

# Devaney's Chaos of One Parameter Family of Semi-triangular Maps

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## Abstract

In [1], it is proved that the family of semi-triangular maps

$$F = \{f_{\alpha}(x) = \alpha x \sin x : \alpha > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

has sensitive dependence on initial conditions (SDIC) for all  $\alpha > 2$ . In this work, we complete the two conditions: topologically transitive and density of periodic points in order to prove that  $F$  has a strong chaos (Devaney's chaos).

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## 1. Introduction

There are many definitions of chaos ranging from measure theoretic notions of randomness in ergodic theory to the topological approach. In fact the term "chaos" was first used by *Li* and York in a connection with a map without giving any formal definition [6]. Today, there are various definitions of a chaotic map like Shaihai definition [7], Li-york [5]  $\mathcal{W}$ -chaos [4], [7] and others.

In the topological dynamics, chaos is widely studied and the most used definition of chaos due to Devaney [3]. Devaney's chaos is also called strong chaos. A map  $f$  on a metric space  $X$  is chaotic, in the sense of Devaney, if it satisfies three conditions : SDIC , Topologically transitive and the set of periodic points of the map is dense in  $X$  . Recall that a map  $f: X \rightarrow X$  on a metric space  $X$  is called topologically transitive if for any two open sets  $U, V \subset X$  , there exists  $k > 0$  such that  $f^{(k)}(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$  ( $f^{(k)} = f \circ f \circ \dots \circ f$   $k$ -times) . And a map  $f$  is SDIC if there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for any  $x \in X$  and any neighborhood  $N$  of  $x$  there exists  $y \in X$  and a natural number  $n$  such that  $|f^{(n)}(x) - f^{(n)}(y)| > \delta$  . In fact , Devaney's definition of chaos applies to a large number of important examples and in many cases it is easy to verify . Moreover , J.Banks in [2] , was proved that if a map  $f$  is transitive and has dense set of periodic points then  $f$  is SDIC .

In this work we prove that the functions of the family  $F = \{f_\alpha(x) = \alpha x \sin x : \alpha > 0, x \in R\}$  are topologically transitive and have dense sets of periodic points in  $R$  . We will need the following results which we proved in [1].

**Theorem 1.1:** Let  $F = \{f_\alpha(x) = \alpha x \sin x ; x \in R, \alpha > 0\}$  then :

1. For  $\alpha = 1$  ,the function  $f_\alpha \in F$  has infinite number of fixed points [one fixed point in  $(2n\pi, 2(n+1)\pi) \forall n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ].
2. For  $\alpha > 1$  the number in (1) is doubled .

**Theorem 1.2:** For  $\alpha > 2$  , the functions  $f_\alpha \in R$  are sensitive dependence on initial conditions .

## 2. Devaney's chaos of the family $F$ .

Let  $F = \{f_\alpha(x) = \alpha x \sin x ; x \in R, \alpha > 0\}$  .In this section we prove that  $f_\alpha \in F$  is topologically transitive and the set of periodic points is dense in  $R$  . We start with the following proposition :

**Proposition 2.1:** Let  $f_\alpha \in F$  . then :

1. The function  $f_\alpha^{(n)}$  is continuous on  $R \forall n = 1, 2, \dots$
2. For  $m > n$  , the number of periodic points of  $f$  of period  $m$  is greater than the number of periodic points of period  $n$  .

3. For any two intervals  $I, J = (v_1, v_2)$  in  $R \exists m \in N$  such that  $\max_{x \in I} f^{(m)}(x) > v_2$  (where  $\max_{x \in I} f^{(m)}(x)$  is the maximum value of  $f(x)$  on  $I$ ).

**Proof :**

1. Clear .

2. Let  $I$  be an interval in  $R$  . If we derivative the function  $f^{(n)}(x)$  and solve the equation  $\frac{df^{(n)}(x)}{dx} = 0$  ,then we obtain a number of local maximum and local minimum values of  $f^{(n)}$ . Moreover , these numbers are decreasing as  $n$  decreases, and for any open interval  $I \subset R$  ,  $\max_{x \in I} f^{(n+1)}(x) > \max_{x \in I} f^{(n)}(x)$ . See figures ( 1,2,3 ).

But for all  $n \in N$  ,  $f^{(n)}$  is continuous . Hence the graph of  $f^{(n)}$  intersects the line  $y = x$  at number of points . Moreover the graph of  $f^{(m)}$  intersects the line  $y = x$  at a number of points greater than the graph of  $f^{(n)}$  does , for  $m > n$  . Therefore the number of periodic points of period  $m$  is greater than the number of periodic points of period  $n$  .

3. Let  $I, J = (v_1, v_2)$  be two intervals in  $R$  . If  $\max_{x \in I} f(x) > v_2$  then the result is true .

If  $\max_{x \in I} f(x) \leq v_2$  , then we test  $\max_{x \in I} f^{(2)}(x)$  (note that ,  $\max_{x \in I} f^{(2)}(x) > \max_{x \in I} f(x)$  -See the proof of 2-) . If  $\max_{x \in I} f^{(2)}(x) \leq v_2$  then we test  $f^{(3)}(x)$  and so on , until we find  $m \in N$  such that  $\max_{x \in I} f^{(m)}(x) > v_2$  .

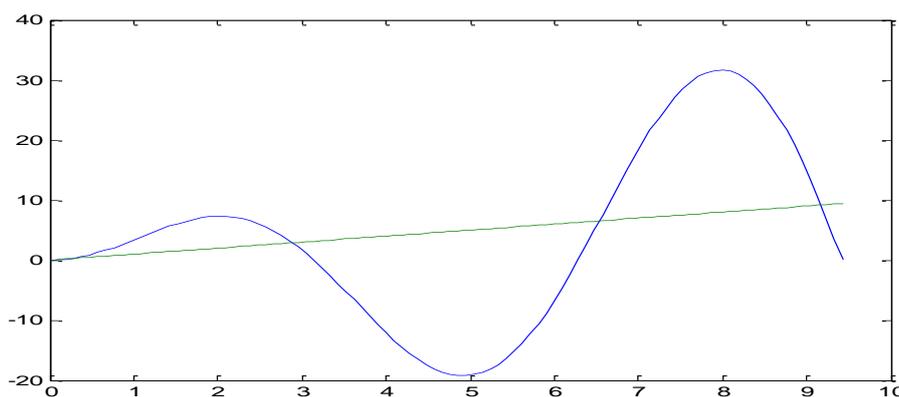
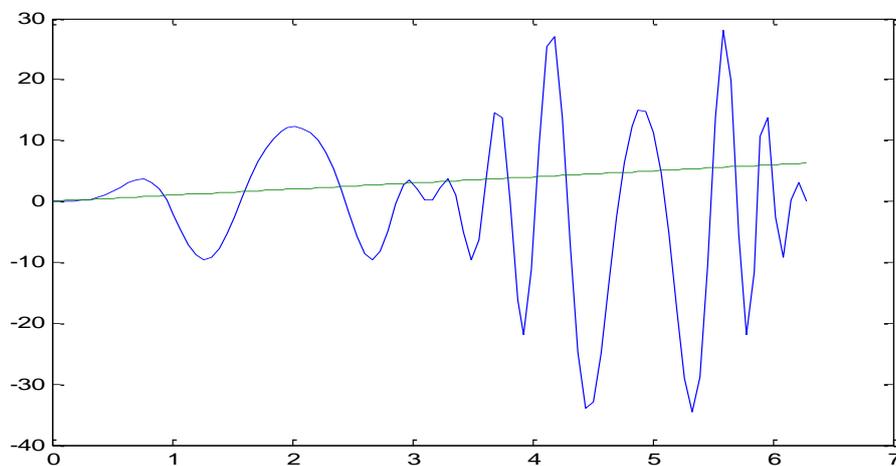
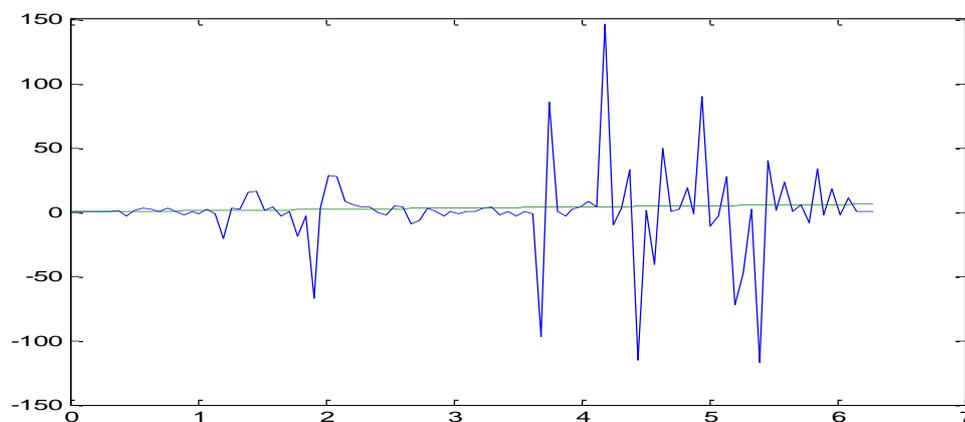


Figure -1-Graph of  $f_{\alpha}^n$ ,  $n=1, \alpha=4$

Figure-2-Graph of  $f_\alpha^n, n=2, \alpha=4$ Figure-3-Graph of  $f_\alpha^n, n=5, \alpha=4$ 

**Theorem 2.2 :** Let  $F = \{f_\alpha(x) = \alpha x \sin x ; x \in \mathbb{R}, \alpha > 0\}$ . Then we have :

1. Every  $f_\alpha \in F$  is topologically transitive .
2. The set of periodic points of  $f_\alpha \in F$  is dense in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Proof :**

1. Let  $I$  and  $J=(v_1, v_2)$  be two open intervals in  $\mathbb{R}$  . To prove that  $f_\alpha \in F$  is topologically transitive , we have to show that  $f^{(m)}(I) \cap J \neq \emptyset$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  .

a. If  $f(I) \cap J \neq \emptyset$  then we done .

b. If  $f(I) \cap J = \emptyset$  , then by proposition 2.1 there exists  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\max_{x \in I} f^{(m)}(x) > v_2$  .

But  $f^{(m)}$  is continuous . Thus  $f^{(m)}(I) \cap J \neq \emptyset$  and the prove is complete .

2.Let  $D$  be the set of periodic points of  $f_\alpha$  . We have to show that  $D$  is dense in  $\mathbb{R}$  , i.e.  $\forall$  open interval  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  ,  $\exists p \in D$  s.t.  $p \in I$  .

Let  $J_k = (k\pi, (k+2)\pi)$   $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  . Without lose of generality we can assume  $I \subset J_0 = (0, 2\pi)$

Let  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  be a large number . Consider  $f^{(n)}(x)$  . By theorem (1.1) and proposition (2.1)  $f$  has a number periodic point of period  $n$  say  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_l$  . If  $I \cap D = \emptyset$  , i.e.  $I \subset (p_i, p_{i+1})$  , then chose  $m = n + 1$  .

Now ,  $\forall i, \exists p_{im} \in (p_i, p_{i+1})$  (see proposition (2.1)) ,  $p_{im} \in D$  .

If  $I \cap [(p_i, p_{im}) \cup (p_{im}, p_{i+1})] = \emptyset$  , then chose  $m = n + 2$  , and so on , until find  $p_i^*$  a periodic point and  $p_i^* \in (p_{im}, p_{im+1}) \cap I$  , that is  $p_i^*$  is a periodic point lies in  $I$  . Thus  $I \cap D \neq \emptyset$  and  $D$  is dense in  $\mathbb{R}$  , and the theorem is complete

Finally , if we companied the results in theorem (2.2) with theorem (1.2) , then we proved the following theorem which is the main result in our work :

**Theorem (2.3) :** Let  $F = \{f_\alpha(x) = \alpha x \sin x, x \in \mathbb{R}, \alpha > 0\}$  . Then  $f_\alpha \in F$  is Devany's (strong) chaotic .

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