Calculus for the Life Sciences II

Lecture Notes – Nonlinear Dynamical Systems

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Growing Culture of Yeast: Classic study by Carlson in 1913

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2	18.3	8	257.3	14	629.4
3	29.0	9	350.7	15	640.8
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5	71.1	11	513.3	17	655.9
6	119.1	12	559.7	18	659.6

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[1] T. Carlson Über Geschwindigkeit und Grösse der Hefevermehrung in Würze. *Biochem. Z.* (1913) **57**, 313–334

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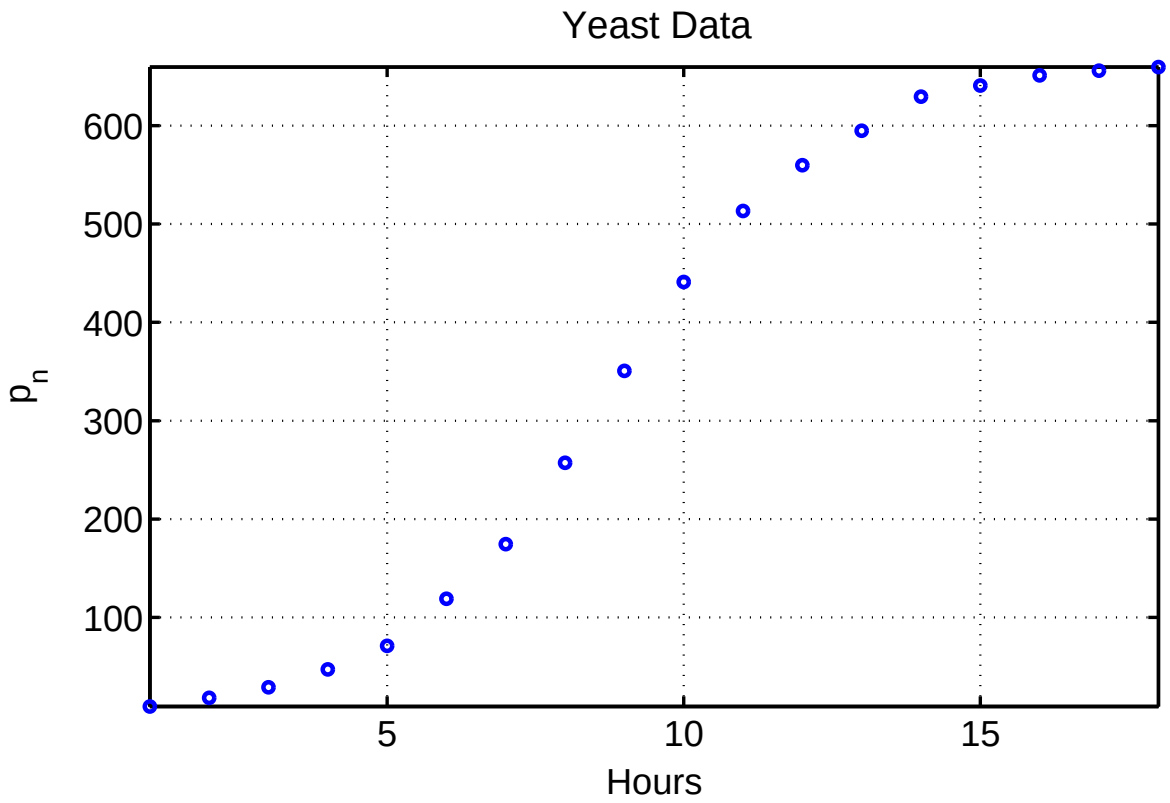
Carlson (1913) Yeast data: Classic **S-shape curve** with initial accelerating growth, then eventually saturation



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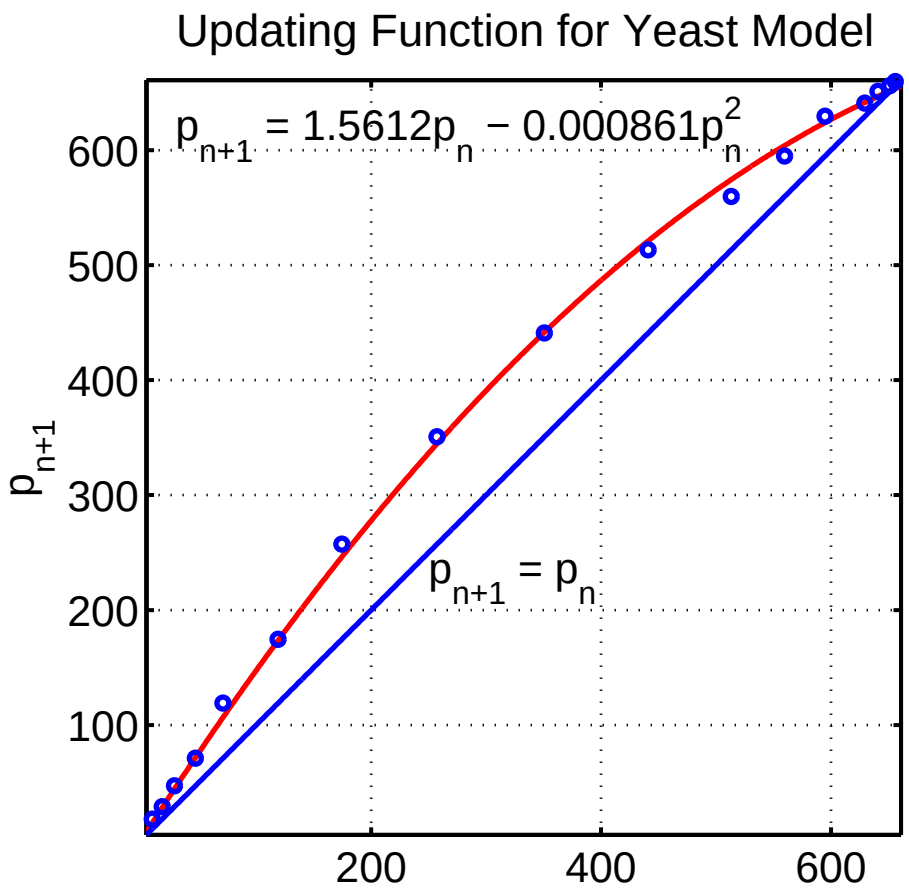
Updating Function: Graph of best fitting **quadratic** through the origin of data, p_{n+1} vs p_n, and the identity function



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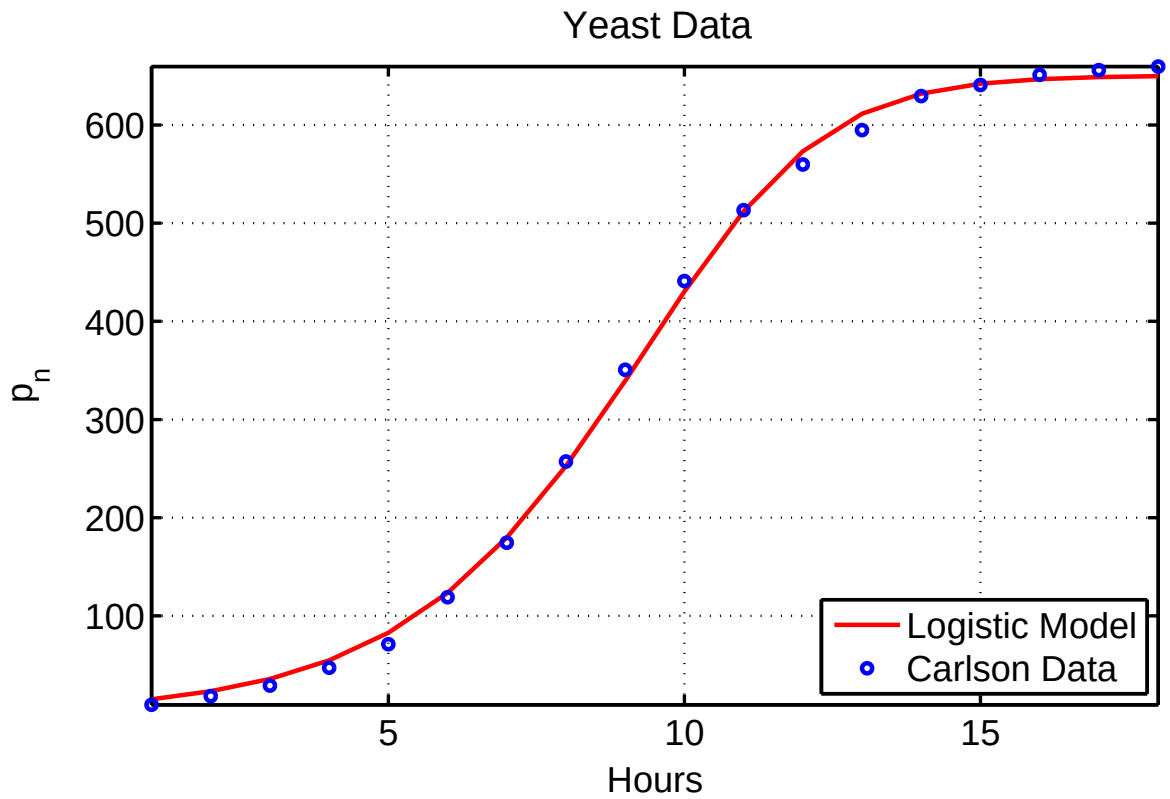

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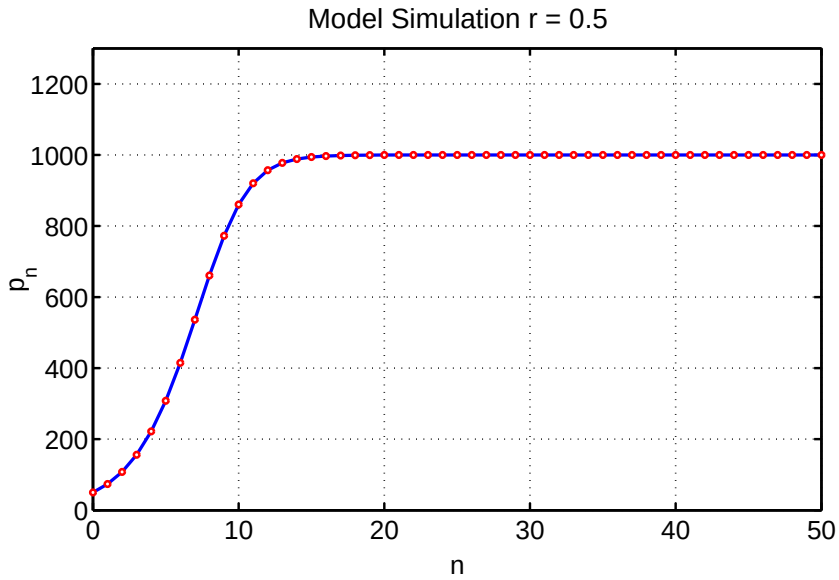

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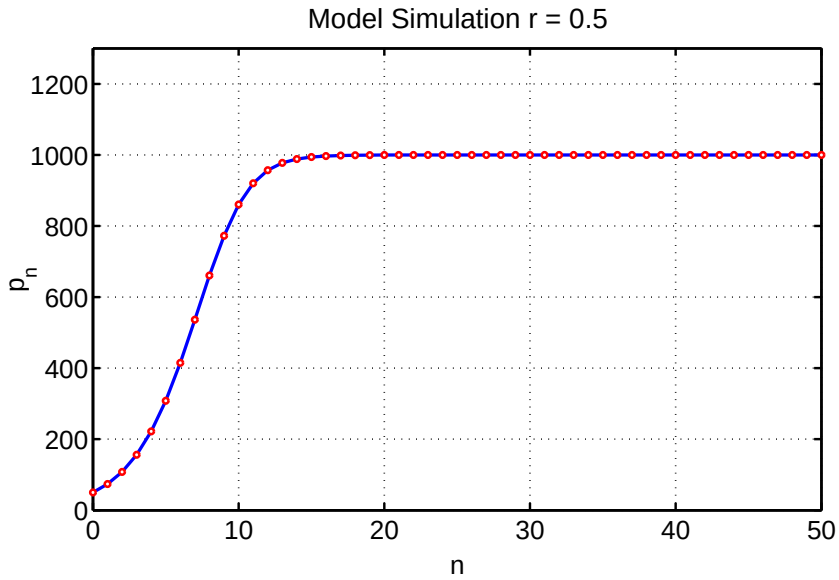

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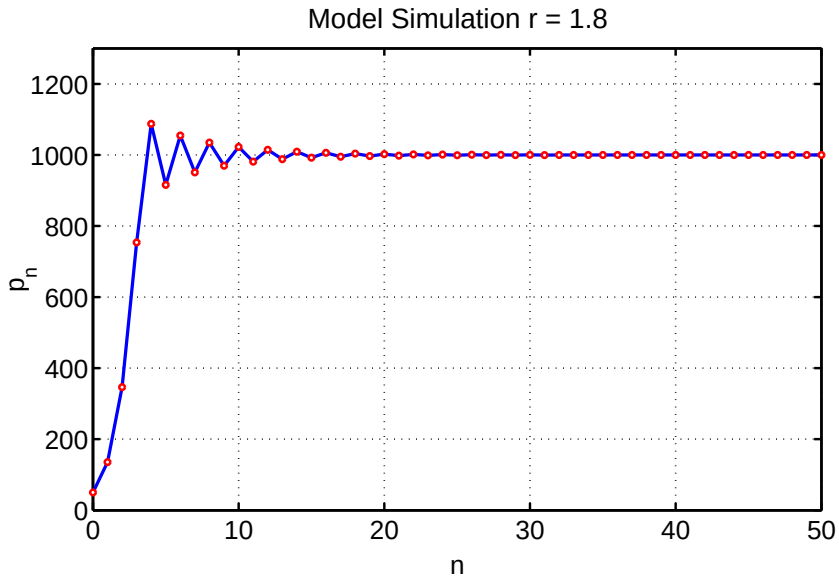

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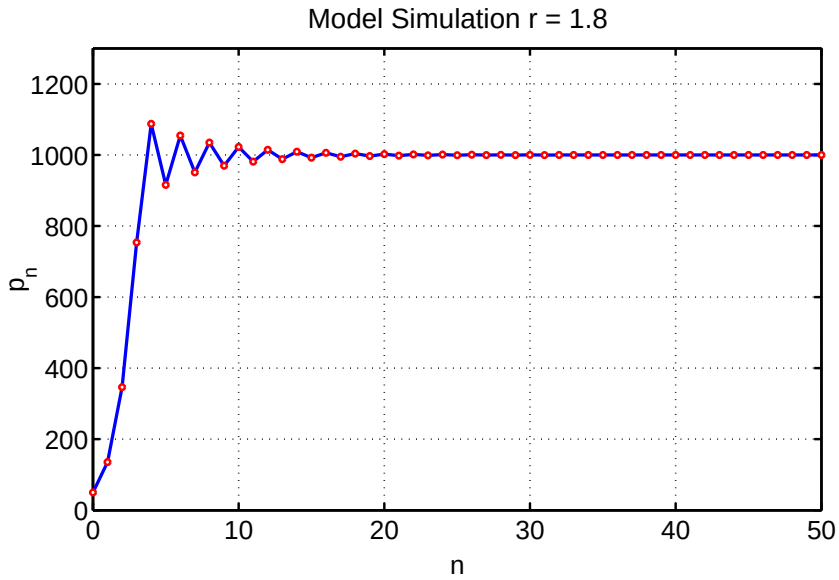

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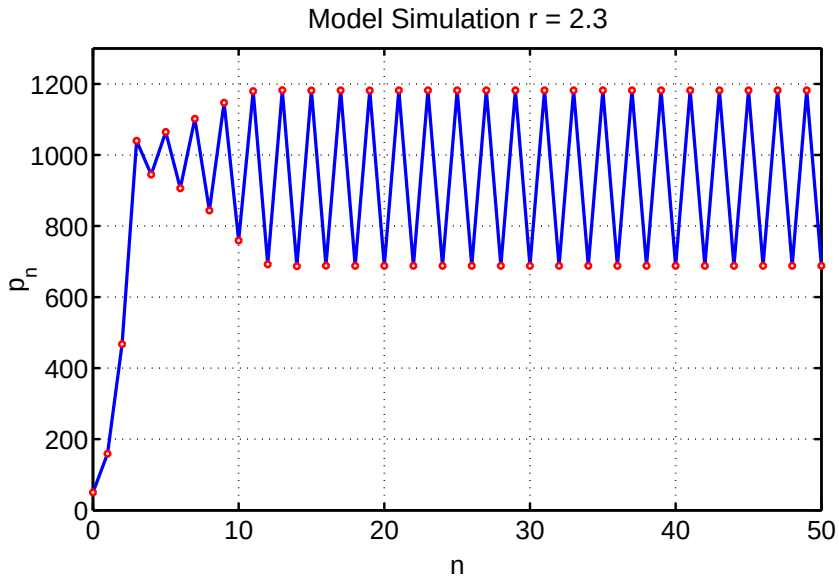

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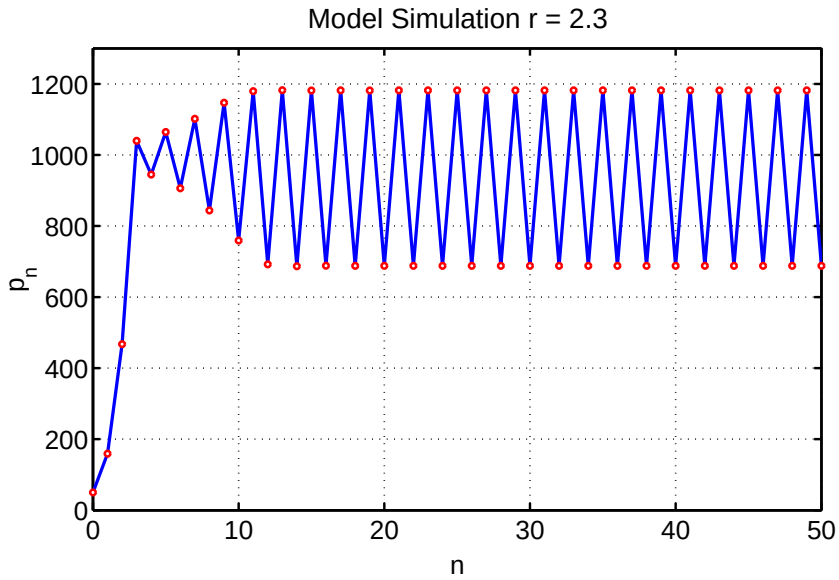

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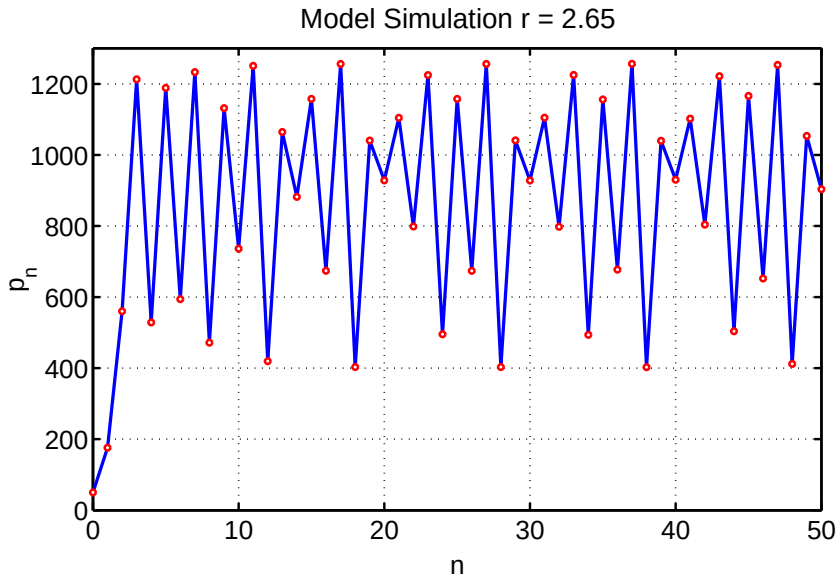

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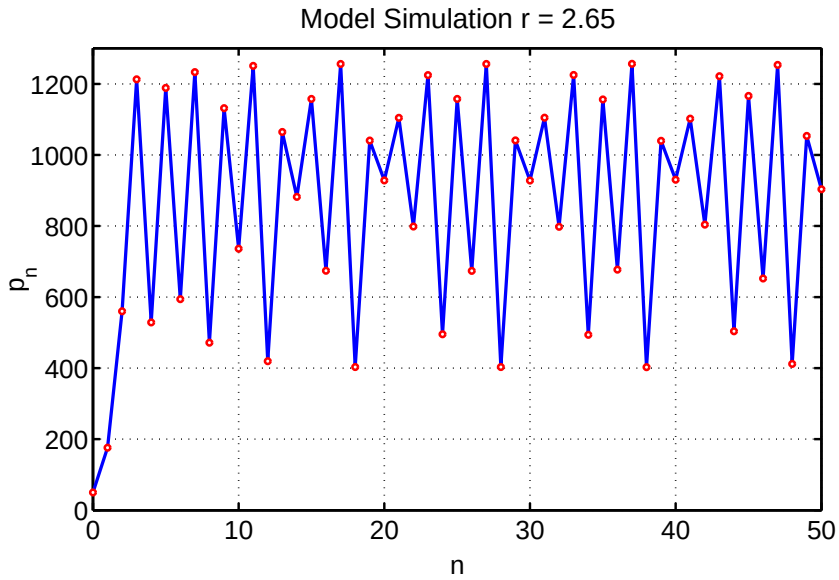

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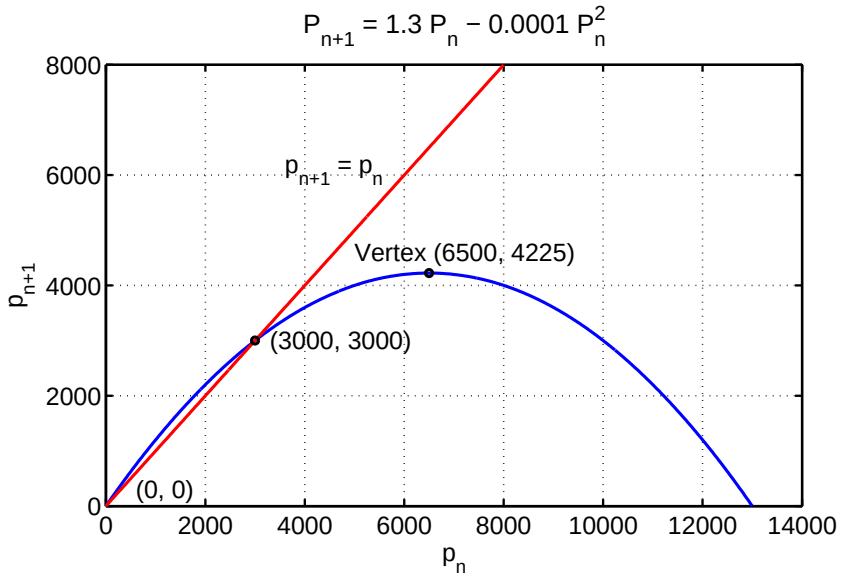

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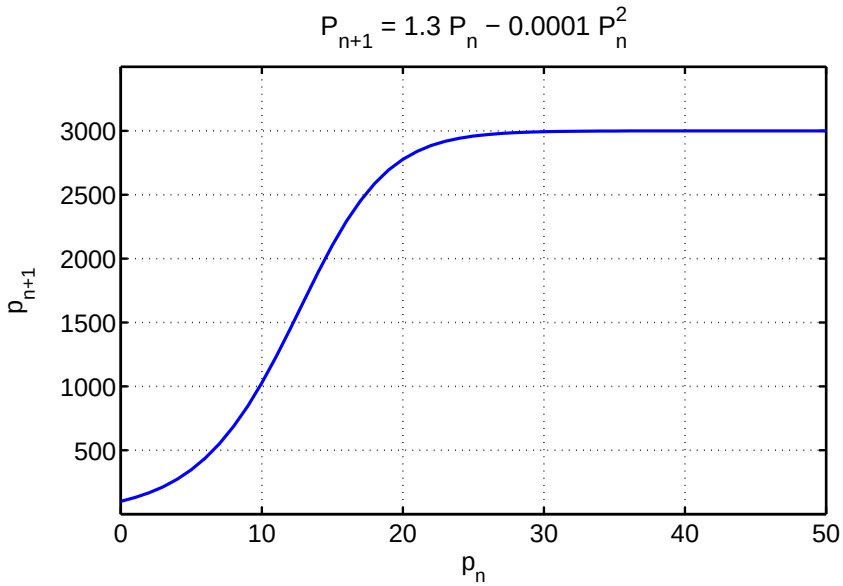

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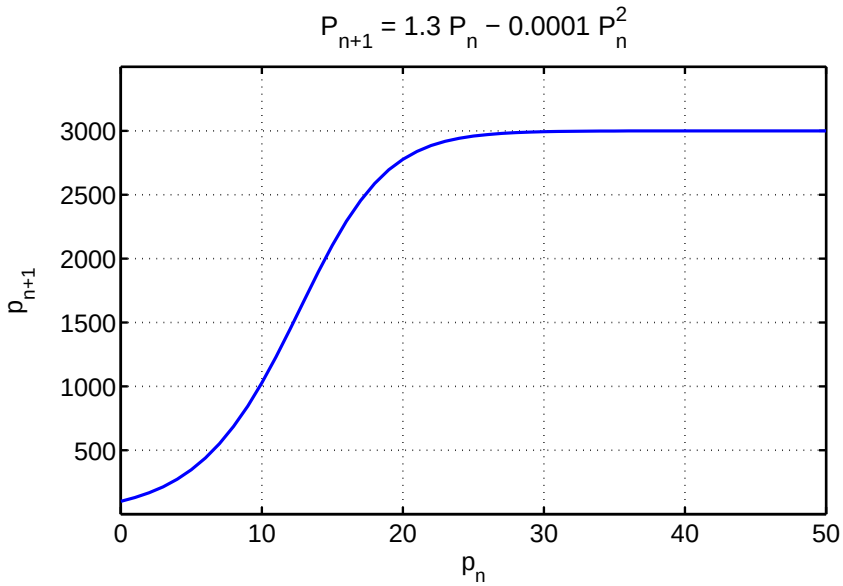

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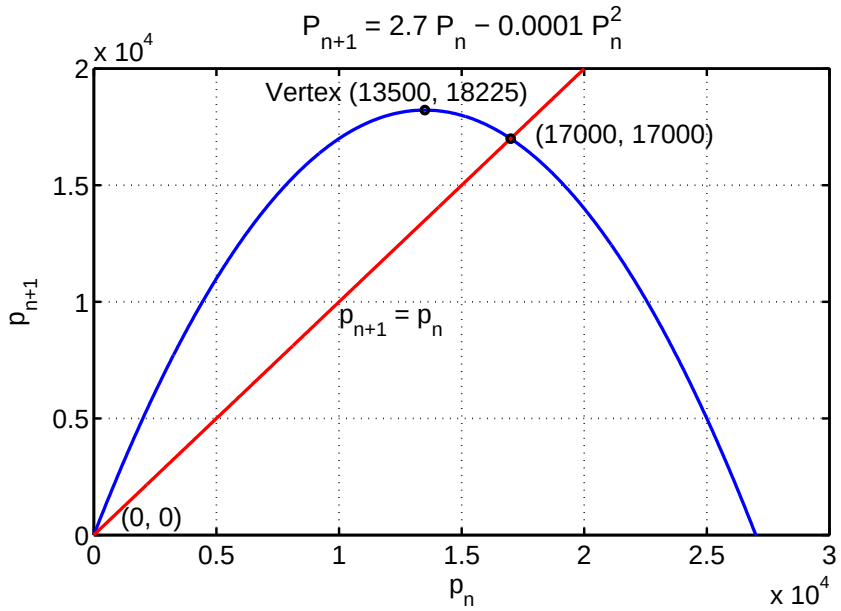

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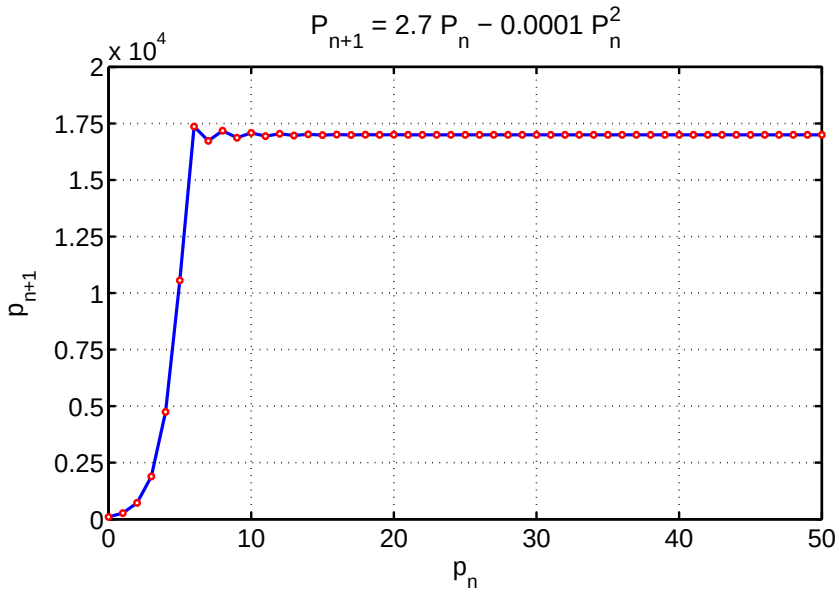

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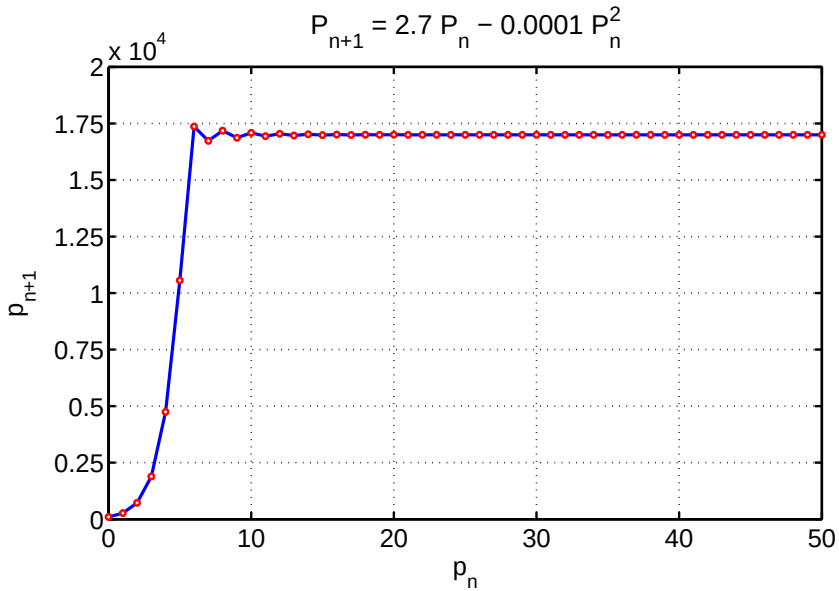

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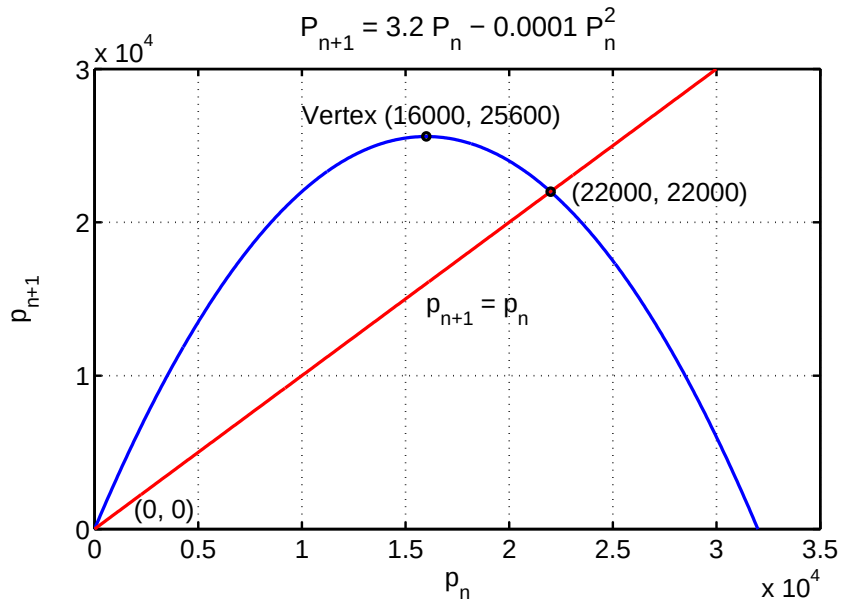

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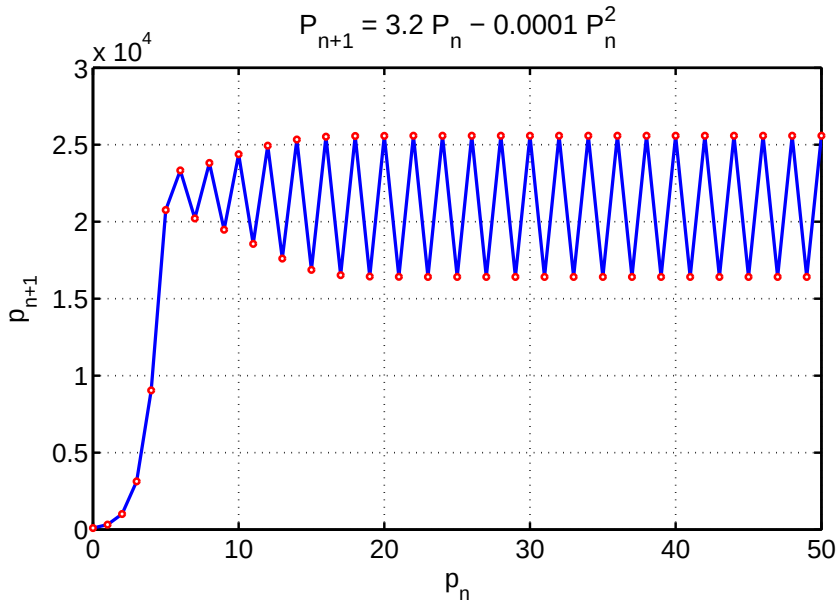

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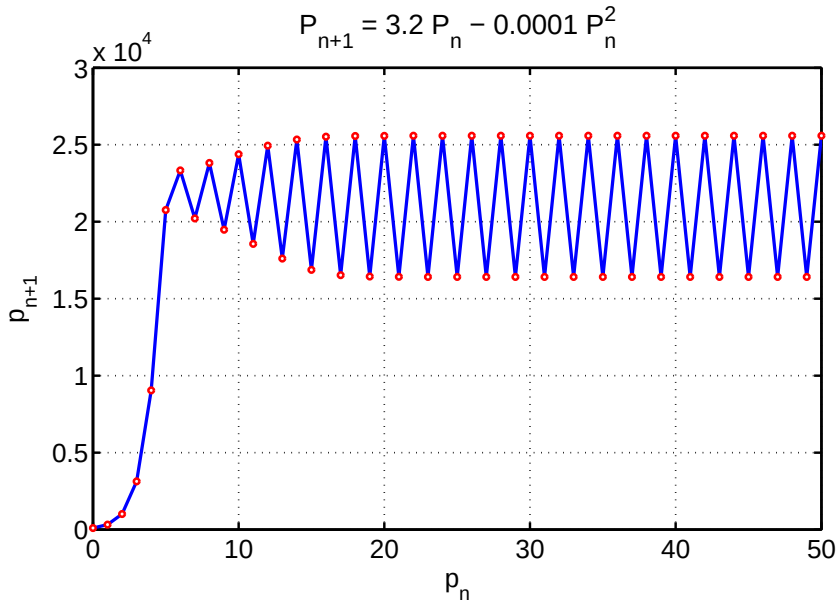

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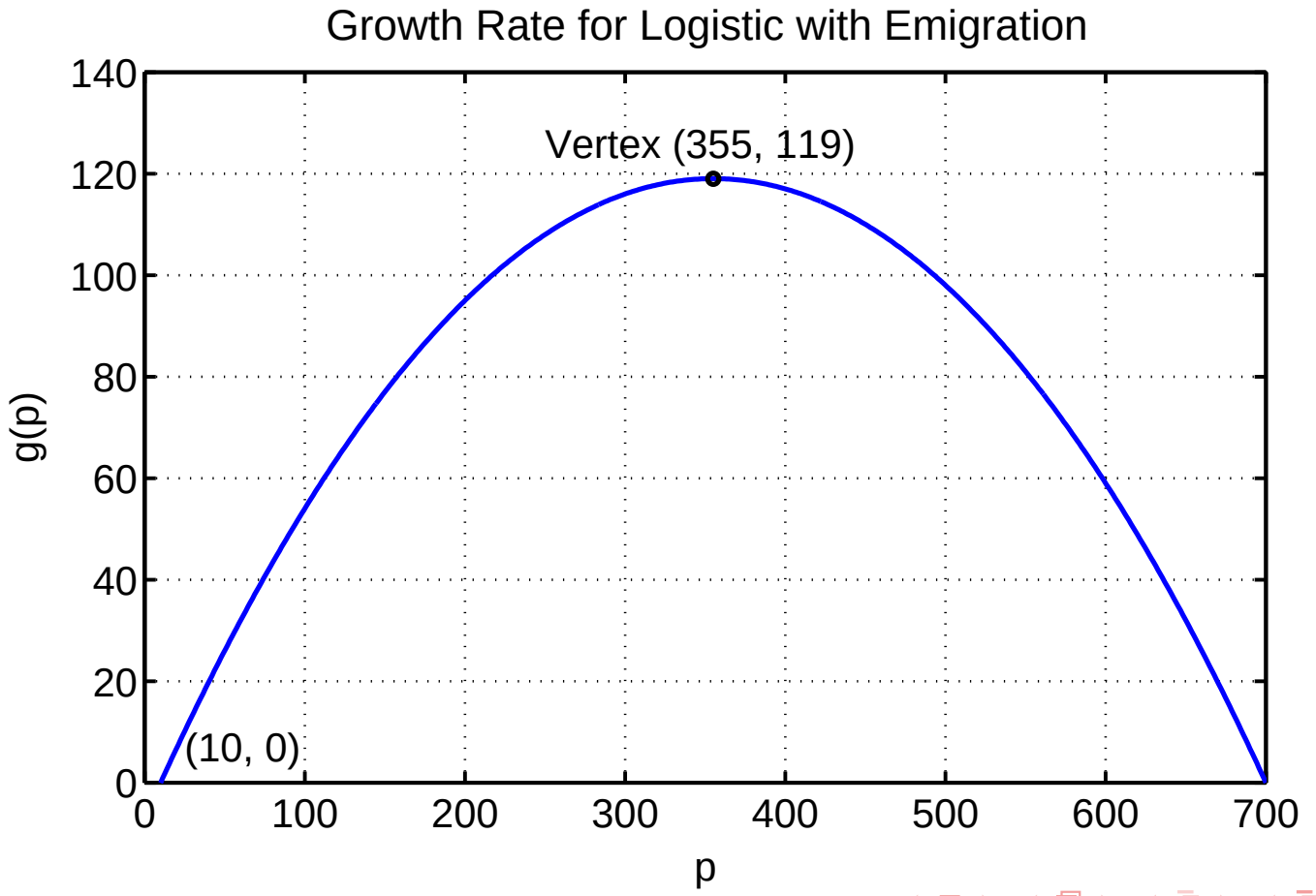

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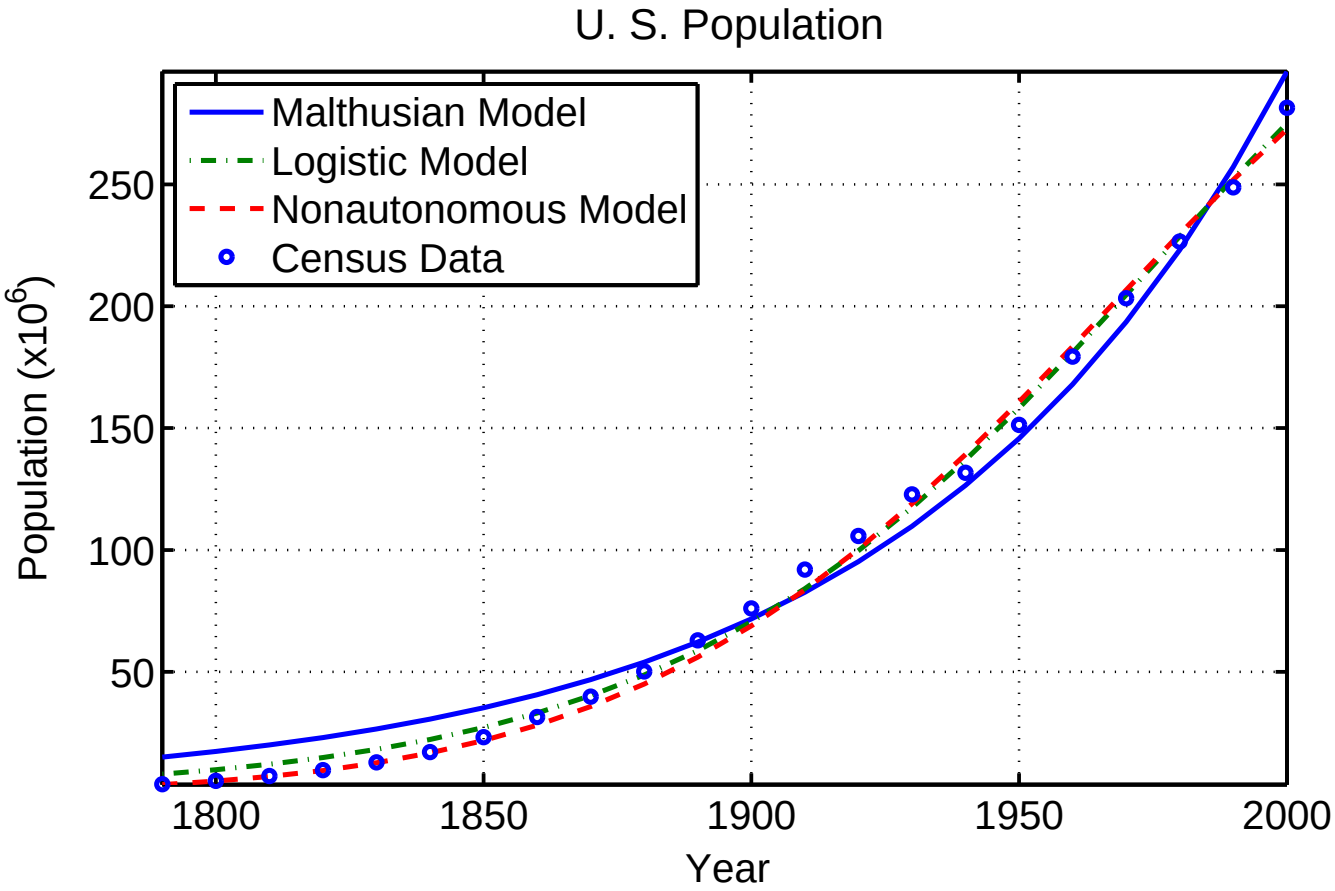

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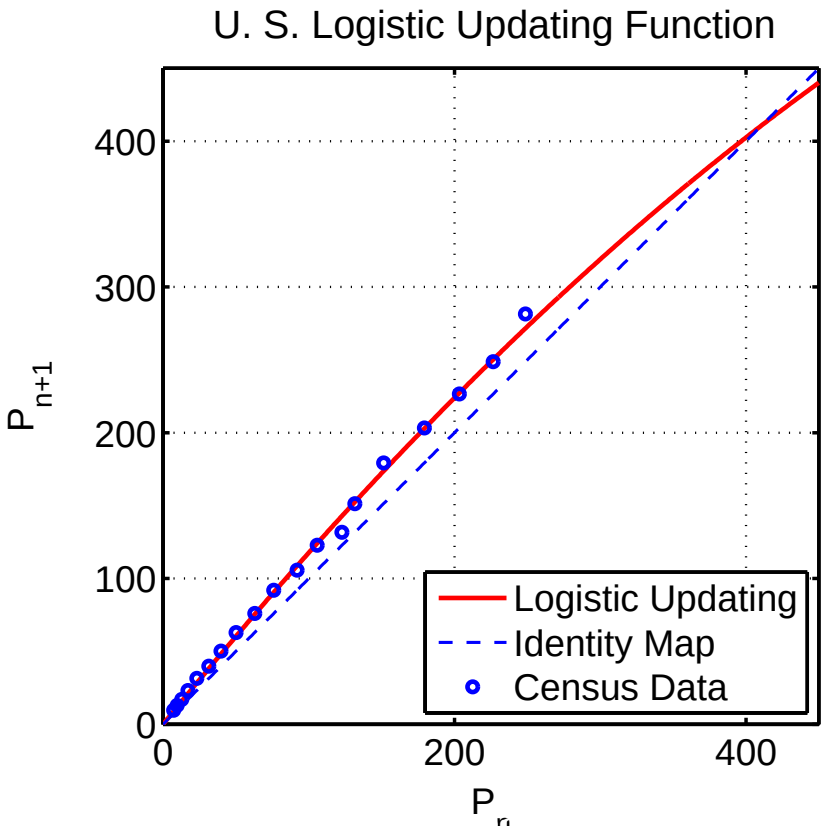

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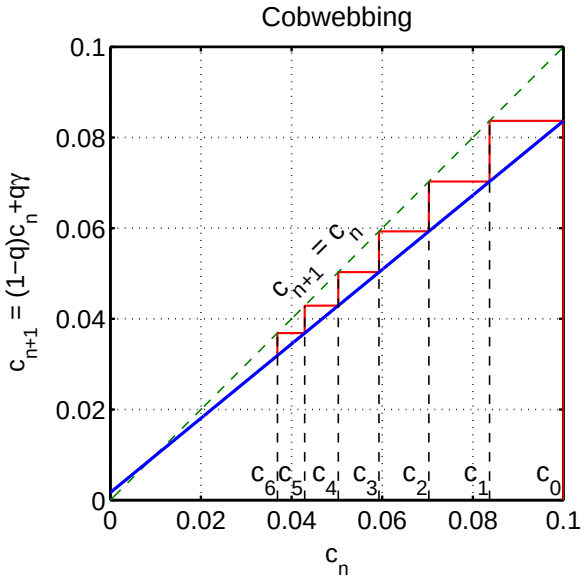

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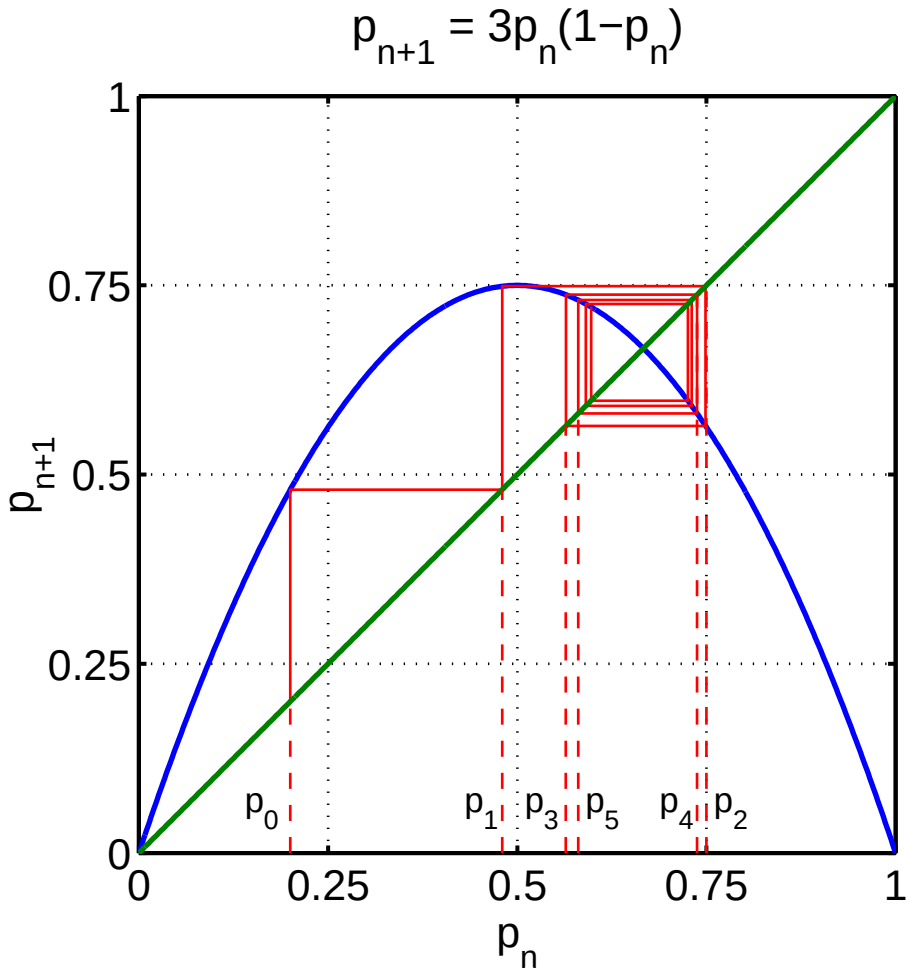
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