

Coupled Systems of Differential Equations

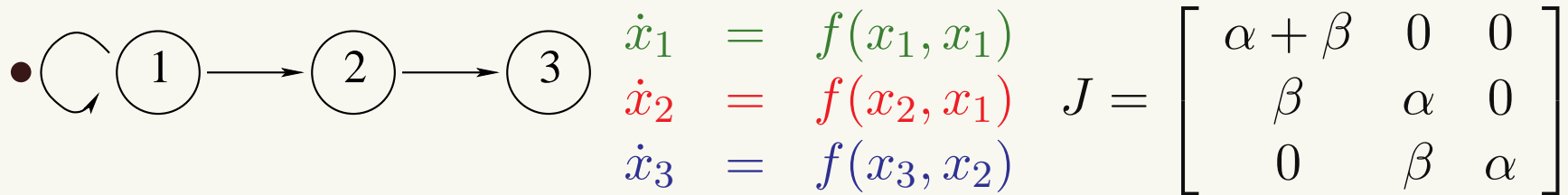
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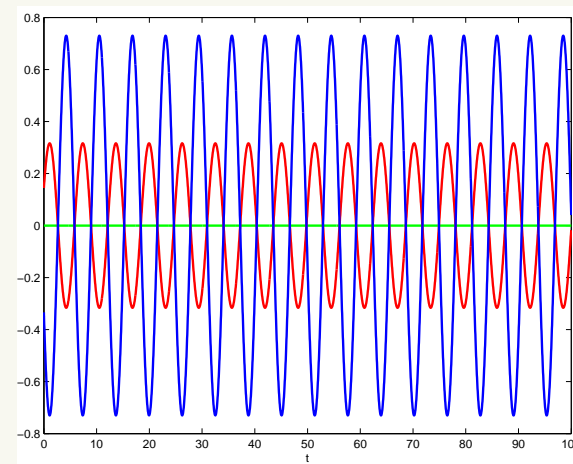
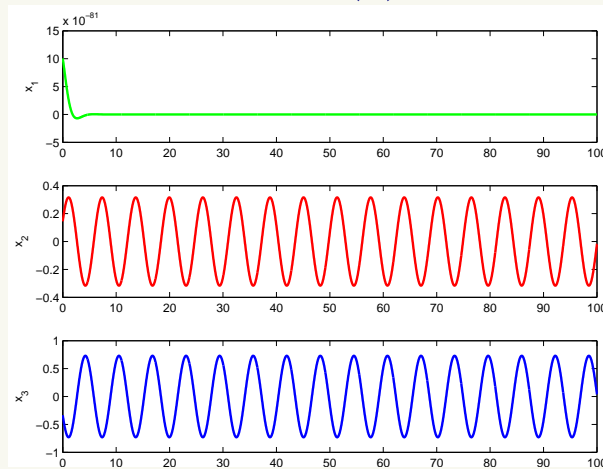
Outline

- Why $\frac{1}{6}$?
- Feedforward network as a **motif**
- Heteroclinic **cycles** in networks
- A model for **rivalry**

Three-Cell Feed-Forward Network



- Network supports solution by Hopf bifurcation where $x_1(t)$ **equilibrium** $x_2(t), x_3(t)$ **time periodic**
- $x_2(t) \approx \lambda^{1/2}$ $x_3(t) \approx \lambda^{1/6}$



F.F. Ex. $f(u, v) = (\lambda + i - |u|^2)u - v$ where $u, v \in \mathbf{C}$

$$\dot{x}_1 = f(x_1, x_1) = (\lambda + i - |x_1|^2)x_1 - x_1$$

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$$\dot{x}_2 = f(x_2, x_1) = (\lambda + i - |x_2|^2)x_2 - x_1$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = f(x_2, 0) = (\lambda + i - |x_2|^2)x_2$$

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$$\dot{x}_3 = f(x_3, x_2) = (\lambda + i - |x_3|^2)x_3 - x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_3 = f(x_3, \sqrt{\lambda}e^{it}) = (\lambda + i - |x_3|^2)x_3 - \sqrt{\lambda}e^{it}$$

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Set $y(t) = \lambda^{1/6}u(t)$

$$\lambda^{1/6}\dot{u} = (\lambda^{7/6} - \lambda^{3/6}|u|^2)u - \lambda^{3/6}$$

$$\dot{u} = (\lambda - \lambda^{1/3}|u|^2)u - \lambda^{1/3}$$

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Solve $\dot{u} = 0$ for equilibria

$$-(|u|^2u + 1) + \lambda^{2/3}u = 0$$

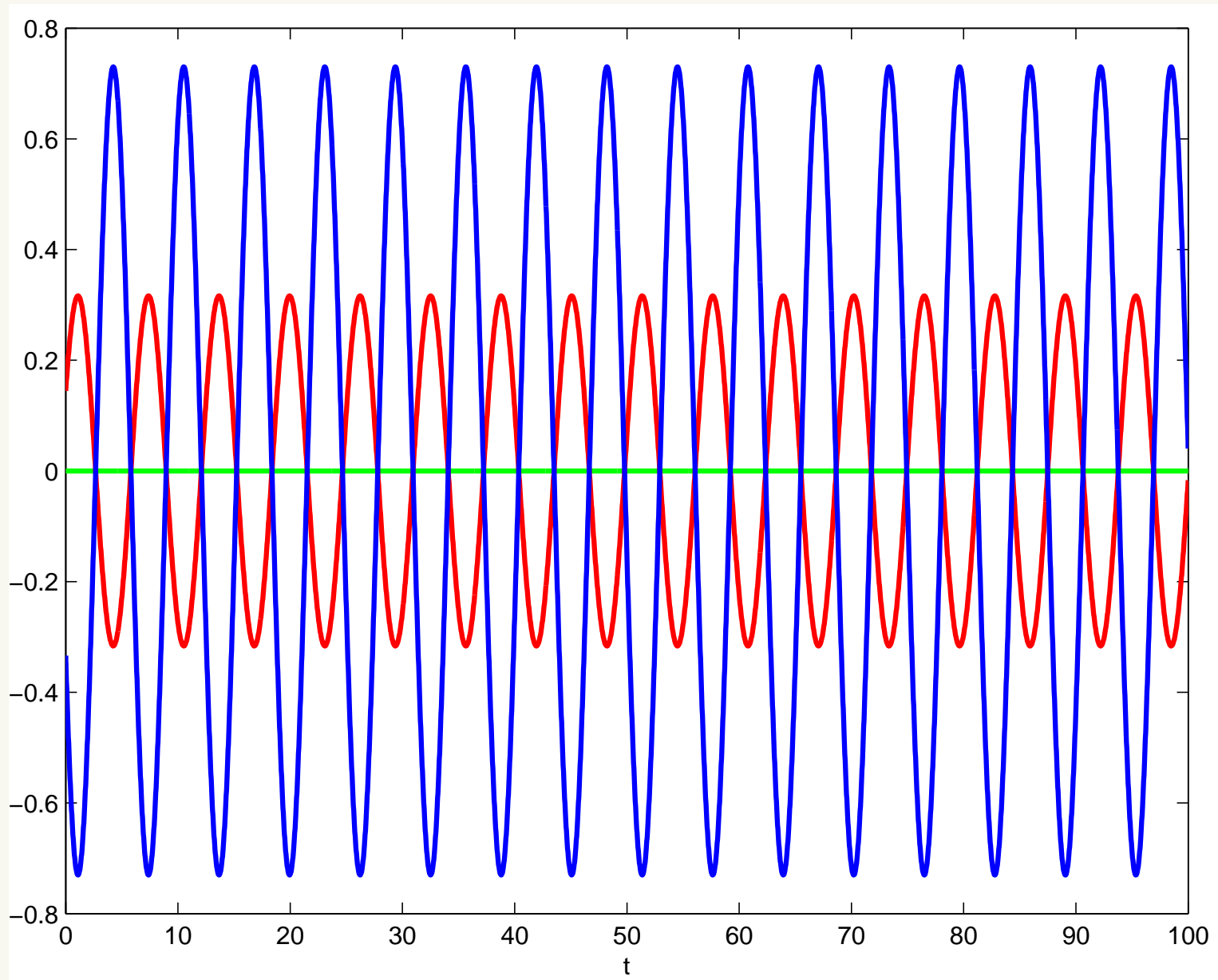
Use IFT to obtain branch of (stable) equilibria

$$u_0(\lambda) = -1 + O(\lambda^{2/3})$$

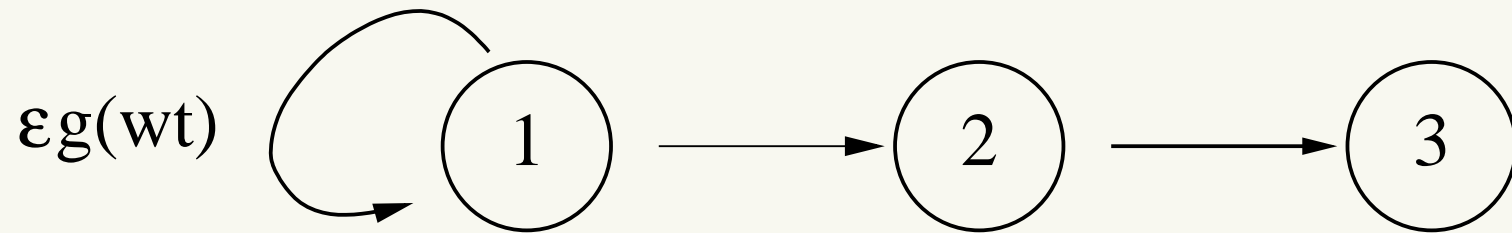
Thus $x_3(t)$ is periodic with same period as $x_2(t)$

$$x_3(t) = y(t)e^{it} = \lambda^{1/6}u(t)e^{it} \rightarrow \lambda^{1/6}u_0(\lambda)e^{it} = -\lambda^{1/6}e^{it} + O(\lambda^{5/6})$$

Feed Forward Simulation



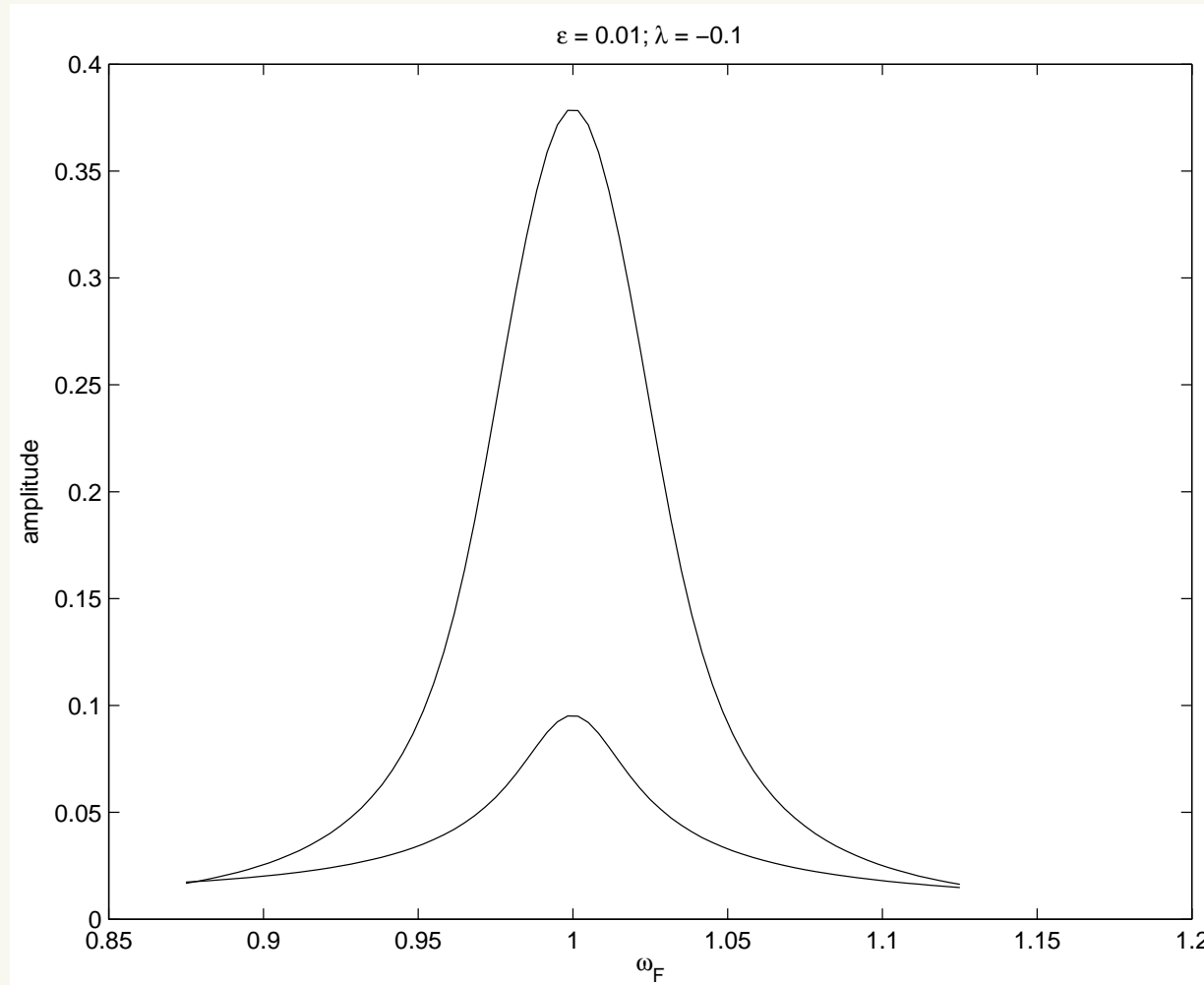
Forced Feed Forward Network



- forcing at **frequency** ω_f and **amplitude** ε
- network tuned near Hopf bifurcation with **frequency** ω_h
- $\lambda < 0$ so that equilibrium is stable
- Three parameters: $\lambda, \varepsilon, \omega_f - \omega_h$

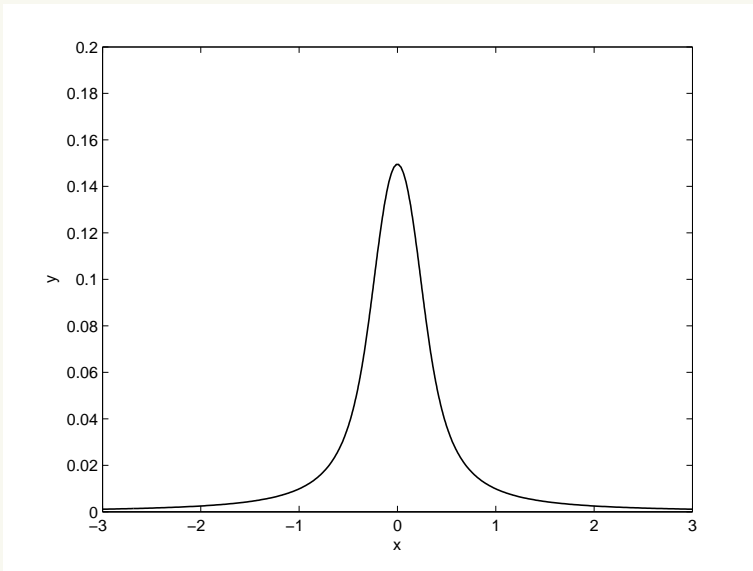
Numerics with Aronson

- $\dot{z} = (-0.1 + i - |z|^2)z + 0.01(e^{i\omega_F t} + 2e^{2i\omega_F t} - 0.5e^{3i\omega_F t})$

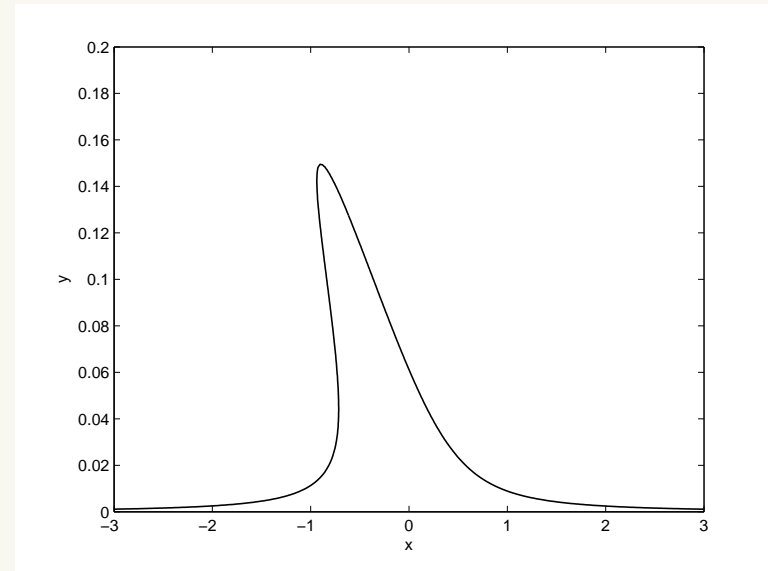


Periodic Forcing of Hopf

- $\dot{z} = (\lambda + \omega_H i - (1 + i\gamma)|z|^2)z + \varepsilon e^{2\pi i \omega_f t}$
- $\omega = \omega_f - \omega_H$, $\lambda = -0.0218$, $\varepsilon = 0.02$



$\gamma = 0$

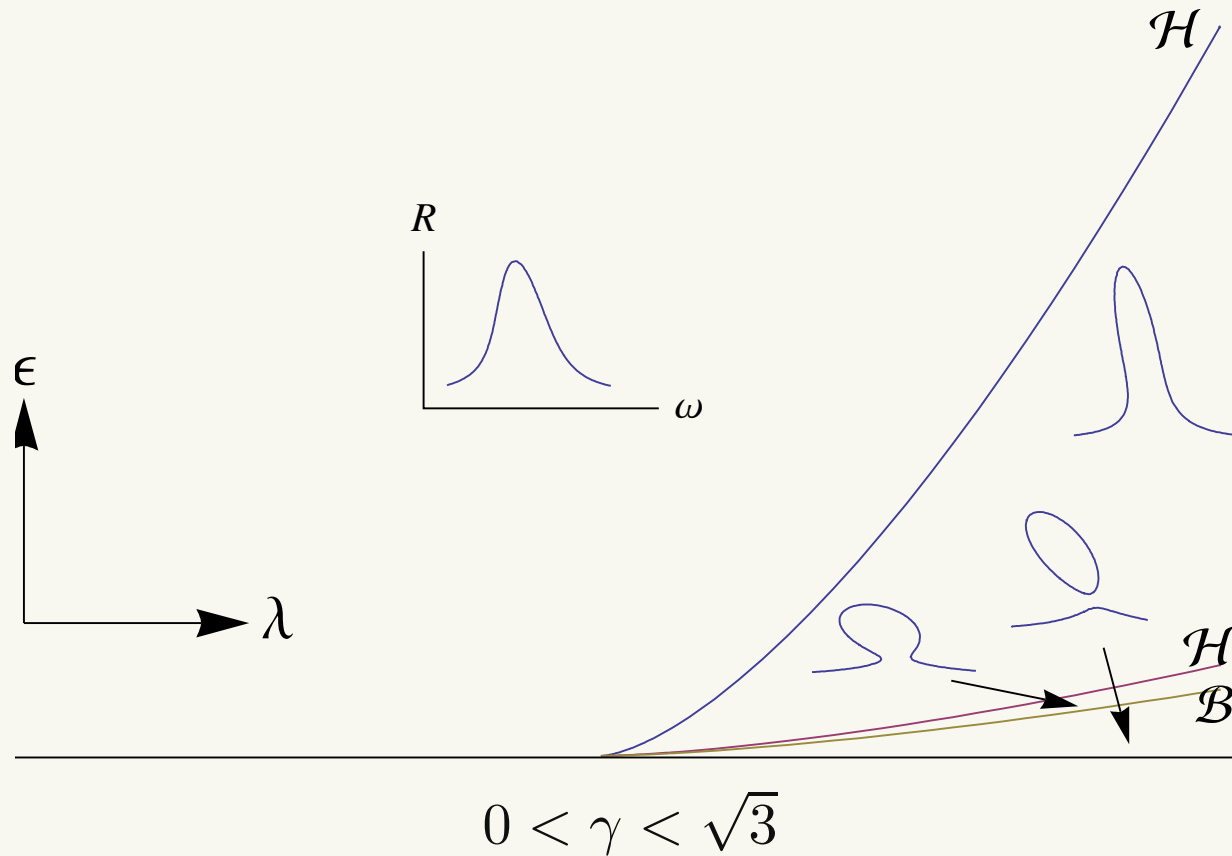


$\gamma = 3$

$\gamma = 6$

Bifurcation Diagrams: $\gamma < \sqrt{3}$

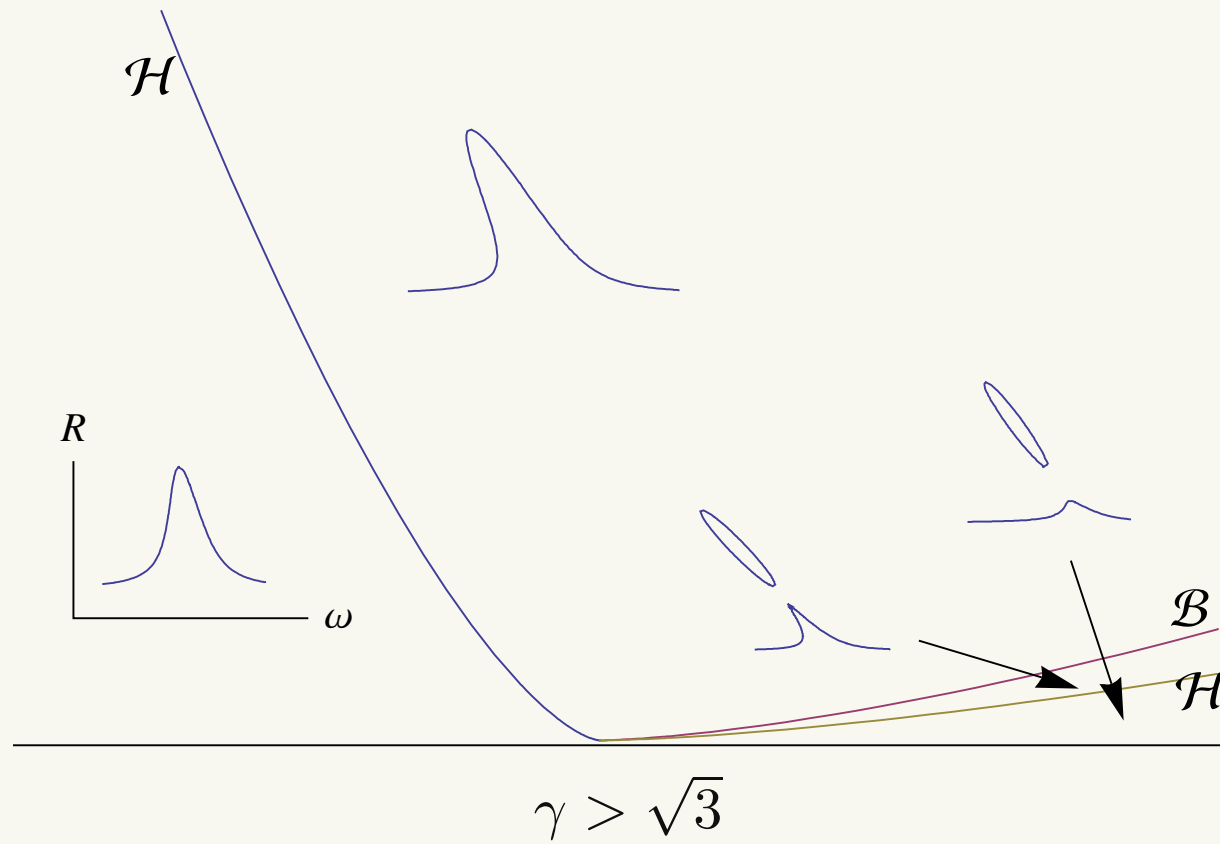
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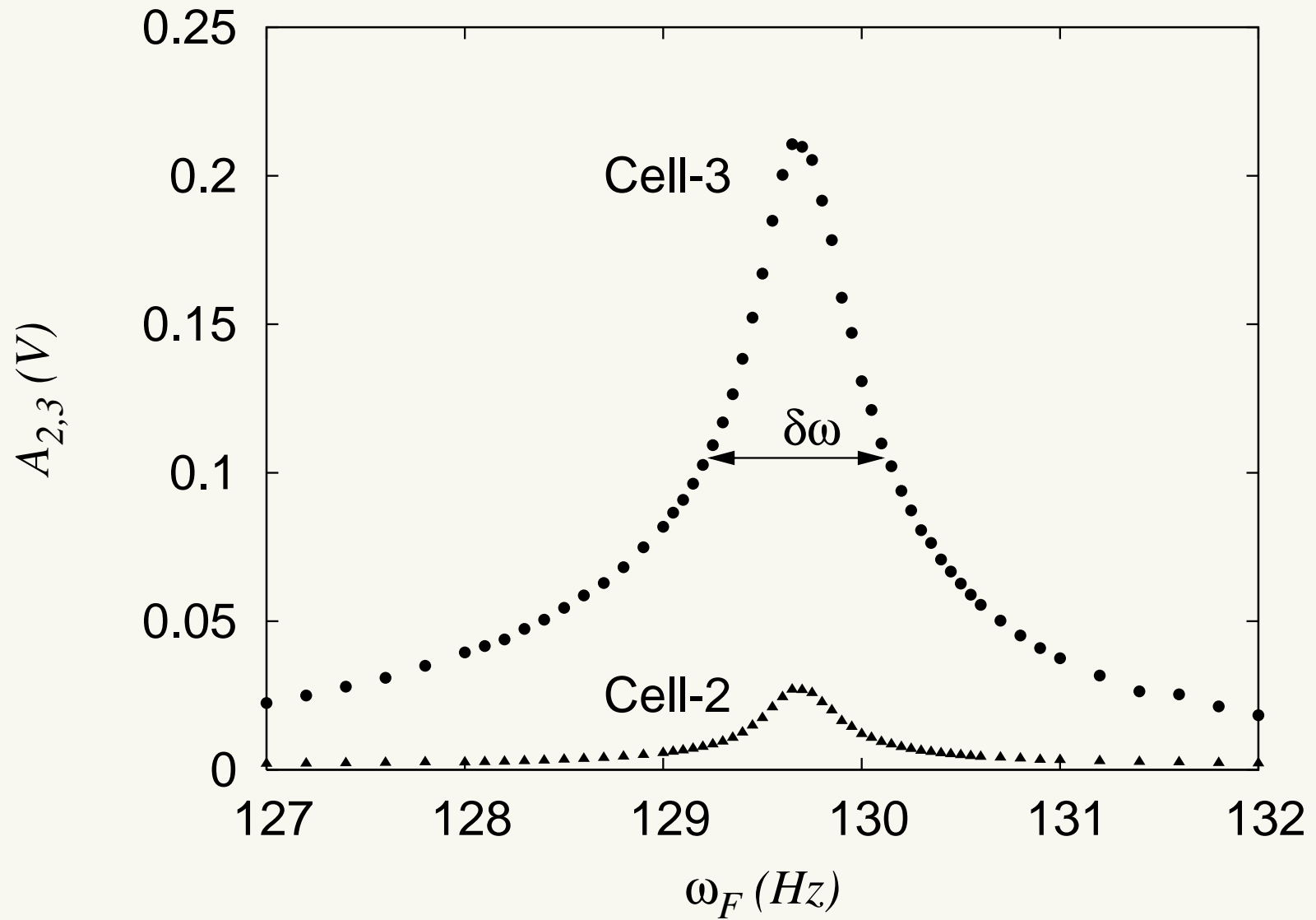
Zhang and G. (2011)

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McCullen-Mullin Experiment



McCullen, Mullin, and G. (2007)

Guckenheimer-Holmes Heteroclinic Cycle

Γ acts on \mathbf{R}^3 generated by

$$\begin{aligned}(x, y, z) &\mapsto (\pm x, \pm y, \pm z) \\ (x, y, z) &\mapsto (y, z, x)\end{aligned}$$

$|\Gamma| = 24$ and $\Gamma =$ symmetry group of cube

- $F(0, 0, 0) = 0$ since $\text{Fix}(-x, -y, -z) = \{0\}$
- Coordinate axes flow-invariant since $\text{Fix}(-x, -y, z) = \mathbf{R} \{(0, 0, 1)\}$
- Generic pitchfork bifurcation leads to equilibrium on z -axis
- Symmetry: equilibria on x - and y -axes
- Coordinate planes are flow-invariant since $\text{Fix}(-x, y, z) = \{(0, y, z)\}$

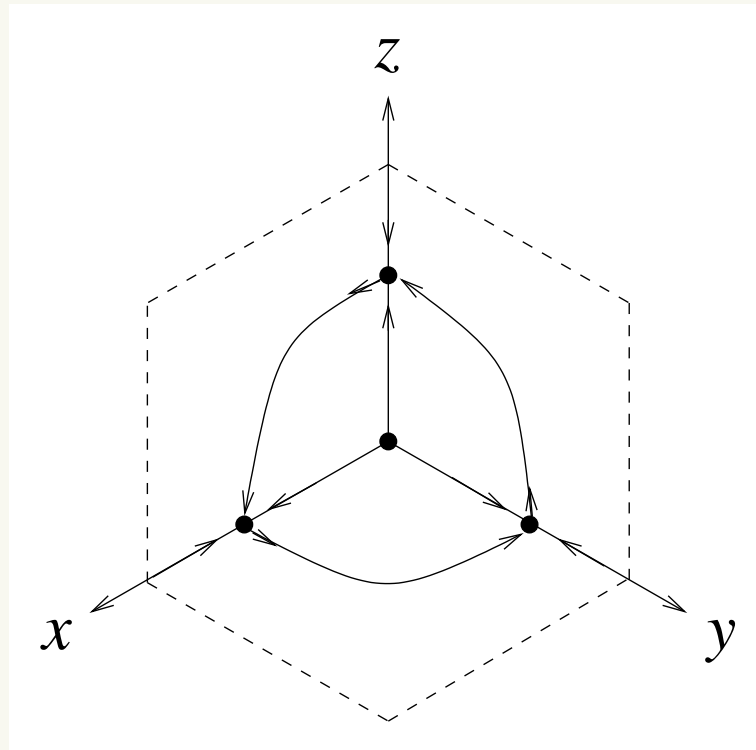
Guckenheimer and Holmes (1988)

Construction of Cycle

Suppose

- There are no other equilibria in coordinate planes
- Two remaining eigenvalues of equilibria on axes have opposite sign
- Infinity is a source

Phase portrait is



Integration of Cycle: $\lambda = 1.0, A = 1.0, B = 1.5, C = 0.6$

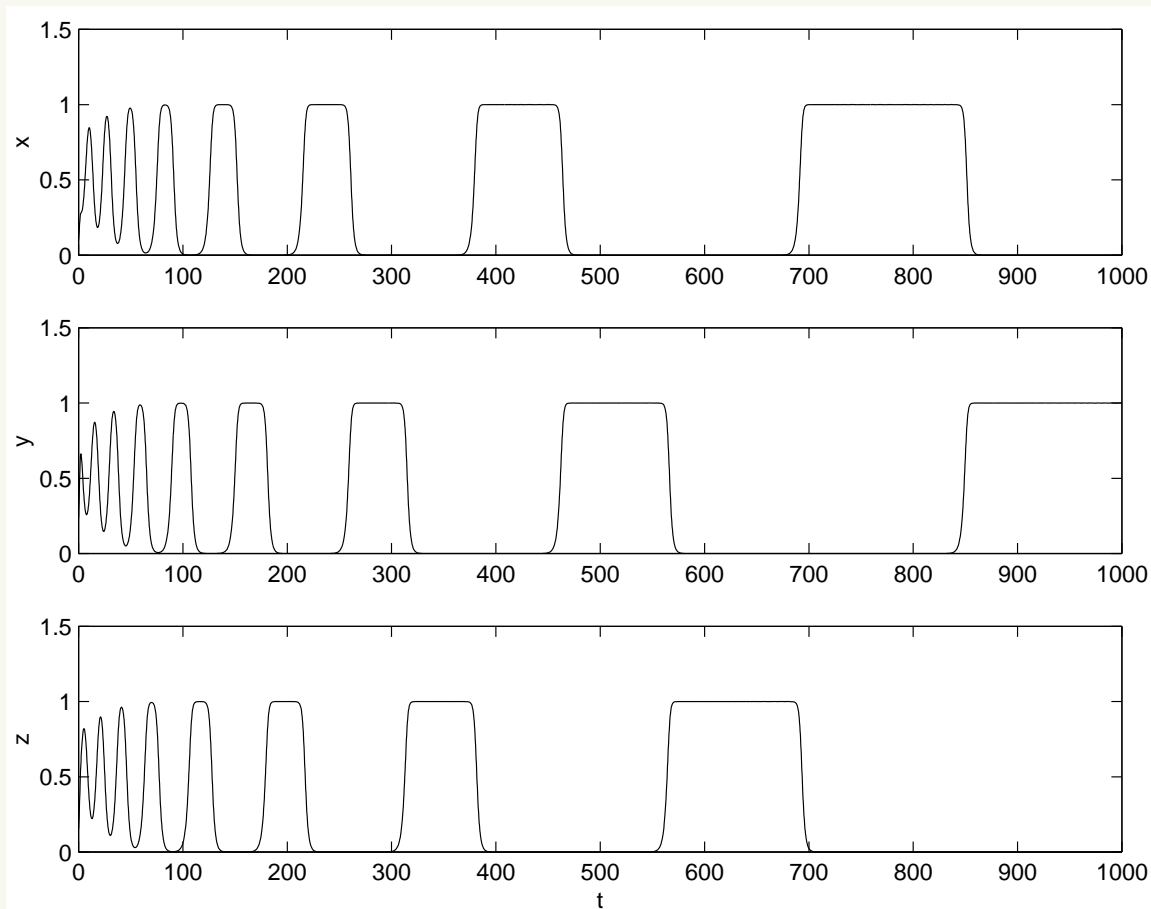
Consider third order truncation of Γ -equivariant system

$$F(x, y, z) = (f_1(x, y, z), f_2(x, y, z), f_3(x, y, z))$$

$$f_1(x, y, z) = \lambda x + (Ax^2 + By^2 + Cz^2)x$$

$$f_2(x, y, z) = \lambda y + (Cx^2 + Ay^2 + Bz^2)y$$

$$f_3(x, y, z) = \lambda z + (Bx^2 + Cy^2 + Az^2)z$$



Breaking Symmetry of Guckenheimer-Holmes Heteroclinic Cycle

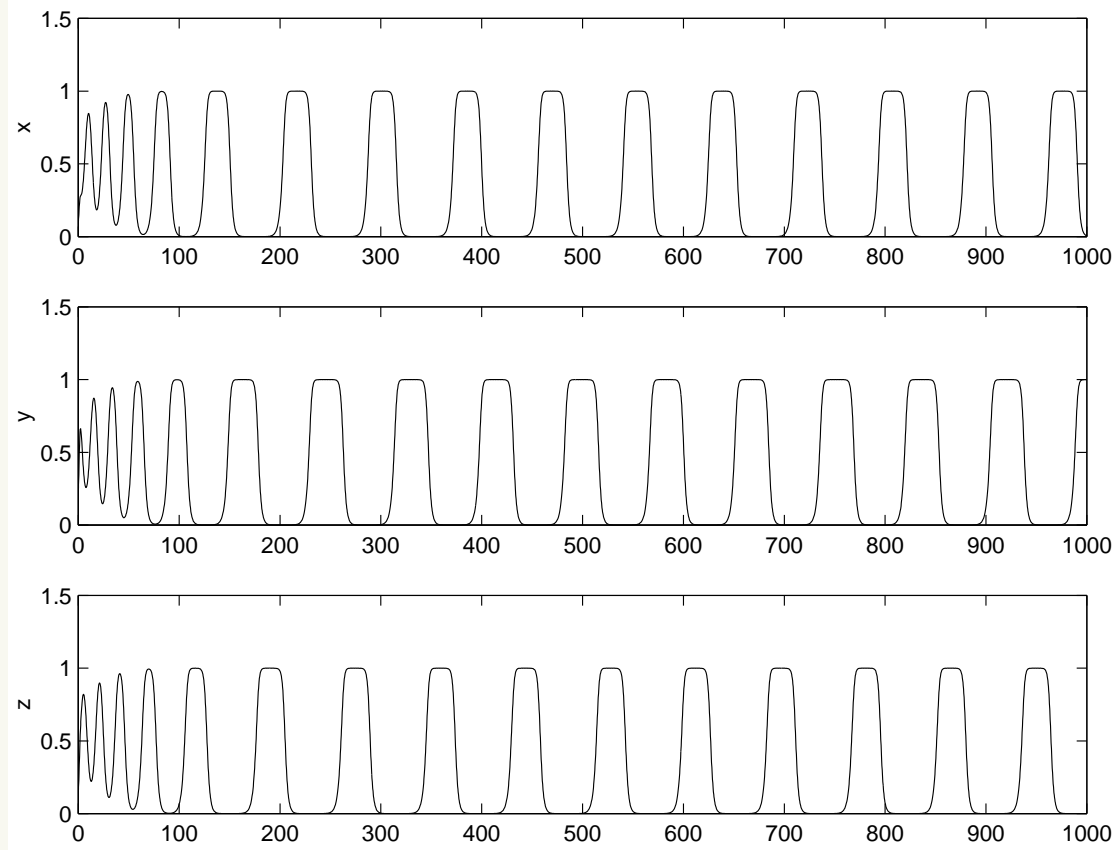
Breaking symmetry perturbs cycle to periodic solution. For example:

$$\dot{x} = x - (Ax^2 + By^2 + Cz^2)x + \epsilon y$$

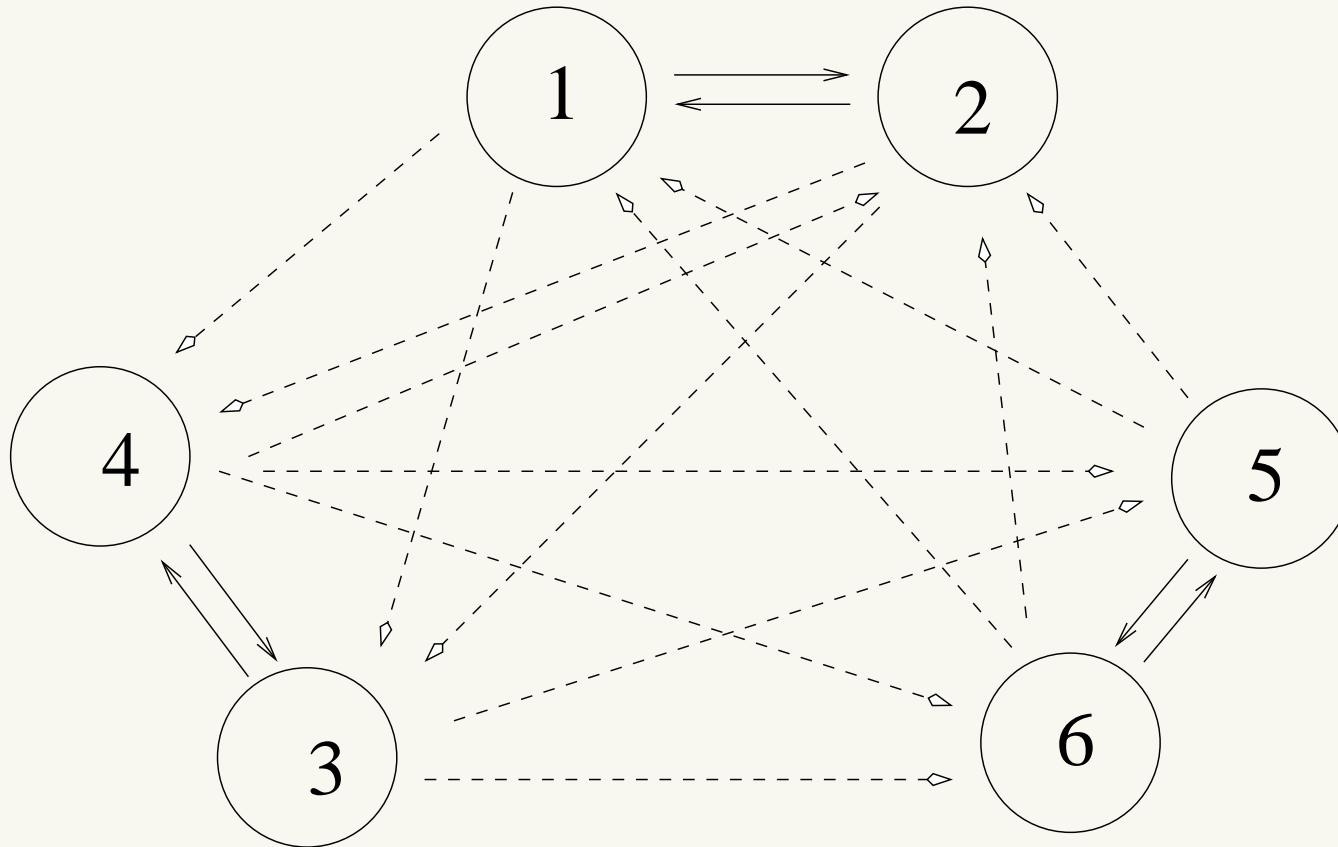
$$\dot{y} = y - (Cx^2 + Ay^2 + Bz^2)y + \epsilon x$$

$$\dot{z} = z - (Bx^2 + Cy^2 + Az^2)z + \epsilon z$$

where $A = 1.0$, $B = 1.5$, $C = 0.6$, $\epsilon = 0.00001$

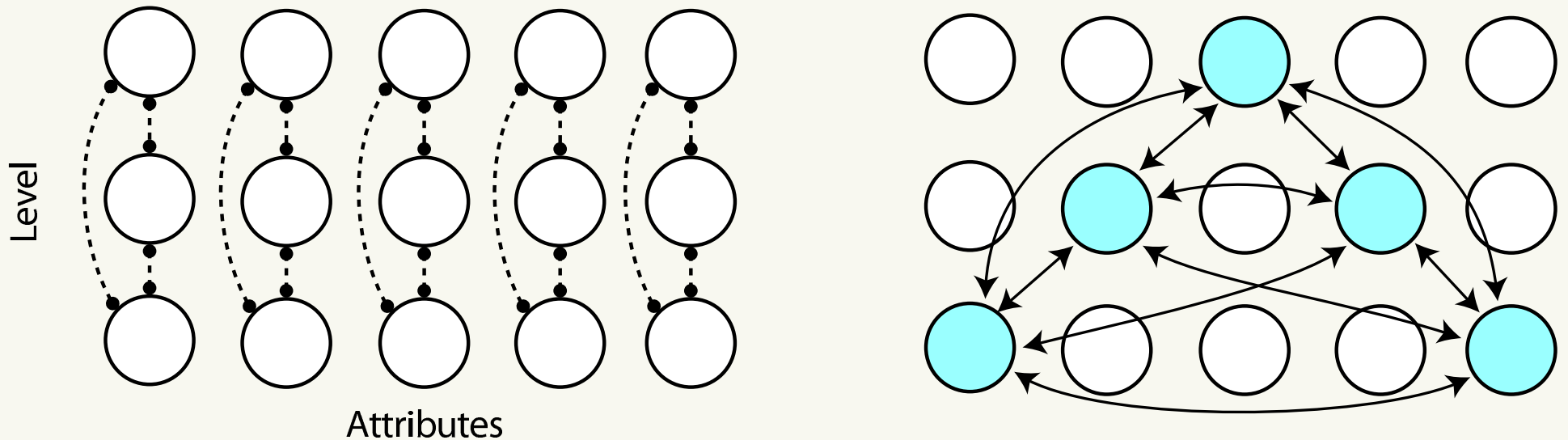


Coupled Cell Version of Guckenheimer-Holmes Cycle



Dionne, G. and Stewart (1994, 1996); Field et al. (2006-12)

Wilson's Generalized Rivalry Model



- Column represent attributes; rows represent level of attribute
- (L) Dashed lines: reciprocal inhibition between cells in column
- (R) Solid lines: reciprocal excitation between cells in learned pattern

Wilson (2008, 2009); Diekmann, G., McMillen, and Wang (2012)

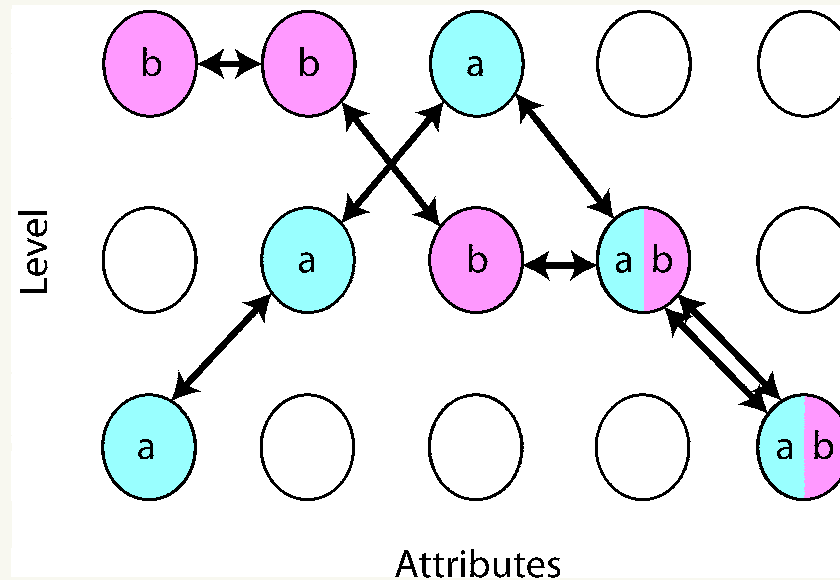
Simplest Rivalry Equations Between Competing Units a and b

- Units represent perception of images presented to eyes
- Unit a consists of an activity variable a^E representing a firing rate, and a fatigue variable a^H that reduces activity on long time scale

$$\begin{aligned}\varepsilon \dot{a}^E &= -a^E + \mathcal{G}(I - \beta b^E - g a^H) \\ \dot{a}^H &= a^E - a^H \\ \varepsilon \dot{b}^E &= -b^E + \mathcal{G}(I - \beta a^E - g b^H) \\ \dot{b}^H &= b^E - b^H\end{aligned}$$

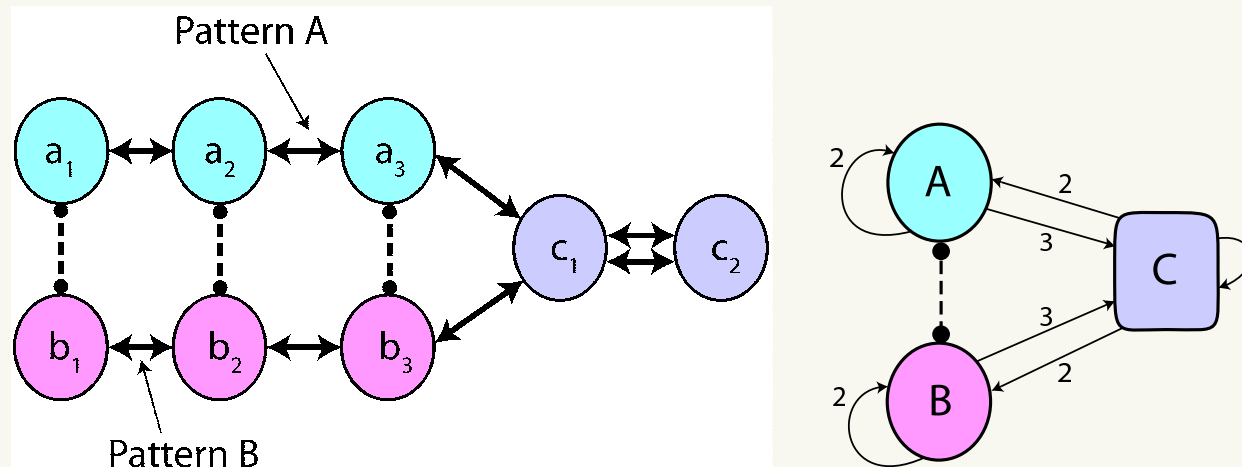
- β is **reciprocal inhibition** between units
- I is external **signal strength** to units
- a^H reduces the activity in unit a with **strength** g
- \mathcal{G} is **gain**: nonnegative, nondecreasing, and $\mathcal{G}(z) = 0$ for $z \leq 0$
- $\varepsilon \ll 1$ is **ratio of time scales** on which $*^E$ and $*^H$ evolve

Two Learned Patterns a and b



- Network: n attribute columns with m cells representing attribute levels; two equations in each cell
- **Learned pattern** = one cell from each attribute column
- Reciprocal excitatory connections between these cells
- Cells in learned pattern are **all-to-all** connected (not indicated)
- Inhibitory connections in columns not indicated

Inactive Cells



(L) Two learned patterns with 2 cells in common (inactive cells deleted).

(R) Quotient network. Integers indicate multi-arrow couplings

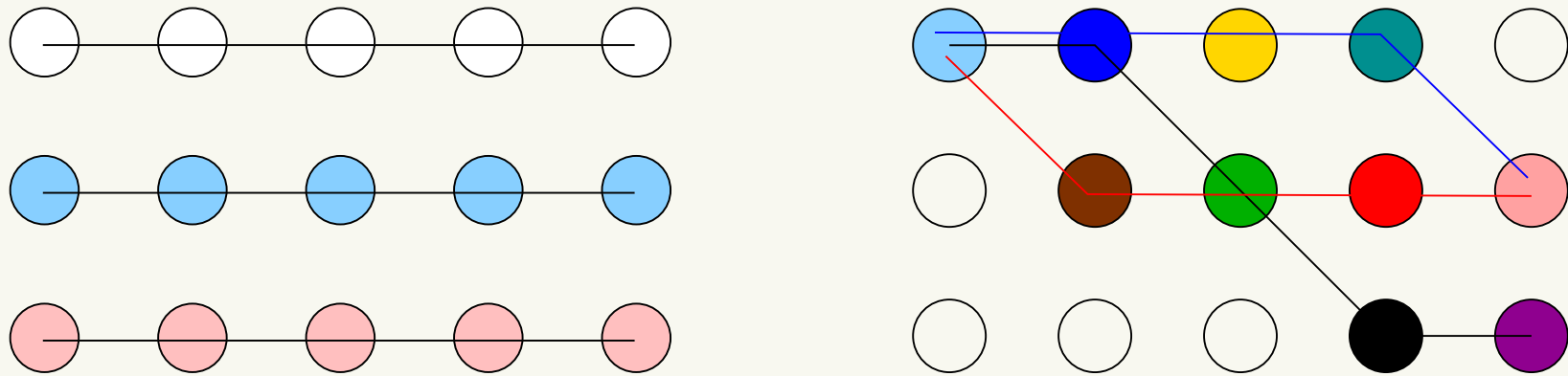
- **Inactive cells may be ignored**, thus reducing network to $2n - k$ cells, where k is number of active cells in common in two-patterns
- Understand dynamics using quotient network: 2-cell network if no cells in common or 3-cell network if cells in common
- Quotient network corresponds to subspace Δ . For many parameters Δ is locally attracting. So, **reduction to quotient captures dynamics**

Solution Types

Three types of states:

- **Fusion** = equilibria in which patterns have equal values
- **Winner-Take-All** = equilibria with different activity levels
- **Rivalry** = two or more patterns oscillate in periods of dominance
- States: synchronous equilibria; asynchronous equilibria; oscillations
- Rivalry could stem from Hopf bifurcation or heteroclinic cycle

Many Learned Patterns



(L) Three patterns with no cells pairwise in common; (R) Each pair of patterns has common active cells

- Wilson: Rivalry predominates in 5 attribute 3 intensity level system when there are **four** or **five** learned patterns
- n attribute m intensity level system can learn m^n patterns (243 in working example)
- Extreme case (**all** learned patterns) may be tractable: wreath product $S_m \wr S_n$ with $(m!)^n n!$ elements (933120 in working example)
- Wreath product symmetric coupled systems can lead to heteroclinic cycles. Guckenheimer-Holmes cycle has wreath product group