## Dynamic Systems

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- Beautiful models.
- Sometimes describes the real world.
- Solution of one problem can help with a completely different problem.

In the most general sense, a **dynamical system** is a tuple  $(T, M, \Phi)$  where T is a monoid, written additively, M is a set and  $\Phi$  is a function

$$\Phi : U \subset T \times M \rightarrow M$$

with

$$\begin{split} I(x) &= \{t \in T : (t, x) \in U\} \\ \Phi(0, x) &= x \\ \Phi(t_2, \Phi(t_1, x)) &= \Phi(t_1 + t_2, x), \text{for} \\ t_1, t_2, t_1 + t_2 \in I(x) \end{split}$$

## Dynamic System



- "Particle" has given "position and velocity" within time and space.
- Next "position and velocity" is fully determined by the current state.
- A crone is mixing honey.

## Properties



- Orbit complete path of a particle through the space.
- Attractor point or path in the space where particles converge and are "trapped".
- Point attractors, cycle attractors, strange attractors.
- Chaotic system small difference in initial conditions results in huge differences as time passes.

## Practice

- Physics Weather, fluids, circuits, gravitation, ...
- Biology Population sizes, neuron potentials, stem cells.
- Cellular automatons e.g. game of life.
- Fractals





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