# Constant Slope Models and Perturbation

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# **Spaces of transitive interval maps**

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The area of dynamical systems where one investigates dynamical properties that can be described in topological terms is called *topological dynamics*. Investigating the topological properties of spaces of maps that can be described in dynamical terms is in a sense the opposite idea. Therefore we propose to call this area *dynamical topology*. It is on the boundary between dynamical systems and topology, but, in our opinion, much closer to dynamical systems, because most of the tools that can be used there are from dynamics.

#### **Definitions:**

Our space of maps:

 $\mathcal{T}_{PM} = \{f : [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]; f \text{ is continuous, transitive, and piecewise monotone}\}$ 

We use the metric of uniform convergence:

$$d(f,g) = \max_{0 \le x \le 1} |f(x) - g(x)|$$

Piecewise monotone means finitely many critical points:

$$Crit(f) = \{0,1\} \bigcup \{x; f \text{ is not monotone on any neighborhood of } x\}$$

The modality of f is  $\# \operatorname{Crit}(f) \cap (0,1)$ . We usually make perturbations preserving modality, i.e. in a subspace:

 $\mathcal{T}_m \subset \mathcal{T}_{PM}$  – the subspace of maps of modality m.

#### **Constant Slope:**

 $f \in \mathcal{T}_{PM}$  has constant slope  $\lambda$  if  $|f'(x)| = \lambda$  for  $x \notin Crit(f)$ .

A constant slope model for  $f \in \mathcal{T}_{PM}$  is a conjugate map  $\tilde{f} = \varphi^{-1} \circ f \circ \varphi$  of constant slope, where the conjugating homeomorphism  $\varphi$  is orientation-preserving (increasing).

$$\begin{array}{ccc} [0,1] & \xrightarrow{\tilde{f} \text{ - constant slope}} & [0,1] \\ \varphi \downarrow & & & \downarrow \varphi \in \mathsf{Homeo}_+([0,1]) \\ [0,1] & \xrightarrow{f \text{ - transitive, p.m.}} & [0,1] \end{array}$$

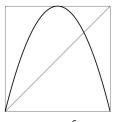
**Theorem** Parry (1966), Alseda and Misiurewicz (2015) Each map  $f \in \mathcal{T}_{PM}$  has a unique constant slope model. The conjugating homeomorphism is likewise unique. The constant slope is  $\lambda = \exp h(f)$ .

# Objects of interest:

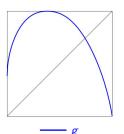
$$\Phi: \mathcal{T}_{PM} o \mathcal{T}_{PM}, \qquad \Phi(f) = ext{the constant slope model for } f$$
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 $h: \mathcal{T}_{PM} o \mathbb{R}, \qquad h(f) = ext{the topological entropy of } f$ 

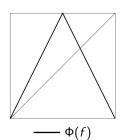
**Question:** How does  $\Phi$  behave?

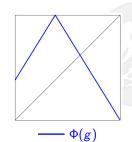
Is  $\Phi$  continuous? In other words, as  $g \Rightarrow f$ , does  $\Phi(g) \Rightarrow \Phi(f)$ ?

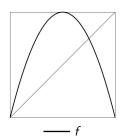


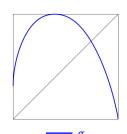


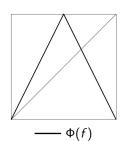


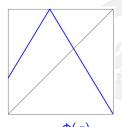


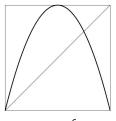




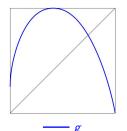


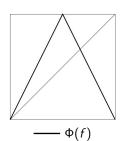


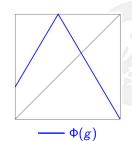


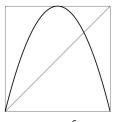




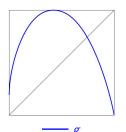


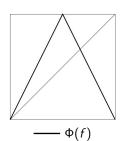


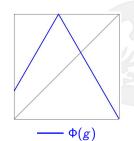


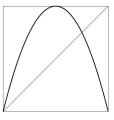




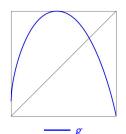


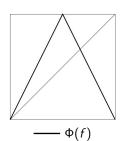


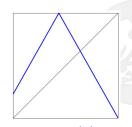


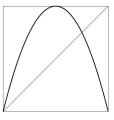




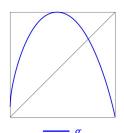


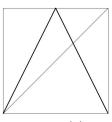




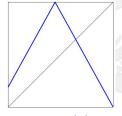


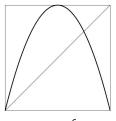




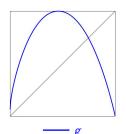


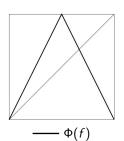


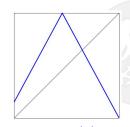


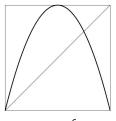




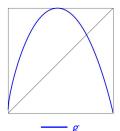


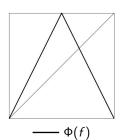


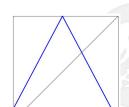




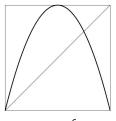




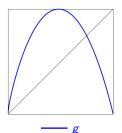


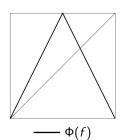


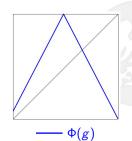


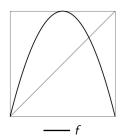


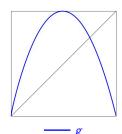


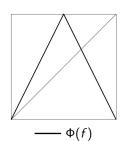


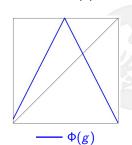


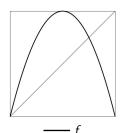


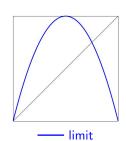


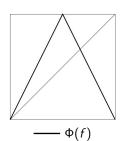


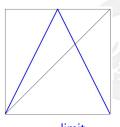


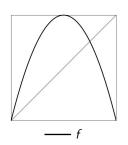


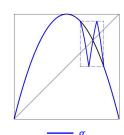


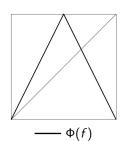


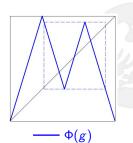


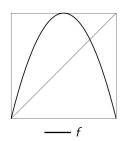


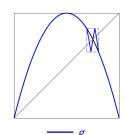


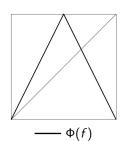


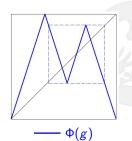


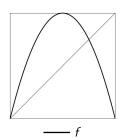


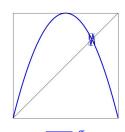


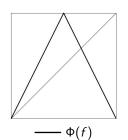


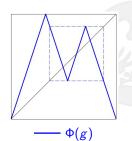


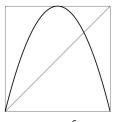




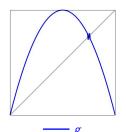


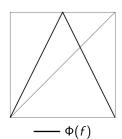


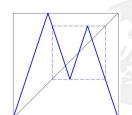




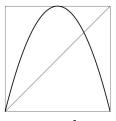
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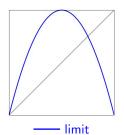


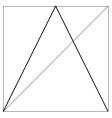


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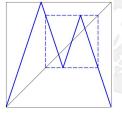












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**Conclusion:**  $\Phi$  is not continuous.

There are two ways to get  $g_n \rightrightarrows f$  but  $\Phi(g_n) \not\rightrightarrows \Phi(f)$ .

Obstacle (1): Jumps in entropy.

Obstacle (2): Jumps in modality.

Restricting to maps of a fixed modality m,

 $\Phi_m: \mathcal{T}_m o \mathcal{T}_m, \ \ \Phi_m(f) = ext{the constant slope model for } f$ 

**Revised question:** Is  $\Phi_m$  continuous?

#### Theorem Misiurewicz (2001)

 $h: \mathcal{T}_m \to \mathbb{R}$  has discontinuity points if and only if  $m \geq 5$ .

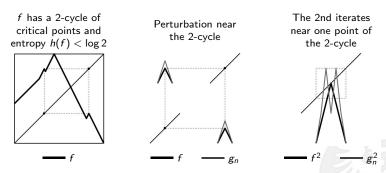


Figure: A discontinuity point of  $h: \mathcal{T}_5 \to \mathbb{R}$ .

# Theorem Misiurewicz, Alseda (2015)

If  $f \in \mathcal{T}_m$  is a discontinuity point of h, then it is a discontinuity point of  $\Phi_m$ .

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**Corollary 2.** If  $f \in \mathcal{T}_n$  is a point of discontinuity of the topological entropy as a function from  $\mathcal{T}_n$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ , then f is also a point of discontinuity of the operator  $\Phi_n$ .

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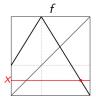
We conjecture that the operator  $\Phi_n$  is continuous at every point of continuity of the topological entropy on  $\mathcal{T}_n$ .

We confirm that conjecture:

#### Theorem 1

If  $g_n \rightrightarrows f$  in  $\mathcal{T}_m$  and  $h(g_n) \to h(f)$ , then  $\Phi(g_n) \rightrightarrows \Phi(f)$ .

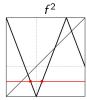
**Corollary**  $\Phi_m$  is continuous for  $m \le 4$  and discontinuous for  $m \ge 5$ .



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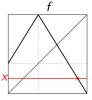






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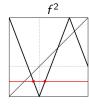




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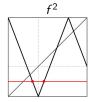


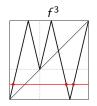










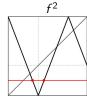


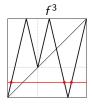


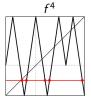












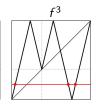


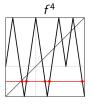
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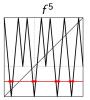












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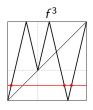
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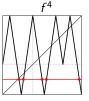
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#### Proof

- $(\leq)$  The number of laps of  $f^n$  grows like the entropy.
- $(\geq)$  By transitivity, x has a preimage in each horseshoe, and entropy is given by horseshoes.

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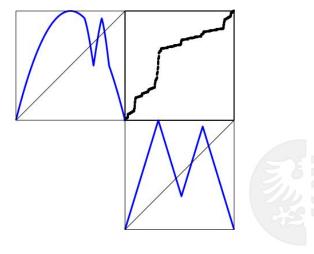
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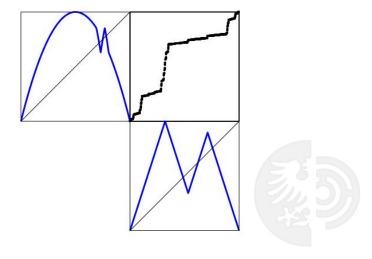
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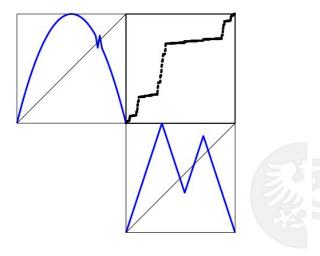
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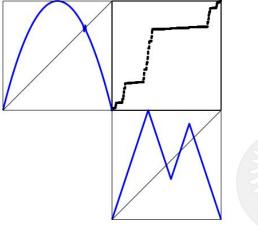
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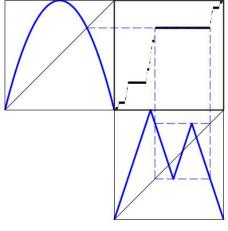
















For piecewise monotone interval maps:

transitive ← mixing ⇔ locally eventually onto

If f is transitive but not mixing, then it has a unique fixed point e, it interchanges [0,e] with [e,1], and the restricted maps  $f^2|_{[0,e]}$ ,  $f^2|_{[e,1]}$  are both mixing.

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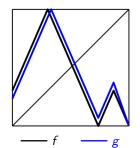
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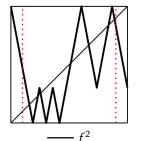
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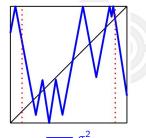
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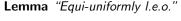


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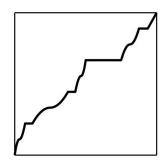
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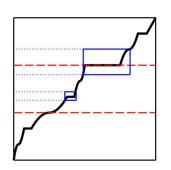
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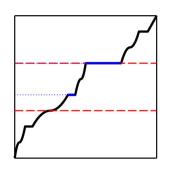
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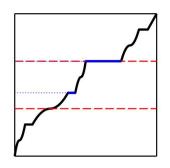
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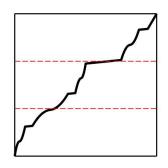
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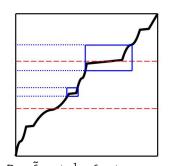
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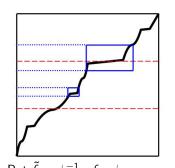
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## **Concluding Arguments**

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Thanks so much for your attention :)

