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*Splitting of the separatrices after a  
Hamiltonian-Hopf bifurcation under periodic  
forcing.*

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# The problem: general setting

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Let  $H_0(\nu) = H_0(\nu, x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2)$  be a one-parameter  $\nu$ -family of 2-dof Hamiltonian systems such that

1. the origin is a fixed point for all  $\nu$ ,
2. at  $\nu = 0$  the origin suffers a Hamiltonian-Hopf bifurcation, and
3. for  $\nu > 0$  the invariant manifolds of the origin (complex unstable) form a “homoclinic 2-dimensional figure-eight”.

## We consider

a **periodic in time** forcing  $H = H_0(\nu) + \epsilon H_1$  ( $\epsilon$  small and fixed) on the family (hence 2+1/2 dof Hamiltonian system).

## Our goal is

to describe the **asymptotic behaviour** (when  $\nu \rightarrow 0$ ) of the **splitting of the invariant manifolds**.

# The concrete system

Concretely, we consider the system

$$H(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2, t) = H_0(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2) + \epsilon H_1(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2, t),$$

where

$$H_0 = x_1 y_2 - x_2 y_1 + \nu \left( \frac{x_1^2 + x_2^2}{2} + \frac{y_1^2 + y_2^2}{2} \left( -1 + \frac{y_1^2 + y_2^2}{2} \right) \right),$$

and

$$H_1 = \frac{y_1^5}{(d - y_1)(c - \cos(\theta))}, \quad \theta = \gamma t + \theta_0.$$

1. We shall fix concrete values of  $c$ ,  $d$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $\epsilon$ .
2.  $\nu > 0$  is a perturbative parameter.
3. The parameter  $\theta_0 \in [0, 2\pi)$  is the initial time phase.
4. Note that  $H_1$  contains all powers  $y_1^k$ ,  $k > 4$  and all harmonics in  $\theta$ .

# Why this concrete system? $H_0$ ?

Consider a 1-param. family of 2-dof Hamiltonians  $H_\delta$  undergoing a Hamiltonian-Hopf bifurcation (at the origin).

Assume: for  $\delta > 0$  elliptic-elliptic,  $\delta < 0$  complex-saddle.

The NF analysis of the HH bifurcation leads to the so-called **Sokolskii NF**:

$$\text{NF}(H_\delta) = \omega\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2 + \sum_{\substack{k,l,j \geq 0 \\ k+l \geq 2}} a_{k,l,j} \Gamma_1^k \Gamma_3^l \delta^j, \quad \leftarrow \text{formal}$$

where

$$\Gamma_1 = x_1 y_2 - x_2 y_1, \quad \Gamma_2 = (x_1^2 + x_2^2)/2 \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma_3 = (y_1^2 + y_2^2)/2.$$

$\Gamma_1$  is a (formal) **first integral**, hence  $W^{u/s}(\mathbf{0}) = \{\Gamma_1 = 0\} \cap \{\text{NF}(H_\delta) = 0\}$ .

- If  $a_{0,2,0} > 0$  they **bound a finite domain** of size  $\Gamma_2 = \mathcal{O}(\delta^2)$ ,  $\Gamma_3 = \mathcal{O}(\delta)$ .
- If  $a_{0,2,0} < 0$  they are unbounded.

# The unperturbed model: $H_0$

We consider the **bounded case**.

Introducing  $\delta = -\nu^2$ , and **rescaling**  $x_i = \nu^2 \tilde{x}_i$ ,  $\omega y_i = \nu \tilde{y}_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $\omega t = \tilde{t}$ , one has (skipping  $\sim$  from the new variables)

$$\text{NF}(H_\delta) = \Gamma_1 + \nu (\Gamma_2 + a\Gamma_3 + \eta\Gamma_3^2) + \mathcal{O}(\nu^2)$$

where  $a = -a_{0,1,1}/\omega^2$  and  $\eta = a_{0,2,0}/\omega^4$ .

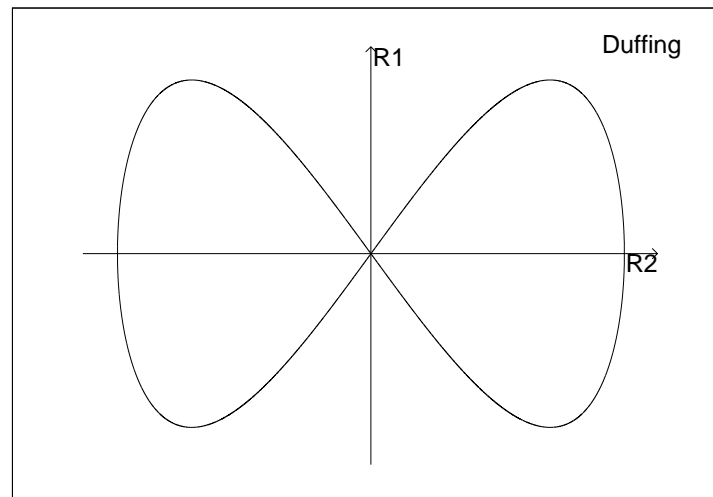
Taking  $a = -1$ ,  $\eta = 1$ , and truncating we obtain **the unperturbed integrable system considered**:

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 &= x_1 y_2 - x_2 y_1 + \nu \left( \frac{x_1^2 + x_2^2}{2} + \frac{y_1^2 + y_2^2}{2} \left( -1 + \frac{y_1^2 + y_2^2}{2} \right) \right) \\ &= \Gamma_1 + \nu (\Gamma_2 - \Gamma_3 + \Gamma_3^2). \end{aligned}$$

Then,  $G_1 = \Gamma_1$  and  $G_2 = \Gamma_2 - \Gamma_3 + \Gamma_3^2$  are **independent first integrals**.

# Geometry of the invariant manifolds for $H_0$

In polar coord  $x_1 + ix_2 = R_1 e^{i\psi_1}$ ,  $y_1 + iy_2 = R_2 e^{i\psi_2}$  the restriction to  $(R_1, R_2)$ -components is a Duffing Hamiltonian system.



On  $W^{u/s}(\mathbf{0})$  one has  $\psi_1 = \psi_2 \pm \pi$ ,  $\psi_2 = t + \psi_0$ . The **2-dimensional homoclinic surface** is foliated by homoclinic orbits  $(x_1(t), x_2(t), y_1(t), y_2(t))$  given by

$$x_1(t) + ix_2(t) = -R_1(t)e^{i\psi(t)}, \quad y_1(t) + iy_2(t) = R_2(t)e^{i\psi(t)},$$

being  $\psi(t) = t + \psi_0$ ,  $R_1(t) = \sqrt{2} \operatorname{sech}(\nu t) \tanh(\nu t)$ , and  $R_2(t) = \sqrt{2} \operatorname{sech}(\nu t)$ .

# Periodic forcing: $\epsilon H_1$

We add to  $H_0$  the periodic perturbation  $\epsilon H_1 = \epsilon g(y_1) f(\theta)$  where

$$g(y_1) = y_1^5 (d - y_1)^{-1}, \quad f(\theta) = (c - \cos(\gamma t + \theta_0))^{-1}.$$

## Remarks:

1. Restricted to the unperturbed  $W^{u/s}(\mathbf{0})$ ,  $y_1$  becomes 1-periodic in  $t$ .
2.  $f(\theta)$  periodic in  $t$  with frequency  $\gamma \Rightarrow$  If  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$  then **quasi-periodic!**

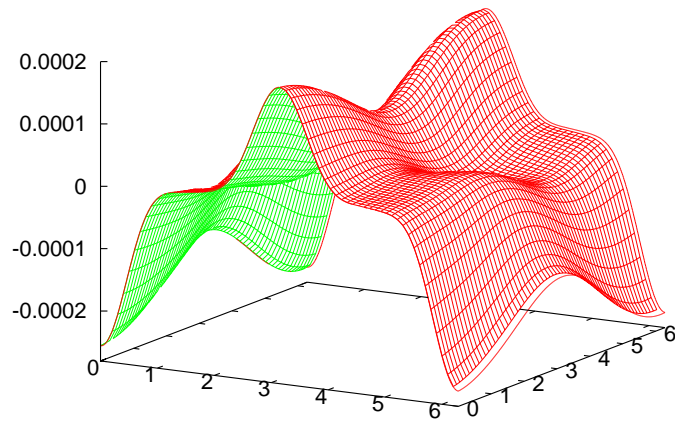
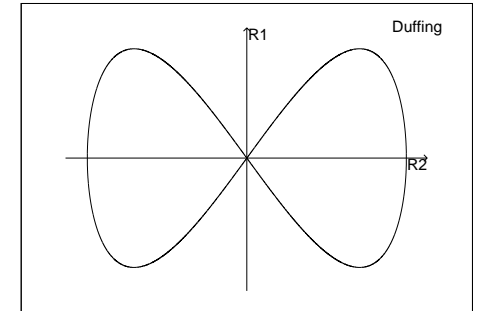
We consider for numerical simulations  $c = 5$ ,  $d = 7$ , and  $\epsilon = 10^{-3}$ .

Also  $\gamma = \gamma_0 = (\sqrt{5} - 1)/2$  (later other values of  $\gamma$ ).

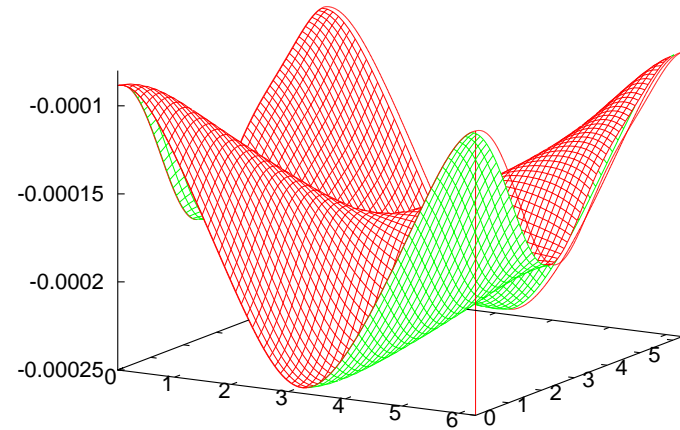
Recall that  $(\psi_0, \theta_0)$  are initial conditions on a fundamental domain (torus  $\mathcal{T}$ ) of  $W^{u/s}(\mathbf{0})$ . Also recall that  $\nu$  is a small parameter (included in  $H_0$ ).

# The invariant manifolds $W^{u/s}(0)$

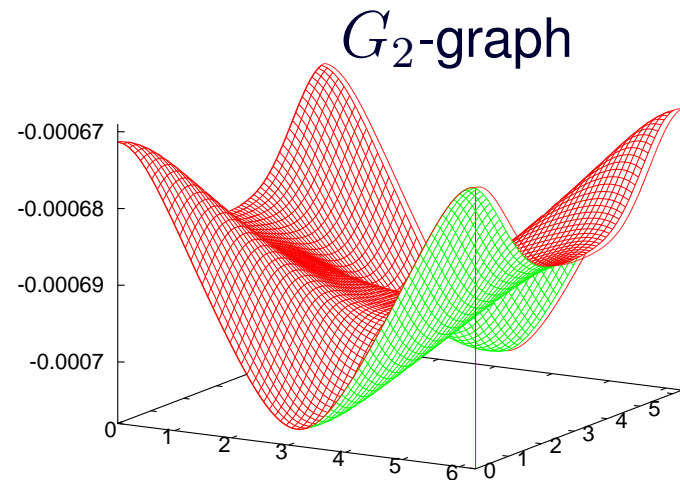
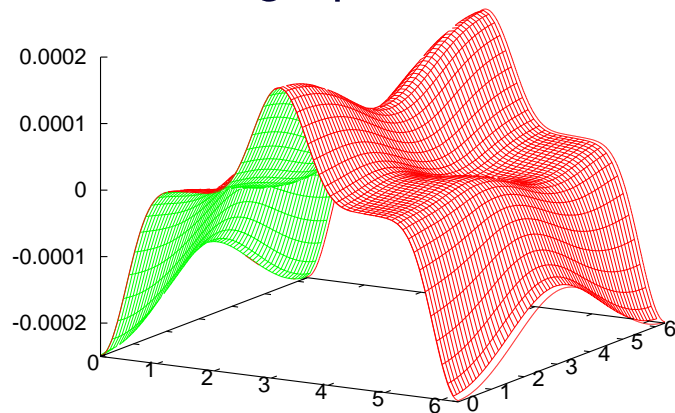
We express  $H_0 = G_1 + \nu G_2$ ,  $G_1 = \Gamma_1$ ,  $G_2 = \Gamma_2 - \Gamma_3 + \Gamma_3^2$ ,  
 and we consider the Poincaré section  $\Sigma = \max(R_2)$ .  
 The values are represented as functions of  $(\psi, \theta)$ .



$G_1$ -graph



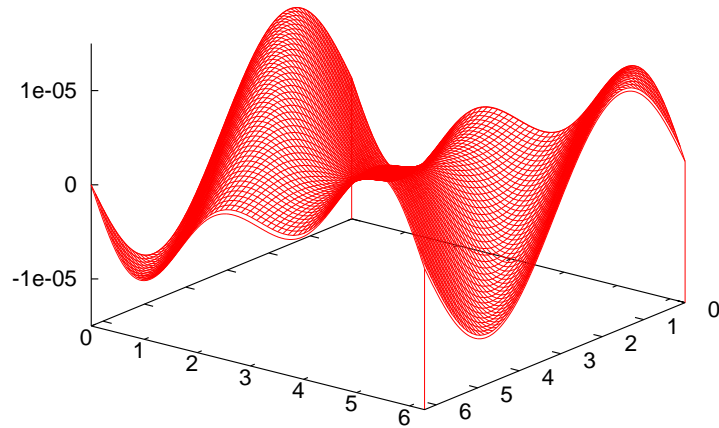
$$\nu = 2^{-4}$$



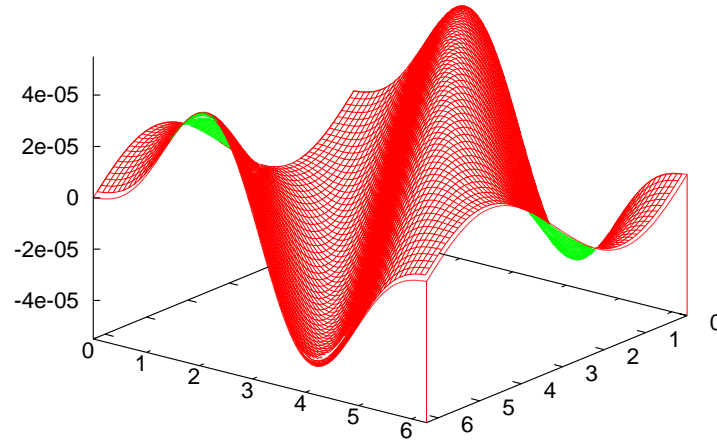
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# The splitting of the invariant manifolds

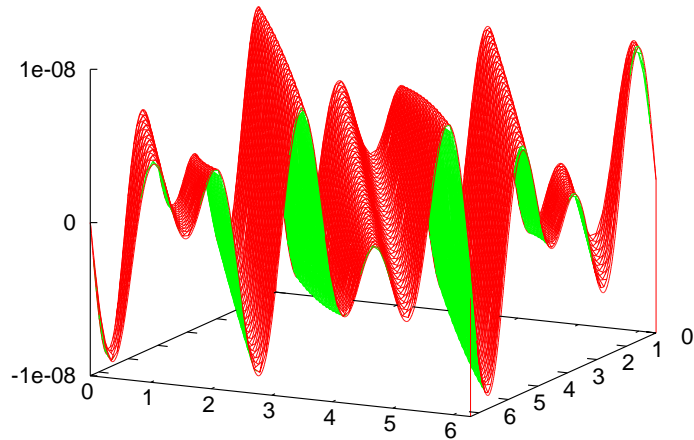


$\Delta G_1(1,1)$

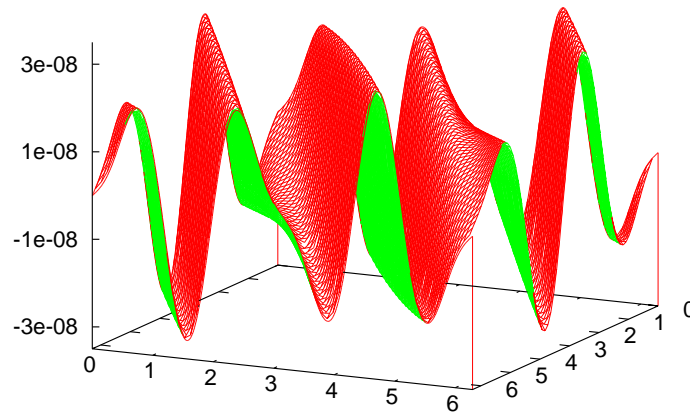


$\Delta G_2(1,1)$

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$\Delta G_1(3,5)$



$\Delta G_2(2,3)$

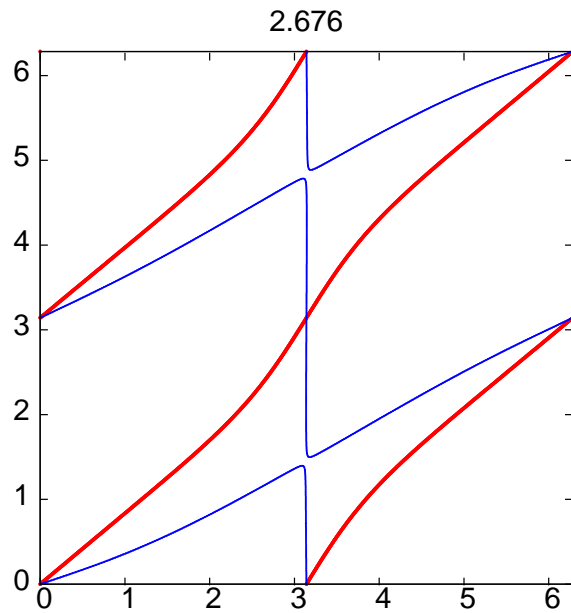
$$\nu = 2^{-6}$$

# Remarks on the previous computations

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1. We propagate a set  $\{\psi_{0,k}, \theta_{0,j}\}$ ,  $0 \leq k, j \leq 512$ , of initial points in the fundamental torus  $\mathcal{T}$  (i.e. a total number of  $2^{18}$  initial conditions) up to reach the Poincaré section  $\Sigma$ .
2. The numerical integration is performed using an **ad-hoc implemented Taylor time-stepper scheme with quadruple precision**.
3. The propagation of  $\mathcal{T}$  up to  $\Sigma$  gives a 2D torus  $\mathcal{T}_\Sigma$ . The invariant manifolds  $W^{u/s}(\mathbf{0})$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  are defined by the  $G_1$  and the  $G_2$ -graphs over  $\mathcal{T}_\Sigma$ .
4. To **compute the difference** (i.e. the splitting) between  $W^u(\mathbf{0})$  and  $W^s(\mathbf{0})$  we need to **compare them at the same points** of  $\mathcal{T}_\Sigma$ . Hence, we select a mesh of angles  $\psi$  and  $\theta$  within  $\mathcal{T}_\Sigma$ , and refine the initial conditions in  $\mathcal{T}$  using a Newton method.

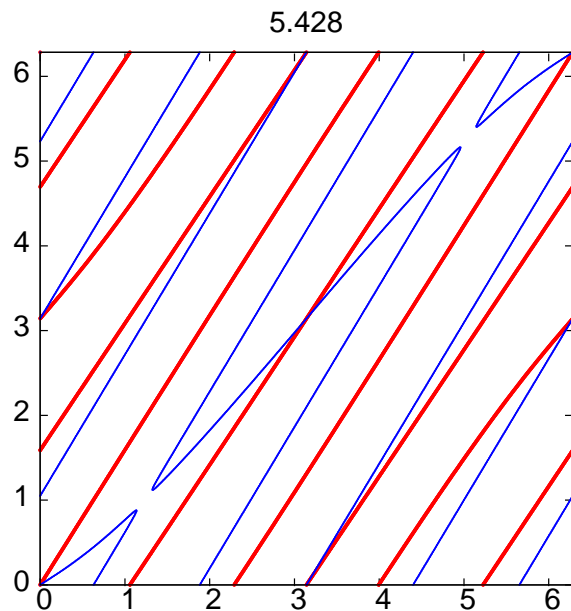
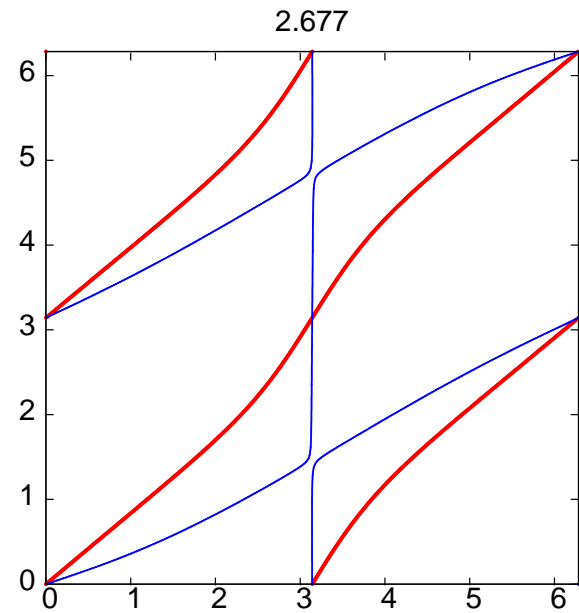
# Nodal lines: changes of the dominant harmonic



$(1,1), (1,0)$



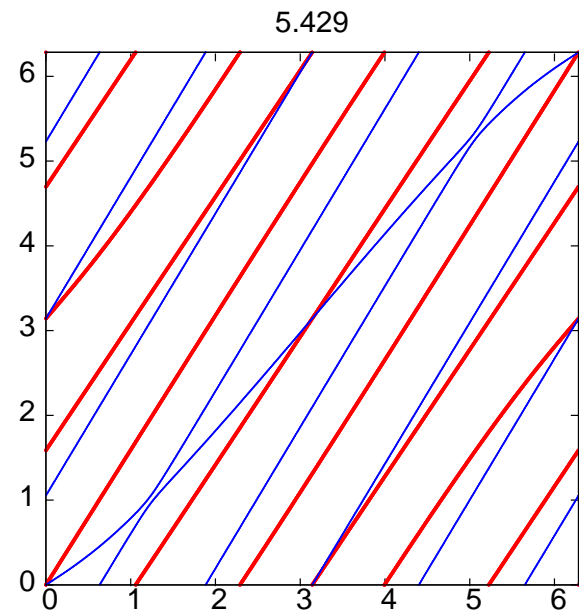
$(1,1), (1,1)$



$(2,3), (1,2)$



$(2,3), (2,3)$



# Change of dominant harmonics

$-\log_2 \nu_+$	$-\log_2 \nu_-$	Change of the dom harm of the $G_1, G_2$ -splittings
2.443	2.444	$(1,0), (1,0) \longrightarrow (1,1), (1,0)$
2.676	2.677	$(1,1), (1,0) \longrightarrow (1,1), (1,1)$
4.112	4.113	$(1,1), (1,1) \longrightarrow (1,2), (1,1)$
4.300	4.301	$(1,2), (1,1) \longrightarrow (1,2), (1,2)$
5.133	5.134	$(1,2), (1,2) \longrightarrow (2,3), (1,2)$
5.428	5.429	$(2,3), (1,2) \longrightarrow (2,3), (2,3)$
5.971	5.972	$(2,3), (2,3) \longrightarrow (3,5), (2,3)$
6.234	6.235	$(2,3), (2,3) \longrightarrow (3,5), (2,3)$

Table 1: Changes in the dominant harmonic of the  $G_1$  splitting function and the  $G_2$  splitting function. The change takes place for  $\nu \in (\nu_-, \nu_+)$ .

# The Melnikov integral

For simplicity, we discuss on the  $G_1$ -splitting (similar for the  $G_2$ -splitting).

Recall that  $H_1 = g(y_1)f(\theta)$  where

$$g(y_1) = y_1^5(d - y_1)^{-1} \rightsquigarrow g'(y_1) = \sum_{k \geq 0} d_k y_1^{4+k},$$
$$f(\theta) = (c - \cos(\theta))^{-1} = \sum_{j \geq 0} c_j \cos(j\theta).$$

## The P-M function:

If  $\zeta^0(s)$  is a solution of the system when  $\epsilon = 0$ , then the **distance**

$$G_1^u(\psi_0, \theta_0) - G_1^s(\psi_0, \theta_0) = \Delta G_1 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2),$$

is given by

$$\Delta G_1 = \epsilon \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \{G_1, H_1\} \circ \zeta^0(s) ds + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$$
$$= 4\epsilon \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sin(t + \psi_0) f(\gamma t + \theta_0) \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{\sqrt{2^{k+1}} d_k (\cos(t + \psi_0))^{4+k}}{(\cosh(\nu t))^{5+k}} dt.$$

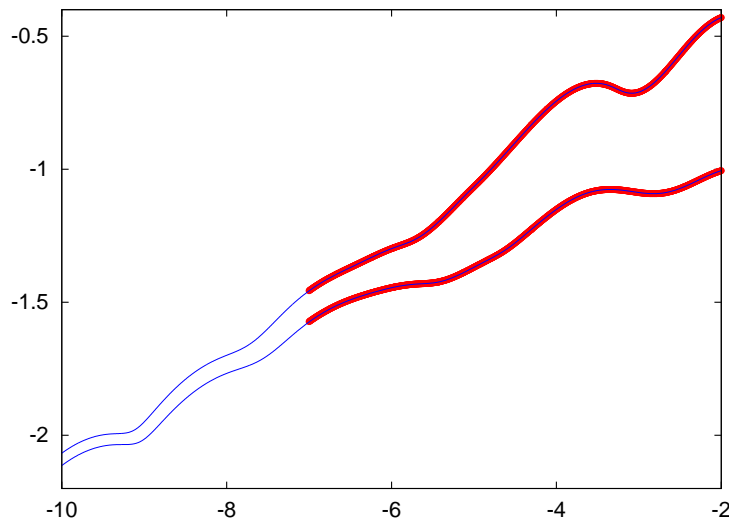
**Recall that** on the unperturbed separatrices  $\psi = t + \psi_0$ ,  $\theta = \gamma t + \theta_0$ ,  $(\psi_0, \theta_0) \in \mathcal{T}$ .

# Comparison numerics/symbolic evaluation

After some algebra one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta G_1 &= \epsilon \sum_{j \geq 0} c_j \sum_{k \geq 0} 2^{\frac{3+k}{2}} d_k \sum_{0 \leq 2i \leq 4+k} b_{4+k,i} \sum_{l=\pm 1} I_1 \sin((k+5-2i)\psi_0 + lj\theta_0) \\ &= \epsilon \sum_{m_1 \geq 0} \sum_{m_2 \in \mathbb{Z}} C_{m_1, m_2}^{(1)} \sin(m_1\psi_0 - m_2\theta_0), \quad \text{where} \end{aligned}$$

$$I_1 = I_1(k+5-2i+l j \gamma, \nu, k+5), \quad I_1(s, \nu, n) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{\cos(st)}{(\cosh(\nu t))^n} dt, \quad b_{m,i} = \frac{m+1-2i}{2^m(m+1)} \binom{m+1}{i}$$



We represent  $\log(\Delta G_i/\epsilon)\sqrt{\nu}$ , for  $i = 1$  (bottom) and  $i = 2$  (top), as a function of  $\log_2(\nu)$ .

Red: Direct numerical computations.

Blue: Sum of the significant terms of the Melnikov series.

# Main theoretical result

For the system  $H = H_0 + \epsilon H_1$  under consideration, let us assume that

$$\epsilon > 0, \quad c > 1, \quad d > \sqrt{2}, \quad \gamma \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q} \quad \text{and} \quad \nu < \nu_M \ll 1.$$

Let  $m_1/m_2$  be an approximant of  $\gamma$ , and let  $c_s \in \mathbb{R}$  be the **constant** such that

$$c_s m_1 |m_1 - \gamma m_2| = 1.$$

**Thm.** There exists a “universal” (almost independent of  $\gamma$ ) function  $\psi_1(L)$  s.t. the contribution of the harmonic associated to  $m_1/m_2$  to the splitting satisfies

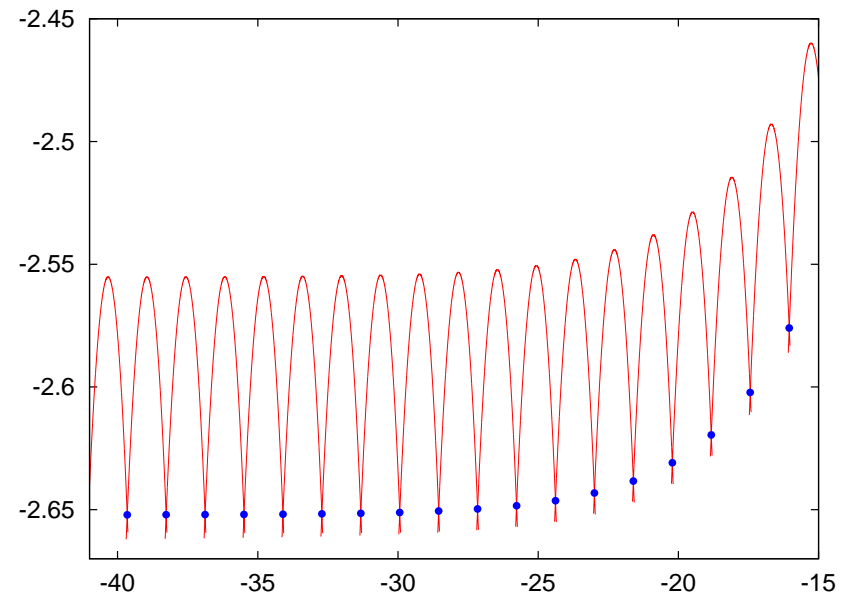
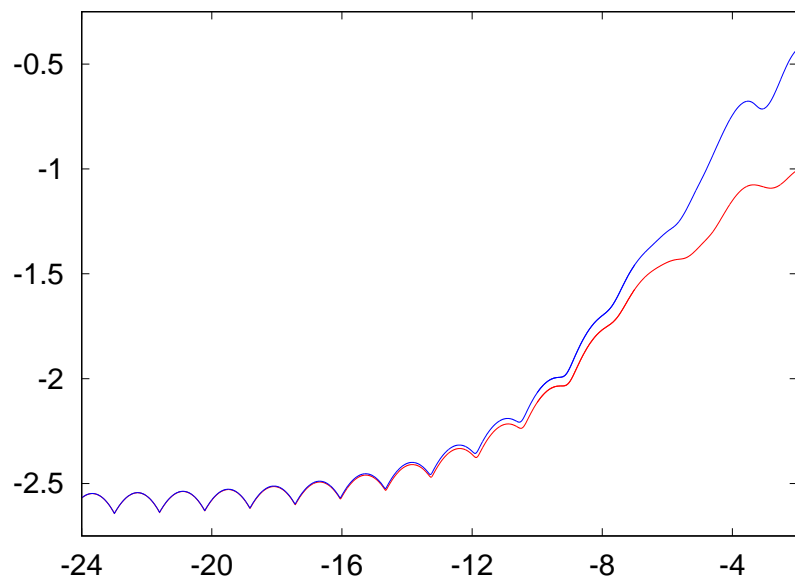
$$\psi_i(L)|_{L=c_s \nu m_1^2} \approx \sqrt{c_s \nu} \log |C_{m_1, m_2}^{(i)}|, \quad \text{when } \nu \rightarrow 0,$$

where  $\Psi_2(L) = \Psi_1(L) - \sqrt{L} \log L/m_1$ ,  $\Psi_i(L) \leq \Psi_M \approx -4.860298$ .

In particular, if  $m_1/m_2$  corresponds to a **dominant HBA** of  $\Delta G_1$  (resp.  $\Delta G_2$ ) for  $\nu \in (\nu_0, \nu_1)$ ,  $\nu_0, \nu_1 \ll 1$ , then

$$\Delta G_i \approx \exp \left( \psi_i(L)|_{L=\nu m_1^2 c_s / \sqrt{\nu}} \right), \quad i = 1, 2,$$

# Changes of the dominant harmonic

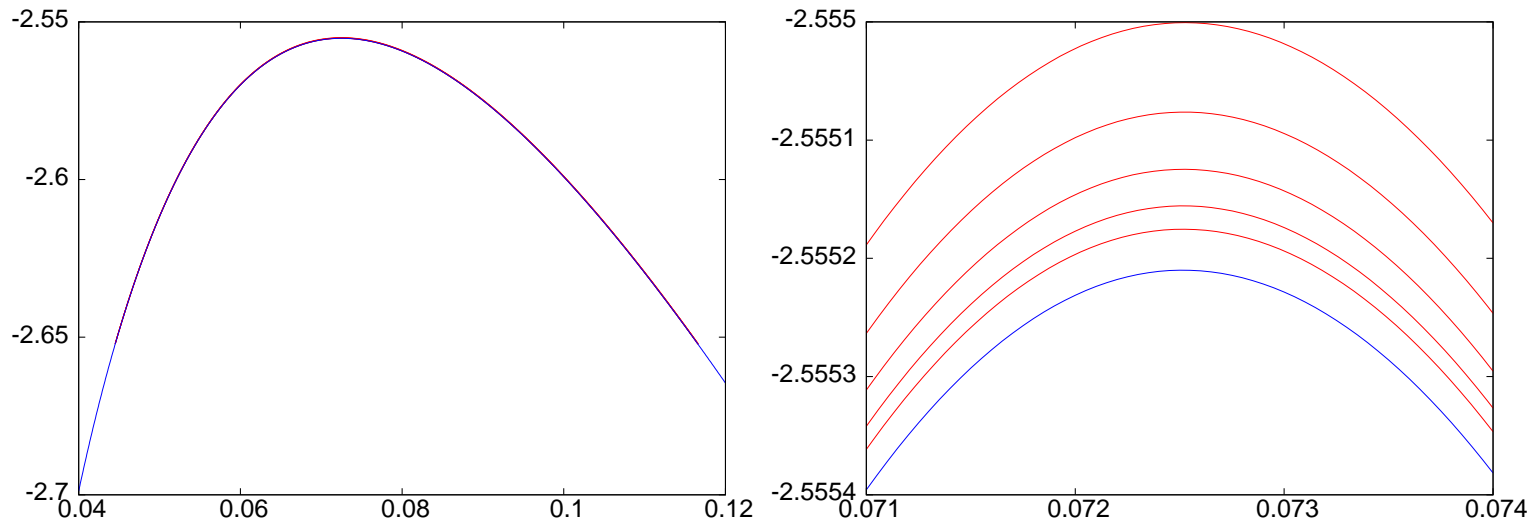


For  $\gamma = (\sqrt{5} - 1)/2$ ,  $\epsilon = 10^{-4}$  we represent  $\sqrt{\nu} \log |C_{m_1, m_2}^{(1)} / \epsilon|$  as a function of  $\log_2(\nu)$ . The points correspond to the values  $\nu_j$  where changes the dominant harmonic. As expected, dominant harmonics are associated to **BA**: from  $m_1 = F_j \rightarrow F_{j+1}$ , where  $\{F_j\}_j$  denotes the Fibonacci sequence. The rightmost change corresponds to  $m_1 = 55 \rightarrow m_1 = 89$ , while the leftmost to  $m_1 = 196418 \rightarrow m_1 = 317811$ .



# The function $\psi_1(L)$

We have an **explicit expression** of  $\psi_1(L)$ . For  $\gamma = (\sqrt{5} - 1)/2$  one has  $c_s \approx \sqrt{5}(1 + \gamma)$ . Denote by  $\tilde{L} = L/c_s$ .

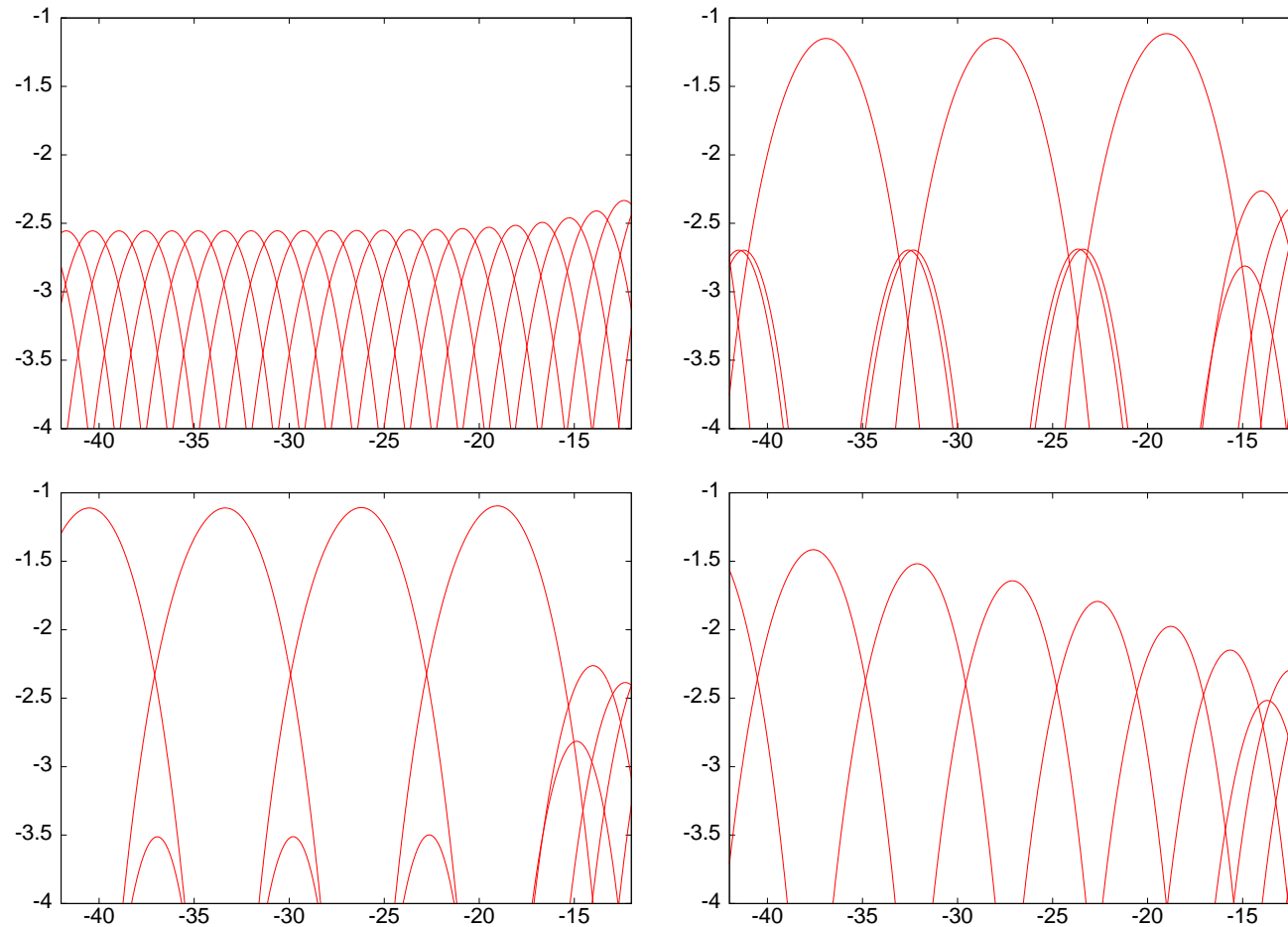


Left: Five leftmost picks of the previous fig. as a function of  $\tilde{L}$  (in red).  
The function  $\psi_1(\tilde{L})$  is displayed in blue.

Right: Magnification of the central zone of the left plot.

The red curves tend to  $\psi_1(\tilde{L})$  as  $\nu$  decreases (and  $m_1$  increases).

# Other frequencies: BA and hidden BA (HBA)



We display  $\sqrt{\nu}(\log(\Delta G_1)/\epsilon)$  as a function of  $\log_2(\nu)$ .

Top left :  $\gamma_0 = (\sqrt{5} - 1)/2 = [0; 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, \dots] \approx 0.618033988749894$ .

Top right :  $\gamma_1 = [0; 10 \times 1, 1, 10, 1, 1, 10, 1, 1, 10, 1, \dots] \approx 0.618051226819253$ .

Bottom left :  $\gamma_2 = [0; 10 \times 1, 1, 10, 1, 10, 1, 10, 1, 10, \dots] \approx 0.618051374461158$ .

Bottom right:  $\gamma_3 = [0; 10 \times 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, \dots] \approx 0.618020663293438$ .

# Hidden HBA: questions and assumptions

As said it is reasonable to expect that BA are dominant. But...

1.  $\gamma_2$  has **some hidden** BA harmonics (HBA) [Delshams-Gutierrez-Gonchenko 2014]

**Q:** Why some BA never dominate for any  $\nu$ ? Which conditions satisfy?

2. all **frequencies**  $\gamma_i$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2, 3$ , **shown before** are rather “special”.

**Q:** What is expected for “typical” (full measure set) frequency  $\gamma$ .

Let us assume that (our system satisfies these assumptions):

- The perturbation is the **product of two functions**  $f(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2)$  and  $g(\theta)$ , denote by  $\mathcal{P}_1(t, \psi)$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2(\theta)$  their contribution to the P-M integral.
- The **homoclinic connections** tend to zero when  $t \rightarrow \pm\infty$  **as**  $\text{sech}(\nu t)$ .
- $\mathcal{P}_1(t, \psi)$  is of the form  $\sum A_j(t) \sin(j\psi)$ ,  $\psi = t + \psi_0$ , where  $A_j$  depend on powers of  $\text{sech}(t)$  and  $\|A_j\| \sim \exp(-j\rho_1)$ ,  $\rho_1 > 0$ ,
- $\mathcal{P}_2(\theta)$  is of the form  $B \sum_{j \geq 1} \exp(-j\rho_2) \cos(j\theta)$ ,  $\theta = \gamma t + \theta_0$ ,  $\rho_2 > 0$ .

# Contribution of HBA

Under previous assumptions, one has that **minus the logarithm of the contribution** of the harmonic related to the BA  $N_k/D_k$  to the P-M function is

$$T(\nu, D_k) \approx D_k + s_k/\nu,$$

where  $s_k = |N_k - \gamma D_k|$  and where we have approximated  $N_k = \gamma D_k + \mathcal{O}(D_k^{-2})$ . The role of CFE appears as

$$s_k^{-1} = D_k \left( c_k^+ + 1/c_k^- \right), \quad c_k^+ = [q_{k+1}; q_{k+2}, \dots], \quad c_k^- = [q_k; q_{k-1}, \dots, q_1].$$

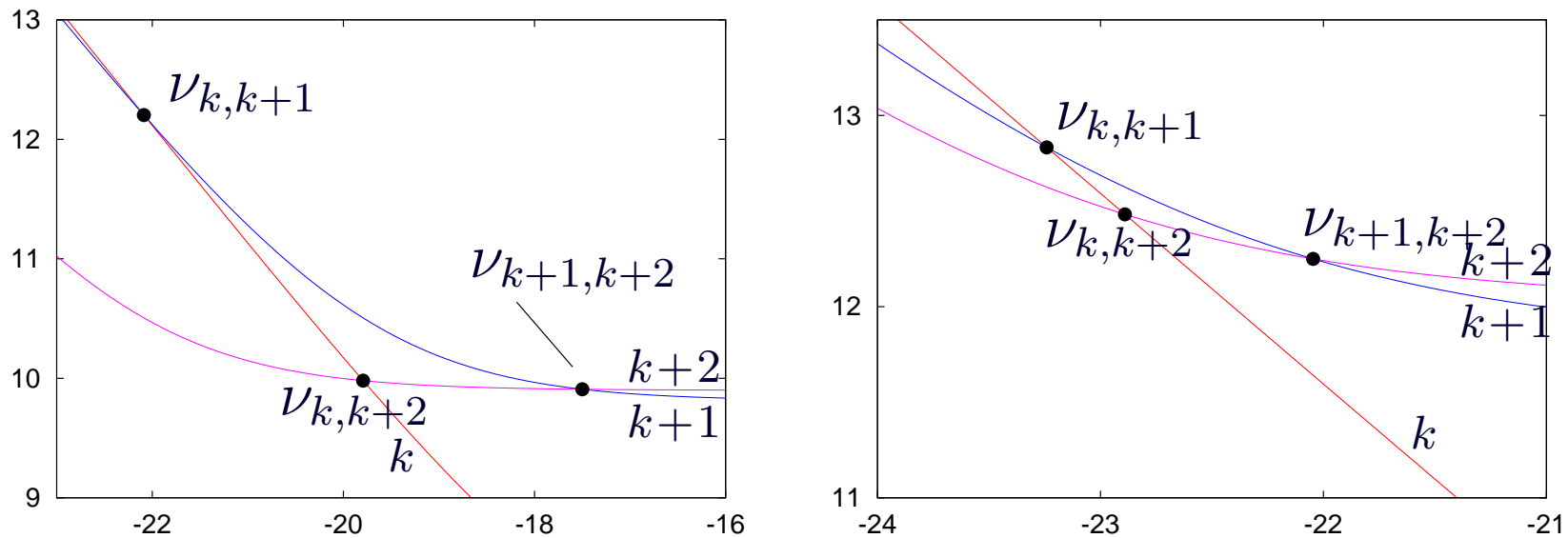
We are **interested in minimizing**  $T(\nu, D_k)$  for a given  $\nu$ . The optimal  $D_k$  depends on the arithmetic properties of  $\gamma$ .

## Remark:

The frequencies  $\gamma_i, i = 0, 1, 2$ , verify  $|p - q\gamma_i| \geq c/q^\tau, \tau \geq 1, c > 0$ , and  $\gamma_3$  satisfies  $|p - q\gamma_3| \geq c/(q \log q)^\sigma, \sigma \geq 1, c \geq 0$  (this explains why the maxima in the plot increases like  $\log \nu$ ).

# Results on HBA for $\nu$ small ( $D_k$ large)

When  $T(\nu, D_k) = T(\nu, D_l)$  a **change of optimal** from  $N_k/D_k$  to  $N_l/D_l$ ,  $l > k$ , is produced. This gives  $\nu_{k,l} = \frac{s_k - s_l}{D_l - D_k}$ .



We display  $\log(T(\nu, D_j))$ ,  $j = k, k + 1, k + 2$ , as a function of  $\log(\nu)$ . The  $k + 1$ -th BA is hidden. **Left:**  $\gamma = \gamma_2$ . **Right:**  $\gamma = \pi - 3$ .

**Thm. 1. Two consecutive harmonics associated to BA cannot be hidden.**

2. If the  $k + 1$ -th harmonic associated to BA is hidden then  $q_{k+2} = 1$ .

# “Typical” measure-theoretical properties

Properties related to the CFE that hold for numbers in a **set of full measure**:

- The geometric mean of CFE quotients tends to the Kinchin constant  $KC \approx 2.685452$ .
- Let  $D_n$  the BA denominators. Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log(D_n)/n \rightarrow LC = \pi^2 / (12 \log(2))$  Levy constant.
- The Gauss map  $x \rightarrow 1/x - [1/x]$  is ergodic and the probability of having  $k$  as a quotient is given by the Gauss-Kuzmin law:  
 $P(k) = \log_2(1 + 1/(k^2 + 2k))$ . For a “typical” number, its CFE is a sequence of realizations of **not independent** iid random variables.

**Numerical checks** (based on the first  $\approx 5 \times 10^7$  first quotients) support that

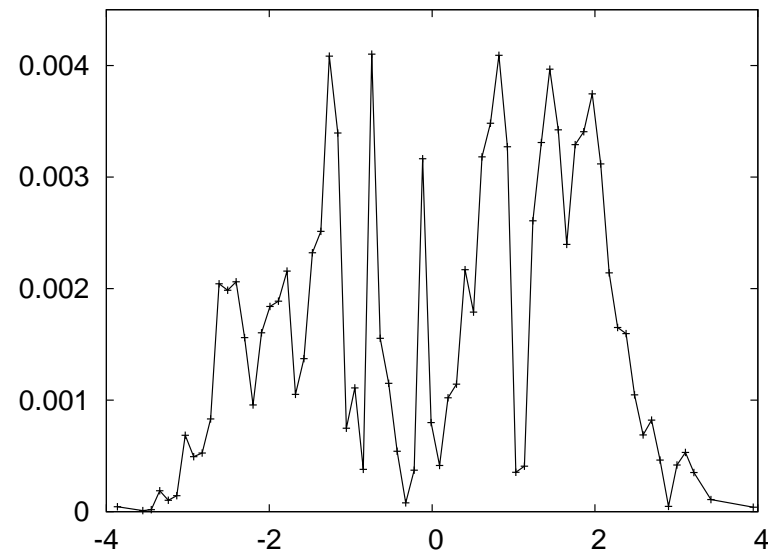
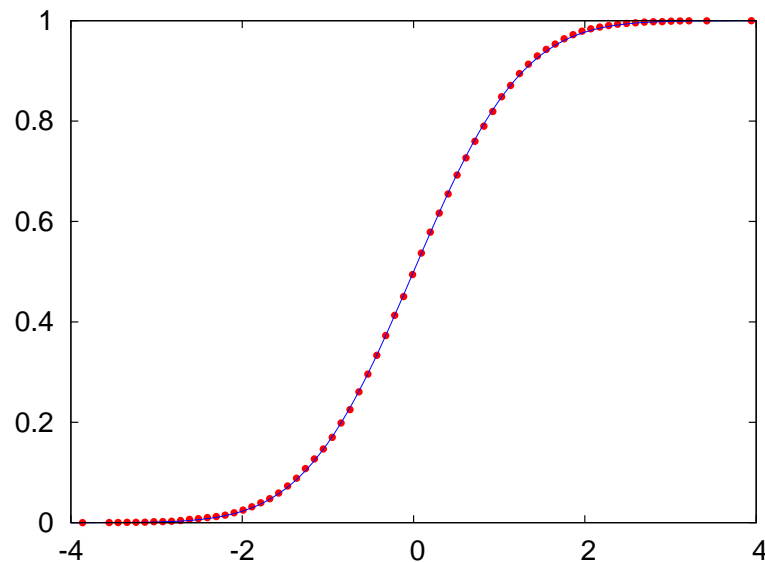
$$\gamma = \pi - 3, e^{\gamma_0}, e^{\sqrt{2}} - 4, e^{\sqrt{3}} - 5, e^{\sqrt{5}} - 9, \text{ and } e^{\sqrt{7}} - 14,$$

verify the previous “typical” properties.

# A conjecture on the distribution of HBA

**Conjecture:** Under the assumptions on the homoclinic and the perturbation stated, for a set of ratios of two frequencies  $(1, \gamma)$  of full measure, **the distribution of HBA follows a normal law.**

Numerical results for the system considered (we show results for  $\gamma = \pi - 3$ ).



Counting the HBA in blocks of 1000 consecutive BA, we obtain that the CDF is  $N(\mu, \sigma)$  with  $\mu \approx 279.118$  and  $\sigma \approx 9.604$  in all cases. That is, for our system and for a “typical” frequency  $\gamma$  we expect that **more than one fourth of the BA are HBA**. E.g.  $\gamma = \pi - 3$ : 2785810 HBA from the first  $10^7$  quotients.

# What remains?

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1. To theoretically justify the first-order Melnikov approach, and explain the **very good agreement** between the **symbolical** and **numerical** results.
2. To use the results on the splitting to derive a 4D (adapted) **separatrix map** (requires the passage time close to the complex-saddle point). Analyze the **geometry** of the phase space and the **diffusive properties**.
3. To carry out the study of the splitting for the 4D **symplectic map** case (rational/irrational **Krein collision** of eigenvalues).
4. ...

**Thanks for your attention!!**