

SCALING OF THE "SUPERSTABLE" FRACTION OF THE 2D PERIOD-DOUBLING INTERVAL

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The scaling properties of a "superstable" parameter interval, \mathcal{C} , where the eigenvalues about a period- 2^n orbit are complex, are derived for 2D period-doubling maps. The ratio of \mathcal{C} to the whole parameter interval, between the n th and the $(n+1)$ st bifurcation, is shown to be a universal function of the effective jacobian, B_e , only ($B_e \equiv B^{2^n}$, B is the jacobian of the map). Unlike the whole period- 2^n interval, \mathcal{C} has a convergence rate that behaves as $4.6692016 \times B_e^{-1/4}$ as $B_e \downarrow 0$, while its complement has a convergence rate $8.7210972/4$ as $B_e \uparrow 1$.

1. Introduction. The paradigm of 2D maps exhibiting infinite series of period-doubling bifurcations is the Hénon map [1]:

$$y_{t+1} = 2Cy_t - By_{t-1} + 2y_t^2. \quad (1)$$

As we change C , keeping B fixed ($|B| < 1$), the period-1 solution (for example) bifurcates into a period-2 solution which remains stable in an interval $\mathcal{I}_1(B)$ and then bifurcates in its turn into a period-4 solution which remains stable in an interval $\mathcal{I}_2(B)$, and so on. In this letter I study the "superstable fraction":

$$F_n(B) \equiv |\mathcal{C}_{n-1}(B)| / |\mathcal{I}_{n-1}(B)|, \quad (2)$$

where $\mathcal{C}_n(B) \subset \mathcal{I}_n(B)$ is the interval where the two eigenvalues about the period- 2^n orbit are complex. I find that

$$F_n(B) = F(B_e), \quad (3)$$

where F is a universal function, of the "effective" jacobian

$$B_e \equiv B^{2^n}, \quad (4)$$

i.e. the jacobian of the 2^n th iteration of the map. I calculate this crossover scaling function F both numerically and using renormalization theory (see fig. 1). As corollaries I find

$$\frac{|\mathcal{C}_{n-1}(B)|}{|\mathcal{C}_n(B)|} = \frac{\delta_{\text{diss}}}{B_e^{1/4}} + O(1), \quad \text{as } B_e \downarrow 0, \quad (5)$$

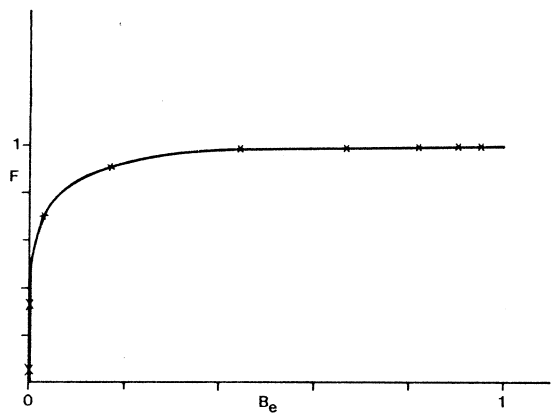


Fig. 1. The superstable fraction, F , as a function of the effective jacobian B_e . The drawn line represents the theoretical prediction, eq. (21); the crosses indicate some numerical data.

$$\frac{|\mathcal{I}_{n-1}(B)| - |\mathcal{C}_{n-1}(B)|}{|\mathcal{I}_n(B)| - |\mathcal{C}_n(B)|} = \frac{1}{4} \delta_{\text{cons}} + O(1 - B_e), \quad \text{as } B_e \uparrow 1. \quad (6)$$

Here δ_{diss} and δ_{cons} are the universal dissipative and conservative Feigenbaum convergence rates respectively [1]:

$$\delta_{\text{diss}} = 4.6692016\dots, \quad (7)$$

$$\delta_{\text{cons}} = 8.7210972\dots. \quad (8)$$

A similar result for the orbit-scaling factor α is also derived.

2. *The superstable fraction F.* The stability of a period- 2^n orbit, \hat{y}_t , of the Hénon map [eq. (1)] is determined by the linearization about that orbit:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \Delta y_{t+1} \\ \Delta y_t \end{pmatrix} = M_t \begin{pmatrix} \Delta y_t \\ \Delta y_{t-1} \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 2C + 4\hat{y}_t & -B \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta y_t \\ \Delta y_{t-1} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (9)$$

The corresponding eigenvalue equation is:

$$\lambda^2 - \lambda \text{Tr } M + \det M = 0, \quad (10)$$

where

$$M \equiv \prod_{t=1}^{2^n} M_t, \quad \det M = B_e. \quad (11)$$

The period- 2^n solution is born (through bifurcation from a period- 2^{n-1} solution) with one of its eigenvalues equal to 1. Hence when

$$\text{Tr } M = 1 + B_e. \quad (12)$$

The period- 2^n solution bifurcates into a period- 2^{n+1} solution when one of its eigenvalues goes through -1 . Hence when

$$\text{Tr } M = -1 - B_e. \quad (13)$$

The interval, \mathcal{O}_n , between these 2 bifurcations can be divided into 3 subintervals, \mathcal{R}_n , \mathcal{C}_n and \mathcal{R}'_n . In \mathcal{R}_n the two eigenvalues are real, in \mathcal{C}_n they are complex, and in \mathcal{R}'_n they are once again real. In \mathcal{C}_n both eigenvalues have absolute value $\sqrt{B_e}$ and this is the interval where convergence to the periodic orbit is fastest, hence I call it the superstable interval, by analogy with the superstable point in 1-dimensional maps [1]. The subintervals are thus defined by respectively:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_n: & \quad 1 + B_e > \text{Tr } M > 2\sqrt{B_e}, \\ \mathcal{C}_n: & \quad 2\sqrt{B_e} > \text{Tr } M > 2\sqrt{B_e}, \\ \mathcal{R}'_n: & \quad -2\sqrt{B_e} > \text{Tr } M > -1 - B_e. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

Note that $F_n(B) \equiv |\mathcal{C}_{n-1}(B)|/|\mathcal{O}_{n-1}(B)| \uparrow 1$ as $B_e \uparrow 1$ (the conservative limit), and $F_n(B) \downarrow 0$ as $B_e \downarrow 0$ (the limit of strong dissipation).

I call the value of C at which the period- 2^n solution is born $c_n(B)$; the value of C at which $\text{Tr } M = 2\sqrt{B_e}$ will be called $a_{n+1}(B)$, and the value of C at which $\text{Tr } M = -2\sqrt{B_e}$ will be called $b_{n+1}(B)$. The superstable fraction (cf. eq. (2)) is then given by:

$$F_n(B) = \frac{a_n(B) - b_n(B)}{c_{n-1}(B) - c_n(B)}. \quad (15)$$

This function can be renormalized using Helleman's formula [2-4], cf. also ref. [5]:

$$c_{n-1}(B^2) = -2c_n^2(B) + 2(1+B)c_n(B) + 2B^2 + 3B + 2, \quad (16)$$

(which also holds replacing all c 's by a 's or all c 's by b 's). Using (16) we then have for the superstable fraction:

$$\frac{F_n(B)}{F_{n-1}(B^2)} = \frac{c_{n-1}(B) + c_n(B) - 1 - B}{b_n(B) + a_n(B) - 1 - B} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 1. \quad (17)$$

So, for large n the superstable fraction $F_n(B)$ depends only on the effective jacobian $B_e = B^{2^n}$ (for the Hénon map, this holds already for small n):

$$\begin{aligned} F_n(B) &\equiv F(B_e) = F_2(B^{2^n-2}) \\ &= \frac{a_2(B^{2^n-2}) - b_2(B^{2^n-2})}{c_1(B^{2^n-2}) - c_2(B^{2^n-2})}. \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

For the Hénon map, eq. (1), the trace of the period- 2^0 solution is

$$T_{(0)} = 2C, \quad (19)$$

from (14) we therefore can find $c_0(B)$, $a_1(B)$ and $b_1(B)$ and inverting the renormalization formula (16) we find:

$$\begin{aligned} c_1(B) &= -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}B, \\ a_2(B) &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}B - \frac{1}{2}(5 + 6B + 5B^2)^{1/2}, \\ b_2(B) &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}B - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{5}(1+B), \\ c_2(B) &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}B - \frac{1}{2}(6 + 8B + 6B^2)^{1/2}. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Inserting (20) into (18) we get the following analytical formula for the superstable fraction F :

$$F(B_e) = \frac{\sqrt{5}(1 + B_e^{1/4}) - (5 + 6B_e^{1/4} + 5B_e^{1/2})^{1/2}}{(6 + 8B_e^{1/4} + 6B_e^{1/2})^{1/2} - 2 - 2B_e^{1/4}}. \quad (21)$$

In fig. 1 this first-order renormalization curve is seen to fit the numerical data very well.

Of special interest is the behaviour of $F(B_e)$ near $B_e = 1$ (the conservative limit) and near $B_e = 0$ (the limit of strong dissipation). We therefore make two Taylor expansions about these two limiting points:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(B_e) &= 1 - (1/64 + 9/1280\sqrt{5})(1 - B_e)^2 \\
 &\quad + O(1 - B_e)^3 \\
 &\approx 1 - 0.31347(1 - B_e)^2 + O(1 - B_e)^3, \\
 B_e \uparrow 1, & \tag{22}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(B_e) &= (2/5\sqrt{5} + 1/5\sqrt{30})B_e^{1/4} + O(B_e^{1/2}) \\
 &\approx 1.9898723B_e^{1/4} + O(B_e^{1/2}), \quad B_e \downarrow 0. \tag{23}
 \end{aligned}$$

These theoretical expansions for the asymptotic behaviour of the superstable fraction F are compared with numerical data in figs. 2 and 3 respectively.

3. The period-doubling exponents $\delta_{\mathcal{R}}$, $\delta_{\mathcal{C}}$ and $\alpha_{\mathcal{R}}$.

Due to the fact that $F(B_e)$ is not a constant, $e_n(B)$ and its complement, $\mathcal{G}_n(B) = \mathcal{C}_n(B)$, have different

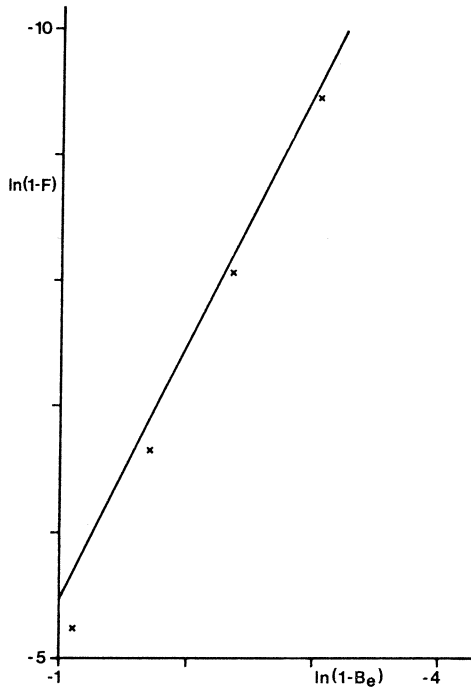


Fig. 2. The superstable fraction, F , in the conservative limit: $B_e \uparrow 1$. The drawn line represents the theoretical prediction, eq. (22); the crosses indicate some numerical data.

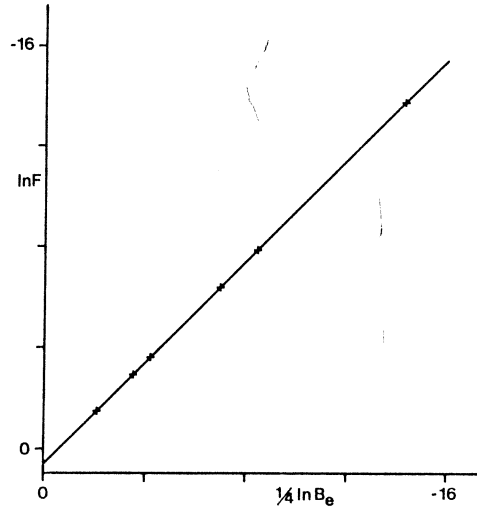


Fig. 3. The superstable fraction, F , in the limit of strong dissipation: $B_e \downarrow 0$. The drawn line represents the theoretical prediction, eq. (23); the crosses indicate some numerical data.

rates of convergence. It turns out, numerically, that $|\mathcal{R}_{n-1}(B)|/|\mathcal{R}_n(B)|$ and $|\mathcal{R}'_{n-1}(B)|/|\mathcal{R}'_n(B)|$ are (almost) equal, hence the convergence rate $\delta_{\mathcal{R}}$ of the interval \mathcal{R} is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta_{\mathcal{R},n}(B) &= \frac{|\mathcal{R}_{n-1}(B)|}{|\mathcal{R}_n(B)|} = \frac{1 - F_n(B)}{1 - F_{n+1}(B)} \delta_{\mathcal{G},n}(B) \\
 &= \frac{1 - F(B_e)}{1 - F(B_e^2)} \delta_{\mathcal{G}}(B_e), \tag{24}
 \end{aligned}$$

where an analytical formula for the convergence rate of the whole interval \mathcal{G} , $\delta_{\mathcal{G}}(B_e)$, was derived in ref. [3], cf. also refs. [4,6-8]. Analogously we obtain the rate of convergence $\delta_{\mathcal{C}}$ for the interval \mathcal{C} :

$$\delta_{\mathcal{C},n}(B) = \frac{|e_{n-1}(B)|}{|e_n(B)|} = \frac{F(B_e)}{F(B_e^2)} \delta_{\mathcal{G}}(B_e). \tag{25}$$

Just as we can assign a convergence rate $\delta_{\mathcal{R}}$ to the interval \mathcal{R} we can also assign an orbit scaling factor $\alpha_{\mathcal{R}}$ to it:

$$\alpha_{\mathcal{R},n}(B) \equiv \Delta y_n(a_n(B))/\Delta y_{n+1}(a_{n+1}(B)). \tag{26}$$

It turns out numerically that

$$\delta_{\mathcal{R}}(B_e)/\alpha_{\mathcal{R}}^2(B_e) = \delta_{\mathcal{G}}(B_e)/\alpha_{\mathcal{G}}^2(B_e), \tag{27}$$

hence the orbit scaling factor for the interval \mathcal{R} is given by

$$\alpha_{\mathcal{R}}(B_e) = \alpha_{\mathcal{G}}(B_e) \left(\frac{1 - F(B_e)}{1 - F(B_e^2)} \right)^{1/2}, \quad (28)$$

where $\alpha_{\mathcal{G}}(B_e)$ was determined numerically in ref. [6] (strictly speaking the α determined there was defined slightly differently). Analytically $\alpha_{\mathcal{G}}(B_e)$ can be inferred from the formulas given in ref. [3]. Inserting the Taylor expansions (22) and (23) in the equations for $\delta_{\mathcal{R}}$ (24), $\alpha_{\mathcal{R}}$ (28) and $\delta_{\mathcal{C}}$ (25) we get:

$$\delta_{\mathcal{R}}(B_e) = \frac{1}{4} \delta_{\text{cons}} + O(B_e - 1), \quad B_e \uparrow 1, \quad (29)$$

$$\alpha_{\mathcal{R}}(B_e) = \frac{1}{2} \alpha_{\text{cons}} + O(B_e - 1), \quad B_e \uparrow 1, \quad (30)$$

$$\delta_{\mathcal{C}}(B_e) = \frac{\delta_{\text{diss}}}{B_e^{1/4}} + O(1), \quad B_e \downarrow 0, \quad (31)$$

where δ_{cons} , α_{cons} and δ_{diss} are the well-known conservative and dissipative Feigenbaum exponents respectively,

$$\delta_{\text{cons}} = 8.7210972\dots, \quad \alpha_{\text{cons}} = -4.0180767\dots,$$

$$\delta_{\text{diss}} = 4.6692016\dots,$$

The factors $\frac{1}{4}$ respectively $\frac{1}{2}$ in eqs. (29) and (30) are direct consequences of the exponent 2 of the second term in the Taylor expansion (22). The accuracy of eq. (22) may be inferred from fig. 2. Analogously for eq. (31). I have calculated $\alpha_{\mathcal{R}}(B_e)$ also for two other maps, viz. for $y_{t+1} = 2Cy_t - By_{t-1} + y_t^4$ and y_{t+1}

$= 2Cy_t - B \tanh y_{t-1} + 2y_t^2$. It turns out that these maps possess the same orbit-scaling function $\alpha_{\mathcal{R}}(B_e)$ as the Hénon map. This indicates the universality of results.

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