

Beyond expansiveness

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$x, y \in X, x \neq y, \exists n \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $\text{dist}(f^n(x), f^n(y)) > \alpha$.

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Usually one cannot expect that a sole notion on the underlying dynamics can guarantee any interesting feature on the infinitesimal level. Hence we ask for a robust property valid in a whole neighborhood of $f \in \text{Diff}^r(M)$, $r \geq 1$.

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Buzzi: any C^∞ diffeo on compact manifold is asymptotically h-expansive.

Robust h-expansiveness: \exists a C^1 -neighborhood \mathcal{U} of f s.t. $g \in \mathcal{U}$ then g is h-expansive.

Remark

There are examples of C^∞ diffeomorphisms (even analytic) on S^2 that are not entropy expansive: **generalized pseudo Anosov**.

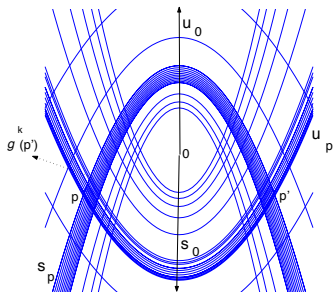


Figure : The singularity of a pseudo-Anosov

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Reciprocally, for Λ invariant :

DFPV: $T\Lambda = E^s \times \cdots F^i \cdots \times E^u \implies \Lambda$ is h -expansive.

Measure expansiveness

(X, d) : a metric space, $f : X \rightarrow X$ a homeo and μ a non-atomic probability on X (not necessarily f -invariant), and $\Gamma_\alpha(x)$ the dynamical ball at x .

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Remark Note we are dealing with $\mu \ll m$. Next I will comment about some results by Sakai, Sumi and Yamamoto.

Fixing notations

Let us fix some notations:

\mathcal{E} : the set of expansive diffeos.

$\mathcal{M}(M)$: Borel probability measures with weak topology

$\mathcal{A}(M)$: the set of atomic measures.

$\mathcal{M}_f(M)$: the set of invariant measures.

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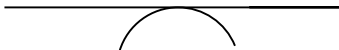
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Lemma B Given a C^1 diffeomorphism $f_1 : M \rightarrow M$ with a flat homoclinic tangency there is a C^1 near diffeomorphism f_2 **presenting a sequence of horseshoes** $\widehat{\Lambda}_n$ such that for all $k \in \mathbb{Z}$: $\text{diam}(f^k(\widehat{\Lambda}_n)) < r_n$ with $r_n \rightarrow 0$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$.

A snake-tangency

Tangency



Flat tangency



Snake horseshoe

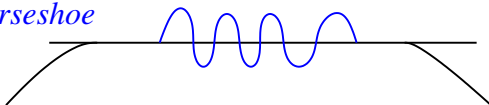


Figure : From tangency to flat-tangency-to snake-tangency

A family of fat horseshoes

Proposition Let $f_2 : M \rightarrow M$ as in the thesis of Lemma B. There is a C^1 -diffeomorphism $F : M \rightarrow M$ arbitrarily near f_2 presenting a sequence of horseshoes Λ_n such that the Lebesgue measure $\mu(\Lambda_n) > 0$ and $\text{diam}(\Lambda_n) < 2r_n$, where r_n is as in Lemma B.

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Moreover, the construction of Λ_n gives that the $\text{diam}(\Lambda_n)$ is about the same of that of $\widehat{\Lambda}_n$, so that we can assure that $\text{diam}(\Lambda_n) < 2r_n$ from $\text{diam}(\widehat{\Lambda}_n) < r_n$.

A snake-horseshoe

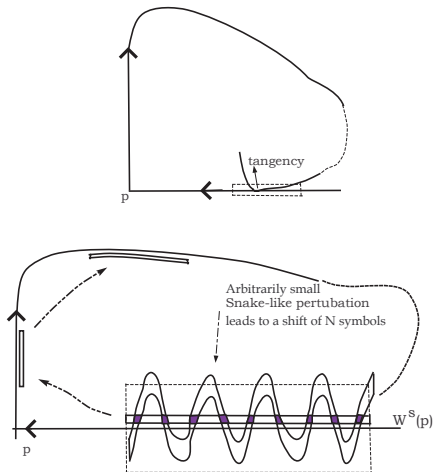


Figure 1: A snake-horseshoe

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Proof Let $F : M \rightarrow M$ be the C^1 diffeomorphism constructed as in Proposition above. Then for every horseshoe Λ_n associated to F there is a hyperbolic periodic point $p_n \in \Lambda_n$ such that $\mu(\Gamma_{2r_n}(p_n)) \geq \mu(\Lambda_n) > 0$ where $\mu \ll m$ and $f^*\mu = \mu$. Since $r_n \rightarrow 0$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$ the proof follows.

THANK YOU !