



# Self-Information transfer in maps



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The concept of transfer entropy is best understood within the context of information theory. Information is any event that can change the state of a system. The general idea is to optimally encode messages such that they can be transmitted more quickly. The quantify the information that can be calculated from a specific sequence of transmitted symbols [1]. Based on the measure of information transfer between two variables, we define the self-information transfer for time series of maps. This quantity can characterize periodic orbits.

## Time-Series for Maps

We consider the time series generated by a map, such as the logistic function.

**Logistic Map:**

$$x_{n+1} = rx_n(1 - x_n) \quad (1)$$

We consider a time series for a given parameter value, and the one-step delayed corresponding time series:

**The series:**

$$\begin{aligned} I: \{x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}\} \\ J: \{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n\} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

The time series can be transformed into symbolic dynamics:

$$x_n \leq 0.5 \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{and} \quad x_n \geq 0.5 \rightarrow 1 \quad (3)$$

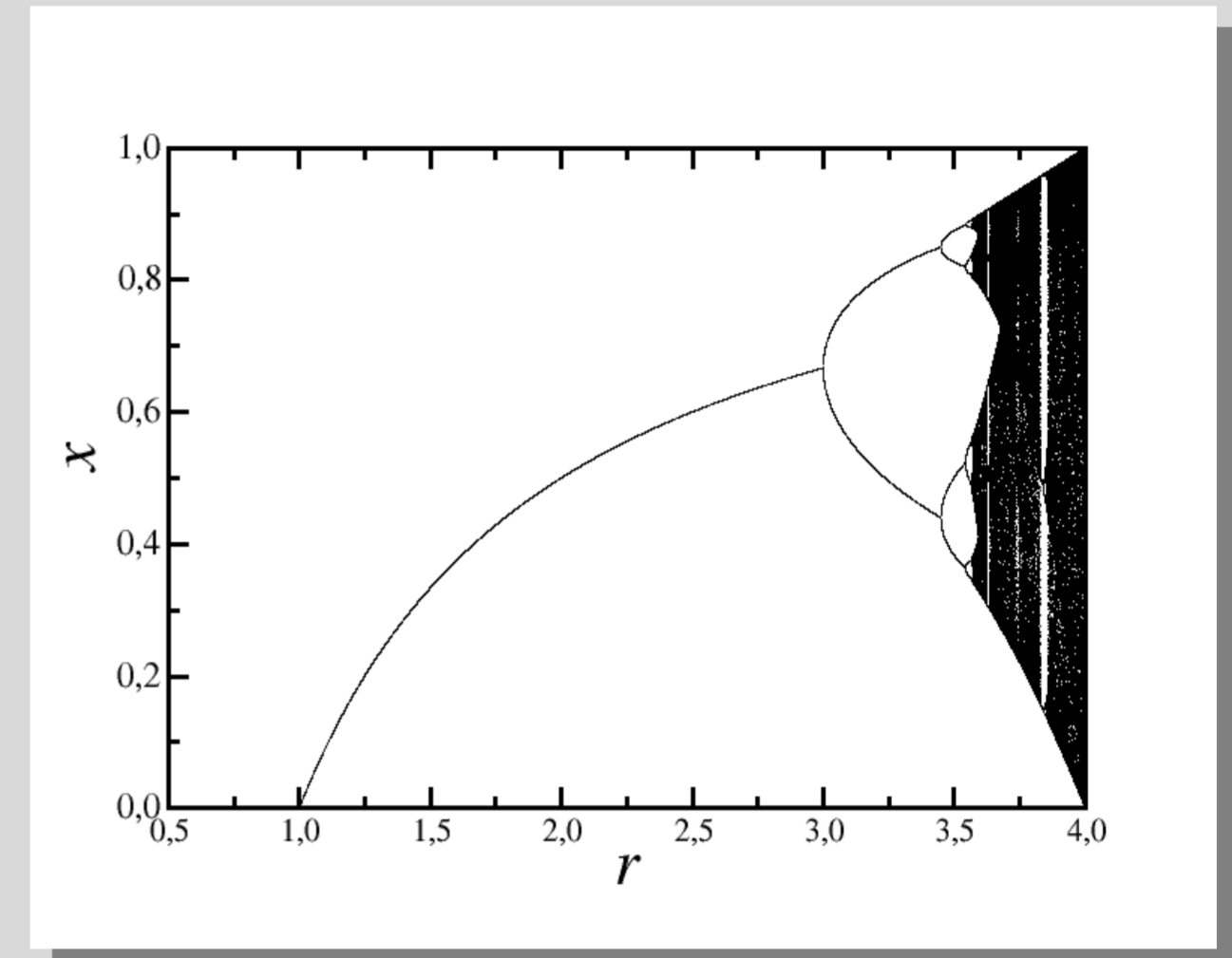


Fig 1. Bifurcation diagram for the logistic map.

## Time-Series for Maps

The information flow between two variables  $y$  and  $x$  can be characterized by the measure of information transfer introduced by Shreiber [1]

**Transfer Information:**

$$T_{y \rightarrow x} = \sum_{x_{n+1}, x_n, y_n} p(x_{n+1}, x_n, y_n) \log \left( \frac{p(x_{n+1}, x_n, y_n) p(x_n)}{p(x_n, y_n) p(x_{n+1}, x_n)} \right) \quad (4)$$

We define the Self-Information Transfer:

**Self -Information Transfer:**

$$T_{x_{n-1} \rightarrow x_n} = \sum_{x_{n+1}, x_n, x_{n-1}} p(x_{n+1}, x_n, x_{n-1}) \log \left( \frac{p(x_{n+1}, x_n, x_{n-1}) p(x_n)}{p(x_n, x_{n-1}) p(x_{n+1}, x_n)} \right) \quad (5)$$

## Results

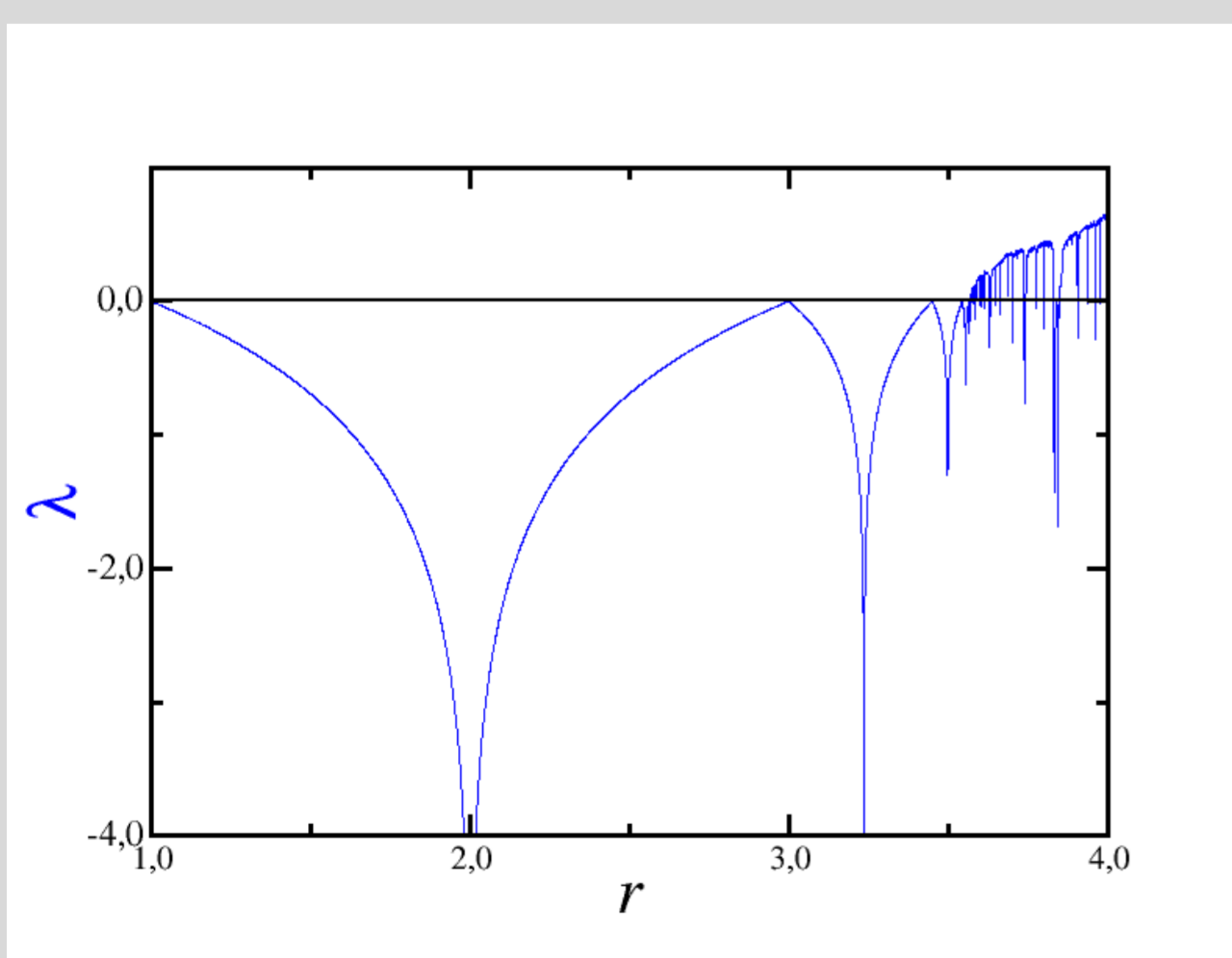


Fig 2. Lyapunov exponent for the logistic map vs.  $R$ .

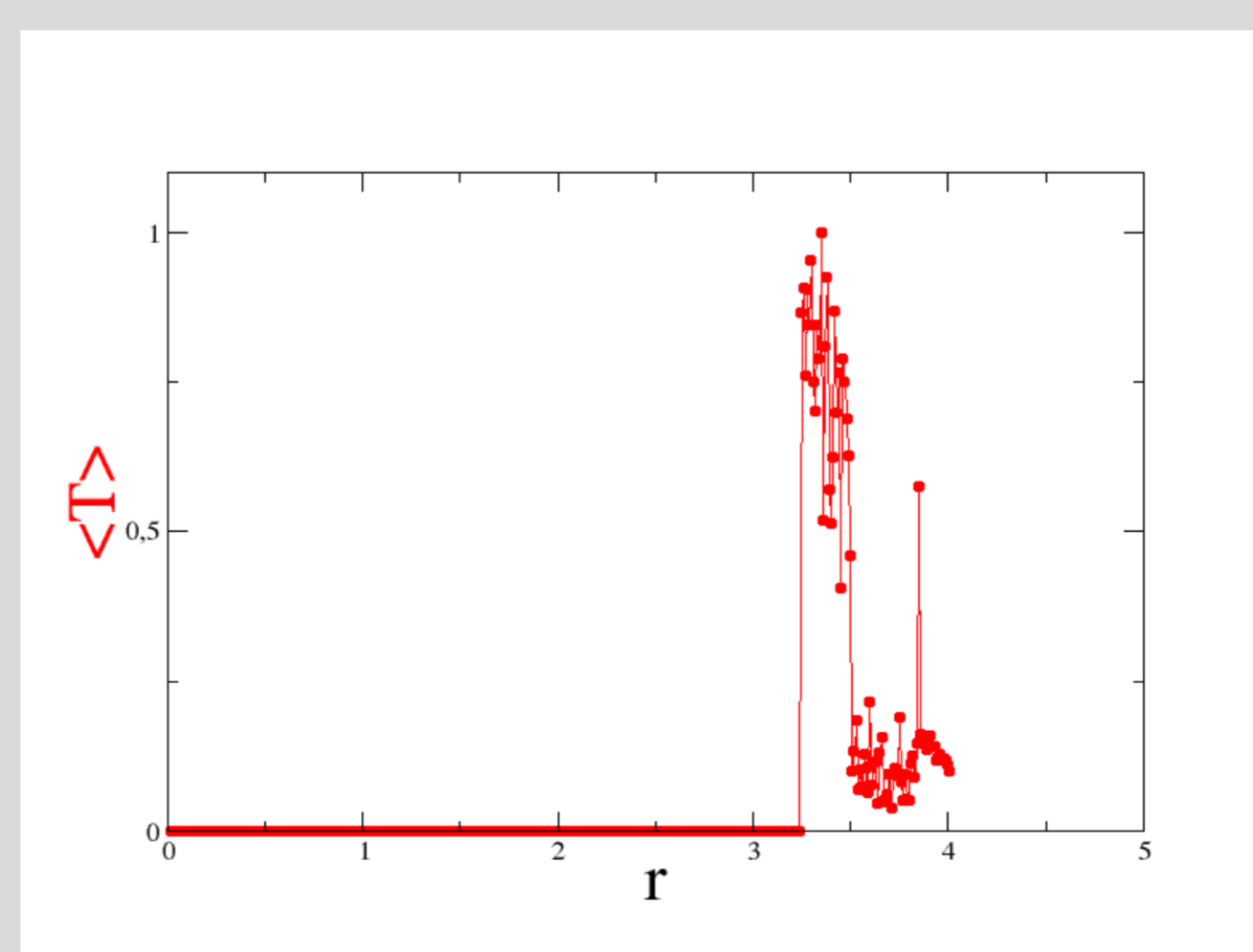


Fig 3. Averaged Self-Information Transfer  $T_{x_{n-1} \rightarrow x_n}$  as a function of  $r$ .

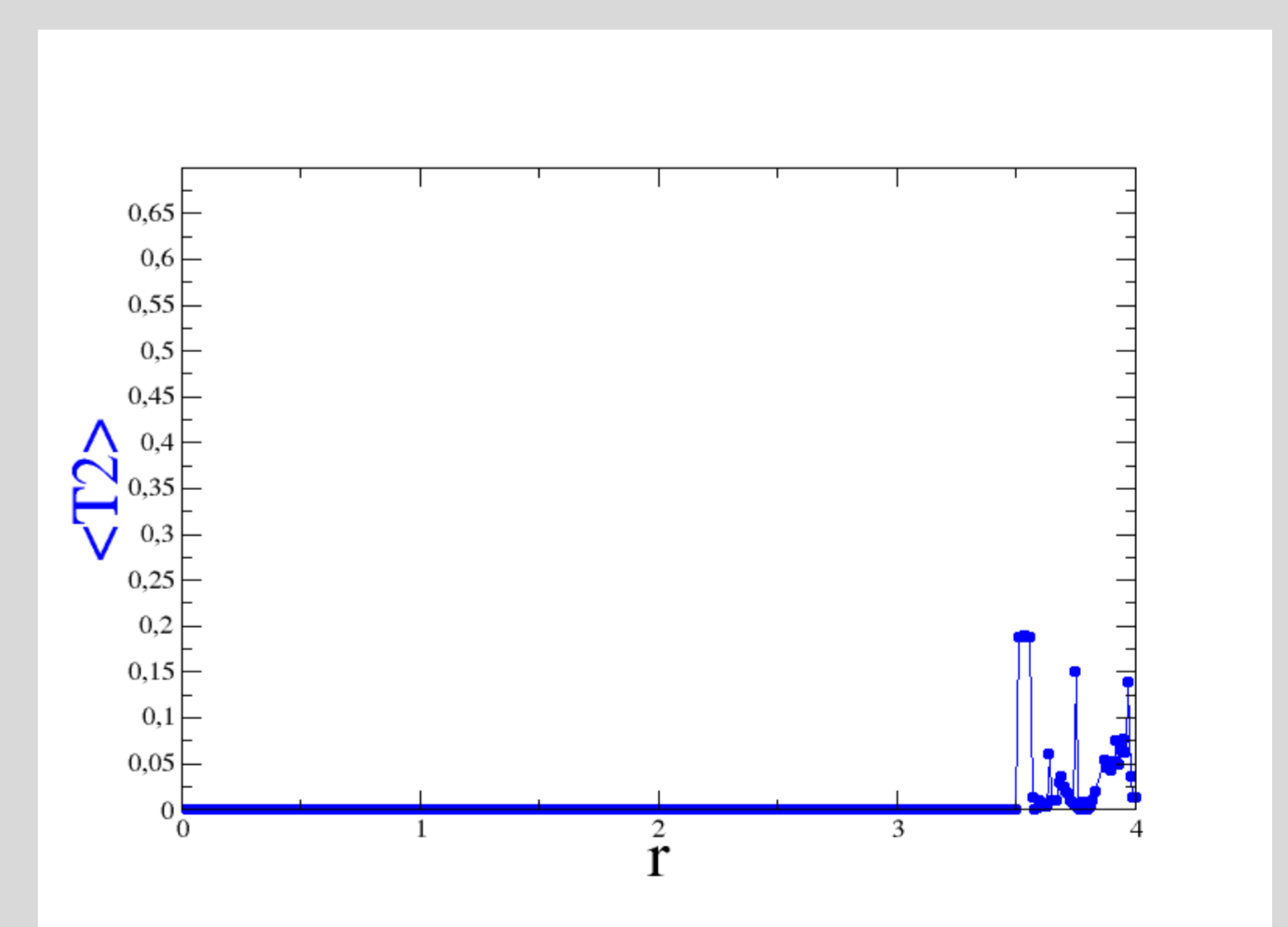


Fig 4. Averaged Self-Information Transfer  $T_{x_n \rightarrow x_{n-1}}$  as a function of  $r$ .

## Conclusions

-Self-Information Transfer is maximum when the system is in a periodic orbit.

## References

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