

# Weak hyperbolicity for singular flows

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# Introduction

In this work, we present some weak hyperbolic structures and one obtain characterizations (or some conditions to get) of these properties.

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From now on,

$M$  is a closed  $n$ -dimensional manifold,  $n \geq 3$ .

$\mathfrak{X}^1(M)$  is the space of  $C^1$  vector fields  $X$  on  $M$ ,

$X_t : M \rightarrow M, t \in \mathbb{R}$  is the  $C^1$  flow generated by  $X \in \mathfrak{X}^1(M)$ .

$\Lambda \subseteq M$  is a compact invariant set for  $X_t$  such that all singularities are hyperbolic, if any.

# Uniform Hyperbolicity

## Definition

The set  $\Lambda$  is said to be **hyperbolic** for a flow  $X_t : M \rightarrow M$  if there are a continuous invariant splitting  $T_x M = E_x^s \oplus E^X \oplus E_x^u$  and constants  $C, \lambda > 0$  such that,  $\forall x \in \Lambda$ ,

$$\|DX_t|_{E_x^s}\| \leq ce^{-\lambda t}, \quad \|DX_{-t}|_{E_{(X_t(x))}^u}\| \leq ce^{-\lambda t}.$$

# Dominated splittings

A **dominated splitting** over  $\Lambda$  is a continuous  $DX_t$ -invariant splitting  $T_\Lambda M = E \oplus F$  with  $E_x \neq \{0\}$ ,  $F_x \neq \{0\}$  for every  $x \in \Lambda$  and such that there are positive constants  $K, \lambda$  satisfying

$$\|DX_t|_{E_x}\| \cdot \|DX_{-t}|_{F_{X_t(x)}}\| < Ke^{-\lambda t},$$

for all  $x \in \Lambda$ , and all  $t > 0$ .

# Partial hyperbolicity

## Definition

The set  $\Lambda$  is said to be **partially hyperbolic** for  $X$  if there is a dominated splitting  $T_x M = E_x \oplus F_x$  such that  $E_x$  is uniformly contracted (or  $F_x$  is uniformly expanded) by  $DX_t$ .

# Singular hyperbolicity

Given  $E$  a vector space, we denote by  $\wedge^p E$  the exterior power of order  $p$  of  $E$ , defined as follows. If  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is a basis of  $E$  then  $\wedge^p E$  is generated by

$$\{v_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge v_{i_p}\}_{1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_p \leq n}.$$

# Singular hyperbolicity

Any linear transformation  $A : E \rightarrow F$  induces a transformation  $\wedge^p A : \wedge^p E \rightarrow \wedge^p F$ .

We can see a  $p$ -plane as  $\tilde{v} \in \wedge^p(E_x) \setminus \{0\}$  of norm one.



# Singular hyperbolicity

Hence,  $p$ -sectional expansion is given by the inequality

$$\| \wedge^p DX_t(x) \cdot \tilde{v} \| > Ce^{\lambda t},$$

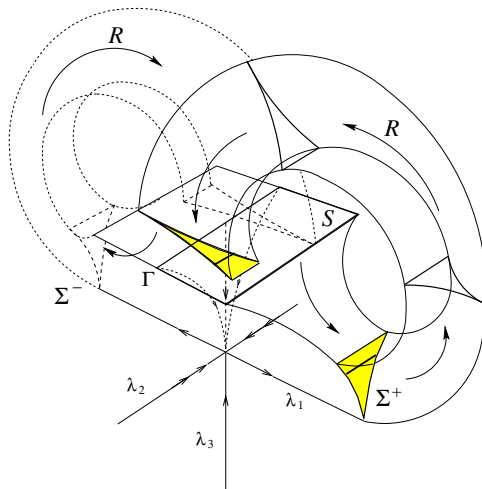
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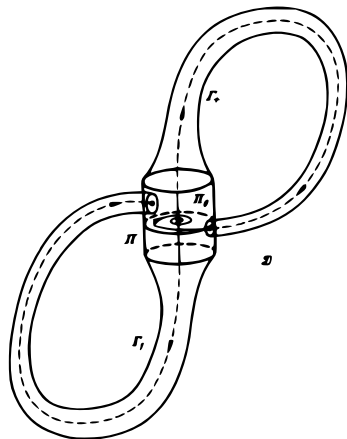
The set  $\Lambda$  is said to be **p-sectionally hyperbolic** (or **singular hyperbolic of order p**) for a smooth flow  $X$  if:

- 1 there exists a partially hyperbolic splitting  
 $T_\Lambda M = E \oplus F$ ;
- 2  $E$  is uniformly contracting and the central subbundle  $F$  is  $p$ -sectionally expanding, with  $2 \leq p \leq \dim(F)$ .

# Geometric Lorenz attractor



# Turaev-Shil'nikov attractor



**Figure:** An attractor  $\Gamma$  of a  $n$ -dimensional vector field,  $n \geq 4$ , with 3-sectional expansion which is not (2-)sectionally expanding.

# Characterization of domination property

## Theorem (S.-2018)

*A continuous  $DX_t$ -invariant splitting  $T_\Lambda M = E \oplus F$  is dominated if, and only if, exists  $\eta < 0$  for which*

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{t} \log |DX_t|_{E_x} - \limsup_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{t} \log m(DX_t|_{F_x}) < \eta,$$

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$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{t} \log \| \wedge^p DX_t(x) \cdot \tilde{v} \|$$

whenever they exists, where  $\tilde{v} \in \wedge^p F_x - \{0\}$ .

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# $\mathcal{J}$ -separation and monotonicity

Let  $\mathcal{J}$  be an indefinite non-degenerate quadratic form on  $TM$ .

Denote by  $C_{\pm}(x) = \{v \in T_x M; \pm \mathcal{J}_x(v) > 0\} \cup \{0\}$  the open cones of positive and negative vectors, and  $C_0(x) = \{v \in T_x M; \mathcal{J}_x(v) = 0\}$  their common boundary.



# $\mathcal{J}$ -separation and monotonicity

Given a continuous field of non-degenerate quadratic forms  $\mathcal{J}$ , we say that a cocycle  $A_t(x)$  over  $X$  is

- *strictly  $\mathcal{J}$ -separated* if  $A_t(x)(C_+(x) \cup C_0(x)) \subset C_+(X_t(x))$ , for all  $t > 0$  and  $x \in U$ ;
- *strictly  $\mathcal{J}$ -monotone* if  $\partial_t(\mathcal{J}_{X_t(x)}(A_t(x)v))|_{t=0} > 0$ , for all  $v \in T_x M \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $t > 0$  and  $x \in U$ ;

# Strict $\mathcal{I}$ separation

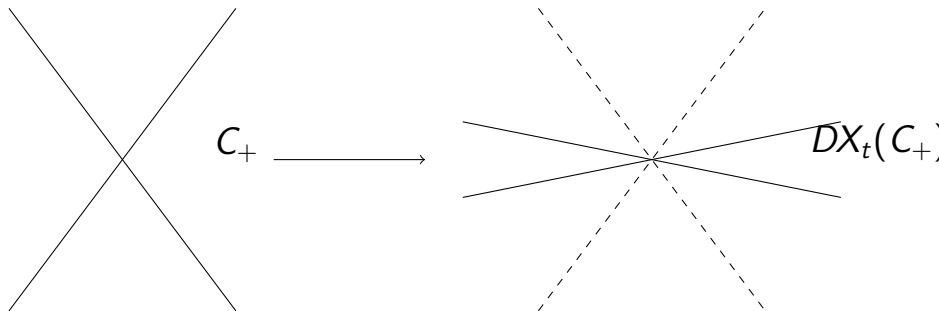


Figure: strict  $\mathcal{I}$ -separation.

# Partially hyperbolic case

A field of quadratic forms  $\mathcal{J}_0$  on  $U$  is equivalent with  $\mathcal{J}$  if there is  $C > 1$  such that

$$\frac{1}{C}\mathcal{J}_0 \leq \mathcal{J} \leq C\mathcal{J}_0. \quad (1)$$

Consider the operator  $\tilde{J}_{0,x} := J_0 \cdot DX(x) + DX(x)^* \cdot J_0$ , where  $DX(x)^*$  is the adjoint of  $DX(x)$  with respect to the adapted inner product.

# The Partially hyperbolic case

## Theorem (Araujo-S. 2013)

*Let  $X$  be a  $\mathcal{J}$ -non-negative vector field on  $U$ , with  $\mathcal{J}$  has constant index  $l_U$ . Then,  $\Lambda$  is partially hyperbolic of index  $l_U$  for  $X_t$  if, and only if, there are a equivalent  $\mathcal{J}_0$  and a function  $\delta : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that*

$$\tilde{J}_{0,x} - \delta(x)J_0 \quad \text{is positive definite,} \quad x \in U.$$

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In 1963, E. Lorenz introduced the following system of nonlinear differential equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= -\sigma x_1 + \sigma x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 &= \rho x_1 - x_2 + x_1 x_3, \\ \dot{x}_3 &= -\beta x_3 + x_1 x_3.\end{aligned}$$

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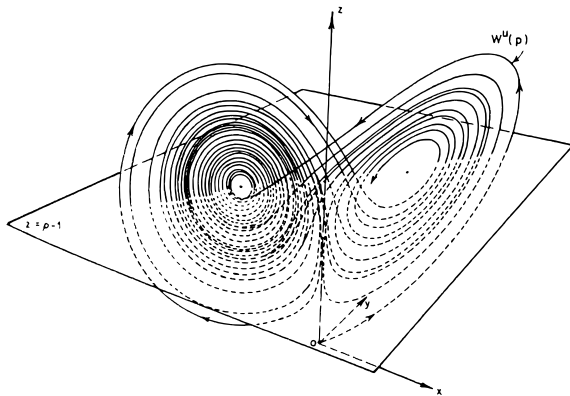


Figure: The Lorenz flow.

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