

# Chaos and fractal structures in the planar restricted three-body problem

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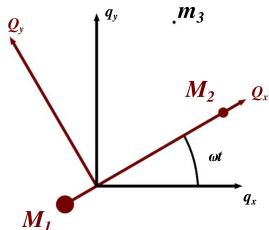
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# The planar restricted three body problem

- ▶ In the 19th century : Poincaré studied the restricted three body problem.
- ▶ The primaries  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  which move in the  $q_x, q_y$  plan.
- ▶ An object  $m_3$  of very low mass compared to  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ .
- ▶ The aim of our study was to explore the proprieties of the trajectory of  $m_3$ .
- ▶ We put our system in the syddodic reference frame  $Q_x, Q_y$ .
- ▶ Due to this transformation the hamiltonian of the system becomes autonomous.



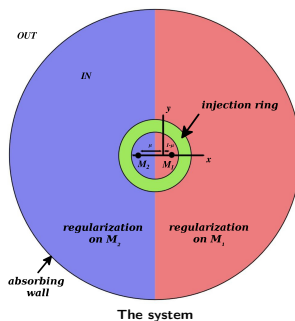
H. Poincaré (1854-1912)



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# The system



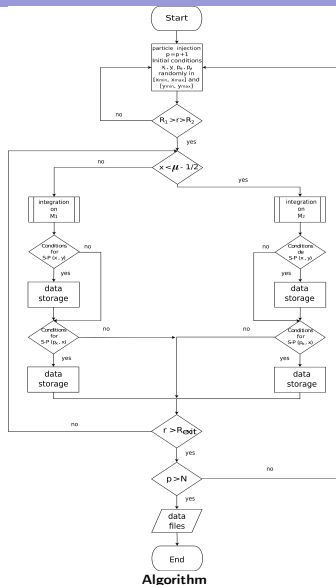
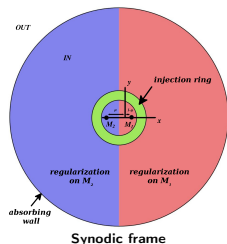
- ▶ The hamiltonian of the system in the synodic reference frame is the following :

$$H = \frac{1}{2} (p_x^2 + p_y^2) - y p_x - p_y x - \left( \frac{1 - \mu}{R_1} + \frac{\mu}{R_2} \right)$$

- ▶ To avoid the numerical problem of the close encounter we have used the Levi-Civita regularization.
- ▶ We add an absorbing wall around the system to simulate the ejection of the particles  $\Rightarrow$  the system is open !

# The algorithm

- ▶ Coded in Fortran.
- ▶ The regularization is made on the one or other one of both masses.
- ▶ Poincaré section was made in the  $x, y$  space and  $p_x, x$  space.
- ▶ When  $t = 0, \dot{r} = 0$ .
- ▶ Poincaré section are taken when  $\dot{r} = 0$  and  $\dot{\phi} < 0$  (angular velocity).



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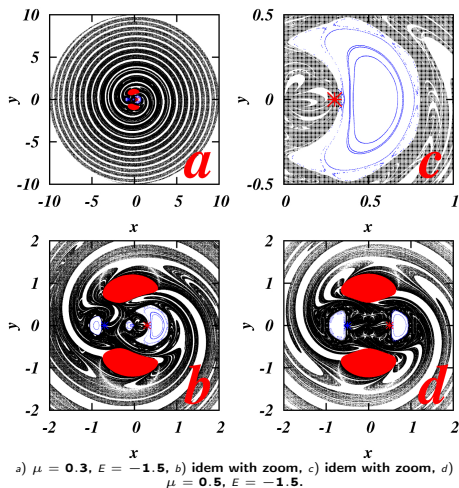
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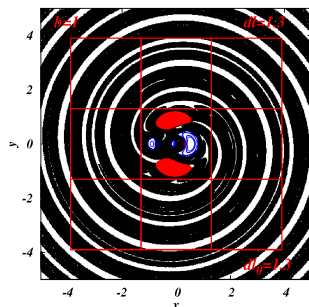
- ▶ Poincaré section in  $x, y$  plan.
- ▶ Black points are the chaotic trajectories.
- ▶ Red star are  $M_1 = 1 - \mu$ , blue star are  $M_2 = \mu$ .
- ▶ Red areas are the forbidden zones.
- ▶ Blue lines are the invariant KAM curves.
- ▶ We see the particles which remain in the system after  $t = 10$ .
- ▶ Open system  $\Rightarrow$  we clearly see the fractal structures of the strange repeller.



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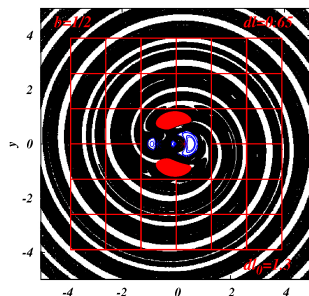
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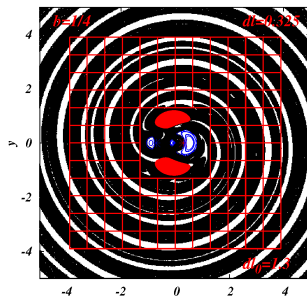
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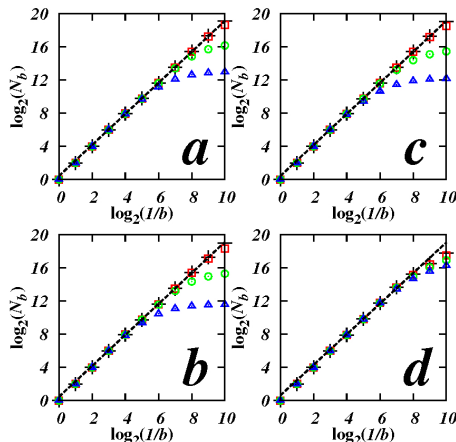


Fractal analysis for  $b = 1/4$ ,  $dl = 0.325$ ,  $dl_0 = 1.3$ .

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# Fractal structures

- ▶ The fractal dimension is computed for different parameters :  $\mu$  and  $E$ .
- ▶ For each panel the fractal dimension is computed for the remaining particles when  $t > 3$ ,  $t > 10$ ,  $t > 30$ ,  $t > 50$ .
- ▶ The results are substantially the same and we have found :  $D \sim 1.87$ .  
**CAUTION :** for  $t > 30$  and  $t > 50$  the curve seem to have an "inflection"  $\Rightarrow$  low number of available points for the analysis.
- ▶ Conclusion : The fractal pattern of the strange repeller is done after  $t = 3$  and will not change any more.
- ▶ The fractal dimension of the invariant strange attractor formed with the particles which neither leave the system in the past nor in the future is given by  $D_0 = 2(D - 1)$ , here :  $D_0 = 1.74$



Dimension analysis for  $R_{\text{exit}} = 10$ . a)  $\mu = 0.3$ ,  $E = -1.5$ ,  $D \simeq 1.87$  ( $t > 10$ ). b)  $\mu = 0.4$ ,  $E = -1.5$ ,  $D \simeq 1.87$  ( $t > 10$ ). c)  $\mu = 0.3$ ,  $E = -1.3$ ,  $D \simeq 1.87$  ( $t > 10$ ). d)  $\mu = 0.3$ ,  $E = -1.7$ ,  $D \simeq 1.83$  ( $t > 10$ ).

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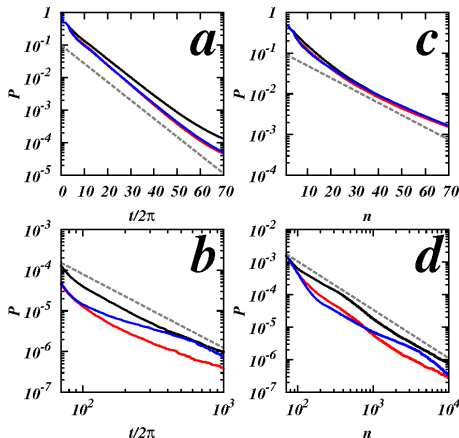
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# Survival probability

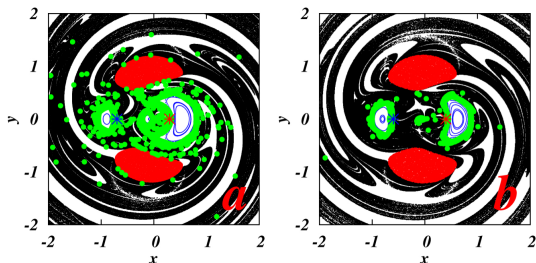
- ▶ Survival probability is computed for different  $\mu$ .
- ▶ The time is counted in number of binary rotation and in number of appearance on the Poincaré section.
- ▶ We note two behaviour.
  - ▶ For the short times  $\Rightarrow$  exponential decrease  
 $P(t) \propto e^{-t/t_s}$  with  $1/t_s = 0.13$   
 (for  $P$  vs  $n$  :  $1/\tau_s = 0.07$ ).
  - ▶ For the long times  $\Rightarrow$  algebraic decrease  
 $P(t) \propto 1/t^\beta$  with  $\beta = 1.82$   
 (for  $P$  vs  $n$  :  $\beta = 1.49$ ).
- ▶ Exponential : typical behaviour of strange attractor.
- ▶ Algebraic : typical behavior due to the decrease of the Poincaré recurrences probability.  $\beta = 1.49$  is close to the the value  $\beta = 1.5$  found usually in symplectic map.



Survival probability for  $E = -1.5$ , black curve is for  $\mu = 0.3$ , red curve for  $\mu = 0.4$  and blue curve for  $\mu = 0.5$ .

# Survival probability

An algebraic decrease :

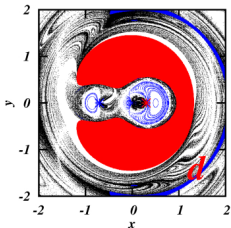


In green particles positions for  $t > 100$  and  $E = -1.5$ . a)  $\mu = 0.3$  b)  $\mu = 0.4$ .

- ▶ For  $t > 100$  particles are stucked around the KAM island.
- ▶  $\Rightarrow$  We understand that the probability decrease is no longer exponential.

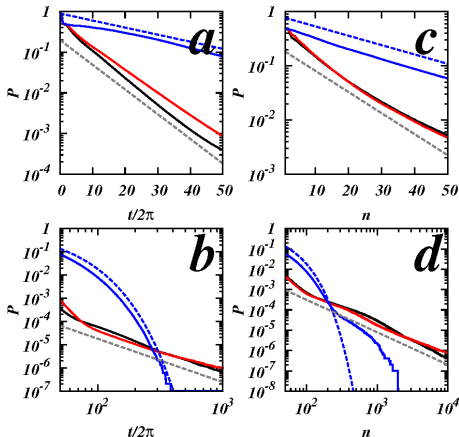
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- ▶ Same behaviour as before for the black and red curve.
- ▶ New behaviour for the blue curve which is almost only exponential.



Poincaré section for  $\mu = 0.3$  and  $E = 1.7$ .

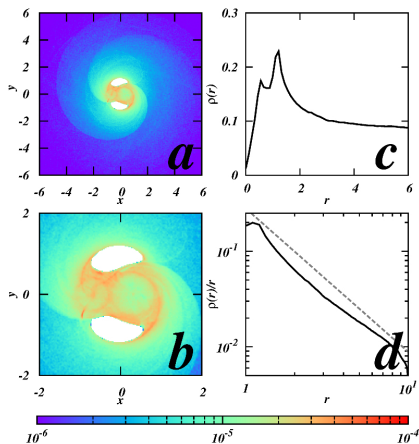
- ▶ Being close to islands is almost impossible  $\Rightarrow$  survival probability is exponential.



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## In real space...

- ▶ A part of the spiral structure is preserved in the real space !
- ▶ The surface density shape is in agreement with previous results.
- ▶ It would be interesting to explore further this kind of work  $\Rightarrow$  the structure in spiral resembles that observed in the galaxies.



Density of presence of particles in real space for  $t = 10$ .

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## The Kepler map

- ▶ To describe the dynamics of the particles we have used a symplectic map description : the "Kepler Map."
- ▶ The Kepler map is described by the following equations :

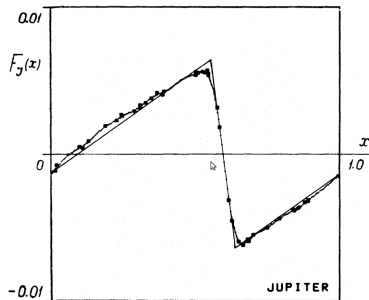
$$w_{n+1} = w_n + F(x_n)$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + w_{n+1}^{-3/2}$$

- ▶  $w_n$  is the energy of the particle at its perihelion,  $x_n$  the phase of the binary at the perihelion of the particle,  $F(x_n)$  is called the "kick function".
- ▶ Originally used to study the quasi-parabolic dynamics of comets.
- ▶ The kick function for a binary with identical masses is  $F(x) = A \sin(4\pi x)$ .

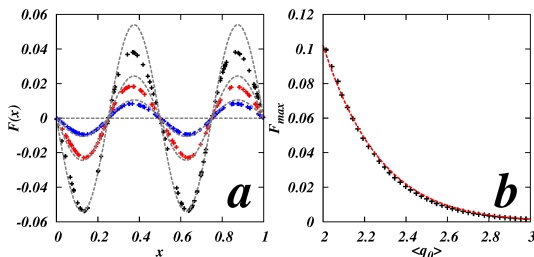
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Original kick function found by Chirikov and Vesheslavov for the Halley comet and Sun-Jupiter binary.

# The kick function



a) Kick function for  $\mu = 0.5$ , in black  $q = 2.2$ , in red  $q = 2.4$ , in blue  $q = 2.6$ , b) Evolution of  $F_{max}$  with  $q$

- ▶ We have used the same software as before to compute the amplitude evolution of the kick function with to the periatron distance  $q$ .
- ▶ The theoretical evolution is given by (Shevchenko '15) :

$$F_{max} = Aq^{3/4} \exp \left\{ \frac{-2^{5/2} q^{3/2}}{3} \right\}$$

- ▶ The theoretical value of  $A$  is :  $A = 2^{11/4} \pi^{-1/2} \simeq 11.9236$
- ▶ We have found  $A \simeq 12.5583 \pm 0.04407$

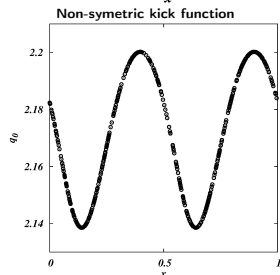
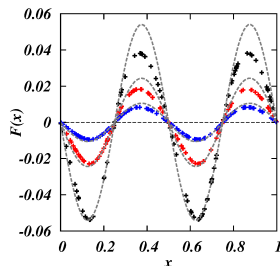
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## Non-symmetric kick function

- ▶ The kick is non-symmetric, how can we explain this fact ?
- ▶ Unlike the two body problem with a fixed  $q$ , particles which come from the infinity are
  - ▶ "more attracted" at small  $q$  when they feel an decrease of  $w$ .
  - ▶ "less attracted" at small  $q$  when they feel an increase of  $w$ .
- ▶ In conclusion :
  - ▶ Positive part of the kick function is given by particles with a large  $q$ .
  - ▶ Negative part of the kick function is given by particles with a small  $q$ .
- ▶ Consequently the kick function is non-symmetric.



$q$  vs  $x$  for particles which come from the infinity and which should have a  $q_0 = 2.2$  in two body approximation.

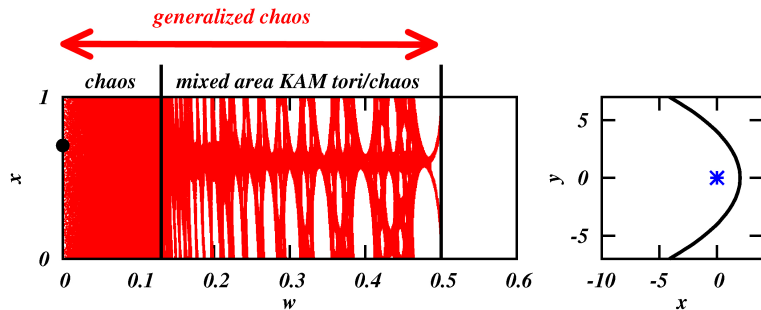
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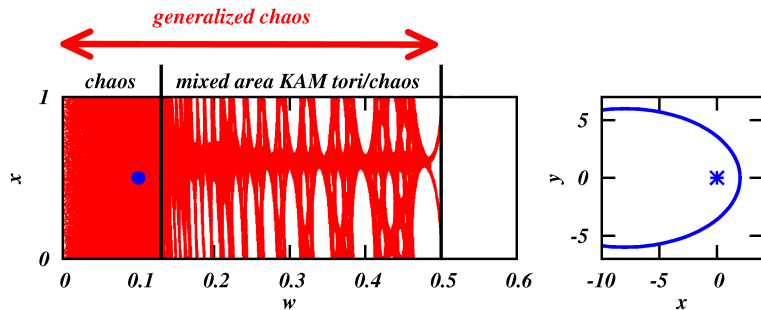
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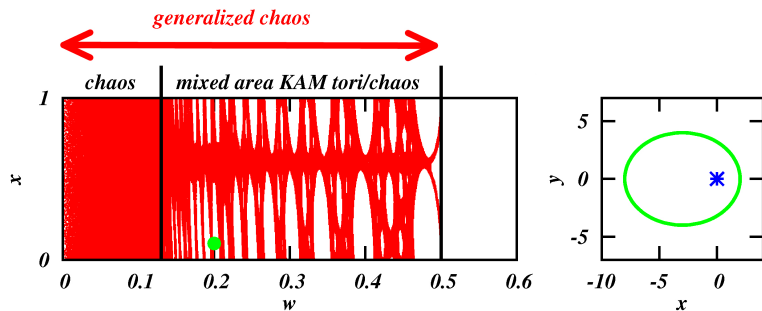
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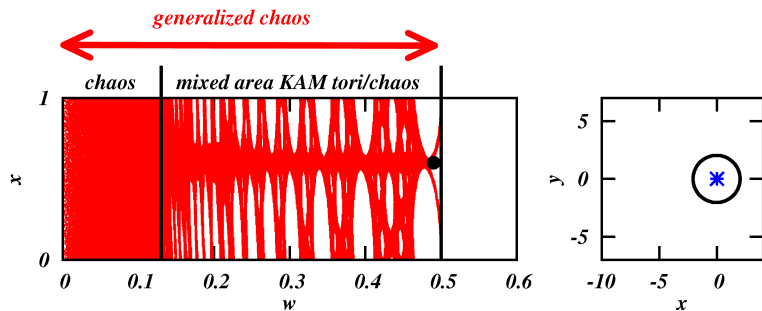
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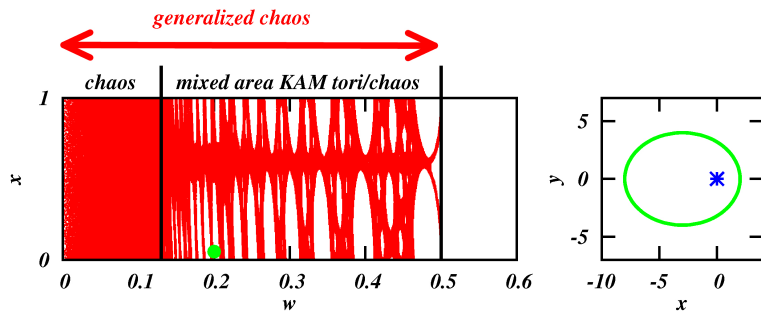
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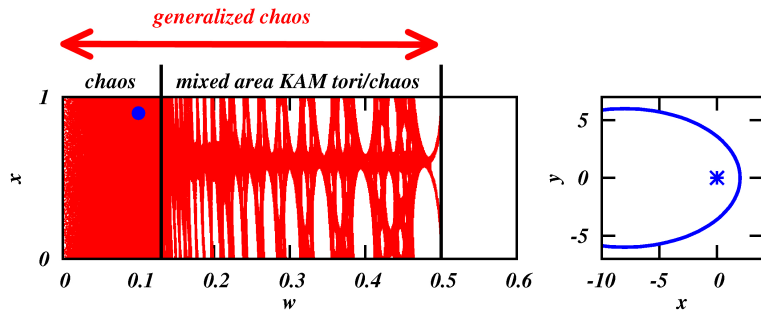
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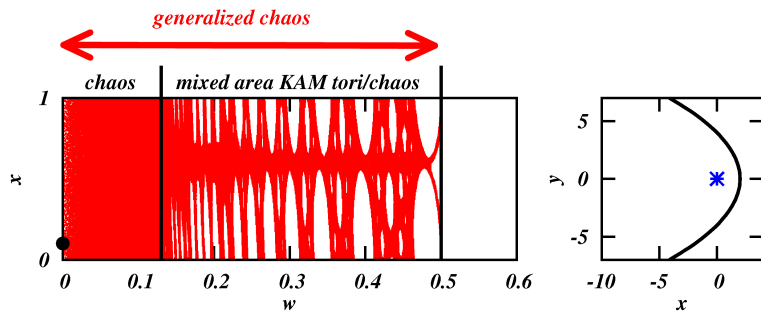
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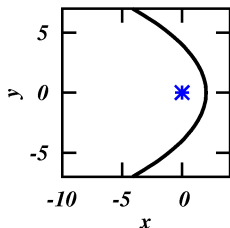
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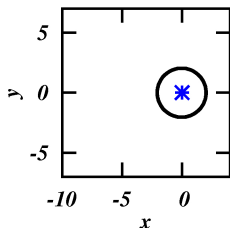




# What about the kick function during the diffusion ?

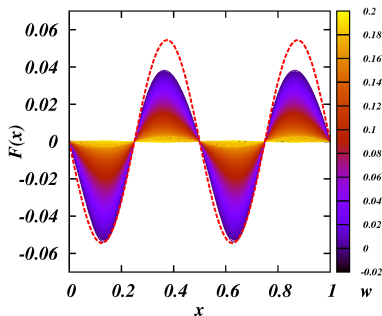


Dynamics close to  $w = 0$ .



Dynamics close to  $w = w_{ch}$ .

- ▶ Can we think that the kick function is the same during all the studied dynamics ?
- ▶ The answer is
  - ▶ YES if  $\mu$  is small (comets in SS)  $\Rightarrow$  kick function remains the same during a long time.
  - ▶ NO if  $\mu$  is close to 0.5.



Kick function evolution with the energetic position of the particles.

## Periastron distance evolution

- ▶ In the planar restricted three body problem, the Jacobi constant is given by  $C = w + 2\ell$  where  $C$  is the Jacobi constant,  $w$  is the energy,  $\ell$  is the angular momentum.
- ▶ Due to the constant  $C$  : when one particle undergoes an increment  $\Delta w$  in energy it feels a decrease  $\Delta\ell = -\Delta w/2$  of its angular momentum.
- ▶ After  $n$  iteration, we have :

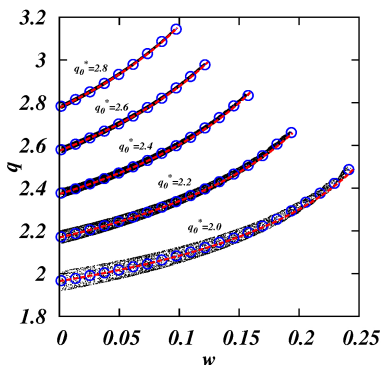
$$\begin{aligned}w_n &= w_0 + \Delta w \simeq \Delta w \\ \ell_n &= \ell_0 + \Delta\ell = \ell_0 - \frac{\Delta w}{2}\end{aligned}$$

where  $w_0$  is the first energy of the quasi-parabolic particles (only ones who can be captured) and  $\ell_0$  is the first angular momentum.

- ▶ In two body approximation we have  $q_n = \ell_n^2 / (1 + e_n) = a_n(1 - e_n)$  here  $a_n = 1/w_n$  is the semi-major axis of the resulting ellipse and  $e_n = \sqrt{1 - w_n \ell_n^2}$  is its eccentricity.
- ▶ So we can write :

$$q_n = \frac{\left(\sqrt{2q_0} - \frac{w_n}{2}\right)^2}{1 + \sqrt{1 - w_n \left(\sqrt{2q_0} - \frac{w_n}{2}\right)^2}}$$

## Periastron distance evolution



Evolution of the periastron distance during the diffusion in  $w$

- ▶ Black points are the diffusion in  $w$  of the periastron distance  $q$  for captured particles.
- ▶ Blue circles are the average of the  $w$  position in a small windows  $\Delta w$ .
- ▶ Red dashed line is the theoretical evolution  $q_n$  seen before.

## Chaos border and modified Kepler map

- ▶ The position of the chaos border can be found with the Chirikov criterion (Chi 79'). For a kick function  $F(x) = F_{max} \sin(4\pi x)$  the chaos border is given by :

$$w_{ch} = (6\pi F_{max})^{2/5}$$

- ▶ When the particle rises in energy  $\Rightarrow$  the kick decrease  $\Rightarrow$  the chaos border decrease.
- ▶ The encounter between the particle and the chaos border occurs when  $w$  respects the following equation :

$$Aq(w)^{3/4} \exp\left\{\frac{-2^{5/2}q(w)^{3/2}}{3}\right\} - \frac{w^{5/2}}{6\pi} = 0$$

- ▶ To mimic the dynamics of one particles when  $\mu = 0.5$ , we propose a modified Kepler map with an other kick function  $F(x, w)$  :

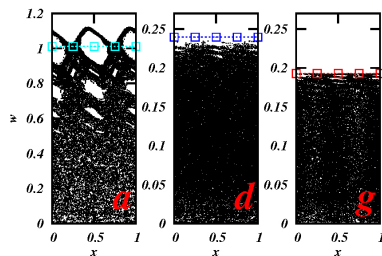
$$F(x, w) = A \frac{|\frac{w}{2} - \sqrt{2q_0}|^{3/2}}{\left(1 + \sqrt{1 - w(\sqrt{2q_0} - \frac{w}{2})^2}\right)^{3/4}} \exp\left\{-\frac{2^{5/2}|\frac{w}{2} - \sqrt{2q_0}|(\frac{w}{2} - \sqrt{2q_0})}{3\left(1 + \sqrt{1 - w(\sqrt{2q_0} - \frac{w}{2})^2}\right)^{3/2}}\right\} \sin(4\pi x)$$

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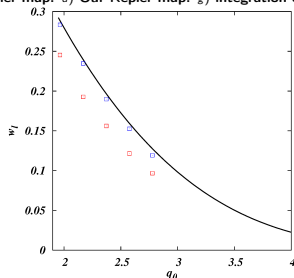
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# Modified Kepler map results

- ▶ Our Kepler map is in agreement with the integration of motion equations.
- ▶ Chaos border is lower with our kick function than with a fixed kick function.
- ▶ The explanation of the small difference of the chaos border level with our Kepler map and the direct simulation is not still totally solved.
  - ▶ Additional component in the decrease of the kick function ?
  - ▶ The asymmetry of the kick function ?



a) "traditional" Kepler map. d) Our Kepler map. g) integration of motion



equations.  
Chaos border evolution with  $q_0$  the first periastron

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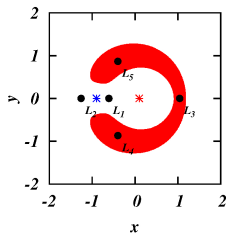
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- ▶ We have seen that trapped particles in the vicinity of a binary system describe a strange repeller in phase space before their ejection.
- ▶ The dimension of the strange repeller is  $D_0 = 1.74$ .
- ▶ The survival probability follow two laws : exponential decrease and algebraic decrease.
- ▶ The spiral structure leaves traces in the real space.
- ▶ Perspective : A comprehensive study of "gravitational billiard"



- ▶ We have shown that the chaos border in the phase space  $(w, x)$  when  $\mu$  is close to 0.5 moves during the particles dynamics.
- ▶ Consequently the diffusive process in phase space is affected.
- ▶ Perspective : The trajectories of a large number of particles can be computed in a very simple way for statistical studies.

*Thank you for your attention !*