# Periodic Thresholds and Rotations of Relations 

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## Huybers' Discrete Model

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T_{t} & =a t+b-c \theta_{t}^{\prime}
\end{aligned}
$$

Upon termination, linearly reset V to 0 over 10 Ka
$V$ : ice volume
$T$ : deglaciation threshold
$\theta^{\prime}$ : scaled obliquity
$\eta$ : ice volume growth rate


A deterministic run of the model

Huybers, P. Glacial variability over the last two million years: an extended depth-derived agemodel, continuous obliquity pacing, and the Pleistocene progression. Quaternary Science Reviews. 2007.


Discrete model with combined forcing

Huybers, P. Combined obliquity and precession pacing of late Pleistocene deglaciations. Nature. 2011.


Huybers, P. and Wunsch, C. Obliquity pacing of the late Pleistocene glacial terminations. Nature. 2005.

## Idealized Model

Discrete model:

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T_{t_{i}} & =a t_{i}+b+c \sin \left(2 \pi t_{i}\right) \\
\Delta_{t} & =t_{i}-t_{i-1}
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$$

Continuous model: let $\Delta_{t} \rightarrow 0$.
Let $V_{t_{0}}(t)$ be the volume with initial condition $V_{t_{0}}\left(t_{0}\right)=0$.

Numerical Simulations


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## Another model: Neuron Potentials

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\begin{aligned}
\frac{d v}{d t} & =S_{0} \\
v\left(t^{+}\right) & =0 \text { if } v(t)=T_{t} \\
T_{t} & =\theta_{0}+\lambda \sin (\omega t+\phi)
\end{aligned}
$$

$v$ : electric potential
$T$ : firing threshold
J. P. Keener, F. C. Hoppensteadt, and J. Rinzel. Integrate-and-fire models of nerve membrane response to oscillatory input. SIAM Journal on Applied Mathematics, 41:503, 1981.

## Reduction to a Periodic Map

Suppose the threshold $T$ is periodic: $T(x+1)=T(x)$.
Let $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the section map sending a termination time $t$ to the next termination time.

$$
g(t)=\min \left\{t^{\prime}>t: V_{t}\left(t^{\prime}\right)=0\right\}
$$

Then $g$ is also periodic: $g(t+1)=g(t)$.

## Reduction to a Periodic Map

The map $g$ can be smooth, continuous, or discontinuous.




## Circle Maps

A function $f: \mathbb{S}^{1} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^{1}$ is a circle map.
Let $\pi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^{1}$ be defined as

$$
\pi(x)=e^{2 \pi i x}
$$

A lift of a circle map is a map $F: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$
\pi \circ F=f \circ \pi
$$

## Circle Maps

- There are infinitely many lifts of any circle map $f$.
- If $f$ is continuous, any two continuous lifts differ by an integer.
- We say a continuous circle map $f$ is orientation preserving if a lift $F$ has the property $F(x) \leq F(y)$ if $x<y$.




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"Average" amount of rotation from one iteration of $f$

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## Average Displacement Set

$$
K_{n}(F)=\frac{F^{n}-i d}{n}(\mathbb{R})=\frac{F^{n}-i d}{n}([0,1])
$$

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K(F)=\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} K_{n}(F)
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f(x)=x+b+\frac{\omega}{2 \pi} \sin (2 \pi x) \bmod 1
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- Existence and uniqueness if $f$ is orientation preserving. (Brette, 2003; Kozaykin, 2005)
- If there exists point $z$ with $f^{q}(z)=z, p / q \in \rho(f)$


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- BUT, if $p / q \in \rho(f)$, orbits will tend towards a (possibly missing) periodic orbit.


## Relations on $\mathbb{S}^{1}$

A relation on $\mathbb{S}^{1}$ is a subset of $\mathbb{S}^{1} \times \mathbb{S}^{1}$.
The analogue of an iteration is an orbit of a relation $f$ : $\left\{\ldots x_{-1}, x_{0}, x_{1}, x_{2}, \ldots\right\}$ such that $\left(x_{i}, x_{i+1}\right) \in f$.

Rotation set is:

$$
\rho(f)=\rho(F)=\left\{\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_{n}-x_{0}}{n},\left(x_{0}, x_{1}, x_{2}, \ldots\right) \text { is an orbit of } F\right\}
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- Consider a relation consisting of two lines: $x+\alpha$, and $1-\alpha x$.



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There is one orbit starting at 0 that moves up by 1 every time, with rotation number 1 .

All other orbits move at most $1+\alpha$ after 2 moves, with rotation number in $[\alpha,(1+\alpha) / 2]$.

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This is a polynomial in $\alpha$ with integer coefficients. If $\alpha$ is transcendental, the equation can not be satisfied.

## What do we know?

Orientation-preserving $\Rightarrow$ unique rotation number
Rational rotation number $\Leftrightarrow$ periodic point

## Conjectures

Conjecture: If connectedness is preserved, the rotation set is a closed interval, and $\rho(F)=K(F)$.

- (need to modify Ito's proof that rotation sets are closed)

Conjecture: $\rho(F)=K(F)$
Conjecture: rotation set for backwards (inverse) iterations will be the same.

