

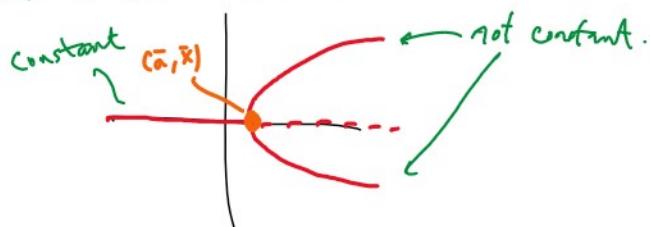
Last time we discussed pitchfork bifurcations.

$$f(t) = e^{\lambda t}.$$

bifurcation parameter.

$f_a(x).$

Pitchfork bifurcation:



From proof of Thm 4.8:

$$h''(x) = -\frac{1}{3} \left[ \frac{F_{xxx}(\bar{a}, \bar{x})}{F_{xx}(\bar{a}, \bar{x})} \right] \neq 0.$$

If both signs of  $h'' < 0$

Analyze key cases with pitchfork bifurcation.

Case 1:  $x = \bar{x}$ . Via Taylor expansion:

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(a, \bar{x}) \approx 1 + \underbrace{\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2 a}(\bar{a}, \bar{x})(a - \bar{a})}_{\neq 0}.$$

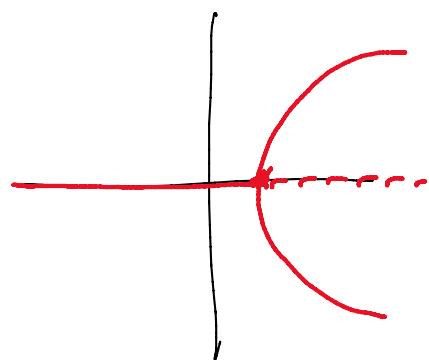
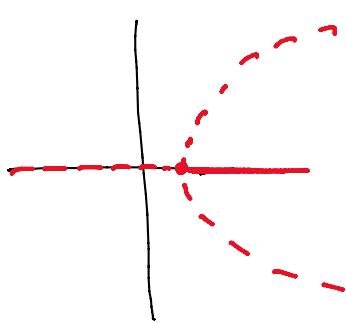
$> 0$        $< 0$

have a stability change at  $a = \bar{a}$ .

Case 2:  $a = h(x)$ . Via Taylor expansion

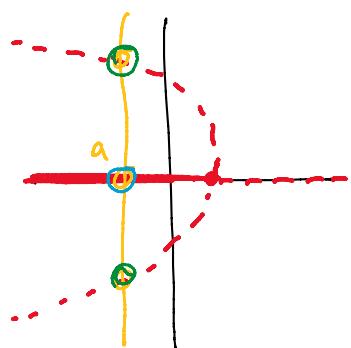
$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(h(x), x) \approx 1 + \frac{1}{3} \underbrace{\frac{\partial^3 F}{\partial x^3}(\bar{a}, \bar{x})(x - \bar{x})^2}_{\geq 0}.$$

This factor  $(x - \bar{x})^2$  shows that the stability of these two fixed points are the same.

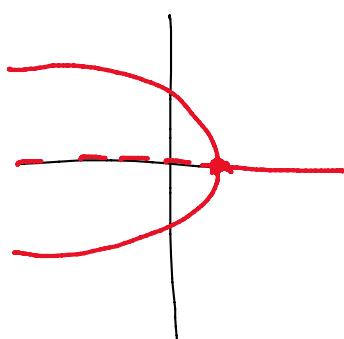


$$h'' > 0, F_{xxx} > 0, \\ F_{ax} < 0$$

$$h'' > 0, F_{xxx} < 0, \\ F_{ax} > 0$$



$$h'' < 0, F_{xxx} > 0 \\ F_{ax} > 0$$



$$h'' < 0, F_{xxx} < 0 \\ F_{ax} < 0.$$

This is one of many styles/kinds of bifurcations where one has a constant fixed point together with some curve  $a = h(x)$ .

#### 4.4: Period Doubling Bifurcations.

This is a bifurcation that doubles the period of periodic fixed points.

Ex 4.9:  $f_a(x) = ax(1-x)$ . Recall we

have two fixed points

- $x = 0$

- $x = \underline{a-1}$ .

- $x = 0$
- $x = \frac{a-1}{a}$ .

We have looked at this system for various  $a$ :  $a \in (0, 3)$ ,  $a = 4$ . Here, we consider  $\boxed{a=3}$ .

$$\boxed{x=0, \frac{2}{3}} \text{ periodic}$$

One way to find ~~fixed~~ points is to solve

$$\boxed{f_a(x) = x.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_a^2(x) &= f_a(ax(1-x)) \\ &= a(ax(1-x))(1 - (ax(1-x))) \\ &\vdots \\ &= -a^3x^4 + 2a^3x^3 - a^3x^2 - a^2x^2 + a^2x. \end{aligned}$$

Solve  $x = f_a^2(x)$ , and we get the following:

$$0 = x \left( x - \frac{a-1}{a} \right) \left( x^2 - \left( \frac{a+1}{a} \right)x + \frac{a+1}{a} \right)$$

fixed pt      fixed pt      periodic pts      p=2.

Solving the quadratic:

$$x = \frac{a+1 \pm \sqrt{(a+1)(a-3)}}{2a}.$$

When  $a < 3$ , no periodic points.

When  $a \geq 3$ , we have periodic points.

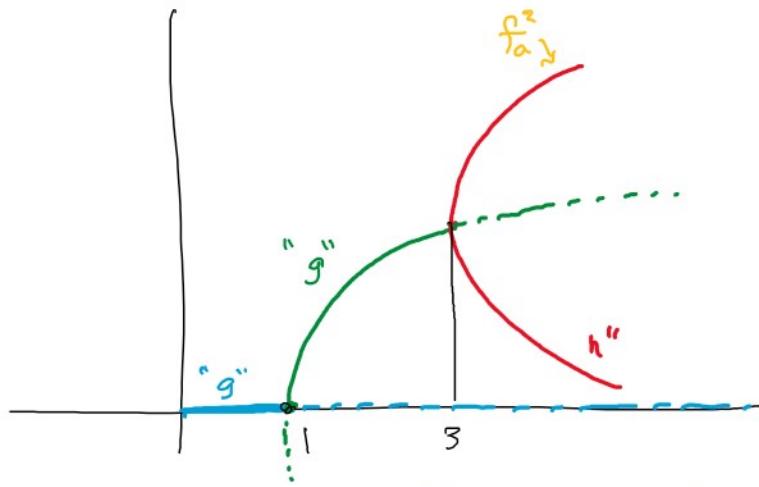
$$\underline{a=3:} \quad x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{0}}{6} = \frac{2}{3}.$$

This is the fixed point.....

Sharkovskiy's Thm.

$\dots < \underline{2} < 1$

"The easiest periodic point to get is one of period 2."



This is the bifurcation diagram of the logistic map near  $a=3$ .  
(Including periodic points).

### Thm 4.10 (Period doubling)

Let  $F: J \times I \rightarrow R$  be a  $C^3$ -function.

and define  $F^2(a, x) = F(a, F(a, x))$ .

Suppose that for  $(\bar{a}, \bar{x}) \in J \times I$ , the following hold.

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| 1. $F(\bar{a}, \bar{x}) = \bar{x}$ ,                           | 4. $\frac{\partial F^2}{\partial a}(\bar{a}, \bar{x}) = 0$ ,                 |
| 2. $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(\bar{a}, \bar{x}) = -1$ ,    | 5. $\frac{\partial^2 F^2}{\partial a \partial x}(\bar{a}, \bar{x}) \neq 0$ , |
| 3. $\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2}(\bar{a}, \bar{x}) = 0$ , | 6. $\frac{\partial^3 F^2}{\partial x^3}(\bar{a}, \bar{x}) \neq 0$ .          |

Then  $\exists U \subseteq J$  and a unique  $C^3$ -function  $g: U \rightarrow I$  s.t.  $g(\bar{a}) = \bar{x}$ ,  $F(a, g(a)) = g(a)$  for all  $a \in U$ . In addition,  $\exists V \subseteq I$  and a unique  $C^2$ -function  $h: V \rightarrow I$  s.t.  $h(\bar{x}) = \bar{a}$ ,  $F^2(h(x), x) = x$ ,  $h'(\bar{x}) = 0$ ,  $h''(\bar{x}) \neq 0$ .

Here,  $g$  is the function IFT dealing with fixed points, where  $h$  is dealing with periodic points of period 2.

Small analysis.

## Small analysis.

Note:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial F^2}{\partial x}(a, x) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (F(a, F(a, x))) \\ &= \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(a, \underline{F(a, x)}) \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(a, x).\end{aligned}$$

Since  $F(a, g(a)) = g(a) = x$

$$\frac{\partial F^2}{\partial x}(a, g(a)) = \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(a, g(a)) \right)^2.$$

Since  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(a, \bar{x}) = -1$ , then  $\frac{\partial F^2}{\partial x}(\bar{a}, \bar{x}) = 1$ .

Also by assumptions,

$$\frac{\partial^2 F^2}{\partial a \partial x}(\bar{a}, \bar{x}) \neq 0.$$

Thus, at  $(\bar{a}, \bar{x})$ , the stability changes by Thm. 3.5.