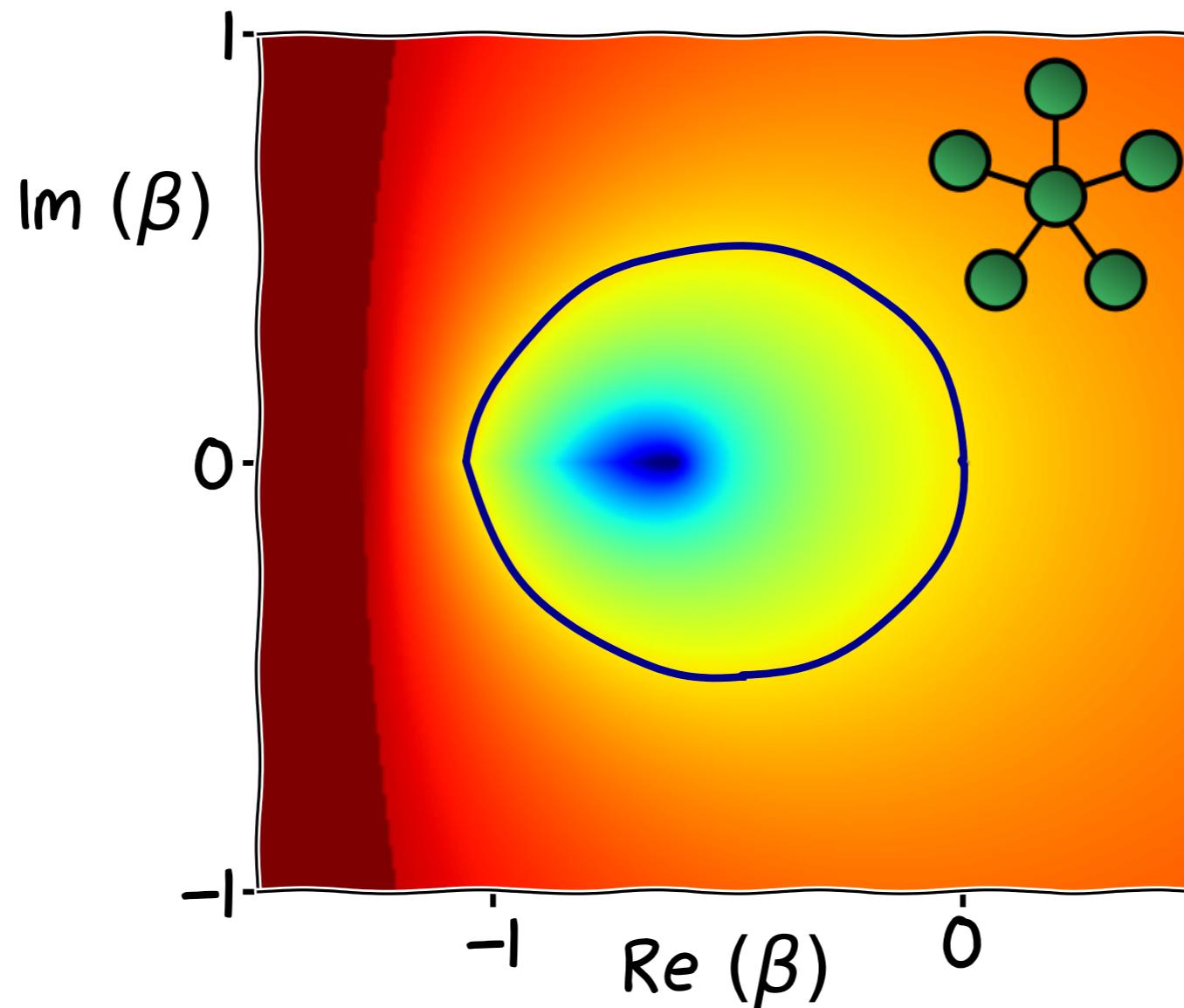
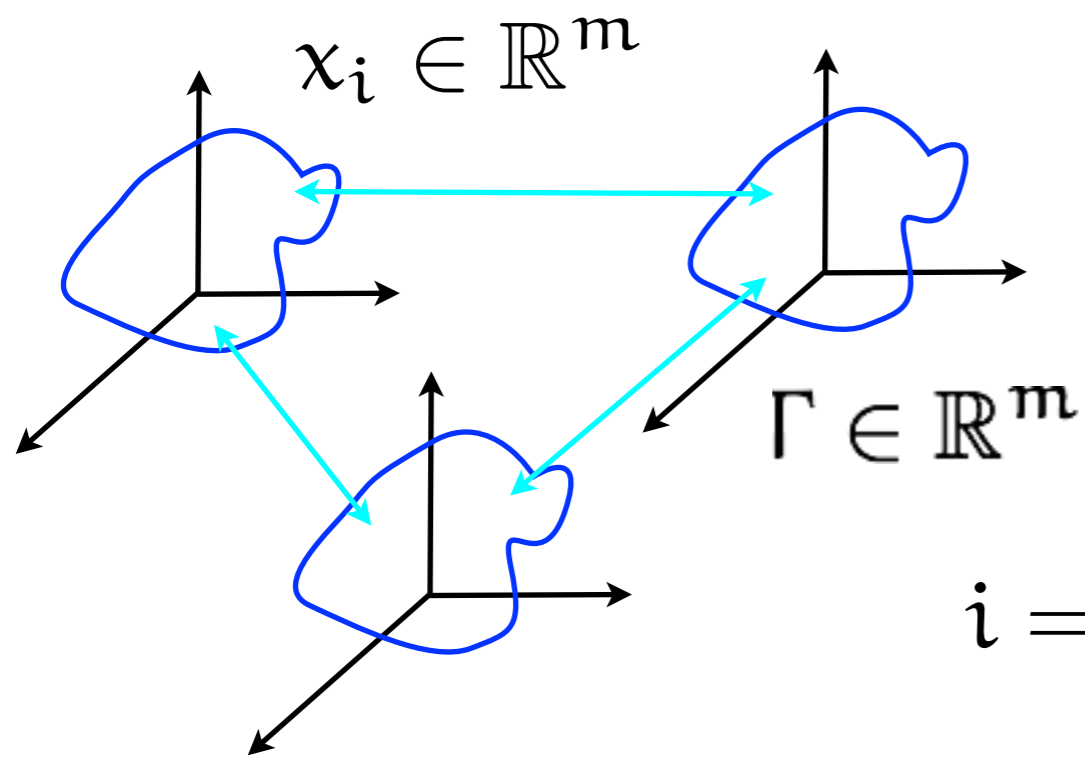


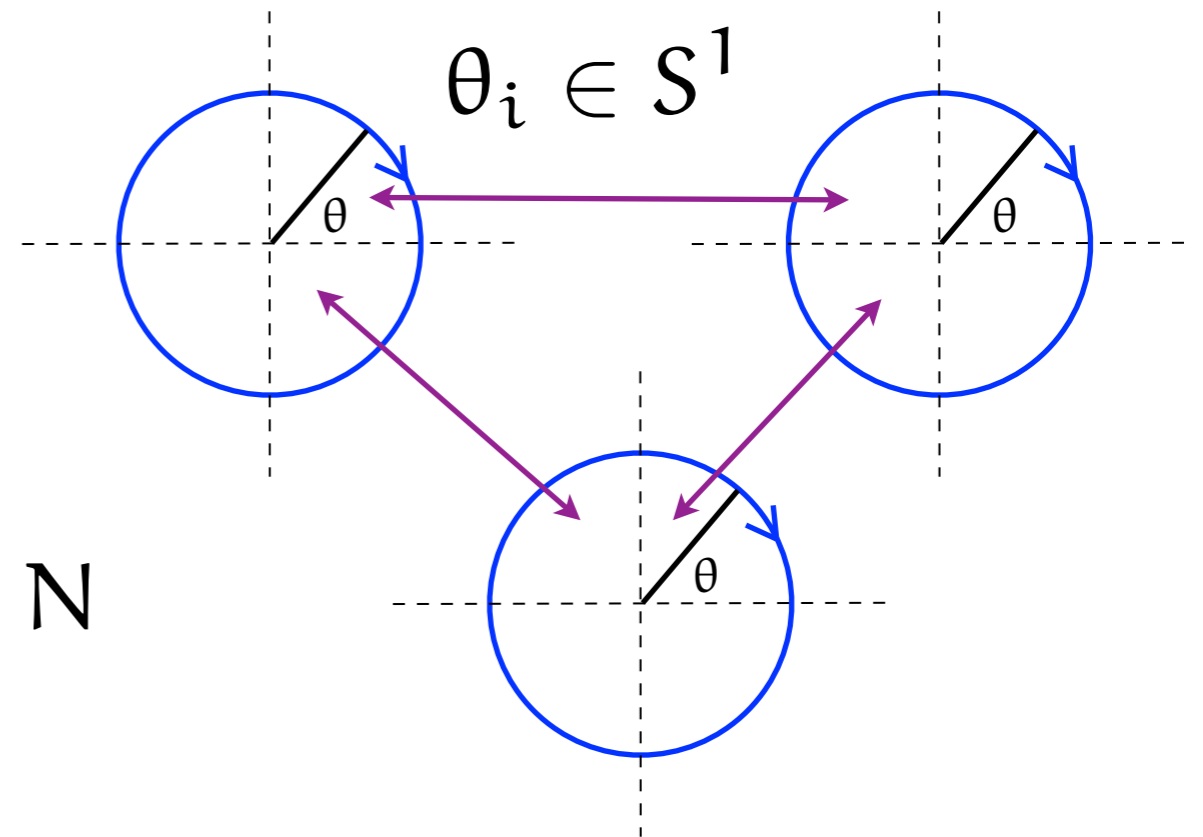
# Master Stability Function



# Beyond weak coupling



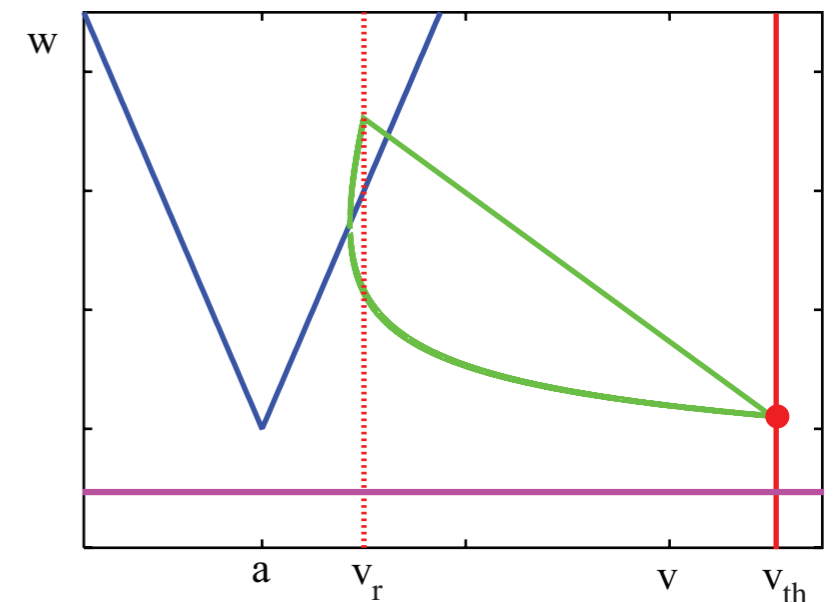
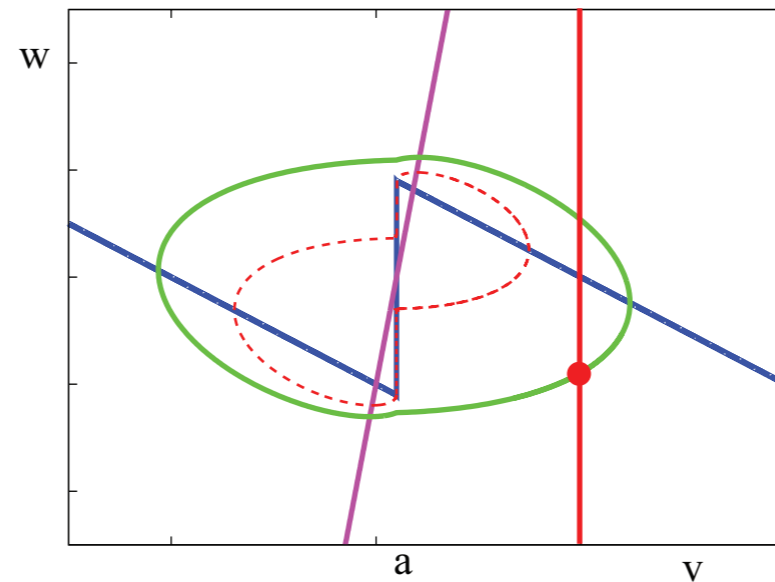
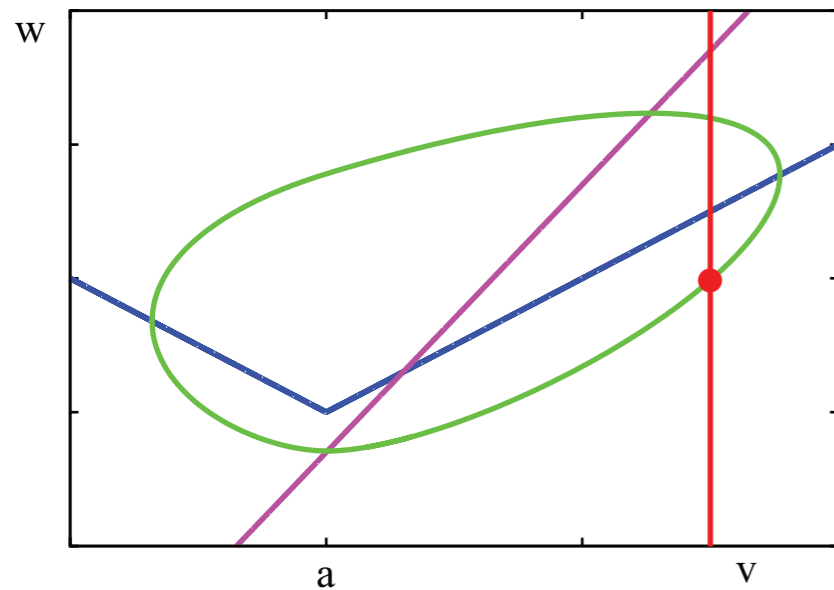
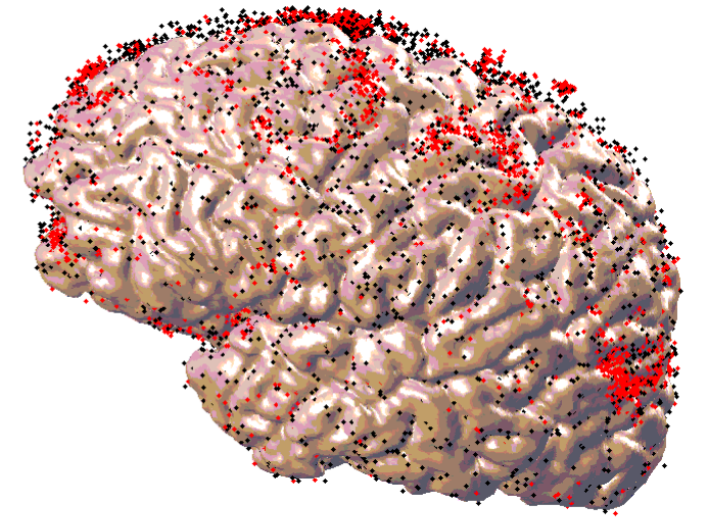
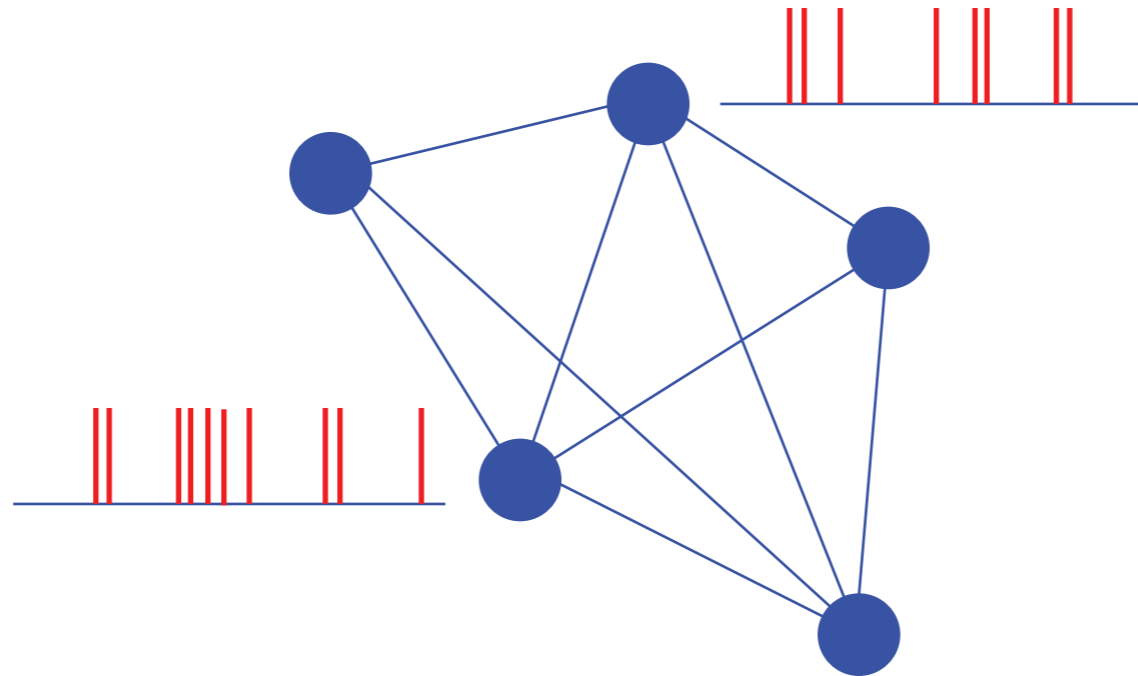
$i = 1, \dots, N$



$$\dot{x}_i = f(x_i) + \epsilon \sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij} G(x_j)$$

$$\dot{\theta}_i = \omega + \epsilon \sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij} H(\theta_j - \theta_i)$$

... strong coupling, event driven interactions, ...



Challenge of studying networks of non smooth and discontinuous **threshold** elements.

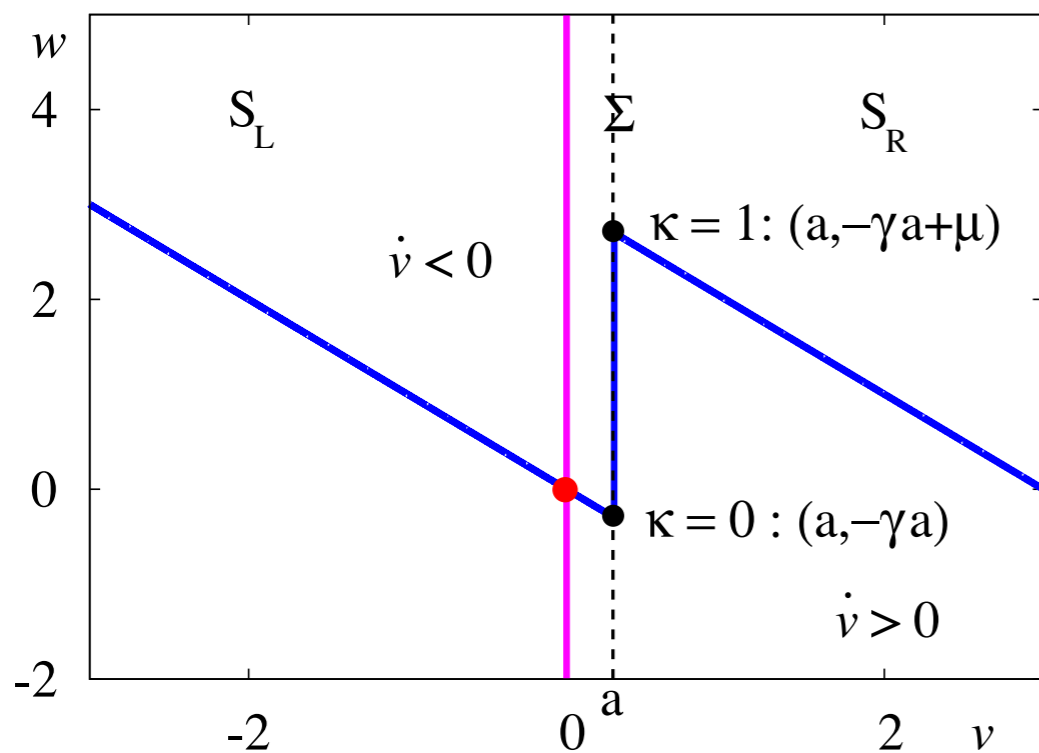
$$\dot{z} = F(z)$$

$$F(z) = \begin{cases} F_L \equiv A_L z + c_L & v < a \\ F_R \equiv A_R z + c_R & v > a \end{cases} \quad \text{[for all models]}$$

Matrix exponential solutions

$$z(A, c; t, t_0) = G(A; t - t_0)z(t_0) + K(A; t - t_0)c,$$

$$G(A; t) = e^{At}, \quad K(A; t) = \int_0^t G(A; s)ds = A^{-1} [G(A; t) - I_2]$$



$$a = v(\Delta_R)$$

$$a = v(\Delta)$$

$$w(\Delta) = w(0)$$

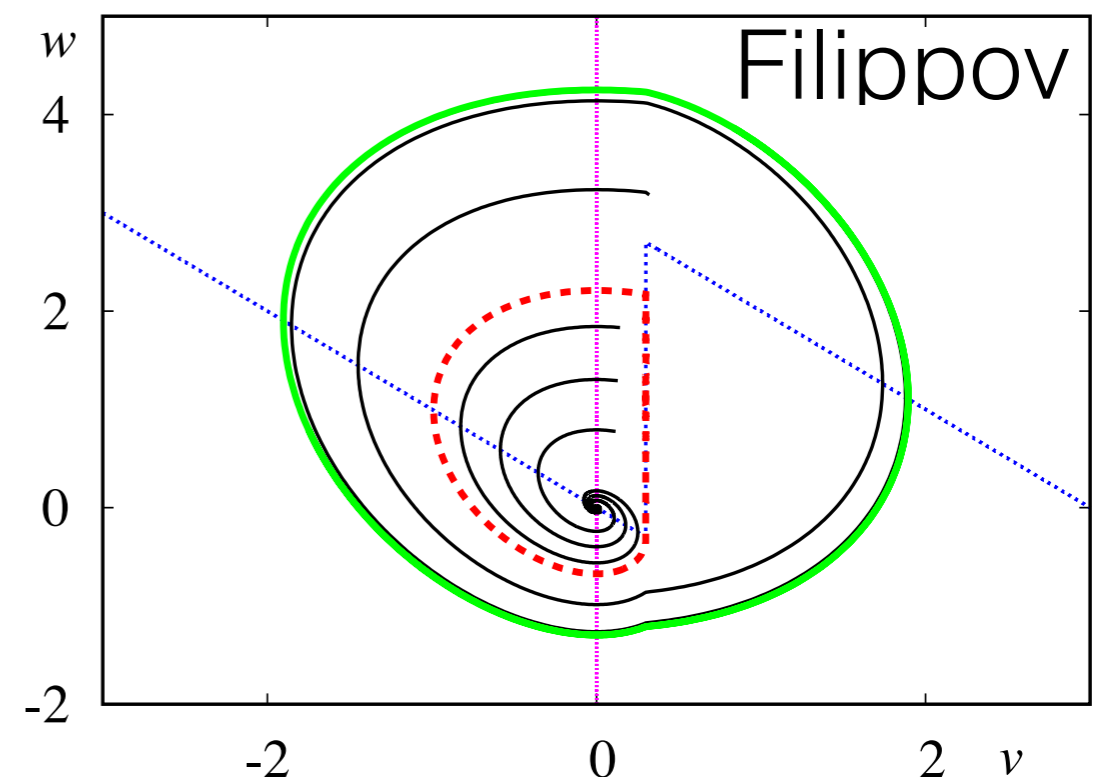
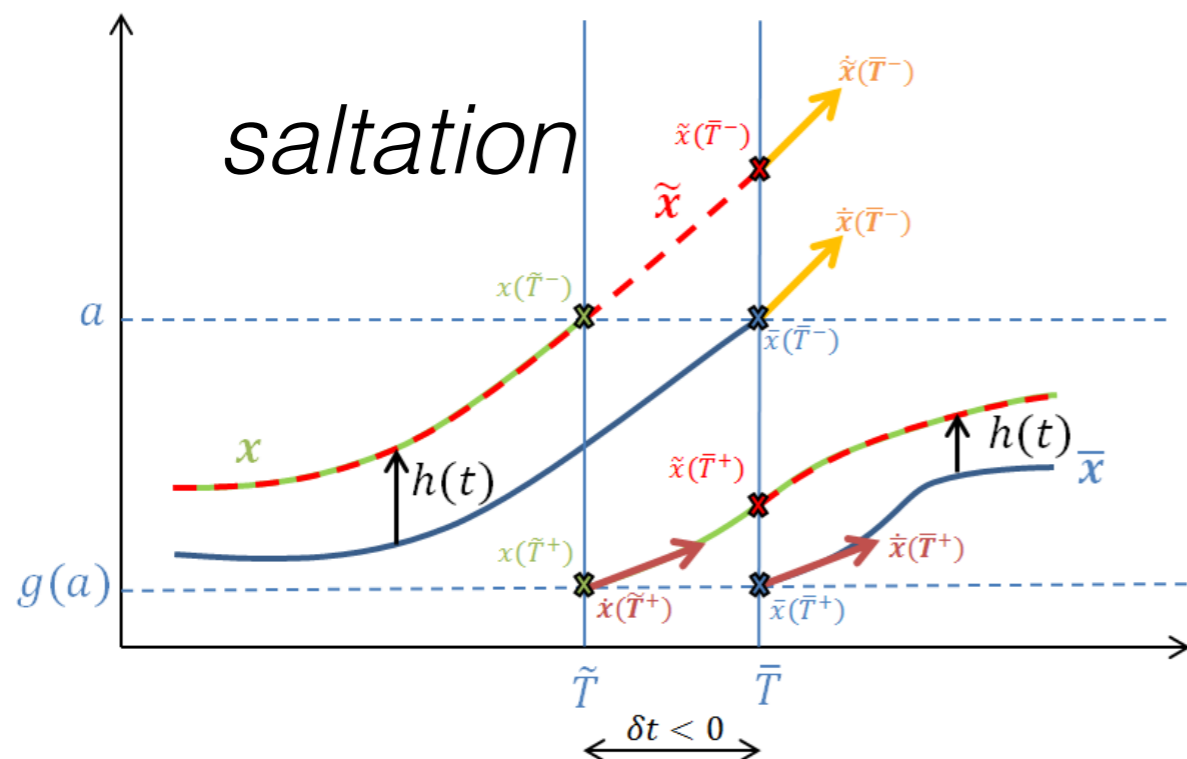
Glueing!

# Floquet exponent

Need to be careful when propagating perturbations through switching manifold

$$\sigma_{\text{smooth}} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \int_0^{\Delta} \text{Tr DF}(\bar{z}(s)) ds$$

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{\Delta} \sum_{\mu \in L, R} \left[ \Delta_{\mu} \text{Tr } A_{\mu} + \log \frac{\dot{v}(T_{\mu}^{+})}{\dot{v}(T_{\mu}^{-})} \right]$$



# Network synchrony: MSF

L M Pecora and T L Carroll. Master stability functions for synchronized coupled systems. Physical Review Letters, 80:2109–2112, 1998.

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{x}}_i &= \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_i) + \sigma \sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij} [\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}_j) - \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}_i)] & \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^m \\ & \equiv \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_i) - \sigma \sum_{j=1}^N \mathcal{G}_{ij} \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}_j) & i = 1, \dots, N\end{aligned}$$

Graph Laplacian

$$\mathcal{G}_{ij} = -w_{ij} + \delta_{ij} \sum_k w_{ik}$$

Synchronisation manifold

$$\mathbf{x}_1(t) = \mathbf{x}_2(t) = \dots = \mathbf{x}_N(t) = \mathbf{s}(t) \quad \dot{\mathbf{s}} = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{s})$$

**Variational problem**  $\mathbf{x}_i(t) = \mathbf{s}(t) + \delta\mathbf{x}_i(t)$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\delta\mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{DF}(\mathbf{s})\delta\mathbf{x}_i - \sigma\mathbf{DH}(\mathbf{s}) \sum_{j=1}^N \mathcal{G}_{ij}\delta\mathbf{x}_j$$

Nice notation  $\mathbf{U} = (\delta\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \delta\mathbf{x}_N) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times m}$

$$\dot{\mathbf{U}} = (\mathbf{I}_N \otimes \mathbf{DF}(\mathbf{s})) \mathbf{U} - \sigma (\mathcal{G} \otimes \mathbf{DH}(\mathbf{s})) \mathbf{U}$$

Block diagonalise using

$$\mathcal{G}P = P\Lambda$$

$$\mathbf{V} = (P \otimes \mathbf{I}_m)^{-1} \mathbf{U} \quad \Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_N)$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{V}} = (\mathbf{I}_N \otimes \mathbf{DF}(\mathbf{s})) \mathbf{V} - \sigma (\Lambda \otimes \mathbf{DH}(\mathbf{s})) \mathbf{V}$$

$$A \otimes B = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}B & \dots & A_{1n_2}B \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{n_1 1}B & \dots & A_{n_1 n_2}B \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A \otimes B)(C \otimes D) = (AC) \otimes (BD)$$

$$(A \otimes B)^{-1} = A^{-1} \otimes B^{-1}$$



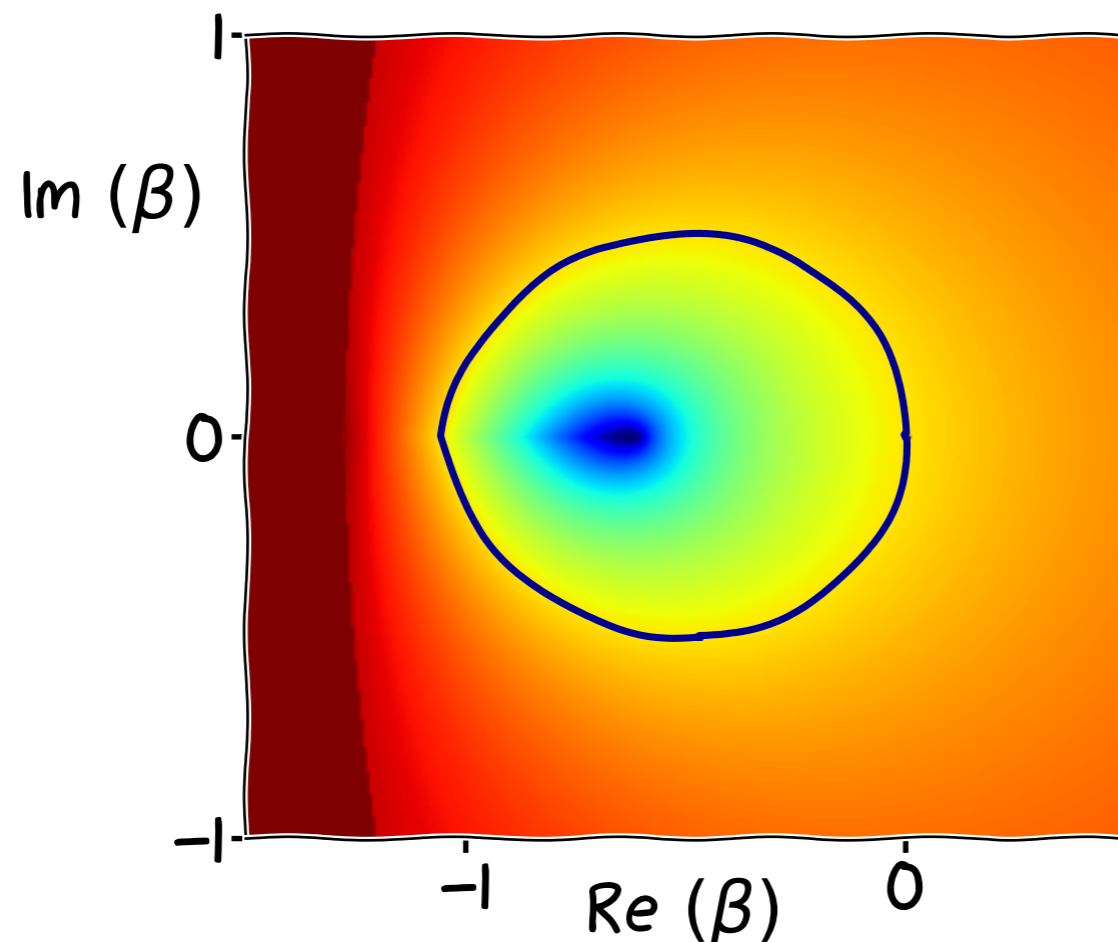
N-block structure with the dynamics in each block,  
indexed by  $l = 1, \dots, N$  :

$$\xi_l \in \mathbb{C}^m$$

$$\dot{\xi}_l = [\mathbf{DF}(\mathbf{s}) - \beta_l \mathbf{DH}(\mathbf{s})] \xi_l$$

$$\beta_l = \sigma \lambda_l \in \mathbb{C}$$

The **MSF** is defined as the function which maps the complex number  $\beta$  to the greatest Floquet exponent of the variational equation. The synchronous state of the system of coupled oscillators is stable if the MSF is negative at  $\beta = \sigma \lambda_l$  where  $\lambda_l$  ranges over the eigenvalues of the matrix  $\mathcal{G}$  (excluding  $\lambda_l = 0$ ).



Saltation also  
acts blockwise

What does it all look like? Planar example:

$$\beta_l = \sigma \lambda_l \in \mathbb{C}$$

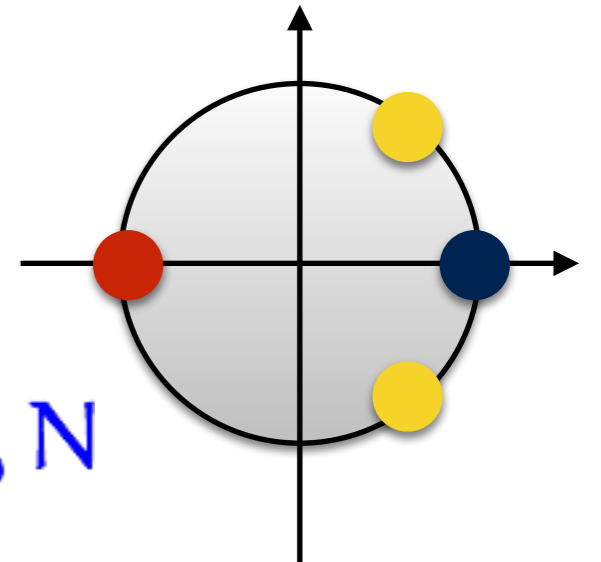
$$\dot{\xi} = [\mathbf{DF}(\mathbf{s}) - \beta_l \mathbf{DH}(\mathbf{s})] \xi, \quad \xi \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{G}$

... modified Floquet problem.

Non smooth result:  $\xi(\Delta) = \Gamma(\mathbf{l}) \xi(0)$

$$\Gamma(\mathbf{l}) = \mathbf{K}_L \mathbf{G}_L(\mathbf{l}) \mathbf{K}_R \mathbf{G}_R(\mathbf{l}) \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}, \quad \mathbf{l} = 1, \dots, N$$



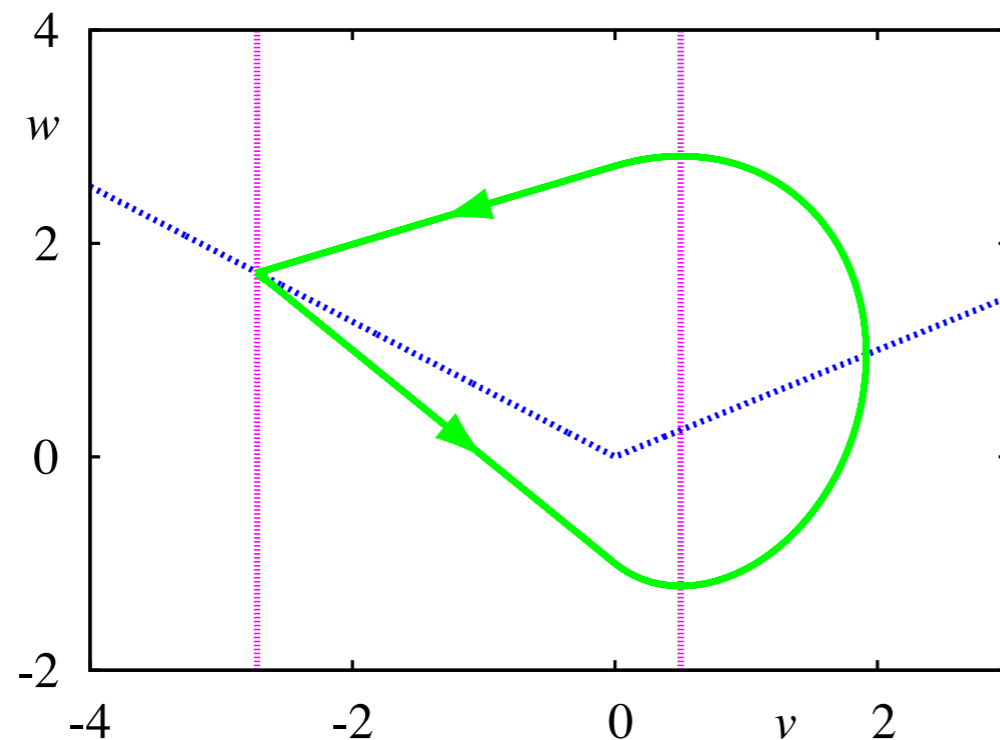
$$\mathbf{G}_\mu(\mathbf{l}) = \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{A}_\mu - \beta_l \mathbf{J}; \Delta_\mu), \quad \mathbf{K}_\mu = \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{T}_\mu), \quad \mu \in \{L, R\}$$

$$\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{t}) = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{v}}(\mathbf{t}^+)/\dot{\mathbf{v}}(\mathbf{t}^-) & 0 \\ (\dot{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{t}^+) - \dot{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{t}^-))/\dot{\mathbf{v}}(\mathbf{t}^-) & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

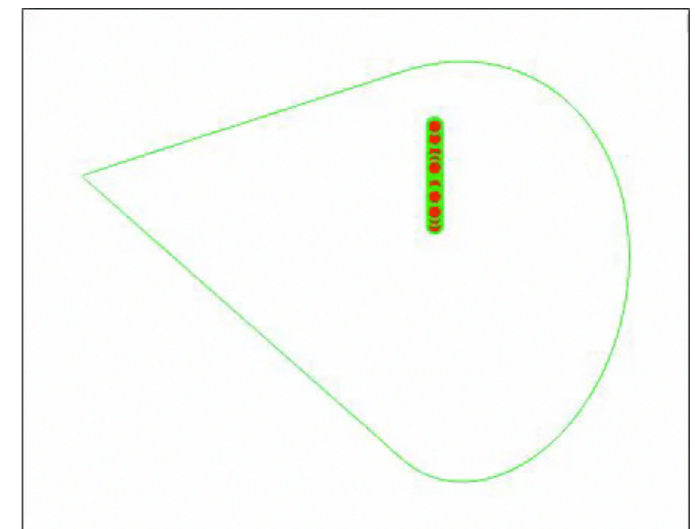
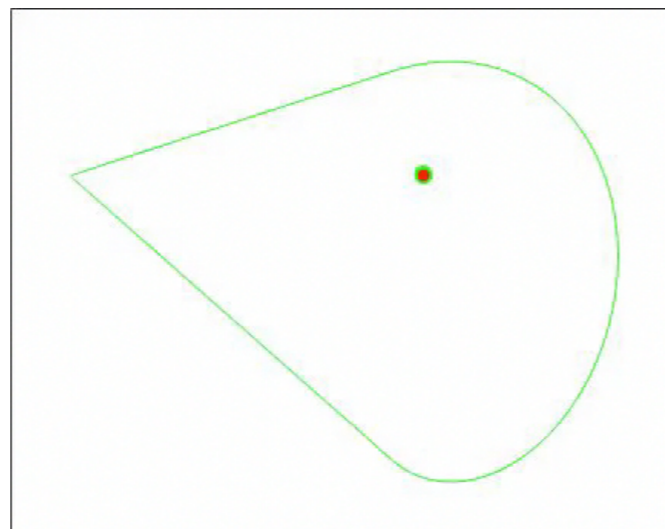
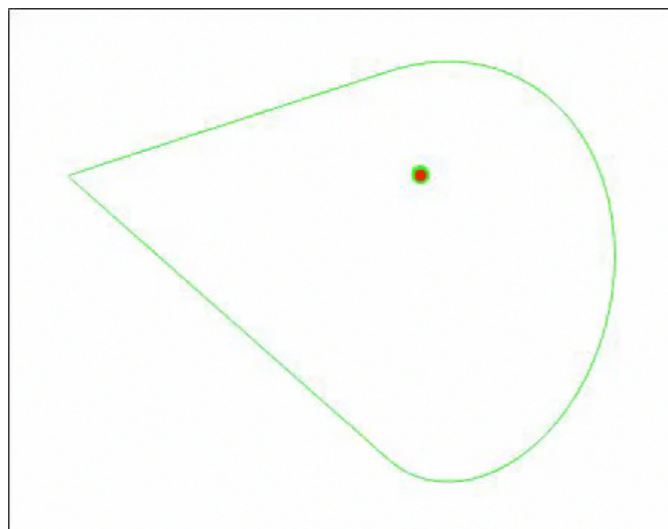
Saltation matrix

[coupling on the voltage variable]

# Network of *homoclinic* oscillators



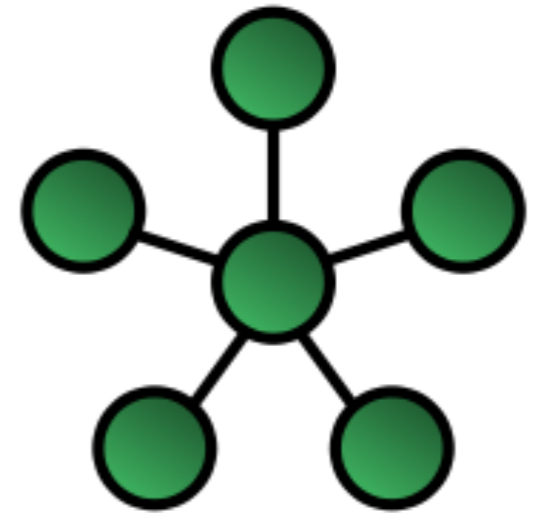
Global linear coupling  
on “ $v$ ”



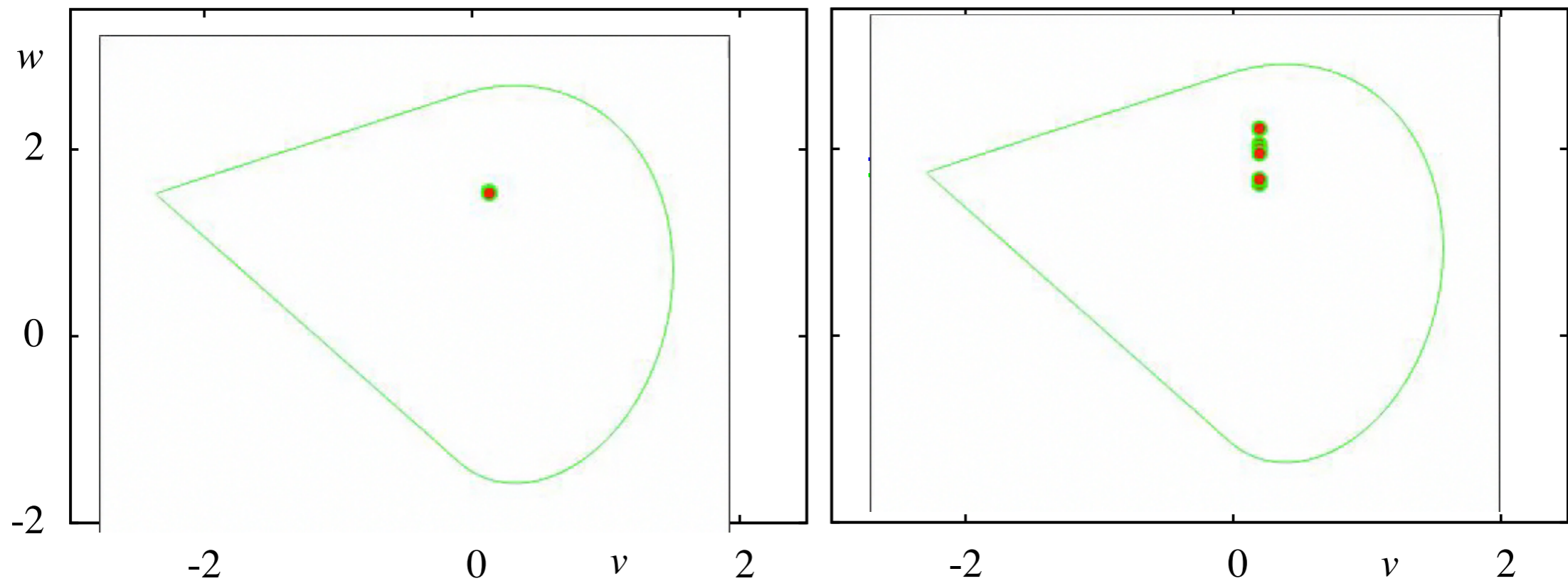
Synchrony unstable for weak coupling and restabilises via an inverse period doubling bifurcation at  $\epsilon = \epsilon_{pd}$  in excellent agreement with simulations (independent of  $\mathbf{N}$ ).

# Star Network

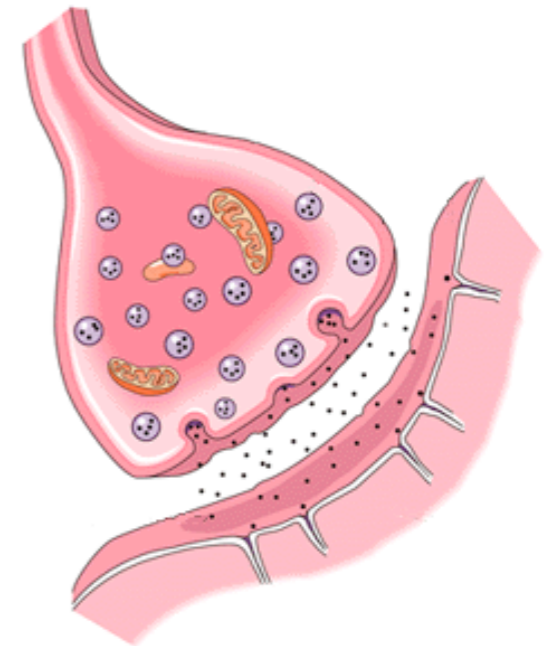
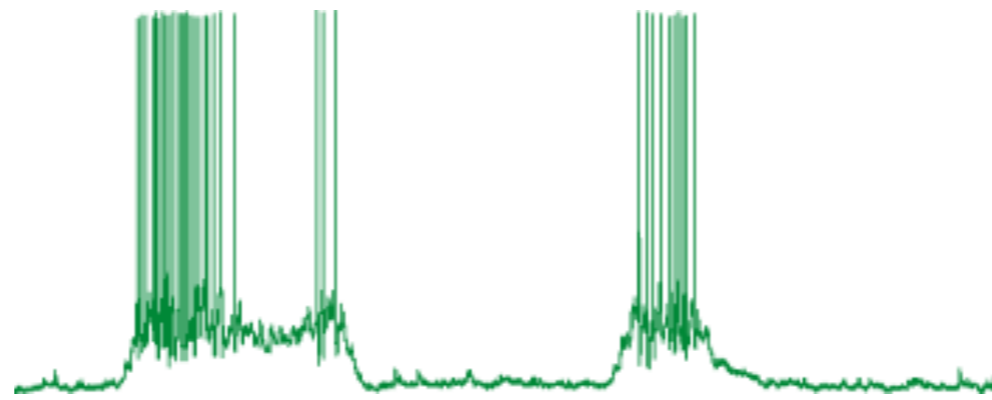
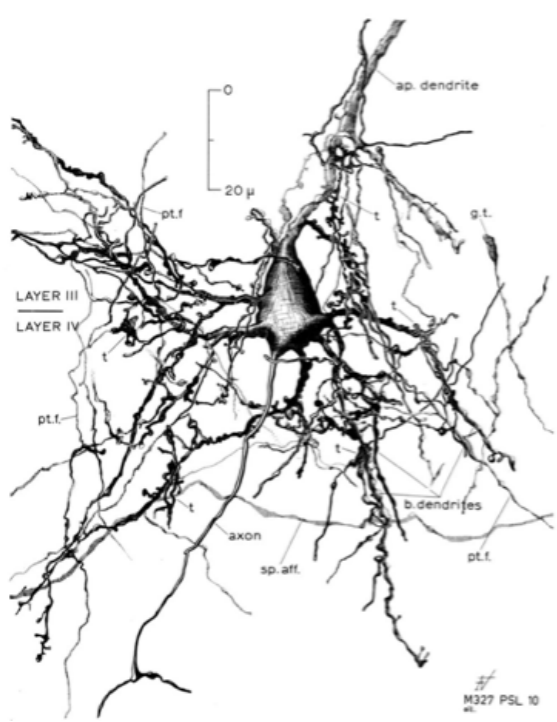
$$w = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/(N-1) & 1/(N-1) & \dots & 1/(N-1) \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



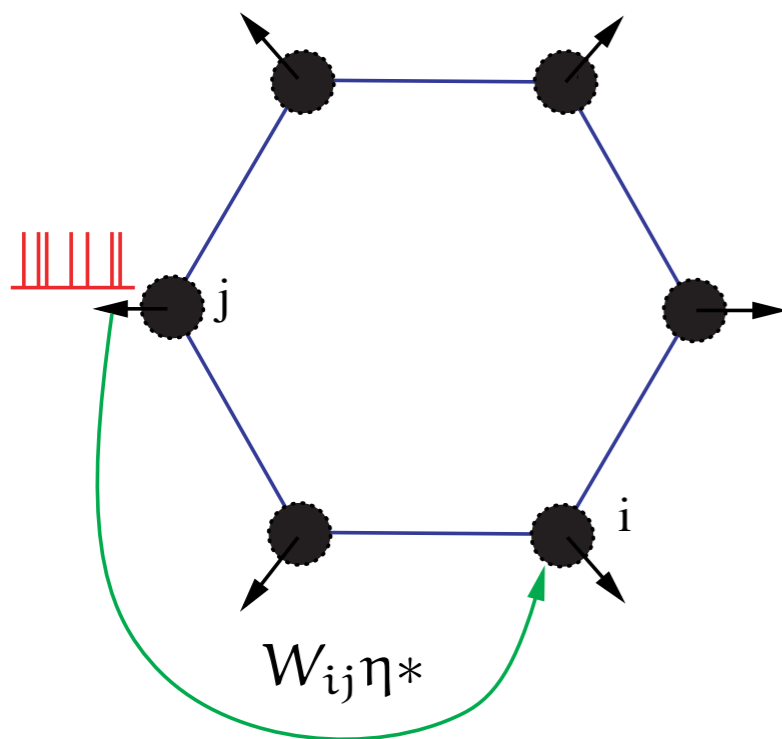
Synchrony is *always* unstable



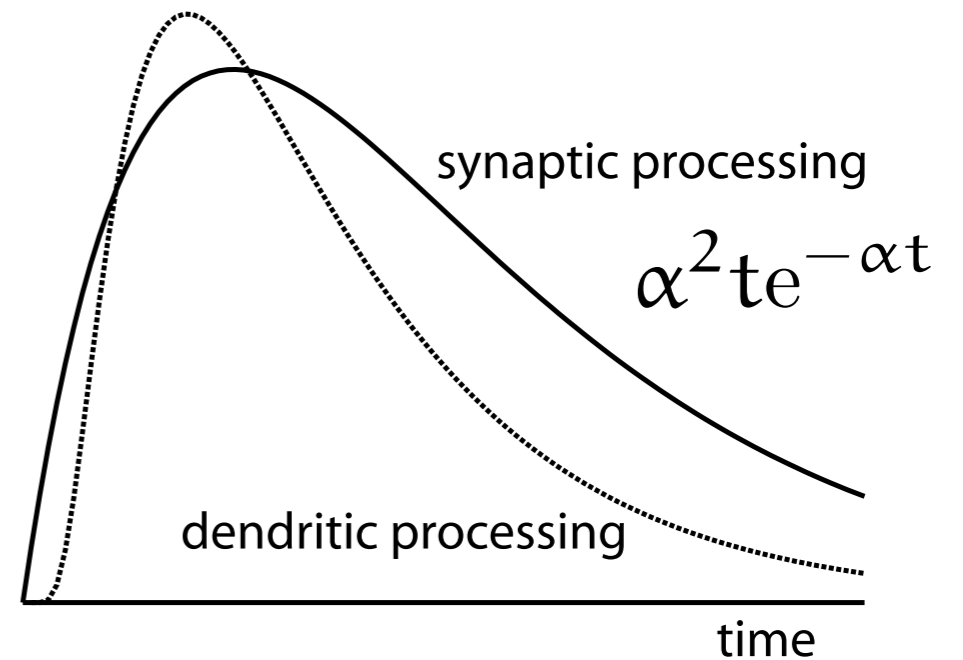
# ... and now for event driven synaptic coupling



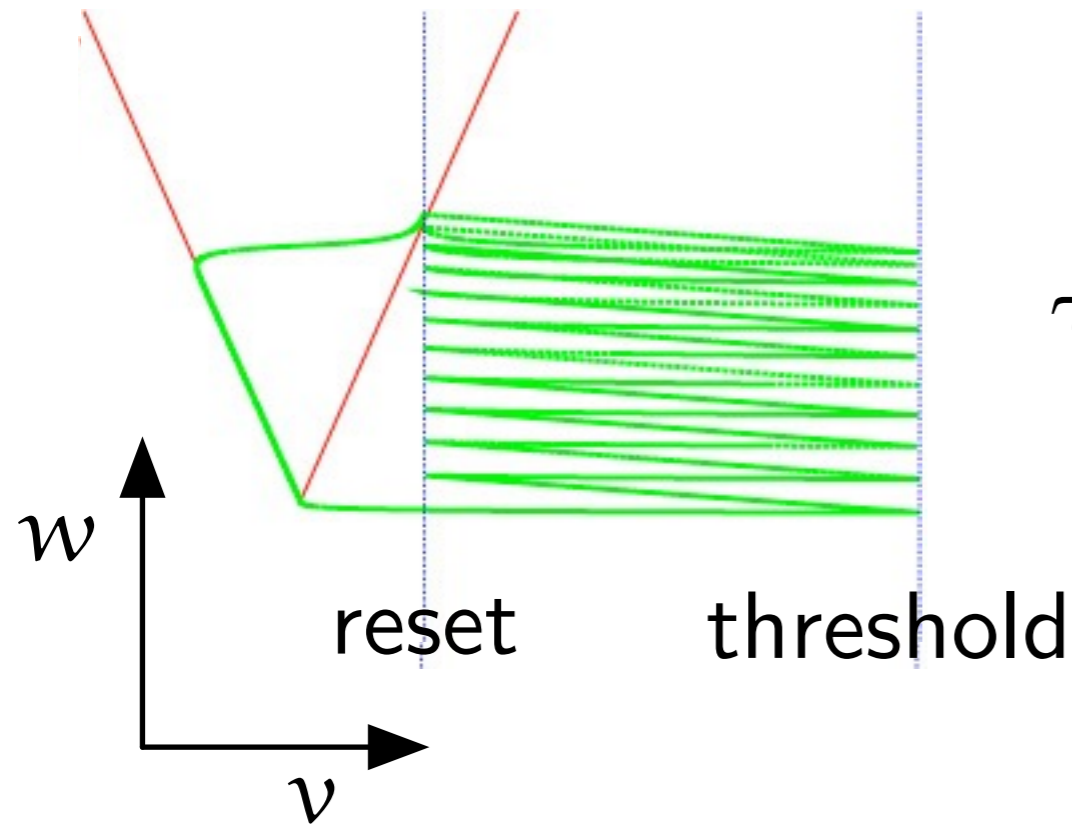
$$I_i(t) = \sigma \sum_{j=1}^N W_{ij} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \eta(t - T_j^m)$$



PSP

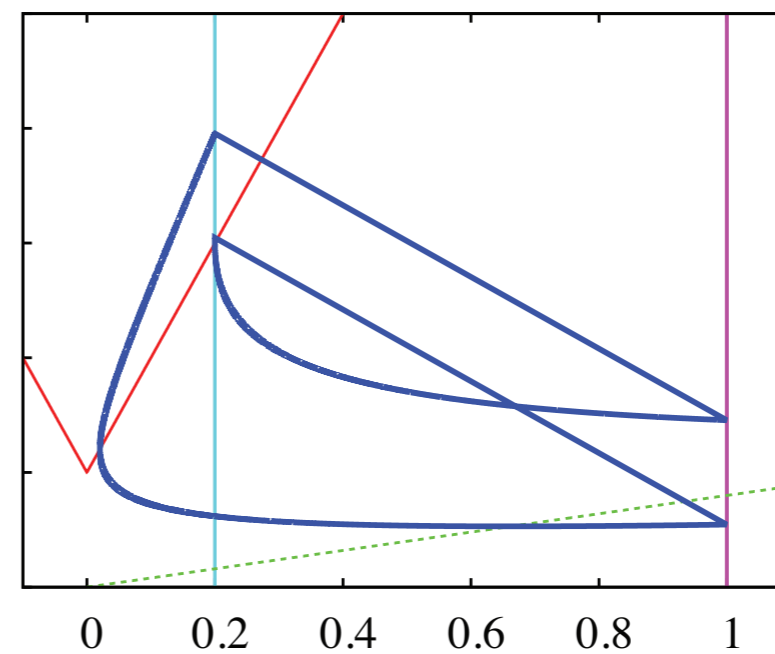
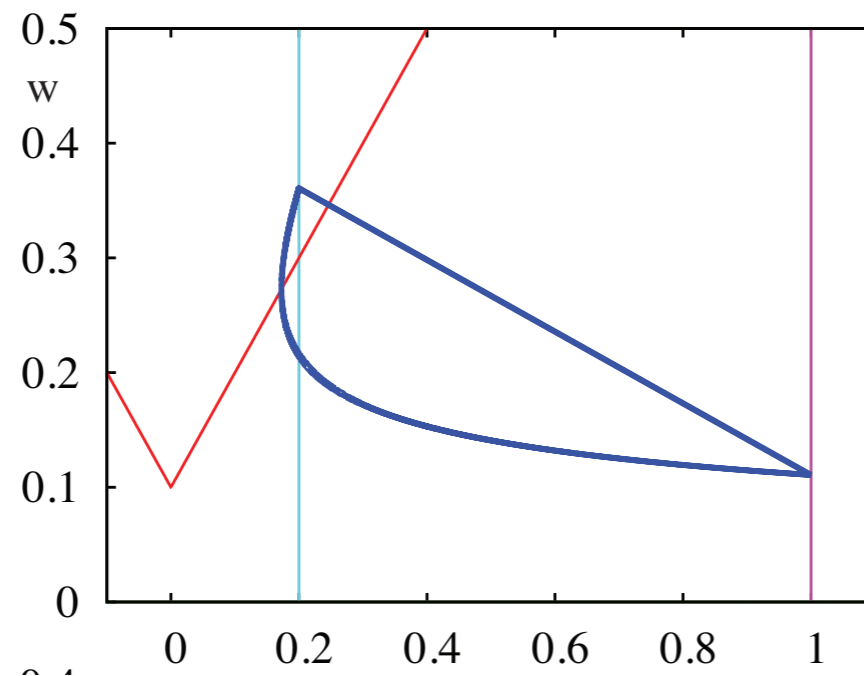
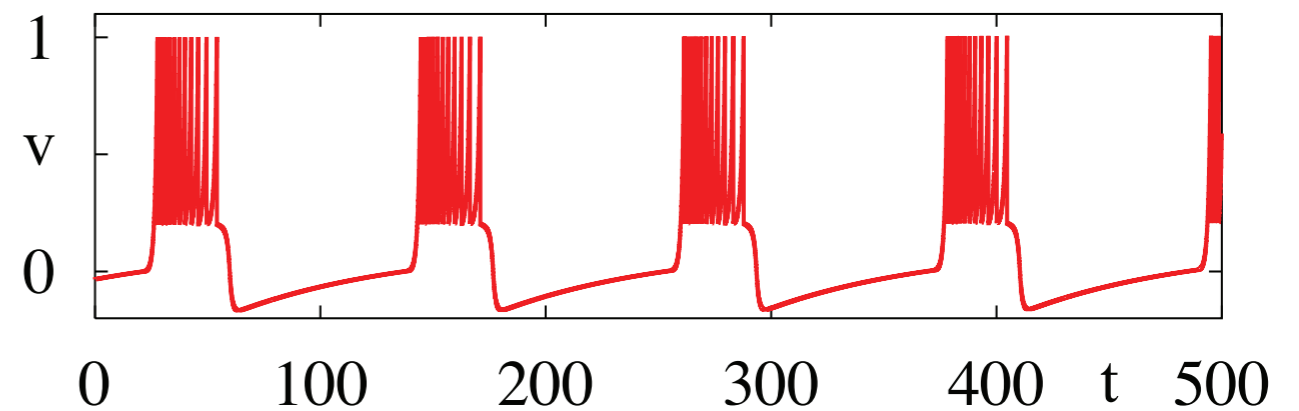


# PWL IF



$$\dot{v} = |v| + I - w \quad v^+ = v_r$$

$$\tau \dot{w} = -w \quad w^+ = w^- + \kappa/\tau$$



events  $\rightarrow$  states

# Synaptically coupled network

$$\dot{\mathbf{z}}_i = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{z}_i) + \sigma \sum_{j=1}^N W_{ij} \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{z}_j)$$

$$\mathbf{z}_i = (v_i, w_i, s_i, u_i)$$

$$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{z}) = (s, 0, 0, 0)$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{d}{dt}\right) s_i = u_i$$

$$s_i(t) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \eta(t - T_i^m)$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{d}{dt}\right) u_i = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \delta(t - T_j^m).$$

$$A_R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1/\tau & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{z}_i \rightarrow \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{z}_i) = (v_r, w_i + \kappa/\tau, s_i, u_i + \alpha)$$

$$h(\mathbf{z}_i; v_{th}) = v_i - v_{th} = 0$$

# A pwl system with saltation matrices that describe firing

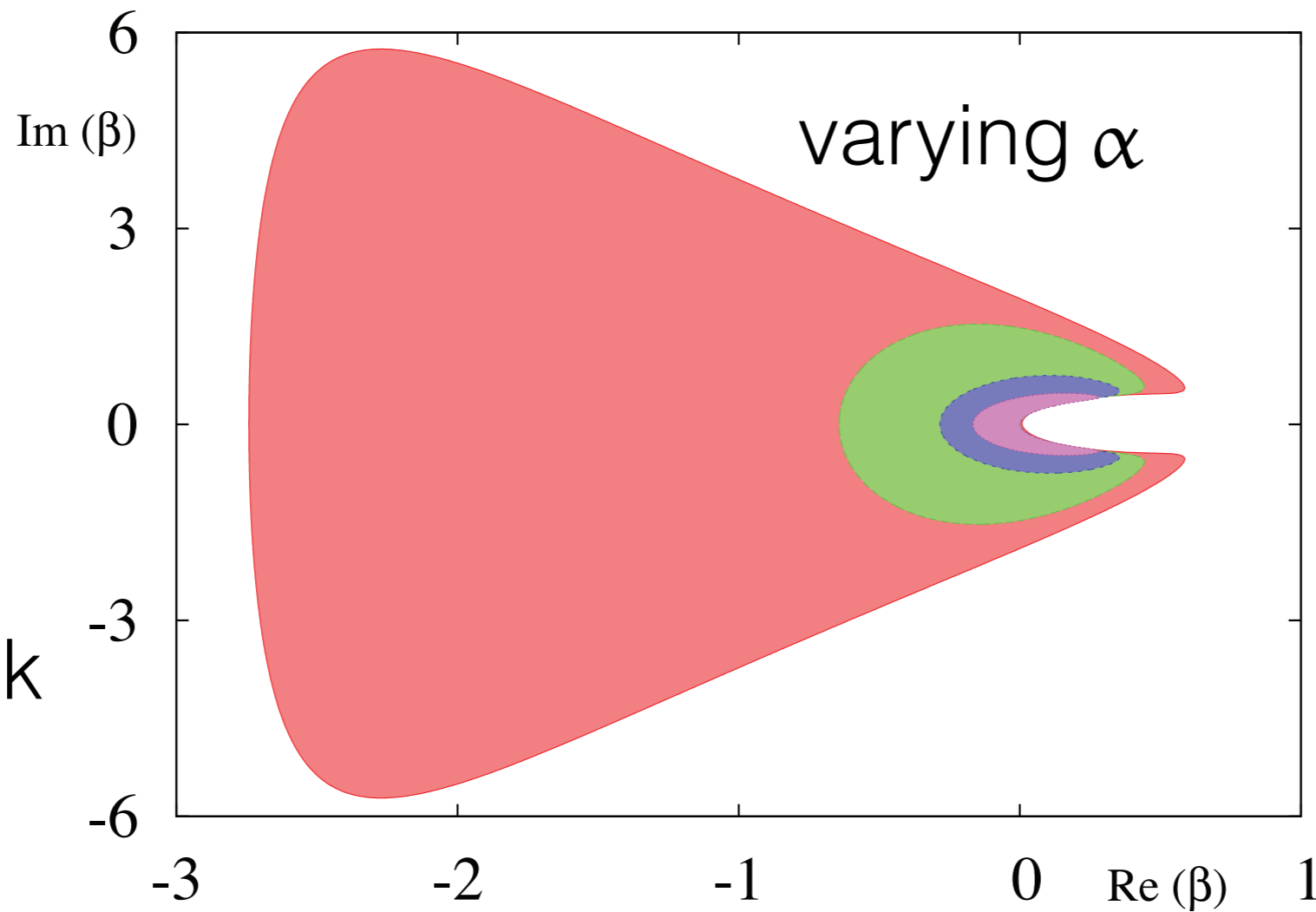
$$K(T) = Dg(\mathbf{z}(T^-)) + \frac{[\dot{\mathbf{z}}(T^+) - Dg(\mathbf{z}(T^-))\dot{\mathbf{z}}(T^-)] [\nabla_{\mathbf{z}}h(\mathbf{z}(T^-))]^T}{\nabla_{\mathbf{z}}h(\mathbf{z}(T^-)) \cdot \dot{\mathbf{z}}(T^-)}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \dot{v}(T^+)/\dot{v}(T^-) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ (\dot{w}(T^+) - \dot{w}(T^-))/\dot{v}(T^-) & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ (\dot{s}(T^+) - \dot{s}(T^-))/\dot{v}(T^-) & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ (\dot{u}(T^+) - \dot{u}(T^-))/\dot{v}(T^-) & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Balance ensures synchrony  $\sum_{j=1}^N W_{ij} = 0$

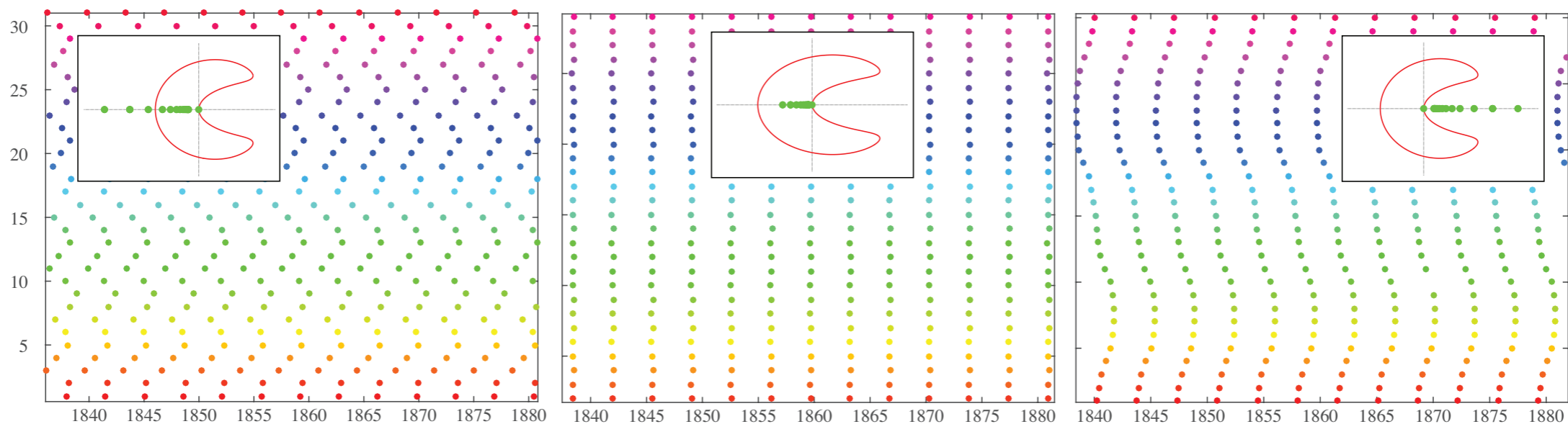


$$\text{MSF: } \Gamma_l = \mathbf{K}(\Delta) \exp\{(\mathbf{A}_R + \sigma\lambda_l \mathbf{D}\mathbf{H})\Delta\}$$



$$\beta = \sigma\lambda_l$$

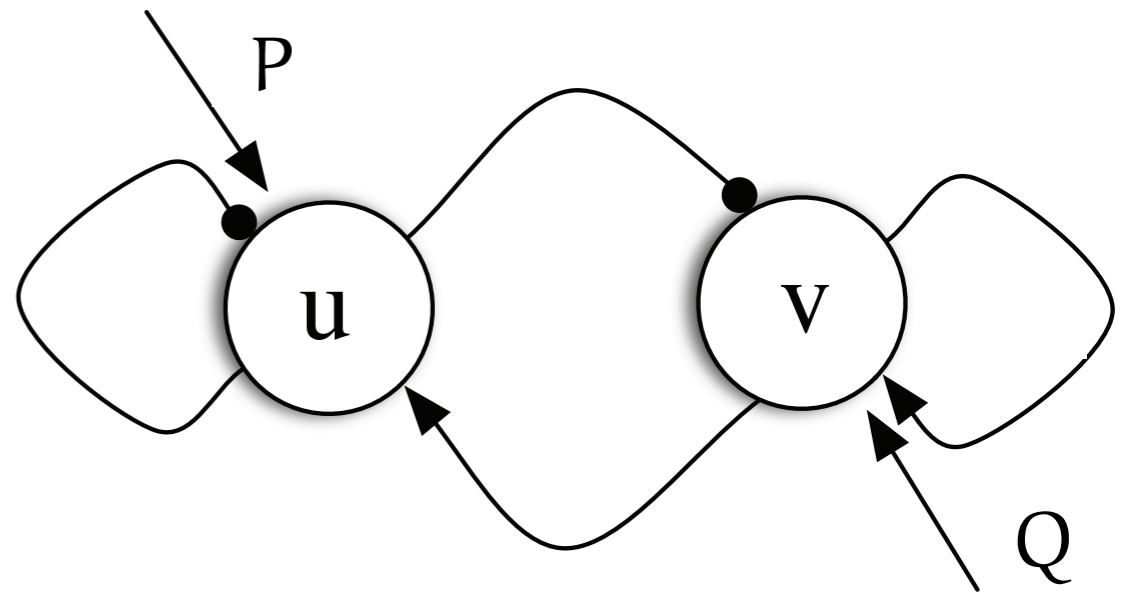
Mex-hat  
ring network  
( $N=31$ )  
[circulant]



# Wilson-Cowan network(s)

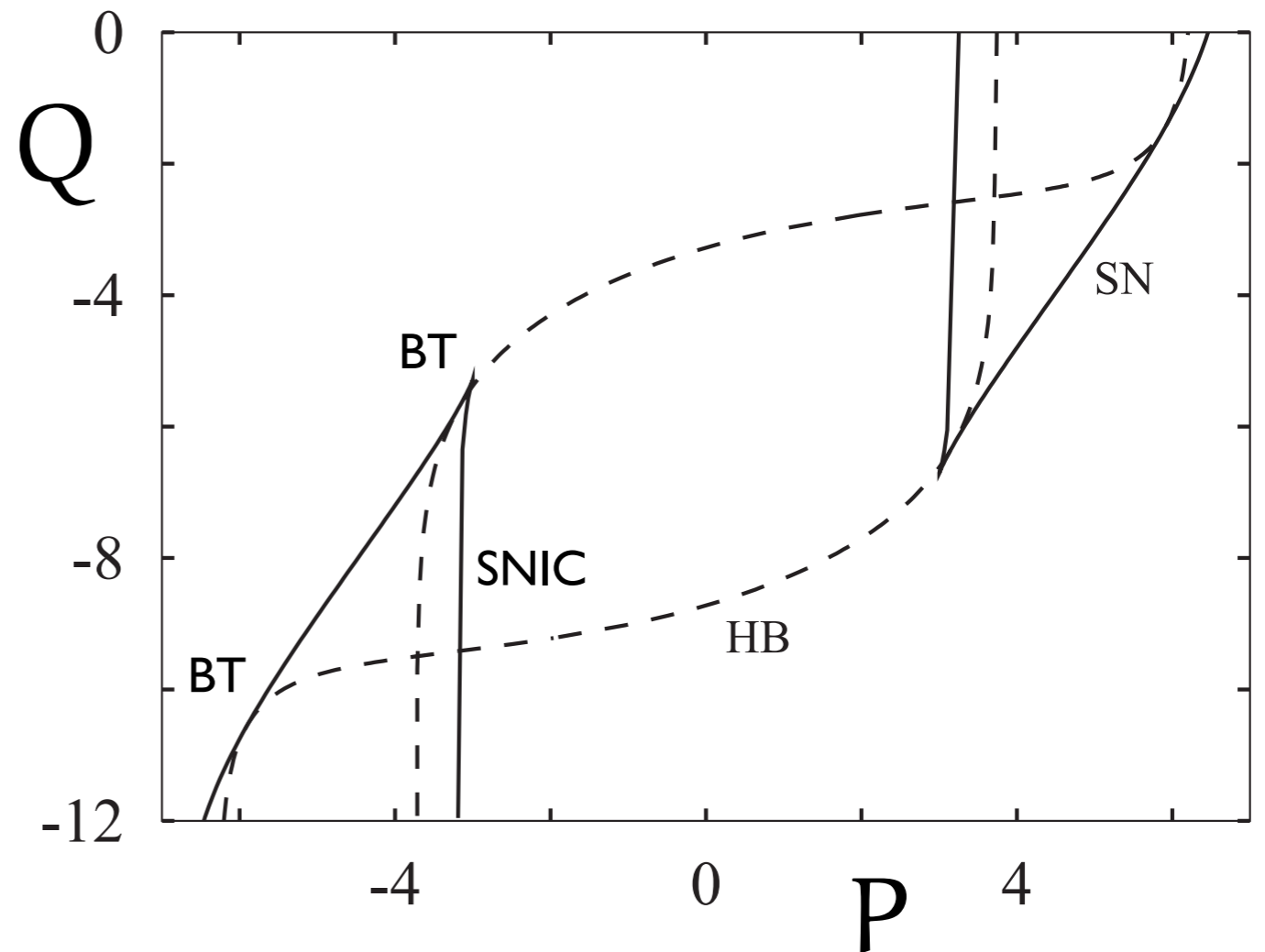
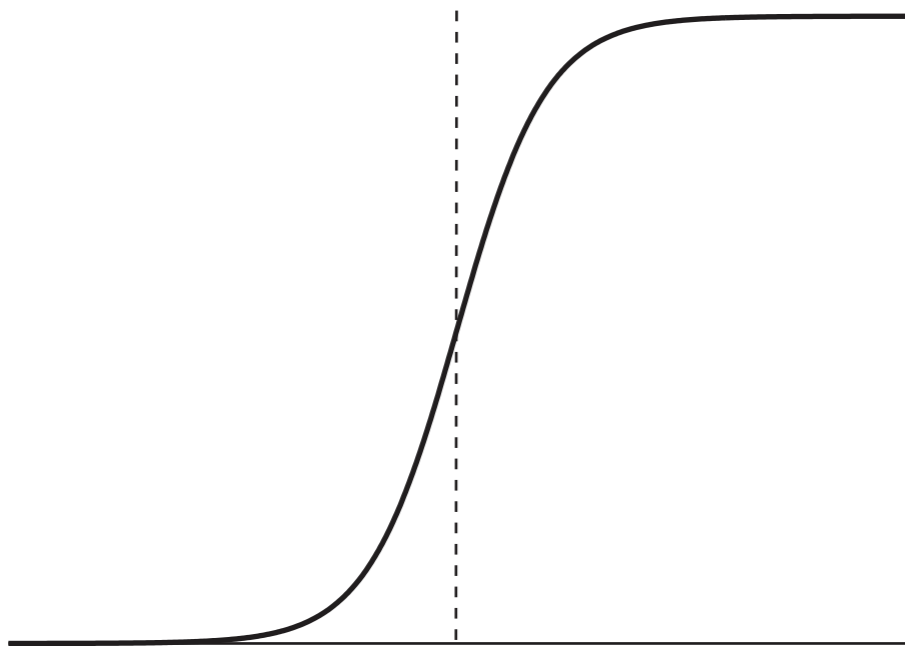
$$\dot{u} = -u + f(I_u + w^{uu}u - w^{vu}v),$$

$$\tau\dot{v} = -v + f(I_v + w^{uv}u - w^{vv}v)$$



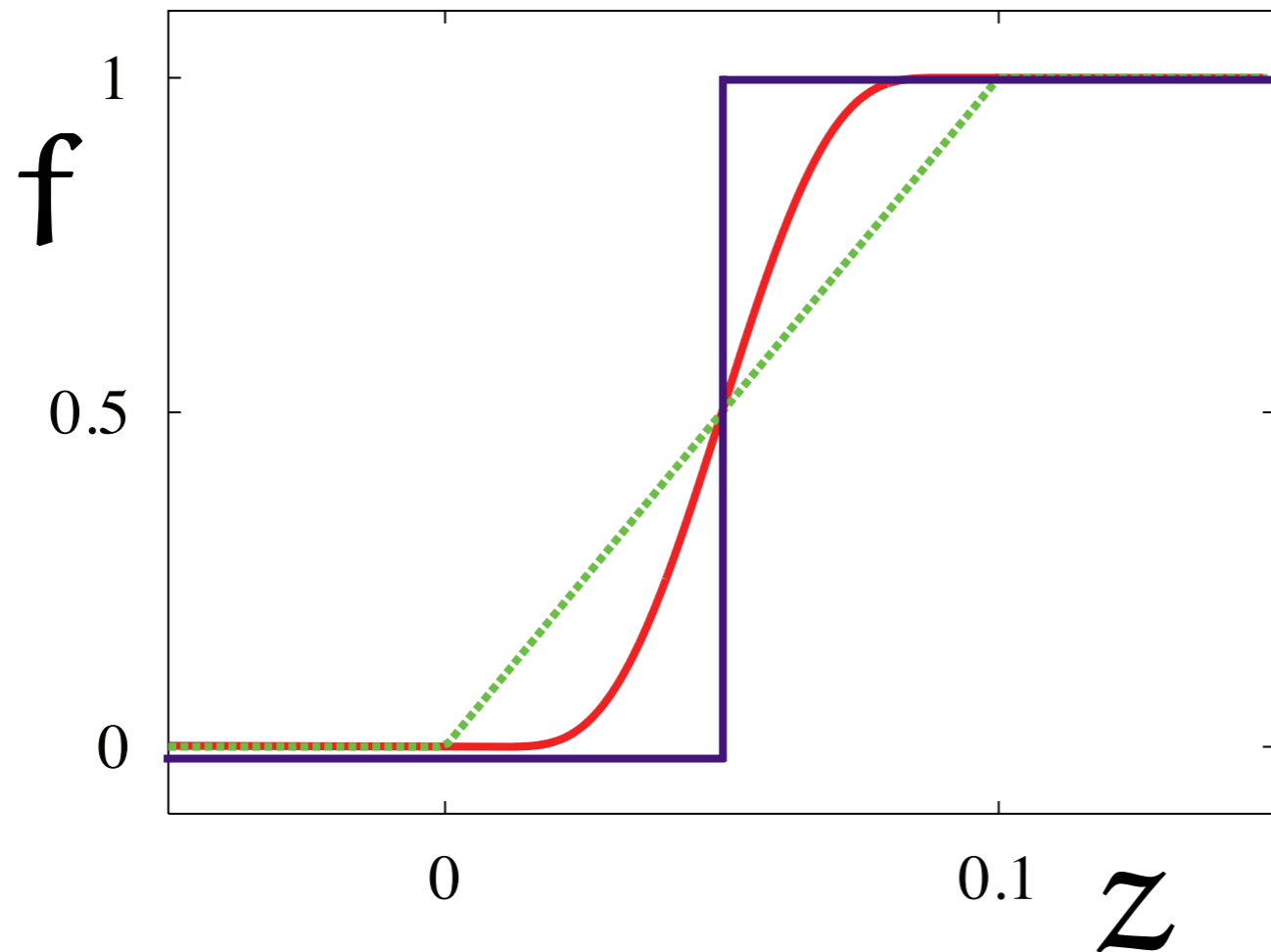
Firing rate:

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\beta z}}$$



# PW-Linear and PW-constant choices

(non-smooth *interactions*)

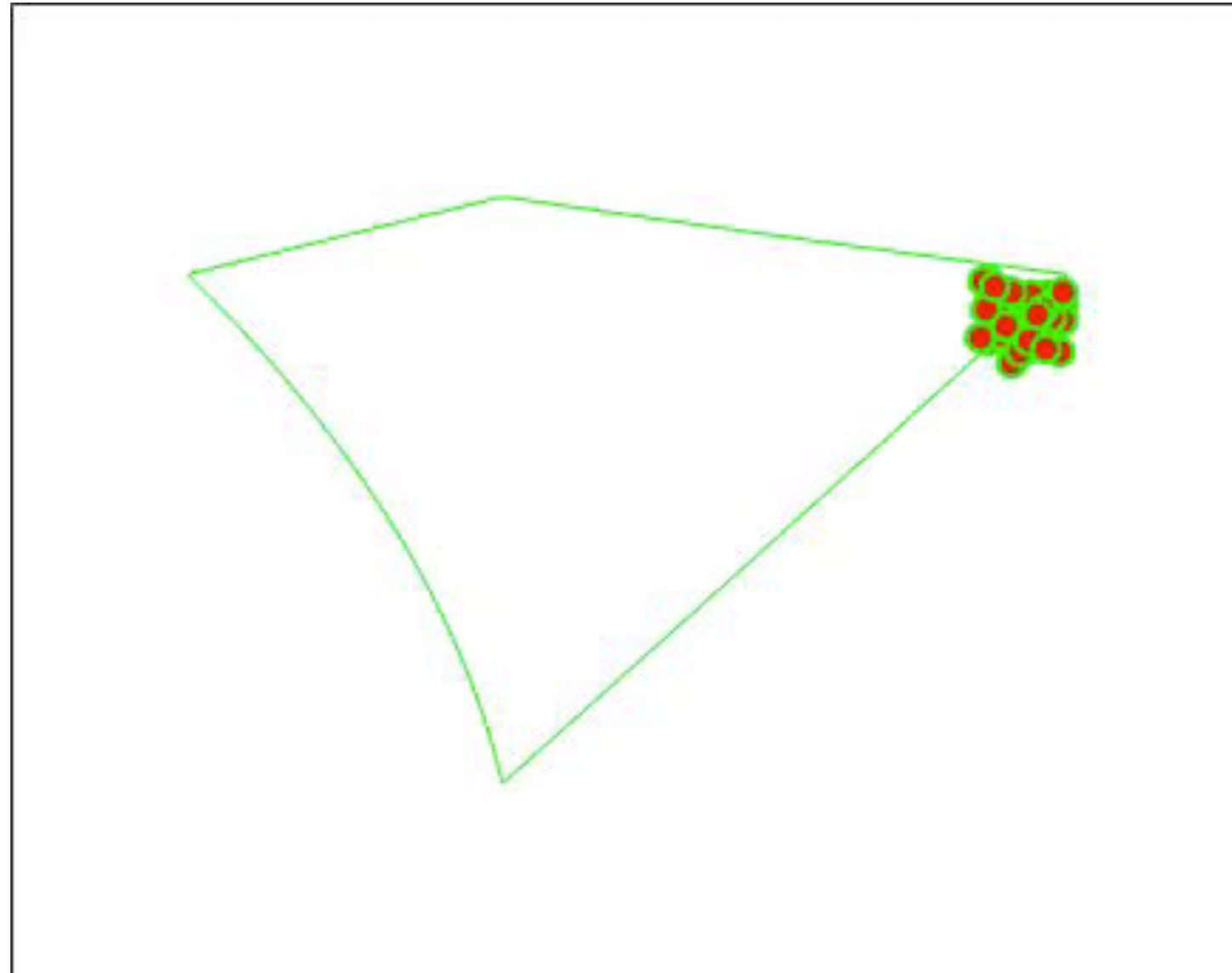


$$\sum_{j=1}^N \mathcal{W}_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} = w^{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\frac{du_i}{dt} = -u_i + H \left( I_u + \sum_{j=1}^N \mathcal{W}_{ij}^{uu} u_j - \sum_{j=1}^N \mathcal{W}_{ij}^{vu} v_j \right),$$

$$\tau \frac{dv_i}{dt} = -v_i + H \left( I_v + \sum_{j=1}^N \mathcal{W}_{ij}^{uv} u_j - \sum_{j=1}^N \mathcal{W}_{ij}^{vv} v_j \right)$$

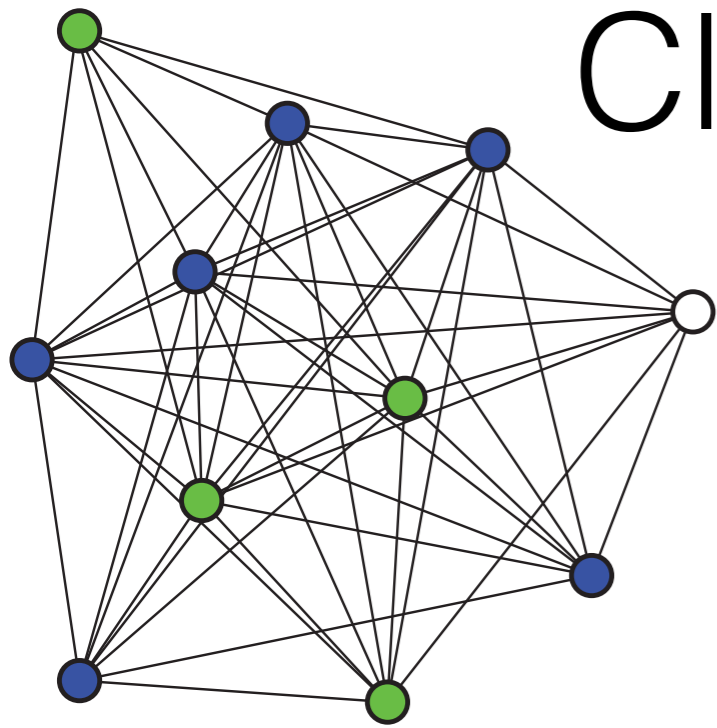
# New variables (U,V); switching manifolds $U=0$ and $V=0$



MSF easily constructed

Mex-hat  
ring network  
( $N=31$ )

# Clusters (and Computational Group Theory)

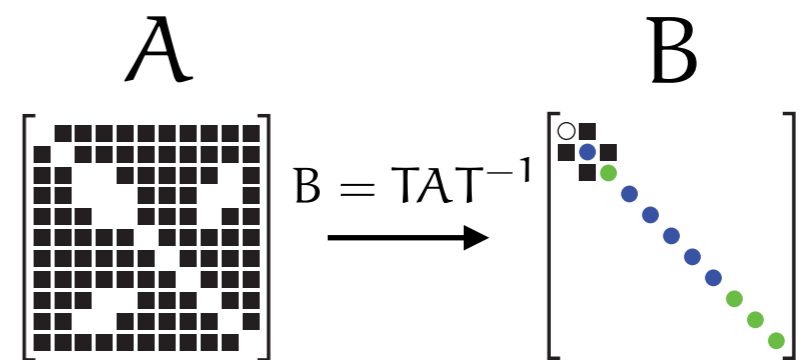


5,760 symmetries  
3 clusters

**GAP** - Groups, Algorithms,  
Programming:  
a System for Computational  
Discrete Algebra  
<http://www.gap-system.org>

$$\dot{\mathbf{z}}_i = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{z}_i) + \sigma \sum_j A_{ij} \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{z}_j)$$

Irreducible representations of the  
graph automorphism



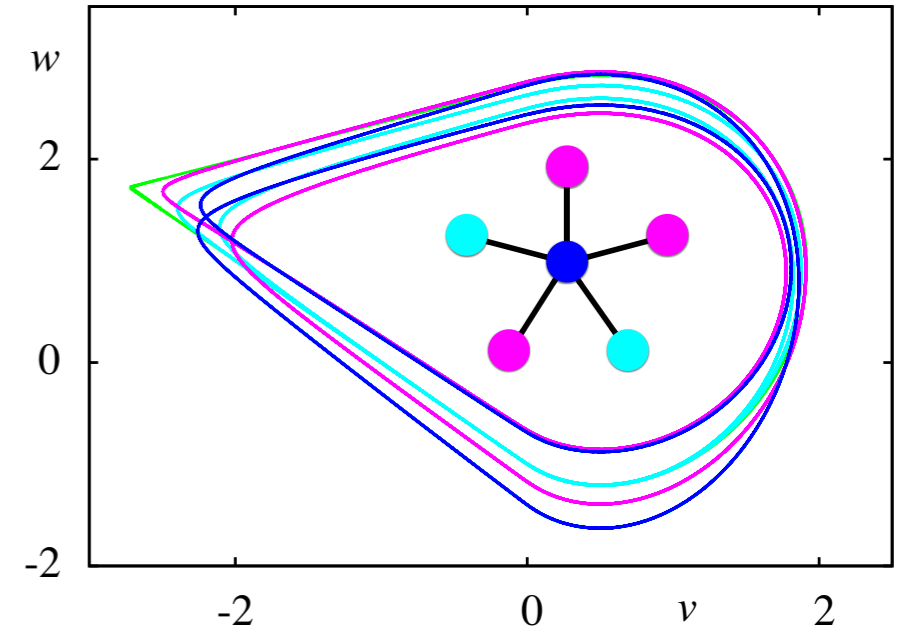
Nice variational formulation for M clusters

$$\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \left[ \sum_{m=1}^M \mathbf{E}^{(m)} \otimes \mathbf{DF}(\mathbf{s}_m) + \sigma \mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{I}_n \sum_{m=1}^M \mathbf{J}^{(m)} \otimes \mathbf{DH}(\mathbf{s}_m) \right] \mathbf{y}$$

L M Pecora, *et al.* Cluster synchronization and isolated desynchronization in complex networks with symmetries. *Nature Communications*, 5(4079), 2014.

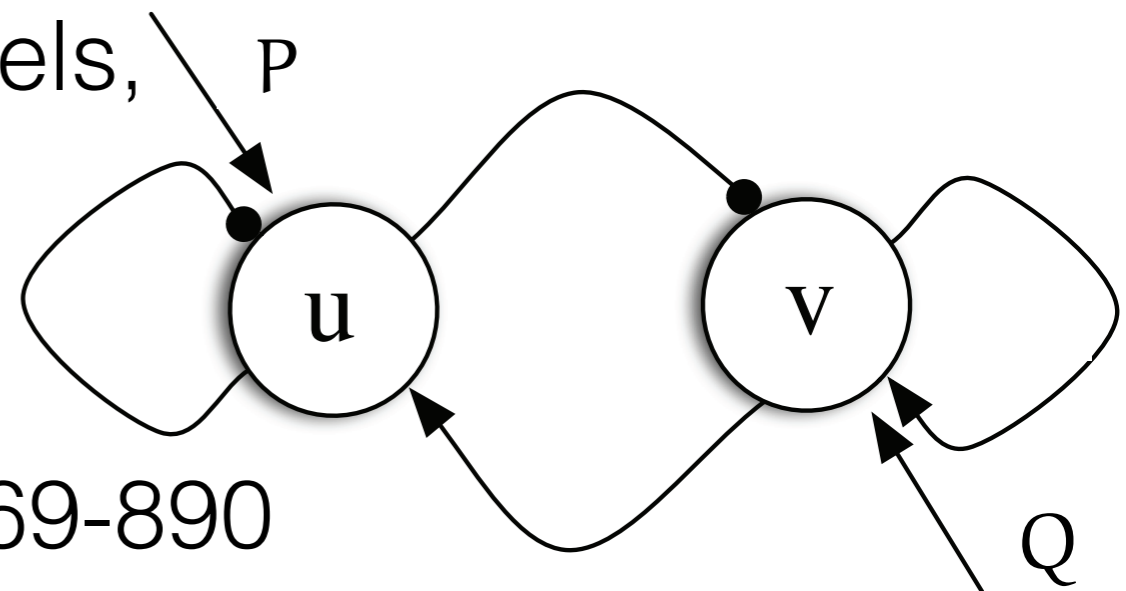
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