

# An introduction to computer-assisted proofs via a posteriori validation

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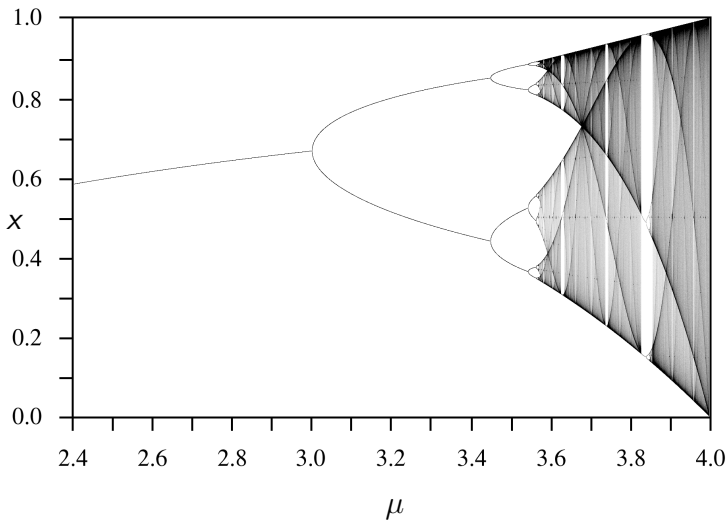
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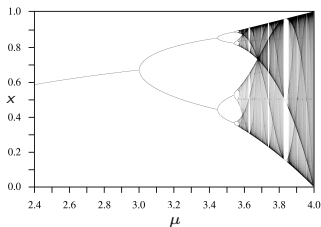
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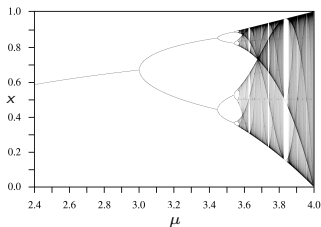
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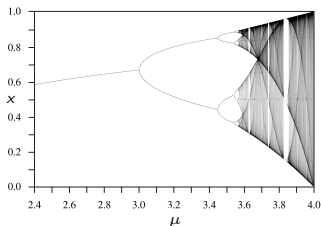
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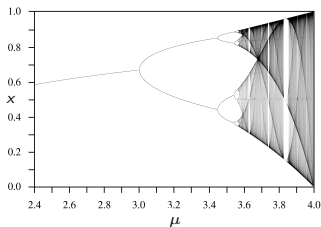
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- ▶ In our “proof” of existence of a period 3 orbit, how can we be certain that the quantity  $\varepsilon$  that we numerically evaluated really bounds  $\|F(\bar{X})\|$ , or that  $\varepsilon < \frac{1}{2\kappa^2L}$ ?

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With 8 bits of precision (for the mantissa), we have

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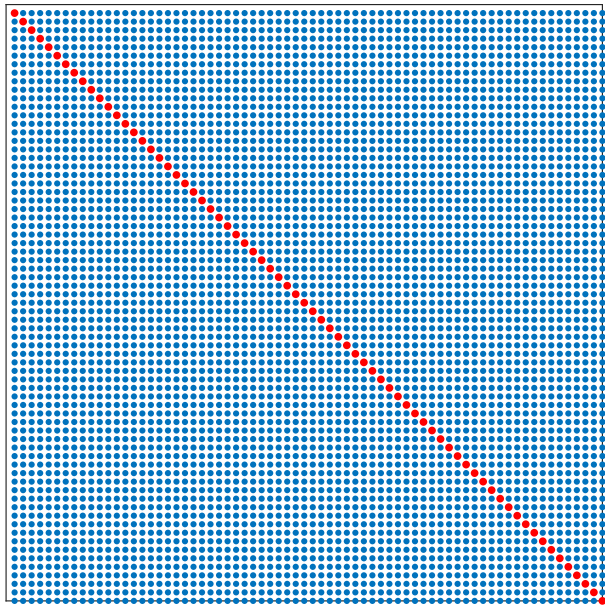
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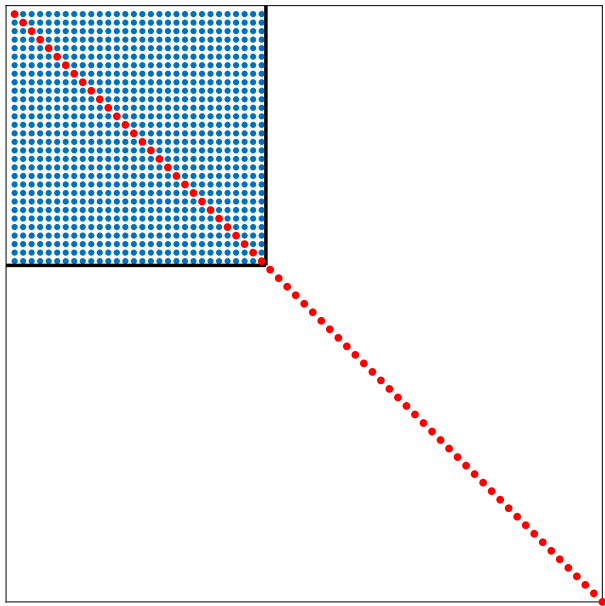
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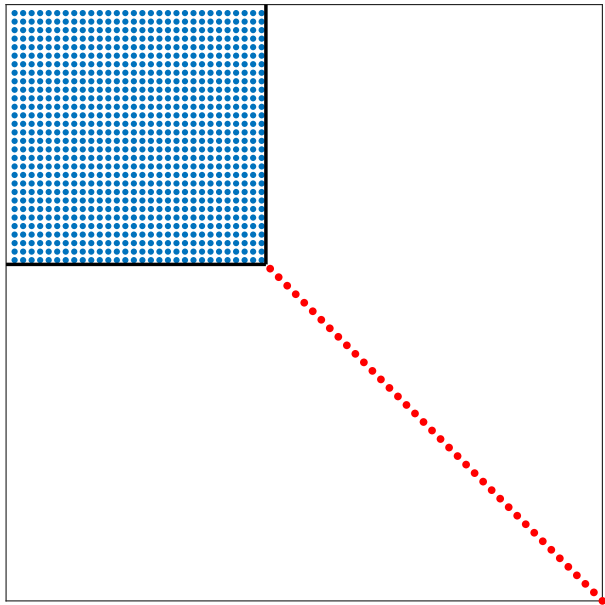
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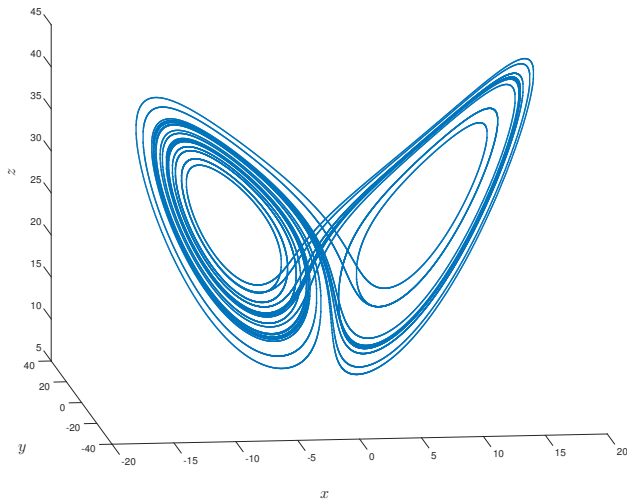
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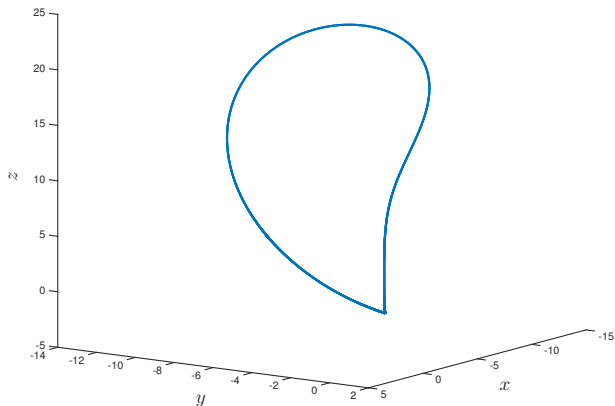
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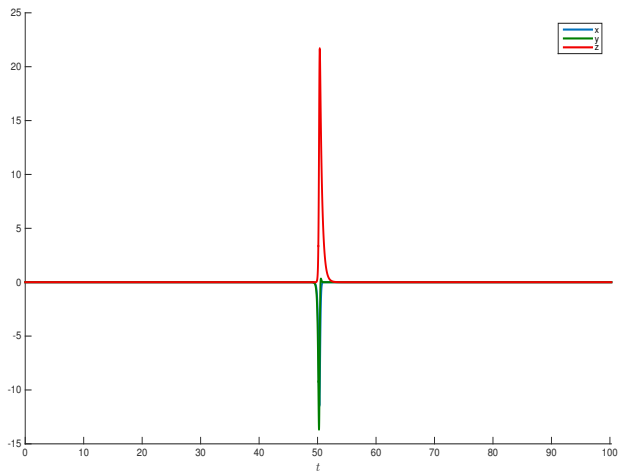
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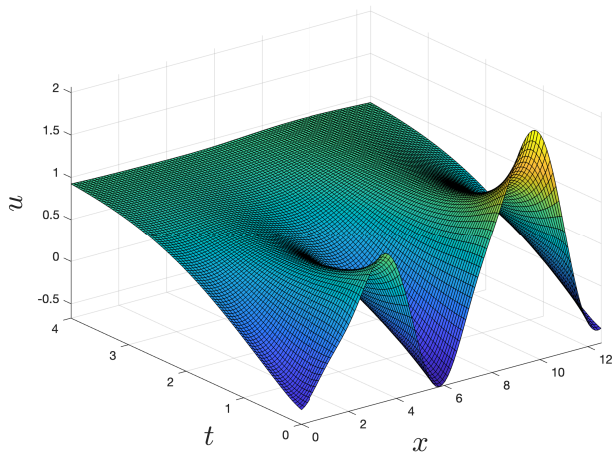
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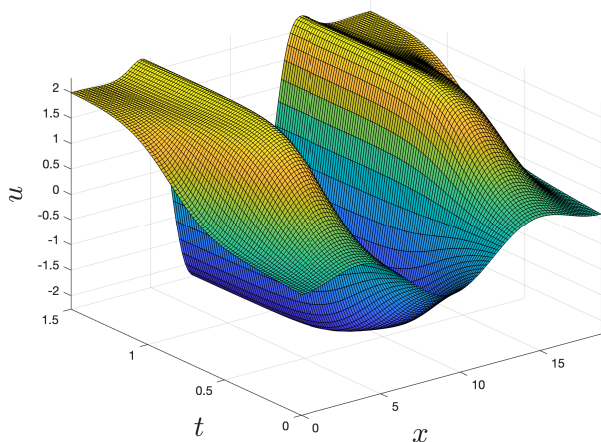
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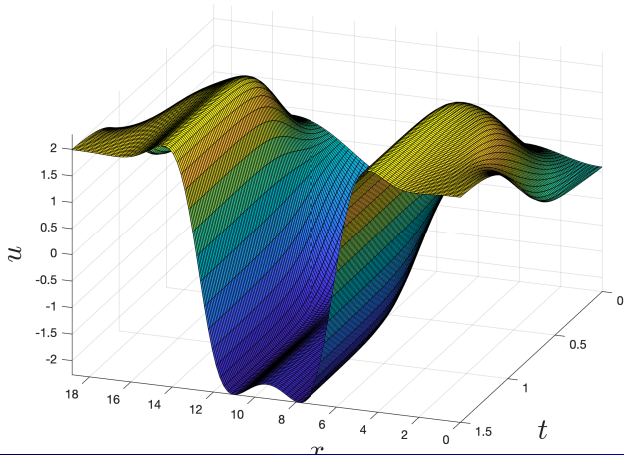
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