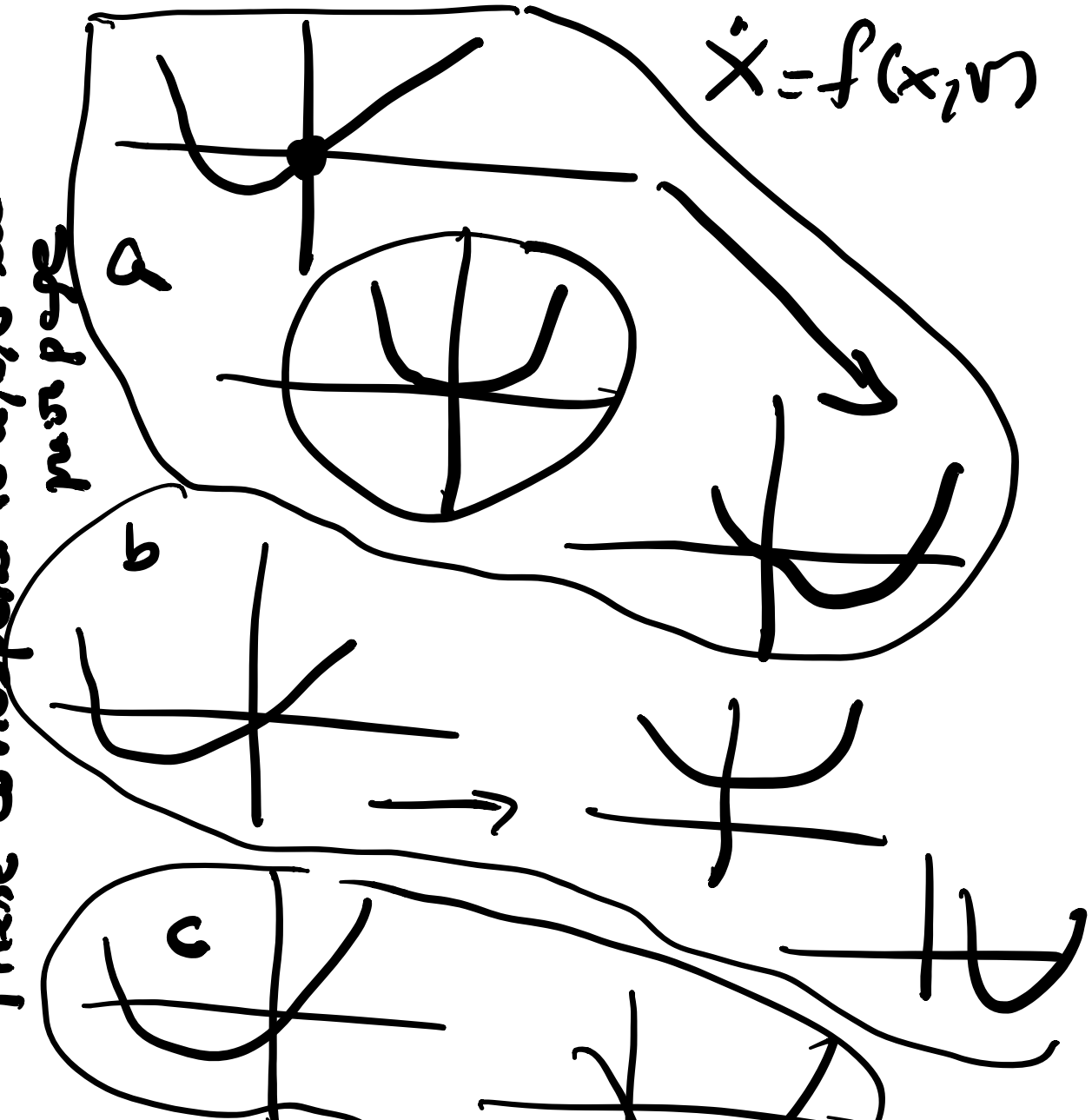


However, if str. is forced to persist, these diagrams cannot change  $\therefore$  S.S.!

SS = Structurally Stable

These correspond to a, b, c see  
next page



- a) is a Transcritical
- b) is what happens without rest.
- c) " " " " rest.

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Next: normal forms for perturbations

$$\dot{x} = rx + x^2 \quad \text{Transcritical standard to perturbed}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{x} = h + rx + x^2$$

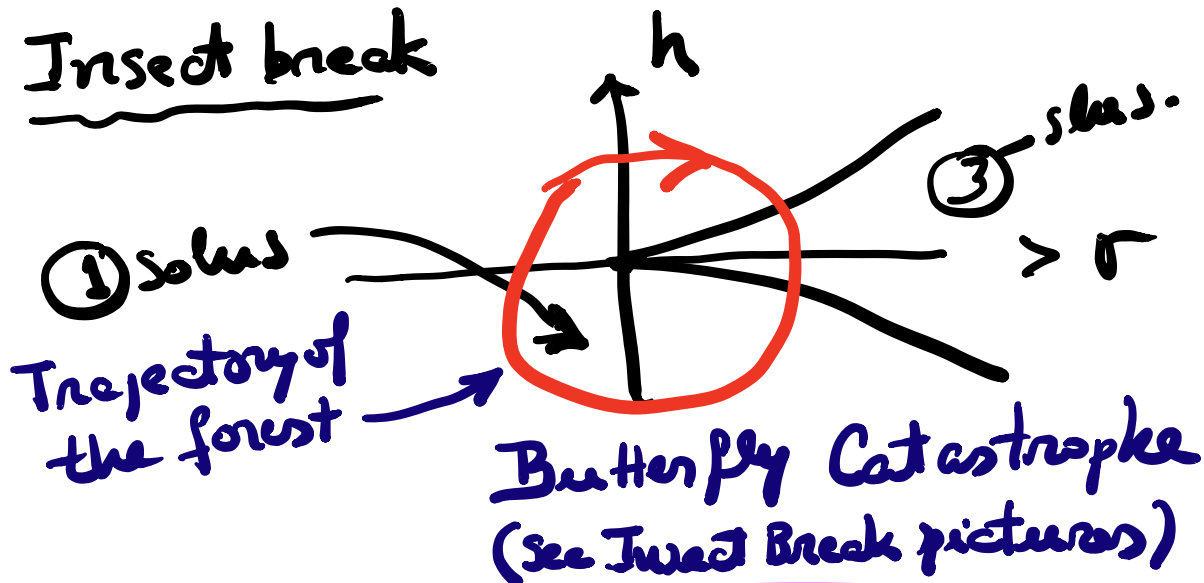
Generic case. Trace destroyed

But a root forced to remain:

$$\dot{x} = r_1 + (r_2 h_2)x + x^2$$

This cannot be here!  
 $\therefore$  now S.S.

Insect break



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Bifurcations determined by critical points of  $\dot{x} = f(x, r, h)$   
i.e. zeros of  $f(x, r, h) = 0$  ← surface

Bif. happen when  $f_x(x, r, h) = 0$

∴ singular places on the surface

Classification of all possible  
singularities in low dimension  
(3 or 4) — R. Thom Big Theorem!

Unfortunately led to abuse.

Complicated systems do not  
depend on 2/3 parameters only

Hope contrary

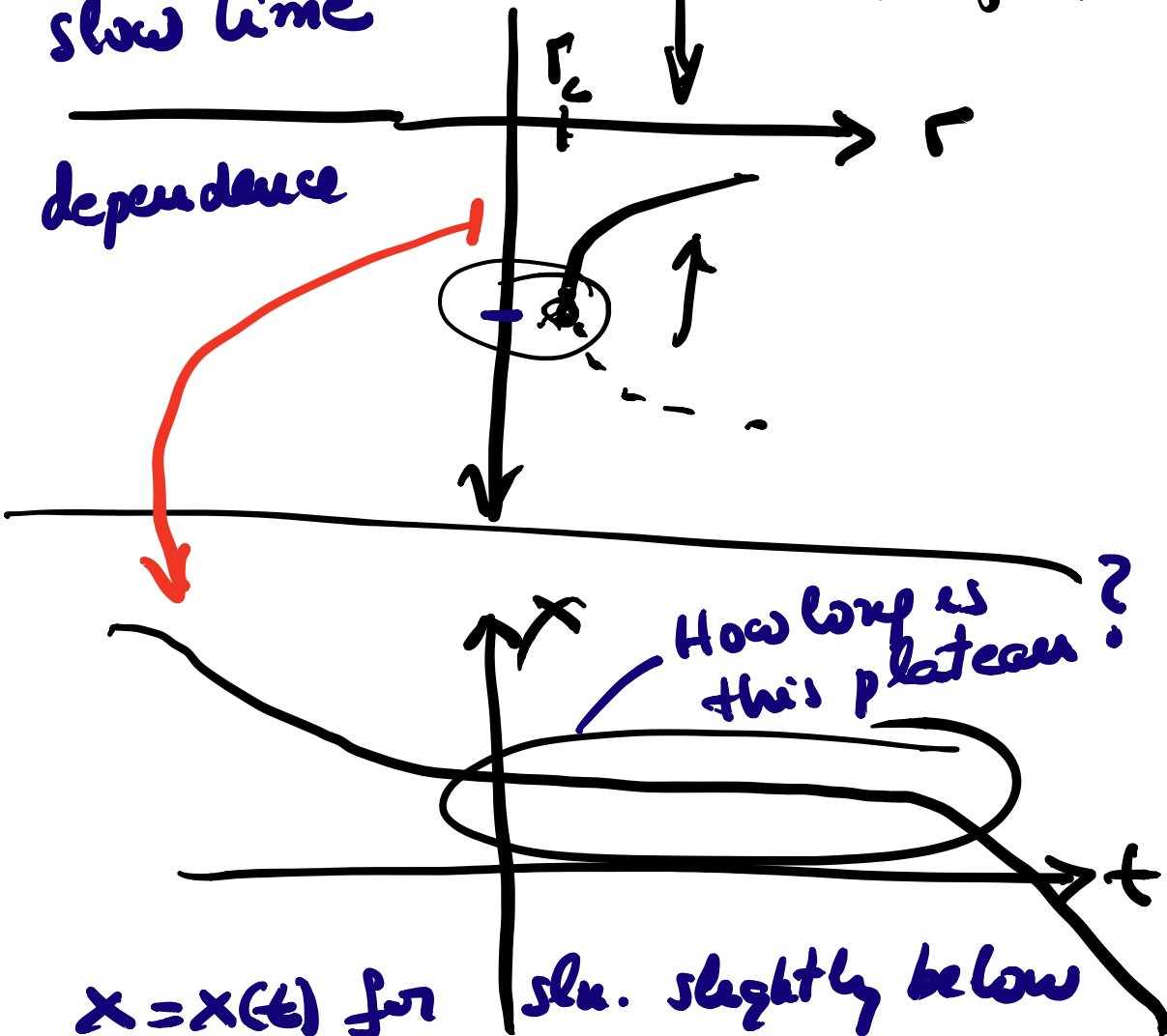
Google H. Sussman  
Rutgers Math.

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# Critical slow down

Near a saddle node  
slow time

$$\dot{x} = f(x, \mu)$$



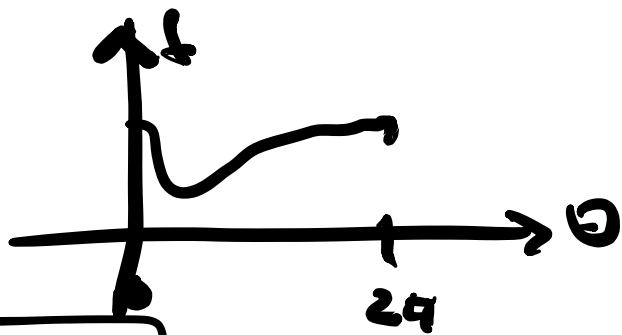
$x = x(t)$  for sol. slightly below  
a saddle node.

Next: example of critical slow  
Down. Flow on a circle.

$$\dot{\theta} = f(\theta, r) \quad \theta + 2\pi \sim \theta$$

f periodic period  $2\pi$

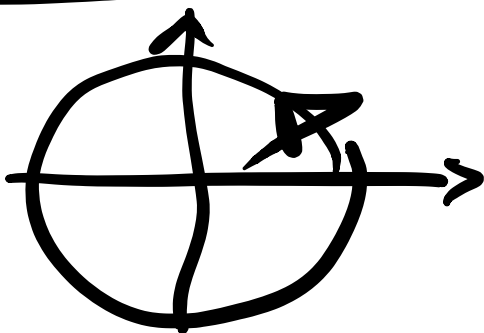
$(r > r_c) \quad \underline{\underline{f > 0}}$



$\frac{d\theta}{f} = dt$

$$T = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{f(\theta)}$$

period

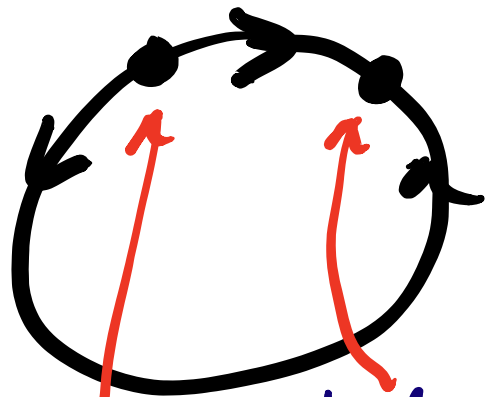
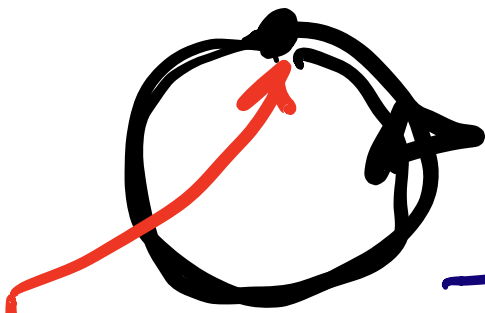
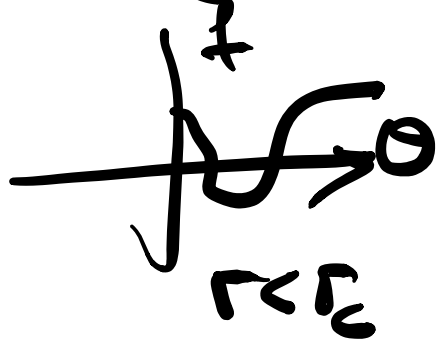
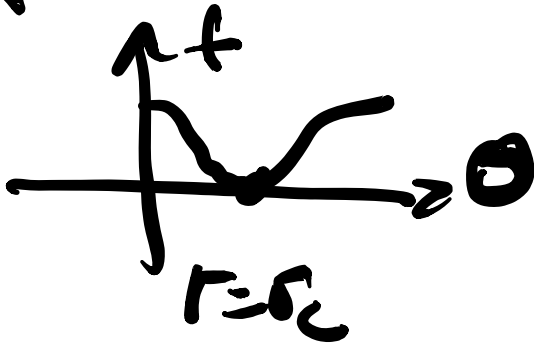


Time it takes  
θ to grow  
by  $2\pi$  is T

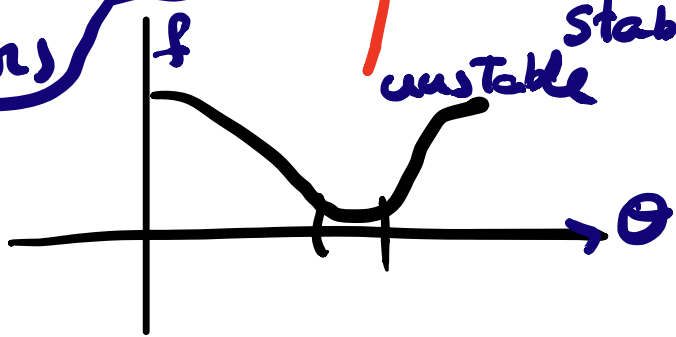
T = period

At bifurcation the periodic sol. is  
destroyed  $\bar{z}$

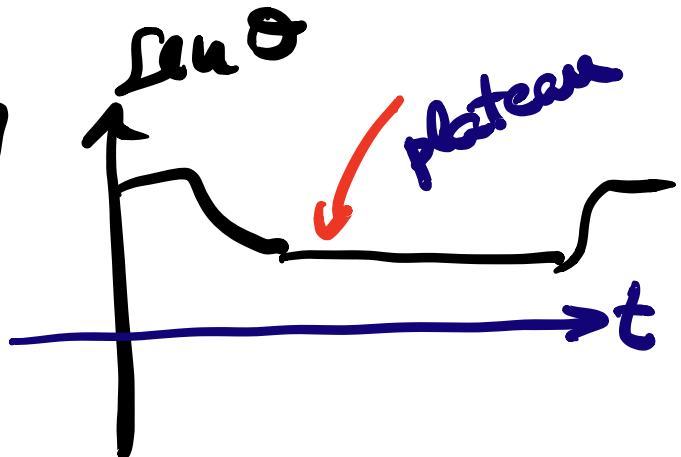
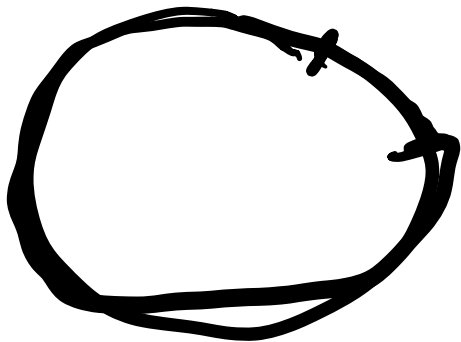
$f$  below zero for  $r < r_c$



At bif. a semi stable c. point appears



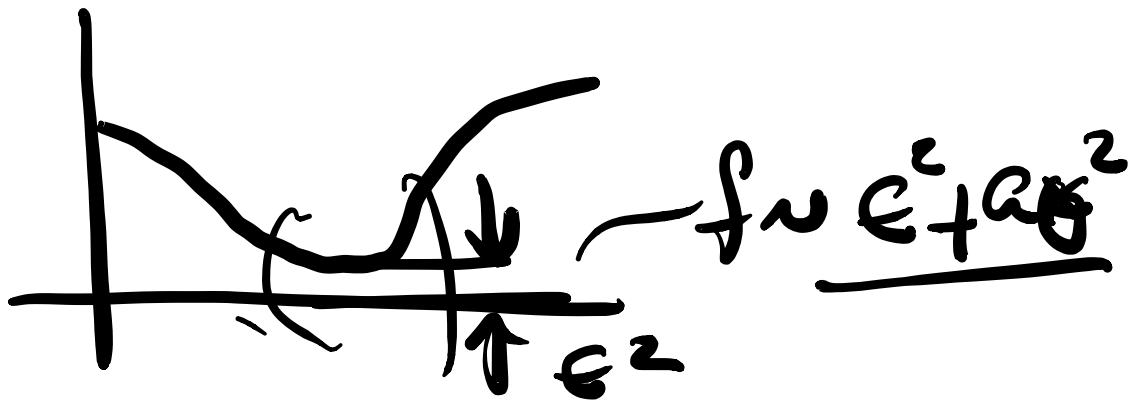
unstable stable



# Critical flow down

$T \rightarrow \infty$  as  $r \downarrow \epsilon$

How  $T$   $\left[ r - r_c = \epsilon^2 \right]$



$$T \sim \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\theta}{f} \sim \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\theta}{\epsilon^2 + a\theta^2} \sim \frac{1}{\epsilon}$$

