

Simulating rare events in dynamical processes

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Computation of transition trajectories and rare events in
non-equilibrium systems

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- Sensitivity to initial conditions
- Fluct. of Lyapunov exponents [Ruelle 78, Benzi 84, Grassberger 88]
- Lots of theory, few applications in physics

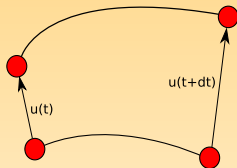
Lyapunov exponents

- Divergence of nearby trajectories

- $|u(t)| \equiv |u(0)| \exp[\lambda(t)t]$

- $\lambda(t) \underset{t \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} \lambda$: Lyapunov exponent

- Fluctuations $\longrightarrow P(\lambda, t)$



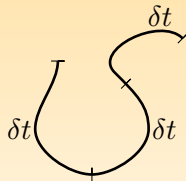
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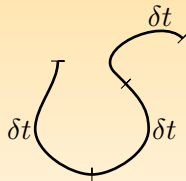


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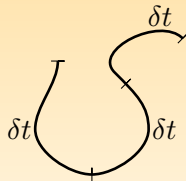
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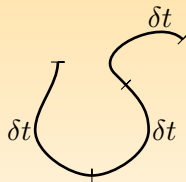
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$$P(\lambda, t) \simeq e^{ts(\lambda)}$$



- The larger the time, the more peaked $P(\lambda, t)$

Numerical methods

$$\text{Sample } P(\lambda, t) \simeq e^{ts(\lambda)}$$

- Frequency map analysis (Laskar 93)
- Spectral analysis (Sepulveda, Badi, Pollak 95)
- Fast Lyapunov indicator (Lega 96)
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- SALI (Skokos 01)

Random sampling $\longrightarrow \lambda^*$ s.t. $s'(\lambda^*) = 0$

Grid \longrightarrow Low dimension only

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- Trajectories with $\lambda^*(\alpha)$ dominate

$$s'(\lambda^*) = -\alpha \quad \text{differs from} \quad s'(\lambda^*) = 0$$

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- Z_α is a dynamical partition function
- $\mu(\alpha) = \frac{1}{t} \log[Z_\alpha]$ is a dynamical free energy

Language of dynamical transitions (e.g. transition to turbulence)

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At time t , 1 clone $\rightarrow \exp(\alpha \lambda t)$ copies

$$\mathcal{N}(t)/\mathcal{N}(0) \simeq \langle \exp(\alpha \lambda t) \rangle \sim \exp[\mu(\alpha)t]$$

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→ small noise:

- when we replicate the clones
- to the dynamics

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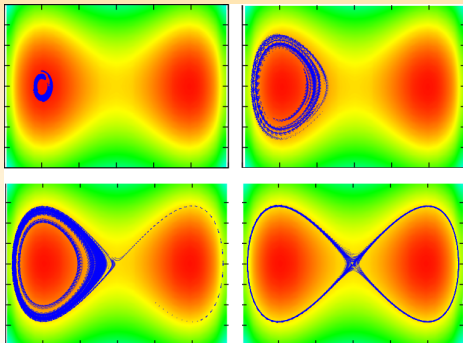
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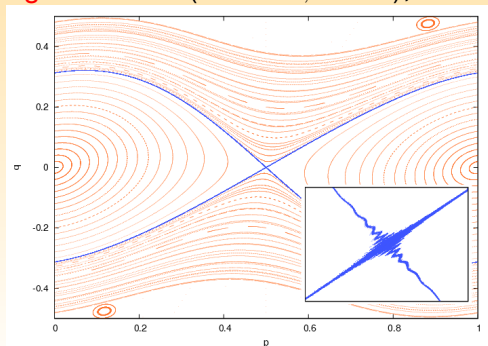
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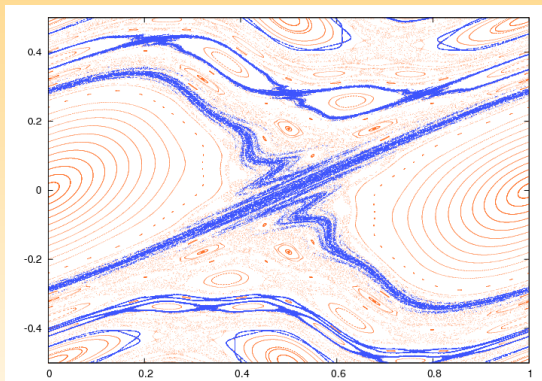
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Almost Integrable Case ($\delta = 0.45, k = 1$); **LWD** with $\alpha = 1$

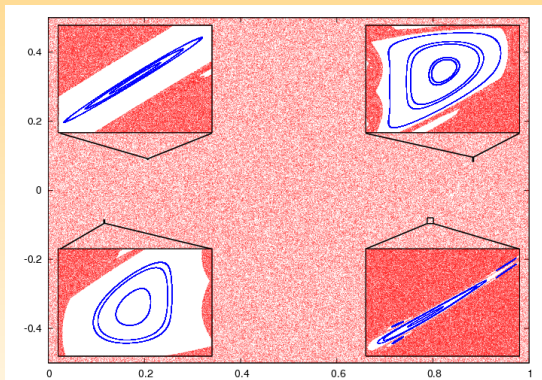


A mixed case



$$k = 1, \delta = 1, \alpha = 1 \quad \text{LWD } \alpha = 1$$

Integrable islands in a chaotic sea

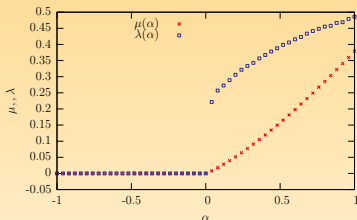


$$k = 7.8, \delta = 1, \alpha = -1 \quad \text{LWD } \alpha = -1$$

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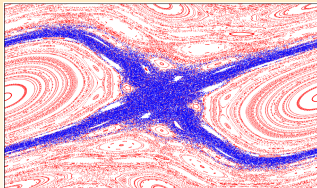
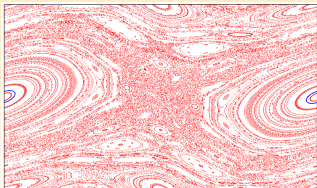
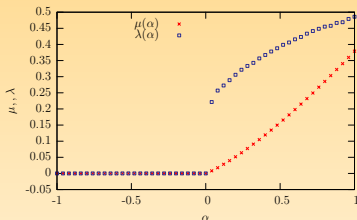
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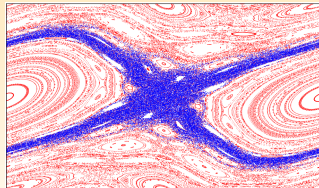
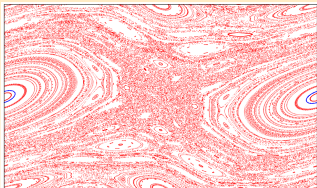
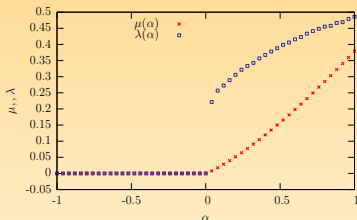
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First order transition point

The Fermi Pasta Tsingou Ulam chain

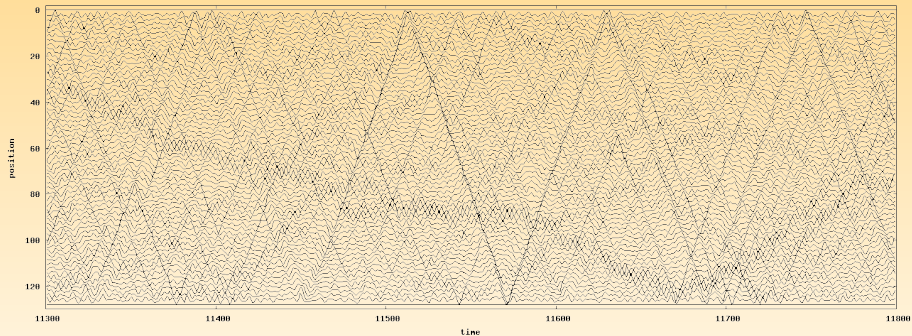
- Chain of non-linear oscillators

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\frac{1}{2} p_i^2 + \frac{1}{2} (x_i - x_{i+1})^2 + \frac{\beta}{4} (x_i - x_{i+1})^4 \right)$$

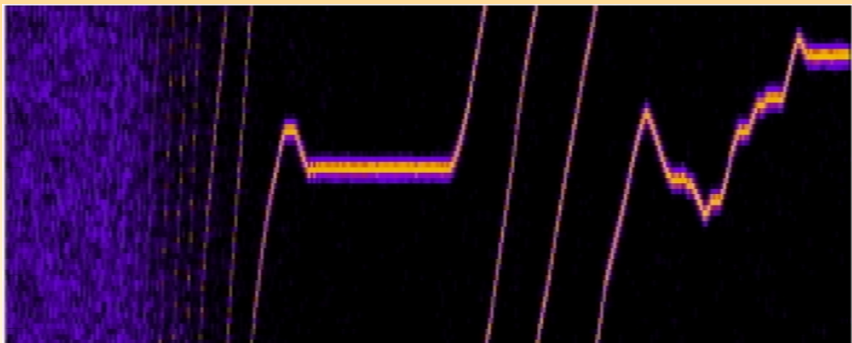
- $\beta = 0 \leftrightarrow$ uncoupled fourier modes

$$\omega_k = 2 \sin \left(\frac{\pi k}{N} \right)$$

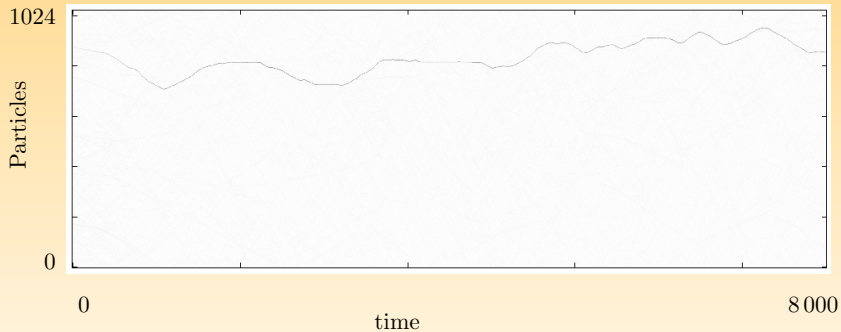
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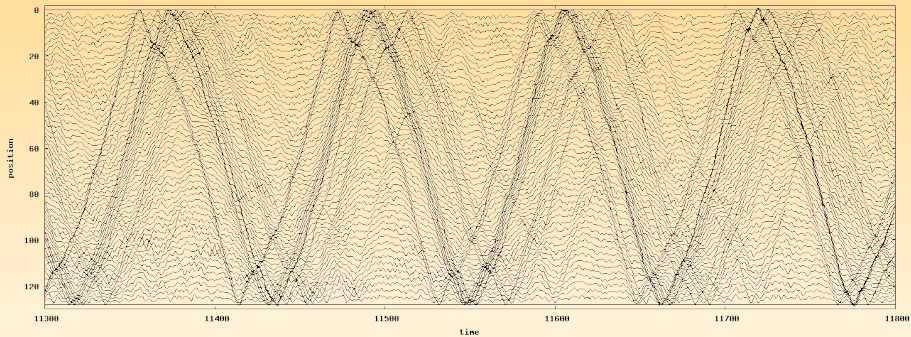
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Phase transition? Scaling with N...

- How do the fluctuations of λ scale with N ?

$$P(\lambda, t) \simeq e^{tN^\xi s(\lambda, t, N)}; \quad s(\lambda, t, N) \underset{N, t \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} \mathcal{O}(1)$$

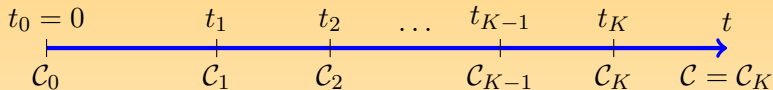
$$Z_\alpha = \int d\lambda e^{\alpha\lambda t + tN^\xi s(\lambda)}$$

- Select λ^* : $s'(\lambda^*) = -\frac{\alpha}{N^\xi} \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} 0$
- Need to find the good scaling (hard !)
see [Kuptsov& Politi PRL 2011]

Conclusion Part I

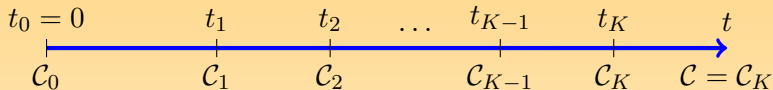
- Numerical method to sample the fluctuations of λ
- Detect atypical trajectories
- Study dynamical phase transition (turbulence !)
- [J. Tailleur, J. Kurchan, Nature Physics, 3, p. 203-207, (2007)]

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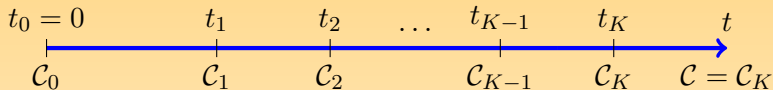
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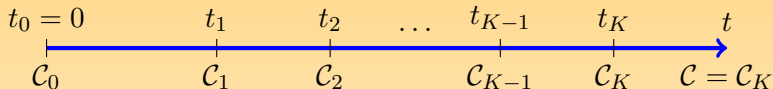
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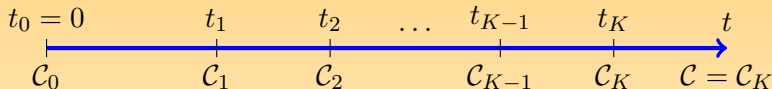
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$\psi(\beta)$ is a dynamical free energy

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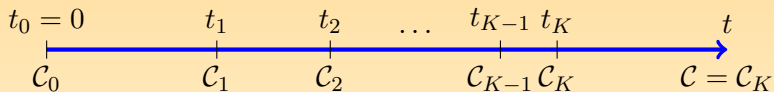
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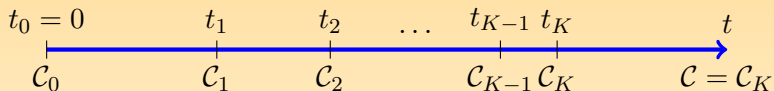
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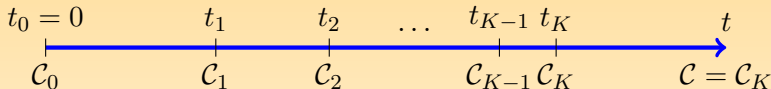
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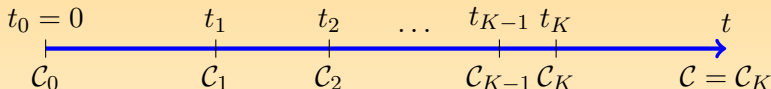
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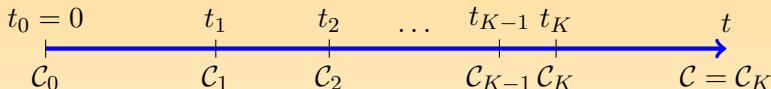
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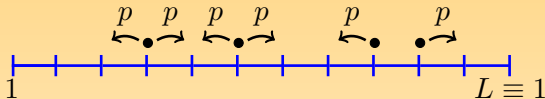
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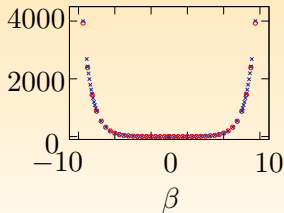
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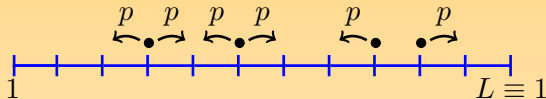
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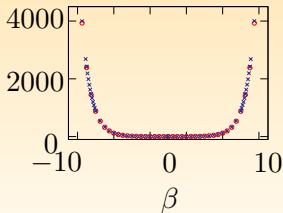
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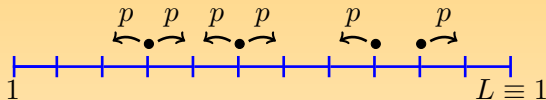


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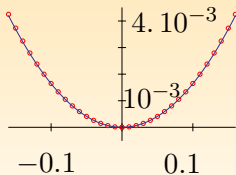
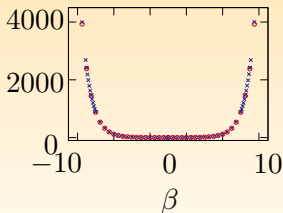


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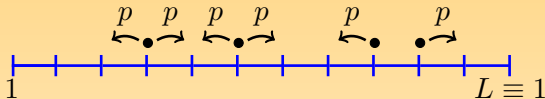


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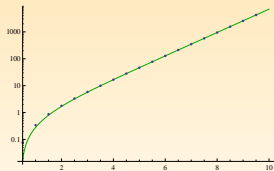
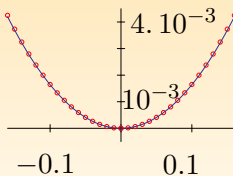
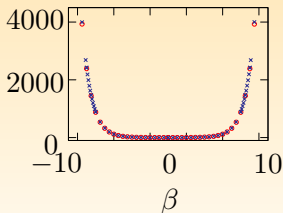


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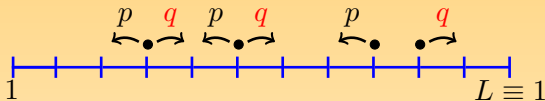


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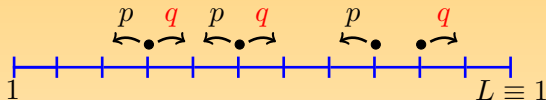
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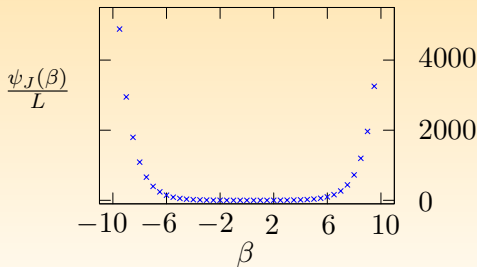


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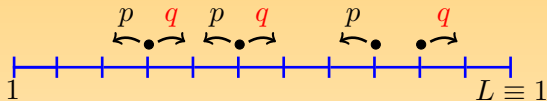


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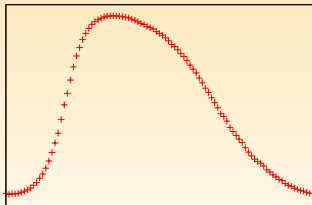


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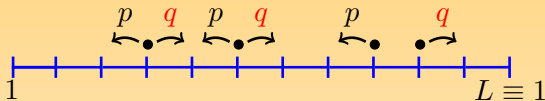


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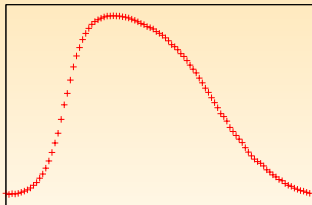


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