# Math 145 Chaos Theory

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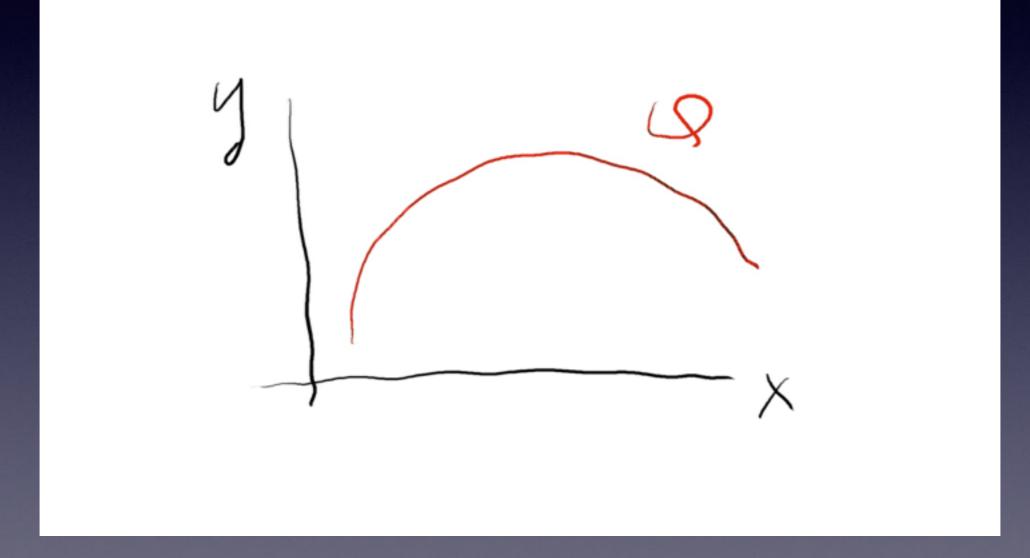
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- C.The cusp bifurcation

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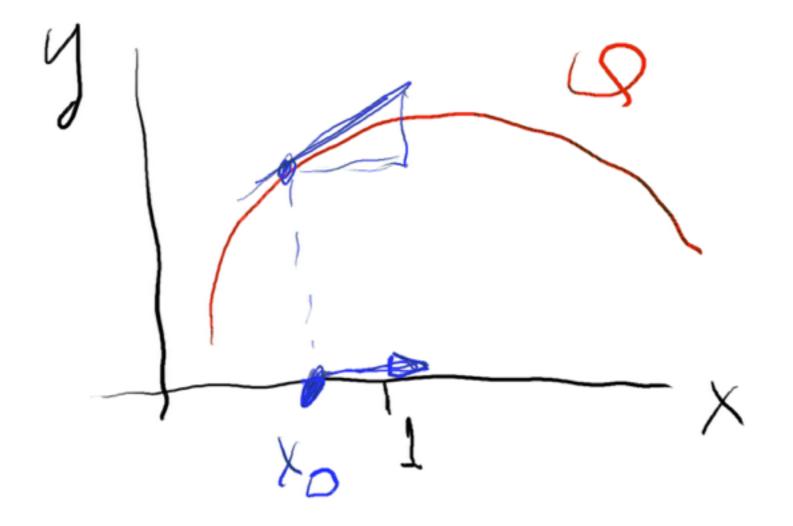
# A. Gradient Systems

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- Cubic potential
- Quartic potential

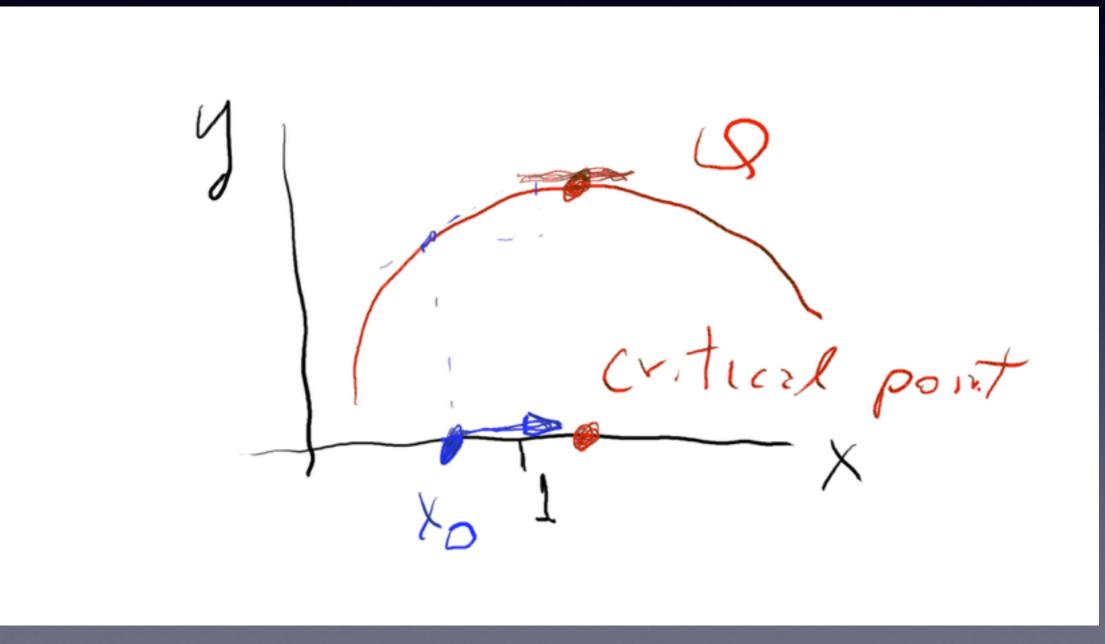
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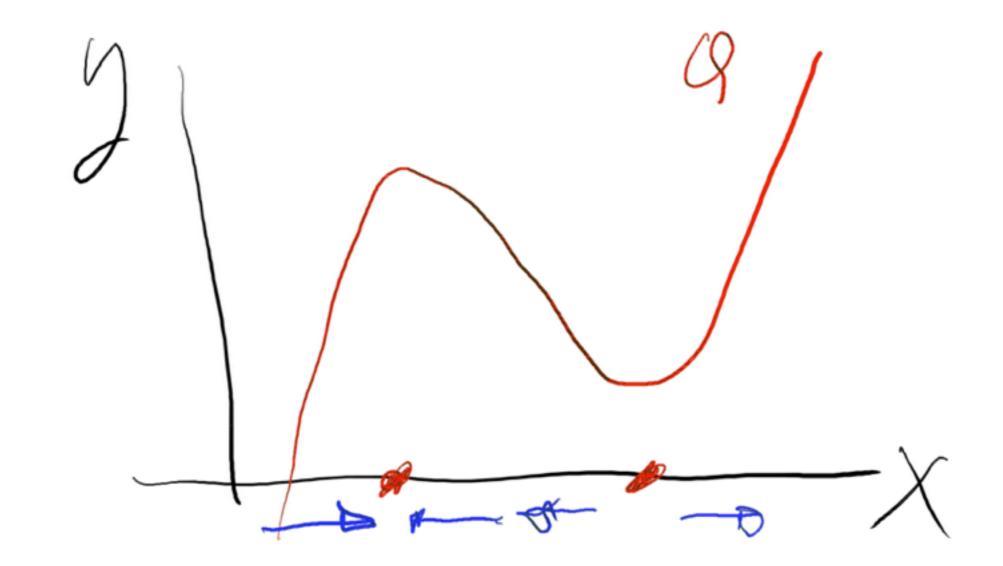
#### Gradient vector



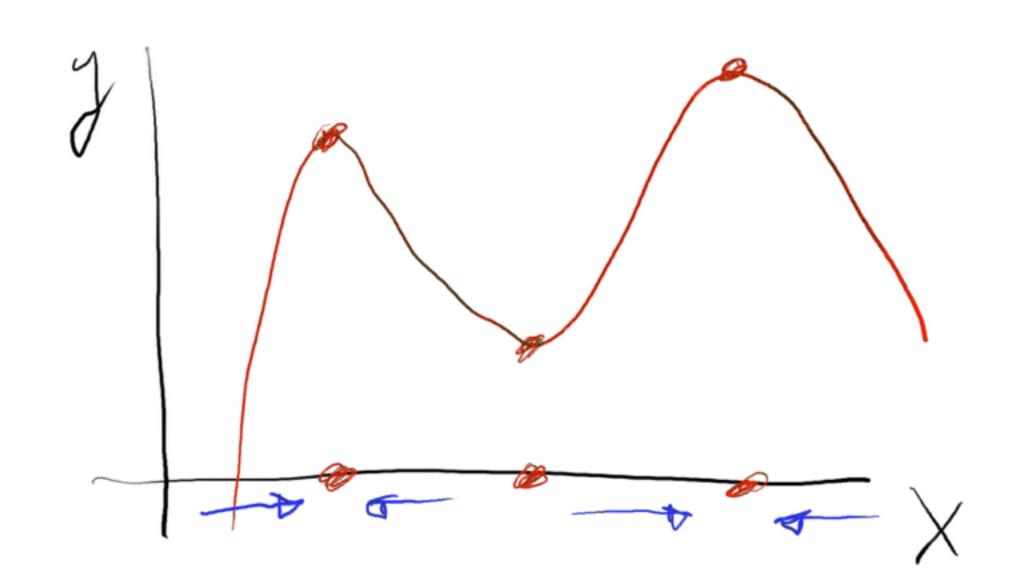
#### Critical point



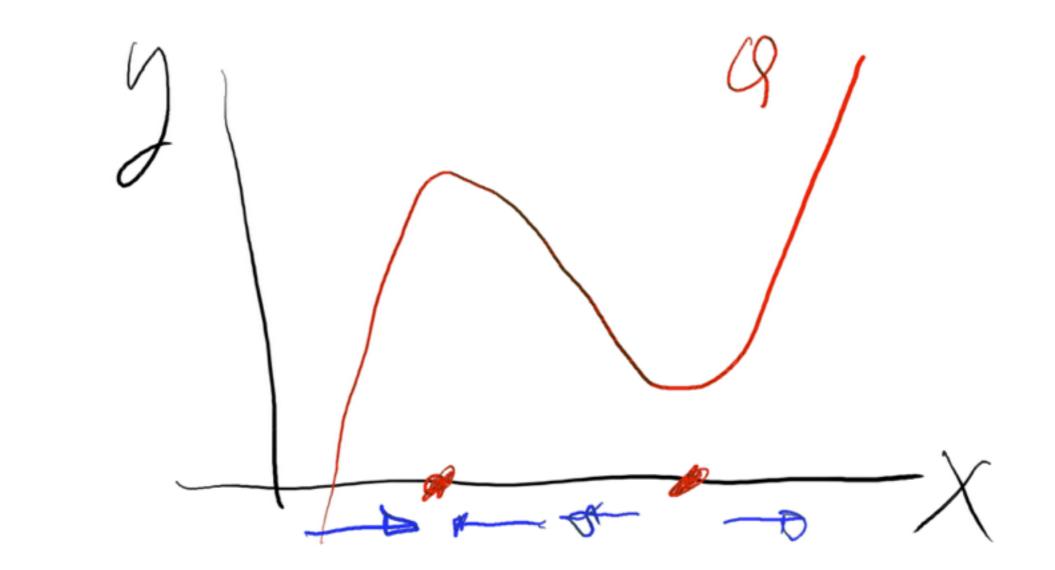
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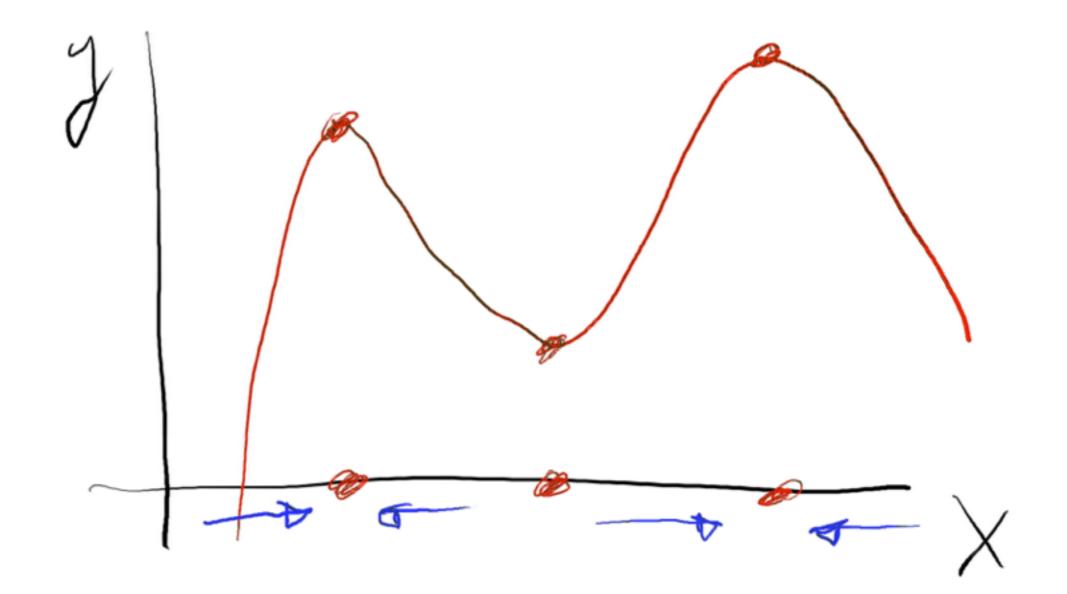
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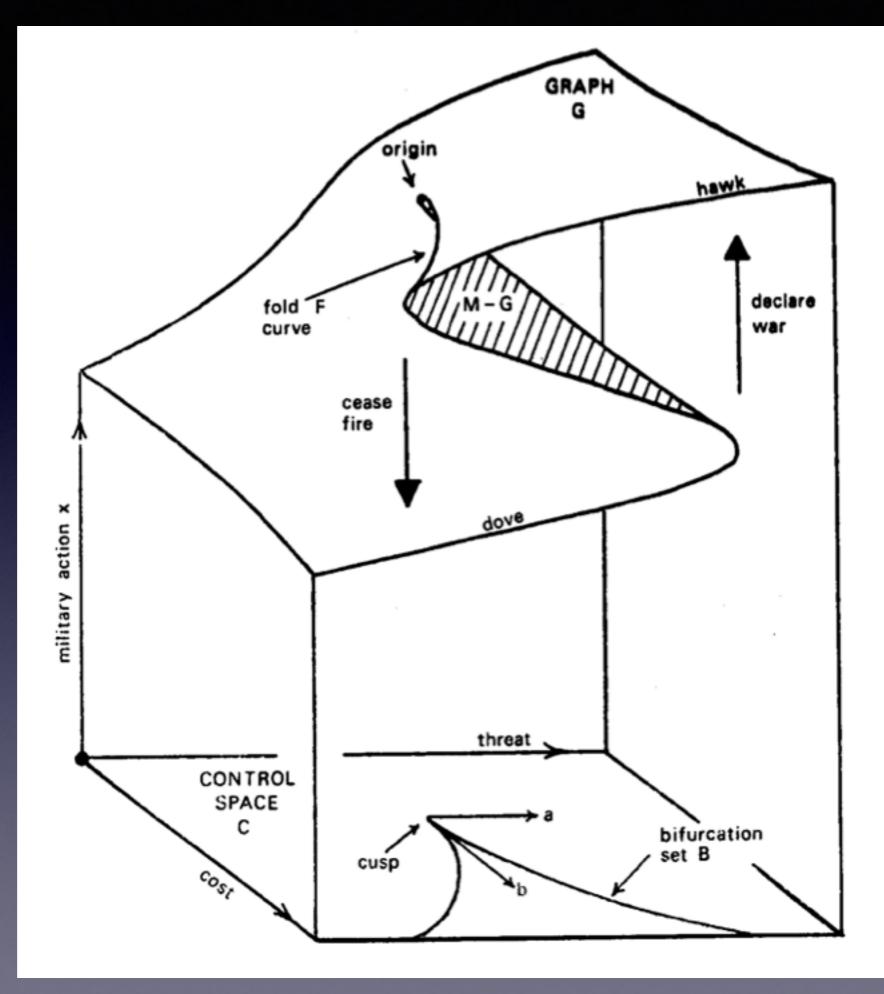
#### Response diagram of the fold

repellor Х attractor pull Foldt

### B. The cusp bifurcation



Response diagram of the cusp



#### The equation for the bifurcation set, B in the (x, y) plane

With  $a, b \in R$ , let

$$\phi(x) = -\frac{1}{4}x^4 + ax + \frac{1}{2}bx^2$$

Then the critical points of  $\phi$  are the roots of,  $\phi_x = 0$ . or

$$x^3 = a + bx$$

# Applications of the cusp

- Aggression, war
- Stock market crashes
- Anorexia nervosa
- Heartbeat, nerve firing
- Opinion formation
- Prison riots

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