

NUMERICS OF DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS

Problem Sheet 4

P4.1 Convergence speed of the subdivision algorithm

For the linear contraction $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = \mu x$, $0 < \mu < 1$, consider the computation of the relative global attractor of $[-1, 1]$ using the subdivision algorithm (with division of intervals at their midpoints).

- (a) Compute the number α in the convergence Theorem 2.18.
- (b) How many iterations of f are necessary to ensure $\alpha < 1$ if (i) $\mu = 1/4$, (ii) $\mu = 3/4$?
- (c) What happens if $\alpha \geq 1$?

P4.2 Continuation algorithm in GAIO

Consider the Lorenz system

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= \sigma(y - x) \\ \dot{y} &= \rho x - y - xz \\ \dot{z} &= -\beta z + xy \end{aligned}$$

with parameter values $\sigma = 10, \rho = 28, \beta = \frac{8}{3}$.

The flow map $f := \phi^{0.1}$ defines a discrete dynamical system. In this exercise, we want to compute the global unstable manifold of the origin.

- (a) The file `unstable_manifold.m` on the course website¹ performs the preparation for the continuation algorithm. Complete it by implementing the continuation step and run the script. (Use `help Tree` to get a description of the GAIO methods.)

Optional: To speed up the algorithm, do not recompute $C_k^{(j+1)}$ from scratch, but find only the new boxes $C_k^{(j+1)} \setminus C_k^{(j)}$. Try using flags to do this.

- (b) Repeat the computation on the box $Q = [-50, 50]^3$ and compare the results.

¹<http://www-m3.ma.tum.de/NumDynSys1617/>