

# Pullback attractors to analyze the effect of random disturbances in the chemostat model

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1 Introduction

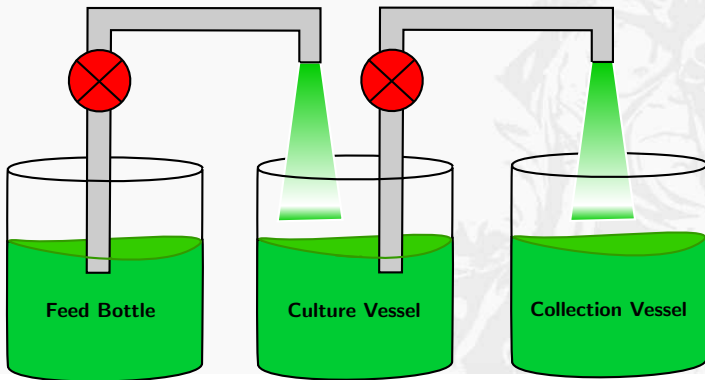
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# What is a chemostat?

- **Laboratory device** used for growing microorganisms in a cultured environment
- **Standard assumptions** for simple chemostats:
  - **Availability** of nutrient and its supply rate are both fixed
  - **Wall growth** is not taken into account



# What is a chemostat?

- However...

**VERY STRONG RESTRICTIONS!**

since


- real world is non-autonomous and **STOCHASTIC**
  - more realistic situation: **WALL GROWTH**
- It encourages us to study

**STOCHASTIC CHEMOSTATS  
WITH WALL GROWTH**

# Importance of chemostat models



- 1 They play an important role in *ecological studies*
- 2 They are used as models of *wastewater treatment processes*
- 3 They can be considered as starting point for other several models:
  - Problems of genetically altered organisms
  - Antibiotic production models
  - Fermentation models: **WINE**, **BEER**...!!!!!!

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# The simplest chemostat model

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = (S^0 - S)D - \frac{mSx}{a + S},$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -Dx + \frac{mSx}{a + S},$$

where

- $S(t)$  : concentration of the nutrient
- $x(t)$  : concentration of the microbial biomass
- $S^0 > 0$  : input concentration
- $a > 0$  : half-saturation constant
- $D > 0$  : dilution rate
- $m > 0$  : maximal consumption rate of the nutrient and maximal specific growth rate of microorganisms

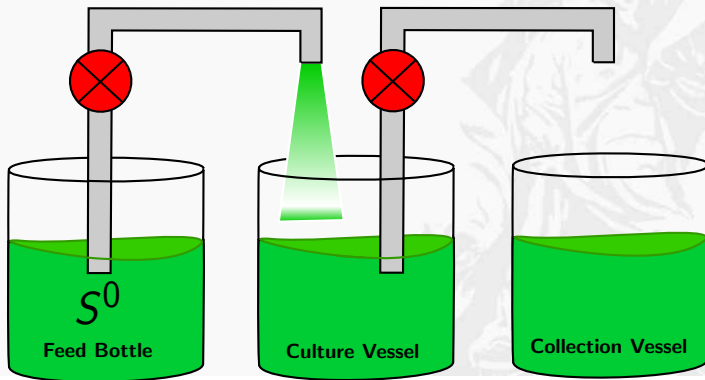
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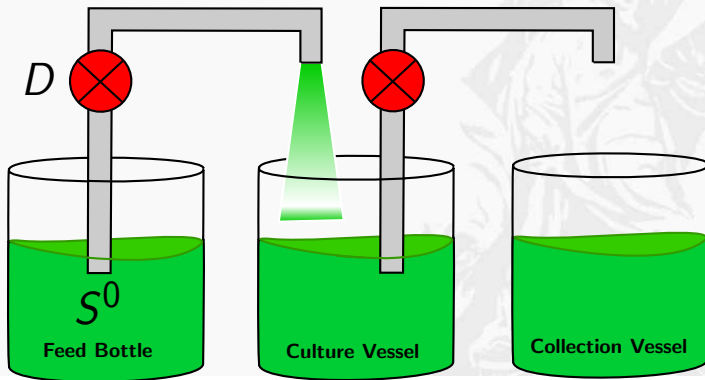
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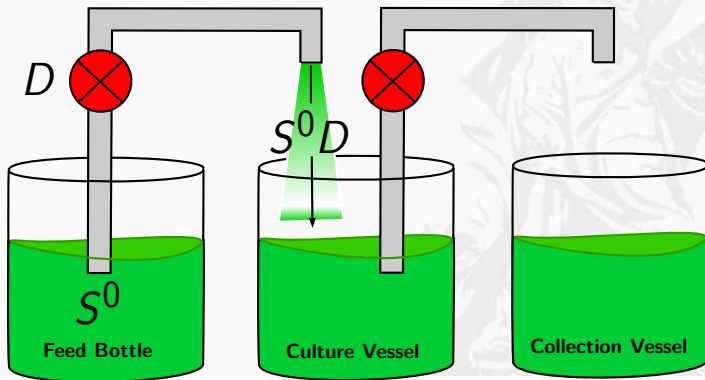
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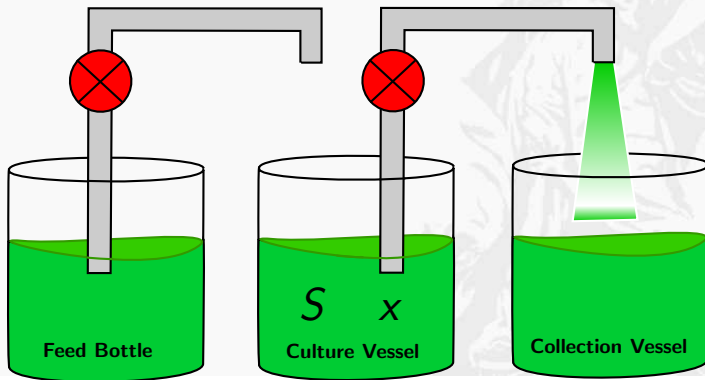
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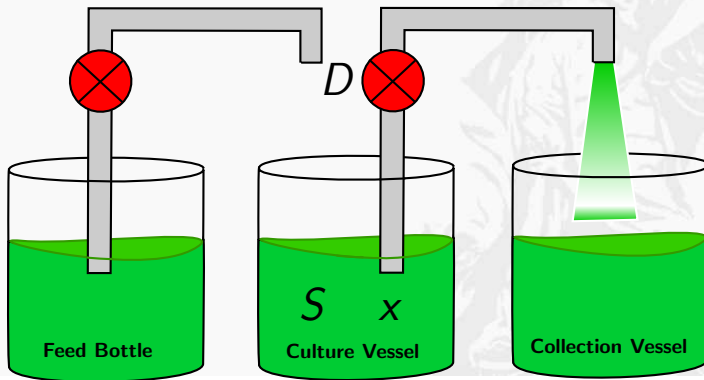
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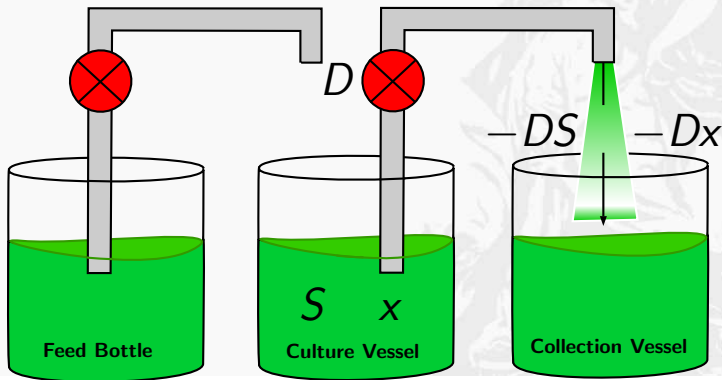
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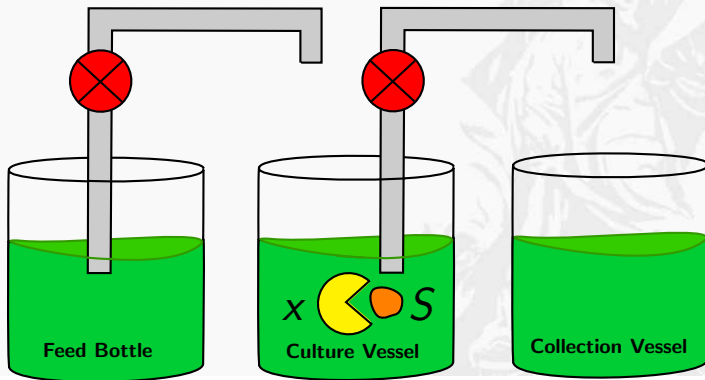
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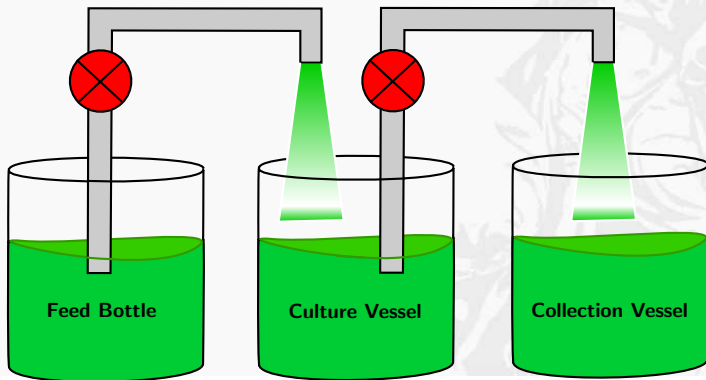
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# Chemostat with wall growth

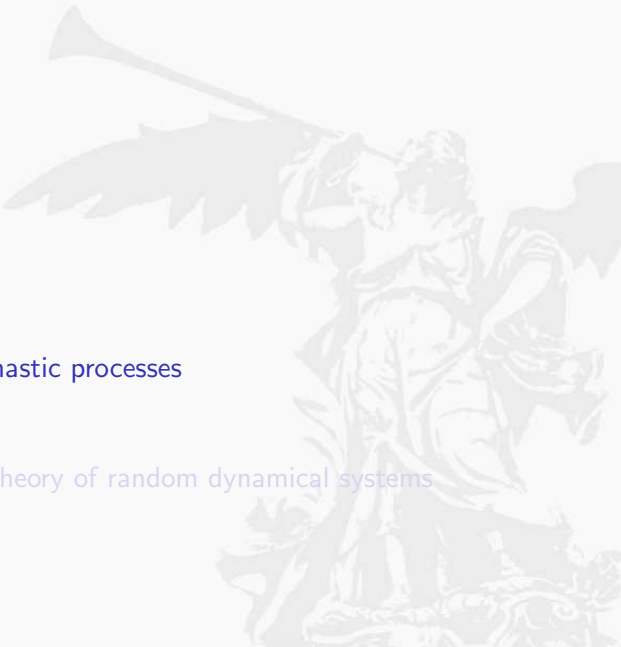
$$\frac{dS}{dt} = D(S^0 - S) - \frac{mS}{a+S}x_1 - \frac{mS}{a+S}x_2 + b\nu x_1,$$

$$\frac{dx_1}{dt} = -(\nu + D)x_1 + c\frac{S}{a+S}x_1 - r_1x_1 + r_2x_2,$$

$$\frac{dx_2}{dt} = -\nu x_2 + c\frac{S}{a+S}x_2 + r_1x_1 - r_2x_2$$

- $S(t), x_1(t), x_2(t)$  : concentrations of the nutrient and the two different microorganisms
- $b \in (0, 1)$  : fraction of dead biomass which is recycled
- $\nu > 0$  : collective death rate coefficient
- $r_1, r_2 > 0$  : rates at which the species stick on to and shear off the walls, respectively
- $0 < c \leq m$  : growth rate coefficient of the consumer species



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## Definition

A *standard Wiener process* is a family of random variables  $W(t)(\cdot) : \omega \in \Omega \mapsto W(t)(\omega) \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , s.t.  $\mathbb{P}$ -almost surely

- $W(0)=0$
- continuous (but NOT bounded variation) paths:  
 $t \in \mathbb{R}^+ \mapsto W(t)(\omega) \in \mathbb{R}$
- independent increments: for  $0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n$ ,  
 $W(t_1), W(t_2) - W(t_1), \dots, W(t_n) - W(t_{n-1})$  are independent random variables
- stationarity: joint distribution of  $\{W(t_1 + t), \dots, W(t_k + t)\}$  does NOT depend on  $t$
- $W(t) - W(s)$ ,  $0 \leq s \leq t$ , is a Gaussian variable with mean 0 and variance  $t - s$

# The Wiener process

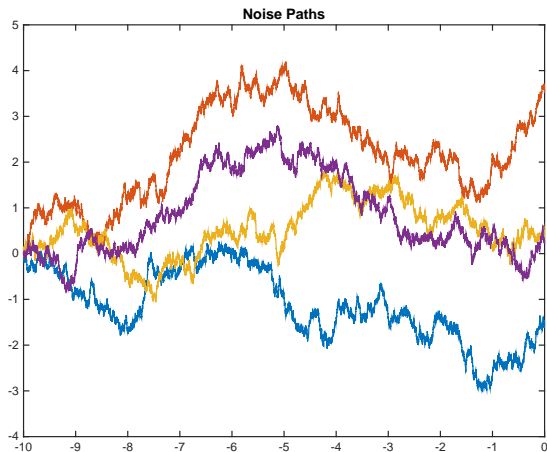


Figure: Realizations of the standard Wiener process

# The Wiener process

- $W$ : Wiener process
- *Kolmogorov's theorem* ensures that  $W$  has a continuous version,  $\omega$ , whose canonical interpretation is:
  - $\Omega := \{\omega \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) : \omega(0) = 0\}$
  - $\mathcal{F}$ : Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $\Omega$
  - $\mathbb{P}$ : Wiener measure on  $\mathcal{F}$
- We consider the Wiener shift flow

$$\theta_t \omega(\cdot) = \omega(\cdot + t) - \omega(t), t \in \mathbb{R},$$

then  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}, \{\theta_t\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}})$  is a *metric dynamical system*


# The Ornstein-Uhlenbeck (OU) process

- The OU process on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}, \{\theta_t\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}})$  is defined as

$$z^*(\theta_t \omega) = - \int_{-\infty}^0 e^s \theta_t \omega(s) ds, t \in \mathbb{R}, \omega \in \Omega,$$

which solves the Langevin equation

$$dz + zdt = d\omega(t), t \in \mathbb{R} \quad (1)$$

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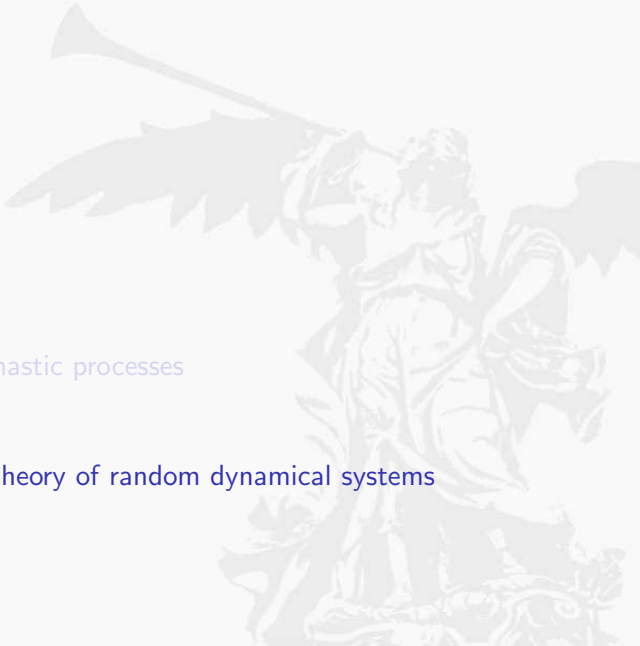
# The Ornstein-Uhlenbeck (OU) process

Proposition [T. Caraballo, P. E. Kloeden and B. Schmalfuß, 2004]

There exists a  $\theta_t$ -invariant set  $\tilde{\Omega} \in \mathcal{F}$  of  $\Omega$  of full  $\mathbb{P}$  measure such that for  $\omega \in \tilde{\Omega}$ , we have

- (i) the random variable  $|z^*(\omega)|$  is tempered.
- (ii) the mapping  $(t, \omega) \rightarrow z^*(\theta_t \omega) = - \int_{-\infty}^0 e^s \omega(t+s) ds + \omega(t)$  is a stationary solution of (1) with continuous trajectories;
- (iii) in addition, for any  $\omega \in \tilde{\Omega}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{|z^*(\theta_t \omega)|}{t} &= 0; \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t z^*(\theta_s \omega) ds &= 0; \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t |z^*(\theta_s \omega)| ds &= \mathbb{E}[z^*] < \infty.\end{aligned}$$

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# Random dynamical systems (RDSs)

$(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$  separable Banach space

## Definition

An RDS on  $X$  consists of two ingredients: (a) a metric dynamical system  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}, \{\theta_t\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}})$ , where  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$  is a probability space and the family of mappings  $\theta_t : \Omega \rightarrow \Omega$  satisfies

- (1)  $\theta_0 = \text{Id}_\Omega$ ,
- (2)  $\theta_s \circ \theta_t = \theta_{s+t}$  for all  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,
- (3) the mapping  $(t, \omega) \mapsto \theta_t \omega$  is measurable,
- (4) the probability measure  $\mathbb{P}$  is preserved by  $\theta_t$ , i.e.,  $\theta_t \mathbb{P} = \mathbb{P}$

and (b) a mapping  $\varphi : [0, \infty) \times \Omega \times X \rightarrow X$  which is

$(\mathcal{B}[0, \infty) \times \mathcal{F} \times \mathcal{B}(X), \mathcal{B}(X))$ -measurable, such that for each  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,

- (i) mapping  $\varphi(t, \omega) : X \rightarrow X$ ,  $x \mapsto \varphi(t, \omega)x$  is cont. for every  $t \geq 0$ ,
- (ii)  $\varphi(0, \omega)$  is the identity operator on  $X$ ,
- (iii) (cocycle property)  $\varphi(t + s, \omega) = \varphi(t, \theta_s \omega) \varphi(s, \omega)$  for all  $s, t \geq 0$ .



# Random dynamical systems (RDSs)

## Definition

A *random set*  $K$  is a measurable subset of  $X \times \Omega$  w.r.t.  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{B}(X) \times \mathcal{F}$ . Moreover  $K$  will be said a closed (compact) random set if  $K(\omega) = \{x : (x, \omega) \in K\}$ ,  $\omega \in \Omega$ , is closed (compact) for  $\mathbb{P}$ -a.e.  $\omega \in \Omega$ .

## Definition

A bounded random set  $K(\omega) \subset X$  is said to be *tempered with respect to*  $\{\theta_t\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$  if for a.e.  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{-\beta t} \sup_{x \in K(\theta_{-t}\omega)} \|x\|_X = 0, \quad \text{for all } \beta > 0;$$

a random variable  $\omega \mapsto r(\omega) \in \mathbb{R}$  is said to be *tempered with respect to*  $\{\theta_t\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$  if for a.e.  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{-\beta t} \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} |r(\theta_{-t}\omega)| = 0, \quad \text{for all } \beta > 0.$$

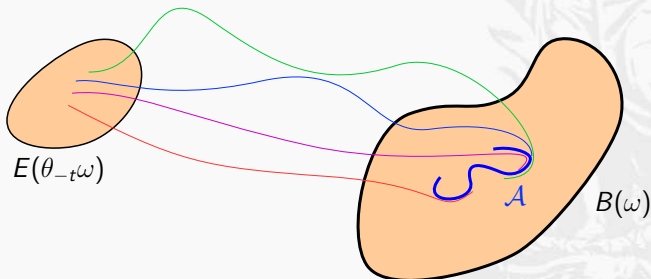
# Random dynamical systems (RDSs)

$\mathcal{E}(X)$ : set of all tempered random sets of  $X$

## Definition

A random set  $B(\omega) \subset X$  is called a *random absorbing set* in  $\mathcal{E}(X)$  if for any  $E \in \mathcal{E}(X)$  and a.e.  $\omega \in \Omega$ , there exists  $T_E(\omega) > 0$  such that

$$\varphi(t, \theta_{-t}\omega)E(\theta_{-t}\omega) \subset B(\omega), \quad \text{for all } t \geq T_E(\omega).$$



## Definition

Let  $\{\varphi(t, \omega)\}_{t \geq 0, \omega \in \Omega}$  be an RDS over  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}, \{\theta_t\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}})$  with state space  $X$  and let  $A(\omega) (\subset X)$  be a random set. Then  $\mathcal{A} = \{A(\omega)\}_{\omega \in \Omega}$  is called a *global random  $\mathcal{E}$ -attractor (or pullback  $\mathcal{E}$ -attractor)* for  $\{\varphi(t, \omega)\}_{t \geq 0, \omega \in \Omega}$  if

- (i) (compactness)  $A(\omega)$  is a compact set of  $X$  for any  $\omega \in \Omega$ ;
- (ii) (invariance) for any  $\omega \in \Omega$  and all  $t \geq 0$ , it holds

$$\varphi(t, \omega)A(\omega) = A(\theta_t \omega);$$

- (iii) (attracting property) for any  $E \in \mathcal{E}(X)$  and a.e.  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \text{dist}_X(\varphi(t, \theta_{-t} \omega)E(\theta_{-t} \omega), A(\omega)) = 0,$$

where  $\text{dist}_X(G, H) = \sup_{g \in G} \inf_{h \in H} \|g - h\|_X$  is the Hausdorff semi-metric for  $G, H \subseteq X$ .

# Random dynamical systems (RDSs)

## Proposition

Let  $B \in \mathcal{E}(X)$  be a closed absorbing set for the continuous RDS  $\{\varphi(t, \omega)\}_{t \geq 0, \omega \in \Omega}$  that satisfies the asymptotic compactness condition for a.e.  $\omega \in \Omega$ , i.e., each sequence  $x_n \in \varphi(t_n, \theta_{-t_n}\omega)B(\theta_{-t_n}\omega)$  has a convergent subsequence in  $X$  when  $t_n \rightarrow \infty$ . Then  $\varphi$  has a unique global random attractor  $\mathcal{A} = \{A(\omega)\}_{\omega \in \Omega}$  with component subsets

$$A(\omega) = \bigcap_{\tau \geq T_B(\omega)} \overline{\bigcup_{t \geq \tau} \varphi(t, \theta_{-t}\omega)B(\theta_{-t}\omega)}.$$

## Remark

The asymptotic compactness follows trivially if  $X = \mathbb{R}^d$  as in the current work

## Lemma

Let  $\varphi_u$  be an RDS on  $X$ . Suppose that the mapping  $\mathcal{T} : \Omega \times X \rightarrow X$  possesses the following properties: for fixed  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $\mathcal{T}(\omega, \cdot)$  is a homeomorphism on  $X$ , and for  $x \in X$ , the mappings  $\mathcal{T}(\cdot, x)$ ,  $\mathcal{T}^{-1}(\cdot, x)$  are measurable. Then the following mapping defines a (conjugated) RDS:

$$(t, \omega, x) \rightarrow \varphi_v(t, \omega)x := \mathcal{T}^{-1}(\theta_t \omega, \varphi_u(t, \omega)\mathcal{T}(\omega, x))$$



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# READY TO DEAL WITH STOCHASTIC CHEMOSTATS!

# Modeling stochastic perturbations

- Many different ways of modeling **randomness** and **stochasticity**

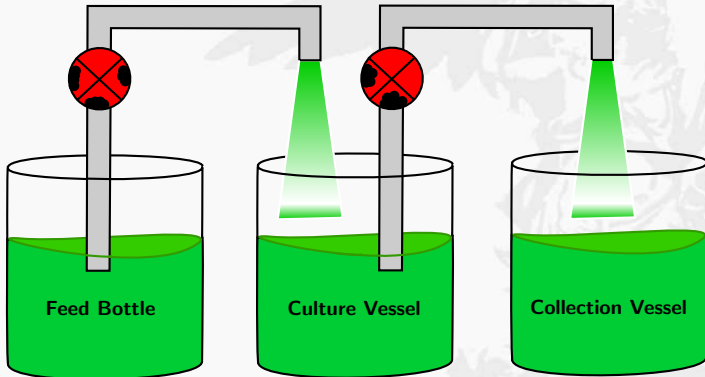
Some questions:

- What kind of stochastic perturbation can we introduce?
- How can we do it?
- Is it **realistic** from the biological point of view?
- And... Is it **tractable** from the mathematical point of view?



# Perturbing the input flows

- **Biological process:** particles of dirt inside the pumps



Biologists claim that in the real life

- The flow passing through the pumps **IS NOT CONSTANT**
- The best approach: **STOCHASTIC/RANDOM FLUCTUATIONS**



# How can we perturb the input flows?

We will analyze two different ways of modeling perturbed input flows in the chemostat model

- **Classical way:** by using the **standard Wiener process**

$$D \rightsquigarrow D + \alpha \dot{w}(t)$$

SEVERAL INCONVENIENTS!!

- **New idea:** by using **DIRECTLY** the **Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process**

$$D \rightsquigarrow D + \alpha z^*(\theta_t w)$$

EXCELLENT APPROACH TO THE REAL LIFE!!

# Classical way: the Wiener process

We consider the chemostat model

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = (S^0 - S)D - \frac{mSx}{a + S},$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -Dx + \frac{mSx}{a + S},$$

and introduce the following perturbation

$$D \rightsquigarrow D + \alpha \dot{\omega}(t)$$

then we obtain the following stochastic model understood in Itô's sense

$$dS = \left[ (S^0 - S)D - \frac{mSx}{a + S} \right] dt + \alpha(S^0 - S)d\omega(t),$$

$$dx = \left[ -Dx + \frac{mSx}{a + S} \right] dt - \alpha x d\omega(t).$$

## Itô vs Stratonovich conversion

$$dX_t = a(t, X_t)dt + b(t, X_t)dW_t,$$

$$dX_t = \left( a(t, X_t) - \frac{1}{2}b(t, X_t)b'(t, X_t) \right) dt + b(t, X_t) \circ dW_t$$

Then, we obtain the following stochastic chemostat model

$$dS = \left[ (S^0 - S)\bar{D} - \frac{mSx}{a + S} \right] dt + \alpha(S^0 - S) \circ d\omega(t), \quad (2)$$

$$dx = \left[ -\bar{D}x + \frac{mSx}{a + S} \right] dt - \alpha x \circ d\omega(t), \quad (3)$$

in Stratonovich sense, where

$$\bar{D} := D + \frac{\alpha^2}{2}. \quad (4)$$

# Classical way: the Wiener process

We define the following variable change

$$\sigma(t) = (S(t) - S^0)e^{\alpha z^*(\theta_t \omega)}, \quad (5)$$

$$\kappa(t) = x(t)e^{\alpha z^*(\theta_t \omega)}. \quad (6)$$

Then, by differentiation, we have the following **RANDOM** chemostat model given by

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = -(\bar{D} + \alpha z^*)\sigma - \frac{m(S^0 + \sigma e^{-\alpha z^*(\theta_t \omega)})}{a + S^0 + \sigma e^{-\alpha z^*(\theta_t \omega)}}, \quad (7)$$

$$\frac{d\kappa}{dt} = -(\bar{D} + \alpha z^*)\kappa + \frac{m(S^0 + \sigma e^{-\alpha z^*(\theta_t \omega)})}{a + S^0 + \sigma e^{-\alpha z^*(\theta_t \omega)}}. \quad (8)$$

# Classical way: the Wiener process

Now, we define  $\mathcal{X} := \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \in \mathbb{R}, y \geq 0\}$

## Theorem (Caraballo *et al*, 2017)

For any  $\omega \in \Omega$  and any initial value  $u_0 := (\sigma_0, \kappa_0) \in \mathcal{X}$ , where  $\sigma_0 := \sigma(0)$  and  $\kappa_0 := \kappa(0)$ , system (7)-(8) possesses a unique global solution  $u(\cdot; 0, \omega, u_0) := (\sigma(\cdot; 0, \omega, u_0), \kappa(\cdot; 0, \omega, u_0)) \in \mathcal{C}^1([0, +\infty), \mathcal{X})$  with  $u(0; 0, \omega, u_0) = u_0$ . Moreover, the solution mapping generates a RDS  $\varphi_u : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \Omega \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  defined as

$$\varphi_u(t, \omega)u_0 := u(t; 0, \omega, u_0), \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathbb{R}^+, u_0 \in \mathcal{X}, \omega \in \Omega,$$

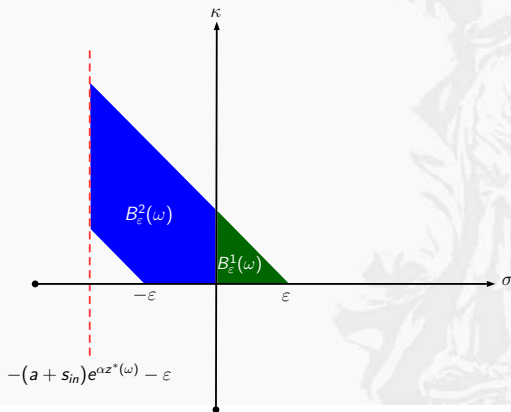
the value at time  $t$  of the solution of system (7)-(8) with initial value  $u_0$  at time zero.

- **Key for the proof:** classical results from the theory of ODEs.
- **REMARK:** some state variable can take negative values.

# Classical way: the Wiener process

Theorem (T. Caraballo *et al*, 2017)

There exists a tempered compact random absorbing set for the RDS  $\{\varphi_u(t, \omega)\}_{t \geq 0, \omega \in \Omega}$ .

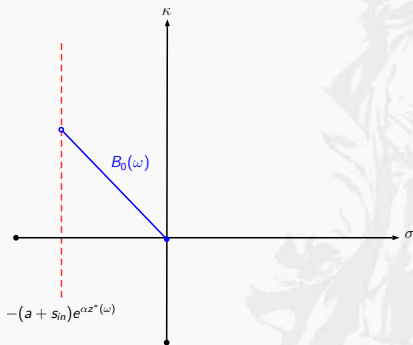


# Classical way: the Wiener process

- Thanks to Proposition 25, we deduce that the RDS generated by the system (7)-(8) possesses a unique random pullback attractor given by

$$\mathcal{A} = \{A(\omega)\}_{\omega \in \Omega} \subset B_\varepsilon(\omega), \quad \text{for any } \varepsilon > 0.$$

- Thus,



$$\mathcal{A} = \{A(\omega)\}_{\omega \in \Omega} \subset B_0(\omega).$$

# Classical way: the Wiener process

- Analysis of the internal structure of the random pullback attractor

## Proposition (T. Caraballo *et al*, 2017)

The pullback random attractor of system (7)-(8) consists of a singleton components given by

$$\mathcal{A}(\omega) = \{(0, 0)\}$$

as long as

$$\bar{D} > \mu(S^0) \quad (9)$$

**EXTINCTION OF THE MICROORGANISMS!!**



# Classical way: the Wiener process

- Define now a mapping  $\mathcal{T} : \Omega \times \mathcal{X} \longrightarrow \mathcal{X}$  as

$$\mathcal{T}(\omega, \zeta) = \left( (\zeta_1 - S^0)e^{\alpha z^*(\omega)}, \zeta_2 e^{\alpha z^*(\omega)} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{T}^{-1}(\omega, \zeta) = \left( S^0 + \zeta_1 e^{-\alpha z^*(\omega)}, \zeta_2 e^{-\alpha z^*(\omega)} \right)$$

- Denoting  $v(t) = (S(t), x(t))$  and  $u(t) = (\sigma(t), \kappa(t))$ , since  $\mathcal{T}$  is a homeomorphism, thanks to Lemma 26 we obtain a conjugated RDS given by

$$\varphi_v(t, \omega) v_0 := v(t; 0, \omega, v_0)$$

- Hence,  $\varphi_v$  is an RDS for our original stochastic system (2)-(3)

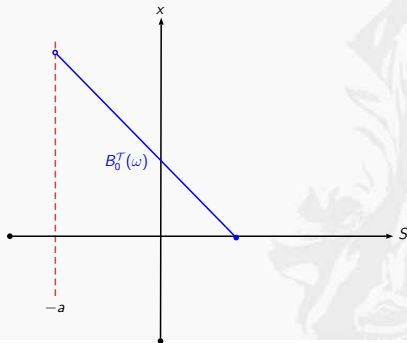
# Classical way: the Wiener process

Moreover,

$$\mathcal{A} = \{A(\omega)\}_{\omega \in \Omega} \subset B_0(\omega) \implies \mathcal{A}^T = \{A^T(\omega)\}_{\omega \in \Omega} \subset B_0^T(\omega),$$

where

$$B_0^T(\omega) := \{(S, x) \in \mathcal{X} : S + x = S^0, s > -a\}$$



# Recovering the stochastic chemostat

- Similarly to random case, the internal structure of the attractor consists of singleton subsets

$$A^{\mathcal{T}}(\omega) = (S^0, 0)$$

as long as  $\bar{D} > \mu(S^0)$

- It is not possible to ensure the persistence of the microorganism otherwise even though our simulations show that we can get the persistence for several values of the parameters

# Classical way: the Wiener process

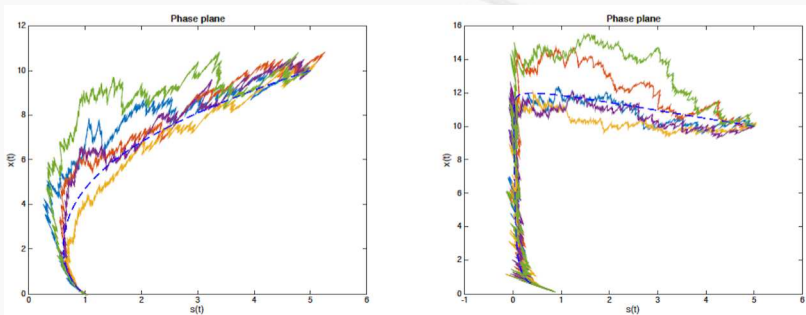


Figure: Value of parameters:  $D = 3.5$ ,  $S^0 = 1$ ,  $a = 0.8$ ,  $m = 1.5$  and  $\alpha = 0.5$  (left),  $D = 2$ ,  $S^0 = 1$ ,  $a = 0.6$ ,  $m = 5$  and  $\alpha = 0.5$  (right)

- Some state variables can take negative values
- The Wiener process is not a very good choice in our case

# New idea: the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process

We consider the chemostat model

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = (S^0 - S)D - \frac{mSx}{a + S},$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -Dx + \frac{mSx}{a + S},$$

and introduce the following perturbation

$$D \rightsquigarrow D + \alpha z^*(\theta_{-t}\omega)$$

then we obtain the following **RANDOM** model

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = -[D + \alpha z^*(\theta_t\omega)] S - \frac{mSx}{a + S} + S^0 D + \alpha S^0 z^*(\theta_t\omega), \quad (10)$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -[D + \alpha z^*(\theta_t\omega)] x + \frac{mSx}{a + S}. \quad (11)$$

# New idea: the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process

## Remark

Some parameters will be considered when defining the OU process

- **Langevin equation:**

$$dz = -\beta z dt + \nu d\omega(t), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- **OU process:**

$$z_{\beta, \nu}^*(\theta_t \omega) := -\beta \nu \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{\beta s} \theta_t \omega(s) ds, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}, \omega \in \Omega, \beta, \nu > 0.$$

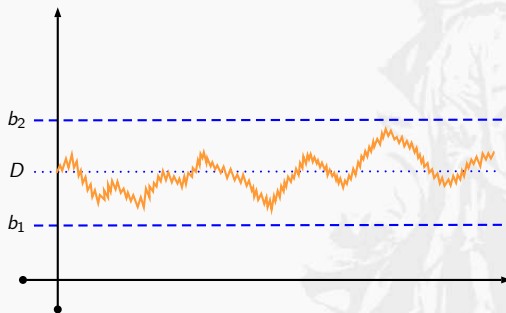
These parameters will allow us to control the noise!

# New idea: the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process

Proposition (T. Caraballo *et al*, 2017)

For any  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} z_{\beta, \nu}^*(\theta_t \omega) = 0, \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathbb{R}.$$



It is possible to take  $\beta$  large enough such that the OU is bounded

# New idea: the OU process

A new framework is required

- **The new set of events:**

$$\Omega_\beta := \{\omega \in \Omega : b_1 \leq D + z_{\beta, \nu}^*(\theta_t \omega) \leq b_2, \text{ for all } t \in \mathbb{R}\},$$

- **The new  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{F}_\beta$ :**

$$\mathcal{F}_\beta := \{A \cap \Omega_\beta, A \in \mathcal{F}\}$$

- **The new probability measure  $\mathbb{P}_\beta : \mathcal{F}_\beta \rightarrow [0, 1]$ :**

$$\mathbb{P}_\beta(F_\beta) := \frac{\mathbb{P}(F_\beta)}{\mathbb{P}(\Omega_\beta)}, \quad \text{for all } F_\beta \in \mathcal{F}_\beta,$$

We can make use of the theory of RDS since  
 $(\Omega_\beta, \mathcal{F}_\beta, \mathbb{P}_\beta, \{\theta_t\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}}) \equiv (\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}, \{\theta_t\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}})$



# New idea: the OU process

## Theorem (T. Caraballo *et al*, 2017)

For any  $\omega \in \Omega_\beta$  and any initial value  $v_0 := (S_0, x_0) \in \mathcal{X}$ , where  $S_0 := S(0)$  and  $x_0 := x(0)$ , system (10)-(11) possesses a unique global solution  $v(\cdot; 0, \omega, v_0) := (S(\cdot; 0, \omega, v_0), x(\cdot; 0, \omega, v_0)) \in \mathcal{C}^1([0, +\infty), \mathcal{X})$  with  $v(0; 0, \omega, v_0) = v_0$ . Moreover the solution mapping generates an RDS  $\varphi_v : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \Omega_\beta \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  defined by

$$\varphi_v(t, \omega)v_0 := v(t; 0, \omega, v_0), \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathbb{R}^+, v_0 \in \mathcal{X}, \omega \in \Omega_\beta.$$

## Theorem (T. Caraballo *et al*, 2017)

There exists a tempered compact random absorbing set  $B_0(\omega) \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{X})$  of the RDS  $\{\varphi_v(t, \omega)\}_{t \geq 0, \omega \in \Omega}$ .

- The absorbing set:

$$B_0(\omega) := \{(S, x) \in \mathcal{X} : S + x = S^0\}.$$

# New idea: the OU process

## Proposition (T. Caraballo *et al*, 2017)

Assuming that the following condition  $D > \mu(S^0)$  holds, the pullback random attractor of the chemostat model (10)-(11) is reduced to a singleton component which is given by  $\mathcal{A}(\omega) = \{(S^0, 0)\}$ .

In this case the microorganisms become **EXTINCT!**

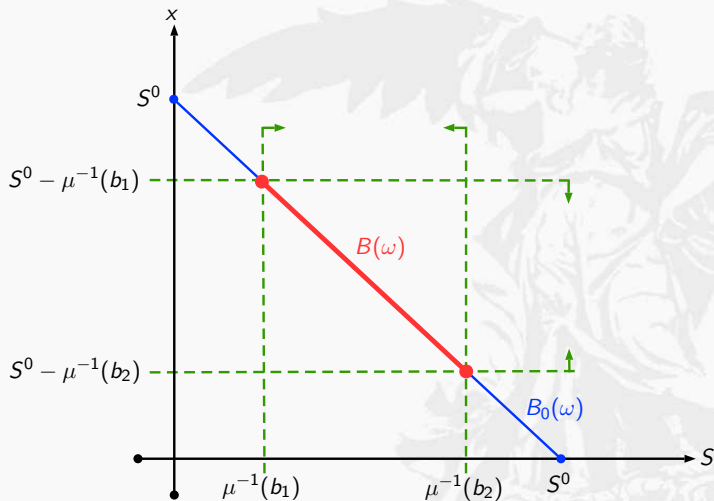
## Theorem (T. Caraballo *et al*, 2017)

Assume

$$\mu^{-1}(b_2) < S^0$$

holds true. Then, there exists a **strictly positive** tempered absorbing set  $B(\omega) \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{X})$  of the RDS  $\{\varphi_v(t, \omega)\}_{t \geq 0, \omega \in \Omega}$ .

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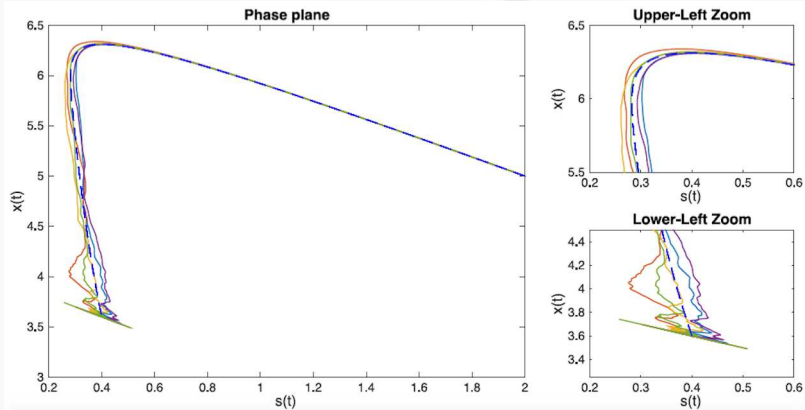


Figure: Value of parameters:  $D = 2$ ,  $S^0 = 4$ ,  $a = 0.6$ ,  $m = 5$ ,  $\alpha = 0.5$ ,  $\beta = 1$ ,  $\nu = 0.7$ ,  $S(0) = 2$  and  $x(0) = 5$

# New idea: the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process

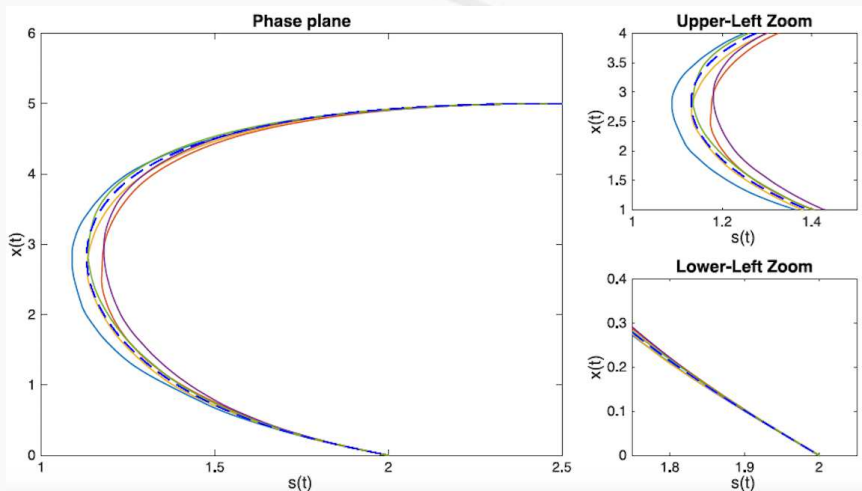


Figure: Value of parameters:  $D = 3.5$ ,  $S^0 = 2$ ,  $a = 0.8$ ,  $m = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha = 0.5$ ,  $\beta = 1$ ,  $\nu = 0.7$ ,  $S(0) = 2.5$  and  $x(0) = 5$

# Comparison: Wiener vs OU

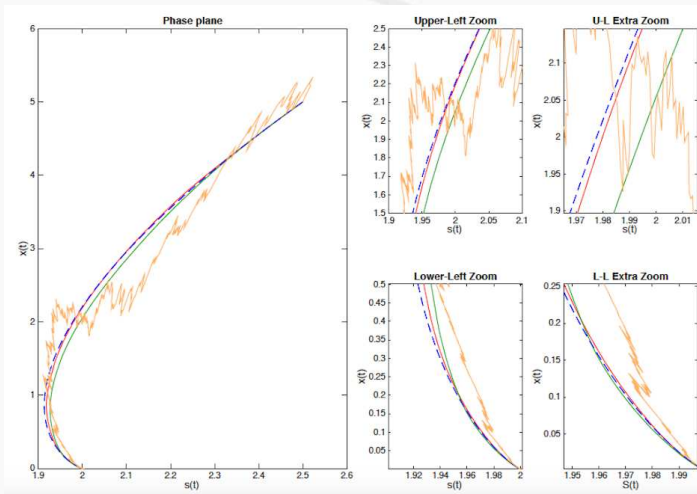


Figure: Value of parameters:  $S^0 = 2$ ,  $D = 3.5$ ,  $a = 0.8$ ,  $m = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha = 0.8$ ,  $\sigma = 0.8$ ,  $x(0) = 5$ ,  $S(0) = 2.5$ ,  $\beta = 2$  (red) and  $\beta = 0.5$  (green)

# Comparison: Wiener vs OU

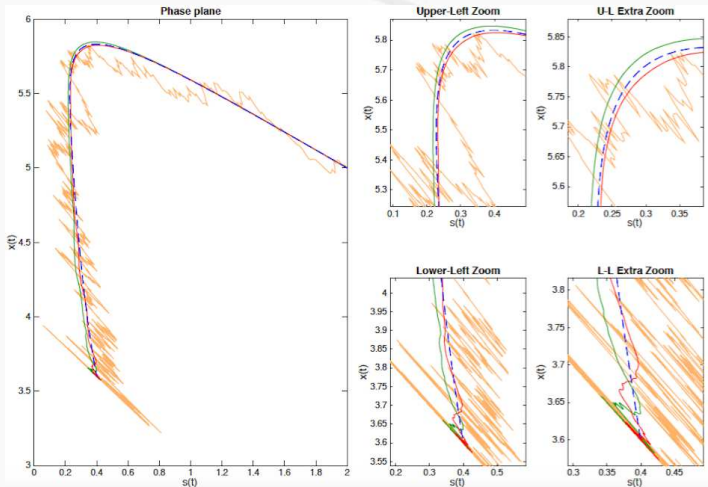


Figure: Value of parameters:  $S^0 = 4$ ,  $D = 2$ ,  $a = 0.6$ ,  $m = 5$ ,  $\alpha = 0.15$ ,  $\sigma = 0.8$ ,  $x(0) = 5$ ,  $S(0) = 2$ ,  $\beta = 2$  (red) and  $\beta = 0.5$  (green)

# Conclusions and future works

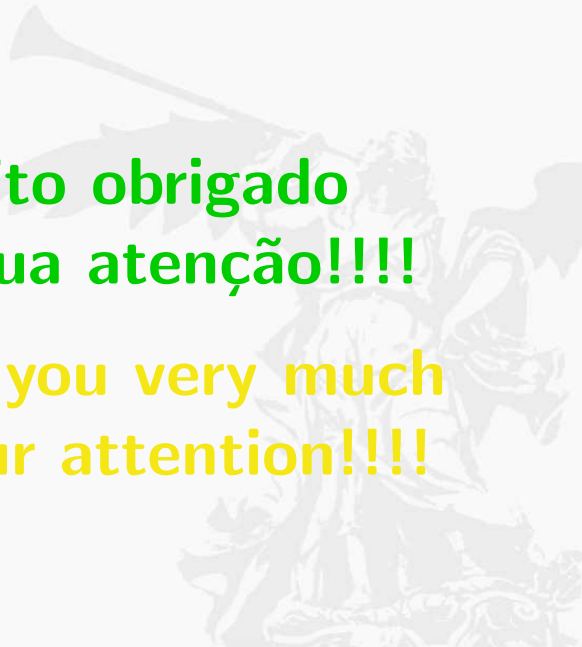
- Classical way:  $D \rightsquigarrow D + \alpha \dot{\omega}(t)$ 
  - Some state variables can take negative values...
  - Perturbations  $D + \alpha \dot{\omega}$  are not realistic
- New way:  $D \rightsquigarrow D + \alpha z_{\beta, \nu}^*(\theta_t \omega)$ 
  - Perturbations can be controlled by taking a suitable O-U
  - Random pullback attractor strictly contained in the positive cone
  - Hence...

**PERSISTENCE OF THE MICROORGANISM  
CAN BE GUARANTEED!!!!**

## Future works

- Chemostat model with wall growth.
- Generalize the new idea to perturb other models.





**Muito obrigado  
pela sua atenção!!!!**

**Thank you very much  
for your attention!!!!**