Exercises

Exercise G.1 Stretching factor. *Prove the multiplicative property of the stretching factor (G.2). Why should we extend the phase space with the tangent space?*

Exercise G.2 Dynamo rate. *Suppose that the fluid dynamics is highly dissipative and can be well approximated by the piecewise linear map*

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1+ax & \text{if} \quad x<0, \\ 1-bx & \text{if} \quad x>0, \end{cases} \tag{G.37}$$

on an appropriate surface of section ($a, b > 2$). Suppose also that the return time is constant T_a for $x < 0$ and T_b for $x > 0$. Show that the dynamo zeta is

$$1/\zeta_{dyn}(s) = 1 - e^{sT_a} + e^{sT_b}. \tag{G.38}$$

Show also that the escape rate is the leading zero of

$$1/\zeta_0(s) = 1 - e^{sT_a}/a - e^{sT_b}/b. \tag{G.39}$$

Calculate the dynamo and the escape rates analytically if $b = a^2$ and $T_b = 2T_a$. Do the calculation for the case when you reverse the signs of the slopes of the map. What is the difference?