

Go through the Thm  
and pf again

## Lecture 7

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- A stronger ergodicity property:

Mixing (Digression)

Def  $\varphi: (M, \mu) \rightarrow (M, \mu)$  is mixing if

$\forall A, B$  (measurable)

$$\mu(\varphi^{-k}(A) \cap B) \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A)\mu(B)$$

Roots in  
probability  
theory

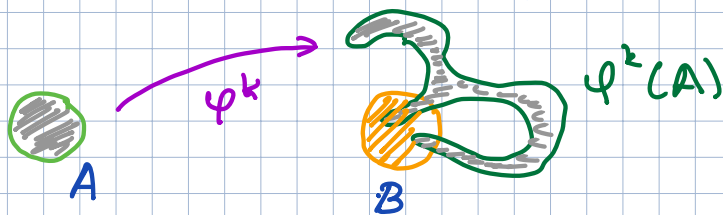
Rmk •  $\varphi^{-k}(A) = \{x \mid \varphi^k(x) \in A\}$  is defined  
& Observations even when  $\varphi$  is not invertible

- Prefer to think as

$$\mu(\varphi^k(A) \cap B) \rightarrow \mu(A)\mu(B)$$

- $\mu(A) \neq 0, \mu(B) \neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi^k(A) \cap B \neq \emptyset \quad k \gg 0$$



- Topological counterpart (top mixing)

$\forall$  open sets  $U, V$

$$\varphi^{-k}(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset \quad \forall \text{ large } k$$

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↓ • Mixing  $\Rightarrow$  Top Mixing  
when  $\mu(\text{open}) > 0$

• Mixing  $\Rightarrow$  Ergodic

Pf • Ergodic  $\Leftrightarrow \forall$  inv set  $A$

$$\mu(A) = 0 \text{ or } \mu(A) = 1$$

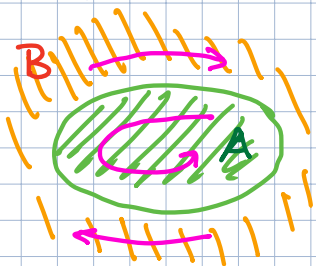
$$\Leftrightarrow \mu(A) \mu(\underbrace{M \setminus A}_B) = 0$$

•  $\psi$  mixing,  $A$  invariant: Need  $B = M \setminus A$

$$\underbrace{\psi^{-k}(A)}_A \cap \underbrace{B}_{M \setminus A} = \emptyset$$

$$0 = \mu(\psi^{-k}(A) \cap B) \rightarrow \mu(A) \mu(M \setminus A) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  ergodic



A & B  
never mix

Remark • Similarly for flows

• other notions of mixing  
(weak, etc) ...

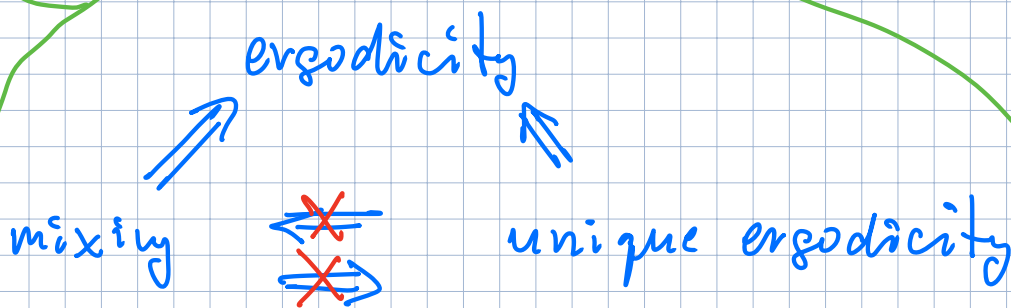
## Examples

Ex

- isometries are not (top) mixing  
⇒ rotations of  $S^1$ , translations of  $\mathbb{T}^k$ ,  
lin flows on  $\mathbb{T}^k$   
are not mixing

mixing  $\Rightarrow$  ergodicity  
 ~~$\Leftarrow$~~   ~~$\Rightarrow$~~  unique ergodicity

- Hyperbolic  $A: \mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^2$   
are mixing [KH]



• Examples continued:  
Shift Transformations

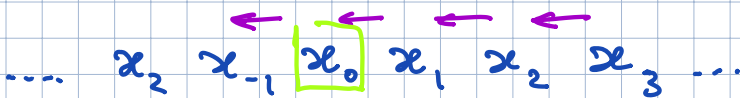
Setting:

•  $\mathbb{Z}_n = \{0, \dots, n-1\}$  an alphabet

•  $M = \mathbb{Z}_n^{\mathbb{Z}} = \{x = \dots x_{-1} x_0 x_1 x_2 \dots\}$   
 = bi-inf sequences  
 compact metric space

•  $\varphi: M \rightarrow M$  shift to the left

$$\varphi(x)_i = x_{i+1}, \text{ homeo}$$



• Remark  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  a gp  
 $\Rightarrow M = \mathbb{Z}_n^{\mathbb{Z}}$  is a compact top. gp  
 $\varphi$  is a gp homomorphism

• Inv measures. (Bernoulli measures)

• Fix  $0 < p_i < 1 \quad i = 0, \dots, n-1$   
 $\sum p_i = 1$  probability of  $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}_n$



Recall top properties of  $\varphi$ :

- dense periodic pb = periodic seq  $x_i$   
 $p(k) = n^k \leftarrow$  # of per pb of per  $k$
- top transitive:  $\exists$  a dense orbit

On the measure theory side:

Thm  $\varphi$  is mixing for  $\mu$

$\Rightarrow$

Cor  $\varphi$  is ergodic & top mixing

Remarks:  
•  $\varphi$  is not uniquely ergodic  
(per. orbit or different  $\{\mu_i\}$ )  
and not minimal

• similarity with hyperbolic  
 $A: \mathbb{T}^h \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^h$

Pf

- Observations: enough to check mixing when  $A$  &  $B$  are cylinders

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \dots & x_{i_1} & \dots & x_j & \dots & x_{i_2} & \dots \\ & \parallel & & & & \parallel & \\ \dots & a_{i_1} & \dots & & \dots & a_{i_2} & \dots = Y \end{array}$$

Need  $\mu(\varphi^{-k}(C_Y^I) \cap C_X^J) \rightarrow \mu(C_Y^I) \mu(C_X^J)$

for any two such cylinders  
different length

- Note •  $\varphi^{-k}(C_Y^I) = C_Y^{I+k}$   
 $I+k = (i_1+k, \dots, i_s+k)$

$\Rightarrow \forall I \text{ \& \ } J$

$$\varphi^{-k}(C_Y^I) = C_Y^{I+k}$$

disjoint from  $J$   
when  $k$  is large

• Recall

$$Y = (a_1, \dots, a_s)$$

$$\mu(C_Y^I) = P_{a_1} \dots P_{a_s}$$

•  $L \cap J = \emptyset$

$$Y = (a_1, \dots, a_s)$$

$$X = (b_1, \dots, b_r)$$

$$C_Y^L \cap C_X^J = C_{Y \cup X}^{L \cup J}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\mu(C_Y^L \cap C_X^J)}_{a_1, \dots, a_s, b_1, \dots, b_r} = \underbrace{\mu(C_Y^L)}_{a_1, \dots, a_s} \cdot \underbrace{\mu(C_X^J)}_{b_1, \dots, b_r}$$

•  $L = I+k$   $k$  is large  
disjoint from  $J$

$$C_Y^L = C_Y^{I+k} = \varphi^{-k}(C_Y^I) \quad \text{disjoint}$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi^{-k}(C_Y^I) \cap C_X^J = C_Y^L \cap C_X^J$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu(\varphi^{-k}(C_Y^I) \cap C_X^J) = \mu(\varphi^{-k}(C_Y^I)) \mu(C_X^J)$$

$\Rightarrow$  mixing

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## Probabilistic Interpretation

- $\mathbb{Z}_2 = \{0, 1\}$ ;  $P_0 = P_1 = \frac{1}{2}$  unbiased coin
- $M =$  bi-inf sequences of 0 & 1's
- each sequence  
= sequence of coin tosses } an experiment  
or  
a trial  
0 = heads  
1 = tails

- $I = \{0, \dots, m\}$   
 $Y = \{b_0, \dots, b_m\}$        $b_i = 0$  or  $1$

$C_Y^I =$  event: the first  $m+1$  tosses  
give outcome  $Y$ :  $\mu(C_Y^I) = \frac{1}{2^{m+1}}$

$$\varphi^k(C_Y^I) = C_Y^{k+I}$$

= event: the tosses  $k, \dots, k+m$   
give outcome  $Y$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k} \# \{0 \leq i \leq k-1 \mid \varphi^k(x) \in C_Y^I\}$$

= frequency with which the  
sequence  $Y$  occurs in  $x$

Ergodicity  $\Rightarrow$  for almost all trials  $x$

the frequency = probability of  $Y$   
something we can measure by experiment, "statistics"  
 $\mu(C_Y^x)$   
abstract notion

Ex. Interpret mixing in terms of conditional probability.

## Lecture 8

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### • Existence of invariant measures

$M$  compact metric space (separable)

$\varphi: M \rightarrow M$  homeo or just  $C^0$

We have used:

Fact:  $\varphi$  has an invariant (ergodic) measure.

Goal: justify this

Thm (Krylov-Bogolubov)

$M$  compact,  $\varphi: M \xrightarrow{C^0} M$

$\Rightarrow \exists$  an invariant

Borel probability measure

Preliminaries:  $M$  as above

- $C^0(M)$  = Banach space with  
 $\|f\| = \sup_{x \in M} |f(x)|$

- Dual space:

$$C^0(M)^* = \{ \Phi : C^0(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \text{bounded} \}$$

Thm (Riesz Representation Thm)

$C^0(M)^*$  = the space of finite Borel measures  $\mu$  (not necessarily pos)

$$\Phi(f) = \int_M f d\mu$$

Push •  $\mu = \mu_+ - \mu_- \leftarrow$  pos. measures

- $\Phi$  pos :  $f \geq 0 \Rightarrow \Phi(f) \geq 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \mu$  is pos

- $\Phi(1) = 1 \Rightarrow \mu$  is probability:  $\int \mu = 1$

- $\Phi(f \circ \varphi) = \Phi(f) \quad \forall f$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \mu$  is  $\varphi$  invariant

Pf

Idea: For  $x \in M$  set

$$\mu_x(\mathcal{U}) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k} \#\{0 \leq i < k-1 \mid \varphi^i(x) \in \mathcal{U}\}$$

as in Birkhoff ergodic theorem, or

$$\bar{\Phi}_x(f) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} f(\varphi^i(x))$$

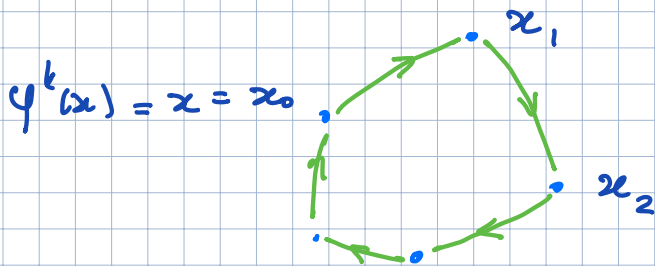
and define  $\mu_x$  by Riesz

$$\bar{\Phi}_x(f) = \int f d\mu_x$$

Then  $\mu_x$  is an invariant probability measure assuming that the limits exist

Ex:  $x$  is  $k$ -periodic

$$x = x_0, x_1 = \varphi(x), \dots, x_i = \varphi^i(x), x_k = \varphi^k(x) = x_0$$



$$\Rightarrow \mu_x = \frac{1}{k} \sum \delta_{x_i} \quad \text{invariant Borel probability measure}$$

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## Implementation

- Let  $f_j \in C^0(M)$ ,  $j=1,2,\dots$   
be a countable collection dense in  $C^0$   
(with respect to the sup-norm.)

- Pick  $x$  and consider

$$a_k^j = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} f_j(\varphi^i(x)) \quad \leftarrow \text{bounded } \forall j$$

$$\Rightarrow k_s(1) \xrightarrow{s \rightarrow \infty} \infty \quad a_{k_s(1)}^1 \text{ converges as } s \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow k_s(1) \text{ contains a subsequence}$$

$$k_s(2) \xrightarrow{s \rightarrow \infty} \infty \quad a_{k_s(2)}^2 \text{ also converges}$$

...

$$\text{Set } k_s = k_s(s) \text{ subsequence in all of them}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{k_s}^j \xrightarrow{k_s \rightarrow \infty} a^j \quad \forall j :$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{k_s \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k_s} \sum_{i=0}^{k_s-1} f_j(\varphi^i(x)) = a^j \quad \forall j$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists \lim_{k_s \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k_s} \sum_{i=0}^{k_s-1} f(\varphi^i(x)) =: \Phi_x(f)$$

$\{f_j\}$  dense in  $C^\infty(M)$  — exists

Riesz Representation theorem

$$\Rightarrow \exists \mu_x \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\Phi_x(f) = \int f d\mu_x$$

check (Ex):

- $f \geq 0 \Rightarrow \Phi_x(f) \geq 0$
  - $\Phi_x(1) = 1$
  - $\Phi_{\varphi^{-1}x}(f \circ \varphi) = \Phi_x(f)$
- } clear
- } calculation

$\Rightarrow \mu_x$  is positive, probability and invariant

△

Rmk  $\text{supp } \mu_x \subset \overline{\Theta(x)}$

Remark (Ex) A short cut with more functional analysis:

Set 
$$\Phi_x^{(k)}(f) := \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} f(\varphi^i(x))$$
$$= \left( \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \delta_{\varphi^i(x)} \right) (f)$$

$$|\Phi_x^{(k)}(f)| \leq \|f\|$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\Phi_x^{(k)}\| \leq 1 :$$

$\Phi_x^{(k)} \in$  unit ball in  $C^0(M)^*$

weak\* compact (sequentially)

Alaoglu thm  $\Rightarrow$   $\{\Phi_x^{(k)}\}$  contains a pt-wise converging subsequence:

Alaoglu's thm

$$\Phi_x^{k_i}(f) \rightarrow \Phi_x(f) \quad \forall f$$

This is essentially the def of  $\Phi_x$

Now finish the proof as above.  $\triangleleft$

Remark Can also take

$$\lim_{2k+1} \frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{i=-k}^k f(\varphi^i(x))$$

when  $\varphi$  is invertible



Prob How often does the lim exist?

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} f(\varphi^i(x))$$
$$\underbrace{\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \delta_{\varphi^i(x)} f}_{\bar{F}_x^k(f)}$$

Ex or [KH]

Answer: for any  $\varphi$ -inv  $\mu$   
the limit exist for  $\mu$ -a.a.  $x \forall f$

Hint: combine the Birkhoff ergodic  
theorem with the pf of  
Krylov - Bogolubov thm

- How do ergodic measures enter this picture?

Notation:  $\mathcal{M}_\varphi = \{ \varphi\text{-inv. prob. Borel Measures} \}$

$$\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}_\varphi \hookrightarrow C^0(M)^*$$

$$\mu \mapsto \underline{\Phi}_\mu := \left( f \mapsto \int_M f d\mu \right)$$

- The image is in the unit sphere  $\|\underline{\Phi}\| = 1$  and weak\* compact &  $\underline{\Phi}_\mu(1) = 1$

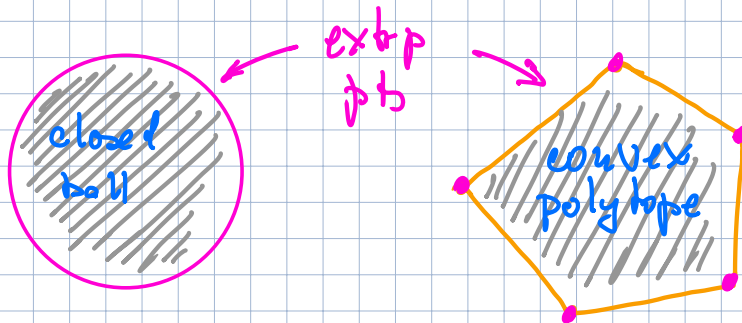
- $\mathcal{M}_\varphi$  is convex:

$$0 \leq t \leq 1, \quad \mu = (1-t)\mu_0 + t\mu_1$$

$\underbrace{\mu}_\in \mathcal{M}_\varphi \quad \Leftarrow \quad \underbrace{\mu_0}_\in \mathcal{M}_\varphi \quad \underbrace{\mu_1}_\in \mathcal{M}_\varphi$

Def  $\mu$  is an extreme pt of  $\mathcal{M}$  if for any such decomposition  $t=0$  or  $t=1$

can be any convex set



Notation:  $\text{Ext}(\mathcal{M})$

Con  $\text{Ext}(M) \neq \emptyset$   
ext pts

Rmk In general:

$$\text{convex Hull}(\underbrace{\text{Ext}(M)}_{\text{ext. pts}}) = M$$

close  
convex

In general, when  $\dim = \infty$ ,  
even the fact that  
 $\text{Ext}(M) \neq \emptyset$   
is not obvious

Thm  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Ergodic} \\ \text{measures} \end{array} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Extreme} \\ \text{pts of } \mathcal{M}_\varphi \end{array} \right\}$

Pf

" $\supset$ "  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}_\varphi$ , not ergodic:  
 $\exists A$  with  $0 < \mu(A) < 1$

Set  $\mu_x(Y) = \frac{\mu(X \cap Y)}{\mu(X)}$  } restriction to  $X$  measure

$$\mu_0 = \mu_A, \mu_1 = \mu_{M \setminus A}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu = \mu(A)\mu_A + (1 - \mu(A))\mu_{M \setminus A}$$

$\Rightarrow \mu$  is not an extreme pt

" $\subset$ " Idea •  $\mu_0, \mu_1 =$  extreme pts,  
 $\leftarrow$  enough  $(\Rightarrow$  ergodic)  
 to have  $\mu_0$  extn

$$\bullet \mu_0 \neq \mu_1 : \exists A \mu_0(A) \neq \mu_1(A)$$

Form:

$$\mu = (1-t)\mu_0 + t\mu_1 \text{ not extreme: } t \neq 0, 1$$

Want to show not ergodic?

(A particular case)

Assume it is

Brokhoff.

$$\frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \chi_A(\psi^i(x)) \xrightarrow{\quad} \mu_0(A)$$
$$\mu(A) = (1-t)\mu_0(A) + t\mu_1(A)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_0(A) = \mu_1(A) \quad \longleftrightarrow$$

A catch: - need  $x$  to "a.a." for  $\mu_0$  &  $\mu_1$

- might not exist

- But then  $\text{supp } \mu_0 \cap \text{supp } \mu_1 = \emptyset$

and  $\mu$  is again not ergodic

• A more serious problem:

not every non-extreme pt can be decomposed as  $\mu = (1-t)\mu_0 + t\mu_1$

• Not literally, but...

Need some functional analysis:

Choquet's thm



Con Every  $\varphi: M \rightarrow M$  has  
an ergodic measure

Con The following def of unique  
ergodicity are equivalent:

- ergodic and an ergodic  
measure is unique
- ergodic and inv measure  
is unique.

## How common is ergodicity?

Setting:

- $M$  a compact manifold (perhaps with boundary or corners)
- $\mu =$  smooth measure (Lebesgue)

E.g.  $M =$  closed ball or  $I^n =$  cube

- $H = \{ \varphi: M \rightarrow M \mid \mu\text{-pres homeo} \}$   
with sup-topology:

$$d(\varphi, \psi) = \sup_{x \in M} (\varphi(x), \psi(x))$$

$H$  has the Baire property:

a countable intersection of open & dense sets is dense

↑ a residual set: dense  $G_\delta$   
or more generally containing  
a dense  $G_\delta$

Thm (Oxtoby - Ulam)

Ergodic  $\varphi$  form a residual subset of  $H$ ,  $\dim \geq 2$

Ex. Show that not-true when  $\dim = 1$

Con Top transitive  $\varphi$  (i.e. with a dense orbit) for a residual subset of  $H$

Remark • Nothing like that is true for  $\uparrow C^\infty$ -diffeos pres  $\mu$ !  
KAM

At least when  $\dim M = 2$  or in the Ham case or...

•  $C^1$  or  $C^k$  - more subtle

Avila - Crovisier - Wilkinson

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• Not easy to construct  $\varphi: \mathbb{D}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{D}^2$  with a dense orbit



## Direct pt of Cor - Outline

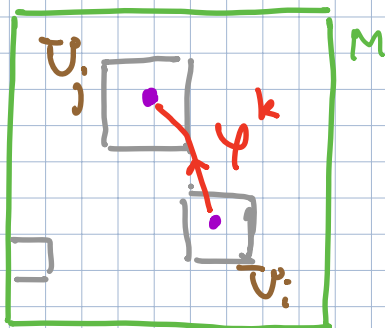
Following [Oxtoby]

•  $M = \text{square } [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$

$\mu = \text{Lebesgue measure}$

$\{\psi: M \rightarrow M \text{ } \mu\text{-pres. homeo}\} = H$

•  $\{U_i\} = \text{collection of open squares}$   
in  $M$  with rational vertices



(top box)

$$E_{ij} = \{\psi \mid \exists k \geq 1 : \psi^{-k}(U_i) \cap U_j \neq \emptyset\}$$

clear

key pt

Claim  $\forall i, j \ E_{ij}$  is open and dense

Thm  $\Leftarrow$  Claim:

$$\bigcap_{i,j} E_{i,j} =: E \leftarrow \text{residual}$$

$$G_j = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \varphi^{-k}(U_j) \text{ is open } \& \text{ dense:}$$
$$U_i \cap \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \varphi^{-k}(U_j) \neq \emptyset \Leftarrow \varphi \in E$$

Baire:  $G = \bigcap G_j$  is residual in  $M$   
 $\Rightarrow G \neq \emptyset$

$$x \in G \quad \forall j: \quad x \in \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \varphi^{-k}(U_j)$$

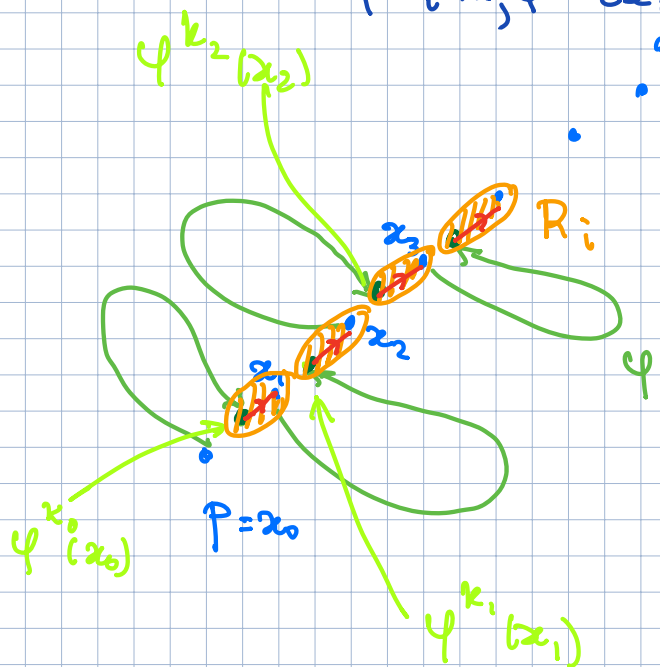
$$\Rightarrow \exists k: \quad \varphi^k(x) \in U_j$$

$\Rightarrow \Theta(x)$  is dense.

Proof We have shown that for a residual set of  $\varphi$ 's the set of  $x$  with  $\Theta(x)$  dense is residual.

## Idea of the pf of the Claim

- Given  $i, j$  and  $\varphi$  need to find an arbitrarily small  $\psi$  and  $p \in U_i$  s.t.  $(\psi\varphi)^k(p) \in U_j$  for some  $k$   
 $\Rightarrow \psi\varphi \in E_{ij}$  &  $\psi\varphi \approx \varphi$
- Can assume that periodic pts of  $\varphi$  form a meager set  
 - such  $\varphi$ 's form a residual set
- Pick  $p \in U_i$  &  $q \in U_j$  and "connect" them by a seq. disj orbit  $\{x_i, \dots, \varphi^{n_i}(x_i)\}$

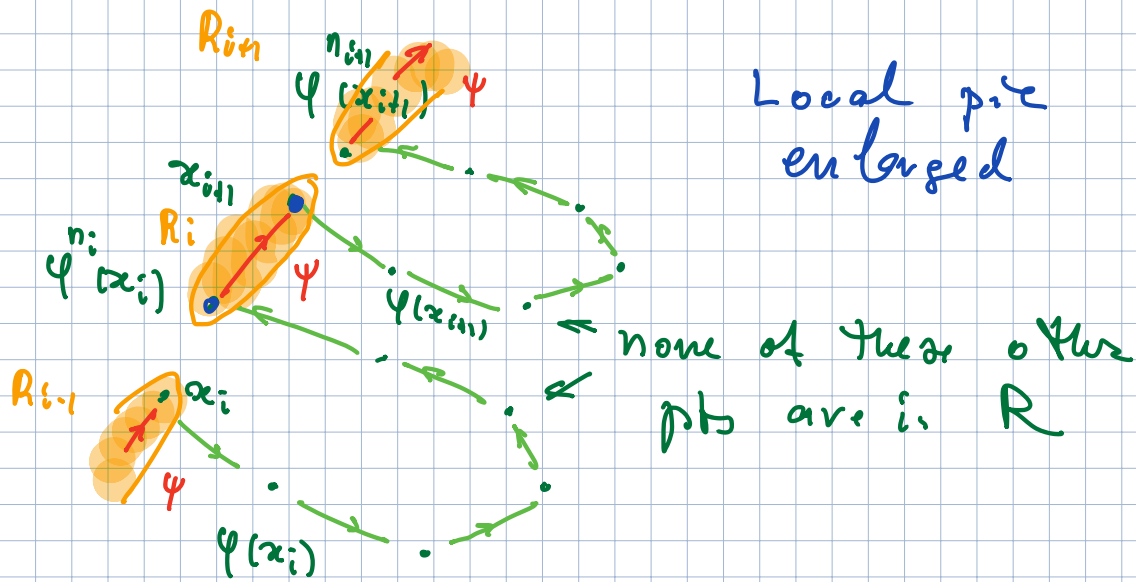


$F = \text{union of these orbits}$

- $R_i$ 's: disjoint small open sets

$$F \cap R_i = \{\varphi^{n_i}(x_i), x_{i+1}\}$$

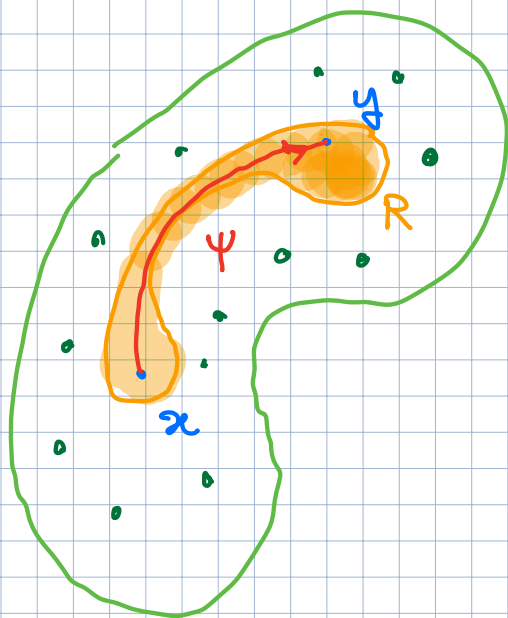
$$R = \bigsqcup R_i$$



- $\psi : \cdot \text{supp } \psi \subset \perp R_i$
- $\psi(\psi^{n_i}(x_i)) = x_{i+1}$
- $\|\psi\|_{C^0}$  is small

•  $\Rightarrow (\psi \circ \psi)^{n_0 + \dots + n_k}(p) = q$

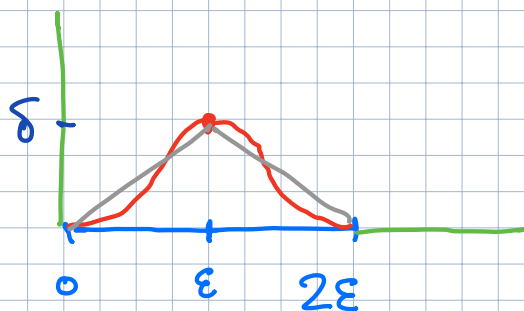
Remark  $x_i, \psi^{n_i}(x_i), x_{i+1}, \psi^{n_{i+1}}(x_{i+1})$   
 are quite close  
 $\Rightarrow \text{size}(R_i) \sim d(x_i, \psi^{n_i}(x_i))$   
 $\Rightarrow$  cannot make  
 $\|\psi\|_{C^1}$  small  $\triangleleft$



$p \approx q, \text{supp } \psi \subset R$   
 $\Rightarrow \psi \approx \text{id}$

~~$\Rightarrow \psi \approx^{C^1} \text{id}$~~

$$f(\varepsilon) = \delta$$



• if  $\delta$  is small  
 $\Rightarrow f \in C^0$  small  
 $\max |f| = \delta$

•  $f \in C^1$ -small?  
 $f' \sim \frac{\delta}{\varepsilon}$

$\Rightarrow \exists f \quad \delta \ll \varepsilon$  can make  $f \in C^1$ -small

$\exists f \quad \delta \approx \varepsilon$  cannot