



# Mutistability Analysis of Neural Networks with Applications

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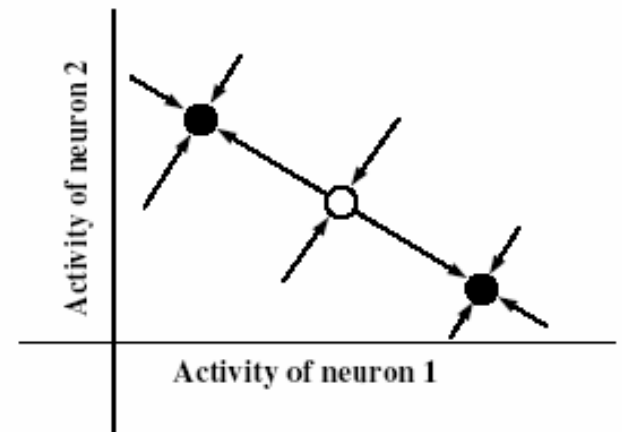
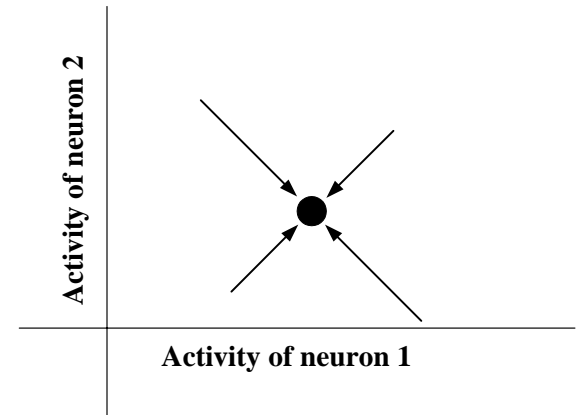
# Multistability

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- Multistability Analysis in Recurrent Neural Networks
- Multistability Analysis in Learning Algorithms
- Multistability Analysis with Applications

# Concepts

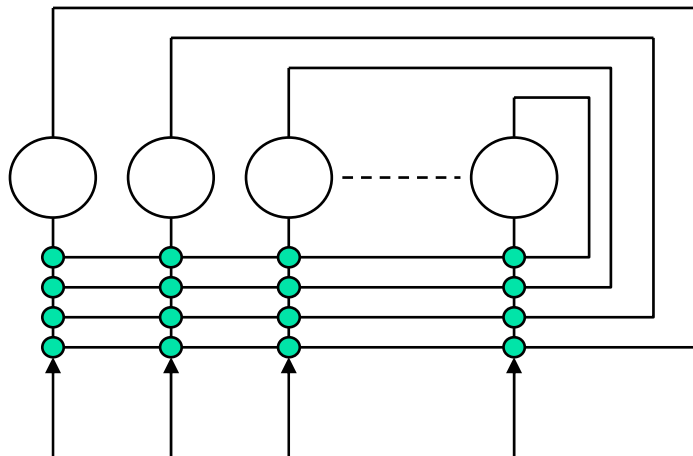
- Monostability
  - A dynamic system has only one equilibrium point.
- Multistability
  - A dynamic system has more than one equilibrium points.
  - Stable and unstable equilibrium points can co-exist.



# Recurrent Neural Networks

- Multistability is closely related to RNNs.
- Recurrent feedback loops pervade the synaptic connectivity of the brain.

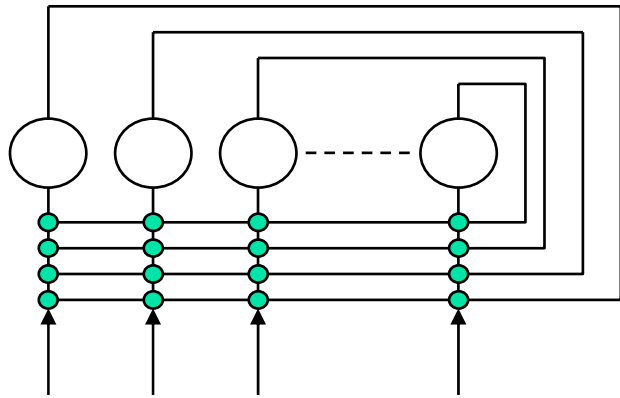
----Amit, 1995



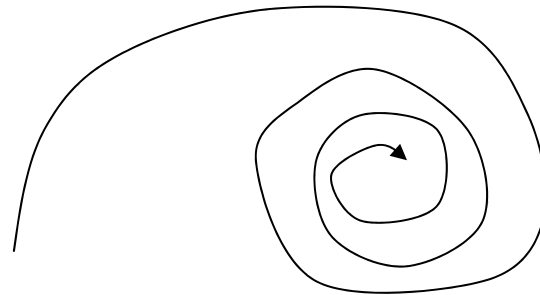
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# Recurrent Neural Networks



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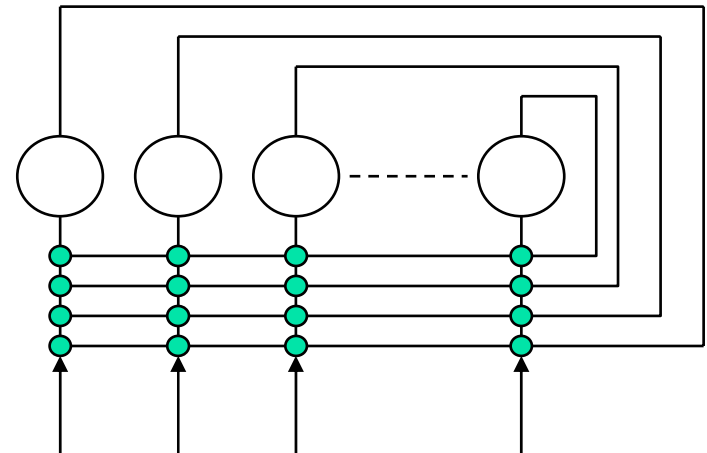
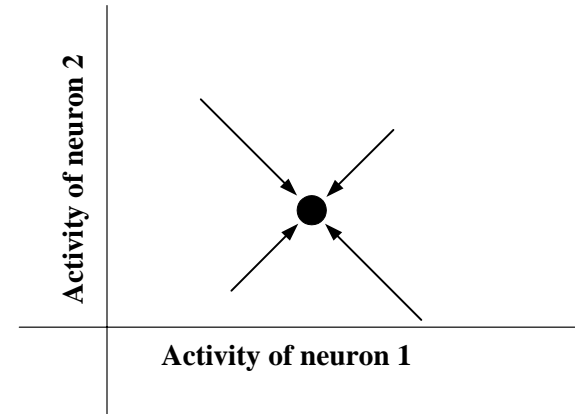


**Network computing**

# On Monostability of RNNs

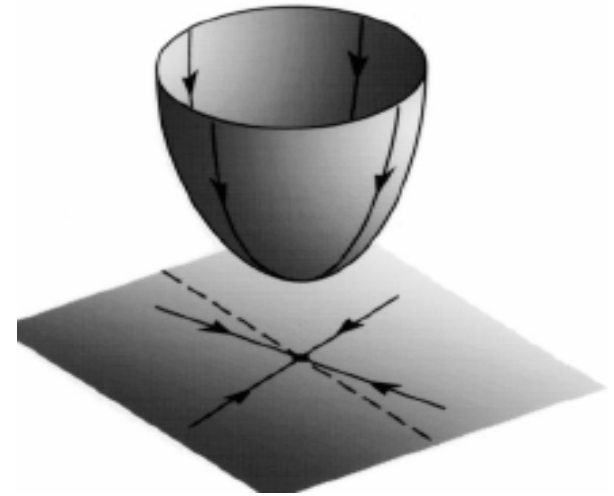
- A RNN has only one equilibrium point.
- Problem: whether or not the equilibrium point is a global attractor?
- Main method: Lyapunov second method
- Applications: optimizations

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# On Monostability of RNNs

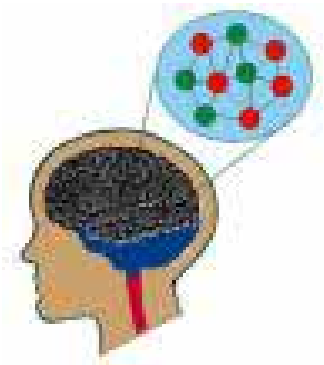
- There are a lot of publications.
- My view: most of these publications are not very interesting.
  - No more new methods.
  - Parallel generalization of existing method from mathematics.
  - Most results are not new from the point of mathematic.
  - Applications are restrictive.
  - Not strongly motivated by brain RNNs.



Seung 1996

# Multistability in Recurrent NNs

- Recurrent feedback loops pervade the synaptic connectivity of the brain. One possible role of these feedback loops is to endow neural networks with multiple stable states, or dynamical attractors.



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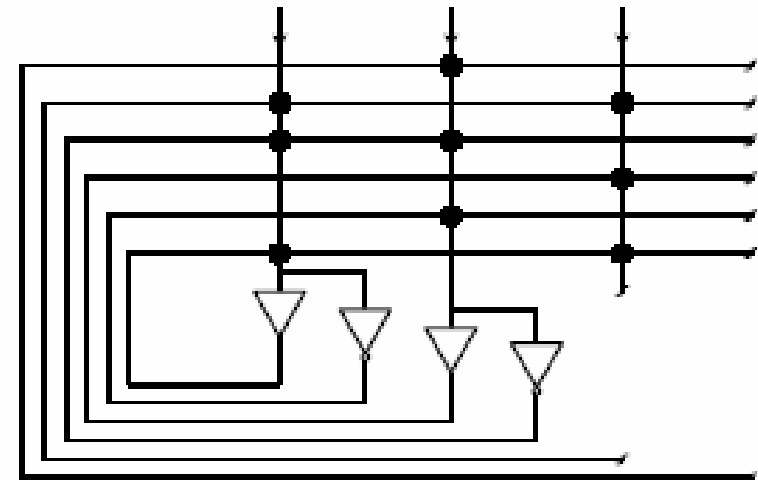
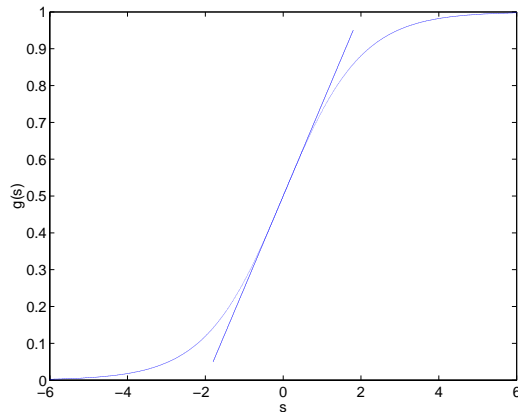
# Multistability Analysis Methods

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- Problem: dynamical behaviors of a system with multiple equilibrium points.
  - Boundedness
  - Continuous/discrete attractors
  - Convergence of trajectories
  - .....
- Methods:
  - Energy method
  - Invariant set principle
  - Cauchy convergence principle
  - .....

# Multistability in Hopfield NNs

$$\begin{cases} C_i \frac{du_i(t)}{dt} = -\frac{u_i(t)}{R_i} + \sum_{j=1}^n T_{ij} v_j(t) + I_i \\ v_i(t) = g_i(u_i(t)), (i = 1, \dots, n) \end{cases}$$



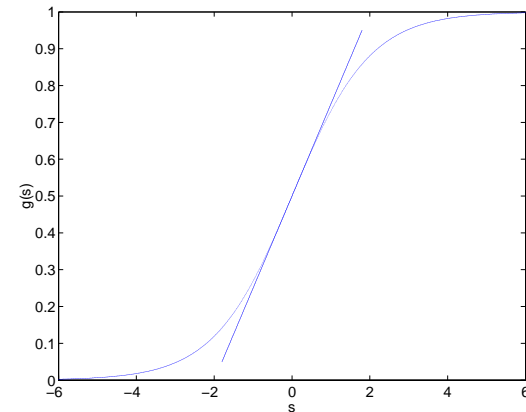
 amplifier   
  inverting amplifier   
  resistor

Figure 2.1. Electric circuit of Hopfield RNNs.

# Multistability in Hopfield NNs

- Each trajectory converges to an equilibrium.
- Hopfield neural networks do not have any continuous attractors.
- Equilibrium points are isolated.

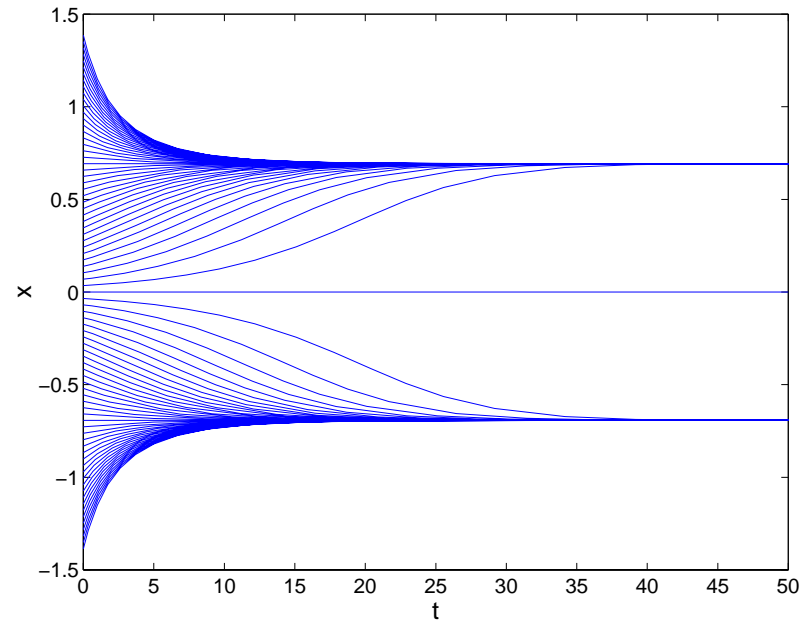
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# Multistability in Hopfield NNs

$$\dot{x}(t) = -\frac{3}{5 \ln 2} x(t) + g(x(t)), \quad t \geq 0$$

$$g(s) = \frac{e^s - e^{-s}}{e^s + e^{-s}}, \quad s \in \mathbb{R}.$$



# Multistability in Oculomotor Control

- H. S. Seung, How the brain keeps the eyes still, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA, vol. 93, pp. 13339-13344, 1996

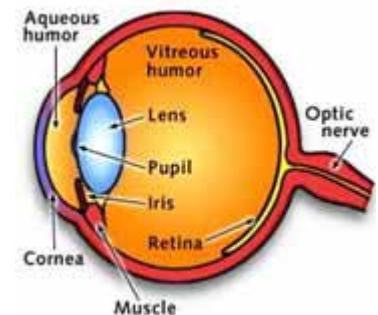


$$v_i = v_i^0 + k_i E$$

$v_i$  ----- the firing rate

$v_i^0$  ----- the firing rate at central gaze  $E = 0$

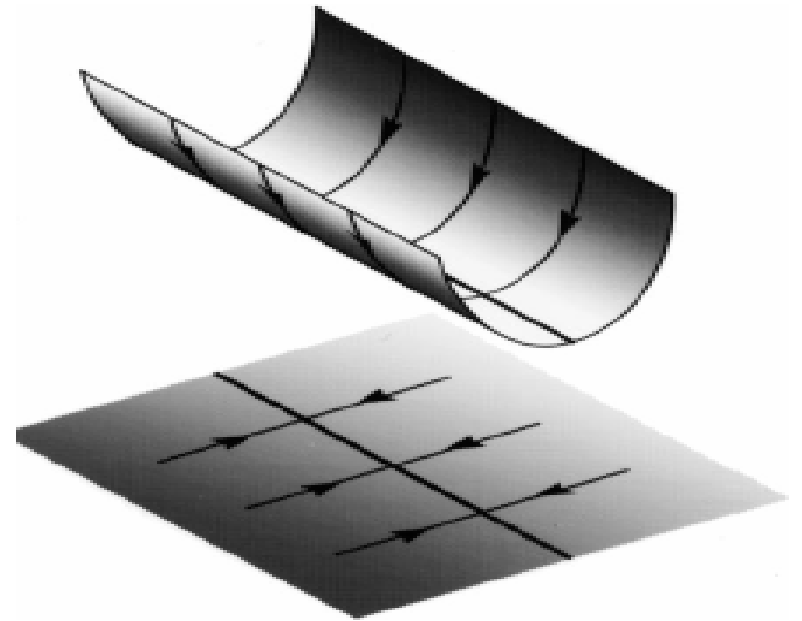
$k_i$  ----- the position sensitivity



# Line Attractor

$$x_i = k_i(E - E_i)$$

$$\tau \frac{dx_i(t)}{dt} + x_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} x_j + b_i$$



Seung 1996

# Attractor RNNs

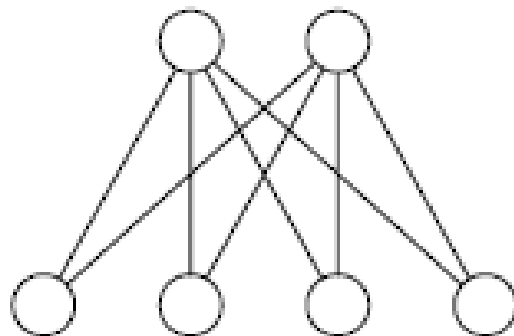
- H. S. Seung, Pattern analysis and synthesis in attractor neural networks

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 + x_1 &= W_{12}x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 + x_2 &= W_{21}x_1.\end{aligned}$$

Analysis



Synthesis



$x_2$  (hidden)

$x_1$  (visible)



# Attractor RNNs

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$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 + x_1 &= W_{12}x_2 & W_{21}W_{12} &= I \\ \dot{x}_2 + x_2 &= W_{21}x_1 & W_{12} &= W_{21}^T \end{aligned}$$

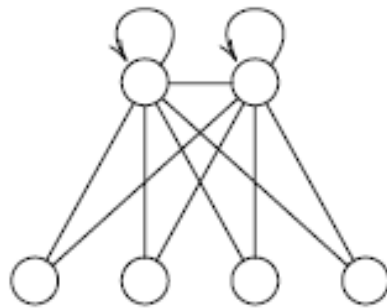
$$\begin{aligned} E &= \frac{1}{2}|x_1|^2 + \frac{1}{2}|x_2|^2 - x_1^T W_{12}x_2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}|x_1 - W_{12}x_2|^2 \end{aligned}$$

**Memory** The set of zero energy states

$$Z = \{(x_1, x_2) : x_1 = W_{12}x_2\}$$



# Attractor RNNs



$x_2$  (hidden)

$$\dot{x}_1 + x_1 = [W_{12}x_2]^+ ,$$

$$\dot{x}_2 + x_2 = [W_{21}x_1 + W_{22}x_2]^+ .$$

$x_1$  (visible)

$$W_{12} = W_{21}^T ,$$

$$W_{12} \geq 0 ,$$

$$W_{22} = I - W_{21}W_{12} .$$

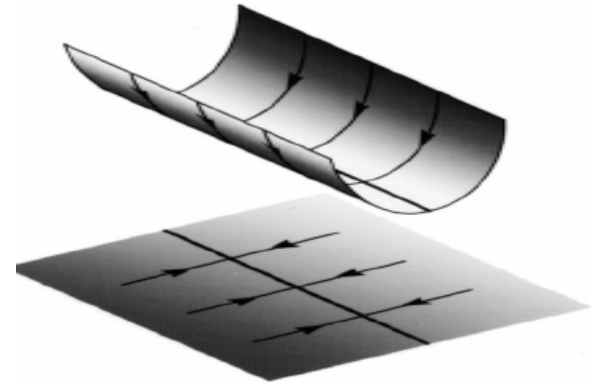
$$E = \frac{1}{2} |x_1 - W_{12}x_2|^2$$

**Memory** The  $n_2$ -dimensional linear manifold

$$Z^+ = \{(x_1, x_2) : x_2 \geq 0, x_1 = W_{12}x_2\}$$

# Continuous Attractors

$$\tau \frac{dx_i(t)}{dt} + x_i(t) = f \left( \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} x_j + b_i \right)$$

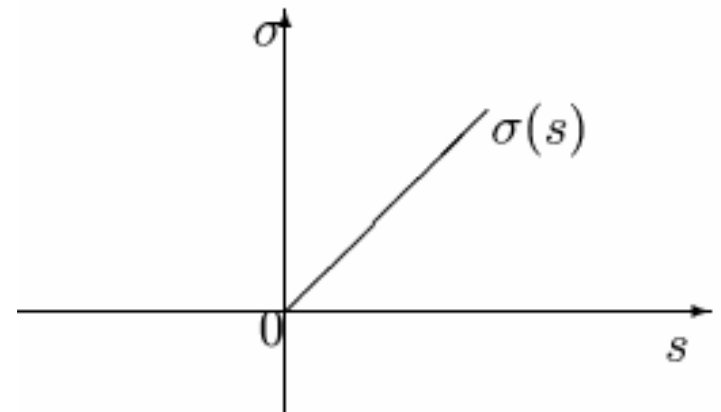


- Seung 1998 propose two important theoretical questions:
  - First, is it possible to implement continuous attractors in nonlinear networks?
  - Second, can nonlinearity make continuous attractors more robust?

# Multistability in Nonlinear RNNs

- Zhang Yi, K. K. Tan and T. H. Lee, Multistability analysis for recurrent neural networks with unsaturating piecewise linear transfer functions, *Neural Computation*, vol. 15, no. 3, pp. 639-662, 2003.
  - A global attractive compact set exist.
  - Conditions for calculating the attractive compact set are obtained.
  - Each trajectory converge – complete stable.

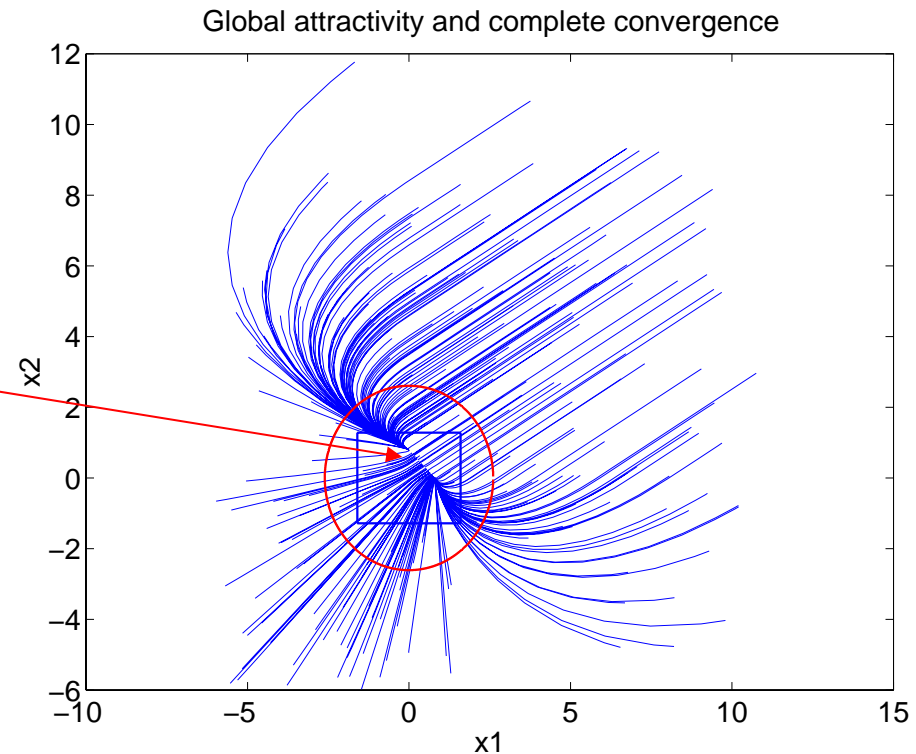
$$\dot{x}(t) = -x(t) + W\sigma(x(t)) + h$$



# Continuous Attractors

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -0.6 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma(x_1(t)) \\ \sigma(x_2(t)) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 \\ 0.48 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Continuous Attractor**



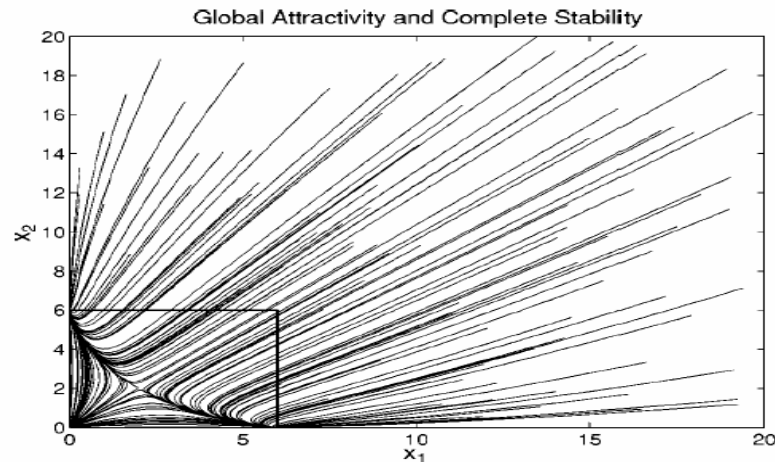
# Multistability of Lotka-Volterra RNNs

- Derived from conventional membrane dynamics of competing neurons.
- Successful applications in many “winner-take-all” types of problems.

$$\dot{x}_i(t) = x_i(t) \left[ h_i - x_i(t) + \sum_{j=1}^n \{a_{ij}x_j(t) + b_{ij}x_j[t - \tau_{ij}(t)]\} \right]$$

$(i = 1, \dots, n)$

# Multistability of Lotka-Volterra RNNs

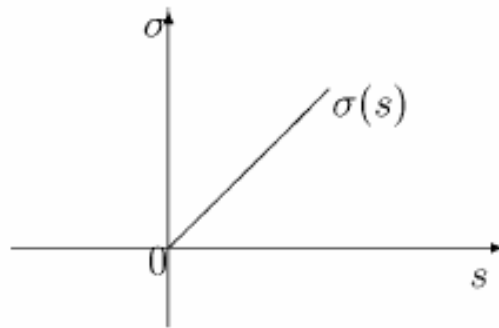


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- Z. Yi and K. K. Tan, Dynamic stability conditions for Lotka-Volterra recurrent neural networks with delays, *Physical Review E*, 66, 011910 (2002).

# Multistability of Discrete RNNs

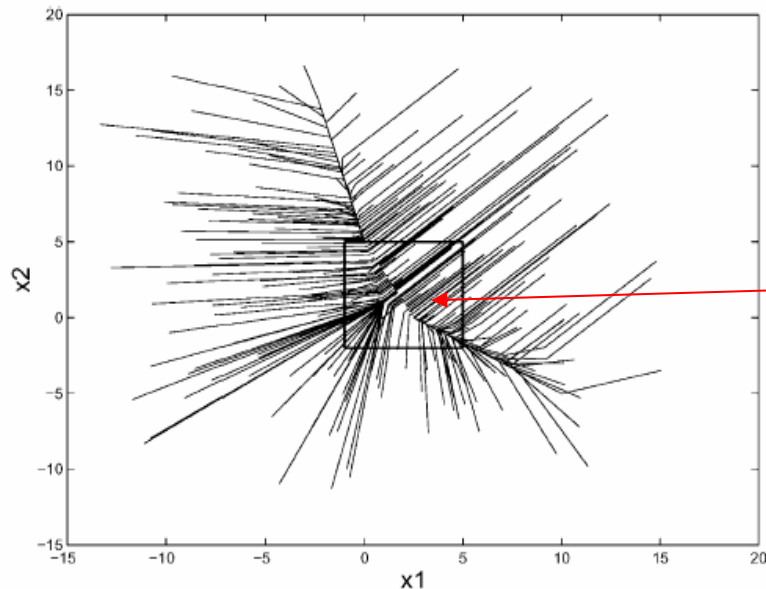
$$x_i(k+1) = \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} \sigma(x_j(k)) + h_i, \quad (i = 1, \dots, n)$$

$$x(k+1) = W\sigma(x(k)) + h$$



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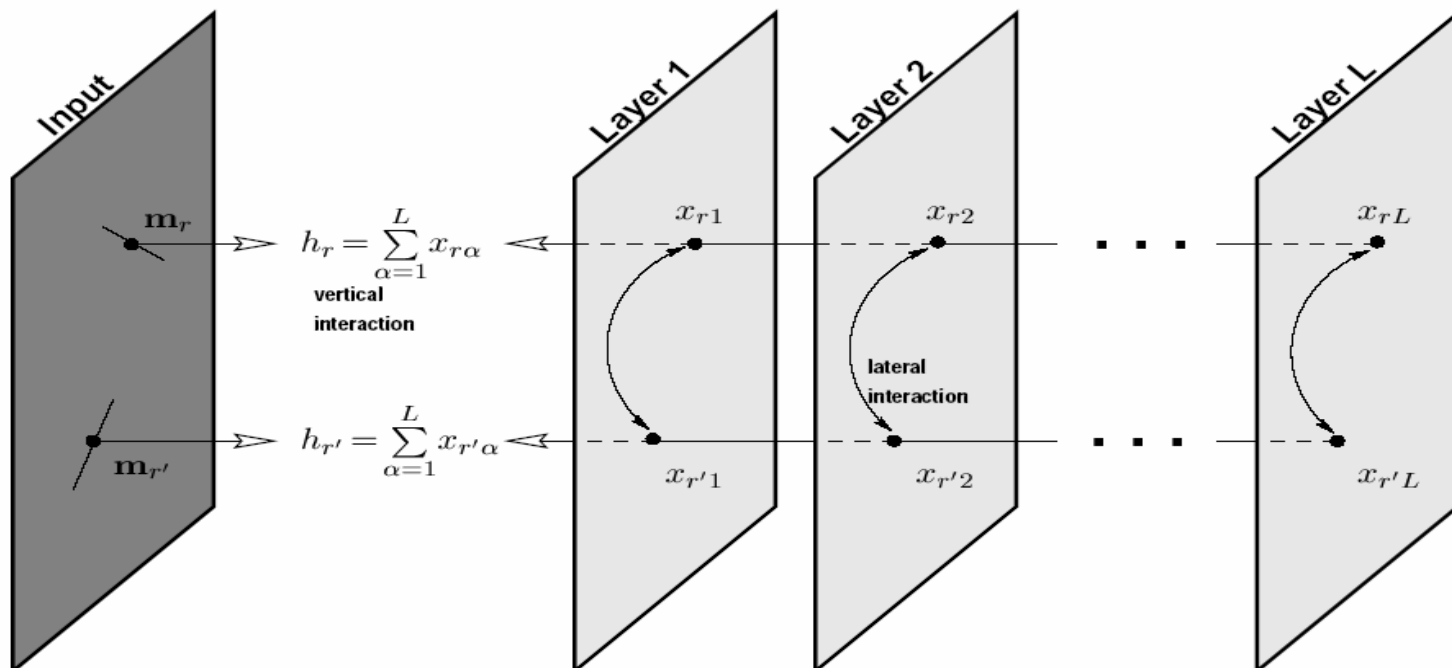


**Continuous Attractor**



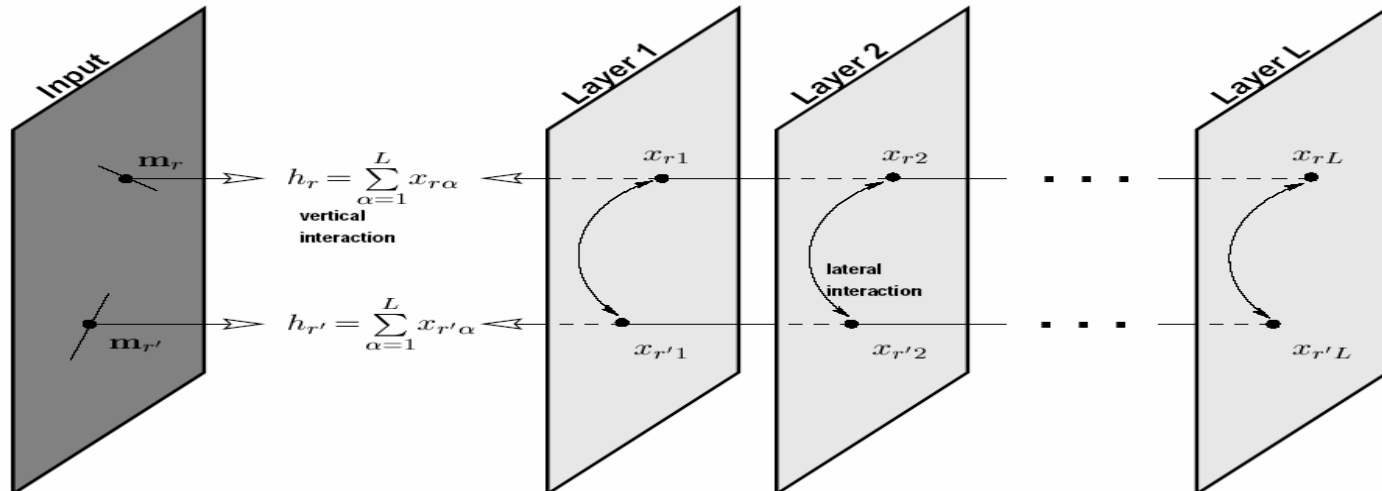
# Multistability in CLM

## Competitive Layer Model



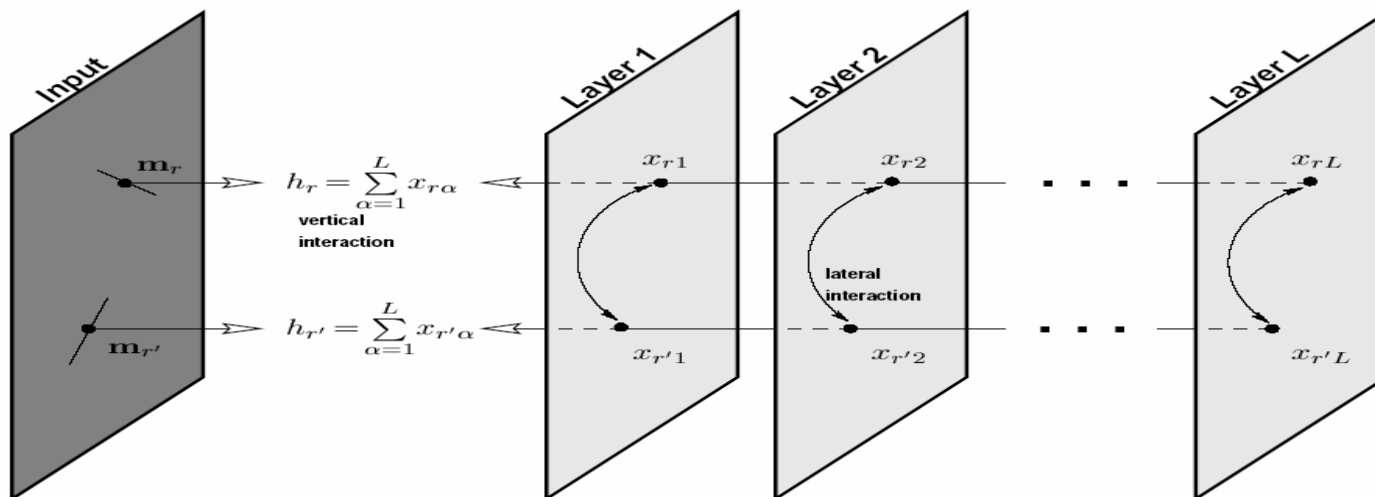
# Competitive Layer Model

$$E = \frac{J_1}{2} \sum_r \left( \sum_{\alpha=1}^L x_{r\alpha} - h_r \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^L \sum_{rr'} f_{rr'} x_{r\alpha} x_{r'\alpha}$$



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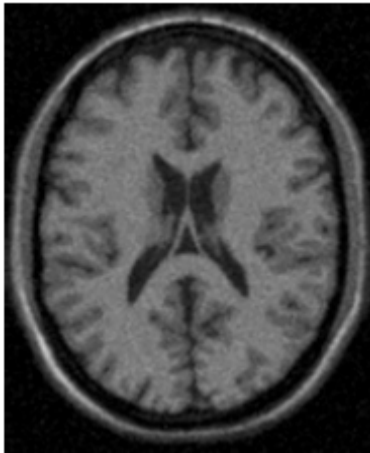
$$\begin{cases} x_p^l(k+1) = \alpha \left[ \sum_{p'=1}^P a_{pp'}^l v_{p'}^l(k) - \sum_{l'=1}^L b_p^{ll'} v_p^{l'}(k) + h_p^l \right] \\ v_p^l(k) = \sigma(x_p^l(k)), \end{cases}$$



# Medical Image Segmentation

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- Medical Image Segmentation



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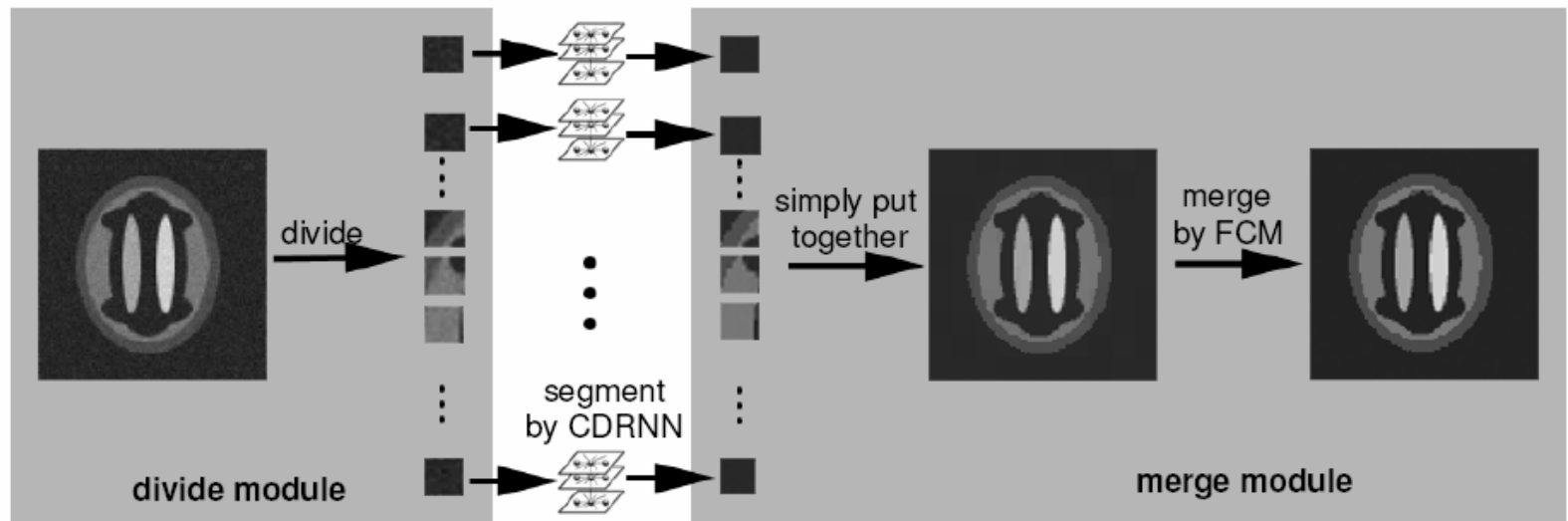


Fig. 3. Divide and merge system architecture.

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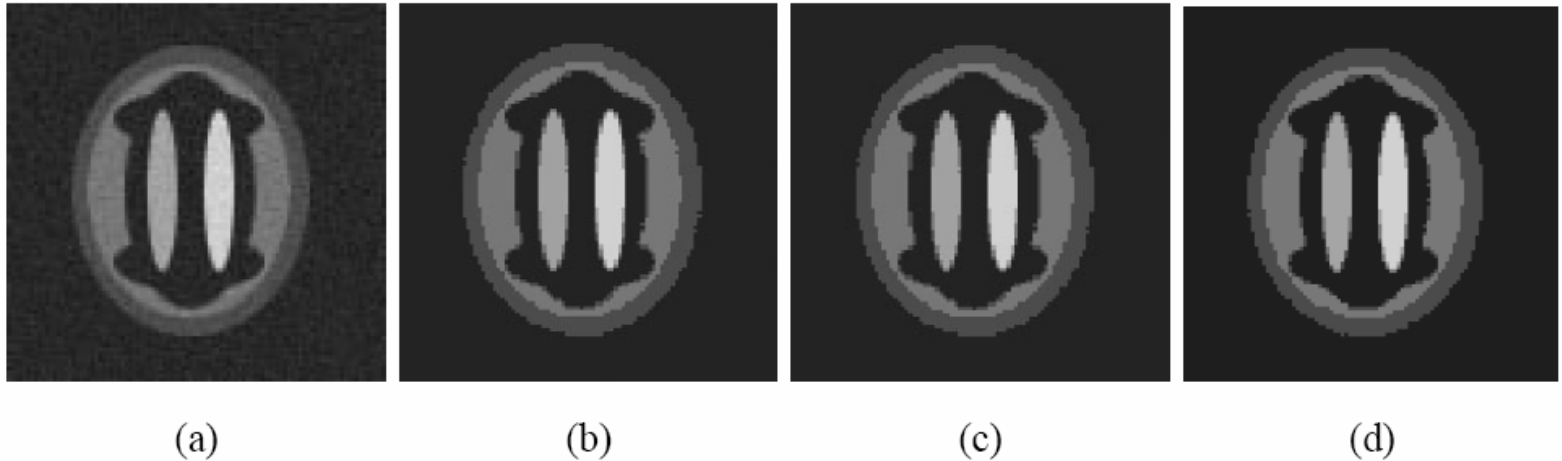


Fig. 7. (a) The original image with noise of 2%. (b), (c) and (d) are the segmentation results from FCM, CHNN and CDRNN, respectively. Due to the low noise level, all the three methods segmented the given image correctly.

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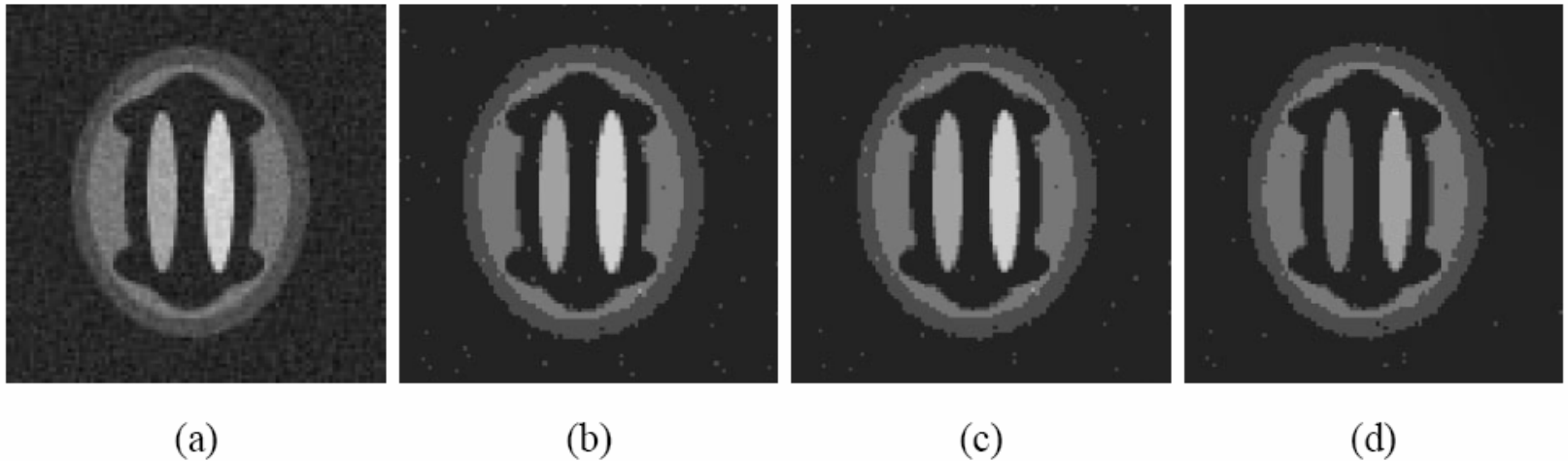


Fig. 8. (a) The original image with noise of 3%. (b), (c) and (d) are the segmentation results form FCM, CHNN and CDRNN, respectively. The three results are almost the same except for a little difference of the amount of isolated fragments.

# Medical Image Segmentation

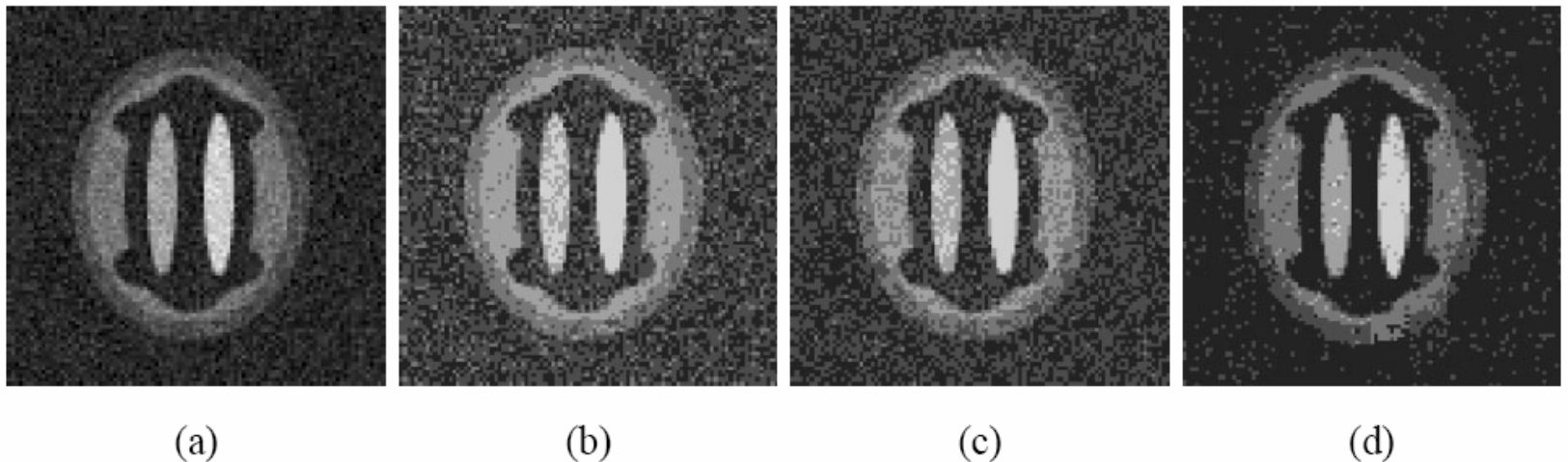


Fig. 9. (a) The original image with heavy noise of 6%. (b), (c) and (d) are the segmentation results from FCM, CHNN and CDRNN, respectively. The proposed CDRNN method is obviously more accurate in image segmentation than the other two methods.



# Medical Image Segmentation

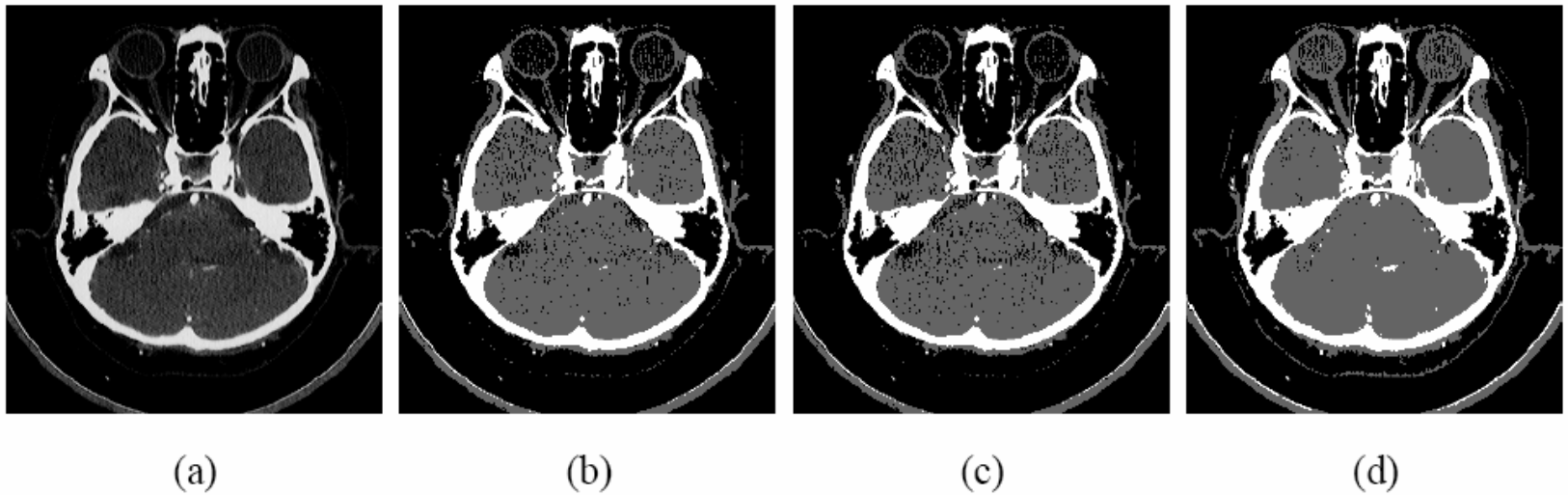
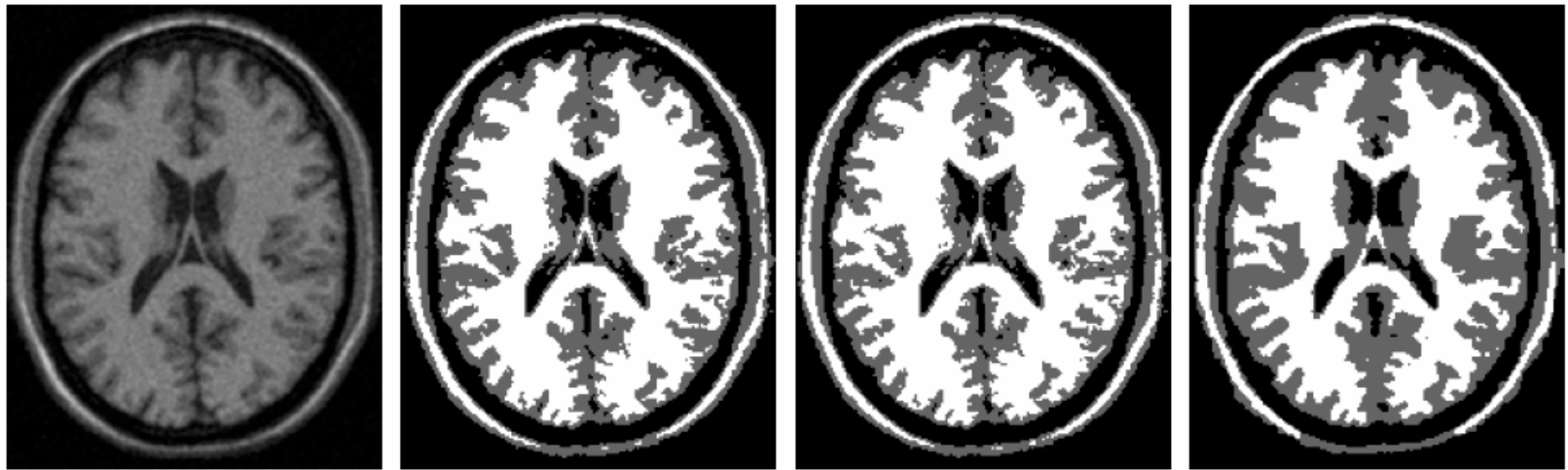


Fig. 11. (a) The original CT image. (b), (c) and (d) are the segmentation results by FCM, CHNN and CDRNN, respectively.

# Medical Image Segmentation



(a)

(b)

(c)

(d)

Fig. 12. (a) The original MRI brain image. (b), (c) and (d) are the segmentation results by FCM, CHNN and CDRNN, respectively.



# Multistability in Learning Algorithms

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- A learning algorithm has many equilibrium points.
- Convergence study requires multistability analysis.
- Derive conditions for a learning algorithm to converge to a particular equilibrium point.

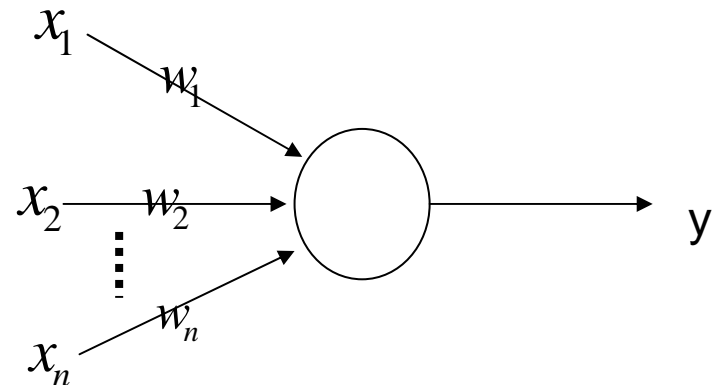
# Oja's PCA Learning Algorithm

$$y(k) = w^T(k)x(k), \quad (k = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

$$w(k+1) = w(k) + \eta y(k) [x(k) - y(k)w(k)]$$

## ■ Convergence Analysis

- DCT method
- DDT method



# Oja's PCA Learning Algorithm

*Theorem 2:* Given any constant  $l$  such that  $1 \leq l \leq 2$ , if

$$\eta\sigma \leq \frac{3\sqrt[3]{2l} - 2}{2}$$

then, the set

$$S(l) = \left\{ w \mid w \in R^n, w^T C w \leq \lambda_p + \frac{l}{\eta} \right\}$$

is an invariant set of (2).

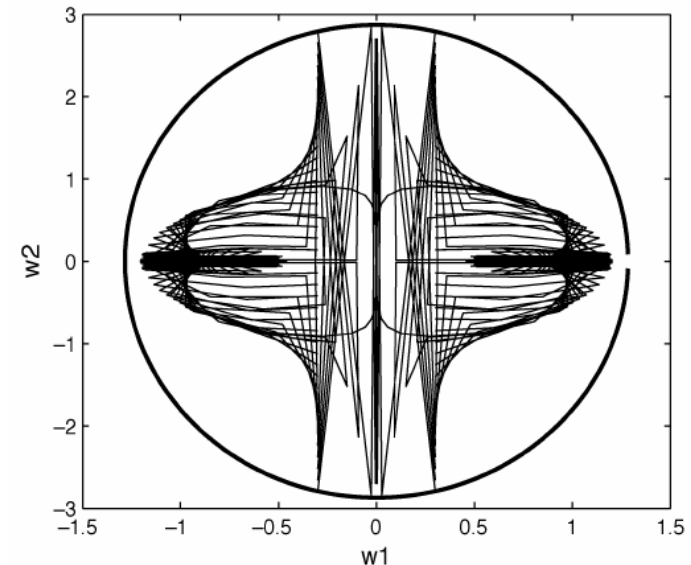


Fig. 1. Invariance of  $S(2)$ . 80 trajectories starting from points in  $S(2)$  remain in  $S(2)$ .

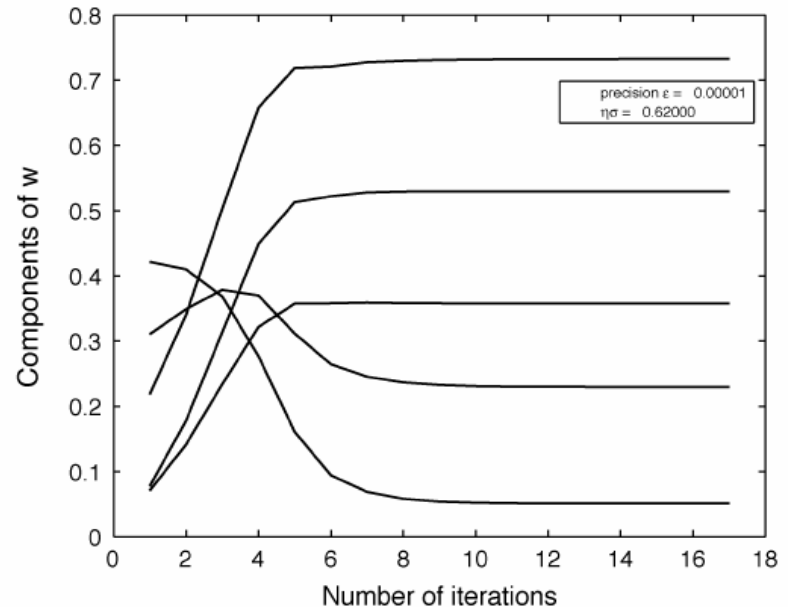
- Zhang Yi, etc., Convergence analysis of a deterministic discrete time system of Oja's PCA learning algorithm, *IEEE Trans. Neural Networks*, vol. 16, no. 6, pp. 1318-1328.

# Convergence of Oja's PCA Learning Algorithm

*Theorem 3:* Suppose that

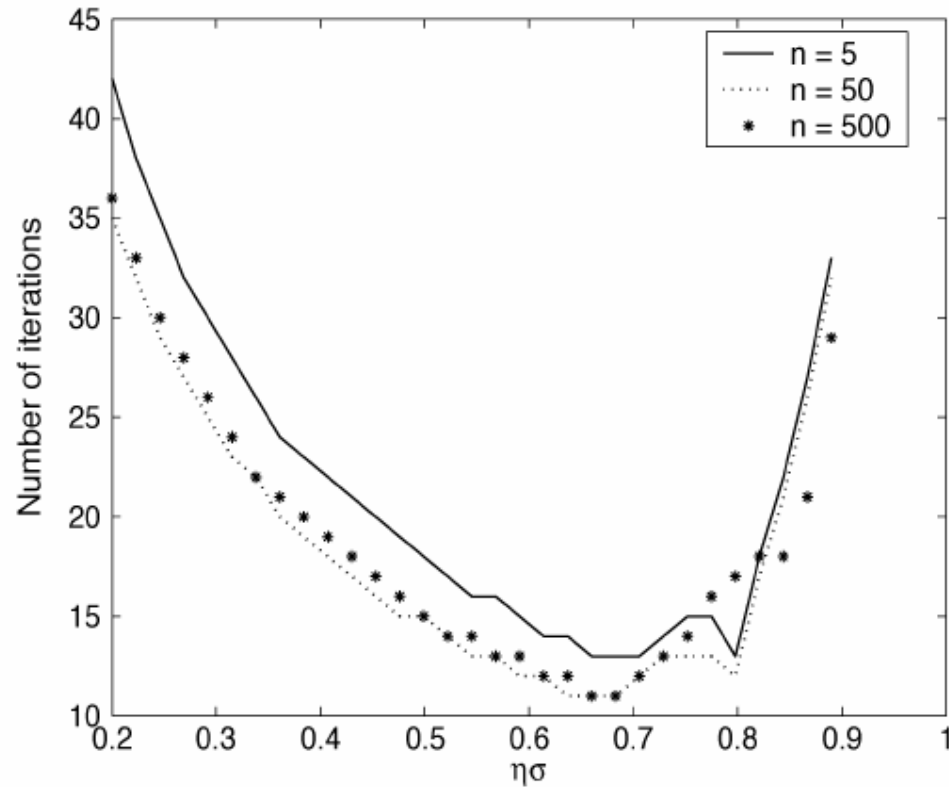
$$\eta\sigma \leq \frac{3\sqrt[3]{2} - 2}{2} \approx 0.8899$$

if  $w(0)$  and  $w(0) \notin V_\sigma^\perp$ , then the trajectory of (2) starting from  $w(0)$  will converge to a unit eigenvector associated with the largest eigenvalue of the correlation matrix  $C$ .



# Convergence of Oja's PCA Learning Algorithm

$\eta\sigma \approx 0.618$ .





# Books on Multistability

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- H. J. Tang, K. C. Tan and Zhang Yi, *Neural Networks: Computational Models and Applications*, Springer-Verlag, 2006.

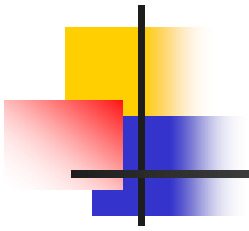




# Special Issue on Multistability

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- Special issue: Multistability in Dynamical Systems
- *International Journal of Bifurcation and Chaos*
- Submission deadline: January 1, 2007.
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  - Prof. Celso Grebogi



Thanks!