

Coupled Systems: Theory & Examples

Coupled Cell Networks

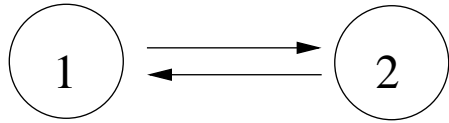
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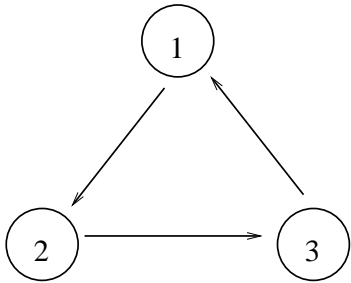
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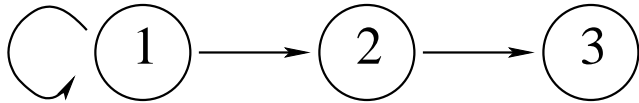
Networks and Coupled Systems



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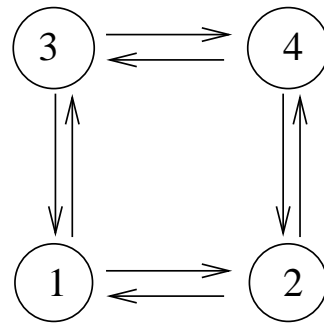
Proof: $f(x) = f(\sigma x) = \sigma f(x)$

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- $\text{Fix}((2\ 3)(1\ 4)) = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) : x_2 = x_3; x_1 = x_4\}$
- Let Σ be a subgroup of network permutation symmetries. Then $\text{Fix}(\Sigma)$ is a synchrony subspace

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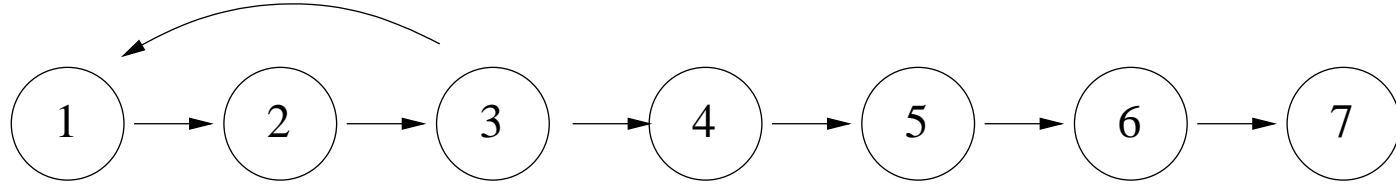
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- **Primary Question** Which aspects of coupled cell dynamics are
 due to network architecture?
- **Beginner Question:** Are all synchrony spaces fixed-point spaces?

Answer: **No**

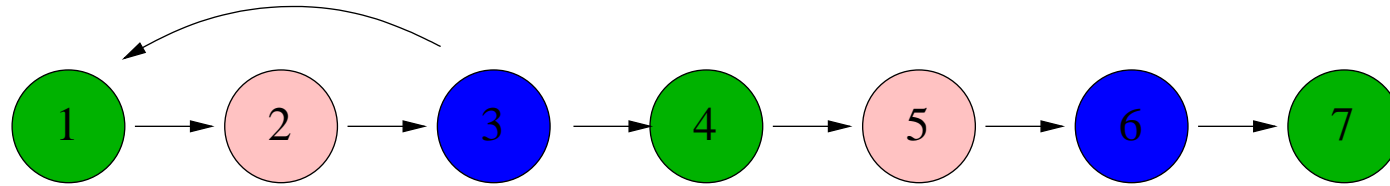
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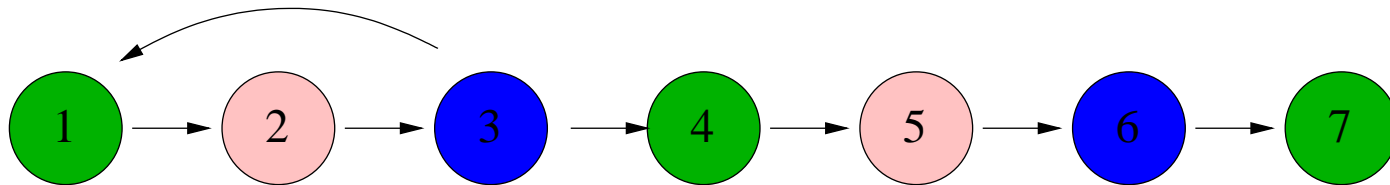
- $Y = \{x : x_1 = x_4 = x_7; x_2 = x_5; x_3 = x_6\}$ is flow-invariant
- Robust synchrony exists in networks without symmetry
- All cells are identical within the network; same equations

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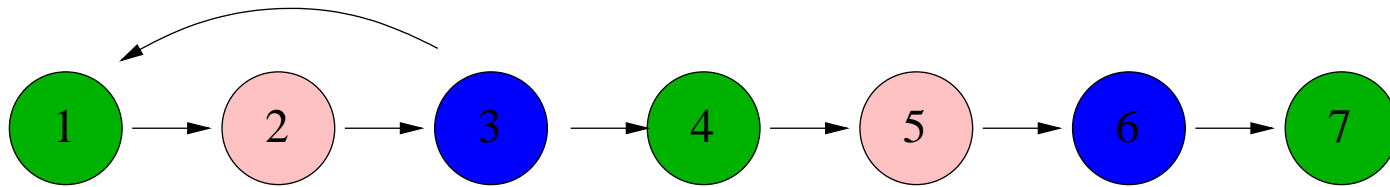
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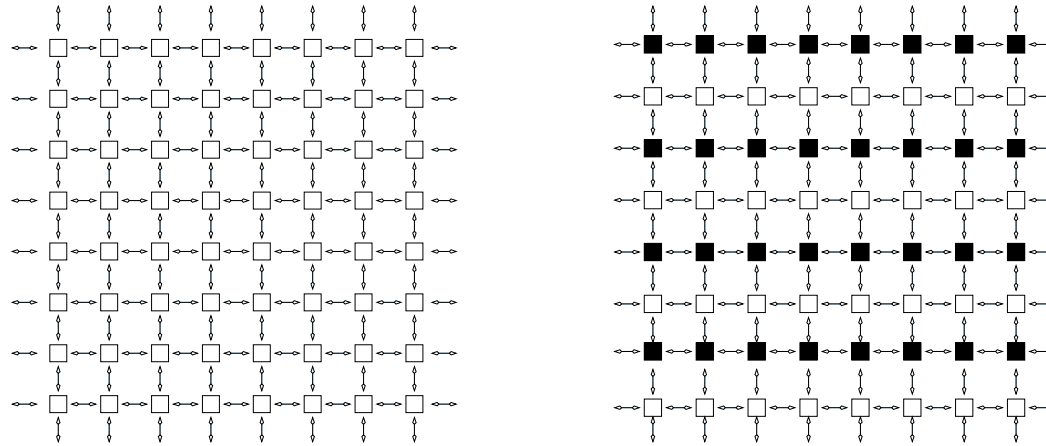


- **Theorem:** **synchrony subspace** \iff **balanced**

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2D-Lattice Dynamical Systems

- square lattice with nearest neighbor coupling
- Form two-color balanced relation

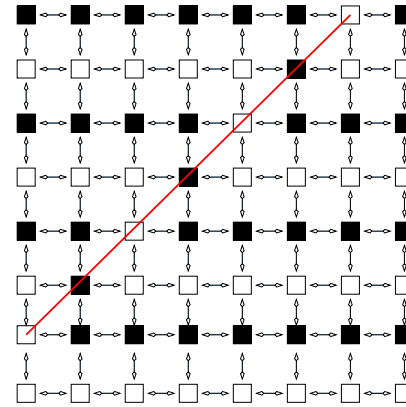
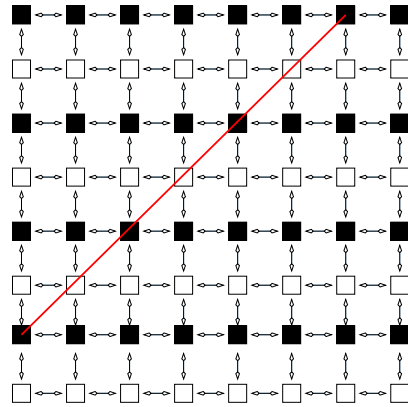


- Each black cell connected to two black and two white
Each white cell connected to two black and two white

Stewart, G. and Nicol (2004)

Lattice Dynamical Systems

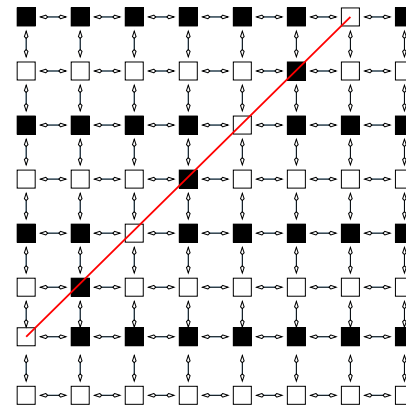
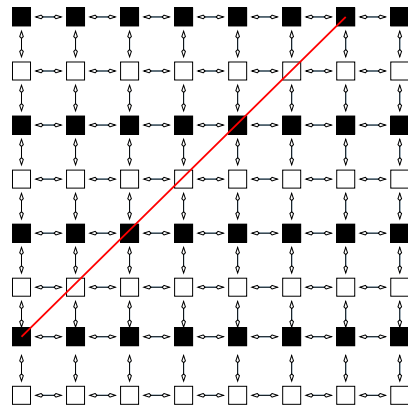
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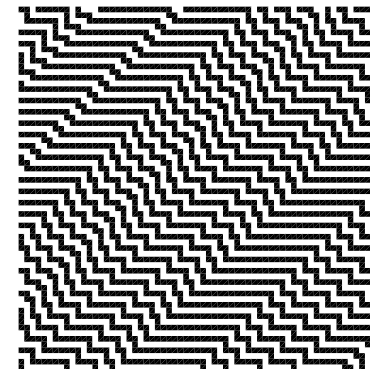
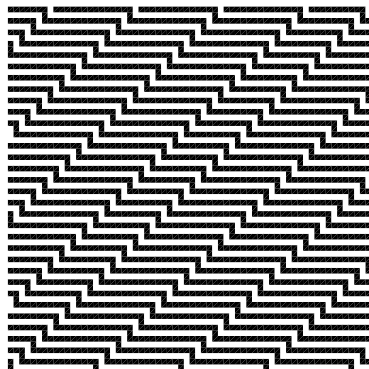
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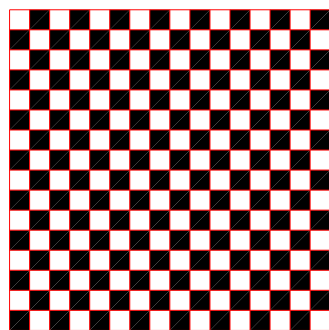
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- **Continuum** of different synchrony subspaces

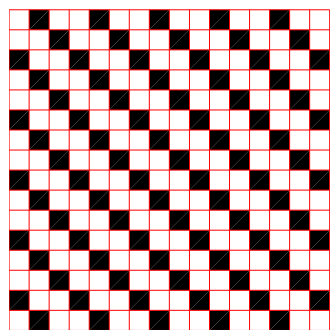


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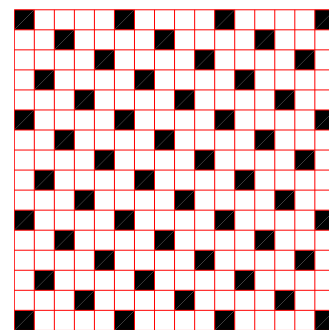
There are eight **isolated** balanced two-colorings on square lattice with **nearest neighbor coupling**



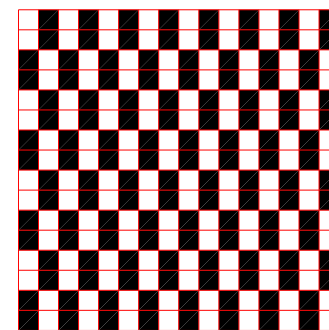
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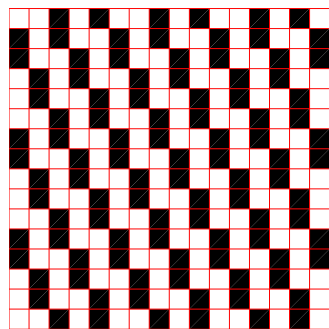
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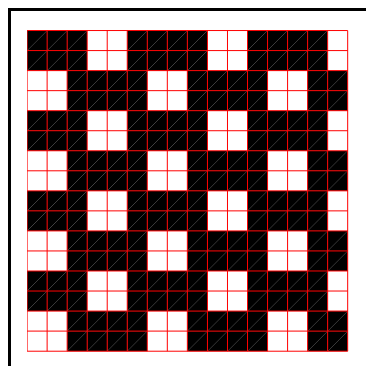
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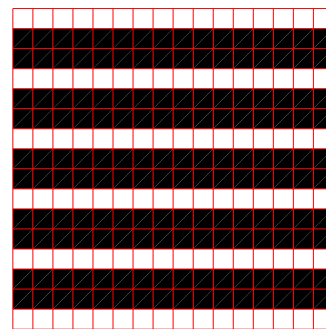
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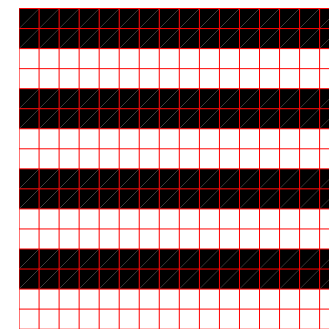
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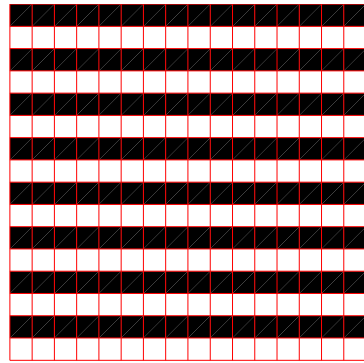
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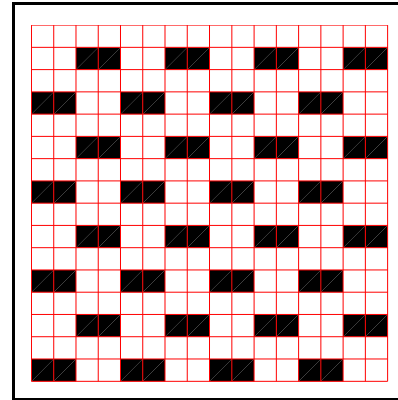
indicates **nonsymmetric** solution

Lattice Dynamical Systems (3)

- There are **two infinite families** of balanced two-colorings



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- Up to symmetry these are **all** balanced **two-colorings**

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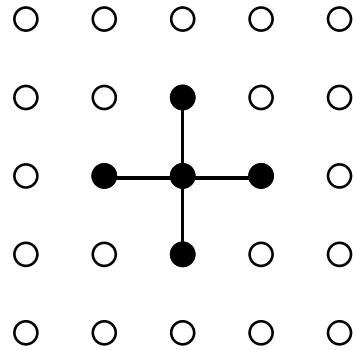
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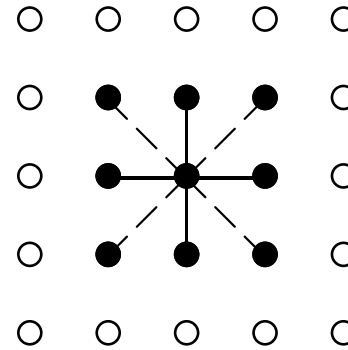
- Architecture is important
- For square lattice with nearest and next nearest neighbor coupling
 - No infinite families
 - For each k a finite number of balanced k colorings
 - All balanced colorings are doubly-periodic

Antoneli, Dias, G., and Wang (2004)

Windows 1



NEAREST NEIGHBOR



NEXT NEAREST NEIGHBOR

$$W_0 = \{0\} \quad \text{and} \quad W_{i+1} = I(W_i)$$

- **Input set of U** $= I(U) = \{c \in \mathcal{C} : c \text{ connects to cell in } U\}$
- $\mathcal{L} = W_0 \cup W_1 \cup \dots$
- W_{k-1} contains all k colors of a balanced k -coloring

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NNN boundary cells **are** 1- or 2-determined

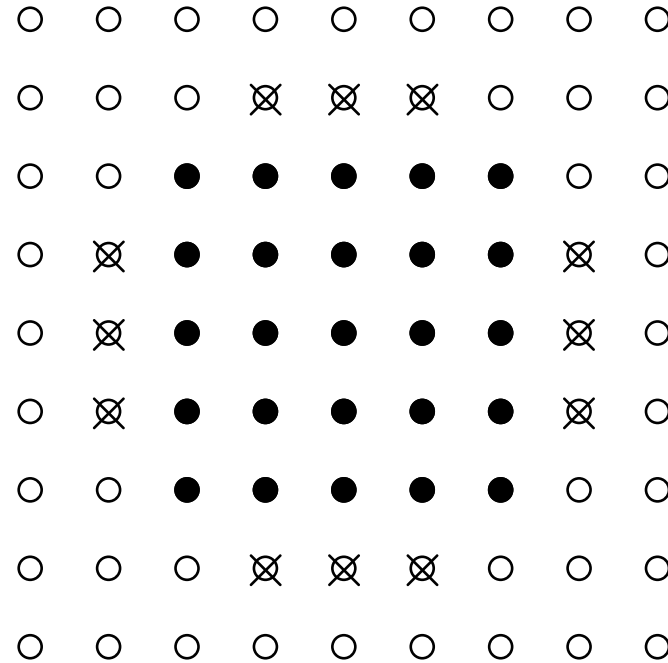
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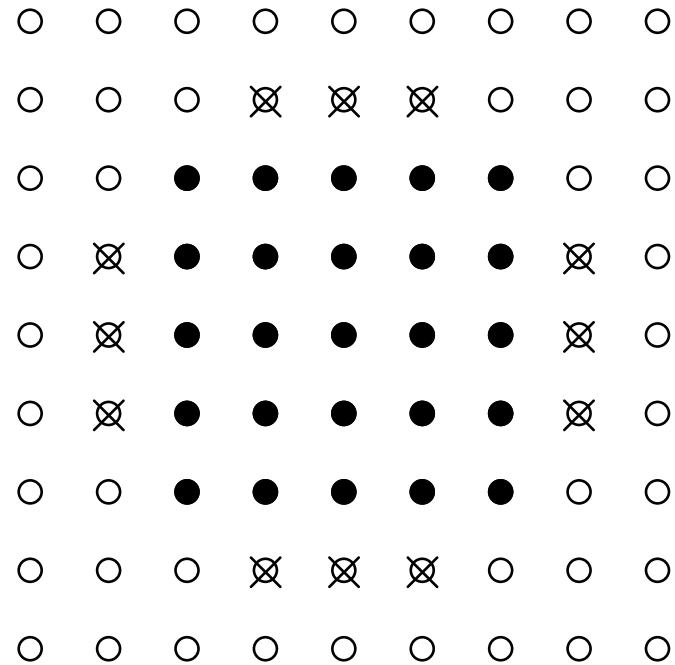
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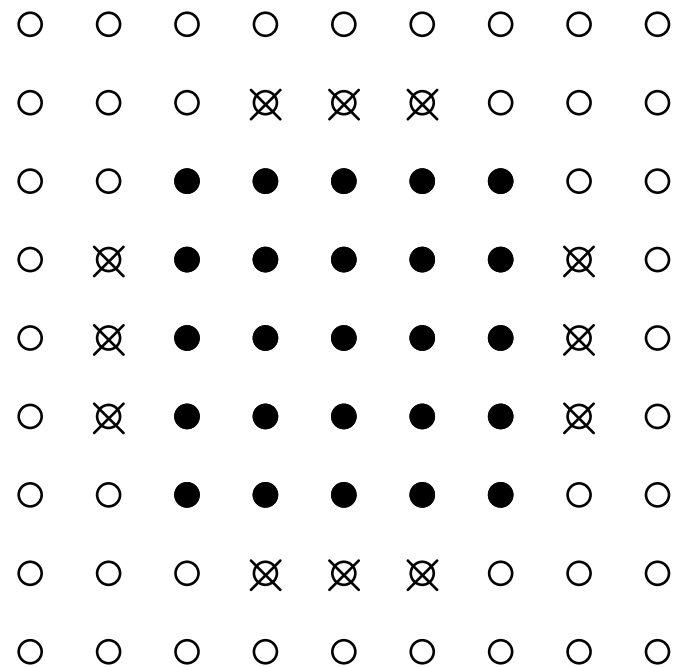
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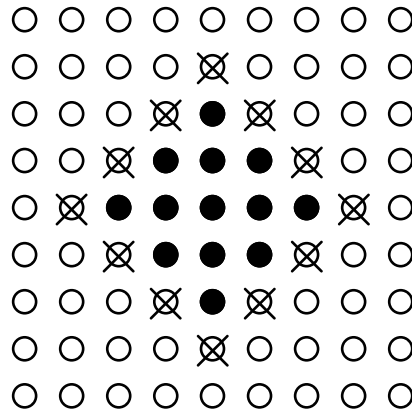


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- U determines its boundary if all $c \in \text{bd}(U)$ are p -determined for some p
- W_i determines its boundary for all $i \geq 2$

Windows 4

Square lattice with Nearest neighbor coupling

W_2 is not 1-determined



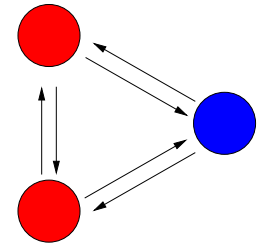
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- W_{i_0} is a **window** if W_i determines its boundary $\forall i \geq i_0$
- Suppose a balanced k -coloring restricted to $\text{int}(W_i)$ for some $i \geq i_0$ **contains all k colors**. Then
 - k -coloring is **uniquely determined on whole lattice** by its restriction to W_i
- **Thm**: Suppose lattice network has window. Fix k . Then
 - **Finite number** of balanced k -colorings
 - Each balanced k -coloring is **multiply-periodic**

Antoneli, Dias, G., and Wang (2004)

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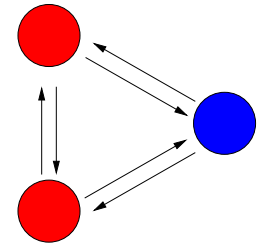
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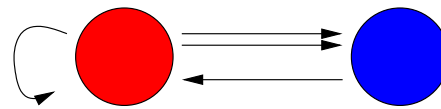
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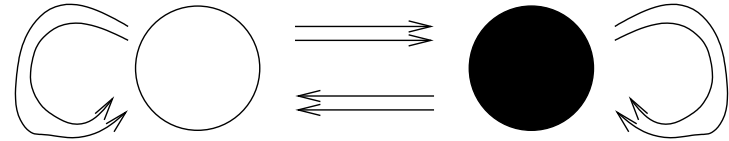
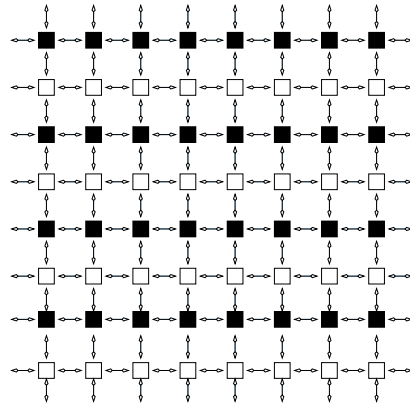
Quotient Networks

- Given cell network \mathcal{C} and balanced coloring \bowtie
- Define *quotient network*:
 - $\mathcal{C}_{\bowtie} = \{\bar{c} : c \in \mathcal{C}\} = \mathcal{C} / \bowtie$
 - Quotient arrows are projections of \mathcal{C} arrows
- **Thm**: Admissible DE restricts to quotient admissible DE
Quotient admissible DE lifts to admissible DE

G., Stewart, and Török (2005)

Multiple Equilibria in LDE

- Recall **balanced** relation



- LDE on square lattice has form

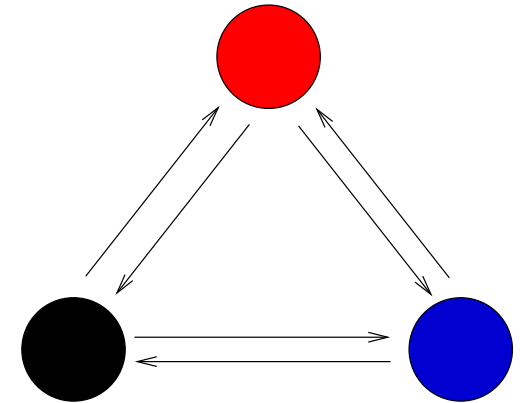
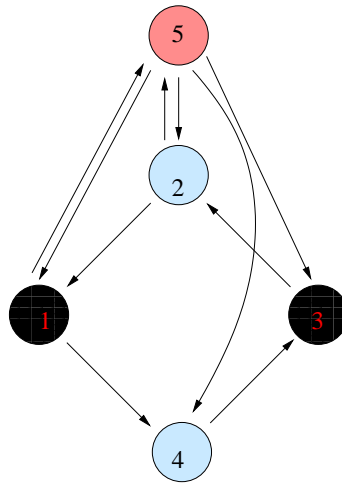
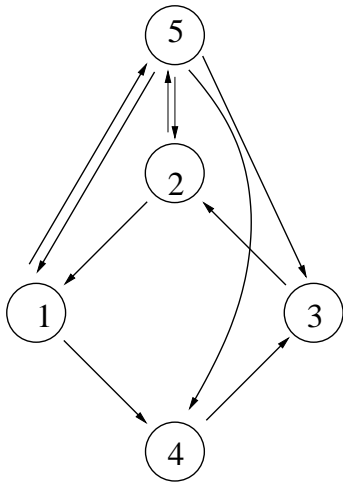
$$\dot{x}_{ij} = f(x_{ij}, \overline{x_{i+1,j}, x_{i-1,j}, x_{i,j+1}, x_{i,j-1}})$$

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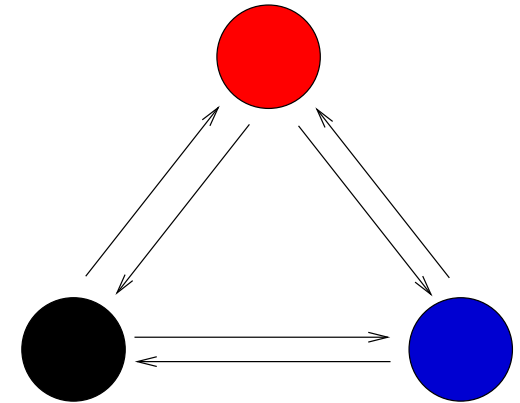
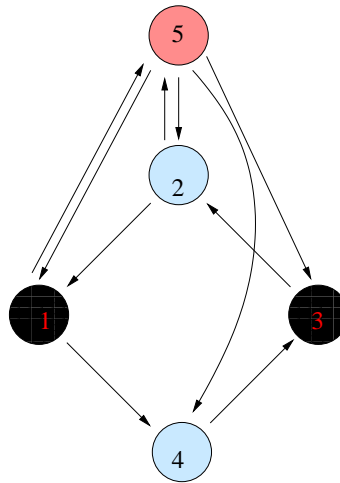
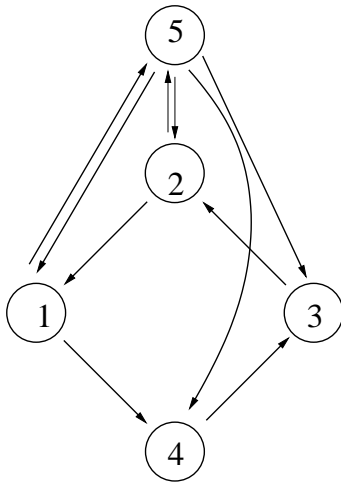
- All quotient networks in continuum are identical
One equilibrium implies a continuum of equilibria

Asym Network; Symmetric Quotient

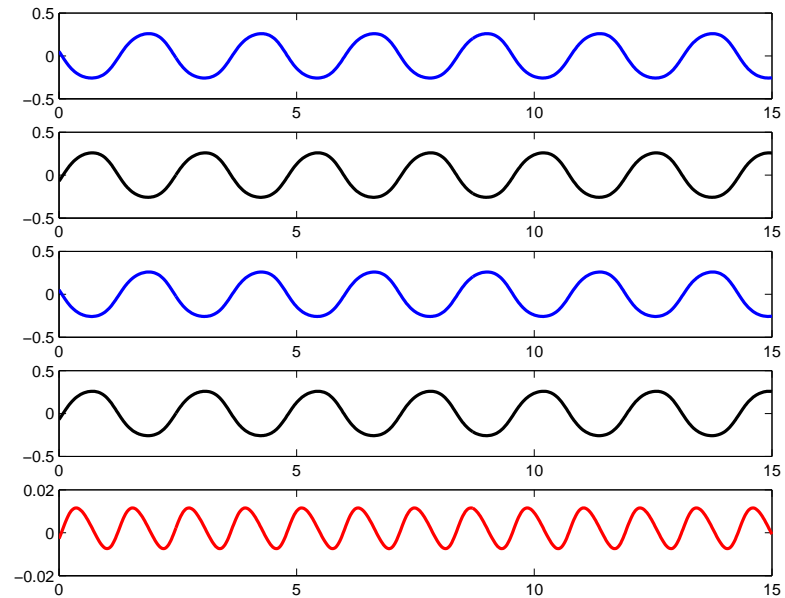
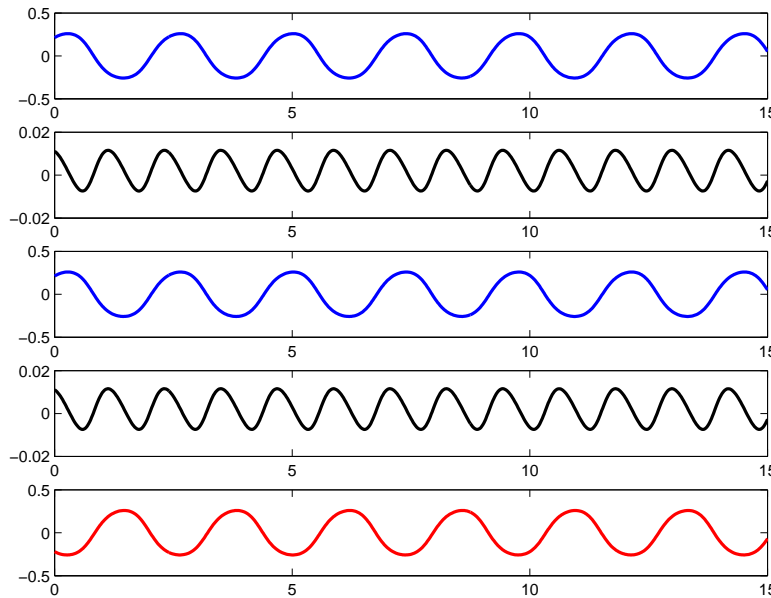


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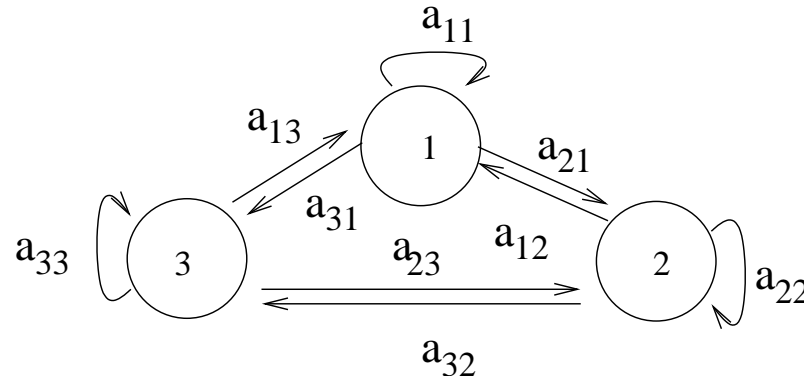
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Population Models

- Cell system is **homogeneous** if cells are input equivalent
- Cell system has **identical edges** if all arrows are equivalent
- Cell system is **regular** if homogeneous & identical edges
- Any quotient of a regular network is regular

Regular Three Cell Networks



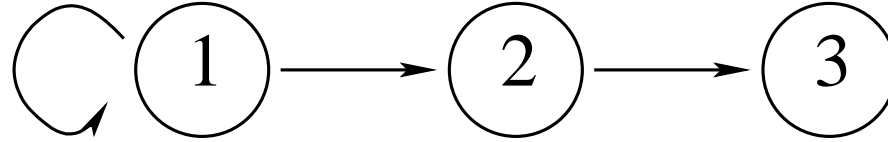
- a_{ij} = number of inputs cell i receives from cell j
- **Valency** = n = total number of inputs per cell

$$a_{i1} + a_{i2} + a_{i3} = n \quad \text{for } j = 1, 2, 3$$

34 regular three-cell valency 2 networks

Leite and G. (2005)

Three-Cell Feed-Forward Network



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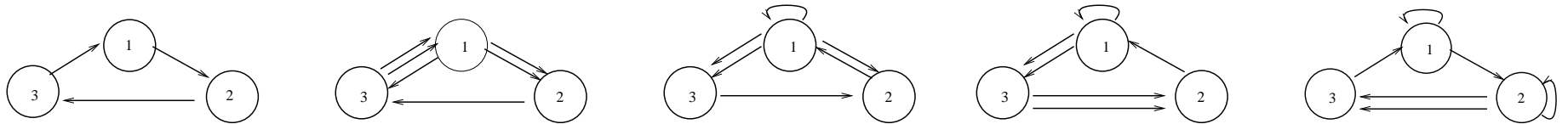
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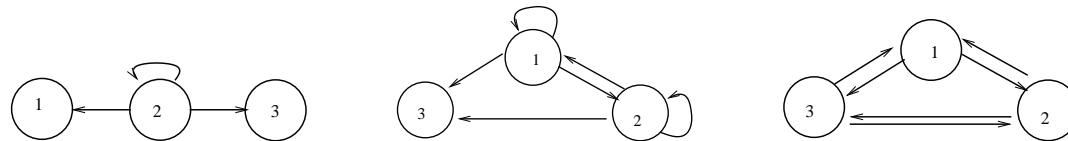
$$J = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha + \beta & 0 & 0 \\ \beta & \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigenspace Types of Adjacency Matrices

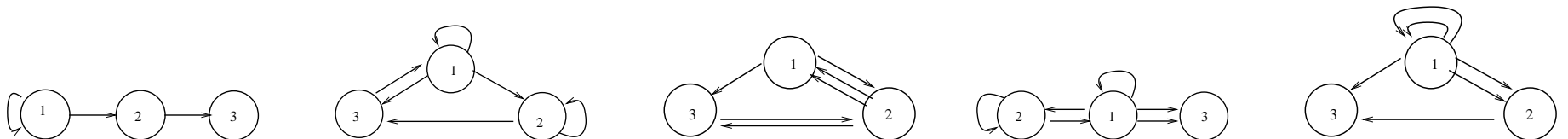
- **Simple complex** (no zero) eigenvalues: 2, 14, 18, 19, 24



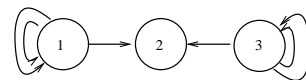
- **Double** with **two synch-breaking** eigenvectors: 4, 7, 8



- **Nilpotent**: 3; 6, 11, 27, 28



- **Double** with **synchrony preserving** eigenvector: 12



- Remaining 20 networks have **real simple** eigenvalues

Leite and G. (2006)

Jacobians and Adjacency Matrices

- Each node in regular network has ν inputs where $\nu =$ **valency** of network
- $A = (a_{ij})$ where $a_{ij} =$ number of arrows $j \rightarrow i$
 A is **adjacency matrix**
- ODE systems for a regular network

$$\dot{x}_j = f(x_j; \overline{x_{\sigma_j(1)}, \dots, x_{\sigma_j(\nu)}})$$

- $x_1 = \dots = x_n$ is flow invariant
Can assume **synchronous equilibrium**
WLOG $x_1 = \dots = x_n = 0$ is the equilibrium
- Assume $\dim(\text{internal dynamics}) \equiv k = 1$
Jacobian = $\alpha I_n + \beta A$ where
 $\alpha =$ **linearized internal node dynamics**
 $\beta =$ **linearized coupling**

Bifurcations at Linear Level

Symmetry-breaking bifurcations

- **Theorem:**

There is a codimension one **steady-state** bifurcation corresponding to each **absolutely irreducible** subspace

There is a codimension one **Hopf** bifurcation corresponding to each **irreducible subspace**

Synchrony-breaking bifurcations in regular networks

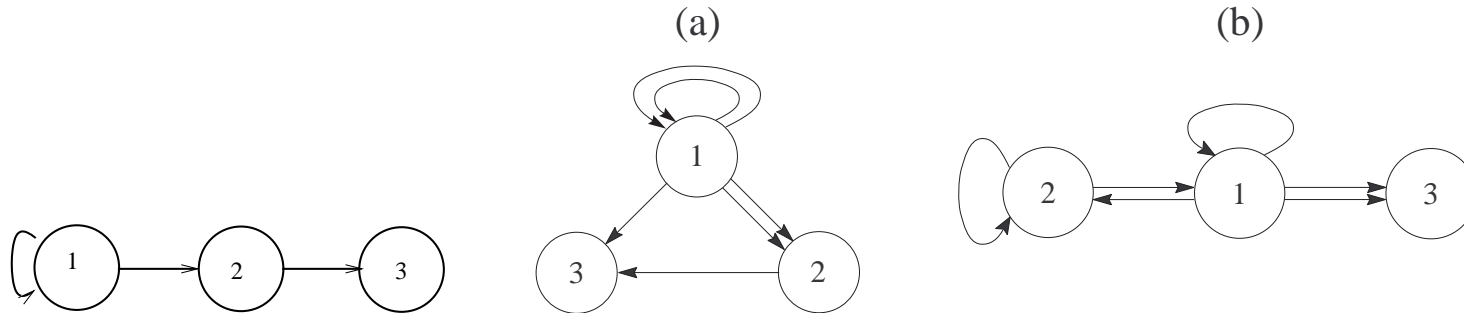
- **Theorem:** $k \geq 2$

There is a codimension one **steady-state** bifurcation corresponding to each **real eigenvalue** of adj matrix

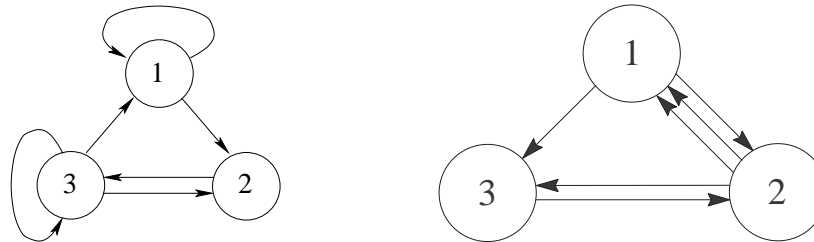
There is a codimension one **Hopf** bifurcation corresponding to each **eigenvalue** of adjacency matrix

Nilpotent Hopf

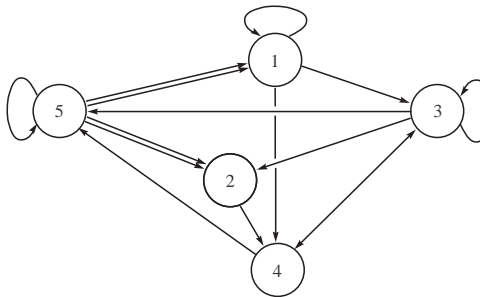
- Networks 3, 28, 27: branches that grow at $\lambda^{\frac{1}{6}}$



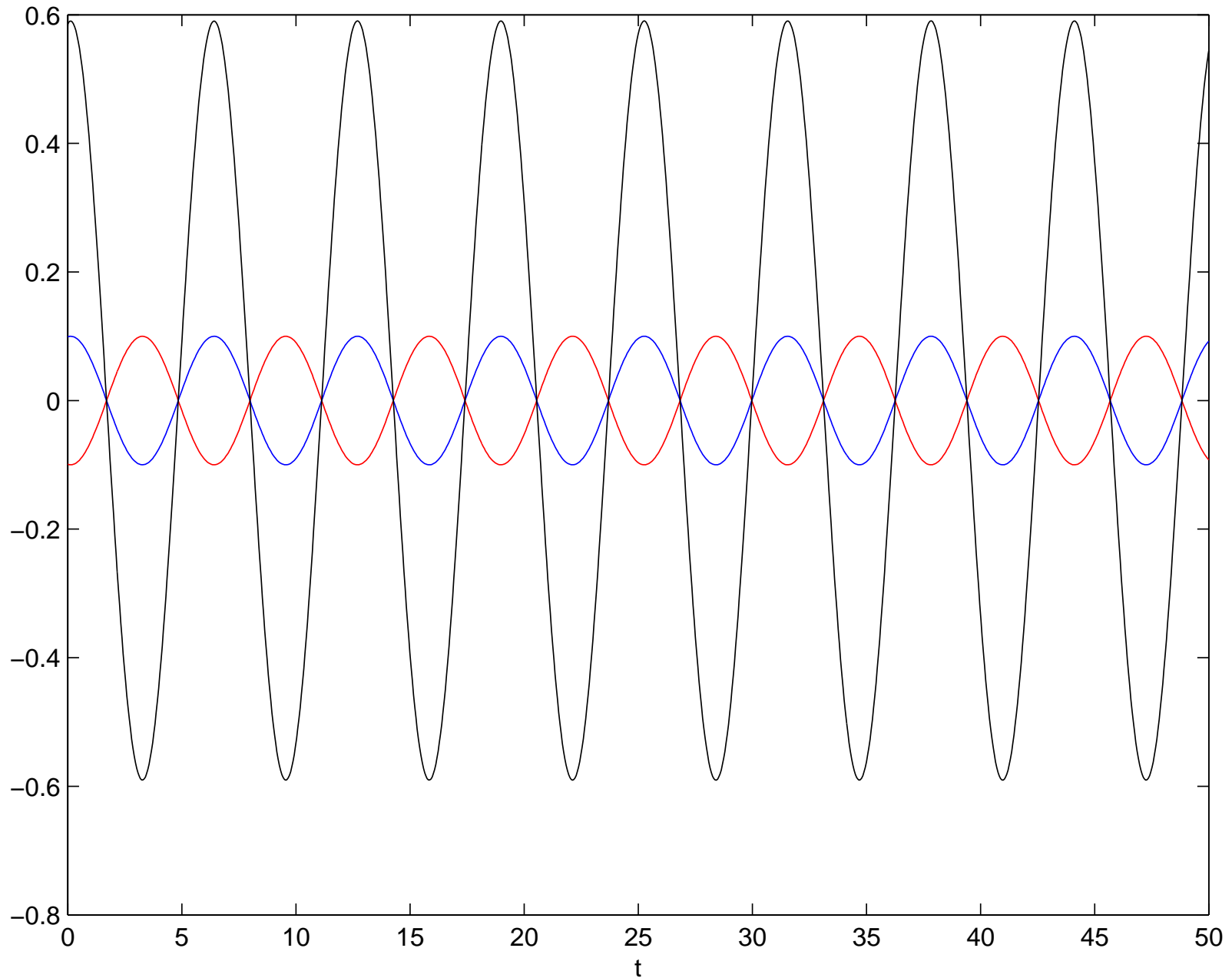
- Networks 6, 11: **two or four** branches that grow $\lambda^{\frac{1}{2}}$



- Regular five-cell network: **two** branches that grow λ



Nilpotent Hopf in Network 27



Conjecture

- Number of regular networks grow superexponentially
Number of eigenspace types grow much more slowly
- Each eigenspace type has ‘small’ number of codim 1 bifurcations — correspond to different regular networks
- **Example:** 3-4 different bifurcations for nilpotent Hopf (Elmhirst & G.)
 - 1) Two branches: $\lambda^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and $\lambda^{\frac{1}{6}}$
 - 2) Two branches: λ^1
 - 3) Two or four branches: $\lambda^{\frac{1}{2}}$
 - 4) Two branches: $\lambda^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and $\lambda^{\frac{1}{4}}$

Simple Zero Eigenvalue Bifurcations

- Generic equivariant case
saddle node, transcritical, or pitchfork
- Generic network case: Not so simple
- There exist many arrow four-cell regular networks with codimension one bifurcations that are **more degenerate than a pitchfork**