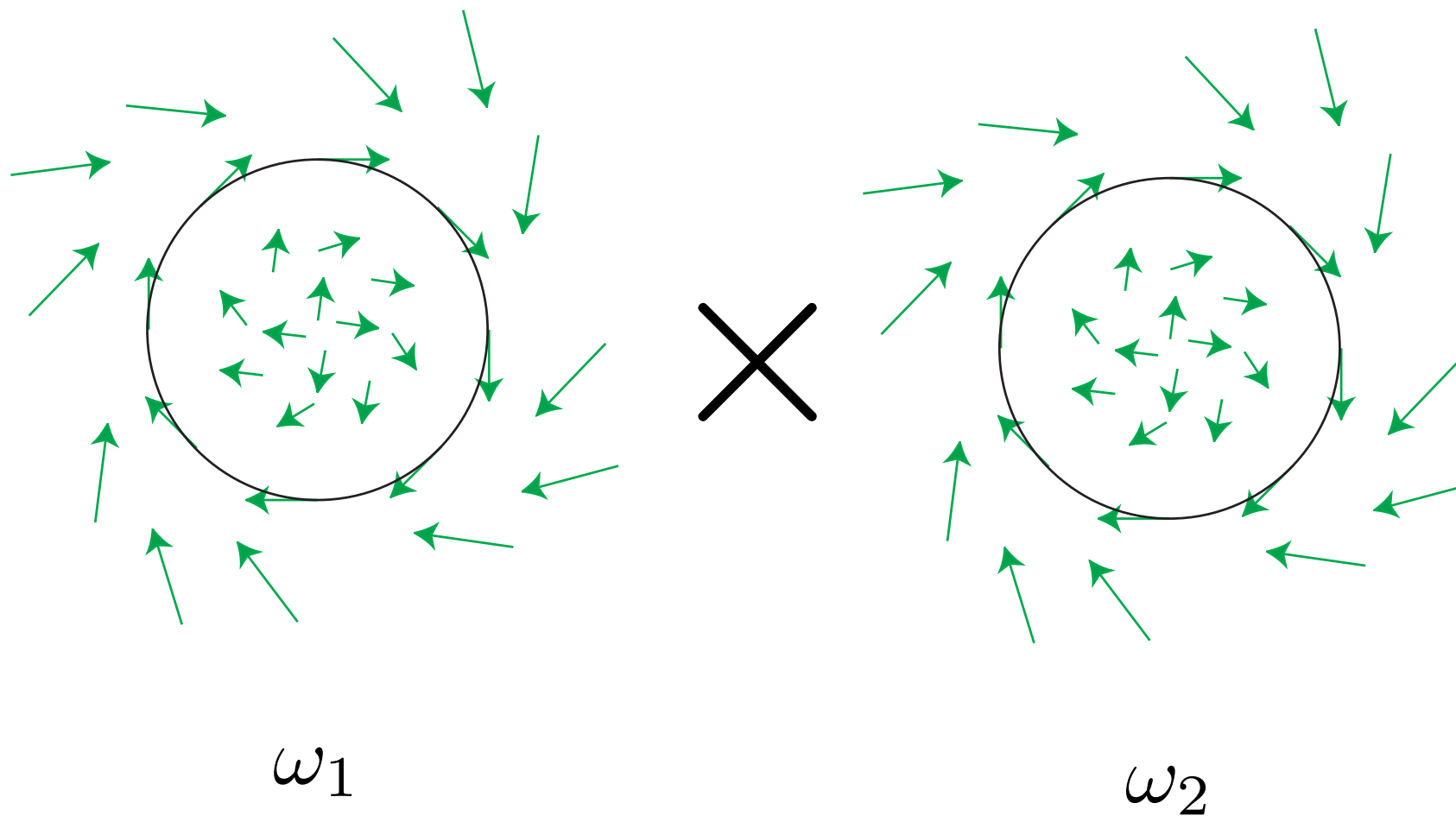
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## 3D Flows: Quasiperiodicity

product of two limit cycles:

two irrational frequencies  $\omega_1 \neq \omega_2$

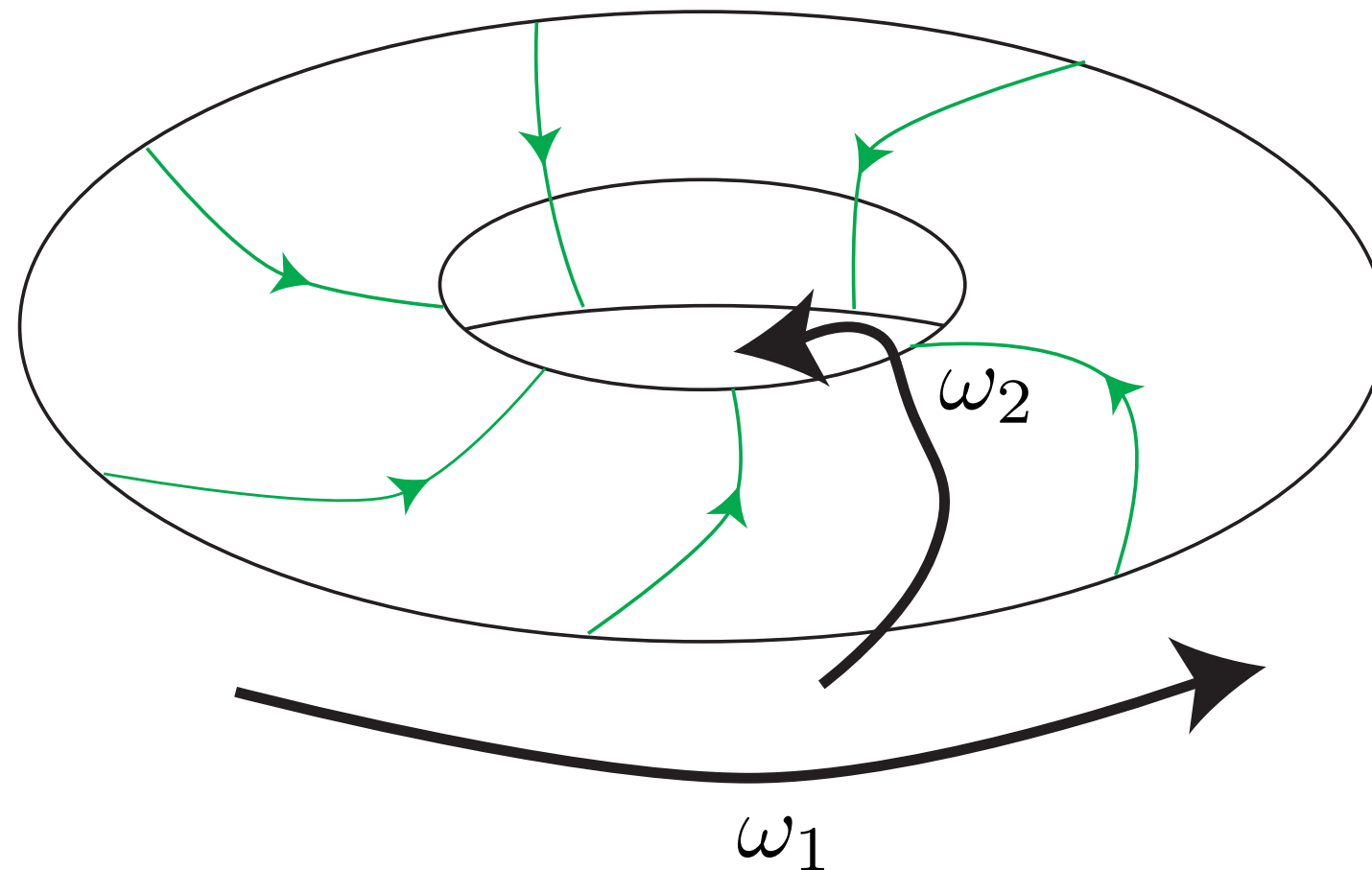


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## 3D Flows: Quasiperiodicity ...

a new kind of behavior *not possible* in 1D or 2D

### Torus attractor



$$\omega_1 \neq \omega_2$$

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## 3D Flows: Chaos

recurrent instability

one way to do this:

Orbit reinjection near unstable fixed point

*not possible* in lower D flows

a new behavior type

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## 3D Flows: Chaos ...

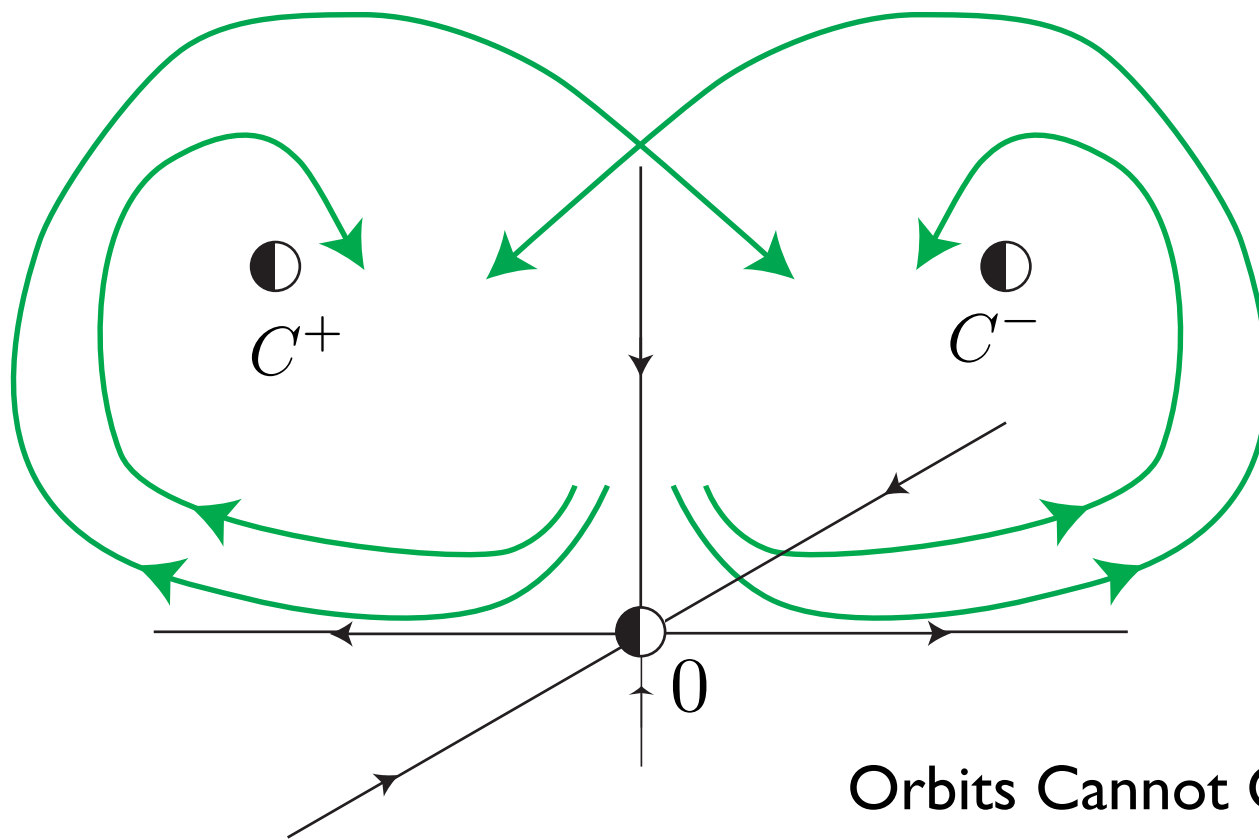
A topological construction:

saddle fixed point at origin:  $\mathbf{0}$

1D unstable manifold:  $\dim(W^u(\mathbf{0})) = 1$

2D stable manifold:  $\dim(W^s(\mathbf{0})) = 2$

two fixed points:  $C^+$  &  $C^-$



Orbits Cannot Cross: Need 3D!

Does any ODE implement this flow design?

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## 3D Flows: Chaos ...

Does any ODE implement this design?

Yes, the **Lorenz equations**:

$$\dot{x} = \sigma(y - x)$$

$$\dot{y} = rx - y - xz$$

$$\dot{z} = xy - bz$$

Parameters:  $\sigma, r, b > 0$

Exercise: Show fixed point at the origin can be a saddle, with 2 stable and 1 unstable directions

Exercise: Show there is a symmetry  $(x, y) \rightarrow (-x, -y)$

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## 3D Flows: Chaos ...

Lorenz ODE properties:

Trajectories stay in a bounded region near origin

No stable fixed points or stable limit cycles inside

Volume shrinks to zero (everywhere inside):

$$\dot{V} = \int_{\text{region}} dV \nabla \cdot \vec{F}(\vec{x})$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{F}(\vec{x}) = \text{Tr}(A) = -\sigma - 1 - b$$

$$\dot{V} = -(\sigma + 1 + b)V$$

$$V(t) = e^{-(\sigma+1+b)t}$$

Region volume shrinks  
exponentially fast!

## What does the invariant set look like?

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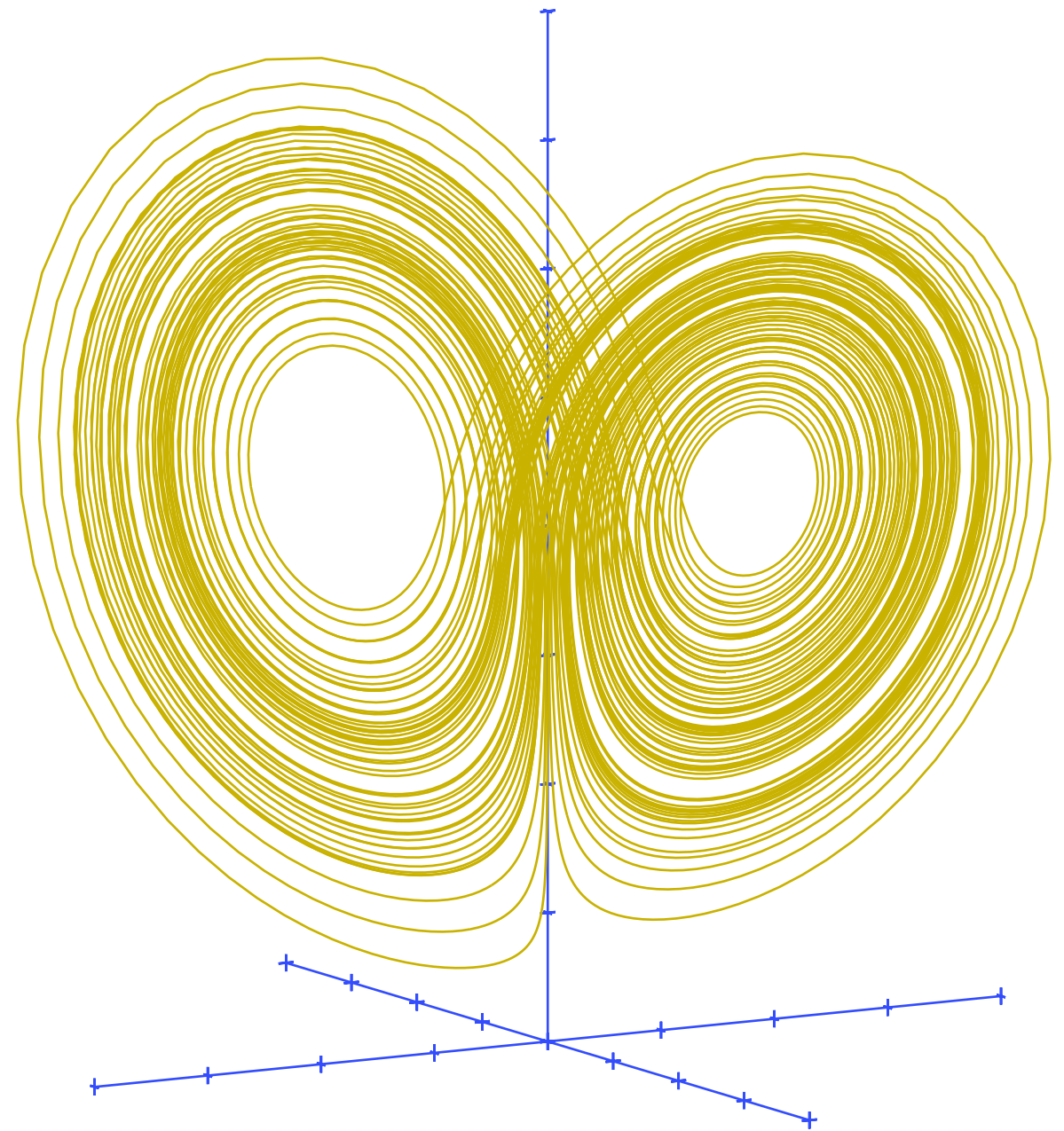
Lorenz simulation demo:

fixed point:

limit cycle:

chaotic attractor:

$$(\sigma, r, b) = (10, 28, 8/3)$$

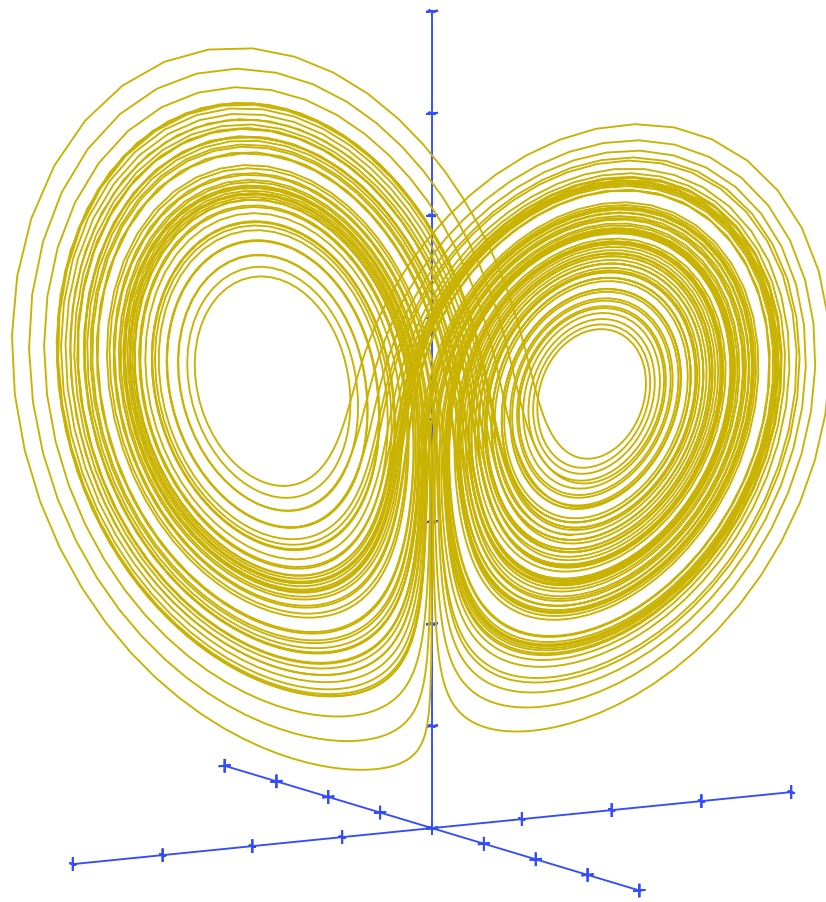




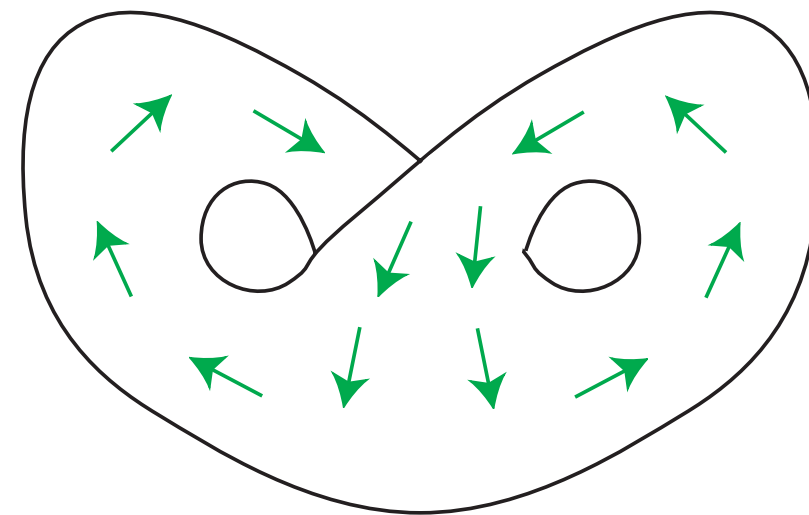
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## 3D Flows: Chaos ...

### Lorenz attractor structure

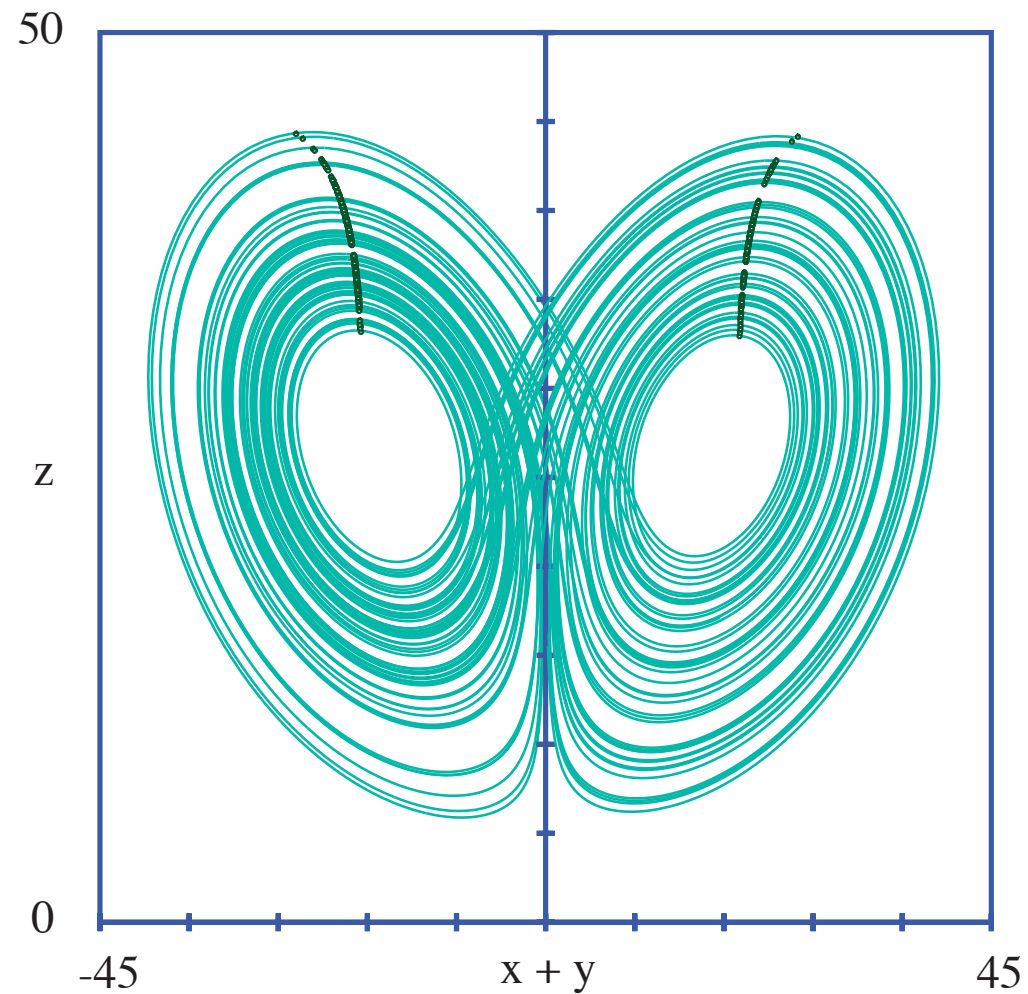


Branched manifold



# Example Dynamical Systems ...

## From Continuous-Time Flows to Discrete-Time Maps:



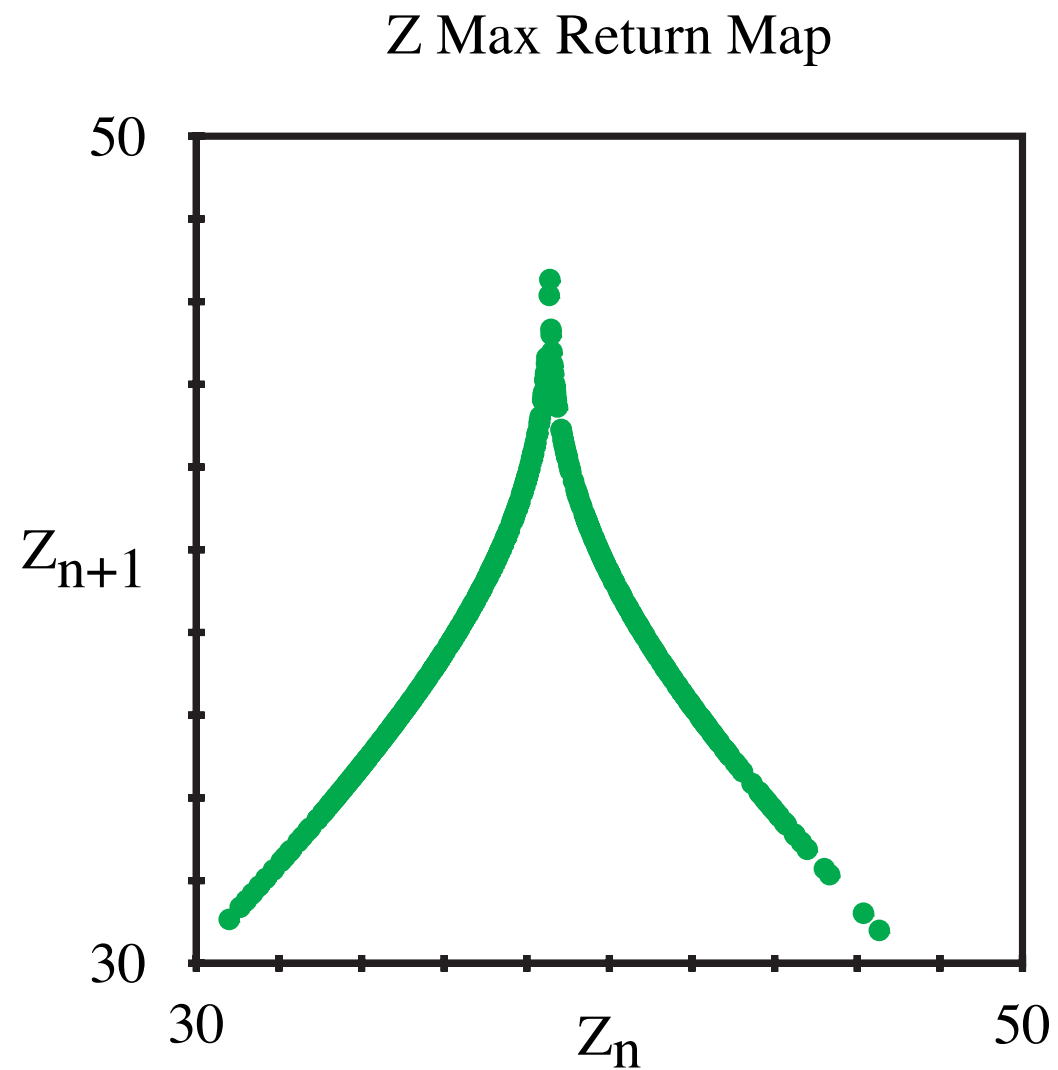
Series of z-maxima:  $\hat{z}_1, \hat{z}_2, \hat{z}_3, \dots$

What happens if you plot  
 $\hat{z}_{n+1}$  versus  $\hat{z}_n$  ?

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## From Continuous-Time Flows to Discrete-Time Maps:

Max-z Return Map:  $z_{n+1} = f(z_n)$

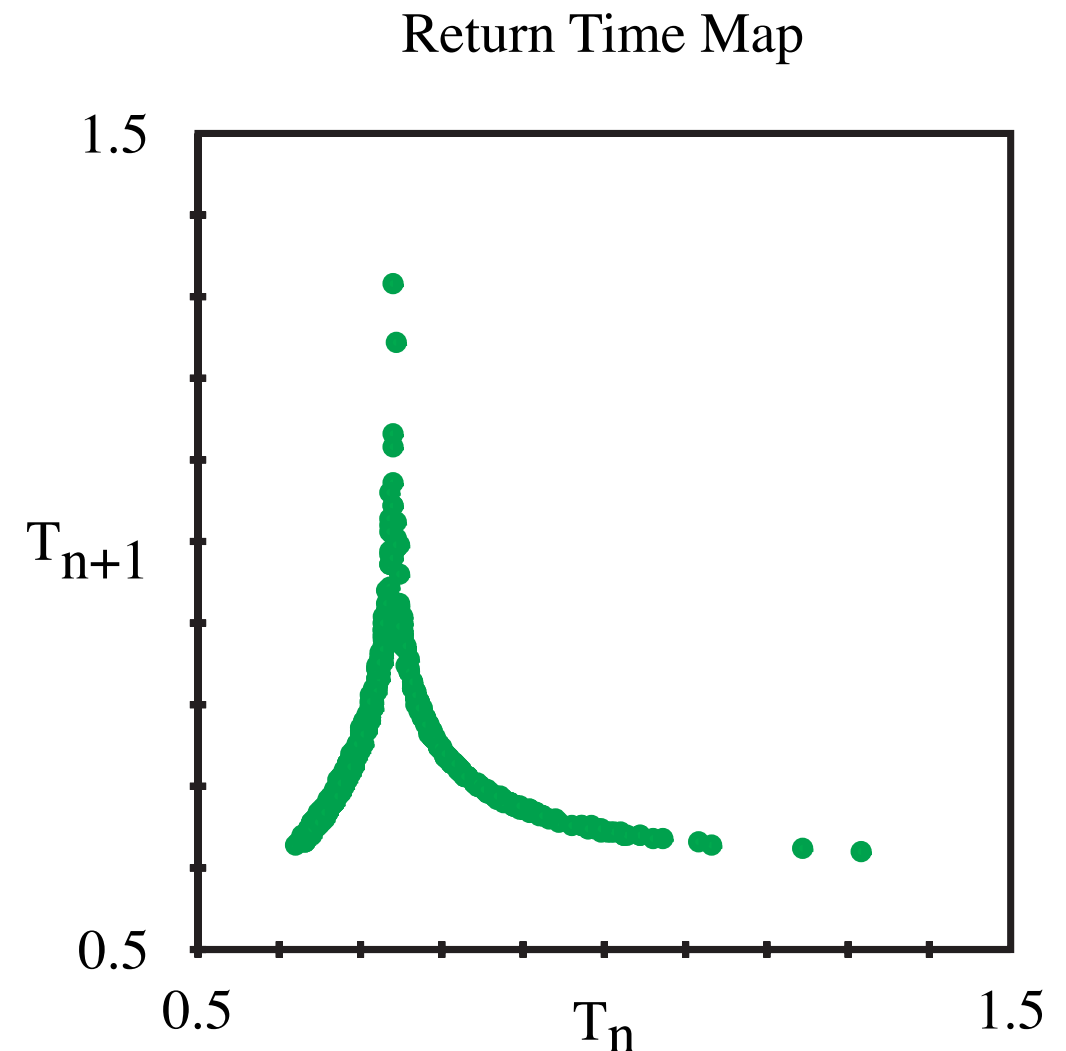
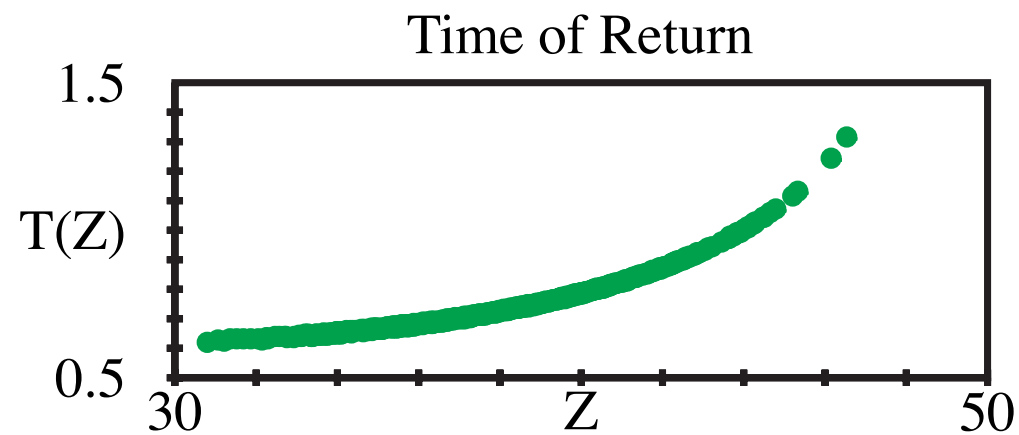


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## From Continuous-Time Flows to Discrete-Time Maps:

Time of Return Function:  $T(z_n)$

Return Time Map:  $T_{n+1} = h(T_n)$



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## 3D Flows ...

Lorenz reduces to a cusp 1D map:

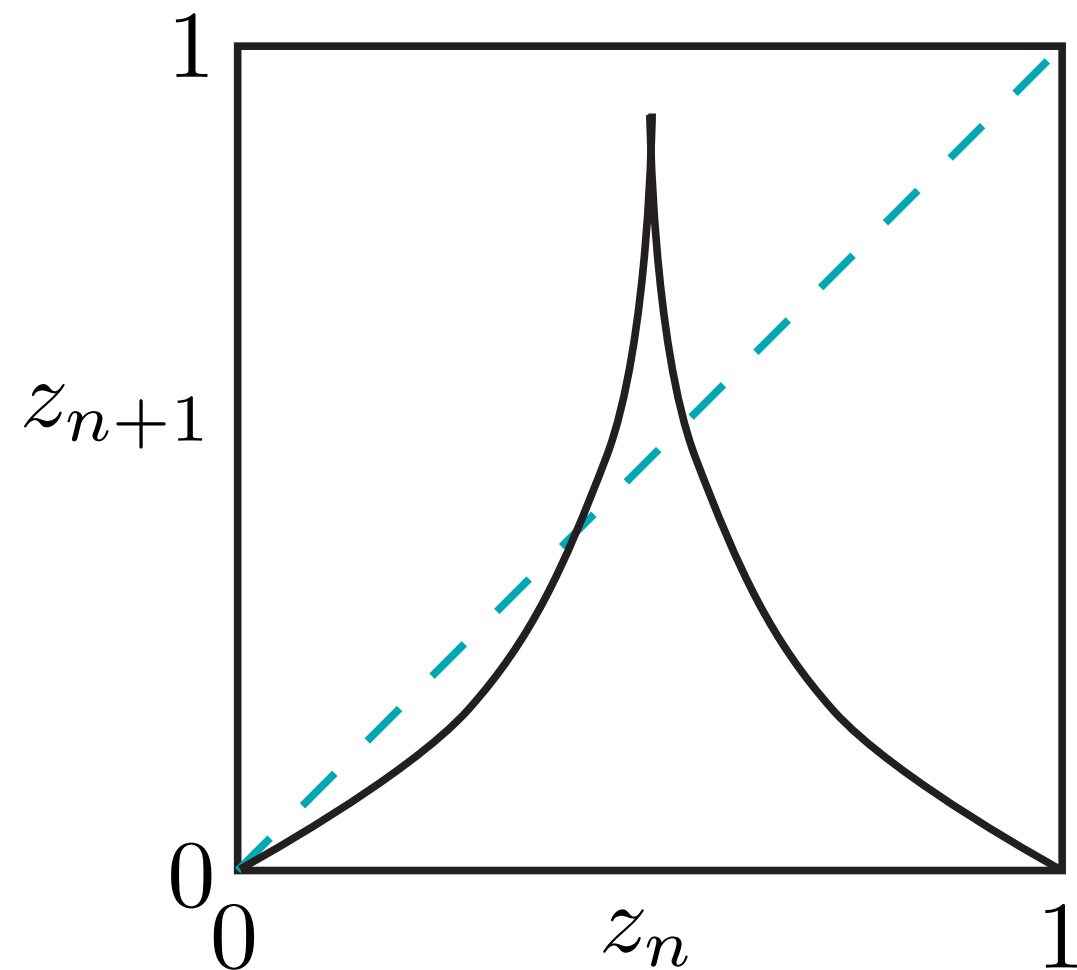
normalize to  $z_n \in [0, 1]$

$$z_{n+1} = a(1 - |1 - 2z_n|^b)$$

Parameters:

height:  $a > 0$

peak sharpness:  $0 < b < 1$



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## 3D Flows ...

### Rössler equations

$$\dot{x} = -y - z$$

$$\dot{y} = x + ay$$

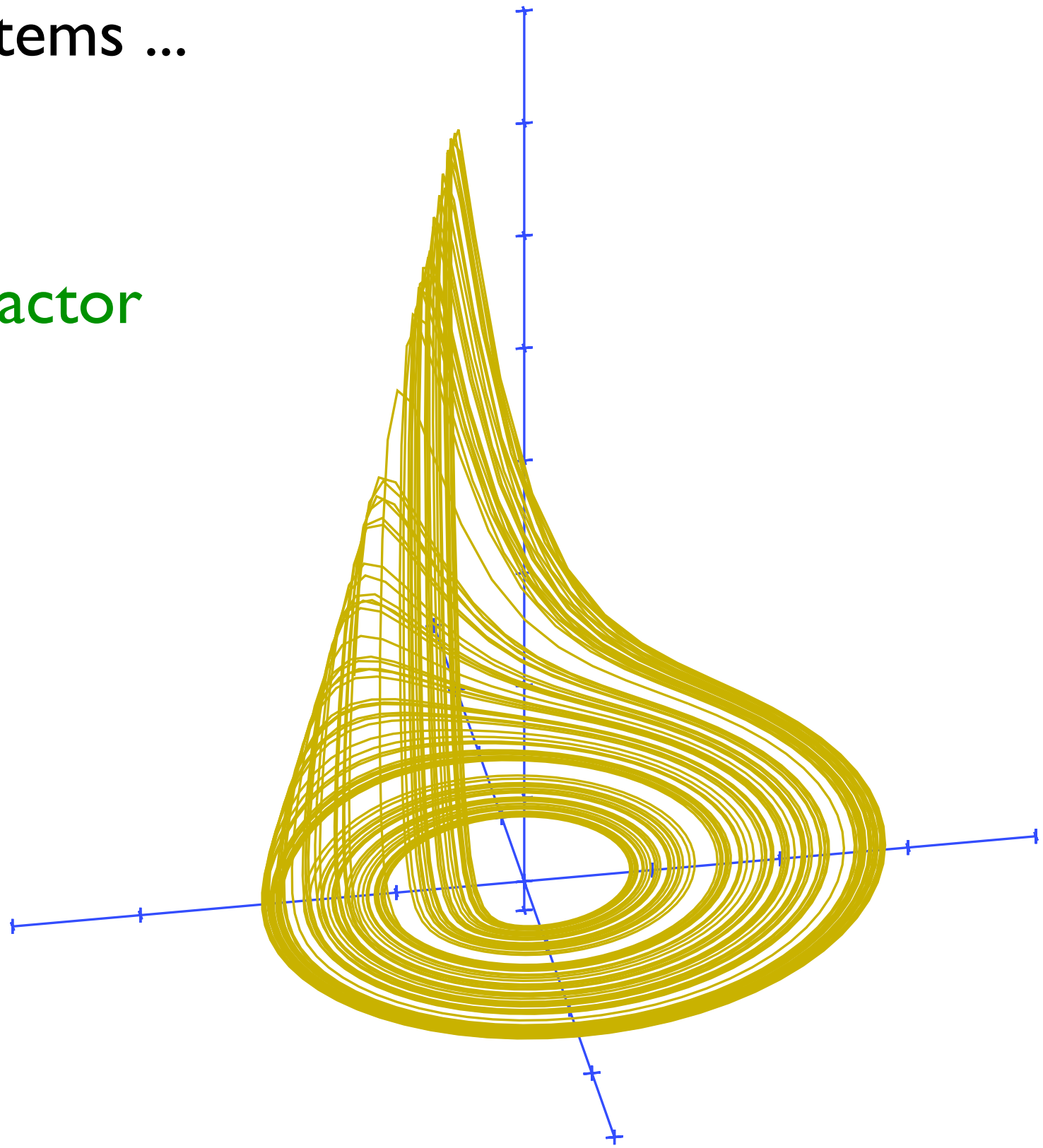
$$\dot{z} = b + z(x - c)$$

Parameters:  $a, b, c > 0$

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## 3D Flows ...

### Rössler chaotic attractor

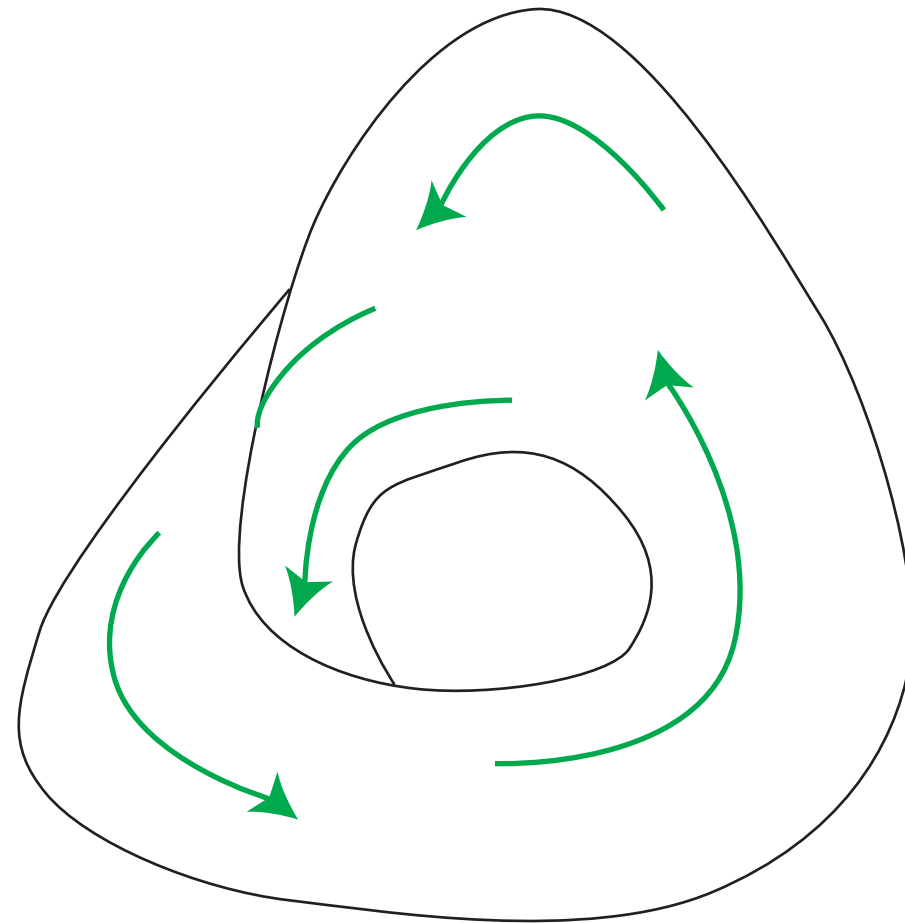


Parameters:  $(a, b, c) = (0.2, 0.2, 5.7)$

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## 3D Flows ...

### Rössler branched manifold

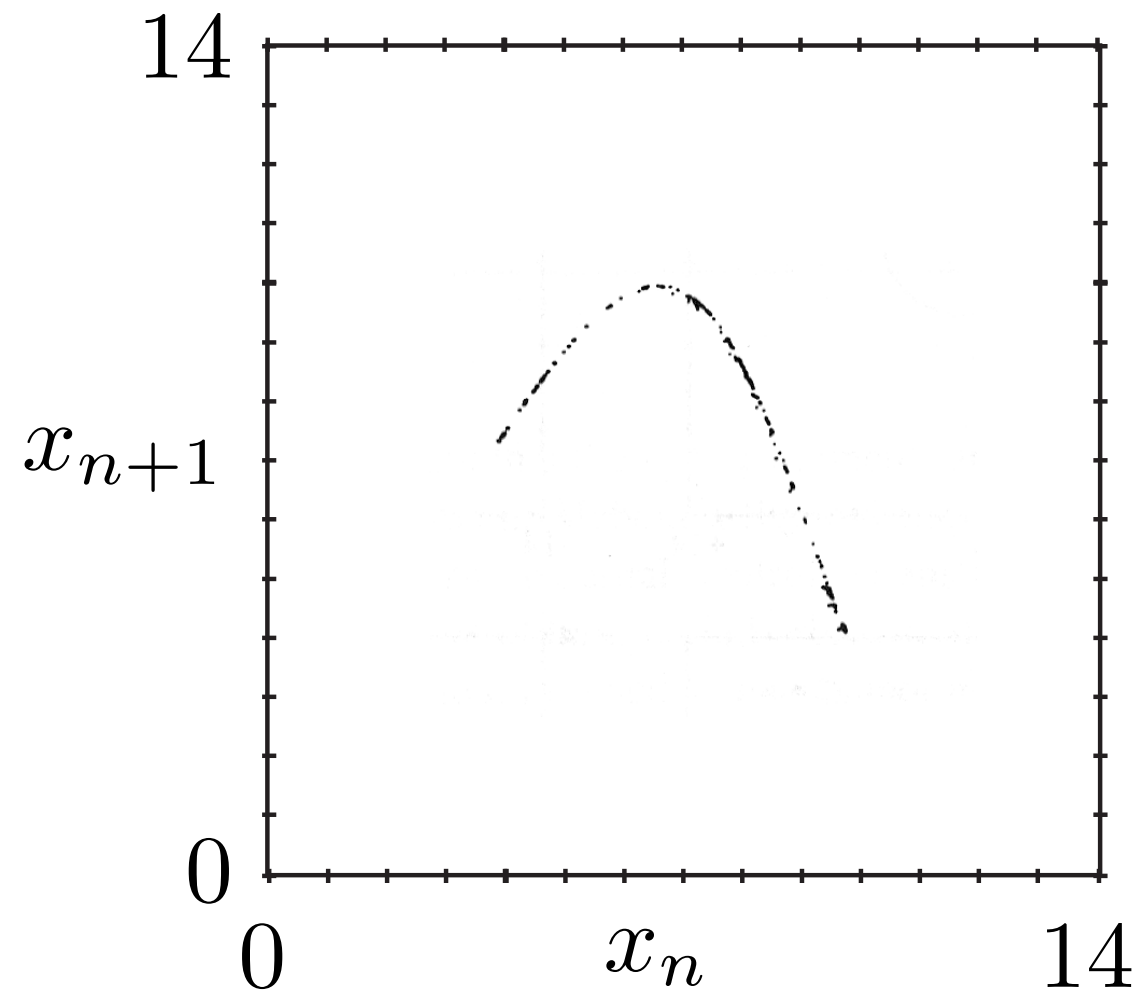




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## 3D Flows ...

Rössler maximum-x return map:  $x_{n+1} = f(x_n)$



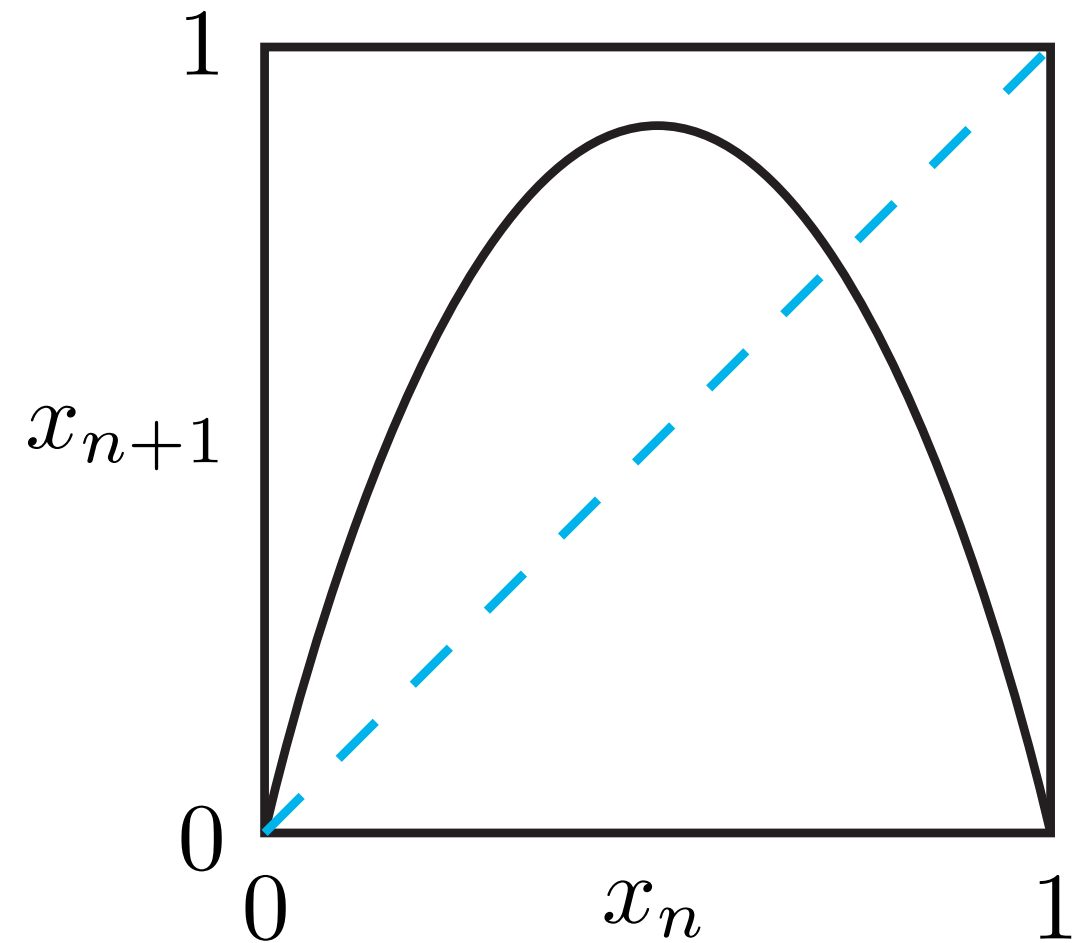
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## 3D Flows ...

When normalized to  $x_n \in [0, 1]$   
get the **Logistic Map**:

$$x_{n+1} = r x_n (1 - x_n)$$

Parameter (height):  $r \in [0, 4]$



# Example Dynamical Systems ...

## Classification of Possible Behaviors

Dimension	Attractor
1	Fixed point
2	Fixed point, Limit cycle
3	Fixed Point, Limit Cycle, Torus, Chaotic
4	Above + Hyperchaos
5	Above + ?

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**Lorenz:**  $\dot{x} = \sigma(y - x) \quad \sigma, r, b > 0$

$$\dot{y} = rx - y - xz$$

$$\dot{z} = xy - bz$$

**Rössler:**  $\dot{x} = -y - z$

$$\dot{y} = x + ay$$

$$\dot{z} = b + z(x - c)$$

**Cusp Map:**  $z_n \in [0, 1] \quad a > 0, 0 < b < 1$

$$z_{n+1} = a(1 - |1 - 2z_n|^b)$$

**Logistic map:**

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

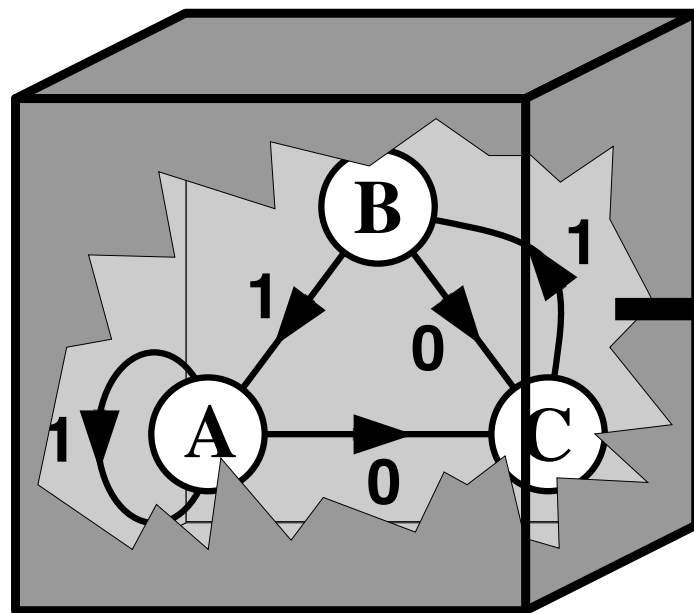
**Play with these!**

# The Big Picture

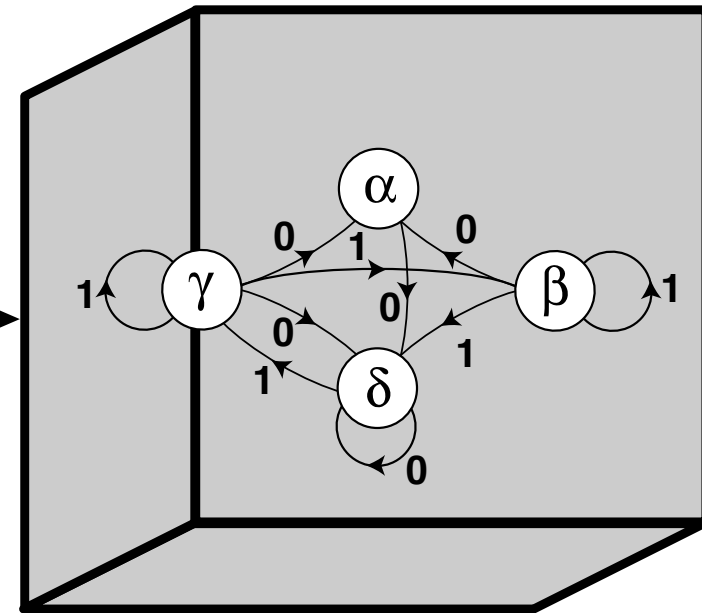
Global view of the state space structures:  
The attractor-basin portrait

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**Process**

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