

Logistic map Feigenbaum 1970's

- period doubling – bifurcation route to chaos
- a universal behaviour

$$x_{N+1} = \lambda x_N (1 - x_N) \quad \lambda > 0$$

May 1976 - insect population dynamics

λ - birth rate

$-\lambda x_N^2$ - saturation/competition

1) Why not use corresponding differential equation instead?

- construct analogous continuous 1st order DE and investigate the dynamics

assume that x_N has a continuous limit $x(t)$

time $t = N\Delta$ $N = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

so $x_N = x(N\Delta)$ $x_{N+1} = x(N\Delta + \Delta)$, etc.

Taylor expand $-\Delta$ is small – for continuous $x(t)$:

$$x(N\Delta + \Delta) = x(N\Delta) + \frac{d}{dt}x(N\Delta).\Delta + \dots \tag{A}$$

but this is also coincident with x_{N+1} etc., so for map:

$$\begin{aligned} x(N\Delta + \Delta) &= M(x(N\Delta)). \\ &= \lambda x(N\Delta)(1 - x(N\Delta)) \end{aligned} \tag{B}$$

(A) \equiv (B) and write $x(N\Delta) = x(t) = x$

$$\Delta \frac{dx}{dt} = (\lambda - 1)x - \lambda x^2$$

this is the continuous 1st order DE analogue to $M(x)$.

Look at fixed points, classify for continuous case.

Fixed points $(\lambda - 1)\bar{x} - \lambda \bar{x}^2 = 0$
 $\bar{x}[(\lambda - 1) - \lambda \bar{x}] = 0$

so $\bar{x} = 0, \quad \bar{x} = \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda}.$

Classify by sketching the phase plane

$$H(x) = \Delta \frac{dx}{dt} = (\lambda - 1)x - \lambda x^2$$

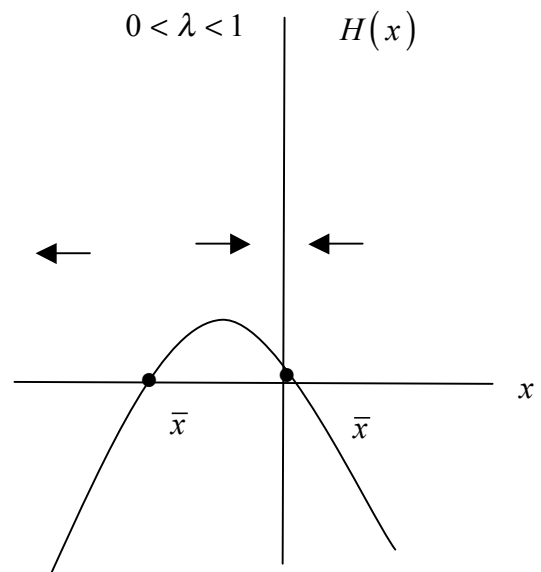
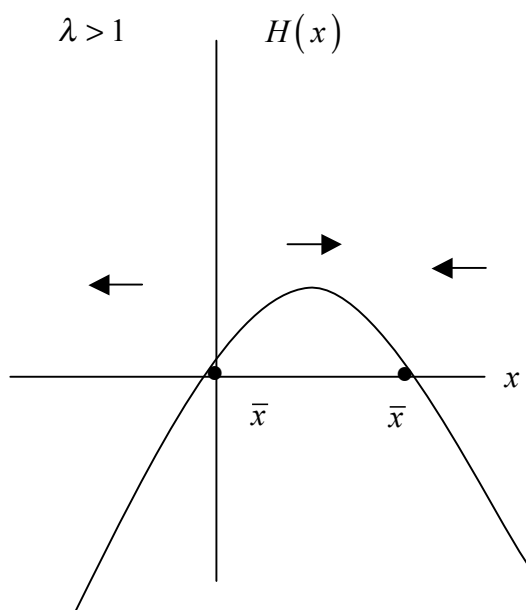
sketch $H(x)$ vs x Δ does not matter

$\lambda > 0$ so $H(x) \rightarrow -\infty$ $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$

t.p at $\frac{dH}{dx} = 0 = (\lambda - 1) - 2\lambda x$

ie: at $x = \frac{\lambda - 1}{2\lambda}$ or $x = \frac{\bar{x}}{2}$

Sketch of phase plane



Then for the continuous DE:

$\lambda > 1$ $\bar{x} = 0$
 $\bar{x} = \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda}$

repellor

attractor

$0 < \lambda < 1$ $\bar{x} = 0$

attractor

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda} \quad \text{repellor}$$

Now look at the difference equation (map)

$$x_{N+1} = \lambda x_N (1 - x_N)$$

fixed points at $x_{N+1} = x_N = \bar{x}$

$$\bar{x} = \lambda \bar{x} (1 - \bar{x})$$

ie: $(\lambda - 1)\bar{x} - \lambda \bar{x}^2 = 0$ - same expression as continuous DE.

Classify: Linearize the map

$$\begin{aligned} x_N &= \bar{x} + \delta x_N \\ x_{N+1} &= \bar{x} + \delta x_{N+1} \end{aligned}$$

Sub into map

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{x} + \delta x_{N+1} &= \lambda (\bar{x} + \delta x_N) (1 - \bar{x} - \delta x_N) \\ &= \lambda [\bar{x} (1 - \bar{x}) - \bar{x} \delta x_N + (1 - \bar{x}) \delta x_N - \delta x_N^2] \end{aligned}$$

but at the fixed points $\bar{x} = \lambda \bar{x} (1 - \bar{x})$

$$\text{so} \quad \delta x_{N+1} = \lambda \delta x_N (1 - 2\bar{x}) \quad +0(\delta x_N^2)$$

$$= [\lambda (1 - 2\bar{x})]^{N+1} \delta x_0$$

$$\text{and at } \bar{x} = 0 \quad \delta x_{N+1} = \lambda^{N+1} \delta x_0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{x} = \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda} \quad \delta x_{N+1} &= \left[\lambda \left(\frac{\lambda - 2\lambda + 2}{\lambda} \right) \right]^{N+1} \delta x_0 \\ \delta x_{N+1} &= (2 - \lambda)^{N+1} \delta x_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so} \quad \bar{x} = 0 \quad \begin{array}{ll} \lambda > 1 & \bar{x} = 0 \quad \text{repellor} \\ 0 < \lambda < 1 & \bar{x} = 0 \quad \text{attractor} \end{array}$$

-same as continuous DE

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda} \quad \text{- for } 0 < \lambda < 1 \text{ is a repellor- same as continuous DE}$$

however, no longer an attractor for all $\lambda > 1$

- **different** to continuous DE

instead, for $|2 - \lambda| < 1$ i.e. $1 < \lambda < 3$ map has attractor at $\bar{x} = \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda}$

What happens for $\lambda > 3$?

Sketch of map: $\lambda > 1$

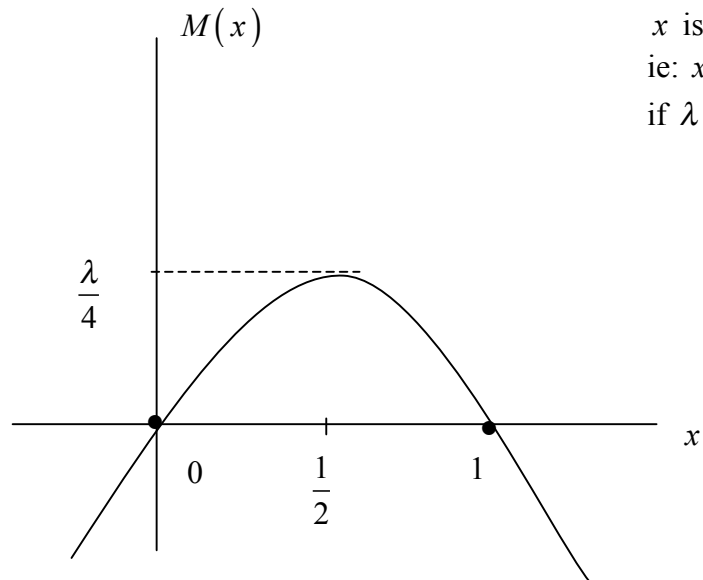
$$M(x) = \lambda x(1 - x)$$

intercepts at $x = 0, 1$

$$\frac{dM}{dx} = \lambda - 2\lambda x$$

$$= 0 \text{ at } x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$M\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\lambda}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\lambda}{4}$$



We will look in the range $3 < \lambda < 4$ (this is where all the interesting behaviour is).

First we can do $\lambda = 4$

in this case $M^p(x) = [0, 1]$ (like tent map).

Topologically, same as tent map as well – see this by change of variables

$$x = \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi y}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}[1 - \cos(\pi y)]$$

$$x = [0, 1] \text{ as } y = [0, 1]$$

sub into $x_{N+1} = 4x_N(1 - x_N)$

$$\sin^2\left(\frac{\pi y_{N+1}}{2}\right) = 2(1 - \cos \pi y_N) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos \pi y_N\right)$$

$$= (1 - \cos \pi y_N)(1 + \cos \pi y_N) = 1 - \cos^2(\pi y_N) = \sin^2(\pi y_N)$$

ie: $\sin^2\left(\frac{\pi y_{N+1}}{2}\right) = \sin^2(\pi y_N)$

so $\frac{\pi y_{N+1}}{2} = \pm \pi y_N + S\pi$ S integer

$y = [0,1]$ so can only have certain s .

$$\frac{y_{N+1}}{2} = \pm y_N + S$$

If $S = 0$ $y_{N+1} = 2y_N$ $0 \leq y_N \leq \frac{1}{2}$ + sign

$S = 1$ $y_{N+1} = 2(1 - y_N)$ $\frac{1}{2} \leq y_N \leq 1$ - sign

this is just the tent map.

So, have shown there is global chaos at $\lambda = 4$

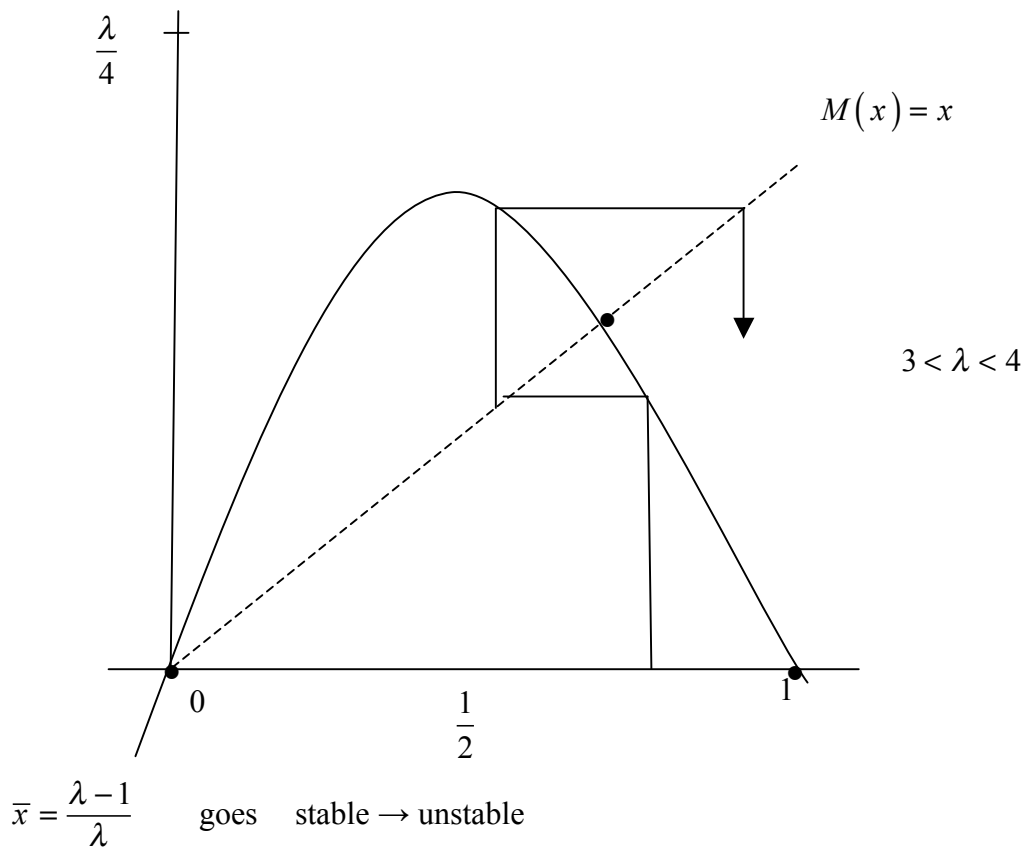
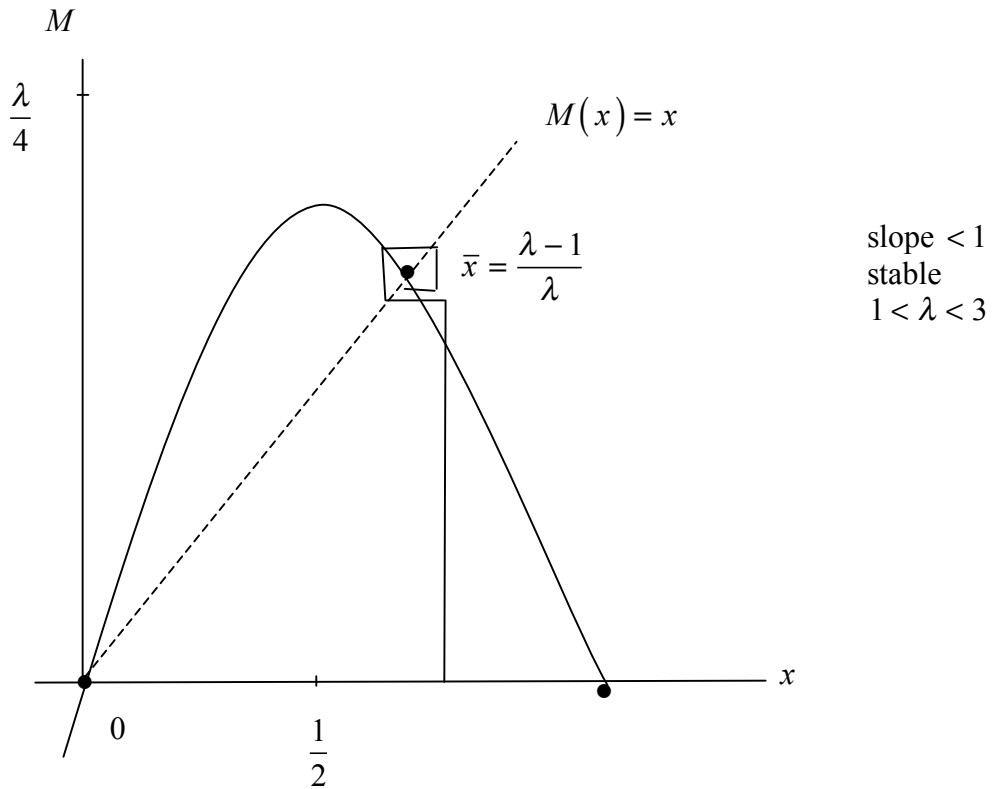
Problem – what happens as we go from $\lambda < 3$ attractor to $\lambda = 4$ - chaos?

We will need to find the p^{th} iterated map M^p (or its essential properties).

Iterates of the logistic map

Sketch

(use graphics)



attractor \rightarrow repeller

as λ goes through 3.

Look at $M^2(x)$

$$\begin{aligned}M^2(x) &= M(M(x)) \\ &= \lambda M(1-M) \\ &= \lambda^2 x(1-x)(1-\lambda x(1-x)) \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &= \lambda^2 [x - (1+\lambda)x^2 + 2\lambda x^3 - \lambda x^4]\end{aligned}$$

fixed points of $M^2(x)$ are $M^2(\bar{x}) = \bar{x}$

or $M^2(\bar{x}) - \bar{x} = 0$

or $\lambda^2 [\bar{x} - (1+\lambda)\bar{x}^2 + 2\lambda\bar{x}^3 - \lambda\bar{x}^4] - \bar{x} = 0$

so roots are $\bar{x} = 0$ and 3 others.

- 3 real or 1 real, 2 imaginary
- all depends on λ .

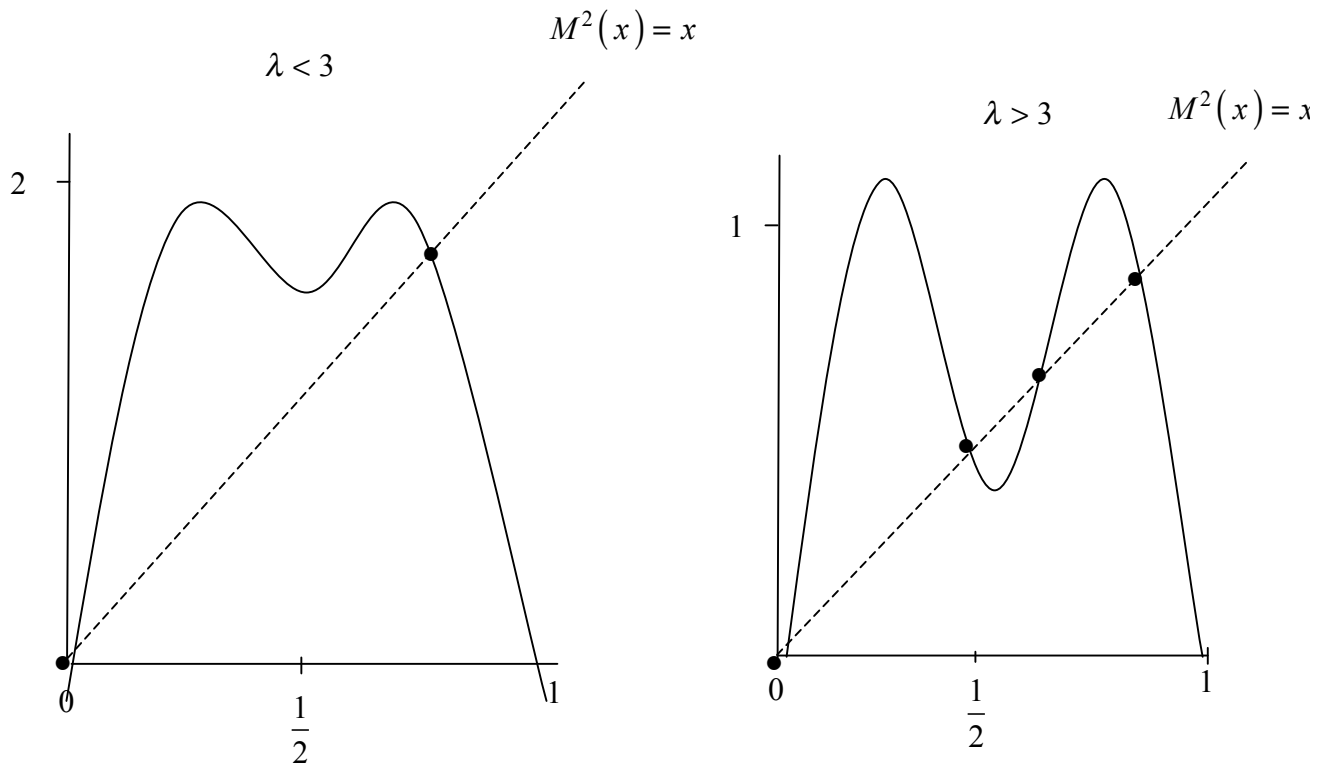
Sketch $M^2(x)$

- it is a quadratic
- it is symmetric about $x = \frac{1}{2}$
(because M is)

asymptotes $M^2(x) \rightarrow -\infty$ as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$

intercepts at $x = 0, 1$

Sketch $M^2(x)$



Fixed points:

$$\bar{x} = 0 \quad + 1$$

$$\bar{x} = 0 \quad + 3$$

Now if \bar{x} is a fixed point of M

must be fixed point of M^2

call this x^*

(converse is not true)

$$\lambda < 3 \quad x^* = \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda} \text{ is attractor} \quad \left| \frac{d(M^2)}{dx} \right|_{x^*} < 1$$

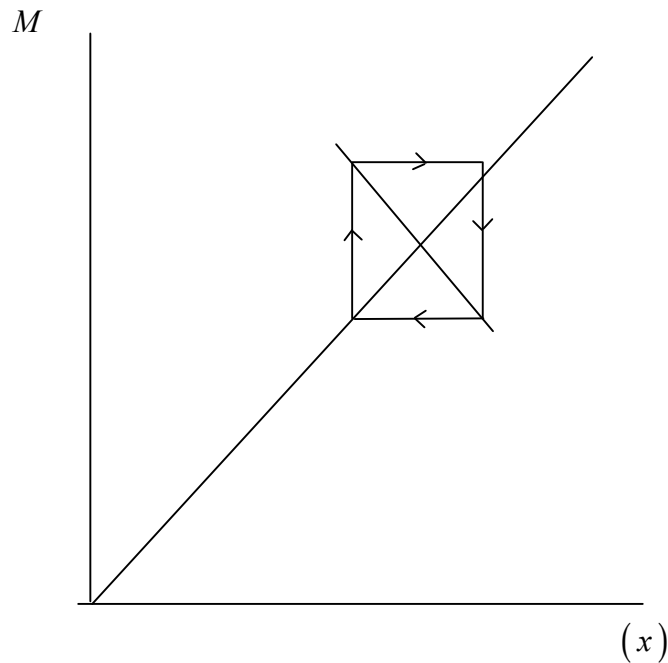
$$\lambda > 3 \quad x^* \text{ is repeller} \quad \left| \frac{d(M^2)}{dx} \right| > 1 \text{ and } \left| \frac{dM}{dx} \right| > 1$$

- but two new fixed points appear
they may (may not) be attractive.

$3 < \lambda < 4$ $x^* = \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda}$ is repulsive fixed point of $M, M^2 \dots$

but two new fixed points of M^2 appear at $\lambda > 3$ not fixed points of M .

If these are attractive this is period 2 cycle of M .



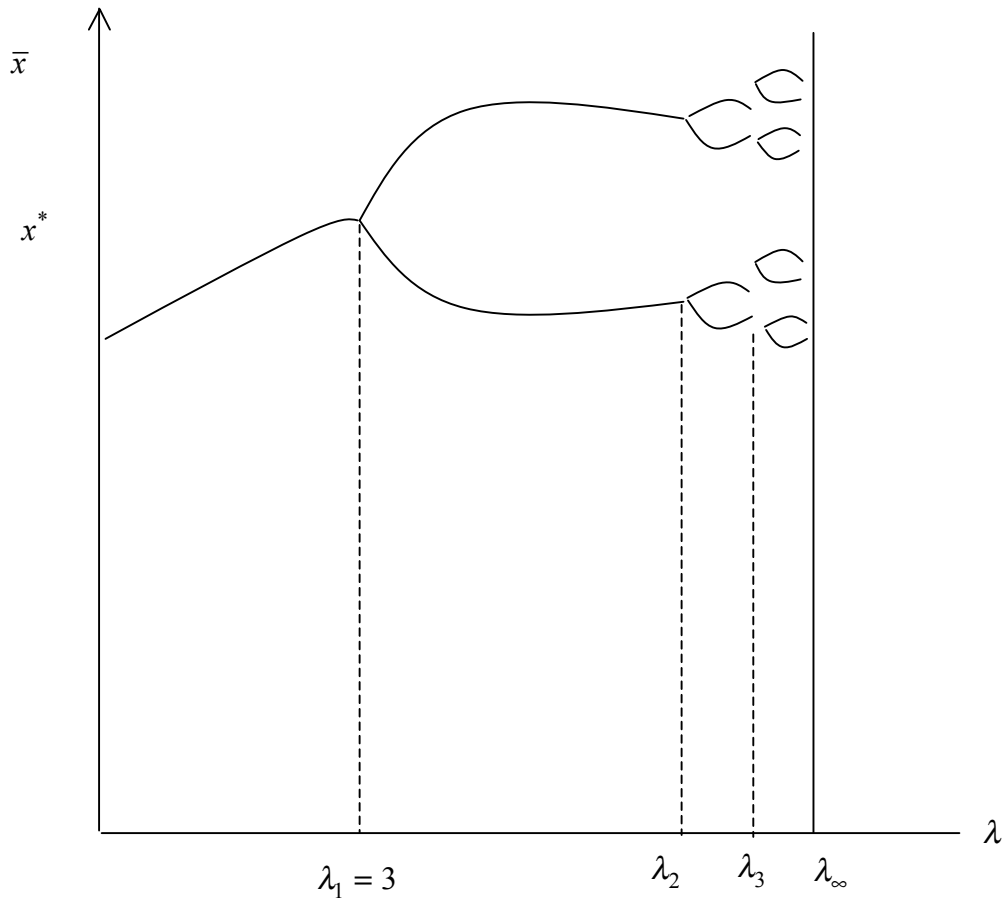
Period 2 in M is fixed point of M^2 .

Local gradients to \bar{x} , ie: λ must be "just right".

See handout for the full sequence....

Logistic map and Feigenbaum numbers

As λ increases there are successive period doublings



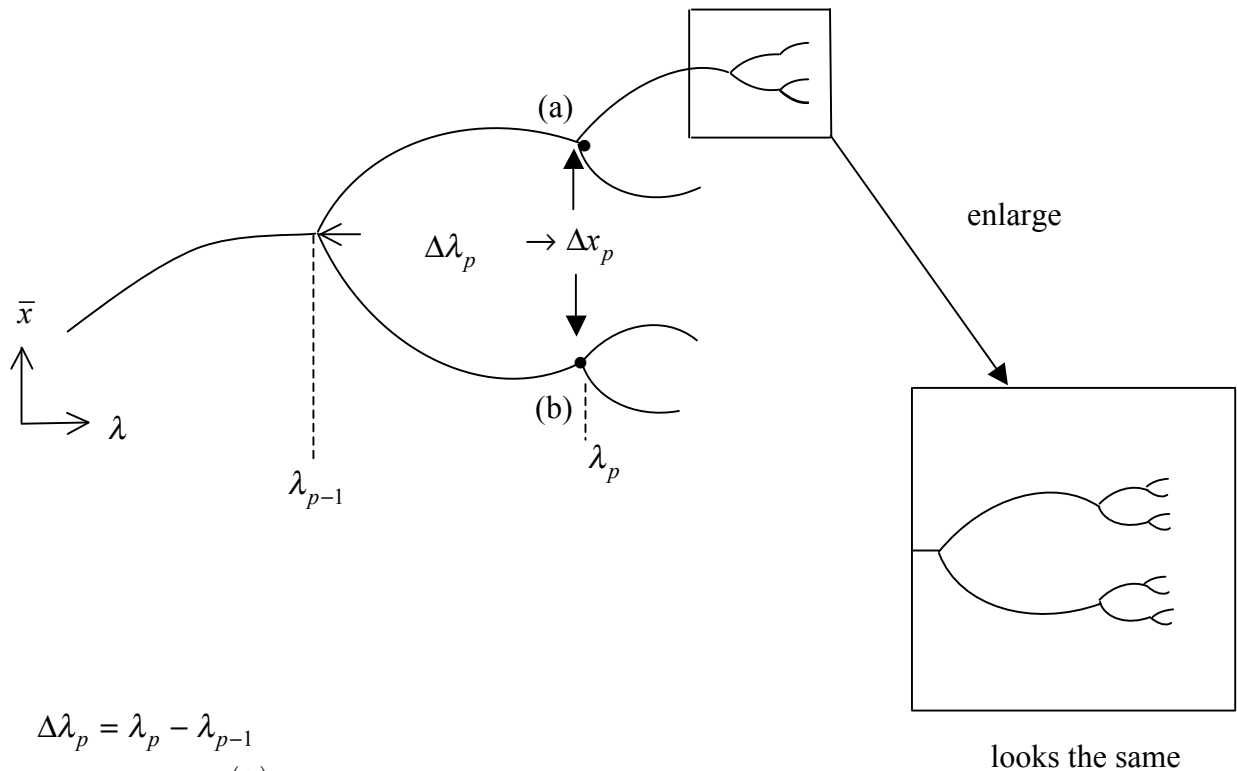
Pairs of bifurcated fixed points

Separated by Δx_p appear at λ_p

- looks "self similar".

Self – similar?

A piece of the sequence



$$\Delta\lambda_p = \lambda_p - \lambda_{p-1}$$

$$\Delta x_p = \bar{x}_p^{(A)} - \bar{x}_p^{(B)}$$

If self similar then

$$\frac{\Delta\lambda_p}{\Delta\lambda_{p+1}} = \text{const} \quad \text{ratio independent of } p$$

$$\frac{\Delta x_p}{\Delta x_{p+1}} = \text{const} \quad \text{independent of } p$$

Feigenbaum's result (numerical) – found by playing on calculator!

$$\frac{\Delta\lambda_p}{\Delta\lambda_{p+1}} \rightarrow \delta_F = 4.66920\dots$$

$$\frac{\Delta x_p}{\Delta x_{p+1}} \rightarrow \alpha_F = 2.59029\dots$$

- these are "universal" numbers δ_F, α_F

- same for many such maps – originally thought for all maps. actually turn out to be for all quadratic maps. (Find why this is so.)

- this is a 'universality class' (show this next).

First note since δ_F, α_F are constants

show next

there is a termination to the sequence at λ_∞ .

beyond this – global chaos.

(∞ bifurcations, ∞ close together)

+ some interesting islands of periodic 'superstable' behaviour.

What is λ_∞ ? (just depends on δ_F and a const.)

We have
$$\frac{\Delta\lambda_p}{\Delta\lambda_{p+1}} = \frac{\lambda_p - \lambda_{p-1}}{\lambda_{p+1} - \lambda_p} = \delta_F$$

and
$$\lambda_\infty = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_p$$

now
$$\Delta\lambda_p = \frac{\Delta\lambda_{p-1}}{\delta_F} = \frac{\Delta\lambda_{p-2}}{\delta_F^2}, \text{ etc.}$$

So we write

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_\infty &= \lambda_p + \Delta\lambda_{p+1} + \Delta\lambda_{p+2} + \dots \\ &= \lambda_p + \frac{\Delta\lambda_p}{\delta_F} + \frac{\Delta\lambda_p}{\delta_F^2} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

but $\delta_F > 1$ so roughly (lowest order in δ_F)

$$\lambda_\infty \approx \lambda_p + \frac{\Delta\lambda_p}{\delta_F} = \lambda_p + \frac{\Delta_0}{\delta_F^p}$$

or
$$\lambda_p = \lambda_\infty - \frac{C}{\delta_F^p} \quad C = \text{some const, ie: } \Delta_0$$

thus λ_∞ depends on details of the maps, ie: C - Not universal.

Universal behaviour is the period doubling (λ_F, δ_F) , sequence and the existence of some λ_∞ .

Other universality classes:

There is a family of maps

$$f(x) = 1 - a|x|^q$$

- different δ_F, α_F one for each q .