# A <br> Combinatorial Framework for <br> Nonlinear Dynamics 

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# II. Rigorous Computational Results 

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# Different colors 

represent
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## Database results are never wrong, BUT they depend on the resolution!



## finer resolution

Appropriate resolution is problem dependent!

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