IDC601: Dynamical Systems and Chaos

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Course contents:

Dynamical systems (map, flow, boolean, automata): Finite vs. infinite dimensional systems, Conservative vs. dissipative systems, Phase space, Fixed points, Linear stability analysis, Poincaré section, Numerical solution of maps and flows.

(4 lectures)

Maps: Circle map, Logistic map and conjugate Tent map, Chaos, Lyapunov exponents, Period doubling route to chaos, Intermittency route to chaos, Crisis, Quasi-periodic route to chaos.

(9 lectures)

Autonomous flows: Hartman-Grobman theorem (proof optional), Poincaré-Bendixon theorem (proof optional), Limit cycles, Hopf bifurcation theorem (proof optional), Flow on n-torus and quasi-periodicity, Lorenz equation, Chaotic attractor, Lyapunov exponents, Routes to chaos.

(9 lectures)

Non-Autonomous flows: Floquet theory, Duffing oscillator, Chaos.

(5 lectures)

Introduction to bifurcation theory and normal forms.

(7 lectures)

Fractals, Topological dimension, Similarity dimension, Box dimension, Correlation dimension, Generalized dimensions, Lyapunov dimension.

(3 lectures)

Some research topics: e.g., Synchronization, Phase space reconstruction, etc. (3 lectures)

Primary Textbooks and References:

- (1) S. H. Strogatz, Nonlinear Dynamics And Chaos: With Applications to Physics, Biology, Chemistry, And Engineering, Westview Press (2001).
- (2) R. C. Hilborn, Chaos and Nonlinear Dynamics, Oxford University Press (2001).
- (3) J. Argyris, G. Faust, M. Haase, & R. Friedrich, An Exploration of Dynamical Systems and Chaos, Springer (2015).
- (4) H. G. Schuster & W. Just, Deterministic Chaos: An Introduction, Wiley-VCH (2005).
- (5) D. Jordan & P. Smith, Nonlinear Ordinary Differential Equations: An Introduction for Scientists and Engineers, Oxford University Press, 4th edition (2007).
- (6) J. Guckenheimer and P. Holmes, Nonlinear Oscillations, Dynamical Systems, and Bifurcations of Vector Fields, Springer (1983).