

## Neutral fixed points and bifurcations.

- 1-** Suppose that  $F$  has a neutral fixed point at  $x_0$  with  $F'(x_0) = 1$ .
1. Suppose also that  $F''(x_0) > 0$ . What can you say about  $x_0$ : is it attracting, repelling, one-side attracting, one-side repelling?
  2. Idem as in 5 but assuming now that  $F''(x_0) < 0$ .
- 2-** Suppose that  $F$  has a neutral fixed point at  $x_0$  with  $F'(x_0) = 1$  and  $F''(x_0) = 0$ .
1. Suppose also that  $F'''(x_0) > 0$ . What can you say about  $x_0$ : is it attracting, repelling, weakly attracting, repelling?
  2. Idem as before but assuming now that  $F'''(x_0) < 0$ .
- 3-** Each of the following function has a neutral fixed point. Find this point and determine the type of it.
1.  $F(x) = x + x^2$
  2.  $F(x) = x - x^2$
  3.  $F(x) = -x - x^2$
  4.  $F(x) = -x + x^2$
  5.  $F(x) = \frac{1}{x}$
  6.  $F(x) = \frac{-1}{2}x^3 - \frac{3}{2}x^2 + 1$
  7.  $F(x) = \exp(x - 1)$  (fixed point is  $X_0 = 1$ ).
  8.  $F(x) = \sin(x)$
  9.  $F(x) = \tan(x)$
  10.  $F(x) = x + x^3$
  11.  $F(x) = x - x^3$
  12.  $F(x) = -x + x^3$

13.  $F(x) = -x - x^3$
14.  $F(x) = \log(|x - 1|)$

**4-** Each of the following functions undergoes a bifurcation of fixed point at the given parameter value. In each case, identify the type of the bifurcation. In each case, identify the phase phase portrait of the bifurcation.

1.  $F_\lambda(x) = x + x^2 + \lambda, \lambda = 0$
2.  $F_\lambda(x) = x + x^2 + \lambda, \lambda = 1$
3.  $F_\mu(x) = \mu x + x^3, \mu = 1$
4.  $F_\mu(x) = \mu x + x^3, \mu = 1$
5.  $F_\mu(x) = \mu \sin(x), \mu = 1$
6.  $F_\mu(x) = \mu \sin(x), \mu = 1$
7.  $F_c(x) = x^3 + c, c = \frac{2}{3\sqrt{3}}$
8.  $F_\lambda(x) = \lambda(\exp(x)1), \lambda = 1$
9.  $F_\lambda(x) = \lambda(\exp(x)1), \lambda = 1$
10.  $F_c(x) = cx^2 + x, c = 0$
11.  $F_c(x) = x^3 + cx^2 + x, c = 0$

**5-** Consider the family  $f_\mu(x) = x^3 + \frac{9}{2}x^2 + (5 + \mu)x + \frac{1}{2}$  with  $\mu$  close to 0.

1. Sketch the graph of  $f$ . Try to localize the fixed point of  $f_\mu$  for  $\mu = 0$ .
2. Show that the family has only one neutral fixed point for  $\mu = 0$ . Is it attracting or repelling? Justify.
3. Study the phase portrait of the bifurcation of the neutral fixed point.

**6-** Let  $f_\lambda$  be the family  $f_\lambda(x) = \lambda x - x^3$ . Shows that there is a periodic point of period two for  $\lambda > -1$ . Is it repelling or attracting? Justify.

**7-** Considering the quadratic family  $Q_c(x) = x^2 + c$

1. Prove that for  $\frac{5}{4} < c < \frac{3}{4}$  there is an attracting periodic point of period two.
2. Prove that for  $c = \frac{5}{4}$  there is a neutral periodic point of period two
3. Prove that for  $c = \frac{5}{4}$  there is a repelling periodic point of period two.

**7-** Consider the quadratic family  $F_\mu(x) = x^2 - \mu$  with  $\mu \in [1, 9]$ .

1. For each  $\mu$  sketch the graph and find the fixed points. Are attracting or repelling? Justify.
2. For which values of  $\mu$  there exists an invariant interval?
3. For which  $\mu$  there are periodic point of arbitrarily large period? Justify.
4. For each  $\mu$  find the set  $\{x : F_\mu^n(x) \rightarrow +\infty\}$ .
5. For each  $\mu$  find the set  $\{x : F_\mu^n(x) \rightarrow -\infty\}$ .
6. For which parameter of  $\mu$  there is a bifurcation?